

friends of the enterprise, who forget not the teaching and training of the Society of Friends. And though many of us in our new fields of labor have united with other societies, and have other church-homes, we revere the memory of the dear ones whose lives were a constant sermon, the influence of which has made us, through God's blessing, able to live nearer Him who promises to guide us all every day if willing to be led.

The reading of the first number of THE YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW has been very pleasant to my best feelings. Surely much good will result from your efforts. How nice that all young Friends are invited to contribute and stand on the same footing. May each look to the true light in this work. A.S.H.

To the Editors of YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW.

Yours, no! I feel I can say our first number of THE YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW has been carefully read by me, and I felt very thankful that there has been life enough among our young members to organize and start a work that I trust will prove a great strength to our Society and a help to the cause of truth in the world. I say, I was filled with gladness while reading it, but was made to doubly rejoice at the manifested interest of Friends in the vicinity, especially of the younger ones. We are told "To prove all things and hold fast that which is good," and I think this very applicable to us, in our beloved Society, at its present day and age. Let us not look for the fault, or try to remember anything that has not been exemplary so much, as to hold fast all that is good, all that has been for the promotion of truth and righteousness. E. H.

HOME CULTURE AND THE FIRST-DAY SCHOOL.

In taking up the pen to note the result of the harvest which has been ripening the past month, we were reminded of the "Tree of Life, which bears twelve manner of fruits and yielded her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of nations;" and although we could hardly presume to make the comparison, yet the aspiration arose that our paper yielding its fruit every month might have life-giving qualities, and its leaves contain words of healing and incentives to a higher walk in life.

The First-Day School Association belonging to Genesee yearly meeting held its annual meeting at Farmington, N.Y., having two sessions, one on second day afternoon, the other on 4th day afternoon, of yearly meeting week. Both were interesting. In the former Samuel P. Zavitz and Mary T. Freeman were appointed clerks: Reports from Yarmouth Union, Pickering, Norwich and Lobo, Ontario; and East Hamburg and Boston, N.Y., were read, showing on the whole a healthy growth in the work since our last reports. Epistles from four sister associations were read, giving encouragement and citing to renewed faithfulness in the cause. To essay an epistle to these and to the other Associations with which we correspond, a committee was appointed, to report at next session.

At the second session, after the opening minute was read, the committee appointed to essay an epistle, produced one, which, with slight changes, was adopted and directed to be sent to each of the Associations with which we correspond.

The report from Yarmouth, Ont., contained an invitation to the General Conference to meet there at half-yearly meeting time, in 8th month, 1888. The course was approved and the clerks directed to forward the invitation to the General Conference to be held in Philadelphia this fall.

It was proposed, and united with, to raise forty dollars as a grant to the General Conference, to help defray expenses of printed matter which for some time we have had benefit of in our schools.

Mary J. Freeman and Edgar M. Zavitz were appointed delegates from the Association to the ensuing General Conference.

Two essays were read, one on "the promotion of First-Day Schools," the other on the "Mission of the Miracles."—(the first part of the latter will be found in this paper.)

Space will not permit our giving even a synopsis of the exercises, many of which showed deep interest in the promotion of the work. The growth of interest in the cause was manifested by the expressed experience of many who were converts to the efficiency and need of the work in our religious society.

The Association adjourned to meet in Yarmouth, Ont., on Second day afternoon, at four