

old, where she spent most of her life. She was always concerned in the interests of the Society.

HUNTINGTON, IND.

The Young Friends' Association met at the home of James Plummer on Seventh-day evening, 11th mo. 26th.

After a short silence, the chairman, William Moore, called the meeting to order. Routine business was then transacted. It was decided to have two readings or recitations at each meeting, besides the paper.

Clotilde Edmondson then read a paper, Subject: "Has any human being the power to develop the divine within the soul, without any aid from any other soul or any external means?"

The discussion which followed was very interesting and brought forth many ideas on the subject. Several claimed that no matter what the environments may be, anyone can develop all that is good within themselves without any help from any source; others claimed that we, of ourselves, cannot develop the divine without aid from without ourselves.

After a short social time, adjourned to meet 12th mo. 23rd.

CLOTILDE D. EDMONDSON,
Cor. Sec.

Harveysburg, Ohio,
12th mo. 11th, 1898.

Our Young Friends' Association started at Waynesville, Ohio, at the time in which Indiana Yearly Meeting was held in that place last fall, is we believe a step in the right direction, giving the needed encouragement to our young members, calling them into active service and making them more than ever see and understand the depth of thought in the words chosen for a heading on your valuable paper, not to neglect the gifts that is in them. These meetings are now held every two weeks, at the close of each the subject for the next meeting is announced,

then a programme is prepared by Committee, dividing the subject among those who attend.

A few weeks ago they had "Stumbling Blocks" for a subject, which proved very interesting for discussion. One of the young members on programme made his first public offering in rhyme. I have obtained his consent to offer it for publication in the REVIEW.

OUR CAUSE.

Friends as individuals, have duties that cannot be delegated to others. It is well enough to encourage ourselves by the contemplation of the great truths that our principles involved, and I do not wonder that we grow happy in the contemplation. It is not well, however, to allow ourselves to be absorbed by the thought that our duties as individuals cease with our faithful attendance at meetings and a common sense view of religion. The propagation of the spirit of Quakerism is with us an important question. Well may it be. I am impelled to quote from a letter, recently received from a zealous member of our Society in New York State. "Those who only attend meeting for the gratification of listening to an able discourse, no matter how instructive or helpful, are not the kind of Friends to spread our testimonies, to infuse life and vitality into the society, nor to help prolong its existence or usefulness. The leaning upon others unfits a person for active usefulness and induces a spiritual and mental idleness injurious alike to the individual and those near to him, who might be influenced in some measure by his lethargy."

If we are truly concerned for the future of the Society, we will at once recognize the truth in this statement. We associate together that we may have wider influence and be mutually helpful. A *visible* fellowship is absolutely necessary to the life of any organization, therefore the problem of