

IMPORTANT.

THIS is a regular issue of the YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW. We send it as a sample copy to many who are not subscribers, with a hope of adding their names to the list of regular subscribers. We would say to each of these: Peruse it carefully, and see if it is not worthy an abiding place in thy home. TRY IT FOR ONE YEAR. Consult the best interests of thy family, and ACT ACCORDINGLY.

There is in Friends' *Discipline* an advice "to prevent the introduction of pernicious literature in their families by supplying that which is profitable and inviting in its stead." We cannot say how *inviting* the pages of the REVIEW will be. That will depend on the taste of the reader. But we promise that it *shall be* PURE. And what is morally *pure*, if associated with, is *profitable*, and will become *inviting*. We want to raise the literary taste of every youthful member of our Society safely above the tide of "pernicious literature" flowing through the world. Surely this is a "consummation devoutly to be wished." Will our Friends aid us in the work?

There are but few families who cannot afford the small price of this Friends' paper, and if even these would send in their names we would do our best to send the paper free. We are in earnest. If anyone knows of a Friends' family that does not take a Friends' paper, because they really cannot afford it, please send us their address and we will see what we can do in sending the REVIEW the coming year free. THE SOCIETY OUGHT TO SEE THAT A FRIENDS' PAPER IS IN EVERY FRIENDS' FAMILY IN AMERICA. Any Friend who can afford, and will send the publishers from \$1.00 to \$5.00 above their own subscription, we will endeavor to distribute it among the poor in our society in that way. If you will trust us as your messengers to carry light and joy into these sadly unfortunate homes, we will think it a favor. Consider the plan, you who are blessed with an abundance, and let us hear from you promptly. Every 50 cents, we give our word, will secure the REVIEW to some one. Through the press we have a cheap and efficient means of reaching out to the isolated families of Friends, in the endeavor to keep them interested and loving members of our religious fold. We trust we may possess a love and zeal for the welfare of our Society, without being considered selfish, narrow minded or uncharitable. Let other religious denominations have their own means of retaining, interesting and elevating their own young people; and may God help them in it. But may God help us too. Our Society has sustained a great loss in the past by being careless in this respect. The transforming period between childhood and manhood and womanhood, has too often transformed them from our Society into some other Society. We believe it is the mission of the REVIEW to counteract, in part, this tendency. We feel it has an important and a divine mission, whether the weak hands into which it has fallen will divinely fulfill it or not. We prayerfully and hopefully call on each one who reads this to strengthen them. We lay before you, if we judge rightly, an opportunity to promote the future welfare of our Society. Is it not so? Think it over. The tendency of the REVIEW is already felt to be interfusing the spirit of mutual interest among its contributors and readers. "Mutual Interest," what will that do? Call it "fellowship," if you choose, or "love and unity," but it is the fundamental organizing principle in all society and to it Friends as a Society must look for its salvation. A "mutual interest" has been stimulated by the First Day School work and who does not see the added impetus it has given to every Yearly Meeting on this continent. What true Friend does not rejoice at this hopeful "sign of the times." To make it still more efficient we are willing to give to the service of the First Day School sufficient space in the YOUNG FRIENDS REVIEW to make it a representative organ. We cannot all meet together, but we can make the worthy essays common property, we can have an interchange of views, and establish a concerted action by this means, which will greatly aid the important work.

Will not some Friend in every Friendly neighborhood be willing to extend the circulation and thereby the influence of the YOUNG FRIENDS REVIEW? will they not for the sake of giving our young men and women an opportunity for cultivating the "GIFT THAT IS IN THEM;" for the sake of furnishing them with literature that is necessarily elevating and refining; for the sake of this tide of earnestness that is rejuvenating our Society; will they not, finally, for the sake of a religion, pure and spiritual, and a Society grand in past history, and glorious in future hope?

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