

understand this last call, summoning one in the prime of life to leave a loyal and devoted family; summoning one doing so much for us all, and taking from this Association one of its most active and earnest members, an ever-ready writer, a bright and happy speaker, a conscientious and most efficient officer, who, at all time, was kind and charitable, but a courageous defender of the right, and an unswerving friend. Here, too, we had another striking example of an individual living her creed with no routine profession, but a strict obedience to that which the Divine Light revealed to be her duty, regardless of what man might say.

"We cannot chide the will of Providence; we must not grieve for her who, beyond all earthly solicitude, must sit, if ever one did, upon the Heavenly throne. We mourn for ourselves; we cannot help it. The hour is dark; our hearts are weeping; and we can only bury our sorrow in the hope of a future happy meeting with the self-sacrificing life and joyous spirit of our departed and honored associate and Secretary—Esther Potts.

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For YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW.

BLUE RIVER QUARTERLY MEETING.

This Meeting, which in this month is held at Benjaminville, Illinois, now lives but in our memory. It was felt to be a soul-satisfying meeting, for which we should be thankful to the Great Master of assemblies; in addition to the spiritual blessings vouchsafed, were the pleasant social features of the occasion, augmented by agreeable weather and fairly good roads, so different from what is often experienced at this time of year. Representatives and visitors were present from four of the constituent Meetings (five in number), besides the members of the home meeting. The meeting for ministers and

elders was held on the afternoon of Sixth-day, with the usual routine business, *all* absent representatives sending reasonable excuses for absence. This was a little uncommon, and was a pleasant feature. Remarks were made on the seriousness of life and its responsibilities, and the question was asked, "Why do I attend meeting? If simply because I feel it a *duty* to do my share toward keeping it up, it will fail of best effects." That is better than not to go at all; but if I go because I *love* to go, because of the spiritual benefit to be derived from social worship, then I may look for a blessing both on myself and the meeting.

The First day School Quarterly Conference was held in the evening with quite a large and interested attendance. After routine business and a few exercises by the junior portion of the scholars, the subject of the "Lesson Leaves" was introduced by the Superintendent reading an excellent paper, giving reasons for returning to the use of the *International Texts, not Lessons*. During the discussion, the views of R. S. Haviland, as expressed in the *Intelligencer and Journal* of 2nd mo. 15th, were read throwing more light on the subject, clearing up misapprehensions which had been entertained by some regarding the attitude of Friends toward the International Series. It appeared to be the general sentiment, that advantage might result, certainly no disadvantage, from taking them up again, that is using the texts with our *own* explanation. In all this, there was no feeling manifested *against* the Leaves as prepared by Friends, on the contrary much commendation was expressed of their worth, a few being of the opinion they were much better adapted to our needs than any others could ever be. We finally concluded we more nearly accorded in sentiment than we at first imagined.

Seventh day, meeting convened about 10 a.m., in a living silence, broken by earnest supplication to "*Our Father,*" that we might feel and be benefited by