

FOR YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW.

VISIT OF ABEL MILLS.

Having matured a concern that engaged my mind to attend Prairie Grove Quarterly Meeting, to be held near Marietta, Marshall Co., Iowa, on the 7th of 12th mo., 1895, I started on the afternoon of the 5th of 12th mo., going by way of Dixon, Ills. Arriving at Lamoill, Iowa, near 11 a.m. on the 6th, where my kind friend, Nathan Edsall, was in waiting to convey me to his house, three and one-half miles away, where I met with a cordial welcome by all. In the evening John Cory and daughter Malissa, who reside near Tama City, joined us. I made a short but a pleasant call at the home of Jesse Hale. Seventh-day morning, at 9:30, Select Meeting opened its session. A message of love and encouragement was offered by two. The business was transacted in much harmony.

At 11 a.m., the time for the Quarterly Session, Friends and others assembled, until the house was pretty well filled, considering the season of the year. The silence was broken by our friend, Nathan Edsall, with a few well timed remarks. From another instrument words flowed freely, setting forth the necessity of consistent daily walking, without which we cannot claim to be joint heirs with Christ nor heirs of God. His kingdom must be established in the hearts of men. In all ages of the world's history the witness for God through man has been accorded to the seeking mind. The attention given was all that could have been desired, evidencing that the witness for truth had been reached. The business claiming attention was transacted in much unity of feeling.

Harry Hartley was the only representative of Wapsenonock Monthly Meeting. Theodore Russell and Mary Vonseack, a daughter of the late Caleb Russell, of Prairie Grove Monthly Meeting, Iowa, were present. I think we all felt it was good to be there.

Dined with our kind friend, Eliza M. Pyle and family, where a few hours were spent pleasantly. Returning to the Meeting-house, for an evening session of the Philanthropic Committee. Moderate attendance, with considerable interest manifest in the several subjects introduced.

Lodged at John Packer's, with whose family the time was passed pleasantly.

First-day morning cool and crisp. My friend, John Packer, conveyed me to Lamoill for the purpose of telegraphing to a friend at West Liberty of my prospect of visiting them. Attended meeting at 11 a.m. The house was nearly filled. At a suitable season our friend, Nathan Edsall, made some remarks, calling our attention to the one thing needful, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, evidencing the true worshipper; after which the writer of these lines offered the mite that was given in testimony of the ever presence of that power that not only can save, but can also redeem us from our transgressions, which are many. We have evidence that the blessings granted us were appreciated by all. Several members of the other branch were present both days. An expression of satisfaction was given by several of them. We are glad to realize that Christianity, in its true sense, is becoming less superficial. The element for its foundation must be love for the brethren. He that declares, either by word or deed, that he loves God and disregards his fellow man, does *not* rest his peace in the bosom of the Father. My faith in the efficacy of silent worship has been renewed, and I am encouraged in the evidence that the Christian element will accept this philosophy. This brings me to conclude that the mission of the Society of Friends will be continuous. At the close of the meeting we partook of a lunch satisfying the physical man. At 2 p.m. a session of the First-day School Association was held. Truly encouraging were the exercises to an attentive audience.