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"NEGLECT NOT THE GIFT THAT IS IN THEE."

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BETWEEN THE GATES.

Between the gates of birth and death
An old and saintly pilgrim passed,
With look of one who witnesseth
The long sought goal at last.

"O thou whose reverent feet have found
The Master's footprints in thy way,
And walked thereon as holy ground,
A boon of thee I pray.

"My lack would borrow thy excess,
My feeble faith the strength of thine ;
I need thy soul's white saintliness
To hide the stains of mine.

"The grace and favor else denied
May well be granted for thy sake,"
So, tempted, doubting, sorely tried,
A younger pilgrim spake.

"Thy prayer, my son, transcends my gift ;
No power is mine," the sage replied,
"The burden of a soul to lift,
Or stain of sin to hide.

"How'er the outward life may seem,
For pardoning grace we all must pray,
No man his brother can redeem
Or a soul's ransom pay.

"Not always age is growth of good :
Its years have losses with their gain :
Against some evil youth withstood
Its hands may strive in vain.

"With deeper voice than any speech
Of mortal lips from man to man,
What earth's unwisdom may not teach
The Spirit only can.

"Make thou that holy Guide thine own,
And following where it leads the way,
The known shall lapse in the unknown
As twilight into day.

"The best of earth shall still remain,
And Heaven's eternal years shall prove
That life and death, and joy and pain
Are ministers of Love."

—[JOHN G. WHITTIER in the Independent.

The world either breaks or hardens
the heart.—*Chamfort.*

OHIO YEARLY MEETING.

Ohio Yearly Meeting was held this year at Salem, Columbiana County, Ohio. The meeting for ministers and elders was on Seventh day, the 29th of Eighth month.

First-day morning opened clear and cool, and the meeting convened at 10 a. m. The impressive silence was broken by Levi Benson, who exhorted all to come to the one true Life to be saved, not to stop with the external man and miss the knowledge of Him who is the resurrection and the life ; for it is life eternal to know Thee, the only true God. Edward Coale followed, showing the great need of a knowledge of truth, how that little spark of religious truth grows brighter and brighter until the perfect day because it is the truth. The advancement of the religion of Jesus did not come by armies, but from individuals who searched for truth. His religion was a developing religion and continues to develop. If each one would do his individual duty and search for the truth as it is in Jesus Christ what a blessed world this would be. Truth is life eternal. If we know not this truth as it is in God we are not in harmony with God's laws.

In the afternoon the meeting gathered at 3 o'clock. Levi Benson bore a testimony of considerable length. He showed from various texts the necessity of seeking the kingdom of God in all things, that unless the spirit of man comes in harmony with the Divine spirit he cannot be of God. Except the Lord buildeth the city the watchmen waiteth in vain.

Ezekiel Roberts called all to obedience in everything, assuring us of the full reward if we comply to the draw-