

The following resolution passed at the Ontario Teachers' Association, recently held in Toronto is in the right direction we think. It was passed by a large majority after a lengthy discussion :

"That in opinion of this Association the demand for such a change in the school law as would make it obligatory on teachers to give religious instruction in school is unreasonable; that it is expedient to leave the question of Bible reading and religious instruction as the law has left it for many years to the public opinion of each school district, and that until the clergy give the present system a fair trial by generally availing themselves of the opportunity offered them by the present law of giving religious instruction to pupils in the Public Schools, any attempt on their part to agitate for a change should be discountenanced by all who desire to see our non-sectarian educational system kept free from sectarian controversy."

Indiana Yearly Meeting at Richmond, Ind., 9th mo. 26th.

Illinois Yearly Meeting is held at Mt. Palatine, Ill., 9th mo. 12th.

Canada Half-Yearly Meeting is to be held at Young street on the 25th and 26th inst.

For the Review.

The ably written article by Rowland Haines in the REVIEW for 7th month struck a few corresponding thoughts in my own mind.

I have so often felt that the one great cloud of barbarism which hangs over the female of fashion, is this mode of dress, this cruel, suicidal manner of obtaining a delicate waist.

The woman of the world claims to understand the lines of beauty, but even were she to take the most beautiful Greek model for a pattern she would find her education false.

It is most assuredly true that here is a wide field of labor wherein woman may exercise her powers for good.

Let every woman of culture take hold of this great subject of Dress Reform and teach those ignorant of the physical laws how the cruel incasing of the body destroys beauty and pre-

vents free action of the mental powers. This miserable custom of society has been a stigma on the race, and enfeebled each succeeding generation, until we, who understand the human body and its requirements, cry out for reform. "The proper study of mankind is man," so let every one study thoroughly the physiological effects of dress, and there will be less of suffering in the human race.

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SUNDERLAND P. GARDNER.

Our venerable friend and eminent minister, Sunderland P. Gardner, has been attending meetings in Virginia lately. We are pleased to find so good an authority as Edward H. Magill, President of Swarthmore College, who was present at some of the meetings, writing to the *Intelligencer and Journal* the following in reference to his exercise in one of the meetings: "Sunderland P. Gardner, although now eighty-six years of age spoke for nearly an hour and a quarter without apparent fatigue; and his remarkably clear mind followed his definite line of convincing arguments, without wavering, to the end. It was a most earnest and touching appeal to all to accept the pure and undefiled religion which Jesus taught, both by precept and the example of a pure and holy life; and I was forcibly reminded of the early teaching of George Fox, when he claimed so earnestly to be the founder of no new religious sect, but merely a humble instrument, upon whom the duty was laid to call the people back to the unadulterated simplicity of the early Christian faith—a faith ever exemplified by works in every act of their daily lives. His appeal to young women and to young men, at the close of his discourse, was especially impressive, and must have touched deeply every heart. Under the powerful influence of such preaching our Religious Society