

last Yearly Meeting, committees have been appointed in each Monthly Meeting to have the care and oversight of First-day Schools. Encouraging reports were read, showing that successful schools have been in operation at Chappaqua the entire year, quite a number of the students from Chappaqua Mountain Institute taking part with them. At Purchase and Amawalk schools were in session during the summer, and at the latter place have reorganized again. The statistics forwarded by our Monthly Meetings show that during the year 1886 we have lost by death thirteen of our members, leaving voids in the family circle and vacancies in the church. A memorial, prepared by Purchase Monthly Meeting, concerning our dear friend Hannah F. Carpenter, who departed this life 15th of 1st mo., 1887, in the 81st year of her age, was read, approved and directed to be forwarded the Representative Committee of New York Yearly Meeting.

Public meeting was on Fifth-day. It being stormy, the number assembled was not large. Thus closed another Quarterly Meeting, and in all probability to some the last time they will ever attend. My desire is, if we never meet again in the church militant, we will strive to live such lives that we may in the church triumphant.

The First-day previous to Quarterly Meeting Daniel H. Griffen, of Amawalk, had a religious opportunity at Sing Sing Prison with about 700 convicts. It was a season of deep baptism of spirit, and many hearts were touched by the tender appeal to "Return, repent and live."

E. H. B.

Purchase, 5th mo. 2nd, 1887.

[We are informed through other sources that this visit by our friend Daniel H. Griffen to the Sing Sing prisoners was rather a remarkable occasion. The tears that stole from many a convict's eye bore evidence that the message of love found a tender spot in their hearts, able, we doubt not, to leaven the whole, to change it into a new heart. We believe a great deal of good can be done in this way by those qualified. When I read of John Howard and Elizabeth Fry in their prison labors, and see the necessity still urging, the expression comes: "O rise some other such." It is following the course of the great Master himself, who came not to the saved, but to

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It cannot be anything but a source of pleasure for all temperance workers to learn that the YOUNG FRIENDS' REVIEW is an advocate of total prohibition as being the only platform consistent with our knowledge of the truth and of the principles of the Society. Also the action recently taken by Genesee Yearly Meeting, making "prohibition the only safe ground" for temperance workers.

These views are in accordance with those taken by many religious organizations, notably the Methodist General Conference, also the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Friends have always been among the first to recognize and support philanthropic measures, although it is sometimes noticed that there is an over-strenuous opposition to any new truth or reform.

We should not rest self-satisfied with the labors of our forefathers, but remember that the Society of Friends must continue the staunch advocate of progress to retain the love and co-operation of its young people.

Chappaqua, N. Y.

C. E. W.

We extract from a private letter from Jonathan W. Plummer in anticipation of Genesee Yearly Meeting: "It would give me much pleasure to attend your approaching Yearly Meeting if I could rightly do so. The subject has been in mind for several weeks with the hope that way might open for the visit, but ill health in my family and other responsibilities pressing just now will prevent. I hope you will have a good meeting, one that feels the new pulses and currents of life that are beginning to stir our Society. We must advance or die. Truth remains in the abstract unchangeable, but its applications vary with the varying conditions