

of gain, and the indifference to our organization, possess us too much. The solemn silence of the mid-week hour, the honest introversion of spirit, the sweet communion with the Father, O, how it would refresh our care-wearied souls and make the burdens of life grow light. Another expressed the thought that if we carried our religion daily and hourly into all our vocations and business affairs, communing with God at the plow or the counter, it would prepare us for, and we would not absent ourselves from the meeting hour. We owe as a duty to each other, in mutual benefit, this mingling together. May we not, by neglecting these things, have cause to utter on our death-bed the bitter cry of Woolsey, "O that I had served my God as faithfully as I have served the world."

As the query leaves it to each individual mind to judge concerning the demoralizing tendency of places of diversion, it may be surrounded with responsibility and difficulty; yet this very responsibility throws each individual soul upon its own soulhood, or at least leaves it between the soul and its God. One person said that he has been preserved from such places by asking the question, "If Jesus were here would he go with me and remain with me?" The criterion of another was to discard all pleasures and pastimes, as well as all books that do not kindle a desire to be better.

A free gospel ministry was to keep the silence that is unto life, or to speak fearlessly, the whole counsel of God.

Two First-day School sessions were held, which proved interesting and a source of encouragement to all.

A very spirited session was held in the cause of temperance. We were urged to use every righteous means to purify the nation from this business, infamous from beginning to end. We know it is not necessary for religious purposes, and many of us think it is not needed medicinally.

Many regretted not being able to obtain a volume of the "Memoirs" of

our esteemed friend, Sunderland P. Gardner, as they anticipated having an opportunity to do.

Fourth-day public meeting will be reserved for a future issue.

The business of the Yearly Meeting was brought to a close on Fifth day, and all hearts were tendered by the sweet but sad farewells.

EDGAR M. ZAVITZ.

Serena A. Minard, who left New York 6th mo. 5th, by steamship Berlin, arrived at Southampton, Eng., safely on the 14th. About 200 delegates to the World's W. C. T. U. Convention, to be held in London, were fellow-passengers.

From a private letter received at Coldstream, written during the voyage, she speaks of their having a very pleasant trip out. That she and her three companions were feeling well, not having suffered from sea-sickness sufficient to miss a meal.

We hope to be able to give an interesting account of her voyage in our next issue.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT COLDSTREAM.

Friends of Genesee Yearly Meeting, having invited the Executive Committee of the Union for Philanthropic Labor, and the First-day School, Educational and Religious Conferences to meet at the time of the Half-Yearly Meeting, to be held at Coldstream, Ontario, in 8th mo. next, the following programme has been arranged:

PROGRAMME.

Eighth mo 20th (Third-day):

Day of arrival.

Eighth mo. 21st (Fourth-day).

Morning—Executive Committee of Union for Philanthropic Labor.

Afternoon—Executive Committee of Union for Philanthropic Labor.

Eighth mo. 22nd (Fifth-day):

Morning—Executive Committee of First-day School Conference.