

strength we so much need, if we would fill with consistency and prosperity all the relations and duties of life.

In the evening there was a temperance meeting, where a band of young temperance workers gave readings and recitations. We were especially interested in one little girl of nine years, who recited a piece of poetry beginning, "If I were the President of this tremendous nation," how she would build a dam so strong and high 't would stop the flowing of the liquor, and concluding that though they (the children in the work) were not the President, they were "the pillars of the nation." After which the meeting was addressed by John J. Cornell.

Fourth-day morning the meeting opened with the voice of prayer, gathering into a feeling of solemnity, and renewing the responsibility felt by many minds.

A woman friend asked the liberty of visiting the men's meeting with a message in gospel love, and we also received a visit from J. J. Cornell, who spoke to several conditions in a most feeling and appropriate manner.

Then came the subject of a memorial petitioning Congress in regard to prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicants. Several quite young in life bearing beautiful testimony to the need of such a measure, but at last submitting to the judgment of their friends who concluded the proper time for presenting such a memorial had not yet come.

The remainder of the queries were answered in the afternoon, and as many burdened minds were present, touching sentiments were expressed.

An epistle was also received and read from Edith W. Atlee, who was lying on a couch of suffering, but whose living desires for our enjoyment and preservation could not be repressed.

Fifth-day morning the meeting for worship gathered with a still larger attendance, the house being filled completely at Race street, the other meeting houses being occupied also. Those

who felt called to speak in gospel love were J. J. Cornell, Thomas Foulke, David Newport and Serena Minard, a quiet, attentive and highly favored opportunity.

In the afternoon business was again resumed—a most interesting feature in all these meetings being the great interest manifested by the younger members in every good word and work.

On Sixth-day morning the subject of education for the colored people of the south was introduced. A meeting in its interests having been held the evening before, at which was a colored woman who pleaded most earnestly for her ignorant and comparatively helpless race. Five hundred dollars were appropriated out of the funds of the yearly meeting, and about \$200 more voluntarily.

In the afternoon Robert Hatton paid us a visit in gospel love, a solemnity of feeling covering the meeting, which continued increasing to the end. Several beautiful testimonies were borne to the power of divine love which could thus baptize us into unity of feeling, and we were counselled to be faithful to every intimation of the divine, that there may be "prophets raised up as at the first, and counsellors as at the beginning."

As the time drew near when we must separate, every spirit seemed bowed under a sense of gratitude to the giver of all good and perfect gifts, for a renewal of his favors, the quiet solemnity still continued, until the clerk extended her hand to her assistant in token that the meeting was ended, and without rising, said, "We commenced with prayer we will end with praise."

Thus ended this yearly meeting for 1888, and as we slowly dispersed, hand clasped hand in lingering pressure, and tearful eyes bore witness how tendering was the parting from those whose faces we might never again behold. The memory will long remain with some of us, and we shall prove ungrateful for the rich experience unless there is apparent an added dignity and grace.