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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We would be pleased if a member of each meeting would volunteer to receive the shorter items of news, to arrange and forward them to us; and to act in the capacity of a regular correspondent.

As young Friends are expected to contribute largely, and as it would be too much to look for articles always perfect in form or appropriate in matter; and as our space may prove limited also, we trust you will accept good naturedly our right to curtail.

To a number of friends we send copies, trusting that they will be placed with those likely to be interested in our undertaking. We shall feel indebted to those who do us this favor.

The paper will be published about the Tenth of each month, and matter for publication must be in by the Third of the month.

When we first thought of publishing a paper it was with the intention of affording a means of expression for Canadian Friends, but upon further reflection, we concluded that a larger field than Canada alone is open to a publication of this kind. The children and the youth have their papers, then a gap occurs—the young men and young women are without one; then come those ripe in years and rich in experience, with the solid food of the *Intelligencer* and *Journal*. We propose to add the missing link to the series, and hope with the limited means at our disposal to encourage the talent found in young manhood and womanhood throughout our Society. In a period rich with facilities for study and research, wonderful in gigantic enterprises, full of politico-economic problems, it is desirable to cultivate an understanding of our times, more thought, more expression, more unity. Nor is it less necessary than it ever was to possess a devout heart, that in the ardor of youth, and the vigor of manhood and womanhood, we may discern our duty as a Society and stand shoulder to shoulder in an organized unit, a fortress not easily assailed, and one that shall not crumble and fall away. We invite members everywhere to join our circle of readers and contributors.

We may be permitted to intimate, what perhaps is unnecessary, namely, that we prefer Friends not to send us communications full of lament as to the decline of our Society. We welcome all of encouragement to individuals and the church; but a doleful, deploring outlook upon the Society without any practical remedy suggested, will not meet with our approval. We would not be understood as meaning that no reference is to be made to the past. Far from it. All the good of the past is ours to inherit and to build upon. If there have been and are errors, duty requires them to be pointed out, and some consistent way of dispelling them suggested without yielding to hopeless lament. The time has arrived for action; for men and women of righteous courage and cultivated powers to study human nature as it is, discern the necessities of the hour and act promptly.