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The occurrence of Henry Ward Beecher's death last month is so well known that details are unnecessary. The same may be said of comments on his life and character. Truly a great and good man has been taken from us. It has been said that no union of a greater head and heart than his, has visited the earth since the Apostle Paul.

Isaac Wilson, when attending Pelham Half-Yearly Meeting, held in Lobo lately, had several appointed meetings in this vicinity. One in Friends' meeting house, Arkona, and one in the village, a mile away, in the evening; one in Strathroy, a town eight miles from Friends' meeting in Lobo, in the evening also, at which he spoke for two hours. He also attended Pine street meeting on the previous 1st

day. These meetings were all well attended, and much interest was manifested, I. W. being much favored to present in a tolerant spirit the living testimonies of our religious Society. Many of our smaller meetings, we feel, would be greatly strengthened by more frequent visits from our ministering Friends.

A parlor meeting also was held on 7th day evening (Half-Yearly Meeting day), at the residence of Daniel Zavitz, where fully 100 gathered, mostly young people, to have a social talk on religious subjects. There is a desire in many quarters to know more concerning the views held by our religious Society, and some of our prominent members are showing a willingness to meet this desire when such opportunities present. The occasion was deeply interesting.

LIBERALITY.

It is hard for us to be all that is implied in the term. We are apt to run against a stone wall somewhere that we do not get over. We know so well that for any undertaking, any organization to succeed, there must not only be a definite object in view, a pride and loyalty residing in the individuals concerned, but there must be a sacrifice of self, a wider vision of things than pertains to our individual selves, there must be a liberal spirit entering into the effort for survival and progress, not confined alone to sentiment, opinion or doctrine. It may be possible to become so liberal in this sense as to lose all interest and solicitude in others, so indulgent that license may usurp the place of liberty.

It is a good thing to live within our means, and, as the Discipline says, "not engage in business beyond their ability to manage"; but we are too apt perhaps to think of the good on our side of the question without considering its value in relation to the rest of mankind, and if we carry out this one-sided view of the good it must result in sordidness, narrowness and stinginess of mind. How is it with us at the present time? Could we not add another query to our list, and profitably live up to the other side of the case?—Do Friends, according to their ability to manage, *contribute* to the