

YOUNG PEOPLE'S

Forward Movement for Missions

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Neepawa District.

CAMPAIGN REPORT.

By the action of the financial district meeting, Rev. Hiram Hull was appointed to campaign the district in the interests of the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions. The movement but requires an introduction to the various Leagues to be enthusiastically endorsed. New Leagues were formed at Glenburnie, with Rev. G. Stoney as president, and at Southwood, with Manson Doyle, B.A., as president. At Franklin, there is already a good Union Society, a strong Mission Circle was organized to co-operate with the Leagues on the district. There are now Leagues on all circuits in the district and all Leagues are organized along Forward Movement lines. At Gladstone, Arden and Rapid City, there are Leagues at the twelve appointments forming these circuits. There are 283 active and 190 associate members, making 473 members on the district. A total audience of 540 greeted the campaigner, and at the close of the meetings 250 people pledged ten cents a month, making a total of \$300 for the district toward the Endicott fund. Subscriptions commence November 1st, and in every case provision was made for a prosecution of the canvass. At Neepawa there is a large and well-offered League, from which great things may be expected. At Minnedosa there has been in existence for some time a tithing circle, from the revenue of which there is not only money enough to contribute \$25 to the Endicott fund, but also to assist materially in maintaining the gospel in their own church. Arden League has already secured a \$12 library, which is eagerly read by the congregation. Arrangements are being made to organize and hold a convention to meet Rev. James Endicott, who is to visit the district.

Personals.

REV. JAS. EDINCOTT, B.A., B.D., of Kiating, China, is visiting the Leagues of the Manitoba Conference, which, in conjunction with the students of Wesley College, Winnipeg, are supporting him.

REV. B. C. FREEMAN and wife and family left for their home at Skidegate, Queen Charlotte Islands, on the 6th of November. Brother Freeman visited a number of Leagues on the Guelph District, and delivered a number of addresses and sermons on behalf of the great cause of missions to which he and his wife are giving their lives.

REV. WM. J. STONE, missionary to the Indians, Nitenat, B.C., has made a tour among the Leagues of the Goderich District. Brother Stone is very much encouraged by the hearty reception he received from the Leagues. The tour

was concluded by a convention, at which the district resolved to greatly increase their efforts to support Rev. Mr. Stone.

We are glad to report that Rev. J. A. Jackson, S.T.L., M.D.C.M., whose health failed while he was a medical missionary at Bella Bella, B.C., is now preaching at Toronto Junction, having charge of Perth Avenue Methodist Church. Although Dr. Jackson is not strong physically, yet he is strong in faith. The Lord has used him in bringing into the kingdom twelve souls since Conference.

REV. HARPER H. COATES and Mrs. Coates have been holding missionary meetings on the Pembroke District. The Epworth Leaguers of Pembroke have undertaken to do what they can to support Brother Coates on his return to Japan. If some other district will join with Pembroke District, they could together fully support Mr. Coates on the Pray, Study Give Plan. Some Leaguers on the Perth and some on the Ottawa District are talking about it.

We are glad to welcome our Brother Dr. H. C. Barrie back from South Africa. When he received a call to go as Y.M.C.A. representative his name was before a committee appointed to select missionaries for China. As Dr. Barrie was so well fitted for Africa, it was the judgment of all that he should go. His good work with the first contingent has fully justified his appointment. If he had been sent to China, it is not likely that he could have accomplished much during the past year. We hope that he may yet be sent to China as one of our missionaries.

DR. AND MRS. RUSH, who were missionaries at Lac-kal-zap, on the Naas River, B.C., but who were forced to give up the work on account of Dr. Rush's health failing, are in Toronto. Dr. Rush has consulted the best specialists in the United States and Canada. They agree that he has overworked, and that he has rheumatism. It will be some time before he can be restored to his usual health. The rheumatism affects Dr. Rush's eyesight. Although he is not blind, he cannot see to read. He suffers severe pain in his eyes and head.

REV. GEORGE E. HARTWELL, B.A., B.D., wife and family, of Chentu, China, have arrived in Ontario, after their long and tiresome journey of over 7,000 miles. Mr. Hartwell should have a rest before he takes the pulpit or platform to plead the cause of China. The London District Epworth League has kindly not requested him to visit the Leagues of the district before the Christmas holidays. Although we are sure that Mr. Hartwell is anxious to meet the London District Epworth Leaguers, who have so faithfully prayed for and supported him, yet he will appreciate their kindness in allowing him a few weeks to rest and visit his relatives after having spent nine years in China.

REV. J. E. SANDERSON has prepared a little book of missionary biographies, entitled "Messengers of the Churches." It comprises interesting sketches of Carey, Coke, Ouseley, Martyn, Case, Morrison and Williams, and will be ready at the end of this month.

Published by our Book Room, at the low price of 50 cents.

News Items.

DR. W. H. PARK, a medical missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church in China, recently received from a wealthy Chinaman five hundred dollars as a pledge of his confidence in the missionaries and their work.

A JAPANESE convert put on his door every morning when he went out the following notice: "I am a Christian, and if any one likes to go in and read my Good Book while I am out, he may."

A JAPANESE statesman was asked why he favored the spread of Christianity, and replied: "The Christian subjects of Japan are conspicuous for orderly conduct and faithful discharge of obligations."

PICTON DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUERS last year raised \$300 toward the support of Dr. Winch. This year they are aiming at \$400. We quote a sentence from a letter sent to the League by the Missionary Vice-President of the district: "With our financial undertakings may we not forget to study and pray. Shall we not sustain Dr. and Mrs. Winch, not merely in private prayer, but also in the prayers of our weekly meetings, that they may be instrumental in leading many into the glorious Gospel light."

The missionary exhibit was one of the interesting and educational features of the Chatham District Epworth League Convention. Everyone was interested. The tables were lined with people eagerly looking at articles which they had never seen before. In addition to the curios the executive had secured pictures of missionaries, missionary stations and mission scenes. The executive highly recommended a missionary exhibit at Epworth League conventions, as it brings the missionaries and their work before the people in a very real way. Dr. Stephenson, 81 Cedar St., Toronto, will furnish particulars regarding the exhibits.

HUNTINGDON DISTRICT Epworth League Convention was a most successful one. The Forward Movement of our Leagues along Missionary lines had a full share of the programme. Although at the beginning of the convention only two of the Leagues on the district were organized for the Forward Movement for Missions the district officers hope as a result of the interest aroused at the convention that all the Leagues on the district will take up the work. There are 285 Leaguers throughout the district. While they cannot yet support a missionary they are looking forward to uniting with another district for the support of a representative in the mission field.

THE *Spirit of Missions* (Episcopalian) has this to say as to the Chinese Christians now passing through the fires of persecution: "The conduct of the native Christians has been an inspiration to their teachers, and should be an inspiration to Christians everywhere. They have met death without flinching giving their lives for the faith as truly as did the martyrs of the early days. How many of them have borne witness to the sustaining power of our Lord may never be known, but their memory and their example may ever be cherished in the China that is to be."