

To Safeguard the Klondike.

THE present agitation by temperance workers to secure the prohibition of intoxicants in the Klondike is one that deserves the strongest support of all interested in the welfare of our country. The evils that accompany the saloon, in a mining community, are exceptionally grievous, as all who have any acquaintance with life in such towns can testify. They are breeders of vice, lawlessness, and violence. Especially in the trying climate of the Yukon region is the advent of the liquor curse to be deplored.

The approaching summer will see the influx of a great multitude of gold-hunters into those mining-fields, many of them of low morals and of vicious life. The gravity of the situation is apparent, and immediate steps should be taken to prevent the introduction of civilization's blot and blight. The Government will be culpable if it does not act quickly and decisively in the matter.

All religious as well as temperance organizations should speak emphatically, and give the authorities to understand the strength of public opinion on this question. Let every society send a resolution or petition to the member representing the district urging immediate action. There is no time for delay. Let your voice be heard in behalf of this worthy cause.

Endeavorers on the "Maine."

THE loss of the United States battleship "Maine," in Havana harbor, has called forth expressions of deepest sympathy the world around. We mourn with the relatives and friends whose dear ones went down in that appalling disaster. But in a special sense we mourn as Endeavorers, because three of our number are counted among the dead.

In writing of these earnest followers of the Master, in the *Christian Endeavor World*, Miss Antoinette P. Jones, of the Floating Society, gives some interesting glimpses of these loyal young Christians.

William Rushworth was converted at San Diego, California, while serving on the "Thetis," and represented the society of that ship at the Boston convention in '95. Elmer M. Meilstrup was another active member. Concerning him, Carlton H. Jencks wrote: "I have found him a loyal Christian brother. I enclose the stub from his pledge. He is a noble Christian boy, was in his last high-school year in view of preparing for the ministry, and can easily go through the study necessary to take his degree."

The third Endeavorer, Carlton H. Jencks, the writer of the above note, was one of the most active workers afloat. It was he who was the originator of the Christian Endeavor Home for Seamen, in Nagasaki, Japan; and wherever he went his life was fruitful in good works. "I pray," he once wrote, "that my whole life and

actions may speak for Jesus. There is work for me to do on this ship, or I never would have been sent here."

The passing forward of these brave standard bearers for Christ calls our attention anew to the need of more consecrated effort on behalf of those who spend their lives upon the waters. Every Christian Endeavor society in a lake or ocean port has opportunities of doing work the value of which surpasses computation. What Canadian society will be the first to report definite service on behalf of our brothers on the sea?

The Spread of Mormonism.

IT seems incredible to those who have any intimate acquaintance with the teaching and practices of the followers of Brigham Young, that disciples could be won to that corrupt religion in any part of our Dominion. But such seems to be the case. It is reported that there are in Ontario alone over 100,000 Mormons. When in Salt Lake City last summer, we were deeply impressed with the statement of a young Mormon in answer to a question in regard to the aggressive character of his religion. He said: "Every Mormon must be ready to go on a mission whenever and wherever the elders of the church direct. He may be sent to Norway, or Canada, or to the Pacific islands; it does not matter where, he must implicitly obey and go forth depending for his support upon the people to whom he goes." Such is the obedience rendered to the hierarchy that every year a large number of missionaries go out into all parts of the world to proclaim the doctrines of Joseph Smith. That they do not go in vain is evidenced by the fact that every year converts come to the "city of the saints" from all lands. We are not able to learn where these agents of Mormonism are at work in Ontario, but those who are brought into contact with them should not hesitate to expose their hideous doctrines and their polygamous practices.

The Student Missionary Convention.

AN event of exceptional importance was the third international convention of the Student Volunteers, held recently in Cleveland. The significance of this new missionary movement may be judged from the fact that 458 colleges were represented by 1717 students. No one hall or audience room in the city was large enough to accommodate the throng seeking to attend the meetings. The gathering was remarkable for the Christian fellowship which it expressed, and for the intense purpose which was deepened to publish salvation to the ends of the earth.

This new power in Christendom will make itself felt as an important factor in the great missionary enterprise. No one can estimate the possibilities of this splendid movement in carry-