

railway forms; the short narrow step, the plunge. that separates them from eternity, have a chastening effect on the heart that stand instead of many external helps. The Sacred Heart has no stauncher friends than railroad men.

The good Carmelite Fathers in default of the ordinary means to reach their charge invoked the aid of the Holy League, and had a mission given for its establishment. The men attended, some the morning, some the evening exercises, while not a few deemed themselves happy to be able to snatch an hour from their rest and duties to hear a sermon and receive the Sacraments. At one of the closing exercises eighty remained in the church to form the Men's League, led by the chief railway officials of the town. Around these many more at a convenient time were to group themselves. All with scarcely a dissenting voice engaged themselves to the profession of temperance together with the practices of the League.

The ladies likewise organized. There was a flourishing sodality of the Blessed Virgin, conducted by the Loretto nuns, of which all the young women of the parish felt proud to be members. The difficulty was not to find Promoters for circles, but circles for the Promoters. Father Dominick settled it by appointing two Promoters for every band of fifteen. These were to enlist their friends, not omitting fathers, brothers, and intended husbands, and keep all well supplied with rosary tickets and *Messengers*.

The school children too formed their Juvenile League under the immediate direction of the zealous Loretto nuns, the boys renewing their pledge against intoxicants and tobacco until twenty-one. The ceremony of the consecration of the children was a most imposing one. Father Dominick A. Malley, O.C.C., is still pushing on the work of organization, and already has twenty rosary circles supplied with sixty *Messengers*.