

out our Dominion, we hope to do much "For Christ and the Church and Canada."

The report adopted at Ottawa, given above, will be issued in circular form and sent to all the societies in the Dominion through their Provincial Secretaries. Statistics will be gathered in reference to all branches of Christian Endeavor work in Canada, and frequently revised. Correspondence will be at once opened up with the different members of the Council upon the following points: Design of badge for honorary members; Provincial colors and badges. "California '97": transportation, headquarters, and Canadian Rally. The Plebiscite vote on prohibition: suggestions as to united endeavor, literature, etc. Other matters will be considered later, and action taken will be reported month by month in this department of THE ENDEAVOR HERALD. Suggestions from individual Endeavorers are also invited. We are open to receive honorary members.

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THE Societies at Work

HAMILTON JOTTINGS.

MR. H. W. BICKLEY has been obliged to resign his office as president of the Hamilton C. E. Union on account of leaving the city. He will be greatly missed by the Union, and also by Gore street Methodist church, as he was a faithful and devoted worker for his church and for Christian Endeavor. Mr. D. A. Rowland was elected president.

The regular monthly meeting of the C. E. Union was held on Friday evening, October 16th, in Zion Tabernacle schoolroom, seventy representatives being present. An application was received from the Carluke society for admission, which was granted. The Ottawa committee reported having captured the convention for '98, and asked that a committee be appointed to commence preliminary arrangements; this request was complied with, and Mr. T. Hendry was appointed chairman. An invitation from the Fruitland society to hold a semi-quarterly meeting in their church at an early date was accepted. Having an invitation from the Gore street Methodist society to attend a sunrise prayer-meeting on Thanksgiving morning, the Union will co-operate. The Union recommended upon a resolution of Mr. Holman, that the second week in November be remembered as a week of special prayer for the Armenians.

The third quarterly rally of the Union was held in Gore street church, October 19th. The wisdom of the city members in electing four vice-presidents from different parts of the county to increase the interest of Endeavorers outside the city was proved by the attendance at the rally. Large numbers came in from Burlington, Grimsby, Winona, Fruitland, Stoney Creek, Bartonville, Lake Church, Burkholder, Carluke, and other places. Mr. Linus Wolverton, B.A., president of the Lincoln County Union, gave an excellent address on "Bible Study, or Advice for Young Men." Mr. T. Hendry, who was the representative of the Hamilton Union at Ottawa, gave one of the best convention reports ever listened to by the Hamilton Union.

Central Presbyterian C. E. society gave a supper for Miss Annie Dickson on the evening of October 19th. Mr. James Stewart, president of the society, was chairman. Speeches were made by Rev. Dr. Lyle, pastor of the church, Wm. Woods, 1st assistant superintendent of the Sabbath school, Mr. Neidbizzing, one of the church elders, and

several members of the society, expressing their high appreciation of Miss Dickson's faithful and valuable work, and wishing her prosperity and success in her new home. Miss Dickson has been an earnest worker in Christian Endeavor and Sabbath school, and was a successful and well-beloved superintendent of the Junior C. E. society. The new superintendent, Mr. James Stewart, presented her with a case of silver fruit knives on behalf of the Juniors. Miss Dickson was married to Mr. Robert E. Bock, of Chicago, on October 28th. Hamilton's loss is Chicago's gain.

KENT AND ESSEX UNION CONVENTION.

THE Annual Convention of the Kent and Essex Union of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, October 16th, 1896, and was a most enthusiastic and enjoyable gathering. Every train brought a number of earnest and eager delegates, and the reception committee was kept exceedingly busy welcoming and billeting their visitors.

About eleven o'clock the Endeavorers had assembled in the church, which was beautifully bedecked with flowers and foliage, and a few minutes later the president, Rev. J. Becket, of Thamesville, opened the proceedings with devotional exercises. A short business meeting followed, and reports were presented from the delegates of all the societies represented. It was shown that the local organization now numbered upwards of 1000 active members, with a correspondingly large membership of associates.

The attendance in the afternoon was considerably larger than in the morning, and the contributions provided in an excellent program were much enjoyed. Rev. Dr. Battisby conducted the opening exercises, after which Rev. Mr. Larkin delivered an excellent address of welcome. The papers read were all excellent productions and much enjoyed by all. The question drawer was ably handled by Rev. Mr. McLaren of Blenheim.

In the evening the beautiful edifice was crowded to the doors, all the local branches being fully represented. The papers in the evening were exceedingly earnest and helpful productions, especially those given on "Our Pledge." The president-elect took charge of the closing consecration meeting, a solemn service in which the delegates renewed their allegiance to God and the work. Thus closed one of the most successful conventions of the Kent and Essex Union.

TORONTO NOTES.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

THE Y. P. S. C. E. of Parliament St. Baptist church held their semi-annual meeting on Monday evening, Oct. 26th. Mr. Greenway, superintendent Fegan's Boy's Home, addressed the meeting on "Why I Believe in the Atonement," after which very interesting reports were given by the various committees. The past term has been one of great encouragement to those in charge, and beneficial to those who attended. The following are the officers for the ensuing term: Frank D. Mills, president; Miss L. Macdonald, vice-president; Geo. Howard, secretary-treasurer; Miss M. Good, 358 Queen st. east, corresponding secretary; Miss K. Smith, superintendent of Junior work; Miss M. Good, organist. Representatives to Christian Endeavor Union, Miss L. Fuller and Miss Macdonald. The society meets every Monday evening, at eight o'clock, and all who attend are heartily welcomed.

One of their members, Miss M. Waterman, left for China a few weeks ago. Another member, Mr. Thos. Urry, who

has been laboring for the last four years in China, has been appointed one of a committee to translate the Old and New Testaments into the T'ai Chau dialect.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

THE annual district meeting was held on October 6th. Good citizenship addresses were delivered by Revs. J. C. Speer and Wm. Patterson. The banner given every six months for general proficiency was handed over by Chester Presbyterian society to Don Mills Methodist, where during the summer term, every third member has brought one into church membership. Mr. E. E. Gray was chosen District Chairman. . . Queen street East Presbyterian church was crowded on Sunday evening, Oct. 4th, when, after the church services, the Endeavorers of the district assembled to bid farewell to Misses Hall and Passmore, who have just left for China with the C. S. M. party. There was a depth of spirituality in the meeting which must have left a lasting effect in the hearts of all present. These two young ladies have been very active in Christian work in the Queen st. church, Miss Hall being a home missionary, and Miss Passmore president of the C. E. society at the time of leaving. May many more be taken from our ranks to the foreign field. . . St. John's Presbyterian have also elected new officers. Mr. A. E. Armstrong is president, and there are eleven committees. —District Editor.

ORILLIA ENDEAVORERS.

ON Monday evening, October 19th, the Orillia Local Union of Christian Endeavor met in the Presbyterian school room, the meeting being largely attended by members and friends. The Rev. John McIntosh, of Allandale, conducted the conference portion of the meeting, giving a most excellent address on "Doing our best." The meeting was thrown open, and the following suggestions on the best plans of working committees were then given by many present: Prayer-meeting Committee—That a short prayer-meeting be held before each regular service; that each service have a special subject for prayer; that the most spiritually-minded people be appointed to that committee; that brief and sentence prayers be offered; that each member be given some special task to perform; that they look ahead and plan for the meetings. The Lookout Committee—How shall we fill the seats? Call for people at their homes; invitations to be left at hotels for commercial travelers, etc.; hold social evenings; notice people in the street and get them interested. Temperance Committee—That special evenings be set apart for the study of temperance; teach the children that it is unmanly to drink intoxicating liquors. Social Committee—That the Social Committee appoint some one to meet and welcome strangers at the church door on service nights; shake hands in a warm and brotherly way; make arrangements for and hold social meetings; invite people to the Endeavorers' homes. Music Committee—Holding a short song service before each meeting; avoid dragging in singing; sing lively pieces; have practice nights. Missionary Committee—Envelope collections at each meeting; envelope collections every three months; have maps and give information concerning missions; have special subjects on missions. Sermon Committee—Report the Sunday sermons and send written copies to the aged and sick. Visiting Committee—Select places for holding prayer-meetings at houses where there are persons unable to get out. The meeting was then closed by the Rev. Dr. Grant pronouncing the benediction.

The Orillia Methodist C. E. Society held an enjoyable social on Tuesday evening, 27th ult.—H. D. TRESSIDER, Editor C. E.

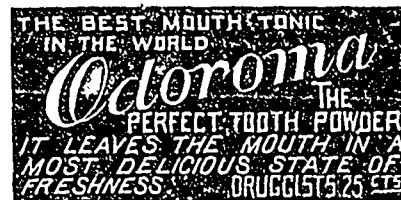
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