pay to the missionary cause. As to the printed forms, we would advise that each member fill out the blank form and take the part with the printed promise home and put it in the Bible he uses for private devotions. The stub is to be kept by the Missionary Committee.

It goes without saying that the members of the Missionary Committee should show just as much interest in missionary work as they expect the other members of the League to manifest. If they do not pray, study and pay, their words, however carefully chosen and earnestly spoken, will fall powerless.

Each member of the League should (we think) use the "Cycle of Prayer" daily, and read all he can about the subjects for prayer. He should, if possible, put two cents each week into the pyramidal box, asking God's blessing upon each offering. He should pay in to the treasurer of the Missionary Committee each month the amount due, so that the treasurer of the committee may pay monthly to the treasurer of the League the amount raised by the League.

The "Prayer Cycle" may be had for three cents each or thirty cents per dozen, from the Mission Rooms, Toronto. If boxes are needed please write to Miss McGuffin, Mission Rooms, Toronto, who has kindly offered to supply them free of charge. By making a slit in one of the angles of the box near the top, the money may be removed and the box will last for several months.

The treasurer of the League should send every three months the amount raised, with any other money which the League may see fit to contribute toward "the cost of sending out and supporting a missionary under the direction of the Methodist Church of Canada, to represent the Epworth League of Christian Endeavor of Cobourg District," to the district treasurer, Mr. Thomas Wickett, Port Hope, Ont., who will be glad to acknowledge same.

## Leaguers' Rescue Rope.

" I NTO the midst of all the cordage used by the British Navy a red thread is woven, so that it becomes impossible to cut off a single inch of it anywhere without revealing the sign of English ownership."

It is so with the Bible and missions : as we wish to keep to scriptural lines in our League work we should have the missionary spirit thoroughly woven into our society. This cannot be done unless we "plan our work" and "work our plan."

A threefold cord, not easily broken, with every member to help make it and help use it, is the kind of a rescue rope we need. Let every Leaguer *Pray*, *Study* and *Pay* as led by the Holy Spirit, and our Father's kingdom will come and His will be done.

We have the material, the machinery and the power to send relief to thousands of unhappy, ignorant, superstitious, suffering, perishing, hopeless souls, to whom we are commanded by Him whom we love to preach the Gospel. ("If ye love me, keep my commandments.") Let us sum up our resources :

1. We have at least sixty young Methodists in Canada who feel that God wants them on the foreign mission field

to preach the Gospel. They are anxious to go to help the needy and serve their King, and they are ready : educated and consecrated.

2. We have over sixty thousand young people who have pledged themselves to our League work—sixty thousand young men and women who know that our Saviour's great love yearns for the needy, and that He makes a last request that we tell the lost world of His dying love. "He who might be better employed is comparatively idle."

"Throw out the life-line to danger-fraught mer, Sinking in anguish where you've never been, Winds of temptations and billows of woe Will soon hurl them out where dark waters flow. Soon will the season of rescue be o'er, Soon will they drift to eternity's shore ; Haste then, my brother, no time for delay, But throw out the life-line and save them to-day."

3. We have perfect machinery for producing the Rescue Rope. If the Missionary Committees of our Leagues were adding the scarlet thread of missions, there would be a far greater firmness and steadiness to the whole of the League work, yea, to the whole of the Church's work. The Missionary Committee of each League can at least start the rest of the members at the production of the Rescue Rope, and it is their business to see that every brother and sister works at it. Get as many as possible to pledge themselves to make the three necessary efforts for Jesus' sake and for the sake of suffering man.

(a) As Jesus commands, "PRAY ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest," we must have prayer. Everything at home and abroad depends upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We want only the God sent missionary, and we want everything that is done to be done for Jesus' sake.

(b) We should STUDY to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. We must study God's will as revealed in His Word with reference to this great work of saving the world for which He gave His only begotten Son; and we should study God's dealings with those whom He has used of late years so wonderfully (showing that God is the same yesterday, to-day and forever). Carefully prepared statistics, histories and treatises of modern missionary work, and very interesting accounts of travels and experiences of God's ambassadors to the heathen may be had at small cost at the Methodist Book Room, Toronto. If we are to be Methodists, let alone Christians, we should be sure to read the *Christian Guardian* and *Missionary Outlook* in order to know what God is doing through our Church.

(c) "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." We should be willing and anxious to act as the Holy Spirit guides in answer to our prayers, and we should act according to the knowledge gained both from God's Word and from the common-sense deductions drawn from the needs of the work. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent ?" Oh, fellow-workers ! in that great day when the books are opened we will be ashamed of our numbers, for which we have worked so hard, if we do not unite to do more. Can we not form a band who will pledge themselves to PRAY, STUDY and PAY, by

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