

The closing message was given by the chairman, Rev. F. L. Lawrence, of Elk Lake, the keynote being "Activity." The Convention was marked by earnest, forcible addresses, attentive enthusiasm, bright services of song, and above all by the spiritual fervor which permeated every session. Every pastor, with the exception of two, unavoidably absent, was present—fourteen in all.

#### STRATHROY DISTRICT.

The 17th Annual Convention of the Leagues and Sunday Schools was held in Petrolia, October 10, 11 and 12. A spirit of earnestness prevailed, the keynote of which was struck by the deeply spiritual addresses of Rev. W. H. Graham at the commencement of the morning session. Such topics as "Our People," League Study Classes," "How the League may help the Pastor," "The League and Moral Reform," "The Primary Teachers' Discouragements," and the state of the Sunday Schools on the District, were discussed by Mr. T. A. Gaul, Miss Essie Pressey, Mr. Howard Whyte, Rev. Geo. Jewett, Mrs. T. Fortune, and Rev. J. S. H. Hart. The Convention was led in the study of Sunday School Problems by Rev. S. T. Bartlett, general secretary, and Mr. J. S. Hartwell, G. K. Bradshaw, and W. H. Barraclough kindled our missionary enthusiasm by their stirring addresses. Mr. J. J. Ford, Chairman of the District, contributed much to the helpfulness of the Convention, being present throughout the sessions. A social reception was tendered the delegates by the Petrolia League at the first evening. Much of the success of the Convention was due to the untiring efforts of the retiring president, Dr. W. H. Currie, and the secretary, Miss Curry, and Rev. Mr. Garbutt, pastor of the Convention Church.

#### LONDON DISTRICT.

The Sixteenth Annual Epworth League Convention was held in Wesley Hall, London, November 7th. Rev. J. W. Baird, B.A., opened the morning session with devotional exercises, and Mr. R. A. E. Belmont, District President, greeted the delegates with an address of welcome. Mr. D. Dawson gave a bright address on "The Epworth League as a power in the community." A paper was read on "The Epworth League as a power in the community." The morning session closed with an open discussion, regarding the new department of Citizenship, in which many took part. At the afternoon session Rev. S. T. Bartlett, general secretary of Young People's Societies, conducted a round table conference, which was most helpful and instructive. Mrs. Noxell, Chairman, and Vice-President of the District, gave a bright, attractive address on the importance and difficulties of Junior League Work. A feature of the programme was the model junior League conducted by Mrs. McKelbert, Miss M. Long and Mrs. Noxell, with one of the city Leagues.

At the evening session Rev. J. K. Beaton, of Toronto, addressed a Rally of the City Leagues on "The Epworth League and World Evangelism." The following officers were elected:—

President, Mr. John Sharman, Woodbank; 1st Vice-President, Rev. A. E. Jones, Belmont; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. R. I. Watson, London; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Lucella Brook, Larchmont; District Secretary, Mr. J. I. Weldon, London; 5th Vice-President, Miss M. Long, London; Treasurer, Mr. R. J. Webster, Toronto; Secretary, Mr. John Evans, London; Conference Representative, Rev. S. A. Anderson, London.

#### WINGHAM DISTRICT

The District Epworth League Convention was held at Teeswater, October 13th. The morning session was opened by an address from Evangelist Wood.

Rev. C. W. McKenzie, Wroxeter, gave an address on "The Literary Department." Mr. D. C. Taylor, Lucknow, outlined the General Conference Legislation affecting Young People's Societies, and the work of the new department of "Citizenship."

During the afternoon session nine seven-minute addresses were given on "Preparing for the League Service," by Mr. Will Hall; "Inviting to It," by Mr. Alex. Kerr; "Attending It," by Dr. Rutledge; "Leading it," by Miss Jennie McGuire; "Singing," by Mr. J. S. H. Hart; "The Topic," by Miss Carrie Kingston; "The Consecration Service," by Rev. H. Ferguson; "Prayer," by Mr. J. S. Walker; and "Duties of Officers," by Mr. W. T. Hall. Miss F. C. Chubb, of Teeswater, spoke on "The Difficulties and Success of the Missionary Work of the District." Miss Ida Cole gave a paper on "The Work of the Junior Department." Rev. J. S. Dur-

rant dealt with the best methods of studying the Missionary Problems.

Rev. W. J. Joliffe, Lucknow, spoke on the theme, "The Gift of the Holy Spirit." During the evening two stirring addresses were given by Rev. J. W. Hubert and Rev. F. J. Oaten. The following officers were elected:—President, Rev. C. W. McKenzie, B.A., Wroxeter; 1st Vice-President, Miss S. Treleven, Lucknow; 2nd Vice-President, Rev. G. W. Rivera, B.D., Wexley; 3rd Vice-President, Miss Carrie Kingston, Brussels; 4th Vice-President, Mr. A. H. Wilford, Wingham; 5th Vice-President, Mrs. Rev. J. Hubert, Gorrie; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. J. S. Lyons, Gorrie; Representative, W. C. Taylor, Lucknow.

#### WINDSOR DISTRICT.

The annual Sunday School and Epworth League Convention opened in the Methodist Church, Windsor, Tuesday, October 11th. Rev. J. Philip in the chair. Mr. A. Cadman spoke on "The Ideal Superintendent." Dr. Maxwell dealt with the subject of "Teacher Training." Rev. S. J. Allen gave an address on "The Home Department." In the afternoon Mrs. (Rev.) Barker explained the Cradle Roll and literature used in its working. "The Organized Adult Class" was the subject assigned to Rev. Mr. Hollinshead. Mr. C. E. Naylor spoke on "Temperance in the

#### BRANTFORD DISTRICT.

A large gathering of Leaguers were present at the Seventeenth Annual Epworth League Convention on the afternoon and evening of October 24th. President I. D. Storrie occupied the chair and kept the programme on the move. Bright music, timely suggestions, and excellent addresses were features of a profitable afternoon session. The president submitted an excellent review of the year's work. J. Manly Orr, vice-president, in giving his report, drew attention to the fact that there was a decrease in missionary giving in the city Leagues, but believed the young people had given much through the Laymen's Missionary Movement and other channels. Miss Mabel Brown, of Salem, read a helpful paper on "How to make the League go." Miss Pearl Muth and Mr. Stanley Lee also contributed suggestions on the subject. Rev. Mr. Morrow delivered an address on "Safeguards for our Young People." Rev. R. Keefer spoke on "The Reflex Influence of Foreign Missions." The Junior League of Sydenham Street Church rendered a selection, "Little Sunbeams," very pleasingly. Mrs. Kenna contributed a solo.

A bright song service, led by Mr. Manly Orr, preceded the evening session. Rev. R. Patterson as chairman. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. Daniels, of Troy. An address on "The Young People from the Viewpoint of the Central Office," was given by Miss Clara



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Sunday School," and Mr. A. W. Massey on "Grading."

The Business Committee appointed at the opening of the Convention recommended the following:—"That the Sunday before the Sacrament be declared a day that reports of the schools be more carefully prepared, that institutes and training classes be held, and that our own publications be used in the schools."

At the evening session Rev. R. F. Irwin gave an address on "The Sunday School and Missions." Rev. W. E. Millson addressed the Convention, showing the growing wealth of Essex County and the duties of the people respecting the support and maintenance of the work of God.

On Wednesday morning the Leagues were in attendance. The report of secretary showed that the thirty Leagues of the district had a total membership of 1,350. There had been an increase in the number of Eras taken. The report of the Summer School at Kingsville showed a balance on hand over expenses. There had been 8 volunteers and 46 pledged personal workers. Rev. F. Langford spoke on the support of their own missionary; Rev. Mr. Heycraft dealt with the problem of interesting young men in the League; Rev. Mr. Barker discussed the Educational Consecration Service. The new officers are as follows:—President, Rev. S. L. Toll; 1st Vice-President, Miss M. L. F. 2nd Vice-President, Rev. J. F. Heycraft; 3rd Vice-President, Miss Lottie McDonald; 4th Vice-President, Rev. R. F. Irwin; 5th Vice-President, Miss Maud Jones; Secretary, Miss Cadman; Treasurer, R. H. Pickard; Conference Representative, Rev. A. E. Thomson.

G. Wallace, of Toronto, and one on "The New Forward Movement," by Rev. H. W. Crews, of Berlin. Mrs. (Rev.) Laddy, Misses Lutes, Huffman, Johnson and Knott very acceptably contributed to the musical part of the programme. The following are the newly elected officers:—President, Mr. Stanley Lee; 1st Vice-President, Miss C. B. Ferguson; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. Lloyd Miller; 3rd Vice-President, Miss M. L. F.; 4th Vice-President, Rev. W. S. Daniels; 5th Vice-President, Miss Agnes Butler; Secretary, Miss Gimby; Treasurer, Mrs. Brown; Representative to Conference, Rev. R. Keefer.

#### TORONTO EPWORTH LEAGUE UNION.

The Toronto Epworth Leagues assembled for their Annual Rally in Broadway Tabernacle on Monday evening, October 10th, a fine representation of the Leagues of the three Toronto Districts being present. Able addresses were given by Rev. Dr. Graham, Secretary of Education, and Rev. G. A. Sykes, B.D., pastor of Wesley Church. Mr. P. G. Price, President of the Union, reported progress regarding the Educational Consecration Service. The Union, reported progress regarding the Educational Consecration Service, many of the Leaguers taking advantage of them. The following are the officers:

President, Mr. P. G. Price; Treasurer, Miss H. A. Sheppard; Secretary, Miss C. G. Wallace; 1st Vice-President, Mr. J. Wilson (President Toronto Central District); J. L. Rook (President West District); E. M. Cairns (President East District), and Rev. N. M. Squire.

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