

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:—Hon. President, Rev. J. S. L. Wilson, B.A., H.L., Halesbury; President, Mr. N. J. McAulay, Halesbury; Vice-Pres. (1) Dr. E. F. Armstrong, Cobalt, (2) Miss Mary Smith, New Liskeard, (3) Rev. E. F. Booth, Cobalt, (4) Rev. R. O. Halbert, Englehart, (5) Mrs. W. J. Evans, New Liskeard, Secretary, Mr. E. J. Halesbury; Treasurer, Mr. Harry A. Parker, Onondaga; Conf. Repres., Mrs. F. W. Ferguson, Halesbury.

BRUCE ADAMS,
Secretary.

Lindsay District

At a recent meeting of the District Epworth League Executive it was resolved:—

1. That mission study classes be formed in each local league, where at all possible.

2. That each local society devote the second week in February to the study of the Bible.

3. That an essay contest be held throughout the District, the winner in each local league to compete with the League of the District, for prizes to be offered by the District Epworth League Executive. The essay not to exceed five hundred words, and the prize essay in each League to be sent in to the judges by the end of the month.

"How may our Young People's Societies contribute to the upbuilding of the Canadian Nation?" The District Secretary is to be sent to the District Secretary for the selection by judges duly appointed, of the winning essays. The District Secretary will be awarded the winners at the District Convention.

Orangeville District

The annual Convention of the Epworth League of Orangeville District was held at Laurel. In the absence of the District Secretary, Mr. Lindsay, of Shelburne, Rev. U. W. Robinson, of Orangeville, occupied the chair at the morning session.

Rev. A. J. Toye, B.A., D.D., of Hornings Mills, led in "The Quiet Hour."

The afternoon session opened with devotional service by Rev. J. S. Stevenson, of Laurel.

Mr. T. Wilson, of Tullamore, followed with a rousing address on "How to Keep Young."

Miss Lottie Bell, of Orangeville, spoke on the subject, "Missionary Work—Its Effect on the League." Rev. A. J. Toye on the subject, "Who are Responsible for the League's Success—Why and How?"

The Evening Prayer, Rev. J. Stevenson took the chair for the evening, gave an address on "The Value of the League to the Church."

Rev. G. W. Robinson, of Orangeville, gave an inspiring address on "The Price of Usefulness."

The Convention was brought to a close with a consecration service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Robinson.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:—President, W. E. Braden, Orangeville; Vice-Pres. (1) Miss A. Patterson, Alton, (2) Miss T. Browne, Hornings Mills, (3) Miss Kirkpatrick, Mansfield, (4) Miss A. White, Caudeon East, (5) Miss Jessie Johnston, Laurel, Secretary-Treas., Miss Lottie Bell, Orangeville. District Rep. to Toronto Conf., Miss Madill, Shelburne.

INEZ LAKING,
Secretary.

Brandon, Souris and Deloraine Districts

That the annual Convention of the Epworth Leagues of the Brandon, Souris and Deloraine Districts, held in Deloraine on the 1st and 2nd of December, was an undoubted success was the unanimous opinion of the large number of people who attended there.

The theme of the Convention was unique, viz., "The Saving of Society," and decidedly appropriate in these times of transition from old and stereotyped forms of religion to a broader and more social conception of the Gospel of Jesus.

Rev. Mansson Doyle, our genial Field Secretary, was present, and by his presence and wise counsel gave great impetus and inspiration to the Convention.

Other papers were read and addresses given, which were of a very helpful and suggestive nature, and indeed of very high value. And that of Inspector D. J. Wright, of Deloraine, on "Reading for Young People," merits special mention.

Rev. Wm. Ivins, M.A., B.D., of Pipestone, was present at the first session, and gave a powerful appeal on behalf of the Souris Summer School. The convention pledged Mr. Ivins and his executive their most hearty co-operation.

One interesting feature of the Convention was the very enthusiastic manner in which the young people themselves, especially the men, threw themselves into the discussions and general work of each session.

At the last session there was given a very able, comprehensive and stirring address by Rev. A. E. Smith, of Brandon, on "The Religion of the New Day." After a passionate attack on all the fossilized and traditional interpretations and attempted perpetuation of old forms of religion, he went on to advocate the religion of the future, its primal dogma, he said, will be "social redemption," and its great aim will be the education and development of the social conscience. He deprecated and condemned in strong words the present prevalent economic and industrial system, and held up to the Church the noble task of bestirring herself and arising to the work, and to grasp and redeem the situation. The Church, he contended, must do this or be in the not very remote future a non-existent entity. It is not so much reform that is wanted as reconstruction.

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REV. H. CONNOLLY,

Reporter.

Whitby District

The annual Epworth League convention was held in the commodious church at Greenbank on November 14th. As the group photograph shows, there was a fairly large attendance. As Greenbank is a purely rural village with no railway service, the district was not as fully represented as on some former occasions, but the character of the convention was equal to the best ever held on the district.

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The addresses of the Chairman of the District, Rev. M. E. Sexsmith, the representatives of the Conference League, Revs. W. W. Higgs and J. W. Whattam, Rev. J. Archer, and the General Secretary, added materially to the profit of the convention. The open conference, led by Mr. Samuel Farmer, at the afternoon session, was constructive and stimulating, many taking part.

The chair was occupied throughout by Rev. E. W. Tink, President, in a capable and popular manner. Well filled tables, provided in the most generous spirit by the Greenbank friends, amply met all the physical needs of the delegates, and the time thus afforded for friendly social intercourse was spent very profitably.

The officers elect are: Hon. President, Rev. M. E. Sexsmith, Whitby; President, Rev. E. W. Tink, Greenwood; Vice-Pres. (1) Miss H. G. Goad, Port Perry, (2) Mrs. L. Green, Greenwood, (3) J. W. Read, Greenbank, (4) F. Richardson, Whitby, (5) Miss Gertrude Kemp, Almonds; Sec. Treas., Mrs. W. W. Woon, Seagrave.

Prospects are bright for the Whitby District under the wise and enthusiastic leadership of a capable President and wide-awake Executive.

Vancouver District

The November meeting of the Vancouver District League Executive was held in the board-room in Hamilton Hall, on the 6th. About thirty-five representatives gathered right after the day's work, and enjoyed a luncheon, arranged by the ladies of the executive. After lunch the meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Wesley Stewart, Mr. Armstrong, of Wesley League, led in prayer. The Secretary, Mr. H. T. Brown, called the roll. In addition to our executive, our representative was present from Chemainus, China, and Victoria, and whom the executive was delighted to greet. Another new representative was Mr. Horel, of Lynn Valley. The President read a few lines on prayer, and appealed to the Leaguers for a missionary and spiritual work for the winter months.

The Missionary Vice-President, Mr. Harvey Self, gave an excellent address, urging the Leaguers to keep the missionary fire burning, that our District may reach the \$5,000 mark.

The 3rd Vice-President, Mr. Murray Stewart, gave a written report outlining the campaign to enlarge the enrolment for the "Epworth Era" and the "Christian Guardian"; also arranged with Rev. Mr. Stillman, at Hamilton Hall, to receive all gospel papers, that the Leaguers would gather for the use of our missionaries on the chorismat Crobie Epworth League also outlined a series of debates for the various Leagues in the District.

The Treasurer, Mr. Hoge, gave a financial report.

Miss Armstrong and two little Chinese girls, represented the Chinese Methodist Mission, and sang hymns in the Chinese language, which were highly appreciated by the executive.

During the meeting Miss Hartwell favored us with a solo in Chinese.

This most interesting and helpful meeting was closed with prayer by Mr. Horel.

WESLEY STEWART,
President.

Mock Trial

The following account of a very interesting meeting of this character, recently held in the Colborne St. Hall, Brandon, Epworth League, is sent in by the Third Vice-President, Mr. Russell J. Frayne.

The first of a series of Mock Trials which will be put on by the Colborne St. Leaguers was held in the basement of the church. A large number of people were present and thoroughly enjoyed the court proceedings.



GROUP OF DELEGATES AT WHITBY DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION, GREENBANK.

The prisoner, Mr. Indifferent Outlook (Mr. Alec Lockington), was charged that he was chairman of the Epworth League Sunday School Lookout Committee, was negligent in performing the duties of his office.

His counsel, Mr. H. J. Bassett, presented the plea that the prisoner had given as much of his time to the work as could be spared from his business.

Mr. A. M. Harley presided as judge. Mr. Grace Struthers was junior counsel for the defence, Mr. R. J. Frayne, counsel for the Crown, Miss Grace Durham junior counsel for the Crown, while Mr. Gordon