

C. S. M. A. CONVENTION.

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Church Student's Missionary Association closed a few days ago. On the whole, though, probably, neither the enthusiastic President or the able and practical Secretary were satisfied with the efforts, the Convention was successful in nearly every particular. We feel that our American visitors went away satisfied and profited by their stay. We are conscious that, as a body, we left undone many things which we ought to have done, as must be confessed on every such occasion. However, some were indefatigable, and all more or less in earnest in trying to do their share, and their efforts met with no small success. To our visitors our hearts went out with one accord. A finer set of men never entered Trinity's doors, and our joy at meeting them was dampened only by having to part with them after so short a stay, in some cases, perhaps, never to meet again.

The delegates began to arrive on Saturday, the 19th. The energetic Secretary was ready with his billeting list and soon had the visitors assigned to their respective places of abode. With his characteristic memory of names he soon was able to make the delegates acquainted with our students. By the time appointed for the informal reception in Convocation Hall, 8 p.m., most of the delegates had arrived, and an opportunity was given them of meeting most of our students and some of our Faculty who were present. Soon all were on terms of good fellowship, and we were able to enjoy the company of the different representatives, and no small pleasure was it to meet men from east, west, south and north, whose company we were privileged for a few days to enjoy.

At 9.00 the gathering repaired to the Chapel where the opening service was conducted by Rev. Provost Welch. It took the form of a devotional service, preparatory for the corporate communion next morning. A hymn was sung, "Fight the Good Fight," and after the opening prayers, the Provost delivered a brief address, full of earnest and helpful advice to the delegates. He reminded them of the objects for which they had come, and said the success of the whole Convention depended on the spirit with which they came to the opening services. He urged them to be ready to offer themselves "A reasonable sacrifice," and if so they would reap untold benefits, he hoped, from the Convention and its meetings. The various delegates then separated to their respective "homes,"—as we are sure they were.

On Sunday morning the Convention Corporate Communion was celebrated in the College Chapel by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Ottawa, assisted by the Rev. the Provost. Nearly all the delegates joined in the great opening service of the Convention.

At 11.00 Morning Prayer was sung in Chapel. Rev. Professor Huntingford had prepared the choir by extra practice for the occasion, and the result was unusually good music and responding. Rev. Dr. Jones read the lessons, and Rev. Dean Rigby the Litany. The sermon and charge to the Convention was preached by the Rt. Rev. Charles Hamilton, D.D., D.C.L., Lord Bishop of Ottawa. His Lordship took as his text "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." The sermon which is published elsewhere in full was a masterly effort. He emphasized the Church's position as the Body of Christ, and showed the purpose of the Incarnation fulfilled in the spread and extension of the Church. The Church, he declared, should send out her Missionaries in her own name, not one by one, but in numbers sufficient to cope with the work.

At 3.30 an enthusiastic meeting of the delegates together with St. Andrew's Brotherhood of the city was held in Convocation Hall. Mr. T. R. Clougher, as chairman, in a short opening speech, emphasized the need of mission work

at home, even in the local politics of most of our large cities. Rev. R. L. Paddock was, of course, enthusiastic and earnest, so much so, that as one of the representatives said, "He was really too much in earnest to say just what he wanted." He told of the work already accomplished, showed the mighty blessings which has characterized missionary work up to the present, and closed with an earnest appeal to the gathering on behalf of missions. Mr. J. R. Mott, of New York, followed. To say he was forceful and eloquent is putting it lightly. Seldom, if ever, has such a stirring address been listened to within Trinity's precincts. He took his hearers with him in, as it were, a missionary tour of the world, and plainly showed that the question of to-day should be not "Why should I go?" but "Why should I not go?" Mr. Paddock's advice, "Study, Pray, Give," he thought was excellent, and if followed out would show us a means of leaving a deep and lasting impression for good on the world and on our generation.

On Sunday evening at 7.00 the delegates attended divine service at St. Alban's Cathedral, at the kind invitation of the Bishop of Toronto. Rev. A. U. DePencier conducted the service and a special sermon was preached by our venerated Professor Clark, M.A., D.C.L. The Reverend Professor took as his text "Heaven and earth shall pass away but my word shall not pass away." If we mistake not the words of his sermon will be taken back to many colleges in the memories of our visitors. He pointed that the text, apparently contradictory to nature's laws, had already been realized in the laws and institutions of the Christianized world. The sermon, we hope, will be published in full in the report.

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Monday's proceedings were begun by a celebration of the Holy Communion in Chapel by the Rev. Provost Welch. Morning Prayer was said at 9.30, and at 10.00 the Convention assembled for its first regular business meeting. The roll call showed thirty-two delegates present from seventeen colleges and schools, eleven in the United States and six in Canada. The delegates answered the roll call as follows:

Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn.—Mr. Philip M. Kerridge, Mr. Geo. Biller.

Bexley Hall, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio—Mr. D. Wilson Thornberry.

Harvard University—Mr. Gibson Bell.

Hobart College, Geneva N.Y.—Mr. Geo. Gray Ballard.

Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.—Mr. Malcolm Taylor, Mr. C. E. Doane.

General Theological Seminary, New York—Mr. S. H. Littell, Mr. H. L. Bland, Mr. T. R. Oliver.

Episcopal Theological School, Philadelphia—Mr. F. H. Argo.

Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn.—Mr. M. J. Simpson.

Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.—Mr. A. R. Van Meter.

St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N.Y.—Mr. A. R. Hill.

Episcopal Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.—Mr. B. L. Ancell, Mr. Charles E. Perkins.

Huron College, London, Ont.—Mr. R. Herbert.

King's College, Windsor, Nova Scotia—Mr. J. R. Hooper.

Diocesan Theological College, Montreal—Mr. W. B. Heeney.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville—Mr. W. S. Weyman, Mr. Harold Hamilton, Rev. S. Jones.

Wycliffe College, Toronto—Mr. C. W. Holdsworth, Mr. J. E. Hand, Mr. E. A. Rennie.

Trinity College, Toronto—Mr. J. R. H. Warren, H. T. S. Boyle, Rev. C. A. Seager, Mr. S. Bushell, Mr. D. A. Madill, Mr. D. T. Owen.

After roll-call the minutes of last Convention at New York were read and adopted.

Then the delegates listened to an address of welcome by the Rt. Rev. A. Sweatman, D.D., Bishop of Toronto. His Lordship expressed in happy terms the close feeling exist-