

able to attend church, and gives occasionally, socials at the House of Refuge.—IDA FENTON.

**WALKERTON.**—Among the officers of Knox church C. E. society for the present term are: President, Mr. A. Robertson; secretary, Miss A. Morris. We have an average attendance of about 65 members. The meetings are held on Friday evening, and conducted throughout by one member. They are very interesting. Our membership is gradually increasing and altogether our society is very favorably progressing, although we miss the assistance and encouragement of a pastor in our work, the church at present being without one.—M. STEWART.

**MIDLAND.**—The Presby'n congregation, under the faithful pastorate of Rev. J. J. Elliott, on the evening of May 2nd organized a Y. P. S. C. E., with a membership of twelve active and ten associate. Mr. A. Carruthers was made president, with J. B. Roebuck as secretary-treasurer. The prospects are bright for a strong society, and we trust the Lord's blessing will abide richly upon them.

**PARRY SOUND.**—The E.L. of C. E. of the Methodist church held their semi-annual business meeting the other night for the election of officers for the coming term. Among those elected were: President, Mr. Ferris; cor.-sec., Miss E. Walden.

**PICTON.**—The Local Union met in Main street Methodist church on June 6th. The president, Mr. Whattam, presided. A very forcible paper on "How to spoil the consecration meeting" was read by Mr. Marsh. This was followed by the roll-call of the three societies. There was a fair representation from each society and the meeting was a success.—J. R.

**KINGSTON.**—I have a word of encouragement for societies that still keep the "Back Number" Committee on their list (as I heard it very improperly called at a District convention once). I refer to the Sabbath School Committee in connection with Cook's church C. E. of this city when informed recently that the library of the S. S. was sadly in need of additional books, got to work and arranged for a "Book Reception" by which 100 copies were contributed. They also arranged for and held a concert by which the sum of \$20 was realized for the purchase of new books, and so successful was the concert that the committee has been requested to repeat it, proceeds to go to library fund as before. They have consented to do so.—D. A. SHAW.

## Lake St. John and the Saguenay.

**W**HO has not heard of the furore created amongst tourists and sportsmen by the recent opening up of a new and fascinating route to the far-famed Saguenay river in northern Canada by way of Quebec and Lake St. John? One of the most romantic round trips ever planned for a summer outing consists of a triangular trail—if we may be pardoned the paradox—from Quebec to Lake St. John by a railway that crosses the Canadian Adirondacks for 190 miles;—from Lake St. John to Chicoutimi, at the head of navigation on the Saguenay, by the last completed link of this railway, and back to Quebec by steamer through the deep rift cleft in the massive mountains of the Saguenay by the dark majestic river of the same name on its way to the sea. From the mouth of the Saguenay at Tadousac, the steamer's route to Quebec in its ascent of the noble St. Lawrence lies past the fashionable Canadian watering places of Cacouna, River du Loup, and Murray Bay, the miracle-working shrine of La Bonne Ste. Anne and the lovely Isle of Orleans; the most magnificent view obtainable of rock-girt, citadel-crowned Quebec, being that to be had from the deck of the approaching steamer. But what shall we say of the ever-changing panorama of precipitous mountains towering overhead, of yawning chasms deep below, of the scores of fish-laden lakes, and the miles of rapturous-river rapids which unfolds itself to the tourist as the train follows the serpentine course of the new iron road that invades the wilderness home of the bear, the moose, the caribou, the beaver, and the aboriginal Montagnais Indian? What ideal camping sites for the artist, the angler, or the hunter! What a palatial summer hotel, and what home-like comforts at Roberval, overlooking the great inland sea, whose opposite shore is veiled from view by intervening space! This lake St. John is the source of the Saguenay and the home of the famous ouananiche or fresh-water salmon, the greatest game fish in existence. The anglers, loudest in its praises, are those who have crossed the Atlantic or come from the Southern States to give it fight in the rapid waters of the great lake's discharge, or in its mighty tributaries, some of which are over a mile wide at their mouths and hundreds of miles in length. Here the comfort and safety of the tourist or angler are looked after by the

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