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 All's right with the world.
 —(BROWNING.)

THE LONDON ADVERTISER, with its morning and evening editions, covers the ground. With one exception, it is the ONLY EARLY MORNING DAILY IN ONTARIO, outside of Toronto.

London, Monday, Sept. 10.

—London is a great city for conventions. The Dominion Trades and Labor Congress comes here next year.

—It seems that even the Queen finds it impossible to shake off the plebeian affliction, rheumatism! There is one point at least upon which the human race are on an equality. They all suffer.

—It is to be expected that Rev. Dr. Burns, who has spent the greater portion of his life in teaching the young idea how to shoot, should be able to report to the General Conference that he has growing by his college walls the biggest grape vine in Hamilton city. The genial doctor does nothing by halves.

—In Great Britain, after a seven years' agitation, it is now provided that a person may take any plain card of the proper size, write a letter upon it, affix a halfpenny adhesive stamp and have it transmitted through the post. Common sense prevails sooner or later. A stamp should cost the Government less than a post-card, but it has been hard work to convince the authorities of that fact.

—The grant of \$500 by the Ontario Government will be welcomed as most timely by the Rainy River authorities, who are called upon to immediately relieve the victims of the forest fires. As many people have practically lost their all, they cannot face the winter without much additional aid. This promising district of Western Ontario should have the consideration and aid of every municipality more favorably situated.

—Mrs. Margaret L. Shepherd, the anti-Catholic agitator, announces that she will now proceed to elevate the stage, as she has "elevated" the lecture platform. Like Miss Pollard, Mr. Breckenridge's former associate, Mrs. Shepherd will turn actress. After the Ontario elections were over the Conservative managers gave her little encouragement to continue as a lecturer, and she now adopts the new roll on the plea that it will benefit her health.

—The Trade Bulletin reports good prospects for the egg trade. Within the last few days large shipments have been sent from Western Ontario to Boston and New York. Thus, as pointed out by our trade contemporary, the reduction in the United States tax on eggs has already been felt, and as soon as prices advance on the other side of the line a much larger business is looked for. There is nothing like low tariffs, or no tariffs at all, to promote profitable business between nations.

THE BOOM IN CHEESE.

The latest deals in cheese in most parts of Ontario have been at an advance of 1 cent in the price of September and October contracts. About 40,000 boxes were contracted in Brockville during the latter part of last week at 10½ cents to 10½ cents for August, September and October; but nothing can be had in the Belleville and Brockville districts now under 11 cents for balance of season, as the bulk of the factories have placed the make to the end of season. In this district, makers look for 11 cents or over and are not inclined to sell for less, though whether they are wise in adopting this course remains to be seen. The cause of the continuous rise in values is due to the drought in the West, which is now claimed has partaken of a more serious aspect, as it is said that the make for the last half of August has fallen off about 40 per cent, and that in some sections, owing to dryness of pastures, factories have been obliged to close. On the other hand, farmers are not trusting entirely to their pastures; but are utilizing their green corn, buying bran and using other feed, as it will never do to abandon cheese making in these times when prices are 10½ cents to 11 cents per pound.

Exports of cheese from Montreal, according to the most recent report supplied by the Trade Bulletin, amount to 936,409 boxes, against 854,006 boxes for the same period last year, and there is a much larger quantity in store than a year ago. As to the shortage in the fall make, it is claimed by some that the yield all over will not be short of that of last year, but the majority of buyers have believed otherwise. In any case, the season has been a good paying one so far, and is likely to remain so to the end.

PLATFORM OF THE "ADVERTISER."

Canada first.

Freedom of trade with Great Britain.

Freedom of trade with the United States.

Freedom of trade with the world.

The tariff to be for revenue only.

Non-partisan redistribution of seats; county boundaries to be left unbroken.

Manhood suffrage.

One man, one vote; one voters' list, compiled by non-partisan municipal officials, subject to stringent supervision.

Abolish Government House at Toronto. Pay the Lieutenant-Governor his salary, and let him entertain his own friends.

Cut \$50,000 from the appropriation for the support of the office of Governor-General.

Radically reform the Senate.

Abolish the ornamental Deputy-Speaker of the House of Commons.

Reduce the number of Ministers and Departments of Government, now far too costly for a population of 5,000,000.

Radically reform the superannuation system.

Reform the law courts, limit the number of appeals, simplify and cheapen litigation, still further bring common sense to bear on common law.

Prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants as a beverage.

Abolish tax exemptions.

Radically "reform" the militia system.

Abolish "extras" on public works, or compel blundering civil servants to pay for them.

Make it a penal offense for M. P.'s or any one else to milk public contracts and railway subsidies for campaign contributions.

Establish a national forestry department, and decree that for each acre of timber land that is henceforth cut down at least an acre of young trees shall be planted and properly cared for.

Cease granting Dominion public money to aid in the importation of old world wails and strays.

Equal rights for women, whether as regards the franchise, or equal wages for equal work.

Obligatory voting. Let every citizen poll his own vote.

Effective federal union of the Protestant bodies in the Dominion for common purposes, leaving present individual organizations intact.

A friendly alliance between the English-speaking peoples of the world.

MR. LAURIER IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier arrived at Victoria, B. C., yesterday, and was most heartily welcomed. At every stopping place, all through the country, intervening between Regina and the Pacific coast, the Liberal leader found many friends to greet him. At Agassiz Dr. Farwell, brother of the newly-elected local representative of East Algoma, accompanied by other prominent citizens, met the party and handed to Madame Laurier a large basket of beautiful flowers and another of luscious fruit, the product of the place. Hon. A. N. Richards, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, here boarded the train, and accompanied the leader to his destination. Senator McInnis and Mr. McLagan, editor of the Vancouver World, joined the leader at Westminister junction. When the train arrived at Vancouver, an immense crowd awaited the party, including Mr. Barnard, M.P. Here twenty leading citizens of Victoria met Mr. Laurier and party and escorted them down the gulf to the capital of the Pacific Province, which was reached at 7 p.m. Another great crowd awaited the steamer at its landing place, the brass band playing "The Maple Leaf for Ever" as the party stepped on shore. The streets leading to the Dillard House were packed and many pretty motes were displayed. The crowd insisted on Mr. Laurier speaking, and he made a few graceful remarks. His welcome everywhere has been remarkable for its cordiality.

MR. MCCARTHY'S EXPECTATIONS.

Mr. D'Alton McCarthy, who has returned from a visit to the Maritime Provinces, where he addressed a number of public meetings, has been interviewed on the political situation. Among other things, he assumes the role of prophet regarding the near future, as follows:

"The independents, either members of my own party or of the Patrons of Industry, will have the majority in the House of Commons after the next election, beyond a doubt. No one who travels through Ontario can shut his eyes to the fact that there is a great revulsion of feeling against the Government. The farmers now appear to realize more fully that the trade policy of the Government operates directly against them, discriminating against them in favor of the manufacturer. The Patrons of Industry, which is a result of this revulsion

of feeling, is one of the most remarkable cases of an awakening by the agricultural classes on record.

"When you concede a majority in Ontario to the independents, do you mean the Patrons of Industry, the P. P. A., or your own party?"

"Well, whatever you do, do not connect me with the P. P. A., as I know nothing about them. I have a party of my own, and we expect to make a creditable showing in the elections. We have candidates in the field already, and we shall get other men out as soon as possible.

"In quite a number of counties we shall not bring out candidates on account of the Patrons of Industry being in the field. Their views on the trade policy accord largely with ours, and in cases where the nomination of a candidate by us would assure the return of a Government candidate, we shall, of course, abstain from putting a candidate in the field. I consequently expect that a large majority of the Ontario constituencies at the next general elections will be carried by nominees of my party or of the Patrons of Industry."

"What about the Maritime Provinces?"
 Well, as you know, I have just been in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and have addressed several meetings there. I found the people there just about the same as we are in Ontario, pretty thoroughly disaffected with the present Administration. This feeling is particularly marked in Nova Scotia, where a general Tory rout is predicted. Mr. Longley may enter Dominion politics, and so may their Provincial Premier, Mr. Fielding, who by long odds the most popular man in every way the strongest man in the Province. If these two men enter the contest they can easily carry Nova Scotia against the Dominion Government."

"And in New Brunswick?"
 "There those opposed to the Government are not quite so sanguine, but there will be some surprising changes. It is a foregone conclusion that the Hon. Percé Mitchell will carry Northumberland, while everybody expects Colonel Denville to comfortably carry Hon. George E. Foster in Queens. There will be a close and interesting contest in the St. John city divisions, with prospects, if anything, very dark for the Government candidates."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

UNION IS STRENGTH.

A Great Movement and the Objects It Works For.

Important Question to be Brought Before the General Conference.

To the Editor of the ADVERTISER:

Among the most important problems coming before the General Conference of Canadian Methodism, now in session in London, is that of the young people's work. Gleaning from the questions before the Epworth League committees of the annual conference, it will be a move for better organization, felt needs are: Complete and entire control of the movement through the constituted authorities of the church, systematic organization along connexional lines, an organ devoted to the work, and an editor and secretary given up exclusively to the promotion of the interests of this very important department. Another equally live problem is the settlement of the relations of the Methodist young people to that of other denominations. The question at issue is, whether the official society of the Methodist Church in Canada shall be strictly denominational and sectarian, or interdenominational and fraternal. Methodism has ever stood for the broadest Christian fellowship, and Canadian Methodism for Christian unity, and it is to be hoped that there will be no "backsliding" in the present issue.

Much of the opposition to affiliation with the world-wide interdenominational movement among the young people known as "Christian Endeavor" I am persuaded arises from a misunderstanding of the principles and working of the society. My object in writing is to set before the Methodist public the attitude of the Y. P. S. C. E. and the present position of the Epworth League in Canada.

Christian Endeavor is not a rival denomination, but, like the Sunday school, a society in the local church, and in no sense outside. It "exists to train young people for the duties of their own church and denomination and make them loyal and efficient members of the Church of Christ." It is strictly a religious society, and aims solely at the promotion of spiritual life; it cannot be a social, literary, or money-making club. All its members have taken a consecration pledge, which is renewed at every monthly roll call. This pledge is essential to societies connected with evangelism, and only churches are enrolled and recognized, "meaning by 'evangelical,' personal faith in the divine-human person and atoning work of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, as the only and sufficient source of salvation."

At the International Convention at Minneapolis, the following platform of Christian Endeavor principles was adopted, and reaffirmed at Montreal:

"First and foremost, personal devotion to our divine Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
 "2. Utmost loyalty to their respective denominations on the part of all Christian Endeavor Societies.

"3. Steadfast personal love and service for the local church in which a society of Christian Endeavor exists. The church for each local society is the local church with which it is connected.

"4. Interdenominational spiritual fellowship among evangelical denominations, setting forth their spiritual unity in Jesus Christ.

"5. Inasmuch as the name 'Christian Endeavor' by a marvelous and triumphant trial and history of ten years, has come to mean the definite pledge for the weekly prayer meeting, the monthly consecration service, and the work of the lookout committee, we earnestly urge that, all Christian churches, societies which adopt substantially these methods adopt also the name 'Christian Endeavor,' and that this name be not applied to other methods of work. We believe that the Christian Endeavor Society has earned the exclusive right to its own name and its principles and methods.

"6. Christian Endeavor interposes no barriers to the denominational control of the young people, and rejoices when denominations suggest special lines of scriptural study, of denominational indoctrination, of denominational missionary activity, local, home, and foreign.

"7. Christian Endeavor only desires that its fidelity to Christ and the local church, and its opportunity for faithful fellowship be recognized and preserved.

The following also was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted at Minneapolis:

"In order that the attitude of this society on the great questions of Christian union and fellowship be understood; therefore,

"Resolved, that the Christian Endeavor Society stands for an organic unity of the churches, not for demolitions of denominations; that it deprecates as entirely outside

of its province and contrary to its spirit all criticism or disparagement of the great ideas for which the several denominations stand. The fellowship that it seeks is that of common methods of work under a common name for a common Lord; a fellowship upon the allegiance of every member of his own church; a fellowship which we believe will make larger and more efficient every church of every denomination that enters into it, and which shall hasten the day when all shall be the Lord's, and the whole world be united in unswerving hostility to sin and unswerving loyalty to Christ."

In addition to this Rev. Prof. W. W. Andrews, B.A., of Sackville, N. B., proposed the following resolution, which was also adopted:

"As neither the United Society of Christian Endeavor nor its conventions exert any control over the local societies, and as the only Christian Endeavor bonds are those of a common love for the Master and the fellowship of like aims, principles, and methods of work, and as we wish to range the young manhood and womanhood of the world under the motto 'For Christ and the Church,' therefore be it resolved that we welcome to the fellowship of our union and conventions any and every denominational society, which, as a guarantee of the adoption of our pledge and working methods, adopts our name in connection with any denominational name they may choose."

At Montreal the following resolutions were adopted: "That we reaffirm our adherence to the principles which we believe, under God's blessing, have made the Christian Endeavor movement what it is today.

"1. Personal devotion to our divine Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"2. The covenant obligation embodied in the prayer meeting pledge, without which there can be no true Society of Christian Endeavor.

"3. Constant religious training for all kinds of religious service involved in the various committees, which, so many of them as are needed, are equally with the prayer meeting essential to the Society of Christian Endeavor.

"4. Strenuous loyalty to the local church and denomination with which each society is connected.

"5. We reaffirm our increasing confidence in the interdenominational spiritual fellowship, through which we hope, not for organic unity, but to fulfill our Lord's prayer for spiritual unity, 'That they all may be one.'"

I have quoted thus largely from the proceedings of Christian Endeavor conventions, that the society might speak for itself. From there it will be seen that it is not an or son, but interdenominational, and that the term "Christian Endeavor" stands for a particular form of Christian work in all the churches, just as the terms Sunday school, missionary, prayer-meeting do. Each of these latter is a generic term for specific work, representing a definite and universal idea, and is distinguished in each church by a denominational title as Methodist Sunday school, Presbyterian Missionary Society, Baptist prayer meeting, etc. This is all that is claimed by the Y. P. S. C. E., that for the sake of Christian unity, and the promotion of Christian unity wherever this form of work is taken hold of by the churches, it is distinguished by the name "Christian Endeavor," which may be characterized by a denominational name, as the Baptist Union of Christian Endeavor, the Presbyterian Society of Christian Endeavor, or the Epworth League of Christian Endeavor. Christian Endeavor is the complement of the Sunday school, and the two movements in relation to the churches are analogous in every respect. It exalts "Church autonomy in controlling the societies," it seeks not "absolute uniformity nor absorption," but "unity in spirit and federation in form of organization."

It simply claims that the Christian Endeavor name should go along with adoption of its principles and methods, and assumes no authority over any local society or denominational organization. Any denomination, therefore, could, as many have done, make Christian Endeavor the general and official young people's society. The position in the Methodist Church is that the General Conference at Montreal "adopted the system known as the Epworth League, and for the purpose of promoting co-operation with the Society of Christian Endeavor, has incorporated the principal features of that organization, and has provided that the department of Christian Endeavor shall always be essential and fundamental in the organization and working of an Epworth League." And also that "any league that adopts the title 'Christian Endeavor' as a distinguishing name for the local branch, will be entitled to fellowship in the unions and conventions of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; also any Christian Endeavor Society using the term 'Epworth League,' similarly as a title, may be affiliated with the Epworth League."

Every Epworth League is therefore really and truly a Society of Christian Endeavor. The affiliated name that was adopted is "Epworth League of Christian Endeavor," and 812 of the Methodist Young People's Societies in Canada have voluntarily adopted the title. Besides these there are 259 unaffiliated "Christian Endeavor" Societies and 220 "Epworth Leagues."

From this it will be seen that the overwhelming verdict of the young people of Methodism is in favor of interdenominational fellowship. They want to have practical Christian communion and working intercourse with the young people of other churches. When the societies of Ontario were asked to express themselves on the desirability of uniting all under the one title of E. L. of C. E. and petitioning General Conference to that effect, of those voting 518 were for, to 37 against.

At the Methodist rally in connection with the C. E. conventions at Montreal and St. Catharines, strong resolutions were adopted in favor of making E. L. of C. E. the general and official title of the Young People's Societies of the Methodist Church. Most of the annual conferences approved of E. L. of C. E. as a local title and many as general, and the Young People's Association of Ontario ask to facilitate and make easy affiliation with the Y. P. S. C. E.

It is to be hoped that, in the interests of Methodism, as well as for our common Christianity, the General Conference will so move and adopt the united title.

G. F. JOHNSTON.

Montreal, Sept. 7, 1894.

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