

Committee Reports.

LOOKOUT. At the close of the consecration meeting for October, your committee met, and went carefully over the active membership list, marking the attendance for that month. The names of those who have been absent from our meetings lately, were then divided among the different members of your committee, and they have been carefully looking after all such during the past week. There has been an average attendance of forty-three members for the past three meetings, and of this number, eighty-three per cent. have taken part in some way, aside from singing, or else have been present at the Mission, assisting there. We feel encouraged to know that so many of our members are doing their best to make our meetings both interesting and profitable, and would ask that each one make it a subject of special prayer that our meetings may be the means in God's hands of helping some weak Christians, and of bringing our associate members to Christ. During the month the names of six members have been placed on our absent list, as these persons find it impossible to attend—some on account of school duties, and others because of their absence from the city. Besides these the names of eleven others have been taken from our list altogether, either by request or on account of continued absence. Miss Flossie Smith's name is to be placed on the Junior Society's roll. Mr. F. M. Pratt, General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has become honorary member of our society.—*A. Henry.*

PRAYER MEETING. Our meetings during the month of October have been of more than average interest. The plan of speaking in rotation; the presence of some of our boys as assistant leaders; a very rainy evening, with a goodly number present, and an especially good meeting; and withal, an undecurrent heartiness, are apparent reasons. The spirit of the convention—personal work—was heaven placed at the right time in our midst. To our pastor, president, past-president, and conveners of committees who were present, has been given the precious trust, and we sincerely pray our Father that we may allow the heaven—the spirit of consecrated enthusiasm and resolution—to serve, to work in us and through us, to every member of our society and far beyond. We are banded together, resolved to make our regular prayer-meeting the place where God is to be found by those who have not yet found Him, and also where He is to teach and comfort those who have sought and found Him. To this end have been appointed the following leaders for November:—9th, Rev. J. Van Wyck; 16th, Mrs. Fisher; 23rd, Mr. F. M. Pratt, General Secretary Y. M. C. A.; 30th, (consecration service.) Mr. Snider; Dec. 7th, Miss Ella Kappelle.—*M. S. Lounsbury.*

SOCIAL. During the past month we have noticed quite a number of strangers at our meetings, and we would urge upon the members of the society the importance of being friendly. Sometimes a hearty hand shake with a cheerful word to a stranger, after the meeting is over, will do more good than speaking from the platform. It has been decided to have ten minutes social intercourse every evening before the benediction is pronounced.—*Avesa Raycroft.*

FLOWER. When we are not able to get out among our friends we like to know that we are still in their thoughts. So many have said of the flowers sent, that they serve to tell them that their friends are still thinking of them. We have not been able to send out very many flowers this month, because they are grow-

ing scarcer. One of our congregation, Mr. George Miller, to whom we have been in the habit of sending flowers, has passed away, but we believe that to him "Death is gain."—*M. Kerruish.*

TEMPERANCE. The W. C. T. U. have taken the initiative in opening a "Reduction of Licenses Campaign." A petition has been presented to the City Council asking that a By-Law be submitted to the rate-payers at the Municipal elections, fixing the limit for tavern licenses at fifty. Your committee think the request is a reasonable one and would ask our society to endorse the petition, and also appoint a committee of two to work with committees from other societies during the campaign. We would also ask the privilege of uniting with our report each month, a short temperance article.—*Geo. F. Fisher.*

MISSION. October has been an unusually busy month with us, so we have not been able to make as many visits as usual in the neighborhood of the Mission. The attendance at our meetings has been good, but the order has not always been what we could wish for; still we are trusting and praying for a deeper interest and for better attention. "If the seed be sown forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." We have much need of patience, "That we weary not in well doing, for in due time we shall reap if we faint not." Dear friends, pray for us, that the work may prosper and our Master's name be honored. Our sincere thanks are due Mrs. Powell and Mr. Gain for keeping us so liberally supplied with tracts for distribution. Acting on the advice of our executive, early in October we sent a request to the Board of Education asking that a night school be opened in our Mission. Our request was kindly granted and school opened October 23rd, under very favorable auspices, with Miss C. Hendry, of the Ryerson School, as teacher. There were 17 scholars present the first night and 31 the second. We thank fully acknowledge the receipt of two dollars that was handed us for Mission purposes. We would also thank those friends who contributed in small sums sufficient to purchase lumber and nails to make a table, and a door for a bookcase, also lamps to use in our night school. Mr. Duncan Harris, of the China Palace, King Street East, kindly gave us one lamp. We thank our Heavenly Father for the great interest our young people are taking in our Mission work, and their faithful attendance at every meeting. Truly God is blessing us in our efforts to help others. We especially thank the singers, for there is a power in song that will touch some hearts that nothing else would move.

"Song should spur the mind to duty,

Nerve the weak and stir the strong;

Every deed of truth and beauty

Should be crowned by stately song."

Your committee would ask that a separate account be kept by the treasurer of all Mission monies, both receipts and expenditures; also that the convener of the Mission committee shall be empowered to use any money given for a definite purpose without consulting the executive, although an account of such money shall be given to the treasurer.

If the Sunday-school library is not to be re-opened, your committee would be very glad to have some of the books to use in the Mission Sunday-school. Your committee also ask the privilege of getting up a concert or social in aid of the Mission.—*Mrs. G. F. Fisher*

SUNDAY-SCHOOL. We desire to express our thanks to the teachers of the Sunday-school for their promptness in responding to the request for uniform

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