

it ought to do—to take “its own city for its special field of missionization

If every Branch would specially exert itself to disseminate leaflets freely through its own town, using its knowledge of local facts and promises, incalculable good would come.”

Taking this recommendation of the General Secretary as a basis for action it was decided to issue a pamphlet magazine and to distribute the greater part of the number printed in the households of the city, taking a different section each month, so that the whole might be covered periodically. By this means about 30,000 copies of THE LAMP have been already placed in the hands of Toronto readers. It is to be understood of course that The Branch is not to be considered in any way responsible for THE LAMP, but whatever good karma may result from it is cheerfully added to that of the Toronto T. S.

The Branch Library calls for attention, and it will be of benefit to the members and their friends if this department be properly organized on the lines of the Public Library, readers being supplied with cards and rendered responsible for the volumes loaned. Many valuable tracts and pamphlets have not been returned, and it is to be feared that the files of “The Path,” “Siftings,” etc., are not complete. It is recommended that all periodicals be bound on completion of volumes. Valuable books are not likely to be donated until some precautions are taken for their security. In this as in many other matters connected with organic work, it might be well to pay careful attention to proper business methods of working. The realization of the ideal, the incarnation of effort, is apt to be lost sight of in well intended but nebulous astral visions. For the present Kali Yuga, a well developed Sthula Sarira is of great practical importance in conducting the work on the material plane.

The Librarian desires the return of the following books by members who may have borrowed them :

Bhagavad Gita.

Voice of the Silence.

Letters That Have Helped Me.

True Church of Christ.

Rosicrucianism, Branch Paper No. 44.

For the coming year continuance of past effort will probably bring forward various problems of development. These will arrange themselves in their season.

but it should be an endeavour with the members to keep the idea of expansion in view. We have a centre to radiate energy from as much or more than to concentrate effort upon. So the establishment of other centres of work in Toronto, if not actually of other Branches, might well be kept in view.

The great problem of sustaining interest in the various meetings of the Society is one for individual members. No collective act can infuse the warmth and life which results from the vivid, active personal interest of each member. It is not expected that members can attend every meeting, but they should endeavour to attend the Wednesday evening meeting and at least one other, and attend them regularly. This is a practical way of becoming acquainted with the fact of cyclic law, and a simple and useful way as well. The consciousness that the success of the whole movement depends on the earnestness of your own particular assistance, and the determination that you at least will leave nothing unattempted nor undone that is possible for you will ensure the advance of the cause. What may not be possible to your act still remains the duty of your heart, and the “strong desire” that has been already spoken of, kept alive and burning, as we may keep it in any heart of us all, will indeed bring that to pass which we had long to have done.

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TO CURE BIGOTRY.

Archdeacon Wilson gives the following rules for cultivating the tolerant spirit :

1. Never take your views of one side in a controversy by reading only the representations of its opponents.

2. Never think you understand a dispute till you see the weakness of both sides.

3. If you attribute a bad motive to a man, you are wrong nine times out of ten. Search on until you find one that seems to him good, though to you mistaken.

4. You cannot understand men until you have some genuine sympathy with them.

5. You cannot be just until you are modest.

6. Put yourself in his place.

7. Do as you would be done by.