

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

LOOKOUT. During the month seven have been received into the society as active members. We trust with God's help they will indeed prove active workers in His service: Lizzie H. Ruskey, Albert Cummer, Cora B. Bement, Emma Lane, Jennie Fletcher, Martha Thompson and Mr. Bement. We have several propositions to present, which, if they meet with the approval of the society, we feel confident will prove spiritually beneficial. There seems to be a certain carelessness shown in securing active members for the society. We wish to enlarge our society and are anxious to bring in all who have a desire to serve Jesus, but in so doing we must present to them the pledge in its fullest meaning. We fear this is lost sight of to a certain extent, and for the purpose of avoiding this we would suggest that a sub-committee of the Lookout, composed of three, wait upon all who wish to become active members, and impress upon them clearly what they are pledging themselves to do upon becoming active members of the Y. P. S. C. E. We would suggest for the committee, Mrs. Lounsbury, Miss Kerruish and Mr. Harris. We also think it well to revive the old way of receiving active members into the society; by holding a reception service every consecration meeting at the close of the roll call and invite those who, during the month, after careful thought and prayer, have decided to join with us, to occupy the front seats, and be received into full membership. Your committee would also advise procuring one hundred Active and Associate application cards to be given to those wishing to join the society, to sign and hold until taken into full membership at the monthly consecration meeting. We also think it well to repeat the pledge once a month.—K. KAPPELE.

PRAYER MEETING. During the past month your committee have been endeavoring to get those who have not yet led to do so, and we feel encouraged to know that so many of our members are doing their best to make these meetings both interesting and profitable. We trust that no member will refuse to take part in any meeting when called upon; we should feel thankful for the privilege of doing even this work for the Master. The leaders for March are: 7th, Mr. Hoggan; 14th, Mr. VanWyck; 21st, (Union meeting); 28th, Miss Murray. (Consecration): April 4th, Mr. James Burgess.—M. NIEHAUS.

SOCIAL. As reported at the last business meeting your committee was making arrangements for a social to be held in February, but finding that it would conflict with the special meetings held by our pastor, it was postponed indefinitely. As there are so many entertainments this month it has not been deemed advisable to have one.—B. F. MURRAY.

FLOWER. We have distributed during February about twenty small bouquets. While we are glad to report that some who have been very ill are restored to health, others have been called to their heavenly home. One of our active members after a few weeks illness has been taken from our midst—

"O not in cruelty, not in wrath.

The reaper came that day;

'Twas an angel visited the green earth,

And took the flowers away."

The florist has agreed to supply us with flowers at fifty cents per week as long as we wish to continue. We are in debt for flowers for one month and we also find it necessary to purchase a wire flower basket. Those to take charge of flowers during the month of March are: 13th, Misses T. & M. Wright; 20th, Misses Bristow and Farmer; 27th, Misses Lavery and Harvey.

—C. LAVERY.

MUSIC. We are thankful to the friends who acceded to our request to gather in the centre of the church to help with the singing at the after service Sunday evening. We hope they will continue to do so. Our service of song has sustained a severe loss in the death of our sister, Miss Sarginson, for whom health would permit she was always present to help. She will be greatly missed in all our social services, but she is at rest, and has begun to sing the new song

—ANNIE BRISTOW.

TEMPERANCE. At the quarterly meeting of the union temperance committees held in November last, the Chairman and Rev. Mr. Shearer were appointed to draft a temperance pledge for the use of the societies in the city. At the subsequent meeting in February the committee submitted the following which was adopted and referred to the local union. "Trusting in God for strength, I promise Him: 1st, That I will not drink as a beverage, any kind of intoxicating liquor; 2nd, That I will not treat anyone to such liquor to be used as a beverage, and 3rd, That I will do all in my power to oppose the liquor traffic." At the monthly meeting of the Local Union in February the pledge was submitted and endorsed. A copy will be forwarded to each society by the committee as quickly as possible. (Continued from last month.) "The injury, it is true, falls first upon him in his health which the habit undermines in his morals, which it weakens, and in the self abasement which it creates. But as it leads to neglect of business and waste of property and general demoralization, it effects those who are immediately connected with and dependent upon him. By the general concurrence of opinion of every civilized and Christian community, there are few sources of crime and misery to society equal to the dram shop, where intoxicating liquors, in small quantities to be drunk at the time, are sold indiscriminately to all parties applying. The statistics of every State show a greater amount of crime and misery attributable to the use of ardent spirits obtained at the retail liquor saloons than to any other source. The sale of such liquors in this way, therefore, has at all times, by the courts of every State, been considered as the proper subject for legislation." (Continued.)

—G. F. FISHER.

MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance on hand,	\$35 08	
" Donations, (see report),	8 55	
" W. C. T. U., \$3, Collections,	5 13	\$48 76

EXPENDITURE.

By Caretaker, \$2 50; Rent, \$5,	\$ 7 50
" Coal oil, 64c.; Repairing organ, 58c.	1 22
" Balance on hand,	40 04
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Your committee are pleased to report that the work is progressing favorably. One young man has signified his intention to lead a Christian life. He says he is sure God has pardoned and accepted him, and that through God's grace he is overcoming habits that had long held him captive. We have had our room open every afternoon since the first of February. The officers and teachers of the Sunday-school have kindly made a further donation of two hundred books: one hundred to be used in our Reading Room and one hundred to the Mission Sunday-school library. The books are very much appreciated by the young people at the mission. Your committee take this opportunity of thanking the President and young people of Gore street society for their kindly interest and assistance

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