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The Missionary Leaguer.

"If ye love me, keep my commandments."

—John xiv. 15.

"Preach the Gospel to every creature."

—Mark xvi. 15.

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Two Cents a Week.

"Two cents a week" the Master asks
 From all the loving children's hands;
 Two cents a week to tell his love
 And teach his word in foreign lands.

"Two cents a week" to place ajar
 The gates of mercy, high and broad,
 Two cents a week to spread afar
 The knowledge of our risen Lord.

"Two cents a week" may send a blaze
 Of Gospel light o'er India's plains;
 Two cents a week may free a race
 For ages bound by error's chains.

"Two cents a week;" from China's shore
 We catch the cry and hear the plea;
 Two cents a week a few years more,
 And struggling China shall be free.

"Two cents a week" may wake the note
 Of Zion's song in fair Japan;
 Two cents a week, O blessed Christ,
 May tell of all thy love to man.

—Worthington's Annual.

To Our Members.

From the Missionary Vice-President of the Cobourg District Epworth League to the members of the League.

BY watching the *Christian Guardian* and the *Missionary Outlook* we see many proofs that God is hearing our prayers. Let us continue to pray faithfully and unitedly, and as we pray let us watch. Such information properly digested develops faith.

To look back over the short history of our young people's work is very interesting. But to look forward is inspiring. Our Mother Church has spent much tender and anxious thought over us—has watched our development with an expectant and loving care. The day of our usefulness is at hand. Many districts have thoroughly organized strength and ability. Whatever our hands find to do we do with all our might—we are helping in every department of the Church's work. Perhaps our weakest and most spasmodic efforts have been along mission lines. The young people as a body have not taken hold of this great burden of the Church with that unity of faith and effort which is necessary to make the Church shout for joy—praising God for the strength which He has given us. But we have walked around the load, we have held conventions and talked about what is necessary until we have reached a state where every member feels a sense of personal responsibility.

Those who give most time to the study of our young people have most faith in their willingness to work. But they see that instead of spasmodic efforts we must have a steady, united, systematic effort. The Cycle of Prayer is the first step toward this end. The next must come, namely, a Cycle of Study, just as world-wide in its circumference as the Cycle of Prayer. Your second vice-president has not the authority to say that it is coming, but he can say that if our General Secretary, Dr. Sutherland, who so carefully and prayerfully watches for safe advancing steps, is permitted to supply this want, he will do so in the form of a young people's missionary paper which will fully meet the need. This paper will guide us in our study of the foreign field and of our relation to it. It will show us how we may each do a little—yes, better still, how we may each do all we can, so that each member will not only feel a sense of personal responsibility, but may assume a personal responsibility.

What the Cobourg District is doing on this line is only an evidence of what Epworth Leaguers everywhere are able and willing to do.

If Dr. Sutherland, the General Secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society, publishes a young people's missionary paper, which he hopes to do, we are sure that the Cobourg District will support it by sending in good long subscription lists from each League. The price will only be enough to pay for the publishing of the paper. All the profit is for the subscriber. Your missionary vice-president will be most happy to see this pressing need supplied, and supplied from the proper source. He feels that the MISSIONARY LEAGUER only points to a need which it cannot fill even for the Cobourg District, let alone for the whole General Conference Epworth League. Although he will cease to publish the MISSIONARY LEAGUER as soon as the better paper is ready to take its place, yet he does not regret the time or money spent on the MISSIONARY