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ONE MORE HARSH JUDGMENT.

One more harsh judgment
From lips of men,
Pronounced in cruel haste ;
One more heart wound
From unloved hand ;
One more joy laid waste.

One more scraped scar
For heart to bear,
Till broke, it seeks the grave ;
One more back-thrust
From unguessed sword ;
One more sorrow to brave.

One more crushed life
With music fled,
Dumb by its broken lyre ;
One more tossed soul
Thrust back on God,
One more sad note in Heaven's choir.

—XOUTHE.

GREAT CONVENTION OF STUDENTS WILL MEET IN TORONTO.

The Fourth International Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement will meet in Toronto, Canada, February 26 to March 2. The previous conventions were held at Cleveland in 1891, in Detroit in 1894, and in Cleveland in 1898, and were the largest meetings of students ever held. The last one was attended by over 2,200 delegates. Students will be sent as delegates from the institutions of higher learning from all sections of the United States and Canada, and it is probable that 500 institutions will be thus represented. Those in attendance will also include professors, national leaders of young people's organizations, returned missionaries, representatives of Foreign Mission Boards, and editors of religious papers.

The programme will consist of addresses during the morning and evening sessions, and section meetings for the consideration of missions from the standpoint of phases of work, the different missionary lands and of the denominations which are represented. The addresses which will be given will deal with the obligation of promoting the missionary enterprise, the means which are essential to its success and its relation to the students of this continent. Among the speakers are Mr. Robert E. Speer, Mr. John R. Mott, who will return from his tour around the world to preside at this Convention ; Right Rev. M. L. Baldwin, Bishop of Huron ; Mr. L. D. Wishard, the first College Young Men's Christian Association Secretary ; Bishop Galloway, President Capen, of the American Board of

Foreign Missions ; Dr. and Mrs. F. Howard Taylor, of China, and many returned missionaries and secretaries of Foreign Mission Boards. Student Christian leaders of other lands will also participate.

As the citizens of Toronto will entertain the delegates to the number of 2,500, the only necessary cost of attendance will be the travelling expenses. Reduced rates have been granted by the railways. It is not expected that the majority of those attending will be prospective missionaries, but that the majority will be Christian students who are not volunteers.

The Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, which calls this Convention, is one of the most remarkable enterprises of students the world has seen. It was started in 1886, when at the first Northfield Student Conference 100 students expressed their desire and purpose to become foreign missionaries. The call to missions was taken the following year by two Princeton students to the colleges of the country. Two years later the movement was definitely organized. As a result of its work several thousand capable college men and women have been led to form the purpose to spend their lives on the mission field, 1,800 have already been sent out by the regular missionary boards, while similar movements have been inaugurated in great Britain, Germany, Switzerland, Scandinavia, South Africa, Australia and other countries.

As the date for its fourth Convention draws near, preparations are being rapidly hastened, both at the Toronto headquarters and at the Volunteer office. So general is the interest in this gathering, that the utmost resources available are sorely taxed. Colleges and other institutions of higher learning from the Atlantic to the Pacific are taking steps to appoint large and influential delegations in cases where this has not already been done.

Interest in the city where the Convention meets is most natural. Its architectural beauty, its high reputation as a scholastic centre, and its dominating influence in the evangelical life of the Dominion, combine to make it an ideal gathering place. To this may be added, in the case of delegates from the States, the charm of the transplanted English life as affected by early French traditions. It is a bit of England with something of the Sabbath atmosphere of Scotland, mingled with the spirit and enterprise of America. The student life of Toronto is likewise a unique composite of British and American ideas and customs, with which it will be most interesting to become acquainted.

Interest in the coming Convention is further justified by the acceptances already received. These include the leading missionary advocates of the United States and Canada, missionaries from all the great fields, many of them with a world-wide reputation, and persons whose fame is in every mouth in connection with the recent uprising in China—the falsely defamed and rightly lauded Dr. Ament, and Prof. Gamewell, defender of the legations, both of Peking, being among them. Young people's