

short and as lively as possible. Then the Bible-class came in—get the best man you can for this place—with a large heart, full of the knowledge of Scripture, kind and courteous,—the newspapers were also of immense advantage in forwarding the interests of the Association—the tract distribution work also added to the attraction and usefulness, of the Association. Their rooms, must, if possible, be made the head-quarters of all benevolent movements, and mission, and other work must be closely prosecuted. The number and efficiency of their Associations would unquestionably be advanced by these means. On this and other points, much, he thought, had been learned by young men at this Convention, and he hoped it would result in practical effort.

Mr. R. H. Holland, of Montreal, who thought the meeting might be made attractive by having a social occasionally. A good, hot tea, for instance, would have the effect of warming up their hearts. (Laughter.)

Mr. D. L. Moody, of Chicago, said, that in one respect it was easier to organize Associations in the country than in the city. City men generally had their time so fully occupied that it was only with considerable difficulty they could find time to devote to the work of the Association. In the country towns and villages the case was different, and those who should take hold of the work had generally some leisure time on their hands which they could advantageously devote to this object. When he was quite a young man and lived in the country he had plenty of leisure on his hands in the evenings, and would have been glad to attend the meetings of a Young Men's Christian Association had there been any in operation then. The country Associations should not place so much dependence upon receiving assistance and delegations from the cities in order to get the steam up, but should go to work themselves.

Mr. Thomas Dredge, of Montreal, spoke of the importance of securing the co-operation of the press, which was mighty alike for good or for evil. It was a great help to an Association where the press was favourably disposed and ready to aid them in their work.

Mr. Wm. Anderson, of Toronto, hoped that members of Associations in other places would always make it a point to visit the rooms of the Toronto Association when they came to the city. They would always receive a cordial welcome and be made to feel thoroughly at home. They were always pleased to see their friends from other places, and to invite them to take part in their proceedings. Toronto members visiting other cities and towns where Associations existed, should not forget to visit them. This interchange of social and Christian fellowship was most valuable in its results. They should all feel that they were brethren in the cause of Christ.