

EPWORTH LEAGUE READING COURSE

FOR 1896-97.

THE four books chosen for this year are particularly suitable for an Epworth League Reading Course, two of them being specially prepared for the Course, and the other two written for young people.

The following are the books constituting the Course for 1896-97:

1. **TORCH-BEARERS OF CHRISTENDOM: The Light they Shed and the Shadows they Cast.** By Rev. Robert R. Doherty. D.D. \$1.00.

Paul, Constantine, Gregory the Great, Hildebrand, Luther and Wesley have an appreciative biographer in the accomplished and versatile head of the Literary Department of the League in the United States. This book is really an epitome of early Church history, and will prove instructive and interesting.

"Dr. Doherty's 'Torch-Bearers of Christendom' is a brilliant survey of the nineteen Christian centuries, setting forth in a series of vividly picturesque chapters the suggestive steps in the history of Christianity. Dr. Doherty's literary skill has resulted in an unusually attractive book."—*S. S. Journal*.

2. **MODERN MISSIONS: Their History, Progress and Prospects.** (\$1.00.)

The Committee not being able to select any one book that fully met their needs, decided to prepare one for the Course. The result of their efforts cannot fail to be satisfactory. The volume contains striking chapters from some of the best missionary books known, together with original matter.

3. **LIFE AND CONDUCT.** By Rev. J. Cameron Lees, D.D., Edinburgh. (65c.)

This is a book on character building, and one of the best that has ever been published. It was written for young people and published in Scotland as one of the famous "Guild Series," and is now republished in Canada by permission.

Dr. Steele, Secretary of the Epworth League in the M. E. Church South, says of "Life and Conduct": "We had this book in our Course last year. It is one of the best volumes I know of to put into the hands of young people. It is pure gold, and I am glad that you have adopted it."

4. **BARBARA HECK: A Tale of Early Methodism.** By Rev. W. H. Withrow, D.D. (75c.)

The introduction of a story into a Reading Course is not altogether a new feature. The C. L. S. C. has had in its course Kingsley's "Hypatia" and other stories, and the Epworth League of the M. E. Church in the United States has an interesting tale in this year's bill of fare.

Chancellor Burwash, reviewing it, says: "The warp and woof of the book is thus through and through historical. He has characters of rare beauty to depict, and many of the sketches would be well worthy of the pen of Ian Maclaren."

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