

Young Men's Association.

During the past year the Society had a most successful session. The meetings extended from the 1st November, 1880, to the 4th April, 1881. The attendance ranged from 12 to 32, averaging 23. The plan of handing slips containing a printed programme for each meeting to the young men of the Church, was found to work well.

The Committee were much gratified at the manner in which the members responded when appointed to take part in the exercises. Not a single meeting passed without the appointed programme being carried through, and a promise to take part made, that was not fulfilled. The comparatively small numbers however that were active in this respect, necessitated the appointment of the same speakers more frequently than the latter desired, and the committee have to thank them, and at the same time to hope that a larger number may engage in the work.

An essay, "Avenues to Fame," by Mr. ROBIN, an address on the "Books to read, and how to read them," by Dr. KELLY, and "An Evening with the Poets," consisting of three sketches of the life and writings of Lord Erskine, the Earl of Chatham and the Hon. Edmund Burke, were the chief features of the session's work, apart from the debates.

The following questions were debated :

Should a prohibitory liquor law be passed in Canada ?

Is Education the duty of the State ?

Should the Upper Chamber in our federal legislature be abolished ?

Are rural occupations more useful to a people than urban ?

Should the Pacific Railway contract be ratified by Parliament ?