

through this as well as the other accessories of Association routine. We have proved the desirability of, and would most strongly recommend the formation of a ladies' representative or auxiliary committee in each Association, selecting representative married ladies from each evangelical denomination, being careful to call upon those whose social position and Christian standing in the community are well known and acknowledged.

This committee are most helpful in arranging for the public receptions, furnishing the rooms, and assisting as they alone can do in many of the details that go so far to make successful these special occasions of social interest.

This committee should be large and regularly organized, with their own officers selected from among and by themselves, they understanding that they act in co-operation with and never independently of the wishes of the Board of Directors. In brief, they bear the same relation to the Association as a regularly appointed sub-committee.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men." "And let us not weary in well-doing; for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

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ASSOCIATION WORK IN COUNTRY PLACES.

This topic has been assigned to me no doubt on account of my connection with an Association in a country village near Toronto, and I will confine myself principally to our experience in connection with that work.

The *need* we all acknowledge, for although young men in the country have not so many temptations as those in cities and towns, yet in most places outside their own homes they have no place else to go besides the tavern, and much time is often spent in idleness and sin. This was the case in the village of Eglinton referred to, and the Secretary and some members of the Toronto Y. M. C. A. decided to make an effort specially on behalf of young men. Evangelistic meetings were held in the village hall, addressed by members from Toronto and the ministers in the vicinity. The attendance was large, and resulted in the conversion of quite a number and a general interest created in the neighborhood. This was followed up by a weekly meeting for Bible study open to all, which has been greatly owned of God. After a year or two