

Our Next Issue.

NOVEMBER issue of the CAMPAIGNER will give an article on the "Organization of the Bradford District for Missionary Work." It is of great interest to our young people, and it is right that they should know how to unite the Leagues in a District and secure a representative missionary.

Young People's Forward Movement for Missions.

[Part of a paper given by REV. D. NORMAN, B.A., at the International Epworth League Convention.]

DR. SUTHERLAND says, in his introduction to the book entitled "Pray, Study, Give": "The organization and methods of the S.M.C. shows how the enthusiasm of the S.V.M. can be utilized to the fullest extent in actual missionary work. Its aims are eminently practical. It seeks to combine the young life of the Church in prayer, study, and giving for missions, and so prevent this vast reservoir of spiritual energy from running to waste. This movement has in it unmeasured possibilities for good, and deserves the prayerful and sympathetic aid of all who pray 'Thy kingdom come.' It is individualistic, beginning with the intelligent individual consecration for service. It allows every possible scope for individual effort and achievements, and yet it is socialistic, for it permits of each, according to his ability, and they share and share alike in the reward, if equally faithful.

"Its motto is, 'Pray, Study, give.' It seeks to combine the young life of the Church in prayer, study, and giving; and the young life of the Church is ready for it, for Leaguers feel that—

"We must obey Christ's great command,
His Gospel send to every land."

"I trust that no Leaguer, or Endeavorer, is of those who say, 'Lord, Lord,' and obey not. When we pray 'Thy kingdom come,' the prayer is the longing cry of our very soul. Then our daily consecration, our plans, our manner of life, shall all evidence our earnest desire that God's will be done 'On earth as it is in Heaven.'

"The cry for the salvation of the world must come from the very deepest feeling of our daily lives, then God can, and will, answer, and that right early.

"But we want to pray, not simply with the heart, but with the understanding also. Hence the use of the 'Cycle of Prayer' is strongly recommended, indeed the first part of the plan means its use."

2ND—STUDY.

"We can neither pray intelligently, nor work efficiently, for that of which we know little or nothing. Missionary literature must be in demand by Christians who merit the Master's 'Well done.'

"He is a poor citizen who is not enough interested in the progress and growth of his country to keep track of the islands and territories acquired, nor knows anything of the foreign affairs which engage the ambassadors of his State. The true patriot is not simply to go at the call of his country, but has an intelligent anxiety re the movements of the army which he supports. So the loyal subjects of 'King Immanuel' want to know what is being done in the 'region beyond,' and what the prospects are.

"Hence the importance of the monthly missionary meeting, and the necessity of the lines of communication being kept open by some practical, wide-awake dispatches, such as are contained in the MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNER, the organ of the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions."

3RD—GIVE.

"What could be better than the 'Pauline' plan? 'Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him.' As to the amount, I do not fear to leave that to the one who truly loves God. Such an one will not simply do something that he will not feel, give what he will never miss. No; he will make sacrifices real and actual. 'If a member neglects to pay, it may be taken as a sign that he forgets to pray.' Keep the whole society praying and each member giving, just as little as the Holy Spirit lets him. The important thing is:

"To give unto the King
Ourselves an offering,
His Son He gave.
'Look up' to God above,
'Lift up' thro' Jesus' love,
And to mankind we'll prove
Christ died to save,"

"Wonderful inventions have made possible a rapid and universal interchange of ideas. The world thrills with the consciousness of the same facts, of every event may it be said, 'This happeneth to all.' The Jerusalem of to-day touches every continent, the Pentecostal outpouring means universal blessing. The order is, 'Let the whole line advance; let us go up and possess the land, for we are well able.' Not to go forward is to go backward, to falter is to fail. We are a crisis in the history of the race; men wiser and holier than I say that this is one of the most important periods in the history of mankind. The character of the twentieth century politics, of social and individual life, is to be determined by the young people of Christendom. Will you follow where the spirit of the Omniscient leads? Will you let the power of the Omnipotent move through you? Then you shall be the children of God, and you shall one day stand before Him and hear Him say, 'Well done.'

"We are living, we are dwelling in a grand and awful time,
In an age on ages telling, to be living is sublime;
Oh, let all the soul within you for the truth's sake go abroad,
Strike, let every nerve and sinew tell on this age—tell for God."

Missionary Texts.

Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.—*John iv., 35.*

The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest.—*Matt. ix. 37-38.*

Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance.—*Luke iii. 8.*

And hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now, then, we are ambassadors.—*2nd. Cor. v., 19.20.*

But whoso hath this world's goods, and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love of God abide in him.—*1st John iii., 17.*

The spirit of Missions is the spirit of your Master, the very genius of His religion.—*David Livingston.*