

(Congregational); Mr. Schofield, (Methodist) Miss Riach, (Disciples.) Fine vocal music was rendered at intervals by Misses Jennie Mann and Walton, and Mr. Harry Gayler.

The Secretary, Miss Nettie Raycroft, read the report for the year 1890-91, which contained many interesting facts, showing the growth of the society from eight active members in May, 1889, to its present number one hundred and one active, fourteen associate and five honorary members, as all know the late Rev. Mr. Laird was the Honorary President, and helped to organize the society. The Treasurer's report also showed a very flourishing state of finances, total receipts for the year being \$366.87, total expenditure \$361.78, full report will be found elsewhere in this number. It was a great pleasure to all present to hear so many testimonies to the successful work done by the Y. P. S. C. E. in the different churches, and the spirit of interdenominationalism which prevailed is an earnest of what is in store for the Church of Christ at large, in the days that are coming.

The address of Mr. Schofield, representative of the Epworth League of the Centenary Church was very well received, the same purpose actuates to effort both societies, the name is a mere external. Everything points to a complete brotherhood of all who love Christ and are endeavoring to work for Him. We are pleased to give those of our readers who were not present, the privilege of reading the address of Miss L. V. Riach, President of the Society of Christian Endeavor in the Church of the Disciples.

WHY I LIKE THE Y. P. S. C. E.

Address given by Miss L. V. Riach, President of the Y. P. S. C. E., Church of the Disciples.

In considering the subject allotted me—Why I like the Y. P. S. C. E.—in the first place, I like it for its name—Christian Endeavor, it has the true ring, it is one which every Christian can conscientiously subscribe to, to do whatever our Master would have us do, to be up and doing, not burying the talent God has given us, but using it for His glory, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. In the prayer-meeting—for its opportunities of winning souls to Christ, of training young Christians, and building all up in the faith, while above and over us towers “the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.”

Again I like it for the friendly spirit manifested in the meetings. We all doubtless can remember our first attempt to take

part, and, how we almost wished it had not to be done looking upon it, rather as a duty, than as a free-will offering to Him, who, by the mouth of His apostle has exhorted us “to offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually,” that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. And if we would but remember that the timidity, the choking utterance, are but obstacles to overcome, and once conquered they are stepping stones on which we rise to higher things. We have all felt around us a sweet sympathy, knowing that all were so much interested in the work we are engaged in that there was no room whatever for the critic. I enjoy the time given for social intercourse, the warm hand-shake and the kindly word that assures us that the meeting has been enjoyed.

Then again, in our union meetings—when we all meet as brethren, Jesus Christ our head; our hearts animated with love to Him, and consequently with love for each other, for he who loveth not his brother, whom he hath seen, how can he love God, whom he hath not seen? In the interchange of ideas which broadens and enlarges our views in fact the interdenominational feature of the organization, is one that must recommend itself to all. And lastly, for its systematic study of the word of God. As we all believe that the Bible is the complete revelation of God to man, we cannot over estimate the benefits to be derived from its study for the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart, and I firmly believe that the increased knowledge of Holy Writ will break down the differences existing in the Church and bring about the answer to Christ's memorable prayer—that they may all be one, as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me. That this prayer will be answered, I have not the slightest doubt, and that the young people will be a strong factor in bringing this about, I must confidently trust, then speedily shall the kingdoms of the world, become the kingdoms our Lord and of His Christ.

Attention!

Don't forget the Moon-light Excursion, Monday evening, June 15th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid and Christian Endeavor societies. Everybody welcome. Buy your tickets early, only 25 cents.