

keep themselves busy at something else.

"If you give tickets, badges, buttons, diplomas, or other things as marks of merit, let them be honestly earned always. Do not demoralize the Juniors by giving them something for nothing at any time.

"Do not address the Leaguers as little children. Call them 'Juniors.' If you will; but remember that the boys and girls most difficult to keep, but most desirable to hold, do not relish being called 'little children,' or even 'children,' with the adjective understood.

"While the Sunday schools are emphasizing what we ought to know, and what we ought to be, the Junior League should put emphasis on what we ought to do. It should be a manual training school for workers. Juniors like to do things, and it is our work to make them intelligent and skilled in the doing. God and the church do not want bunglers, no matter how willing they may be.

"When the meeting closes it is much better not to let the members scatter. March them out to music in a quiet and orderly manner. This will prevent confusion. Begin with order, continue in order, and finish with order."

"Thanks! You have given us some good practical hints for our meetings."

"I speak for the Montreal South Juniors. There are 35 of them who meet on Sunday afternoons. The League was organized ten years ago, and I was placed as superintendent. What blessed and happy years they have been. How my own soul has been blessed! I have been privileged to see many of the Juniors advanced into the older Society and the church. I am glad the boys and girls are being brought to the front."

"I am from Deseronto. Although engaged in almost every branch of church work, the labor among the boys and girls is the most encouraging and helpful to me. This has led me to wonder why the work, which comes with the force of Divine command, is so neglected as to show but two or three Leagues on a district. In Deseronto we have 88 Juniors. We always prepare the programme ahead and hang it on the wall that all may become familiar with it beforehand. Our pastor seldom misses a meeting, and is always ready with words of encouragement and counsel. He has charge of the temperance meetings. All the boys have signed the pledge. If we had more such pastors we would have more boys and girls enrolled under the banner of the Junior League. For four years past we have given \$25 a year to the support of Bro. Emberson in Japan. The Juniors give systematically from 5 to 10 cents a month. We believe this is the best way."

"Doubtless it is the correct Scriptural principle of giving."

"In the Brant Avenue League, Brantford, we have the largest attendance in the history of our League. We have the League divided into two sections—the 'blue' and 'red'. They are engaged in a contest as to which shall secure the largest number of members. They sit together. Besides new members, regularity and punctuality of attendance count. The winning side at the end of the League year will be given a picnic by the losers. We use the magic lantern largely at our social evenings and find it a great help."

"In the Wellington Street Junior League, Brantford, we have 66 members. Our League is also held on Sunday mornings. One of the greatest helps I have is a ten-minute prayer-meeting before every regular League meeting. We hold this in a classroom. The Juniors are not pressed to come, but those who are free to do so, attend. We have had some Bible contests with the Seniors

with profit to both. Occasionally we have marched the Juniors in a body to the church service. We try to keep out of ruts, and make a great deal of singing in the League."

"The Welland Avenue Juniors, St. Catharines, have been doing well, and have made the largest contribution of any Junior League in the Hamilton Conference to the Forward Movement, \$66.12."

"Our Little League out in Dalrymple has to meet in the school-house on Fridays, after four. We take the League topics and systematic Bible studies. The Juniors are encouraged to form during the week questions for themselves to be asked in a match of sides on Bible facts."

"You see, while in some respects the city Leagues have the advantage over the country places, the latter are not lagging behind. Persons, not places, are the greatest factors in our work."

"At Norwich we have 41 Juniors. They are very much interested and good

the importance of our work before their congregations oftener, it would create greater interest?"

"From what has already been said, we certainly do think so, sister. How would it do for you to ask your pastors all to preach a sermon on child conversion and culture? Let the League attend in a body, and make the whole service full of interest, as Bro. Smith has told us they do at Durham. Try it!"

"Our Junior League of C. E. in Wall St. Church, Brockville, has for four consecutive years won the Ontario C. E. Union Banner for the best all-round work. So we are awake and working. We have 82 enrolled members and an average attendance of 80. All our seven committees are doing well, but the Sunshine and Missionary Committees particularly so. Everyone of our members is a systematic giver to missions. We contribute \$45. A bright earnest type of young Christian is being developed among us."

"The George Street Junior League of



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work is being done. Several have recently given their hearts to the Lord. We frequently have a social evening at the parsonage, and all enjoy it."

"Good use for a parsonage, isn't it? When pastor and pastor's wife are agreed in this work, as at Norwich it is bound to make headway."

"Let me tell you, that in my opinion we have a fine League at Bridgeburg. In all we have some 130 members, 40 being on the Cradle Roll. We have a workable system of rewards. Each Sunday a check is given to all in attendance. When ten checks are returned a button is given. This is illuminated with a text on it. For four buttons a medal is given, having the Lord's Prayer on one side, and 'J. L.' on the other. And so we go on step by step. We also make our Juniors fishers. Each new member brought means a fish added to the string of the fisher, and the ones having the longest string at the end of the term are rewarded."

"All these plans give zest to the meetings and increase the interest of the Juniors in the success of each meeting."

"At Oakville we are doing nicely. So far this year we have \$15 for the Forward Movement, and \$6.50 for the Japanese Orphanage. Our Sunshine Committee deserve credit for their good work in looking after the sick and aged. At Christmas we always remember the poor with a gift of good things. Don't you think that if our pastors would bring

Brockville has 48 members of varying ages, and we think we have a very nice League, indeed. Our chief aim is to train the Juniors, so that when they graduate from the Junior branch they will be ready for any kind of church work in which they may be needed. We have our own library, which is carefully kept track of by our librarian. We follow the general lines of study and work, and several times have conducted the Senior League meetings for them. Last fall we had a very successful 'At Home'—the Juniors gave the entertaining themselves. We spend much time in memorizing Scripture, believing that it will be a safeguard in after years."

"Brockville is evidently alive to the needs of the youth. The average attendance of the Wall Street League is the most nearly perfect that we ever knew of. The meetings must be of a very high class to bring out so nearly all the members every time. And we should aim to make them so everywhere and always."

"In Ottawa, McLeod Street, we have 57 in our League, and 39 of them are members of the church. Twice a year we take full charge of the Senior League programme, and bring our work to their attention. All our money is raised by free-will offerings also, no admission fee ever being taken. Interest is well sustained throughout, but especially in the Missionary Department."