

To the Junior League Workers of the Hamilton Conference:

Junior Epworth League Workers,—To you is given a part in the initial training of those who may become the leaders of the church of the next generation. The necessary way to the golden age is through our Junior population. They are parts of a world that "never continueth in one stay." They can only be kept by training, growth and development. For this year 1909 the Junior Epworth League should have a better reputation, based on better work. One winter's day a young girl, barely clad, but happy in the possession of an old shawl which she offered to share with a companion, said, "Come under: I can stretch it a bit." We must stretch our efforts a little more. It is the Junior League that does things worth while that succeeds. Then in our work let us be definite, diligent and hopeful.

Paisley, Ont.

WRAY R. SMITH.

To the Epworth Leaguers of the Manitoba Conference:

Fellow Workers,—As Epworth Leaguers we should strive to bring every young person who belongs to our homes, and also those who do not belong to any other church, into active co-operation with the principles of Jesus Christ.



REV. B. W. ALLISON

Our outlook of life should not be of so low an order as to look upon Christ simply as a power to save us; but to look upon our lives as capable of such high and true development that the only thing which can possibly bring it to its highest perfection is the close and continual companionship with Christ.

B. W. ALLISON, President.

In a word, let us bring Christ to all the people we can, so that they may go from our association more truly men and women than they ever were.

Brandon, April 7, 1909.

Dear Fellow-Workers and Junior Leaguers of the London Conference:

We have made the acquaintance of many of our ardent and enthusiastic workers during the past year, and realize that we are a large army in the Master's work.

A few in the country places find many difficulties. Cheer up, my friend, we have a great and mighty Captain, and His promises are sure.

Our Juniors are wide awake. Therefore we must be on the alert, with the windows of our hearts aflame with a spiritual light, and the telephone line between us and God clear. Time spent for boys and girls is well invested, whether it be in prayer, study, planning, or in active work.

We want to receive a card from every Junior Superintendent, with your name and address, and in return we will send you an address, the owner of which you may be able to help by your correspondence, and vice versa.

Yours for the Juniors,

Nile, Ont.

MABEL A. BAILIE.

Dear Superintendents and Members of Newfoundland Junior Leagues:

I have been pleased to hear that you are each working in your various ways. May we not have a vision of even greater service? "Where there is no vision, the people perish." There must be enthusiasm to insure success, and to be enthusiastic one must have interest in every department of the society, and that interest so deep that each will be willing to take responsibility—even though we naturally feel unequal to the task. Remember that "we learn by doing." All "working together," can lend a sympathetic helping hand.

"I am but one, but I am one;

I cannot do everything, but I can do something;

What I can do, I ought to do;

And what I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do."

I shall watch the continued progress of Junior League work all over the Colony.

Yours in the interest of the work,

F. I. MAIR,

Fifth Vice-President Newfoundland Conference League.

"From a Canadian Knight"

Under the above title, the Editor of the *St. Louis Christian Advocate* publishes a racy letter from the former Editor of this paper. It is addressed to Dr. Palmore's youthful knights, and we are sure our Juniors will like to see some of the interesting things Dr. Crews has told their young cousins across the border. Here are some of the items contained in the letter:

"When I am asked to tell anything about my birthplace and early home I am at a loss, for I was a preacher's son and lived 'all over.' Well so I remember the "moving times," when the farmer's wagons were loaded with our earthly possessions, securely packed in boxes. To ride on the top of one of those big loads was the ambition of the boys.

There was lots of fun in those days. In winter we skated, not in rinks, but on the dear old creek, when we followed for miles its meanderings. Tobogganing down the hills was a source of great delight, and so much did we enjoy the winter's sports that the season was gone all too soon.

In the spring the great attraction was the "Sugar Making," and what fun it was to go out into the woods and gather sap from the maple trees which was boiled down into syrup and then made into the most delicious sugar. Just before the syrup congealed into sugar it was sometimes dropped upon a block of ice or packed snow, and became "tasty," which everybody voted to be the finest sweet in the world.

Gathering nuts was the employment of the autumn, when some wonderful excursions were made into the woods. To get the nuts involved rather hard work, but we were well repaid for the effort by the pastime of cracking them during the long winter evenings.

How to get an education was a difficult problem to solve for a poor preacher's boy. We lived in the country, and there was a High School four miles away, but my father could not afford to pay for his boy's board in the town. What was to be done? Give up the opportunity of going to High School? Not a bit of it! There was one way out of the difficulty, and that was to walk, which I did for two years, together with a boy companion, without missing more than a day or two in all that time. Summer and winter, warm and cold, rain or shine, we plodded our way, eight miles a day, not over asphalt pavements, but through mud and dust, snow and slush, often struggling up to our waists in snow banks, but what did we care? It was a chance to secure an education, and we stuck to our task. No doubt those two years of healthy outdoor exercise were an excellent preparation for the after work of life.

I have never used tobacco or strong drink, and have no desire or intention of beginning now. I have always been

Resolution of Appreciation

Passed by the General Sunday School and Epworth League Board, on March 31, 1909.

"We, the members of the General Board of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues, desire to place on record our sincere appreciation of the splendid services of Rev. A. C. Crews, D.D., who for over thirteen years gave his whole time to the work of General Secretary of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues. His untiring and enthusiastic devotion to the varied interests of our young people was ever manifest in all that he said or did. His genial personality, his ever-ready and wise counsel, and his pulpit and platform ministrations, bear eloquent testimony to his ability as a most worthy leader. The Reading Courses, Practical Plans, and the "Epworth Era" were all initiated and successfully managed by him to the inspiration, education, and upbuilding of our young people. We pray that the marked success that characterized his work as General Secretary may also obtain in even a greater measure in his new and important position as Editor of our Sunday School Periodicals."

greatly interested in Dr. Palmore's "Knights," and send them my most cordial greetings and best wishes. Have lots of fun when young, boys, but remember that you are preparing for the day of manhood. Seek to have strong bodies, clear minds and pure hearts."

We are sure that our Canadian Juniors will endeavor to follow the good advice of our S. S. Editor, Dr. Crews, and so live in true knightly fashion.