

PERSONALS.

Rev. O. S. Eby, D. D., formerly of Homer street, Vancouver, has been appointed to the pastorate of the Agnes St. Church, Toronto.

Rev. J. C. Speer was one of the speakers at the Puget Sound Epworth League Convention held at Olympia, Wash., June 22-24. On his way down he gave his famous lecture on "The Standards" in the First Methodist Church, Seattle.

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Rev. A. E. Green has gone East to attend the annual meeting of the Dominion Alliance, as representative from the I. O. G. T. and the Methodist Conference.

Rev. J. D. P. Knox has been granted six weeks leave of absence from his church, and proposes a visit to his old home in Ontario. Bro. Knox will represent the Sons of Temperance at the Dominion Alliance Convention.

Rev. S. S. Osterhout, Ph. D., Chairman of Port Simpson district, is spending a few months in the Eastern Provinces, visiting old friends and lecturing on behalf of the Missionary Society. He will no doubt prove of great assistance to the work of missions. Mrs. Osterhout and family are tarrying with her parents in Victoria.

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Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B. A., B. D., and wife are spending their vacation in the vicinity of St. Catharines and Woodstock, Ontario. At the Convention of Leagues held in New Westminster in May last Mr. Sipprell was appointed a delegate to the International Convention of Epworth Leagues, which meets shortly in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Metropolitan Victoria Board are taking time by the forelock, and in a special meeting called to discuss the question of pastoral supply for 1900-1901, cordially invited the Rev. J. C. Speer to remain their pastor for a fourth year. We are pleased to know that Bro. Speer has accepted the invitation.

Rev. J. W. Wadman, M. A., of Japan, the first regular pastor of the Centennial Church, Gorge Road, paid a visit to his old friends on his return trip to

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his distant mission field. He preached in both the Metropolitan and Centennial Churches to large and delighted audiences. We have Mr. Wadman's promise of special contributions to the Recorder from time to time.

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The many friends of Dr. Ernest Hall of Victoria will desire to congratulate him on his recent success in winning the Gold Medal for 1899, offered by the Trinity Medical Alumni Association, Toronto. Of all the Theses submitted to the Committee of Eminent Practitioners, Dr. Hall's was pronounced most worthy. The paper was on "Diseases in the Female Insane: Its Significance and our Responsibility." It will be remembered that Dr. Hall has had remarkable success in the treatment of such diseases.

Mr. Jno. W. W. Stewart, Provincial Manager of The Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada, whose adv. appears in another space, has the distinction of being the first paid subscriber to the "Methodist Recorder," and holds receipt number one.

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Mr. F. J. Bailey, General Secretary of the Wesleyan Naval Work at Esquimalt, spent a few days in Kamloops as a delegate to the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M.

Rev. W. H. Barracough, B. A., has been invited to lecture before the Itinerant Club of the Puget Sound Conference.

CHURCH NEWS.

VICTORIA CITY.

Metropolitan, Rev. J. C. Speer, Pastor.

Centennial, Rev. W. H. Barracough, B. A., Pastor.

Victoria West, Rev. J. D. P. Knox, Pastor.

James Bay, Rev. R. H. Hughes, Pastor.

An Intermediate League has been organized in connection with the Metropolitan Church. We believe such an organization can be made a great power for good, taking in, as it does, those who are just at the age when they are apt to be lost to the church. We trust that this League will be ever found ready to lend a helping hand wherever necessary. Mr. Robert Herbert is the President, Miss Minnie Luncey Secretary. Bro. E. A. Lewis, of the Senior League, has been chosen Superintendent. The young folks are starting out on right lines to develop not merely the social side of their natures, but the intellectual and spiritual as well.

The young people of the Spring Ridge neighborhood have organized a League in connection with their Sunday school. They are bashful about calling themselves an Epworth League, but are formed on the same lines. Mr. E. E. Westcott is the President. They are an intelligent and energetic lot of young people, and we bespeak for their movement success. Already they are running a society paper, which is issued every month, and is ably edited by Mr. Percy Knott.

The Epworth League of the Centennial Church has taken a new lease of life, with Mr. Ernest Hall as President. The Missionary Department has been organized with 15 pledged to pray for and give to missions.

The Victoria West Church is in a flourishing condition, and the friends are preparing to pay another instalment on their debt. Bro. Knox is exceedingly popular with his people.

The young people of the James Bay Church are enthusiastic workers, and are loyal always to their pastor. Rev. G. F. Swimmerton, B. A., was much beloved by them, and they, with others in the church, felt that they could not bid him farewell without some token of their esteem and affection, and consequently a farewell social was held and a delightful programme with refreshments provided, and at its close Mr. Jus-

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