

# Missionary Campaigner.

"If ye love me, keep my commandments."

—John xiv. 15.

"Preach the Gospel to every creature."

—Mark xvi. 15.

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### A Grain of Mustard Seed.

According to your faith, so be it unto you.

WE know the united prayer of our young people's Christian societies for a "Forward Movement" in our missionary work is answered, if we would only ALL believe it. The "mighty little" that each young Christian can do more than he or she is doing, is the "monster sin" of "covetous hindrance to Christianity," for the removal of which our mothers have united to pray during July (1896). This number of the *MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNER* is devoted not so much to the study as to the solving of this great problem. It aims not at arguing or chiding, not at measuring or describing the pit into which we have fallen, but at setting plainly before each young people's Christian society (and therefore before each member) in Canadian Methodism a way out—an open door. Look carefully and prayerfully in and you will see the Master's hand out-stretched, beckoning, guiding, receiving. No young Christian can afford to go carelessly by, no matter how busy. Indifference is sin. Stop!! Think!!! You are in danger of losing not only the chance of a lifetime, but a better offer than eternity affords, if this is the Lord's call and you neglect it.

We offer to meet you on any ground—selfishness if need be—the last, lowest and meanest reason for considering our Lord's call. You will be happier—one hundred per cent. the gainer in this world. For written guarantee see Mark x. 29, 30. Do you believe the Guarantee? BE CONVINCED. ACT.

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A post-card was sent to each pastor in Canadian Methodism, asking for the address of the president of each Y.P.C.S. under his charge. We wish to thank all those who so kindly returned the post-card. Some have not done so as yet, which we regret very much, as it will not only necessitate our writing to them again, but deprives their young people of the privilege of being abreast with this movement. We beg them to return the card, even if they have no societies, thus saving us our precious time and money, which otherwise will be required to write to them again.

## Suggested Programme for July Missionary Meeting.

(From the "Monthly Letter" of the W.M.S.)

- I. Opening Exercises. "The evil forces of every Christian nation are tremendous enemies of the missionary work."
- II. Regular Business.  
Shall our Society form a band:  
(a) To pray daily for missions.  
(b) To give weekly to missions.
- III. Hymn.
- IV. Subject for Prayer for the month: That covetous hindrances to Christianity may be removed.  
A million and a quarter acres of the earth are devoted to the cultivation of tobacco. Nicotine is a virulent poison. Two drops are enough to kill a large dog, eight drops will kill a horse in four minutes.  
Mr. Kelso, Vice-President of the Toronto Humane Society, writes as follows:  
"The cigarette and tobacco business is completely demoralizing many lads between the ages of seven or eight and twelve years. I lay great stress upon the cigarette evil, because in order to force the sale, certain manufacturers place an immoral or highly suggestive picture in each package—always an actress or a female performer scantily dressed. Boys often buy the cigarettes for the sake of these pictures, and the smoking habit thus grows on them. I have myself seen pictures of the most degrading character that have been taken from cigarette packages. In a very short time boys started in this way become so initiated into all that is bad that sooner or later they become a public menace."  
An American firm sold \$60,000 worth of these pictures in one year.
- V. Reading: "Opium Dons in Lucknow."  
"The introduction and sale of opium extends to all the cities and villages of China, the Chinese expending on it more than \$50,000,000 every year."  
Miss Powar, an Indian Christian lady, of Bombay, says: "Opium is given to children only three or four days old, and hundreds of thousands of children are yearly poisoned by it."
- VI. Hymn.
- VII. Reading: "The Deacon's Cider" (a true story). †
- VIII. Discussion: Whereas in Canada the right of the majority to rule is a fundamental principle of government, are we, individually or as a society, responsible for that traffic in death, the rum trade? How do our fathers, brothers and sons vote?  
When the first Christian martyr fell down and gave up the ghost, being stoned by the Jews, there was one standing by, who lifted no stone and stirred no hand against him; but afterwards, praying in the temple, seeing with the new vision of the redeemed, he cried out in an agony of repentance: "I, Lord, I also stood by consenting unto his death."  
And so shall many Christians one day look with new eyes upon the rivers of blood now surging almost up to their doors, and cry "I, Lord, I also stood by consenting," and some shall add, "and kept of the raiment of them that slew."
- IX. The Watch-Tower.  
X. Sentence Prayers: On the subject for prayer for the month.  
Benediction.

\* See "Onward," February 29, 1896. Price two cents.

† Leaflet, "The Deacon's Cider." Price one cent, at Room 20. Please enclose two cents additional for postage and wrapping. The Room will be closed as usual during August. Kindly send all orders by July 25th.

The Pledge and Collector's Book furnished for 5c. each by Dr. Sutherland, also the "Cycle of Prayer," price 3c., Room 20, are a great help.