

Suggested Programme.

SUBJECT—

Another Year for Jesus.

RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT—

"And herein I give my advice," for this is expedient for you, who have begun before, not only to do, but also to be forward a year ago.

"Now, therefore, perform the doing of it; that there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which ye have."

(2 Cor. viii. 10-11.)

HYMN.

PRAYER.

READING OF SCRIPTURE.

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RETROSPECT—

1. What have we done as a Society during the past year for Missions?
2. What have we done as individual members?
3. What have we planned which we have not fulfilled?
4. Has our Society greater influence than a year ago? Have we prayed for and studied about our Lord's Kingdom?
5. Have we given to God's work according to His plan? (See 1 Cor. xvi. 20).

PROSPECT—

The world for Christ; Christ for the world.

The world is our field. Lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, which are white, already to harvest.

Do we pray daily, "Our Father," and regard not "our brother"?

Shall we study to know the condition of God's Kingdom? Do we know all about "God's other children," the countries in which they live, the conditions under which they live, and our obligation to them?

Shall we, as a Society, read about Missions, about the men whom we send to other lands to represent us?

Shall we gather and use Missionary literature? How many Missionary papers do we take as a Society?

Shall we give? (2 Cor. ix. 6, 7, 8, 11.)

Let us look forward to filling the measure of our opportunity.

1898, not only will they have surprised themselves, but we believe the work many of us undertook with more or less fear and misgivings, as to the first year's results, will be found to have been accomplished so happily and so easily, that we trust it may be an incentive to other Districts to "go and do likewise."

Surely, to be able to report over \$600 in sight, so soon after organization, should give us great encouragement, and we are truly thankful to God, for His spirit has certainly been moving upon the hearts of our young people, and revealing to them the duties and privileges this movement offers. We are also grateful that the Executive Committee of our Missionary Board, has faith in our young people, and trusting to our raising the necessary \$800, have sent Dr. J. A. Jackson and Mrs. Jackson, to minister to the spiritual and physical needs of the people at Bella Bella, and along the great Pacific coast. Dr. Jackson is now laboring there for God, in our room and stead; we could not go, but we could send. Are we now going to forget him? No—let the prayers of hundreds of our consecrated young people daily go up for the Holy Spirit to be given to "our Missionary," in such measure, that we shall hear of great good being done there, and many, many, being brought to know of the love of the Saviour we have found. Let us remember him by sending him a letter occasionally, and though he cannot answer us individually, let us look forward to the monthly letter he has promised to send, and see that it is read at our meetings.

Our experience teaches us, that if the work is to be done successfully, in our Leagues, we need three things—System, Perseverance and Faith.

Each League should have an enthusiastic and deeply earnest Missionary Committee, who will pray and work to have every member of their society interested in and contributing to this movement.

Then, perseverance is necessary, as members with the very best intentions, will forget to "pay up," and it is necessary that the matter be kept, kindly and courteously, before them and that their interest in the matter does not wane.

Remember, it is not for the Central District we are working, not for the Missionary Board, not for Dr. Jackson, but for Christ, our Redeemer. Therefore, let us have faith. We are working for Him, and He will guide us and bless our efforts, if we are but faithful.

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Report of the Missionary Vice-President of the Toronto Central District.

I am pleased to report, that as a district, we have made much progress during the past year.

A year ago we were practically unorganized, and when we began corresponding, we found we were doing so with those out of office, and also that there were Leagues in existence of which we had not heard before. A year ago, our League officers were almost unacquainted with those of any League outside of their own; to-day, many of us are glad we have been brought into acquaintanceship with the workers of other Leagues, and the interest in the work of our own League seems to have increased and our ideas to have been broadened thereby. A year ago, most, if not all, of our Leagues, had no definite Missionary object in view; to-day, we believe every one of our seventeen societies has "a shoulder to the wheel," and before May,

Forward Movements.

How quickly the gold cry gains the attention of our fair country? Who does not know about the KLONDIKE? Would that our people were as fully acquainted with the "Forward Movements" for eternal riches as they are with the mad rush for gold. There are bright nuggets which will increase in value with the ages, which may be found by every Epworth Leaguer—you may stake out your claim and begin your search now, this fall. There will soon be no claim for you, if you do not stake it off and get to work. See Rev. G. W. Kirby's article on Forward Movements along Evangelistic lines for directions.

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