

Practical Plans.

The Leaguer in a Revival.

1. The Leaguer will be present regularly, and will not be detained by a threatening storm, nor a storm itself.

2. The true Leaguer will also be punctual if possible, but better a little late than not at all.

3. He will respond promptly when prayers and testimonies are asked for, or when front seats are to be filled.

4. Personal work for souls will be undertaken. This is most difficult for one unaccustomed to it, and the most attractive for those who have tried it and have been successful.

5. A single word, spoken out of meeting, on the street or in the home, to a friend or acquaintance, may accomplish more than many words from the preacher, which seem to be for every one.

6. An earnest, heart-felt letter may serve the same purpose, and in some cases the two plans may be combined.

7. "Silent Evangelism" provides daintily printed gilt-edged cards, which bear suitable words of invitation and appeal. These may be presented personally or sent by mail.

8. The Leaguer should always be on duty for the Master, and whether in special services or anywhere else, will be ready to speak a word for Christ.—*Miss Edith Weekes*, Glencoe, Ont.

Special Prayer.

The E. L. of C. E. of Grafton Street Church, Halifax, N.S., has sent out the following card:

Believing that God will grant a special blessing in answer to united prayer for definite objects, the Prayer Meeting Committee requests you, as a member of our society, to remember in prayer every week, the following subjects on days named:

Sunday—Our Church, our pastor—that by means of the services, Christians may be strengthened and souls may be won for Christ.

Monday—The members of our Church that are "shut in"—that Christ may be "all in all" to them. The Children—that they may be "kept from the evil."

Tuesday—Our Sabbath School, its Officers and Teachers—that the teaching and the life may prove the truth of the Gospel.

Wednesday—Our Church prayer meeting—that we may all see and do our duty in regard to it; that all Christians may bring forth much fruit through abiding in Christ.

Thursday—The young people in our Church who have not declared themselves on the Lord's side; that they may know and own Christ as their redeemer and Lord.

Friday—Our Society—the Epworth League, its officers, the prayer meetings

and their leaders; that we may all remember that we are servants of Christ.

Saturday—All who are working for Christ at home or in foreign lands; "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

"And all things, whatsoever you shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."

Yours for the League,
PRAYER MEETING COMMITTEE.

The Lookout Committee's Opportunity.

The lookout committee has a rare opportunity. The conditions of society reveal opportunities, and opportunity is duty.

The members of the lookout committee must be persons of Christian purpose. To influence others there must be Christian character. Consecration and devotion must be the characteristics of the members of this committee.

"Opportunity never pauses by the way side." So every committeeman must be active, using every opportunity as it comes.

The committee must be faithful in instructing members as they come into the society. Numbers is too often the object in soliciting members. You should seek Christians, not members. Too many come into the society very carelessly, thinking very little of the sacred obligations they take upon themselves in joining a society, and the result is a long "dead list."

Let the committeemen get their hearts aflame at the altar of prayer. Purpose, a heaven-inspired and Spirit-directed purpose, does far more towards making the committee effective than great talents.

Effective Advertising.

There has been an improvement in recent years in the use of businesslike methods on the part of Christians. In other church-work there is still room for the application of many business principles to our labor for the Master. Here is a good example of Christian Endeavor advertising. It was sent out to the Endeavorers of the Friends' Church in Knightstown, Ind. It must have resulted in a well-attended consecration meeting:

CHRISTIAN CONSECRATION ENDEAVOR EVENING

Dear Endeavorers: Are we keeping the PLEDGE? Would not more SERVICE and SACRIFICE please Him whom we SERVE?

Has the bloom of our sincere PROMISES ripened into the fruit of PERFORMANCES? Remember, the Consecration Meeting calls for your presence.

SABBATH EVENING, MARCH 30. It is earnestly desired and urgently requested that every member be present.

PRAY before the Lord after REPAIR for better work by COMING. Come, and bring some one with you. Come on time. Yours for more earnest Christian Endeavor,
T. B. WOODARD, Pres.

—C. E. World.

Punctuality.—Let one thing be distinctly understood by every member—that the meetings of the society will start on time. No matter whether it is rain or shine, summer or winter, warm or cold, plan to have the first hymn announced on the stroke of the hour. Sometimes it is a good plan to precede the regular programme by a fifteen minute song service.

Cottage Prayer Meetings.—Have you tried the cottage prayer meeting as a means of raising the spiritual temperature of the church? Divide the congregation into groups of eight or ten, and on a certain night have cottage prayer meetings in a number of places. Have something special to pray for and to talk about, and let it be understood that the mid-week service in the church is to be a sort of round-up. Almost before you know it the church will be ablaze with spirituality and the ingathering will begin to come.—*Lookout*.

For Rainy Sundays.—We have recently organized in our Epworth League a "Rainy Sunday Band." It has proven already a very wise undertaking, as a goodly number have joined it; and yesterday being a somewhat stormy Sunday we had a large congregation compared to those present on former rainy Sundays. Those who were members of the band felt their responsibility to be present, and others knowing that these members would be present, were encouraged to come also. As we have succeeded so well in securing the attendance of our Epworthians at the church services on rainy Sabbaths, it has made me feel that it would be a wise plan for the leagues throughout the whole of Methodism to adopt. What a grand thing it would be if we could educate our young people to be faithful in their attendance at the church services every Sabbath in the year!—*Wm. S. Coymann*.

Why go to Conventions?—The following is an extract from an editorial in the *Silver Cross*, the organ of the "King's Daughters": "We hear a good many of our members say, 'Oh, we don't care for the public meetings,' or 'Our Circle does its work, but we never go to conventions.' We have all heard of the little pig who stayed at home when the other little pigs went to market, yet who asked clamorously, 'Where's my share?' It is natural perhaps to want our share of knowledge, of cheer, of all the things that typify the 'bread and butter,' without taking the trouble of going to market. 'But once I did go to a convention and I didn't get anything,' says a member. One feels like answering, 'To him that hath shall be given.' What did you carry?' To go to the convention because we 'get something' there—that is well; to go because we can give something, that is better. And, impossible as it seems to those of us who are timid, we can all give something that will add to the convention treasure of faith, of good feeling, of knowledge, of experience, of money; and last, but not least, if we have nothing else to offer, we can give love and gratitude for what others bring."