

B. Y. P. U.

Our Object. The unification of Baptist young people; their increased spirituality; their stimulation in Christian service...

Prayer Meeting Notes for Dec. 23-24. B. Y. P. U. Topic—"Song of the Angels. Luke 2: 14."

Perhaps it has become an old thing—a sort of second nature—and without anything specially new to write you are waiting for something to turn up.

Will you permit a voice from this column to reach you? Do not the first of these societies owe it to the denomination that they make known through our widely circulated paper...

And now before in the mood for asking for material for this column may we not appeal to some of the pastors for a postal card on which they will kindly say what their society is to them in the varied departments of church work.

DEBY.—Although our society at Deby is small has not been reported so far this year, yet we are going on with the work. We are taking up the S. L. C., with our pastor, Rev. A. T. Dykeman, as leader and not only the young people of the church, but the older people are enjoying the study.

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MARYVILLE, N. B.—On the evening of Oct. 17th a B. Y. P. U. was organized by our pastor, the Rev. F. D. Davidson,

with the following officers: President, Chas. McPherson; vice-president, Jas. Lee; secretary treasurer, Mary Harris. We have as yet only 23 members, but there are many more to be brought in.

AMHERST, N. S.—Our union, numbering about one hundred members, continues to increase slowly. The Sacred Literature class, under the proficient leadership of Rev. E. G. Estabrook, proves very interesting, and we intend to do our part towards winning the banner for '95."

DUNDAS.—P. E. I.—Not least among the good results arising from the special services conducted at its place by the Rev. J. A. Marple is a B. Y. P. U. organized under such circumstances that we cannot but predict for it a useful future.

I remember some sentences of Ruskin's that had been curiously beautiful to me, just from the fact that they were so plain and so simple. He explains to us how one of the ideas of architecture grew, from observing the outline left, when the rose, or the trefoil or whatever was first traced for carving, had been cut and taken away.

Nature dreads death, yet man by his disregard of the laws of health courts its coming. A course of Hawker's nerve and stomach tonic will speedily overcome the evil effects arising from an abuse of nature's law.

When Spurgeon was asked by a friend to state what he thought was the greatest gift possible to a Christian traveler in this world, he responded: "A sense of perfect peace with God."

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Before conducting them into dark catacombs, or caverns, the guides put lamps into the tourists' hands. The pale beams may seem useless while they walk in the full blaze of noonday; but when they enter the darkness of the cave, the splendor of daylight quickly fades out, and then the lamp's flame begins to shine brightly, and the visit to see how valuable their lamps are and how necessary.

We are wise if we get into our hearts in the days of brightness the lamps of promise and of comfort. Then when grief or trial comes, and the sun of earthly joy goes down, these hidden lights will shine like the stars that come out in the sky when the day is over.

Days sweep by, and I have done nothing worthy of the days; and years pass and my life work is not begun. I am doing no life work, but only a succession of petty minutes' works. Is it a mosaic I am at work upon, confounding his color near by, and some day I shall find out so that I can see its ordered beauty?

THE YEAR OF DEVELOPMENT.—Of the whole events, numbers 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 mark distinct steps or epochs in the development of Christ's kingdom. We should briefly review the whole life of Christ up to this time, as well as the year under special consideration.

BE GOOD TO YOURSELF. This is a common admonition, and it is full of important meaning. A man should take as good care of himself as he does of his horse, but how few do this. If you do not take care of yourself no one can take care of you.

Yes, thankfulness is the spirit both for living and dying. Let the Lord be your song, and the Lord will be your salvation. Live in a thankful spirit, and you will find more and more to be thankful for.

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Sabbath School.

BIBLE LESSONS. Adapted from Felt's Bible Notes. FOURTH QUARTER. Lesson XIII. Dec. 30.

REVIEW. GOLDEN TEXT. "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever.—Heb. 13: 8."

TIME.—The second year of Jesus' ministry, A. D. 28. PLACE.—The cities and towns of Galilee, centered around Capernaum and the Sea of Galilee.

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TWO STUPID BOYS.

Dean Stanley once said to a boy, "If I tell you I was born in the second half of 1815, can you tell me why I am called Arthur?" The name of the hero of Waterloo was on all men's lips.

When nine years of age Arthur was sent to a preparatory school. He was bright and clever, but could not learn arithmetic.

Dr. Boyd writes in Longman's Magazine that the master of the school, Mr. Rawson, declared that Arthur was the stupidest boy at figures that ever came under his care, save one only, who was yet more hopeless, and was unable to grasp simple addition and multiplication.

Stanley remained unchanged to the end. At Rugby he rose like a rocket to every kind of eminence, except that of doing "sums." In due time he took a first-class at Oxford, where the classic and Aristotelian Ethics were the books in which a student for honors must be proficient.

On the contrary, that other stupid boy, "more hopeless" than Stanley, developed a phenomenal mastery of arithmetic. He became the great Finance Minister of after years, William E. Gladstone, who could make a budget speech of three hours' length, and full of figures, which so interested the members of the House of Commons that they filled the hall, standing and sitting till midnight.

THE STORY HAS TWO MORALS. One is, that a boy may be stupid in one study, and bright in all the remaining studies. The other moral is, and it is most important, that a boy may overcome by hard study his natural repugnance to a certain study, and even become an eminent master of it.—Youth's Companion.

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