

result of this canvas. A small church that used to be satisfied with giving \$600 a year for the whole work of the Church at large, now raises with great ease \$2,400, and so on. "Nothing succeeds like success," and the testimony of results was never more unanimous and convincing. The address by Mr. Manning on "Creating a Missionary Atmosphere," and by Mr. Rose on "The Work of the Missionary Committee" indicated the necessary steps toward making such an effort of permanent value.

What is the idea behind this "every member canvas" anyhow? It is this: Every person who becomes a member of the Christian Church enlists in Christ's army. He enters a fighting force, and, by the most solemn of sacraments, vows to become an effective unit. Yet many members are a drag rather than a help. They are a care and burden rather than an inspiration. The object of the "every member canvas" is to make each member a force in establishing the kingdom of Christ. It may be only a little that he can do, but that little should be done, and if every member of our churches became really effective according to his capacity, what a sudden transformation of the world we should see! Now, this method aims to secure this result. Its first aim is missionary. Each should have some part in winning the world for Christ. But its influence reaches far beyond missions. It is significant that in a host of congregations the ordinary revenue has been made adequate for the first time by a missionary effort. In no case has the ordinary revenue been injured. The driving force of missionary enthusiasm is incalculable. The Church that lacks it is not Christian.

The most encouraging part is the spiritual quickening that has followed the financial effort. The Rev. G. R. Welsh, of Vancouver, struck this as the keynote of the convention in the able address with which he opened the conference. Mr. Laird's address on the inspiration given by the missionary's life was in the same key. The way to the deepest spiritual experiences and the highest spiritual power is for each congregation to take its part in carrying out the Great Commission. It is all a fulfilment of the promise: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to contain it."—*Malachi 3:10.*