

LITERARY AND SOCIAL.

The Literary and Social Department improves. The quality of programmes reveals higher ideals of entertainment and amusement. Best results seem to be obtained when the Literary-Social evening is held in the homes of members. Killarney Epworth League is to be congratulated on the publication of its own paper, "Forward." Flower committees which undertake to beautify church or school house do most commendable work.

CITIZENSHIP.

The Citizenship Department wins increased popularity. Mock municipal councils and school boards in which live local issues are dealt with have proved attractive, influential and salutary. Public opinion created in Epworth Leagues has compelled officials to enact reforms and undertake improvements, and special mention might be made of Sparling Epworth League, the activity of which prevented the granting of a liquor license in their neighborhood.

Wherever the text-book, "My Neighbor," has been used, it has proven popular.

Censorship of picture theatre productions is urgently needed. Winnipeg's improved programmes show what can be done by a high-minded censor. Epworth Leagues can perform this work and will find councils and police ready to co-operate if urged to act. In this connection the Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

From information we have at hand, your committee are convinced that owing to either complete absence of or the lack of proper censorship, pictures are being exhibited in many places in this province which are producing harmful effects; and in some cases these results are nothing short of tragic; we, therefore, recommend that the Executive of this organization take immediate steps to have this condition of affairs remedied and we pledge them our hearty support.

Many of the problems of Citizenship of the present day are the results of the large immigration entering our Province. The young people of our Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools can do a very useful and permanent work for Christ and the Church by giving the newcomers into their several neighborhoods a most hearty Christian welcome. It is earnestly requested that the privileges of such service will not be lost sight of by all our workers throughout the Conference.

FINANCIAL.

The apportionment to be raised by the Epworth Leagues for connexional work is eight cents per member, on basis of 1912 membership. Each society is urged to raise this amount, three cents of which are to be devoted to Annual Conference work, but which cannot be obtained until five cents per member has been paid to the General E. L. Fund.

The Treasurer's report for the past year is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Feb., 1912	..	\$118 21
Conference E. L. Fund per Treas.	..	120 00
Convention Collections	..	141 01
Refund	..	1 45

Total .....

EXPENDITURE.

Printing	..	\$64 70
Postage	..	22 70
Stationary	..	20 85
Telephoning and Telegraphing	..	10 95
Engraving, etc.	..	6 82
Executive Expense	..	31 65
Campaigning	..	31 25

Banner	.....	6 50
Convention	.....	35 00
Total	.....	230 42

Balance on hand (Feb., 1913).. \$150 25

GENERAL.

The Convention heartily concurred in the appointment of Rev. Manson Doyle, B.A., by the General Board of Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools as Field Secretary for Manitoba and pledged him hearty and continuous support. To this end all local organizations are urged to give loyal support to the General E. L. and General S. S. funds of the Church.

The Convention endorsed the following motion: Owing to the fact that the staff and consequently the expense of the

S. S. and E. L. Department is increased; and that this was done at the request of the Conference; that our Church has accepted the Rally Day programme and realized the great benefit accruing to the Sunday School in the great rallying service; that the intent of the General Board is that the total revenue of the day be given to the work of the department, we strongly recommend that the Rally Day service be made the great day of the year in accord with and as suggested by the Discipline that it be made a thank-offering day among the members of the school; and that the total gift of the day be forwarded immediately to the Treasurer of the General Board.

We sincerely appreciate the invitation of our friends and sister society, "The

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