

gone in sin--if you can once convince him that there is one who cares, who really cares--you have begun to weave a rope to righteousness.

Converts, like apples, will turn out best if they are hand picked. It is all very well to hold revival meetings and try to shake the tree--there are some whom we cannot reach any other way--but the ones saved at our special services are often those for whom we have prayed, and with whom we have talked privately, perhaps for months. O for a consecrated sociability, a largehearted christian friendliness, that takes an interest, not only in the health, and business, and family affairs of those with whom we meet, but in their salvation as well. A young man said, not long ago:--"These Methodist people are real friendly and sociable with a fellow as long as he keeps straight. If he doesn't, they just drop him that's all." Ah, we often need to leave the ninety and nine to go after the one who is not keeping straight.

How can we interest outsiders? It is a large question, but the answer is not far to seek. Let your light shine. What light? The light which transfigured the Master upon the Mount--the light of Divine love; the glorious radiance of Holiness shining through the veil of flesh--the light of a soul filled with the Holy Spirit. Humanity turns to this light as flowers to the sun, and the Lord's word still stands true "I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." Look up--to Christ--Lift up, not ourselves, not even our League, but Him--Jesus the Christ--and the world will surely be lifted up towards Him.

## Epworth League & Sunday Schools

### THE CONVENTION.

The Eighth Annual Convention of the Epworth League and Sunday School Association of the Methodist Church in British Columbia was held in New Westminster, May 18-21.

We are sorry that our space forbids an extended report beyond a synopsis of the Resolutions passed and the excellent paper of Mrs. C. L. Street, on a former page.

### RESOLUTIONS PASSED IN CONVENTION.

#### TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

Resolved--That this Convention hereby declared its entire sympathy with the purpose and plans of the Methodist General Conference to inaugurate a movement to raise a Twentieth Century fund of one million dollars, as an expression of gratitude to Almighty God for the manifold blessings, material, educational, and spiritual, vouchsafed to the world during the past century, and as a pledge and earnest of the love and liberality of the church, to be brought a ceaseless offering, and laid at the feet of the Redeemer and Lord throughout the coming Century.

We also rejoice exceedingly in the fact that the raising of the Twentieth Century one million dollars fund is not primarily a great financial undertaking, but that it is contemplated to make it, by the help of the Great Head of the Church, a grand and widespread wave of revival blessing, on the crest of which the church shall be carried triumphantly over into the coming century. We hereby offer our earnest and loyal co-operation as individuals and as a convention, in this most worthy undertaking, and express our dearest hope and confident expectation that all our Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues will heartily unite in helping to carry this vast enterprise to a glorious consummation.

#### FORWARD MOVEMENT FOR MISSIONS.

The Resolution Committee having had the question of the Forward Movement for Christians missions brought to its attention, would earnestly recommend the Leagues to organize on the lines laid down in the discipline, and, to this end, we recommend, as a definite object, the Japanese Missions in Victoria, Sapperton and Nanaimo, the amount required being about \$600; and that the Rev. S. J. Thompson be appointed to organize in the Kamloops and Kootenay Districts, and Rev. W. H. Barraclough in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster District.

Rev. Ebenezer Robson's proposed history of B. C. Methodism received a very favorable recommendation.

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### TEMPERANCE.

In view of the fact that there is a strong probability of a prohibitory measure being adopted at the present session of the House of Parliament at Ottawa, which will throw the question of prohibition back on the provinces, and whereas it is of the greatest importance that said prohibitory law be put in force in this Province at the earliest possible date; it is resolved that the president and secretary be requested to obtain as complete information as they can secure on this subject, and forward such information to the various Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools of this Province, calling on all for their hearty and practical co-operation in this great battle against this greatest of evils, the liquor traffic.

### OUR NEW PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT.

Charles Samuel Keith, the President of the Epworth League and Sunday School Association of the Methodist Church of British Columbia was born at Bloomfield in the County of Prince Edward, Ontario, on the 20th day of July 1860. His parents being descendants of the Old U. E. Loyalist Stock of New Brunswick. In the summer of 1880, he

removed west with his parents coming to the Coast by way of San Francisco and arrived at New Westminster in August 1880 proceeding direct to Sumas where he remained until the spring of 1883 when he moved to New Westminster where he has since resided. After spending a term in the New Westminster High School, he entered the Law Office of His Honour Judge Bole as a Student at Law and Articled Clerk and was formally admitted a member of the Law Society of B. C. in 1892, and shortly afterwards formed a law partnership with Alexander



MR. C. S. KEITH.

Henderson, Q. C., which still exists. Mr. Keith has been for years identified with most of the Secret Societies especially those along Temperance lines. Now however he is devoting his energies to the Sunday School and League work. Mr. Keith joined the Church during the late Mr. Watson's first term on the New Westminster Circuit. Mr. Keith is at present the President of the New Westminster Central League and Secretary of the Central Sunday School.