

The Societies at Work

Our News Department.

TO stimulate interest in this part of the HERALD, and to encourage our readers to write, a reward was offered by me last month for the best written item of news, not to exceed 60 words. This reward goes to J. R. Ball, Woodstock.

OFFER FOR JUNE.

For the best written and most interesting item of news (not more than 60 words) received by me before June 14th, I will give a copy of "Malcolm Kirk." Address, "The News Editor, Endeavor Herald, Toronto."

Kindly allow me to suggest a few classes of news that I especially desire to receive:

1. Any unusual accession to your church from the associate membership.
2. Any special work undertaken by your society.
3. Money granted to mission work, noting briefly how it was raised.
4. Anything of general interest developed in any meeting of your society.
5. New methods of committee work, that have proved successful.
6. Ways of helping your church and pastor that have been found useful.
7. Very brief accounts of local, county, and denominational union meetings.
8. One good point from an address or a paper read before the society. In fact anything of a Christian Endeavor nature that is practical, original, and helpful.

Yours in the work,

THE NEWS EDITOR.

Hamilton Endeavors.

MISS H. WATSON has severed her connection with our Union having started on an extended tour of our province. She carries with her the esteem and good wishes of our entire Union. Miss Watson faithfully filled the office of corresponding secretary.

The Junior Society of Simcoe St. Methodist church is in a very prosperous condition just now, due, no doubt, to the untiring, consecrated efforts of Misses Moore and Turner. This society held a social evening a short time ago, when the Juniors acquitted themselves very creditably in a programme of songs, choruses, recitations, and instrumental music.

In connection with Christian Endeavor conventions, the Chairman of the Committee of Preparation is the one upon whom the greatest responsibility rests, and the success of the convention largely depends. Having realized this, the Hamilton Union, on being promised the convention in 1898, looked for a man for this important office, the result being that Mr. D. A. Rowland was selected. Mr. Rowland has for a number of years had very pleasant relations with the Hamilton Union, and when the office of President was made vacant by the removal of Mr. Bickley in the early part of the term

of 1896, he was elected to fill the vacancy, holding the office for two terms. Having attended every provincial convention since 1894, he is well known by the Ontario Endeavorers, and the opinion expressed by the most prominent workers is that he has the qualities that combine to make a good convention convener. In Knox Church society, of which he is a member, he is looked upon as an adviser. As a citizen Mr. Rowland is highly esteemed and holds the respect and confidence of many prominent business men. Provincial Endeavorers may look forward to a successful convention in the fall with the local management in the hands of this energetic worker.



MR. D. A. ROWLAND.

On the evening of the 26th of April the Junior society of Emerald St. Methodist church gave a cantata called "The World for Christ," the usual solos, recitations, choruses and dialogues characteristic of these pretty entertainments were interlarded with selections by an orchestra under Mr. John S. Hampson. Not the least pleasing was the exercise by eight young ladies illustrating that beautiful missionary hymn of Bishop Heber's, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." Mrs. Dempster assisted by singing "Bidding to the Feast." Miss M. Cannon was accompanist.

At the regular monthly business meeting of the Junior Union held last month in Centenary Church Board room there was a larger attendance and more interest than we have seen for a long time. The Rally Committee are making arrangements to present the cantata "The Junior Garden" on a large scale in the near future. A moonlight excursion is also receiving careful consideration. The '98 con-

vention came in for a good deal of enthusiastic discussion. They say they will do all in their power to make the Junior part of the program a success.

A very successful membership contest was brought to a close on the evening of May 10th in the Junior (Christian Endeavor) society of Central church. Twenty new members have been added to the roll and the society is in a very flourishing condition. The committees are all doing excellent work. Already this season several quilts and scrap books have been made which will be sent to the home missions. "Well done" for the Central Juniors.

The "Committee of '98" are hard at work. They "say nothing but saw wood," and although they begin to realize the enormity of the undertaking, they are making great headway. You do not know how much good your prayers on their behalf might do. —H. M. G.



From the Capital.

The spring rally of the Ottawa Christian Endeavor Union held in Bell St. Methodist church proved a great success. Mr. Quayle, President of the C. E. Union, presided. Excellent music was furnished by the choir of Bell St. church. The speakers for the evening were Mr. Flint, M.P., and Mr. J. H. Carson, Secretary of the Quebec Branch of the Dominion Alliance. The addresses were logical, eloquent, and of a highly practical nature. Much information was given in reference to Prohibitory laws that had been enacted in the past for regulating the Liquor traffic. The duty of all good citizens in reference to the coming Plebiscite was clearly pointed out. Practical hints were also given as to how the coming Prohibition Campaign should be carried out successfully, etc. The Endeavorers of the Capital intend to take a prominent part in the coming Plebiscite Campaign.

The Sunday afternoon meetings in the "Home of the Aged" on Bank St., are conducted during the present month by the E. L. of C. E. in connection with the Dominion Methodist church.

The C. E. society which formerly met in connection with the Reformed Episcopal church was re-organized a short time ago.