

## THE INTERESTS INCREASES IN CITIZENSHIP CAMPAIGN

Great Audience at Bridge Street Church Last Night Hears Dr. Gordon's Address on "Greatest Mistake in the Life of a Young Woman"—Interesting Questions Answered.

It is plain to be seen that the Christian Citizenship Campaign has caught on. Last night, Bridge Street Methodist church, the largest auditorium in the city was crowded to capacity. And the campaign is now only four days under way.

The subject chosen last night had a popular appearance and the manner in which Dr. Gordon treated the deep and undivided attention of everyone present right up to the close.

Dr. Gordon, in addition to a wonderfully dramatic presentation and manner, has a profound knowledge of human nature gained from his work in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association and as pastor of some of the largest in Toronto and in Winnipeg.

Last night the service began with the usual song service when many of the old familiar hymns were heartily sung by the audience.

Then came the questioner's answer. Here are some of the questions to which answers were given last night. Is a lawyer justified in defending a man who he knows to be guilty? Is it right to defraud a corporation that is defrauding you? Is it right to instruct the maid to say that you are not at home when you are?

Does the Association of men and women in the business realm tend to lower the moral tone?

Would you advise the breaking off an engagement because the young man has a weakness for strong drink? Why is it so much easier to be bad than to be good?

Can a man tell the truth and succeed in business?

To you believe in a hell of everlasting torment?

Should a Christian dance, play cards, go to the theatre?

Dr. Gordon thought that under our system of jurisprudence it was right that a person accused of crime should have a lawyer to sift the evidence. In case of crime there were always degrees of guiltiness.

The person who defrauds a corporation, cheats himself, said Dr. Gordon in response to the second query. Because the other fellow is wrong is

no excuse for us also to do wrong.

Your mind will lie to you and about you if you teach her to lie, said Dr. Gordon, in response to the next question. What kind of an impression would go out from this meeting, the speaker asked, if he were to tell his audience it was right to lie under certain circumstances.

Dr. Gordon was of the impression that the mingling of men with women in business associations tended rather to elevate the general moral tone.

He warned young women not to link themselves up with young men who had not the willpower to break off from the drink habit. He would rather see the daughter in her grave than wedded to a man who was partly insane through being a slave to drink.

It was easier to be bad than good because to be bad represented going down while to be good meant going up.

The last query in reference to card playing, dancing and theatre attendance, Dr. Gordon will answer in a special address on Friday night.

Some of the mistakes Dr. Gordon warned young women against, were sneering against Christianity, cultivation of a vindictive spirit, the taking of a glass of wine outside her own home, surrendering their will power to another, foolish or improper correspondence with young men, the acceptance of gifts beyond the financial ability of the young man giving.

Trifling with the sincere love of any young man, the chance of public Christian sentiment and not having regard for those who have made sacrifices in their behalf. But the greatest mistake of all was the sacrifice of conscience to the affections.

These phases of his theme were illustrated by many effective anecdotes and quotations, and the final presentation of the subject made a profound impression upon the subject.

This effect was further deepened by Mr. Greenlaw the soloist, who sang, following the address "A Mother's Prayer," a selection that in itself made a powerful appeal.

Dr. Gordon will tonight answer a further series of interesting questions some of which may be found in another column.

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## INTERESTING SESSIONS HELD

At First Methodist Boys' Conference.

Mr. Carl Bronson, one of Foxboro's clever S.S. boys, attended the Methodist Boys' Conference at Peterboro, and brought back to us the following report:

The First Methodist Boys' Conference in Canada was opened in the George Street Church in Peterboro Monday night and continued Tuesday and Wednesday. In the neighborhood of 200 young men from every quarter of the Bay of Quinte Conference took part in the convention.

The homes of the Methodists of Peterboro were thrown open to the young visitors. The great majority of them were between the ages of 15 and 23. The trains to the city were met by Peterboro young Methodists and the visiting delegates were directed to the church. In the evening the young men were banqueted in the school room of the church. Monday night the sessions were opened with a public meeting at which His Honor Judge Huxley, Dr. F. Stevens and the Rev. C. W. Bishop were the speakers. Tuesday morning the program was switched and the subject was set aside for Wednesday morning, were discussed. The question of organized Bible Classes were discussed and a demonstration given by a local class. The program of the afternoon included a visit to Peterboro institutions. Some of the boys went to the Peterboro Cane Co. and the rest went through the Quaker Oats, Milling Co. At night at eight o'clock an address was given by Rev. J. H. Arnpur, the subject being "Call to Arms." He said in the opening that the purpose of the delegates coming to the conference was to train for service, and that the supreme qualification was the consciousness of a great job to be done.

We looked upon the running of the Marathon race as the greatest athletic achievement, and yet the young Greek who ran the original Marathon covered the 26 miles between the battle fields and the city of Athens, to tell the people that a great victory had been won, and that the city had been saved. The sense of a great thing to do also gave a better purpose for the original race, than which Tom Longboat or any of his like entered that famous race with the real reason, before the young man was not there training, but what they were going to do when the war is over over of employment, which will mean a very serious thing, for the various countries involved. Once a rebellion was started in England, through the unrest of the soldiers who had returned from the war in France and were unemployed. To the 200 young men of the conference he put forth the challenge, "What are you going to do when you go back?" For every one who followed at the conference there were 10, 15, or 50 fellows in the village,

town, or city, or community from which they came. The great question was, "How are we going to call them all out into service." The call to get a widespread response, must have 3 elements in it.

First—A cause worth living or dying for.

Second—A campaign big enough to be worth while.

Third—A leader that men are willing to trust and follow.

These three requests were to be had in the principles, program and person of Jesus Christ.

The Methodist Boys' Conference continued their session Wednesday morning when addresses were given by the Rev. F. Farewell and Mr. Taylor. Mr. Farewell was the first speaker. In opening he said that the life line of a person might be divided into two general parts. From one to twenty-five years, of age was the period of achievement. Up to 12 years the boy was not much of a problem to himself, to the house or to the community. Then followed a period of two or three years which might be called the upheaval period when all the temptations of the boy's life came upon him, and the reconstruction period from 15 to 18 years of age when reason begins to hold sway instead of impulse and emotion in a young man's life. From 20 to 25 years was a getting away period and from 25 years on the power and possibilities were at the maximum.

After that point a man should be living his best and largest four-fold life. The question was how to develop and train the great power and possibilities of the young man. Up to 12 years of age the young boy lived a largely selfish life which was only natural and not in any way sinful or deplorable. But although a fellow 12 years of age thinks very largely of himself, when he becomes 25 years of age the normal boy thinks very little of himself and very much about others. At 12 the young fellows commenced to group and form "gangs" but they soon grow out of the gang spirit until at 20 or 22 they get the world vision and are ready to serve Christ in any part of the earth. Then he spoke about an organized Bible Class. It was advisable for the class to have a Sunday session and mid-week session and suggested the following program for the Sunday session—

1. Opening exercise  
2. Study period, at least 30 min.  
3. Special feature  
4. Announcements and business  
5. Closing exercises

Mr. Taylor Statton then spoke. We all wish to be strong, efficient men, men of power and personality who can do things and are worth while.

The raising of boys to become the biggest, strongest and most useful men, has been said of Christ's boyhood but in the speaker's opinion the record of Christ's boyhood was one of the most miraculous things of the Bible. It made a complete pattern quite sufficient to build the boy of the 20th century upon. The words were, and Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man. As a boy he increased in

stature. He was not a giant, over-developed with muscle, but had a well-set-up body. But a young man must not only have complete control of his body but must seek to know and do the will of God. Then he dealt with the service standard of the four-fold life. He wished to bring to the attention of the fellows the result of tests that had been made to determine at what age most men accepted Christ. The line on the chart reached its highest point at 19 years of age, showing that the decision to accept Christ was made between 14 and 18. A chart made from an interview with criminals corresponded almost exactly. Three great factors entered into a boy's life—the home, school, and church. Up till 12 years the influence of the mothers predominated but during the time the boys are making their great decisions the influence of most mothers was apt to be lowest. The influence of the fathers came into the boy's life at six or seven years of age when they were the ideals and heroes of their son's life. But a little later, between the ages of nine and twelve, fathers through pleasure in business allow a barrier to come between them and their boys which might never be broken down. Unfortunately the influence of the fathers was too low at the decision period. In connection with Sunday School figures showed that at 12 years of age 37% of the boys left S.S. at 14 years, 16% at 15, 50% or among school boys 35%. These figures increase until finally 84% left S.S. Classes of boys between 14 and 18 should not exceed nine in number so that the teacher could size up the needs of each particular fellow and meet his needs.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. Farewell answered questions of the boys. He said a girl should never be allowed to teach boys in S.S. because boys look to older boys as their ideals and they imitate the big boys' talk and manners. Therefore the larger boys should guard themselves against using profane language. He also said it was not wise to organize a class of boys from 8 to 10 because they would get scrapping to see who would be secretary or president.

Problems touching village life by Rev. C. W. Donnell, Havelock. Question 1—How to get boys to accept S.S. Answer—Adopt the standard efficiency tests. That is 1—Intellectual Standard; 2—Physical Standard; 3—Religious Standard; 4—Service Standard.

Question 2—How to get boys to come to League. Answer—Start on time even if there is nobody there except the president and quit when you are through. Also have a skating party as part of the program.

ANTI CIGARETTE FRATERNITY

This is a club most of the boys decided to organize when they came home. They started it in Havelock and have about 50 members. Each boy that joins pays 50 cents a year and the object is that the club use no cigarettes whatever and ask the council to pass a bylaw placing a license of \$50 on all dealers selling cigarettes. The club meets once a week and have a bun feed or bean feed and have a program.

They have a pin, and a sign of a cigarette. It has to be a secret society.

To learn particulars write E. Watson, Havelock, Ont.

To get boys to league, write to the Librarian of McGill University for lanterns with 17 illustrated lectures. All you have to pay for is the express. Address C. H. Gould, McGill University, Montreal.

In the evening a banquet was given to the boys by the ladies of the Methodist churches of Peterboro.

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## Sinclair's January Clearing Sale

1-3 Off Coats, Suits, Dresses, Dress Skirts and Sweater Coats

January is our Stock-taking Month, when we make prices that will reduce our stock to the lowest possible point. With this object in view we now place on sale our entire stock of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Black and Colored Cloth Coats, Ladies' and Misses' Suits and Dresses, Ladies' Dress Skirts in regular and Extra Large Sizes, and Knitted Sweater Coats, every Garment without reserve, during the month of January, at 1-3 off our regular prices.

### 25c Dress Goods Sale

Here is an unusual offering of Dress Goods, for in the lot you have your choice of more than 50 pieces of Dress and Suit materials, from 40 to 52 inches wide, regularly sold from 50c to 90c per yard, all clearing at one price, only 25c per yard.

### \$2.50 Wool Coatings for \$1.00 yd.

At this price we offer your choice of a lot of this season's Newest Coating Cloths, in Wool Curis, Wool Tweeds in Checks and Plaids, Wool Blanket Cloths, Serges, Cheviots, etc., regular prices from \$1.50 to \$2.50—many ends just enough for a Coat Pattern—all one price, only \$1.00 per yard.

Aprons, Wool Caps, Toques, Scarfs, Tams, Jackets, etc., 25c

Here we have collected a big table full of many odd lines, such as Ladies' Hand Knitted Wool Caps, Wool Toques, Infants' wool Jackets, Children's White Bear Hoods, Neck Scarfs and Caps, Ladies' Kitchen and Fancy Aprons, Children's Eider Jackets, etc., regular 50c, 55c, 75c, 90c and \$1.00 articles, all one price, your choice only. 25c

## Sinclair's January Sale is now on Sinclair's

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. F. Butterfield of Toronto is in the City.

Mr. G. L. Sills is confined to the house with illness.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young of Bancroft spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shellabear, of Roslin, spent Saturday last with Belleville friends.

Rev. H. N. Mountmer, pastor of the Methodist church of Madoc, received a call to Picton.

Mr. Walter Lean of Alnwick, secretary of the Roseneath Cheese Co., is dead in his 40th year.

Mr. Kelly, elocutionist of Albert College, assisted at an entertainment at Ivanhoe on Monday evening last.

Major C. J. Swaddling, proprietor of the Cobourg garage, was wounded by a German shell when six of his companions were wounded.

Marmora Herald: Mrs. Pearce of Belleville spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. F. M. Barrett.

Stirling News: Miss Minnie Fleming of Belleville, was a visitor for the week-end at Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Martin's.

Madoc Review: Mrs. J. C. Dewar, formerly proprietor of the Napane Express, died at his home, Glen Ranch, Cowley, Alta., on Monday after an illness of several weeks.

Norwood Register: Mrs. Vandervoort has gone to Belleville to spend the winter with her brother, Mr. Josiah Pearce, bursar of the O.S.D.

Frank Partridge B. L. from Harvard University, son of Rev. John Partridge, former Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Petaluma, Cal., is in the City on a visit to his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ray, William St.

Campbellford News: Mr. Jas. Kenny spent Christmas at his home in Belleville. Mr. and Mrs. Angus McDonald were in town over the holiday. Mr. Frank Fitzpatrick of spent the week-end at the home of Mr. M. O'Donohue.

Tweed News: Mr. and Mrs. McGee and family spent Christmas with Belleville friends. Mr. and Mrs. Schryver, of Belleville, were the guests of her sister Mrs. Sweetman.

The firm of Grant & Son, lumber merchants, of Tweed, have closed a deal for the purchase of 500 acres of hardwood timber near Denbigh, and purpose starting operations there next summer.

The Salvation Army wish to thank

the citizens of the city for their liberal support during Christmas season. The money secured has enabled us to pay in full for all new instruments purchased to date. The band has all first class instruments, which have cost considerable money. All instruments are purchased from such special efforts as Xmas, etc. All money received is used solely for Army purposes. No Bandmaster from bandmaster to the youngest member receives any monetary remuneration whatever for his services. We thank you for your help in the past and in anticipation for the future.

Tweed Advocate: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. O'Sullivan, of Belleville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Merau, Mr. Leo Allore and sister Mae, of Bogart spent a few days with their uncle, Mr. Phil Allore, of Belleville.

LOCAL RELIEF FOR THE BELGIANS

As has been announced through the papers the Quinte Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, has undertaken the sending of money and clothing to the Belgians through the proper authorities and are asking the citizens to contribute thereto.

The Treasurer begs to acknowledge the following sums received to date:

Mr. R. Tannabill ..... \$10.00  
Mr. S. Russell ..... 5.00  
Miss Libby ..... 1.00  
The Soldiers' Wives and Mothers' League, of Belleville ..... 4.25  
St. Agnes School ..... 15.00  
Mrs. John McKenna ..... 1.00  
Mrs. Charles McKenna ..... 1.00  
Mrs. Stewart Robertson ..... 5.00  
Mrs. (Dr.) Moore, Shannonville ..... 2.00  
Miss M. A. Collier ..... 5.00  
Mrs. F. E. O'Flynn ..... 15.00  
Mrs. W. C. Mikel ..... 1.00

All money on hand on Friday, January 15th, will be sent on that date. Although the Chapter intends keeping up this good work all through the winter, anyone wishing to contribute money, may hand it in to the treasurer, Mrs. C. A. Marshall, Bridge street. Clothing can be sent on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 12th, and 13th to the City hall. This will be packed and sent immediately.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Mrs. P. J. M. Anderson, Regent, or any of the officers.

Helping a Good Cause.

The Ritchie Company have very kindly offered to the Quinte Chapter, T. C. D. E., the use of the Millinery Department of their store to be used as a tea-room. This will be opened on Monday, January 11th, and afternoon tea will be served every day by the different ladies of the Chapter. The proceeds will be utilized for the objects on which the Chapter extend their energies that is the Children's Shelter of this city and the Belgian Relief Fund. The ladies desire splendid patronage towards these two very worthy causes.

## C.O.R. ROUND HOUSE BURNED AT TRENTON

Last Night's Fire Caused Loss of \$30,000 Worth of Equipment.

The C. O. R. round house at Trenton alongside the G. T. R. station was destroyed by fire last night. Many valuable tools, the gas electric car and general manager's car from Bancroft were burned and some engines were damaged. The loss probably reached the figure of \$30,000. The cause is not known.

LOCALS DEFEATED AT OSHAWA

Belleville intermediates were defeated at Oshawa last night by a score of 11 to 7. The heavy lead obtained during a rough point the game when the referee it is allowed Oshawa to rough it a little. The teams were well balanced and about equal weight. Oshawa is said to have had a little more combination than the Belleville men. Marshall and Earle were brilliant players for Belleville. Freeman made many successful rushes for goal and Oshawa's combination was fast and efficient.

The teams

Oshawa Goal Belleville

Smith Defence Hol

Jacobi Defence Marst

Freeman Defence T. Br

Fair Rover Langman

Hall Center Earle

Kemp Right Wing Br. Brant

Canning Left Wing Whalen

Referee—Garrie

Peterborough juniors were defeated last night by Port Hope at Peterborough 9-5.

BROUGHT FROM ST. LIOUS

The remains of Francis Kerr, who died in St. Louis, Missouri, on Dec. 29th arrived in Belleville at noon today were taken to the residence of Mr. George Kerr, his nephew, Benjamin Street, after service by the Rev. A. R. Sanderson, the remains were laid to rest in Belleville Cemetery.

The most obstinate corns and warts fail to resist Holloway's Corn Cure. Try it.