

gardener, every husbandman, should look upon his work as a noble calling—never as servile drudgery. Only the spirit of a drudge degrades toil into drudgery. All honor and blessing to the toiling farmers of Canada. By their labors our land is becoming known through all the nations as one of the richest grain-growing countries of the globe. The credit of the harvest is largely theirs.

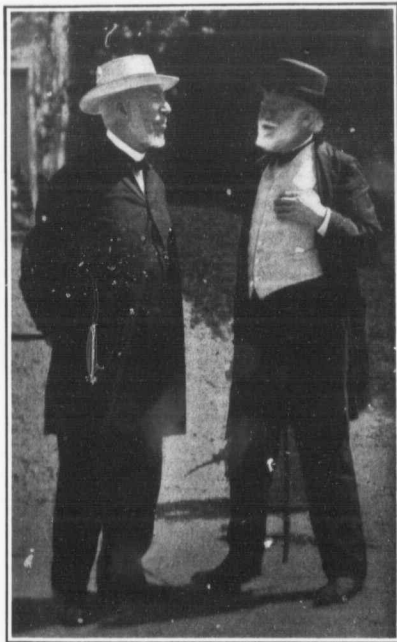
The other side of the picture is likewise true. The enrichment of our treasuries by the abundance of our crops is a laudable enterprise, but our accumulating store of national character coming as a direct result of the Christian industry of our devoted Church workers from ocean to ocean is more praiseworthy and is an unfailing reason for thanksgiving. All honor to these toilers for God. Spread all over this broad land, in city and village, on mountain and valley, among the great congregations and in sparsely settled outposts, by sea and land, anywhere, everywhere, they go forth bearing precious seed and scattering it for Him. The harvest of their toil may not fully appear in one season, perhaps not for many years to come; but in the work they find greatest joy, and every sheaf gathered adds to the sum total of their blessedness. It is glorious to work, but when our work is sanctified by a supreme motive to glorify God, it crowns the worker with a halo bright as ever rested on the head of any saint of old, and prophetic of the greater glory yet to be.

Building the New Book Room

Just how this great enterprise is progressing may be judged from the pictures which we present through the pages of this issue. It will help our readers understand the very marked transformation that has taken place at the corners of Queen, Richmond, and John Streets during the past few months, to compare the view of the property (page 204) as it appeared a year ago, when the negotiations for the building site were begun, and as the same site appeared on August 1st last, when the structural outline of the new building was completed and the picture shown on page 201 was taken. In last month's paper we showed the setting of the first column above the street level on Queen Street. In this issue (page 207) will be found the placing of the last column on the same street. The picture, showing the man on the top, was taken one evening from the street level, as hundreds of passers-by saw him at work in his apparently precarious position. But these agile fellows think nothing of such work as that. Custom breeds confidence in doing even dangerous duties. The gentlemen appearing on this page need no introduction to our readers. They are known everywhere, but are pictured here in an unusual attitude. There was no posing for their picture, as all will readily understand. We saw them thus as they were looking over the new plant, and, though the picture may not flatter either of them, we are sure our readers will rejoice at the evident gladness of heart and alertness of spirit as well as health of body which both of these trusted leaders of our Church manifest. In another group (page 209), Dr. Briggs may be seen in company with Dr. Crews, Mr. Kettlewell (chief accountant), and Mr. Kerby (chief engineer of the Book Room staff) standing on the roof of the new manufacturing department. The view on the preceding page was taken on the morning of July 11th. The people at the extreme right are on the portion of the old wall which yet remains on the easterly portion of the property. On page 213 is a picture which will illustrate the tile used in the finished outside work. It makes clear the fact that the beauty of the completed walls will be as striking as the strength of their internal construction. Strength and beauty! These are good words to emphasize, whether in material or moral structures, and we do well to combine both in all life's building processes.

October 25 and 26

Remember these dates! You know what they mean, don't you? If not, we beg to announce that the General Board has set apart these days as the most fitting ones for the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Epworth League in Canada. A Commemorative Service has been prepared for the occasion, and should prove inspiring to every League and similar Young People's Society. A sample copy of the programme, with explanatory letter, order card, etc., have been mailed to every Epworth League President whose name and address is on the records at the Central Office. If your President does not bring the matter before your League at an early date, ask him about it. If he has not seen the sample or received the General Secretary's letter, tell him not to be offended, but to drop a card at once to the office and he will be accommodated promptly. We do not want to leave out



REV. DR. BRIGGS AND REV. DR. CARMAN CHATTING OVER THE NEW BOOK ROOM AS THEY VISITED IT RECENTLY.

one society, no matter where or what it is, and failure to send samples can be from but one cause—absence of the President's name from our lists. These Commemorative Programmes are on sale at the low price of \$2.00 per hundred, postage paid, at the General Secretary's office, Wesley Buildings, Toronto, and cannot be obtained elsewhere. All requests for samples and all orders for supplies should be sent to him and to no one else, for no one else can supply them. We want to serve you. We will serve you if you let us. We want you to have the biggest days of your history on October 25 and 26. We will help you make them such if you give us the opportunity. The time is opportune, the days are passing, the event will soon be due; make provision for it without delay. Write the General Secretary your wants *to-day*.