

its merits. Officials of Omaha, Denver, Des Moines, St. Joseph, and other places are emphatic in its praise.

Mayor Graham, of Lincoln, Nebraska, recently reported that there was a decrease, during the first month of its adoption, of seventy-five per cent. in the arrests of youths. No increase of police force was necessary to enforce the law. The falling off in the number of arrests lessened the expenses of the city, and best of all, there was a decided improvement in the morals of the young people. Samuel M. Melick, chief of police in Lincoln, says: "Teachers in the public schools say that since curfew went in force boys who formerly kept late hours on the street at night and were behind in their studies, under curfew come regularly, are punctual and mentally refreshed, and up with their studies." The superintendent of the Nebraska Reform School states that from places where the curfew law has been adopted, there has been a decrease in the commitments to the institution.

The streets, under ordinary conditions, are disastrous in their influence upon the moral life of the young. If parents are unable or too indifferent to keep their children under the influences of home, then the municipality, in self-protection, should take steps to prevent the deterioration in morals that invariably follows late hours spent upon the streets. The large number of youthful criminals in our towns and cities warn us that it is high time to study the causes and apply the adequate remedy. Home is the best place for girls and boys in the evening, and even if the home is not ideal it is better far than the public street. There are few towns that would not be benefitted by the adoption and rigid enforcement of the curfew law.

Lord's Day Alliance.

A MANIFESTO has been issued by the Executive Committee, in which it seeks to secure the pledge of all candidates for the Legislature to certain amendments to the Lord's Day Act which were brought up at last session. All friends of the Sabbath are asked to co-operate and secure pledges from their candidates in support of the two following amendments:

"(1) That the law be not restricted to certain named classes, as had been held by our courts, but be made applicable to the whole community.

"(2) That corporations be not exempted from the Act, as had been decided by the courts, but be made subject to the same law to which individuals are amenable."

Quiet Hour Themes.

ACCORDING to a very widespread desire, the Comrades of the Quiet Hour, with its wider scope and purpose, will take the place of the Prayer Chain, and the following subjects are suggested for meditation throughout the

year. These subjects are simply suggestions. No "Comrade" is obliged to consider them, but they may help many to fix their thoughts on eternal themes, and to realize their fellowship with the thousands who are keeping "the Morning Watch." Whatever subject is considered, let it not be forgotten that the one supreme object of the Quiet Hour is communion with the Unseen and Eternal God. For this communion, His Book is the one supreme and indispensable aid, though other helpful books of communion will be suggested from time to time. Only a few Scripture references are given under each theme, for it is felt that for the most part the "Comrades" will prefer to search the Scriptures for themselves, to pick up their own nuggets from God's gold-mine.

It has been thought best to suggest only one great theme for each month, but each one of these themes branches out in so many directions, that it affords ample food for thought and meditation for far more than thirty days. However, let there be the utmost freedom and individuality in the observance of this Quiet Hour. These subjects and Bible passages are given only for those whom they will help.

January—The Presence of God. Exod. 3: 12, Ps. 46: 7, Matt. 18: 20, Matt. 28: 20.

February—Humility. Luke 7: 6, 7, Rom. 7: 18, Phil. 3: 12, 13, 1 Tim. 1: 15.

March—The Indwelling of the Holy Spirit. John 14: 16-26, John 15: 26, Rom. 8: 26, 27.

April—Obedience. Deut. 11: 1, 22-27, 1 Chron. 29: 5, Ps. 119: 2, Luke 6: 46-48, John 14: 15, 21, 23.

May—The Christ-filled Life. John 6: 27, 32-37, John 17: 2, 23, John 14: 6, 19.

June—The Secret of Power. John 15: 4-7, John 14: 12-14, Phil. 4: 13, Eph. 3: 17-19.

July—Love. 1 Cor. 13, John 13: 34, 35, 1 John 4: 7, 11, 12.

August—Emptiness of Self. 1 Cor. 10: 33, Rom. 16: 3, 4, Rom. 12: 3.

September—The Life Abundant. Ps. 30: 5, Ps. 104: 30, Luke 12: 15, 23, John 1: 4, John 3: 36.

October—Overcoming. 1 John 5: 4, 5, Rev. 2: 7, 17, 26, Rev. 3: 12, 21.

November—Listening to God. 1 Sam. 3: 1-10, Luke 10: 16, Acts 9: 6.

December—Fullness of Joy. Ps. 51: 12, Ps. 16: 11, John 15: 10, 11, John 16: 24.

At its last convention, British Columbia unanimously adopted the following resolution: "That the Endeavorers of British Columbia condemn any questionable methods of raising money for Christian work, and favor only that of voluntary offerings."

The Endeavorers of London, Eng., have decided to dispense with the roll call at the meetings of the Union. It has been felt that its "frequent repetition is doing much to imperil both the charm and the solemnity of this part of our ritual." Its use in future will be restricted to the closing service of the great conventions.