

partment there was cause for encouragement and thanksgiving.

The new officers are: Hon. President, Rev. H. B. Kenny, Bowmanville; President, Mr. Jas. Vinson, Oshawa; Vice-Presidents (1) Miss Florence Osborne, Courtice; (2) Miss Marion Burns, Oshawa, re-elected; (3) Miss Pearl Skinner, Tyrone; (4) Mr. A. L. Pascoe, Solina; (5) Miss Marion Rowland, Newcastle; Secretary, Mr. Harry Rutter, Bowmanville; Treasurer, Mr. Cecil Allin, Orono; Summer School Rep., Miss Elva Tucker, Orono; Conf. Rep., Rev. G. R. Clare, Newcastle.

### Exeter District

The Annual Convention of the Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools of the Exeter District was held in Alisa Craig, on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, Rev. C. W. Baker, B.D., president, in charge. Despite the downpour of rain in the morning the District was fairly well represented. A good attendance was at all three sessions.

At the morning session, brief reports from the different schools and leagues were given, outlining progress and methods employed. The agencies most worthy of note to help on the work were: (1), A substitute staff of officers in training;

Mr. David A. Johnson gave his experience re organized Bible classes. The best way in rural churches to interest the young men lingering around the shed, is to bridge the church and shed with an organized Bible class, thus enlisting their services for the church.

The Forward Movement for Missions was ably presented by Rev. R. H. Barnby, B.D., who maintained that the Church's work was to save the world, and not our community alone, as our prayers often imply.

The important subject of Teacher-Training was handled by Principal J. H. McKay. He set forth the following principles—(1) Know your work, (2) Know your scholars, (3) Employ the art of prayer, (4) Know the Bible and form a mental picture of the lesson before teaching it, (5) Banish self, and (6) Ability for teaching can be acquired. A fitting conclusion to this session was the beautiful Consecration service, ably guided by Rev. H. J. Uren.

At the evening session, three fine addresses were given. The first, on "Temperance and Moral Reform," by Rev. S. Jefferson, pressed home the refining influence of the teaching of the Bible upon the individual and the nation. The second, on "The Discovery of the Child,"

one of the best Conventions ever held in this District.

Resolutions dealing with social service and missions were endorsed by the Convention.

The following officers compose the Executive for the ensuing year: Hon. President, Rev. W. H. G. McAllister, B.A., Exeter; President, Rev. A. H. Brown, M.A., B.D., Alisa Craig; Vice-Presidents, (1) Miss Mary Dale, Granton; (2) Miss Jean Baird, B.A., Parkhill; (3) Miss G. Mawson, Exeter; (4) Rev. Geo. Barnard, Elmville; (5) Miss Nellie Medd, Winchelsea; Secretary, Wilbert Stanley, Denfield; Treasurer, Mrs. John Hanson, Alisa Craig; Cor. Sec., for Summer Schools, Miss Max Wilson, Parkhill; Sec. Temp. and Moral Reform, Rev. S. Jefferson, Crediton; Sunday School Secretary, Rev. C. W. Baker, B.D., Woodham.—A. H. Brown, Sec.

### Roland District

The District Sunday School and Epworth League Convention held at Baldur, Man., was most successful. There was a very satisfactory representation from the various circuits on the District.

The Convention was opened by Rev. John E. Lane, Chairman of the District. The President of the District League, Rev. D. R. Patterson, presided over the sessions.

Outstanding features in the afternoon session were the papers by Miss N. D. Graham, B.A., of Roland, and Mrs. B. Playfair of Baldur, who told the Convention that she had the honor of being the first League president in Baldur. Miss Graham reminded us that prayer is the most important asset of our work. Mrs. Playfair said that the Church must give to missions the very first place in life. The visiting delegates were entertained to supper by their Baldur friends.

Addresses of more than ordinary interest were given at the evening session by Miss Annie Playfair, of Hartney, and Rev. Manson Doyle. Both speakers drove home some telling truths that should produce good fruit.

At the morning session Rev. H. Dodd, of Swan Lake, led the Convention in a most profitable quiet hour, after which Rev. Mr. Barber, of Minto, took charge. It was also agreed that the first week of the New Year should be set apart for self-denial and prayer in the interests of the Forward Movement for Missions.

The following are the officers for the next year:

Hon. President, Rev. J. E. Lane; President, Rev. D. R. Patterson; Vice-Presidents, (1) Miss Berie Swan Lake; (2) Mrs. John Playfair, Baldur; (3) Miss Gould, Miami; (4) Mr. Orville McMahon, Roland; (5) Miss N. D. Graham, Pomeroy; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Velma Webster, Roland; Agent for ERA, Miss Vera Creamer, Baldur; Conference Representative, Rev. Mr. Lane.

A striking feature of the Convention was the suggestive mottoes, painted by our local artist, Mr. Bateman.

### Picton District

The Picton District Epworth League Annual Convention assembled for its twentieth anniversary, in Consec, Nov. 12th, 1914, the president, Mr. Mallory, in the chair.

The meeting was opened at 8 o'clock with devotional exercises, led by Rev. C. G. Williams, pastor of Consec Methodist church. The president gave a short address of welcome and Mr. Spence spoke on "Character Builders."

The afternoon session was opened by Rev. H. M. Servage, who spoke on "Service," after which Mr. Mallory called on the Leagues for their reports.

## WHAT 1915 REQUIRES

The President's Message to the Epworth Leaguers of the Toronto Conference

**T**HE Epworth League movement is God's movement for the young people of Methodism in Canada. Its aims, objects and purposes conform to His divine plan for every young man and woman—everywhere, under every circumstance. He delights to bless every effort intended for His glory and the salvation of young people.

May every officer in our Conference, and in every Conference and every member, come to realize the above facts.

Then will we see the requirements of 1915 met fully. They are

- 1—That every one may KNOW personally Jesus as Lord and Saviour;
- 2—That every one may be fully consecrated to His service;
- 3—That every one will give His service FIRST consideration in their lives;
- 4—That every one will make the Word of God the RULE of their lives;
- 5—That every officer study the constitution—the purpose—of the League, and know their duty;
- 6—That every member be loyal to the officers, and strengthen their hands by ready service through committees and personal initiative;
- 7—1915 requires that our Leagues take advantage of every hour and opportunity to advance the interests of our Lord; study well their plans; eliminate everything upon which they cannot claim God's blessing; and above all else "Win Others to Jesus."

HERBERT DEAN TRESIDDER.

- (2), Competition for a diploma and seal;
- (3), Special means of encouraging the Sunday-school scholars to attend church, and (4), the use of the Teacher-Training Class.

"Epworth League Committees in Action," was the subject of an address by Miss Jean Baird, B.A. She enjoined the importance of committees blocking out their work, and aiming at something definite during the year.

In the afternoon session, Rev. J. A. Snell gave an address on "The Juniors, Our Best Asset," claiming it to be for the interest of our race and nation to enlist them for service in and for the church.

by Rev. L. W. Reid, B.D., showed that Christ discovered the value of the child, and that it was the work of Christians to lead the child to discover its Saviour and Christ.

The third, on "Evangelism," by Rev. W. G. H. McAllister, B.A., developed the principles (1) The greatest need of the world is Christ, (2) The most important mission of the Church is to reveal this Christ to the world.

Appropriate maps and mottoes on the walls, with the ferns and plants on the platform, the good music throughout the sessions, and the warm devotional feeling that abounded, all tended to make this