

The officers-elect are: Honorary president, Rev. R. J. Elliott, Galt, chairman of district; president, Mr. J. P. Luchardt, Elora; vice-presidents, (1) Mr. George W. Tebbs, Hespeler; (2) Dr. W. L. Hilliard, Waterloo; (3) Miss E. K. Egerton, Galt; secretary-treasurer, Rev. T. H. Ibbott, Ph.B., Ayr, Sunday school secretary for the district.

Notes

Brother Doyle, during the three months of hardest winter in the West, visited fifty-five appointments, attended ten conventions, and delivered one hundred and four addresses—a commendable record.

An evidence of the rapid growth of our western work is given by Secretary Doyle, who, referring to the Balcarres District, said: "Three and a half years ago this north end of the present Balcarres District was just being settled, and we sent our first probationers in. Now we have six splendid fields and three ordained men on the ground."

The Epworth League at the Chapman Valley appointment on the Magnetawan and Dunchurch Mission, though numerically small and at a disadvantage because of locality, is doing admirable work. As an evidence of the evangelistic spirit displayed revival services were conducted last autumn. One of the young converts asked for a prayer meeting at his home. Results were a week of prayer in the church, cottage prayer meetings weekly, and a Sunday school class meets every Sunday morning at his home.

A very pleasant and profitable union young people's service was recently held in Cobourg. The evening was spent in a debate between the Young People's Guild of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and the Epworth League. The subject debated was "Resolved that local option would be in the interests of the town of Cobourg." The judicial committee awarded the decision to the affirmative. The pastors of both churches were present, and spoke encouragingly and approvingly to the young people assembled.

"In this new town of Wilkie, Sask., barely a year old, we have a nice, neat little church, with a seating capacity of 150. We have organized an Epworth league, and are meeting with marked success in our meetings. We have a membership roll of 35, while our average attendance is somewhat larger. This or-

"In cherishing a high and reverent esteem for the Scriptures we only follow Christ's own example. He ever spoke of the Hebrew writings in a manner involving expressed or implied recognition of their Divine truth and worth. . . . His verdict was in effect: The book is divine, full of the spirit of truth, and wisdom, and goodness, supremely useful for guidance in life, setting forth views of God and man and duty to which one can with a pure conscience say Amen."—Dr. A. B. Bruce.

ganization was completed without outside help, and gives promise of great usefulness among our young people." So writes the pastor, Rev. Clarke B. Lawson, and we look for a bright and useful future for this young society under his pastoral oversight and the capable guidance of Mr. F. W. Morton, the president.

The Epworth Leagues of Unionville and Ebenezer appointments on the Unionville Circuit were visited by Miss Clara Wallace, of Toronto, the former on Friday evening, March 5th, the latter on the following Sabbath night. Coming from the office of the General Secretary, helpful suggestions for further plans in the various departments of work were given by Miss Wallace, and her services were very highly appreciated.

Under the efficient and capable presidency of Mr. R. E. Morton at Unionville and Mr. Clayton at Ebenezer, the Leaguers will carry on an aggressive campaign in systematic missionary effort, are trained and developed first in the Christian Endeavor Department. At Ebenezer the League is composed of mem-

bers that we could get about twenty to attend, so we decided to start a league. Besides our Honorary President we elected a President, a Vice-President of Christian Endeavor and Missionary Department, another for Literary and Social Department, and a Secretary. We decided to elect our officers every three months and to hold our meetings every Tuesday evening. For weeks every Tuesday was rainy, but nevertheless we had good attendance, which steadily increased. As there is no prayer-meeting on our circuit the older people began to come and take part. We now have a membership of about forty. At the end of three months we re-elected our President, and also elected four Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer. We have a good



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bers from youth to old age, and a delightful harmony exists, but the actual work is done by the young folks, the committee not being inert, but active. A regular Era agent is appointed, with excellent results. We wish them continued success in their good work.

The Case of a Small Country League

As evidence of the possibility of carrying out the plan we suggested in our League Problem of January issue, we are pleased to be able to give the following report which we have received from a small society that grew by the interest and energy displayed by its promoters. But the letter will explain itself: "Although not a year old we have improved so much in a few months as to hardly recognize ourselves. For the sake of those who are in any community where there is no League work done, let me tell you the story of how our League came to be started.

A few in our neighborhood wished for a young people's meeting, but the need was not fully realized until last spring when we held a successful concert in the church. For weeks the young people had met, almost every night, at one place or another for practise. This created a happier and more sociable feeling than had been felt before for some time, but after it was over the lack of something to do and somewhere to go became apparent to all, and made us feel still. It was the right time to suggest starting a young people's meeting, which happily someone did. With the hearty support of our minister, we called a meeting to arrange for something of this kind. About seventeen came. It was found by including the younger boys and girls

choir and try to have as interesting a programme at each meeting as we can. They consist of three or four hymns, a lesson, prayer, anthem, two or more papers on the topic, and most always a solo or a reading followed by a discussion and the Mizpah.

In July we had an ice cream social and made \$29. Not long ago we had a literary and social evening combined, and invited the neighboring League of an adjoining circuit to be with us. We had a sketch of the life and works of Tennyson, also quotations and songs from his poems. At the end cake and lemonade were served. The evening was enjoyed by all. We hope to have more of these evenings with the poets and also some of the famous hymn writers. Our missionary meetings have been a decided success, and although we have not made many contributions to missionary funds we expect to greatly increase our givings before the end of this year.

Since we started our League two others on the circuit have started and are doing good work. If you haven't enough workers among the older people give the boys and girls something to do. They can sing and read, and love to help. Just how much our League has done to help and strengthen us in Christian work is hard to tell. I know it has done a great deal in developing talents in the young people and older ones, too, that they did not dream they possessed, and I know also that I never studied my Bible before half as much as I do now. But I have found out that it is those who do the most work who derive the most benefit. I would ask your prayers to be with us in our work."

What one place has done may be done in others with similar earnestness in the workers.