

The Autograph Album of Our Twentieth Century Fund.
\$50,000.

FROM THE FIELD SECRETARY'S CORRESPONDENCE.

"Enclosed I send a P. O. Order for ten dollars, I wish you abundant success in your great work."
A. W. SAWYER.

"I enclose you pledge to 'Twentieth Century Fund' \$25.00 I wish I could make it more. I wish you every success in your important undertaking."
T. TROTTER.

"If you do not get all you are asking for from the ministers, I will do more. Wishing you success."
D. HUTCHINSON.

"The details of the campaigning we leave practically in your hands, having confidence in your good judgment and interest. May the Lord go with you to bless you in this great work."
HUGH ROSS HATCH.

"I am heartily in sympathy with the objects named. You will be welcomed to come to my field, and make your canvass at any time. Come to stay a few days."
H. H. SAUNDERS.

"I wish I could make it a hundred. My heart is willing but my pocket is weak. Wishing you every success in your work."
J. W. KEIRSTRAD.

"I need not say that I am heartily glad you have returned to the provinces as pastor at large. If the winter will include some cold drives, I trust the warmth of your receptions everywhere will enable you the better to stand them."
M. A. McLEAN.

"You have my sincerest interest in your undertaking, and I am quite sure you will make it a success. The Lord grant you may. Hope you may succeed in more than the fifty thousand."
G. O. GATES.

"I am glad you are in the work. I will do all I can to encourage the work. I spoke yesterday of you and your work in my missionary sermon."
Z. L. FASH.

"I am especially interested in the '20th Century Fund.' It is the best move we have made for our mission fields. The Lord's blessing and our prayers go with you in your work."
JOHNSON MINER.

"I am glad that you are in the work and hope that you will make it a grand success. Praying that you may be greatly prospered."
A. COHOON.

"I want to congratulate you, and I want to congratulate the denomination, and I want to praise God for your appointment as agent of the 'Century Fund.' Mr. Archibald joins me in all I have written, and is rejoiced at your appointment."
CAROLYN HAMMOND ARCHIBALD.

Chicacole, India.
"I am glad you are back in the Provinces on such a good mission, and we all hope you will be eminently successful in raising the amount attempted."
BOBBIL, India. (MRS.) M. F. CHURCHILL.

"I hope you may have every success in the undertaking, and that a great blessing will result both to those who contribute and to those for whom it is contributed."
Parlakmedi, India. H. V. CORRY.

"Calvin Churchill was a staunch Baptist and a good man. His widow is a staunch Methodist. Some few weeks ago she hailed me and said she wished to give \$5 to the Century Fund in grateful remembrance of her husband. She paid it in gold. Hoping you are on the highway to success."
JOS. A. CAHILL.

"I have in hand today pledges for half our allotment of \$500. You need have no anxiety for this church."
A. S. LEWIS.

"I enclose \$7.20 from our S. S., Seal Harbour. Hoping God's richest blessing will aid you in the work."
ALICE BURKE.

"The amount (\$3.00) from our S. S. is small but it comes with the good wishes of our people."
JOHN B. HAWKS.

"I am pleased to be able to return the S. S. pledge to you signed by myself on behalf of the school. We would be very much pleased to have you pay us a visit here at Garbarus."
W. N. MCGILLIVARY.

"We cannot do too much in trying systematic and giving on the part of our young people. May the Lord bless you in all your labor for his cause."
S. N. JACKSON.

"May the good Lord bless the movement to the spread of the Gospel of Christ."
H. HENNIGAR.

"I believe, dear brother, you are the right man for the position, and sincerely wish you success in the grand achievement."
ALFRED CHIPMAN.

"If an agent must be employed, no better man could be found for the work than yourself. Wishing you every success."
D. W. CRANDALL.

"I trust the work will be carried through to a grand finish."
P. R. FOSTER.

"It gives me great pleasure to comply with your request. Sincerely hope your efforts will be crowned with speedy and abundant success."
A. E. INGRAM.

"With kindest regards and wishing every success."
W. H. ROBINSON.

"Wishing you all success."
R. BARRY SMITH.

"I pray for your success and prosperity in the scheme you have undertaken."
J. E. GOUCHER.

"I hope you may have success in your heavy undertaking."
J. H. SAUNDERS.

"Wishing you every success in your undertaking."
S. B. KEMPTON.

"I am glad to see that a man has been appointed to devote all his time to the Century Fund. I feel sure you are the right man for the place."
M. E. FLETCHER.

"Although my income is small I am pleased to do what you have asked me. Wishing you every success."
CHAS. STIRLING.

"You have my prayer and sympathy in your trying work."
G. A. LAWSON.

"I wish you all success in the work in which you are engaged. I have planned to help."
J. W. BANCROFT.

"I realize the necessity of united action to make this matter a success, and so am willing to contribute to it."
R. OSGOOD MORSE.

"God bless you in this good work. I hope all will quickly respond. Go forward in the name and strength of the Lord. Wishing you great success."
Digby Neck. JNO C. MORSE.

"May you meet with encouraging success from the beginning. When you come this way, we will be glad to have you present the Twentieth Century Fund to our people."
G. W. SCHURMAN.

"All Hail! I am glad you have been guided into this work. May you be able all the time to say, 'The God of heaven, He will prosper us, therefore, arise and build, ye children of the living God.'"
E. N. ARCHIBALD.

"Wish you much success in your new field of labor."
G. R. WHITE.

"It gives me great pleasure to be able to contribute the amount you ask. May our Lord amply bless you in this noble work which you have undertaken."
C. J. MERSKRAU.

"Our school took up with the idea very heartily and were unanimous in giving the pledge. Trusting you will be successful in your endeavors."
J. E. PHINNEY.

"I have the pleasure of sending the enclosed pledge from our S. S., and sincerely hope for grand results from the combined efforts of our Sunday Schools."
MRS. ERNEST DENTON.

"Please find enclosed pledge. Hope you are doing well."
H. F. WARING.

"You are doing a noble work, and I feel sure that success must come."
J. W. SPURDEN.

"May the Lord bless your movement, and souls be saved."
OVEL N. SLATER.

"Wishing success to the movement, which is certainly a grand one, and should receive the support of every school."
J. W. MANN.

"I hope you may be very successful in the work."
W. CAMP.

"We will cheerfully aid in due time in the Century Fund enterprise."
W. H. WARREN.

"Trusting that you may be greatly blessed in this great work. That it may bring honor and glory to the name of Christ."
R. S. MEADOWS.

"We hope the 'Twentieth Century Fund' may prove a great blessing in bringing the 'Light' to many now in darkness."
HATTIE FORBES McLANE.

"I am glad to note by the MESSENGER AND VISITOR that your work is rolling along, and have pleasure in cheering you on in it by sending you herewith two pledges."
A. F. ROBINSON.

"The interest in this matter needs heartening, and you are the man for that. We shall all be glad to see you."
M. P. FREEMAN.

"Wishing you success in your—or perhaps I should say our work."
F. M. YOUNG.

"God bless you in your most difficult work."
M. N. PARRY.

"We shall be glad to see you on your tour. Your visit will be helpful I am sure."
J. W. BROWN.

"The 20th Century Fund is a grand and noble offering. We feel it is a small part in comparison with what God, through his Son, Jesus Christ, has done and is still doing for us. May the work go on and on until Christ shall have been preached to the uttermost parts of the earth, and those now sitting in darkness shall praise the name of him who sits at the right hand of God our Father."
MRS. ERNEST DENTON.

A Stirring Talk.

At the last meeting of the Maine Methodist Conference Sheriff Pearson, by invitation, delivered an address, which was reported in the United States daily papers as follows:

Sheriff Pearson placed a revolver, a razor, and two "sand-peeps" on the desk, and then turned and faced the Methodist Conference at Yarmouth this afternoon.

A "sand-peepe" is the local name for a little flat bottle, supposed to contain a good drink. The sheriff had been advertised to speak on the subject, "Doth Prohibition prohibit?" and he used the revolver, razor, and "sand-peeps" to illustrate his points.

When the Conference caught sight of the familiar white head there was a burst of applause. Before the sheriff spoke the Rev. I. Luce offered prayer. He thanked God for the long and useful life of the sheriff.

The Rev. Dr. McAllister presided, and in his brief opening speech bitterly assailed what he termed "the compressed and running over hypocrisy of the people of Maine in dealing with Prohibition."

Sheriff Pearson, after a few words of greeting to the Conference, plunged into what proved to be an aggressive, radical, at times impassioned, and occasionally pathetic speech.

He said in part:
"Does Prohibition prohibit is still a vital question here."

"This revolver is one of my best friends, but it is harmless as I hold it now. Put my 141 pounds behind it, and it could kill. This razor has as keen an edge as any razor in Yarmouth, but I couldn't shave with the back. This 'sand-peepe' is harmless as it is, but it would help to get a man drunk. We got a man yesterday who had sixty sand-peeps on his person."

"The prohibitory law will not enforce itself, but even my 141 pounds, if back of the law, can do much. The law is not a person or a thing it is a legal enactment."

"Why hasn't the law been enforced? The church has been too languid. Dr. McAllister is the most aggressive temperance man we have, and he got a unanimous call to go back."

"God help a minister when a rum-seller can look up from his pew and say, 'Be careful I chipped in \$100 when your salary was raised.' For twenty-five years you have been hide bound and party-bound. You may not like to have me say so, but God knows it is true every word of it."

"I stood between two rum-sellers and voted the Republican ticket one year. I will never, God helping me, be the filling for that sort of a political sandwich again."

"I took a solemn oath at midnight, January 1, and have I kept it?"

"A Boston paper says I have cut down the Portland orders for liquor 50 per cent. I will wipe it all out in six months more."

"When I came into office 239 persons in Portland held a United States liquor license, and it was said that there were 150 kitchen bar-rooms. I ask this question: Does any man know where he can stand up to a bar in all Portland, and drink in peace?"

"Where are the Portland saloons? We seized \$461 worth of liquor in a stable yesterday. How would you like to take a drink there?"

"I could go out of office worth \$200,000, but how should I stand with God? I won't do it. (Cries of 'Good!')

"In one case it was said that \$40,000 would be paid me to get out, and that it would be worth \$10,000 to the man who could arrange the deal."

"I was offered \$2,000 to dismiss Charles A. Plummer, one of my deputies, but he is still a deputy. A leading citizen sent for me; I did not go. He was buried in politics, and I hate politics. He sent a message to me by a liquor seller. I said to him, 'You and I have nothing in common, and I will not go.'"

"A liquor seller came to my office and said, 'Sheriff, you're looking poorly. Some of your friends have raised \$2,500 to send you to Europe for three months.' I said, 'I won't go.'"

"If it's worth \$2,500 to get rid of me when I'm only a little used up, I'll stay until I'm prostrated. (Cries of 'God bless you!')

"I won't die rich. I've earned the right by twenty-nine years of good, honest work to die poor if I want to—to die in the poorhouse if I please. Think of it, brethren! I've seen hundreds converted, and made to see the light that shone in the face of Jesus Christ."

"I've seen husband and wife reunited. I say to the men who talk money to me as Ben Butler did, 'Get out, you're getting too near my price.' (Great laughter.)"

"Brethren, I will not let up. (Cries of 'God bless you!')

"I will win. I pray before every seizure. God is with me. I would have my heart cut out before I would give in to a rum-seller. Brethren these are no idle words. I broke the heart of my mother. I was saved by God's grace. Pray for me. (Cries of 'We will!')

"Here the sheriff almost broke down, and the scene as he stood there was dramatic. 'No Methodist Conference