On the Road.

A Week in the Country.

Corresponding secretaries have sent scarcely any League news to this office during the past month, so that the editor is short of "field notes." To help him out of the difficulty, he has asked the General Secretary difficulty, he has asked the General Secretary to write some account of his wanderings to and fro in the interests of Leagues and Sunday-schools. The latter has consented to give some notes of a week's trip to the country during January. He left home on the morning of the 7th ult., the first stopping also be in a significant of the stopping also stopping al ping place being

AT TYRONE,

a village about seven miles from Bowman-ville, where a Circuit League rally had been ville, where a great success. How arranged. It was a great success. How could it be anything else? Here is a circould it be anything ease? Here is a cir-cuit of six appointment: and fire Epworth Leagues, and each one of them all alive. The pastors, Revs. J. S. McMullen and J. F. Chapman, are young men who believe in the Enworth League, and work with the young people in the most cordial way. The result is that the leaguers will do anything for

At the afternoon meeting there was an excellent attendance, and the programmers was unusually good. It was remarkable for the fine papers and addresses presented by active members of the different Leagues on the circuit. How the writer wished that the circuit. How the writer wished that some of the croakers, who say that the League is doing no good, could have been there to see and hear! The very fact that the young people are sufficiently interested in the Church and its work to attend in such large numbers on a week-day afternoon is an encouraging sign.

At the evening service it was a straight contest for an audience with a free variety concert in the hall across the road, but the League won by two to one, as the church was well filled.

The church building here has been recently refitted, and now presents a very attractive appearance. Almost everybody is a Methodist in this locality. In the whole township of Darlington there are only two churches which are not Methodist. Nearly all the people came from Devonshire or Cornwall, and the visitor to almost any of or Cornwall, and the visitor to almost any of the hospitable homes may safely count on having "Devonshire cream" placed before him, and it is a dish fit for a king.

The next morning a start is made for Brockville. A drive of nine miles brings the Grand Trunk station into view, and the splendid express train for the east is board-ed. Brockville is reached about three o'clock, and a transfer is made to the Brockville & and a transfer is made to the brockvine & Westport Railway, which is as primitive an affair as can be found in Canada. The passenger car is a veritable Noah's ark, which pitches, rolls and rocks like a ship at sea. It jogs along at the sober rate of fifteen sea. It jogs along at the sober rate of fifteen miles an hour, so that there is a fine oppor-tunity to allow patience to "have her perfect work." At last we reach

DELTA,

where the merry jingle of sleigh bells are heard as soon as the train is left. The pastor here is Rev. Daniel Earl, who is an accordingly emergetic worker. He is a pastor nere is Rev. Daniel Earl, who is an exceedingly energetic worker. He is a terror to gamblers, whiskey sellers and evil-doers of all kinds, but is greatly appreciated "for his work's sake" by his own people. He is president of the Brockville District League, and is pushing the work vigorously. He has the idea that in accepting a position of this kind he is expected to do something. There is probably no district in our whole Church that is being worked more efficiently

by the League Executive than Brockville.

The Sunday morning service on the Delta
Circuit was at Chantry, where a very successful revival has been held. Quite a number of young people have been converted, and

many of them are interesting themselves in the League. There is a Woman's Missionthe League. There is a woman's missionary Auxiliary here, which is doing splendid work. Although small in numbers, it has, together with the branch at Delta, raised

\$100 for missions during the past year.

Miss Chamberlain has charge of a flourishing Mission Band, which interests the little

folks immensely. The afternoon and evening services at Delta were well attended, and at the close of the evening sermon an after-meeting was held, for which almost the entire congregation remained.

In order to reach

ROCKFIELD

a drive of twenty miles was necessary, over as winding a road as one would find in Ontario in a month's travel, but the sleighing was good and the weather mild, so that ing was good and the weather mild, so that the trip was thoroughly enjoyed. The stopping here was in the home of Mr. John Franklin, whose family is one of unusual intelligence, and where good reading is greatly appreciated.

The church at Rockfield is not large, but it was crowded at the evening meeting by an it was crowded at the evening meeting by an andience principally of young people, and at the close an Epworth League was started. The pastor, Rev. W. J. Conoly, B.A., and his wife were both present. Mr. Conol in active sympathy with the League, and believes that there is work for it to do at Roal-Sal-Ja Rockfield.

GLEN BUELL, sixteen miles distant, was the next place on in the programme, where an afternoon meeting had been arranged. We had an audience of about thirty, and addresses were delivered relating to Sunday-school and Epworth League work, by Rev. Mr. Earl and the senter.

The chief feature of interest in this church The chief feature of interest in this church is the memorial tablet which has been placed in a prominent place, inscribed with the name of Rev. W. J. Hall, M.D., medical missionary to Korea, who died a few years ago in that far-off mission field while seeking to help and succor others. His father and mother have lived in this angithburhood for years, and the yeary mis-His father and mother have lived in this neighborhood for years, and the young mis-sionary was known and loved by everybody in the community. The people delight to tell of his unselfishness, his courage, his devotion to God and his fellow-men. It seems strange that such a noble worker should be taken away in the year wiles of should be taken away in the very prime of life, and before his work seemed to be much more than commenced. Such a career ought to be a stimulus to well-doing for all the young men and women of this, the home of his boyhood.

ALGONQUIN

was eleven miles farther on, where we had a well-attended meeting in the evening. An interesting feature of the programme here was the reports presented by the differ-ent Leagues and Sunday-schools on the circuit.

Two Leagues, which had only been organ-Iwo Leagues, which had only been organized a few months, reported very satisfactory growth, and the pastor, Rev. H. W. Burnett, said that both societies were in a very fine spiritual condition. The success of these Leagues doubtless had something to do in the success of these translations of the Almonton country of t Leagues doubtless had something to do in stimulating the Algonquin young people to organize. For some time a literary club has been in existence among the young men, but it was deemed wiser te have a full-fledged Epworth League with its four de-vantagement. partments. At

FRANKVILLE

the attendance was not quite so large, but the people seemed very much interested. The church presented quite a gay appearance, as the Christmas decorations had been left up. These were quite unique in character, consisting of a large Ferris wheel, the baskets of which had been utilized for presents to the children, and a number of

flags and streamers. There are some energetic workers here who are much interested in the Sunday-school and Epworth League.

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The trip ended in one day less than a week, during which 573 miles were travelled, 110 being by horse and cutter; ten addresses were delivered to an aggregate of 1,125 persons, and forty subscriptions to the Experience for the control of the control A. C. C. WORTH ERA received.

The Book Shelf.

Lion the Mastiff, From Life. By Mrs. A. G. Savigny, with introduction by Principal Caven, D.D. Toronto; with introduct William Briggs

The story of a dog, written very much in the same style as "Black Beauty." It is told in a vivacious way and contains many valuable lessons for young people in regard to their treatment of the dumb animals. Boys and girls everywhere should be taught to show kindness to every living creature. This is more ir portant than any knowledge of arithmetic or grammar. This book should have a place in every Sunday-school library.

The Story of the Nineteenth Century, By Elbridge S. Brooks. Illustrated. The Lothrop Publishing Co.,

This book has been written by a very popular author of young people's literature, and is intended to present the leading events of the century which has just closed. Progress is its key-note-progress in government, in is its key-note—progress in government, in literature, in law, in science, in art, pro-gress especially in human affairs, and in the elevation and freedom of man. The book is divided into seven periods, each grouped around some great name, as the age of Napoleon, the age of Kossuth, the age of Lincoln, the age of Edison. It is a very valuable

The Making of a Christian. Studies in the art of Holy Living, by Rev. John Maclean, Ph.D. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, 75 cents.

Many good things have been said of this little book, and deservedly, too. It is exactly the sort of reading matter that ought to be widely circulated among our young people.

For the "Quiet Hour" nothing could be

Messengers of the Churches, First Series. By Rev. J. E. Sanderson, M.A. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, 50c.

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Mr. Sanderson has rendered valuable service to young people by placing in their hands, in concise form, the lives of seven pioneer missionaries: Thomas Coke, Wm. Carey, Gideon Ouseley, Henry Martyn, William Case, Robert Morrison, John Williams. To present the facts contained in this book involves a large amount of research, which the author has done for the special benefit of those who want the information and yet have a limited amount of time at their disposal.

The Evangelization of the World in this Gen-eration. By John R. Mott. Published by the Student Volunteer Movement, New York. Price, \$1.00,

All who believe in the missionary obliga-tion of the Church, will find this a most inspiring volume. There is not a pessimistic tion of the Univers, will find this a most inspiring volume. There is not a pessimistic line in t. The author presents in a vivid manner fresources of the Church, clears away misconceptions, and removes prejudice, and emphasizes the obligation which result upon all Christians to spread the knowledge upon all Christians to spread the knowledge of the Gospel everywhere. It is undoubted ly the best missionary book that has been published for a long time, and ought to find a place in every missionary library.

An Exposition of 61d Testament Sacrifices. By Rev. D. McKenzie, B.A. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, 41.25.

This volume contains much valuable information concerning the sacrifices of the Old Testament, and their relation to the sacrifice of Christ. There are chapters on the Burnt Offering, the Meal-Offering, the Peaco Offering, the Sin Offering, the Passover, etc. It is pretty solid resding for young people, but of a character that will do them good. This volume contains much valuable in-

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