

or 10 per cent. of these, joined the ranks of Christ's army during the past year.

Proceeding with missionary efforts, we see that 27 Methodist societies out of the 44 contributed \$244.79, or \$9.07 per society. Eleven out of 13 Y.P.S.C.E. gave \$173.63, or \$15.78 each. Of the 11 remaining societies outside the colleges, 4 report giving \$24.02, or \$6 each. But it remains for the two colleges, namely, Ontario Ladies College, which expended \$100, and Pickering, which made an outlay of \$60 to set us an example of what can be done in this line of work. Thus 44 out of 70 societies, or 62 per cent., a percentage that we all trust will be increased next year, gave \$632.44, or \$13.69 per society. Besides monetary gifts, clothing, quilts, papers were sent to needy home mission fields. Missionary interest is being aroused chiefly by holding regular meetings for the discussion of mission work. In one society they have a library comprised exclusively of books of a missionary nature. These are circulated in rotation among all the members. This plan might profitably be tried by all.

Our Juniors report 13 societies, of which 2 were organized during 1897-98. They have 382 members, 156 active and 223 associate. We hope that as a result of Miss Wiggins' address this afternoon, this important work will receive greater attention from our senior workers.

A very interesting open parliament was conducted by Rev. A. McAulay, Pickering, upon "What would Christ do with the Prohibition Question?" There was quite a general participation in its discussion. After the appointment of the various convention committees the meeting adjourned.

The convention met at 2 p.m. in the Christian church, when some very profitable papers and addresses were given. Five-minute papers on "Committees" were read as follows: Social, Miss F. Storie, Oshawa; Missionary, Miss Smith, Columbus; Prayer Meeting, Miss Hamilton, Port Perry. Miss Hamilton could not be present, but sent her paper, which was read by Miss Stewart, of Whitby. A paper on "The Imperilled Sabbath," prepared by M. S. Farmer, Toronto, was read by Mr. W. W. McLaren. Mrs. Wm. Purves, Columbus, then read an excellent paper on "Ambition to Succeed in Spiritual Life is Better than Ambition to Succeed in Material." At the conclusion of this paper the school children began coming in from the various schools. When quite a number had gathered

Miss Wiggins, Provincial supt. of Union societies, Toronto, addressed them.

In the evening, in spite of the very disagreeable weather, quite a large number assembled in the Simcoe St. Methodist church to hear the splendid speakers provided by the convention. After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. P. Wilson, pastor of the church, Miss Smith, of Columbus, read the following report of the Nominating Committee: President, Rev. W. P. Fletcher, B. A., Oshawa; 1st vice-president, Mr. Peter McMillan, Beaverton; 2nd vice-president, Mr. J. S. Barnard, Whitby; 3rd vice-president, Mr. F. Willis, Uxbridge; 4th vice-president, Mr. J. Marks, Dunbarton; secretary, Miss L. King, Oshawa; assist.-treasurer, Miss F. Storie, Oshawa; Junior superintendent, Miss Hamilton, Port Perry; executive, Mr. W. A. Holiday, Brooklin, Miss M. Tonkin, Columbus, Miss Pearl McGill, Oshawa, Miss Hamilton, Port Perry, Miss F. Phillips, Cannington, Mr. Geo. Young, Cambridge, county delegate to Intermediate C. E. convention, Detroit, 1899, Mr. W. W. McLaren, Columbus. Miss Wiggins then delivered a splendid address on "Prohibition." This address was followed by Dr. McTavish, of Toronto, who was listened to with wrapt attention for nearly an hour. During the evening the Oshawa Prohibition Sextette sang twice and Miss Keeler gave a solo.



London Endeavorers.

THE Quarterly Rally of the local Union, held in the First Methodist church on the 19th of September, was in every way a success, and reflected much credit on the committee in charge. The large edifice was well filled by Endeavorers and their friends, who were well rewarded by the excellent addresses they heard from the two Toronto gentlemen who were the speakers of the evening. Mr. Robt. Hall, city missionary of Toronto, in a simple but forcible manner told of the misery and want that intemperance has caused both in Canada and in Scotland, his native land, and his experience in trying to reclaim fallen man to a life of usefulness. Rev. W. C. Dixon followed in an earnest and practical address, dealing with some of the main points prominent in the prohibition platform. The president, Mr. Allan, occupied the chair, and the Juniors under the leadership of the church organist, Mr. Wallcott, sang prohibition hymns in a very creditable manner.

The Centennial Methodists have elected the following as their officers for the coming term: President, Mr. C. Wickett; vice-president, Miss Katie Lewis; recording secretary, Mr. Harry Martin; corresponding secretary, Miss Maud Prescott; treasurer, Miss Nettie Blinkhorn; organist, Miss Eva Cunningham.

The local Union has decided to hold a concert in the Auditorium for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A., the officers of which kindly place at the disposal of the Union a room for their meetings. Every society will be expected to do something to assist in the concert. The date has not yet been set.

Mr. Claris, vice-president of the local Union, has resigned, having removed to Montreal for a time, where he is followed by the best wishes of all those who have had the pleasure of being associated with him in C. E. work. Especially will he be missed from his own society, the Southern Congregational.

Miss Knott, of St. Paul's Episcopal society, has been elected vice-president of the local Union, in place of Mr. Claris.

Miss Kirkpatrick, superintendent of the Junior societies, and Mr. Allan were the delegates from the local Union to the Hamilton convention. Most of the societies also sent delegates.

King street Presbyterians intend holding a series of monthly entertainments during the winter. The first one was held on Monday ev'g, October 10th.

At the last meeting of the London West Methodist society, seventeen new members were received and new officers elected; Mr. E. Williams is president.



Toronto News.

BROADVIEW AVE. (Cong.)—This flourishing society held its semi-annual business meeting recently. Under the superintendence of the Social Committee an exceedingly pleasant and profitable evening was enjoyed by all. The reports presented showed marked progress in all lines. Among the new officers elected are: President, F. O. Gilbert; cor.-secretary, Miss E. Lewis.

COOKES (Pres.) society held a most interesting meeting on the evening of Oct. 11. Encouraging reports were presented by the various committees, and extensive plans of work for this large and progressive society for the coming months were vigorously discussed. The new president of this society is Mr. C. A. Miller, and the cor.-secretary is Miss