

A Deputation of Juniors Visits Wesley Buildings

AND INTERVIEWS THE CONNEXIONAL OFFICERS

AS ARRANGED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

I AM a member of the Junior League. Last year we took the Missionary Trip Around the World, and studied the great mission fields. We saw how the work in China, Japan, and everywhere else couldn't go on if the people at home didn't help.

I remember on the long voyage from Africa to Quebec our Superintendent talked to us about being thankful that we could help. At our Christmas thank-offering meeting we resolved to know more about our Methodist Church, for our minister told us that every department of the Church helped the missionary work in Canada, China and Japan, and we wanted to know about it. Our Junior Superintendent told us a new plan had been thought out for missionary study to be used in the Sunday Schools and for the Juniors.

"You know," he said, "how we have enjoyed the missionary trip."

Some shouted "Yes." One boy said, "I'm sorry it's done"; and another boy said, "Let's go over it again"; but our Superintendent said, "I like the new plan just as well as the Trip.

The new plan of study is to send boys and girls as imaginary deputations to see and study our mission work, that they may be prepared to give reports as the monthly programmes in-

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REV. DR. BRIGGS, BOOK STEWARD, IN HIS OFFICE

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THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

dicate. In the Sunday School whole classes will be a deputation, and in a very large school three or four classes will form a deputation. Then, when the monthly missionary meeting is held in the Sunday School, the different deputations will tell what they saw and learned while visiting the mission. Helps for the study will be printed in all our Church papers."

We were delighted with the new plan, especially when our Superintendent told

Our crowd filled the office, but Dr. Carman was glad to see everyone of us. We told him we were a deputation, and wanted to find out something about our Methodist Church for our next missionary meeting.

Someone asked, "What does General Superintendent mean? Are you the manager of this big building?"

this?"

"I am always Chairman of the General Conference, and preside at the Annual Conferences, when I attend them. I am also Chairman of Committees and Boards, managing different departments of the Church."

"How many people are there in our Church?"

"There are over a million who call themselves Methodists, and of these there are 323,343 members."

"How do you manage it all; do you have anyone to help you?" one of the boys asked.

"I have no one to help me in my General Superintendency, but the General Conference, which made me General Superintendent, has divided the work of the Church into departments with a General Conference officer in charge of each department."

"How many departments and officers are there?"

Dr. Carman thought a minute, and then said: "Rev. Dr. Sutherland is General Secretary of Missions, Foreign Department, and Rev. Mr. Shore is Assistant Secretary; Rev. Mr. Allen is the General Secretary of Missions, Home Department, and Rev. Mr. Manning is Assistant Secretary; Rev. Dr. Woodsworth is the Senior Superintendent of Missions; Dr. Stephenson is the Young People's Forward Movement Secretary; Mr. H. H. Fudger is Treasurer of the Missionary Society; Rev. Mr. Graham is Secretary, and Mr. E. R. Wood is Treasurer of the Educational Society. We have two Book Stewards, Rev. Dr. Briggs for the Western section, and Rev. Dr. Huestis at Halifax for the Eastern section. Rev. Dr. Griffin is Secretary and Mr. Edward Gurney is Treasurer of the Superannuation Fund; Rev. Dr. Cornish is Statistician; Rev. Dr. Withrow is Editor of the Sunday School Periodicals; Rev. Mr. Creighton is Editor of the *Guardian*, with Rev. Mr.