

The Societies at Work

Coming Conventions.

ONTARIO Provincial, Hamilton, Oct. 11-13, 1898.

Quebec Provincial, Oct. 1898.

Huron County, C. E. and S. S., Exeter, June 20, 21, 1899.

International, Detroit, July, 1899.



From the Capital.

Miss Andrews, cor. secretary of the Union, is at present off on her holidays. Other members will also be absent from the city for part of this month and the next.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Congregational church hold no meetings for July and August, but have amalgamated with the mid-week prayer meeting.

The society in connection with McLeod street Methodist church held a very interesting missionary meeting on the evening of July 18th. Interesting papers were read and short addresses were given by members.

Rev. W. McIntosh, pastor of the Congregational church, has attended the recent conference of Christian workers held at Northfield, Mass.

The Rev. Dr. Campbell, pastor of Erskine church, and honorary president of Erskine C. E. society, is spending his holidays at Peterboro.

The society in connection with the Reformed Episcopal church is at present in a flourishing condition.

An excellent missionary meeting was held recently under the auspices of the E. L. of C. E. of Dominion Methodist church. A paper was read, by one of the members on French mission work, when the needs of the work were clearly set before the meeting. Special music in the way of a quartette and duets were rendered. The society meets every Monday, with a splendid attendance.

The Sunday afternoon meetings in the Home of the Aged are conducted this month by members of the Congregational Y. P. S. C. E.

At a meeting of the executive of the Christian Endeavor Union, held on Thursday evening the 11th inst., in the Y.M.C.A., the following resolution was passed: "Whereas, associations have already been formed in both city and county, representing the temperance people, for the purpose of carrying on the

Prohibition plebiscite campaign; and, whereas, a multiplicity of organizations is undesirable, this executive committee recommends that the societies forming the Union cooperate with the central organizations and earnestly endeavor to secure a large majority for Prohibition by lending active assistance in carrying out the details of the campaign." The members of the Union exceed 1000, and it is expected that the Union will lend considerable assistance to the temperance cause.



Hamilton Jottings.

On the evening of August 2nd, a party of Christian Endeavorers under the leadership of Mr. D. A. Rowland, drove to Sheffield for the purpose of attending a meeting of the society of Christ's church. The church was beautifully decorated and everything prepared for the comfort and enjoyment of the city guests. The president of the society, Mr. Moffat, occupied the chair. The topic was "Covetousness," and was well handled; the manner in which the county Endeavorers took part showing that they had given the topic considerable thought before coming to the meeting. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Showers, then gave a short talk on the topic. Sentimental prayers brought their part of the meeting to a close. The concert which followed was enjoyed and appreciated by all. Mr. Jas. Stewart, the energetic young president of the Hamilton Junior Union, gave a talk on Home work of the Juniors. His talk was very interesting, being illustrated by samples of work done by Juniors to brighten the hours of the inmates of the children's wards of the hospitals. A short programme of vocal and instrumental music was followed by an address by Mr. Jas. McLeod to the Juniors. Mr. D. A. Rowland then addressed the meeting on the subject which of late has occupied so much of his attention—the Provincial Convention. Short addresses were also given by Mr. Moffat, of Sheffield, and Mr. J. C. Harris, of Hamilton.

The Junior Union Executive held a very enthusiastic business meeting in the lecture room of the Y.M.C.A. on Thursday evening, August 11th. President Stewart presided. The reports of the different committees showed that the work is in a very prosperous state. The report in

connection with the Junior department of the '98 Convention was very encouraging. The exercise to be given, entitled "H. M. S. Junior Endeavor," will undoubtedly surpass anything yet given in Ontario. The Junior sunrise prayer meeting, the Junior breakfast, the Junior workshop, the Junior school of methods, and the Junior Rally will fill in the whole day. Miss A. Henry tendered her resignation as treasurer of the Union, and Mr. Geo. Lamplough was elected. A report of the Nashville Convention was read by one of the superintendents. Mr. F. D. Mills, formerly superintendent of the Toronto Junior Union, and a Junior enthusiast, gave a very interesting extempore address.

Mr. James Simpson, who was formerly a very hard worker in the Toronto Christian Endeavor and Epworth League circles, has removed to our city and is now president of the Gore street Methodist society.

The colors for the Provincial Convention (to be held in Hamilton in October) will be purple and gold. Beautiful bicycle ribbons have been secured by the decoration committee, and may be procured by Endeavor bicyclists by writing to the secretary, Mr. J. C. Harris, 173 King street east. Those wishing to attend the convention on their wheels will receive special attention from the reception committee. Good roads lead into the city from all directions.—H. M. G.



Toronto Notes.

ZION (Congregational).—This society held a Good Citizenship meeting Aug. 14th, led by Mr. Alfred Lee, convener of committee, subject: "In His Steps, or What Would Jesus Do?" The Central Presbyterian society paid us a visit, along with a number of others. After reading a number of requests for prayer, Mr. Ben. Spicer sang a solo, accompanied by a guitar. The leader then made a short address. After a few words by the pastor, Rev. C. A. Wookey, and the president of the Central society, the leader asked those who were willing to start to night and put the test to everything they did for one year to stand up, and over twenty stood up, along with our beloved pastor. Two young ladies told the leader that they would start from to-day and follow Jesus.