

The General Superintendent and the Secretary brought the subject under the notice of each District Meeting. The East Toronto District appointed a committee to prepare a deliverance on the subject. The resolution of this committee strongly endorsed the principle of the League, and recommended it to the sympathy and co-operation of the pastors and congregations, as an organization specially adapted to promote the spiritual welfare of our young people, and to enlist their energies in Christian culture and Christian service. It recommended the Annual Conference also to memorialize the General Conference to provide for the recognition of the Epworth League as an integral part of our Church work.

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THE first number of this organ of the Epworth Leagues of the whole world is at hand. It is a bright, fresh, breezy, piquant paper, just such as we would expect from the taste and skill of its able editor, Dr. Berry, whom we are proud to remember as a Canadian boy, and as the son of a Canadian minister. We recommend all Epworth Leagues to take this paper. It will be in the highest degree helpful in their work. The League is fast becoming world-wide. It is destined, like Methodism itself, to belt the globe. Already there are 2,500 branch Leagues in the United States, 120 in Canada, others in Great Britain, Europe, Asia and the Islands of the Sea. The paper may be ordered of the Methodist Book Rooms, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax, or direct from the Publishers, Cranston & Stowe, 57 Washington Street, Chicago.

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Gold, Tinsl and Trash; Stories of Country and City. By the REV. ERASMUS W. JONES. Pp. 319. New York: Hunt & Eaton. Toronto: William Briggs.

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