

to show the spirit and character of the men who composed the Congress.

A profound spirituality, devoid of all cant, characterized the whole of the meeting. The Spirit of the Master seemed to brood over all the gatherings. During the whole of the sessions there was but one discordant note sounded, and that brief, inappropriate word fell flat on the audience without being specially noticed by anyone.

Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Boards and Societies were represented by about forty delegates, among whom were such able leaders as Dr. L. C. Barnes and Dr. Fred. P. Haggard. Together with Rev. A. C. Baker, our beloved missionary in Bolivia, and Mrs. D. A. Simpson, of Nova Scotia, the writer esteemed it a very great honor to be a delegate of the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board. The address given by Mr. Baker was most heartily appreciated, and was one of the addresses that was applauded by the meeting. The great and excellent work being done in Bolivia, as well as in India, was specially recognized by Dr. Robert E. Speer, the presiding officer of the Congress. Would that every member of our Boards and of our Churches were fully seized with the greatness of our opportunity and of our responsibility toward the people of Bolivia.

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THE BAPTIST STUDENT MISSIONARY MOVEMENT OF NORTH AMERICA.

On March 25, 1916, there assembled in Fort Worth, Texas, the first convention of a great new movement—a movement of which we shall hear more, and which will undoubtedly result in great things for our Baptist Missionary propaganda.

There has been a strong feeling among many of our Church leaders for some time past that our programme

of missionary endeavor was not a fully-rounded one. We had the Sunday Schools, we had the Young People's Societies, we had the Young Women's Auxiliaries—all touching the young people in the churches. But we have had no Baptist organization for educating and influencing our young men and women, boys and girls, in our colleges and our preparatory schools. To meet this need, the urgency of which will be questioned by none—for we all well know that the influences and impressions received during college days are the most potent of all our lives, and that, if we wish to conserve for the highest uses the army of young life going through our schools year by year, we must make these impressions of such a character that they shall direct life towards the best and highest—there was formed at Fort Worth two years ago the Baptist Student Missionary Movement of North America. The convention just recently held sends out first words of this organization to us, declaring the purpose of the movement and something of its proposed methods of work. We would do well to familiarize ourselves with these things in their initial stages, for we shall hear more and more of them as time goes on.

The purpose is stated: (1) "To aid in the missionary education of Baptist students in all schools, from the preparatory on through the college and university." The efforts will be put forth in the interests of Home and Foreign Missions alike. (2) "To aid in the production of a more extensive mission literature from the Baptist viewpoint." (3) "As a great unifying agency among Baptists, North, South, East and West." (4) "To open the way for a united effort by the Baptists of North America in the field of mission study courses."

Methods of work will be developed gradually. Already there is an Education Department to work on mission study courses, and a Publishing Department to attend to distribution of mission literature among students.

The Canadian representative on the Executive Committee is Dr. O. C. S. Wallace, of Westmount, Que. Dr. Frederick Eby, also a Canadian, now of the State University, Austin, Texas, is another member, and others of the names well known to us are Geo. W. Truett and Curtis Lee Laws.