

THE COLLEGES AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

"KNOX COLLEGE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS: Night Classes for Bible Study and Practical Training." The announcement issued, under this heading, just before the New Year, by authority of the Principal and Senate of the College, opened up for Sunday School teachers and other Christian workers of Toronto and its vicinity, a splendid opportunity of fitting themselves for more efficient service. For some years the Deaconess students have taken classes with the College professors. The new Classes render facilities of the College instruction and training even more widely available.

The Classes began immediately after the New Year, and were planned to cover a period of twelve weeks, occupying two evenings each week, with provision for an examination at the end of March in each of the subjects studied, and the issuing of a certificate to those reaching the prescribed standard. It is in the mind of those at the head of this movement, "that eventually a regular three-years' course of study will be outlined and a diploma from the Knox College Training School for Christian Workers be given to all who have covered the complete curriculum."

The course of study adopted for this year includes twelve lectures in each of the following subjects: Old Testament, lecturer, Rev. Professor Richard Davidson, Ph.D.; Studies in Teaching, lecturer, Rev. A. J. W. Myers, Ph.D.; New Testament, lecturer, Rev. Principal Alfred Gandier, D.D.; Social Service, lecturers, Rev. J. G. Shearer, D.D. and Rev. D. C. MacGregor, B.A.

The attendance at the classes has been most gratifying, and witnesses to the growing desire amongst laborers in every department of our church's work to become better equipped for their important tasks.

The Knox College plan, so successfully inaugurated, seems capable of indefinite expansion. There is scarcely any form of Christian service which may not be included under it. It is hard to overestimate the beneficial results of the establishment of such a Training School as the plan contemplates.

And if Knox College has such a School, why not all the Colleges of the church? Why not, also, some arrangement by which the advantages of the Training School may be shared by workers living in other places than college centres?

The Sunday School Council

Twenty-eight denominations in Canada and the United States, with a communicant membership of 18,288,540, and a Sunday School enrolment of 15,017,938, were represented at the Third Annual Meeting of the Sunday School Council of Evangelical Denominations held at Dayton, Ohio, last January.

This influential association, including in its membership, the Sunday School officials,—secretaries, publishers, editors and others—of the various denominations, discussed, for four days, questions of common interest to all, canvassing methods of co-operation by which the denominations, through their officials, might be helpful to one another in their Sunday School work and considering plans for the more efficient joint furtherance of that work.

The subjects before the Council, both in its General Sessions and in the separate meetings of its four Sections,—Editorial, Educational, Extension and Publishing—were of first-class importance. Literature for the Sunday School,—of what sort it should be, how it can most effectively be produced and most advantageously distributed; what Lesson Courses should be prepared for the millions of Sunday School teachers and scholars; what improvements can and ought to be made in Teacher Training; how to get the most out of the Summer School; how the Council can unite in work for the foreigners coming, in such startling numbers, both to the United States and Canada,—these, taken almost at random are some of the items from the docket of that full quaternity of days.

A special feature of the Dayton meeting was the conferences between the Council and representatives of the International