

## District Conventions.

### Huntingdon District.

The fourth annual meeting of the Epworth League of the Huntingdon District was held in the Methodist Church, Lacolle, Nov. 1st and 2nd, 1900. Rev. D. Mick, President, in the chair.

Mr. J. A. Manning gave an address of welcome on behalf of Lacolle League and people. Rev. G. C. Poyser, of Valleyfield, ably responded.

The following addresses were delivered and thoroughly discussed:

"The Holy Spirit, the Supreme Gift and Need of the Age," by Rev. C. S. Deeprose.

"The Literary Department," by Rev. J. R. Hodgson.

"The Junior League," by Mrs. (Rev.) Warren.

"Suggestions for Conducting League Meetings," by Mr. G. L. Maston.

"The League and the Twentieth Century Evangelistic Movement," by Rev. F. A. Read.

"The Young People's Forward Movement for Missions," by Rev. H. E. Warren. Rev. D. and Mrs. Mick, Mrs. Warren, and the choir ably assisted with musical selections.

The following officers were elected: Hon. President, Chairman of the District; President, Rev. H. E. Warren, B.A., B.D.; First Vice-President, Mr. J. A. Manning Lacolle; Second Vice-President, Mrs. (Rev.) F. A. Read, Clarenceville; Third Vice-President, Miss Tredda, Lacolle; Fourth Vice-President, Miss A. E. Dickson, Huntingdon; Fifth Vice-President, Mrs. (Rev.) Warren, Ormstown; Secretary, Rev. J. R. Hodgson, Hemmingford; Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J. M. Tredda, Lacolle; Treasurer, Dorland McBride, Valleyfield; District Representative to Conference Executive, Rev. G. C. Poyser.

### Simcoe District.

The Epworth League Convention of Simcoe District was this year held in Simcoe Methodist Church, and was a pronounced success. Stormy weather somewhat affected the attendance, but, by no means dampened the enthusiasm of any one of its sessions. Pithy papers, able addresses, stirring songs made the day both pleasing and profitable to all who attended. The General Secretary conducted a "Round Table Conference" in a unique manner. His address in the evening was most inspiring and helpful.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: Hon. President, Rev. D. W. Snider, Simcoe; President, Rev. A. J. Terryberry, Port Rowan; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. A. E. Smith, 3rd Dover; First Vice-President, Mrs. L. Sharp, Woodhouse; Second Vice-President, Mr. Henry Johnston, Simcoe; Third Vice-President, Rev. W. H. Douglas, Jarvis; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Thompson, Rockford; Fifth Vice-President, Miss Maud Culver, Townsend; Conference Representative, Rev. D. W. Snider.

### Brantford District.

The annual convention of the Brantford District Epworth League was held in St. George, on Tuesday, Dec. 4th. Owing to the steady downpour of rain the attendance was not as large as could be desired. But the lack in numbers was made up in the enthusiasm of those present. The Hon. President, Rev. John Wakefield, of Paris, made an excellent presiding officer, and did much to ensure the success of the meeting. Papers and addresses were given by Rev. J. M. Wright, Brantford, on *Spiritual Life* in the League; Miss Wakefield, *Systematic Giving*;

and Rev. G. K. B. Adams, on *Forward Movement in Missions*. Vigorous measures are to be adopted for ensuring the success of our Young People's Missionary Work. Our newly elected president, Mr. J. B. Moyer, of Brantford, is an enthusiast on all kinds of League work, and gave a strong and beautiful inaugural address. Our determination, with God's help, is to sweep into the new century under full sail with all colors flying, desiring to make this year the very best in all our history.

GEORGE K. B. ADAMS, *Secretary*.

### Owen Sound District.

The sixth annual convention was held in Scrope Street, Owen Sound, on October 11th. The following papers were given at the afternoon session: "The Forward Movement in our District," by Mrs. Thurston, Flesherston; "The Pastor's Relation to the League, and vice-versa," by Rev. F. W. Varley, of Priceville; "Our Present Need in the Epworth League," by Mrs. G. Rutherford, Owen Sound. These were all excellent papers. Discussions followed.

Evening Session—Devotional exercises conducted by Hon. President, Dr. Langford, D.D., Owen Sound.

Address: "The Twentieth Century Revival," by Rev. C. W. Reynolds, Walters' Falls. Also an address by Rev. F. G. McAtene, on "Soul Winning." These were two excellent addresses, full of earnestness and spiritual power.

The following are the officers for the year 1900: Hon. President, Rev. Dr. Langford, Owen Sound; First Vice-President, Mrs. G. Rutherford, Owen Sound; Second Vice-President, Miss Langford, Owen Sound; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Rolston, Holland Centre; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. W. Armstrong, Flesherston; Fifth Vice-President, Miss Swinton, Massie; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss S. Squire, Brookholm; Conference delegate, Rev. C. W. Reynolds, Walters' Falls; Committee, Mrs. Leardy, Holland Centre; H. R. Frost, Owen Sound; Mrs. F. Thomson, Woodford; Mr. McIntyre, Dundalk; Hugh McKee, Priceville.

### Pictou District.

On October 12th, at the village of Wellington, was held the sixth annual convention of the Pictou District Epworth League, every chapter in the district being represented by from one to six delegates.

There was one idea that was very prominent at every session, viz., Prayer is essential in connection with all the work of every department.

The missionary work was given a prominent place at the convention.

Instead of having as many papers as formerly, more time was given for conference of delegates.

The result of the election of officers was as follows:

President, E. A. Morden, Pictou (re-elected); 1st Vice-President, A. E. Scott, Cherry Valley; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. T. G. Raynor, Rose Hall; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Geo. Davis, Pictou; 4th Vice-President, Miss Korman, Rednersville; 5th Vice-President, Miss M. Yarwood, Pictou; Treasurer, D. T. Stafford, Rednersville; Secretary, Ernest P. Case, Pictou.

\$233.00 was pledged toward the support of Dr. H. C. Winch, our medical missionary in British Columbia, and Mrs. Winch. This amount will probably be increased.

A resolution was unanimously adopted, giving expression to this district's loyalty to and its best wishes for the happiness and success of Dr. and Mrs. Winch.

The convention was a success in every respect.

## The Book Shelf.

**Three Years with the Children.** By Amos R. Wells. Published by Fleming H. Revell, New York, Chicago and Toronto. Price, \$1.50.

One hundred and fifty-six sermons for pastors, illustrations for primary Sunday School teachers and junior superintendents, hints for blackboard talks, etc. They are not so much complete sermons, as suggestions which speakers can develop in their own way. The book is full of good things.

**From Life to Life.** By Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D. Published by the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Boston and Chicago. Price \$1.00.

This is a collection of illustrations and anecdotes for the use of religious workers, and for private meditation. It will be of value to those who have little time for reading, and yet desire to take something to the prayer meeting to help make it profitable. The book contains many excellent illustrations of important truths.

**The Business Man's Religion.** By Amos R. Wells. Published by the Fleming H. Revell Co., New York, Chicago and Toronto. Price 50 cents.

This little book deals with the relation of the business man to the church, the prayer meeting, the Sunday-school, the office and the home. It is full of practical suggestions of great value. While it is specially intended for the Christian business man who desires to "be about his Father's business," it is peculiarly appropriate to the pastor. To a minister who desires to improve his prayer meeting, the hints contained in this book are worth five times the cost of the volume.

**The Four G's.** By Rev. T. L. Cuyler, D.D. Published by the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Boston and Chicago. Price 35 cents.

Dr. Cuyler is a Presbyterian, but he writes and talks like a Methodist. Having resigned his pastorate in Brooklyn, he is now spending the evening of his life in writing religious books, and contributing to the papers. The four G's that he here discusses are GRACE, GRIT, GRATITUDE, GROWTH. The chapters are written in a racy and attractive style, and contain many good things. The book is bound in a very dainty manner, and will make a very appropriate Christmas present.

**John the Baptist.** By Rev. F. R. Meyer, B.A. Published by the Fleming H. Revell Co., New York, Chicago and New York. Price \$1.00.

One of the most interesting and profitable lines of study for young people is Christian biography, particularly the lives of Bible characters. In this book Mr. Meyer has sketched the career of John the Baptist, who, he regards as the clasp between the Old Testament and the New—the close of the one and the beginning of the other. As we would expect, a truly devotional spirit runs all through the story, and many practical lessons are enforced, and very beautifully illustrated. It is a pleasure to recommend such a work.

**General Wauchape.** By William Baird, F.S.A. Published by Gifford, Anderson & Ferrier, Edinburgh and London. Price, \$1.00.

General Wauchape was a brave Scotchman who lost his life early in the South African campaign. This book graphically describes the events which led up to the battle of Magersfontein and the unfortunate and tragic death of the leader of the heroic Highlanders. It also gives an interesting account of the life of Wauchape, who was a devoted Christian. The story is one of incident and hair-breadth escapes, exceedingly well told.

The works of John Ruskin are to be published in their entirety in the French language.