

## Band of Hope Boys!

Where Lads Are Trained to Make Good Men

By Teachers Who Turn Out, Rain or Shine.

An Evening With the Boys—Christmas Treat—Practical Lessons—How the Work Is Carried On.

An "Advertiser" reporter dropped into the Maple Leaf Band of Hope meeting in Somerset Hall last night and took a peep into the workings of this quiet and unobtrusive organization. Owing to the disagreeable weather, the attendance was not nearly so large as it would have been, particularly had the lads known that the annual Christmas treat was on. This is not held on the same day each year. Sometimes it comes before Christmas, sometimes after, but the boys never receive any intimation of the date, and the tea party is generally in the nature of a surprise. The hands of the clock on the opposite wall pointed to 7.30 when the tinkling of the superintendent's bell caused a hush to steal over the tabling boys in a manner indicative of the most perfect discipline. A hymn was sung, the lusty treble of the boys making up in volume what it lacked in harmony.

When perfect quiet had again been restored, the superintendent prayed, the boys repeating in concert, reading from their cards. After prayer another bright hymn was sung, and then came the following responsive reading:

Superintendent—Father, which is evil, cleave to that which is good.

Band—Owe no man anything, but to love one another, for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

Superintendent—It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is made weak.

Band—Love is the fulfilling of the law.

Superintendent—If thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

Band—Set, O Lord, before my mouth, keep the door of my lips, incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practice wicked work with men that work iniquity.

Superintendent—The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

Band—For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Teacher—The Eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.

After another hymn had been sung, the boys were arranged in classes with a teacher for each half-dozen or so, and twenty minutes devoted to the study of the lesson. The text book used was No. 2 of the Pathfinder Series, on Temperance Physiology, and the lesson for the evening was on digestion and the care of the teeth. The beautiful result of alcohol and tobacco on both was also dwelt upon. At the expiration of the twenty minutes another hymn was sung, and the lesson reviewed by the superintendent on the blackboard. Five minutes were then devoted to entertainment, which is supplied by the teachers or visitors. Last evening Mr. Leonard Reford, who is a member of the band, gave a duet on the mouth-organ and accordion. Christmas refreshments followed, and shortly after 8.30 the benediction was pronounced and the boys filed out keeping up to a lively march played by the superintendent.

"How long has the school been in operation?" queried the reporter of the superintendent.

"Oh, about four or five years," he replied.

"How is it supported?"

"By the W. C. T. U. In addition to the lighting and heating of the rooms, they donate \$20 in cash for the necessary supplies. On Saturday afternoon, averages about 100, though at times we have as many as 150 present. It is conducted somewhat similar to a Sunday school. A superintendent, assistant superintendent and secretary, with twenty teachers, comprise the staff, and, rain or shine, they are usually present every Thursday night."

"Do you find that any of the boys use liquor or tobacco?"

"Very few have attempted liquor, but nearly all have attempted cigarette smoking, while some are confirmed in the habit. A little experience soon enables the teacher to detect those addicted to this vice, and then we do all in our power to induce and persuade them to abandon it. Some, however, are apparently beyond all human power to save them, and are mental and physical wrecks, as you can see by a look at their faces."

"Are there other schools of this character in the city?"

"Yes; there is one in London West, one in London South, another in London East, and a girls' school, which meets here every Saturday afternoon—all of these supported and officered by members of the W. C. T. U. Then there is the Young Men's Reading and Recreation Club in London East, which is also supported by the W. C. T. U."

"Does this comprise all the practical work of the W. C. T. U.?"

"Not at all. There is an evangelistic committee who visit cottage prayer meetings in various parts of the city, the hospital committee, who minister to the needs of hospital patients in things spiritual and temporal; the literature committee, who distribute thousands of papers and tracts throughout the year, and various other committees doing work equally practical and important."

"All this must involve a considerable expenditure of money?"

"Yes; the unit spends in various ways nearly \$1,000 per annum."

"May I ask how this money is raised?"

"Well, we make a considerable sum annually by serving near the Fair, and the balance is contributed by the members. We never solicit from the public, and in this respect differ from many other organizations."

The list of officers and teachers at present:

Mr. D. A. McDermid; assistant superintendent, Mrs. D. A. McDermid; assistant secretary, Mortimer McHarg; teachers, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. J. G. Jones, Mrs. Laidlaw, Mrs. D. T. Ware, Miss Stone, Mrs. Corby, Miss Scott, Mrs. George Powell, Mrs. Mary Annott, Mrs. P. M. Lawrance, Miss Magee, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Ingram, Miss Phillips and Miss Gunn.

Their labor is truly a noble one.

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## LETTERS TO THE "ADVERTISER."

If you have a grievance to ventilate, information to give, a subject of public interest to discuss, or a service to acknowledge, we will print it in this column, provided the name of the writer is attached to his or her communication for publication. Make it as brief as possible.

### MRS. LOGAN'S RETORT.

Insinuations Regarding Her Good Name Warmly Resented.

To the Editor of the "Advertiser": By permission of my husband, I ask if you would kindly allow me space in your paper for the following, in reference to charge No. 3 made by Rev. R. L. Holden in the "Advertiser" of Monday, Dec. 25, in which he says: "Nor have I at this time any other man's wife as my companion in life." He said this in his reply to Mr. Alex. Logan's letter, in which he (Mr. Holden) attempts to strike a woman in the most cowardly manner and to prove by what reason I cannot conceive. From my first acquaintance with Mr. Holden and his family I have done my utmost to treat them with all the courtesy due to a minister of the Gospel and a gentleman. Mr. Holden has visited my home with his family and friends, and I have done all within my power to make his visits pleasant, and he has served to be publicly humiliated. He has been looking upon by people of respectability. When I married Mr. Logan I took him for better or worse, and since I have had no reason to regret my choice. I have in my possession all the necessary documents to prove myself his lawful wife, and he my lawful husband, regardless of Mr. Holden's insinuations.

I am proud of Mr. Logan for his manliness in defending himself from the slur cast upon the colored people of London by Mr. Holden. Let Mr. Logan's past be what it may have been, I doubt if it has been any worse than the generalty of mankind. Since I have known him he has been a gentleman, and one far above vilifying the reputation of any woman through the public press for the purpose of gaining an end. When a man becomes so low in his estimation as to extort himself from a web of his own weaving, in his desperation he must make false statements for the purpose of casting reflections upon a woman and cover them up so that they cannot be touched legally, then he becomes so cowardly, contemptible and dishonorable that he is beneath the notice of a respectable and Christian community, and deserves to be publicly humiliated. My husband has wished to chastise Mr. Holden, but I have begged from him the privilege of that pleasure for myself, and in my own way, to which he has acceded, and if Mr. Holden has left in him one spark of a gentleman, he will retract what he has insinuated. If he does not, I will chastise him in such a manner that the public will be satisfied that women can defend themselves against such cowardly and in a manner that will long be remembered by R. L. Holden.

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AT LABOR HALL.

To the Editor of the "Advertiser": I did not see, at the time of publication, the paper containing an article under the above heading in reference to my address upon "Christianity and Labor," as given in your City. Through misreporting, or else malicious setting up of the part of you or of the superintendent, my own has been attributed to me. It is not so much what gets into print that does our cause mischief, as that which does not. I am made to retract what I have insinuated. If he does not, I will chastise him in such a manner that the public will be satisfied that women can defend themselves against such cowardly and in a manner that will long be remembered by R. L. Holden.

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The Fly in Amber.

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## ORIGIN OF JINGO.

The origin of the word "jingos" is interesting at this time when one is confronted with it so often. At the time of the close of the Russo-Turkish war, which, as all readers of history know, terminated so disastrously for the Turks, and caused a feeling of apprehension in England that the Russians were bent on taking Constantinople and the ultimate dismemberment of the Turkish Empire, a change which could not be tolerated, the public feeling found expression in England upon the stage in pantomimes and in the music halls by numerous patriotic songs. One of these was as follows:

"The dogs of war are loose and the rugged Russian Bear."

Full bent on blood and robbery has crawled out of his lair. It seems a thrashing now and then will never help to tame That brute, and then he's out upon the same old game. The Lion did his best to give him some excuse To crawl back to his den again—all efforts were in vain. He hungered for his victim, he's pleased when blood is shed; But let us hope his sins may all recoil on his own head."

Chorus: "We don't want to fight, but, by jingo, if we do, We've got the men, we've got the ships, we've got the money, too. We fought the Bear before, and while we're Britons true, The Russians shall not have Constantinople."

The song became most popular, and was heard on every street corner, from every organ grinder, and was whistled by every schoolboy. Shortly after this, the election campaign began in which Gladstone, the head of the Liberals, attacked the Tory party, then led by the Earl of Beaconsfield, who was then in power. The Tory foreign policy was ridiculed, and the word "jingos" was used by the Liberals as "the party of bloodshed, glory and jingo."

From the time of this election campaign, which resulted in the defeat of the Tories and the accession of the "peace party," Gladstone's 1890 Administration, the word "jingos" has been used to denote an individual or section of a party ready to rush, without mature consideration, into all the horrors of war.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

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## LADIES' SACQUE APRON.

This apron is one of the luxuries of the prudent housewife whose limited means force upon her many of the duties which her wealthier sisters relegate to servants.

It is made of indigo blue gingham, a broken diagonal of the color making a stripe which alternates with three narrow white stripes. The apron reaches from the throat to the bottom of the dress, which it covers completely. A turn-over collar is made with points front and back and finished by a row of machine-stitching.

There is also a convenient pocket. The only seams which it has are those on the shoulder and under the arm. The material is very much gored so as to give some shape to the garment which falls loosely about the figure to the waist, below which it spreads sufficiently to allow of room for the ample dress-skirt.

The apron has a one-piece dress-skirt. This, of course, is very full, set into the arm's-eye in gathers and again gathered into a straight band at the wrist. The sleeves may be omitted, if the apron is to be worn only while dusting or sewing, when the dress sleeves would not become soiled or spotted.

All the wash materials are suitable for this garment and it can be varied in color according to taste.

How to Dress Your Hair.

The severe style of hair-dressing has again been frowned down by the goddess of fashion, and the rippling hair, waves and curls from the forehead to the nape of the neck cluster and cling and make beauty more beautiful. The only rival to the fashion is the pompadour, and there are so few women, comparatively speaking, to whom this severe style is becoming that it goes without saying that it will not be very popular. As it is the French Court pompadour has had to be Americanized where women on this side of the water would even for a moment consider it.

The hair is loosely waved before being drawn back, and is not nearly so high as the Parisian pompadour. Neither is it made over a hair net, but, instead, is brought forward and then held in place by a comb made for the purpose. The pompadour looks like a rippling mass of curly waves brushed loosely back from the forehead, with the exception of two little curls, which seem to have escaped from the others and to have fallen carelessly over the forehead. With the pompadour the back hair may be arranged in any of the various new styles.

When not adopting this style of hair-dressing the part in the middle is plainly visible, but the hair instead of being drawn down with severe effect over the ears, is waved and the ends curled a trifle, so that on either side of the part the hair is soft and fluffy. In addition, to banish completely all plain effect, a curl or two is allowed to stray carelessly over the forehead.

There are many new ways this season of dressing the back hair. Perhaps the most novel is the chignon with a cluster of curls dangling from the center. This divides the honor with the pancake coiffure, which is a mass of tiny braids coiled flatly over the back of the head.

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Three-quarter dressing is much the vogue. This may be due in part to the longing for change, or the fashionable new collars may make it a necessity. In any event, many of the latest coiffures are arranged at the crown of the head. When evening gowns are worn the hair is dressed either extremely high or low. In both cases much hair is required. For if the high coiffure is used puffs and curls in plenty are necessary, and if the hair is dressed low, in the new style, its extreme length demands an extra quantity of hair.

Dressy Shoes.

The most dressy shoe obtainable is of combined patent leather and French kid, patent leather being extensively used in decorating the upper as well as the lower part. Tips still describe points or curves and are also cut straight across. Louis Quinze heels, despite their recognized injurious qualities, are much in evidence. There is a marked tendency towards introducing round toes once again, but the razor toe has seized so strongly upon the public mind that the change will have to come gradually, so that one may conform to the new style without being aware of it.

Avoid Jumbling of Colors.

Two essential things to be avoided this season are the adoption of the exceedingly fanciful and overtrimmed hats and bonnets, and the adoption of the popular and extremely suiting contrast of color in dress and millinery both of which are inappropriate and most unbecoming to the majority of women. A view of new autumn millinery leaves the impression that the one and only idea of the designers has been to see how much garniture and how many colors could be jumbled into a given space.

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