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Editorial and Contributed.

The Student Volunteer Movement and the Young People's Societies.

THERE has been a good deal written respecting the Detroit Convention, but we note one feature which has given us special pleasure. For the first time, the Young People's Societies connected with the Churches were represented, and by such leaders as J. W. Baer, of the Christian Endeavor; Rev. J. F. Berry, D.D., of the Epworth League; Rev. F. L. Wilkins, D.D., of the Baptist Young People's Union; Mr. J. M. Evans, of St. Andrew's Brotherhood; and Rev. S. J. Shaw, of Our Young People's Christian Union. There is much to encourage in this forward movement. Every broken link in the missionary chain that is welded together is adding strength and power to the force that is to bring the world to Christ.

Certainly it is important that these societies should be in close touch with the Volunteer Movement. If our colleges supply the greater number of workers for the foreign field, it is from the Churches that the means for their support will have to be drawn. It is a noticeable fact that the promoters of any missionary enterprise, whether denominational or independent, all turn to the Churches for financial aid.

Believing that the young people of our Churches are looked to as present helpers and future supporters in the evangelization of the world, it is important that they and the college student should feel that they have a common cause, and that the one association is dependent upon the other. "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love."

That the Young People's Societies are waking up to their responsibilities respecting mission work is becoming more and more apparent, and cannot but be a pleasing assurance to those going forth to the regions beyond that they will not look in vain for support. Nor should the services of those who "stand by the stuff" be considered any the less noble or acceptable. It is important to have missionaries of ability and full of the Holy Ghost, but it is equally important that they be sustained while doing their work. The Rev. J. W. Saunby, at our London Convention, in earnest tones urged young men to consecrate themselves to make money for this cause in the same spirit of love and self-abnegation as the volunteer who gives himself to go to the foreign field. To do this will require quite as much grace, if not a little

more, relying on the mighty power of the Holy Spirit to be kept unspotted from the world, as to say, "Lo, here am I; send me."

An acquaintance of ours, who used a good deal more money than his friends could account for, when questioned, his reply was, "I have put it in the bank." The questioners were silenced, knowing from the life he lived that the bank referred to was located in heaven. Let Christian young men make heavy deposits in this bank, and the blessing that maketh rich and addeth no sorrow will be theirs, also the promise that all needed supplies shall be given according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Our Junior Leagues.

WITHIN the past few weeks we had an invitation to visit one of our junior leagues on missionary evening. This league is not in one of our largest churches, nor was it because the attendance was remarkably large that we came away feeling very hopeful for the future.

Having arrived somewhat early, and while awaiting the time for opening the meeting, a bright, manly boy, of maybe fifteen years of age, saluted us. On being questioned, informed us that he was the president. The manner in which that youthful president conducted the services could not but command the admiration of the most fastidious; and no less so the young maiden who presided at the organ. The secretary called the roll in a clear, manly voice; but we were sorry that he detracted somewhat from this part of the service by remaining in a back seat instead of taking his place at the table, and in this way supporting the president. The attention during the short address was quite equal to that usually given by children of a larger growth. At the close, nothing was lacking in the expression of polite cordiality and appreciation of the speaker's remarks. But we were particularly gratified when an active, vivacious young girl came up and exclaimed, "I am going to be a missionary, I have thought of it for a long time." Then another little friend enquired regarding one of our missionaries, and on being asked why she was interested, said that the missionary referred to had been her Sunday School teacher.

On the way home our thoughts were of a pleasant nature, as we reflected on the manly president, ready secretary, efficient organist; the one resolving thus early to devote her life to mission work, and the little girl interested in the teacher laboring now among the Chinese. Better still, this is only an indication of the accumulation of force there is in the network of just such young people's societies which are spreading all over our land. Lads and maidens growing up with their hearts and minds fully alive to the marching orders given by the Great Commander; not only alive, but by training and wise direction prepared to obey the orders in a way impossible to the raw recruit, no matter how willing. God bless the junior leagues; and may those having charge be very wise, patient and prayerful in directing our bright intense young soldiers of the cross.