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So he died for his faith. That is fine—
More than most of us do.
But stay! Can you add to that line
That he lived for it, too!

It is easy to die. Men have died
For a wish or a whim—
From bravado or passion or pride;
Was it hard for him!

But to live; every day to live out
All the truth that he dreamt,
While his friends met his conduct with
doubt,
And the world with contempt—

Was it thus that he plodded ahead,
Never turning aside?
Then we'll talk of the life that he led—
Never mind how he died.

—Ernest Crosby.

A Day of Joy.—Christmas is a day of joy, but joy should not be allowed to die out of our lives next morn'g. It should stay with us ever after. We should sing the Christmas songs all the new year. We should carry the peace of God in our hearts continually hereafter. We would learn from this time to find the beauty and the good in all things and to show the world that we believe what we say we believe—that since God loves us and Jesus Christ is our friend, "all's well with the world."

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The New Eastern Secretary.—Rev. S. T. Bartlett, whose picture appears on our front page this month, is the new Associate Secretary of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues who was chosen last month by the General Board to do field work in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. He is not a stranger to readers of this paper, as for several years, he has edited the Junior Department, supplying much helpful material for Junior workers. While this department has been his speciality, Mr. Bartlett has interested himself in all features of young people's work, and has also given special attention to the Sunday School. He thus comes to this important position with a ripe experience which will be of the greatest value to him on the field. For years he has been a useful member of the General Sunday School and Epworth League Board, and is thoroughly familiar with all its operations. He has been a successful pastor at Cobourg, Madoc, Napanee, Colborne, etc. Mr. Bartlett is still a young man, with unbounded energy and capacity for hard work. He is an enthusiast in this department of the Church, an excellent

speaker, an unusually fine organizer, and is willing to go anywhere or do anything to help the cause in which his heart is engaged. The people of the Maritime Conferences are to be congratulated on the fact that Mr. Bartlett, for a time at least, will reside among them. Next month the kindly face of Rev. J. A. Doyle, the Western Associate Secretary, will look out from the front page of this paper.

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Pray, Study, Give.—Dr. F. C. Stephenson's New Year's Message to the Leaguers arrived too late for insertion with the other greetings on page 10. He says: "In response to your request for a message to the young people with special reference to what should be undertaken during 1907, I would say that I think young Methodists should pray, study and give to support the Forward Missionary Movement of our Church as outlined by the General Conference. I would recommend the organizing of Study Classes to study the Discipline as revised by the last General Conference. It should be studied from the standpoint of its relation to missions. When once we have conceived our true relation to this greatest work in the world, we shall not be satisfied until the whole Church, including Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, Class meetings, Prayer meetings and the congregations are all organized and all at it for world-wide and life-long service. Rightly understood, the Methodist Missionary Society is co-extensive with the Methodist Church. The privileges and advantages of membership in the Church carry with them the responsibilities and obligations of the Missionary Society. This is as it should be. The same Jesus who said, 'Come unto me and I will give you rest,' also said, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.'"

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A Determined Explorer.—Commander Peary has recently returned from a most trying Arctic expedition, his ship, the *Roosevelt*, putting into Sydney, C.B., for coal, on its way to New York. Commander Peary says that he never experienced such severe Arctic conditions. Open ice and baffling storms, along with exhausted rations, combined to make the expedition the most hazardous and perilous that he had ever undertaken. He was 117 days out from the ship, and during that time it was practically one series of terrible sufferings from hunger and privations, hard and trying experiences over rough and treacherous ice, and from intense cold and baffling storms, the like of which he had never met before. The

enthusiasm of the Arctic explorer in facing difficulties in seeking to attain his purpose is in striking contrast to the indifference and lack of zeal manifested by many Christians workers in following up the greatest of all enterprises, winning this world for Christ.

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The Loving Cup.—The enthusiastic young Democrats of Kentucky presented W. Jennings Bryan with a loving cup, on his recent visit to Louisville, and in his acknowledgment the big statesman delivered himself of the following significant expression: "The name loving cup, coupled with the name Kentucky, reminds one involuntarily of a beverage that would be much out of place in my home. But it is a slander to Kentucky, for I recall attending a banquet in Kentucky, but a few years ago, when many of the most prominent Democrats of the State were present, and I was delighted to find that a large majority of them were total abstainers like myself. I assure you this loving cup will never have anything in it that will intoxicate, and if you will visit me in my home I will fill it with a beverage that will not give you a headache the next morning, and which I like to drink as well as any of you can enjoy drinking liquor—good fresh buttermilk."

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Not a Debatable Question.—In the list of subjects for debate submitted to the Young Men's Association of Toronto Junction was the following: "Resolved, That Local Option has decidedly helped Toronto Junction from a commercial, industrial and moral standpoint." The young fellows, however, refused to debate on this subject, probably because they regarded the affirmative statement of the case so strong that there really was no other side. Possibly they thought that it would tend to injure the temperance cause to have any of their number present the other side. Such action is very creditable to them.

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An Important Matter.—During the past few weeks we have been putting up a big campaign for new subscribers, with very satisfactory results. We want it understood, however, that old subscribers are just as much appreciated as new ones. According to the invariable rule of the Book Room, all papers and periodicals must be paid for in advance, and when renewal is not made the paper is stopped. In the past we have lost many valued subscribers simply because they neglected to renew. Let this not occur with any of our 1906 friends. We want all of them to journey with us through 1907.