

The New Standard Teacher Training Course is comprised in four excellent textbooks : I. THE PUPIL. II. THE TEACHER. III. THE TEACHER'S STUDY OF THE LIFE OF CHRIST. IV. THE SCHOOL. Any one who masters the contents of these books should be able to take up the work of teaching and class management with a confidence which has in it the promise of success.

A campaign is on for the winning of these two objectives,—the adoption in every Sunday School of the Curriculum and the establishment in every School of a Teacher Training Class. Our soldiers in France and Flanders have shown us how to reach objectives,—it just requires resolute, well-directed effort which will not be discouraged or defeated.

### Leadership and Boys' Work Conferences

Twenty-one Leadership and Boys' Work Conferences, covering the various provinces of the Dominion, are announced by the Board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies for the fall and winter of 1917-18.

These Conferences, as their title indicates, fall into two parts. There is a Conference of leaders, present and prospective, in religious work amongst boys, opening on a Thursday evening and continuing until the close of Friday afternoon. At this gathering the best methods for the instruction and training of and the problems met by the workers among boys are fully and frankly discussed under the guidance of experienced specialists.

Following the Leadership Conference and lasting from Friday evening on to Sunday evening is a Boys' Conference, in which boys, in scores or hundreds, come together to have presented to them, in heart to heart talks, the claims of Jesus Christ upon their lives. No one has attended one of these Boys' Conferences but will testify to the quick response which these lads make to the appeals addressed to them.

Held at convenient centres, these Conferences offer to workers amongst boys a fine opportunity of receiving help and inspiration for their great task, and the influences for good which a single boy may carry home cannot be overestimated. Every leader in boys' work should make a point of taking part in at least one of these Conferences and should get as many as possible of his boys to attend the gatherings arranged for them.

### Mr. Robertson's New Book

The School, written by Rev. J. C. Robertson, B.D., our General Secretary for Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies, as Part IV. of the New Standard Teacher Training Course, is far more than a mere textbook. It is a thoroughly readable and interesting discussion of the great purpose of the Sunday School and the best methods of accomplishing that purpose.

This new book will, of course, be carefully studied by those engaged in, and preparing for, Sunday School work. For it contains a wealth of information and suggestion, in a singularly clear and concise form, on points of vital interest to every such worker.

But the book merits a much wider circle of readers than the students of a teacher training course. The Sunday School, by common consent, is the chief helper of the home in the religious nurture and training of the young, and upon its effectiveness depends, in large measure, the future of our church and our country. No one, therefore, can fail to be interested in the Sunday School, who is concerned about the development of a truly religious national life. And one would have to go far to find, in such short compass, a better statement of the nature and work of the Sunday School than that given by Mr. Robertson in his new book.

### Finishing up the Budget

Two months yet until the end of the year,—that is time enough for the missionary committee or treasurer in every Sunday School to secure that the School shall make good its full share of the church's Missionary Budget.