At the afternoon session, Miss M. A. Baille gave an address on "The Value and Methods of Study Classes. The Study Class is a mental stimulus and broadens our vision. The objects are: (1) To have leaders; (2) To have volunteers. Rev. R. J. McCormick took the subject "Teacher Training." Rev. F. H. Langford dealt with the subject, "The Challenge of Our Fourth Department," showing the need that there is for the study of conditions all about us. The reports of the resolution and business committees were then received. "What We Can Do" was outlined by Mr. Langford in a study of the ten point standard of emciency for our Epworth League. "What Shall We Try To Do" was dealt with by Mr. Sawyer.

Rev. W. G. H. McAllister, President of London Conference, gave an address on "The Imperial Jesus" at the evening session.

The following resolutions were adopted:

(1) That we express our sympathy with the move to bring on a vote for the bringing into operation of the Canada Temperance Act in the County of Huron, and we pledge ourselves to do what we can to help carry the measure.

(2) That an Epworth Era agent be appointed by each League to canvass for subscribers.

(3) That we recommend that sec. 281 of the Constitution be amended so that the representative of the Annual Conference on the General Board of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues be elected by and at the annual conference immediately preceding the general conference, and that vacancies occurring in the annual conference representatives shall be filled by the ensuing session of the annual conference.

(4) That we accept the recommendation of the Conference Executive that, so far as possible, the District and local secretaries shall remain unchanged from year to year.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. President, Rev. J. E. Ford, Goderich; President, Rev. R. J. McCormick, Holmesville; Vice-President, (1) Miss Bessie Elliot, Bayfield, (2) Miss M. E. Erratt, Auburn, (3) Miss G. Reid, Seaforth, (4) Miss M. Clark, Clinton, (5) Mrs. (Rev.) S. J. Allin, Clinton; Secretary, Mr. M. Trewartha, Holmesville; Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Robertson, Goderich; District Representative to Conference, Rev. A. W. Barker, Seaforth.

J. W. BUTTON,
Reporter.

Owen Sound District

The annual convention of the Owen Sound District Epworth League was held in the Methodist Church, Chatsworth, on Sept. 25th and 26th. The convention opened Thursday afternoon with devotional exercises led by the President, Mr. Abra. The programme proved to be very profitable and practical. The first address was given by Mr. Robt. Dobbins, of Owen Sound, on "The Call of the Community, and How the League May Respond." Rev. Wm. Irwin led in the discussion on "The Hill Difficulty: What is Yours?" in which most of the delegates took part.

Mr. Curtis, Field Secretary, gave good blackboard talks on "God and I; or, the Waste, Conservation, and Use of Human and Divine Resources," "Personal and Team Work in Evangelism;" also an address on "Our Call to the Mission Field." On Thursday evening Dr. Daniels gave a very forceful and inspiring lecture on "Our New Forces."

Friday morning sessions opened with "The Morning Watch and Bible Study," led by Rev. J. R. Wilkinson, Holland Centre, followed by a paper by Miss Wiley, Wodehouse, on Junior League work.

Mr. Curtis gave a good talk on "A Study in Committees: What and How." This was followed by an address by Rev. A. E. Owen, Chatsworth, on "Christian Stewardship: Tithing a Solution of Our Financial Problems," the subject. "How to Make the Week Night Service Go," was taken by Rev. J. R. Wilkinson.

In the afternoon Mr. Curtis ably dealt with the following subjects: "The Challenge of the Fourth Department," "What We Can Do," "What We Shall Try to Do," and in the evening a very inspiring address to the young people.

The last evening two Leaguers drove down from Owen Sound. Reports show that two Leagues have been organized on the District during the year, while we lost three on account of circuits being changed to other districts.

The following officers were elected: Hon. President, Dr. Daniel, Owen Sound; President, Mr. Edwin Abra, Squire; Vice-Presidents, (1) Mr. Will Wootten, Owen Sound; (2) Mrs. Thos. Troughton, Holland Centre; (3) Miss Florence Thurston, Flesherton; (4) Rev. A. E. Owen, Chatsworth; (5) Mrs. Stephen Breeze, Chatsworth; Secretary-Treasurer, Grace Beirnes, Owen Sound.

GRACE BEIRNES,
Secretary.

Wingham District

The seventeenth annual Convention of the Epworth Leagues of Wingham District was held in Wingham on Sept. 17th and 18th.

The President, Rev. A. J. Langford, of Kincardine, in his opening address, showed us very clearly that there is no life apart from God, and that we need not only life, but method by which our powers may be controlled. Unless steam is properly controlled, it becomes a destructive force; so with life—it must be harnessed to produce something worth while. "This Convention," he said, "is full of power, but we need to harness it." The life work of the League is to "fill the gap" between the Sunday School and the Church.

The report of the District Executive showed a substantial increase in membership and especially in Missionary givings, Wingham Epworth League having for its aim this year $600.00. Six Institutes were held during the year and several "Mission Study" classes were organized. A new typewriter was sent to our Missionary, Rev. Geo. H. Raley, at Port Simpson, B.C.

A helpful address was given by Mr. David Andrews, of Zion, on the "Call of the Community." He laid special emphasis on the work of purifying and elevating the sports and amusements in our community, and the work of assimilating the foreigners into our race. Our Epworth Leaguers must supply leaders for every department of Christian work.

Rev. J. F. Knight, London Conference Epworth League Secretary, delivered an able address on "Our Purpose in this Convention." He said that the Convention was not simply designed to give information, but to learn how to put into action what we already knew. It was further intended to secure co-operation throughout the District, and with other districts. Another purpose was to give power to individual Leaguers. "Men," he said, "are not mere machines to do a certain number of things. God placed man here to acquire a certain character, so as to be fit to associate for Him throughout eternity." We need not only information, but inspiration.

His second address on "The Hill Difficulty; What is Yours?" was very practical, and he gave many splendid suggestions for solving the problems of local League work.

A splendid, inspirtual address was then delivered by Rev. F. H. Langford (Field Secretary) on "God and I," or the "Waste, Conservation and Use of Human and Divine Resources." There are three kinds of resources—Unrenewable, Renewable and Permanent.

Tin and coal are examples of the first; human life, forests, fur and fish of the second, and the wind, the sun or the ocean of the latter. He showed how these were being wasted, and how they could be preserved. Fire-rangers prevent forest fires; pure laws prevent slums, and care of sanitary conditions prevent diseases. Thus in the moral and spiritual realm he drew attention to the same three kinds of resources.

If youth, innocence or purity are lost, they cannot be replaced.

"The bird with the broken pinion
Never soared so high again."

Institutions and organizations, such as the Sunday School and Epworth League, are examples of the second kind. "Use them," he said; "when we need something better, we will make them." Method is only that by which we work and may be renewed.

The great permanent and unchangible resource is God. God and "you" can work wonders.

Tea was served in the school room of the Church, which afforded a splendid opportunity for social intercourse and greatly added to the fraternal spirit of the Convention.

Rev. J. W. Hibbert took charge of the evening session. After the inauguration of the new officers, and special music by Wingham choir, two excellent missionary appeals were made.

Rev. J. F. Knight, in his address "Our Call to Home Fields," showed clearly that there is the call of national service, and that the need of the foreigner, physically, intellectually, morally and spiritually is a challenge to every Christian Canadian. Five hundred Orientals (at five hundred dollars each), paid more to the Government last year, than all the Methodists in Canada gave to missions. If they did not give so much to become Canadian citizens, how much is it worth for us to be Canadian birth? God has given us a mighty gift and we owe it to pass it on.

Rev. F. H. Langford delivered a very logical and deeply spiritual address on "Our Call to the Foreign Field." He stated that, although more than eighty-five per cent. of the foreign work has been placed on the Anglo-Saxon people, it is a fair apportionment. In every case, heathen nations have become dissatisfied with their own religion on account of association with Anglo-Saxon people. To the natives of India, Japan, China, Thibet and Africa, the British seemed wonderful. They copied their speech, manners and customs, everything but their religion. They lost faith in what religion they had and their morals too, and were better off before they saw the light than now.

Geographically as well as historically, it falls on the Anglo-Saxon to do this work. The greatest world movement is about the Pacific Ocean and that is where we live.

There is a call to our Leaguers, in the size of the task, for heroism and sacrifice as exemplified in Christ Jesus.

On Thursday morning a splendid paper was read by Mrs. J. W. Hibbert, on the "Junior League—Our Unworked Mine."

Splendid addresses were also given by our two visitors, Mr. Langford, speaking on the "Fourth Dept.," and Mr. Knight on "What We Shall Try to do." In his closing address the latter reminded us that, while we had been absorbing as "sponges," the convention would just mean to us what the Kingdom of God had given in our hearts since we left home.

While the attendance was not as large as we had anticipated and hoped for, we were all deeply impressed by the genuine spiritual atmosphere which pervaded at every session. Great stress was laid on the need of an aggressive evangellstic spirit in our Leagues. And we were all impressed by the fact that the "Epworth League does not exist for the sake of the Epworth League" alone but for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Rev. A. R. Kelly, took charge of the "Commitment Service," and with a few well-chosen words prepared the hearts of the convention for the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was administered by the chairman of the district, assisted by all the other pastors who were present.

The following officers were elected:—President, E. A. Hardman; Wingham; Vice-Presidents, (1) Rev. G. W. Rivers, B.A., B.D., Gorrie; (2) Rev. David Wren, M.A., Brussels; (3) Miss L. Harrington, Ripley; (4) F. R. Howard, Esq., Wingham; (5) Rev. A. J. Langford, Kincardine; Sec.-Treasurer, J. Slemmon, Esq., Ethel P.O.; Con.-Rep., Rev. J. E. Cook, Bluevale.

STANLEY R. JOHNSTON,
Reporter.

Napanee District

The Epworth Leagues of the Napanee District met in convention in the Methodist Church, Newburgh, on Sept. 25. A goodly number of delegates were present. The local league served dinner and tea in the basement of the church, so that the delegates and those interested in the work might have a good and profitable time together.

Rev. Mr. DeMille conducted the devotional exercises of the morning session, after which the President, Mr. D. A. Nesbitt took the chair.

Some time was spent discussing other Young People's Societies, such as Mission Bands and Circles.

In the afternoon the President, D. A. Nesbit, in his address spoke of the lack of spiritual enthusiasm and its dangers.

"Our purpose in this Convention," was the subject taken by Rev. Mr. Tucker. Many young people are not seized with the heroic side of Christianity. Twenty years ago there was no lack of young men for the ministry, and now the demand is far greater than the supply.

"The Call of the Community and how the Leagues may Respond," was an subject introduced by Rev. Mr. Rowland. The call is imperative, the Epworth League is Christian just as much as it wants men, and tries to get them.

There is no other way but for every Epworth Leaguer to get down on their knees, and ask God to lay on us this burden. There is nothing that will help and keep men but the power of Jesus Christ.

Rev. M. E. Sexsmith showed that the Epworth League was organized as a place where the surplus energies of our young people might be turned into a proper and useful channel.

The "Hill Difficulty: What Is Yours?" was the subject of a Round-Table talk conducted by Rev. Mr. Tucker. This was a general discussion of Epworth League work, and the majority of those present took part in it.

Rev. Manson Doyle, Field Secretary for Manitoba, gave an address, taking as his subject "God and I, or the Waste, Conservation and Use of Human and Divine Resources."

We speak of the great resources of this country as compared with that of others, and we sometimes forget that the Mine, Resource that is ever near, "The Holy Spirit of God."

At the evening session the President called upon the Secretary for the report of Business Committee, which was given as follows:—

Hon. President, Rev. J. P. Wilson, Napanee; President, Rev. C. W. DeMille, Newburgh; Vice-Presidents, (1) Geo. W. Gibbard, Napanee; (2) Miss Florence Wager,