

(Cheers.) We cannot but recognize the unconscious influence that membership of such a Brotherhood must exert. We had an illustration of that this very day. I happened to be at St. George's Church this morning, and I think all who were there must have been refreshed and inspired, even before we came to the other parts of the Service, by the singing of the young men, who, I fancy, were all members of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood. The heartiness with which they sang and joined in the responses had an elevating effect on the whole congregation. (Cheers.) I could not help thinking that they assisted us to realize that the Service of the Church of England may be and ought to be a reciprocal Service, the congregation taking part with the Clergy. (Cheers.) The influence of the members of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood must be a leaven to raise those around them (hear, hear), and this influence will be all the more valuable, if it is unconscious and unselfish. It is a Society for young men, and for that reason we feel anxious for its prosperity and increase. There is only one life in this world, so far as we know, and only one period of youth for us all, with its precious opportunities and privileges and advantages, and it is for us to use these rightly, so that we may leave the world better than we found it. (Cheers.) For this each one of us is responsible."

The final Service of the Convention was held at Christ Church, at 7 p.m., where an excellent Sermon was preached by the Rev. Rural Dean Mackenzie, of Brantford, Ont. At the close of this Service there was a most impressive farewell meeting, conducted by the Rev. Canon Muckleston, of Perth, Ont. At this meeting a few last words were spoken by several Laymen, as well as by the Bishops of Missouri and Quebec, the latter having come up from St. Albans' where he had been preaching at the Evening Service. And now, after offering some earnest and appropriate closing prayers, when all was done, our Bishop closed the Convention with his solemn Episcopal Benediction.

It is trusted that this brief record will lead many young men to consider whether they ought not to join some Chapter of the Brotherhood, which can be easily formed in any Parish, on application to Spencer Waugh, Esq., Toronto, General Secretary; and it is hoped that many will also determine that, if it is in any way possible, they will attend the next Convention.

SACRED POEM

Kindly contributed by the Rev. FREDERICK GEORGE SCOTT, M.A., Rector of Drummondville.

The Everlasting Father.

Thou whose face is as the lightning and whose chariot as the sun,
Unto whom a thousand ages in their passing are as one,
All our worlds and mighty systems are but tiny grains of sand
Held above the gulfs of chaos in the hollow of Thy hand.

Yea, we see thy power about us and we feel its volumes roll
Thro' the torrent of our passions and the stillness of the soul,
Where its visions light the darkness till the dawn that is to be,
Like the long auroral splendours on a silent polar sea.

Then uplift us, great Creator, to communion with Thy will,
Crush our pany heart-rebellions, make our baser cravings still;
Thou whose fingers through the ages wrought with fire the soul of man
Blend it more and more for ever with the purpose of Thy plan.

Speak, O Lord, in voice of thunder, show thy footsteps on the deep,
Pour thy sunshine from the heavens on the blinded eyes that weep,
Till the harmonies of nature and exalted human love,
Make the universe a mirror of the glorious God above.

OBITUARY.

MRS. EDWIN JONES.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of one of our most earnest Church workers, Mrs. Edwin Jones, the wife of one of the Church-Wardens of our Cathedral. She passed away on January 1st, after a long illness. The following resolutions of sympathy, passed by the local branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and by the Association of Church Helpers, show in what esteem she was held by all who knew her:—

"That it was with deep regret our Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary heard of the death of Mrs. Edwin Jones, one of our original members, as well as vice-president of the Cathedral Branch, an earnest worker, a warm friend and one who was ever ready to help in the Master's work.