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GRADATIM.

"Heaven is not reached by a single bound—
But we build the ladder by which we rise
From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
And we mount to its summit round by round.

I count this thing to be grandly true:
That a noble deed is a step toward God,
Lifting the soul from the common clod
To a purer air and a broader view.

We rise by things that are under feet;
By what we have mastered of good and gain;
By the pride deposed and the passion slain,
And the vanquished ills that we hourly meet."

WITH this number the "ENDEAVORER" completes the round of its first year. Those who have watched the career of young Journals will have to record many brilliant beginnings flashing like meteors, and as soon extinguished, in this line of literary effort. Youth and inexperience are often the

factors which tend most readily to failure, but when a Journal has honorably reached its first birthday, it has generally passed its most critical period, and we now predict for our little paper a long life, blessed with many friends.

The seed contains in embryo the plant and it also contains within itself sustenance until a certain period of its life when it begins to absorb from without, and it occurs to us that this is in a measure an epitome of the history of the ENDEAVORER. It contains within itself the image of what it will be by and by, when in the fulness of time and experience it shall have expanded into a more perfect representation of the ideal, which existed in the minds of its originators, and it sustained itself up to a time when help was necessary to enable it to sustain a larger growth. We think but one class of readers have been disappointed, those who expected too much.

Everything in nature and in the spiritual life as well admits of growth. We do not expect finished work from a child. If it is true with Tennyson, "That men may rise on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things," we hope in our new volume to leave many things that have marred the work thus far, and with the continued support of our friends, we may celebrate our second Anniversary under still more favorable auspices.

"Fragrant Lives."

Flowers cannot keep their fragrance within themselves. Their perfume must make itself known to the utmost limit of their power. Christians, in this respect, should be like flowers; the fragrance of their lives—their kindly words and good by deeds, should manifest themselves to all with whom they come in contact, to the utmost limit of their influence. Their lives should be as sweet smelling incense, refreshing to man, acceptable to God.

GEO. W. ARMSTRONG

London, Ont.

A Retrospect.

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH.

REV. W. W. Carson was a young man and as such took a deep interest in the young people. Under his direction a Literary Society was organized which developed the minds and cultivated the social element among them. But best of all a deep spiritual influence was abroad in the church, and many were led to consecrate themselves to God. Two of the number are now preaching the gospel, one in British Columbia, the other in Ontario. We have reason to feel grateful when we think of the young men that have gone from our school to carry the "glad tidings of great joy" to the people.

Benjamin Clement was a scholar in our school in 1838 and has spent many years in the ministry. James Allan, Thomas McNair, John Morris Robert Harper, Walter Rigsby, James White, Charles Keays, Thos. L. Kerruish and Walter Dunnett have all gone forth from the school as Ministers of the Gospel. Of this number, John Morris and Robert Harper have crossed the river, and are now rejoicing in the presence of God. Many of the boys and girls of earlier days hold high and responsible positions. Mr. G. H. Benedict has been a member of the United States Senate. How can we know the number of lives that have been moulded by the influence of the school. The life-long friendships that have been formed and the union of heart and interest that has resulted in—

"The happy day, when a new household found its place,

Among the myriad homes of earth;

Like a new star, sprung to birth,

And rolled on its harmonious way

Into the boundless realms of space.

The teachers and officers who devoted their time and strength to this work, have not received as yet their full reward. We cannot mention their names, but know that in God's book their names are written in letters of light. For even the cup of cold water given in His name, shall not lose its reward. Our hearts grow tender as we think of those we love, who have left us.

"Teachers and scholars have passed on before,

Waiting, they watch us approaching the shore,

Singing to cheer us while passing along,

Joyfully, joyfully, Jesus we come."

In September, 1879, we took possession of our present school room. At that time the average attendance was two hundred and sixty-one, since then the school has been

steadily progressing. Mr. W. A. Edwards and H. S. Williams have filled the position of Superintendent for the school and at present it is under the direction of Mr. Thomas Morris, Jr. Our school was never in a better position than at present. There is perfect harmony between teachers, officers, and scholars. Our great need at present is better accommodation, and we hope very soon to see the way clear to build a school room that will meet the requirements of those who come to study the word of God. As we look into the faces of the hundreds who come every Sabbath, we think of the future and what it holds for each one, praying earnestly that the teachers may have wisdom to direct their scholars into the way of life, and that God's blessing, may even more abundantly in the future, than in the past, rest upon their efforts.

—C. K.

CONCLUDED.

Life on the Prairies.

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH.

AFTER supper, we proposed to turn in to get a little sleep before day break. What a preparation it was! As I look back now, from my present surroundings, I wonder how any civilized being could endure such living. For instance, it never occurred to us, for a moment, to change our working clothes before going to bed. We were accustomed to throw ourselves down just as we were. One easily becomes adapted to circumstances. We had no nice, clean bed with soft white covers and feather pillows, no carpet on the floor, no home-like comforts, but on the contrary, everything was coarse, daubed and greasy, cracks in the boards, yawned dismally. The rough floor was half covered with melting snow, nothing in the shanty but what was damp and sticky. Then, I did not mind it much, now it seems barbarous.

We took off our long leather boots, threw our coats on top of the blankets, then, just before blowing the lights out, I pulled down the covers and was just on the point of jumping in, when to our amazement and disgust, we saw the black and white hairs of a fourth snake, curled up in the centre of the bed, quickly replacing the blankets we turned and gazed into each others faces, utterly at a loss what to think or do. Must we yet have to spend the night without a roof over our heads, because of those beastly animals? We men-

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tally exclaimed. We had no time to lose; much depended on our speedy action, so motioning to Tom to take one end of the mattress, I seized the other, and quick as thought we hurried our bed and blankets containing the s—k to the door, and pitched bag and baggage outside. Quaking with fear lest there might be other s—ks hiding in impossible holes and corners, we made a thorough search, peering into minute places that would have bothered a mouse to get into; but we could not discover another. Much perturbed in spirit, but thoroughly tired out with our adventures, we now stretched out on the bottom boards of our bunk and soon forgot in sleep all our troubles.

The next day when we examined, rather gingerly, the blankets, using long handled pitch-forks, so as not to come at too close a range, we found, much to our astonishment, the s—k still within the folds. On further careful examination we found him stiff and cold in death. Beside him lay the head of one solitary smoked herring. Our fears the night before had been in vain, our action in throwing out the blankets premature; for the conclusion was forced upon us that the greedy s—k had gorged himself with red herrings, and afterwards had crawled between the blankets to die, no doubt was dead when we pitched him out.

Worship.

Into thy temple once again,
We come to worship Thee,
The Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
One Triune Deity.

We come in Spirit and in truth,
We come with hearts sincere,
We come with humble, contrite souls,
Draw Thou divinely near.

Grant unto us Thy Spirit's aid,
We are but weak at best,
And let the supplicating grace,
Upon our spirits rest.

Meet with us Lord, and give us power,
Prevailing power with Thee,
The power which purifies the heart,
And fills with charity.

Fill then, our souls with light divine,
And shed Thy love abroad,
The Triune God, be Thy great name,
Forever more adored.

GEO. W. ARMSTRONG.

London, Ont.

Items.

Those who have paid the subscription price of this paper, are reminded that the new year begins with the August number, and the committee will be greatly obliged to any who will kindly renew their subscriptions. The paper will be better than last year, it will pass in a measure into new hands, but we trust and expect that the interest will not be abated in any sense.

FLOWER SUNDAY.

Flower Sunday was observed with the usual abundant offerings from young and old, and the loaded trays testified to the interest which is felt by our people in this service. They were promptly delivered, and it is not in our power to say just what pleasure they gave the recipients, but we know they did good, and perhaps, in some instances, may have touched a tender chord which had not vibrated to any wholesome influence for years. We, who are outside of places of sorrow and sickness, feel that it is a matter of kindness to help others by so little a matter as a flower and do not think often enough what pleasures we may give others by the use of such very simple means, "A cup of cold water in My name." We trust flower Sunday will grow in interest and become more and more a distinct day among our many pleasant Anniversaries.

SCIENCE CLASS.

The members of the Science Class passed a resolution at their last meeting, adjourning until the first week in September. During the past term a very pleasant time has been spent in studying Physics and English Literature. The members desire to thank Mr. J. T. Crawford, B. A., Mr. A. E. Manning and Mr. A. W. Stratton, B. A., for their kindness in assisting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

	Scholars.	Off. & T'ch'rs.	Collection.
June 7th,	444	49	\$10.63
" 14th,	469	53	12.05
" 21st,	479	52	10.87
" 28th,	(Open school)		6.65

Total average collection \$10.05.

" " attendance 515.

Mission Circle Indulgence.

Thursday Evening, July 2nd, was the occasion of a very pleasant gathering in the grounds of Mr. Tovell, King St. East. The party was composed of the Mission Circle and friends to the number of about seventy-five. The spacious grounds were lighted with chinese lanterns, which, with the light dresses of the young ladies, flitting here and there among the trees; made a pretty picture, plenty of shady nooks were also provided for those who were tired (?) and they were well patronized, so far as we know. The program was carried out in the house, and those who were near enough must have enjoyed the fine music, which was rendered.

After a most pleasant evening in the grounds refreshments were served, consisting of ice cream, cake and lemonade, after which there was more music, and the festivities lasted until a late hour. Everyone present united in expressing thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Tovell, who so kindly opened their house and grounds, for the pleasure of the circle. This will be the last meeting before the holidays, and we trust each member will be found in his place at the reopening meeting in September, and bring some friend, who has not heretofore been connected with the circle. We would also ask each one who has a talent, to endeavor to do something during the holidays. There will be many opportunities if one keeps it in mind, also to remember the request made at our last meeting for each one to aim to bring something helpful in the way of ideas for the first meeting.

Personal Items.

Mr. Pescott's last evening with us was made pleasant by the presentation of a purse from the congregation, and a hearty God speed from each one present. It was also the occasion of Mr. VanWyck's first meeting with his people, a large number met at the parsonage and welcomed the new Pastor and his wife to their new home.

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The International Conventional of the Y. P. S. C. E., convenes in Minneapolis on the 9th inst. Mr. Thos. Morris, Jr. and Miss Wodell intend to leave for Minneapolis on the 7th inst. as Delegates from Hamilton.

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Miss Flora Lounsbury is passing a very pleasant holiday season with her brother, Rev. Mr. Lounsbury, near Chicago.

Committee Reports.

LOOKOUT COMMITTEE. Your committee in presenting the final report of Lookout Committee find the total number of Active members to be ninety-three. During the four weeks of June two-hundred and six have attended the meetings, which means that scarcely less than half of the members have absented themselves, sixty-five have taken part by words of prayer or thoughts on the lesson topic, eighty-four by repeating verses and sixteen excuses were handed in. We find the non-attendance is chiefly by new-comers, and we fear, the pledge is not sufficiently understood and considered before acceptance, and we would urge the members to be faithful to their pledge; and in case of repeated failure after being earnestly asked to do so, we recommend that their names be taken from active membership list, as it lowers the standard of our society. The following names have been presented for acceptance as active members: Miss Manery, Miss Mary Kerr, Miss Lillian Sensabaugh and Mr. Joseph Allbright

M. LOUNSBURY.

PRAYER MEETING COMMITTEE. As this is the last report which your committee, in its present position, will present, we beg leave to thank all those who have so willingly acted as leaders and all who have assisted our meetings in any way. In looking back over the past six months, we feel grateful to our Heavenly Father, for His loving kindness to us. Good work has been done, and we, as a society, have been blessed and strengthened. The leaders for the next month are as follows:—July 14th, Miss Charlotte Lavery; July 21st, Miss Ida Muir; July 28th, Mr. Fisher; August 4th, Miss Frances Nichols.

MISS I. LAVERY.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE. This committee in presenting its last report takes this opportunity of thanking all those who so kindly assisted us in our work. During the past six months we have had two Socials. On May 20th we celebrated our Second Anniversary and on June 15th, a Moonlight Excursion, held under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society, and the Y. P. S. C. E., which proved very successful, after paying the following expenses:

For use of Steamer.....	\$ 90 00
Orchestra and Male Quartette.....	20 00
Advertising.....	4 50
Printing.....	5 50
Expenses.....	\$120 00
Receipts from sale of tickets.....	\$155 50
Expenses.....	120 00
Net Receipts.....	\$ 35 50

Half of the proceeds to be given to the Ladies Aid Society.

AVESA RAYCROFT.

FLOWER COMMITTEE. In preparing this, the semi-annual report of this committee, we feel like saying, "O Thou, who chanest not, abide with us." We are thankful to know that so many of our friends have been graciously restored to health and strength, and we are glad to have had the privilege of doing anything which might help them to bear pain and suffering, as we realize, our flowers and verses have done. God has seen fit, in His providence, to take away from us during the last six months, six of

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the members of our church and congregation; first, among whom was our dear Pastor, Rev. W. H. Laird. The two to be added this month are Mrs. Noble and Miss Johanne Andrup, one of our Sunday school scholars. We would beg to remind our friends to report all sick ones to your committee, one or two names we are sorry to find having been overlooked.

Sunday, June 28th was Flower Sunday, we thought it would be a pleasant way to welcome our new Pastor, Rev. Mr. VanWyck, and we scarcely know how to thank the congregation for the many beautiful flowers received for the sick and destitute, and your committee found great pleasure in preparing and distributing them. There were two large baskets sent to the House of Refuge, one to the Hospital and two to the Orphan Asylum and Aged Women's Home; besides which about twenty-five large bouquets were distributed among the sick and those who could not attend the services. Three of our best bouquets were sent to Woodstock, as a tribute of respect and love for the Rev. W. H. Laird, to be placed on his grave; Mrs. Campbell taking charge of them, our thanks are due to Mrs. Campbell for this service.

We would also tender our thanks to Mr. Kilvington, for arranging a flower bed on the lawn, while we would not wish to forget those who have helped to supply the pulpit with flowers each Sunday. In conclusion we would humbly pray that God may enable this committee to be a greater power for good in the future than it has been in the past, and to His name be all the glory.

J. SARGINSON.

MISSION COMMITTEE. During the month the meetings have been held regularly, also the W. C. T. U. work, with but very little if any success. Your committee feel very much discouraged for two reasons, viz. the little good that seems to be done there, and the little interest that seems to be taken in the Mission work by this society. We do want more active members, those that can play and sing. The Sunday evening service has been held during the month of June, and we need more singers to attend this service as well. During the past six months we have seen but very little good accomplished, but we are expecting to see a good work done there yet, during the term upon which we have now entered. We would be very much encouraged to have a great many more of our church members, and adherents come to the little mission and help to reclaim the wanderer. We are still in want of money to carry on this work there.

J. C. HARRIS.

VISITING COMMITTEE. During the eight months that this committee has been organized, they have faithfully visited any who have been suffering from illness, and also the new comers to the society, and by reference to the record we find in all, ninety calls have been made. Since the beginning of the new year we have been called upon to mourn the loss of our beloved pastor, Rev. W. H. Laird, who labored so faithfully among us, and also two members of our congregation. We are thankful that in that time of trial, when our church sorely felt its great loss, that the affliction only seemed to draw the members closer together, each one apparently feeling the greater individual responsibility thrown upon him at that time.

To Mr. Pescott we owe much for the faithful self-denying and earnest manner in which he took up the work, in addition to his college course. We extend a hearty welcome to our new Pastor, and pray that throughout his term of service among us, he may be sustained by the prayers and cheerful co-operation of his people in every good work.

M. E. BASTEDO.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE. In the report of this committee last month, the two last lines should have read thus: "lose sight of the fact, that we must place ourselves entirely in God's hands, and then victory is assured, may the time come speedily is our prayer. The following is a short summary of the work of your committee during the six months just closed: 1. your committee was represented on the Central Committee, for the reduction of Licenses, and for amending the Criminal Law. 2. A large number of names were added to the petitions for the reduction of Licenses, for amendments to the Criminal Law and Prohibition. 3 Presented a resolution in favor of the reduction of Licenses, before the Quarterly Board of our church, which was carried by unanimous vote. 4 With the consent of our Pastor, established a Temperance prayer-meeting, to be held on the second Wednesday of the third month of each quarter, also to take up the temperance subjects in our society, as they appear on the list. 5. Distributed Temperance and Sunday school literature, etc.

G. F. FISHER.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE. In presenting the first half yearly report of the S. S. Committee, we desire to thank our Heavenly Father, for the prosperity of our school, during the past quarter, for we believe it has increased, not only in numbers, but also in interest. In marking the attendance for June, we have made a list of the names of nineteen scholars, who have been irregular in attendance. This list we have given to Miss Lizzie Reid, the new convener of the Sunday school committee, and hope that she may receive the hearty co-operation of all, in looking after the absent ones. During the past month we have lost one of our teachers, and an active member of our Society, in the person of Mr. Samuel Hannon, who, with his family, have left the city. Our prayer for them is, that God's richest blessings may rest upon them in their new home.

At a recent meeting of the Mutual Improvement Society, it was decided to discontinue the meeting for the summer months, as many of the members find it difficult to attend now, and we thought it would be better to adjourn until the fall, and then enter into our work with renewed interest. We respectfully beg leave to submit the following statistical report of the Sunday school, for the quarter ending June 28th.

OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.

Officers	9
Teachers.....	45

Total.....	54
Average attendance, 50.	

SCHOLARS.

Primary,	134
Boys.....	200
Girls,.....	246
New Scholars,.....	39

Total membership.....	673
Left last quarter,	30

Present membership,.....	643
Increase over last quarter nine.	
Average attendance for quarter, 492.	
No. Scholars attending Class,.....	150
No. belonging to Christian Endeavor,....	88

CONTRIBUTIONS.

From Officers and Teachers,	\$ 7 83
" Scholars,	91 58
" Open School,	28 38
" Primary Class,	7 42
Total,	\$135 21

Average Contributions each Sunday, \$10.40.

ANNIE HENRY.

PUBLISHING COMMITTEE. The following have been added to the list of subscribers for the ENDEAVORER: Mrs. G. Austey, Mr. J. W. Bickle, Mr. J. Bowron, Mr. P. H. Davidson, Montreal; Mr. Epps, Mrs. Kilvington, Mr. Kinsman, Miss J. Miller, Paris; Mr. J. Plant and Mr. J. Street.

ALLAN DAVIS.

DORCAS COMMITTEE. Your Committee on presenting their last report, wish to thank the members and friends of the Endeavor, who have so kindly given them assistance in their undertaking. We are sure we could not have succeeded without this aid and co-operation. Our sewing class is closed for the summer, and as the same convener will have charge of this committee during the next term, we hope to reopen the class after vacation. If any one could offer a plan of work, we would be most grateful for the suggestion.

Respectfully submitted,

A. JARVIS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from May,	\$ 1 27
Mission Collections and Donations,	1 49
Consecration Collection,	9 20
Donation to Flower Committee,	75
Moonlight Excursion Proceeds,	17 75
From Publishing Committee,	32 75
Total,	\$63 21

EXPENDITURE.

Caretaker of Mission House,	\$ 2 00
Rent of Mission House,	5 00
Flower Account to May 31st,	5 50
To Secretary for Post Cards,	50
Society's share of Miss Waltons salary,	15 00
Printing "May" ENDEAVORER,	10 25
Printing "June" "	10 50
Balance on hand,	2 46
Total,	\$63 21

JENNIE HARVEY.

RURAL VISITORS.

Mrs. M. S. Lounsbury, one of the leading lights in the Y. P. S. C. E., is away visiting friends at Font Hill, Ont. We wish her a beneficial and pleasant visit, and the compliments of the holiday season.

Correspondence.

CENTRAL CHURCH, Y. P. S. C. E.
Our meetings this month have been especially interesting and inspiring. The spirituality evinced in our last few meetings is a good sign. It may be that the awakening of life in all nature, that came with spring has not been without an effect on the human family, and that with renewed physical vigor, comes a re-animation of the life of the soul. We welcome such seasons, knowing that then more real work can be accomplished.

During the month we had a very enjoyable social, the manner in which it was held reflects great credit on the convener, Miss McCandlish and her committee.

—E. S.

Our Retiring Officers.

WITH this issue we enter upon another term of Christian Endeavor work, another half year has gone, another change of officers has been made, new responsibilities rest upon us, who have been elected to fill the places of those who are retiring, and we earnestly ask for the co-operation of every member of this society, and the sincere prayers and sympathy of every member of the church, that this term may bring us into closer relationship with each other, and that we may be enabled to remember our motto, ever, "For Christ and the Church," and that this term we may do, "larger things for Christ."

We would remember in kindness, our retiring President, who has so faithfully conducted the affairs of our society during the long period which he held that position, and our worthy Secretary who has so efficiently performed the duties of that office in the past, also the different conveners who are retiring from office for the present, and trust that they will continue their deep interest in the welfare of the society, and pray that the blessing of the great head of the church may abide with them, and that the fruits of their labors will be seen by the ingathering of many into the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—J. C. H.

We feel glad as a Society that our former President, Mr. T. Morris, Jr. has been chosen to represent the Hamilton Christian Endeavor Societies at Minneapolis. We hope he will have a pleasant time, and wish him and all the delegates a safe and prosperous journey.

Bound for Minneapolis.

THE Excursion Train from the New England States, bound for the tenth annual Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held at Minneapolis on July 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th, passed through Hamilton on Tuesday evening. They were welcomed by the members of the different societies of the city, and those who were present will not soon forget the occasion. As the train came into the station handkerchiefs waved in all directions, and soon Christian Endeavor from both sides of the line, greeted each other with hearty hand-shaking. Dr. F. E. Clark, President of the United Societies, accompanied the excursion and was presented with the following address, which was read by Mr. T. Morris, Jr. :

"To Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor—Reverend and Dear Sir: The members of the fifteen societies of Christian Endeavor in Hamilton desire to convey to you, the father of the Christian Endeavor movement, some indication of the warm feeling which exists, to assure you that their prayers, sympathies and good wishes follow you up and down across the continent and over the sea, to express their allegiance to the Christian Endeavor principles which have taken such deep and permanent root in their hearts and lives. We believe that God has raised you up specially to lead and guide this glorious crusade. We are happy to have a name and place in this great uprising of young Christians, because we feel how much it has aided us in our spiritual development. Through its influence, we have become more loyal to our respective churches. We have learned to cultivate more and more that Christ-like interdenominational spirit which, in the natural order of things, we hope may lead to the establishment of a closer bond of fellowship and love among Christ's people. We trust that your present relationship with the Y. P. S. C. E. societies may long be continued and that our God may strengthen you in the work. We shall pray for the success of the tenth international convention to be held in Minneapolis. We shall remember you and all the officers of the united societies and the management connected with them. And now, in bidding you God speed on your journey, we would have you feel that Hamilton Endeavorers cherish kindly and affectionate remembrances of you. Signed on behalf of the Hamilton Christian Endeavor union,

"THOS. MORRIS, Jr., president."

Dr. Clark ascended the platform of one of the cars, and in a few well chosen sentences, thanked the Hamilton Endeavorers for their kind words and wishes; and asked Mr. Saffley, who was with them, to lead in singing "Blest be the Tie that binds." The hundreds there assembled, joined heartily in the singing, feeling the truth and blessedness of the words. As the train moved off, "God be with you till we meet again," was sung by all. The train was just well started on its way when the next one arrived, and they too received a good reception. As we greeted each other we remembered we were a mighty army, all pledged followers of Christ. The hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," was sung, and amid waving handkerchiefs and showers of fireworks, the train moved off. It is not often one is privileged to mingle in such an inspiring throng. Every face was radiant, and as the voices ascended in the glorious hymns, every heart was thrilled.

The Hamilton delegates left on Wednesday morning, they were Mr. T. Morris, Jr., Mr. Wm. Wilson and Miss Frances E. Wodell. A number from Toronto including Rev. Mr. Patterson who is a great favorite with Christian Endeavorers and who will be one of the speakers at the Convention. God bless the convention of '91. is the prayer that goes up from thousands of loyal hearts.

In Memoriam.

Death has taken from us another Sunday school scholar. Johana Andrup, a bright young girl, beloved by all who knew her. Her loss will be keenly felt, especially by those in her own home. She was seventeen years of age. We know that all is well, and that she is now in our Father's house above.

Let us be patient! These severe afflictions,
Not from the ground arise,
But oftentimes celestial benedictions,
Assume the dark disguise.

Miss Clara I. Knight, an active worker in our Church and Sunday school, and who has been Editor in Chief of our ENDEAVORER ever since its publication is leaving the city, and consequently her associations with us are in a sense severed. We regret this exceedingly as they have been so pleasant and profitable. We wish every blessing to our friend, wherever she may be, and hope in the days to come, we may renew once again, the connections that are now broken.

