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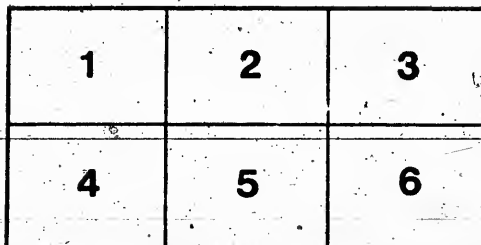
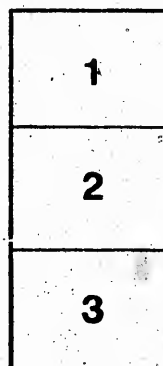
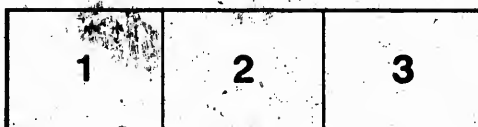
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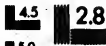
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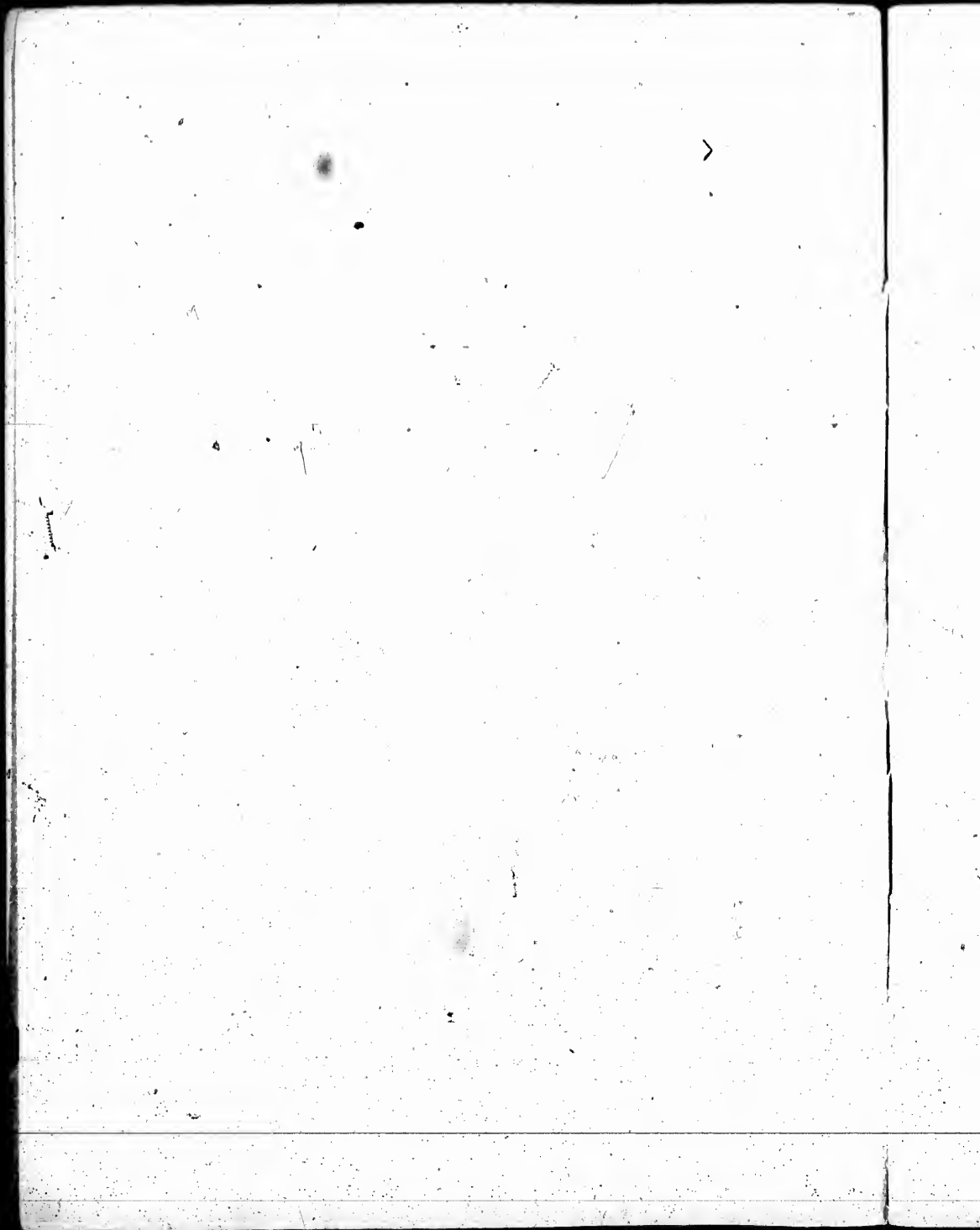
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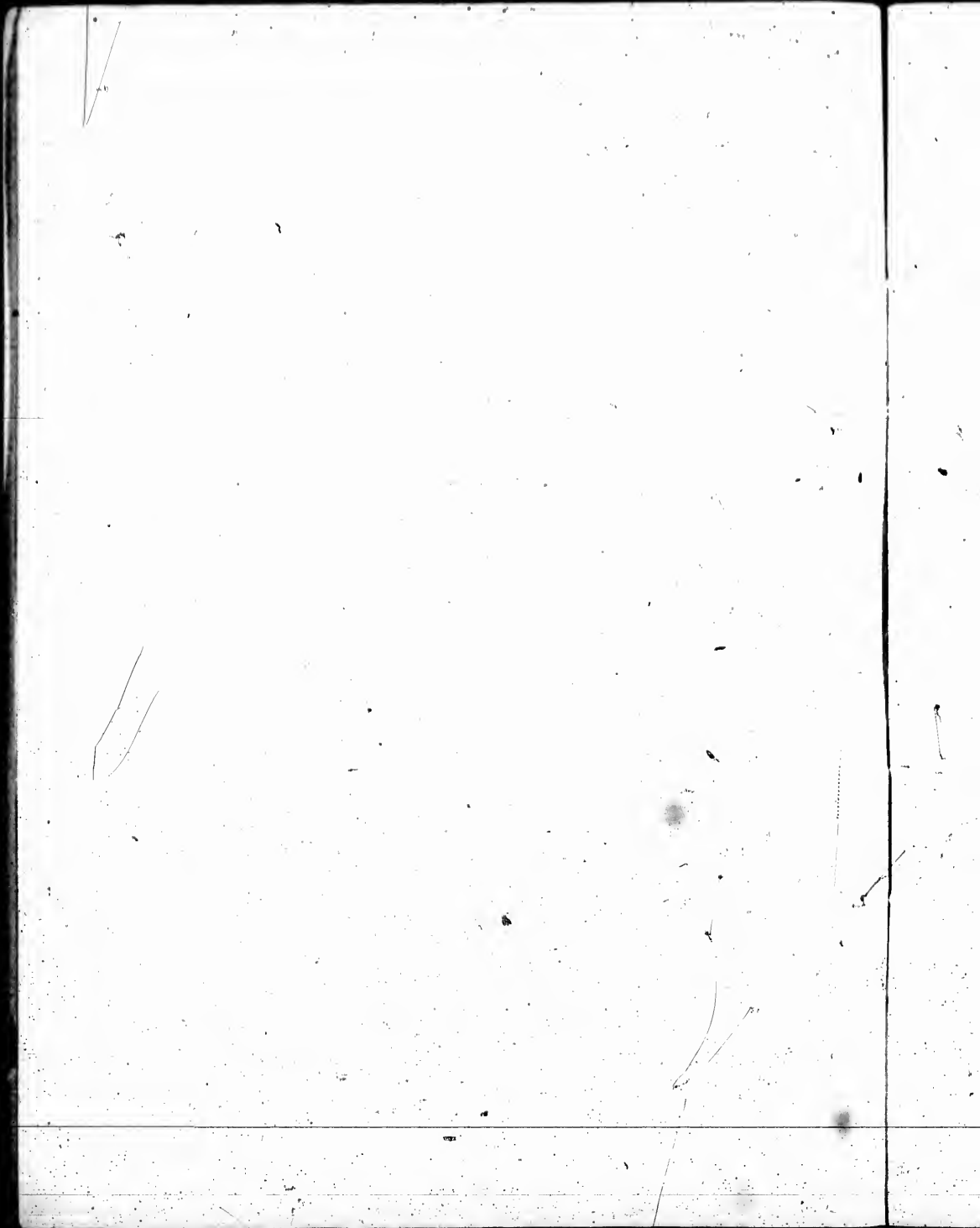
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ONE of the most remarkable results of the modern missionary revival is the "Students' Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions." It has accomplished much, and will yet accomplish more. But time, which tests all things, has revealed a weak point, perhaps a missing link. An agency was wanted whereby the grand enthusiasm evoked by the Volunteer Movement could be focussed, and made to supply motive power for denominational work, especially among the Young People's Societies.

This agency we have in the "Students' Missionary Campaign." Its organization and methods show how the enthusiasm of the larger movement can be utilized to the fullest extent in actual missionary work. Its aims are eminently practical. It seeks to combine the young life of the Church in prayer, study and giving for missions, and so prevent this vast reservoir of spiritual energy and financial strength from running to waste. In the following pages will be found a full account of the Plan of Campaign, with ample suggestions how to proceed in the matter of organization. This movement has in it unmeasured possibilities of good, and deserves the prayerful and sympathetic aid of all who pray for the coming of the kingdom. Get this little book and read it carefully; then go to work on the lines which it recommends.

A. SUTHERLAND.

TORONTO, July 10th, 1897.



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# PRAY, STUDY, GIVE.

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## PRAY, STUDY, GIVE.

*Tune, National Anthem.*

We pray "Thy kingdom come  
On earth Thy will be done,"

To Thee we call.

Christ's last command we know,  
Ye to the whole world go  
My Gospel blessings show,  
Christ died for all.

Study to understand  
The need of every land,  
For Christ our King.  
Earth's harvest fields are white,  
Come workers in God's might,  
Into the Gospel light  
All nations bring.

We give unto the King  
Ourselves an offering,  
His son He gave.  
"Look up" to God above,  
"Lift up" through Jesus' love,  
And to mankind we'll prove,  
Christ died to save.

Forward one Army Grand,  
Gathered from every land  
To serve the King.  
Under His flag unfurled,  
All nations of this world,  
We'll win for Christ our Lord,  
To serve our King.

—ANNIE D. STEPHENSON.

## THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The constitution of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church is a beautiful design, symmetrical and comprehensive, the work of the Holy Spirit by the agency of loving fathers for their children. The design of each department requires all the other departments to perfect it. None can stand alone. The same principles predominate throughout the whole, so that whatever part attracts our attention, or in whatever department we may be placed on duty, we realize that we are in the Epworth League and in a most important position.

Accepting the plans and specifications as a free gift from our inspired fathers, we should not fail to seek the same inspiration, that we may be able to comprehend the meaning of the design, and thus be found "laborers together with God" in the working out of the design. The grandeur and magnificence, the glory and strength of the work depends upon individual earnest prayer, careful study and true sacrifice.

This little booklet is, for the most part, a collection of bulletins, which have long been posted, regarding the work of the Missionary Department. They are as old as the Pauline days; our blessed Master published them first.

### THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBER.

Our Saviour came to save individuals. He called individuals to be His disciples; He taught individuals; He trusted individuals with His great commission. We must be saved as individuals; our duty is individual. The

law of individual privilege and responsibility applies to the extension and strengthening of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, just as truly as does the law of individual citizenship in the free nation. All who are qualified should vote intelligently. All who believe in Jesus Christ should use all their influence for Him—should pray daily, study His kingdom and support His cause.

#### DAILY PRAYER.

The Epworth League is made up of individuals. The character of the League is the character of its individual members. It is clear that the dominating desire—the sincere prayer—will characterize the ruling influence of our Epworth League. The spirit of our gathering together, whether in large convention or in local society (chapter) meeting, will be evidenced by the results. If we seek earnestly the strengthening and extension of our Lord's kingdom, this will be accomplished. If pleasure, whether social or sight-seeing, is the predominating and moving motive, this will be manifested by the spirit of the individuals.

How necessary to be sure that our prayers accord with our actions—that we do not say, "Lord, Lord," and obey not the Master's command. He commands us to "Preach the Gospel to every creature," and to "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." This prayer must be out of our life; our daily consecration, our plans for the future should all evidence our deep desire, our daily prayer, "Thy kingdom

come." The cry for the salvation of the world must come from the very deepest feeling of our daily lives, then God can and will answer, and that right early.

#### CAREFUL STUDY.

If our love for our Saviour and our brother leads us to pray daily and live for God and man, it is needless to say that Missionary literature will be in demand. He is a poor citizen who is not enough interested in the progress and growth of his country to keep track of the *islands* and territory acquired. A good citizen stands ready to go to the front at the call of his country, and anxiously watches the movements of the army which he helps support. Surely a citizen of the Heavenly Kingdom should follow the banner of love and watch the success of the army of missionaries. We have our weekly Sunday School lesson for the study of the Word of God; do we not need at least a monthly meeting where we may study the acts of the present apostles who are striving to preach Christ in the regions beyond, and should we not talk over the progress and cost of the great war?

#### WEEKLY GIVING.

The Pauline plan of weekly giving is a good system of taxation to sustain the war; it allows even the poorest to do something, and if we can only secure the most disinterested and poorest citizen (whether he have much or little of this world's goods), we need not trouble about those rich in faith and love, as evidenced by their systematic giving.



**HELPS FOR THE INDIVIDUAL.**

As aids to the Daily Prayer, our Church recommends the *Cycle of Prayer*. (3 cents per copy; 30 cents per doz; \$2.00 per hundred.)

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**The Students' Volunteer Movement**

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

As aids for study of missions, books and periodicals, see price list of sample books carried by Student Missionary Campaigners. (See page 36.)

As a convenient plan of systematic giving, a small envelope is printed by our Church for individual use:

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 From all the loving children's hands;  
 Two cents a week to tell His love  
 And teach His Word in foreign lands.

**CHORUS.**

**We must fulfil Christ's great command  
 His Gospel send to every land.**

“Two cents a week may send a blaze  
Of Gospel light o'er India's plains ;  
Two cents a week may free a race  
For ages bound by error's chains.

“Two cents a week ;” from China's shore  
We catch the cry and hear the plea ;  
Two cents a week a few years more,  
And struggling China shall be free.

“Two cents a week ” may wake the note  
Of Zion's song in fair Japan ;  
Two cents a week, O blessed Christ,  
May tell of all thy love to man.

— *Worthington's Annual*

#### THE LOCAL SOCIETY OR CHAPTER.

“A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.” “The Young People's Forward Movement for Missions” may be begun by a local society or chapter, where there is one consecrated member who will try to form a band for “Daily prayer for,” “Careful study of,” and “Systematic proportionate giving to Missions.” He may continue by agitating for a monthly missionary meeting and a missionary library (see article on “How to Plan Your Work and How to Work your Plan,” page 16). By God's help he will soon be able to exclaim, “Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth.” He may secure sample copies of the helps for the individual, and the pledge and collectors' books for the Society, of which the following are specimen pages :

**SPECIMEN OF PLEDGE.**

**For Jesus' sake and for the sake of suffering man**

**I. 3 Promise** to pray at least once a day that Christians everywhere, especially the members of the ..... may study the needs of the heathen, looking earnestly to God for guidance and power to obey the Saviour's last command—

“Preach the Gospel to every creature.”—MARK xvi. 15.

**II. 3 further Promise** ..... cents or upwards each week, on which I will ask God's blessing, toward the cost of ..... under the direction of the Methodist Church, to represent the members of the ..... who cannot go to the foreign fields themselves.

(It is earnestly recommended, First, that each subscriber use the **CYCLE OF PRAYER** daily, and read all the Missionary literature he can; Second, that the money subscribed be paid into the League each month, and that the League forward every three months the total amount received to the District Treasurer, or to your pastor where the District League is not organized.)

“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.”—MATT. xxv. 40.

Name

P.O. ....

Name .....

Promise:

I. TO PRAY DAILY.

II. TO GIVE WEEKLY.

Cents

Date .....



## DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE.

One local society has an influence on another, by following out the true connexional spirit of Methodism under the direction of the ministry. The 2nd Vice-President, by the help of the Students' Missionary Campaign, could soon have every Society in his district organized in the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions. Then, by consulting with the General Board of Missions after raising enough money for the support of a missionary, the General Board will be glad to appoint one. (See article the "General Board and the Students' Missionary Campaign for a Young People's Forward Movement for Missions under the direction of our Church.") The members of the General Board of Missions are the elected representatives of the members of the Church, and are therefore the representatives of the Epworth League. Thus we see that our fathers have designed our work so that we may develop a loyal connexional spirit, and be truly united in the support of the missionary work of the Church.

### HOW TO PLAN YOUR WORK, AND HOW TO WORK YOUR PLAN.

#### I. *Object.*

The evangelization of the world in this generation.

#### II. *Immediate Plan of Work.*

I. That every member of our Young People's Christian Societies pray daily for power and guidance to obey our Saviour's last command, "Preach the Gospel to every creature."

2. That every member of our Young People's Christian Societies study the need of the heathen, and also study to show himself approved unto God, rightly dividing the Word of Truth.

3. That every member of our Young People's Christian Societies lay aside weekly a certain sum upon which he will ask God's blessing—this money to be sent at regular intervals through the regular channels of the Church, to support the Missionary Board of the Church to which he belongs.

III. *How to work the plan immediately without delay and without outside help. Each society can do it.*

1. Have a Missionary Department in your society, consisting of a superintendent (second vice-president), a secretary-treasurer, a missionary librarian, and a missionary committee, consisting of one member for about every ten members of your society. If possible, secure volunteer workers on this committee. "One good volunteer is worth many pressed men."

2. Make it a rule that every committee meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer, and correct minutes kept by the secretary-treasurer. If troubled or discouraged, meet for prayer only. If successful, meet for thanksgiving. Do not attempt this work in the strength or by the wisdom of man. Keep the fact that it is God's work prominent.

3. Obtain a copy of the roll of membership of your society. Let each member of the missionary committee take about ten names to canvass and look after. Each member of the committee to pray especially for the other

members of the committee and for the members of the society he has undertaken to look after.

4. Let the committee prepare a good missionary programme, showing the need of the heathen and God's will concerning missions ; also show what the Epworth League could and should do. Explain fully the Daily Prayer, Careful Study and Weekly Giving plan.

5. Besides announcing this meeting, let each member of the Missionary Committee (either by personal or written invitation) invite each member of the society on his list to this missionary meeting, thus making certain of a full attendance.

6. After explaining fully the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions, with its object and plans, let the society adopt the plan. Then have a few minutes' intermission. During this intermission let the Missionary Committee ask each member of the society to promise to pray daily for missions, read and study as he can about missions, and lay aside a weekly sum which he will pay to the secretary-treasurer of the Missionary Committee each month.

7. The chairman of the Missionary Committee should have the oversight of the whole missionary work. He should especially try to establish a monthly missionary meeting and see that good programmes are provided. If the society has no missionary library, if possible one should be started, and a missionary librarian put in charge. This member of the Missionary Committee should see that as much printed missionary information as can be secured is circulated in the society. The MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNER furnishes a monthly programme with subject matter, as well as infor-



mation regarding the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions. The *Missionary Outlook* and *Christian Generalist* should be in every League. The Book Room has a special Missionary Catalogue, which may be had free. The new missionary books are cheap and very interesting.

8. Let each member of the Missionary Committee see that no one on his list is forgetful to pay. If a member neglects to pay, it may be taken as a sign that he forgets to pray daily. As the membership of the society increases let the names be divided among the Missionary Committee. If possible, keep the whole society praying, and each member giving a little—just what the Holy Spirit would have them give.

9. Every three months have the secretary-treasurer give the amount received for the quarter to the treasurer of your society, and receive a receipt for the same.

10. The treasurer of the society should without delay send the amount to the treasurer of the district, if the District Epworth League is organized. If the district is not organized, the amount may be handed to the pastor to be forwarded to Dr. Sutherland.

11. The District Treasurer should send the amount received from the Leagues on his district to Dr. Sutherland every quarter.

12. At the annual district convention, or at a special convention called for that purpose, the district may undertake the support of a missionary, or any other special object, under the direction of the General Board of our Church.

13. The District Missionary Vice-President can receive

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a quarterly letter from the missionary or institution which the district supports, and duplicate it on a centograph or mimeograph, and send a copy to each society on the district, which will be very helpful in increasing the interest.—  
*Missionary Campaigner*, May, 1897.

A PLAN BY WHICH EVERY HOME DISTRICT MAY BE  
 REPRESENTED IN THE FOREIGN FIELD BY  
 ITS OWN MISSIONARY.

Two facts are patent to every student of missions: *First*, that the members of our Leagues are ready to do their duty toward world-wide evangelization. They await a knowledge of the facts concerning missions to fire their enthusiasm and definite plans to direct their energies. Meanwhile much aimless work is undertaken and producing inadequate results. Funds freely contributed for missions are very often directed out of the proper channels and handed over by Young People's Societies for undenominational schemes. *Secondly*, that the home constituency is not worked to the best advantage. Here are needed a better system and more approved methods.

A careful study of present missionary activity reveals a strong tendency toward the *individualistic* idea. The many who must necessarily remain at home, loyally supporting by prayer and money the workers in the foreign field, prefer to centre personal interest in individuals. This individual interest need not in any way interfere with the larger interests of our missionary organizations.

We are not arguing that this is a hopeful sign, but simply

directing attention to a fact that we have too long overlooked. We disregard it longer only to our disadvantage, for this individualistic idea is manifest on every hand. It is for us to accept the fact and plan our work accordingly. We may turn this tendency of human nature to the great advantage of the nations that are "without Christ."

In harmony with the foregoing facts the Methodist students of Canada have organized themselves with the purpose of conducting a Campaign for Missions. This forward movement plans to attain the realization of the ideal expressed in the title which stands at the head of this article.

Dr. Sutherland, our Missionary Secretary, has been freely consulted, and with him we have fully discussed many details of the plan, with which he is in perfect accord, and toward the realization of which he offers needed assistance.

1. Each District now organized for League purposes meets regularly in convention. The Second Vice-President is responsible for the missionary plans and work of the District. At the time of the District convention, when all the local Leagues will be represented, the Missionary Vice-President of the District may call the delegates together for the purpose of discussing and perfecting definite and systematic plans with a view to working the District to this end.

At this meeting an outline programme may be drafted, planning for the systematic visitation of the Local Leagues of the District; and, if necessary, a representative of the Students' Missionary Campaign may be secured to help in the work of organization.

It will be the duty of the deputation, Campaigner and Second Vice-President if possible, or Campaigner alone, to meet personally the members of the Missionary Committee of the League visited, and discuss with them the line of work the District is undertaking. In the public meeting he shall endeavor to arouse enthusiasm and enlist co-operation. The public meetings must be well talked up and widely advertised. Those who are deeply interested will *pray* and *plan* for definite results.

2. Send to the Mission Rooms for our Campaign booklets, containing form of promises for daily prayer and weekly giving, and secure pledges of two cents a week or more from all members and friends of your League who desire to join in this undertaking.

The weakest District will have from twenty to twenty-five Leagues, and the stronger ones many more.

Twenty Leagues having the two-cent-a-week pledge from each of twenty-five members, or twenty-five Leagues having the same promise from only twenty members, would reach the sum of five hundred dollars, the amount necessary to support an unmarried missionary.

In many Leagues the members and friends making this pledge would exceed fifty, and in every League there would be several able to pledge more than two cents weekly. Thus many Districts could easily reach eight hundred dollars, the amount necessary to support a married missionary. The funds will be remitted quarterly through designated League channels to the Mission Rooms, and will be separately reported in the Society's report, accredited to the Leagues of the District from which sent.

3. When the District is ready to support its representatives in the foreign field, the Missionary Board of our Church will approve the person and determine the field of labor. Often the candidate selected will be the one who was chiefly instrumental in working up the District. One of his best qualifications will be a personal acquaintance with almost every Leaguer of the District. His success in developing the home constituency will be a guarantee for his ability and worth for foreign service. Volunteers for the foreign field have urged that though they are prepared to enter upon their work no Society has funds to send them. Here is the supreme opportunity for such men. It is a truism that before we can become widely useful abroad we must first prove our worth in Christian service at home.

The advantages of this plan are evident. The missionary in the field is personally known to every contributor toward his support. He knows personally those who daily pray for him and his work and back up their prayers with their gifts. Letters are regularly interchanged. The letters he receives are helpful and encouraging. The letters received at home from him will be circulated till each has been read and discussed in every League in the District.

The facts, etc., contained in these letters become ready fuel for missionary fires. Those at home are kept in direct and living touch with the work and the worker on the field. There need be no anxiety about the interest lagging after a year or two. It cannot die out. It must increase, deepen and intensify. Every month will generate fresh enthusiasm.--*Missionary Campaigner*, June, 1896.

## STUDENTS' MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.

The Students' Missionary Campaign is not a new missionary society, but is a movement inaugurated by Christian Methodist students to promote, under the direction of the ministry and the General Secretary of Missions, a Young People's Forward Movement for Missions.

What the Students' Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions has done and is doing to create and maintain an intelligent, active interest in missions in our colleges and universities, the Students' Missionary Campaign seeks to do in our Young People's Christian societies. The Students' Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, by organizing for daily prayer and systematic study of the missionary cause, has enlisted thousands of consecrated students as volunteers for the foreign field. These volunteers are not sent out by the Movement, but await the call of the Church to active service. It is a well-known fact that, while the Church members are in possession of an abundance of means, the missionary societies of the Church are financially unable to send out but a small percentage of the educated men and women who have volunteered for missionary work. Missionary authorities are agreed that the cause of this financial embarrassment is lack of knowledge on the part of the membership. If Christians only knew their privilege and the need of the heathen, and understood our heavenly Father's will concerning the extension of His Kingdom on the earth, they would respond heartily and liberally.

To meet the need of the Church in this crisis of her

history, the Students' Missionary Campaign has been instituted to assist the ministry in calling the Church, the young people especially, to daily prayer for, careful study of, and systematic proportionate giving to, the missionary cause.

The methods adopted are simple and direct. All operations are carried on through and by existing organizations; all moneys flow through the proper channels to the Missionary Society. Space will permit of but the briefest outline of the plan of work. Christian Methodist students, volunteers for mission work and probationers for the Methodist ministry, while attending college where they have special advantages for obtaining missionary information, organize classes for prayer for, and study of, missions. During vacation, and from time to time as opportunity offers, they seek to make known to all whom they can reach, what they have learned regarding missions.

Our Young People's Christian societies offer a wide and accessible field for work. Each member of the Students' Missionary Campaign reaches as many societies as he can wherever he happens to be situated. Some, by the cooperation of the district and local Epworth League officers, are able to plan a tour throughout one or more districts. In order to make his work permanent and self-propagating, he not only gives a stirring, up-to-date missionary address, but asks for an after-meeting of all interested in the extension of our Lord's kingdom on earth, requesting especially that the Superintendent of the Missionary Department and Missionary Committee confer with him. He then suggests the forming of a band in the Society for daily prayer for,



careful study of, and weekly giving to, missions. The developing of this band is left in charge of the Missionary Committee of the Young People's Christian Society. As helps to the members of these bands, he introduces :

1. The "Cycle of Prayer" published by our Church, which is a guide to those who wish to lift up their eyes and look upon the fields. This booklet divides the world into thirty-one parts, so that in one month, by praying for a portion each day, the one using it makes intercession for all men everywhere. The *Missionary Campaigner* is a paper published monthly as a commentary on the Cycle of Prayer, in which information regarding the subjects suggested for prayer is furnished.

2. He recommends each Epworth League to begin to form a missionary library, he sells and takes orders for all the missionary literature he can, and leaves printed price lists, so that they may purchase more.

3. He also introduces the Pledge and Collectors' Books for weekly giving, furnished by our Missionary Society.

It is needless to say that the above plan of work meets with the hearty approval of the officers of our Church. Dr. Alexander Sutherland, Secretary of the General Board of the Methodist Church, says, in the *Missionary Campaigner* for September, 1896: "Our young people will do well to study carefully the 'Young People's Forward Movement for Missions,' which is being promoted by the Students' Missionary Campaign. The work has been carefully planned with a two-fold object :

"1. To enlist all our young people in united work for missions, under the direction of our Church.

" 2. To establish and make that work permanent and self-propagating—to bring each member of our young people's Christian societies into such close touch with the extension of our Lord's kingdom and the salvation of the world, that daily prayer and systematic, proportionate giving will be recognized as a personal privilege and responsibility.

" A well-organized district could raise enough to send out and support at least one missionary. Several districts are already at work, and the plan meets with great favor. When enough is raised to send out a man and support him for one year, the General Board of Missions will be glad to appoint one. The discussions this work will call for at the annual District Conventions, and the definite interest of the individual Epworth Leagues, will tend to develop an earnest interest on the part of every member."

#### CAMPAIGNER'S PLAN OF WORK.

After careful comparison of experiences of the past year and thoughtful consideration as to the best methods of work, a representative committee was appointed to draft a plan for presenting the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions to the Leagues.

The following concise but comprehensive report was submitted and adopted :

##### I. *Re Meetings in Districts, or Leagues already canvassed.*

Here the work must be largely along the line of exhortation and encouragement. Enquire definitely as to what is being done, not forgetting the need of a missionary library.

Tell something of the campaign and what it is accomplishing elsewhere. Show that the movement is under the direction of our Missionary Board.

II. *As to Leagues or Districts as yet unorganized.*

1. Preliminary arrangements. Many workers may be able to arrange only for isolated meetings. If so, do not let this fact deter them from working. Where possible, however, it would be better to arrange for a consecutive tour of a district. In this case, where two or three work a district, it may be best to leave arrangements to the district officers, though it would not be out of place to offer suggestions. It has been found a good plan to have programmes of the tour printed and distributed some time before it is commenced. It impresses the importance of it, and causes people to wait expectantly. Where several men wish to work in one district systematically they may indicate places they would like to visit.

2. The Meeting. Much of the success of the meeting may depend on the day's work. If possible see the minister and get in touch with him. Let him see that you are merely at his service, and work as much as possible through him. Endeavor also to meet the president and officers of the League before the meeting. Talk matters over. See what has been done and enlist their sympathies beforehand.

Promptness and punctuality are essential to success. The King's business should be managed on business principles.

Nature of the Address. Beware of letting it be too

long. Conciseness and brevity are necessary to a true presentation of the matter. Show the basis of missions and their supreme importance. This will lead to an explanation of the work of the Missionary Campaign which should be emphasized in its three aspects :

- (1) Praying for missions.
- (2) Studying missions.
- (3) Paying for missions.

Under these respective heads the question of the *Cycle of Prayer*, literature, and the weekly giving plan may be discussed, and show the relations between the three, the 1st leads to the 2nd, and the 2nd leads to the 3rd.

Charts and maps may be used to great advantage.

Let the general meeting pave the way for the meeting with the Missionary Committee at its close, and pave the way for the future work of the Committee in the League.

3. Literature. Each Campaigner should carry a supply of cheap missionary literature, have it laid on a table for inspection and sale at the meeting. One difficulty will be to dispose of literature and to meet the Committee at the close of the meeting. Each Campaigner must exercise great astuteness in order not to fail to do both. The difficulty may be overcome by arranging with a responsible person for the disposal of literature, both before and after the meeting. A good plan has been to group several books and offer them for a specific sum; e.g., "Facts," "Do not Say," and "Murdered Millions" for twenty-five cents (*Cycle* may be included). Never fail to consult with the Missionary Committee as to methods and plans for the details of the work of their League. (See pp. 30-32.)

4. The *Missionary Campaigner*. Show its place in the work, and secure any subscriptions which may be had in the general meeting. Further canvass must be made by the Missionary Committee, with which arrangements can be made according to suggestions given below.

#### CONFERENCE WITH MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Campaigner should never fail to confer with the Missionary Committee after every public meeting. This is the surest, if not the only, way to perpetuate his work. It is desired, as far as practicable, that the Campaigners should follow some uniform method. Therefore the following plan is recommended, after much deliberation and practical experience :

##### I. *Re Organization of Missionary Committee.*

Every committee should have the following official members :

1. A Convener, who shall have (a) general oversight of the committees' work, and (b) special charge of the League missionary meetings.
2. A Secretary, who should (a) keep careful records of all committee and public meetings, and (b) conduct all missionary correspondence.
3. A Treasurer, who shall have charge of the League missionary finances ; who shall, in fact, be the League missionary bookkeeper. In small societies he may make the individual canvass of the members for subscriptions to pledge book.

4. A Missionary Literature Member, who shall have charge of all the Society's papers, periodicals, books, etc. He should read all of these as far as possible, should index every article in a book provided for the purpose, and should circulate them constantly and systematically among all the members.

5. Where the Society is large, one or more members will probably have to be appointed to assist the Treasurer in making the canvass.

## II. *Re League Missionary Meetings.*

1. Time and frequency of such—urge monthly meetings.
2. Subjects—(a) Varied ; (b) in line with *Cycle* ; (c) use subjects in *Missionary Campaigner* ; (d) use charts, maps, blackboard, etc.
3. Special singing.
4. Make suggestions concerning the best use of missionary literature for the requisite information.

## III. *Re Use of Cycle of Prayer.*

1. Each active member at least should use it.
2. Recommend the use of the *Missionary Campaigner* and *Facts on Foreign Missions* for the knowledge essential to intelligent prayer.

## IV. *Re Missionary Literature.*

1. Missionary Library—urge the necessity and suggest means of securing one.
2. Systematic circulation of the books.
3. Distribution of *Leaflets*, etc.

4. Arrange for canvass of the Society for subscriptions to the *Missionary Campaigner*.

V. *Re Systematic Giving.*

1. Explain fully the use of the pledge and collector's books.

2. Urge the wisdom of making a personal canvass of the members.

3. Method of collection—(a) Use envelopes; (b) the monthly meeting is the best time.

4. Emphasize regularity (a) in laying by, (b) in collecting.

5. Leave the pledge and collector's books with the Committee.

6. Fill in a report form of each meeting, and send reports at least once a week to the corresponding member, Frederick C. Stephenson, 568 Parliament Street, Toronto. This is very necessary, as the corresponding member must have the information which this report gives to enable him to tabulate the work and correspond with the officers of the League which is visited. Do not report in informal ways, but report on the form which will be furnished by the General Secretary, Dr. Sutherland, or by the corresponding member, upon application. The importance of having these reports properly filled in and promptly returned cannot be too strongly emphasized. The reasons are so many and the advantages so great, that space cannot be given to enumerate them. They will be apparent to all when the General Board meets in the fall.—*Missionary Campaigner*, May, 1897.

## FORM OF CAMPAIGNER'S DISTRICT PROGRAMME.

The advantages of having a printed programme well circulated announcing the different appointments at which the Campaigner will speak, with date of each, and advertising the literature which he will have on sale, are so apparent that no Campaigner or District Executive should fail to have this done.

This plan impresses the people as no other effort can, with the system and magnitude of our work—it not only insures a large attendance, but those who come are more apt to bring money with them for literature. It also allows one local League the opportunity to visit one or more other neighboring Leagues. This last is often of great advantage, especially when some question arises in the League after the Campaigner is gone which he has not made clear enough to the Society. Often one or two are able to follow him to a neighboring League and gain the desired information.

Perhaps the greatest advantage of the programme is that it shows clearly that the District Executive is managing the work. This advantage cannot be too highly estimated, as it impresses the fact that Methodism is connexional—that it is truly an organized body. Again, it insures the proper arranging of the tour, as the executive under the management of the Missionary Vice-president knows better than anyone else the best order in which to plan the meetings.

The Executive should not fail to ask each League to prepare special Missionary music—for the inspiration of the speaker as well as the audience.





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SPECIMEN OF FRONT PAGE OF PROGRAMME

PRAY. (Matt. 6 : 10.)  
STUDY. (1 Cor. 14 : 16.)  
GIVE. (1 Cor. 16 : 2.)

*"Ye are My friends if ye do whatsoever  
I command you."*



THE  
Young People's  
Forward Movement  
for Missions.



FREDERICK C. STEPHENSON  
CORRESPONDING MEMBER  
STUDENTS' MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN  
688 PARLIAMENT ST., - TORONTO

*The Epworth League of ..... District has arranged  
to hold Missionary Meetings over the District as follows :*

FIVE INCHES OF BLANK SPACE HERE FOR DATES  
AND NAMES OF APPOINTMENTS

~~~~~  
HOUR OF MEETING TO BE ANNOUNCED BY EACH LEAGUE.  
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These meetings will be addressed by

.....  
(A Member of the Student's Missionary Campaign.)  
.....

Each League will prepare the musical service for its own meeting. These meetings will be full of interest and should be attended by everybody—old as well as young. The speaker has made a special study of missionary work (particularly as it is being taken up by the Forward Movement among our young people), and will give information that can be obtained in no other way.

An offering will be taken, to be used in each case in the purchase of books for the missionary library of the League in which the offering is contributed.

The delegation will have with them books and booklets from which selections can be made both for the library and for individual purchase. All orders for these books will be filled by the Book Room at liberal discounts.

It is suggested that these meetings would be an opportune time for neighboring Epworth Leagues to visit each other.

.....  
District President.                      Missionary Vice-Pres.                      District Secretary.  
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If the plan of tour, together with the names and addresses of the District Executive (or the committee in charge), and the address of each distributor, are sent to F. C. Stephenson, 568 Parliament Street, Toronto, Ont., at least ten days before the programmes are needed for distribution, they will be printed and sent free of charge.


N.B.—It has been found wise to send, a week before the tour begins, about as many programmes to each appointment as there are members in the League. The distributors should request each Leaguer to pray for the success of the work and do all possible to ensure a large audience.

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TOP HALF.


## Price List of Sample Books

CARRIED BY MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN SPEAKERS

(These Prices subject to Discount)



|                                             |   |        |
|---------------------------------------------|---|--------|
| Western China (Rev. V. C. Hart, D.D.)       | - | \$2.00 |
| John G. Paton                               | - | 1.50   |
| China and Its People (Dr. Withrow)          | - | 1.00   |
| Japan; Its People and Missions (Jesse Page) | - | 50     |
| The Indians of Canada (Maclean)             | - | 1.00   |
| South America, The Neglected Continent      | - | 75     |
| Gist                                        | - | 1.00   |
| Missionary Heroines in Eastern Lands        | - | 50     |
| James Calvert                               | - | 50     |
| Madagascar                                  | - | 50     |
| John Williams                               | - | 50     |
| David Livingstone                           | - | 50     |
| Robert Morrison                             | - | 50     |
| Alexander Mackay                            | - | 35     |
| Adoniram Judson                             | - | 30     |
| Heathen Religions (Principal Grant)         | - | 20     |



As far as can be done in so limited a number of volumes, the above selection of books gives information, in an attractive, readable form, of all the different phases and fields of missionary work.

A full catalogue of the most recent and valuable missionary works will be sent free on application to Methodist Book Room, Toronto; or F. G. Stephenson, 568 Parliament Street, Toronto; or to any Campaigner. Send one cent stamp for return postage



LOWER HALF.

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**OBJECT: To promote united prayer for, study of,  
and giving to, Missions.**

The **MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNER** is the organ of the "Young People's Forward Movement for Missions" as advocated by the "Students' Missionary Campaign." It acts as a medium of communication between the Campaigners and the Epworth Leagues. Missionaries supported by our young people will contribute largely to its pages. A regular Monthly Programme, with material for a Monthly Missionary Meeting, is furnished each month. The subject is the one suggested by the Cycle of Prayer used by the Methodist Church.

The object of publishing this paper is not to make money. We have proved beyond a doubt that Christians who read facts month after month soon become so interested that they pray, study and give. We therefore publish the *Missionary Campaigner* at a price which is less than cost of production. Clubs of ten or more subscribers may have the *Missionary Campaigner* for one year for 10 cents each. Single subscription, 25 cents per year. Samples sent free to any address.

The following form is printed on a sheet large enough to allow space for answers after questions, and furnished to each Campaigner, free of charge, by the General Board of Missions :—

## Young People's Forward Movement for Missions.

### CAMPAIGNER'S REPORT OF SOCIETY VISITED.

1. {
  - (a) Name of worker.....
  - (b) Permanent address.....
  - (c) Present address.....
  
2. {
  - (a) Date of visit.....
  - (b) Name of Society visited.....
  - (c) Number of audience estimated.....
  - (d) Number of members in Society. Active..... Associate.....
  - (e) Circuit..... (f) District..... (g) Conference.....
  
- Name and P. O. Address of**
3. {
  - (a) Pastor in charge.....
  - (b) President of Society.....
  - (c) Secretary of Society.....
  - (d) Superintendent of Missionary Department.....
  
- Has the Missionary Committee agreed to try to establish in their Society**
4. {
  - (a) Daily prayer for Missions?..... (b) Weekly giving to Missions?.....
  - (c) The individual use of the Cycle of Prayer?.....
  - (d) The use of Pledge and Collector's Books?.....
  - (e) A Missionary Library?.....
  
5. Value of Missionary literature sold..... Ordered.....
6. Whom did you secure to circulate Missionary literature and to solicit subscribers for Missionary periodicals?.....
7. What Societies do you hope to visit in the near future?.....

Please write further remarks on the other side of this sheet. We would be glad to know of your success, and any items of interest regarding the meeting.

N.B.—Fill out one of these forms at the close of each meeting. Once a week send reports to F. C. STEPHENSON, 568 Parliament Street, Toronto, Corresponding Member of S.M.C.—This is necessary in order to have the work followed up by letters and literature, as well as to enable the Corresponding Member to report to the General Board.

## PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN

ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED TO DATE, JULY 1, 1897.

### *Districts organized for support of a Missionary :*

Cobourg District.—Rev. W. E. Smith, M.D., and wife, Chen-tu, China.

Toronto East District.—Dr. Kilborn and wife, Chen-tu, China.

Toronto Centre District.—Rev. J. A. Jackson, M.D., and wife, Bella Bella, B.C.

Toronto West District.—Tong Chue Tom and wife, Chinese Mission, Victoria, B.C.

### *Districts organized, but Missionary not yet appointed :*

Chatham, Brantford, Bradford, Bowmanville, Wingham, Palmerston, Matilda, Brockville, Montreal.

### *Districts in which efforts are being made to organize :*

Toronto Conference.—Brampton, Uxbridge, Orangeville, Barrie, Collingwood, Owen Sound, Bracebridge, Algoma.

Bay of Quinte Conference.—Belleville, Cannington, Campbellford, Lindsay, Madoc, Napanee, Picton, Tamworth, Whitby, Brighton.

Hamilton Conference.—Hamilton, Guelph, St. Catharines, Woodstock, Galt, Simcoe, Milton, Norwich, Mount Forest, Walkerton, Wiarton, Welland.

London Conference.—London, St. Mary's, Stratford, Listowel, Kincardine, Goderich, Exeter, Strathroy, Sarnia, Windsor, Ridgetown, St. Thomas.

Manitoba and North-West Conference.—Winnipeg, Car-

man, Crystal City, Deloraine, Neepawa, Birtle, Brandon, Moosomin, Calgary.

British Columbia Conference.—Kamloops, Victoria.

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference.—St. John, Sackville, St. Stephen, Charlottetown.

Nova Scotia Conference.—Halifax, Truro, Cumberland, Liverpool.

Newfoundland Conference.—St. John's.

Montreal Conference.—Kingston, Perth, Pembroke, Nipissing, Sudbury, Ottawa, Quebec, Stanstead, Waterloo, Huntingdon.—*Missionary Campaigner*, August, 1897.

#### THE GENERAL BOARD AND THE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.

Dr. Henderson, of the Mission Rooms, gives the following summary of the action of the General Board in the matter of the Students' Missionary Campaign :

“An interesting event in the proceedings was the waiting on the Board of a number of young people representing the Students' Missionary Campaign and the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions. Mr. F. C. Stephenson, a medical student of Trinity College, read a report setting forth the genesis, growth and nature of this new movement. He put emphasis upon the statement that the object of this Forward Movement was to act as an auxiliary to the Missionary Society; to be under the guidance and government of the Church, and to move along strictly connexional and constitutional lines. The question was re-



ferred to a special committee, whose report, as finally amended, is as follows :

"Your committee, having conferred with the deputation representing the Students' Forward Movement in the cause of Christian missions, beg leave to report as follows :

We recommend :

"1. That the Board expresses its cordial sympathy with the students in their work, its gratification with their desire to place the work under the direct control of the Church through the Board, and its belief that the movement, wisely guided, will result in stimulating and developing widespread interest in missionary work among our young people, and in securing substantial additions to the income of the Board.

"2. That as those who have begun this movement have already achieved results in securing pledges of support sufficient to provide for the maintenance of at least one additional missionary in the foreign field, and have demonstrated that very much greater results must follow a continuance and enlargement of their work, and, at the same time, have done this by making greater sacrifices of time and money than can be continually afforded by young men who depend upon their own exertions for their living and their education, the Board should accept the trust thus evidently imposed upon it by Divine Providence, and make suitable provision for the guidance and maintenance of the movement.

"3. That a man, to be known as corresponding member of the Students' Missionary Campaign, be appointed by the

Board or its Executive, to take charge of the work under the Executive Committee, remuneration not to exceed \$1 per day for the time of service.

"4. That Mr. F. C. Stephenson be corresponding member for the year now commencing, and that hereafter the said corresponding member be appointed annually from names suggested in the reports of those engaged in the campaign work during the previous year.

"5 That the postage, stationery, etc., necessary for the work of said corresponding member be furnished by the General Secretary, and paid for out of the funds of the Society.

"6. That the Board advise the gathering of voluntary contributions, to provide for the remuneration at a rate not to exceed \$1 per day of service, of those students who spend more than four weeks in one season in the work of visiting Epworth Leagues, and organizing bands therein of members pledged to pray daily and pay weekly for missions.

"7. That the moneys already expended in carrying on the movement, of which detailed accounts have been exhibited to the committee, be recouped out of the funds of the Society in part, to the amount of \$71.72 (spent in postage and stationery).

"8. The following conditions are to prevail in the movement :

"(a) It is to be distinctly understood that when it is proposed to visit the Leagues or Young People's Societies on our circuits, the Campaigners shall first put themselves in communication with the pastors, and secure their approval before any steps are taken to hold meetings.

“(b) It is also to be distinctly understood that while the Board will be glad to receive suggestions from those engaged in campaign work, and from contributing Leagues as to the sending out of agents for mission work in the foreign field, yet the selection and appointment of missionaries to the foreign field rests entirely with the General Board of Missions, in regard to the persons, the fields to which they may be sent, and the remuneration which they shall receive.

“(c) It is also to be distinctly understood that, while Epworth Leagues and groups of Leagues may be encouraged by the Students' Missionary Campaign workers to raise money for particular missions or missionaries, yet the funds raised are to be paid into the treasury through the regular channels and be at its disposal, and it shall be wholly in the discretion of the Board and its Executive whether a new mission or an additional missionary suggested by the Leagues or Campaign workers shall be established or sent out by the Board or its Executive at any time, or whether any mission or missionary supported in whole or in part by this movement shall be continued, removed or withdrawn.”—*Christian Guardian*, October 7th, 1896.

#### STUDENTS' FUND FOR COLLEGE EXPENSES.

*Time is money*, even to missionary campaigners, many of whom, in giving their time to “The Young People's Forward! Movement for Missions” visiting Leagues during the summer, really lose opportunities of making enough money to pay the next year's college expenses. To help

meet this need, the General Board of 1896 adopted the following resolution :

“Whereas the General Board recognize that these young men will be the means of great blessing to our Church, as well as the means of bringing thousands of dollars into our missionary treasury, recommend the gathering of voluntary contributions to provide for the remuneration, at a rate not to exceed \$1.00 per day of service, of those students who spend more than four weeks in one season in the work of visiting Epworth Leagues and organizing bands therein of members pledged to pray daily and pay weekly for missions.”

In addition to their support as a body, the members of the General Board of Missions have promised the Forward Movement for Missions their hearty support, individually, as is evidenced by the following :

“Whereas we, the undersigned members of the General Board of Methodist Missions assembled, have expressed our hearty sympathy and co-operation with the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions, as inaugurated by the Students' Missionary Campaign ; and

“Whereas, we have recommended that voluntary subscriptions be solicited, to form a fund to assist those students who have worked, as regulated by our Board of Missions, for more than one month during the season, and who need aid for college expenses, we, as individuals, hereby promise financial assistance, which we will pay to the Treasurer of the Mission Board within one week after the report of the Summer's Campaign of 1897 has been presented to the Board at its fall session. The amount of our subscription

to be regulated by our several ability and judgment, regarding the needs of the students and merits of the cause.

(Signed) "A. CARMAN, Toronto.

A. SUTHERLAND, Toronto.

J. C. AIKINS, Toronto.

JAMES MILLS, Agricultural College, Guelph.

W. F. HALL, Napanee, Ont.

GEORGE JACKSON, London, Ont.

I. TOVEN, Hamilton, Ont.

S. F. HUESTIS, Halifax, N.S.

WILLIAM JOHNSTON, Trenton, Ont.

W. H. HEARTZ, Springhill, N.S.

JOHN J. MACLAREN, Toronto, Ont.

T. G. WILLIAMS, Sherbrooke, Que.

W. H. LAMBLY, Inverness, Ont.

E. B. RYCKMAN, Kingston, Ont.

GEO. W. DEAN, Portage la Prairie, Man.

THOMAS NIXON, Winnipeg, Man.

H. P. COWPERTHWAIT, Newfoundland.

JAMES WOODSWORTH, Brandon, Man.

THOMAS N. SCRIPTURE, Toronto, Ont.

R. W. CLARKE, Millbrook, Ont.

WILLIAM BRIGGS, Methodist Book Room.

J. VANWYCK, Hamilton, Ont.

JAMES HENDERSON, Toronto, Ont.

E. EVANS, Hampton, N.B.

ROBERT MAITLAND, Vancouver, B.C.

S. A. CHESLEY, Lunenburg, N.S.

H. CAIRNS, Arnprior, Ont.

WARRING KENNEDY, Toronto, Ont."

## THE ORGANIZATION OF THE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.

Each college enlists its own Campaigners, a large number of whom select their districts in which to work, which are usually near their homes. Some men are willing to work wherever the Corresponding Member may direct. Others who do not know where they will be during the summer, promise to do whatever they can, wherever they are.

The Corresponding Member communicates with the District and Local Epworth League officers and secures a list of invitations for Campaigners to hold meetings in individual Leagues or throughout the District, as the case may be.

The list of Campaigners and the list of invitations are published in the *Missionary Campaigner*, the organ of "The Young People's Forward Movement for Missions." The Epworth League officers and the Campaigners interested are advised to correspond with one another, and thus arrange for meetings. The District Epworth League Executive, under the direction of the Missionary Vice-President, plans the tours and arranges the dates of meetings with the Leagues throughout the District. One League billets the Campaigner for one day and conveys him to his next appointment, thus reducing the travelling expenses to a minimum.

### HOW TORONTO CENTRAL DISTRICT WAS ORGANIZED TO SUPPORT A MISSIONARY.

Many earnest missionary meetings, addressed by different Campaigners and conducted by officers and members of

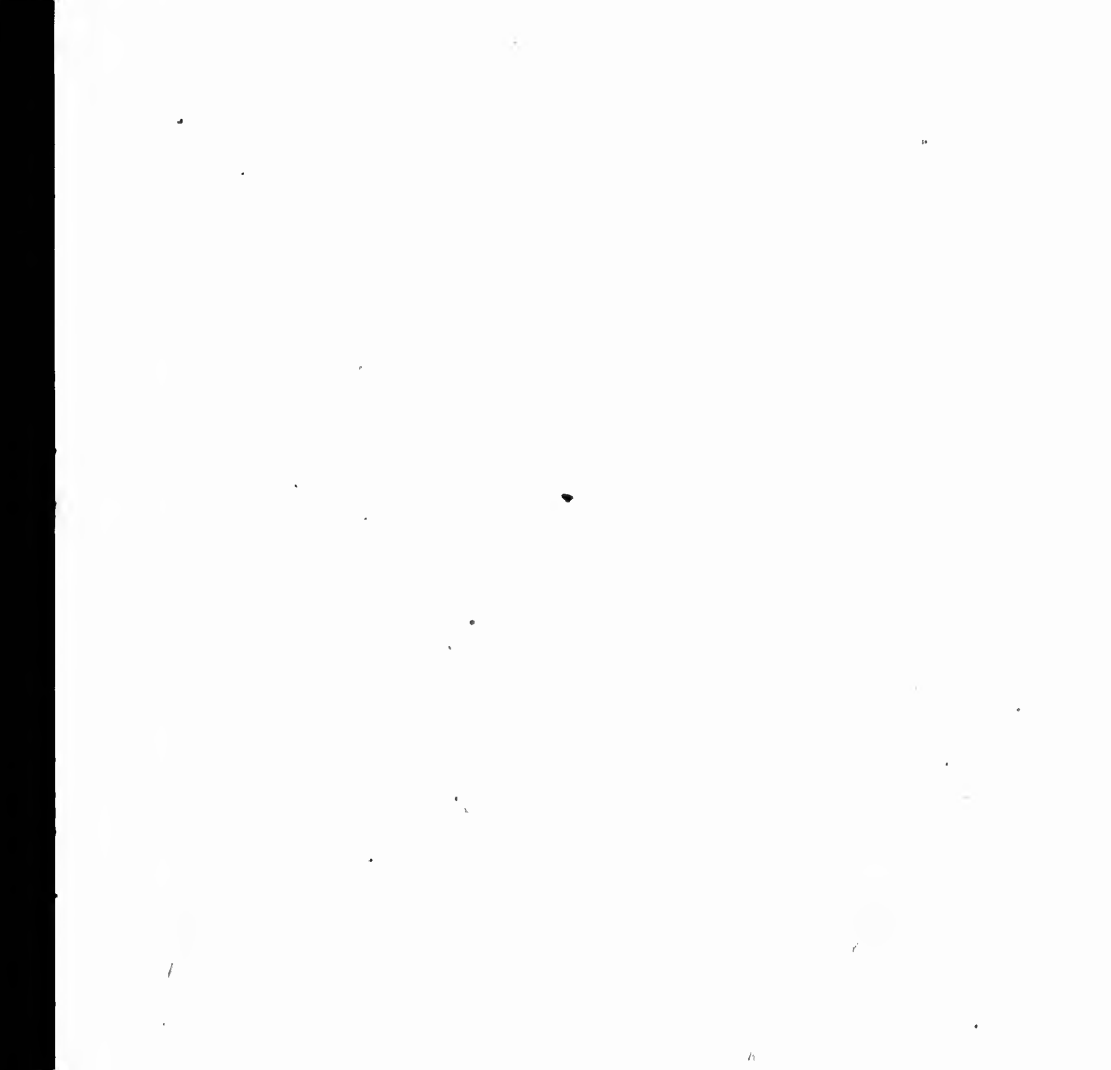
local Leagues, have been held during the past year in the Toronto Central District.

Early in December, 1896, a special meeting of the Central District Executive was called to meet Mr. F. C. Stephenson, who explained the work some of the other districts in Ontario had undertaken along the lines suggested in connection with the "Forward Movement," and more especially the supporting, by a District Epworth League, of a missionary in the home or foreign field.

The Executive were impressed with the importance of the work, and the opportunity that was offered for some practical work for our Leagues to take up. They accordingly decided to call a meeting of representatives from every League in the district, believing that if the object was to be attained, every League should co-operate. The Pastor, the President, Missionary Vice-President, and the members of the Missionary Committee of each League were invited, and a fairly representative meeting held at Broadway Church, December 28th, 1896, was the result, at which the President of the District, Rev. J. C. Speer, presided.

As far as the Central District is concerned, the matter first assumed definite form at this meeting, when it was unanimously and enthusiastically resolved to undertake the support of a missionary, and a committee, consisting of the Missionary Vice-President for the district, Mr. G. H. Wood, and the Convener of every League Missionary Committee, was appointed to carry it out.

This committee has met frequently, and, as a result, nearly every Young People's Society in the district has fallen into line; even those in the extreme northern part





—too far from the city to attend our meetings—writing to inform us that they are in hearty sympathy with our work ; and, better still, are going to help financially.

A very important and largely attended meeting was held on January 29th, at the home of Mr. Fred. C. Stephenson, to select, if possible, the field and missionary to which the money raised by the district should be applied. On invitation of the committee, Rev. Dr. Sutherland was present, representing the General Missionary Society, and Mrs. (Rev.) W. H. Hincks, representing the Woman's Missionary Society, both of whom spoke impressively upon the work and needs of their respective societies. While the committee thoroughly appreciated the grand and self-sacrificing work done by the Woman's Missionary Society, and were especially anxious not to encroach upon their sources of income, it was felt that, at any rate at present, it would be better not to divide the proceeds between the General and Woman's Missionary Societies, as suggested by Dr. Sutherland, but to devote all our efforts towards supporting, through the General Board, "our own" missionary. As Dr. Sutherland had intimated that there was great need of a medical missionary being sent to the west coast of Vancouver Island, it was unanimously resolved that the Leagues of our district undertake the support of a missionary of the General Society in that field, at a cost of \$800 per annum. At a later date it was found impracticable to occupy the west coast, and the Missionary selected was sent to Bella Bella.

The suggestion was made that Junior Leagues of the district might hand their missionary funds to the Woman's

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Missionary Society, which, if carried out, would more than make up any loss that society might otherwise sustain.

A word as to the district might not be out of place. In the city, its limits, east and west, are Yonge Street and Spadina Avenue; but its length is much greater than its width, extending, as it does, from the Bay to Richmond Hill. The district includes seventeen Young People's Societies, which altogether have a membership of about 1,000.

It is very gratifying to know that the young people are taking the matter up so enthusiastically. In fact, in April, only about three months after organization, in response to a request from the committee, asking for an intimation of the probable amount their League would raise before May, 1898, ten of the societies replied, naming amounts which aggregated more than \$500. We understand some of the societies—such as Broadway, \$150; St. Paul's (Avenue Road), \$75; Yonge Street, \$75; New Richmond, \$50; Elm Street, \$25; Davisville, \$25; Thornhill, \$12; and Edgeley, \$5—have actually *pledged themselves* to contribute these amounts during the first year. There is, therefore, good reason to believe that in the future, as the young people of our district realize, as they undoubtedly will, to a still greater extent, the privilege which is now offered to them of doing something practical in helping on Christ's cause, and of putting into practice our motto, "Look up! *Lift up!*" they will take hold so earnestly, that even more than the necessary \$800 will be raised without trouble.

Our League motto can most appropriately be our motto in this movement also, for it is based on the "pray and

pay" principle. Equally important with giving is praying; and thus, in joining this new movement we, perhaps, more truly than ever before, both "look up" and "lift up."

There is even greater reason for activity on the part of our members now than when the work was first undertaken, for the Missionary Board have, as a result of the Central District organization, appointed Rev. J. A. Jackson, S.T.L., M.D., as Missionary to Bella Bella, an important point on the west coast of the British Columbia mainland, where, especially during the summer fishing season, as many as four or five thousand people are there at a time. A hospital is being erected; and, as Mr. Jackson is doctor as well as minister, a field of untold usefulness awaits him. Although he is not going to Vancouver Island, as we at first expected, we believe the Missionary Board know the needs of the work so well, that we must simply accept the change; and while Dr. Jackson and his young wife labor amongst the Indians and whites thousands of miles away, we must be ever active at home, and constantly in prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our missionary, and also on ourselves and our societies.—*Missionary Campaigner*, July, 1897.

#### KIND WORDS REGARDING THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S FORWARD MOVEMENT FOR MISSIONS.

We publish extracts from a few of many letters received from both the laity and ministry of the M. E. Church, encouraging us in our Young People's Forward Movement for Missions:

"I consider the Young People's Forward Movement for

Missions as advocated by 'The Students' Missionary Campaign' of your Church, very auspicious and full of hope for the future of missions. If our young people of this generation can be thoroughly aroused as to the importance of missionary enterprise, the Church of the future will be pre-eminently a missionary church. It will develop systematic giving, and with a systematic distribution of missionary literature will beget a deeper and more intelligent interest in the salvation of the heathen. I sincerely trust that such a movement among young people will be inaugurated in all our churches. The hope of the future in every particular is in the education and consecration of our young people. I greatly rejoice in this movement, and earnestly pray that the Spirit that inspired it will come in power upon the whole of Christendom.

"REV. J. P. McFERRIN,  
"Louisville, Ky."

"F. C. STEPHENSON,— . . . Have carefully examined the two copies of *Missionary Campaigner* sent me, and am greatly pleased with the hopeful enthusiastic tone. The Young People's Forward Movement for Missions is a movement in the right direction, and cannot be too heartily commended. It will aid in placing upon the entire Church its duty and obligation in sending the Gospel to all the world. May the God of all grace greatly bless you in your work of faith and labor of love!

"Fraternally yours,  
"S. W. GEHRETT.  
"Philadelphia, Pa."

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"I regard the Students' Missionary Campaign more important than any work in the missionary direction that has been done in the last quarter of a century, as an educative work. I endorse it with all my *might, heart, mind, and strength.*

"The *Missionary Campaigner* is an excellent paper, and no doubt accomplishing a great work for the coming of the kingdom of our Lord.

"REV. L. A. PARKER, Ph D., D.D.,  
"Athens, Ala."

"I believe it (the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions) is one of the many indications of a quickened missionary conscience throughout the Universal Church.

"REV. J. W. SHOAFF, D.D.,  
"Selma, Ala."

It is altogether unnecessary to print any of the thousands of expressions of commendation received from all sources throughout "Canadian Methodism regarding our Students' Missionary Campaign" for a "Young People's Forward Movement for Missions" under the direction of our Church.

The fact that the Movement is under the management and direction of the General Board of Missions of our Church, and that the Hamilton Conference Epworth League and the Toronto Annual Conference unanimously passed motions recommending the Ministry and District officers to co-operate with the officers of the local Epworth Leagues in organizing not only the local Epworth Leagues,

but also the District / Epworth Leagues, on the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions plan, is an evidence that we are all of one accord in this matter and that it is the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst.

The following resolution, moved by Rev. R. Burns, B.A., and seconded by Rev. W. H. Hincks, was unanimously adopted: "Resolved, that this Epworth League meeting of the Toronto Methodist Conference heartily endorse the work of the members of the Students' Missionary Campaign in connection with Leagues and General Societies of our Church. We strongly urge upon local leagues, and particularly upon the district leagues of the Conference, the importance of organizing all the leagues, so that all members will study and pray and give more for the advancement of the great missionary cause."

#### THE HAMILTON CONFERENCE CONVENTION OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

At the Convention held in Paris, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Moved by Rev. R. W. Woodsworth, seconded by Rev. Dr. Henderson, and resolved,—

"That we, the members of the Epworth League Convention of the Hamilton Conference, desire to express our hearty approval of the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions, and hereby pledge ourselves to do all in our power to secure its practical adoption in the numerous Leagues that we represent. As an additional inspiration for aggressive work, we take as our motto for 1897 not only

'A Revival in every League,' but 'A Missionary Society in every League,' being fully persuaded that, with such mighty motives to quicken and guide us, we shall have a year of unprecedented blessing and victory all along the line."

A SUGGESTION THAT THE WHOLE CHURCH MIGHT BE RE-ORGANIZED ON THE PLAN OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S FORWARD MOVEMENT FOR MISSIONS.

Rev. A. B. Leonard, Senior Missionary Secretary of the M. E. Church, in an article on "The Decentralization of Missions" (see *Gospel In All Lands*, September, 1892, page 399), after showing clearly the advantages of having all our missions and missionaries managed by the Missionary Society, instead of by individuals or individual churches, submits the following as a plan of enlisting individual interest, individual prayer for, study of, and giving to the missions of the Church :

"In the place of the individual church becoming a foreign missionary society, let such as are able financially to bear the burden, notify the corresponding secretaries of their readiness to undertake the support of a missionary in the foreign field. Upon such notification being received, a missionary already in the field, or one to be appointed in the regular way, could be assigned to that church for support. The money for his support can be forwarded to the treasurer of the Missionary Society, and through its established methods forwarded, with slight cost and without risk, to its destination. All the benefits of independent action would thus be obtained without any of its demoralizing in-

fluences. The churches supporting missionaries would be constantly praying for their protection and success. Every prayer-meeting would be in part, at least, a missionary prayer-meeting, and from every family altar and every closet prayers would ascend for God's blessing upon the cause of missions, as well as for the missionaries supported by such local churches. These prayers would increase missionary zeal and greatly enlarge the spirit of benevolence. The Church has wealth in abundance, and prayer will place it in the missionary treasury, where it is so much needed. The result would be a large increase in contributions. Many churches, now doing but little, because they are not directly responsible for the support of a missionary family, would greatly enlarge their gifts, surprising themselves at the sums they would raise and the ease with which it would be accomplished. Such churches would feel the same responsibility for the support of their missionary that they do for the support of their pastor. A sense of personal responsibility would be felt which would inspire self-sacrifice, an experience now too rare in all our churches.

"Under our Methodist economy this method of supporting missionaries could be expanded so as to include the weaker churches as well as the stronger ones. Under the supervision of the presiding elders, churches could be grouped in districts, and two or more could be united in supporting a missionary. Under such a plan the individual churches would have all the inspiration that closeness of contact, frequent communication with their own missionary, and direct responsibility could produce, without any of the weakness and confusion that would certainly result from



"decentralization." It would promote centralization of power through decentralization of responsibility and effort. There would be increased power at the centre and increased faith, prayer, benevolence, and fidelity at the extremities.

"There are many churches in Methodism that could each send out one new missionary to a foreign field, and the inspiration of their example would so enlarge the liberality of the whole Church as that the work now established would still be liberally sustained. Here is a plan by which the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church can greatly enlarge its work, and so hasten the day of the coming of the Lord."

#### A WORD FROM REV. DR. HENDERSON.

One of the most significant events of our time is that of the Young People's Forward Movement, as advocated by the Students' Missionary Campaign, under the direction of the General Board of Missions. The significance of this movement is deeper than some of us can see, and diviner than some of us think. They have been at work for over a year now, and have had time to test the efficacy of their scriptural methods. Results are favorable. Wherever they have been at work I find their prayers have generated a greater sympathy for missions, and wherever we have the greatest sympathy we have relatively the greatest support. Financial results show this to be true, that wherever a church has within its pale a society of young people organized upon the forward movement basis, it can accomplish more for God and dying humanity than it could if it had no such organization in its midst.

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