

birth to or carry on enterprises, which enter into competition with the theatre, the circus, or any kind of merchants. The Church has her sphere. Her business is, as Jesus expressed it, to be about our Heavenly Father's business. That Church best accomplishes the Master's will, which most closely adheres to the particular work by Christ assigned to His Church, i.e.,—to "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Do these social and business enterprises, referred to, pay—spiritually? That, in my humble opinion, is the main question. By this criterion should all our work and accomplishments be measured. Do they bring us nearer to God? If they do, let the Church make use of them, or such among them, and in such a way, as may subserve her purpose. If they are found to be detrimental to the healthful life and growth of the Church and her members, we, who have her interest, and the interest of mankind at heart, should not hesitate to condemn them and use our utmost endeavors to have them eliminated.

This being my conviction I would hereby recommend for the prayerful consideration and adoption of the Church Council of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ottawa, the following resolution:

Whereas, we believe that some of the socials, entertainments, fairs, etc., given under the auspices of the church and church organizations, do not always serve the best interests of the church, and, whereas, we believe that these things need to be under the guardian care of the men whom the church has appointed to watch over her estate;

Therefore, be it resolved, that, when any organization in or connected with St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ottawa, desires to give a public entertainment, lecture, social, sale or any affair of a social nature, whether for profit or pleasure, it must before carrying the same into effect, submit its plans to the pastor and church council for their approval; without such approval no entertainment, etc., shall be given in the name or under the auspices of the church, or any organization connected with the church.

THE "MINISTERS-IN-TRAINING."

The above is a new phase to many readers of the Canada Lutheran, and it stands for an entirely new organization in Canadian Lutheranism. It is the name under which the students at our Seminary in Waterloo have become a corporate unit for purposes of mutual improvement and advancement of the general interests of the Seminary. Yes, the students having attained to the dignity of respectable numbers thought it wise to organize. An organization meeting was called early in the term, temporary officers elected, and a constitution framed. According to this constitution the "Ministers-in-Training" has not only advisory functions, but within certain limits also exercises legislative and executive powers. For example, student discipline has been placed under its control, and the student in charge reports its meetings. All matters of immediate interest to the students find expression at its meetings and when necessary are officially forwarded to the Seminary Committees or the Seminary Board. Improvements in the library and the laying out of a tennis court in the Seminary grounds are some results of recommendations from the "Ministers-in-Training." Meetings are held every two weeks. On the 10th of December the first semi-annual meeting was held for election of officers. All the officers of the first half year were re-elected and are as follows: Hon. President, the Rev. Prof. Lincke; President, N. Willison; Secretary, F. C. Christiansen; Treasurer, H. Rembe.

N. WILLISON.

WHO OUGHT TO GIVE?

The man who believes that when God said the heathen would be given to Christ, He meant it, and can and will accomplish it, and is now accomplishing it.

The man who believes in the power of the cross to conquer the world.

The man who rejoices that the world is open as never before, and that the prospects are brighter than ever before.

The man who feels that he has only one life to live, and wishes to make it count.

The man who believes that giving is as much a Christian grace as loving or believing.

The man whose ambition it is to be like Christ who gave HIMSELF.

The man who wishes to be found a faithful steward when Jesus comes.

—R. P. M.