

**DROMORE CAN DO IT.**

**Hundreds of Enthusiastic Endeavorers Crowd the Church.**

For weeks past Christian Endeavor Circles in South Grey have been planning for the great Annual meeting (held at Dromore this year) and on Friday last the event passed into history as in many respects the best yet held. It was a large undertaking for a country church to invite this large body to hold its sessions with them, but night visitors were delighted to find that thoughtful preparation for their comfort was much in evidence. The day was a very warm one, and teamsters were well pleased to find a hand of willing young men with "order" displayed on their caps, ready to take charge of the fabled horses. One room of the manse, at present empty, was utilized as a "bicycle room" for those who came in that manner, two other rooms were set apart for wash rooms, and the rest of the building was filled with revelled in cold water and a clean towel before going into the church. Some shady shrubs of the manse grounds, and late comers to the afternoon session found on entering the church, that up stairs and downstairs was packed by an enthusiastic crowd of earnest young Christian workers, that is in the main, years to whom such a Convention was a new experience. The fine church was made attractive by an evergreen archway and other decorations outside, and inside banks of gay flowers made the place speak a welcome which rendered the motto almost unnecessary. Down stairs there were bushels of buns, trays of bread, great areas of pie, and stoups of cakes and fancy favors. Mab and all her fairies, and this at the proper time the hundreds present were liberally supplied by willing waiters who liberally, that after all were satisfied there was abundance left.

The proceedings opened with a song service by the choir under the leadership of Mr. Wm. Bamange, and the hearty and efficient manner in which they sustained their part of the program reflected credit on their leader and choir alike. They had evidently plenty to choose from.

Contrary to the usual practice the morning service was held in the afternoon. Rev. Jno. Little being leader and upwards of 50 earnest Endeavorers took part in the usual impressive way. Pres. Cooper's address came in the afternoon. He reviewed the past and future. An address of welcome from Geo. Lothian, and the welcome from Elder Jno. Allan, the pulpit being at present vacant. These addresses were happily replied to on behalf of the Society by Rev. Mr. Isaac, of Holstein.

Rev. Mr. Humphreys gave a rousing "Final Word"—"Religious raising church money, by grab bag, etc. Nothing is right in the church that is wrong in the world and vice versa. Right is right everywhere."

The "Open Parliament" led by Mr. Blakeston, showed the strength of the Society. Cedarville, Dromore, Durham, Pricerville, Hampden, Swinton Park (2), Rocky Saugeen, Holstein (2), Varney, land, Fairbairn, and possibly others all in evidence. The report of Miss Isaac, Secy. of the Union, we give in full:

Dear Fellow Endeavorers: In presenting my report to you I am glad to say the past year has been one of progress, for which we should render thanks to our Heavenly Father. At Holstein, July 2nd, one year ago, 28 Methodist and 19 Presbyterian. The total number of members is 1,110. I am pleased to report that four other Societies have united: Knox C. Feversham, Maxwell, Presbyterian Leagues. Our statistics of membership are as follows: Methodist, 228; Church Members, 218; number of Active, 228; Associate, 218; number of Active, 228; Associate, 218; number of Church Members, 418; number of 1470. Two of the Societies that were members of our Union are not holding meetings now. Amounts raised for Missions \$210.63. Let us earnestly pray to God to bless all our efforts for helping and enlightening mankind and let us rejoice in the success of the great C. E. movement, which to-day has a larger number in its ranks pledged to go forth and rescue the world for Christ than any other organization of young people. I sincerely hope that you all will have a very successful and helpful Convention and that the various C. E. and E. L. Societies that are represented will renew fresh inspiration so that our young people may be more fully equipped for efficient service in our Divine Master's vineyard."

This year the Convention was favored by the presence of Rev. A. P. McGregor, convincing speaker. He is who organized the first C. E. Society in Ontario, consequently his interest in the "Question Drawer" contributions, he showed a fine readiness, with skillful yet endeavorers must have to keep from the question!

Rev. Mr. Jansen read a paper on "Christian Citizenship" prepared by Rev. J. R. Craigie, Hanover, who was unfortunately absent. It was an able and appropriate contribution to the program.

Rev. Mr. Hunter, Markdale, gave an earnest, well prepared address on

"Doubtful Recreations," and laid down three principles which should guide us. 1. Principle of Liberty. 2. Principle of Restraint. 3. Principle in the text "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." He applied these principles to the controversy of dancing, cards, and theatre, leading him strongly to condemn promiscuous dancing. Cards were a growing evil, encroaching on all classes, while the theatre was associated with so much that was impure as to be very dangerous.

Rev. Mr. McGregor followed in an address, which C. E. Workers in S. Grey will reckon one of the best they have ever received. He spoke of C. E. work, its broadening influence on character, the effect of sung into the kingdom of Heaven than preached into it, the mighty meetings had had a continental influence, and he thinks that the secret of the unification of Christendom, if it was to come, lies in young people's Societies.

They tried to the cultivation of friendliness and of brotherly love, and he said that as no man can see the whole galaxy of stars at one time, so no one person or sect can see all of God's truth at once. There was in the society the energy of love, and the energy of faith, and he had only condemnation for both sexes by indifference, or opposition were fluences. He closed by an earnest appeal to young men to be self-sacrificing while seeking to get higher as Christ needed them and this thought he eloquently impressed upon them as a closing note. Mr. McGregor will be well after the usual votes of thanks the closing "God be with you till we meet again" was heartily sung and a start for home was made, many going by way of the basement of course.

Mr. McGregor, we believe said he never attended a better meeting. The people of Amos Church, like the Israelites at the building of the Temple, rejoiced that they were able to give liberally. Pres. Cooper, in giving up the presidency, can flatter himself that he has done his whole duty for the union during his time. Miss M. A. Isaac also has been a painstaking Secretary and the membership value their labors. Mr. Sharp, of Holstein Epworth League is the new President, Miss Mary Scott, Dromore, Secy, and the zeal and ability of both will still keep the union on its successful way, as far as its two chief officers can do it. Mr. George Lothian is Vice Pres. Miss Roberta Henderson, Yeovil, Treas.

If any one person deserves special mention amongst the hosts of local workers who spent themselves to make this Convention the great success it was, that person is Geo. Lothian, whose public spirit, even in the face of indifference, was very prominent. The nominal charge for dinner and tea is a good feature. The proceeds, over \$50, will pay all expenses nicely. The charge was so small that some who believe forgot to wait on the Treasurer. Over 200 pies on Thursday night!! and other material in proportion! The committees all worked to perfection. Miss Little, Hampden stayed over with her college friend Miss Mary Scott. Miss S. McKinnon stayed over and was a guest of Miss S. Snell. Miss E. Bell, Markdale, stayed over with the Misses Isaac. Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Osprey were visiting at Mrs. Leslie's. We noticed the frame of Mr. John Snell's new house is under way. A Social was held Monday night for the Sabbath School children. Rev. Mr. Miller, Holstein, was present. He will conduct the communion in Amos Church on the 18th inst.

Who wants the Convention next year? Let Secy. Scott, Dromore, know.

**NORTH EAST NORMANBY.**

Mrs. Borne and Miss Maggie Borne, of Grand Valley are visiting at Mr. H. Lee: sons.

Miss L. Thomsen spent part of last week with Bentinck friends. Those who attended the Christian Endeavor Convention at Dromore last Friday report having spent a pleasant and profitable time. Also that the Dromore people could not have been more friendly and sociable.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Wallace drove down to Arthur last Saturday to spend a few days with friends in that vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Dunsmoor, of Toronto, are spending part of their honeymoon at Mr. J. Watson's.

Miss Millie Leeson returned home last Thursday from Holland Centre where she has been teaching for some time. Mrs. R. Morrison has been visiting at Mr. T. Wallace's for some time. Mr. R. Morice had the misfortune to lose a two year old weasel last Saturday. He sold three and had driven them to Durham, where one on entering the yard died.

Mrs. Day's house went up in smoke last Thursday night. The cause is unknown unless it was the warmth of the affection of the few couples who were passing about that time. Mr. and Mrs. T. McNiece drove to Pauley last Wednesday to attend the wedding of their cousin Miss Lindsay. They stayed the remainder of the week visiting friends in that part.

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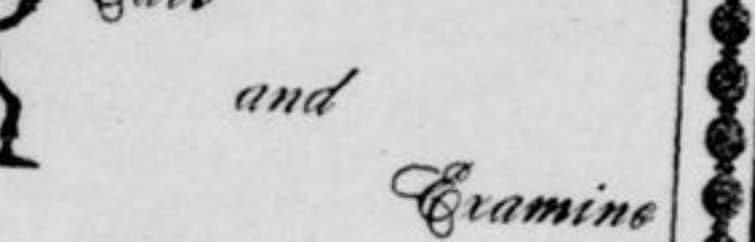
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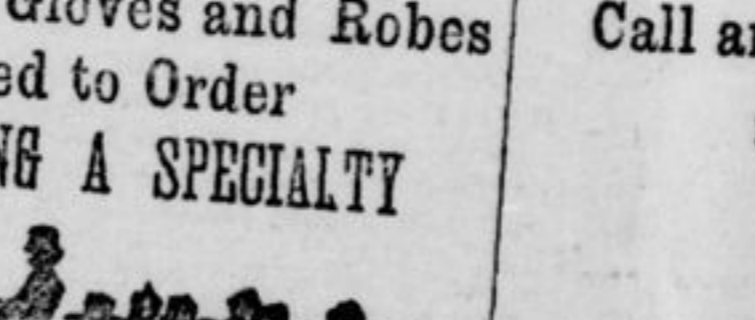
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