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The President's Greetings.

To all the societies of the Free Baptist Young People's Provincial League, greeting. May the year 1900 be a happy and prosperous one to you all. Happy, because of making others happy, prosperous, because rich in loving service for the Master.

Let us get out of the ruts of indifference. If we have made mistakes in the past year, let us, by the help of God pull up stakes and strike for higher ground in Christian usefulness. If the lions of discouragement stand in the way, thrust them through with the sharp two-edged sword of the Spirit: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Besides local work, we have before us, two branches of League work: 1st. To raise money for Missions. We believe that as soon as the societies do their part in raising the money, God will provide some one who will be ready to go to India as our missionary.

2nd. To raise money to establish an Educational Loan Fund of at least one thousand dollars. This is to aid our young men entering the ministry, who need help to get an education. Let us try this year, to do all we can to extend the cause of Christ. May the blessing of God come to every society.

M. L. GREGG

Fredericton, N. B.

Concerning Reports, &c.

We are most glad to be able to give to our readers today two such interesting letters as have come to us from the 'north and the south.' Especially glad are we to hear of the new society organized at Lamberts' Cove, and hope and pray that it may be a great stimulus to Christian activity in that place, and an incentive to all of us for better service "For Christ and the church."

It is a great pleasure also to receive another question for our 'Box' from an interested worker, who is evidently facing the same problem that has presented itself to so many consistent workers. In an accompanying note "A. B. C." says: "I am glad a question box has been opened in Our Column and hope a greater interest will be taken in it as the time goes by. I have a question I would like to have widely discussed and think good might be the result. No doubt many have met the same problem in their Endeavors. Let us hear what the wise men and 'wis' women, and every interested worker can say about this very important question. Write your ideas on the subject (even if they are by no means novel or striking) and send them to the Press Co., as soon as possible so they may be in time for the next Column."

We would also take this opportunity to thank all who have during the last five months contributed to the Column. Your Com. greatly appreciates this kindly aid, which not only lightens their work, but makes our department so much more interesting. Can we not this month hear from a large number of Societies who have not reported themselves for some time. Do your share and see how much it will add to the interest of the Column.

A. G. H.

Our Question Box.

Note.—This feature of the "Column" will appear as often as the questions submitted may require. Readers are invited to make free use of the "Box." Address all questions to: Press Co., Care of Miss A. G. Hartley, St. John West, N. B.

(3) What shall we do with "Active Members," who are no longer active?

A. B. C.

The Orphanage.

The idea of a question department in the column is a good one,

and we trust will be availed of by all those interested in our work. A little more might be said concerning the question of last issue "Why was the Orphanage scheme dropped?" As was well said in the reply it was not dropped. The condition caused by circumstances unlooked for and unforeseen by us at the beginning made it evident to those in touch with the work that it was not now practicable to build a separate building for the Orphanage, but, by making certain additions and improvements to the High School building the Orphanage could be provided for. Thus we have done that which we set out to do, that is provided a commodious home for the Orphans and their successors. We may not have accomplished our end in our own way, as we had purposed, but we believe that which is better, in the Lord's way. We hope the missionary in charge of the Boy's Orphanage will not fail to let us hear something about Orphanage work occasionally. I would suggest that the Cor. Secretary request it of him.

Our Next Work.

Having closed up the Orphanage undertaking, the Lord has given us another work. This time it is home work. This ought to go easy, for there were a good many who were not in sympathy with our foreign work when there was so much need at home. We ought to have no objectors now, but should easily do that which we have undertaken—the raising of a loan fund of one thousand dollars to assist our young men in preparation for the ministry. Here is the scheme as outlined at the last session of the League.

The Committee on Loan Fund presented their report as follows:

Resolved, That this League endeavor to establish a loan fund of at least one thousand dollars.

1. That societies be requested to contribute towards this fund at the rate of twenty-five cent per member each year.

2. That individual contributions be solicited and welcomed toward this fund.

3. That the money as received be placed in some bank to the credit of the Educational Loan Fund of the League.

4. That the Executive of the League be empowered to loan this money to any ordained or licensed member of the General Conference, district meetings or local churches, who may be securing an education in such sums as the Executive may deem advisable.

5. That no student have at any time more than two hundred dollars of the fund.

6. That the money received by the students be repayable at such times and in such sums as he and the Executive may mutually agree upon.

Each society should make a canvass for the 25 cts., as set for by the first section, and a committee should be struck at once to make personal canvass for individual subscriptions. There ought to be many of our people in a position to make good contributions to a scheme so worthy and so commendable. Let it be pushed. Nearly five months of the year have gone by, and there is no time to lose. Every opportunity should be embraced to get it prominently before the people.

Self-Denial.

In line with the above, we would call the attention of the societies to self-denial week, which has been set down for the week commencing on the Monday preceding Easter Sunday. (See minutes of Conference, League report, page 85.)

We have had a week appointed for self-denial each year for the past year. Perhaps it has not been as generally observed nor the results all we had hoped for. Then all the more cause why it should this year be agitated and urged upon our membership that it may be observed by all, and that satisfactory results may come from our efforts.

J. B. D.

Woodstock Society.

While many Young People's Societies have, like the old year, passed out of existence, our Christian Endeavour at Woodstock is still living, and not only living but striving to live well. In looking back over the past year, we can see a forward movement along several lines. One thing worthy of mention is the laying aside of a certain part of the income for the Lord's work. Some among us have always given the Lord his tithe; during the past year others have tried the way and found it good.

The officers appointed for the next term are:—President, Frank Dunn; Vice-President, Rev. J. W. Clark; Treasurer, Mrs. Jarvis Watson; Cor. Sec., Aurabel Johnston; Rec. Sec., N. P. Grant; Organist, Ada True; Chairman Lookout Committee, Mrs. B. R. Johnston; Chairman Social Committee, R.

Helen Snow; Chairman Sick Committee, Luella True; Chairman Prayer-meeting Committee, Cook Hall. With such a competent staff of officers we are expecting much aggressive work from the young people.

Yours in the work, AURABEL JOHNSTON, Cor. Sec. Woodstock, Jan. 2nd, 1900.

Deer Island.

Being appointed Vice President for the Seventh District in connection with our Young People's Work, perhaps it is my duty to contribute something to the column devoted to this work, especially at this the beginning of the year 1900.

Regarding our own Society at Chocolate Cove, which was organized in 1894 by Rev. J. B. Daggett with only a limited membership, I may say that since that time our meetings have been sustained and God has blessed us in many ways, and especially during the past year by the addition of seven Associate members becoming Active. This truly is encouraging and has been a great help to the few who have striven to do God's will stimulated by the promise "that where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst and to bless." So often has this promise come home to us as a Society, because often times the attendance is not what it should be, yet we feel to thank our kind Heavenly Father that the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places, and sometimes the hard and discouraging things in life mean so much to us after all, if we wait patiently and leave the result with God.

We have an Active membership of twenty and each member does his or her duty cheerfully. Our pastor, Rev. A. D. Paul, attends our meetings as often as his other pastoral duties will permit, and his words are always kind, helpful and encouraging. A. C. E. Society was organized at Lambert's Cove a short time ago by the Vice President, assisted by Rev. A. D. Paul, with the following officers; viz, Miss Alexia English, President and Treasurer; Miss Maud Loring, Vice President; Mrs. James Stuart, Cor. and Recording Secretary; Lookout Committee, Mrs. Samuel Butler, Abel Eaton, and Carrol Gardner, and although the membership is limited, we know that these are earnest and diligent workers for God and we feel that at the close of the present year many more will unite with the Society. As the membership increases the other Committees will be appointed. So to any Society who may feel that they are somewhat discouraged in the work, I would say that at the beginning of this New Year let us renew our covenant with God, double our diligence and let us do each duty willingly and cheerfully, as it presents itself to us, be it ever so small, because I am afraid often times we heedlessly omit the small duties expecting to accomplish something great, and consequently lose many many blessings which God has in store for us. So let our motto be "For Christ and the Church" and our Watchword be "Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord to Thee."

and exemplify by our words and deeds that we are trying to do God's will each day.

AGNES J. CUMMINGS, Vice-Pres. of Seventh District.

Fredericton Society.

The Society of Christian Endeavor has, at the present, a membership of 50, of whom 47 are active members. We have had some of the best meetings this winter that our society has ever enjoyed. Our League President, M. L. Gregg, visited it quite recently, and favored us with a lengthy address in which he made special mention of the Provincial League—its organization and work. Following this, Pastor F. C. Hartley spoke briefly concerning Foreign Missions, and before taking his seat, \$21 was pledged for the Foreign Mission and Ministerial Fund, to which other amounts have since been added. As we now enter upon a New Year it is with the desire that it may be the best year in the history of the Christian Endeavor Society, and this can be accomplished by the full and hearty co-operation of its membership to do that which will advance Christ's Kingdom.

Cor. Sec'y Jan., 10th., 1900.

'I'll Be a Man.'

I remember, said John B. Gough, riding once in Scotland to a place—I cannot pronounce it; I pronounced it once and they laughed at me. I can spell it—A-u-c-h-t-e-r-n-u-c-h-t-y. A came to me at Ladybank Junction and took me six miles in a fly—a one horse cab. As we sat together I noticed the man was leaning forward very strangely; I saw him take a handkerchief—

that was the beginning of it—and tie it around his face. Then he would sit a little, and shake it out, and then tie it another way, still leaning his head forward.

Said I, Have you the toothache? No.

Then you will be good enough to tell me why you lean forward with the handkerchief?

Well, he said, the window of the cab is broken, and the wind is pretty cold this morning, and I am trying to keep it from you.

Why, I said, you don't mean to tell me you are sticking your head in that hole to keep the wind off me?

Yes, I am.

I said: Well, I thank you, my dear fellow. I never saw you before. No, but I saw you. I was a ballad singer, and used to go around with a half-starved wife and a baby in her arms, my wife oftentimes with a black eye. Somehow or other I got to hear you in Edinburgh in 1853, and you told me I was a man; and I went out of the place and said, By the help of God, whatever it costs, I'll be a man!

And now I have a happy home, and wife and children gathered round. God bless you, sir! I would stick my head in any hole under heaven if I could do you any good. God bless you, sir!—Christian.

A Gentleman.

I was once spending the night in a beautiful home in a large city. At about nine o'clock my host, a gentleman of about fifty-five years of age, got up, went into the hall and put on his overcoat and rubbers. Returning to the parlor door, he said:

Excuse me, please, for just a few minutes. I am going to say good-night to my mother.

His mother lived three blocks distant, and for thirty years her son had never failed to go and bid her good-night, if he was in the city.

No matter what the weather may be, no matter how tired he may feel, no matter who his guests are, my husband never fails to run over to his mother's and bid her good night, said the gentleman's wife when he had gone.

Neither he nor she could sleep if this duty had been neglected. When his business compels him to be away from the city, he writes to her every day, if only a single line.

Her mental powers are beginning to fail, and she forgets many things, so that her mind is a blank on some points; but when nine o'clock comes, she always knows the hour, and says: It is time for Henry to come and bid me good-night.

A Quaker's Temperance Lecture.

Several persons, among them a Quaker, were crossing the Alleghany Mountains in a stage.

A lively discussion arose on the subject of temperance and the liquor business, and those engaged in it were handled without gloves.

One of the company remained silent. After enduring it as long as he could, he said:

Gentlemen, I want you to understand that I am a liquor dealer. I keep a public house of—, but I would have you to know that I have a license, and keep a decent house.

I don't keep loafers and loungers about my place, and when a man has enough he can get no more at my bar.

I sell to decent people, and do a respectable business.

He thought he had put a quietus on the subject, and that no answer could be given. Not so. The Quaker said:

Friend, that is the most damnable part of thy business. If thee would sell to drunkards and loafers, three would help to kill off the race, and society would be rid of them.

But thee takes the young, the poor, the innocent and the unsuspecting, making drunkards and loafers of them.

When their character and money are all gone, thee kicks them out, and turns them over to other shops to finish off; and thee ensnares others and sends them on the same road to ruin.—Selected

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ON BOTH KNEES.—William Dawson once told this story to illustrate how humble the soul must be before it can find peace. He said that at a revival meeting a little lad who was used to Methodist ways, went home to his mother and said:

Mother, John S.—and so is under conviction and seeking for peace, but he will not find it to-night, mother.

Why, William? said she. Because he is only down on one knee, mother, and he will never get peace until he is down on both knees.

Until conviction of sin brings us down on both knees, until we are completely humbled, until we have no hope in ourselves, we cannot find the Saviour.—D. L. Moody.

The first equestrian statue in Great Britain was that of Charles I at Charing Cross, London facing Parliament street.

There is to-day a crying need of a reformation in the treatment of the body. The basis of this reformation is to be found in the thesis of Dr. R. V. Pierce: "Diseases which originate in the stomach must be cured through the stomach."

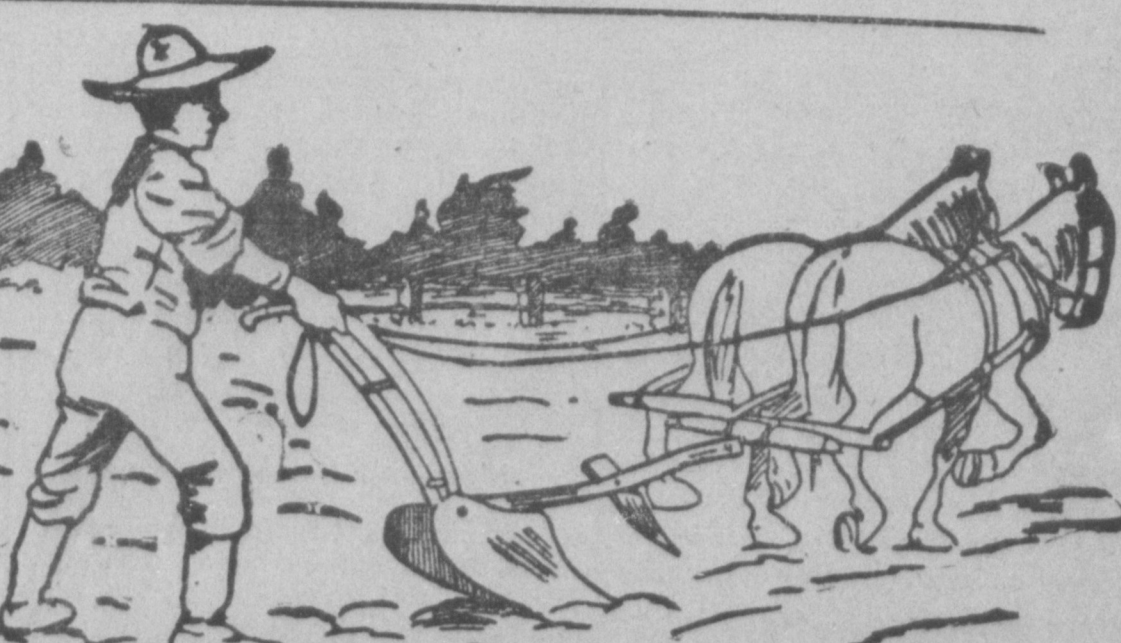
In the thirty odd years of Dr. Pierce's experience as chief consulting physician to the "Invalids" Hotel and Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y., he has treated more than half a million people with a record of ninety-eight cures in every hundred. The theory held by Dr. Pierce that the stomach is the chief breeding place of disease, is abundantly borne out by the success of his treatment which is addressed primarily to the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition.

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Thomas A. Swarts, of Sub-Station C, Columbus, Ohio, Box 107, writes: "I was taken very sick with severe headache, then cramps in the stomach, and my food would not digest, then stomach and liver trouble, and my back got so weak I could scarcely get around." At last I had all these at once, and I gave money to the doctors whenever I thought they would do me any good, but I have done more so poorly since, and I got so thin I had given up to die, thinking that I could not be cured. Then I saw one of my neighbors, who said: "Take my advice, and use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The first bottle helped me and after I had taken eight I was weighed and found I had gained 27 pounds. I have done more hard work in the past eleven months than I did in two years before, and I am healthy to-day and do not feel anything like dying. I cannot give Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery too much praise."

OAK HALL

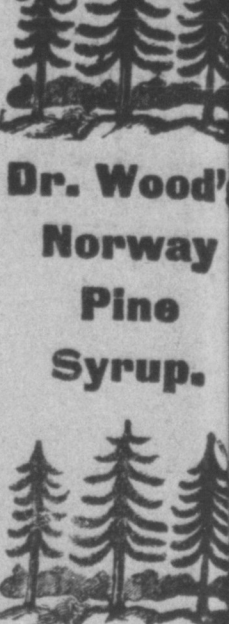
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I am a farmer located near Stony Brook, one of the most malarious districts in this State, and was bothered with malaria for years, at times so I could not work, and was always very constipated as well. For years I had malaria so bad in the spring, when engaged in plowing, that I could do nothing but shake. I must have taken about a barrel of quinine pills besides dozens of other remedies, but never obtained any permanent benefit. Last fall, in peach time, I had a most serious attack of chills and then commenced to take Ripans Tablets, upon a friend's advice, and the first box made me all right and I have never been without them since. I take one Tablet each morning and night and sometimes when I feel more than usually exhausted I take three in a day. They have kept my stomach sweet, my bowels regular and I have not had the least touch of malaria nor splitting headache since I commenced using them. I know also that I sleep better and wake up more refreshed than formerly. I don't know how many complaints Ripans Tablets will help, but I do know they will cure any one in the condition I was and I would not be without them at any price. I honestly consider them the cheapest-priced medicine in the world, as they are also the most beneficial and the most convenient to take. I am twenty-seven years of age and have worked hard all my life, the same as most farmers, both early and late and in all kinds of weather, and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last fall; in fact, my neighbors have all remarked my improved condition and have said, "Say, John, what are you doing to look so healthy?"

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have a little friend... To dust or set the bed; the very thought of... her off a weeping... And she always goes... her feet were left... 'hates' to rock the... some day, maybe... She'll go away, and... have no babies... to keep folks busy... is she looking... And she doesn't... says, I will be... true she cannot... square... To buy a spool of... mother's mail; and... it's much against... set to washing... While to speak of... enough to make... fact, she wants to... ssembling work;... And the only thing... as I can say... to take her doll ar... some quiet nook... To read of elves an... the hours away... —Har... Why the Toys... 'No, I ain't goin'... goin' to do just... 'm again' to act... the room heard the... The jockey in p... horse winked at th... to say: 'Gee whiz... Mrs. Gordon sig... her boy. He was... of six, with featle... formed chin, and... very curls on his h... She was too wea... him, and from th... earned to talk, h... 'act up' struck ter... 'O Ralph,' she p... been a new boy e... year came. You... it now... 'Tain't a new y... it will be diffrun... old thing, and so... 'Well, come now... fast suggested M... hope that the stor... 'You'll do that, I... 'If they's m... in a lordly way... sounds that were... after they went o... be presumed tha... not on hand... 'Ladies and gen... the jockey in pink... left alone. 'I sh... right same as the... been a horderin'... the reason we's g... paces wen any o... an' winds us up... short an' assertin'... I'm dead tired... table or the floo... it? I don't v... Don't even git m... So I strikes! S... The talking... anything but—... 'Mary had a... Its fleece wa... smiled sweetly... She was a lovely... golden curls, an... of blue lace an... mid,' she said... 'Why should I... lines to suit... would they like... every time the... crank; and if th... sense, too, whe... great thoughts... Mrs' lamb... realistic! I kn... as snow. I kn... the country wh... look like well-u... The mechanic... always piling... Brand Best F... waggon, drew... I'll take a rest... agin the grain I... hustlin' about... wheat. I'm an... to a union, too... makin' me worl... The Noah's... a corner; 'I'm... Master Ralph... bath-tub I'll a... water. It will... leopard get hi... so precious p... the camel hav... That's a joke—... Noah's ark had... like a plank th... on it. There... cries from the... were each exp... to trust the... treacherous o... The tin offic... who command... in blue, spok