

and you can send in your list and ask what the set can be bought for. When a complete outfit like this is purchased, the United Society will always make a generous reduction, and you will be astonished to see how cheaply you can get your tools.

Try it, won't you? And do not put it off. Carry on your work under the best auspices. Do not try to write on geographies or cut grass with a sickle. Be up-to-date. Be economical of strength. And learn that a dollar's worth of bit and auger will save ten dollars' worth of nerve and muscle and backache and gouged wood. — C. E. World.



How One Weak Society Became Strong.

PRACTICAL HINTS FOR OUR WORKERS.

One church that is doing a significant work among young people is Bethany Presbyterian church, Chicago, of which the Rev. Charles A. Wilson is pastor. Three years ago the Christian Endeavor society was struggling for a bare existence; attendance was small and desultory, often not more than five or ten being present; committees did not work, and the society organization was scarcely more than an empty form.

Now the society numbers about sixty active members, and is well organized; committees are diligently doing their appointed work; and it now has in its membership one candidate for the ministry and one young lady who desires to go as a missionary to the foreign field.

In order that some other struggling society may be profited, the method of this transformation is briefly presented.

First let it be said that the pastor believes it to be the direct answer to prayer. During the dark hours the pastor and his wife frequently met with the faithful three or four in secret when the needs of the society were presented at the throne of grace, with special prayer that the Lord would revive his work.

Coincident with this a devoted young man was sought for leadership as president. After a time a suitable one was found, who reluctantly accepted the office. Presently improvement was noted; the membership and attendance increased; committees were appointed and held to their work; and a new spiritual life prevailed.

As the president's interest grew, he felt the call to the ministry and entered college preparatory thereto. A capable young woman was secured as his successor, and progress continued.

Six months ago, the lookout committee divided the thirty active members into five sections of six each, members of the committee being heads of these sections. Each section was urged to increase its number to ten. In three months this was done, and the membership has now attained to about sixty.

Another secret of success has been the fact that the members have been made to feel the importance of individual work. The idea that each one is to be a seeker for others is persistently inculcated. Many lines of useful activity have been carried out. Some engage in collecting and distributing good literature to hospitals, asylums, etc., about this great city. Others spend Sabbath afternoon in personal work at hospitals, extending sympathy to the unfortunate and inviting them to Christ. Still others visit the aged of the church and community, and carry them good cheer.

Due recognition is given to the so-

ciety in the work of the church. Recently on Sabbath evening the service was under the auspices of the Endeavorers, a few members presenting the various activities of the society to the congregation. Special postal invitations were sent, and a large attendance with gratifying interest resulted.

On Thanksgiving Day letters were delivered in the name of the society to the elderly and afflicted of the congregation, bearing them sympathy and friendly greeting. This has proved fruitful and of much good in uniting the youth with the old of the church, and some very happy responses were received.

The society sustains an intimate connection with the general Endeavor movement and with all departments of the church. Of the sixty members, all but three are in the Sabbath school, the school furnishing at the same time a fruitful source of supply for new recruits. Four-fifths attend all the services of the church, including the mid-week prayer-meeting and the morning and evening worship.

A more loyal and devoted band of young men and women would be hard to find.—C. E. World.



CHRONIC FAULT FINDERS.

"Those people would be discontented in heaven."

The sentence was uttered with emphasis by a good man concerning some neighbors who were always finding fault.

No habit takes such deadly hold nor grows so fast as this ill weed of character once it is securely planted in the soil of the heart. The chronic fault-finder has an if or a but to suggest in every condition. Even a fine day, with clear skies and stimulating air is a weather-breeder, sure to be succeeded by rain and fog! The best-kept hotel does not come up to the fault-finder's standard; and as for home life, the presence of one of these inveterate pessimists renders it gloomy beyond description.

When we find in ourselves a tendency to this failing, let us root it up at once; otherwise it will kill all our joy.—*Christian Intelligencer.*



BE A CHRISTIAN WHERE YOU ARE.

Man is saying: "Certainly I would be a Christian if I could get out of this position; if I could get out of this business, this particular situation in which I am engaged, where there are ungodly men round about me. If I only lived in your home instead of mine, I could be a Christian. My surroundings are against me."

If you cannot be a Christian where you are, you cannot be a Christian anywhere. God is no more in my home than in thine.

"It is so easy to be Christians while we are in the sanctuary, and the very breath of eternity is upon us, and God is at hand. To-morrow, in the city, in the workshop, in the office, on the mart, it is very hard."

God is no more in the sanctuary than he is in the shop, or your office, or the mart; and it is no more difficult to pray when ungodly men are thronging around you than it is to pray here.

So long as you are longing for freedom from your present surroundings to be a Christian, you will never find the deliverance you seek.—Rev. G. R. Campbell Morgan.

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If it be true that "business comes before pleasure," it is also true that prayer should come before business.