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OUR TOPIC TALK.

JULY 26.—A mission study of South America.—Luke 2: 25-32.

Conditions in South America are different from those in other missionary countries. The population is estimated at 37,500,000 of mixed race. About one-sixth of this number are Indians, and the remainder is composed of Europeans, Negroes, Chinese and Hindus.

The prevailing language is Spanish and its kindred tongue, the Portuguese. Christianity is already known by most of the people. Unlike other missionary fields, there is no prejudice against Christianity, but there is a grave misunderstanding of Christian truth. One who has made a personal study of the conditions says: "Everywhere we find either an ignorant or a thoughtless multitude following blindly in the footsteps of their fathers, who inherited from their ancestors a form of Christianity without its power. Feasts, fasts, saints' days and the accompanying dissipation are marked features of the religious life." Standards of morality are low, even among the priests. Their religion is formal and in many cases the last vestige of holiness and the secret of the life hid with Christ in God have disappeared.

Protestant missions aim to enlighten those who are already nominally Christians, but fail to understand the real meaning of Biblical truth. In some parts the work can be prosecuted under the protection of the authorities and in others political conditions make advancement difficult.

S.J.C.

THE LEAGUE.

The Tenth Annual Session of the League will be held at Marysville, August 4th-6th.

On account of the absence from the province of the Secretary, Rev. M. L. Gregg, I have been requested by the Executive to attend to such work as must be done by the Corresponding Secretary in getting ready for the Convention.

Blank forms will be sent at once to each Society that reports may be forwarded to the League by the delegates. In order that no Society may be overlooked, I would request that the name of the Corresponding Secretary of EACH Society be forwarded

to me at ONCE. If this is not done and your Society not reported the fault will be your own.

Better select your delegates at once, one for each ten active members, with the President and Cor. Sec.

An attractive programme is being prepared, among other good things will be an address by Rev. Dr. Anthony of Lewiston, Me.

Let us all attend to business now and get ready for the League.

F. CLARKE HARTLEY.

Fredericton, N. B., June 25, 1903.

GIBSON SOCIETY.

Dear Fellow Workers,—Perhaps it is again time (and we think it is), to hear from our Society. As we look over the INTELLIGENCER, and on our column page, and see no reports from societies, our thoughts are carried at once to our Press Committee and we can feel somewhat of their disappointment as week after week they receive no reports.

Although we have been silent in our column we have been working for our Master. We have enjoyed many blessings from His bountiful hand since last League. Our pastor, Rev. A. D. Paul, held revival services in the spring and a goodly number felt their need of a Saviour and were converted, and came into our church and Society; also a number of our Associate members became Christians and knew it to be their duty to take the Active work of the Endeavorer as their work in the future. After the revival we had a reception for our new members. There were about 15 Active members. The following programme was carried out: Singing, "Labor On;" singing, "I know that My Redeemer Lives;" prayer, Bro. George Bolster; scripture lesson, responsively read; address by President, Jas. Blair; receiving the new members; singing, chorus; address by pastor, Rev. A. D. Paul; solo, Victoria Bailey; reading, Rena Fleming; duet, the Misses Bailey; reading, Gussie Lambert; solo, Jennie Brewer; reading, Rachel Bailey.

After the programme refreshments were served, and every one went away well pleased to think that they were Christian Endeavorers. We find the new members anxious and willing to work. We have had our monthly missionary meetings, and at each of these we have had a very interesting programme. At all of our meetings we have a good attendance. Quite a number of young men attend our meetings regularly, although the summer always has so many amusements, and we can look up to our blessed Redeemer and thank Him, and pray that those of them that know Him not may yet find Him to the joy of their souls.

We have had our difficulties as well as our blessings. Quite a number of our most energetic workers have had to work on our meeting nights, and we felt the loss of them from our meetings, but we have always had their prayers and we have prayed for them. As we look forward to our League meeting, which is only about a month distant, we pray that God may crown every work with success, and as we come together may it be to honor Him.

We feel that we have been negligent in reporting our Society, and we can see in how many ways we might

have helped the Press Committee in discharging the duties that League assigned to them; next year we intend doing better.

G. L.
Cor. Sec.

Gibson, June 24th, 1903.

THE BEAVER WORKERS.

A recent letter from the Beaver Harbor Society tells us that they are working away steadily, though under discouraging circumstances at times. The Vice-President of the 7th District reports that the Society is not quite as active as last year, although still numbering ten Active, and five Associate members. There has recently been a change of officers, the new ones scarcely having got fairly "into the harness" yet. There are many encouraging items in the letter, however,—“We are looking forward to better times,” tells us that they are not faint-hearted in the work, but when the clouds gather, look patiently upward for the clear sky again; “I intend to do my part to keep things running,” tells us that at least one realizes his individual responsibility, and oh the power of one such! “We will be represented at League this year we expect,” shows us their interest in our general work, and “We are planning on a strawberry festival to raise the rest of our League pledge,” speaks of their continued and practical concern in its affairs. Altogether the Beaver workers have reason to “thank God and take courage.”

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ONE MORE.

On the evening of June 17th, President Paul, assisted by Mr. Bonnell, formerly of Gibson Society, now supplying-pastor of the Olinville Free Baptists, organized a Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. This young Society started with eleven Active members, and two Associate, and since has added two more to the Active list. It purposes holding its meetings on Wednesday evening. Although not numerous, the members are earnest and determined to do their part towards making the Society a success. They have already determined to be well represented at League, in order that they may come in touch with our Young People's work in general.

As this new Society is facing difficulties of no mean nature, and its members are almost without exception young Christians, let us remember them in our thoughts, and ask that the Spirit that makes us “wise as serpents and harmless as doves,” fill their hearts and lives. Miss Inez Belyea holds the office of Corresponding Secretary.

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ONE LESS.

Pastor Dagget, of the Fredericton Junction Society, says of it: “Our Society has passed out of being. For reasons which seemed wise to me I disbanded the organization soon after I became pastor. I trust that the time will shortly come when we shall see our way clear to reorganize.” So say we all. The Fredericton Junction delegates will be missed at League this year, as will their always-encouraging report, and never-failing generous contribution to our funds. May the time very soon come when there will be a strong, working Society at the Junction.

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THE AX of toughest steel becomes dulled by constant use and must have a new edge if it is to do good work. Constant work dulls a man as it does an ax, makes him sluggish of body and dull of mind. He needs a tonic, something that will restore the keenness of mind and activity of body.

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