

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I. Timothy 4-12

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REPORT OF ANNUAL CONVENTION

The seventh annual meeting of our Young People's Association was held at Beulah on Saturday, July 8th, at 2.30 p. m., with Rev. G. R. Symonds presiding.

Our corresponding secretary, Lic. Wilbur Mullen, presented his report in which the work of the past year was received and hopes for the fiscal year were expressed. Our secretary reaffirmed our love for the truth of full salvation, and spoke appreciatively of the support and co-operation of our pastors and older church members. Speaking of the spiritual status of our work, he declared: "God is wonderfully blessing us in our services, and it is with great joy that we behold such a keen spirit of harmony and co-operation among our young people. It is not only our own opinion, but that of many others, that this year has undoubtedly been the best in our brief history." He renewed the pledge of support to our president, editor of the Y. P. Page, and pastors as well as to any other enterprise whose objective is the salvation of souls. His closing words were: "Finally, and most important of all, we yield ourselves to the whole will of God, and as we leave Beulah this year to return to our churches, we determine to keep the glory of God upon us."

We had the great privilege of having as our convention speaker, Rev. Dr. Brasher, the Camp evangelist, who brought a most stirring message from John 11:28: "The Master is come, and calleth for thee." Comparing in analogy the death and entombment of Lazarus, to the fallen and sinful condition of mankind he graphically portrayed the teeming multitudes of unregenerate humanity imprisoned in a tomb of spiritual death. As the faith and devotion of Mary moved the Lord Jesus to speak life and liberty to him who was still in death so the faith and devotion of our consecrated lives can produce spiritual power to the transformation of the sinful of our day. A glorious climax to this great service came when Dr. Brasher asked all those who would give their lives to rescue perishing humanity to come forward, and scores of young people crowded to the front of the tabernacle. To join these, came parents willing to surrender children and finances to reach those dead in trespasses and sin. Lack of space and ability makes it impossible for me to present a true account of this greatest of our annual rallies to date. The Holy Ghost melted our hearts as we assembled in consecration at Jesus' feet.

We trust that the flame kindled by the Spirit in this service will burn during future years and provide light to guide to salvation those who are outside Christ Jesus.

YOUTH AND CHRIST

The quickest people to understand Jesus are young people. I have been testing that theory for fifty-seven years on five continents. The majority of saved people were saved before they were twenty years old.—Gipsy Smith.

The peril of nations is the sag of moral character.—J. G. Woolley.

BEULAH NOTES

The greatest number of young people in attendance in the history of the Camp!

Congratulations to our president on his election. May God bless his leadership to the advancement of our young people's work!

As far as we can learn, our young people were 100% in attendance of the services. Every one of them seemed interested in spiritual things.

The young men, under the leadership of Donald and Harold Mitton, of Moncton, did fine work in and out of the services, and were a great blessing to the Camp. Both young men and young women held special meetings for prayer each day.

All returned to their churches with renewed purpose to be true to God and holiness.

Shall we ever forget that scene at the close convention?

ANNUAL REPORT OF SELF-DENIAL FUND

Received from—

Woodstock Society	\$36.25
Sanford Society	35.00
Fredericton Society	29.71
Marysville Society	28.00
Amherst Society	20.58
Moncton Society	15.60
Fort Fairfield Society	15.20
Hartland Society	15.05
Seal Cove Society.....	12.40
Killam's Mills Society	11.95
Calais Society	10.40
Saint John Society.....	10.40
Wood's Harbour Society.....	10.45
Port Maitland Society.....	7.40
Mrs. James Bradley.....	5.20
A Friend	5.20
Total amount received to date.....	\$268.79

RONALD SABINE, Secy.-Treas.

(Note.—Those who have not forwarded pledges for 1938-39, please do so before Aug. 31st. Address, Ronald Sabine, Woodstock, N. B.)

FATHER AS GUIDE

I sometimes think of it as of a child sitting in a boat. The child does not know the coast and it very little understands how to row. If the child were left to itself, pulling upon the oars, its right hand being a little stronger than the other, it would be all the time veering the boat to the right, and the boat would be constantly turning round and round. The child would, perhaps, make its way out of the harbor into the ocean, and it would be carried away and lost, if there were no guiding power in the boat except its own. But there in the stern sits the father. The uneven strokes of the child would carry the boat this way or that way out of its course; but the steady hand of the father overcomes those uneven strokes; and all the mistakes with the oars are rectified by the rudder, and the boat keeps the right course. So that the force exerted by the child, though misdirected, all works for good when the father guides.—Sel.

FATHER

What sort of a father are you to your boy?
Do you know if your standing is good?
Do you ever take stock of yourself and check up
Your accounts with your boy as you should?
Do you ever reflect on your conduct with him?
Are you all that a father should be?
Do you send him away when you're anxious to
read?
Or let him climb up on your knee?

Have you time to bestow on the boy when he comes

With his question—to tell him the truth?
Or do you neglect him and leave him alone
To work out the problems of youth?

What memories pleasant of you will he have
In the years that are certain to come?
Will he look back on youth as a season of joy,
Or an age that was woefully glum?

Come, father, reflect! Does he know you today,
And do you know him now as you should?
Is gold so important to you that you leave
It to chance that your boy will be good?

Take stock of yourself and consider the lad;
Your time and your thoughts are his due;
How would you answer your God, should He
ask,

"What sort of a father are you?"

THE PRODIGAL'S FATHER

A very romantic and touching incident occurred in the City Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. A well-known young man in Baltimore, who belonged to an old and wealthy family, had a quarrel with his father and left home in anger, leaving his parents without any knowledge of his whereabouts. The brokenhearted father traced him from place to place with invitations to return, but was never able to communicate with him, as in every case he had just gone on to some new town. He finally traced him to Texas, after he had been away for six years, and learned that he was ill, and was going to St. Louis to the hospital. The letter would be waiting for his son when he reached St. Louis, telling him of the continued love of his parents, and that the old home was full of welcome for him. On his telegraphing his willingness to return, the father immediately telegraphed him money to come home in a drawing-room car, in comfort and a style befitting the son of such a father. That is a good illustration of the way our Heavenly Father treats poor prodigal men and women who have wandered away in their anger and rebellion. He not only follows poor sinners with invitations to return, but he goes ahead of them, and meets them on their journey into the deeper depths of misery brought about by their sins, with assurances that forgiveness and love are waiting at the mercy seat. Neither does God ask his prodigal son to come home in his sinful rags like some poor old tramp, but clothes him with forgiveness and arrays him in garments of righteousness, so that he may come home to heaven as befits a son of God.—Sel.