St. Louis: 1869.

Dear Sir:

If you approve of the above Call, please sign and return to

Yours Truly,

F. G. Ensign,
Western Secretary American Christian Commission.

4 5th St., St. Louis, Mo.

THIRD

Annual Christian Convention
OF ILLINOIS,
At Jacksonville, November 2, 3 and 4, 1869.

To the Followers of Christ in Illinois.

Dear Brethren:

The Second Annual Convention adjourned from Bloomington, to meet at Jacksonville, at such time as the Executive Committee should select. After consultation with pastors and laymen of the different denominations, the 2d, 3d and 4th of November has been designated as the time for the Third Annual Christian Convention, to commence on Tuesday afternoon, the 2d.

The results of the last Convention have been all that the most sanguine had hoped for. The discussions developed many practical methods of working for Jesus, which the Holy Spirit has led ministers and laymen to adopt and practice. Men and women were stimulated to go into the vineyard of the Lord and work for souls, and in some counties lay preaching has been quite generally introduced, thus reaching multitudes of the neglected in our rural districts.

The following kinds of Christian labor have been introduced and promoted through the good influence of these Conventions:

1.—District Visitation.
2—Systematic Church Work, such as to bring into service the whole talent of the church.
3—Holding Lay Meetings in destitute country districts.
4—Neighborhood Prayer Meetings.
5—Union Religious Services—weekly and daily.
6—County, Township and Precinct Conferences.
7—Young Men’s and Young People’s Christian Associations.
8—Open air Preaching.
9—Bringing Christians of different denominations into more active sympathy and cooperation.
10—Leading private members of the church to feel that they have an individual service to render for the Master.

Having therefore the record of the past before us, we invite each Evangelical church in Illinois to send its Pastor and at least two laymen, and more if they desire, to the Third Annual Christian Convention, at Jacksonville.

Delegates will please notify P. G. Gillett, Jacksonville, as early as October 10, that entertainment may be provided for them.

July 7, 1869.

Wm. Reynolds.
J. E. Roy.
J. F. Calver.
Ed. A. Wilson.
C. E. Hewlett, Executive Committee.

We, the undersigned, heartily approve of this movement, and will lend our influence to carry it forward.

Name__________________________
Address________________________
Title___________________________

TOPICS SUGGESTED.
1st. What is the demand for an increase of Christian effort in our State?
2nd. How can we secure a more general attendance of the people in our cities upon public worship?
3rd. How can the people in rural districts be best reached by the Churches?
4th. How far are union efforts among Evangelical Churches practical and desirable?
5th. What can business men do for Christ?
6th. How can the personal and social study of God’s Word be increased?
7th. What are the great hindrances to the progress of Christ’s kingdom in our midst, and how may they be overcome?
8th. How may a general revival of religion throughout the State and country be secured?

CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD THIS FALL:
Organized by the American Christian Commission.

ILLINOIS.................Jacksonville........November 2, 3 and 4.
IOWA.....................Grinnell.............Nov. 9, 10 and 11.
MISSOURI.................St. Louis.............Nov. 16, 17 and 18.
MINNESOTA...............Rochester.............Nov. 23, 24 and 25.
OHIO.....................Columbus.............Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 and 2.
INDIANA.................Terre Haute...........December 7, 8 and 9.
MICHIGAN...............Detroit.............." "
KANSAS..................Topeka (probably)...........
WISCONSIN..............
LECTURE,
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF
Elijah, Potomac, & Grace Aguinald Lodges,

BNAI BERETH, (Sons of the Covenant.)

You are invited to attend a Lecture, to be delivered on Sunday Evening, January 23, at 8 o'clock, at the Hebrew Synagogue, Eighth Street, between H and I, by Lewis Abraham, Esq., of Cincinnati, Ohio.

SUBJECT: “Leaves and Blossoms from Jewish History.”

Previous to the Lecture, a report will be made by Simon Wolf, Esq., of the proceedings taken for the relief of the Jews in Russia, and of the interviews with the President on the subject.

COMMITTEE.

S. WOLF, H. L. BLOUT, H. ADLER,
W. NOERDLINGER, B. NOERDLINGER, E. BEHREND,
CH. HERTZBERG, I. JACOBSON, I. P. HERMANN.
New Jersey Association.

The Second Annual Meeting of The New Jersey General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers, will be held with the First Church of Jersey City, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 23-25, 1870.

Each Church belonging to the Association is entitled to representation by its Pastor and two Delegates. Churches not yet connected with the Association, may become so on application at this meeting, as may approved Congregational ministers, without charge, residing within its limits.

Those who propose to attend, will please notify, by letter, as early as possible, Rev. J. B. Willcox, Jersey City, N.J., that arrangements may be made for their entertainment, and on arriving in the city will report themselves at the Church, corner of York and Henderson Streets, known as "The Tabernacle."

On behalf of Committee of Arrangements.

W. E. C. Wright,
Corresponding Secretary.
PROGRAMME

Tuesday, October 25th, at 8 P.M. — Associational Sermon, by Rev. E. W. Hawes.


Brief Reports of the State of Religion in the Churches.

Afternoon — Conclusion of Reports; Salutations of Foreign Bodies; Action on Overtures for a National Congregational Council.

Evening — Jubilee Session, commemorative of 250th year from landing of Pilgrim Fathers.

"The Pilgrim of yesterday and the Pilgrim of to-day," by J. E. Rankin, D.D.


Thursday, October 27th, Morning — Miscellaneous business.


Evening — General Missionary Meeting. Addresses by W. I. Buddington, B.D., Gen. O. O. Howard, and Rev. L. H. Gulick

A Morning Prayer Meeting daily.

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THE SUFFOLK COUNTY
Christian Association

WILL HOLD THEIR NEXT MEETING AT

HUNTINGTON, L. I. Sept. 19th & 20th, 1871,
COMMENCING AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M. ON THE 19th.

THE CHURCHES OF HUNTINGTON EXTEND A CORDIAL INVITATION.

S. Orcutt, President. E. Warriner, Secretary.

TUESDAY.


EVENING.

A Sermon.

WEDNESDAY.

Morning. Devotional Exercises.


11:30, Business meeting.

2 P.M. Devotional Exercises one hour.

3 P.M. Topic. What can be done to secure a more thorough observance of the Christian Sabbath. Opened by REV. W.G. BARNES, of Sag Harbor.

EVENING.


E. F. Hadley, Committee.
C. N. Brown, S. Orcutt,
THE

Church of St. Sauveur and the Convention of 1881.

In his address to the late Diocesan Convention, THE RIGHT REV. BISHOP STEVENS spoke thus:

"Another matter which I wish to bring before you is the French Church of St. Sauveur. This Church, wherein the services are conducted in French by the REV. MR. MIEL, has been of great value in bringing not only French Protestants to its services, but has been the means of drawing many educated in the errors of Rome to the purity of faith and worship of our Holy Catholic Church. While in the nature of things it could hardly be expected that this Church would be fully self-supporting, because it is expedient and proper that its services should be as free as possible, yet its spiritual results have been quite as large as could be expected, considering the material on which the Rector has to operate, and the restricted means at his command.

"I can bear clear testimony to the zeal and fidelity of Mr. MIEL, amidst many discouraging circumstances, and I can honestly urge upon the Church people the duty of sustaining this important work. I would like very much, on the basis already established, to graft a wider work, which should take in the German, the Italian and the Spanish people, by having St. Sauveur become, practically, a Church for strangers, where these several nationalities might hear, from time to time, each in its own tongue, the services and preaching of our Church."

The Bishop having been requested to name a committee to consider this portion of his address, appointed REV. W. N. McVickar, Chairman, REV. THOS. F. DAVIES, D.D., MESSRS. JAS. S. WHITNEY, CADWALLADER BIDDLE and SAMUEL H. THOMAS. That committee, after full consideration, reported as follows:

"The committee appointed to consider the portion of the Bishop's address referring to the Church of St. Sauveur, report:

"That they have given the subject their careful consideration, and are highly impressed with the importance of the work that is being done by St. Sauveur, in view of the class of people whom it influences; and whence, if the work is abandoned, the Church would not be able to reach in any other way.

"The character of the work is fully shown by the statement lately published by the Rector and Wardens of St. Sauveur.

"It is, however, very clear that the work cannot be continued unless more efficient aid is given to it, as the people in whose behalf it is carried on are unable to give it the necessary support.

"The committee would therefore urge upon the Convention and upon the Diocese at large the necessity of prompt and ready assistance to a work so important, so urgent and so promising; all of which is respectfully reported."

On motion of Mr. CONARRO, the Convention passed this resolution:

"Resolved, That this Convention has heard with much interest the report on the French Mission, and approves the views expressed therein."

The number of names inscribed on the register of St. Sauveur since the opening of the new church is to-day 620, thus divided:

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Europeans registered since last Convention, to January, 1882, 48.

Such a work cannot be allowed to fall through just at the time when its influence is strikingly growing, extending itself even to other cities.

A yearly subscription of a thousand dollars, outside of its present resources, is required to secure its permanency, and put it on such a footing as will permit its full development.

You are earnestly solicited to assist in this important work, so strongly recommended by the Bishop and endorsed by the Convention, by your contribution towards the amount required.

Address,

REV. C. MIEL, Rector,
300 Sunnyside Street.

H. B. HOUSTON, Accounting Warden,
909 Colubrim Street.
The Church of St. Saviour and the Constitution of 1881

To the Bishop to the Diocesan Committee, The Right Rev. Bishop Stevens, Bishop of London,

"To the Bishop of London, in the name of the Diocesan Committee, the Rey. Bishop Stevens, Bishop of London,

"I have the honor to present the report of the Committee on the subject of the revision of the Constitution of the Church of St. Saviour and the Constitution of 1881."
IN EVERY FAMILY.

Office of the Missionary Herald,
No. 7 Somerset Street, Boston, December, 1884.

In no year has there been a more hopeful outlook for an increased circulation of the Missionary Herald than at the present time. A great number of letters have been received from pastors and laymen, not only expressing a high appreciation of the value of the monthly, but offering also personal effort for the enlargement of the subscription lists in their respective churches. Many pastors have commended it from the pulpit on the Sabbath, and have subsequently inaugurated measures for a careful canvass for subscribers, rightly claiming that gifts and prayers should both be based on the largest information respecting the object for which they are asked.

After the above was written, a copy of the following correspondence came to hand. It is so good and so timely that we feel justified in using it here. The circular and letter from the pastor were sent, together with a printed and stamped envelope for return, to every family in the church where the Herald was not already taken, the entire expense being borne by the liberal friend who issued the circular. All will be interested in the letter of Rev. Dr. Storrs:

Brooklyn, N. Y., November 15, 1884.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF THE PILGRIM.

After reading the accompanying letter from our Pastor, I trust it is not too much to hope that every family in the church will send a name and a dollar for the Missionary Herald for one year, and read it, too. Each number contains a handsomely illustrated department for young people, which appears to be the first thing read by people of all ages. I shall be happy to receive and forward subscriptions.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES F. WALLACE.

LETTER FROM REV. DR. STORRS.

Brooklyn, November 10, 1884.

My Dear Mr. Wallace:

I earnestly hope that your efforts to increase the circulation of the Missionary Herald in our congregation will be successful. I am certain that no one who will take it, at a dollar a year, and will read it, will fail to feel at the end of the year that the money and time have been well expended. I am quite as certain that each family into which it comes, and in which it is read, will feel a keener and more intelligent interest in the great work carried on by the American Board, with the ascended Lord for its leader and the world for its field. I used to read the Herald even in childhood, and whatever I then learned of the remoter parts of the earth, their geography, and the manners of life prevalent in them, came largely through its pages. It is now a richer and more attractive magazine than ever before; full of various instruction, of constant encouragement to the best things, and of fine and large spiritual help.

Ever faithfully yours,
R. S. STORRS.
In response to the foregoing, subscriptions are now coming in, some for one, some for two, and some for five years.

A good list has just come to hand from the Clinton Avenue Church, Brooklyn; and lists from various parts of the country.

It really looks as though many pastors, and churches, and individual members, have decided upon an advance movement in their respective churches.

SPECIAL OFFER. Many churches have secured a copy of the new Missionary Map of the World by sending ten new subscribers and $10.00. This offer is now renewed. The map is on cloth, 8 feet, 6 inches, by 4 feet, 6 inches. All the missions of the Board are designated. This map will be sent, on request, to every church sending ten new subscribers to the Missionary Herald, and $10.00.

The names must be of those not now subscribers.

If any cannot send ten names, send one or two. Secure the map if possible; if not, single names will augment the number of readers and workers, and if the balance of the ten names are sent later, the map will be sent on receipt of the whole number.

Any church already having the Map of the World, may obtain the Map of Turkey (same size as the Map of the World), and having the stations of all the missions in Turkey indicated, by sending ten additional new names and $10.00.

Extracts from Letters.

"I largely increased the circulation of the Missionary Herald in my church, by dividing the city into districts, and getting several young ladies to canvass the church thoroughly, each calling on all of our church in her district."

"Yesterday I urged my people to take the Missionary Herald, not for your sake, but for their own. I hope for good results."

"Honorary Members should regard themselves as a standing committee on the advancement of the Herald."

"I propose to keep at it until a copy is in every family."

DENTON, Nov. 15, 1853.

Mr. Charles Hutchins:

Received fiend $10.00 and the names for ten (of) new subscribers for the Missionary Herald, which entitles me to one copy of the Map of the World for our Sabbath school. I may send another club soon as I want another map for one of our mission schools.

Respectfully,

A. R. Bell.

As we write, a list of fifteen new names, and $15.00, is received.

Working Suggestions. A printed list of all the subscribers at your past office has been sent to the pastor of the church. The figures in the list, and upon the Herald, signify that payment has been made to the date of the year indicated. Of those first, "X" followed by figures, signifies free through the year.

If deemed advisable, send a list of names, and we will send a copy of this circular to any not now subscribers. Will also send a sample copy as far as practicable.

What is to be done is best done at once. Personal work tells. In many churches there are those who will be willing to make a personal canvass.

This effort to spread more widely in the churches the monthly tidings concerning the progress of the Redeemer's kingdom is not for the sake of the American Board, but for the four thousand churches, and nearly four hundred thousand church members, upon whom the great commission is laid.

Next year will be a kind of JUBILEE YEAR, making seventy-five years of work by the American Board; and the Annual Meeting will be held in Boston. We shall be glad to be able to state, at that time:—

1. That there is no debt against the Board.
2. That the number of readers of the Missionary Herald has been greatly enlarged, reaching, in many cases, all the families of the churches.
3. That the entire subscription list for $185 (paid and free) has been heard from.
4. That the Missionary Herald, for the first time in its history, has paid for itself, without drawing one dollar from the treasury of the Board.
5. That, henceforth there may be expected such enlargement and improvement of the magazine as shall gratify and gladden all.

If every one will do what some are now doing, all this and more will be easily accomplished. What is done at once will be helpful as a stimulus to others.

It does not require much of the imagination to hear many readers of this circular saying: "These two things shall be. The number of readers of the Missionary Herald shall be doubled in our church, and it shall be reported at the Annual Meeting, in Boston, next October, that the Magazine is free from debt to the treasury of the Board."

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All business correspondence concerning the Missionary Herald should be addressed to:

CHARLES HUTCHINS, 1 Somerset Street, Boston, Mass.
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This is to certify that Gen. O. O. Howard

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Attest:

Charles H. Davis
Secretary.

Charles J. Deems
President.

Treasurer.
The person in whose name this certificate is issued is entitled to a free copy of "Christian Thought," which contains the Lectures delivered before the Institute; to free admission to all Addresses and Lectures delivered under its auspices, and to the free use of its Rooms and Library. He may also invite friends to the Monthly Meetings of the Institute, which are held on the last Thursday of each month, at 7:30 P.M., in the Rooms, No. 4 Winthrop Place, Greene Street near Waverley Place, New York City.
THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific,
First Congregational Church, Woodland,
Thursday, September 30, 1886. 7:30 P. M.

Rev. Charles Dana Barrows, D. D., will Preside.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

HYMN.

Jesus shall reign where 'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

Reading of Scripture,.............
Prayer,..................
Address of President,...........
Report of Recording Secretary,

Light of them that sit in darkness
Rise and shine, Thy blessings bring
Light to lighten all the Gentiles,
To Thy brightness
Let all kings and nations come!

Report of Treasurer,............
Report of Home Secretary,......

Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free,
To take away transgression
And rule in equity.

Address,.............
Prayer,............

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

REV. I. M. MARTY
REV. C. S. VAILE
...MISS L. M. FAY
MRS. S. S. SMITH

HYMN.

May the millions now adoring
Idol-gods of wood and stone,
Come, and worshipping before Him,
Serve the Living God alone.
Let Thy glory
Fill the earth as floods the sea.

MRS. R. E. COLE
MRS. J. H. WARREN

HYMN.

To Him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend,
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove.
His Name shall stand forever,
That Name to us is Love.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD

REV. C. L. CORWIN

HYMN.

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall,
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

DOXOLOGY.

BENEDICTION.
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, IN “BELMONT,” FAIRMOUNT PARK.

1:30. Young People and Temperance.
Rev. A. W. Harrar, B.D., Boston.

2:30. The Missionary Uplift.
Mr. R. P. Winters, New York City.

3:00 to 5:00. Social Reunion and Reception by Trustees of United Society.

THURSDAY EVENING.


7:45. The World for Christ.
Rev. A. T. Parsons, B.D., Philadelphia.

Rev. G. P. Green, B.D., Boston.

9:15 to 10:00. Closing Convention-Meeting.

THE TIME LIMIT.

All participating in the meeting are kindly asked to bear in mind that the time of the Convention is strictly limited and in order that no one may intrude upon the time of another an electric bell will be rung one minute before the expiration of the time allotted to each speaker on the programme. The time-keeper, and not the presiding officer of the Convention, thus notifies the speakers of the time limit.

MUSIC.

A chorus of two hundred members of the Society of Christian Endeavor in Philadelphia, under the direction of Mr. William J. Fiescher, will lead the singing.


COMMITTEE-ROOMS.

No. 1. Bureau of Information, Post-Office, and Railroad Certificates.
No. 2. Committee of Nine.
No. 3. Trustees of the United Society.
No. 4. General Secretary, and Treasurer.
No. 5. Credential Committee.
No. 6. Members of the Press.
No. 12. Literature, Banners, etc., and double first headquarters.

1881–1889.

First Regiment Armory Hall, corner Broad and Callowhill Streets.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

JULY 9, 10, 11, 1889.
OPENING SESSION, TUESDAY, JULY 8, 9 A.M.

4.00. Organization and Business.

4.15. Addresses of Welcome.
Rev. J. T. Root, D.D., Philadelphia; President of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavor Union.
Rev. R. H. Brown, Dr., Albion, N. Y.

5.00 to 6.00. Social Gatherings of State Delegations.

TUESDAY EVENING.


Mr. George N. Ward.

8.15. Convention Session.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JULY 9.

6.30. Prayer-Meeting in Assembly Hall.
Led by Rev. O. I. Towner, Bladensburg, Md.


9.30 to 10.00. Questions and Answers.

10.00 to 10.30. Devotional Service and Free-Will Offering for the Advancement of the Work.

10.30. Addresses: For What Does the Christian Endeavor Movement Stand?

1. "Loyalty to Duty." Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D.,
Albany, N. Y.

2. "Loyalty to the Church." Rev. Charles F. Peake, B.D.,
New York City.

3. "Loyalty to Christ." Rev. Lawrence T. Chamberlain, B.D.,
Brooklyn.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2.00. Reports from States. (Strictly limited to two minutes.)

3.30. The Convention Will Adjourn to Churches in the Neighborhood of the Assembly Hall to Discuss Practical Methods. All are invited to participate freely in the Conferences in which they are especially interested and to supply helpful methods.


4.30. In Chambers Presbyterian Church Assembly Room; second Room and Sabbath School: Conference on "The Work of the Evangelistic Committee.

5.00. In Chambers Presbyterian Church Lecture Room; Conference on "The Work of the Sunday School Committe.


5.45. In Assembly Room E, Church Assembly Room, Conference on "Evangelistic Methods." Led by Mr. H. R. Smedley, Fort Worth, Tex.


6.15. In Thirteenth Street N., Church Assembly Room; Conference on "Social Welfare." Led by Miss Mary P. D. Marsh, Massapequa, N. Y.

6.30. In Chambers Presbyterian Church; Conference on "How Can We Help Our American Members?" Led by Rev. D. N. Lewis, Buffalo, N. Y.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.


8.30. Address.
Mr. John G. Howard.

THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 11.

6.30. Prayer-Meeting. To better accommodate many the prayer-meeting on the second morning will be divided into three sections, and will be held in churches nearest the hotels and boarding-houses.

In Assembly Room E, Church, other Rooms and Assembly Streets; Led by Miss J. E. McManus, Newton, Iowa.

In Chambers Presbyterian Church, other Rooms and Sunday School; Led by Mr. J. L. Keene, Minneapolis, Minn.

In Batiste Baptist Church, Corner Broad and Greene Streets; Led by Mr. C. B. Holcomb, Bloomington, Ill.


10.00. Tuesday Topics.

4. "The Author of Time." Miss Ella Contractor, Des Moines, Iowa.

11.00. The Pastor's Hour. How the Society Aids the Pastors.
Conducted by Rev. B. H. Lewis, Ph. D., West Troy, N. Y.
has not been limited to our narrow horizon, but is being felt wherever one of our comrades has gone. Let us follow them all with our earnest prayers, that they may be true to Christ and His Church wherever they may go.

Now for a brief reconnaissance. These are days of intense interest in the religious world. Conflict between the hosts of error and of truth is imminent. We must each be ready to keep step in close rank, advance steadily and firmly hold the ground we conquer. How can we do this? With an ancient King once went a band of men whose hearts God had touched. Let us pray earnestly that the same God may touch many hearts this coming year, and may bind us all in loving fellowship and loyal service for our King, Jesus Christ.

We are here to-night not merely to be reviewed, but also to be inspired and encouraged by the presence and words of one who is highly honored for what God has enabled him to achieve for our country. General Howard, we, the members of the Christian Endeavor Society, and also the members of this Church and congregation, most cordially welcome you to Covenant Chapel this evening. We salute you not with booming cannon or rattling drum, not with ringing applause or with hearty cheers, but each with an earnest, silent prayer, that our great Captain, Jesus Christ, may bless your words to our help and to His glory.

Young People’s Society
of Christian Endeavor,
of the
Church of the Covenant
at
Covenant Chapel,
310 East 42d St., New York.

Second Anniversary Report,
by our President.
REV. GEO. S. WEBSTER.

May 22d, 1892.
One year ago we introduced Miss Christian Endeavor, a healthy, vigorous infant of one year's growth. To-night you need no such introduction. Our Society may better be compared to a company of soldiers in active service. We are here to be reviewed, and it is my purpose to give a few facts that cannot readily be seen from this reviewing stand, even by the keen vision of our reviewing officers. Being a man of peace, not even belonging to the militia, and having visited Governor's Island only once, and then when he went to capture our guest for this service, the President may be pardoned if the analogy which he attempts to draw is not exactly accurate in all its details. Yet a rough sketch by an unskillful hand may be better than nothing.

We will first inspect our muster-roll. Seventy should respond to their names at roll-call, of whom sixty-one are pledged to active service; six to service except to the front in prayer meeting, and three wearing the insignia of honor are always welcome and helpful at our council of war. Twenty-seven of these members have been enrolled during the past year. Just a word as what it means to enlist under this banner of Christian Endeavor. The United States soldier takes his oath of allegiance to the government. So we take a pledge of allegiance to our Sovereign when we enter his service. "For Christ and the Church" is the motto on our banner, and we solemnly promise to maintain that cause. This pledge has helped us in many a weary march to prayer meeting, and in many a hard struggle with the enemy of our souls in daily life. We rejoice that during the past year not one has been court-martialed for desertion or treason, and not one has been called from our ranks here to the Hosts of Heaven.

You may ask what campaigns have been attempted and what battles won or lost? In the conflict between Christ and Satan the struggle is for liberty. We are somewhat like the people who thirty years ago were held in bondage in this country. When once freed, the greater portion of them entered the ranks in defense of those principles of liberty that have since proved such a blessing to all sections of our country. When we are emancipated from Satan's thrall let us strive with enthusiasm to fight both for ourselves and others. Christian Endeavor is the active struggle on the part of souls emancipated by Christ's power, both to better appreciate the privileges of our state of freedom and to secure the same for other enslaved souls about us. To do this we have met once each month to plan our campaigns, and every Sabbath evening to fire into the enemy's camp volleys of prayer, praise and Scripture, propelled by the smokeless powder of earnest consecration, and guided by the Spirit of the living God. We have averaged forty-four in attendance, making a total of two thousand, two hundred and eighty for the year. If each one fired only one well-aimed shot at evil each night, who can estimate the good that has been done? Yet, I suppose it has been much like human warfare. When we aimed at nothing or fired simply to make a noise, or because we felt compelled at the word of command, we have not damaged the enemy very much, or acquired much skill ourselves. But with a definite aim, calm courage and holy trust, our skill and confidence has been increased, and we may know Satan has been wounded. Sixteen of our number have been captured during the year, not only for Christian Endeavor, but also for the Church.

In addition to our active service in this field, we have sent out each Sabbath afternoon since January a relay of our Musical Corps, who have besieged the walls of a well-known hospital, not far away, not with ram's-horn blasts, but with sweet, prayerful melody, that has broken down many a dark wall of sadness and unbelief that shut in precious lives. Not the least service rendered by our Christian Endeavor Company has been the loyal and enthusiastic spirit it has helped to impart to the whole Church. We dwellers on Manhattan Island, pursue our peaceful avocations with a greater feeling of security, because we know that bristling form and dotted gunnery does the entrance to our harbor. So the work of our Church moves on peacefully and earnestly, because we know our young people are at the front and guarding the outposts.

We have also further encouragement in the news that comes to us from former comrades, now fighting in other divisions of our Lord's army. One has proved, by a year's experience, a most successful secretary in the Young Men's Christian Association, and while by necessity rather than choice, his church relations being him under the Epworth banner, yet his heart beats loyal to the Christian Endeavor Society of Covenant Chapel, where he entered almost a raw recruit, and had some drill in Christian service. Another, who fought under Gen. Gordon, in the burning sands of Somal, and trod the holy fields of Palestine, in a British Navy's uniform, is to-day in the forefront of the fight against Satan, and capturing many precious souls for Christ, downtown in this city. His intense Christian zeal often thrilled us in our meetings, and from his lips often comes the assurance that our Church and our Society is still in his thought a loved home. A few miles out of the city, in a beautiful rural valley, lives a family from whom once we enrolled three loyal members. With the enthusiasm and training received here they organized and helped to maintain a flourishing sister society. May these few incidents encourage us to believe that the influence of our efforts here
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—CONTINUED.

4.30—5.00. Congregationalism in the United States during the next Twenty-Five Years.
Address by Rev. Albert E. Dunning, D.D.,
editor of The Congregationalist, Boston.

5.00. Business

EVENING.

8.00—8.15. Praise Service
8.15—8.45. Christian Endeavor a Mighty Power in the Church.
Address by Mrs. John L. Scudder, Jersey City.

8.45—9.30. Illustrated Sermons:
Sermon to Boys and Girls, with Object Lessons.
Sermon, with Stereopticon.
Rev. Edward L. Lawrence, Baltimore.
(Note: A third sermon, showing the use of the black-board in preaching was planned for, but it could not be given at this meeting.)

Closing words.

Each Church is entitled to be represented at the Association by its Pastor and two other Delegates. Pastors’ wives are also invited.

Churches are requested to select their Delegates at once, and send the names of those who surely will attend to Mr. Robert Hunter, 93 North Grove street, East Orange, N. J.

The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad runs frequent trains from Newark to East Orange. Get off at “Grove Street station,” which is but one block from the Church. Electric cars, marked “Orange,” run from Newark every five minutes, and pass the Church, which is on the corner of Main and Grove streets. For delegates coming on the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Central Railroad of New Jersey the electric cars will be more convenient.

Delegates are particularly urged to come in time for the opening of the Tuesday morning session, as the Secretary’s Report treats of matters of importance to all the Churches. It is also urged that the Delegates remain to the close of the Wednesday night session.

All speakers will be held strictly to time.

Finally, brethren, let special prayers be offered in all our churches for this meeting, that it may be of great practical and spiritual power.

PROGRAM.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION
OF
NEW JERSEY.

First Congregational Church,
East Orange, New Jersey,
May 9 and 10, 1893.
Program

TUESDAY, MAY 9.

MORNING.
10.00—10.30. Devotional Exercises.
  Words of Welcome.
11.00—11.45. Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary.
  Annual Report of Treasurer.
  Mr. James M. Allen, Newark.
  Rev. Levi W. Hainer, Newark.
12.30. Luncheon.

AFTERNOON.
2.00—2.30. Business.
2.30—3.00. Reports of Churches in Pennsylvania, Maryland, District of Columbia, and Virginia.
3.00—4.00. The Redemption of the Home.
  Address by Rev. Samuel L. Loonis, Newark.
  Discussion opened by Rev. William O. Welden, Upper Montclair.
4.00—4.30. The Crusade against Race-track Gambling.
  Address by Mr. R. V. Lindabury, Elizabeth.
4.30—5.00. Five-minute Greetings from our Benevolent Societies.
5.00. Business.

EVENING.
8.00. Service of Praise.
  Sermon.
  Communion.


WEDNESDAY, MAY 10.

MORNING.
9.50—10.50. Foreign Missionary Hour.
  The Churches and Foreign Missions.
  Rev. C. H. Daniels, District Soi'y, New York.
  The Young People and Foreign Missions.
  Miss Alice M. Kyle, Sec'y W. H. M. Boston.
  The Young Man under Appointment.
  Mr. D. S. Herrick, Madora, India.
  The Missionary from the Field.
  Rev. Edward S. Hume, Marathi, India.
10.50—11.50. Evangelistic Work by Pastors.
  12.30. Luncheon.

AFTERNOON.
2.00—2.30. Business.
2.30—3.00. The National Council's Ministerial Relief Fund.
3.00—4.30. Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the New Jersey Association.
  Ten-minute speeches:
  New Jersey and New York.
  Rev. Michael E. Strieby, D.D.
  The First Meeting.
  Rev. William B. Brown, D.D.
  Early Fighting in Washington.
  Mr. Beneath, O. J. Howard.
  Growth at the South.
  Mr. Otis F. Presbyrey.
  Recollections of a Former Secretary.
  Rev. George M. Boynton, D.D.
  Observations of a Layman.
  Dea. Samuel Holmes.
  New Jersey Fellowship.
  Rev. Frank A. Johnson.
  The Long Pastorate.
  Rev. Amory H. Bradford, D.D.
OFFICERS FOR 1898:

President, Mr. W. J. Van Patten, Burlington.
Vice-President, Dr. J. A. Mead, Rutland.
Secretary, Mr. H. E. Bentley, St. Albans.
Treasurer, Mr. F. A. Bond, Middlebury.
Outlook Committee, Mr. Rockwood Barrett, Rutland.
Membership Committee, Rev. P. M. Snyder, Burlington.
Auditor, Mr. H. A. Harmon, Rutland.
Program.

Topic: The Higher Life of Western Vermont.

Trains Leave

For the North
8:30 A.M.
2:05 P.M.
4:45 "
2:25 A.M.

For the South
6:15 A.M.
11:15 "
2:00 P.M.
12:20 A.M.

Via B. & R.
6:25 A.M.
11:10 "
2:00 P.M.
3:20 "
12:15 A.M.

Via D. & H.
6:25 A.M.
10:25 "
1:50 P.M.
3:15 "
5:40 "

Trains Arrive

From the North
11:05 A.M.
1:54 P.M.

From the South
2:00 P.M.
4:40 "

From B. & R.
4:35 A.M.
8:15 "
11:09 "
2:15 P.M.

From D. & H.
8:10 A.M.
12:10 P.M.

Discussion.

2:00 p.m. Devotional Exercises.

2:15 " Business.

2:30 " Addison County. Rev. W. N. Bacon, Bridport

3:15 " Bennington County. Rev. Chas. H. Peck, North Bennington

4:00 " Franklin County. Mr. H. E. Bentley, St. Albans

5:00 " Social Hour.

6:00 " Supper.

7:30 " Devotional Exercises.

7:40 " Chittenden County.

8:20 " Rutland County.
THE WORKING CHRISTIAN.

I will illustrate to a great extent for some special reasons which are left me.

Among my blessings, I have indeed a great deal of inspiration and many gifts. With grateful love to Thee, I shall now proceed to mention one or two of them:

"Oh, not a single blessing, all of which I have, is a reason for praising thee. With this grace, let us continue every day in prayer."

When, then, the Spirit of the Lord, and every grace, shall be given to thee,

And ever in my kindness,

Thank him who gave them all.

When I pray, it shall be honestly, and for things that I really need. Let us have true and genuine faith, and not seek fancies. As heaven is a place of eternal life.

Let us lift up our heart, and our hands to God. - Luke, iii. 43.

Let us hope for the promise of salvation:

I will try to do something for Jesus to show, either through conversation or conduct.

I bow, therefore, on the face, by the mercies of God, that we may present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable, and well-pleasing to him who gives us all grace. - Rom. xii. 1.

Faithful in life's daily duties.

For as men are little things, so also is the grace of Christ. - Prov. xxvii. 14.

Which is not wise, or wise,

Faithful in all your examples? Is it true that you are wise.

Let us then be wise in our words.

I will remember that people have a right to look to me for example.

They manifestly declared to be the apostle of Christ. - 2 Cor. iii. 3.

And when he was of the same part of the gospel of Christ, he obeyed it.

Hold thee in full survey.

For this the thing is easy:

And how good is a word in this way:

I will not forget that I have pledged myself to the Lord.

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith, nothing wavering, neither to the world, nor to the devil.

This word is good beyond example:

Thou shalt not say, I know it not. - Acts v. 21.

I will have a text every day for a motto - to reflect on and be guided by.

"Thy word is very pure; therefore I respect it;" - Ps. cxix. 130.

In this sense it is given to me.

It gives a light to every age:

I will remember that trials in life are good, and that people need encouragement and help.

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." - Gal. vi. 2.
THE WORKING CHRISTIAN

Be not so foolish as to make
But as loving the world, and seeking its pleasures,
For in the end you will lose it all.

Ye are the light of the world, therefore let your light shine before men,
That they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

IX. I will not be held back from speaking for Jesus by fear that I may not do it well enough.

"Moses was sent unto the Lord, and I am not eloquent, but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. And the Lord said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth?" — Exod. 4:10.

"He that is not with me is against me, and he that denieth me is not mine." — Mat. 10:33.

X. I will not keep silent through fear of those who cannot understand or appreciate.

"He that is not with me is against me, and he that denieth me is not mine." — Mat. 10:33.

"As for me, I will sing of thy power; I will shun the congregation of the ungodly; I will not sit with liars." — Ps. 1:1.

XI. I will be at Sunday-School and Prayer-Meeting—and for work.

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"As for me, I will sing of thy power; I will shun the congregation of the ungodly; I will not sit with liars." — Ps. 1:1.

XII. The children shall find in me a kind, loving, Christian friend.

"Children are a heritage of the Lord;" — Ps. 127:3.

"And the Lord said unto me, Go forth and proclaim to the land, Say unto the sons of Zion, 'Ye are my people,' says the Lord." — Jer. 23:3.

XIII. The poor shall get sympathy and help—no matter if no one knows it but myself and the Lord.

"If thou shalt open thine hand to the poor, and shalt satisfy the afflicted soul, then shall thy light be as the morning, and thy darkness as the noonday, and the Lord shall guide thee continually." — Jer. 23:5.

"A man that heareth andareth not, he is not mine; but fear andareth not, he is mine." — Ps. 25:8.

XIV. The sinner shall get sympathy and help, because the Lord gives it to me.

"He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone." — Jno. 8:7.

"If thou art blind, how canst thou cast out thine own blindness?" — Mat. 11:25.

XV. I will pray in secret for some particular person every day, and try to bring that person to Christ.

"If thou bringest forth thine gift to the poor, thou hast not laid up for thyself treasure in heaven, and are not rich toward God." — Mat. 6:20.

"And I will forgive their iniquities, and will remember their sin no more." — Ex. 32:13.