

MEET AT HULL HOUSE

Young Theologians Study Social Settlement Problem.

HOW TO ASSIST THE POOR

Miss Jane Addams Tells of Her Humanitarian Work.

Professor Graham Taylor and Miss Florence Kelley Also Deliver Addresses.

At the Hull House, No. 325 South Halsted street, that tower of light radiant over abodes of squalid woe, moral as well as material, there was a remarkable "conference" yesterday afternoon, attended by the authorities of Hull House on the one side and on the other by several scores of the coming spiritual absorbents of the city, including college-bearers in nearly all the great divisions of the Christian army. But some preliminary explanations are in order to a right understanding of the conference.

There has been organized at the Chicago Commons, the well-known social settlement at No. 141 North Union street, an association which promises to be a very important factor in connection with the settlement and similar movements. This new association is called the Inter-Seminary Social Economic Club and has fortnightly meetings at the Chicago Commons. It was organized about two months ago, under the benevolent eye of the same philanthropist, Professor Graham Taylor of the Chicago Theological Seminary, who founded the Chicago Commons itself, which already is second only to the Hull House as a center for humanitarian work.

"The McCormick Seminary students," said Professor Taylor yesterday to a reporter for The Inter Ocean, "tell their need of some practical investigation, observation of social aspects of Christianity, and they came down to me and I invited them to come to the Commons, and said I would do anything to get them the opportunity they desired, to open their way to see what they wanted to see. Theological students from other institutions joined them, and the result has been that students have come down there every two weeks from five seminaries: The McCormick Seminary, the divinity school of the University of Chicago, Garrett Biblical Institute at Evanston, the Lutheran Theological Seminary, the Chicago Theological Seminary. We generally have an address by somebody that they select, and then questions and discussion. We have had an address from the State Factory Inspector, Miss Kelley, on the social condition of labor."

Yesterday, as indicated, the Seminary Club met at the Hull House, in response to an invitation from its authorities, and both Miss Jane Addams and Miss Kelley presided; the methods of the Hull House work. Then the two fair lecturers were questioned by the students for an hour or two, and, after a run of 125, the young theologians departed, greatly interested in what they had seen and learned. The not distant fruits are certain to be a multiplication far and wide of practical knowledges and businesses like Chicago Presbyterian Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, Wesley Hospital, Mercy Hospital, Chicago Commons, and Chicago's Hull House.

There were present at the conference fully sixty-five theological students, about twenty of whom were from Chicago Seminary.

As to the discussion, it turned largely on the relation of the churches to the interests of the industrial classes—the necessity of fitting Christianity out into the social and industrial relationships of life, to make the teaching and preaching vital and effective.

Miss Jane Addams' wealth of experience

was placed freely at the service of her auditors, and her practical words and explicit illustrations proved the source of enlightenment and enthusiasm. The close and able address of Miss Kelley was likewise full of suggestion and training.

For the next fortnightly conference the Inter-Seminary Club has invited Mr. Philip W. Arnes, secretary of the Chicago Board of Charities, to make the address, and in six weeks after the lecturers, Miss L. C. O'Leary, superintendent of the household, will be the speaker, the meeting to take place at the Commons. Last Monday a committee of students visited the household. In this connection Superintendent O'Leary addressed the students of the Chicago Theological Seminary Friday, giving an account of the system followed at the household, and he made a very impressive statement of the results.

Both Archbishop Feenan and Bishop McLaughlin, it is understood, will address the club later in the winter.

Again there was held at Chicago Commons yesterday morning, as every fortnight, a meeting of what is called the college auxiliary, composed of graduates of various colleges, the South, Wesleyan, and Yassar Colleges. The ladies met for very near the same purpose as did the students in the afternoon, for the discussion of some phases of social and economic work. They heard a discussion by Philip W. Arnes on the fundamental principles of charity. Already the college girls' auxiliary is a very valuable factor. It is regularly organized, and already has added into being the Chicago "Commons" Girls Progressive Club, which meets every Monday evening, college girls and working girls being on a par in the membership, and conversing together with a delightful cordiality and to their mutual benefit.

THE STAR OF HOPE.



"I had lost all hope and gone to my father 'to die,'" said Mrs. MOIRA EVANS, of Mesand, Cayuga Co., Texas. "I gave birth to a baby a year ago, the son of Isaac test," she adds, "and seemed to do very well for three days, and then I began to feel very bad, my feet began to swell, my stomach was all cramp and I seemed to suffer with everything that could be borne. I was in bed 3 months and there was not a day that it seemed I could live. We had the best doctors that our country afforded. I was a skeleton. Every one that saw me thought that I would never get well. I had palpitation and pain in the head, terrible pain in my right side just under the ribs, terrible headaches all the time; a heaving down sensation, a distressed feeling in my stomach all the time; could hardly eat anything and it looked as if I would starve. All the time I would take such weak trembling spells, and it seemed as if I could not stand it. There were six doctors treating me when I commenced taking your medicine. I had lost all hope and gone to my father's to die. I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and his 'Favorite Prescription' together, and I took them regularly until I felt as if life was worth living again."

"I weigh more than I have weighed for ten years. My friends say that I look better than they ever saw me. The first two bottles did me more good than all the medicine I had taken. My stomach has never hurt me since. I can eat anything I want and as much as I want. If you want to see this in favor of your medicine, I am a living witness to testify to it, and will to anybody who wants to know further of my case."

Mollie Evans.