

ing order. The number of schools in the county is seventy-five; the number of teachers is 767, and the number of scholars, 5,500. We have contributed to Missions \$460, and the number pledged to temperance was 12,000; that we considered a matter of great importance to bring before our schools. (Applause.) The amount given to this Association last year was \$50, and the same amount is pledged for the present. There is another particular I wish to call your attention to, and that is, that out of the 5,500 scholars, 250 were added to the church's membership during last year. The scholars who are members of the church number 997. There are thirty-four delegates from the County of Peel present, and more expected to arrive. (Applause.) We have an efficient county organization, and are greatly indebted to the officers for their work, especially to Brother Glassford.

The PRESIDENT—County of Halton?

Rev. R. H. ABRAHAM, M.A.—Halton is just where it was last year, a banner county. We have a good township organization, 56 schools, and regular teachers' meetings in 17 of them. The number of scholars is 5,791, and the average attendance last year was 4,053. Scholars who are members of the church number 1,274, and the number who joined the church last year was 136. We pledged last year to this Association \$50, and that will be renewed this year.

The PRESIDENT—North Wentworth?

Rev. C. R. MORROW—I expected to see the President here.

The PRESIDENT—Any delegate from Welland?

Mr. McCLEARY, M.P.P.—Our County Convention will be held next week, and we intend to organize several townships.

The PRESIDENT—Any delegate from Lincoln? South Wentworth, or Haldimand?

Rev. J. H. HAZLEWOOD—Our President was to have given the report himself, but he has forwarded it to me. We, I see by the programme, are of equal age with the Provincial Association, for we held our Twenty-seventh Annual Convention the week before last, and had a very interesting and profitable time. The county is thoroughly organized. Of the 72 schools, 52 had reported 4,144 scholars with an average attendance of 2,753, or 67 per cent. The total number of teachers was 523; average attendance of teachers 409, being 78 per cent. The pupils who were church members numbered 795, of which 193 had joined the church during the year. Contributed to missions \$372.92, of that amount \$225 was contributed by one school.

The PRESIDENT—I believe there are two brethren here, Messrs. John Aitken and Andrew Bates, from the Central Prison Sabbath School, Toronto. We shall be pleased to hear from these brethren for five minutes each.

Mr. JOHN AITKEN—I am very glad to have the opportunity of presenting this work before you. Last year there was quite a number of delegates at Ottawa disappointed that this subject was not taken up.

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