

corner cut off from the rest by means of a curtain. For the attention and interest of small children cannot be sustained unless they and their teacher are by themselves.

Mr. Loudon—At Guelph I observed moveable screens successfully used to Separate the Primary Class from the rest of the school. There is a difficulty in procuring suitable objects for Primary work, but in their absence lessons can be illustrated on the blackboard.

Rev. John Holmes—All efforts should be judged by their results. I have been in a number of places and in none have I found any system of teaching in the Primary Classes where my children have profited so largely as under Mrs. Humphries' system of teaching. They seem to gain a clearer knowledge of scripture. People spend freely for secular purposes, why not spend \$200 or \$300 for suitable buildings and apparatus for Primary Sabbath School work? It can be done if the people only take more interest in the spiritual welfare of their children.

Mr. MacTavish—I think it would be well, where a separate room can not be had for the Primary Class, to adopt the suggestions made by Messrs. Humphries and Loudon. A screen can be bought for 25 cents that would suffice to separate a corner of the school room from the rest for the use of the Primary class. Classification is as much a necessity in the Sabbath School as it is in the Public School. Order should also be as much insisted on in the Sabbath School as in the Public School. Children respect order. Let teachers promote on merit only. If pupils become dissatisfied and leave school in consequence, it then becomes a matter for parents to deal with. I would adopt a standard to promote a child from the Primary Class, when it can read the New Testament.

Mr. Ryckman—We have our Sabbath School in the Public School house; of necessity we use the platform for the Primary Class. We have in all 112 on the books, and an average of 87 in attendance.

Mr. MacTavish—In such a case could not the teacher of the Bible Class or some other class take his class to a room in his own home or some other house near the School Room?

The Committee on Nominations, by its Secretary, Rev. Mr. Ball, presented its first report, for the permanent officers of the Association for the ensuing year, as follows:

PRESIDENT—REV. P. K. DAYFOOT, M.A., Strathroy.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER—MR. C. E. GERMAN, Strathroy.

On motion the report was adopted and leave was granted the Committee to sit again.