

2,782 students on the books at the central office.

The Rally Day report of last year showed that 2,086 Sunday Schools ordered and received the printed programmes and accompanying supplies, and that 1,559 of these remitted their offerings through the General Secretary's office to the General Treasurer. The Rally Day programme for this coming season was presented and approved. Samples are being sent as ordered to all the ministers and Sunday-school Superintendents. It is hoped that there will be practically a universal use of the programme this year.

The report of the constitution of a new International Sunday School Lesson Committee was made by the General Secretary, and on his nomination the General Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Chown, was appointed member of the committee to represent the Canadian Methodist constituency.

Two hundred and sixty orders for supplies for newly organized Sunday-schools have been filled during the year, and thirty-nine dependent schools have been supplied at half the usual rates for their supplies.

The Lantern and Slide Department was found to be in promising condition, and its still further extension as a means of practical service to the local schools and leagues was commended and provided for. Various reports of committees were presented, and from them several matters requiring the consideration of the General Conference were tabulated. These will all come duly before the General Conference Committees concerned.

The several Field Secretaries of the Board were duly reappointed for the ensuing year. Their hard and continuous work, as shown by their reports, has extended from end to end of the Church, and to it is largely attributable the present healthy state of the field at large.

A fraternal visit was paid the Board by Mr. Statten, Secretary of the National Advisory Committee on Boys' Work, as recently formed to unite the forces of the Y.M.C.A., the various denominations, and the Provincial S. S. Associations of Canada in advancing boys' work at large. His visit was much appreciated and the Board endorsed the course being taken to bring all the working forces of the Dominion together to forward the interests of the boys of the land.

Appreciation of the labors of Dr. Crews, the editor of the various Sunday-school papers, was formally expressed, and he was congratulated on his restoration to health.

The Treasurer's report and financial matters growing out of it were given considerable time and attention. This report will be presented in fullest detail to the General Conference, and we may be able to present it complete in our next number. Dr. Willmott, treas-

urer, and Mr. James Hales, auditor, were gratefully thanked for their faithful and painstaking services during the quadrennium.

The League of Young Worshippers was commended, and the Book Steward formally requested to make such provision of supplies as is required in the local congregations to carry on the League. It was also urged that the new S. S. hymnal be prepared and put on sale at the earliest possible date.

Various matters already undertaken by committee of the Board were recommended to the committees interested, and so far as they do not involve legislation by the General Conference will be duly reported on at the next meeting of the Board. Fuller reference to

ample, however, the double page illustration in the centre of the paper may be cited and described in brief. There may be seen in order from the left (1) the first column above the street level on the Queen St. front of the building; (2) the beginning of the granite work on the corner of John and Richmond Streets; (3) a rivetter at his furnace heating the rivets to almost white heat; (4) a gang of riveters on the job; (5) hoisting one of the huge girders for use on one of the higher stories; (6) the first section of the smoke-stack, seven feet six inches in diameter. Taken in conjunction with these the rest of the pictures will illustrate how easily the heavy steel girders and columns are handled by



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some of these will be made in a later issue. Present pressure on our space forbids a more extended treatment or recital here and now.

Building the New Book Room

Running through our pages this month is a continued story that needs but little in the way of verbal explanation. As stated last month, we present in this issue a number of action pictures illustrating the actual building operations on the new Book Room, as they appear at close quarters. All these pictures are in the truest sense of the word "snap-shots." By this we do not mean that they are unstudied or taken at random, for that kind of photography results in failure more often than success; but none of these pictures were specially staged for the photographer. They all show the workmen in actual practice, and are intended to illustrate, especially to the young folk, the wonderful way in which a modern steel structure is built up. A description of each picture in turn is unnecessary, for all tell more or less clearly their own story. As an ex-

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District Epworth League Officers, especially the Presidents, are requested to read the General Secretary's article on "District Conventions," on page 191 of this issue. "Do it now!"