

when blessed by the priest, are changed into the body and blood of Christ. This we deny. The Lord's Supper teaches us by visible signs what Christ is to us and what He has done for us. It is a pledge of His love and of our loyalty, and it is a means of blessing. Christ is present at the Lord's table, not in the bread and wine, but in the heart of the believer.

Seventh, Protestantism has secured for the Christian world, wherever it has prevailed, civil and religious liberty. Rome keeps men in spiritual bondage. She keeps them children under governors. Protestantism declares the truth which makes men free, and wherever she has had control, material, intellectual, moral and spiritual progress has been the result.

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### The Children in the Church

Sir Andrew Fraser, who is to be one of the principal speakers at a series of Men's Missionary Conventions to be held in the various Provinces of the Dominion during October and November, in an address at the recent meeting of the General Assembly of the United Free Church of Scotland, said :

"It is a fine thing to have children's services, Sunday Schools, and special means of reaching the young ; but surely the children ought to be taught to realize their interest in the church and the claims which it has upon them. It ought to be made part of our ecclesiastical arrangements that the children shall attend regularly at least some of the services of the church along with their parents.

It may necessitate in the preacher a more simple and direct style of address ; but we know that the best things in literature have been written for children. Some of the things in which old people take the greatest pleasure, and from which they receive the most instruction, have been originally designed for children. And I am sure that such a simple sermon as a loving heart would address to the children of a congregation is just the kind of thing that fathers and mothers want to hear ; indeed, we are told that, unless we become as little children, we cannot inherit the kingdom of God.

"It would be a deplorable thing if our children were trained to look for their religious instruction and religious development away from the services of the church, and never to have the duty of attending these services impressed upon them until the time has passed when it should have become an ingrained habit."

### The Sunday School and Soul Winning

Never was truer word spoken than that of Mr. Marion Lawrance, the General Secretary of the International Sunday School Association, in his Report at the International Convention at San Francisco in June,—*"The real success of this Convention will be in proportion as it leads our great army of pastors, superintendents, officers and teachers to recognize their responsibilities and opportunities for definite soul winning service."*

Organization, enrolment, Lesson courses, are a mere mockery, unless they lead to the winning of the individual to Christ the Saviour. That is the one great end of the School, winning the scholar to Christ, building him up in Christ, setting him to work for Christ. "There is no better agency for soul winning than the Sunday School", Mr. Lawrance remarks further, "because here we come face to face with God through a study of His Word, by which living Word men are born again into the kingdom." Your School will have the best year of its history, its jubilee year, if it will set itself, now, as the Schools are filing up again after the vacation of summer, to definite, persistent soul winning. Success in this is to be prized above all things.

### Church Membership and the Sunday School

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On several occasions the Session of St. Matthew's Church, Montreal, has had the great pleasure of receiving into full membership of the church whole classes of young men and women. Once a class of 15 young women, ages ranging from 18 to 20, was thus received ; a few months ago a class of 12 young men of about the same ages decided