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CHILDREN'S DAY

A MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S
COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS

Sunday, September 26th, or some other Sabbath that may be more suitable, will, it is believed, be observed as Children's Day in every Sabbath School of our church. Not only the children, but the parents and friends, as well, are to be interested in this high day, and their presence at the service secured.

Teachers and officers will plan early and carefully for the profitable observance of the day. The Superintendent will make sure that he has a sufficient number of copies of the Service for the School and expected visitors. The Service will be rehearsed, at least in part, that everything may go smoothly. The teachers will aim at having a full class present. Absent scholars will be looked up, and all possible new recruits will be enrolled.

The day should mark a new beginning in every School—a rallying of forces that have been scattered by the holidays; a girding on of the armor for those that have a strenuous winter campaign to face. Let this Children's Day be the greatest and best yet.

A. Macgillivray,
Convener

Debtors

"I am debtor", exclaimed Paul;—that was his idea of Christian service. It was for him a personal debt to Christ. That debt, as a recent writer has said, was three-fold. Paul was in debt to Christ for his own redemption. His call to be an apostle added to the weight of his debt. And he was in debt as one bound to make amends to Christ for past enmity and opposition.

Not less than the apostle, is every follower of Christ in debt to Him. He has redeemed us also. It is by His calling that we hold our position of privilege and opportunity. And surely there is no one of us but in his heart of hearts feels that he has much for which to make amends to Christ, for past indolence and indifference, if not for active hostility.

From this triple claim of Christ upon our service we can never escape. Our debt of service to Him is as real as any money debt to a human creditor. Unless we make it our great aim in life to pay that debt, we adjudge ourselves bankrupt as regards the highest sense of honor and the truest chivalry.

The Touch of Faith

By Rev. John A. Cormie, B.A.

A recent surgical operation aroused interest far beyond purely scientific circles. The little daughter of a young surgeon was afflicted with a weakness which was slowly but surely destroying the life of the babe. The surgeon father determined to try to save his child's life, by the delicate operation of having an artery in the child's body connected with one in his own, in the hope that, by giving to the child of the blood from his own heart, he might restore her strength. Life had apparently fled before the operation was begun, and a brother surgeon urged the father to abandon the attempt; but he persisted, and presently was rewarded by the appearance of a pink glow on the tip of the ear. Then the blue lips reddened, suddenly the whole body broke out into a glow, and the baby cried. Her life was saved by the strong living blood given by her father.