

## PREFATORY NOTE.

While preparations were being made for holding the late Sabbath-School Convention, the hope was expressed by many that steps would be taken to secure a full Report of the proceedings, and also to provide for its publication at the earliest possible date. Concurring in the views thus expressed, the Publishing Committee engaged the services of a competent short-hand writer—Mr. S. Hutchinson, of London—to take full notes of the proceedings of the Convention, and prepare the same for the press. They also arranged with Messrs. Lovell & Gibson to undertake the printing without any delay; and thus they are enabled, at this early date, to present to the friends of Sabbath-Schools throughout the Dominion, the most complete Report yet issued by the Association.

It was at first intended to publish the two Prize Essays in a separate pamphlet only, but it was finally resolved by the Executive Committee, in order to give the Essays a more extensive circulation, to print them at the end of the Report, and also to publish a separate edition for those who might desire them in that form.

Considering the important and interesting character of the matter contained in the Report, it is earnestly hoped that the friends of Sunday-Schools throughout Canada will endeavour to give it a wide circulation.

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