

memories of their associations here as we citizens shall retain of our converse with them ; and as you pass Kingston again you will think of it as the place where the Convention was held in 1888. You won't think only of Kingston and of that stale joke, " Kingston—ten years for refreshments " * (laughter) ; but you will think of Kingston where that good Sunday School Convention was held, where we had speeches by persons whose names are household words in connection with Sunday School work, and I hope it will not be long before we have another Convention, and that it will be even more successful than the present. (Applause.)

Mr. L. C. PEAKE said—Mr. President, it has seemed fitting that a word or two from the Executive Committee should be given at this stage of the Convention proceedings. I have two or three things to say, and I think they will all be of an encouraging nature. I want to say, in the first place, we have been gratified very greatly by the attendance and the attention of the delegates at this Convention, and not only by the attendance of delegates and local Sunday School friends of this city, but never have I been present at a gathering of this kind where the attendance has been more satisfactory and more punctual, and where delegates have given greater attention to the exercises, than at this Convention. It has been one that will be long remembered, I am quite sure, by the delegates present, as one of the best in these respects of attendance and attention, of any that have been held in the history of this Association ; and although no Convention has been held in this city since the first called together in the Province in the year 1857, I think we have every reason to believe that long before the same number of years shall have elapsed the Provincial Convention will re-assemble in this good old city. (Hear, hear.) The next matter I want to congratulate the Convention on, is the matter of singing, I never attended a Sunday School Convention—and that means, of course, I have never attended a meeting of any kind—where singing has been better than it has been at Kingston. (Hear, hear.) Of course this has resulted in a great measure from the character of the leadership which we have had. We have been led in song by Mr. Blight in such a manner that we could not help striking in and doing our share. But allowing all that, if the delegates had not come here in the city of Sunday School people we could not have had the singing that we have had here to-night. A friend said to me on the platform here, to-night, " Why, if Sunday School teachers should not get good singing, who should ? " Then I am sure you will be gratified to learn that in the matter of financial contributions, this Convention is quite up to the average. I don't know but that I might go a little beyond that, and say the subscriptions made yesterday will compare very favorably with those that have been taken up at any previous Convention, and I am not

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