

given to the Sabbath-School cause in Toronto, and in Canada, by our coming together; and that we shall go home wiser and better for having come together here. On behalf of our citizens, I do heartily thank you for accepting our invitation to meet here. We have richly enjoyed your society, in our homes, in the prayer-meeting, and in the various other services on this occasion. You have conferred a great benefit upon this city, and our schools will feel the impulse that you have imparted to them. It will be seed that will leave fruit, some thirty, some sixty, and some an hundred fold! (Applause).

Bishop RICHARDSON remarked that forty-three years ago, the only Sabbath-School in Toronto was held in a little brick church, on the site of which Knox Church now stands. It was interesting and encouraging to mark the rapid progress of Sabbath-Schools since that time.

The PRESIDENT then read a passage of Scripture, after which Mr. Ralph Wells offered a few remarks, and led in prayer. The President then pronounced the benediction, and the delegates and friends separated, saying one to another, "It has been good for us to be here."

GENERAL REMARKS,

PRINCIPALLY FROM REPORTS OF COUNTY AND CITY SECRETARIES.

COUNTY OF BRANT.—The Rev. W. Cochrane writes that, "after repeated calls upon Superintendents, I have in some cases had no answer."

COMPTON.—Mr. Hurd expresses his disappointment in receiving so few returns from the schools to which blanks were sent. He says, "I think your Society may do good by sending a suitable person to organize Sunday School Conventions in the Eastern Townships."

DRUMMOND AND ARTHABASKA.—Mr. Jas. Miller says, "I can only give you an approximate report. Upon the whole, the want of interest taken generally in our Sunday Schools is much to be regretted."

ELGIN.—Mr. E. A. Dunham writes, "I am very sorry that it (the report) does not give a fuller statement of the schools in this County. I have been much disappointed in some of the parties on whom I depended for statistics."

FRONTENAC.—Mr. J. Paton reports, "after waiting for one Township Secretary for a month, I am obliged to send the report away without his. This Country presents a wide and interesting field for Sabbath School work. In the rear the County is wild, and the settlements scattered, the people far from Church and Sabbath School; without personal visitation it is impossible to obtain any Sunday School statistics from these vast districts. There is a fair field for the labors of a Sunday School Missionary. Reports from every Township shewing that hundreds of children are uncared for in the essential requirements of spiritual instruction. Many of the Sunday Schools are conducted on the most primitive (and often defective) principles, library books, Sunday School papers, suitable hymns, &c. being unknown. A good Sunday School paper similar to the Sunday School Times of Philadelphia, giving information, &c., would be of incalculable benefit. Several new schools have been opened, with most encouraging prospects. Two schools are actively engaged in Mission work, and support an orphan in a Mission Institution in Calcutta."

GRENVILLE.—The Rev. J. B. Mullan says, "with sorrow we write in answer to the two last questions. Oh for an outpouring of God's Holy Spirit upon our efforts, that the lambs of the flock may also be brought into the Saviour's fold."