

we say to ourselves what Canada needs to-day is Christian citizens. In our Public Schools 30 or 40 hours a week are devoted to secular studies, but few, if any, to the study of the 66 books of the Bible. Years are spent upon Algebra and the development of the Binomial Theorem. How many are spent upon the development of character? The duties of citizenship are not taught in our Public School; therefore, the greater responsibility on the Church. It is a present and a pressing duty. Laborers in the Lord's vineyard should possess ripe scholarship; the time is past when it should be divorced from popular work, when men who have great experience and knowledge shall stand aloof from the masses. The formation of a circulating Library of good literature in every Church is a much needed work in which the C. E. and the Sabbath School might unite. A better class of reading matter is needed in many homes. Even Ministers have not very often the means of procuring books they need. A good circulating Library in connection with every Church would supply that defect. Mr. Daly quoted from the late Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, in support of the view, that it is the duty of congregations to have such Libraries. Bible-Classes, Teachers, and Christian Endeavorers might unite in the formation of a circulating Library in every Church. Committees could be formed, subscriptions solicited, socials held, and a suitable book, or its price, could be donated by each member for such a purpose. The social feature of Christian work should be recognized, meetings for such purposes should be held free of admission charges. The principle of raising money by means of tea-meetings, bazaars, and other such methods, is bad and pernicious. The question should ever be kept in mind what educative effect such things have upon the minds of the young. The point that he wished to emphasize in his paper was the importance of Sabbath School Teachers, Bible Classes, and Christian Endeavorers meeting once a week for a systematic study of the Bible. Mr. Daly dwelt on the necessity of an intimate knowledge of the Scripture, and urged all to read an article by President Harper, of Chicago, published in the October (1892) number of the S. S. Times.

On motion, discussion on this paper was deferred, and "County Organization" was discussed instead.

The Rev. Mr. Ball gave an oral report of the organization of the County during the past year, to the following effect:—The southwest of the County was assigned to Rev. Mr. Henderson, but unfortunately, he was removed to a new field of labor in the middle of the year, and the organization of the Sabbath Schools in those Municipalities was consequently incomplete. In this part of the County more has been accomplished. West Williams and Parkhill Schools work together. McGillivray, Ailsa Craig, and East Williams Schools are organized into Associations. Westminster, London, Lobo, Caradoc, Delaware, and Strathroy are also under Municipal Associations,—in all eleven Municipalities are well organized. Conventions have been held in London, Delaware, and Lobo. Biddulph has been found difficult to work. Mosa, Ekfrid, Metcalfe, and Adelaide were left to Rev. Mr. Henderson to organize into Associations, but, for the reasons above stated, the work has not been completed.