

selves in utter amazement at the sentiment. Chicago, although she is a wicked city, has had an immense amount of religious enthusiasm injected into her the last six months. I have been right on the borders of that Fair, right at the gate for the last six months, and have not seen half a dozen drunken men; I have not seen a fight or disturbance of any kind; I have not heard an oath since I have been down there amongst the thousands and millions of people that go to the Fair. It shows the class of people that go there and where they come from, and I tell you we look back to the Sunday School as having a large part in the formation of the public sentiment which has been illustrated at that Fair. One of the leading officers connected with the police force told me that neither he nor his men had made a single arrest on the grounds of that Fair or adjacent to it. That is marvellous. Then the most magnificent crusade the world has ever seen has been carried forward by Mr. Moody. He has skimmed this land—he has skimmed the world, you may say—and taken the cream and imported it into Chicago—not all of it, but a large quantity of it; he has had the very best evangelists to be had in this country or Europe. Last Sunday he had over 75,000 people at his meetings. Think of that. And although the people went to see the Fair not only on Sabbath but on week-days, Mr. Moody has had twenty places open every day and night, and they have been filled; and I believe that, under God, he has done a work such as he has never done in his life before. He has touched more people than he has ever touched before, and they are going home quickened; and, I believe, this winter we are going to see the result of it. These are grounds for sincere congratulation, and I believe that Sabbath School workers have had a most important part in this work, and we should be encouraged in it.

Then, again, take that International Convention. We proposed having it at St. Louis, aside from where the great attractions were—in Chicago, for at that time was going on this Parliament of Religions, as well as Mr. Moody's meetings and the Fair—this great combination. We felt we made a mistake, but we had made no mistake. We went off into that quiet place, and there we could sit down just as Christ took His disciples apart awhile, and we could consult and pray. We had a splendid convention, one of the best, I think, we ever had, and it was a great uplifting to us there. We looked back to what we had been doing, and, I tell you, it was marvellous the reports that came up from the American nation and Canada, and the world, in regard to the work that has been done during the past year. It was seen there that we had in Canada and the United States about 150,000 Sabbath Schools—a marvellous progress in the last three years—about 1,500,000 teachers, and nearly 12,000,000 scholars. Think of it; what a great army that is; what a splendid corps of workers. The world has never seen such a marvellous array of ability as there is to-day. Never in the history of the world has God had so many friends, and active friends, and earnest friends. Although