

Convention. We are going to ask this afternoon that the delegates from the various parts of the Province will tersely, and yet as fully as may be necessary, give us the heads or the principal points of the work which is being carried on in their own several localities. I shall call over the names of the counties in alphabetical order. Of course, with so many counties as we have, some lying so remote from us, there may be counties that will have no representation here; but I am very happy to say that we are not without representation even from some of the distant districts of the Province outside of the counties, and I should like if all the delegates from a given county, when the name of that county is called, would rise to their feet for a moment, just that we may see how thoroughly representative our Convention is. Before proceeding with that, a very important part of the business of this Convention is, of course, the appointment of the officers to whom shall be entrusted the conduct of the Convention. I will first nominate the following gentlemen, who will be requested to nominate the officers for the ensuing year. These brethren will kindly retire and agree upon their report, which will be presented at a later period of this session. Mr. William Johnson, Belleville; Mr. David James, Thornhill; Rev. S. Houston, Kingston; Mr. W. M. Graham, Lakefield; Mr. D. Fotheringham, Mr. W. J. Davis, Toronto, and Mr. Alfred Day, the General Secretary. I will now call upon the counties as I find them in this alphabetical list, and if there are any here from the county of Addington will you kindly rise and let us know? (No delegates). Any here from Algoma? I think there are some here from Algoma; perhaps they will turn up later. Brant?

HENRY R. NIXON—All our Sunday Schools have reported, excepting the city of Brantford and the town of Paris. The Presidents have personally visited every section, and I do not think I have anything more to say. We have, perhaps, as efficient an organization as we could well have.

Mr. PEAKE—Brant, I may say, for the information of those who do not know, if there are any such, is one of our most progressive counties, a banner county; every Sunday School in the county is visited by the officers of the Association, and the county contributes regularly to the funds of the Provincial Association. County of Bruce? Carleton? Dufferin? Dundas?

Rev. Dr. HANDSFORD—I have no particular statements to make to the Convention, except to say that the work of the Sunday School in that county has come under pretty thorough review again and again in the course of the year, and that the work is in a progressive and prosperous state; other particulars might be given at a future time.

Mr. PEAKE—County of Durham, Elgin, Essex, Frontenac?

Mr. A. SHAW—I am of the opinion that there are delegates from Frontenac, more particularly, perhaps, from Kingston. I have visited