

## SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

CANNING, Sept. 16th, 1878.

In session. President F. Babcock, in the chair. S. N. Royal, Secretary, in his place.

Members present: Elders F. Babcock, D. Oram, W. C. Weston, W. Downey, J. M. Lowden, T. O. DeWitt, J. I. Porter, J. H. Cox, G. E. Sturgis, S. N. Royal and J. F. Smith.

Licentiates: N. S. Palmeter, Wm. Millar and J. L. Smith. Rev. J. Mariner, delegate from M. C. Y. M.

Superintendents: Monson Cox, Corning Crowell.

Canning Free Baptist Sabbath School sung "Judea's Plains." Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

After some remarks by the President, the Minutes of last meeting was read and accepted, also the Constitution.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Elder F. Babcock, President; Elders W. Downey, W. C. Weston, D. Oram, T. O. DeWitt and J. I. Porter, Vice-Presidents. S. N. Royal, Secretary. F. Babcock, S. N. Royal, J. M. Lowden, G. E. Sturgis and C. Crowell, Executive Committee.

An interesting review lesson, interspersed with singing by the Canning F. B. S. School, was given during the session of the Convention.

The Report of the Secretary was read and adopted, as follows:

Your Secretary in making his Annual Report, would state with gratitude: First,—That during the year a large proportion of those gathered into our Churches during that time, have been from the Sabbath School.

Secondly,—That in some Schools the most of the congregation, young and old, are in the school.

Third,—Many of our Churches are maintaining Schools the entire year.

Fourthly,—That most of our Schools are using the International Series. With regret: that in some of our churches—less than in former years—there are Summer Schools, with a few Churches no School, and in a few instances the influence is connected with so called Union Schools, and would call attention to the fact that our Churches cannot afford this, and would request all our Churches, as far as possible, to lessen the causes for regret.

Yours, for Christ and the Children.

S. NASON ROYAL, Sec. Convention.

The Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools, as referred by the Conference to the Convention, was read and endorsed, (see report as printed in the Minutes of Conference), by Rev. J.