

the world, and what success also, God is giving to them. All the children who read this *Record*, should do so carefully, and if they can get any other magazines like it, they should read them, that we may have as much knowledge as possible about the work of the Lord in heathen lands, and in Sabbath schools at home and abroad. Frequent meetings of children and teachers, to hear and speak about this important subject, would be found very pleasant. In Montreal, for instance, on New Year's day, it is the custom of the Sabbath schools to meet in various churches, and hear addresses from ministers, suitable to the New Year. These are always pleasant meetings, and looked forward to, by the children with delight, indeed we think it would be well if they met oftener.

We should be glad to hear that such meetings as these had become common throughout Canada, and we may take another opportunity of giving some hints as to the way in which children's meetings and especially little Missionary Societies can be best conducted.

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#### VALUE OF A HYMN BOOK IN AFRICA.

Mr. Moffat the celebrated Missionary of whom we have told you often, was once a Sabbath School Teacher in Manchester, England; and though God in his good providence had seen fit to call him far away, to instruct the heathen, yet he did not forget his class and the Sabbath School which he had left, for when he visited his native country he very soon found his way to the Sabbath School which he had left. It was on one of these visits, he gave the following anecdote of a heathen who had been brought in some measure to see the truth—his desire to be further instructed puts us all to the blush:—

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You, I dare say, have hymn-books or bibles of your own; but it is not so in Africa: even the grown-up people there can scarcely get a book at all, and would