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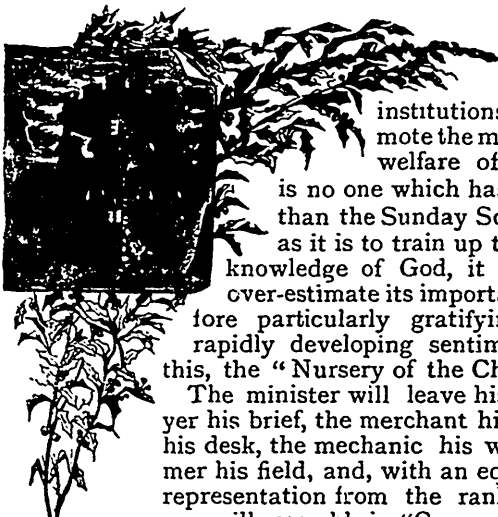


BE NOT WEARY
IN WELL DOING.



GATHER THEM IN

The Sunday School.



AMONG the numerous

institutions designed to promote the moral and spiritual welfare of mankind, there is no one which has greater claims than the Sunday School. Designed as it is to train up the young in the knowledge of God, it is impossible to over-estimate its importance. It is therefore particularly gratifying to note the rapidly developing sentiment in favor of this, the "Nursery of the Church."

The minister will leave his pulpit, the lawyer his brief, the merchant his office, the clerk his desk, the mechanic his workshop, the farmer his field, and, with an equally distinctive representation from the ranks of the gentler sex, will assemble in "Convention," or in "Parliament," and there for days carefully and prayerfully consider the best interests of the work, and how those interests may be most fully conserved. Can we, therefore, wonder that the Sunday School of 1884 is so efficient and so much blessed of God, and that next to the Church, its interests are paramount to those of any other organization. Our space will not admit of any review of progress made, but we ask consideration of the following facts:—

The American Continent (United States and Canada) has seven million Sabbath School scholars, and one million Sabbath School teachers.

There is held annually in United States and Canada five thousand two hundred and twenty Sabbath School Conventions, Institutes and Assemblies, being an average of over one hundred per week, or fourteen per day. The army of