

of Organization, International Sabbath School Convention, was received with applause. He said: I am always glad to come into this, God's, country. I left Chicago yesterday. (Laughter.) When I received an invitation to attend this convention, I looked over your programme and said, "No, it is not best for me to go. You have got enough of workers there from outside of Ontario, together with the splendid corps of workers which you have in Ontario; you do not want any more from outside." They wrote me back immediately, "We do not consider you outside, we consider you one of us"; so I said, "I will come," and I am very glad to be considered one of the workers of this great province. We have been very much interested in you, my friends, particularly in this city. This is a phenomenal city; it stands alone. A city of the population this has, in its Sabbath observance it has not got its equal in the world, on this continent or any other (hear, hear, and applause), and so when we were told in Chicago, a short time ago, that there was an effort being made by a lot of imported Americans, I believe (laughter), to break down your Sabbath laws, and that you were going to vote upon it, I tell you our hearts went up in prayer to God for you, and the day before and during the day of the election we held prayer-meetings there. There was a prayer-meeting held in the Model Sabbath Building, and earnest prayers went up to God that you might maintain and sustain your position as a Sabbath-observing city, and I am so glad to be here to mingle my congratulations with yours that victory has been attained, and I hope to God that you will hold the fort. (Hear, hear.) Let us have one city, at all events, as a model to point to, a large city and yet one that honors God in the observance of the Sabbath. I tell you we have had a great uplifting all over this country. Nothing that has ever occurred on this continent has produced such a sensation and conviction of the power of the Christian sentiment of this country, as the forced closing of the gates of the Fair by the public sentiment of this country. Of course, they are open, but they are open because they could not be closed. Those men threw them open, and then when they got them open and found it was a mistake, they tried to close them. It was a kind of a boomerang that came around and struck them again; they sent it out to hit somebody else, but it came around and hit them. They would have closed them if they could have done so, and they have been amazed, and the country has been perfectly amazed at the sentiment there has been aroused in the United States, and the manner in which the people have treated the Fair. It would have been a financial failure if the managers had not taken the action they did, but just as soon as they took that action the people then immediately came, and they have made it a success, and I believe to-day the Sabbath School in the United States stands high, and the Christian sentiment of that nation is more respected to-day than it has ever been in the history of that land. (Applause.)

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