

*Congregations are increasingly providing all the funds necessary for the maintenance of their Sabbath schools, thus avoiding the system that has been so general of depending on the proceeds of socials, anniversary entertainments, bazaars, or something worse for their support. On every hand we find that not merely is there an interest taken, but enthusiasm evidenced in this great and growing department of the church's work.*

But the most gratifying record we have to make is the large number of conversions and additions to the churches from our Sabbath schools. *The Methodist Church of Canada* tells of 3,825 conversions. *The Evangelical Association* reports 300 conversions. *The Primitive Methodists* have had a large number added to the church from their schools. *The Methodist Episcopal Church* has had like blessing following Sabbath school instruction. The schools of the *Congregational* denomination have in many instances been also fruitful. Many have been brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus, and introduced into the fold of the church. *The Regular Baptists* have had very precious revivals in many of their Sabbath Schools within the past year, and large additions to the churches from them have been made. More than one hundred have been added to the Baptists churches in Toronto alone, from this source. The same result in some measure has followed the teaching of the schools of other denominations, and it is estimated that during the past year the largest proportion of new members have come from Sunday schools. One correspondent writes: "More and more every year the churches are realizing that it is to the Sabbath school we are to look in the main for the principal additions to our churches."

*The Sabbath School Assembly at Chataqua* this year was a remarkable gathering both in its character and numbers. Some Canadians attended it, and should there be time, a report of it may be given to this Convention.

During the past year a beloved brother, the *Rev. Joel Briggs*, one of our earliest associates in Conventions, has been called home by death. Our departed brother was one of our most constant and enthusiastic helpers in these conferences. We realize his loss, and sympathise with his bereaved family; but he rests from his labours, and reminds us to "work, for the night is coming."

*The Canadian members* of the International Union Lesson Committee have borne their part in the selection of the lessons for 1876 and the selection decided upon has been announced.

*The committee appointed to report* at this meeting upon the expediency of establishing *Normal school classes for Sabbath school teachers*, with the view to test their efficiency for the work, will give you the result of its deliberations accordingly.