

and the large numbers of children by whom the Sabbath was spent in a way that utterly perverted the day from its original design, and made it a day of irreligious sports instead of a day for religious instruction and sacred rest, that had no other way opened, the writer believes he would have gathered as many of these neglected children as he could into his own house, rather than see them left to grow up in practical heathenism, in ignorance of the word of God and of the way of Salvation.

He brought the matter before the Session. The Session, after much discussion, and with no little hesitation finally agreed to authorize him to open a Mission School, and to provide the means for its support. He was given full charge and Miss Christina Allan was released from her class in the Church School in order that she might take charge of the girls who might be gathered into the new school.

The house obtained on the corner of Somerset and Cambridge Streets, though in many respects unsuitable, was the only one available, and there the School began.

The Session's report for the year 1892, presented to the annual meeting of the congregation on the 9th January, 1893, says, regarding this movement: "to meet the wants of the younger children of families remote from the church, and still more to provide religious instruction for a large number of children, not then in attendance on any Sunday School, the Session resolved to open a School on the Corner of Cambridge and Somerset Streets. The School was opened on the 20th November, and the attendance on the first day was forty-four." There were at the time of the report sixty-nine names on the Roll.

As the result of their experience on Cambridge Street, our Sunday School teachers have come to believe that there are several points which should be occupied in a similar way, as soon as possible. Notwithstanding the facilities for religious instruction thus placed within their reach—nay rather, because the means of instruction in the Scriptures are so easy of access—parents are earnestly entreated to pay close and constant attention to the proper training of their children. The greatest possible multiplication of the means of grace would be a poor substitute for family religion. The first great duty of parents, as it is their highest privilege, is to labor for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom by bringing up their own children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.