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The Specimen Book of our Publications for 1909 has been mailed to all ministers and Sabbath School superintendents. Any teacher or other person may have a copy or copies by simply dropping the Editors a Post Card.

The book is itself a work of art, and it illustrates how rapid has been the expansion of our Publications work, and how fully we are seeking to meet every need of our Sabbath Schools. For material, mechanical finish, price, we invite comparison. Our constant aim is to give the best matter, in the best form, and at the lowest price compatible with good business.

1908-1909 is the tenth year of the Committee of Publications' existence. We hope to make it a memorable year. We have many new things in sight, including an enlargement of *THE KING'S OWN*. But the Specimen Book for 1909 tells the whole story. Send for a copy, if you have not seen it.

A Day of Prayer for Sunday Schools

By Rev. J. M. Duncan, B.D.

Sunday, October 18th, has been set apart as, "A Day of Universal Prayer for Sunday Schools". It should be a great and memorable day. The great army of Sunday School workers all round the globe uniting in earnest, definite, believing prayer to God on behalf of their glorious enterprise,—who can measure the streams of blessings that will come down from heaven in answer to this concerted intercession? A vast ingathering of souls from amongst the young into the kingdom of God and a quickening of interest in the

study of His Word and the doing of His work, may surely be looked for as the outcome of this day of world-wide prayer.

Along with prayer there must be effort. And this effort should take the direction of striving to win every scholar to a personal decision for Christ and His service. An old and successful teacher, in a country district, says that whenever he meets his scholars alone, they expect him to speak to them about their souls. In all the classes of our Schools, there are, doubtless, boys and girls who are waiting for a word from the teacher, or from some Christian classmate, to bring them to the point where they will accept the Saviour and yield their lives to Him.

The Christian life should be set before young people in its true attractiveness. They want a Leader,—whom can they follow with such perfect satisfaction and assurance of the highest success and happiness as Jesus Christ? They long to be of some use in the world,—how can they make a better investment of their talents and opportunities than by spending them in carrying out His plans for a redeemed humanity?

Prayer to God and personal effort,—let the teacher use these means on behalf of his scholars, and the blessing of heaven will not be withheld.

The Note of Urgency

By Rev. W. H. Sedgwick, M.A.

All true preaching and teaching has in it the note of urgency. No one who reads the Book of the Acts can fail to observe that this is the characteristic note of apostolic preaching. Every word in the apostles' preaching seems scorched with the holy fire of a des-