

be building up your own Church and her Sabbath School Work, but building up in yourself a good and noble element of character, love and loyalty to our own Church in its work of trying to win our country for Christ.

The Lesson Helps for January will be ready in November. Do not give orders elsewhere until you see them.

Any orders for Lesson Helps for the remainder of this year are to be sent to Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, St. John, N.B. But anything relating to the Helps for 1898, in the meantime, to be addressed to Rev. E. Scott, Presbyterian Record, Montreal.

The Ontario Lord's Day Alliance held an important Convention in Toronto, 9-10 September. One of the most notable addresses, was, as might be expected, that of Principal Caven, on the "Divine Foundation of the Lord's Day," which closed with the rallying call:—"I do trust that the God-fearing and religious people of Ontario are not going to yield in this contest. Though defeated a hundred times, they must stand up in God's strength to maintain in its integrity this Divine and most beneficent Institution."

The graduates of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, will hold a "Reunion and Institute" for four days, 4-8 October, in connection with the opening of the ensuing session. Among the themes for discussion are:—The Work of the Holy Spirit; The Church and the Young; The Place of Evangelists in the Church; The French Problem; The Relation of the Church to Social Problems; Foreign Missions; Missionary Finance, etc. A number of our ablest men will take part. The discussion upon each subject will be opened with a paper by one specially conversant. All who will may come, and those who come will find it profitable.

Easier to fault than mend? Sometimes. We have been asked how the mistake, referred to in a former issue, of crowding missionaries, Home or Foreign, into the last hours of an Assembly evening can be avoided. Nothing easier. It was given in the Record more than a year ago. Let the Assembly receive the Report at the morn-

ing or afternoon session and leave the evening free for missionaries.

The present system gives fair play neither to convener or missionary. For the former to present, at all fully, in fifteen or twenty minutes, such a work as that of our Home or Foreign Missions; and for several of the latter, in ten minutes each, to tell the work of years, or the work yet to do, is impossible.

NOT WEARY IN WELL DOING.

Of two things many good people at times may weary; the "give, give" of mission agencies, and the unceasing resistance to the inroads of evil. But in neither must they cease. There is no discharge in that war. Life is all too short to do our little part in this great work, and our share in it must soon be past.

As a Church, we have men and women doing our work in different parts of the world, and in all the fields it is greater than they can overtake. Let this year be more liberal to our Mission Schemes than ever before, for the work is enlarging and our time of giving one year less.

In conflict against encroaching evil, too, we must not grow weary. Evil is ever aggressive, e. g., along the line of Sabbath-breaking and strong drink, especially in our larger cities.

For years there has been an annual fight in Montreal over licensing saloons in a district that will put temptation more directly in the way of the hundreds of University students that gather to McGill; and this year, for the first time, the saloon appears to have won; though the end is not yet.

Toronto has had its conflicts, and now the Street Railway acknowledges no Sabbath.

But the good people of Montreal and Toronto, of Quebec and Ontario, and of the Maritime Provinces on either coast, will not give up the fight; for the best welfare of home and country is at stake. Be it ours when a point of vantage may seem lost to guard with more of care what remains. It is not a forlorn hope, nor uncertain in result. While there may seem loss at some points there is gain in others; and, though perhaps not exactly in the way we think best, right at length must triumph.