

The PRESIDENT—The Sunday School teacher must not take it himself.

Mr. HAMILTON, Toronto—Is the fact that a teacher is engaged nearly all the time looking after his class of young men or young women, teaching them the duty of good citizenship, a valid excuse for him giving little time to politics?

Mr. MACLAREN—If he talks it to his class, cannot he talk it to others?

DELEGATE—It will be the best lesson he could give his boys.

Mr. MARION LAWRENCE—I have attended all of the International conventions since 1884, and I am sure of this, that the fact that we have four temperance lessons a year is not due to any other more than to the speaker of the afternoon. I have heard his addresses to the International Convention pleading for this thing. Then, I might say, while the teacher teaches four temperance lessons a year, he ought to bring temperance up at other lessons, for the teacher that will not talk on temperance until he finds a lesson labelled "Temperance," will not teach temperance very effectively that day. There is a book, I don't just now remember the name of it, but you can get it through Mr. Day, compiled by the wife of a very important business man in New York. It is composed of replies from business men to the question, Would they employ in their business a young man that they knew drank even a little? That book would be helpful to show the you men that it does not hurt them socially only, but from a business standpoint as well. Why not send a few letters, similar to the ones this lady sent, to the business men in your own city? (Applause.)

DELEGATE—I believe that we get too many side issues, and outside of Christ, props on which we try to get out men and scholars to lean; I believe in teaching every Sunday to my class against every sin that opposes the character of the Lord Jesus Christ, and wherever temperance comes in I teach it, but I never do teach any one to sign a pledge, because I believe it weakens the character if we lean upon anything else than the principles of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Mr. MACLAREN—I thank God I took the pledge when a mere child—(hear, hear)—and the fact that I was pledged was something to fall back upon when otherwise I might have yielded.

The PRESIDENT—I agree with you; I took the pledge when twelve years of age, and know it was helpful to me.

A DELEGATE—I was born in the Old Land sixty years ago; my father was a strong temperance man; at the age of four years he took me to a temperance meeting in England, and I went up to the desk and signed the pledge. What was the result? I stand up to-day free of ever having used it.

Mr. LEE—I think, sir, in the last part of your former remarks you

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