

# Chapter I.

## The Organized Sunday School Work

### I.—HISTORICAL NOTES.

The International Sunday School Association covers the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central America and the West Indies, and is the result of a series of conventions held by Sunday School workers, of all denominations, but without official denominational appointment, and running back to the National Convention held in New York City in 1832. Of late it has met in convention every three years, but will in future meet every fourth year. It accomplishes its work by a system of Auxiliary Associations, in States, Provinces, Counties, Districts and Cities. These Associations are voluntary and self-governing. There are at present 63 State and Provincial Associations, 2,600 County and some 10,000 District Associations.

The World's Sunday School Association. Protestant Christian workers in other countries are similarly organized, and these S. S. workers the world over are united in a great co-operative organization known as the World's Sunday School Association. This is really the Missionary end of the Association work. This World's Association was formed in London in 1889 and in future will hold quadrennial conventions.

### II.—ORGANIZED SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK DEFINED.

1. The Organized Sunday School Movement is a system of Sunday School Associations, including the World's, International, State or Provincial, County, City, Township or District, linked together for the purpose of studying