

The total result shows an increase of scholars in the Third, Fifth, and Sixth Districts, while the First, Second, Fourth, and Seventh do not report as many schools or scholars as last year; possibly on account of reports not reaching your Secretary. Correspondence brings out the fact that in some cases reports that were sent to the District Meetings, failed to reach my hands, and perhaps also the hands of clerks of Districts. We look with pleasure at the number of conversions reported during the year. The greatest number are from the Sixth District, 122; while the total for the year is less than last year. The decrease, notably in the Seventh District; the large number of last year possibly being the result of Evangelistic labor.

Evergreen schools, we are glad to report, are still increasing, noticeably in the First District. This is a work that should be uppermost in the breast of every sabbath school worker, and we earnestly hope that a greater number will endeavor to aid in presenting the beautiful lessons so full of truth, to the children unbroken during the year. Did space permit your attention might well be drawn to pastoral attendance, which seems inclined to decrease rather than increase. Also, to amount of school property. This appears, like pastoral attendance, to grow less, owing possibly more to neglect of reporting, than loss of property, as the general increase would indicate.

In concluding this report your Committee feel that they have every reason to rejoice that this branch of our work is progressing so favorably, and would urge renewed activity in all our churches in this most important part of our denominational work.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive of Sabbath Schools,
JAMES E. MCCREADY.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 3rd, 1896.

On motion of Mr. J. E. Slipp, seconded by Mr. W. C. Kierstead, and supported by Rev. G. M. Carey, Rev. T. O. DeWitt, and D. W. Clarke, Esq., and Col. Alexander:

5. *Resolved*, That the Report of the Executive for Sabbath Schools be adopted.

On motion of Rev. F. C. Hartley, A. B.:

6. *Resolved*, That we do now adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock A. M. Monday, the 5th instant.

Closed by Prayer by Rev. W. J. Halse.