

draw from the bounds of the Presbytery. It was agreed to place on record the Presbytery's disapproval of Mr. Greenlee's action and to represent the same to the General Assembly's Home Mission Committee, with a view of securing from him a refund of the amount granted towards his travelling expenses from the East. It was agreed to take the necessary steps to secure the division of the Presbytery into three Presbyteries and the erection of a Synod of British Columbia. The questions of the legal status of the Church in British Columbia and the Presbytery's relation to the Church and Manse Building Fund were referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. Alexander Young, Mr. Thornton Fell, and the Clerk, to report at next meeting. Standing Committees for the year were appointed with the following Conveners: Home Missions, Rev. P. McF. McLeod; Foreign Missions, Rev. Thomas Scouler; Colleges, the Clerk; State of Religion, Rev. J. M. McLeod; Sabbath Schools, Rev. W. R. Ross; Temperance, Rev. J. K. Wright; Systematic Benevolence, Rev. Alexander Tait. The examinations of Mr. J. R. MacKay, student in second year in theology, and Mr. T. G. McLeod, first year in theology, were cordially sustained, and it was agreed to allow these students to continue their labours and prosecute their studies for the next six months under the direction of the Presbytery, and that the Rev. Dr. King of Manitoba College be requested to prescribe a course of study, and upon passing satisfactory examinations application be made to the General Assembly to accord them the standing of students of the third and second years respectively. Leave was granted to St. Andrews Church, Nanaimo, to sell the present church property with the view of purchasing a new site and erecting a new church elsewhere. The next ordinary meeting of the Presbytery was appointed to be held in St. Andrews Church, Vancouver, on the second Tuesday, 8th December next, at 3 p.m.—D. MACRAE, Pres. Clerk.

BOARD OF FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.

THANKSGIVING COLLECTION.

According to the treasurer's statement at a recent meeting of the Executive of the Board there is at present an indebtedness of \$8 500, with the salaries for the current quarter due on the 1st prox. Therefore it has been resolved to appeal to the congregations of the Church for a special collection on Thanksgiving Day (21st November) on behalf of the funds. We ask for your hearty co-operation, and trust that you will present the importance of this scheme to your people so that a good collection will be given either to the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools' Building Fund, which is still \$2 750 in debt, or to the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools' Ordinary Fund, or the French Evangelization Ordinary Fund.

About three hundred applications for admission to the Pointe-aux-Trembles Schools have been received. Notwithstanding the extension of the buildings last year, at least one-third of these will have to be refused for want of room. At the same time it is to be remembered that, owing to the increased number of pupils, there will be an increased expenditure of at least \$2 000 for this year.

During the six months ending 1st October, the missionary work of the Board included thirty-three mission fields, twenty-one mission day schools and eight colportage districts.

In our thanksgivings to God for national and personal blessings of the year, let us not forget those He has bestowed upon the work of giving the Gospel to our French fellow countrymen.

All contributions should be sent direct to the treasurer, Rev. Robert H. Warden, D.D., 198 St. James Street, Montreal. Yours sincerely,

D. H. MACVICAR, D.D., LL.D.,
Chairman.

S. J. TAYLOR, Secretary.

Montreal, October 28, 1891.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION AT OTTAWA.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Sabbath School Association of Ontario was held at Ottawa on the 27th, 28th and 29th of October. This is the first occasion on which the Association has met at the Capital, and it has no reason to be dissatisfied with its reception in the far east. It was in short one of the best conventions yet held. Knox Church, in which the convention met, was well filled throughout, and the interest shown by the people of Ottawa augurs well for good results. An active local committee looked well after the necessary arrangements and the delegates found a warm welcome in the homes of Ottawa.

It was a source of disappointment that Professor Excell, who was announced to lead the singing, was not present. Good music is always made an important feature of these conventions and the services of an expert are always secured. Professor Excell failed at the last, but his place was taken by the organist of the church and a choir who did their part well, and the singing was hearty and enthusiastic.

The executive committee met the first day and considered and adopted the report to be presented to the convention. It told of much good work accomplished during the past year. Ten counties have been organized and six districts constituted in the territory lying north and east of Lake Superior, Lake Huron and the Georgian Bay. In all, sixty-seven organizations have been effected during the year, and there are now only a very few counties in which there are not local associations. There are now ten counties fully organized with all the paraphernalia of township associations as against two the previous year. More and better work has been done in this direction the past year than in any previous period of the Association's existence.

The treasurer's report showed a sufficient balance on hand to continue the work till the amounts pledged for the coming year begin to come in.

The election of officers resulted in the choosing of Mr. A. Mutchmore, of Ottawa, as president, and Mr. Mutchmore proved himself to be an excellent presiding officer. Mr. H. P. Moore, of Acon, was elected minute secretary, and Rev. J. C. Tibb, of Lucasville, assistant secretary. A large executive committee was also chosen, representing all the counties. Messrs. Alfred Day and J. J. Woodhouse, of Toronto, continue to occupy their respective offices as general secretary and corresponding secretary and treasurer.

The most prominent name on the programme was that of B. F. Jacobs, of Chicago, chairman of the international executive, and one of the fathers of the international series of Sabbath school lessons. Mr. Jacobs is an enthusiast in the work, and to his able addresses much of the success of the convention is due. He spoke three times, on "Organization," on "Teacher Training," and on "The Front Line of Sabbath School Work," though he said little on the latter subject, having substituted answers to a number of questions which were handed in. He also taught the lesson for the following Sunday, "Christ, the True Vine," and if that lesson is not dealt with better than usual in many of the Sunday schools in Canada it is not Mr. Jacobs' fault. His method was exceedingly lucid and attractive, and he was listened to by a large number, though the hour was too early—6 45 a.m.—for many who would have wished to be present. Mr. Jacobs has a commanding presence, and seasons his addresses with a dash of humour which helps to hold the attention of his audience.

Mr. S. H. Blake, of Toronto, gave an address which was listened to with much interest. He appealed to Sabbath school workers to teach the importance of forsaking the worship of Mammon and of worshipping the living God, referring, as most of the speakers did, to recent developments at Ottawa, not at all creditable to our national character.

Principal MacVicar, of Montreal, delivered two thoughtful addresses, his subjects being, "How to Induce a Child to Think," and "The Teacher Reproduced in the Pupil." Dr. MacVicar's experience enabled him to offer some valuable suggestions to teachers.

Rev. A. M. Phillips, of Toronto, took up "How to Study the Word and How to Teach the Word." He advised the reading of the whole of St. John's Gospel, without interruption and said until that was done it would never be understood. He thought the Bible was being taught by a false method—bit by bit.

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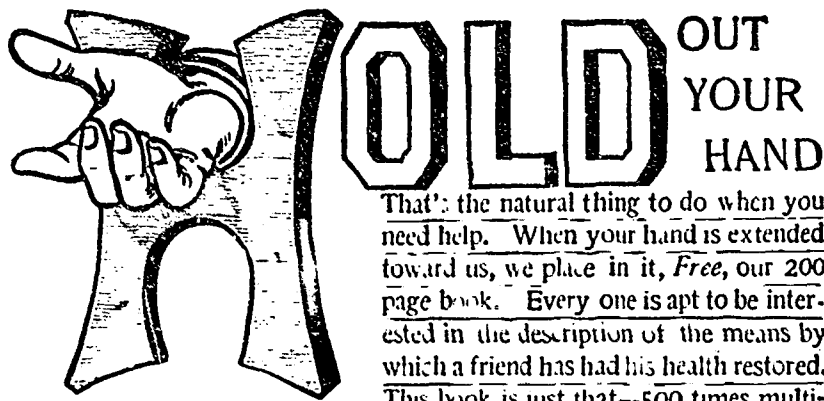
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—instead of each book by itself as a whole, and considered it would be well for the children if the books of the Bible were published separately for their use. His theories gave rise to a considerable discussion.

"The Fifth Gospel" was the name given to Palestine by Principal Austin, of St. Thomas, who dealt with the characteristics of that land, illustrated by maps and models.

Mr. George Bishop, president of the Quebec Sabbath School Association, gave some hints on Sabbath school management, which were very useful to superintendents and teachers.

The primary work was in charge of Miss S. Brown, of Brantford, who as a successful primary teacher is well qualified to give instruction as to the best methods of teaching little children. Mrs. Humphreys, of Parkhill, taught a primary class at one of the sessions.

Conferences of county officers were held under the direction of Mr. Hossie, of Brantford, the retiring president, and Mr. Donly, of Simcoe. The address of greeting at the first evening session was

delivered by Mr. I. Macdonald Oxley, secretary of the local committee. The consideration of reports occupied considerable time, and led to some animated discussions, but out of all was evolved much that will be useful in carrying on the work.

A novel feature of the convention was the sunrise prayer-meeting, which was held at 6 45 each morning, and was well attended.

At the request of Mr. Jacobs it was resolved to prepare and forward a resolution protesting against the proposed opening of the Chicago Exhibition of 1893 on the Lord's Day.

Greetings were exchanged with the Provincial Teachers' Association of Nova Scotia and the W. C. T. U. of Ontario, in session at Halifax and Toronto.

An invitation to hold the next convention at Guelph was accepted.

The usual votes of thanks were tendered all who had helped to make the Convention a success, which it undoubtedly was, and from which beneficial results cannot fail to flow.