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Repairing the Wires.

THERE was a heavy windstorm last night. As a consequence there is no responsive voice when the telephone operator tries to get information from the great outside world. "Wire broken somewhere!" is the conclusion. "Possibly a pole overthrown!" Yes, off in a lonely country district several telegraph poles lie prostrate like gigantic warriors suddenly smitten down. The storm wind played a dismal death tune on a wire stretching across a marsh, and then ruptured it. This morning there is a force of repairers going out to search for prostrate poles and severed wires. No delay! There is a country beyond with which communication must be established. Business, official circles, homes, the shipping world demand instant communication, and yonder lineman wriggling up a pole is a sign that something will be done speedily.

Repairing the wires! Do we ever think of the young lives between whom and heaven there may hang a broken wire? Does the Church bear faithfully in mind those who have been connected by prayer with the heavenly world, and yet the life below may show there is a wire down somewhere? There is no department demanding more faithful, while very kindly, inspection than that of the young life

which confessedly is Christ's, but actually may be faulty? There is no relation to the young more important than that of parent, pastor, teacher, whose work it is to find out if the wires may be down or up, if the soul may be in intimate connection with the divine source of blessing or not. In the kindest way bring into communication with heaven the severed lives of all young disciples. They are not unappreciative. One of the first messages echoing heavenward may be the young penitent's cry, "Thank God for a faithful teacher!"—*Sunday School Journal*.

Stand by the International Work.

A WORK so great and effectual as the International Sunday-school work deserves not only the consideration but the financial support of all good citizens. And this matter of supporting the International work deserves more and better consideration by the various State and Provincial Associations. Our State Sunday-school Associations owe their existence and the blessing they are to this same work which is still being done under the auspices of the International Convention, which is composed of delegates from these States and Provinces.

The work done under the direction of the International Committee is simply the work which we all endorse and which every three years we vote to have done. That the affairs of the convention are economically administered and that we believe still greater work should be undertaken by the Committee, is evidenced by our repeated resolves in the International Conventions. The memberships in the conventions as well as of the International Executive Committee comprises some of the ablest business men of this country and Canada. They owe it to themselves and to the great cause in which they bear a special commission from their fellow-laborers to put this International work on as sound a financial basis as they have their own business.

Nor is this so difficult a problem but what a little combined and concentrated attention would solve it. The greatest need after definite recommendation on the part of the Committee is a systematic plan in each State and Province for raising its fair proportion of the necessary fund. Properly apportioned the amount for each association to raise would not be great. Some States are raising and expending a larger sum in their work than is used by the entire International work.

It is incumbent upon the representatives of the work in the several States and Provinces to properly exalt the International work, acquaint the Christian public with the responsibilities and needs of the International Committee and appeal for liberal support.—*International Evangel*.