work has taken place, notwithstanding the depletion by emigration from which we are so largely the gainers. It is curious to note that the increase in scholars in Canada is considerably larger than the increase in scholars in Great Britain, though our total membership is only about one-quarter as much. The number of scholars who are church-members is nearly as great in Canada as it is in this large church, and the increase in Canada is even greater than in Great They have, however, over ninety-four thousand who are meeting in junior class, ten thousand on trial for membership, which greatly lessens the discrepancy.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

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Number of Young People's Societies Number of Active Members	1,776 45,531 24,807	inc.	33 1,047 1,387
Total	70,338	**	2,434
CONTRIBUTION	S		
For League or Society purposes For General Epworth League Fund. For Missions For Superannuation Fund For Educational Fund For all other purposes	\$22,815 1,685 37,492 592 120 17,937	dec. inc. dec.	\$266 31 5,147 24 20 2,129
Grand Total	\$80,641	**	7,507

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Schedule G contains a full record of SundaySchools, and shows that great success has crowned the labors of the year. The Home Department and the Cradle Roll, though comparatively new, are proving invaluable auxiliaries, and are worthy of being worked to the utmost extent.

Number of Preaching Appointments	4,825	inc.	71
Number of Sunday-schools	3,439	44	15
Number of Officers and Teachers	33,716	44	528
Average attendance	26,114	44	4,300
Number of Scholars in Primary classes	77,881	**	892
Number of Scholars in Intermediate	103,724	**	98
Number of Scholars in Adult classes	78,153		2,786
Number of Scholars in Home Dept.,	14,204	**	1,915
Total number of Scholars	273,962	**	5,691
Number on Cradle Roll	8,241	**	1,600
Number in Union Schools	5,573	**	522
Total Sunday-school force Number who have united with the	321,492	**	8,341
Church during the year	12,086	44	2,329
Number who are members of the Church	81,526	**	5,645

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For Missionary Fund	\$24,134 648	ine.	\$1,725 137
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SPECIAL DAYS.

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Number of Schools that observe Rally Day	1,035	**	174
Number of Schools that observed Decision Day	551	**	33

IN THE HOMELAND.

The annual report of the Wesleyan Sunday School Union tells of increase in every item of our Sunday School work. The increases this year, following substantial and unbroken increases for the last three years, are most encouraging. They are as follows:

Number of Schools	7,498	inc.	. 58
Teachers	133,301	**	641
Teachers who are Church Members.		44	975
Number of Scholars			5,071
Morning average attendance	338,142	66	3,490
Afternoon average attendance	649,182	44	6,917
Scholars above fifteen years of age	261,444	44	2,252
Scholars who are Church Members. Scholars who are on Trial for Mem-	97,077	**	4,650
bership	10,006	44	1,381
Scholars in Junior Society classes	94,683	**	3,067
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The Methodist Magazine and Review for October.

The illustrated articles of this number are: "Methodism in Mexico," "Slavery and the Slave Trade," by the Editor; "Rural England," by Violet Brooke-Hunt; "The 'Good Angel' of Bulgaria," "London Charities," and "A Romance of Old St. Paul," by Rev. Mark Guy Pearse, describing the way in which the iron fence which surrounded the old cathedral comes to surround the grave of the late John G. Howard in High Park, Toronto. A number of short and serial stories and illustrated current topics and events make up an admirable number.

Toronto: William Briggs. Montreal: C. W. Coates. Halifax: S. F. Huestis. \$2.00 a year; \$1.00 for six months.

Let God be your guide in the building of the vessel in which you expect to cross the ocean of life, and enter entirely without wreck. Use no timber that will not bear storm. Never sleep while you skirt the reef.—Joseph Cook.



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