

of fact, it operated exactly as Dr. Potts diagnosed spiritual work should operate. Almost every Sabbath in some class some boy or girl was able to say, they had, through parent or through teacher, given themselves to Christ. That was the idea when Decision Day came ; it was merely a declaration of what had been taking place during the three months that led up to it. The meeting is now open for discussion.

Rev. Dr. BENSON—How did you care for the hundred or more children that you brought into the Church on that Decision Day ?

Mr. HINCKS—We cared for them along lines belonging peculiarly to the Church. We have a catechumen class for young boys and girls, and we are inviting in with the two catechumen classes, the teachers of the various classes that are interested, so that we have clusters of workers in the catechumen classes composed of the class teacher and Sabbath School worker.

Mr. CLARKE—How do you take the decision from your school on Decision Day ?

Mr. HINCKS—By the signing of a card which was given to every pupil in the school.

Mr. CLARKE—Do you include the Primary class in that ?

Mr. HINCKS—Yes. We had the whole school present, and the parents.

Prof. HAMILL—Just what force do you give to these cards ?

Mr. HINCKS—We worked three months at it.

Prof. HAMILL—What was the impression in the mind of the child as to signing that card ? How far did the child think it was committed by it ?

Mr. HINCKS—We committed them the whole way to absolute unconditional surrender to Jesus Christ. We followed it by a service that many would not believe in, because we are here as a mixed denominational convention. We followed it with one of the most impressive services I ever attended, when between two and three hundred of our pupils took the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

A DELEGATE—At about what age do you specially speak of ?

Mr. HINCKS—They varied from 8 years to 30 and 35.

Prof. HAMILL—Does the person signing the card consider that that is the act of Conversion ?

Mr. HINCKS—We emphasize the Decision Day as a day of declaration only, and conversion the moment that they surrendered to Christ either at the mother's knee, or in conversation with the father, or in conversation with myself, or in conversation with the teacher. For instance, about five weeks before Decision Day a family rang me up—it was Saturday night—and said, we want you to come over and talk with our boy. That night between nine and ten, father and mother and myself knelt in the parlor and prayed with that boy, and