

(At this point a perfect storm of applause burst from the assembly and continued for some minutes; and then, as if moved by a spontaneous impulse the vast audience sprang to their feet, and the soul-stirring strains of

"God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,—
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen!"

pealed out in a burst of harmony that almost shook the building. This outbreak of loyal enthusiasm having subsided, the speaker resumed:)

I cannot allow myself, Mr. President, to trespass upon your time, (Go on, go on) but permit me to say that in this great work you are turning your attention just precisely to that element of society that will secure the most perfect triumph. (hear, hear.) You are not, Sir, taking the weapon by the blade, but by the handle. Now, I heard some discussion yesterday on the end and aim of Sabbath-School instruction. One word upon this point, for it is very essential. It is our work to teach the children how to get converted, and it is God's work to convert them. I like Paul's theology, "It is God that worketh in you to will and to do of his good pleasure." The difficulties in our way are very formidable. When the women were going to the sepulchre of our Saviour they said to each other, "Who will roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?" When they got there they found that God had sent down his angel to roll away the stone. The difficulty they expected was removed before they got there. So it will be with our teaching; if we only work on in faith, if we only do our part, God will remove the difficulties in the way. Now, Sir, I take leave of you (shaking hands with the President—Mr. Marling.) On behalf of my co-delegates from the New York Sabbath-School Association, I bid you farewell. I hope, Sir, to meet you when the toils of life are over, in the land of the blessed, to go no more out for ever. They may talk of the annexation of the two countries. I have no objection to it. When the trump of the archangel shall sound I would just as soon rise with Christ's people in Canada as anywhere else. Allow me to say to the members of this Convention, and to the christian friends whom I have met here that I shall be happy, God's providence permitting, to meet you in your next annual Convention,—(Cheers)—when I believe I shall hear even more cheering reports of the results of your labours. Now, Sir, I cannot shake hands with your Convention individually; let me do it in my heart. (Loud applause.)

JOHN MACDONALD, Esq., of Toronto, replied to the address of the last speaker. He said: How very much we owe to our American friends who have come so far to visit us on this extremely interesting occasion every one in this house can bear ample testimony. However excellent our Convention might have been without them, it has been infinitely better with them. Every delegate is free to admit the lessons he has learned from their addresses and illustrations. We came here to learn how to do this blessed Sabbath-School work in the best way; and I am sure we all feel that it is a mightier work than we ever before realized it to be. If we get hold of the children we get hold of the world. An intelligent Roman Catholic remarked to me that he had thought the differences between Protestant bodies were greater than they really are. He never supposed that they could meet on a common platform, to unite in a common work. And have we not ourselves discovered since we met here that our differences are not as great as we supposed they were. (Cheers.) And if no other object had been attained by this Convention this alone amply repays us for the trouble of coming here. But this is not the only object attained. We will go home with our hearts warmer in the work, and with a determination to do more for Christ. This Convention will be a comparative failure unless every man and every woman goes home fired with new zeal, and with a determination