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The important question of appointing Sabbath School missionaries has been sent down to Presbyteries by the General Assembly for further consideration, to report to next Assembly.

**CHILDREN'S DAY**—the last Sabbath of September—has come to be associated in the minds of the great army of our Sabbath School Teachers and Scholars with a rally in full strength; the presence in the school of parents and friends—in many cases indeed of the whole congregation; a hearty service; a rousing address; and the handing in of the envelopes for the special collection of the Day.

This year the service issued by the General Assembly's Sabbath School Committee is a Home Mission Service. It has been prepared with great care, not only as to the Scripture readings, but as to the Psalms and Hymns. These are from our own Book of Praise, some being very familiar, that no school, even the smallest and least organized, may feel itself shut out, and some less familiar, that there may be freshness and novelty, as well as heartiness.

The Sabbath Schools have always been helpers of Missions and of the other Schemes of the Church. Another opportunity to help is now given, as the envelopes to be distributed for the Children's Day Service set forth. A special and new work also makes its appeal, by instruction of the General Assembly, namely, the aiding of Sabbath Schools in new and needy districts to obtain the Lesson Helps and Papers they need. In many places

schools are so weak that they must be helped for a while, or go without; if helped for a while, they will soon be able to help themselves; yes, and to help others also. In other Churches this form of work has been pursued for many years with great advantage to the schools that give the aid and to those who receive it. It will prove of like advantage with ourselves. Care will, of course, be taken that only those who really need shall be helped, and helped only so long as they actually require assistance. So soon as they are able to walk alone, the crutches will be passed on to other feeble schools which, in the meantime, have sprung into being. We look for a great stimulus to our Sabbath School work in the new settlements and amongst our foreign populations from this fund.

## **The Relationship of the Adult Membership to the Sunday School**

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PART II.

[In the first portion of his paper Mr. Wright stated in general terms what the relationship of the adult membership to the Sunday School is and what it ought to be. In proceeding to enumerate in detail a few of the features of the relationship as it ought to be, he claimed for the work of Biblical instruction earnest sympathy and adequate financial provision, as well as a place in all grades of our national education. He then proceeds as follows.]

The adult membership should aid Biblical instruction in the home. This is the most important matter, and it cannot be too strongly emphasized. The Rev. Principal Caven gave utterance to a ringing note of alarm when he said: "The Lord's Day Act is in ruins!" The Rev. Dr. Dickson says: