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WHAT IS GOING ON

The General Assembly's Sabbath School Committee cares for about 3,000 schools. These contain upwards of 300,000 teachers and scholars.

The reports at the spring meeting of the committee indicated a year's faithful work and many signs of advancement.

IN THE FIELD

The summer schools in the Maritime Provinces and in Toronto, and the effective work of Mr. Burnie, the S.S. Field Secretary of the Montreal Presbytery, are telling in the promotion of better teacher training and organization.

The Home Missionary Superintendents in the far West report to the Sabbath School as well as to the Home Missions Committee. Dr. Carmichael was able to say of Manitoba and of the North-West Territories—one can hardly realize the importance of this announcement—"In every place where there is material for a Sunday School, there is a Sunday School organized."

Dr. Herdman, as already mentioned in EAST AND WEST, told of the promise of the schools in the Presbyteries of Kootenay to support a home missionary; also of the schools in the Kamloops Presbytery. The Presbytery of Edmonton has decided that its missionaries shall be at liberty four Sundays in the year to drop their ordinary appointments and visit their Sabbath schools. This will give a new impulse to the work and bring the congregations and the schools into closer touch.

Mr. Logan, the Synod of British Columbia's S.S. Convener, reports that our Lesson Helps

and Papers are used almost universally throughout the Synod.

A summer school is to be held in Edmonton in May, at the close of the Synod. Eminent teachers are to be present, including Professor Marcus Dods, of Edinburgh, Scotland. Conventions are also to be held at Yorkton and Dauphin on the whole work of the Church. The Home Department of the Sunday School will receive special attention. Mr. W. R. Sutherland, of Yorkton, tells of families won to Christ through undertaking to instruct their children in the Lessons from the HOME STUDY QUARTERLY supplied by the General Assembly's S. S. Committee.

TEACHER TRAINING

Plans are being made for putting the Teacher Training Course in the form of booklets. This will take time. Meanwhile, it will be continued in the TEACHERS MONTHLY as formerly. The outlook for it is full of interest. The desire to take advantage of its courses of study is widespread.

A NEW PROPOSAL

A very important proposal is to be submitted for the approval of the General Assembly, namely, a Scheme of Supplemental Lessons, to occupy not more than ten minutes each Sabbath, and to be given partly from the Superintendent's desk and partly in the classes. The scheme is a very simple one and can be used in the smallest school. It includes the Catechism and the present Scripture Memory Passage, at least a verse a Sabbath, to which are to be added some instruction on the books of the Bible in their order, contents, chief places, personages and events, some of the great hymns of the