

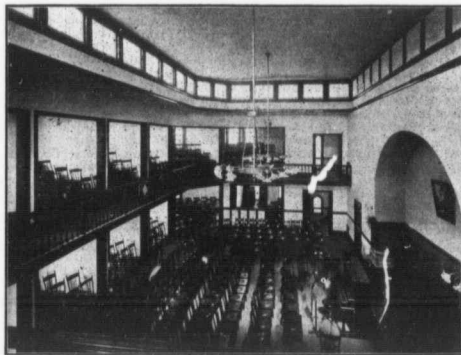
true Christian service developed. With 13,000 missionaries the heathen world could be evangelized in a single generation, and if each one thousand of the thirteen million people enlisted in Sunday-school work furnished a missionary, each member giving two cents per week, adequate means would be thus raised to support the missionaries. It is not when the people are hardened that we must train in systematic giving, but we must begin with the boys and girls. A visionary thing is not an impossible thing. It is a possible thing still unrealized. The Sunday-school is the agency which has within it the power to do the undone duty. Reference was made to the heroism of the workers on the mission field, furnishing stories and illustrative facts—not instances of imagination—to be associated with the teaching of the Bible in our classes. He emphasized the fact that we to-day were writing a Book of Acts as real as any Book of Acts ever written. The Sunday-school was capable in itself of evangelizing the world, and the world is waiting for the realization of the Sunday-school to fulfil its duty. He urged for organized effort in every Sunday-school in missionary work, pointing out that the Sunday-school of to-day was the church of to-morrow, and the training how must be for Christian activity in the days to come. The Sunday-school must assume the responsibility and obey the Lord's command, and break down the petty conceptions of activity, that it might become a great force to give light to the darkened places of the earth.

The chairman, Mr. A. B. McCrillis, expressed his feeling that the convention had given a stimulus to the work far beyond what had been expected. The delegates had been received with royal welcome to a model city, and the manner in which the convention had been conducted was deserving of the highest commendation.

Rev. Dr. Benham, of Baltimore, Md., read the report of the Committee on Resolutions, expressing the appreciation of the delegates, which was adopted with hearty unanimity, and after singing together that grand old hymn, "The Son of God goes forth to war," the benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. A. Smith, Haddonfield, New Jersey, and the great convention closed to meet in 1908 in Louisville, Ky.

DUTY TO JAPAN.

At the closing meeting in Massey Hall on Tuesday evening, Rev. James A. B. Scherer, President of Newberry College, S.C., spoke on "The Duty of Young America to Young Japan." He said that the result of the present war between Russia and Japan was to create a crisis in the history of the world. People in Japan sent back word that it was Christianized, and there was no need of missionaries. The difficulty was to distinguish between civilization and Christianity, between



ALEXANDER MEMORIAL HALL.

The recently erected Sunday School Room of Dovercourt Road Baptist Church.

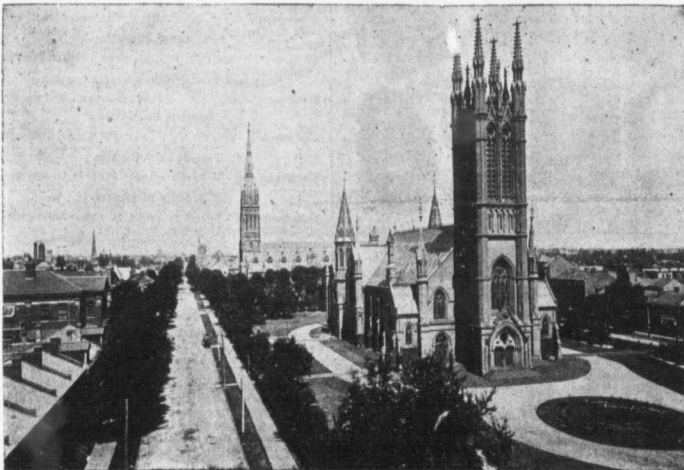
refinement and morality. Civilization was to Christianity what the roots were to the trunk of the tree, but Japan had cut off the roots. The sole moral tenet of the Japanese was filial piety. It was more intensive and extensive than the Anglo-Saxon knew; it extended to everyone in authority, culminating in the Emperor, the father of his people. The chief secret of their success was because every youth was eager and anxious to lay down his life for his Emperor—God. There was no nation in the world that so supremely needed the Gospel, because with its rising power there was strong tendency to drift into freethinking, and its influence might spread over all the world.

THE COLORED RACE.

The audience was worked up to a great pitch of excitement by an impassioned appeal from Rev. D. Webster Davis, of Richmond, Va., for the colored people of the South. He said the most wonderful thing the Anglo-Saxon had ever done for the colored men of the South was the spread of religion among them, and the thing of which he was most proud as a colored man was the acceptance by his people of the dogmas and tenets of the Christian religion as giving the greatest hope of the emancipation of the race. If the great problem of the South were ever to be solved it would be by the Gospel of the living God. The common brotherhood of man

should be enough to justify the work the Church should do, but the sufferings of 250 years of servitude, the bravery of the colored men under trial, and their faithfulness when entrusted with the homes and families of the masters, would surely prove that they were worthy of salvation. He spoke of the many professional men among the negroes of the South, but was pained far of the three millions of Christians among them. On concluding, Rev. Mr. Davis was complimented with an avalanche of applause that was with difficulty repressed.

Mr. Archibald Forder followed with an address on "The Relation of the Sunday-school to the



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