

## The International Sunday School Convention, Denver, Colo.

WE hope the Canadian representation will be a full one. Important questions will come up, in which we as Canadians are vitally interested. It has been hinted that some change may be proposed in the plan of having a temperance lesson every quarter. We believe that Canadians will resist that attempt. We would regard with serious alarm anything that would affect the spirit and practice of the uniform lesson system—the same lesson for all of the schools and the whole school. Our own Dr. Potts is scheduled for an address, and with the others of the Canadian contingent will well maintain the reputation of Canada.

The city of Denver is one of the most beautiful in the Middle West, not long since the Far West. The great and stately city, with magnificent public buildings, great parks, stately boulevards, has grown up within a very few years in what was a sage brush plain. It has an altitude of a mile above the sea, has a remarkably pure and bracing atmosphere, and commands one of the most majestic outlooks of the great range of the Rockies, showing Pike's Peak and others of the Titan brotherhood. It is interesting to know that this highest mountain in the State is the monument of the brave American pioneer, who afterwards was killed in his attack on York, now Toronto, in the year 1812.

Side Trips.—Arrangements will be made for numerous excursions to and through the Rockies. One of the most attractive of these is the visit to the weird scenery of the Garden of the Gods, and the ascent of Pike's Peak, within a few hours of Denver. Another magnificent ride is that of a thousand miles "around the circle," as it is called—through Pueblo, the Royal Gorge, over the Marshall Pass, eleven thousand feet high, Uray, and Uarango—one of the most magnificent rides we have ever had. We wish it were in our power to attend this great convention, but demands of duty elsewhere render that impossible. Those who are able to go will find it one of the most magnificent trips of a lifetime.

## Magazine and Review for April

The illustrated articles on "The Irish Palatines in Canada," by C. C. James, Deputy-Minister of Agriculture, Ontario,

are attracting much attention. The half-tones are from his own photos made in Ireland. An article on "Legal Luminaries of England," by Dr. S. B. Cadman, abounds in clever sketches and good portraits of living or recent British judges. "The Transformation of Burma," by E. H. Harmer, a high authority, shows, with graphic pictures, the beneficence of British rule. Pastor Felix (A. J. Lockhart) gives an admirable study of Henry Timrod, a Southern poet. "Civilizing the Indian," in both Canada and the United States, is the subject of two illustrated articles by expert authorities. "The Martyrdom of an Empress" tells the tragic tale of the life and death of the Empress Elizabeth of Austria—one of the saddest tales in all history. Isabelle Horton's touching story, "The Wedding Ring," is a strong plea for prohibition. "Oublee's" serial grows in power. In pictures and poems this number has a striking Easter flavor.

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## Improved Teaching

THE Rev. P. K. Dayfoot, Port Hope, writes to The Globe as follows: There are in the Province of Ontario 5,800 Sunday Schools. The scholars number 423,500. They are gathered in classes of all kinds, from the primary to the Bible-class, and of all sizes, from the small group of half a dozen bairns to the assembly of scores, or possibly hundreds of men and women. The vast majority of these schools are located in rural districts, amid narrow conditions, subject to many and formidable hindrances, and in many cases able to keep the door open but half the year. These schools and scholars must have teachers, and it speaks well for the spiritual life of our land that there are 51,500 earnest men and women, who are willing to leave their homes on Sunday, after a busy week, and spend an hour in the endeavor to bring a class of young people face to face with the Word of God.

The writer knows of two teachers in one school who never see home or sleep till long after midnight of Saturday, but who punctually are with their classes by ten o'clock on Sunday morning, and such cases are lamentably frequent. All honor, then, to this army of self-sacrificing teachers. We are now face to face with a serious problem. How can we