

THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 25th.

Devotional Exercises conducted by Mr. W. P. CARSWELL.

Rev. Mr. MCKAY, of Madoc, presented and read the report of the Business Committee.

On motion of Mr. MCKAY, seconded by Rev. J. J. REDDITT, the report was adopted as read.

Moved by Rev. W. FRIZZELL, seconded by Mr. J. A. JACKSON—*Whereas*, the General Executive at its semi-annual meeting, in April last, decided to hold a Conference, if possible, at this Convention on the "White Ribbon Army" movement, which has for its main object the inculcation of temperance principles among the young in our Sunday Schools. And *Whereas*, our Associate Secretary was instructed to mail copies of the Nova Scotia Sunday School Association's Constitution of the White Ribbon Army to members of the General Executive. *Resolved*, that it be an instruction to the new Executive to examine said Constitution and to take such other steps as in its judgment may seem best. Carried.

The PRESIDENT—I now have much pleasure in introducing Mr. Halfpenny, of Quebec, the field worker for our sister Province.

Rev. Mr. HALFPENNY—Mr. President, Fellow-Workers—It will be understood that I only appear to fill this vacancy in the programme. Nothing has been said to me with reference to the choice of a subject, but learning that we were to have one half hour for prayer this morning, I have selected the line of thought which I will speak to you on.

Realizing in our work this year that there was much need of spiritual life in our organization and work in Quebec, as far as we could influence the preparation of the County Convention programmes, we had placed upon them and in charge of the best persons these three items: the Holy Spirit in a person, and in preparation, and in teaching.

It is often said that the letter killeth but the spirit giveth life. It may as truly be said the organization without the spirit killeth, but the organization with the spirit hath life. This is true of the denominational organization, but it is still more true in connection with the International organization.

Find a county or a town or provincial organization which is lacking in spirit power, and you will find one concerning which people ask what is its use, anyway? You will find one which is inactive although it has excellent organization; you will find one in connection with which there is great danger of friction; you will find one which is ever on the eve of collapse.

Someone has compared the sinner, then the Christian, and, following this, the spirit filled life of such Christian with the locomotive; in the first place derailed; in the second place, representing the