

was progressing favourably, though the last Convention had not been a very successful one. Although one or two small schools had been closed, others increased proportionably.

At the last Convention the question had been discussed—"What is the principal cause of suffering in our Sabbath Schools?" and it had been, in most cases, attributed to indifference on the part of parents.

These reports were interspersed with the singing of some stirring pieces from the Sabbath School organ, and after singing

"Tell me the old old story."

the General Secretary read apologies from several persons who were to have been present to address the Convention, but who were unavoidably absent; also from Mr. W. H. Doane, who was to have conducted the singing.

The Business Committee reported the programme for the Evening Session, and also for the to-morrow forenoon Session.

On motion of Rev. T. Lowry, it was resolved to appoint a committee on resolutions.

The Session was brought to a close at 5.30 p.m., with the Benediction by Rev. Dr. O'Meara.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention assembled at 7.30 p.m., and opened with singing the hymn,

"Come let us join our cheerful songs,
With angels round the throne, &c."

Mr. A. J. McKenzie read the 4th chapter of Zechariah, after which the Rev. W. Stewart led the Convention in prayer.

ADDRESS OF THE CHAIRMAN ELECT.

His Honor Judge Jones said it was now his pleasing duty to introduce the chairman elect for the ensuing year, Wm. Edgar, Esq., of Hamilton, who he was sure would ably discharge the duties of the office.

The President, W. Edgar, Esq., elect, then said, Beloved Friends and members of the Convention:—Had I not, from my youth, freely mixed with the Sabbath School workers, I certainly