

But one opinion is expressed as to the beneficial influence of a good library in a school. To the enquiry, What is its influence upon the school? the following are among the answers:—"Parents and children seem interested in reading the library." "It has been good when in a better condition." "Excellent, books much sought after and read by both parents and children." "It makes better attenders, we think." "*It is the thread that holds it together.*" "It had a very good influence while the books were new." "A great deal on our little Sabbath-breakers." "*Without a library we would have no school.*" "To save the youth from vain reading." "Many have acquired a taste for religious reading, and we trust that in time will become friends and followers of Jesus." "Our books are eagerly read by the scholars, leading them to take a deeper interest in the school and spiritual matters."

6 schools only report special meetings for prayer in behalf of the Sabbath School. 80 continue open through the whole year. A large number of children in the vicinity of these schools are reported as not attending; 700 is about the sum of definite numbers given. Children of Protestants are more generally referred to in this enumeration. About 445 children attending these schools, it is surmised, would be destitute of religious instruction but for their attendance. 18 localities are definitely alluded to as places where Sabbath Schools might be established. Persons, it is thought, would be willing to engage in the work, in no less than twelve of these neighborhoods. A friend writes, in reply to the 14th and 15th questions:—"As I made a recent tour through, from the St. Lawrence to the Ottawa, I found many places where people would be glad to have a Sabbath School established. There are many, I believe, who would be willing to engage in the work, but have no library."

The following are among the many testimonies given in reference to the important influence of the Sunday School on the community in general:—

"It seems to influence the parents to come to church."  
 "It has influenced the community to leave off Sabbath