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uty, in the first think that our compliment the their footsteps. known, sir, that I would have were so far off, to say that the imist; he takes and of society. worth living?" on the liver." physician, which of last evening nter), and I am

very sure that he is an optimist, and takes a delightful view of society. The trend of the lecture last evening was, that while there is a good deal of doubt at the present day—and God knows there is—that there is a vast amount of the opposite. However, Mr. Chairman, while I am exceedingly glad to see you here, sorry that I did not see you last night; my duty is not to criticise any remarks made by the lecturer last evening, but I am here—and I am proud of the position—to welcome the Christian ladies and gentlemen who are delegates from the various Sunday Schools in the great Province of Ontario to this important Sunday School Association, which, I am proud to say, meets in our fair city here to-day. We give you a cordial welcome. We welcome you in the first place for your personal worth. I cannot recognize many faces as I look round upon this audience, but I know that every lady and gentleman who has come up here as a delegate to this Association is a person of worth, so reckoned in the community from which that gentleman or lady has come. You have been selected out, will you allow me to say, as the cream of the Christian workers in that most important department of the Master's vineyard, Sunday School work, to represent your brethren and your sisters in this important Association here to-night. We welcome you, therefore, for your Christian worth personally; but more than that, we welcome you for your official position in the Church of Jesus Christ. Your appearance here this evening indicates that you have been selected because you are intelligent Christian workers, that you have gained the crown of success as master-workmen; that in some measure, like the knights of old, you have earned your golden spurs, and you are here amongst God's workers this evening, knights, leaders. We therefore welcome you not only for your personal worth, but for your official position. We welcome you for the important work that is before you here—one of the most important departments of work given to man or woman in the Church on earth. Now, we know that men are sometimes judged by the company they keep; and if men are judged justly in that way, so are we judged by the guests we entertain, and I am sure that the City of London to-night must feel proud of its guests. When an invitation came over from Macedonia to Paul, the Apostle of Jesus Christ, wanting him to become the guest of the Macedonians, it was an indication that there were men and women in that great province ready to welcome the cause of God, and to co-operate in making that cause a success. The very fact that you Christian workers, ladies and gentlemen, are here to-night, is an indication that in this fair City of London, with its forty-thousand inhabitants, there are some Christian men and Christian women devoted to the cause of the great Master who are willing to crown Him Lord of all. I want to say again, and I would emphasize what I have to say, that we cannot make your work too important. It is one of the grandest works that any man or woman can engage in. To secure children for Jesus