

started—we have now 154; 1,170 teachers reported then—1,250 now; 8,000 scholars then—10,860 now. We have Church members, I presume those added last year, 400, and we gave \$600 for missions. We have two district associations, and I claim for the Oil County, at least, the best district associations in the world. They are as large as any of our county associations, and they are so enthusiastic that the whole of the schools are closed around where their meetings are being held, and they come pell-mell together, and have a day and a half. In Forest last year they wanted it extended and held for three days. Enthusiasm knows no bounds. At our convention this year in Thedford, we had an attendance of 500 the first night, and 700 the second night. We contributed \$40 to the Provincial Association, and we had the pleasure of handing it in, not for last year, but for this year, and we are paid up to 1894; and, moreover, we had one of the best nights in temperance we have ever had in our Sunday School Association. You know we have always scored, in every contest for temperance, at the top; we passed the Dunkin Act; we passed the Scott Act twice, and now we are going to roll up 4,000 majority for prohibition, and the Sabbath School is at the top. (Hear, hear and applause.)

Middlesex, Elgin West, London, Essex, Kent, Northern Ontario, Rainy River.—Unreported.

Thunder Bay.—Rev. Dr. MACLEAN—I understand there is to be, to-morrow afternoon, a time appointed for mission reports from Thunder Bay District. I will, therefore, defer my report until that time.

Algoma.—Rev. W. T. HICKS (Sault Ste. Marie)—I have but a short report to make of the new Ontario. We were favored with a visit from the Secretary of the Association some time in September. A convention was arranged at Sault Ste. Marie and other conventions in the District, and shortly afterwards, because of a previous arrangement, we held an International Convention at the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, joining with our American cousins, and having a convention extending over parts of three days. A very deep interest was stirred up both on our side of the line and the other side, and arrangements were made for the continuance of such a united service. On account of the International Convention our Algoma District Convention was just a formal matter for the appointment of officers and other business, and it was decided to send at least three delegates down to this convention, and they are here in attendance. (Hear, hear.) The Convention was very thankful to the friends of the older parts of the Province for old clothes which they were kind enough to send up there in the past, and for their worn-out Sunday School libraries, and thankful for the missionary work which has been done over Algoma. We have a notion now that because of the richness of our soil, the richness of our milk—proved to have been the richest in the Province—the richness of our mines, and the richness of our hope and faith, that we can stand a little on our own feet (hear, hear), and

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