

time with delegates from all over the State. And then, the way in which they were responding; in the South they were raising money to organize every county in their State. Virginia has raised \$8,000; and has a man now travelling from county to county. I have received a letter from the President of that Association. He says: "I have a man travelling from county to county, and we are going to have more." North Carolina raised \$1,000, and South Carolina raised \$800, and they have a man working around in South Carolina. Kansas raised \$3,000 in one hour, and pledged \$1,500 more, making \$4,500 altogether; in Colorado they raised \$2,600 at one session of their Convention, and they have got one of the best men to organize their State. That shows how the work is progressing. And then, Illinois—you expect great things from Illinois. (Laughter). She raised \$7,500 in the last year, and spent it all, and raised \$7,500 more, and she is going to have \$10,000 this year. So we are working up all the time and advancing, and it is encouraging to see how the work is spreading, and how the confidence of the people is going out to it as the great power that must save our nation and all nations. I give you this as a kind of introduction, to cheer you, for it is always pleasant to hear good things. Of course, there is another side to it. We have 150,000 Protestant Sabbath Schools in the United States and Canada, and 1,300,000 teachers; was there ever such an army marshalled on this continent before? And they come together every Sunday to teach the same lesson to their scholars; but we have 11,000,000 of people who are out. Some time ago I received a letter from the Secretary of the Montreal or Quebec S. S. Association, asking whether it would be possible for me to attend a Convention if they would get one up in Quebec? Last fall I was at Montreal, and talked to them of the importance of taking this work up and spreading it over their whole Province, and they agreed to do it, and went to work with the preliminaries at once, and have been holding Conventions in places like Sherbrooke, and a number of other places—the French names I cannot pronounce; but, nevertheless, there were Conventions held there, also four or five of them out of Montreal; and they also desired to have one in Quebec. I said, "Yes, certainly." They said, "You need not expect much, for there are very few Protestants there." I went, and was delighted. I arrived there last Friday morning, and found, in the first place, a splendid Association building—the Y. M. C. A. building—and it was all arranged, and we held the first Convention on Friday afternoon, and there was a very excellent representation. Now, you remember that that city has 65,000 inhabitants, of whom only 5,000 are Protestants. We held a Convention there on Friday, Friday night, Saturday, and Saturday night, and on Sunday. We had a grand time on Sunday. I spoke to over 1,000 children in one of the churches; and the people were greatly encouraged. Some of the brethren said: "This is the best thing we have had here for years; it has brought us together; it is a kind of