

is altogether too small to meet the requirements of even those who now attend, or to regulate the temperature even in winter or summer. The air becomes stifling and even offensive before the evening's work is completed, to say nothing of the effect upon the health of the pupils and teacher. Further, the school is not infrequently interrupted and the attention of the class distracted by the noise and excitement occasioned by the arrival of new prisoners who are, for want of a better place, searched and registered in the hall adjoining the school room.

Before closing my report I desire to acknowledge, with thankfulness, the interest taken in the school by the Warden, Dr. Gilmour, who is a frequent visitor, and those members of his staff with whom I am more intimately associated in the prison. I also wish to thank the Guards for their valuable assistance.

FINLAY SPENCER,

Teacher.

MERCER REFORMATORY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The school has held its session 52 times during the year. The smallest attendance of women has been 26, the largest attendance 47. The children's smallest attendance 25, the largest 33. Staff of teachers 13. In the children's department there is the most hopeful work. Owing to the most careful training on the lesson during the week by Miss Elliott, nearly every child, on the Sabbath, can repeat the Golden Text, and many can repeat the whole lesson. This storing of their minds with the Scriptures must result in much good in after life. Many of the women also show great interest in the lessons.

There have been thoughtful, searching, loving addresses by Hon. S. H. Blake, Q.C., Rev. W. F. Wilson, Hamilton Cassels, Esq., Rev. W. H. Rochester, of Parkdale, Mr. Bone, of Wel-