

exerting an untold influence on the moral welfare of our offspring and domestics, amid all the changing scenes of mortal life. Were we, besides the ordinary reading and prayer, to connect singing the praises of God with family worship, as frequently as possible, it would, we think, cause increasing interest to the younger members of the social circle, and also prepare them for taking part in the hymn of praise in the public services of the sanctuary. Seek, then, in faith, the conversion of your children: and, believing rightly, you will attain it. Instruct your families carefully in the doctrines and morals of the gospel, leaving not all the work to your pastors and teachers, and the family shall become what God designed it to be, the *nursery of the church*;—yea, each of you will have a “church in your house.”

And while we attend properly to the spiritual wants of our own children, let the welfare of the young in general share in our best regards, and most earnest Christian efforts. The Sabbath School affords an opportunity of sowing the good seed in the virgin soil, which should be eagerly embraced by all who would lay the foundations of life in the principles of evangelical religion. Here is an important sphere of labour, to which we feel anxious you should direct, with us, most earnest attention. Let the Sabbath School, and the Bible Class, go hand in hand in the work of the conversion of the young. The facts elicited at the Sabbath School Convention, recently held in the city of Kingston, ought to be sufficient to stir up even the sluggish to labor in the good work. And while Romanists are striving to undermine our excellent Common School system, let us watch sedulously the interest of general education, and ply diligently the work of moral training in our Sabbath Schools.

We would also remind you of the obligations of the Sabbath, and of the necessity of rightly improving its sacred hours, so that the day of the Lord may be kept holy. “In holy duties let the day, in holy pleasures pass away.”—Thus shall it greatly aid in the formation of Christian charac-

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