

our Association, and since that time he has been diligently employed in the proper work of the Secretary.

He will detail to you at length, and minutely, what experiences he has had in connection with his work, and he will be able to explain to you better than I can, what are its needs, and to show you how far short we have yet attained of fulfilling the true position and vocation of the Sunday School Association of Canada.

The Convention then sang Hymn 91—

“There is a fountain filled with blood.”

REPORTS FROM COUNTIES.

The PRESIDENT—One of the items of business in connection with this Convention is receiving reports from counties. Any delegate from this or any other county has an opportunity of speaking on the work, successful or otherwise, of the district from which he comes. Usually these reports are given by the Secretaries of the County Associations; but they are not confined to these, nor are they confined to residents in the particular county which is reported from. The Superintendent, or any person holding office in a school, is at liberty, when this matter comes up for discussion, to give any report concerning the school which he thinks will be of profit to the Association; and while we are waiting for the Nominating Committee to report, we will be glad if any who are present—representing in any character the county from which they come, or who are in a position to give any information regarding the work in their locality—will occupy some little time in that way. So far as the County of Peel is concerned, I may say that we regard it as a matter of course to have an Annual Convention, and we usually have it to extend over a period of two days. We hold our Conventions in different parts of the county. We do not think it advisable to seek the large centres, or the larger villages even, but we take them into different parts of the county. Where the interest in Sunday-school work seems to be languishing, we think it is well to have a Convention in that locality; and I have no doubt at all but that this course has proved beneficial to our work. In a small county as ours is, the results are more apparent perhaps than they would be in a larger one; but the interest in our County Conventions is so general that the delegates attend from every part, no matter where the meetings may be held. We hold our Conventions in the winter season—generally in the month of January. We endeavor to secure local talent as much as possible, though not confining ourselves to it entirely, because it is one of the purposes and objects of the Convention to bring out into the fore-front local men who have shown an interest in the work and a capacity for it. Our last Convention was held in the village of Bolton, an out-of-the-way place in some respects, but still the attendance was large, and the interest manifested was very gratifying. If any of you represent