the true basis of physical, moral, and spiritual, health, it comes with its pure specific, precept to supply what has been lacking in the training of our families. Sacred and beautiful, is its mission leading us to Chirist; and accomplishing by organized effort that which some of us have been attempting to do silently and separately in our own homes.

We pray for wisdom Lord,
Our families to guide;
Within our house, around our board.
Do thou, in love preside,
We pray for help, O Lord,
Our little ones to train,
To shun each sinful act and word,
And heavenly life, obtain.

Mrs. W. L. Scott,
Suprerintendent.

SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

I regret exceedingly not being able to report a large amount of work done in Sabbath Schools; when we started out with the distribution of pledge books to the schools I hoped to be able to report large results, but am disappointed, that disappointment resulted, I have no doubt, largely through my enfeebled health which has prevented me from attending to the work in person. Pledge-books have been distributed to the following schools by the Central Union: Emmanuel Baptist, Bloor Street Baptist, Jarvis Street Baptist, Queen Street Baptist, (colored), Bond Street Congregational, Zion Congregational, Agnes St. Methodist, Elm Street Methodist, Central Presbyterian, Charles Street Presbyterian, Cooks Church Presbyterian, St. James Square Presbyterian, Mission Hall Union Mission, Chester Baptist Mission.

Some little time ago I sent a card to the Superintendent of each of these schools requesting them to report to me the number of children in such schools who had taken the pledge; and to the fourteen cards sent I have up to the present time received three replies, one report says 118 children pledged, one reports nothing done yet but promises to attend to it and advise me. I also sent my cards to all the Unions in the District asking them to report the Sabbath School work done by their respective Union, and to these I received three replies all saying nothing done and one reply saying that they had succeeded in having the temperance lesson taught in two schools. Thus far none of the Unions except the Central appear to have really taken up the Sabbath School work in earnest and from the responses given to the work of the central I am fully pursuaded that if all the Unions would take up the work, appoint a superintendent and have pledge-books dis-

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