

During the offering, which was then taken up, the choir sang the anthem,

"The Lord, our God, is in the midst of thee."

Following the offering the solo, "Dream of Paradise," was sung by Mrs. Fulton.

The PRESIDENT—I now have to introduce to some of you a man whose name is a household word wherever Sabbath School work is spoken of in Canada and in other lands. He has been for over a quarter of a century connected with the International Sabbath School Committee. He is a lion-like man with the love of a child. The Hon. S. H. Blake, Q.C., will speak to us upon the subject,

THE TEACHER'S PERSONALITY BEFORE HIS GOD.

Hon. S. H. BLAKE, who was greeted with the Chautauqua salute, said: I thank you for your kind introduction; I regret, my dear friends, my inability to have been present with you during the Convention. I was busy all day Tuesday in Hamilton, and then I had to go by the late train to Peterboro', to spend a day there, and have only just been able to get back. However, possibly you will be pleased at that, because I resolved to impose a fine on myself for my inability to be here, and I have just asked the chairman what was the amount of the deficit of last year, and he has told me \$125, a cheque for which I will send to-morrow to your treasurer. (Loud applause.)

Now, I don't like these flags here. These speak of Anglo-Saxon confederation when we are dealing with the confederation of the world. We have a far larger sphere than any Anglo-Saxon confederation, great as that may be. Ours goes even to South Africa to-day—(hear, hear)—and we should wish as children of the Prince of Peace that peace should be carried into that land instead of war. (Hear, hear, and applause.) The angel of death flutters over that part of the world, and while there are rejoicings because of victories, you follow into many a household where the blinds are drawn, and the heart is torn, and there is woe instead of joy; and although I do not deprecate any means whereby the old and mother land can feel that we are her true children, yet still we must always have two standards, and we must not forget to tell our children that while there are those who say, "Yea," when they are called to go into the field of war, that you get as true courage, and as true Christianity in saying "No" as in saying "Yes." There are many that would rather be off with the boys to the country than stay in the dull routine work, and live a much more monotonous, and except it is in the path of duty, a much less happy life. I say, let us have a true standard. I recognize the moral strength of those who say "No," while others say "Yes." At the same time I deprecate not those who