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## NOTES AND COMMEN'S.

The labors of Rev. T. F. Fotheringham for the Sabbath schools are incessant. He deserves the blessing of young and old. The activity he dison plays is amazing and deserves all Children's Day. praise. In advance of "Children's Day," which will be observed on the 20th inst., he has issued a circular and a "new concert exercise" which he hopes will prove an effective reminder and a useful guide to the day's service.

Mr. Fotheringham will supply any Sabbath school which may not have received the "exercise," on being advised

A to that effect, and no charge will be
Froe made for the supply. He describes
Offer. this concert exercise as simple, instructive, appropriate, and interesting, notwithstanding
which they will be supplied gratis. Surely a better
offer could not have been made.

The General Assembly has made a standing recommendation that there shall be a collection on "Children's

A liberal Day," and as the needs this year are exceptional the Sabbath school Committee ask for exceptional liberality on that day, and an assurance is given that the church will be secure against any such demands in the future. The reason for this hope is that the S. S. publications have been transferred to the Reard committee which has a surplus fund at its command, and henceforth the Lesson Helps will stand upon a purely business basis. The amount required from "Children's Day" is placed at \$7,000 which it is expected will be raised.

A committee of Christian ladies have for many years taken an interest in the comfortable housing of ladies

A at moderate rates and with good,
Labor desirable surroundings. They have
of Love devoted much time and money on
their laudable enterprise and have succeeded well in
what they have aimed at. Ladies coming into the city
alone, are made specially welcome. The house is
situated at No. 79 Richmond street West, corner of
Sheppard street and rooms and meals, or single meals
can be obtained at reasonable rates. The house is
known as the Southern Branch of the Young Women's
Christian Association.

To those of our readers whom this issue may reach in time, we have a last word to say as to the duty which

Tc-morrow's lies upon them to attend the open Conference meetings of the Lcrd's Day Alliance Conference to-morrow (Friday). Those who are delegates ought to make it a point to be present and to be prepared to bear a hand in the work. Others who may find it impossible to attend ought to send their suggestions by letter and their dollars—yea their dollars, for money is needful in this good work, and the annual fee is small. A grand rally now may be productive of great results.

It has been pointed out by "Ian Maclaren" that the weak point in the late Prof. Henry Drummond's spiritual teaching is his treatment of treatment sin. His failure here is attributed to of Sin. the purity of his own character which is said by those who knew him well to have been so exceptionally high that he did not seem to have had any deep consciousness of sinfulness. This is put forward as an explanation of the "something lacking" experienced in perusing Drummond's writings.

Academic honors were recently conferred on worthy gentlemen by a Western College. One of the newspapers ventured the opinion that it Hard on was doubtful whether one of five of The D.D.'s the L.L.D.'s could pass an ordinary civil service Whereupon the Midland remarks. "That examination. There are many D.D.'s, -not in our is nothing. church, of course,-who cannot repeat the Shorter Catechism, explain the difference between justification and sanctification, read a chapter in Greek or Hebrew, or prepare properly for publication an article in the religious press."

There is much good sense in the following paragraph from a contemporary: "All our Sabbath schools Loyalty should be supplied with our own to the denominational literature. All conchurch gregations which are aided by the Boards should be required to supply their schools with our own periodicals as a condition of receiving an appropriation. We do not believe in the church at large helping a congregation which is not loyal enough