

families into the church at the same time, the idea being that each church should take its district and, if it chose, sub-divide that district; at all events to push the several works and cover the ground and find out if the children are attending Sabbath-school and the families the churches. We wished to enlist the sympathies of the Ministerial Association, and they hailed the matter as a new departure in their work, and we are looking for a good time and a great increase in the membership of our schools. The Vice-President of the Association, who drafted the report, estimates that we shall increase our attendance twenty-five per cent. at least; and really, going on as we are, with an organized association for the city, so that all the energies of the different schools will be thrown together and made effective for the purposes of further association and Sabbath-school work generally, we begin to feel the immense possibilities of the field and are astonished that we did not discover such a good thing before.

Mr. Peake, on behalf of the Business Committee, announced the programme for the evening session. In doing so he said that Prof. Sherwin would lead a large choir composed of the members of the various city choirs, in special selections, and they expected that everybody present at the Convention would join heartily in the hymn-singing.

Prof. Sherwin made an announcement regarding the use of singing books, and the President impressed upon all the advisability of joining in the service of song.

The session closed with devotional exercises.

EVENING SESSION.

There was a very large attendance at the evening session, which began with a praise and prayer service, led by Prof. Sherwin. The topic of the Bible reading was, "Looking unto God."

"Jesus, keep me near the cross,"

was sung.

The Chairman, Mr. CRABBE, said: I am pleased that at the very beginning of this meeting Prof. Sherwin has put forward the thought that the spirituality of a convention is one of the most important things about it. I believe that thoroughly; and if the officers and teachers of our Sabbath-schools neglect that point in their work, their success will be no success at all. I am pleased that my work

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