

Rev. J. C. Robertson, the Secretary of the General Assembly's Committee on Sunday School work, stopped off here lately that he might address the Divinity students on the work of his Committee. He is a strong, earnest and capable man, one whom we were glad to meet, and we feel sure that this work will prosper in his hands. In his address he spoke of the importance of this branch of the work of the Church, and he outlined the plans of the Committee for the furtherance of the same. A very wide range of excellent literature is now available for all schools, the Committee being willing to supply free of charge any schools that are not able to pay for their own literature. This makes it much easier to carry on Sunday School work in remote districts. The Teachers' Training Course is another important branch of the work of this Committee.

At the regular meeting of the Q. U. M. A. on March 3rd, Rev. Dr. McTavish, the Convener of the General Assembly's Committee on Young People's Societies, was present, and gave an address on the work of his Committee. In the Presbyterian Church of Canada there are 1800 congregations, and only 800 Young People's Societies, so although much has been done, there is still much to do in the way of organization. Such Societies are of great benefit to the minister or student in charge, in relieving him of a part of his burden, to the young people themselves in the development of their gifts and graces, and to the congregation or guild of work, because of the much greater interest that is taken in the work. Perhaps one of the greatest benefits of these societies is seen in the case of

mission fields that are left vacant during the winter months. If there is a good working Young People's Society holding regular meetings during the winter, it is very much easier to get the Field organized again when another student arrives in the Spring.

It seems a pity that more of the Divinity Students do not turn out to hear these men who come to address us. We are going out to our work, and none of us know any too much about ways and means of working. And Mr. Robertson and Mr. McTavish both came to tell of the interest of their Committees in our work, and the ways in which they are willing to help us. Surely it is important that we should hear of these things. A few come out to the meetings, some grudging the few minutes that are "lost," and some more of our number show no interest whatever in what these men have to say. It is not as if they came here to ask a favor of us, they come here to give us something for our good, something that will help us in our work. The Sunday School and Young People's Society are very important branches of our work, so surely it is to our best interests to learn all we can from those who come here to give us expert counsel.

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We wish to add our tribute of sorrow and respect for the memory of that excellent Christian gentleman, Prof. A. B. Nicholson. He was a cheerful, patient, kindly teacher and friend, loved of all. He has passed away, but it will be long ere he be forgotten.

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A letter received a day or two ago from an old friend, Rev. J. D. Byrnes, B.D., now of Gore Bay, Ont., assures