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INTRODUCTION.

The Committee have much pleasure in issuing "APPLES OF GOLD," or the Report of the Twenty-fifth Provincial Sabbath School Convention. They fully expected to have done this at a much earlier date, but sickness interfering with the transcription of the reporter's notes has delayed the appearance of the pamphlet.

The Convention was attended by a larger number of delegates than have been accredited to any previous annual meeting of the Association. The discussions of the various subjects introduced, and which followed the presentation of the Reports of the Executive Committee and Treasurer, indicated a growing conviction as to the importance and value of Sunday Schools, and the necessity of enlarging their number and efficiency. Especially was there manifested an increased interest in the work of the Association and a sense of the duty of making it more than ever a means to the attainment of this much-desired end. In proof of this, it was unanimously resolved to make earnest endeavors to raise the sum of \$3,500 for the work of the current year. Several county and personal pledges for amounts fifty per cent. in advance of previous years were at once given and promises made to use every effort to obtain like increased contributions from other counties.

The Convention ordered the publication of 10,000 copies of the Reports of the Executive Committee and the Treasurer's Statement, in the form of a circular for distribution. This circular (No. 203) is printed, and copies can be had on application to the Corresponding Secretary.

The Executive Committee recognize with much gratification and many thanks, the pains taken by County and other officers to collect statistics, the publication of which was much appreciated by the convention.

The form of CONSTITUTION FOR A COUNTY SABBATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION as adopted at the half-yearly meeting, in May, 1889, and previously published, will be found on pages vii. and viii., and "Duties of Township Officers," on page 176.

"THE HOME DEPARTMENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL."—Circulars explanatory of this may be obtained on application to the Corresponding Secretary.

Copies of this Report, 25 cents each, *on receipt of price*, will be sent, post-paid, by Mr. J. J. WOODHOUSE, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, P.O. Box 525, Toronto.

The Report of the Sixth International Convention in Pittsburgh has only just been received, and will be supplied, post-paid, at the usual cost, 50 cents, *on receipt of price*.

TORONTO, February, 1891.

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