

represented by the Rev. Dr. Ormiston, whose report as the respected delegate of this Association we anticipate.

The London Sunday-School Union is prosperous; the statistics furnished by the London and County Unions are far more complete than previously. Seventy-two per cent. of teachers are Church members, and seventy-six per cent. of the teachers have been Sunday scholars; about 8,000 have joined the Church.

On the continent of Europe, agents have been employed in France and Germany under the patronage of the London Sunday-School Union. Subscriptions to this work amounting to about \$4,000 have been received, towards which Mr. Woodruff, of Brooklyn, N.Y., has been a large contributor.

In the United States we have remarkable instances of God's blessing on Christian intelligence, liberality, devotedness, and prayer. Many States, and a multitude of Counties therein, have each in their turn recorded abundant fruitfulness. Of Ohio it is said, "The work has been prosecuted during the past year with a holy, earnest energy, never before equalled; nearly all the counties have been organized, a higher standard of teaching is observable, and, above all, conversions have multiplied; the corps of competent teachers has much enlarged, and the mission work is being prosecuted with astonishing vigour."—Brother Childlaw reports 10,000 conversions in this State.

New York State reports over 9,000 conversions in its Sunday-Schools. Illinois, with its 3,000 Sunday-Schools, 30,000 teachers, and 300,000 scholars, was represented in Convention in June last by 2,000 Sunday-School workers. The 100 counties of this State have all permanent Sunday-School organizations. In one county of Illinois 46 new schools have been organized during the year; \$100,000 have been spent in the interest of Sunday-Schools in this county during the past year. In another county they have 1,000 more children attending Sunday-Schools than are in the day-schools.

Before the Illinois Convention broke up, upwards of \$5,000 were subscribed, in sums of not less than five dollars each.

We rejoice to record such prosperity for God's glory, and for the encouragement and faith of the devoted Sunday-School teachers of Canada, and now we turn to that which is the more immediate object of this Report.

The Executive Committee of the Sabbath-School Association of Canada have, during the past year, held sixteen meetings on business, terminating in this Convention. The recommendation of the Montreal Convention, respecting Missionary Agency in Canada, has received due consideration. To provide funds for the same, an appeal was made to the Sabbath-Schools of our country; the result has been that 115 schools have contributed in sums varying from 30 cents to \$24.38, amounting to \$342.54. The amount may not appear large, but when we remember that it is the pence of the children we are very thankful. Some time elapsed before the Executive Committee could, in all respects, find a suitable person as a missionary. At last, by an application to the Montreal "Canada Sabbath-School Union," the services of the Rev. John McKillican, the missionary agent of that Association, were obtained for the work until this Convention. Mr. McKillican has been devotedly employed in the north part of the Counties of Simcoe and Grey. From the reports received from that gentleman and others, the Executive Committee are satisfied that a necessary and good work has been begun. Appeals from other sections of this Province teach the importance of prayer to "the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into the harvest," and that with earnest prayer for willing and wise workers, it is the bounden duty of this Association to devise and procure the means of maintaining and multiplying such missionary agency. Mr. McKillican reports 24 new schools organized. Out of the fund given by Sabbath-Schools, twenty dollars have been appropriated for books for the schools newly