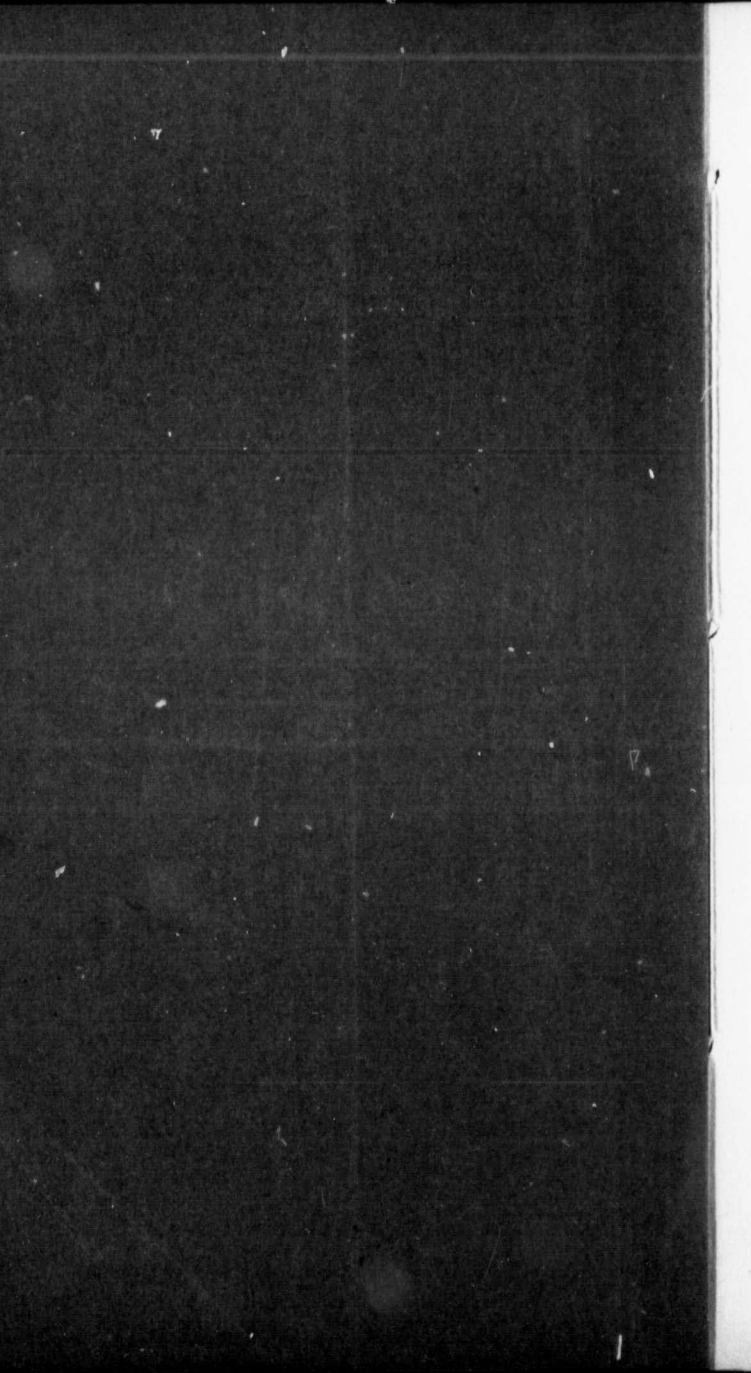


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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
CANADA SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION,
ESTABLISHED IN MONTREAL, 1836.

I. This Society shall be called the CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

II. The objects of this Association shall be to promote the establishment of Sabbath Schools wherever it is deemed practicable, and to encourage and strengthen those already in existence. The means to be chiefly relied upon to effect these objects, will be by maintaining a correspondence with the various Schools throughout the country, by the means of an Agent or Agents, whenever practicable, and by the cheap and gratuitous distribution of Library and other Books, suitable for Sabbath School Instruction.

III. It is intended that this Society shall embrace members of various Evangelical denominations, and the Books put in circulation by it will not interfere with the peculiarities of those denominations.

IV. The government of this Society shall be vested in a President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Depository, and a Committee composed of the resident Ministers of the Gospel, and twelve laymen, selected from the various congregations; whose duty it will be to enact Bye-Laws, and form Rules for the more minute details of the operations of this Society, and to devise and execute all such measures as they may deem expedient, for promoting the objects contemplated in its organization; five of whom will form a quorum for the transaction of business.

V. The annual payment of a sum not less than 5s. will entitle to membership; and the payment of £2 10s. at any one time, to life membership.

VI. The Annual Meeting of this Society shall be held at such time and place as the Committee may direct, when will be submitted the Treasurer's Report for the past year, and a detailed statement of all the operations of this Society, and any other intelligence of interest relating to the cause of Sabbath Schools at large.

VII. No alteration, or amendment, to be made to the foregoing articles of Constitution, without the concurrence of two-thirds of the Members present at a general meeting, notice of the proposed alteration having been given to the General Committee at least one month previous.

Ninth Annual General Meeting
OF THE
CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

The Ninth Anniversary of the Canada Sunday School Union, was held in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Great St. James' Street, on Monday evening, the 26th January, 1846, upon which occasion JAMES FERRIER, Esq., was called to the Chair. The Rev. JOHN GIRDWOOD opened the meeting with prayer; and the Chairman having made a few appropriate preliminary remarks, called upon the Secretary, Mr. J. C. BECKET, to read the Report; after which, the following Resolutions were passed unanimously:—

Moved by the Rev. W. TAYLOR, Seconded by the Rev. C. CHURCHILL,

1. That the Report (an abstract of which has just been read,) be adopted and printed under the direction of the Committee; and that the tokens of Divine favour experienced during the past year, call for our devout thanksgiving, and urge us on to renewed exertions.

Moved by the Rev. R. M'GILL, Seconded by the Rev. Dr. CARRUTHERS,

2. That the advantages of Sabbath School instruction are eminently adapted to the intellectual and spiritual improvement of the young; and that the interests of religion require effectual means to be used, to persuade more of this interesting class to engage in the important work of Sabbath School Teaching.

Moved by the Rev. J. GIRDWOOD, Seconded by the Rev. H. WILKES,

3. That our extended operations, require more undivided reliance on the aid of the Holy Spirit; and demand increased pecuniary assistance from the Churches in this city.

Moved by the Rev. J. M. CRAMP, Seconded by the Rev. R. HASSEL,

4. That we now tender our thanks to the Religious Tract Society and Sunday School Union of London, also to the American Sunday School Union of New York, for the efficient aid afforded this Society; and that we now most respectfully solicit a continuance of their countenance and support.

Moved by F. F. BLACKADER, Esq., Seconded by the Rev. W. M'KILLICAN,

5. That the following individuals be the Office-bearers and Committee for the present year, with power to add to their number :—

President :

JAMES FERRIER, Esq.

Vice-Presidents.

J. H. MAITLAND, Esq. | JOHN DOUGALL, Esq.
JAMES RAMSAY ORR, Esq. | JOSEPH WENHAM, Esq.

JAMES COURT, Esq., *Treasurer.*

MR. J. C. BECKET, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MR. T. M. TAYLOR, *Recording Secretary.*

MR. JAMES MILNE, *Depository.*

Committee :

The Resident Ministers of the Gospel,

Samuel Hedge,	James Mills,	Joseph Mackay,
John Gibson,	Robert Mills,	Jas. Mathewson,
D. P. Janes,	James Moriss,	John Turnbull,
J. C. Beers,	Alex. Fraser,	John Birss,
S. Jones Lyman,	John Gray,	W. Whiteford,
John Holland,	David Ferguson,	G. A. Pyper.
R. D. Wadsworth,	John Lewis,	
Wm. Muir,	John Bruce, sen.,	

The meeting was well attended, and the collection taken up amounted to £11 0s 10d; in addition to which the St. Maurice Street, the Wesleyan Methodist, and the United Secession Sabbath Schools, contributed each the sum of £5 towards the permanent fund for the support of an Agent.

ANNUAL REPORT.

THE period has again arrived which demands the review of another year, in the history of the Canada Sunday School Union ; to ascertain how far the objects contemplated in the organization of the Society have been attained, and if the officers and Committee have faithfully discharged the important duties laid upon them, at your last Anniversary.

Your Committee plead guilty to a want of interest in the important work committed to them—of having almost forgotten that “it is not the will of your heavenly father, that one of these little ones should perish,” yet God has carried on his own work, in a manner which gives us cause again to raise our Ebenezer, and say, “Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.”

The returns received during the past year, though not so numerous as we expected, give evidence of a healthy state of the Sabbath School cause throughout the entire Province ; it is true, we have many complaints of the apathy of parents, and even ministers, but it is cheering to know that in these places, there are those who look up in secret for the outpouring of that Spirit which alone can work a happy change. There are other places, large districts, with hundreds of inhabitants, in which, as far as known, there are none capable of engaging in a Sabbath School, and, what is worse, none inclined to take any interest in such a work.

PRINCIPLES & OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

Though these subjects were dwelt upon at considerable length in your last annual Report, yet considering the changes constantly taking place in a new country—rendering it certain, that our annual Report seldom falls into the same hands two years in succession, the Committee deem it advisable to keep the principles and objects of the Society constantly before the minds of the public, that they may be led to appreciate its truly Catholic spirit, the importance of the object in view, and the means employed to effect that object.

The principles and objects of this Society are so clearly and comprehensively set forth in the Constitution, which always forms the third page of our annual Report, as to require little more here, than a reference to it, to convince all that it is a Society which a new country, and the divided state of the Protestant church require, to train up the youth of the Province in the way of the Lord, and instil into their young minds those principles which will enable them to ward off the attacks of the enemy of souls, and give them a relish for those things which are “pure, peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.”

The whole exterior of the Society is always exposed to the view of the churches, the Constitution exhibits the manner of organization, and the general objects of the Society; and the list of officers shows who the men are, to whom the management of the Society is entrusted,—men supposed to be interested in the important work,—selected from the various churches in the city, willing to associate with us for this object.

The *means* employed to carry out the objects of the Society are, by maintaining a correspondence with the various schools throughout the country, the employment of an Agent, the supply of books at cost price or gratuitous, suitable for Sabbath Schools. It is cheering to observe the many tokens of our success, with which our correspondence abounds, so far as the means hitherto adopted have effected the object aimed at. The annual Circular, (which is sent to all whose address we can obtain,) especially, has proved of marked importance in systematizing the operations of Sabbath Schools, and keeping at the work those already engaged in it. Some of the questions inserted in the Annual Circular, has had the effect, not only in calling attention to the manner of carrying on the work, but of inducing some to adopt the course recommended; for instance, all are asked if they observe the Monthly Concert for Prayer, and in more than one instance, we have had this reply, "We are glad to inform you, that your queries 6 and 7, have not been made in vain, for since the receipt of your Circular, we have, for the first time, observed the *Monthly Concert for Prayer*, on which occasion we took the opportunity of reading the Rev. Mr. Arnot's address, an attentive perusal of which, we would earnestly recommend to all Sabbath School Teachers."

OPERATIONS.

We find these still very much cramped by the existing Post-office laws, which shut us out from this invaluable means of pursuing the objects of the Society. No Circular or other means of information, except in the form of a newspaper, we can construct, but subjects us

to a letter postage, which of course prevents that advance in the cause, which, were it otherwise, could not fail to contribute essentially to promote the object we have in view.

PUBLICATIONS.

Under this head, we would include some notice of the *Missionary Record*, (which continues to be very well received, and has a circulation of over 3,000,) as well as the good effected by the circulation of the library books, respecting both of which we have several very important extracts, only two of which we will give in this place.

Chinguacousy.—We have no library in the School as yet, but I have reason to be grateful for the *Children's Missionary* and *Sabbath School Record*, which, to a certain extent, made up the deficiency. At the commencement of our School in May last, I read the account of the Negro boy and his prayer, which produced a delightful effect. At the close of that day's school, there was scarcely one who did not come and desire a loan of the book containing the account of the Negro boy's prayer. Having two numbers in the School, I let them go, and they went from hand to hand until the close of the School, which was on the first Sabbath in November.—W. A. JOHNSTON.

Dummer, Colborne District.—Please to forward with the *Records*, one copy of "Pike's Guide to Young Disciples," it is for a man 80 years of age, who got it from our library 3 years ago. By the blessing of God he has enjoyed great consolation from its perusal, and is so unwilling to part with it, that he would rather pay the postage of another copy to replace it.—A. KIDD, JR.

(For further Extracts see Appendix.)

AGENCY.

It would appear from previous Reports of this Society, that the Committee have felt deeply the want of an Agent, for at least four months of the year, whose time would be devoted in visiting different parts, to or-

ganize Schools wherever there was a prospect of success, and visiting those already established, for the purpose of giving all the information and assistance necessary to place them upon a proper footing, and in general to awaken a deep interest in this important field of Christian effort. Your Committee are happy to be able to state, that about four months since they succeeded in securing the services of Mr. P. V. Hibbard, who has made two tours, one through part of the Eastern Townships, and the other up the St. Lawrence, as far as Prescott. Full details of his success will be found in the Appendix. During his first journey, he visited 11 places; revived 7 Schools which were in a sinking condition, and established 6 new Schools. On his second tour, he visited 18 places; revived 8 Schools, and was instrumental in the establishment of six new Schools.

DEPOSITORY.

The business of the Depository, under the efficient care of Mr. James Milne, has been steadily increasing from year to year, and the business done in any one year, has never been greater than the past.

The total amount of business done during the past year, is as follows:—Cash sales, £224 13s; credit sales, £223 0s 11d; grants, £144 7s 1d; in all, £598 1s; about 35 per cent. over last year.

Heretofore, the books in the Depository have been principally those of the London Religious Tract Society, and we cannot be better supplied with the same kind of books from any other quarter; but it is gratifying to find that the increased demand for the information, has ren-

dered it necessary for us to add to our variety. During the past year we have made considerable additions to our stock, from the American Sunday School Union, which adds considerably to its value, and gives increased interest to our operations.

The thanks of the Society are due to the London Religious Tract Society, for their continued countenance and support, by their liberal grants of libraries, and for their valuable grant of 10,000 numbers of the Child's Companion.

Thanks are also due to the American Sunday School Union, for their kindness in supplying us, on a short credit, with an assortment of their works, and cheap libraries.

FREE GRANTS.

Under this head, we do not include those schools which have had libraries at half price; only such as have received donations of books. Those which have been thus favoured are as follows:—

List of Grants by the Canada Sunday School Union for 1845.

Bethel Sabbath School, got at various times.....	£0	9	0
Sabbath School in Wesleyville, March 11.....	1	5	0
“ “ Gloucester, May 10.....	1	0	0
“ “ Smith, “ 17.....	0	6	9
“ “ Longueuil, “ 31.....	1	5	0
“ “ Clarendon, “ 31.....	0	10	0
“ “ Port Colborne, June 2.....	1	5	0
“ “ “ “ 4.....	1	5	0
“ “ Quebec, “ 26.....	1	12	0
“ “ Gasnell Settlement, “ 28.....	3	0	0
“ “ Abbot's Corner, July 1.....	1	6	5
“ “ Paris, “ 5.....	0	2	0
“ “ Dalhousie, “ 5.....	0	17	6

Sabbath School in Brome,	July 11.....	0 15 10
“ “ Gananoque,	“ 22.....	1 2 6
“ “ Danville,	“ 23.....	1 0 0
“ “ New Glasgow,	“ 30.....	0 15 0
“ “ Chateauguay,	Aug. 13.....	0 15 0
“ “ Cold Springs,	“ 13.....	1 0 0
“ “ Goshen, M ^e Nab,	Sep. 3.....	1 0 0
“ “ Dunham East,	Oct. 2.....	1 5 0
“ “ Cornwall,	Nov. 6.....	0 5 3
“ “ Quebec,	“ 21.....	1 14 8
“ “ Montreal, (Bethel)	“ 22.....	0 2 0
“ “ Durham,	“ 24.....	1 5 0
“ “ Picton,	“ 27.....	0 5 10
Rev. William Arnot, Montreal,	“ 27.....	0 9 4½
Ladies Benevolent Society,	Dec. 10.....	0 2 0
Sabbath School in Argenticul,	“ 22.....	0 16 8
“ “ Cotè St.Charles, Vaudrieul,	Dec. 24..	0 1 6
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		£27 9 8½
Half price on 47 Libraries, R. T. S.		£117 7 5
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		£144 17 1½

Depository in Account with the Canada Sunday School Union

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To Stock on hand	By Cash Sales, ... £24 13 0
1st January, 1845, £238 13 4	By Credit, , 223 0 11
Purchases & Grants	By Grants, 144 17 1
from the Tract So-	By Stock on hand, 392 9 10
ciety, London..... 404 6 6	
From the S.S.Union	
London, 90 10 10	
From the American	
S. S. Union, 74 12 6	
Publications imported	
from Scotland, 16 5 7	
Publications Purcha-	
sed in the Province, 60 8 9	
£884 17 6	
Premium of Exch. 100 3 4	
£985 0 10	£985 0 10

(Signed,)

JAMES MILNE,

Depository.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24, 1846.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF ISSUES FROM THE DEPOSITORY SINCE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE SOCIETY.

Years.	Library Books	Elem'ry Books	Union Questions.	Bibles.	Testaments.	Hymn Books.	Maps.	Tracts.	Total.
1839...	7343	3393	265	712	143	88	75	17,690	29,210
1840...	10329	1494	154	11	585	96	30	9,650	22,445
1841...	8732	2588	178	75	719	280	25	4,691	17,460
1842...	9908	5459	161	158	550	742	29	2,280	19,278
1843...	6056	3011	133	136	345	306	10	1,769	11,766
1844...	8842	3878	100	191	160	718	10	2,350	16,249
1845...	12295	3043	144	59	72	577	10	1,414	17,694

TRANSACTIONS AT THE DEPOSITORY DURING THE PAST YEAR.

The Cash Sales exceed those of last year,.....	£ 24 18 4
The Credit Sales " " "	66 4 8
The Grants " " "	45 3 7
The Remittances from Schools "	83 10 7
The Free Contributions " "	35 1 8
The Purchases by the Union, "	373 18 6

From the above it will be seen that the transactions at the Depository present a very healthy appearance, and give the friends of the Society much cause to rejoice and take courage. The Society is steadily increasing in usefulness, and year after year becoming more and more vigorous.

S U M M A R Y .

We have Reports this year of 136 schools, containing 6,480 scholars, and 913 teachers. Of these, 36 report themselves destitute of Library Books. Thirteen schools report 115 conversions. Comparatively few of the schools reported, observe the monthly concert on behalf of Sabbath Schools; but many of these having their attention called to the subject, express a determination to do so in future. The number of schools aided during

the past year, with free grants and otherwise, amounts to 94. Total amount of Free Grants, including deduction on Libraries, £144 17s 1d.

Thirty-four new schools have been commenced during the past year, with every prospect of success. £6 4s 11½ has been sent to be forwarded to the London Religious Tract Society, as Free Contributions from various schools throughout the country.

Of the schools reported, 18 belong to the Methodist denomination, 24 to the Presbyterian, 8 to the Baptist, 3 to the Episcopalian, 9 to the Congregational, and the remaining 54 are conducted by Teachers of different creeds, but all united in the common cause against the common enemy.

The whole number of volumes issued are as follows :

Library Books.....	5648
Elementary Books.....	3043
Union Questions.....	144
English Bibles.....	59
Do Testaments.....	72
Hymn Books.....	577
Maps.....	10
Tracts.....	1414
Child's Companion, in numbers.	80
47 Libraries, Tract Society.....	4747
16 do. American S. S. U..	1900
Total.....	17,694

CONCLUSION.

From the foregoing, and what will be found in the Appendix to the Report, it is evident that the Canada Sunday School Union has obtained the favour of the churches, and is now embraced as the means by which the rising generation, in every district and village of this extensive Province, are to be reached with the word of life.

We deem it unnecessary to prove this statement, the most essential part of it is proved by the Report itself, and if all the churches can unite in this effort, there remains no more to be substantiated, and why cannot all the churches unite in it? Is it not evident from the summary just given, that the different branches of the church of Christ, throughout the Province, share in the advantages which the Canada Sunday School Union offers? And with what show of reason can those, who are able, refuse to give us that support or withhold from us those means which we need and are called upon to bestow on their less favoured brethren? The Committee have cause, gratefully to acknowledge the support yielded to this Society during the past year; but unless that is much increased during the year upon which we are about to enter, we cannot follow up the advances we have already made, and how can we look back? We must continue to employ an Agent, for, at least, six months in the year; the Committee are satisfied, that to be able to do this, is all that we want to carry out to the full the objects of the Society, and but a very small sum, say £60 of a permanent fund, would be enough for this purpose. We have now abundance of stock, and can obtain as much more as our wants demand. There is no obstacle then to our going up and possessing the land, if we are but agreed. God will go with us, indeed he is urging us to the work, as manifested by the favour he has shown us during the past year, and the general kindness with which our Agent was every where received.

**List of London Tract Society's Libraries issued by the
Canada Sunday School Union, 1846.**

NO.	NAME OF SCHOOL AND LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENTS.
1	Sabbath School, Port Sarnia,	
2	Baptist Sabbath School, Brantford,	Thomas Pilsworth,
3	Sabbath School, Caradoc,	J. Adair,
4	Port Dover Sabbath School,	Moses C. Nickerson,
5	Spenserville Sabbath School,	
6	Sabbath School, Nassuguaway,	J. Youart,
7	“ “ Wakefield,	Thos. Copeland,
8	“ “ 3d Conces., Murray,	Ezra Stevens,
9	“ “ Owl's Settlement,	
10	Wesleyan Sabb. School, Huntingdon,	Rev. M. M'Donald,
11	Presbyterian Sabb. School, Cornwall,	Rev. H. Urquhart,
12	Sabbath School, Longueuil,	Isaac Manning,
13	“ “ Scott Neighbourhood,	Rev. L. P. Adams,
14	“ “ Consecon,	J. C. Pinnock,
15	“ “ Wilton, Ernest Town,	S. Warner,
16	“ “ L'Original,	C. P. Treadwell,
17	Union Sabbath School, Phillipsburgh,	W. Hickock,
18	Sabbath School, East Peterboro,	Mr. M'Grigor,
19	Wesleyan Sabbath School, Stone Settlement, Stanbridge,	} W. Best,
20	Free Church Sabbath School, Toronto,	J. M'Murich,
21	Sabbath School, Potton,	Mr. Andrew Rankin,
22	Secession Church Sabbath School, St. Ann's Suburbs, Montreal,	} Mr. J. C. Becket,
23	Bathurst Sunday School,	John Playfair,
24	Paris Sunday School,	A. Holmes,
25	Sabbath School, Marysburgh, by Kingston,	} Rev. Wm. Harvey,
26	Free Church Sabb. School, Kingston,	
27	“ “ Montreal,	J. R. Orr,
28	Congregational Sabbath School, 6th Concession, London,	} Rev. Edward Ebbs,
29	Sabbath School, Christieville,	Rev. Wm. Thomson.
30	“ “ Covey Hill,	Rev. J. Law,
31	“ “ Glenburnie,	Rev. L. Taylor,
32	Snow Hill Sabbath School,	D. Ferguson,
33	Sabbath School, Pott's School House, near Simcoe,	} Joseph Potts,
34	Congregational Sabbath School, L'Original,	} Rev. J. T. Byrne,
35	Sabbath School, Picton, C.W.,	N. B. Conger,
36	“ “ West Hawksbury,	John Lamb,
37	Hinchinbrooke Sabbath School, 1st Range,	} Mr. Russell,

NO	NAME OF SCHOOL AND LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENTS.
38	Sabbath School, Louth,	Rev. J. M. Armstrong,
39	" " Ottanabee,	T. Short,
40	" " Picton,	N. C. Gowan,
41	Oak Creek Sabbath School,	Rev. A. Wallace,
42	Sabbath School, Henryville,	Hiram Love,
43	Hinchinbrooke Sabbath School,	Robert Gibson,
44	Mascouche Sabbath School,	Rev. J. Torrance,
45	Sabbath School, St. Charles, Vaudreuil,	Joseph Grisdale,
46	" " 93d Regiment,	H. M'Pherson,
47	" " Lachute,	

**List of American Sunday School Libraries Sold by the
Canada Sunday School Union.**

NO	NAME OF SCHOOL AND LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENTS.
1	Methodist Sabb. School, Sherbrooke,	Rev. Mr. Douglass,
2	Sabbath School, Guelph,	J. H. Stannord,
3	Trinity Church Sabbath School,	Rev. H. Willoughby,
4	Sabbath School, Lanark,	J. Hall, Esq.
5	" " West Bolton,	Rev. H. Montgomery,
6	Dunham Sabbath School,	Mr. Geer,
7	Sabbath School, Picton, C.W.,	N. C. Gowan,
8	American Presbyterian Sabbath School	
9	Brome Sabbath School,	Henry Hungerford,
10	Baptist Mission Sabbath School, St. Ann's Suburbs, Montreal,	} Rollo Campbell,
11	Congregational Sabb. School, Quebec,		J. Mussan,
12	Sabbath School, Brockville,	
13	" " Phillipsburgh,	Rev. Joel Fisk,
14	St. Gabriel Street Church Sab. School,	George Pyper,
15	Sabbath School, Sherbrooke,	Rev. C. Churchill,
16	Baptist Sabbath School, Perth,	
17	Granby Village Sabbath School,	Rev. D. Gibbs,
18	" " South Ridge,	J. C. Herrick,
19		L. Hitchcock.

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Canada Sunday School Union in Account with James Court, Treasurer,

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To balance from last year.....	£13 0 8	By Cash Sales in the Depository	£224 13 0
Remit. Religious Tract Society, £50 stg., 11½ per cent.	61 18 11	Remittances from Schools, &c.	168 13 11
“ “ “ “ £50 “ 9½ “ “ .	60 16 8	Collection at last Annual Meeting.....	7 10 2
“ “ “ “ £50 “ 10 “ “ .	61 2 3	Received on account of the extra effort at last Annual Meeting.....	48 5 0
“ Sunday S. Union London £40 “ 9½ “ “ .	48 13 4	Balance of Collection in East Ward, 1844	5 0 1
“ Am. Sunday School Union, New-York	79 1 6	Subscriptions received at the Depository.....	1 0 0
Paid expenses of last Annual Meeting.....	2 1 6	Subscriptions and Donations in the East Ward per Messrs. Lyman and M'Kay.....	28 0 0
“ for Printing Annual Report, &c.....	23 14 6	Do. in the West Ward, per Messrs. Hedge and Birss.....	30 0 0
“ for Publications.....	33 15 6	One Year's interest on Union Building of Canada Fund.....	13 6 4
“ for Visitors imported from the Tract Society and paid in currency	26 14 0	Collection at Meeting of Schools on New Year's Day	8 0 5
“ Duty on Publications imported.....	25 1 6		
“ for Books imported from D. Bryce, Glasgow, and paid in currency to his Agent	18 3 0		
“ Bible Society one year's Rent and management of the Depository	30 0 0		
“ P. V. Hibbard, Agent, on account of salary	15 0 0		
“ for Books bought in Montreal.....	6 18 10		
“ Postages, Taxes, Cases, Fuel, Stationery, Cart- age, &c.....	27 19 11		
“ Balance on Hand.....	0 6 10	Balance brought forward	£534 8 11
	£534 8 11		0 6 10

(Signed)

JAMES COURT, Treasurer.

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STOCK ACCOTNT—CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNIOL.

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To Amount due Religious Tract Society, London.....	£ 59 8 3	By Stock of Books in the Depository, per Inventory. £392 8 10	
Amount due Sunday school Union, " ..	34 19 9	By Debts due by Schools, &c.....	221 8 8
" due Am. Sunday School Union, N. Y.	0 9 6	By Cash in the Hands of Treasurer.....	0 6 10
" due for Publications in Montreal.....	13 15 0		
" due Mathew Young, overpaid.....	1 8 6		
Stock Account in favour of the Union.....	504 3 4		
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	£614 4 4		£614 4 4

E.E. JAMES MILNE, *Depository,*

LIST OF SCHOOLS REPORTED.

[Under the head "Denomination," letters are used to distinguish those schools belonging to particular denominations. P. implies that such school is under the management of Presbyterians; M. the Methodists; B. the Baptists; C. the Congregationalists; E. the Episcopalians; U. S. the United Secession; U. schools not in connection with any particular sect, conducted by and composed of those of different creeds; whose differences would seem for a time to be forgotten, in the all absorbing work in which they are engaged.]

Location.	Superintendents.	Denom'tion	Instituted.	Scholars.	Teachers.
Leeds, Johnstown Dist.	Simon Ferguson	U.	1844	28	7
Wesleyville	} John Lloyd	U.	1845	42	5
New Glasgow		U.	1845	25	2
Petite Nation	Stephen Tucker	U.	1843	21	5
Pike River, Stanbridge Township	} Elnathan Phelps	M.	1844	41	12
Cornwall		John MacKerras	P.	—	25	4
"	"	P.	1843	28	1
" 2d Concession	"	P.	1843	19	1
" 3d "	"	P.	1843	25	1
" 4th "	"	P.	1843	22	1
Carr. Bridge, Cornwall	"	P.	1843	12	1
Grey's Creek, "	"	P.	1843	15	1
Front Charlottenburgh	James Craig	P.	1834	33	3
Lansdowne, Front	Simcoe Landon	M.	1842	20	3
Township, Hope, 7th Con.	Thomas Nixon	M.	1840	50	5
Mount Pleasant, New castle District	} Miss Susan Greely	U.	1838	27	4
Waterloo, Guelph		Mr. Elworthy	C.	1844	50	14
New Glasgow	Rev. A. Lowden	U. S.	1833	30	2
Perth	Murdoch M'Donnell	B.	1843	36	5
Burgess, Scotch Line Bathurst District	} Robert Scott	U.	1844	36	1
Bathurst, No. 6.		James Robertson	U.	1845	30	8
Perth	Alex. Cuthbertson	P.	1845	38	0
Carlton Place	John Graham	U.	1842	50	10
Gananoque	Hon. J. M'Donald	U.	1819	43	8
Phillipsburgh	W. Hickok	U.	1840	48	12
Port Sernia	John Robson	U.	1840	53	10
Lanark	Robert James	P.	1822	50	3
" 12th Concession	} Samuel Boyd } Thos. Jackson	M.	1829	80	9
Sawyersville, Eaton		W. Sawyer	U.	1842	38	8
Kingston, Johnston St.	John J. Haines	B.	1840	62	13

Location.	Superintendents.	Denom ⁿ tion	Instituted.	Scholars.	Teachers.
Embro	Mervin Cody	U.	1843	16	3
"	Dr. Hyde	U.	1845	30	4
Brantford		B.		75	12
Colborne, Dummer	Alex. Kidd, Jr. . . .	B.	1840	26	3
Hinchinbrooke	E. Wallis	M.	1844	69	8
Herdersonville, Godmanchester	{ A. Spencer	M.	1843	28	4
Huntingdon, "	Thomas Cockburn . .	M.	1844	25	5
Stanstead	B. F. Hubbard	M.	1844	25	2
Stanstead Plain	P. Hubbard	M.		28	3
Toronto	{ W. D. Taylor } { A. Christie }	C.	1834	187	34
Russeltown Corners	W. Cantwell	U.	1835	30	6
Raleigh	Edward White	M.	1842	34	6
New London, Phillipsburgh	{ W. C. Borden	U.	1845	23	7
Lobo, London Dist.	R. & J. Edwards . . .	U.	1842	95	15
Bastard, Johnstown Dist.	S. Barber	M.	1845	35	6
Guelph	{ R. Ainley } { J. H. Stannord } . . .	M.	1836	101	20
Bytown	J. Durie	P.	1844	38	9
4th Con. Townsh. Smith, Colborne Dist. 2 Schools	{ W. C. Nichols	U.	1844	65	7
5th " "	Thomas Robinson . . .	U.	1841	35	5
Communication Line, "			1845	25	4
Beausville	T. S. Hill	B.		75	8
Hawkesbury (West)	John Lamb		1833	35	5
Fathurst, 6th & 7th Con.	Benjamin Carr		1842	60	26
N. Elmsley, Smith's Falls	Russel Bartlett	P.	1831	38	6
Elmsley and Kitley	Wm. Ballantyne, Sr. . .	U.	1841	55	6
Danville	A. Willy	C.	1830	27	7
Port Hope	Richard Howell	M.	1838	140	19
Townsh. of Hope, 3d Div.	Wm. Ogley	U.	1842	30	6
Drummondville, Niagara District	{ R. R. Hubbard	U.	1840	129	12
Fergus	Rev. G. Smillie	P.	1844	60	6
Zorra District	Donald Campbell	U.	1845	—	—
" "	Donald M'Cloud	U.	1845	—	—
Barnston Corner	A. Parker	B.		18	4
Sutton	— Herd	B.		16	2
Roxborough	John Fraser	U.		30	3
Middle Farnham	Aaron Vilas, Jr. . . .	B.	1842	22	4
Ekfred, 4th Range	James Allan	P.	1838	18	2
" 17th "	James Bedford	U.	1844	40	6

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Ekfred	Charles Macfie	P.	1844	30	2
" 2 Con. No. 19.	James H. House	P.	1842	12	2
"	John M'Tavish	P.	1841	20	3
Mosa, 4th Concession	Finlay Munroe	P.	1842	30	3
" No. 2, 2d Con.	John Walker	E.	1842	67	4
Horton	Henry Hirth	U.	1843	45	5
M'Nab, Canaan	John Forrest	U.	1842	16	1
Buckingham	Robert Lough	U.	—	15	—
Cumberland	A. Petrie	P.	—	20	—
M'Nab, Goshen	Malcolm M'Laren	U.	1844	35	2
" Madawaska	Rev. A. Mann	U.	—	18	2
Perth	Rev. W. Bell	P.	1817	30	2
L'Orignal	Rev. J. T. Byrne	C.	1845	24	4
Haldimand	Stephen Simmonds.	M.	1827	30	6
Walsingham, 2	{ G. N. Procnier	—	1843	23	8
	{ C. B. Davis	—	1844	—	—
Elmsley and Kitley	John Riddle	—	1845	36	7
" "	—	—	1845	30	—
Eaton Corner	S. A. Hurd	C.	1825	55	9
" " No. 5	"	C.	1844	30	3
Whitby, Lot 24, 4th Con.	Alex. Burnett	—	—	35	4
Sherbrooke	Wm. Arns	C.	—	44	8
Gananoque	E. Webster	M.	1844	30	6
Glenness	Rev. D. M'Kenzie	U.	1845	60	3
Merrickville, Johnst. Dist.	Rev. E. Morriss	E.	1840	40	4
" "	Rev. Mr. Farley	U.	1843	60	5
Montague, Bathurst Dist.	Thomas Sanders	—	1840	32	4
Leeds	Isaac Thompson	M.	1845	28	4
Russeltown	Capt. W. Broder	M.	—	40	5
Granby Village	Harlow Miner	C.	1830	30	6
Granby and Fernham	{ John Barr	C.	1845	48	6
Union School	{ John Smith				
Hinchinbrooke, Black's	{ Robert Gibson	P.	1838	26	2
School House	{	—	—	—	—
" 3d Con.	Alex. M'Intosh	U.	1845	20	2
" Log Sch. House	Henry Wilson	P.	1838	30	3
Hemmingford	Mathew Young	P.	1840	14	2
" Covey Hill	George Milne	—	1844	22	3
Burford	{ S. Charlesworth	U.	1845	31	7
	{ George Polly				
Phillipsburgh, Parish St.	{ D. T. R. Nye	E.	1843	33	7
Armand, W.	{	—	—	—	—
Huntingdon	J. H. Laird	P.	1836	42	9
Dunham	John Watson	M.	—	45	6

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Township Kingston, Glenburnie - - -	{ A. M. Millan M. Waggoner R. Spooner - - }	U.	1845	45	10
Lochiel - - - - -	} D. Cattenach	—	1845	100	12
" - - - - -		—	1845	30	—
" - - - - -		—	1845	45	—
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" 3 other Schools consisting of				100	5
Argenteuil - - - -	Wm. M. Alister -	—	1845	45	6
Chinquacousey - -	W. A. Johnston	—	1845	70	7
Caradoc Township -	{ Jer. Landon - Dan. Corcoran }	U.	1844	41	4
St. Armand Dist., No. 13	A. F. Herrick -	U.	1846	30	5
St. Therese de Blainville	David Black - -	P.	1841	24	2
St. Eustache - - -	Mrs. Gentle - - -	P.	1839	16	1
Ramsay, Dist. Berthier	Asher Castle - -	U.	1844	26	3
Whitby, Home District, 4th Con. No. 24 - -	{ A. Burnett - -	—	1840	22	4
Warwick, Wertern Dist.	Enoch Thomas -	U.	1837	30	4
Ayr, Gore District -	Rev. Robt. Lindsay	P.	1844	60	5
Montreal, Gain Street, Quebec Sub.	{ A. Fraser - - G. A. Pyper - - }	P.	1843	32	5
" Griffintown -	J. C. Becket - -	U. S.	1842	39	14
" Coté Street -	J. R. Orr - - -	P.	1845	90	16
" St. Gabriel St.	G. A. Pyper - - -	P.	—	118	15
" St. Lawrence Suburb - - -	{ Rev. W. Taylor } David Smith }	U. S.	1835	95	25
" Gosford Street -	Chas. Woodley -	C.	1844	95	16
" Am. Presbytn.	D. P. Janes - - -	P.	1823	150	30
" Cross S. S. -	W. H. Colt - - -	P.	1844	33	6
" Tannery S. S.	B. Lyman - - -	P.	1843	42	8
" Christ Church	J. H. Maitland -	E.	—	150	20
" Trinity do	Rev. W. Willoughby	E.	1840	350	30
" St. Georges					
" Free Chapel, Griffintown -	{ About 300 Scholars and 30 Teachers. }	E.			
" St. Thos. Chur.					
" St. Helen St. -	Wm. Muir - - -	B.	1833	70	15
" St. Maurice St.	S. J. Lyman - - -	C.	—	186	26
" St. Antoine Br.	James Court - -	C.	1844	30	6
" St. Peter Street	Jno. Turnbull - -	P.	1817	48	13

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APPENDIX.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

INFLUENCE OF SABBATH SCHOOLS ON THE COMMUNITY.

Elmsley and Kitley.—I am happy at this time to report that two Sabbath Schools have this summer been opened in my immediate neighbourhood, from one of which, under the superintendence of Mr. John Riddle, a collection (as requested) for the Religious Tract Society has been taken up, amounting to 2s 1d. At that school they number 21 male, and 15 female scholars, with 5 male and 1 female teacher, and a superintendent. It is constituted and conducted similar to my own. I transmit this collection with my own, which is 2s 11d, amounting altogether to one dollar. The other school, I suppose, will number about 30 scholars.

I am convinced that these schools have arisen from the influence ours has produced on the community; and though I am sorry that I cannot say I have had the satisfaction of witnessing converting influences following our exertions, yet from the sobriety, steadfast attendance, and visible anxiety manifested by a few of our scholars for information in Divine truth, I hope not a few have, in earnest, set their faces Zionwards, and are seeking that Pearl of Great Price which is only to be found in the wide field of God's Word, and that they may not seek in vain.—WM. BALLANTYNE Sen.

Township of Smith, 4th Concession.—The influence of this school on the community is good. The scholars take great pleasure in perusing the books in the library, and in committing portions of Scripture to memory: so much so that we are frequently short of teachers to hear them. On one Sabbath, from the gospel by St. John, one girl repeated five chapters and twelve verses, another four chapters and seventeen verses, and others two and three chapters each; and one boy repeated fifteen chapters and twelve verses, another thirteen chapters, another three, and others one.

We have another school lately opened on the communication line, on the same principle as the above. There are 25 scholars and 4 teachers. They are badly in want of a library, having but a few books.

Most of the parents of the scholars seem indifferent to the influence of the Sabbath School on their children; but the children themselves seem very willing to attend, and there are some very interesting youths among them. As regards the teachers of both schools, I can say, that they appear to feel a great interest in instructing the youth committed to their charge, in the Word of God, and the truth as it is in Jesus; for while there are many enemies to the Bible in the world, and many systems of error that assume the appearance of truth, we, as Sabbath School teachers, deem it our bounden duty to use every means in our power to store the youthful mind with the truths contained in the sacred book of God's Word. In order to accomplish an end so desirable, we frequently examine them from the library books, in order to see that they are not taken home and made no use of; we also question them from portions of Scripture which they have previously read or committed to memory, in order to keep the principal truths of the gospel alive in their minds, and fresh in their memory. We also urge upon them the necessity of improving the long winter evenings, by studying and committing to memory portions of Scripture, and reading their library books. We have found much good result from this plan—for the youthful mind being fond of variety, by varying the subject of their reading of an evening keeps alive a spirit of inquiry, and a thirst for information. May the Lord bless the means used to bring the rising generation to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.—**WM. C. NICHOLS.**

Bathurst Township. (No particular locality, nor name of superintendent given. Commenced in 1845.)—From the short time it has been in operation we cannot expect much evidence of its beneficial effects; but we indulge the hope that it will be productive of much benefit to many who formerly profaned the Sabbath-day, by sinfully rambling about the country in parties, or engaged in sports. Being nearly ten miles from any place of worship tended greatly to foster a disregard for the Sabbath, in the minds of both old and young. We hope the Sabbath School will, by the blessing of God, counteract this evil.

Middle Farnham.—It has had an influence to check the Sabbath-breaker, and to lead to the perusal of God's Holy Word; and that it may have an influence to lead sinners to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, is our sole aim, and sincere prayer.—**AARON VILAS, JUN.**

Hinchinbrooke.—The school has had a favourable influence on the community generally. It has promoted a more general reading of the Scriptures, and a more strict observance of the sanctity of the Sabbath.—**E. WALLIS & D. RUSSELL, Superintendents.**

Mr. Robson, in reporting 15 conversions in the school which he superintends in Port Sarnia, says:—"The teachers wish it to be understood that they do not attribute the conversions or awak-

enings mentioned, entirely to *their* instrumentality, as the children or youth who were the subjects of these have been in the habit of attending the ministrations of the different clergymen resident in this place, which, we have every reason to believe, were instrumental in producing these effects, as well as the instructions of the Sabbath School.

Front Charlottenburgh.—The influence of our Sabbath School in the neighbourhood is good. The people, in general, keep their houses on the Sabbath; and the families of the ungodly seem ashamed to be seen in public on that day.—JAMES CRAIG, *Superintendent*.

Eaton Township. School, District No. 5.—This school was commenced by the undersigned in '1844. The past summer we obtained a donation of 50 vols. of books, from the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society. This school is kept open during the summer, and, at the close of the present school term, the scholars and all present were unanimous in the request that it might be opened during the winter. The school is about three miles from our village, and, to my knowledge, there is not a pious family in the neighbourhood.—S. A. HURD.

New Glasgow.—The influence of the school is decidedly good, and the teachers are much encouraged in their work. There is a good spirit in the school, which promises well.—JOHN LLOYD.

Township of Zorra, Embro Road.—It is with pleasure that we comply with your request by again reporting the Sabbath School in this place. Though you see some of the most important questions unanswered, yet we are by no means discouraged. We know the cause why the grand design of Sabbath School instruction is not better realized among us. We feel that it is because we have not that deep piety and intense anxiety for the prosperity of the cause of God that we should have.

The Sabbath School cause has been very prosperous in this part of the township the past season. There has been five Sabbath Schools (including this) in successful operation during the summer.—MERVIN CODY.

L'Original.—I now take the entire management of the school held in our church, and no part of my Sabbath's labours affords me greater pleasure. We have about 30 scholars on our list. We fondly anticipate to reap good fruit in due season; indications warrant this hope. I intend to make an effort before the year closes to bring about a union of schools, after which we can hold an annual meeting to advocate Sabbath School instruction, as we do in our Bible, Tract, and Temperance Societies.

I would still urge upon your committee the importance of securing a lecturer or lecturers to advocate this cause, either during the winter or summer months. The expense will be more than repaid by the good effects it will produce. If you furnish me

with materials and directions *perhaps* I may be able to spend three or four weeks in this way in the early part of the summer. At all events, I will do what I can.—J. T. BYRNE.

Bathurst.—Man can only judge from appearances, which, at best, are but a very uncertain criterion. Holding this opinion, then, you will not be surprised that we consider your question respecting the number converted unanswerable. We can only speak of apparent godliness, and in this respect, we believe, our labour has not been altogether in vain.

We can discover amongst our youthful assembly a very respectful reverence for the Sabbath, a modest and respectful demeanour at all times displayed, and what is better, a manifest delight in the exercises of the school, expressed by their regular attendance, and excellent preparation, and the glow of interest beaming from every eye. These, if not the certain marks of a regenerated mind, are, at all events, its attendants, and the fruits of that genuine piety which is well pleasing in the sight of God.—BENJAMIN CARR, *Superintendent*.

Bytown.—In speaking of the influence which our school may have had on the community, we would say little; we trust it has been beneficial. On some of the scholars, we are happy in being able to state, that we have noticed a marked change for the better, in their general deportment while in school: and may we not hope, while we pray, that the seed which has been sown, though to appearance still unproductive, may, ere long, germinate and bring forth fruit abundantly to the praise of the glory of the grace of God.—J. DURIE.

Perth.—We cannot tell to what extent our Sabbath School has exerted a healthy influence on the community. Your circular, however, has had *its* influence in bringing to our recollection that our influence *ought* to be felt, and that we ought to labour to make it felt. With this end in view, I intend to take a more decided and more active part in stirring up the minds of the youth under my superintendence, and showing them that the chief end of their being is, to glorify Him in their bodies and their spirits which are His; to give themselves a living sacrifice unto Him, and to seek to know His name, and to serve Him better! labouring also to bring others to the knowledge of Him, and into the paths of holiness.—M. McDONNELL.

Kingston, Johnston Street.—The general influence of Sabbath Schools upon the community, and of ours among the number, must be decidedly beneficial. We thus gain an opportunity of widely circulating those valuable little works which have proved a means in the hand of God of arresting many a one in their career of carelessness and sin; and the zeal which is frequently felt and manifested by those who are engaged in this work and labour of love, is often the means of provoking others to good works. The minds of children, even though they are not converted to

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God, are thus stored with arguments against sin, which, we cannot but believe, produces a salutary restraint upon their own actions, and causes them to dissent, in not a few instances, from the sins of others in which they might themselves have taken the lead, had they not come under Sabbath School influence.—J. J. HAINES, *Superintendent*.

Pike River.—We must say that we feel ourselves highly gratified in view of the prospects that lay before us. When we behold the increasing attendance of our Sabbath School, and the anxiety manifested, not only by the children, but by adults, for reading our library, and the apparent good feeling that is produced thereby, that we do yet hope, by the blessing of God, to see some good arising from the labour we expend in the Sabbath School; that the bread we are now casting on the waters may be seen after many days. We would adopt the language of our blessed Lord and Master, and say, "The harvest truly is great, and the labourers few;" therefore we would beg of all God's people, that have an interest at the throne of grace, to pray the Lord of the harvest, to convert and send forth more efficient labourers into the harvest.—B. W. ELLIS, *Sec*,

Argenteuil.—Our S. S. commenced its operations, on the 30th of May last. The settlement is small, and no day school being regularly established, consequently much ignorance prevailed, and we had also a good deal of opposition to contend with at first; but by diligence and perseverance on the part of the teachers, we have, by God's blessing, been enabled to overcome all, and now the general appearance of the School is cheering—it has made a deep impression on the minds of many of our neighbours, and we have good reason to believe, that the seed already sown, will be productive of much fruit, to the honour and glory of our heavenly father.—T. GORE.

Port Hope.—The influence of our Sabbath School, and of Sabbath Schools generally on a community, or a people, shall only be fully known and developed in eternity. At present, the good seed is only being sown, which will from time to time keep shooting forth in all the exuberance of heavenly verdure. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it," is a saying uttered by one, the veracity of whose wisdom no man can doubt. Indeed in the present case, it is ratified by the experience of ages. We thank God the time has arrived, when Scriptural education and instruction are no longer considered a work of expediency; and we believe it is admitted by all sensible persons, that the education which has for its foundation and superstructure, the *Bible*, is the most permanent and useful to society; and Sabbath Schools stand foremost, and are more generally calculated, and adopted for the laying of such a basis. As their operations are chiefly confined to the young and juvenile part of the human family, which is the root out of which

good or evil will come to the community, proportionate to its moral culture. We deprecate the idea which some men seem to advance and hold forth that education may be based on Popery, Infidelity, and other systems of error, (or in other words, banish the Bible from the schools,) and thereby ameliorate the condition of an individual or society. The assertion in our humble opinion, is absurd; on the contrary, we consider the giving of an irreligious education to a man, or a people, is like placing weapons in the hands of an enemy, who no sooner is equipped, than he turns on his benefactors, and kills and slays.—R. MAXWELL, *Sec.*

Cote Street Church.—Although without much positive evidence of the beneficial influence of Sabbath Schools, the teachers trust that He with whom is the residue of the Spirit, will not permit his own word to return unto Him void, but that it may spring up many days hence to his honour and his glory.—J. R. ORR.

St. Gabriel Street School.—I believe the influence of this school has been considerably felt. Some of the parents of the children have no opportunity for reading, generally, and the books belonging to the library have done much good in such cases. What is instilled into the minds of the scholars must have an effect on their conduct in after life, however little of the saving grace may appear at present.—G. A. PYPER.

Mount Pleasant.—Dear Sir,—In giving a report of our school I do not know that I can say anything new, that will edify, on the subject of Sabbath schools. Our school is in a prosperous state; the average attendance is about fifty scholars, and nine teachers; with about two hundred and thirty books in the library. The influence of a well organized Sabbath school cannot be appreciated, except by those who have seen and felt the want of it. We, in Mount Pleasant, have great reason to thank God that our school was established at an early day; and have cause to rejoice in examining the past, that some have been taught in it the good way, and have gone up and taken possession of the good land—praise God; others are on their way. When I think of these things, I thank God and take courage. I lament sometimes to see the indifference manifested by professing Christians, with regard to Sabbath schools. They suppose all is doing well, and perhaps wish all well; but never, with very few exceptions, darken the door of the School. These things ought not to be.—J. R. ELLIS.

STATE AND INFLUENCE OF THE LIBRARIES.

Bathurst.—With regard to the library, highly useful as it has proved itself to be, we cannot say that we are satisfied with it. In general the books are above the comprehension of children. An efficient library must be composed of books partaking more of the character of the "Record;" setting forth the graces and the excellencies of Christianity in "adapted phrase and familiar story," exhibiting the grandeur of gospel truths in the sweetest pictures, that even the "foolish may comprehend;" and the chance is, that youthful as well as matured minds, when exposed to the serene sunshine of all the moral beauty and excellence that can be conveyed in this way, will become enlightened and purified, and qualified also to irradiate the same attractive loveliness, and thus become "living epistles known and read of all men."

We thank you for the little "Record." Like a welcome messenger from afar it comes from time to time, telling us what is doing for Christ in the dark world around us, warming the hearts of both young and old with its simple tales, and impressing us with many a sweet and profitable thought.—BENJAMIN CARR, *Superintendent*.

Perth.—The Library is in excellent condition. One of the new ten dollar libraries was lately added. Formerly its influence was not so much apparent as was desirable. The addition will, we have no doubt, create a different and greater interest, and be most beneficial in its influence. We cannot but admire, not only the cheapness and neatness of these books, but the benevolence which suggested their publication, so select, and so admirably adapted to the condition of our population, as regards their ability to purchase and understand them.—MURDOCH M'DONNELL.

Argenteuil.—The kind assistance we received from your Society, in supplying us with some books, has also been rendered a great blessing; we have given them out to the scholars to read, and exchanged them every week; many of the parents and friends desired also to be supplied with the books, and so great has been the desire among us for reading these books, that we have exchanged them no less than 362 times with some tracts that a friend of Sabbath Schools sent us.—T. GORE.

MONTHLY CONCERT FOR PRAYER?

Port Hope.—The Monthly Concert for Prayer has been observed by the teachers during the last year, and was found a source of comfort and consolation to them, and we trust a benefit to others. Our School has been more successful the last year than any preceding one, so far as regards numbers and efficiency; and there is one feature it presents worthy of remark, it is beginning to supply itself with teachers. Out of the 19 now employed 10 were qualified for the work in the School.—R. MAXWELL, *Sec.*

Bytown.—We have, since the receipt of your Circular, for the first time observed the Monthly Concert for Prayer, on which occasion, we took the opportunity of reading the Rev. Mr. Arnot's address; an attentive perusal of which, we would earnestly recommend to all Sabbath School Teachers.—J. DURIE.

Perth.—Our teachers have not heretofore observed the Monthly Concert for Prayer, but being convinced of its importance, I have begun to urge them, and the teachers of other Schools not to let another Concert evening pass without attending to it.—M. M'DONNELL.

GENERAL DESTITUTION.

District of St. Francis.—From Bathurst and Sutton, in the above district, we have the report of two Schools only, with an aggregate attendance of 34 scholars, and six teachers. The district contains from 3,000 to 4,000 of a population, and so far as known, they have no other means of religious instruction for the young.—J. GREENE.

Township of Roxborough.—The juvenile portion of the population of this township, from the ages of five to sixteen, is above 400, who do not (with very few exceptions) attend any Sabbath School, there not being one in the vicinity; and we have only occasional and very uncertain opportunities of hearing the Gospel preached, and that frequently at such a distance, that very few of the children can attend.—JOHN FRASER.

Port Hope.—There are but few Protestant children in this place who do not attend some of the Sabbath Schools. Of late there were two persons appointed from the School to canvass the town in order to find out who attended and who did not, and we are glad to say, the result was favourable, both as regards the discovery of the number who had not previously attended, and in prevailing on some of such to attend, among whom, were a few Roman Catholic children.—R. MAXWELL, Sec.

Bytown.—There are, we believe, in this town, many hundreds of children and youth who do not avail themselves of the opportunity of Sabbath School instruction, and who seldom, if ever, hear otherwise of him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." We fear that the ministers of the Gospel generally fail in urging upon their congregations, the claims of Sabbath Schools, well indeed called the nurseries of the Church. There are two Schools in an adjoining township, formed about the same time with our own, which we have visited by request, one of which we found in a very flourishing condition.—J. DURIE.

Cornwall.—The awful apathy which prevails among parents for the religious instruction of their children in the knowledge of Christ Jesus as the only Saviour, is deplorable. If they can de.

send the particular tenets of their denomination, that is generally the summit of their desires in religious knowledge. There is much need for multiplying Schools, and fervent prayer that God would infuse life and vigour into those already in operation, that God would take the children instead of the fathers, and raise up a numerous offspring from the rising generation to transmit wholesome instruction to future posterity.—J. M'KERRAS.

WHAT MODE OR PLAN DO YOUR TEACHERS GENERALLY FOLLOW IN INSTRUCTING THE CHILDREN ?

Port Hope.—The mode adopted in instructing the children is as follows, viz., they are arranged into classes, male and female, and a teacher appointed to each class; to all those who can read a portion of Scripture is allotted, which they are expected to commit to memory on the week days, and be able to recite the same to their respective teachers on the Sabbath, and if any child should be so neglected as not to be able to recite in order, they are obliged to read the lesson before their classmates, after which the teacher to the best of his or her ability, (aided by the Union Question Book,) explains and applies those truths which the lesson naturally presents; after which, a general examination is entered into by the superintendent, or some other competent person, on the same, and by this means is ascertained those worthy of priority. There has lately been a Free Singing School opened, exclusively for the children, through the philanthropy of a young man, a teacher in the School; it is held two nights in the week, and it is really surprising the progress they have already made, and with what delight they engage in this essential part of God's worship. We are of opinion, that could the world hear so many young voices, with such precision, such melody and guileless simplicity, chaunting forth the Saviour's praise, in a place which but a few years since was a wilderness, and the haunt of the red man and savage; they would be ready to exclaim, "Behold what God has wrought," and would at once readily acknowledge the good Sabbath School instruction is imparting to the rising generation, and its tendency to the fulfilment of God's promise, as recorded in the xxxv. chapter of Isaiah, "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."—R. HOWELL.

Cote Street Church.—Our teachers who instruct Infant classes, use Watts Divine Songs, the Mothers Catechism, and simple incidents taken from Holy Scripture, especially from the life of our Saviour. All the other pupils are engaged in going through the second year's course of Scripture Lessons, published by the Canada Sunday School Union. This scheme of lessons is highly esteemed by our teachers for its perspicuity and comprehensiveness, and is found to be equally suitable for adult classes, as for the instruction of younger children. It is hoped that the Union will be encouraged to published a scheme of lessons for another year, similar to that already in use.—J. R. ORR.

INDIFFERENCE OF PARENTS, &c.

Hinchinbrooke.—The influence of the school is good, as is abundantly shown by our school continuing year after year, and our organizing a new one. Did parents instruct their children at home as they ought, I would not advocate Sabbath Schools, but there is such a lamentable deficiency here that I am compelled to advocate them, and urge children to attend, or let them grow up in ignorance and error. Knowing that there is a general deficiency and neglect, yea, a very culpable dereliction of duty in this respect, in many parts of Canada East and West, which I have visited, it is with pleasure that I hear and read of your generous efforts in this great and good cause. It is my intention to render all the assistance in my power in sustaining the Religious Tract and Sabbath School Societies, more especially the latter; for the circulation of suitable Sabbath School books is a very powerful means of improving and reforming society. It is my purpose to have a collection taken up next Sabbath, which I will forward by the first opportunity. Many families in this part of the country have no other books (the Bible excepted) than those furnished by the Sabbath School. Were one of these societies to appoint an agent in this part where their books could be procured, I think many might be sold, as the temporal condition of the people is improving very fast.—ISAAC LAW.

Kingston.—We would take the opportunity of expressing to ward the Canada Sunday School Union, our warmest cordiality and wishes for its future prosperity. May its object be attained, and Sabbath Schools by its aid, be established in every part of this Province, that is now destitute of them. Impressed with the utility and importance of this institution, it was proposed last year, that three collections for its benefit should be taken up in the School during the ensuing year. We hereby hand you the sum of one pound one shilling as the result; also four shillings for the London Tract Society.—J. J. HAINES, Superintendent.

Middle Farnham.—Our greatest obstacle in the prosperity of our Sabbath Schools is, the indifference of the parents of the scholars: but with patience, we desire to sow the seed, hoping that in due time we shall reap if we faint not.—AARON VILAS, Junior.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LETTER FROM THE AGENT.

Montreal, Nov. 25, 1845.

DEAR SIR,—I have visited, as Agent of the Sunday School Union, the following towns:—Yamaska, Granby, Farnham, Dunham, Broom, Sutton, St. Armands, Stanbridge, Clarenceville and Henryville: and have visited all the School Districts in the above mentioned towns, where there were Sabbath Schools as well as where there was any probability of establishing Sabbath Schools, and of the importance of Scriptural religious instruction of the rising generation; and I am happy to say that there has been much interest awakened on the subject among the people whom I have visited. In many instances both parents and children have appeared deeply affected, whilst the silent tear stole down their cheeks. A number of almost expiring Sabbath Schools were evidently revived; and in a number of places new Sabbath Schools were established, and in other places they resolved to establish them as soon as the winter roads became passable.

In Granby village I found a Sabbath School almost destitute of school books—took means to supply them. At Granby South Ridge and East Ridge, their Sabbath School had been discontinued for some time; through the blessing of God, they were re-established under hopeful appearances, and have been supplied with a library. In one School District, in Farnham, I found a well conducted promising Sabbath School, in connection with the New Connexion Methodist and Freewill Baptists. There were other districts in Farnham desirous for Sabbath Schools, but, alas! there were no praying pious individuals to take charge of them. I found this to be the case, in a lamentable degree, in many other places. In Dunham, there were two promising Sabbath Schools in connection with the Wesleyan Methodist; two under the care of the New Connexion Methodists; and 1 Episcopal. They had a Sabbath School celebration the latter part of summer which I learnt, was very interesting. Under the care of the Rev. Mr. Connell, a Congregational Minister, I attended the celebration of these Schools, at the Chapel near Broom Corner. The exercises were well calculated to give an impulse to the cause. At Sutton Flatt there was no Sabbath School, but whilst I was there one was established, and they have obtained a library. At Abbott Corner, St. Armand, I found an interesting Sabbath School in connection with the Baptist and Wesleyan Methodist.

At Pike River, Stanbridge, I found a well organized, well conducted interesting Sabbath School, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Jersey, Baptist Minister, and Rev. Mr. Selly, Wesleyan Methodist Minister; one other small school in Stanbridge, conducted by a devoted Christian man. At Stanbridge Ridge their Sabbath School had stopped on account of their principle teacher having to leave town, but I succeeded in stirring them up to re-establish their school and send for a library. In another School District, in the same town, they came to a resolution to establish a Sabbath School and get a library. At Philipsburgh village I found two well conducted promising Sabbath Schools; one belonged to the Wesleyan Methodists, the other to the Congregationalists; another about three miles from the village, a union of Wesleyan Methodists and Congregationalists, well conducted. At the request of Mr Selly, I went to Pigeon Hill, about six miles from Philipsburgh, where he had it in contemplation to establish a Sabbath School, and delivered a lecture, after which the school was established and a library sent for.

With the Rev. Mr. Fisk, I visited a neighbourhood of wealthy farmers, back from Philipsburgh about six miles, one of his preaching stations. They had no preaching there for a long time, until Mr. Fisk went there. I spent two days with him in visiting from house to house, and holding meetings in the evening. I found, in this neighbourhood, a large number of promising young men and women, several of whom appeared to be anxiously enquiring what they should do to be saved, and a general seriousness on the minds of all. They were desirous to have a Sabbath School; Mr. Fisk concluded to establish one and become responsible for a library for its use. At Henryville they were awake to the importance of having a Sabbath School, and when I left they were circulating a subscription list to get a library, which they intend to send for this week and commence their school. At Brockville School District, about three miles from Henryville, they became very much engaged on the subject, and the few Protestants, English and French, raised ten dollars, which they gave me for a library.

In visiting the above field, seeing so much that needed to be done, and so few efficient labourers, my heart has been pained and my mind has been so exercised on the subject, that I have not only laboured, according to my ability, day and evening, but many a night I have wept over the moral desolations, and prayed that God would raise up labourers.

Some places where I visited, and where Millerism had prevailed to some extent, there seemed to be an awakening in the minds of some, to the importance of the Scriptural instruction of the rising generation, that they might not be carried away by every wind of doctrine.

There is one thing more that I cannot refrain from mentioning, that is, all the Ministers whom I have called upon, of different denominations, (with the exception of two), entered heartily into the object of my labours, and when I left, said they were glad I

was engaged in this work, and felt that such labours were much needed through the country, and that they should, at some future time, raise something for the Union.

The following is the result of the two journeys I have already taken, during both of which I have received every attention by those amongst whom I labored.

Visited thirty-one different places, was instrumental in reviving fifteen old schools, and of commencing twelve new ones.

Yours in Christian affection,

P. V. HIBBARD.

To the Cor. Sec. C. S. S. U.

BATHURST, NEW BRUNSWICK.

I have seven Sabbath Schools in the different districts connected with my congregation, taught by about twice that number of teachers. The total number of scholars may be from eighty to ninety. The teachers are in general truly devoted and Christian; the majority of them are male. I believe that all the scholars, two or three excepted, can read. We have a Sabbath School Library, consisting of about two hundred volumes. All the Schools and the congregation are in connection with the Established Church of Scotland. I can say almost nothing of any individuals in the Schools being awakened or born again by the Spirit of Christ; but I am aware that two or three of the Schools are really in a prosperous state; and I trust that the efforts and the prayers that are used, earnestly and perseveringly, by the teachers and others of the people of God, for the eternal, spiritual, and highest good of the young immortals, for whom we are deeply concerned, will be rewarded in the salvation of many souls of the rising generation among ourselves. I believe that the best results of the godly training of children, whether in the paternal home, the Sabbath School, or elsewhere, are generally seen many days subsequent to the labours of the instructors. It is the duty and the happiness of those who seek to Christianize either the old or the young, but especially the latter, to sow in faith—to believe that God's word rightly set forth, and the truths that pertain to that word, will not return to Him void, but will accomplish His holy pleasure in the quickening and sanctification of sinners.

It can never, however, be too much impressed upon the heart and mind of the teacher, or be too earnestly brought before the attention of the scholars, that the end and essence of Sabbath School teaching is to *disciple* the young—to lead them to Jesus for pardon, deliverance, instruction, holiness, and everlasting felicity—to effect between the Saviour and their souls, in the day of childhood or youth, that vital union which is accomplished by the Spirit of God working faith in those who are Christ's scholars.

GEORGE M'DONNELL.

29th Dec., 1845.

CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

The Committee of the CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, beg leave to intimate to the Superintendents and Teachers of Sabbath Schools, that in addition to their former stock of WORKS, suited for Sabbath School Libraries, they have received from the Religious Tract Society, and Sunday School Union of London, an additional supply, among which are some of the latest publications of the excellent institutions—all of which will be sold at cost and charges. They have also received a further supply of LIBRARIES suitable for Sabbath Schools, which *for the present* will be furnished under the usual regulations to poor schools, for £3 10s currency, although valued at £6 15s sterling, and consisting of 101 volumes; or when the books are larger, the number is less but the value the same.

As uncertainty and confusion have arisen, when books have been given on condition of being paid for if the amount could be collected; to prevent this, and enable them to know at once the real state of the accounts, the Committee have resolved to dispose of the stock only by distinct sale or donations. In the former case, therefore, orders will require to be accompanied with the money, or guarantee of payment. With respect to donations, schools will be supplied either in part or to the whole extent of their wants, on proper representations being made.—The Committee trust, however, that considering the expense of carrying on the operations of the society, and of supporting the Depository, schools will make it a matter of conscience not to solicit aid, until they have used every exertion in their respective neighbourhoods to procure the means of purchase; and that if afterwards able, they will make a donation according to their ability in aid of the funds of the Society.

The further conditions on which schools are supplied with books at the Society's low prices, or gratuitously, are as follows; that application be signed by at least three responsible individuals, pledging themselves that proper instructions will be given in the schools for which the books are required—that the books will be

carefully preserved—that at the end of each year, a report of the school will be transmitted to the Corresponding Secretary of this Society, embracing the number of teachers and scholars enrolled, with their average attendance, the state of the Library, and any interesting facts relative to the religious condition of the school.

The Canada Sunday School Union holds no supervision over those schools communicating with them, further than that a report from such schools is required annually. Instructions of the character of such report are annually communicated to our correspondents.

Application to be made (if by letter, post paid,) to Mr. J. C. Becket, or to Mr. J. Milne, Depository, M'Gill Street, Montreal.



FORM OF APPLICATION FOR BOOKS.

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To the Secretary of the Canada Sunday School Union.

SIR,—We the undersigned, request to be supplied with books at the Society's prices for the _____ school, in receiving which, we pledge ourselves that proper instructions will be delivered in the school—that the books will be carefully preserved—that at the end of each year a report of the school will be transmitted to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society, embracing the number of teachers and scholars enrolled, with their average attendance—the state of the Library, and any interesting facts relative to the religious condition of the school.

We are Sir, yours truly,

[To state here the books required, and the terms; if gratuitous, the reasons why.]

Montreal, Jan. 1846.

SUBSCRIPTIONS IN AID OF THE CANADA
SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

<i>West Ward, per Messrs S. Hedge and J. Birss.</i>			£	s	d		
	£	s	d				
P. McGill	1	5	0	John Swett	0	5	0
James Logan	1	5	0	C. Hilton	0	5	0
John Birss	1	5	0	B. Hutchins	0	5	0
J. Wenham	1	5	0	E. Hewett	0	2	6
J. R. Orr	1	5	0	R. Kerr	0	2	6
John Frothingham ...	1	5	0	J. H. Scott	0	2	6
David Torrance	1	5	0	Daniel Fisher	0	2	6
John C. Becket	1	5	0	T. J. Green	0	5	0
Robert Weir	1	5	0	M. H. Seymour	0	5	1
Cash	1	0	0	Cash	0	5	0
Bryson & Ferrier	0	15	0	Do	0	5	0
Cash	0	10	0	S. H. May	0	5	0
Robert Anderson	0	10	0	Cash	0	5	0
Cash	0	10	0	J. H. Birss	0	5	0
E. C. Tuttle	0	10	0	J. M. Ross	0	5	0
T. Peck	0	10	0	Cash	0	5	0
J. & W. Roy	0	10	0	G. W. Cumming	0	2	6
T. F. & Co	0	10	0	F. Duclos	0	5	6
R. Armour	0	10	0	Wm. Slack	0	3	9
F. Duclos, sen.	0	10	0	Cash	0	5	0
H. H. Whitney & Co .	0	10	0	Do	0	2	6
Joseph Mackay	0	10	0	Do	0	1	3
S. & J. Vennor	0	10	0	Do	0	2	6
Henry Lyman	0	10	0	Do	0	2	6
W. Robertson	0	10	0	A Friend	0	2	6
John Leeming	0	10	0	Do	0	2	6
Wm. Bradbury	0	10	0	Gemmill	0	2	6½
Armour & Ramsay ...	0	10	0	Cash	0	1	3
T. T. B.	0	10	0	Do	0	2	6½
Dr. Hall	0	10	0	J. White	0	5	0
Cash	0	5	0	Cash	0	2	6
Do	0	5	0	Do	0	5	1
Do	0	5	0	Do	0	5	0
John Kay	0	5	0	Do	0	2	6
J. Griffith	0	5	1	Do	0	2	6
C. C.	0	5	0	Do	0	5	0
Cash	0	5	7½	E. & G. W.	0	7	6
Do	0	5	0	J. A. Perkins	0	5	1
R. Campbell	0	5	0	Cash	0	5	6
E. E. Colburn	0	5	0	Cash	0	2	6
Cash	0	5	0	Do	0	2	6
Do	0	5	0	J. Williams	0	5	0
Do	0	5	0	Mathewson & Sinclair	0	5	0
Do	0	5	0	Wm. Learmont	0	5	0

	£	s	d.		£	s	d.
R. Graham	0	5	1	Cash	0	5	0
Jas. Thomson, sen.	0	2	6	do	0	5	0
—	0	5	0	do	0	5	0
Cash	0	2	6	do	0	5	0
B. Gibb	0	5	0	do	0	5	0
H. Benson	0	5	0	J. B.	0	7	6
J. C. Beers	0	5	0	Cash	0	5	0
J. B. Brown	0	5	0	do	0	5	0
J. Porteous	0	5	0	do	0	5	0
H. E. Montgomerie	0	5	0	W. J. Holmes	0	5	0
E. Maciver	0	2	6	Mr. Roach	0	5	1
Cash	0	2	6	W. Eggar	0	2	6
A Friend	0	2	6	Cash	0	2	6
Jas. Gilmour	0	5	0	J. H. Taaffe	0	5	0
<hr/>				J. Douglas	0	5	0
<i>East Ward, per Messrs H. Ly-</i>				Cash	0	5	0
<i>man, and J. Mackay.</i>				An ex Teacher	0	2	6
James Court	1	5	0	Thomas Morland	0	2	6
Dougal, Redpath & Co.	1	5	0	Wm. Moodie	0	5	0
G. Moffatt	1	5	0	Cash	0	5	0
G. H. Mead	1	5	0	do	0	5	0
S. Gerrard	1	5	0	do	0	5	0
J. T. Barrett	0	15	0	John Keiller	0	5	0
W. M. Hartly	0	10	0	Cash	0	5	0
A. Friend	0	10	0	T. M.	0	6	3
G. Hagar	0	10	0	Cash	0	2	6
John Keller	0	10	0	A. Cross	0	5	0
S. Savage	0	10	0	Cash	0	1	3
A. Savage	0	10	0	do	0	2	6
Alex. Urqhart	0	10	0	do	0	1	3
S. J. Lyman	0	10	0	do	0	2	6
Dr. McCulloch	0	10	0	do	0	2	6
J. Birks	0	10	0	do	0	1	3
J. W. Pownden	0	10	0	Miss Sharpley	0	2	6
A. Robertson	0	10	0	J. M. Reid	0	2	6
R. Easton	0	10	0	M. Gibbon Ewing	0	2	6
W. Cavanach	0	10	0	Robert Noxon	0	5	0
C. Woodley	0	5	0	Cash	0	5	0
J. Rattray, & Co.	0	7	7	H. Dickinson	0	5	0
Cash	0	5	0	F. D. Hall	0	5	0
W. Ewan	0	5	0	W. Darling	0	5	0
S. McConkey	0	5	0	Gettes	0	5	0
Henry Peacock	0	2	6	Cash	0	2	6
C. H. Mead	0	5	0	W. Easton	0	5	0
John Wood	0	5	0	J. W. Wells	0	5	0
Theo. Lyman	0	5	1	A Hamilton	0	2	6
David Savage	0	5	0	A. Gorrie	0	5	0
J. Macfarlane	0	5	0	Ed. Thompson	0	5	0
Robert Mills	0	5	0	P. Gellespie	0	5	0

	£	s	d		£	s	d
R. Morris	0	7	6	John Hoy	0	2	6
William Telfor	0	2	6	Cash	0	1	3
Cash	0	2	6	do	0	2	6
T. D. Waine	0	2	6	D. Kinnear, Esq. . . .	0	5	0
C. Garthe	0	5	0				

List of Schools Sending Free Contributions to the London Religious Tract Society since the publication of the last Annual Report of the Canada Sunday School Union :—

Mr. Ainley, per J. H. Stannard, Guelph,	£0	8	0
D. McVain, St. Laurent . . . . .	.0	1	0
Rev. J. Cairns, Metis, near Quebec . . . . .	.0	5	0
Bertlet and Balentyne, Smiths Falls . . . . .	.0	6	3
Wesleyan Sunday School, Port Hope . . . . .	.0	11	10½
James Hart, Adelaide . . . . .	.0	10	0
Wm. Dickson, Petite Nation . . . . .	.0	1	3
Simcoe Landon, Landsdown Front . . . . .	.0	1	3
Alexander Cuthbertson, Perth . . . . .	.0	5	0
John Robson, Port Sarnia . . . . .	.0	5	0
Rev. A. Lorimer, Kingston . . . . .	.0	4	0
Mervin Cody, Embro (5s 7½d to be devoted to sending publications to China) . . . . .	.0	10	0
A Kidd, jun, Dummer . . . . .	.0	1	4
R. Ainley, Guelph . . . . .	.0	5	0
J. Durie, Bytown . . . . .	.0	7	6
W. C. Nichols, Smith, 4th Concession . . . . .	.0	5	0
Thos. Robinson, do, 5th do . . . . .	.0	5	0
Benjamin Carr, Bathurst . . . . .	.0	5	0
A Willy, Danville . . . . .	.0	1	6
J. H. Laird, Huntingdon . . . . .	.0	5	0
Mrs Gentle, St. Eustache . . . . .	.0	10	0
Rev. J. Law, Hinchinbrooke . . . . .	.0	10	6
	£6	4	11½

Free Contributions to the Canada Sunday School Union
Received since last Annual Report.

Kingston, Johnston St. Sabbath School	£1	1	0
Bytown, Sabbath School, J. Durie . . . . .	.0	2	6
Fergus do do Rev. G. Smillie . . . . .	.0	10	0
John A. Carman, Matilda . . . . .	.0	5	0
John Cameron, Oxford . . . . .	.0	5	0
Rev. Joseph Reynolds, Gloucester . . . . .	.0	10	0
Rev. J. Girdwood, Montreal . . . . .	.0	5	0
John Gray, do . . . . .	.0	5	0

AGENCY FUND.

St. Maurice Street Sabbath School.....	£ 5	0	0
Wesleyan Methodist do do	5	0	0
St. Gabriel Street do do	5	0	0
United Secession Church do	5	0	0