

SABBATH SCHOOL COLUMN.

Lesson X—Sunday, Dec. 7. — "Drunkennes." Prov. 23: 29, 35.

From the Executive Committee of the New Brunswick Sunday School Association, we have received a copy of the Report of the first Convention held in St. John four weeks ago. The report is a most interesting and valuable document, and we are glad to see that the Sunday School workers in every county are organized, and promising the help of the Executive Committee of the Provincial Association, if necessary. Reference is made to the efficient work done by the parent organization in Carleton County, and the report in many ways shows the influence exerted by that Society. We understand that among the first to take the matter up, are the officers and teachers of the Sunday School in this county. A committee of six men held frequent meetings, and the outcome of their work has been to secure a number of choice speakers from abroad, to assist a varied programme of addresses and discussions on practical Sunday School topics, and to subscribe to a call for a convention to be held January 11th and 15th, in the Methodist church. The call after having been unanimously signed in the city and villages over the river, was taken away by Mr. John T. Clark, on Monday last, who is now in St. John, calling upon the pastors and Superintendents of all the Sunday Schools in York County, to secure further signers and delegates to the proposed convention. Another object of the call is to secure a number of speakers from each church, are to provide accommodation for the expected visitors. Two other committees have undertaken to prepare a course of instruction, and to receive the credentials and tabulate the statistics which Mr. Clark will obtain from all the schools. From the spirit manifested in arranging to attend, there is no doubt of the success of the meeting.—*Maritime Farmer.*

PARISH CONVENTION, KENT.—There will be a meeting of the Kent Parish S. S. Convention held in the P. C. Baptist Meeting House, Upper Kent, Tuesday, Dec. 9, 9:30.

1st Session, 10 o'clock, a. m. Meeting of Executive; preliminaries, and report of delegates.

2nd Session, 2 o'clock, p. m.; Subject for discussion: "The necessity and practicability of keeping schools open through the winter." The next Sabbath's lesson will be reviewed.

3rd Session, 6:30, p. m.; Subjects:—(1) What benefit has the County Convention to the Sabbath School? (2) Black-board and object lesson.

Sabbath school workers generally are cordially invited to attend.

The Sabbath school workers of Front View are respectfully invited to attend and unite with them.

Bring your Bibles and Gospel Songs.

Bristol, C. C., Dec. 1, 1884.

Will the Parish Convention officers suffer a word of exhortation? In arranging for your convention meeting remember that the things are necessary to a successful meeting: First, you must have the people to attend, and second, you must have something new after they come. Now, to secure the first, it is not sufficient to send word by some casual messenger who proposes to tell some one else to leave word at the minister's house, to give it out next Sunday; if he don't forget it. Nor will it do to send word that the meeting will be held in the Parish, without specifying the exact place and time (knowing that people may know when and where to come. Nor will it be well to suppose that Bro. A. B. or U. will attend to our part of the duty if we neglect it. Let us have good common sense in this matter. Let the Executive meet, fix on place, the day, the hour; see that every Sunday school superintendent has at least two weeks notice; send the appointments to the SABBATH at least two weeks before the meeting; mail a letter to each minister in the Parish, with request to give out the notice, at least two weeks in advance. Then each one of us committee should make it their special business to personally visit and urge every one they can reach to attend. If this course is followed up you will have a house full of people. Of course, in giving out your notice you will visit of old and young, male and female, to come.

Make up your mind there will be a good many out, and provide for them. Have some one who will open the meeting with some life. Look out upon the stage provided for, it is one of the important matters. Then invite speakers to address your meeting on S. S. topics. Have something especially for the parents and church members who do not take much interest in S. S. work, not clubs and hard sayings, but convincing truths, kindly spoken. See to it that the teachers who attend the meeting have something prepared in the line of lesson teaching, and don't overlook the boys and girls who will come. Above all, pray much that the blessed Master may be present and the Holy Spirit may guide and teach you. Remember to bring your hymn books and Bibles, but leave at home all your local difficulties and neighborhood disagreements, and come fully determined to have a good conversation and have it.

Some S. Sch. of superintendent as he comes before his school next Sabbath, may think as he looks into the bright and innocent faces before him, that the lesson on "Drunkennes" does not apply to the youthful members of his charge. But we should force the truths of the lesson upon the minds of our boys and girls with double earnestness. Many a boy once just as innocent as the angels, has been brought before him by the same boys before us, now is a drunkard, a sinner, a physical and moral wreck. Let us all remember that "prevention is better than cure," and that we can much more easily induce our S. School scholars not to look upon the wine when it is sold, than we can cure them from the guttery depths of degradation and drinking companions, when they have once fallen into habits of drunkenness. The good time is coming, and we hope to see them from the guttery depths of degradation and drinking companions, when they have once fallen into habits of drunkenness. The good time is coming, and we hope to see them from the guttery depths of degradation and drinking companions, when they have once fallen into habits of drunkenness. The good time is coming, and we hope to see them from the guttery depths of degradation and drinking companions, when they have once fallen into habits of drunkenness.

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The Carleton Sentinel.

SAUNDERS, DECEMBER 6, 1884.

SENTINEL Office, in Brick Building, directly opposite Post Office, up stairs.

We referred briefly last week to the importance in the town of proper attention being given to mental improvement of the public. If such a matter is important in town, it is still more urgent claim upon the people of the rural districts. In town districts are naturally enjoyed of which the people in the country are deprived. In the one case books and miscellaneous reading matter covering all the lines of mental activity to a considerable extent accessible by all. In the other, the very circumstances of life preclude so general an enjoyment of reading matter. That

the people of this county are a thoughtful and, within their resources, a reading people, that they have high intelligence and moral worth is too evident to those who know them, who have travelled through the county and seen its wide evidence of progress, to require to be stated. Here and there occur instances in which individuals have risen above the average and become conspicuous and influential by giving some attention to the intellectual demands of their minds.

What our people in the county want, it would, we think, contribute greatly to their happiness and to their native nobility, is combined effort to provide means for an interchange of thought or disbursement of information gathered by individuals from various streams and placed in a general reservoir from which all may draw. The profession of agriculture is not only a noble one, but in agriculture is a property constituted mind enabling it to bring its followers into contact directly with nature and nature's God, unfolding the most sublime pages of its mysterious record. It was the employment first given to man, and upon its continuance the happiness, the progress, the existence, in fact, of mankind depends. How important, then, that those who are engaged in this employment, and especially the young growing up who, by and by, will superintend the tilling, the planting, and harvesting of the broad acres of their fathers, should properly appreciate and as fully as possible understand not only the ordinary practice but the scientific theories which have of late years so elevated agriculture as a profession. Then agriculture there is no profession or pursuit which involves, in its highest and most successful development, more interesting and profound knowledge, none that affords so much to a wider and nobler life.

It is not for our farmers, then, true to themselves and their work, seek to know and apply whatever science teaches in this regard. They can best learn by such united efforts as we have suggested, and mutually learning can assist the other in the practical application of such, and the whole body will rise at once to their present sturdy standard of intelligence.

We are glad to notice that Sir John Macdonald, in a speech at London, declared the theory of Canadian representation in the British House of Commons impracticable. This declaration just now, when a revived interest attaches to the general question of Imperial federation may be important. In this practical age the honor and glory of a federal union will be largely influenced by the public mind.

The whole question, however, thus far, except in the cancellations of magazine copyrights, is a very general theory without practical details upon which its merits can be discussed.

There was no reason to suppose that an annexation sentiment exists to any considerable extent among the people of Carleton County, we think there is a prevailing desire for the establishment of a fairly broad reciprocity of trade in agricultural productions between the United States and Canada.

Apart from the influence of that loyalty to existing relations and that patriotism which, if a change became necessary, would only be satisfied with more complete independence, which are powerful here, the people see in the idea of annexation little to gain and as a result of reciprocity much.

One needs not to refer to the alacrity to be reminded of the rapid approach of the Christmas season. Turn where you will, in the business portion of our town, and Christmas goods in all their variety and natural attractiveness, and displayed with that captivating taste for which our merchants and their employees are so noted, state you in the face from every shop door and window. Our merchants are making ample provisions to meet the demand for holiday goods, and our readers will only watch our advertising columns they will be at no loss to learn just where they can procure such articles as they may desire.

It will be remembered that we announced, some time since, that the Brighton Engineers had volunteered for service in Egypt. Owing to misarrangement, in the reply of the Egyptian Government to this offer, we not received till the other day when Major Vince received the following, which we have much pleasure in printing:—

OTTAWA, 2nd September, 1884.

DEAR SIR:—The Hon. Excellency has forwarded to me a telegram addressed by you to the Minister of Militia and Defence in which you are good enough to offer the services of the corps of Brighton Engineers under your command to the Egyptian Expedition.

His Excellency desires me to tell you that the instructions which he has received from home do not appear to him to justify him in accepting the services of a corps such as the Brighton Engineers. The volunteers who will be sent out from Canada will be selected as civilians, and His Excellency is not prepared to add to these a contingent with a distinct military organization.

His Excellency has received from the Minister of Militia, and from other sources, the highest praise for the courage, the patriotism and capabilities of the men under your command, and it is any of these in their individual capacity. And in many other respects, especially in the matter of their discipline, their conduct, and their spirit, their applications will be readily accepted.

I am, Sir, very truly, Sir, your obedient servant.

Yours Obedt. Servt.,

(Signed) General's Secy.

MR. SPURGEON affirming that the world has grown better, says:—

I think there has also come about an improvement in the attitude of respectable people towards literature. Our grandmothers read books which our daughters would be ashamed to open. And in many other respects, especially in the matter of their discipline, their conduct, and their spirit, their applications will be readily accepted.

Probably Mr. Spurgeon has but little personal knowledge of the attractive and seductive character of much of the light literature of to-day in which immorality is gilded. The books our grandmothers read, if they were not pure, were at least honest, and they were honest in their plainness, and so far as the doing or refraining from doing things evil in their tendency, we cannot think that they were any more general or open practice thirty years ago than now. Still it is encouraging to have so high an authority finding evidence that the world grows better.

STEDDEN DEATH.—Mrs. George Everett, an old lady, aged some 78 years, died very suddenly at her residence, Jacksonville, on Sunday morning last. She arose in her usual health, and stepping into the door yard for some kindling for the fire returned into the house, sat down on a chair, complained of feeling ill, and almost instantly expired.

MINISTERS ASSOCIATION.—The following clergymen: Revs. Geo. M. Campbell, Thomas G. G. N. Ballentine, C. T. Phillips, J. C. Corrie, W. F. Parker, and Geo. S. Allan met on Monday, 1st inst., at the residence of Rev. G. M. Campbell, and formed themselves into a Minister's Association. Rev. Thomas Todd being elected president and the Rev. Geo. S. Allan, secretary. It was agreed that the association be composed of ministers in and around Woodstock.

It was resolved, that this association request all churches in this county, to observe as far as possible the week of prayer; notice of this resolution to be given through the press.

Association meets every Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

SPECIAL attractions at the Rink, to take place in the following order:—

Saturday evening, Dec. 6th, Trot Race on Rollers. Six boys will compete for the following prizes: 1st, \$25; 2nd, \$10; 3rd, \$5; 4th, \$3; 5th, \$2; 6th, \$1.

Thursday evening, Dec. 11th, Prof. G. H. Perry will give an exhibition of trick and fancy riding on the Columbia bicycle.

Arrangements are being made for a Grand Carnival on or about the 18th Dec., of which due notice will be given.

JOINTINGS.

Sumers and Callen, the two pioneers sentenced at the recent Court here, left on Monday morning, under charge of the Sheriff and Gavel, for the Lunenburg Penitentiary.

At a business meeting of the members of the F. C. B. Church, on Monday evening, it was determined to proceed at once with the finishing of their choir edifice. And for this purpose tenders are asked up to the 13th inst.

Rev. A. H. Hayward has accepted an appointment from the Baptist Home Mission Board, and will labor for some time in Charlotte County, for which place he left last Friday.

Rev. Geo. S. Allan will preach at Three Brooks, Tobique, on the 13th inst.

In order to meet the pressing necessity of the case, the School Trustees have determined to open another school in the new school house, Wellington, on Monday, the 13th inst., under the supervision of Miss Hamilton as teacher have been secured.

Inspector Oakes has been making a tour of the school in this portion of his district; he was in town on Thursday.

Freid. Cronquist, working in Drysdale's factory, on Monday, had part of the forefinger of one hand cut off by being caught in a band saw while he was working. Dr. Collier dressed the limb.

R. B. Belyea & Co. have had to increase their advertising space, so as to enable them to enumerate, to some small extent, the large stock of holiday goods on hand. Read their "ad."

Michael Barnes was terribly litten on the face, by a dog owned by John Arnold, with which he was fighting, on Friday last, near the Rink. Dr. Smith was called and sewed up the wound.

The weather is the finest ever known at this season of the year. The only thing lacking to make it perfect is sufficient snow to make sledding.

Bring in your Xmas advertising and job work at an early date. A number of our friends are fully supplied with presses and material, as we can furnish job work, fancy or plain, as promptly and at low price, as any office in the Province.

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Lieut. Col. Russell, accompanied by Mr. Macdonald, reached here Wednesday and registered at the Gibson. Col. Russell is on a