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Another message followed close That filled their hearts with dread, "A sad collision has occured, Herbert, your son, is dead."

A sad mistake, a glare, a crash, Was all the signal given, And the bright soul had taken flight For home, Yes, Home in Heaven.

Only a crushed and mangled form To meet his loved ones view, Only a wreck of what was once Their boy so good and true. Parents with sad and bleeding hearts.

Brothers and Sisters dear, We shed, with you, in this your grief, The sympathizing tear. Yet we rejoice, he died in Christ,

His peace was made with God;

His soul was justified by faith In the Redeemer's blood. O! look up through your blinding

And overwhelming grief To Jesus, who will sweetly calm

Your souls, and bring relief. To all his many dear young friends May this a warning be, For what to-morrow's sun may bring

You never can foresee. O! may you all, like him prepare For Home, beyond the skies, Lest death should find you unprepared And take you by surprise.

Vaughan S. S. A.

The Vaughan Sabbath School Association assembled in their nineteenth annual convention in the Presbyterian church, Woodbridge, on January

FIRST SESSION, TUESDAY AFTERNOON. The first session opened at 2.30. Mrs. Wm. Cook, president, conducting the opening exercises and necessary business. In her address she emphasized the interdenominationally of the Convention and stated the aim of this convention was to discuss the best methods of teaching the S. S.

lessons to the children. Mr. T. L. Moffatt, Weston, was the first speaker on the programme. He taught the next S. S. Lesson by use of the blackboard, in a clear, easy-understood manner, bringing out some good J. H. PRENTICE | ideas as how to teach the S. S. lesson. | introduced by Rev. J. A. Long of

addressed the mass-meeting of child- ment of everything needful to a teachren on right-living using as an illustra- er's wants. He is everything neces-Licensed Auctioneers for the County of York. tion a ship describing the various sary to the life and character. He ports and drawing grand lessons in taught in authority, fearlessly, coursuch a manner that the children read- ageously, in the spirit of love. Study ily understood him. Mr. Day was the peculiar ways our Model teaches. simply grand in his address; Benedic- He stood not on ceremony or methods, tion by Rev. J. W. Stewart.

SECOND SESSION. After devotional exercises by Rev.T. A. Watson, Rev. A. E. Henderson, Woodbridge, took up the subject, Hindrances in S. S. Work. They are many, nevertheless the S. S. is prospering. One hindrance is the unpreparedness of the teachers; another practical. lack of punctuality on the part of teachers, officers and scholars; also brought forward: keeping order in the whole school; class difficulties; parents leaving an unfavorable opinion of the teacher by talking unkindly in the presence of children; uninterestedness of parents in the S. S. work. Whatever the difficulty it can be overcome by Gad's

Much enthusiasm greeted Mr. Alfred Day when he arose on the platform to give his address on Soul prayer in S.S. work. The origin of soul power has its authentication in the Bible where it states that God breathed into man the Breath of Life and man became a Living Soul. Soul power must be regenerated; it is not the work of development. Results of Soul powerit overcomes hindrances in S. S. work, its raises expectancy through faith, enables us to discern the working of the Holy Spirit in our scholars, it draws the scholars to the teacher and helps them to teach the lesson. Mr. Day was interesting and instructive in his address.

Benediction by Rev. W. W. Reid.

THIRD SESSION. Henderson.

a total of 145, and 661 male scholars Richmond Eill P. o and 606 female, making a total of 1257,

study of the Bible first in general then | John W. McDonald, Geo. Sanderson in detail.

A general discussion followed, the president opening it, and followed by son and others.

Benediction by Rev. T. McLaughlin. FOURTH SESSION.

Devotional exercises by Mr. J. At-

kinson. The Benefits of S. S. Work in General, subject assigned to Rev. C. Cocking, King City, but being unable to attend sent a written address, which was read by Rev. A. E. Henderson. It stated that the S. S. has turned an army of good Christian characters out which has a great influence on society in general; this was clearly proven in the article, which was excellent, educating and refining.

How to Hold the Larger Boys in the S. S., was ably handled by Rev. S. L. W. Harton, Carrville. In his address he impressed the idea of adaptability of a teacher to a class. This could only be accomplished by patient, prayerful study, not only of the lesson, but also of the scholar. He also advocated presenting the Truth, which is many sided, to girls who are being under the gentler environments of life, while the boys are surrounded by more of the stern realities, and therefore must be reached by the more active side of Truth, which he ably illustrated by examples.

In the discussion Rev. A. E. Henderson thought that the gentler side of Truth should be presented to the boys and show them that it is as noble, as heroic, to be gentle, loving, forgiving

as to be stern and courageous. Nomination Committee's report: dock, Maple; Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Wm. | the loss as nearly 1,000. Cook, Carrville; Minute Sec'y, R. S. Thomson, Maple; Treasurer, F.Keffer, Sherwood; Primary Supt., Mrs. Wm. Thomas, Teston.

The Teacher's Teaching Outside the S. S., by Rev. T. McLaughlin, Bolton. The teacher is continued by teaching not only on Sunday, but every day by his actions, which is plainly seen by the class by an example, which is better than precept, and which has an effect on many lives; also by effect of

A primary class was taught by Miss Edith Readman of Toronto, showing how to teach clearly, plainly and instructively.

FIFTH SESSION. Song service conducted by Rev. S L. W. Harton.

Christ the S. S. Teacher's Model, was Mr. Alfred Day, Sec'y P. S. S. A., Bolton. Christ stands the embodi-

> but sympathized with human nature. The Home and the S. S., by Mr. D. Fotheringham, P. S. I. These he said are the formation of national character-the home, the physical, educational and moral training; the S. S., the Christian characters. He advocated normal training, thorough and

After this the resolutions were 1st. The usual votes of thanks. 2nd. In favor of success of Britain

in South Africa, and restoration of peace that gives liberty. 3rd. Continuance of work in the temperance cause.

4th. Thoroughness of teachers' preparation, and the holding of teachers' meetings wherever possible, and urging normal work.

5th. Urged to carry home and practice what we learn. As the strains of "Blest be the tie that Binds our Hearts in Christian Love" died away, and Rev. T. Mc-

into history as another grand successful gathering for the Master's cause. JAS. H. KEFFER,

Minute Sec'y V. S. S. A.

Vellore

Vellore Cornet Band held a business meeting on Saturday evening last and selected the following officers for the present year: President, Jas. O'Con-Opening exercises by Rev. A. E. nor; Secretary, Milton McDonald; Treasurer, Duncan McKinnon. Under The report of the treasurer showed | the able leadership of Mr. A. Carley | Evenings of each week from 7.30 to 10 a balance of \$9.65. Statistical report | the band will be able to take a promshowed 19 schools reported, with 69 inent place among the leading bands male teachers and 76 female teachers, of the surrounding district in the near GOOD MUSIC ON SATURDAY

The Vellore Literary Society (notof which 252 are professed church withstanding the inclemency of the members, and \$82.67 given to mission | weather) went over to Kleinburg in a body to visit the Society of that town Bible Study and Bible Knowledge last Friday evening. The programme, was the first subject on the programme | consisting of solos, duets, dialogues, and was ably lead by Rev. T. A. Wat- etc., was given by the Vellore Society. son of Weston. He spoke of the gen- Also a debate, "Resolved that Ancient Freehold Loan Building, Toronto | eral knowledge and also of knowledge | Rome did more for the World than in detail. A teacher should neglect Ancient Greece." The affirmative side

neither, but should make a thorough of the question was upheld by Messrs. and John G. McDonald, of Vellore'; while the negative was ably defended by Miss Arnold, and Messrs. Isaac Mr. J. Williams, Rev. A. E. Hender- Devins and Chas. Ewers, of Kleinburg. Before opening the debate, Messrs. D. Mowbray, Kleinburg; J. B. McLean, Maple; and J. Harrison, Toronto, were invited to the platform to decide the merits of the arguments brought forward. After due deliberation a unanimous decision was given in favor of the affirmative. The chair was ably filled by Mr. Richard Farr, Kleinburg. Before leaving for home the wants of the inner man were fully satisfied by a sumptuous repast served by the ladies of the Kleinburg Society. After being so hospitably entertained the young people of Vellore promise them a "Royal Reception" on their return

> Some of the citizens of our town attended Teston church on Sunday evening, and report a large crowd.

> The Boer war is all the talk here at present. Mr. J. J. Cameron, our enterprising carriage-builder, intends going to South Africa with a contingent of his Excelsior Road Carts, in the spring.

War Notes.

General Buller on Thursday last reported the capture of Spion Kop by General Warren. The attack was made under cover of darkness, the Boers were surprised and the victory was complete. Major-General Woodgate, a veteran leader was among the slain on the side of the British. Spion Kop is 12 or 15 miles from Ladysmith.

Spion Kop was found to be unten-President, I. Devins, Kleinburg; 1st able and had to be abonded by Gener-Vice-President, Wm. Watson, Pine al Warren as the Boer shell was in-Grove; 2nd Vice-President, J. Crad- flicting heavy losses. Buller reports

Vinegar Hill

Roy Nelson has been appointed missionary collector for Victoria Square Sabbath School.

.The school scholars received a halfholiday on Friday to attend the con-Clara Cosgrove has recovered from

a severe attack of pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. J. Rogerson have moved into the house of Mr. J. Leary. Messrs. Geo. McCague, Albert Williams, W. Cosgrove, D. Doner and Simon Nelson, the committee appointed to consider the possibility of boring a tubular well at S. S. No. 4, met on Monday last at Mr. Geo. McCague's. The result is Mr. Cable will commence

work next week. Gordie and Albert each had a big day butchering on Monday. Willie Schell spent a few days in

Richmond Hill with his mother. Misses Alice and Lizzie Klinck spent a week with Miss May Klinck. One of our crack shots was shooting for cigars on Saturday but came

out a little behind. Maple

The Literary Society purpose giving a concert about the end of February, the proceeds to be used in aid of the National Patriotic Fund.

A part of the congregation of St.

Stephen's church were entertained at

King City last Thursday night by the members of the church in that place. The annual sleigh-ride of the Methodist S. S. took place on Tuesday afternoon. Tea was served in the evening after which a programme was given by the members of the school. A pleasing feature of the entertainment was a flag drill by sixteen girls. The drill was accompanied by the singing

Mr. R. George, of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, was visiting with his friend, Rev. S. L. Harton over Sunday.

of a number of patriotic selections.

Miss Jennie Rumble of Patterson, is spending a few days with friends in the village. Laughlin pronounced the Benediction, A pleasant time was spent by a large the 19th Annual Convention passed number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McNeil, at their residence last

> Thursday evening. RICHMOND HILL

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