

Daily British Whig.

A ANNIVERSARY MEETING.
The Sunday School Gathering Report
Which gave Encouragement
Official Information.

The United States Senate will consider what the Liberal leaders say the administration should do regarding the tariff in order to lighten the taxation of the people. Suspensions are not desirable nor needed. And by the way it is interesting to note a temper which reaches us from Ottawa. "It is estimated by a member of Parliament that at the approaching session a move will be made in the direction of Canadian independence, on the ground that it is desirable that we should elect our own chief Magistrate or President. The proportion is that his salary shall not exceed \$20,000 a year, the Executive to be reduced from twenty members to seven; the salary of each to be say \$6,000; that the Civil Service shall be unchanged; the posts turned out and compensated out in their places, and all salaries over \$2,000 removed 25 per cent. Mr. Alpheus Todd, Labrador, says that it would be quite constitutional for the matter to be brought up in Parliament, but that it would be unconstitutional for public meetings to be held."

FUTURE OF CANADA.

There are some American papers which vary the monopoly of discussing American politics, by writing hopefully of what is likely to happen to Canada. The calm cool assurance with which some editorial penmen open out is really refreshing. Take the following from the *American*, a tony paper, claiming originality of thought:

"We think the weight of probability favors those who 'scour the growth of a sentiment in favor of union to America. We do not say that that sentiment will ever become strong enough to control Canadian policy; we do not wish very greatly that it should. But the sentiment exists and must be taken into account. It is very natural that it should. After all, the Canadian feels that he is a citizen of a second-rate country — a sort of a back-billing colony to the U.S. offices while the American is the citizen of 'the greatest nation on earth.' So the English began to call us, and our modesty is not shocked by the description. Twenty or thirty years ago it was not so. America was a country of apparently uncertain future. She had the slavery question on her hands. The permanence of the Union was in question. The country was hopeful of its position, its institutions, its resources; but it had never awakened to that consciousness of its durability and vocation which has existed since the war. The way the war was fought and ended the honest management of national finance since that time, the rapid growth of our wealth under our 'national' policy, have given us a new position which our nearest neighbors are not able to appreciate. America exercises much stronger attraction over us than it once did."

Mr. William Anglin read the annual report to the following effect:

Sydenham St. School.—Number of scholars, 205; average attendance, 175; teachers, 10; average attendance, 45; valuation in library, £1,000. Mission Fund, \$16,750; Sabbath School Fund, \$12,136.

Williams St. School.—Number of scholars, 79; average attendance, 50; valuation in library, 170. Missed money, raised, \$20,60; Sabbath School Fund, \$10,60; raised, \$10,20; social \$2,81.

G.T.E. Depot School.—Number of scholars, 45; average attendance, 30; teachers, 8; valuation in school, 73. Mission money raised, \$9,50; Sabbath School Fund, \$1,850.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR.

The officers elected for the following year are:

Sydenham St. School.—Superintendent, Dr. McCammon; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. H. Skinner; Secretary-Treasurer, A. F. Chowin; Librarian, J. Moore; Assistant Librarian, J. K. Sherwood.

Williams St. School.—A. Shaw was re-appointed Superintendent.

Depot School.—R. D. Anglin was re-elected Superintendent.

During the year \$140,61 was received by the General Committee, and \$112,75 expended.

Mr. William Anglin was appointed Secretary and Mr. A. Bamford Treasurer of the General Sabbath School Committee.

The report was one of general satisfaction. It was received as such.

APPEAL FOR HELP.

After a hymn from the infant class Dr. McCammon made a few remarks eulogistic both of the school and scholars. He spoke on the necessity of an enlarged library and hoped generous friends would assist him in getting it. He mentioned other requisites. He deplored the non-attendance of many children whose parents attended the church. He asked for a number of Christian helpers to go out and "gatiate" them in. The speaker concluded by defining the work of the Sabbath School. He declared that it was burning shame that so few scholars attended out of a congregation of 800 and 1,000 persons.

Mr. R. D. Anglin, of the Depot School, made a few remarks of interest. All the teachers and workers in his school were connected with the church. This was a mark that many other schools could not say. He asked the co-operation of all, who could help in bringing the children to the fold of God.

Mr. A. Shaw, of Williamsville, attributed his conversion to the teaching he received in the Sabbath School of that church. He hoped for the early conversion of many scholars.

A hymn was sung followed by an address.

A MANLY, VIGOROUS SPEECH.

Rev. S. Bond, of Gananoque remarked that it was customary to say "I am glad to be present." He was such that night. He always liked to see children and make their acquaintance. A Sabbath School was a representative institution of the age in which we live. This was the children's age, for never was so much attention paid before to the young man as a probationer because he wore a moustache! His address was for the purpose of exciting more interest in the Sabbath Schools. Sunday Schools were established for the purpose of teaching the New Testament. For this alone the school should be interesting. He deplored the fact that so few read the Bible though it was largely circulated. It was impossible to get people to read it systematically. He held that Sabbath Schools helped people to see definitely the great spirituality of the Bible, and the great lessons God was communicating through it. The Bible is the most interesting and wonderful work in the world. It was a grand thing that such a feeling existed. Some

ADVICE TO THE REVISED VERSION.

Rev. S. Bond, of Gananoque remarked that it was held that the main object in revising the King James edition was to establish Episcopalian or Presbyterian doctrines; for the new version so unworthy motives were introduced.

Mr. Packer, owner of the side-wheel steamer *Queen*, beaten by the *Lancet* last season, is now endeavoring to buy the *Camilla*, the freighter owned by the late Dr. Holland. The heirs will not sell the *Camilla* for one cent less than her original cost.

The *Erie Queen*'s footloose is wreathed from its position, the deck is sprung about the comings of the hatches, two holes are stow in her bow, and the bow sprit and jib boom wrench. She will receive a thorough re-caulk and re-fastening to put her in shape. Sixteen courses of the east breakwater at Oswego were broken by the collision of the *Erie Queen*.

WELLAND CANAL BOUND DOWN.

Sir, We are pleased to inform you that the Welland Canal has been closed due to the heavy rains.

TICKETS FOR DR. GRANT'S LECTURE IN THE OPERA HOUSE THIS EVENING CAN BE BOUGHT FROM ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AT THE INSTITUTE ROOMS OR AT THE DOOR FOR 25c.

WHAT'S THE NEWS?

Local Arrangements at Items of Local and General Interest, except that of Standard.

DISORDERLY MEETING CORRUPTION ACT ARRESTS PARSON'S LIBERTIES STOPPED.

Last evening the annual anniversary meeting in connection with the Sabbath School was held at the Sabbath School. The attendance of scholars, especially of boys, was remarkably small, the fixtures of all Sabbath being preferable to the church services. Not a few little girls were also absent. However, a few cases, Judge Price occupied by Rev. Dr. Elliott, who announced the hymn, "Open the door for the Child." Following this was the devotional exercises.

The Government pays for the attachment to the storm signals in Toronto.

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