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My Dear Dr Dawson

Knowing how much you are interested in Sabbath School work and what pertains thereto, I take the liberty of bringing the enclosed circular under your notice, it sets forth what is being done here in order to improve the standard and qualifications of Sabbath School teachers.

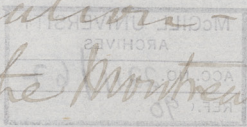
I understand that what is now to be tried in Glasgow has been for some time practised in Edinburgh with some degree of success. You will see by the circular that it has been some years in operation in London with some considerable profit.

I have been informed that the International Scheme of lessons is not in general use here, nor in Glasgow or Edinburgh - each of these Cities has a scheme of lessons issued by its own S.S. Union, and their respective Magazines give notes for each lesson. It is admitted by a comparison of the statistics of the S. Schools in Glasgow that they renew themselves every five years, that is - that a new set of scholars appear in the Schools every five years - and the lessons are framed with the view of imparting to each scholar a complete course of doctrinal teaching. I understand that some

good Manuals have been published recently as aids to Sabbath School teachers. That of Dr. Ebersheim's and one by Dr. Dodds are much commended for richness and simplicity.

The season here is backward this year. There has been almost no summer heat yet. The nights have continued cool - I enjoy it very much and although we have had a good deal of rain still we have had a great deal of opportunity for out-door exercise and recreation.

I observe from the Montreal



Newspapers that you have had
a good deal of heat followed
by frost. I hope none of the
field or garden crops have
been injured.

Hoping that you and all
the members of your family
are well - and with kind
regards I remain

Yours very sincerely
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