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HOW THE WORK GOES ON

Of the 35,000,000 members of the Sunday School in the world more than 20,000,000 are in the United States and Canada.

There is a notable increase in the number of boys practising the Morning Watch as promoted by the Canadian Boys' Work Movement.

On the Sabbath before Christmas, at the popular service of White Gifts to the King, there were 40 scholars in the Zion Sunday School, Brantford, Ont., who expressed their desire to unite with the church.

In some parts of England the giving up of the annual Sunday School treats has met with opposition. The contention of the objectors is that it is unfair to penalize the children in this manner while so much is being spent in horse racing, beer drinking and moving pictures.

In 1911 the issue of Uniform Lesson Helps in China was 27,000, and in 1918 the issue amounted to 184,400. Besides there are 10,000 Graded Helps used. The estimated number of Sunday School scholars in China is no less than 200,000 in 4,000 Schools.

The number of Baptist Sunday Schools reported in Ontario and Quebec is 476, with a scholars' enrolment of 49,218 and a teachers' enrolment of \(\frac{1}{2} \),056. Teacher Training Courses are being studied by 419 scholars. The Schools contributed last year \(\frac{2}{2} \),350.62 for Baptist missions.

The enrolment at Central Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Ont., has increased from 225 in 1912 to 334. During the past year 19 scholars, each of whom was carefully prepared in a communicants' class conducted by the minister, entered into full communion with the church.

Chiefly by means of a concert the Glebe Sunday School, Ottawa, secured a lantern which they find taking the place of hymn books, and helpful in illustrating the lessons. One member of the church presented the School with slides and a lantern stand. Another contributed a curtain and blinds.

Twenty scholars from the Sunday School united with St. Andrew's Church, Brantford, Ont., during last year. On the morning of

January 13th, an interesting event took place when 32 of the scholars of this School, from five years old up to fifteen, were given prizes for regular attendance at the church services, the two youngest not having missed one Sunday. The session has arranged that one of its members shall visit the School each Sunday.

Rev. H. Kawasumi, Secretary of the Japanese National Sunday School Association, reports as follows: "Last Christmas we gave medals for those who attended Sunday School without a break during the year. There were 3,602, and those who had attended regularly for 5 years were 19. Of the teachers who had taught classes for 5 years, there were 77, and for 10 years, there were 18." There are about 200,000 in the Sunday Schools of Japan.

The Sunday Schools of the Southern Presbyterian Church are growing rapidly, as is indicated by the following statement: Some of the results of fifteen years (1902-17) in the growth of the Sunday School work of the church are: number of Schools increased from 2,170 to 3,380; enro. nent increased from 170,266 to 332,420; Schools organized by missionaries, 647; churches organized as outgrowth of mission Sunday Schools, 120; number of pupils joining the church, 103,119.

The Annual Sunday School Report of Sharon Presbyterian Church, Stellarton, N.S., which has had an average attendance of 184, shows that the total Catechism questions recited for the year was 9,364, or an average each Sunday of 187; 19 scholars received prizes for perfect attendance. One class, at the annual church sale, had a candy table at which they realized \$16.00. This class gave \$13.00 to an ambulance fund and \$10 to Belgian relief. The whole School gave an average of \$9.94 each month to missions, besides paying their own expenses.

Last Christmas Sunday, in the Sunday School of St. Andrew's Church, Westmount, Que., the "tables were laden with toys, books, clothing, and money, and these were distributed to the needy ones of the city, as usual. Birthday moneys, amounting to \$8.00, contributed by the little ones of the Primary Department, were donated by them to the Hervey Institute, and one class of Junior girls volunteered to save a penny per week out of their own allowances. This reached a