

months devoted her time to that work. Great difficulty was experienced in getting a teacher to succeed Mrs. Archibald, but eventually Miss M. Ferguson assumed the duties, and under her care and supervision this branch of the school is in a prosperous condition. As will be seen by the list of teachers, there are seven besides the superintendent engaged in this work.

The officers and teachers of the school feel that they are under a debt of gratitude to Mrs. Archibald for the services which she so kindly rendered in this connection.

BIBLE-CLASSES.—The Young Men's and the Young Women's Bible-classes meet every Sunday afternoon in the Church. It is to be regretted that the attendance at these classes is not as large as it might be, and we would be glad to see more of our young men and young women at these meetings.

MISSION BAND.—The Mission Band in connection with the Sunday-school is being successfully carried on. A report of their work is to be found elsewhere.

SOIRÉE AND PICNIC.—The annual mid-winter and mid-summer festivals passed off successfully, both being attended by a large number of scholars, parents and friends.

The Soirée was held on the last Friday in January, and after a short programme of music and recitations, our Superintendent exhibited a series of stereopticon pictures, which were viewed with much interest by all present. The picnic on the 20th of June, at Hudson, was also much enjoyed, the weather being most favorable.

It is with sad hearts that we record the death towards the close of the year of our dear friend Mr. PHYMISTER, one of the oldest, best known and best beloved workers in our Sabbath-school. In December of 1895, owing to ill health, he was obliged to give up active work in the school, and we hoped as time went on to see him return to us in renewed health, but such hopes were not to be realized and in October of this year he entered his long-wished-for Home.

For 23 years he was an indefatigable laborer amongst the older girls in our Sunday-school, and no one had the general welfare of the School more at heart. For the older teachers he had always a word of friendly cheer and to the younger ones he was ever ready to give to any requiring help the benefit of his knowledge in Sunday-school matters, gathered during an experience of 38 years.* As to the opinion held in regard to him by his scholars, the least that can be said is that, never was a teacher more beloved.