

and best medical help, until Wednesday morning, Jan. 10th, when the Master called her away. Miss Wurtele and her brother were among the oldest members of our Church. We extend to Mr. Wurtele, Mrs. Wurtele and their friends our sincere sympathy, and pray for the Lord's sanctifying and sustaining grace to them in the loss and trial.

—Havergall Hall reopened after the vacation on Monday, Jan. 14th. It will, doubtless, have a largely increased attendance, both of boarders and day scholars. Last term there were sixty-five pupils on the roll. A new and attractive announcement has just been issued by the Board. Among other features, we note that the lecturer in French in Toronto University is to have charge of the department of French language and literature; that the Scriptural instruction includes, in addition to the regular instruction given by the lady principal, weekly lectures by various clergymen of the city; and that a series of public lectures on literary, historical, and artistic subjects will be delivered during Easter term by three of the professors in the University of Toronto, Professors Hutton, Alexander and Wrong, and by others. The Kindergarten department is one of the most unique and interesting features of the school. Havergall Hall is one of the best equipped ladies' colleges in Canada, and deserves the hearty and loyal support of churchmen.

—We are pleased to announce the result of last Sunday's Missionary appeal. We received for Diocesan Missions, \$16.08; for Foreign Missions, undesignated, \$19.52; for Wycliffe Missions, \$7; for Rev. J. O. Stringer, for a helper in his Missionary work among the Esquimaux, \$3.50; for Wycliffe Japan Mission, \$1; for C.C.M.A., \$1, making a total altogether of \$48.10. We are pleased to state further that the regular offertory of the Church for that Sunday was a little over the amount received the corresponding Sunday last year. This, in face of the great snow storm of Sunday, may be taken as one more evidence that God does indeed prosper in their home work those who honor and obey His missionary commands.

—We have just received a most encouraging letter from Mrs. Eccleston, wife of Rev. Mr. Eccleston, of Markville, Algoma,

acknowledging with very great thankfulness the receipt of the goods sent by our Second Senior Branch of the W. A. After describing the great pleasure and enjoyment of the children at the Christmas Trees and distribution of presents, she concludes by saying "Will you kindly convey to your Second Senior W. A. our sincere gratitude for the barrel of goods they sent us. Trusting that God's blessing may rest upon your work in the future, I remain, yours in the Master's service, MARY ECCLESTON."

OUR MISSIONARY MEETING.

Considering the bad weather of last Sunday, our Missionary Meeting in the evening was fairly well attended. The fact that the two speakers, Rev. Mr. Kuhring and Mr. N. W. Hoyles, Q.C., refused any conveyance, and walked four miles each way through a blinding storm, is merely a rebuke to many within comparatively easy reach who failed to put in an appearance. The question to ask ourselves, honestly and prayerfully, is whether bad weather affects our attendance on places of amusement quite as easily and readily as it does our attendance in the House of God. The Rev. Mr. Kuhring directed his attention principally to pointing out the impropriety and unwisdom of judging of the success of Missionary efforts by results, basing his remarks mainly on the text "In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that." He nevertheless succeeded in showing very clearly, before he got through, that God had given the workers in the vineyard the encouragement of many very blessed results. This idea was followed up by Mr. Hoyles, who reviewed briefly, yet very effectually, a considerable portion of the Foreign Missionary field. The idea was brought out, with all the clearness which might be expected from a very prominent lawyer in dealing with such a question, that we are all "defaulting trustees" in God's sight if we simply accept the Gospel and do not do our utmost to use it as best we can on behalf of those for whose benefit God has entrusted us with it. The address was in the best vein of one of the most earnest and consecrated lay speakers we have in Canada; and we feel sure that the closing pas-

sage, which told in simple language the fate of the man lost in a fog on a Scotch mountain, who might have been saved by one man who believed he knew where he was but was dissuaded from going out on the plea that there were many others to do the work. This incident we say must have left numbers of our people asking themselves "How much (or how little) am I doing for the extension of the Master's Kingdom?"

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

This annual event was a thorough success in every respect. The children gave their songs and recitations in excellent shape, and the carols were sweetly and effectively rendered. A reading by Mr. Harris was very happy indeed and was very attentively listened to. The order, in fact, all through the evening, left little to be desired. The distribution of ninety handsome prizes called for the usual amount of enthusiasm. The successful attempt on the part of the lady teachers to "feed" the whole school (in batches) in our small vestry-room, was the marvel of the occasion, and too much praise cannot be given to the workers, or too many thanks to the parents and friends who kindly sent "enough and to spare."

GIFT SERVICE.

The "pound" gift service, on behalf of the poor, which was so successful last year, was postponed this year on account of the necessity of asking for contributions towards the school children's tea. This postponed event will be held about the middle of February, probably Wednesday, Feb. 13th, at 7.30, when the S.S. children will be asked to bring their "pound" packages on behalf of the poor of the parish. Full particulars later on.

OUR FINANCES.

The Churchwardens have furnished the following comparative statement of envelope collections for the three quarters to Dec. 31st, in 1893 and 1894:

To June 30th, 1893, \$352.95; to Sept. 30th, \$407.65; to Dec. 31st, \$393.16, Total \$1153.76. To June 30th, 1894, \$319.45; to Sept. 30th, \$338.05; to Dec. 31st, 364.19, Total \$1021.69. Being short on envelope account \$131.97. Dec. 31st, 1893, about 95 names were on the list. Now (Dec. 31st, 1894) say 110 names, but some being for small amounts, there is only an apparent gain in numbers of about half the difference. We have now fewer giving \$1 per Sunday than last year, about 6 fewer giving 50c. each, which accounts for much of the deficiency.