

A Year Round Primary Class

The following account of the Primary class taught by Mrs. Walker, the wife of Rev. E. G. Walker, Valcartier, Que., is of special interest as showing that a year round Primary Class is possible even in a scattered country district.

This Primary Class has twenty-nine names on the roll. It is held in the manse, in a suitably furnished room, having an organ, small benches, blackboard and picture roll. During the year a pretty Cradle Roll was added, and helps to adorn the wall. The attendance is good, considering the distances, and, in winter time, the condition of the roads. The main School remains open only during six months; and when it closes in November, the scholars belonging to it are invited to attend the Primary class if they so desire. In consequence, several of these are in regular attendance, with occasional visitors. We try, during the winter months, to have a few minutes' drill on the Books of the Bible or some other Supplemental Lesson, for the sake of the older scholars.

The children are very attentive, seem to enjoy the Lessons, and seldom forget their offering. The great difficulty is obtaining punctuality; for, where clocks are all different, distances great, and many of the little ones dependent on their parents to drive them to the School, they are liable to put in an appearance any time between 9.15 and 10.45 a.m.; and it is sometimes difficult to adjust things to suit.

One boy from the main School has attended (summer and winter), with a break of only

one Sunday in five and a half years. Another boy still in the Primary class has been present every Sunday for over two years.

During the summer months on Review Sundays, the Primary teacher took her small flock and picture roll to the main School, and there conducted the Quarterly Review. On one of these occasions, a special invitation was given to the members of the Home Department to be present, and there was a large attendance of parents and children.

The class gives \$9.00 annually towards the support of a little boy in India, and the interest in missions has been intensified during the past year by the organizing of a Children's Mission Band, in connection with the Woman's Missionary Society of Montreal. The Sunday School children have also given \$2.00 for toys which were sent to the Galician children in the West.

Said Mr. John Wanamaker to a body of Sunday School workers interested in Teacher Training, who recently waited upon him: "I have been a Sunday School worker for now just turning 50 years. If I had to do it over again, I would do the same thing, only, I trust (with a twinkle in his eye), four times better. The greatest investment one can make of his life is to use it in training teachers who shall teach the young the Word of God. And", the veteran Sunday School superintendent and worker added, with strong emphasis, "go after men; get men. We have been seeking the children too exclusively. Get the men, and you will get all the rest".

Lesson Calendar: Third Quarter

1. July 5.....Israel Asks for a King. 1 Samuel 8 : 10-22.
2. July 12.....Saul Chosen King. 1 Samuel 10 : 17-27.
3. July 19.....Samuel Warns Saul and the People. 1 Samuel 12 : 1-5, 13-25.
4. July 26.....Saul Rejected by the Lord. 1 Samuel 15 : 13-28.
5. August 2.....David Anointed at Bethlehem. 1 Samuel 16 : 1-13.
6. August 9.....David and Goliath. 1 Samuel 17 : 38-49.
7. August 16.....Saul Tries to Kill David. 1 Samuel 18 : 6-16.
8. August 23.....Friendship of David and Jonathan. 1 Samuel 20 : 30-42.
9. August 30.....David Spares Saul's Life. 1 Samuel 26 : 17-25.
10. September 6.....Saul and Jonathan Slain in Battle. 1 Samuel, ch., 31.
11. September 13.....David Made King over Judah and Israel. 2 Samuel 2 : 1-7 ; 5 : 1-5.
12. September 20.....REVIEW.
13. September 27.....Temperance Lesson. Isaiah 5 : 11-23.