

The Summer Schools

The Summer Schools for the study of the Bible and Missions have been more numerous and more successful than ever this summer. Quite a large number of districts have conducted a school of their own. This arrangement has its advantages as a much larger number of people are enabled to avail themselves of the benefits. In some cases where there was an attendance of a couple of hundred, nearly everybody drove to the school, thus saving railway expenses.

There can be no doubt that these gatherings have been a source of much instruction and inspiration to young and old. When the attendance has of course been largely made up of young people, the adult element has not been lacking.

The visitor could not fail to be impressed with the deep interest taken in the school by the ministers of the district. A majority of them were present, and took an active part in making the occasion a successful one. The chairman of the district, Rev. Jasper Wilson, had a tent on the grounds and spoke upon several occasions. The chief responsibility rested upon the President, Rev. J. W. Baird, and the Secretary, Rev. J. W. Hibbert. These brethren were kept hustling during the week, and had a large amount of work to do before and after the school. Their previous experience, however, at Elgin, made them very efficient leaders, and all who attended were very much indebted to them for their valuable work.

ment of the Lord's Supper was conducted by Rev. J. W. Baird. There was a registration of over three hundred, but this included a number who did not stay right through the school. There were probably a hundred and thirty, at least, who remained from beginning to end. The proceeds of the concert on Friday evening amounted to \$67. In spite of heavy obligations, the committee were enabled to meet all expenses.

The officers elected are:

President, Mr. W. H. Bradley, Bothwell.
Secretary, Rev. G. W. Rivers, Morpeth.
Treasurer, Mr. W. Forshee, Florence.

AT KINCARDINE.

The Kincardine District held a very successful school in the town of Kincardine from August 9 to 14. The meetings were held in a large exhibition building, which admirably suited the purposes to which it had been put. Bible readings were given each morning by Revs. R. W. Woodsworth, J. W. Holmes,



RIDGETOWN DISTRICT SUMMER SCHOOL.

The introduction of lectures on Sunday-school Methods has attracted to several of the schools many Sunday-school officers and teachers, who have been anxious to improve themselves in this important department of work.

AT TERRACE BEACH.

The Ridgetown District held its third Summer School at Terrace Beach, Morpeth, beginning Tuesday, August 9th. Terrace Beach is a mile from the village of Morpeth, on the shores of Lake Erie. There are only a few cottages, occupied by summer visitors, so that all of the delegates had to live in tents. Very comfortable arrangements had been made so that everybody was well provided for and had very small expenses. The meetings were conducted in a tent which seated about three hundred persons, but very frequently many more than this number listened to the words of the speaker, as the sides of the tent were rolled up. Meals were supplied at reasonable cost in a dining tent nearby.

Mrs. F. C. Stephenson gave a missionary talk every morning during the week, which was very much appreciated. Rev. A. C. Crews delivered a series of lectures on Sunday-school Methods each forenoon, and also spoke at one of the evening services. Three of the Victoria College Band were present and rendered valuable services. Mr. E. W. Morgan, Mr. J. H. Wallace, B.A., and Mr. W. A. Gifford, spoke on missionary and Bible topics to the edification of all who heard them. Rev. Dr. Young delivered a couple of strong and inspiring addresses, and Miss Ida Sifton, a returned missionary from Japan, gave an interesting address on Japan. The musical services were conducted most efficiently by Rev. W. E. Millson, of Romney. On Saturday evening Dr. Jackson delighted the people with his stereopticon views of British Columbia. On Sunday Rev. Richard Hobbs preached stirring and helpful sermons morning and evening, when it was estimated that fully two thousand persons were present. The sacra-

J. Philp, B.D., Kincardine, and E. W. Edwards, B.A., Tiverton.

At ten o'clock each day a Mission Study class was conducted, taking up "The Heart of Sz-Chuan." Rev. J. R. Gundy, D.D., gave an address on "The China of the Future." Rev. J. E. Hunter spoke on "The Forward Movement." Rev. J. A. Jackson, M.D., gave an address on "Christianity as a Projective Force From the Home Field," and also greatly entertained and profited the people with his magnificent stereopticon views. Rev. C. C. Kaine spoke on "The Forward Evangelistic Movement." Every evening from seven to eight very profitable talks were given on "Life and Its Problems." The evening of Wednesday was given up to a lecture on "Pienching in Palestine" by Rev. Jos. Philp, B.A., B.D. Rev. J. E. Husser, M.A., B.D., spoke on "The Open Door of the West; or, The Macedonian Call at Home." Rev. A. E. Jones gave an address on "The History of Japan, and Our Japanese Work." On Friday, August 12th, the Annual District Conven-