

ronto Central District, that in Sherbourne Street Church will reach Toronto East District, and that in Parkdale Church will be for the Toronto West District. An hour's session will be held morning, afternoon, and evening in each place. Dr. Crummy will give a course of four lectures on "The Babylonian Period in Hebrew History," Rev. A. J. Irwin's subject will be "St Paul and His Letter to the Galatians," and Rev. Alfred E. Lavell's course will include lectures on Pope Gregory VII., St. Bernard, and St. Francis of Assisi, as instances of medieval revival worth our modern study.

It is a fine opportunity for Toronto workers. Glowing reports have come from the Institutes already held in Ottawa and Kingston this fall. It should be a time of intellectual and spiritual revival. Admission will be free to all, but those desiring the complete copyright syllabi of all the course in advance, and all the privileges of membership, should send a dollar to the Institute Secretary, Rev. Alfred E. Lavell, Waterloo, Ontario.

The Methodist Magazine and Review.

We are preparing a programme of special interest for the coming year which will soon be announced. It will include many copiously illustrated articles of special Canadian interest, as: Our Missions, The New West, On the Frontier, With the Mounted Police, The Playground of Ontario, Wild Sports in Canada, Canadian Art and Artists, Royal Palaces of England, England in Egypt, British Guinea, China in Reconstruction, New Japan, Russia and Its People, and many other features of special importance. The Magazine will be better than ever. An increase of only a thousand would enable us to greatly improve its character. Will you kindly help us to obtain this for our 63rd and 64th volumes. November and December numbers will be sent free to new subscribers for all of 1906.

The Sunday School should be like a refined Christian home in attractiveness, comfort, beauty, cheerfulness, and in the mutual confidence and affection of its members.

Meeting of General Sunday School and Epworth League Board.

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General Secretary of Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues.

The annual meeting of the General Sunday School and Epworth League Board of the Methodist Church, Canada, was held in the city of Hamilton, September 27th and 28th, in the Board Room of the Centenary Church, with Rev. Dr. Carman, General Superintendent, in the chair.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECTION.

1. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The collections of the Sunday School Aid and Extension Fund amounted to \$3,155, an increase of \$224. During the past few years many new Sunday Schools in the North-West and other localities have been organized by help afforded by this fund, and poor schools, where the population is sparse, have been assisted to obtain periodicals and papers.

2. TEACHER TRAINING.

The figures given by the General Secretary showed how great is the need for more attention to the preparation of our Sunday School teachers. Only 106 schools are reported as having Teacher Training Classes. This is an increase of 11, but it is a small showing for so large a church as ours.

There are a number of simple courses such as Hurlbut's Revised Normal Lessons, Hamill's Legion of Honor series, etc., which can be taken up by local workers at home, under the guidance of the pastor or other competent leader. The Board strongly urges our Sunday Schools to inaugurate such work during this season.

3. STATISTICS.

In making his annual report, the General Secretary stated that it was a great pleasure to present figures which show a marked increase in every department. The following are some interesting extracts from the report:

Officers and Teachers	33,716
Increase	628
Total Number of Scholars	273,963
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