

and will, we doubt not, greatly increase the scope and efficiency of our Sunday-school operations.

Chautauqua S. S. Assembly.

THE programme of this annual gathering presents a formidable appearance, containing, as it does, lectures, sermons, meetings of the numerous Chautauqua Societies with their cabalistic names, concerts, and other entertainments too numerous to be all mentioned. The second annual commencement exercises of the C. L. S. C., in which so many of our Canadian readers are particularly interested, will take place on the 18th August, when the class of 1883, containing a fair sprinkling of Canadian members, will pass under the arches and be received into the "Society of the Hall in the Grove." An excursion is being organized by friends in Toronto; the fare for the round trip is expected to be four dollars, with tickets good for ten days. If a sufficient number can be got together at any point distant from Toronto, special railway facilities will be given. Further information may be obtained on application to L. C. Peake. Drawer 2559, Toronto.—*Guardian*.

Opening and Closing Services for Third Quarter of 1883.

WE have been requested to give in the BANNER a form for opening and closing exercise, and will have pleasure, when there is room, in doing so.

OPENING SERVICE.

I. Silence.

II. Responsive Sentences.

Supt. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

School. As for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy, and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

Supt. Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord he is God in heaven above and upon the earth beneath.

School. Who will have all men to be

saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

Supt. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

School. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

III. Singing.

IV. The Ten Commandments, or Apostles' Creed.

V. Prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert.

VI. Scripture Lesson.*

VII. Singing.

LESSON SERVICE.

I. Class Study of the Lesson.

II. Singing Lesson Hymn.

III. Recitation of the Title, Golden Text, Outline and Doctrinal Suggestion, by the school in concert.

IV. Review and Application of the Lesson, by Pastor or Superintendent.

V. The Supplemental Lesson.†

VI. Announcements (especially of the Church service and week-evening prayer-meeting).

CLOSING SERVICE.

I. Singing.

II. Responsive Sentences.

Supt. Take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life.

School. I will delight myself in thy statutes; I will not forget thy word.

Supt. What doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

All. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name; and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.

III. Dismission.

* Either the International Lesson for the day, or some suitable portion of Scripture.

† Special Lessons in the Catechism may here be introduced.