

they can to catch the young people; but by hard labour and help from our brethren in Ontario, I think, we can hold our own."

A missionary in British Columbia, writing for Sunday-school papers, says: "I find that about half the people I visit never come to church, nor read any religious literature from one year to another."

A missionary on Lake Nipissing writes: "Gladly would the people pay for the papers if they were able. A pagan Indian reads them with much interest; has children attending the school. We have a preaching station two miles from the village—only a handful, yet we have gathered forty children into the school."

"Since opening the school," writes another, "our congregation has doubled."

"A year ago we had but two schools on the circuit, now we have five."

"The papers are doing immense service here, getting into homes where High Church doctrines are sent in tract form. You will find much fruit come of it."

"My wife has started a class in the parsonage—began with seven, now has twenty. We are not able to pay for papers. I believe it is your custom to help weak and struggling schools."

This is the sort of work that this Fund is doing. We believe that seldom is so much good done with so small an amount of money, and without any cost for the administration of the Fund beyond a trifling amount for postage and the like, within a very small fraction of all the money contributed by the schools being given directly to poor schools in the form of Sunday-school books and papers. We are sure that this Fund will commend itself heartily to every school in the land and will receive its hearty support and co-operation.

Literary Review.

Littell's Living Age. The numbers of the *Living Age* for the weeks ending Oct. 24th and 31st contain *The Parsees, Westminster Review*; *Anthropology*, by Francis Galton, F.R.S., *Nature*; *Crossing the Atlantic, Spectator*; *Face-Memory, Spectator*; *The Uniformity of Nature, Nineteenth Century*; *The Year 1785, a Retrospect, Temple Bar*; *Havana, from a Tourist's Note-Book, Temple Bar*; *Toledo, Irish Monthly*; with instalments of "A House Divided Against Itself," by Mrs. Oliphant, "Mrs. Dymond," by Mrs. (Thackeray) Ritchie, and "Fortune's Wheel," and choice poetry and miscellany, and other articles. For fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than 3,300 pages a year) the subscription price (\$8) is low. For \$9 the *Methodist Magazine* and the *Living Age* will be sent post free. Address, Rev. William Briggs, Toronto.

Opening and Closing Services for Fourth Quarter of 1885.

OPENING SERVICE.

I. Silence.

II. The Doxology.

III. Responsive Sentences.

Supt. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

School. I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Blessed is the man whom Thou choosest, and causest to approach unto Thee, that he may dwell in Thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of Thy house, even of Thy holy temple.

All. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house: they will be still praising Thee.

Supt. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments.

School. Make me to understand the way of Thy precepts: so shall I talk of Thy wondrous works.

IV. Singing.

V. Prayer.

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. Stand thou still awhile that I may show thee the Word of God.

School. What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God. Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Supt. Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

All. To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.

III. Dismission.

THE APOSTLES' CREED.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.