

in out-of-the-way places, it brings them in contact with the Sunday School and has the following aims:

1. Promotion of Bible study.
2. Promotion of Christian usefulness.
3. Increased attendance on the main school.
4. To establish a family altar in every house.
5. Increased attendance upon the Church service.
6. To increase the Church membership.
7. To aid the pastor in his house to house visitation.
8. To secure the salvation of souls.
9. The increase of contributions to the benevolent causes of the Church.

A Home Department is formed by the appointment of a Superintendent, and visitors who make a canvass and secure members to join, by simply having them sign a card, promising to study the Sunday School lesson for half an hour each week, each visitor having a class from fifteen to twenty members, but this depends entirely on the condition of the field and the capacity of the visitor; the visitor pays a visit at least once a quarter to the home of each member, receiving their quarterly record of lessons studied, and their contributions, which are kept on and in report envelopes, which are left with the member along with the Lesson Help for the ensuing quarter.

The Home Department is not a separate organization, but is a part of the Sunday School, same as the Primary Department, &c., and all the members should be entitled to the use of the library, and to participation in all the Sunday school socials, pic-nics, entertainments, lectures, &c. The visitors should be ranked along with the teachers of the other departments.

Any church that wishes to increase its hold, that desires to reach out

and have a strong drawing power, will organize a home department and push it; and wherever a home department has been successfully pushed, the result has been the development in the church of a corps of earnest and enthusiastic workers. For this reason, if for no other, the Church should see to it, that its Sunday school has a home department.

These facts being true, that the home department greatly adds to the membership of the Sunday School, increasing the love for Bible study, that it is a Church extension as well as a Sunday School department, that it assists the pastor, and that it develops Christian workers in the Church, then it follows that every Church and Sunday School should be interested in seeing to the organization of a home department and to the vigorous prosecution of this work.

The New Brunswick Sunday School Association, along with its other departments, has a Home Class Department which publishes its own supplies, the Superintendent, Robert Reid, care Reid Bros., 56 King St., St. John, N. B., will be pleased to send samples on receipt of a three cent stamp, and will be glad to correspond with superintendents and pastors who desire further information in organizing a Home Department in connection with their Sunday-school.



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