

to week this year. Hitherto the Sewing School has always been assisted by a considerable grant in either money or clothing from the Dorcas Society. This year the Dorcas Society declined to promise any aid, and in consequence further subscriptions had to be solicited and were kindly given. It was also found necessary to enquire into the circumstances of the children, and charge those full price who could afford to pay instead of all half price as heretofore. The subscriptions for this year amount to \$41.50, and are as follows.

Mrs. Brock.....	\$5 00	Mrs. Greene.....	\$1 00
Mrs. J. K. Kerr.....	4 00	Mrs. Cameron.....	10 00
Mrs. Strachan.....	1 00	Mrs. Wyld.....	2 00
Mrs. Grasett.....	2 00	Mrs. Green (College St.)..	3 00
Mrs. Todd.....	2 00	Mrs. Gilmor.....	1 00
Mrs. Winn.....	2 50	Mrs. Shanklin.....	1 00
Mrs. E. Blake.....	2 00	Miss Cooke.....	1 00
Mrs. Wilson.....	1 00	Mrs. DuMoulin.....	2 00
Mrs. F. Grasett.....	1 00		

The sum paid by children up to date is \$42.05, at the close of last season the school was left in debt to the Sec.-Treasurer 3.85 which has since been refunded, until the school closes it is impossible to make up the accounts as the children always pay more in proportion at the end of the season it is hoped there will be enough this year to meet all debts incurred. The school usually breaks up with a tea party and prizes presented by the teachers and other ladies interested in it. A great number of prizes were given last year.

BAND OF HOPE.

The Band of Hope is the juvenile section of the Church Temperance Society. There are 400 members, with an average attendance of 130 to 150. The meetings are held fortnightly on Saturday afternoons, in the school house, an address is delivered, and songs and recitations are given by the members of the Band. Music is furnished by a large choir of the children who are trained by the kindness of Miss Joseph and Mr. Reekes, under the new system lately adopted, the Band is divided into classes in charge of a teacher who is present at the meetings, and visits the absentees. On January 29th an entertainment was given by the Band of Hope in the school-house, and proved a great success. In a few weeks it is proposed to give another. We are glad to report that the interest taken in the work, and the Band of Hope is increasing, and that good effects are already manifest. Apart from instruction on Temperance subjects, a grand opportunity is offered in the Band for the inculcation of many sound and healthful moral and spiritual principles.

DYSON HAGUE,
President.

GODFREY F. SHAW, }
JANIE THOMAS, } *Secretaries.*

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