

visit the children, as her class is constantly changing.

She should be a bright teacher and a sympathetic person, who loves children, and knows just how to make them feel "at home" and win them for the school the first Sunday there.

The best location for this class is right before the superintendent's table, so she or he can speak to the newcomers easily during the occasional few spare moments, or look her welcome to them during general exercises. ("Welcome Services" may be found in *Song and Study for God's Little Ones*. Copies may be obtained at the Methodist Book Room, Toronto.

FORMING RIGHT HABITS.

The following certificate, given annually, is found to be very effective and attractive to the boys and girls between nine and fourteen years of age. A red star is given each quarter for perfect attendance, a green one for church attendance, a gilt one for Golden Texts, and a silver one for daily Bible reading, one or more verses. Sixteen stars for the year!

Small gummed stars can be secured for five cents a box through any stationer.

"METROPOLITAN METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL, TORONTO, ONT.

"This certifies that..... has been a member of the Junior Department of our school during the year 1894, and is entitled to the following seals:

Attendance.

Church Attendance.

Memorizing Golden Texts.

Daily Bible Readings.

....., Supt."

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS. THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON V. (August 4.)

THE REPORT OF THE SPIES. Num. 13. 17-20, 23-33.

GOLDEN TEXT. "The Lord is with us: fear them not" (Num. 14. 9).

Primary Notes.

BY MRS. J. H. POLHEMUS.



[Show a newspaper and tell how we read in it what is happening in China, England, etc.]

How can this be? Men go to these countries and send back what is printed here; such men are called reporters, because they tell

or report what they see. What they tell are

called reports, so we have the report [print] from China, England, etc. These reporters go instead of us, to let us know what is being done in different countries.

Perhaps you have heard of the dreadful wars with the Indians which occurred in our country long ago, when few white men had settled here and the land was almost one unbroken forest.

When the Indians wished to make an attack upon some little settlement, they often approached it stealthily, lingering in the neighbourhood and sending on one of their men to see what was going on in the white man's settlement. This man would lie down in the long grass, and, like a snake, creep up to the little village. In this way he would see just what was being done, and whether the people were expecting an attack, without himself being seen. Then he would creep cautiously back to the place where the other warriors were waiting for him, and let them know how things were in the enemy's camp, and what they should do. He had let nothing in the village pass unnoticed by his keen eye, and so made a very good-reporter!

No! he wasn't called a reporter, but a spy, because he always went secretly. Nobody knew who he was, or that he was in the camp spying out what was being done. What he told might have been called the report of the spy [print].

What people are we learning about? Where were they going? Did they know much about Canaan? Can you think of any way they could find out about the country? I think Moses could do just what was done in the army. What was that?

One man was sent there, but Moses sent more, so they were called spies [change].

[Tell how many, how chosen, and the directions given them by Moses. Describe what they found, and when telling about the grapes uncover a bunch, previously made on board. Now tell of their return and report.]

Some of them told of the beautiful country and the good things they saw, like the grapes and figs; they were in a great hurry for the Israelites to go right on and take the land for their own. But some of the others said, "There's no use; we can't take the country, because there are giants [print] there, and they are too strong for us." This report frightened the people, and so Joshua, one of the brave spies, said, "The Lord is with us: fear them not" [print]. Why should the Lord's being with them keep them from being afraid? Because the Lord was stronger than any giant, and would help them to conquer.

By what name do we call those who have heard and obeyed Jesus's call and are on the way to heaven? Christians. Do you know we have two kinds of reports of what we shall find on this journey to heaven? Some people say, "There is