

do so also. Thus the story of the *Day-spring*—of the New Hebrides Mission, and of other Foreign Missions, will become familiar as household words. And thus our families will feel it a duty and a pleasure carefully to read the *Record* and other religious periodicals.

4. When the children are working for the church the church must work for the children. All the sermons should not be preached to, or at, the old people. Our ministers will delight in following out more fully the old command, "Feed my lambs." They will find that it is best for old and young to preach and teach very often in a style that can reach the understandings and hearts of all.

But we must be careful in putting work upon our little children, that it shall be additional to the work already performed through other agencies in the church. We would not have the little ones burdened in order to relieve adults. This would be only a repetition under a new form of the old grievance of setting children slavishly to work in factories. What they do must be done cheerfully, buoyantly, not as a task but as the spontaneous offering of loving hearts,—not in the way of taking work out of the hands of seniors, but of filling up an old gap in the great army of the Prince of Peace.

Parents, the best thing you can do for your children is to train them up from infancy in the service of Christ. Teach them—lead them—do not drive them. Go before them and draw them to Christ. Better than the accumulated wealth of the Bank of England is a true life devoted to true work for man and God. The annual collection by Boxes and Cards for the *Day-spring* furnishes a good opportunity for helping your children forward in the right way. Send for a Box or a Card, and encourage your boys and girls to do what they can, be it ever so little; and in connection with their work explain to them the nature and claims of the kingdom of Christ on behalf of which they are exerting themselves. Thus will *giving* become most surely a MEANS OF GRACE in our churches; and thus shall our children speedily outstrip us

in their views of christian liberty and the demands of religion on our time, our money and our hearts. Beware of leading children to think that their work lies solely abroad in heathen lands. Home Missions and the support of weak congregations also call for their aid, and we should be careful to explain all the operations of the church—all her "schemes"—that the young may be prepared to take an intelligent hold of all.

SUPPLEMENTING SCHEME.

We have to call attention to the following resolution of Synod, adopted on July 2, 1868:—

"That the Synod authorize the committee, in connection with Presbyteries, to visit congregations by deputy or otherwise, as far as practicable, during the present season, availing themselves as far as possible of the services of the General Agent; and that congregations, which the deputies of the committee are unable to visit, be required to make collections for the supplementary fund on the FIRST SABBATH OF DECEMBER—it being understood that Kirk sessions are at liberty to appoint a different day for the collection, or to substitute some other mode of obtaining contributions."

We hope that congregations will avail themselves of this opportunity of manifesting their interest in the Synod's Supplementing Scheme.

A VISIT TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

NOTES BY THE AGENT OF THE CHURCH.

Parish of St. James.

A pleasant drive of an hour and a half or less brought Rev. Mr. Turnbull and the writer from St. Stephen to the residence of the former. Mr. Turnbull's residence is a manse in every respect comfortable, and surrounded by cultivated acres of considerable extent, which, at the time, were covered with potatoes, oats, barley, and I think wheat, all of which promised well.

The parish is made up chiefly of a series of ridges, along which the best farms and the chief cultivation are to be found. If you place your left hand on the table before you, palm downward, and suppose St. Ste-