

superintendence of Miss Beckwith, and the formation of a Band of Hope, under the care of Miss Saunders. While not actually a part of the School, still both these branches are under its auspices, and draw their membership from its ranks, while both have the hearty support of the teachers.

It is our pleasant duty to return thanks to the congregation for the generous donation of chairs for the primary class. But suitable furniture is not everything; and empty chairs in the primary class would be an alarming condition of things. While, as we have said, we do desire to see a good adult class, we even more strongly urge the attention of our people to the small number at present in the primary class. There are surely more than thirty little ones between the ages of say four and nine, who should be in this class. The class has an excellent teacher, in the person of Miss Holloway, whose singular tact in dealing with the little folk in our public schools is so well known, and whose gift is consecrated to the work of our primary class. Let us hope that the attendance at this class may forthwith be largely and permanently increased. Miss Holloway is assisted in this department by Miss Florence Brunt. In this connection we cannot refrain from mentioning the name of Miss Robinson, who so long and successfully taught the primary class; but whose ill-health has compelled her for a season to relinquish some of her church work. We wish to place on record the high appreciation in which she is held, and to express the hope that she may ere long be again counted among the active workers in the vineyard.

We are suffering also from the temporary loss of Bro. Beckwith's services on the regular teaching staff. We are looking forward to his early resumption of the work for so many years done among us. Other teachers who have gone from us during the year are Miss MacLatchy, Miss Porter and Mr. Woodworth. The prayers of the school go with them.

We desire to acknowledge also the continued good service of our Secretary and Librarians, as also those of the organist and precentor, and to express the appreciation of the warm interest manifested by our pastor, who is always in sympathy with the work, and ready with such practical suggestions as can only come from experience, coupled with a desire for the school's best interests.

We are not without hope, nor do we lack encouragement. The brightest part of our report we have left till last. The year just closed has witnessed the addition to the roll of Church membership by baptism of eleven of our scholars. This surely is cause for gratitude, and must encourage the Church to work and pray for the efficiency and faithfulness of the teachers during the year before us.

"Does your lighthouse ever shake?" said a visitor to the keeper. "Well," he replied, "I have sometimes thought I felt it tremble during a violent storm; but of one thing I am sure—that the rock on which it is built never shakes." Christ is the rock. The work is His. "May we be faithful," is our prayer. May God grant us the right use of faith and works, in this branch of Christian duty.