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With the present issue begins the tenth volume of the **TEACHERS MONTHLY**.

A most gratifying feature in its history has been the steady increase of circulation. This has gone on year by year, steadily. The teachers of our Sabbath Schools evidently appreciate the aim and effort of the Editors to provide them with material suited to their particular requirements.

Some changes and additions, by way of still further improvement, will be noted in this New Year's number. The Teaching Hints are placed earlier in the Lesson. Under the heading Added Hints and Helps, a comprehensive Lesson Outline and a number of leading Lesson Points are given, also quotations from the Library, and the questions from the **HOME STUDY QUARTERLY**. These last will serve to keep the teachers and the scholars in closer touch. Greater variety will also be introduced in the Blackboard Review.

Beginning with the present number, Rev. Principal Patrick, D.D., of Manitoba College, Winnipeg, will furnish the Teaching Hints, specially intended for Bible Class Teachers. This is the department which the late lamented Rev. Principal MacVicar so ably conducted from its inception. Principal Patrick, who now takes it up, is a member of the International Lesson Committee, and has a high reputation both in the old land and here as an educator. His training of his own students in pedagogical methods is of the most practical sort. The various other departments in the **TEACHERS MONTHLY**,

as our readers will notice, are to be kept at a high standard. There are some new writers, and tried friends like Rev. Professors Ross and Falconer, and Mrs. Jessie Munro Johnston continue with us.

The new plan of Memory Verses, arranged by the General Assembly's Sabbath School Committee, will shortly be issued. It consists of a year's course for those under ten, a three year's course for those over ten, also a short selection of passages for the very little ones who cannot read. Diplomas and seals will continue to be given.

THE SECRET OF PEACE

By Rev. W. J. Clark

The advent of the New Year always disposes thoughtful people to more than ordinary meditation on life and its affairs, and in all their thinking the desire which is more commonly found than any other, is the desire to attain "peace." Life has so many storms that we long with a great longing for a harbor "where never wind blows loudly."

In one of the very ancient books of scripture we find guidance for all such seekers. The man who uttered the words had a very poor and imperfect theory of human affairs. But when he said, "Acquaint thyself with Him, and be at peace," he uttered golden words. He who acts upon them has found the place of peace.

We may translate it "dwell with" God, make yourself at home in His presence. To do this is to face the ultimate problems of existence. Acquainting one's self with God