

and their backs covered with blood, are singing their songs of praise. There is there such a strange contrast that it calls forth questions: Wherefore these wounds? Wherefore songs of praise in the mouths of men who were presumed to be malefactors?

These examples show that the means of arousing curiosity are as different as the

subjects, or those charged with expounding them. It is for each one to bend his wits to them and to think them out thoroughly. Sometimes the hymn which has just been sung will furnish an excellent entrance to the subject, or indeed it is some happening of the day. Be on the alert, we say to the teacher, seize the opportunity which presents itself.

## The Men's Adult Bible Class

Will the A. B. C. work? The best answer is, It *has* worked. This is shown in the following articles. And it has worked in every sort of Sunday School and congregation,—city, town and country. It will work in your School and congregation. The article, An A. B. C. in Your School, in the December 1908, *TEACHERS MONTHLY*, gives full information as to how to organize a Class.

### Keeping up the Attendance

*By Chisholm McCulloch*

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Our Class is a year old, and has an enrolment of 40. Nearly all the young men in the congregation are enrolled, and our efforts are mainly directed to securing regularity and punctuality in attendance. Our new Membership Committee met recently. Each member took his list of names, and will consider himself responsible for the attendance of those, looking after all absentees during the week, either by postcard or personal interview. The collection on the first Sunday of every month is put in a bank for missions. During the winter months, a social is given to all the young people of the congregation by the men's and women's Bible Classes.

### Studying the Teacher Training Course

*By Rev. C. H. Stewart, B.A.*

In September 1908, we re-organized the Bible Class in St. Paul's Church, Winnipeg. We appointed a president and secretary, met in a portion of the church quite by ourselves, and opened our class with singing and prayer. Instead of the International Lessons, we took the Handbook in the Teacher Training Course, The Books of the Old Testament. It is our purpose to complete the entire Course and have a number of the members of the class take the examination. Each regular member of the class bought his own text book, and studies the prescribed lesson at home,

then we are all prepared for lively discussion when we come to the class. This has created quite a new interest. Differences of opinion, of course, arise, but this is good for purposes of discussion.

So far, results are encouraging. The attendance has almost doubled, and it is regular, the same members coming each Sabbath, so that no lesson may be missed.

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### Make the Lessons Interesting

*By A. J. Murray, M.D.*

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We have a very thriving Adult Bible Class in connection with our church. To keep up the attendance, we believe the best method is thorough preparation of the lessons, with interesting and well guided discussion, thus making the class so interesting that members cannot afford to stay away. We inculcate the missionary spirit, by incidentally emphasizing the points in the lessons that bear on missions, rather than by lecturing the class on that or any other subject.

### Working for the Congregation

*By D. McKinnon*

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Our Class had its beginning about a year ago. Our pastor called a meeting of young men together, to see if a Bible Class of young