

operation in Queen's church, in St. John. The superintendent has a number of bright boys taken out of the Junior Epworth League of the church. He utilizes these as Home Department messengers. They carry the literature of the Sunday-school to these Home Department members. It frees the visitors from the necessity of taking the literature, and it brings into use the boys.

Mr. Hamilton—It strikes me that the boys could very properly be used to carry libraries. What are some of the benefits?

Mr. Stouffer—It has added members to our main school, and has given the people a desire to study the truth; and we have some members in the United States, and some in Manitoba and other places.

Mr. Lee—the same thing occurs in regard to this as in regard to evil. The appetite is continually increased by what it feeds upon, and the more you can get people to study the Bible the more appetite they get for it. Then they come into our Sunday-school, and attend the other services also. We have obtained a great many teachers through it.

Another—We had in our Home Class Department 140 members. It has now been reduced to ninety-five, the others having become regular Sunday-school

attendants. We find that the Home Department has revived interest and energy in the Sunday-school work.

Another—We started a Sabbath-school in a school-house. Not far away there was a church closed up, and by the visitors visiting and getting them to join the Home Department the church was opened, and services are being held in it at the present time.

Prof. Hamill—I think the greatest of all benefits is the benefit to the person who is brought by pledge to study the Word of God. Then the next great advantage that comes is in the blessing to the visitor. The next benefit is that sick mothers with little children that cannot come in contact with church life and Sunday-school life are made to feel as if they were part of the Church and Sunday-school and Jesus Christ.

A Delegate—What are the qualifications for the visitors? Would they be the same as for a regular Sunday-school teacher?

Prof. Hamill—No; good common-sense and stick-to-it-iveness. A sympathetic person makes the best house-to-house visitor, for they go into scenes of sorrow and old age and infirmity. Women nine times out of ten, therefore, make better visitors than men.

Order of Services.—Third Quarter.

OPENING SERVICE.

I. SILENCE.

II. RESPONSIVE SENTENCES. [Psalm 107: 1-8.]

SUPT. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

SCHOOL Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

SUPT. And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

SCHOOL They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.

SUPT. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

SCHOOL Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.

SUPT. And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

SCHOOL O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

III. SINGING.

IV. THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, OR THE APOSTLES' CREED.

V. PRAYER, followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert.

VI. SINGING.

LESSON SERVICE.

I. CLASS STUDY OF THE LESSON.

II. SINGING LESSON HYMN.

III. RECITATION OF THE TITLE, GOLDEN TEXT, AND OUTLINE by the school in concert.

IV. REVIEW AND APPLICATION OF THE LESSON by Pastor or Superintendent.

V. SUPPLEMENTAL LESSON. [Special lesson in the Church Catechism may here be introduced.]

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS [especially of the Church service and the Epworth League and week-evening prayer-meetings.]

CLOSING SERVICE.

I. SINGING.

II. RESPONSIVE SENTENCES. [Psalm 117.]

SUPT. O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.

SCHOOL For his merciful kindness is great toward us:

ALL And the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise ye the Lord.