

Better singing. (2) Better attention while singing, as the screen attracts the eyes of all to a common centre. (3) No torn hymn books, and no litter on the floor at the close of the Sunday School, and no hymn books to distribute and collect. The secretaries and church officer naturally favor the lantern.

Second. Maps are easily reproduced for the teaching of geography, and in such sizes that the places and names can be seen from all parts of the school. We get our map slides for 25c. each, plain, and 50c. each, colored, and they do not wear out.

Third—Missionary. Our Sunday School, like many others, supports its own pupil at Point-aux-Trembles School. At the beginning of the year a slide was made from a photo of the school, with its pupils grouped in front, and our scholars saw for the first time the institution they were helping to support. Later, a picture of our boy, Harry Lacroix, was similarly presented, and still later his annual letter, it being fortunately written upon one page, and, therefore, easily reproduced, so that the members of our school had the pleasure of reading it in concert. These three slides cost 75c. Results: (1) Our boy and the Point-aux-Trembles School were made real as never before. (2) Our missionary givings on the first Sunday of the month increased 33½ per cent., with better offerings for our school work.

Fourth. For the review at the close of the Lesson we have a slide made from the reproduction of a painting on the subject of the Lesson, by one of the old masters. These are in current cheap series of reproductions.

Results: (1) The children are familiarized with the masterpieces of religious art, and carry away the Lesson in a form that easily remains with them. (2) There is no difficulty in getting every child's attention for a review of this kind.

The cost of installing a lantern will vary somewhat. In most churches, especially where the building is already lighted by electric light, it should not exceed seventy-five dollars.

London, Ont.

The Secretaries' Class

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We have within the last two months organized what is known as a Secretaries' Class to look after absent members. A secretary is appointed from each class in the Junior and Intermediate Departments, whose duty is to report absentees to the superintendent of absentee work, who sends a "Message" to every absent scholar, inquiring as to the cause of absence. The Message is delivered by the secretary of the class attended by the scholar. This does not do away with the teacher's visit, but rather helps it, as teachers are at once notified of absentees and the cause of absence. We have had the system in operation only a short time, and it has already shown its value. Scholars are given a definite work to do, class interests are strengthened, attendance is increased and every scholar accounted for, even when the teacher may neglect to visit.

St. Matthew's Church, Montreal

Lesson Calendar: First Quarter

1. January 5.....The Word Made Flesh. John 1: 1-14.
2. January 12.....Jesus and John the Baptist. John 1: 25-34.
3. January 19.....Jesus and His First Disciples. John 1: 35-49.
4. January 26.....Jesus Cleanses the Temple. John 2: 13-22.
5. February 2.....Jesus the Saviour of the World. John 3: 14-21.
6. February 9.....Jesus and the Woman of Samaria. John 4: 19-29.
7. February 16.....Jesus Heals the Nobleman's Son. John 4: 43-54.
8. February 23.....Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda. John 5: 1-9.
9. March 1.....Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand. John 6: 5-14.
10. March 8.....Jesus the Bread of Life. John 6: 26-37.
11. March 15.....Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind. John 9: 1-12.
12. March 22.....REVIEW.
13. March 29.....Temperance Lesson—Proverbs 23: 29-35