

NOTE.—These books can be procured at the prices marked from Rev. Wm. Briggs, Methodist Publishing House, Toronto; C. W. Coates, 3 Bleury St., Montreal; and, Rev. S. F. Huestis, Methodist Book Room, Halifax.

Supplementary illustrative readings will appear in successive numbers of *Home & School*.

The following is the recommended Order of Study for the year ending Oct. 1st, 1887:

FEBRUARY.

British and Canadian History, and Assembly Bible Outlines.

MARCH AND APRIL.

History continued, and Richardson's Temperance Lessons.

MAY AND JUNE.

Education, by Herbert Spencer or Prof. Phelps, and

Christian Evidences, by Dr. Vincent.

The committee recommend Prof. Phelps' books for younger readers, and Herbert Spencer's for more advanced readers.

LOCAL CIRCLES.

In order to carry out as efficiently as possible the directions of the General Conference, the Committee urgently solicit the hearty co-operation of all our Ministers and Sunday-school Superintendents and Teachers in organizing, in connection with all our congregations and Sunday-schools, of local Home Reading Circles.

The Committee recommend the following form of constitution for local circles:—

1. *Name*.—The — Home Reading Circle.

2. *Membership*.—All young people who will agree to faithfully pursue the course of reading laid down by the Central Committee are eligible for membership.

3. *Officers*.—The officers of the Local Circles shall be:—

(a) A President, who shall preside over the meetings, and shall have the general oversight over the work of the Circle, and shall give such aid and instruction in the course of reading as he may deem necessary.

(b) A Vice-President, who, in the absence of the President, shall perform his duties.

(c) A Secretary, or Secretary-Treasurer, who shall keep a record of membership and business of the Circle.

The officers shall be elected at the first meeting of each "Circle" year.

5. Where practicable, regular meetings may be held as frequently as may be agreed upon, for review and for instruction in the course of reading.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening with devotional exercises.
2. Reading of minutes of previous meeting.
3. Proposals for membership, and admission of new members.

4. Conversation on the specified subjects of reading, and, where necessary and practicable, instruction therein.

5. Questions and answers.

6. Miscellaneous business.

N.B.—The Secretary of each local Circle is requested to report to the General Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Withrow, Toronto, the organization and membership of said Circle, in order that the said General Secretary may be able to communicate with the local Circles on all subjects in which their interests are concerned.

An Interesting Service.

We have secured a copy of the programme of an interesting service in connection with the Bridge Street Methodist Sunday-school, Belleville, one of the oldest, if not the very oldest, schools in the country. It was the occasion of the dedication of the school rooms of the new church on Dec. 12th, 1886. The first part consisted of thanksgiving responsive readings. Then followed an anthem, and beautiful dedicatory responsive readings, addresses, thank-offerings, etc. The programme contains the following interesting historical information:—

First Methodist Preacher visited Belleville	1795
First Methodist Class organized	1815
First Methodist Church built, Pinnacle St.	1818
Pinnacle St. Church rebuilt and enlarged	1831
Corner Stone of Bridge St. Church laid	
24th May	1864
Bridge St. Church dedicated 14th May	1865
Bridge St. Church burnt down, 6th Jan.	1886

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Organized in	1822
First kept open all the year round after the Hon. B. Flint came to Belleville	1829
School divided, part forming Methodist Episcopal School	1834
School divided, part forming John St. Presbyterian School	1847
School divided, part forming Bleeker St. Methodist School	1858
Membership in 1860	314
Membership in 1870	460
School divided, part forming Holloway St. Methodist School	1875
Membership in 1880	483
Sunday-school rooms remodelled and reopened, 24th Oct.	1880
Membership of School now	527

The Superintendents have been, James Bickford, Asa Yeomans, Dr. Kellogg, Hon. B. Flint, M. Sawyer, R. Richardson, James Booth, Wm. Elmer, James Ross, Wm. Johnson.

The sweetest word in our language is love; the greatest word is God; the word expressing the shortest time is now. These three make the greatest and sweetest duty we can perform: "Love God now."