The Schools have been efficiently maintained throughout the year, and we believe that at no previous time has there been greater regularity, faithfulness and zeal on the part of the teachers than at present.

Meetings for business have been held from time to time as occasion required. The Normal Class for preparation of the lessons has been better attended by our teachers

this winter than formerly.

On the last Sabbath of each quarter a Children's Service has been held in the Church, at two of which those pupils, to the number of 18, who had committed to memory the entire Shorter Catechism, received Bibles presented by Rev. Mr. Gordon.

On Friday evening, 3rd February, the Annual Festival took place, at which nearly 400 children, with a large num-

ber of their parents and friends, were present.

The contributions of the children, as per financial statement herewith submitted, have been devoted in part to the support of a Hindoo scholar in the Orphanage at Calcutta, but it is felt that more ought to be done for Missions by the Schools, and an endeavour will be made during the coming year to increase the interest of the children in Missionary

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## YOUNG WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

The Young Women's Bible Class, in connection with the Upper Town School, meets every Sabbath afternoon at three o'clock. The interest which the members have taken in the exercises of this class has been very encouraging, and the attendance has been on the whole satisfactory. Prizes are awarded for regular attendance and for returning the largest number of correct answers to the Bible questions, which are given, in writing, to the members every Sabbath.