

school is somewhat over 150. Average attendance 105. Mr. Lawrence, the superintendent, made some interesting remarks. Addresses were made by J. P. Stockwell, Rev. A. J. Parker, G. W. Leet, A. McCallum, Dr. Hurd, and James Riddle. A large number of children's papers have been circulated during the past year among the juvenile members of the school, and an excellent library purchased, both of which have added to the interest and profit of the school.

This is the history of the school in 1866, but like every other school it has had its ups and downs. In 1877 we find that the total number on the record books was eighty-one, with an average attendance of from forty to forty-five scholars and teachers. Rev. Ebenezer Ireland, who was then pastor of the Congregational Church, urged me to become superintendent of the school. After deliberation, I began the work on September 30th, 1877 (though not without fear and actual trembling), with Mr. Warren Leet as assistant superintendent and treasurer. Alterations were made in the arrangement of classes, and opening services introduced previous to such services being printed in our "Lesson Books." During the next year our records show an increase of thirty-seven, or total attendance of 118, the year following 131. In 1885 our records contained 185 names, the largest number ever on the class books, yet the average attendance was but little greater than that of the year 1892. Since 1885 our numbers have diminished owing to the removal of so many families to the N. W. Territory, to California, and to other States. After our great fire in 1882 we too lost some of our good helpers and good scholars. We have only two teachers who were with us even fifteen years ago, Miss Parker and Mrs. Joseph Gibson. Some have removed to other fields of labor, and some have responded to the Master's call to "Come up higher."

The present officers are Rev. John G. Sanderson, President; James Riddle, Superintendent; Henry Stockwell, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. T. S. Mitchem, Librarian; Miss Minnie Stockwell, Organist; and Miss Rose Riddle, Secretary of Mission Band. The teachers are Rev. J. G. Sanderson, Mr. Edward C. Goodhue, Mr. Neil McNeill, Mrs. Sanderson, Miss Parker, Mrs. Jos. Gibson, Mrs. Willis Wentworth, Mrs. Lorenzo

Smith, Mrs. Wm. Carson, Miss Kate Trenholme, Mrs. George Williamson, and Mrs. George Fullerton. We have a "home department" consisting of twenty members. To these we furnish "Lesson Leaves," and the parents teach the children who are too far away to attend our school. The total number on the attendance list for 1892 is sixty-four females and eighty-three males, making 147. The average attendance has been sixty-nine. The average class-collection for the year is \$1.01½. Four Missionary collections taken on Review Sunday amounted to \$8.77. This was paid to the Treasurer of the Missionary Band. The total receipts for the year are \$71.53.

We use the "International Question Books," by Peloubet, in two grades, and "Little Lesson Picture Cards" for juveniles. We use in opening services the "Responsive Service" given in the "Question Books," the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the "Beatitudes," that all can read, from coarsely printed sheets on the walls. There is a selected library consisting of 221 volumes for the older scholars, and 120 monthly papers for the younger scholars. The President gives several magic lantern entertainments each year from "Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress," and from "Palestine." A summer picnic and a winter tea-meeting bring many together in an enjoyable way.

In closing I may say that the utmost harmony and goodwill has always prevailed among the officers and teachers, and that the school has been orderly and well-behaved. To the teachers and scholars I would say be enthusiastic about your Sunday school. What we need is enthusiasm. Talk about the Sunday school, tell others about it, invite others to come to it, make it one of the best Sunday schools. To any teacher who is discouraged or who thinks but little good is done, "Remember that this is not reaping-time but sowing-time—the sower went forth not to reap but to sow,"—remember too that patience and perseverance in well-doing are essential to success.

"Little by little the waves in their glee,
Smooth the rough rocks by the shore of the sea."

And do not despair if after patient, persistent effort with the hardest pupils you see no visible results. As surely as the continuous action of