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The Wrong Centre

For many hundreds of years it was believed that the earth was the centre round which the sun, moon and other heavenly bodies revolved. But at last it was discovered that the sun is the real centre, with the earth revolving about it.

It is a mistake, like that of the early astronomers, for any one to think that self is the centre, expecting all other persons to serve him and all events to be ordered according to his liking and advantage. The true centre of human lives is God, and our real business in the world is to move in the path of His appointing.



The Scholars at Work

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We endeavor to impress upon the scholars the great blessing accruing to them in later years from the memorizing of scripture in their younger days, as well as the present benefit of a knowledge of God's Word.

We also take up the Shorter Catechism in all the classes above the Primary, and, at the close of the hour, have the whole School repeat the Question for the day in concert.

Still further to encourage the memorizing of scripture and the good old Catechism Questions, we offer a Silver Medal to all scholars who will, at the close of the year, repeat the Golden Texts for the year and the whole of the Shorter Catechism. Last year we had the pleasure of presenting three medals.

It is our aim to show the scholars that they are a most important part of the church, and to encourage their regular attendance at its stated services. One Sabbath morning every month, a special service for the young is held, when the centre of the church is set apart for their use. This has proved profitable to both parents and scholars, and has *been the means of increasing their attendance at the church services*.

Our scholars are, this year, making a special effort along the line of missionary work. In all the classes above the Primary, the scholars have been each given five cents as "talent" money, with which they are working, and, from present appearances, we look for a large increase for the year 1910. One of our Adult Classes will support a pupil at Point-aux-Trembles, and our Primary Department, a native helper in one of our foreign fields.

Our service of praise in the School has been very much improved by the introduction of an orchestra during the past year. We find the scholars taking a deeper interest in this part of the service, and the singing goes with a swing. I would recommend all Schools to try an orchestra. It is surprising how much latent musical talent is found in a congregation, when one starts to look for it. And musical talent thrives by being set at work.

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A Fourfold Portrait

By Rev. Professor James W. Falconer, B. D.

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The author of the Third Gospel is addressed in Paul's epistle as "Luke, the beloved physician", and in the Gospel there are many signs of medical knowledge. No fewer than