SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

By Mr. James Bell, Toronto, Ont.

The first part of this desson presents a picture of an aged saint, Simeon a just and devout man,

Notice that he was not only just, a man of upright character observing the law living a moral life, walking circumspectly before men, but that he was also a devout man, a man of piety, possessing deep religious feeling, a godly man.

In the 25th verse, it is stated that the Holy Ghost was upon him. in the 26th verse, that he was taught of the Holy Ghost, or that it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost: in the 27th verse, that he was led by the Holy Ghost. In other words, Simeon lived in the spirit, or rather the spirit lived in him, this was the secret of his holy and beautiful character. Simeon was waiting for the consolation of Isatel, waiting to welcome the Saviour. Ask your scholars if they are prepared to welcome Jesus when He comes again. Unless they are living for God as Simeon did, they will not be ready to welcome the King of Kings when He comes again in Glory with His holy angels.

The second part the lesson describes the Mission of the Saviour, as outlined by Simeon's Song, the Nunc Dimites Aline eyes have seen thy salvation," vs. 30. Jesus our Salvation, our only hope, the only Saviour, the only way from sin to Holiness Jesus the Light of the World, vs. 32. Just as the world was a dark and lifeless chaos before God created light; so are our sinful hearts antil Jesus the Sun of Righteousness beams in and gives us light. "In Him was life, and the light was the light of men." John 1: 4.

The third division of the lesson consists of the Propheties of Simeon and Anna. "Behold this child is set for the falling and rising, again," etc., vs. 34. Before we can rise to the position of a child of God we must fall before our Saviour's feet as a penitent sinner. We must suffer humiliation before we can enjoy exaltation. "That the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." vs. 35. It is only God who can see our hearts and read our secret thoughts. All things are open to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. "To all them that looked for redemption," vs. 38. Jesus has redeemed us, i. e., brought uback, He paid the price with His own life on Calvary and opened up a new and living way whereby all men may be saved.

An Aged Saint.

The Saviour's Mission.

Just and Devout.

Waiting for Christ.

Our Salvation.

The Light of the World.

Prophecies of Simeon and Anna.

Set for the Fall

Set for the Falling and Rising of many.

Reyeals our hearts.

Has brought us back.