

The above will indicate how the work of an Educational Superintendent has evolved from the needs of the School. A beginning has been made, but only a beginning. Problems are looming up constantly that must be solved if the work is to succeed. These problems it will ever be the duty of the officers of a Sunday School to face, and the Educational Superintendent, from the very nature of these problems, must needs take a good portion of the responsibility.

Brandon, Man.

Our Promotion Day

By Rev. F. C. Overend, B.A.

Although we have no separate school-room or basement in connection with our church, and find it, therefore, rather difficult to arrange our classes as we would wish, we decided that we needed to grade our School better, and also to add new interest by promoting the scholars from time to time. So we set out some months ahead to secure two extra teachers and arrange a Promotion Day for the last Sabbath of 1912.

The Session and Board of Management were invited, and a choir of boys and girls of the advanced classes formed for the day. Also the parents were invited to be present. The choir gave a special number during the collection, the Bible Class read the Scripture Reading, and one of the elders gave an interesting address.

The School were all seated in the centre pews as usual, when the service began, while the managers and elders sat in the choir gallery in front of the children's choir. The service was very simple yet it seemed to mean a great deal to the scholars.

First, those who had come up from the Cradle Roll during the year were called up, with the other little tots, and "promoted" to the Infant Class. The lists of names had been previously prepared, and one list given to each visiting gentleman, so that each class was called to the front and promoted by a different person. After their promotion they passed down to a place two spaces back of where they had been previously sitting,—which would be their place during the opening exercises for the year 1913.

Then the Infant Class was promoted to the Boys' and Girls' Primary, the Primaries to the Intermediate, and the Intermediate girls to the Advanced girls. In each case the teacher remained behind, and the class went on to a new teacher, as we felt that would make it seem more of a promotion.

But when we came to the Boys' Intermediate Class, we arrived at a difficulty. Their present teacher was the only suitable one available. They were not old enough to go into the Bible Class, being from 14 to 16 years of age. Yet we particularly wished them not to feel overlooked. So we devised the plan of forming them into an organized Junior Bible Class, using the royal blue and white pin of the Advanced Department as a class pin. This seemed to be a most satisfactory solution, and the boys are immensely interested in their class. The promotion day seems to have done good, the scholars are attending very regularly and working well. They are much better classified than they were, and we feel now that we are ready to introduce the graded lessons in the fall.

Sutton West, Ont.

Securing Children's Attendance at Church

A PLAN THAT HAS WORKED

By Rev. D. J. Nicholson, B.A.

Many parents lament because there is little or no inclination on the part of their sons and daughters to attend public worship. This also has become a burden to many of the ministers of our church. We are informed that one reason, at least, for this unfortunate condition is that the children have been encouraged to attend the Sunday School, while no such encouragement has been given them to attend the services of public divine worship. They have the impression that the Sunday School is their service, and therefore they feel no responsibility to attend the other church services. There comes the time when they think they have outgrown the Sunday School—another unfortunate conclusion—and consequently sep-