Work in the wild waste places, Though none thy love may own; God guides the down of the thistle The wand'ring wind hath sown.

Sow by the wayside gladly, In the damp, dark caverns low, Where sunlight seldom reacheth, Nor healthful streamlets flow.

Watch not the clouds above thee; Let the whirlwind round thee sweep; God may the seed-time give thee, But another's hand may reap.

Have faith, though ne'er beholding The seed burst from its tomb; Thou know'st not which may perish, Or what be spared to bloom.

Room on the narrowest ridges The ripen'd grain will find, That the Lord of the harvest coming, In the harvest sheaves may bind.

Work while the daylight lasteth, Ere the shades of night come on-Ere the Lord of the vineyard cometh, And the laborer's work is done.

Just as God leads me I abide In faith, in hope, in suffering true ;. His strength is ever by my side-Can aught my hold on him undo? I hold me firm in patience, knowing That God my life is still bestowing-The best in kindness sending.

Just as God leads onward I go, Oft amid thorns and briars keen; God does not yet his guidance show-But in the end it shall be seen How by a loving Father's will Faithful and true he leads me still.

WHEN Hagar was quite disconsolate with fatigue of body and distress of mind, there was a fountain by her, though she knew it not. So the weeping believer has relief at hand, which he cannot see. God's Word, God's Spirit, and God's ministers are the angels that direct and lead His afflicted people to the fountain opened.

God gives strength for every trial of life to whomsoever his faith asks him for it.

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Sixty-three Years in the Life of a Sunday-School

THE sixty-third anniversary meeting of the Metropolitan Methodist Church Sunday-School, Toronto, was held in the church on Sunday and Monday, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. The Rev. S. P. Rose, a former scholar of the school, preacced two admirable sermons. On Sunday afternoon ex-Vice-Chancellor Blake, Dr. Castle and S. P. Rose addressed the school and delivered the Jesse Ketchum Prizes. During the service, J. B. Boustead, Esq., the Superintendent, speaking from me mory, said that the average attendance at the school for the year was 430, and 210 had attended forty-four times and over. The total amount collected for special and general purposes was only \$5.10 short of \$1,500, and \$500 of this sum had been handed to the Missionary Society. He knew of a Sunday-school in the city,