

her kindness in devoting so much of her valuable time to training the children in singing. Miss Kirkpatrick, our Assistant-Secretary, has also proved a most zealous worker in the Class. Our beloved Rector has been present on almost every occasion, to open the proceedings with prayer and a short address, which proved no small inducement for the children to attend punctually at the appointed hour, as they never liked to miss his kindly greeting and words of encouragement. The Friday before Christmas, a large number of the parents and friends assembled in the Synod Hall to hear the hymns and choruses the children had been practising since October. The platform was filled with the little temperance band, who gave a selection of hymns and Christmas carols with a sweetness and clearness which had an irresistible charm for those present.

The Rector addressed the children in the happy, telling manner so peculiarly his own, and which never fails to rivet their attention; after which Miss Smiley taught them the text, "Even Christ pleased not Himself," the little ones repeating it after her until they knew it by heart. Miss Smiley then related a beautiful and touching story, illustrating the meaning of the verse, to which they listened, with an earnestness which proved that they were not only interested but intelligent little listeners. The singing of the Doxology concluded the programme, and the audience dispersed, regretting so pleasant an afternoon had come to a close.

In February the members of the Singing Class had an entertainment in the Synod Hall. Hymns and temperance choruses were sung by the children, Miss Mary Bancroft accompanying them on the piano. The Rector also gave an address, after which Rev. J. F. Renaud delighted the juvenile audience with a variety of amusing and instructive views through his magic lantern. Candies and oranges were then distributed, and the Rector having pronounced the Benediction, the happy party separated.

MEETINGS.

The Annual Public Meeting of the Society was held in the Synod Hall, which was crowded to its utmost capacity with an enthusiastic audience. The Committee Meetings held during the winter have also been largely attended.

REUNIONS.

On the 16th of December the senior members spent a very pleasant evening at the residence of Mrs. James Day. Later on a draw-