

home, or become an adequate substitute for the influence of piety in the household. See to it that the children be all taught of the Lord. Guard well their reading. Watch over their amusements and companionships. Point them early to the Saviour. Let yours be the first lips that tell them the story of redeeming love. Teach them to love the Church. Show them that you love it yourself. Point to it as the house of God and the gate of Heaven, as Divine in its origin and its ends. Speak of it and of its ministers always with respect and sympathy. In this way only can you induce your children to love the Church of your choice and lead them to appreciate its efforts to do them good.

And "now concerning the collection." It has been said that to give is to bear testimony. We have been a witnessing Church in all the past. Our class-meetings and our love-feasts have been our crown—which may we wear forever—now let us *give* our testimony as we never before have expressed it, and the result will be marvellous. First, we would remind you of promissory obligations to your own pastors. "The laborer is worthy of his hire." On most of our stations there is no great danger of extravagance in this matter at present, and in view of the necessarily decreasing appropriations from the Missionary Fund, strenuous efforts must be put forth or many a worthy minister will be sadly embarrassed in his work. We would also commend to your hearty sympathy and support the missionary enterprises of our Church. Let us take no narrower view of our duty than did our honored founder when he exclaimed "The world is my parish." Though the times be hard and money scarce, are not the silver and the gold and the cattle upon a thousand hills the Lord's, and does not He say, "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet and it tendeth to poverty." We would remind you also of the fathers who by reason of age, and the brethren who as the result of failing health, have been compelled to retire from the active duties of circuit work. Let them not feel the bitterness of neglect from those on whose behalf they have spent the best energies of their life. And let the widows and orphan children of those who have fallen on the field feel that they also have a place in the loving sympathy of the Church.

The subject of ministerial education will, we trust, receive a due share of your thought. The present is a time most critical in the history of our Church in this country. Whoever gives most earnest attention to educational matters will, in all probability, attain the position of command. Our Church has always been an ardent advocate of this work. From our infancy we have heard that "Methodism was born in a university," and in our schools and colleges it has lived and thrived. Efforts are being made by us as a Church for the establishment of a college in the capital of the Province; necessary legislation has been secured, and the scheme now

about to be launched with hearty co-operation.

The great question of universal attention to this subject, and the approach of the Manitoba, we will make all possible suggestions, every effort in inducing the sale of

Our General Assembly fall. Before it is of importance to you to remember to be enlightened

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"And the glory by Christ perfect, stable dominion for ever