

the company-making which for the lust of gold consecrates every other lust and inhuman cruelty to its service, we cannot be too thankful.

The Archbishop of Armagh writes:—
"I gladly send you a small subscription in answer to your appeal. Shame on the great Anglican Church if she does not support her own great and blessed Mission.

(Signed) John B. Armagh.

PREPARE FOR CHILDRENS' DAY.

October 20th is going to be a great day in our Church year. Everything that can be done almost is being done to make our Church people in Canada feel that the future of the Church depends upon the love and loyalty of the young, and that nothing can be too good that is done with the object of winning and holding the children of the Church. Our Bishop here sent out a splendid appeal to the whole Church to awaken to the greatness of the Sunday School, not only calling upon every scholar of the Church of England Sunday School in Canada to wake up and take a special interest this year in Children's Day, but also upon each congregation, as a congregation, to join heartily in the work of intercession and giving. Up to the present time it looks almost as if the Sunday School were regarded as a kind of side issue, a separate organization; and it was quite common to hear of children who belonged to the Sunday School but had no connection with the Church, and the teachers as very excellent people who were trying to do their own work in their own good way. Now the Church has awaked, and Children's Day is the effort to make the Church people at large realize that the Sunday School is an integral part of the Church's life, and that the teachers, whose work is beyond all value and who are probably the greatest body of unpaid workers upon the face of the globe at this present moment, are simply doing the work of the pastor and the parent, and striving to equip for future service the future members of our Church. Amidst indescribable difficulties requiring great devotion, skill and perseverance they are seeking in the Sunday School to give the scholars the highest knowledge, and the finest principles of character. They are teaching them to sing our sweet Church hymns; to pray to our Heavenly Father; to take an interest in the work in the Church; to read the Bible; to pray and work for missions; to learn of Jesus and His love. In season and out of season, oftentimes without the sympathy or intercessory prayer of the parent, they are leading the children up to Church fellowship, and trying to train the whole of the child for the whole of life. Children's Day is, therefore, not merely for children. It is rather the congregation's day for realizing this great part of its duty, and it is earnestly hoped that in the great proportion of the city and town churches in Canada three services will be held, and in the country two services, in which service and sermon, hymns and prayers, will all conspire to give pre-eminence to the work of the Sunday School. Let all the Sunday School scholars come with their teachers and take possession of the church at the morning service. Let them have a special rally or mass-meeting in the afternoon, with everything to make the service bright and inspiring, and in the evening let as many as possible be present again at the evening service, where the sermon might be especially for parents, teachers, and adult scholars. The mission of the Church to the young is not only a mission of education, it is also a mission of inspiration. Forces illimitable, so little utilized because so often ignored or undervalued, lie in these little lives. A harvest of finest resources, the richness and the responsiveness of which overwhelms one, lies right to hand; the finest, the largest, the richest field of life. There in the Sunday School lies dormant, only awaiting the call of love, an army of mis-

sionary enthusiasts, a force of Church supporters; mighty beyond our dreams. A band of all hearts most hopeful, most responsive, only waiting to be trained to go to work. Every Sunday the opportunity comes to appeal to these forces of ardour, of hope, of loyalty, but once a year, on this great Day, comes the chance of chances to inspire and evoke. Let every Churchman make it his firm determination that Children's Day this year shall be a Record Day for the enlistment of loyalty and enthusiasm for the Church Sunday Schools of Canada. Let every clergyman especially see to it that the best of hymns, the best of sermons and the best of addresses, shall be provided, and that envelopes be placed in every hand to receive the offerings of willing hearts.

First General Synod of The Church of China

A Conference of Bishops and Delegates representing the Anglican Communion in China, met in Shanghai from April 18th-26th, 1912, to create a Synod of the Anglican Church in China. A draft report of Preamble, Constitution, and Canons, had been drawn up at a similar Confer-



REV. DR. W. E. TAYLOR, CHINA.
Student Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and a distinguished graduate of Wycliffe College, who presided at the annual meetings of the Alumni held during last week.

ence three years ago, and since then submitted to the various Diocesan Conferences.

China is at present divided into eleven dioceses—viz:—

Victoria (Hong Kong)	Bishop Lander.
Chekiang	Bishop Moloney.
Fukien	Bishop Price.
Kwong Si-Hunan	Bishop Banister.
West China	Bishop Cassels.
North China	Bishop Scott.
Shantung	Bishop Iliff.
Kiangsu	Bishop Graves.
Kankow	Bishop Roots.
Wuhu	Bishop Huntingdon.
Honan	Bishop White.

Of the Church of England Dioceses, the C.M.S. works in five, and the S.P.G. in two. The American Church has three dioceses, and the Church of Canada one.

The Conference consisted of 10 bishops—the Bishop of Victoria being at home,—45 Chinese

delegates (15 clerical, 30 lay), and 24 foreign delegates (20 clerical, 4 lay), representing all the dioceses from Peking in the North to Pakhoi in the South, and from Shanghai E., to Chentu W.; over 2,000 miles each way. The meetings were held in St. John's University, Shanghai, which belongs to the American Church Mission, and commenced with a Corporate Communion Service and sermon by Bishop Scott in St. John's Pro-Cathedral, on April 18th.

Bishop Scott was appointed Chairman of Conference, and Bishop Roots Vice-Chairman. It was decided that the official language of Conference should be Mandarin, and interpreters were appointed, as some of the delegates, Chinese as well as foreign, did not understand Mandarin. The mode of interpretation was thus: Mandarin into English, and then English into Cantonese or Fukinese, for the benefit of Chinese delegates from these provinces; or vice versa when such delegates wished to speak. The daily sessions were from 9.45 to 12 noon, and from 2 to 4.30 p.m. At noon each day Conference adjourned and united in prayer for Missions in the Church. Every day lunch was provided at the Houses of the American Church Mission, the interval between lunch and the afternoon session being spent in wandering about the beautiful grounds of the University, and in becoming acquainted with fellow-labourers from all parts of China, as well as learning from them of their methods. Those of us from tropical or semi-tropical regions were charmed by the profusion of blossoms of fruit and flowers; and gladdened to see such old friends as primroses and tulips.

During the days of Conference the most of the discussions were carried on by the Chinese delegates. It was most hopeful and inspiring to see the deep and intelligent interest which they manifested; thus affording to many of us a further proof, if such were necessary, of the capability of the Chinese to manage their own affairs. Difficult subjects were dealt with in the spirit of love, and some, which involved further consideration by experts, such as, an adequate translations of "The Holy Catholic Church" in the Creed, and how best to express the words "Sacrament" and "Bishop," were postponed till the next meeting of the Synod. On Friday, April 26th, Conference resolved itself into a Synod by a solemn service at noon in the Pro-Cathedral. The service commenced by singing "The Church's One Foundation," followed by silent prayer, and the reading, by Bishop Scott, of the Preamble (given below), to which all the delegates attested by standing; then the Te Deum was sung, the Lord's Prayer repeated, and the Blessing pronounced.

Thus another great step forward in the cause of Christ and of Christian Union has been taken by the formation of the "Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hui."

That afternoon the two Houses of the Synod met for the election of officers and transaction of other routine business, and then adjourned till April 14th, 1915.

In the evening a reception to the bishops and foreign delegates was given by the members of the Shanghai Missionary Union in the Hall of the Union Church. Fraternal greetings on behalf of the Shanghai Union were given by Dr. Parker, and responded to by Bishops Scott, Roots, and Banister.

Preamble.—We, the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Holy Catholic Church, representing the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts established in China and Hong Kong by the Church of England, by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and by the Church of Canada, accepting the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament; and believing them to contain all things necessary to salvation, and to be the ultimate standard of faith, professing the Faith as summed up in the Nicene Creed and the Apostles' Creed, holding to the doctrine which Christ our Lord commanded, and to the Sacra-

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