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#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Wanted.—The publisher of this journal would be glad to hear of a clergyman who might desire to travel with a view to increasing its circulation in the Province of Ontario.

We are glad to know that the Very Rev. Dean Partridge, an old and valued member of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society Board, has recovered from his recent dangerous illness, and we trust that Mrs. Partridge also may soon be restored to health.

THE Rev. I. O. Stringer, of the Wycliffe College mission, has returned for a short visit from his distant work in Mackenzie River. He has already acquired much experience in work among the Esquimaux, and will doubtless consider the winter of this part of Canada quite mild after his sojourn in the Arctic circle.

THE REV. PETER T. ROWE, who has been appointed by the American Church Bishop of Alaska, is a native of Canada, and a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto, from which institution he received the degree of M.A. in 1880. He was ordained somewhat previous to that date, and has spent almost his entire ministry at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, where he is rector of St. james' Church.

THE Rev. W. W. Cassels, who has been laboring for eight years as a missionary in China, was consecrated on St. Luke's Day, October 18th, by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the first Bishop of Western China. Rev. E. S. Talbot, D.D., late vicar of Leeds,

was consecrated at the same time Bishop of Rochester. Bishop Cassels will go to preside over the interesting C.M.S. mission, established by the Rev. J. H. Horsburgh in the year 1889. in the Kiang-Si Province. It is called the mi sion of Si-Chuen in Mid-China.

THE Rev. H. Percy Grubb and Mr. Eugene Stock, delegates from the great English missionary society, known to all the world as the "C.M.S.," delivered a large number of speeches, sermons, and addresses during their recent visit to Canada, and imparted a great deal of missionary information and, let us hope, of missionary zeal as well. Their visit resulted in the formation of a branch of the C.M.S. in Canada, which will work harmoniously in connection with the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada. Mr. Stock frequently spoke in kindly terms of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, which, he thought, contained many excellent features, and appeared to be possessed of much life and vigor. What is wanted in Canada, however, is an increase in missionary spirit. May it come all in good time, with God's blessing!

## OBITUARY.

On the 20th of October there died at Amherst, Nova Scotia, a venerable clergyman whose name has been connected with the Canadian Church since the year 1834—a period of over sixty years. Canon Townshend was laid to rest by Bishop Courtney, at Amherst, on the 22nd of October, 1895. He had been made a deacon by Bishop John Inglis, on August 15th, 1834—and in the interval between that date and his retirement from active work in 1883 had done much hard missionary work which told for good upon the Church in Nova Scotia.

### A MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Missionary Conference held in Truro, Nova Scotia, on the 23rd and 24th of October, called forth an expression of feeling on missionary subjects which must be productive of much good. Truro is one of the chief towns of Nova Scotia, built almost entirely of wood, as is the custom in the province down by the sea. The hotels are of wood; large business stands are of wood; churches, and public residences of the same material; street after street built entirely of wood. Many of the buildings are quite handsome, especially when touched up with fresh paint, of which a great variety of colors is used. St. John's Church, however, is an exception to this almost universal Nova Scotian rule, inasmuch as it is built of good solid stone. It stands a worthy monument of the firmlyestablished communion that it represents. Frequent services were held in this church during the conference, and it was a delight to be within its sacred walls. In the basement of the church the