

OWING to an increasing demand for complete sets of this magazine from the first we have thought it best not to disappoint, and therefore have reprinted some of the numbers that had run out. We are now in a position to supply back numbers from the first. All persons in any way interested in the work and history of our Church in this country should secure complete sets as promptly as possible. Vol. I. (18 numbers), \$1.50. Vol. II. began in January of this year.

NUMBERS of parishes have adopted this periodical for their parish magazines. The latest is the Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, Ont. The managers by means of a neat cover and interesting parochial items, have produced a very handsome parish magazine. We offer easy terms for this perhaps best method for circulating Church literature.

IN the verses "Chambly Churchyard," last issue, for *slab* (verse 5, first line) read *hoar*, for *her* (verse 6, first line) read *here*, for *spell* (verse 10, 5th line) read *shell*.

THE next meeting of the Board of Management is appointed to be held in St. John, N. B., on Wednesday, October 10th.

THE Indians of the Skeena River, British Columbia, are giving trouble to the white settlers, and a contingency of Royal Canadian Artillery have gone up to quell the trouble. This will no doubt injure and retard missionary work among them. They are the Indians of the Skeena and Naas Rivers.

MRS. HARPER, the wife of the venerable and aged Bishop Harper, Primus of New Zealand, died recently to the great regret of all who knew her.

THE Congress of Protestant Foreign Missions recently held in Exeter Hall, London, was a most imposing gathering, and one worthy of the attention of those who have recently been asserting that Protestantism is not doing its whole duty in the way of missionary work. The United Kingdom was represented by more than a thousand delegates, the United States by one hundred and fifty, Canada by twenty-seven, and the Continent by more than a score. The Earl of Aberdeen presided, and among the distinguished delegates who were formally presented to him at a preliminary public reception were missionaries from New Zealand, the United States, Samoa, Germany and Syria, and a representative of the American Women's Board of Missions. The meetings were over fifty in number, five of them being select conferences devoted to the consideration of the more important subjects brought before the Congress. The *Times*, however, in an article on the Congress, does not think that the enthusiasm of the speakers is warranted by the facts. "If," it says,

"Carey could have foreseen the magnificence of the means which his successors were destined to command, and the removal, as if by magic, of all the barriers which hemmed him in, he would have supposed the foes were beaten, and the harvest was being reaped." What is wanted is to convince Christian people of the importance of foreign mission work. Mere glowing pictures and enthusiastic speeches will not do. Facts should be laid before all people, and funds would be forthcoming, for the power of Christianity as an agent of civilization and progress, to say nothing of its spiritual excellencies, is almost universally admitted. With the wealth that lies in Christian hands it certainly seems strange beyond description that more efficacious work is not done in the mission field. It must be that the Christians who have wealth and power (whether ecclesiastic or lay) have not grasped the importance of the work. It is not the subject that is next their heart, or their means and influence would certainly produce better results. May God hasten the day when strong and wealthy Christians will forego their unnecessary luxuries and expensive modes of living and foolish dreams of hoarding wealth, to be spent on frivolities when they are dead and gone, in order that the work of Christ may be carried on in distant lands with such power and dignity as will disarm all gainsaying and adverse criticism.

THE Canadian Church Union still continues its work. The Annual Report, just published, shows that the principles for which it contends (the chief being the consolidation and unification of the Church of England throughout the whole of British North America) are being taken up and acted upon in different parts of the Dominion.

THE Rev. Wm. A. Burman, B. D., of the Sioux Mission, Griswold, Manitoba, paid us a short visit recently and explained the fresh work about to be undertaken in connection with the Indians of the Diocese of Rupert's Land. In addition to the Home now being established by Rev. E. F. Wilson at Elkhorn, another is to be established on one of the Indian Reserves near Winnipeg. This will be at least two hundred miles from Mr. Wilson's Home. It will be under the control of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, by whom Mr. Burman has been appointed the first Principal. It is proposed to teach the boys farming and different industries, and the girls such things as are likely to fit them for domestic service and civilized life. Above all, it will be the aim of the managers to make the school a real Christian home, to which all may look back as a place of spiritual awakening and Divine blessing. Contributions in money, clothing or other gifts in aid of this important work will be thankfully received and acknowledged by Mr. Burman. It is especially hoped that Sunday Schools and branches of the Woman's Auxiliary may be led by God to sympathise with and assist this effort.