

A NEW MISSIONARY AGENCY.

Rev. C. W. Gordon, B.A., on whom rested the burden of representing the whole Calgary Presbytery at the Synod, brought up the very important matter of having a circulating library organized by the Presbytery for the benefit of miners, fishermen, cowboys, railway men and the like. Infidel literature finds its way into the camps. Cheap and immoral fiction is plentiful. Sunday, instead of being a day of improvement, is a day of sin. It has been determined to organize Presbyterian libraries, to be managed in connection with our Home Mission work. The fishermen of Lake Winnipeg last year received from Winnipeg an excellent collection of literature, and read it with avidity. Generous friends who have books, illustrated magazines, or other interesting matter to bestow, may now find a channel for their gifts. Write to Mr. Gordon, Banff, Alberta.

THE "FIVE CENT" MISSION SCHEME.

The Synod Report on Systematic Beneficence, prepared by Dr. Duval of Winnipeg, was excellent. We select one point especially. For weak congregations and stations it is recommended that pledges be taken of 5 cents a week from each family for the schemes of the church, to be gathered by ladies once a month or once a quarter. Now we have seen this work well. We give one instance. A town in Manitoba, which had suffered much financially, with a considerable debt on its church, and the minister receiving a supplement from the mission board, had been unknown almost as a missionary giver. The small congregation of 33 families and 12 single persons was induced to try the "5-cent" or "chicken feed scheme," as one of their humorists called it. Last year this congregation contributed \$120 to the schemes of the church. Nothing further need be said.

NEWS ITEMS.

Darlingford, Rock Lake Presbytery, is building a new church.

We regret to announce the untimely death of Miss Hargrave, of High Bluff, sister of Rev. Isaac Hargrave.

Manitoba College has provided three students, Messrs. S. Polson, John Ross, and A. McIntosh for the Presbyterians of Dakota this summer.

Winnipeg Presbytery licensed Messrs. Walter Beattie, H. F. Ross, D. Campbell, B.A., P. Fisher and J. Buchanan, students of Manitoba College at its meeting on the 14th May, and ordained Messrs. Beattie and Ross.