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The next meeting of the Board of Management is appointed to be held in London, Ont., on Wednesday, April 20th, at 3 p. m.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We announce with pleasure that the Rev. J. C. Cox, an estimable clergyman of the diocese of Nova Scotia, has devoted himself entirely to the work of canvassing throughout the Ecclesiastical Province for subscribers to OUR MISSION NEWS. He has resigned his late parish of Stewiacke, N. S., and is already actively engaged in the interest of our Missionary Society and Magazine. He has commenced in the diocese of Huron, where already he is meeting with every encouragement, and he hopes to move eastward after his work in that diocese is finished.

We anticipate that Mr. Cox will be able to do a good work not only for the Magazine but for the Society itself and the general cause of missions. An awakening in that direction is needed in our Church in Canada. We may say it is sorely needed, for it cannot be said of her yet that she is a missionary Church. And until she is such, her light must burn dimly at home. The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, organized by the Provincial Synod of Canada, must surely do something more than meet occasionally to divide and apportion sums of money. She has a trust placed in her hands to arouse a missionary spirit, and diffuse missionary intelligence. She now has what competent judges have pronounced to be a useful and attractive magazine as her own organ, and the circulation of this should be promoted by all Church people. She now also has a clergyman who has undertaken to visit the different parishes, without any cost to the Society, but with a sincere wish to bring her claims more directly before the people through the medium of OUR MISSION NEWS, of which he is the regular travelling agent.

We feel confident that the great bulk of the clergy will receive him kindly, and render what assistance may lie in their power. Pray we for the missionary spirit. It is what is wanted to give fresh life and energy to all our work. Let us look beyond us with a broad and liberal spirit, and the reaction upon all home work will at once appear. This has been the experience of our mother Church in England, and let us hope and trust it will yet be our experience here.

Rev. W. J. Armitage, of St. Catharines, Ont., kindly calls our attention to the fact that the Epiphany Appeal, issued last month, in mentioning the number of native Christians connected with the English Church Missionary Society as 90,000, put the figures at a lower rate than the Society's Report indicates. The number stated there for India alone exceeds 100,000, and the claim is made that there are 191,042 converts connected with the Society.