

mentation was subsequently adopted, and your Board has found it necessary to act upon it. Last July the arrears due amounted to \$150, against which there was the small balance of \$12, and, as since that date only \$95 have been subscribed for that purpose, your Board has been constrained to pay \$343 out of funds sent in for Domestic Missions during the year to settle what is due up to present date (30th June, 1888).

During the year your Board has taken further steps to promote the circulation of "*The Canadian Church Magazine and Mission News*," the official organ of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, and for that purpose sent a canvasser to Fredericton, St. Stephen, and St. Andrews. We regret to say that only 20 subscribers could be obtained throughout the whole Church population of those places. Twenty-seven new subscribers have been added to the list for St. John and Portland, making the total number in circulation through the Diocese of 144, an increase of 50 over the number reported last year.

Of the proceedings of the Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, we have no direct information. From *The Canadian Church Magazine* we learn that its Board of Management met in Toronto last September, which the representatives of this Diocese were unfortunately unable to attend. The chief business which engaged its attention seems to have been the question of the Canadian Church undertaking directly Foreign Missionary work. All action in the matter was, however, postponed until a conference had been held upon the subject with the Missionary Societies in England. Another meeting of the Board was held in April in Montreal, which was also unattended by any of the representatives of this Diocese. From the statement presented by the Treasurer, the receipts for Domestic Missions for the past six months were \$5,569.14, and for Foreign Missions \$7,208.39, making a total of \$12,777.53. It was reported that there were 25,000 Chinese in the Dominion living in all the darkness of heathendom, and it was resolved that steps should be taken to evangelize them. Bishop Kingdon and Mr. G. Herbert Lee were appointed a committee to prepare the next Epiphany Appeal. The next meeting of the Board was appointed to be held in St. John on the second Wednesday in October.

Such, in brief, is the record of Missionary effort in the Domestic and Foreign Mission field during the past year, and how far any of us have done what we could fitly forms a subject for searching examination. The work spread out before the Church of God is immeasurably great, and the opportunities for preaching the Gospel now lie open everywhere. We have great responsibilities towards those in this vast Dominion who are as sheep without a shepherd. Nor ought we to think little of missions to the heathen in Africa and the East. If we