

The Call of the Red Man for Truth, Honesty and Fair Play.

"Let no man deceive you with vain words."

Some time after the Board of Management of M.S.C.C. met in October, 1907, I wrote a letter to the Canadian Churchman. For this I was, in a way, reprimanded by the Secretary of the M.S.C.C., who said that the proceedings of the Board were private and what took place at them should not be made public.

Now one of the most active members of the Board has written a pamphlet, which is advertised for sale at 15 cents, and which publishes a great deal more about what transpired at that meeting and at the meeting which followed it in April last.

The pamphlet is entitled, "Don't You Hear the Red Man Calling?" and it gives a history of the Indian question as it has come before the Board since the last meeting of the General Synod. The purport of the pamphlet appears to be to "awaken public indignation!" And the immediate cause for publication is the following memorandum which was signed by those Western members of the Board who knew whereof they spoke—men who have spent the best part of their lives in the work which Mr. Blake seems to take delight in belittling as much as possible.

Memorandum for the Board of Management of the M.S.C.C.

Certain statements concerning Indian work have been laid before the Board of Missions, by the Hon. S. H. Blake and others, to which exception has been taken by many whose long experience in dealing with Indians entitles them to speak. These statements* have also been published to a wide circle of readers, if not to the Church at large by being put into print and circulated either privately or in the minutes of the Board meetings to the great prejudice of the Indian cause and the misleading of the mind of the Church on this great question. In view of all this—there having been neither time nor opportunity allowed us for adequate consideration and protest at previous meetings—we desire to lay before the Mission Board at its April meeting the following protests and representations; and to claim for them the same degree of publicity which has been given to the statements in question.