

"Heathen in the Regions Beyond," the committee felt led to give very careful attention to this whole question, and the following is an extract of the report of a sub-committee appointed to deal with the matter, which was unanimously adopted by the executive, and which they are anxious should be made as public as possible:

1. The general policy of the C.C.M.A. is defined by its constitution and its connection with the C.M.S., viz.: "To take a part in the evangelization of the heathen and Mohaminedan world." This points the C.C.M.A. to the foreign field as its chief sphere of work, and can only incidentally include work among the settlers and the Christianized Indians of the Northwest.

2. The responsibilities of the Northwest missions fall upon the whole Canadian Church, and, while the members of the C.C.M.A. are most willing as individuals to bear their full share therein, the Association is precluded by its constitution from enlarging its work in the Northwest beyond such special and incidental cases as may in the future, as in the past, be laid upon it in the providence of God.

3. While adhering to this general policy, the C.C.M.A. will be glad to co-operate with bishops in the Northwest connected with the C.M.S. by examining candidates, and also, when possible, in equipping and sending them forth. It is ready, moreover, to receive, acknowledge, and forward money sent in for such workers when in the field, provided always that the Association is not held responsible for their support.

Since, however, the adoption of this report the subject has again been opened up, and at the earnest request of friends of Evangelical Church missions in the diocese of Rupert's Land arrangements have been made for the holding of a conference at an early date between the C.C.M.A. and chosen representatives from the Northwest. It is proposed at this conference that the whole question shall be gone into, and careful thought and prayer given to the question, what is best to be done in order to meet the solemn crisis which is imminent in the Church's mission work among the still heathen Indians of that vast district.

The Association under God's blessing now have eleven married and ten unmarried missionaries in the field; these together with the wives of the married men make a total number of Canadian missionaries in the field in connection with our work of thirty one—four of whom have gone out since our last annual meeting. These are now assisted in the work by a staff of twelve catechists and eight Bible women. All of these dear brethren and sisters are, in the opinion of the committee, doing good and telling work for the Lord, where He has appointed them to labour, and they bespeak for them from every friend of the Association continuous and believing prayer, and earnest practical sympathy.

Besides these who are now in active work in the field the Association has eighteen candidates at home; of these two have been accepted for immediate service, three are in training preparatory to their going out, and thirteen are still under our examination. There are in addition to these quite a number of offers of services in the foreign field, which the committee have not felt it right to accept.