

hold the place of counsellors. In passing we may remark that, when the number of Archbishops is increased, some better way of designating may be found than that of giving their title from the See which they happen to occupy. Such a peripatetic nomenclature of Archbishops is unknown to the Church, and is a very undesirable innovation. It might be well—if we cannot agree upon the old method of making one See permanently the Metropolitan See—to let the Archbishop keep his title of bishop, derived from his own See, and have a title of Archbishop from a larger area. For example, the same prelate might be Bishop of Kingston and Archbishop of Ontario. We have left ourselves no space to speak of other things, but this we may do more wisely when we have listened to the words of the members of this sacred Synod. May they have the blessing of God; and may their work for this Church appear speedily and after many days!

out? We doubt if the missionary is sufficiently held in honour, and yet there is no man who deserves it more. He has hard toil, a great deal of unclerical labour to perform; he has few books and little money, besides a large number of disadvantages to put up with unknown to his clerical brother in a town or city. Of course there are some compensations, and he generally very cheerfully makes the most of them. Sometimes, also, either from youthfulness, or inexperience, or temperament, he may find himself not altogether suited to his particular field of labour, and this through no fault of his own. His whole life may be saddened with a feeling of discouragement and sense of failure. We have a right to expect from him good, earnest work—we mean much teaching of Church doctrine and regular and reverently ordered services; we do not judge a man's success by the crowds he may gather together, but we have also the duty, in some substantial way, to

Such men might associate with themselves one or more clerical brothers, to assist in carrying on the Church's designs. Every missionary should be made to feel that he is keenly watched with kindly sympathy, and that his reward in due time is sure to come. It is most damaging in every way that a man should be allowed to think that because he gets on well and works his mission quietly, he is to be forgotten and left there for life. Let the good workers be promoted, let the bad ones, if there be any, change their ways, or be made to leave. A more thorough method of work may require more funds, but may we not hope to obtain better results by this greater carefulness, and may it not be a better course to have, if we are really forced to it, fewer missions, and have them worked more successfully and upon improved plans. For our part we believe it would, and that the spectacle of real success would so stimulate liberality that in the end we should have more mis-



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#### MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES.

The successful prosecution of the missionary work of the Church is of paramount importance. Its progress is eagerly watched by all earnest Church people, and where it is made calls forth their keenest interest and most generous sympathy. This implies, of course, that information has in some convincing way reached them. The question has never, strange to say, seemed to us to have received the full consideration it ought to have done at any of our Synods—we mean, the kind of consideration. Money grants may have been discussed, and missionaries may have had painful experiences with mission boards upon this subject, but apart from money, concerning which a missionary should have no anxiety, where has a Synod discussed to the full the wisest method of accomplishing the desired end, and then determined that no want of money shall prevent its being carried

show our appreciation, and make full application to him of St. Paul's teaching, "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double recompense." Are we not right in saying that our methods of doing mission work need an entire overhauling. Men of experience and learning should be encouraged to undertake it. The cruelty of sending a youth in deacon's orders, fresh from college, without experience and poorly trained, should be put a stop to. The missionary should not be expected to make bricks without straw. He should be supplied with the necessary means and appliances, with Church literature, and assisted, where possible, in establishing schools and in procuring teachers. He should be in priest's orders and chosen carefully for his especial work. He should be encouraged to avoid matrimony, and keep himself free from all hindrances and anxieties not pertaining to his spiritual office.

sions and more missionaries. A difficulty which ever meets Church effort is, that wherever she shows increased activity, the sects make tremendous and not always very honourable exertions to stultify her influence. This we should expect, and consequently would be prepared to exercise patience and give them who are working a reasonable time to produce the fruit of their labours. It is not showy and quick and only apparent results we desire, but solid growth, and a real, though perhaps slow development to a higher plane of the lives and morals of the people amongst whom they minister. We should be willing to wait long for the coming harvest, but we should expect to see some signs that it is coming.

—Take care of your secret life. Let it be such that you will not be ashamed to read it at the last great day.