

in action. With great heartiness the assembly offered the appointment of general secretary of home missions to the Rev. Edmison, of Kincardine, Ont. Mr. Edmison's fine work on the augmentation committee has proven his fitness for the position, and it is earnestly hoped that he will accept. An assistant to Dr. Carmichael is to be appointed for the work in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The synods are authorized to provide for the better supervision of the fields within their own bounds. Missionaries are to send monthly reports to the superintendents, and are to be paid in full monthly. All of which provides for a measure of oversight impossible before.

Many feel that all the branches of our home work should be unified. The ideal of one home work, meeting every need and adapting itself to every class and every condition, is before many minds. An important proposal was made in the assembly to amalgamate our French work with home missions. The various branches of our moral reform work is a phase of home missions. The war against evil is simply the negative side of the church's effort to save men. In home missions we seek to build up the Kingdom of God; in moral reform we try to tear down the kingdom of Satan. By establishing the church we win men to God and enlist them in His service; by fighting against wrong we seek to destroy those influences that ruin men. The one is largely vain without the other. Our efforts toward social reform aim to secure proper conditions for the church's activities, and to apply Christian principles to our corporate life. This year, rescue work and the city problem were handed over to this board, and last year evangelism was made one of its departments. For convenience sake these are placed under a separate committee, now called the "Board of Evangelism and Social Service," but really they are just departments of the one home work. It is not proposed to amalgamate them, but there should be the closest co-operation between them. The work among lumbermen and sailors requires special facilities, but it is home mission work of the most urgent kind. And when our leaders rise to the conception of the one home work adapting itself to all our needs, the strongest appeal possible will be made to the church's sympathy and benevolence.

The place of the colleges in the church's missions was recognized as never before. Without the training and inspiration that they give, all the rest is vain. And of all the church's schools of learning, none is helping to solve the problems of its constituency more effectually than our own Westminster Hall.