

decision of the meeting to reserve to the W. A. the designation of its funds, and promised to do all that with him lay always to help the W. A. with his counsel and prayers.

The special thank offering for the consolidation of the Church in Canada was then brought to His Lordship, who read the text inscribed on the envelopes. The amount of this thank offering was \$277, and in connection with this, the President wishes the Branches to be told that *if any have not as yet contributed to this thank offering, or are desirous or able to do a little more, they can send their offerings to the Diocesan Treasurer up to the end of August.* In the afternoon the first matter taken up was the Question Drawer, the questions leading up to an animated and instructive discussion relative to the details of mission work. In answer to one asking information about our Lady Missionary in Japan, Miss Montizambert, the General Secretary, read a letter from Miss Smith, telling that the Japanese Government had asked her to take the direction of the Japanese Red Cross Society. To the question "How to increase interest in a Branch?" was replied "Try a plentiful distribution of missionary literature, and get your members to invite non-members to accompany them to the Branch meetings." After some discussion, it was moved and carried that the *membership cards*, for which there has hitherto been a charge of rocts for seniors, and 5cts. for juniors, should henceforward be given free of charge to every member, on payment of her first Diocesan fee, a change which was warmly welcomed by all. Miss Mortizambert, the General Secretary, gave much valuable information, and Mrs. Tilley spoke earnestly on the need of undertaking all the work in a spirit of prayer.

Woodstock was named as the place of meeting of the Board of Management next October.

A touching incident of the afternoon was the presentation by His Lordship the Bishop, in behalf of St. Paul's W.A. Branch and Sunday School, of a life membership certificate to Miss Cross, in token of their appreciation of her loving service among them. At half-past four the children of the Mission bands of the London Branches were marshalled into the hall, carrying their banners and singing. The various Presidents of these Mission bands are to be most heartily congratulated on their success in training their little ones. The order and attention of the large gathering was simply wonderful. After a few introductory words from the Bishop of the Diocese to the children they were addressed by the Bishop of Moosonee, who gave them a graphic description of his great northern Diocese, where there are neither horses nor roads, and of the hardships and terrible isolation endured by his devoted missionaries. Resolutions of thanks were tendered to the Dean and Chapter, to the organist and choir, to the ladies of London for their most graceful hospitality accorded to the delegates, and a resolution of condolence to the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart,