

1892 Epiphany.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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Epiphany Appeal.

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REVEREND SIR,—It is our desire that this address, from the Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada be read, as a sermon or otherwise, in the hearing of every congregation in our dioceses on Sunday, January 3rd, 1892; and that the offerings of the people on the following Sunday be given to Foreign Missions.

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To the Reverend, the Clergy, and the Congregations of the Church of England in Canada :

DEAR BRETHREN,—The great Festival of the Epiphany which we are now called upon to celebrate, should not only fill us with gratitude for the mercies of the past, but stimulate us with renewed zeal for the future. The limits of our thankfulness to God for having revealed His Son to us, will always be the measure of our desire to make him known to others. The only Festivals, which are not merely local, but which include in their vast design all peoples, languages, empires, and states of the world, are those of our holy religion. The Festivals of our Lord are for all mankind ; as He died for the world, so Epiphany embraces the world ; celebrating, as it does, the close of her long ages of impenetrable gloom, and the dawn of that brighter day when the Sun of Righteousness arose, A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of His people Israel. The moral gloom of the world, however, is not mere ignorance—not that mere midnight darkness, which, though never so