

3. That the same Committee as that of last year, consisting of Right Rev. the Bishops of Niagara and Toronto, the Archdeacon of Kingston, and Rev. Rural Dean Pollard, be re-appointed, and requested to draw up the Sunday School appeal, and lay it before the next meeting of this Board.

4. That the interim appropriation for Domestic Missions be the same as last spring, and that the treasurer be authorized to make advances on that basis.

5. That a grant of \$150 be made towards the current expenses of the Board, and that a further amount of \$150 as an honorarium be voted for the Secretary.

6. That the next meeting of the Board be held in Montreal.

7. That the Secretary be requested to enquire what steps have been taken towards commencing work among the Chinese in the diocese of Columbia, towards which a grant of \$500 was made.

8. That in reply to what the Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle says as to the name and objects of this Board, the Secretary point out to his Lordship that these questions can not be dealt with by this Society, but should properly be submitted to the Provincial Synod.

9. That the Board do apply to the Secretary of S. P. G. for suggestions as to the truest way of providing for the expenses of Rev. J. G. Waller as a married missionary, without incurring the risk of such trouble as must arise from the Canadian missionaries on the list of S. P. G. receiving a higher stipend than the missionaries placed by the S. P. G. on its own list. That the Secretary do state that the Board is most anxious to do no injustice to Mr. Waller, whose difficulties are attributable to oversight on their part, and at the same time to cause no inconvenience to the S. P. G. by following out a course different from that indicated by their regulations.

10. That the expenses of the Bishops during their visits to the Eastern Provinces be taken out of the General Fund.

11. That the lady teachers and missionaries, at present engaged in the Northwest under the pay of the Woman's Auxiliaries of the various dioceses, be and the same are hereby recognized as missionaries of this Board.

12. That the Secretary do communicate to the several diocesan branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, the respectful, earnest desire of the Board of Management, that they should seek to extend and promote the circulation of the "Canadian Church Magazine and Mission News," published monthly by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada—that the Secretary do also inform them of the success which has attended the efforts in this direction, of the Woman's Auxiliary in Ottawa, and indicate the readiness of the Board to make the Magazine the medium of conveying the interesting information now set forth in the leaflets issued by the Woman's Auxiliary, should they at any time be led to desire such an arrangement.

13. That it be an instruction to the Secretary, to print the minutes of each half-yearly meeting on a slip, to be forwarded to all the members of the Board for their information, with a view to sustain the interest that should exist in the working of the Board.

14. That in view of the great importance of Indian work, and the need of its better recognition, and for more accurate information, a Committee be appointed to consider the subject, and report at the next meeting of the Board.

15. That the application of Miss Sherlock for a position as medical missionary at Japan, she having complied with the prescribed requirements of the Board, be accepted by this Board, and that the Woman's Auxiliary be requested to undertake the necessary expense, viz., not less than \$600 per annum, together with outfit and travelling expenses to her place of destination, and that the Secretary communicate with the Woman's Auxiliary in regard to the same.

16. That the salaries of all missionaries accepted by the Board commence from the date of arrival at their posts of labour, according to the requirements of the S. P. G.

17. That every candidate for employment by the Board do furnish the Secretary for submission to the Board a certificate from some medical man of good standing that he has examined the candidate, and that his or her constitution and health are such as to fit him or her for the strain of the work to be undertaken, and of the climate of the country to which he or she may be going.

PARIS.—The Lenten, Holy Week and Easter services were well attended in this parish. On Easter Day ninety persons communicated, and the offertory in church and Sunday school was \$66. The annual Easter vestry meeting was held on Easter Tuesday and adjourned to Monday, April 18th. The rector's warden, H. Stroud; people's warden, P. H. Cox.

The finance statement showed total receipts to be \$1,797, a large increase over the previous year. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the rector and church wardens for their services, as well as to the choir, Sunday school teachers, and other church workers. A Young People's Association has been formed; another parish enters upon another year encouraged by the past and hopeful of still better things in the future.

ALGOMA.

NORTH BAY.—The Ruri-Decanal Chapter of Parry Sound and Nipissing will be held in this town on April 29th and 30th. The Rev. L. Sinclair, whose mission of Ilfracombe was formerly in the Rural Deanery of Parry Sound, has been kindly invited, but will be unable to attend, chiefly on account of service to be held in St. John the Baptist's church at Ravenscliffe on the first of May, followed by the May Queen Festivity, instituted for the first time by the Rev. L. Sinclair in that portion of the world.

RAVENSCLEFFE.—On Saturday, April 14, the Easter Vestry was held in St. John the Baptist's church at 11 a.m. There was a large attendance, and the meeting appointed Mr. Wm. Clarke secretary *pro tem.*, and Mr. Sharp, auditor. The following appointments were made: Mr. George Tipper re-elected clergyman's warden; Mr. Isaac Hopkins, people's warden; and Mr. Wm. Clarke, vestry clerk. The Rev. L. Sinclair expressed his thanks to all who had held office during the past year, and his appreciation of Mr. John Tipper, Sunday-school superintendent and choir master; also Mr. Brook, organist, and he trusted that the same harmony would ever continue in the congregation as formerly.

British and Foreign.

Mission Notes.

AFRICA.—The Rev. W. F. Puller, S. S. J. E., recently elected to the Bishopric of Zululand, has declined the office of bishop owing to prior engagements in the order to which he belongs, from which his superior was unwilling to release him. The Board of Managers U. S. Mission have appropriated \$900 towards fitting up an episcopal residence recently purchased for Bishop Ferguson at Monrovia, Liberia.

EQUATORIAL AFRICA.—During the fifteen years of missionary effort in Equatorial Africa, no missionary has died in the country itself, but many have died on the way thither through malaria, heat and fatigue of travelling through dense jungles and encounter with hostile tribes during the three months journey. Of the first eight men sent by the C. M. S., four died on the way, and of the seven who recently accompanied Bishop Tucker, four died before Uganda was reached. The railway now being built from Mombasa to Uganda, will be of great service in the extension of mission work in this field. The Rev. R. P. Ashe returns in May to Uganda, where he laboured long and successfully with another clergyman and a physician; six or eight more men are asked for to go with them. The Rev. Mr. Gordon, writing from Uganda before the arrival of Bishop Tucker, says that the Christians have finished their new church, eighty feet long, and that the services were well attended and heartily joined in; many are seeking baptism. The Baptismal service for adults is already translated, and is used as a basis for teaching. Meanwhile translation of the Holy Scriptures is in progress. The Rev. Mr. Walker writes of the great kindness shown him by native Christians during his illness. We learn from the C. M. S. *Gleaner* that two letters have been received from Bishop Tucker since his arrival at his mission. The first dated Usam-biro, Oct. 19th, was received on 24th January. The Bishop and his six companions were in excellent health. He writes enthusiastically of the prospects and of the eagerness of the people for instruction. He asks the Society for twenty men, but could place forty if he had them. He says, "From all I hear of Uganda, the whole country is literally thirsting for instruction. . . . To give you an idea . . . I need only say that a man will willingly work for three months for a single copy of the Swahili Testament." Fortunately he brought with him from Zanzibar 250 copies of this and other books—parts of the Scriptures, the Kiswahili Prayer Book, etc. The second letter received February 2, brought news of the sad deaths of some of the party, and the Bishop himself was recovering from a third attack of African fever. It may interest our readers to know what the late missionary, Mr. Mackay, says of Stanley's intercourse with the natives. In a letter inserted in his memoir, he writes: "Wherever I find myself in track, in Uganda, Ugogo, or even in Ukerewe itself, I find his treatment of the natives

has invariably been such as to win from them the highest respect for the face of a white man."

WUCHANG.—This is the capital of Hupeh, one of the 18 provinces of China, and is 600 miles up the great river, Yang-tze. Besides other branches of work there is here a Woman's Hospital, at present not in operation; the Jane Bohlen School for girls and the work among the older women. The school has accommodation for 16 girls, and was full until two were recently removed by death. A Chinese matron resides in the building. The girls are taught to read and write in Chinese, and are also taught in other subjects in their own language, and various domestic accomplishments as well as Christianity. They have morning and evening prayer, the former in the school room at 7.30 a.m., and the latter in the church at 4.30 p.m. Girls who are betrothed to the heathen are not received in the school, as they once were, because the young married women are, by the custom of the country, under the complete control of a mother-in-law, who being usually a heathen, would persecute them or cause them to lapse from Christianity, or otherwise exercise a baleful influence upon them. On leaving school they are no doubt, in so far as they have the power of choice, which is very limited when parents are living, encouraged to choose husbands from among the Christian converts, for the lady missionary, Mrs. F. R. Graves, says, "To the young Christian families, just beginning to grow up around us, we look most hopefully for the fruit of many years' work." There are now some 40 women communicants, of whom about 30 are faithful, and receive the Holy Communion regularly. Rev. Mr. Graves has a valued assistant in Mr. Wang, a deacon. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Sowerby, formerly at this station, are now working at I-Chang, a new and trying field, 1,100 miles from the coast.

Correspondence.

All Letters containing personal allusions will appear over the signature of the writer.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

N. B.—If any one has a good thought, or a Christian sentiment, or has facts, or deductions from facts, useful to the Church, and to Churchmen, we would solicit their statement in brief and concise letters in this department.

The Cottage Hospital for Springhill Mines.

SIR,—I gratefully acknowledge the following additional list of subscriptions: Rev. J. A. Kaulbach, collection from St. John's church, Truro, \$9.55; Rev. P. J. Filleul, collection from Weymouth, \$20; A Quebec clergyman, \$3; Rev. F. D. Brooks, collection from Barkersville, B.C., \$6.20; total \$38.75. Full total from Canada, \$568.94. Amount required, \$4,000. This week we received from a lady in the United States the sum of \$186, the proceeds of a Browning Reading in her parlour. The lady was a Unitarian. We hope that many in our own communion may be stirred up to follow her generous example for this needed cottage hospital.

W. CHAS. WILSON.

Springhill Mines, N.S., April 22nd, 1891.

Itinerary of the Clergy.

LETTER II.

SIR,—I beg to refer to other causes than itineracy, such as is adoptable by our Church, tending to the increase in numbers and influence of Methodists, noted by Mr. Ransford. Besides the army of young men looking forward to full connection in the so-called ministry of that body, there is the still larger number of local preachers, a class of men whom their brethren now call laymen in contradistinction to the circuit preachers—a distinction, truly, without a difference, according to the Church ordinal, as well as the recorded judgment of Mr. Wesley, their reputed founder. The influence of those local preachers was, especially in the early days of Canadian Methodism, a mighty factor in the material and numerical aggrandisement of the sect. The regular Methodist preachers were in their generation, and are still, wiser than the children of superior attainments, and chose for local preachers men prominent in their sphere, and ambitious of asserting the personal influence which the position afforded them among their neighbours. Drawn from the farming, trade and mercantile classes, the more wealthy and self-assertive the better, their *quasi* ministerial character generally served the double purpose of securing trade custom for themselves, and of furthering the interests of their denomination. They usually assumed a clerical role such as no Church layman