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Collections, Subscriptions and Juvenile Offerings.

THE General Conference, recognizing the fact that the average annual givings of the Methodists of Canada for missions (about eighty-one cents per member) is far below the Church's ability, has authorized the General Board to issue a call for \$250,000 for the present year from subscriptions, collections and juvenile offerings alone. This will still be less than \$1.00 per member, and is quite within the possibilities. The result will not be reached by the large givings of the few, but by the smaller givings of the many. Now is the time for everyone, young or old, rich or poor, to do *something*, and let that something be done in view of the benefits we have received from on high. The need is great. All our missionaries are subject this year to heavy discounts off their none too large stipends, and officers of the Society have volunteered equally heavy reductions of their own allowances; while open doors, which we are not able to enter, confront us on every side. Surely this is a time when everyone who is called by His Name should "come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

The Annual Reports.

SPECIAL attention is called to the fact that by a change in the Constitution of the Missionary Society made at the recent General Conference, only those persons who pay annually *five* dollars and upward, or collect annually ten dollars and upward will be entitled to a free copy of the General Report. The Report for 1893-94 is being pushed rapidly to completion, and will be shipped to the various circuits at the earliest possible date.

Missionary Day.

ON recommendation of the Committee on Missions, the General Conference designated the first Sunday in October in each year as "Missionary Day," except in Newfoundland, where, to meet local circumstances, it will be the last Sunday in October; Children's Missionary Day will be the last Sunday in December. Now in some cases—perhaps many—it may not be convenient to have the Missionary Anniversary on the first Sunday in October; but it is quite practicable to make that date Missionary Day so far as sermons, addresses and prayers are concerned. And will not there be something inspiring in the thought that on one day in the year the theme in all our churches, from Halifax to Victoria, will be world-wide missions? Wherever practicable, collections and subscriptions may be taken up, and in a year or two most of our churches may adopt the first Sunday in October for their regular Missionary Anniversary.

Young Folk, Attention!

WE are often asked by Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues, etc., to indicate some special object to which their missionary contributions can be applied, and we have endeavored to meet their wishes. We can now accommodate a few more. In the estimates from West China for the present year we find the following:

For support of four boys \$100.00.

This means that our missionaries have opened several schools in Chentu, which are attended by a number of children whose parents are in well-to-do circumstances, but some are very poor. Two have been taken into Rev. Mr. Hartwell's home, and are supported by Rev. D. V. Lucas, M.A., but many more could be taken in if our missionaries had the means. One hundred dollars in gold, at present rate of exchange, will support from four to six boys for one year. Who will undertake to support one boy?

Help for Missionary Meetings.

MANY brethren are asking help for their missionary meetings. To such we would say that Dr. Macdonald, Mr. Cassidy and Mr. Satoh return immediately to Japan, and will not be available. Dr. Eby expects to spend most of the time between now and Christmas, in the North-West, but