

His work in the world. Your Board would respectfully submit that the true missionary is one who is sent by God through his Church, not one who chooses his own field and will consent to go to it only.

4. THE CANADIAN CHURCH MISSIONARY MAGAZINES.

No intelligent interest in missionary work can by any possibility be kept up amongst those who never hear or read about it. The clergymen and laymen who long that the Blessed Saviour's desire for the heathen and the utmost part of the earth should be accomplished, will do all they can to get people to take an intelligent interest in the Church's work of evangelizing the world. Our magazines will help in this if they are only read.

The Missionary Magazine will, as in the past, show the progress of the Church's work both in Foreign and Domestic Field. Its tabulated statements will also exhibit the advance which is being made in each Diocese and every one of its congregations in response to the Epiphany and Ascension-tide appeals, and in their annual subscriptions to either or to both, and in their efforts through the Woman's Auxiliary. The impression certainly prevails in some quarters, and is being encouraged in others, that too much is being expected and asked for, and that our congregations are sending too much money out of their own parishes and dioceses. There is no ground whatever for this impression. It has no real foundation. There is far more room for dreading that we are withdrawing more than is meet, with the necessary penalty of impoverishing our own souls, our parishes and dioceses.

MISSIONARY TO THE KLONDYKE.

In April last your Board appropriated \$400 to supplement the grant of £200 from the S.P.G. towards the expenses of sending a Missionary to minister to the miners, under the Right Rev. Dr. Bompas, Bishop of Selkirk. The Rev. W. G. Lyon, who had laboured in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, was selected. The outlay on the necessary outfit, which included a large tent for holding services, was very large, exceeding the full amount of the S.P.G. grant and your Board's appropriation; so that Mr. Lyon had to meet some \$900 additional.

It will distress all the members of the Society to learn that on the 24th of June the Rev. W. G. Lyon and his servant were both drowned in Lake Lebarge.

The Society will no doubt convey to Mr. Lyon's family and friends the expression of its deep sympathy.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR MISSIONS.

In conclusion, your Board desires to impress upon the minds and consciences of all, the duty and value of intercessory prayer in behalf of

Missions by all the members of the Church, and this they cannot do better than in the words of the Foreign Committee of the Lambeth Conference held in 1897, which are as follows:—

"The first duty of the Church is Intercession. The observance of a special Day of Intercession in connection with the Festival of St. Andrew appears to have led to a considerable increase in the personal offers for missionary work. Your Committee desires to urge upon the whole Church the urgent duty of making these days of Intercession a reality in every diocese and every parish, and they desire to commend for the general private use the admirable noontide missionary prayers drawn up for the use of the Sister Church of America."

LIFE WITHOUT DEVOTION.

To attempt to lead the spiritual life without devotion is even a greater mistake than to go apart from our duties in order to lead it. Our flying on God's errands will be unhallowed flight, if we do not first secretly adore Him in our hearts. A prayerless day of hard work consecrated by no holy meditation—O what a dull, plodding, tramping day it is! How do we spend money in such a day for that which is not bread, and our labor for that which satisfieth not! How does God in such a day deal with us as with the Egyptians of old, taking off the chariot wheels from our work so that we drive it heavily.—*Dean Goulbourn.*

THE LABORERS ARE FEW.

 THE Mission at Ranaghat, Bengal, North India, carried on by Mr. J. Monro, C.B., and several members of his family, is doing a good work in reaching many who come from miles around for medical relief. The following paragraph from the report of the Mission brings home the very great need for more workers:—

"During the year we have been able to preach to above 35,000 people at the dispensary and in camp, and to pay 242 visits to ninety-four villages, besides visiting various quarters of the town of Ranaghat on eighty-four occasions. We may say that within the last two years we have given the Gospel message to about one-fifth of the area which forms our 'parish.' This means that in ten years, if the Lord tarry, the whole of the villages in the Ranaghat Mission will have been systematically visited and preached in. A series of visits paid to each village only once in ten years! notwithstanding constant unremitting exertion on the part of every one of the Mission staff. Does not this emphasize our repeated call for more laborers to come over and help us, the call to which every year the Church of Christ pays but scant attention? What would be thought of the state of a parish in Christian England which could only be visited throughout its limits *once in ten years* by its pastor and his assistants?"—*Awake.*