

men in the foreign field to-day whom many of us never saw, and yet we love them, and would be proud to support them as our representatives. Those who know him believe Mr. McRae is such a man.

There is no reason to think that our students will ever regret the step now taken. On the other hand if it receives the sympathy and support of the church, it must inevitably serve to deepen the interest in the mission that led to it; and if our church succeeds in training a ministry in living touch with the foreign work the present difficulties of raising funds will be unknown.

Yet the Foreign Mission Board was doubtless wise in deferring its decision for the present. It could not well do otherwise. On the one hand when a man is possessed of a burning desire to go to a needy people with the glad tidings, who could raise his hand to prevent him because of money needed in addition to his salary? On the other hand there is a matter in which the whole church is responsible and should speak. It is not a question of whether our people think the appointment should be made. It is the personal question to each one: are you willing to bear your share of the additional expenses of the mission?

At the last meeting of Synod the great majority of the members felt that it was the duty of the church to undertake work in Korea. Have those members gone home to their people and told them why they felt it their duty? Have all the members of our church an intelligent knowledge of this mission? It is feared not. Nowhere has its claims been clearly presented without a response.

We now humbly and earnestly appeal to our ministers to present clearly and forcibly to their people the question now before the Foreign Mission Board. Unless this is done it is in vain to look for any increase in contributions. We cannot doubt but the people would respond liberally if the situation were understood. We sincerely hope that our ministers, by indifference or negligence, will not take the unenviable responsibility of checking the movement begun, at least in sincerity and earnestness, to lead the benighted out of the dark into the Light.