

out of season, and deserve hearty commendation. But why so few? There must surely be *one member in each congregation* who can afford one day in two months to devote to the work of the Church. Our system is democratic enough, if only the people would exercise their privileges to the full.

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The plea for a chance to be given to the younger men of the Presbytery to do their "bit" on the committees was a strong one, and cannot be despised. Even a Presbytery can become fossilized. The peril of all churches, irrespective of denomination, is emasculation, not only in faith, but also in methods. We are striving to escape this peril. We will succeed, if our fathers and brethren recognize that this is the age of young men in the Church as well as elsewhere.

Another Correspondent Writes:

The sincere sympathy, not only of the Kamloops Presbytery, but of the whole Synod of British Columbia goes out to the Rev. J. A. Dow and family of Enderby, whose home was burned to the ground a short time ago. Father and mother and son were badly burned, while a daughter, Helen, 13 years of age, was burned to death. Mr. Dow, whose first charge was in Gravenhurst, Ontario, is one of the strong men of our Synod. He was settled in Rossland for some years, then in Powell River for a time prior to his call to Enderby. He graduated from Toronto University in 1893, and from Knox College in 1896. It is earnestly hoped that the afflicted family will soon be completely restored and that the consolation of our Heavenly Father may be theirs in their sad bereavement.

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Rev. Alex. Mogee, one of our old time missionaries in British Columbia, is in charge of the North Bend Mission field, which comprises North Bend, Keefers, Lytton and Spence's Bridge, along the line of the C. P. R. The depletion of the student ranks through recruiting is calling all our experienced men available into the great missionary service of the Western Church.

The unusually prolonged severe winter is taxing ministers and missionaries throughout the province to maintain regular services at their country stations. The conditions are similar to that of early days in Ontario.

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Rev. J. H. White, of Eburne, (Chaplain of the 54th Kootenay Battalion), in a recent letter from Bramshott, says: "It is the same dull routine here as in Vernon. Drill from morning to night, bomb throwing, trench digging, bayonet exercises, anything that will train men to kill the Huns and kill them quickly. We will likely be here