

Burn, brother of the Bishop of Qu'Appelle. In the south, the branch at Bournemouth is putting forth fresh leaves and will, we hope, bear good fruit. Some day the General Secretary hopes to visit all the branches, but tied hitherto by illness and now by the care (single-handed) of a parish he is unable to accomplish this desire. There are one or two points that he desires to set before the members of the Association, especially to those who kindly act as Secretaries and Correspondents.

(1) That the primary object of the Association is to promote a habit of prayer not only for Qu'Appelle, but for the Foreign Missions of the Church at large. We believe that a prayer followed by a penny is better than a penny linked or dis-linked, as the case may be, with prayer, and in order to carry out this idea practically, the Secretary would suggest that the prayer for the Mission should be used at family prayer, say on Wednesday and Friday. The "Cuddesdon Book of Intercessory Prayer" also contains beautiful collects, and our own "Manual" (price 4d.) might also be occasionally used. Then if an offertory be right at public worship, why should it not be right at family prayer, which, be it said, is the oldest of all forms of public worship? A nice embroidered bag might be made and kept for the purpose, and one of the members of the household in turn might take it round. Supposing only a few pence were collected at a time, it would amount to a goodly sum at the end of the year, and above all it would be accompanied with the prayer and praise of thankful hearts for the blessings and benefits of religion in our own country.

(2) The enlisting of the interest and work of children. The sooner children are taught to work and to pray for others the better. And in whom ought they to feel a deeper interest than in their own brothers and sisters across the sea, not to mention the colonies of foreigners, Poles, Hungarians, Norwegians, Russians and the tribes of Indians who are now becoming leavened with the knowledge of what God in Christ has done for them. Boys' (private) schools and girls' schools are almost always ready (if their masters and mistresses are willing) to work with enthusiasm for a sale or a mission parcel. But a word of caution is needed in giving boxes to children. Children are good, but not judicious beggars; and it is a question whether the boxes should not be kept exclusively for their own efforts at self-denial. The writer knows of three little girls who took boxes for building a Chapel for the use of workhouse inmates. They were filled again and again with farthings earned at their own lessons, and which they had up to that time spent in sweets for each other.

(3) As to the transmission of money. It is always safer wherever