

The Mission Field (S.P.G.) for March has an interesting and well-illustrated article on the Cree Indians, by the Rev. Owen Owens, missionary at St Luke's, Touchwood Hills, in the diocese of Qu'Appelle. It also gives the amount of the income of the S.P.G. for the year 1894. The total income of the society from collections, subscriptions, legacies, dividends, and appropriated contributions was £122,327 1s. 4d., or \$595,732.81. This exceeds the income of the previous year by \$45,038, the increase being accounted for under the head of legacies. The collections, subscriptions, etc., were not as large as the previous year by \$4,622.

THE new edition of an Ojibway and English Hymnal, which is being brought out by the Rev. J. Jacobs, missionary to the Walpole Island Indians, will be ready for issue in April. It will have the Ojibway and English version of each hymn on confronting pages, and will, therefore, be most useful to Indian congregations where both languages are spoken, and in those missions where English-speaking people attend the Indian services. The hymns are arranged according to the seasons of the Christian year, and include also hymns for nearly all occasions. Many orders have already been received for the new hymnal from many distant places in the Northwest, the Ojibway language being largely spoken there.

MONEY is sorely needed for the Canadian mission at or in connection with Nagano, Japan. The staff engaged upon the work at present are the Rev. J. G. Waller, Rev. F. W. Kennedy, Rev. Masazo Kakuzen, and Miss L. Paterson. Miss Jennie C. Smith, now at Kobe, will be moved almost immediately to Nagano, to assist Mr. Waller with her valuable medical and nursing training and experience. But money is greatly needed to support this mission. Special contributions will be gladly received for it by Rev. Dr. Mockridge, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada.

APPEALS for the Societies for the Conversion of the Jews are made at this time of the year. It is a work which, though professedly discouraging, as far as statistics go, should not be abated. The original converts to Christianity were made chiefly from among the Jews. Why can not a similar work be done now? It surely will be done in time. The work expended upon them has not been lost, and the prayers and energies of Christian people should not be relaxed on their behalf. The collections on Good Friday will be asked for, as usual, for

this object, and contributions so made will be gladly received by the London Society for the Conversion of the Jews, or the more recent association known as the Parochial Mission to the Jews. Of the former, the Rev. J. J. Hill secretary, and of the latter, the Rev. Canon Cayley, both of Toronto.

OBITUARY.

The death of the Rev. H. W. Davies, D.D., which took place in Toronto, on Tuesday, March 19th, removed a well-known clergyman and educationist of Canada. Born in Ogdensburg, N.Y., he was educated in Canada, taking his degrees at Trinity University, Toronto. He was the first, if we mistake not, to take the degrees of B.D. and D.D. in Trinity University by examination. He is best known in Canada as an educationist, having taught in the Grammar School at Cornwall, Ont., and in the Normal School, Toronto, of which institution he was Principal for upwards of fifteen years. While in this position he wrote his little treatise on English grammar, known as "Davies Grammar," which has been extensively used as a text-book both in Canada and the United States. He was the author also of other books of the same kind, designed to assist students in their examinations. Dr. Davies was always ready to assist clergymen in clerical work when his educational duties would permit of it, and, when he preached, his sermons were always listened to with attention. He died at the age of sixty-one, having for several years retired from public, active duties. His cheery manner and genial words will be missed by all who were accustomed to meet him.

NAGANO, JAPAN.

REPORT OF THE CANADIAN MISSION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1894.

THE first year's record of work in Nagano was one of unexpected prosperity. The second year has been one of steady growth and development, and more prosperous than the first. Baptisms are a poor criterion by which to judge of the influence and success of mission work; but when Nagano is measured even by this rule, we have great cause to be thankful. In our first year we had eleven baptized, and in this, our second, there have been thirty-six. But whereas the eleven of the first year were comprised of adults only, this year's number includes twelve children. Children of heathen parents are not permitted baptism, as there would be no guarantee that they