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The Record Although the RECORD office is in a sunny spot, the cheering words and large orders are adding no little to its brightness. From an outpost in Vancouver Island a minister writes, "The RECORD is much appreciated in this *Ultima thule* of the Dominion." Thanks brother.

But there is one thing that Solomon did not know about, or he would have added another to those that are never satisfied, viz, the order book of a magazine.

Many families throughout the church do not yet take the RECORD. It should be in every Presbyterian home in the Dominion, to keep all in touch with our church work at Home and abroad. Parcels of the January number cannot now be furnished, but samples of February issue in any quantity will be sent free to all who wish them. Please date new orders from February to December, at 22 cents, in parcels, to one address.

The reason for keeping *The Children's Record* before the attention of our readers, is, that it is the only periodical published specially for our own young people. The interest and activity of our church, a dozen or twenty years hence, depends in large measure upon the way in which the children of to-day are taught and trained. If the literature provided for them keeps the work of our missions before them, their knowledge and interest will then be much greater. The General Assembly is seeking to provide in some measure for this by the publication *The Children's Record*, and, as loyal well-wishers, both of our own young people, of the church we love, of the land we live in, and of the progress of Christ's kingdom in the regions beyond, we should further the Assembly's effort by doing what we can, in this as in other ways, to train the young for the work which they are soon to take up and carry on. The progress since it was started is quite encouraging, the circulation is increasing, but there is a wide unoccupied field yet before it which it is desirous to fill. Sample parcels of any size will be sent free on application.

The duty of giving, and how to give, are constantly emphasized. "Where to give, gets less attention, and a word regarding it may not be out of place. As a church we have undertaken a large number of branches of work at home and abroad. For each branch, committees have been appointed, who give freely a great deal of patient care and attention to their respective departments, and, as a rule, the best disposal that can be made of our gifts is to put them into the General Fund, and leave it to the wisdom of the committee in charge of that fund, to apply the gifts as they may see best. For example, if we wish to give to Foreign Missions, it is better, as a rule, to contribute to the General Fund, than to give it to any special worker or field. The same is true of Home Missions, French Evangelization, etc. Give to the fund, and the committee in charge of it, that knows best all the needs of all the fields, will disburse the gift to better advantage than can the giver, whose attention may have been called to the special needs of some particular field. This method of giving cultivates in the giver, a broader, more Christ-like spirit than does any other, and it does more good with the gift, because, on the whole, there is a wiser administration of it.

It is just a century since Protestant mission work was begun in India. Twenty years ago a great conference was held at Allahabad of all the missionaries in India. Ten years ago the second was held at Calcutta, and, a few weeks since, the third great Decennial Conference of missionaries was held at Bombay. There were over five hundred missionaries present. The subjects discussed were:—"Work among the Depressed Classes and Masses;" "Social and Legal Rights of Native Christians: Marriage and Divorce;" "The Native Church in India—its Organization and Support;" "The Religious Training of the Young;" "The Jesuit Advance in India;" "Temperance;" "Work Among the Educated Classes of India;" "Work Among Women;" "The Native Church—the Training and Position of its Ministry;" "Education as a Missionary Agency;" "Industrial Work;" "Plan of Uniform Missionary Statistics;" "The Observance of the Lord's Day in India;" "Public Morals in India;" "The Social Condition of the Lower Classes;" "Missionary Comity;" "Work Among Anglo Indians and Eurasians," and "Christian Literature." The papers introducing each subject of discussion were printed in advance and held as read. Opening speakers were limited to fifteen minutes each and others to five minutes.