

many columns to healing the breaches in the walls of Christendom?

The story of the Moravians, who dreamed, not all in vain, of a *unitas fratrum*, is still blazoned bright on the pages of Christian chronicles. They too turned away from the Babal and Bedlam of a Christianity that 'cometh with observation,' and sought to found a Freemasonry that should be peacefully rich in Christian 'charity,' while it served as the one rule, as it were, of their Order. 'By their fruits ye shall know them.' By this test all men knew that the Moravians were subjects of the Kingdom that is not of this world. But the Moravians seemed to many to have been too local and circumscribed, and so a year or two ago a Welsh squire, who had formerly been a clergyman in the Church of England, felt that an effort might be made anew to try and propagate the principle of the essential 'unity of brethren,' if on wider lines. A somewhat similar idea had already struck a young Manchester clergyman, and under the stimulus of the following circumstances. A few young girls in the course of an evening's gossip made, without malice aforethought, some uncharitable and untruthful remarks. This led one of them to exclaim, 'How very unchristian we have been!' and they eventually determined to unite 'in an endeavour to be truthful and charitable in their language about others.' The watchfulness induced by this practice was found eventually to create an unconscious habit of obedience to this rule of love. And so naturally out of this success sprang, in a larger body, a larger effort to be loyal to the spirit of Christ in other things than language, and the *Christian Kingdom Society* came into being.

The card of membership only requires of members that they shall 'endeavour, in all things, to render faithful and loyal obedience to the spirit of Christ.' This is the one rule of an Order that does not compel allegiance to any particular religious communion. Voluntary submission to this rule, and recognition of our common brotherhood—this is the sole passport to entering the Order. 'Whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is My brother, and My Sister, and My mother.' But their aims are not only those of cloistered holiness, but, besides personal holiness, each member is urged to promote, so far as in him lies, national righteousness and a 'spirit of sympathy and unity amongst Christians.' There are already, after some two years' unostentatious work, some five hundred members enrolled at 4 Ludgate Circus Buildings; and this particular Society cannot help growing, and spreading, and leavening. But its principle of Christian Freemasonry—the sign and bond of 'charity'—is but a republication of a neglected law of the kingdom. And till Church and Creed live up to and by this, it will still be possible for the world to re-echo the taunt of Julian the Apostate, 'See how those Christians love one another!'—E. G. O'D. in *Church Bells*.

—Prayer is the outlet of the saints' sorrow, and the inlet of their supports and comforts.—Flavel.

Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

DOMINION.

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, met in the Synod Hall, on the 11th of April. Among those present were the Bishops of Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Huron and Niagara, Rev. Dr. Mockridge, general secretary; Mr. J. J. Mason, general treasurer; Rev. A. A. Von Iffland, Judge Hemming, Captain Carter, of the diocese of Quebec; Rev. Canon Dumoulin, Rev. J. D. Cayley, Mr. A. H. Campbell, diocese of Toronto; Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, Rev. Canon Belcher, Mr. L. H. Davidson, Q.C., diocese of Montreal; Ven. Archdeacon Bedford-Jones, Rev. E. P. Crawford, Judge Reynolds, diocese of Ontario; Mr. Henry McLaren, diocese of Niagara. Letters of regret at unavoidable absence were read from the Bishop of Ontario and a number of clergymen.

Mr. J. J. Mason, general treasurer, read a statement showing the receipts from 18th September, 1887, till 9th April, 1888, to have been:—

	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Total.
Huron	\$790	\$865	\$1,658
Niagara	947	211	1,158
Toronto	1,580	2,726	3,306
Ontario	1,578	752	2,331
Montreal	427	803	1,231
Quebec	200	1,117	1,318
Fredericton			
Nova Scotia		543	543
Algoma		102	102
Sundries	44	82	126
Total	\$5,569	\$7,208	\$12,777

It was decided that the Board should meet in St. John, N.B., in October next.

It was agreed that the unappropriated funds for domestic missions should remain so until October. The unappropriated funds contributed for foreign missions in response to the Epiphany appeal had to be appropriated to the three great missionary societies in the following proportions:—Four-ninths to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, three-ninths to the Church Missionary Society, and two-ninths to the Colonial and Continental Church Society.

The question of evangelizing the Chinese in British Columbia was discussed by the Board, and it was resolved that the Bishops who attended the Pan-Anglican Synod be requested after consultation with the Bishops of British Columbia to bring before the Church Missionary Society the fact that 25,000 Chinese are working within our Dominion, and ask these societies to take some steps towards their evangelization. It was decided that whilst it was not at present prepared to send out any special authorized missionary of its own, the Society should receive and disburse money sent for the support of a special missionary to Japan.

The Secretary was instructed to procure designs for a seal for the society, to be submitted at the next meeting of the Board. Resolutions were passed impressing upon the Bishops and clergy the necessity of sending all moneys raised for missionary purposes through their diocesan treasurer to the general treasurer as soon as possible after such collections were made, the object being that there might be a consolidated statement of what the Church of England in Canada was really doing in missionary work.

The question of a grant to the Secretary for office expenses and for enabling him to secure help in the routine work of the Board, was brought up by an application from Dr. Mockridge to this effect: the request having been referred to a Committee, it reported in favour of making a special interim grant at the rate of \$300 per annum, awaiting further definite action by the Board on the broader question as to whether the appointment of a paid secretary whose whole time should be devoted to the work of the Society had not become necessary. The position of the Missionary Monthly ("The Canadian Church Magazine") was also enquired into, and a committee having reported to the effect that it was the property of the Board, and that the latter were responsible for it, a special Committee was appointed to examine into its condition and prospects and report at the October meeting.

Missionary Meeting.—The usual missionary meeting in connection with the Board was held on the evening of the 11th April, in St. George's lecture-room, His Lordship Bishop Bond presiding. On the platform were their Lordships the Bishop of Quebec, Toronto and Huron, Dean Carmichael, Ven. Archdeacon Bedford Jones, and the Revs. Dr. Mockridge, Dr. Norton, Canon Belcher, G. O. Troop, and others. The Hall was well filled; the singing was led by the choir boys of St. George's. Addresses were delivered by the Ven. Archdeacon Bedford Jones and the Bishop of Huron. The former spoke of the difficulty of discussing mission work, it was such a wide subject, and went on to say that all Christian believers were of necessity obliged to accept the duty, for Christ had said, "Go teach all nations," and all prayed every day for the coming of His Kingdom. He then went on to give some facts concerning mission work to meet objections made in view of the large expenses of administration, pointing out that according to reliable statistics regarding Foreign Missions, out of every \$100 received \$98 went directly to the work. He also referred at length to the work in India, quoting from a lecture recently delivered in England.

After the singing of a hymn the Lord Bishop of Huron addressed the audience in an eloquent and most earnest manner, affirming that the time had passed for discussing the need of missionary work. This was admitted. The query was how best to do it. The army had heard the clear, sharp ring of the trumpet, and was advancing; war had been declared. Are we prepared to join? No one was interested in mission work unless they had capital in it. Reference was then made to the arguments of scientists, who claimed there were great questions to be settled. There were none to settle. Science had to settle with us. We have to know what science is; they claim the Bible is all wrong. Yet a scientist in a recent paper had stated he had made a slight mistake of 75,000 miles, yet religion is asked to bow to this *grande dame* science. They must fall into our line. Geologists of to-day look upon those of forty years ago as pigmies, and a hundred years hence the present geologists will be in the same position. Their earnestness was required and the enlistment of hearty sympathy.

MONTREAL, April 18.—*Sabrevois' French Mission.*—The Hall on Chatham street was filled with a large and interested gathering of friends of the mission, to take part in the closing exercises of the session. Among those present were His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal, Ven. Archdeacon Evans, Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, Principal Henderson, Rev. Messrs. J. A. Newnam, McManus, R. P. Lewis (Christieville), L. V. Lariere (St. Hyacinthe), and A. W. King. The Rev. Principal Taylor, of the Methodist French Mission College, was also present to show his sympathy with the work of the elder church. Several city clergymen put the scholars through a short examination in various subjects, the answers being given promptly and correctly. Principal Lariere in his report, stated that seventy pupils have been under instruction the greater part of the school term. The scholars had been very attentive and shown much progress. Dean Carmichael presented the prizes to the successful candidates as follows:—Genesis and Exodus, C. D. Loiselle; Romish controversy, L. Brunet; church catechism, M. Shaw; Canadian history, E. Woods; algebra, A. Mitchell; English History, E. Woods; Euclid, L. Brunet; senior arithmetic class, E. Woods; intermediate class, A. Duval; junior class, E. Gariepy; English grammar, senior class, E. Wood; junior class, J. B. Sarre; geography, D. Higgins; Latin, Placide Demers; Greek, Placide Demers; French grammar, J. Benny; grammar, first year, A. Duval; complete grammar, G. Demers; vocal music, C. D. Loiselle. The general average of marks obtained all over the subjects was gratifyingly high. Several interesting addresses were given by the clergy present.

ONTARIO.

NAPANEE.—*St. Mary Magdalene's Church.*—The annual vestry meeting was duly held on Easter Monday evening, the Archdeacon presiding. A good amount of business was transacted, and the proceedings were of a harmonious nature throughout. The statement of the retiring churchwarden and treasurer, Mr. James E. Herring, was highly satisfactory, showing that the liabilities of the church for the year had been fully met by the receipts, although not sufficient to clear off arrears of stipend due the Archdeacon, but which efforts were now being made to settle. Messrs. G. Fred Ruttan and Cortez Fessenden were chosen wardens. The following were appointed Sidesmen: Judge Wilkison, Messrs. A. T. Harshaw, R. G. Wright, Dr. Cook, John B. Wallace and Jas. E. Herring. Cordial votes of thanks were passed to the retiring churchwardens and the ladies and gentlemen composing the choir; also to the ladies making the Decoral collection. Mr. Harshaw brought before the vestry the addition to the church of the valuable and beautiful Memorial Windows just put in, and moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Bowey, which was carried unanimously: That the vestry express their great gratification at the gift of the handsome

stained glass memory of M. P., the McGuinn the donor delegate.

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