

Owing to a change in railway regulations, certificates to travel at reduced rates will *this year be procured from the ticket agent at starting point, and signed by him.* They will also be required to be signed by Mrs. Shortreed, at Hamilton. Societies will notify the Home Secretary as usual of the number of certificates they are likely to need.

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## Growth and Development of Foreign Missions.

THE growth and development of our Foreign Missions may not have been so rapid as we could desire, yet they have shewn us that the money expended on them has not injuriously affected the work that lies at our doors. On the contrary, the experience of our Church, and that of all evangelical Churches, is that the more our people give for Foreign Missions, the more will they give for Home Missions. The one reacts on the other. At the time of the union we had, all told, fourteen ordained missionaries to the heathen—two in the North-West Territories of Canada, two in China, one in India, four in the New Hebrides, and three in Trinidad. In October, 1889, we had *thirty-two* ordained missionaries, twenty Canadian lady missionaries and a staff of native assistants—catechists, teachers, Bible-readers, Zenana visitors, colporteurs, etc., to the number of 235. We have now on our communion rolls over 3,500 communicants reclaimed from heathenism, and 3,000 young people receiving instruction in day-schools, Sunday schools, and Bible-classes. Our total expenditure last year for Foreign Missions was over \$93,000, nearly three times the amount that was expended in 1876, and it is a remarkable fact that our givings for Home Missions during these thirteen years have increased in almost precisely the same ratio. —MR. JAMES CROIL, in *Presbyterian Year Book*.

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## Note by Home-Secretary.

FROM Manitoba Presbyterial Societies such cheering words are received as the following:\*

"The work is progressing favorably. We have now eight Auxiliaries and two Mission Bands, and expect soon to organize another Auxiliary in a settlement where there are only a few