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"IF I FORGET TREE, O JERUSALEM! LET MY RIGHT HAND FORGET ITS CUNNING."—Ps. 137: 5

THE Synod of the Maritime Provinces in connection with the Church of Scotland, will meet (D. V.) pursuant to adjournment, in St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, on Wednesday, 21st October, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

W. McMILLAN, *Synod Clerk.*

By appointment of Synod, the annual collection for the Foreign Mission falls to be made on Sabbath, 25th October.

### AGENTS AND SUBSCRIBERS

Will please bear in mind that the amount of indebtedness for old accounts up to the end of last year was \$169.07; and, since the meeting of Synod, but a very small trifle of that sum has been received. This hint is given to those to whom we have furnished a private statement, but which they have failed to answer. Let us not be obliged to report the same deficit again, friends. We are also very much behind-hand with the publishers for the present year's issue, and beg to ask our agents to remit, at their earliest convenience, any sums that may be in their possession, on account. We have not a single acknowledgment to record this month, and our expenses are about \$80. We wish to be able, in sending out our circulars next month, to have as few "balances still due" to report as possible. It is more satisfactory to all concerned; and will enable us to meet our obligations, which at present are a standing rebuke.

W. G. PENDER, *Sec'y.*

18 Blewars St., Halifax, Oct. 6.

### OUR FOREIGN MISSION.

The Report of the Foreign Mission Committee, as submitted to Synod, was, on the whole, a rather discouraging one. The retrospect for the year was gloomy, for the future there was anxiety. However, one bright spot relieved the darkness of the shadowy picture—one fact in the yearly review cheered the drooping spirits of the friends of the scheme, and that was the voluntary offering of another life-sacrifice to the cause of Christ among the heathen. And, since our last issue, this herald of glad tidings has left our shores for the scene of her labors among the women of India. This intimation was followed by a second, altogether unexpected—and therefore all the more calculated to revive the hopes of the Committee—in which the esteemed minister of Richmond Church indicated his readiness to accept an appointment to the Foreign field whenever and wherever the Church saw fit to send him. These were indeed favorable tokens of God's favor, showing us that the instruments for the accomplishment of His purposes are being prepared by Himself, and that the Church's duty is to co-operate in His all-wise plan.

There were three points dwelt upon in the Report which tended to awaken the anxious thought of those who feel concerned about this branch of our Church's work. These were, 1st. The