

and I hope that they will still continue their aid to these of our missions with which they are in sympathy.

As to my acceptance of a portion of the S. P. G. grant, through which alone I have been able to live and work here, I have only to say that this is a matter entirely within my own province, and on which I took advice from those best qualified to give it.

JOHN NEW WESTMINSTER.

New Westminster, B. C., Jan. 28.

To the Editor Church Record :

DEAR SIR :—Please allow me to make a correction with respect to a statement made in the March Number of the CHURCH RECORD, relating to the Bishop's action, in the matter of the S. P. G. Indian Grant. The enclosed letter will shew that the suggestion of transferring the Grant to the maintenance of the Bishop, emanated, not from the Bishop, but from the standing Committee of the Society itself.

I should like to remark at the same time, in connection with the same article, that in my opinion it would be better for us to leave the explanation of the charge brought against the Bishop, of not carrying on the work of the Diocese on the old lines, to the English Committee themselves. I ought however, in fairness to the Bishop, to state that in his ministrations at Lytton, his Lordship has used the cope and mitre bequeathed to the Diocese by our late Bishop. He has also faithfully done his part towards maintaining the daily Eucharist in the Cathedral at New Westminster, which is surely a very important step towards making the Cathedral a model for the Diocese.

I am further at a loss to understand the paragraph in another portion of the same issue protesting against money contributed for the work of the Diocese being transmitted through the Bishop. Surely

the Bishop, as head of the Diocese, is finally responsible for the disposal of all ecclesiastical revenue, although the management may be entrusted by him to his Executive Committee and Diocesan Treasurer. Are we to suppose that after the appointment of the Deacons in the early Church no further offerings were laid at the Apostles' feet?

Yours Faithfully,

RICHARD SMALL.

Society for the Propagation of the
Gospel in Foreign Parts. 19 Delahay St.
Westminster, S. W. Oct. 13, 1896.

MY DEAR LORD,

I have read your letters of July 3 and August 5 to the Standing Committee, who bid me inform you of the satisfaction which they feel at the carrying out of the arrangement, proposed by themselves in June last, with reference to the improvement of your Episcopal income. Their satisfaction is enhanced by the receipt of a letter from the large majority of your clergy warmly approving what has been done. The opinions of the number of influential Laymen are equally satisfactory and valued.

I am, my dear Lord,

Yours very faithfully,

HENRY W. TUCKER,

Secy.

The Lord Bishop of
New Westminster.

[We are only too glad to insert these letters and thus enable our readers to correct any false impression which they may have received through our article of last month.—ED.]

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St. LUKE'S HOME.

THE Report for 1896 had to be held over for want of space.

The Home has made a steady increase in work since 1895. There have been 68 cases nursed, 37 in the Home, the others at their own houses; of these, 24 were nursed free. So much for the Hospital work. There has been the usual amount of visitors coming and going,