

The Bishop of Niagara regretted that his duties at the Synod would prevent his staying for Miss Emery's address, and he hoped he might be excused if he slipped away.

MISS EMERY now addressed the meeting, she said :

“ The system here is more elaborate than ours ; and so different, that it is difficult to find many points where they touch. The Central Board in the United States has but one officer, myself, one of the Diocesan Presidents being made Chairman of the meetings for the time. The plan of having more has some advantages ; but after trial of both the simpler method was preferred. At the same time some of the Diocesan branches have large boards, one has only one officer, much beloved ; another has twenty, working well, holding meetings every month, with from five to 120 delegates from different Parishes.

“ It is necessary to conduct the meetings in a business-like way ; the President having the order of business before her, and adhering to it, keeping discussion to the point without digression, knowing what is to be done, and doing it ; giving so many minutes to Foreign and so many to Domestic Missions. Always try and employ those who seem to be interested ; if the offices are filled there might be a paper to read or special work to be done. Never let your officers be figure heads. If they have nothing to do they will be irregular and unsatisfactory. Every year the Missionary Bishop should be written to for the names of Clergymen who require boxes to eke out salaries insufficient for the wants of their families or Parishes. Without this precaution help by boxes is apt to be spasmodic, one mission getting too much while another gets none ; it is also necessary, in order to keep up the interest, to have constant communication with the points to which effort is being directed. The want of means was one which all missionary effort had in common. It was often difficult to raise sufficient funds to pay the missionaries, who suffered great privations in consequence. Staying in the house of one I noticed a letter, addressed to an absent daughter, lying about for two or three days. I remarked upon its being