

present day—least of all a policy of “agreement to differ” among “Jews, Turks, heretics, and infidels.”

DR. J. GEORGE HODGINS, of Toronto, has compiled a very useful handbook of the Church of England missions in the dioceses of the Northwest and British Columbia. Every one interested in domestic missions should have a copy. It may be had from Rowsell & Hutchison, Toronto.

THE Rev. G. H. Shafto, a prominent Wesleyan minister in England, recently said that, “speaking for the ministers of religion, other than those of the Church of England, they thanked God for such a great institution as their National Church. They regarded her as having done, and still doing, great and noble work in the land; a Church which, in his judgment, did more to foster true reverence for holy things than all the other sections of the Church put together. They rejoiced in her prestige, her influence, and her privileges, and were glad to be there that evening, in that representative gathering, in no sort of envy or rivalry, but as earnest co-workers with all those who believed that the Church of God ought to be in the front of every movement which had for its aim the improvement of the people—mentally, morally, socially, and spiritually.”

#### BOARD OF MANAGEMENT—SPECIAL MEETING.

BY the authority of His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, Metropolitan, a special meeting of the Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of this ecclesiastical province was held at the Synod Office, Toronto, on the 11th of January, at 10.30 a.m. The Bishop of Toronto presided. There were present, besides the chairman, the Bishop of Niagara, the Dean of Huron (Very Rev. G. M. Innes), Rev. Canon Houston, Rev. Canon Cayley, Rev. Canon Mockridge (Secretary-Treasurer), Rev. A. J. Broughall, and Messrs. Geo. B. Kirkpatrick and Lawrence H. Baldwin.

The financial statement of the late treasurer, Mr. J. J. Mason, for the year ending July 31st, was laid before the Board. This statement will appear in our next issue.

Messrs. R. L. Gunn and C. S. Scott, of Hamilton, were appointed to audit the late treasurer's accounts up to date, and a committee, consisting of the Dean of Huron and Mr. L. H. Baldwin, with the Secretary-Treasurer, was appointed to assist in the final examination of the books of the society before their being transferred from the late to the present treasurer.

The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to fur-

nish a guarantee bond of security, such as that recently given by the late treasurer.

Preliminary steps were also taken towards incorporating the society, so that it might have power to receive bequests, and enjoy the other privileges of incorporated societies.

#### CHILDREN'S LENTEN LETTER—1894.

DEAR CHILDREN, —How quickly has Christmas come and gone! And now Lent is close upon us! First joy and gladness, because Christ was born into the world; and then sadness—because Lent comes to remind us how sin and death came into the world. But blessed be God that, before Lent is over, we shall hear how Jesus suffered and died for our sins.

And this is the good news which we want all the world to know. Therefore your bishops come to you at this season—when so many of you are thinking of some kind of self-denial—to ask your help in the great missionary work of the Church.

There are many strong reasons why you should do all you can for the missions of our Church.

First of all, because our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, wants all men to be saved. How can they be saved unless they hear of Him? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? And how shall we send them without your help? Perhaps you say, What can children do? What can a child like me do? One child perhaps cannot do much. But we are sending this letter to one hundred thousand children throughout all Canada. And if 100,000 children will think what they can do, and try all they can, and give all they can, and follow their gifts with their prayers, they will do very great things indeed; for God will add His blessing.

Another strong reason for helping the mission cause is because our Saviour gave His disciples this solemn charge before His ascension into heaven:—“Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to the whole creation.” These are your marching orders. They were given by the great Captain of our salvation, Jesus Christ. And you are, every one of you, soldiers in His great army. You fight under His banner. And if you are true soldiers, you will obey your Captain's orders.

Ever since the Captain of our salvation gave these orders, His soldiers have gone into all the world, and have enrolled ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, in His vast army. And because they did so, you now belong to Him. If they had not obeyed His orders, you would never have heard of Him! Think what it would be to