

objective by the Grace of God shall be reached for His honor and glory and the advancement of His kingdom. For the first time in the history of the Church in Canada an amount worthy of her wealth and position is asked of her. Let her wait on God with great expectation and then let her undertake corresponding great adventures for His Holy Name.

This Synod will be asked to endorse and adopt the following resolution in regard to this matter, viz.:—

"That this Executive Committee, having heard the presentation, by the Organizing Secretary, of the Anglican Forward Movement under the General Synod, recommends the Synod:—

"1. To give its hearty endorsement to the Anglican Forward Movement.

"2. To secure, under the leadership of the Bishop, the appointment in every Parish or Mission of the Diocese, the necessary Committee for canvassing the whole membership of the Church in the Diocese."—Carried.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance and Social Reform (Appendix M, Convening Circular, p. 106, on p. 109, No. 12) makes reference to the appointment of the Rev. Canon Vernon as General Secretary of the Council for Social Service for the Anglican Church in the Dominion. I am glad to say that the Rev. Canon Vernon, who was appointed at the General Synod as General Secretary, has, after finishing up his duties in connection with King's College, Windsor, N.S., removed to Toronto and begun his regular work on the first of last May. We anticipated great things as the result of this appointment, and I bespeak for him the hearty co-operation of his brethren, both of the Clergy and the Laity, in his efforts to discharge the important duties of a new, untried office. This action of the General Synod places the Anglican Church in the position in which it ought to be amongst the great forces which are striving for the betterment of social conditions, and working and preparing for that righteousness which alone "exalteth a nation."

As we look over the social network of our communities we are compelled to admit the supreme importance of the work of Social Service and the necessity for its due emphasis in the thought and life of the people. If it is too late in some directions to apply the principle "that prevention is better than cure," and that, to use the words of another, "The fence at the top of the precipice is more effective than an ambulance at the bottom," it surely ought not to be too late in other directions where fresh challenges for the bettering of social conditions confront the Church day by day, challenges which the Church of England must take her place in meeting, and do her part in the bettering. The loud calls that are made for clearer expressions of social justice demand that the Church shall study and interpret the teachings of Christ in their large social comprehensiveness, as well as in their individual application.

Fundamentally a large proportion of the community difficulties, social inequalities, class antipathies and barriers between the employer and the employed, are to be solved by a return to the simple statements and their honest interpretations of the answer to the question in the Church Catechism, "What is thy duty toward thy neighbor?" The frail bark of child-life should not be allowed upon the great wide sea of world activities without having as a chart and compass the spiritual essence of this teaching. We are now in the position, thank God, of having the Church of England from ocean to ocean, bound by a triple cord of three-fold obligation and effort, all under the aegis of the General Synod, the M.S.C.C., the S.S.C.