

the love of Jesus, and point them to the inspired page, saying "THIS IS TRUTH."

The French Canadian Missionary Society are again willing to lend us agents. What can we do but accept them? I do not believe that the small sum raised last year for the Acadia Mission must be accepted as proof that the church cares little for this Mission. Those congregations to which appeal was made last year responded with sufficient liberality. The difficulty was, that few congregations made collections. An average of six or seven dollars from all the congregations in the church would suffice to liquidate present liabilities and carry on the work projected by the Committee during the current year.

Will our Ministers and Sessions please give this matter their attention forthwith, and forward their contributions to the Rev. Mr. McGregor, at Halifax? Are there not many of our church members who could afford a contribution of four or five dollars to this scheme? The work will be resumed this year and carried on, at least, up to the time of Synod. How far beyond that time, the liberality of the friends of the cause must in a measure determine. Submitting these statements for the consideration and action of the readers of the *Record*, I beg to subscribe myself.

N. MCKAY,

Convener Com. on Poper.

St. John, N. B., 19th April, 1870.

SABBATH SCHOOL HYMN BOOK.

Very many of our Sabbath Schools sing Hymns as well as Psalms, and a considerable number of Hymn Books are thus in use. Mr. Robson has made a judicious SELECTION OF POPULAR HYMNS cheap and convenient, with references to the volumes in which the music is to be found. Mr. Robson says in his Preface:

"A desire to place within the reach of the children of our Church, at a very small cost, a selection of the most popular of the hymns contained in the many Sabbath-school hymn books which have been published during the last few years, has led to the publication of this little book. While care has been taken to avoid hymns decidedly inferior as regards poetic or devo-

tional merit, the chief aim of the Compiler has been to select those, the music of which had been popular among the children of the school with which he was for many years connected.

The great expence necessary in order to place in the hands of every child in our Sabbath schools a copy of one or more hymn books, costing from 35 to 40 cents each, is an almost insurmountable obstacle to their improvement in sacred vocal music. If each child has a copy of this little book, those which contain the music will be required only by the leader.

The hymns have been selected from the most popular of the books recently published in Britain and the United States; and in each case the name of the book is given. A few of them are not adapted for use on the Lord's day, but these will be found well suited to those festive gatherings in which the children of every Sabbath school delight."

We recommend this neat and excellent Selection to the attention of Sabbath School Superintendents and Teachers.

THE POPE'S COUNCIL.

It is expected that on the 29th June the Pope would be pronounced as personally infallible, and a curse laid on all who should doubt this new dogma. There has been very powerful opposition in the Council against the dogma of the Infallibility, and its "definition" at this time. A large proportion of American, German, Austrian and French Bishops have been in opposition. But very probably all will submit. It is reported that the Bohemian and Hungarian Churches will declare their independence of the Pope. An apostate minister of the Church of England—Archbishop Manning—is the leader in the movement for declaring the Infallibility. The French Bishops have been most earnest and brave in their opposition. One of them writes as follows to a friend, showing the kind of Council now assembled:—

"On our arrival, we found a majority ready made, compact, more than sufficient in numbers, perfectly disciplined, and which has received, according to its needs, instructions, injunctions, threats, coercion, bribes. It beats the system of official candidates by a hundred miles."

The Christian world need not greatly care what resolutions the Council may