

likewise under obligation to the Rev. Charles Chapman, of Montreal, and the Rev. J. I. Hindley, of Frome, for sending liberal subscriptions from their respective churches without our solicitation. Ladies of the three Congregational Churches of Toronto have also aided the Society by contributing clothing and other necessities for the Mission Stations.

In the last annual report the Board of Directors expressed their purpose, should it meet with the approval of their constituents, to appoint the Rev. R. Robinson as Missionary and Agent of this Society. After consideration the annual meeting referred this matter back to us, the newly appointed Board, for consideration, expressing at the same time their "very decided deprecation to the appointment of a pastor of so important a charge as the one in question to the Indian Mission." After repeated consideration of this question, your Board, at a meeting held on the 18th of March last, unanimously adopted the following minute in regard to the matter, namely:

"The Board of Directors of the C. C. I. M. S., in view of the opening of another season of missionary work, have taken into special consideration the resolution unanimously adopted at the last annual meeting of the Society, namely: 'That this meeting expresses its belief that it is important to secure the services of an additional efficient missionary to the Indians.' Their experience in the actual conduct of the work impresses them more thoroughly every year with the correctness of this view, and with the absolute necessity of such superintendence to the vigorous carrying forward of the mission.

"They have also considered anew that portion of the last annual report, which was, on the same occasion, by another resolution, referred back to the Board, namely, the proposal by the preceding Board to engage the Rev. R. Robinson as Missionary and Agent to this Society, together with the 'very decided deprecation to the appointment of the pastor of so important a charge as the one in question (Owen Sound) to the Indian Mission,' and with the following results:—1. The need of an English Missionary Superintendent is conceded on all hands. 2. The qualifications for such a position are many, numerous and peculiar, and the Board not only know no one so qualified for the work as Mr. Robinson, but they know of no one else to whom they can look, so that the choice lies between his appointment and no appointment at all. 3. Mr. Robinson has for many years felt an intense longing for personal engagement in this work—a longing which has continued and increased in spite of all disappointments, including that of last year. He has a considerable acquaintance with the Ojibway language, spoken by the Indians around the Georgian Bay. He has had large experience of active service in the field through his repeated visits to the stations; his intercourse with the missionaries, and his perfect familiarity with every detail of the work, fit him especially for the office. And he deservedly enjoys the thorough confidence and

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