

the pastorate in February last. He is meeting with much success, especially among the young men of the town, who come in large numbers to the Church in the evenings. The Calgary Church has a membership of about fifty. They maintain a B. Y. P. U., a Sunday School of eighty scholars, twenty of whom are German, taught in their own language. As a fair sample of the way the people of the North-West give to support the Gospel, we may say that this Church at Calgary, with a membership of fifty, none of whom are rich, and many of whom are young members of families, and not earners, raise \$500 a year for pastor's salary, which means about \$11 per head per member, besides meeting all the other expenses of the Church. Seen by this, the Church must have been trained to give systematically and proportionately, and if all our Churches but gave in like manner, there would be no sound of "deficit" abroad in the land.

SCANDINAVIAN WORK IN THE NORTH-WEST.

The Scandinavians are a hardy, industrious, religious race, and when enlisted in the army of the Lord of Hosts, are a great power for good. These people have come and are coming to Canada in large numbers, to make new homes for themselves on fertile soil. Realizing the importance of giving the Gospel to these Scandinavians, the Woman's Board of the North-West decided in 1894 to open a Mission among the colonies in and near the city of Winnipeg, and asked the Woman's Board of Ontario to co-operate with them. It was decided to do so, and a grant of \$300 was made at the first Board meeting of the year 1895-6, to be applied on the Scandinavian Missionary, Mr. Bergh's salary. Mr. Bergh, and Mr. Johnson who succeeded him, did good work, and the little Mission grew. Mr. Stolberg, who was a most successful worker among the Scandinavians in Minnesota, is in charge of the Church which is now organized. Mr. Stolberg has already made some visits among the Scandinavians outside of Winnipeg, and important interests have been cultivated. We must call your attention to the need of a Church building for this Mission. The little band of Church members, aided by the Woman's Society of the North-West, have already begun operations. A lot has been selected in a most desirable location in the city of Winnipeg to cost about \$1,000. They have raised among themselves a little over \$150, and intend to canvass in Winnipeg and elsewhere to raise the full amount. We would put on record our appreciation of the generosity of our brethren of the American Home Mission Society, who are lending a helping hand in this work, and besides contributing \$300 towards Mr. Stolberg's salary, have offered to give \$400 towards the building, if we in Canada raise the balance, the \$400 to be the last payment to complete the building, which is to cost \$1,600. Who will respond to the call?

BUILDING FUND.

This is an important part of our work as a Society. One has said, "The importance of sowing and reaping is emphasized on every Missionary platform, and yet harvested grain left in the field may perish; but gathered into barn or storehouse it is safe, and will become either bread for the hungry, or seed-corn for a still more abundant harvest. It is the highest wisdom, therefore, to provide generously for the Church Building Fund, and thus enable the Society to take care of the precious fruitage the Lord is giving on many a Home Mission field, and to secure to the denomination the results of Missionary labor, that is too often dissipated through lack of permanent Church homes." Our Society has given this year \$471 towards this fund; \$100 of this amount was a