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Estimates The following are the estimated for 1894-95. amounts required for the work of the Western section of our Church for the current year. In submitting these estimates the agents of the Church urge that presbyteries should at an early meeting give attention to the matter, carefully consider the amount they should equitably assume, and then apportion this amount among the several congregations :

Home Missions proper.....	\$ 73,000
Stipend Augmentation.....	31,000
Foreign Missions, collections, etc.....	76,000
Estimate for W. F. M. S.	42,000
Total for foreign work.....	118,000
Jewish Missions.....	3,500
French Evangelization, including Pointe- aux-Trembles.....	47,500
Coligny College, Ottawa, special, to re- move debt.....	25,000
Colleges, viz., Knox.....	\$6,500
Queen's.....	4,500
Montreal.....	5,000

Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund..	18,000
Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, for or- dinary revenue.....	7,500
Manitoba College (besides amount from the Synod of Manitoba, which should be at least \$3,500).....	19,000
Assembly Fund.....	5,000
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Note.—For *French Evangelization, Manitoba College and Assembly Funds*, both Eastern and Western sections should contribute.

Note.—The *Home Mission and Stipend Augmentation Funds* are separate, and it is particularly requested that when money is remitted for either object, or for both, it be distinctly stated for what object it is intended, or how it is to be divided. It is earnestly hoped that the Stipend Augmentation scheme will be liberally sustained.

Note.—The amounts for the *Assembly Fund* should be collected and remitted early in the financial year, as the printing of the minutes and other expenses have to be met.

Note.—It is particularly requested that congregations should see that contributions are sent in promptly, and not left till the close of the year. Payments have to be made for missions and other objects, and, were the moneys to be sent

in promptly, much might be saved in the way of interest.

Note.—All congregations and mission stations, large and small, are enjoined to contribute to the schemes of the Church.

EASTERN SECTION.

Definite estimates have not been received, but for Home and Foreign Missions especially a slight increase over last year will be required, and this there is no doubt a willing and liberal people will contribute.

Sabbath Breaking. 'Last year Chicago defied the law of God and of the United States in the matter of Sabbath observance. This year the Mayor of Chicago vetoed an ordinance to close business places and saloons on Sundays. As is well known, the whole railway system has been for years most defiant in its treatment of Sunday laws." Whatever direct connection there may be between these facts and the recent lawlessness and crime in that city, we do not undertake to say. This much, however, may be affirmed, that where the Sabbath is observed, riots do not come; a Sabbath-keeping community is a law-abiding community. On the other hand, in proportion as the fourth commandment is set at naught, the safeguards which civilized people seek to throw around life and property, are disregarded. One great bulwark, not only against irreligion, but against anarchy, is the Day of Rest.

War in the East. The war between China and Japan will interest the mercantile world in its effects upon commerce. It will affect earnest Christians, in its bearing upon missions. There seems to be no ground for immediate anxiety regarding the safety of the missionaries in the field. Even the Korean missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., have cabled home, in reply to inquiries,—“Safe.” Mr. Goforth is of opinion that unless some internal rebellion arises in China, our own missionaries are in no danger. Yea, whatever may happen, they are safe, for God reigns and they are in His keeping. Further, whatever may be the result with regard to the kingdoms immediately at strife, one Kingdom, the Kingdom of God, will be advanced. He maketh the wrath of man to praise Him.

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