

CANADIAN CHURCH MAGAZINE.

16. With reference to the Canadian Church Magazine, it was resolved,

"That the Executive Committee recommends the Board to consider the question of abandoning the publication of the Missionary Magazine, and before reaching a conclusion to confer with the Rev. R. W. Samwell, who may be willing and able to succeed Dr. Davidson as editor and manager, and may be further able to induce the Woman's Auxiliary to aid in promoting its circulation."

All which is respectfully submitted.

On motion of the Bishop of Ottawa, item 16 of the above report was first considered.

Dr. Davidson, Q.C., editor and manager of the Magazine, stated its present position and prospects.

After full discussion by members of the Board the Rev. R. W. Samwell, at the request of the Board, stated his views and plans in case he should be appointed editor and manager.

Dr. Davidson having consented, should he remain in Canada, to continue in charge of the Magazine till the close of the existing contract, on the understanding that the Board should be willing to receive short notice of his withdrawal in case of necessity, it was resolved to appoint the Rev. R. W. Samwell, as editor and Manager of the Magazine, such appointment to take effect on Dr. Davidson's retirement from that position, and being conditional on such retirement.

Item 15 was then considered and the proposals read as follows:

PROPOSALS FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

1. That the Woman's Auxiliary be invited to undertake to collect for the Board of Management the sum of \$15,000 per annum for Domestic Missions, to commence August 1st, 1899.

2. This being agreed to, that the Board of Management divide the amount between the Dioceses assisted by the Board, in such proportion as may be deemed best.

3. The Board having assigned a certain amount to each Diocese, that the Bishops of those Dioceses be informed of the amount, and that it will be for a period of three years; and that they be requested to state in detail the various objects to which the money will be applied and the amount to each object.

4. As soon as answers have been received, the Woman's Auxiliary to be furnished with a statement, showing amount of grant made by the Board to each Diocese, and the distribution made by the respective Bishops.

5. The Woman's Auxiliary will then assign to each Diocese its share of the work, and the Diocesan Branches will assign to the parishes, etc., etc., (as is now done with the work they undertake.)

6. That the contributions should be kept in a separate account in each Diocesan Branch of the W.A., under the head of "Work undertaken for the Board of Management."

7. That the contributions for that "work undertaken for the Board of Management" be sent direct by the Diocesan Branches of the W.A. to the objects for which they are intended, so as to keep up the interest.

8. That the Woman's Auxiliary be requested to collect for the Japan missions and Miss Smith's work the sum of \$5,000 per annum for three years commencing 1st August, 1899, to be paid to the Board of Management, and to be the contribution for Foreign Missions.

Under this scheme the Woman's Auxiliary will be more of a help to the Board, the connection between the W.A. and those assisted will be kept up, and the W.A. will not be invited to become simply a collecting machine for the Board.

The Bishops of the Dioceses aided will no doubt appreciate contributions towards the objects they consider most in need, in place of contributions going to other objects, such as Indian Schools, etc., etc., not as badly in want. Under the present system, whoever makes the best appeal, personal if possible, obtains the most funds; but it does not by any means follow that the case is the most deserving.

The last triennial report of the W.A., viz. 1895, shewed \$72,210.27 as collected in the three years:

Domestic Missions.....	\$29,987.44
Foreign Missions.....	9,491.76
Other objects.....	10,675.12

\$50,154.32

Expended on material and freight 22,054.45

\$72,208.77

Plus printer's errors..... 1.50

\$72,210.27

Supposing that there has been no advance in the amount raised in the last three years, the Board is only asking for \$60,000 out of \$72,000. In other words, the plan proposed amounts to this: "Will the Woman's Auxiliary allow the Bishops of the Dioceses which are being helped to say how they wish part of the money raised for the benefit of their Dioceses to be disposed of?"

The last triennial report does not give a statement of the various objects aided. Little, if any, money was sent to the Board unappropriated; but the Japan work of the W.A., amounting to \$3,407, may be fairly considered work for the Board.

The date fixed for the commencement of this scheme, 1st August, 1899, is chosen, because some of the Diocesan Branches of the W.A. may be pledged for a year or so to some particular work; help could not be withdrawn from any work without some notice, and, moreover, time is required in