

of friends everywhere to double, or even treble, the circulation? The importance of the cause represented, the interesting character of the information supplied, and the extreme lowness of the price, make the OUTLOOK one of the most attractive and desirable publications in our Church, and warrant the belief that a little earnest effort would give it a circulation inferior to no other. A word of hearty commendation from pastors to their people; the scattering of sample copies (which we will gladly supply), and an energetic canvass of each congregation by some one who is thoroughly interested in the spread of Christ's kingdom, will accomplish all that we desire. Now is the time, at the commencement of the new volume. Who will be the first to respond?

THE Women's Missionary Society starts out on a new year full of hope and promise. The annual meeting, though not advertised as extensively as it should have been, was an occasion of much interest and gave ample evidence of the capacity of women to transact business in a prompt and methodical way. We greatly rejoice in the decision to retain the OUTLOOK as the organ of the Women's Missionary Society. Whatever may be the requirements of the future, the time is not yet for two missionary papers in our Church. Not only is it important that the two societies should work together in the utmost harmony, but we are persuaded that men and women can do their very best only as they co-operate in any great or good enterprise. Already the Women's Missionary Society has a space in the OUTLOOK larger than that occupied by the parent society, the Readings, Young Folks' Department, etc., being common to both. Again we cordially welcome Mrs. (Rev. Dr.) Parker as a co-laborer in editorial work, and we confidently expect that results will prove the wisdom of the decision reached by both societies in regard to one organ instead of two.

PEOPLE sometimes display a strange ignorance of near neighbors. Thus, the Rev. C. C. Starbuck, of Andover, Mass., one of the associate editors of the *Missionary Review*, quoting from the *Maritime Presbyterian* a reference to the New Hebrides mission, says: "The magazine neither gives a place of publication nor the name of the editor, nor tells of what Church it is the organ." Strange that one so near as Andover does not know that there is but one Presbyterian Church in Canada, that its jurisdiction extends from Halifax to Vancouver, and that the New Hebrides is one of its most flourishing foreign missions.

IN France, there are at least two signs of the times that are full of hope. In the first place, there is a

revolt among the student class against the flippant scepticism of Voltaire, and a disposition to examine anew the credentials of Christianity. In the next place, French Protestantism is showing many signs of renewed vitality, inspired, it is said, by the remarkable results of the McAll mission, which have demonstrated that the people are waiting for the Gospel, and all that is needed to insure its reception is its presentation in a form the people can understand.

IN the *Missionary Review* for November, there are some pages of information respecting British Foreign Missions, by Rev. James Johnston, Bolton, England. Respecting "English Missions in Canada," he says: "With the translation of the Bible into the Cree language, the Bishop of Moosonee writes home that he is making rapid progress." The writer overlooks the fact that the Bible was translated into Cree many years ago by the Rev. Henry Steinhauer, an Ojibway Indian, but for many years a missionary of the Methodist Church to the Crees, and John Sinclair, a half-breed of the Cree nation. That translation was printed by the British and Foreign Bible Society, in the syllabic characters invented by the Rev. James Evans, at that time Methodist missionary at Norway House. The manuscript was entrusted to another missionary, the Rev. Wm. Mason, who subsequently became a minister in the Church of England. Mr. Mason had the oversight of the printing, and dishonestly introduced his own name into the title page, completely ignoring the work of Messrs. Steinhauer and Sinclair. He also represented himself as the inventor of the syllabics, thus robbing James Evans of the honor of the discovery. We are under the impression that the work on which the Bishop of Moosonee is now engaged is not a new translation in the syllabics, but a transliteration into Roman characters of the existing edition, probably with such improved readings as may be suggested by his knowledge of the Cree tongue. But on this point we have no positive information.

THE per capita givings of the Moravians for missions are said to be very much higher than those of any other denomination. But there is a fact that greatly modifies this statement. It appears that a large proportion of the income is contributed by persons outside the Moravian Church. There is an association in London which, ever since 1818, has been collecting money for Moravian missions. The amount last year, including legacies, was \$52,430, while the amount contributed by the brethren themselves, in Europe and America, was but \$24,060. The total amount expended by them on missions in 1890 was a little over \$100,000.