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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE Rev. B. B. Smith, has been appointed Rector of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston.

THE Emperor of China has ordered all the distilleries in the flooded districts to be closed, that the grain may be saved for food. Wise Emperor!

THE American Church mourns the death of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Boone, their Missionary Bishop in China, which occurred at Wuchang on October 5th.

DR. PHILLIPS BROOKS was duly consecrated Bishop of Massachusetts in Trinity church, Boston, on October 14th. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of New York.

BISHOP SELWYN, of Melanesia, has been obliged to return to England, owing to a severe attack of rheumatism. His ultimate restoration to health, however, is confidently hoped for.

Five Bishops were conscerated in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, on the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels, Rev. Dr. Gott and Hon. and Rev. Canon Legge, Bishops respectively of Truro and Lichfield, Revs. Canon Bowlby and H. W. Yeatman, Suffragan Bishops respectively of Coventry and Southwark, and Rev. W. M. Carter, Missionary Bishop of Zululand.

MANY who read the Church Guardian (Montreal) will wonder no doubt where the Diocese of Twonbagain is, which, it asserts, heads the list of contributions to our Society for missions. The "interpretation of the thing" is that the "diocese of Toronto again heads the list." Alas for the difficulties that a compositor has to contend with in setting up type from manuscript!

THE missionary meeting held in -Montreal in connection with the Board of Management meeting on Oct. 14th was a decided success. The large school-room of St. George's church was crowded to the doors, and the deepest interest was manifested in the speeches made. The Bishop designate of Mackenzie River (Archdeacon Reeve) delivered a manly and stirring address which touched the hearts of all present. The privations and isolation suffered by the missionaries of his vast and scattered diocese are terrible. One of the Archdeacon's children was nine years 663 before he saw a horse or a cow or a sheel. The Bishop of Huron paid a most graceful and touching tribute to the Christ-like work of missionaries, such as Archdeacon Reeve, and claimed that he felt himself unworthy even to sit at their feet. It is to be hoped that the newly-appointed Bishop will meet with some substantial aid for the work of his diocese, consecrated as it is by the self-denial of Bishop Bompas, who has gone to a work still more isolated and rigorous in the newly-formed diocese of Selkirk.

TORONTO was favoured on October 23rd with a visit from Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, the apostle of the American Indians. St. James' Cathedral was filled to the doors, some two thousand people being present to hear a few words from the venerable prelate, whose striking appearance and earnest words will no doubt long be remembered. Surely missionary gatherings like this, and that in Montreal, ought to have a beneficial effect upon missionary work. The credit of procuring the visit of Bishop Whipple is due to the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

MISS M. E. SHERLOCK left for Japan on Thursday, Oct. 8th. A pleasant gathering of the ladies of the Toronto Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. James' school-room on Wednesday, the 7th, to give her a few words of farewell, and to join with her in prayer for a blessing on her work. The Venerable Archdeacon Boddy (in the absence of the Bishop) occupied the chair, and short addresses were given by Rev. Dr. Mockridge, Rev. C. H. Shortt, Mr. Kakuzan (of Japan), Rev. C. L. Ingles and Hon. G. W. Allan. Miss Sherlock goes as missionary nurse, and will be supported by the Woman's Auxiliaries of Canada.