

of a special fund provided by a generous friend was able to meet all its obligations.

The Board of Home Missions and Social Service began the year 1917 with a deficit of \$30,000.

The General Assembly at Montreal fixed the minimum stipend as follows: Ministers of Augmented Charges: Married, \$1,200 and a house; unmarried, \$1,150. Ordained Missionaries: Married, \$1,000 and a house, unmarried, \$950.

The increased cost of living made an increase in stipend imperative. The conveners of Presbyteries interested estimate that this action will make an additional demand upon the funds of \$30,000.

More generous contributions are requested:

1. To clear off the deficit of \$30,000.
2. To meet the claims that will result from the well-merited increase in salaries.
3. To wipe out the reproach of abandoned fields.
4. To extend the work, especially among the foreign-born.
5. To secure adequate equipment for ministering to the needs of our great city centres.

God has opened His hand and provided us with the means. He has made it abundantly possible for us to claim Canada for Christ. *"Let us go up at once and possess the land, for we are well able to do so."*

Evangelism

The steady work of the Missionary and Pastor often calls for the special help of the Evangelist to quicken the life of the Church, to gather in the indifferent, or the slaves of sin,