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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The S.P.G. has renewed its grant to the Diocese of Algoma for another year, and has made a special donation to the diocesan endowment fund, and to the church parsonage fund.

Bishop Hare, of South Dakota, has commenced a religious paper in the Sioux language, to be called *Anpao Kin*. A Church paper is also to be published in Africa in the Zulu language.

The choice of a successor to Bishop Macrorie has been placed in the hands of the Archbishop of Canterbury by the elective Council of Maritzburg, and it is hoped that his grace may be able to make such an appointment as will heal the unhappy division in the Church at Natal, owing to the attitude of the Colenzoites.

The Rev. Joseph Sidney Hill, who was educated at the Islington missionary college, and has done missionary work in West Africa, Australia and New Zealand, has been appointed Bishop of the Niger Territory, in succession to the late Bishop Crowther. It is thought that possibly a coadjutor of African blood may be obtained for him before long.

The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada will meet in the city of Montreal, on Wednesday, September 14th. The third day of the session (Friday 16th) will be devoted to the business of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the missionary meeting in connection with which will be held on Thursday evening, the fifteenth.

The diocese of Melanesia, which had the

honor of the martyred Patteson as its bishop, is in some danger of being suspended for want of funds. It is thought that the churches of Australia and New Zealand ought to maintain it, and thus relieve the S.P.G., which has been its great means of support. A successor, however, to Bishop John Selwyn, has been appointed in Rev. Alfred Penny, author of *Ten Years in Melanesia*.

Sir Charles Elliott, Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, bears high testimony to the work which is being done in India by the missionaries, who occupy a field which the officers of the Government are unable to take up. "In religious matters," he says, "we have to treat all alike, and to show no more consideration for one faith than for another; and yet we know right well that the only hope for the realization of our dream, and for the true elevation and development of our people, lies in the evangelization of India, and we know that the people who are carrying on this work are the missionaries. It is they who are filling up what is deficient in the efforts of the Government, by devoting their lives and their labors to bringing the people of India to the knowledge of Christ."

A VERY full and exhaustive report regarding the scheme of the Winnipeg Conference has been drawn up and circulated by the committee appointed to consider the question by the Synod of the Diocese of Ontario. The report (which reflects great credit upon the committee) goes into the whole question *in extenso*, and will be found most valuable for those who wish to study and master. Objections to the scheme are quietly yet firmly answered, as its different clauses are discussed separately.

OBITUARY.

IN the recent death of Sir Daniel Wilson, President of the Toronto University, a great loss has been sustained by the country at large. Sir Daniel was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1853 to occupy the position of Professor of History and English Literature in the Toronto University, and in 1881 he succeeded Dr. McCaul as its president. He has left behind him several literary works, which won just distinction for their author, and he will be missed by many of the charitable institutions which it was his delight to support. He was a member of St. Philip's Church, Toronto, and for many years took a prominent part in the Synod meetings of the diocese. His scholarly bearing and kindly disposition won for him many friends who now sincerely mourn his departure from their midst.