

The Canadian Church Missionary Society proposed in a scheme sent down from the general Synod was considered. But it was deemed advisable to return the scheme for emendation on the ground that the wording of the constitution left room for the subsequent pooling of all funds raised for Diocesan missions and was apparently interfering with Diocesan rights.

We hope, however, that a scheme will be arrived at which will bind the whole church together for missionary work and that a truly missionary spirit will be fostered and developed in the hearts of all Canadian churchmen.

One matter which did not receive the attention which its importance deserves was the work of the Diocesan Sunday School Association.

We consider that this matter should receive more attention than even the mission fund plan or the widows and orphans fund. The Sunday Schools of the Diocese of to-day under existing conditions are the church of to-morrow. *The Children under instruction in our schools to-day are the churchmen of to-morrow.*

Blot out of existence every Sunday school in the church of England in this Diocese, and in ten years time, there will be no need of a Synod or a Diocesan mission fund.

And the children of the church would be found in the Presbyterian Church, in the Methodist Church, in the Baptist Church, anywhere but in the church of their forefathers.

God forbid that this should happen.

But if our church does not awake to the importance of this matter it may happen.

Every effort should be made to increase the efficiency of our schools. The returns of one Deanery show a slight decrease in the number of scholars under instruction. Not much perhaps but enough to cause serious alarm. Is not our church population increasing? How can our Sunday schools stand still. From many parishes the cry comes "want of efficient teachers." They must be trained in the Sunday school, if anywhere. We hope that the day is not far distant when a regular course of lectures will be given in the principles of teaching and their practical application to Sunday school work in the college itself.