

4. That to meet the increased expense of the students occupying fields in the winter in the regions named the allowance to those entering upon this scheme shall be \$10 per Sabbath and board.

5 That the general assembly shall provide for Manitoba College the \$1,500 estimated extra amount needed to pay the expenses of the increased staff.

The Synod further instructs the presbyteries of the Synod to take up as soon as possible the consideration of the matter of a summer session, including the scheme now suggested."

OUR ICELANDERS.

Our mission work among these people in Manitoba is very interesting. There must be 6 or 8,000 Icelanders in the west, of whom 2,000 are in Winnipeg. They are chiefly Lutherans, but are threatened with dis-integration as a religious body. The congregation at Gimli the oldest Icelandic settlement in the province, have withdrawn from the Lutheran Synod, being completely honey-combed it is said with Unitarian doctrine. In Winnipeg an Unitarian Icelandic missionary is also at work. The Icelanders are an intelligent people and these signs of difference are what we may expect as they become Canadianized. Our church has for two or three years past by means of an Icelandic agent been doing work amongst them in Winnipeg, and has a commodious church building erected. Some 200 Icelanders are more or less closely attached to us, and the work is advancing. A number of earnest christian converts from this mission as they have gone to other places in Manitoba have connected themselves with our regular congregations. As the Icelanders are becoming much more accessible, it is not unlikely that we may send another missionary to the scattered settlements, where they are much neglected.

A HIGH MISSION.

Up in the Rocky Mountains on the C. P. R. is the station and little town of Canmore. Here during the past summer Mr. John Maxwell, a student of Manitoba College labored faithfully. He had two other stations viz. Kananaskis and Ghost River. His work was chiefly among railway hands, miners from the Anthracite Coal mines, and a few ranchers in the mountains. Mr. Maxwell writes: "In Manitoba one of the chief obstacles to the success of christian work is wheat, but here that can never be an obstacle, for nothing can be grown in the mountains, not even a potato. But, while wheat is no obstacle here, there is another thing, the name of which begins with W, that is an obstacle and that is whiskey. It is prohibited by law, but the quantity of permits seems to destroy the effect of the law. An old gentleman and his wife have been drunk every day for a whole month. This is the worst case I have seen. So much for the obstacles to christian work."