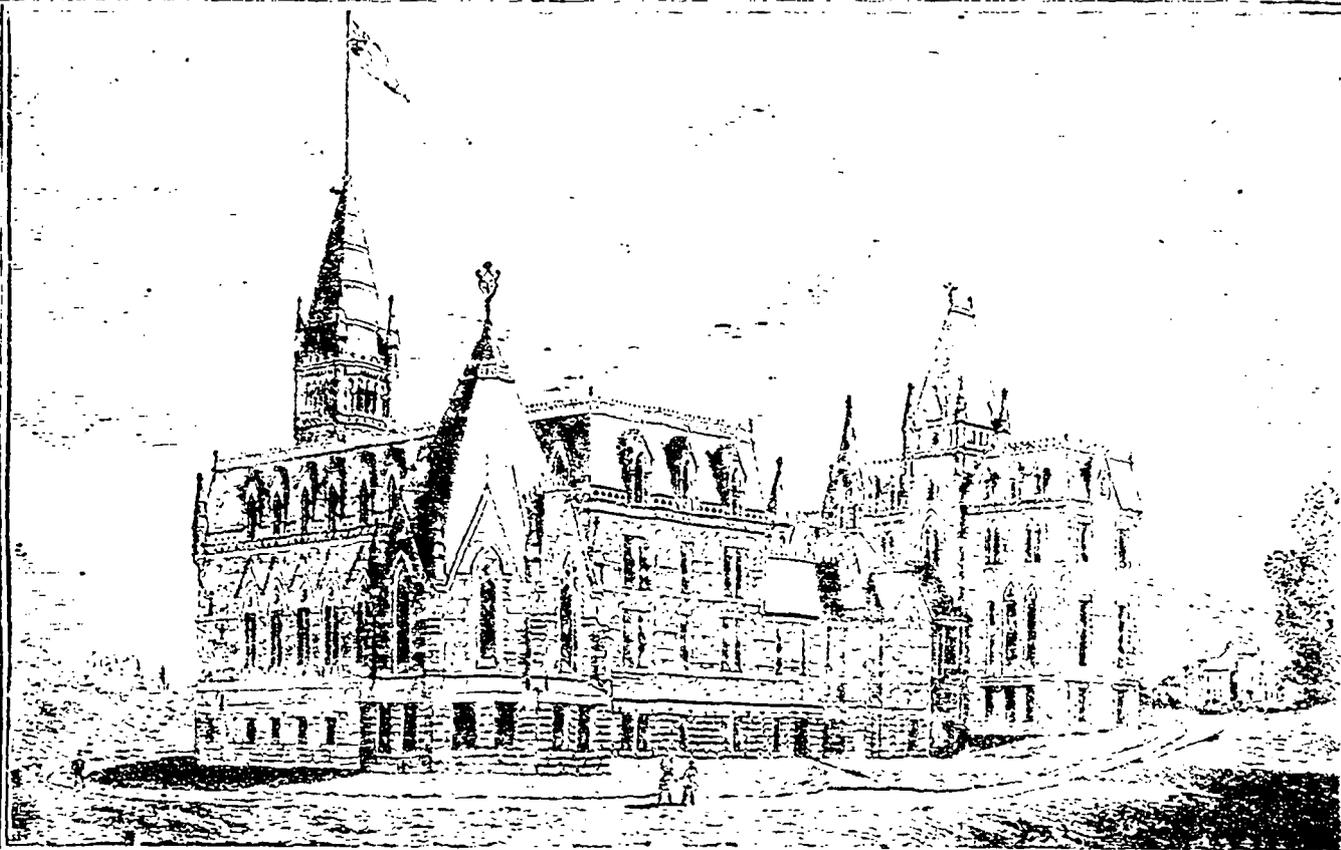


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College Note Book—December, 1880.

THE graduating class of this year is the largest on record.

A Glee Club has been started in the College under the able direction of Professor McLaren.

MR. G. D. Bayne, B.A., has been unanimously appointed valedictorian in Theology, and Mr. W. McKenzie in Arts.

MR. G. P. H. Hitchcock, whose health is at present imperfect, contemplates trying a change of air among our neighbours of the great Republic.

WE congratulate Rev. Thos. Nelson, graduate of '80, upon his recent marriage, and wish him and his bride many happy days in the Manse of Dunbar.

WE also congratulate the people of Euphrasia, Ont., upon having secured as their pastor the Rev. Jas. F. McLaren (graduate and gold medallist in Theology of '80).

THE Rev. J. R. Macleod, graduate of '78, Kingsbury and Brompton Gore, has been presented by his congregation with a fine sleigh, whip, bells, and a valuable fur coat.

THE Rev. J. J. Cochrane, M.A., Thornton, Ont. (graduate of '74), had his manse invaded by a "surprise party" on the 7th inst. They read him—not a lecture, but a complimentary address.

ON Friday evening, the 3rd inst., the Rev. John Munro, B.A., graduate of '79, Manotick, was presented with an address and a fur overcoat from the people of the South Gloucester section of his congregation.

REV. Telesphore Brouillette, graduate of '74, has been inducted pastor in Laguerre, Que. He has done much service among the French population of Stellarton. N.S., and will, in his charge, have access to his fellow countrymen.

THE Reading Room is better supplied than heretofore with English and French Reviews, Periodicals and Dailies. Let us now have one or two

standard German Reviews and a few of the Missionary papers that are still absent from our tables.

WE are glad to learn that Mr. Jas. McFarland's health is much improved in Chicago. He left here for Colorado last October, but found his health sufficiently improved on the way to enable him to remain in Chicago and attend lectures in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary there. He sends greetings "to all the boys."

THE Rev. D. L. McCrae, graduate of '79, St. Matthew's Church, Osnabruck, was lately presented by the Pleasant Valley portion of his charge with a costly fur coat, accompanied by an affectionate address. This is another of the many valuable gifts of which Mr McCrae has been the recipient since his settlement in Osnabruck.

MR. Henry Morton, 375 Notre Dame street, a few months ago bound in the finest style, at his own expense, the four large volumes of the *Codex Siraiticus*. He is now doing a similar work to the *Codex Alexandrinus*, which was given to the library by the Rev. Jas. Coull, Valleyfield. Both these *fac similes* are kept in a beautiful revolving walnut stand, the gift of Messrs. Tees & Son, Bonaventure street.

THE shelves of our Library have been lately enriched by the valuable gift from the Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Brantford, Ont., of the *Weekly Review*, London, England, from its commencement in 1862 to the present date. These volumes are handsomely bound. The doctor has also expressed his good-will to our students by presenting to each a copy of his well-known Parochial Sermons, entitled, "The Heavenly Vision."

ON Tuesday evening, the 7th inst., the Carp branch of the congregations of Carp and Kinburn presented their pastor, the Rev. J. W. Penman, graduate of '79, with a handsome new cutter and an elegant set of buffalo robes, in token of their appreciation of his labours since he came among them. During the past eight months *fifty* members have been added. The Kinburn branch of the congregation have built a commodious church, costing \$2,000.

Philosophical and Literary Society.

THE 3rd regular meeting this session was held on Friday evening, December 10th, and was well attended. The programme included a reading by Mr. G. A. Smith, a humorous essay on "Modern Peripatetics," by Mr. W. McKenzie, and a lively debate on the question, "Are the Pleasures of Expectation greater than those of Realization?" The subject was handled with considerable skill; on the affirmative by Messrs. W. H. Geddes and G. T. Bayne, and on the negative by Messrs. D. McLean and Jas. Robertson. The Society, by vote, decided in favour of the negative. During the evening the choir, which this session fully sustains its reputation of former years, rendered several well-known anthems. The "Student's Christmas Carol," written by A. L., and set to music by Professor McLaren, was well received.

Our Societies.

THE excellence of the system of training pursued in our youthful institution has been the subject of remark and commendation with many, especially with those brought directly under its influence. At present some of our professors are overburdened with work, and the marvel is that they overtake all their duties so efficiently. It is gratifying, therefore, to know that the friends and authorities of the College are determined to have it thoroughly equipped, so as to carry out fully the admirable methods already adopted.

There are many appliances, however, needed for the proper culture of Theological students, and amongst these must be ranked as of special value their own societies.

The prelections of learned professors stand first, but these may be legitimately supplemented by our own meetings and discussions.

It is impossible for aspirants to the office of the ministry to be too thorough or extensive in their attainments. They require to have every side of their nature developed, and to know something at least of a vast variety of subjects. Their duties are not limited to the pulpit. They are expected to give tone and character to social life, and to be in sympathy with everything that tends to the elevation and refinement of the race. Besides, in our Presbyterian system we have numerous church courts, and in these the teaching elders usually take a leading part. Our Professor of Church Government discusses very fully

the Scriptural basis and constitutional principles of these courts. But we need to make practical use of these principles, and here it is that our societies become of immense service. Our debates, motions, amendments and decisions prepare us for the practical work of Sessions, Presbyteries, Synods and Assemblies.

We have at present two Societies which furnish scope for such exercises, the Students' Missionary Society, and the Philosophical and Literary Society. Both are in a flourishing condition, and promise well for the future. The members are numerous, and full of energy and hope.

The Missionary Society was founded in 1869, and has steadily increased in importance and efficiency from that date. Its object is two-fold, viz., to foster a missionary spirit in its members, and to promote missionary work. How far it has succeeded in these respects is attested by the numerous missions it has opened, cultivated, and handed over to Presbyteries; as well as by the enterprise and missionary zeal which characterizes its members. Its grand work is that of opening mission stations in localities not otherwise reached. It employs missionaries during the summer vacation, whose work is thus largely of a pioneer character, and furnishes excellent practice for men whose object is to become ministers of the Gospel.

The Literary and Philosophical Society is about as old as the College itself, and all along the line of our history has done excellent work. It seeks to promote the intellectual improvement of its members. Its meetings are always of a lively and interesting character. These are held fortnightly, for the transaction of business and for the hearing of debates, essays, readings and addresses. Music also receives considerable, though, at present, not sufficient attention. Criticism is freely indulged in, and is uniformly of a friendly and helpful kind. Much good has been accomplished through the agency of this Society—more indeed than many of its members are aware of. It turns to immediate account and adds to our regular drill in homiletics and elocution. Occasionally its meetings are made public, when it becomes our happy privilege to welcome and entertain our friends from the city, who have, all along, done much to encourage us in these efforts at self-improvement. Our professors, too, take a warm interest in both societies, and have often favoured us with their counsel and aid. It is to be hoped that in the future, as our College increases, as increase it shall in numbers, and strength, and influence, that the usefulness of these students' societies may not be lost sight of.

ARENA.

College Portrait Gallery.

There are some men we know, some we don't know, some it is better we should never know, some we can't help knowing, and some whom we esteem it a great privilege and honour to know. Among those whom we ought to know are

town, on the peninsula of Cantyre, in the far-famed Firth of Clyde, on the west coast of Scotland. His parents emigrated to Canada a few years after his birth, and settled near Chatham, in Kent. After receiving instruction from a private tutor, he attended the Toronto Academy, which was then under the direction of the Rev.



PRINCIPAL MACVICAR.

OUR PROFESSORS.—I.

The Rev. D. H. Macvicar, LL.D., principal of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, and professor of homiletics, church government and pastoral and systematic theology, was born on the 29th day of November, in the year of grace 1831, in the romantic region of Dungleass, near Campbell-

Alex. Gale, M.A. Leaving this he studied for some time in the Toronto University. In the fall of 1855 he entered Knox College, Toronto, where he received his theological training under Drs. Willis and Burns, and Prof. G. P. Young, M.A. During the second and third years of his course, he taught classics and English in his brother's

private academy, then in Gould street, opposite the Normal School. His first mission field was Collingwood, County of Simcoe, where he laboured during the summer of 1858. In the year following he was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Presbytery of Toronto. For some time thereafter he conducted services in the west-end of the city, receiving in the Sabbath-school department of his work much valuable assistance from the Hon. John McMurrich. The Foreign Mission committee appointed him to undertake a mission to British Columbia, which he declined. Erin, Brantford and Collingwood sent him calls, which were also refused, as was likewise a very pressing invitation from the people of Toronto, amongst whom he had been labouring. He accepted a unanimous call to Knox Church, Guelph. During the single year of his pastorate fifty-two members were added to the church, and its work in every direction greatly stimulated. His high preaching powers and eminent gifts as a pastor had already become widely known and recognized, so that in the fall of 1860 he received a call from Coté Street Free Church, Montreal, as successor to Dr. Fraser, now of London, England. This congregation was then and is now—as Crescent Street Church—one of the leading churches in the country. He accepted the call, and was inducted into his new charge on the 30th of January, 1861. During his pastorate, which lasted for nearly eight years, the congregation attained a very high state of efficiency; the membership almost doubled, and great missionary zeal was manifested in the founding of several district Sabbath-schools, two of which are now not only self-supporting but influential city congregations (Chalmers and St. Joseph Street Churches). His bible-class was one of the largest and most successful in the country, bearing most unequivocal testimony to his teaching ability.

In 1868 he was appointed Professor of Divinity in the Presbyterian College, Montreal—a very different affair from that of to-day. Look on that picture and then on this: Then it had no buildings, but met in the basement of Erskine Church, called by the students in those days the "cellar;" no library, no endowment, and only five or six students. Now it has a handsome building, a very extensive and exceedingly valuable library, numbering fully 7,000 volumes, and containing a magnificent set of the "Patrologia" by Abbey Migne; a copy of Tischendorf's *fac simile* reprint of the Codex Sinaiticus, and a copy of the Codex Alexandrinus, besides other rare and valuable works; a partial endowment, and a large staff of professors and lecturers, and even this is but the

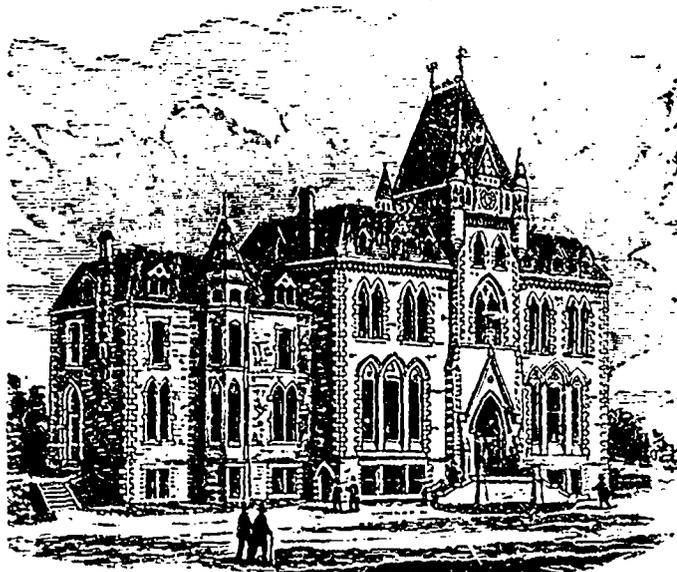
day of small things, if the future be considered, with its Morrice buildings, its endowment of several new chairs, post graduate course, &c., &c. This bespeaks an energy and an enterprise worthy of all praise. It is unnecessary in an article intended for students and graduates to speak of his ability as a teacher. His pre-eminent qualifications in that respect are known all over the continent, and have been felt and recognized far beyond the sphere of college work. He has long taken the deepest interest in the work of French Evangelization. By overture to the Presbytery of Montreal and the Assembly, he originated the work of training French and English-speaking missionaries and ministers, and organized the Presbyterian French work, which has been so successful. He served for many years on the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, Montreal, and was chairman at the time of his retiring last year. His services in this connection have been invaluable to the cause of education in Montreal, a fact to which the Press has borne repeated testimony. His public lectures and addresses, educational and theological, are well known. Among his educational works his two arithmetics, primary and advanced, are standard text books, having been introduced into the schools of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario. In 1876 he delivered a course of 20 lectures, on Applied Logic, and in 1878 a course on Ethics, before the Ladies' Educational Association of Montreal. During the session of 1871 he was lecturer on Logic in McGill University. In 1870 he received the degree of LL.D., *honoris causa*, from that University of which he is also a Fellow.

He was appointed by the General Assembly as a delegate to the two great Presbyterian Councils, which have been held—the first in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1877, and the last in Philadelphia, U.S., in September of last year. At this Council he read a paper on "*The Catholicity of Presbyterianism*," which will take its place among the most valuable and permanent records of that great body.

That his merits are well known and highly appreciated, far beyond the borders of Canada, is evidenced by his having received a very pressing call from the South Church Congregation, Brooklyn, offering a salary of \$7,000, yet he declined.

A recent writer says, "He is known to have definite opinions, and is always able to give a reason for them. While no believer in a vague and nondescript theology, he is anything but sectarian in his conception of the constitution of the church, thus showing himself ready to work with all who profess Christianity." This witness is true, and those who are quick to discern the signs of the times can understand what it means to have clear, definite theological views in these days, and all the better when allied with the courage of one's own conviction to give them voice without reference to popular favour.

J. M.



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A New Venture.

WISHING our readers, "A Happy New Year," we begin the publication of a new Journal. A prospectus is not at all necessary. Suffice it to say, that this is the Journal of a Theological College, and will be conducted as such. Being personally responsible for this undertaking, we ask the co-operation of all the students and graduates in two forms: 1st, By becoming contributors to our pages; 2nd, By becoming subscribers and obtaining others. Items and articles from graduates are specially invited. All MSS. should be in our hands not later than the 20th of each month.

Retrospect.

A glance at the past is appropriate for our first issue and the opening of a new year. Twelve years ago our College existed only in its charter. There were no students, no library, no buildings, no money, and no professors. Now we have a staff of three regular Professors, assisted by several Lecturers, a library of 7,000 volumes, 21 Scholarships, varying from \$40 to \$100 each, an Endowment Fund and buildings, including those to be erected this year, amounting to about \$170,000. Our Graduates next April will number in all 72, of whom 16 preach both in French and English.

The past year has been one of remarkable progress. In June last the General Assembly appointed the Rev. Daniel Coussirat, M.A., B.D., Professor of Theology. He is a gentleman of high literary and theological culture, and fills this position with the utmost success. The same Assembly gave the College authority to have its charter so amended as to secure power to conduct examinations for the degree of B.D., and to confer the honorary degree of D.D. This has been done. The printed Regulations of the Senate in this behalf are before us. They are silent about D.D., but the amount of work prescribed for B.D. makes it pretty clear that this degree is intended to be significant of real merit.

The great event of the year has been the princely gift to the College, by Mr. David Morrice, chairman of the Board of Management, of a Convocation Hall, Library, Dining Hall, and twenty-five or thirty additional rooms for students. The editor of the *Presbyterian Record*, speaking of this, says:—"Mr. Morrice is well known to be a man who does nothing by halves. What he is now going to do will be done handsomely. The buildings will be an ornament to the city of Montreal, and a credit to the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The work will be commenced early in spring, and the building will, in all likelihood, be ready for occupation at the commencement of the next College Session. They will cost in the neighbourhood of \$60,000."

We understand the work of building is to begin *at once*. With this correction we heartily endorse the words of the *Record*. For this noble deed Mr. Morrice is entitled to the lasting gratitude of the whole Church. We cannot overestimate the benefits it confers upon the College, and on coming generations of students. The Library will afford admirable facilities for research to Professors, ministers and laymen, as well as to students. And the Convocation Hall, in addition to its technical purposes, can be used for special classes and courses of lectures in Theology and kindred subjects, which should be open to all. May we venture without presumption to hint to the authorities that they might do well to take the lead, in providing in this way a well-arranged curriculum for lay missionaries—male and female. There are many Christian women anxious to be trained for usefulness in the home and foreign field, and surely they should not be denied this privilege.

The College and city have recently lost an able, scholarly and indefatigable worker, by the re-

moval of the Rev. P. Wright to the pastorate of Knox Church, Stratford, Ont. Mr. Wright's services to the College as Lecturer in classics and mathematics were invaluable. He carries with him the respect and esteem of all to his new and influential position. His place with us is now filled by the Rev. James Y. Cameron, M.A., a gentleman of high attainments and large experience as a teacher.

We turn from the past to the future with hope and courage. The solid facts—the substantial progress—which we have just recited, inspire us with confidence that even brighter days are soon to dawn upon our Institution.

A Popular Error Corrected.

To the Editor COLLEGE JOURNAL.

SIR,—“There are no roses without thorns,” so the saying goes. It is true in many instances. Let me apply it to a student's life.

It is urged by every man who has been a student, that the years he spent at College were the happiest of his life. Moreover, every day we hear old, fat, good-natured gentlemen, saying, with a retrospective sigh: “Young man, you are now spending your happiest days. You have no cares, no responsibility—provided you know your lessons! But wait till you are cast out into the world at large, and then you will have to work, be worried, and be careworn, as we are.”

Now, that may be true, yet I hold that the student's life is not all roses, but has its thorns, its difficulties, and its dark side. To cite but one instance, take the responsibility which weighs upon him so heavily when he has to sew three buttons to his pants, and to mend some part of his wearing apparel which has come to grief at the end of half an hour of gymnastics on the trapeze.

Again, on a bright Sunday morning, at half-past ten, while putting on his collar in a hurry, becoming aware that a button (the back one of course) has yielded to a little rough handling, is he not responsible? Then comes the wailing, and the grief, and the despair, and the “Alas! Alas! what shall I do? Where has it gone? How shall I find it? Where is my needle? Where is the white thread that I forgot to buy yesterday? And where is that needle that my mother gave me to mend my socks with, where is it?” (etc., etc., *ad infinitum*). Next, “A pin! a pin! The world for a pin!”—Now, Mr. Editor, show me the old gentleman who will dare say life with us is always free from trouble, and I consent to be plucked at the Final Exams.

S. R.

Trees.

How pleasant the trees the traveller sees,
Along the dusty way;
How cool their shade in the quiet glade,
When the sun shines at noon-day.

How pleasant to keep in the forest deep,
Companionship with the trees;
To sit on the ground, in the silence profound,
'Neath their canopy of leaves.

How pleasant in spring, when the song-birds sing,
High up among the bows;
And the leaves are seen a delicate green,
As the sunlight through them flows.

And when autumn has come, and harvest home,
What beauty then is seen;
On the leaves are laid every tint and shade,
As they loose their sober green.

And when winter's gloom in a snowy tomb
Has buried the forest leaves,
What a fairy sight of frost-work bright
Is seen on all the trees.

J. B. S.

Hints on Singing.

“MUSICUS” sends the following “hints” in the hope that they may prove of some service to the Glee Club, and to our readers at large:—

As in life, so in singing, an upright position should be maintained; crooked ways being unfavourable to the development of voice or character.

The shape of the mouth should be as near as possible like the letter O (*os rotundum*). Lateral opening of the mouth tends to breathy, hissing vocalism, and should be carefully guarded against by all singers.

“Vocal gymnastics” will be found invaluable to the singer at any stage of his progress. They may be prolonged *ad infinitum*, or stopped short [“Never to go again?”—EDITOR.] *ad libitum*. They may be begun ‘piano’ and continued up to ‘forte,’ after which stage has been reached it may be as well to return to *sotto voce*.

In the study of music, as well as in chimney sweeping and other liberal arts, a scaling ladder is used, made up of eight rounds; to acquire the use of which is an easy and pleasant process—one step at a time being a good maxim—provided the student is careful to note the fact that rounds No. 4 to 5 and 7 to 8 are placed only half the distance apart.

Like the Skinner Fire Escape Ladder, the musical one is also capable of extension; but, as “He that is down need fear no fall,” we recommend beginners to practice the many convolutions of the single octave ladder before ascending or descend-

ing to the upper and lower regions of squeak and growl.

In conclusion, and in a word, do not try the use of candies to form and develop the voice, the writer, as a rule, having found them an utter failure.

Distinguished Visitors.

WE have of late been favoured with an unusually large number of such. The Monday meetings for the discussion of various subjects bearing on missionary and ministerial work and conduct, have been addressed this session by the Rev. Principal Rainy, D.D., New College, Edinburgh; Rev. Narayan Sheshadri, India; Rev. Dr. Geo. L. McKay, Formosa, China; M. Reveillaud, advocate, etc., Paris, and by others.

Since the death of Dr. Candlish, Principal Rainy has been the acknowledged leader of the Free Church of Scotland.

Mr. Sheshadri is a converted Brahmin, of very superior attainments, and a devoted missionary among his own countrymen.

Dr. McKay is a Canadian, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, N.J., and one of the most earnest and successful missionaries of modern times.

M. Reveillaud is an advocate, editor and orator of the first rank in Paris. He is a convert from scepticism and free thought, and a devout and powerful advocate of Evangelical truth. He has done much of late to further the wonderful movement in favour of the Gospel which seems to pervade the whole of France. Why should not some of our French graduates join him in this glorious work?

We trust that the fervid appeals of Dr. McKay and Mr. Sheshadri for help among the millions of heathendom may result in not a few of our graduates finding their way to China and India.

Missionary Museum.

WE understand that there will be a suitable room for a missionary museum in the new College Buildings to be erected by Mr. David Morrice. We have no doubt that Dr. McKay, Mr. Sheshadri, and other missionaries and friends will help to supply it with objects of interest.

Manitoba.

IT is out of our province to discuss the doings of Parliament respecting the Pacific Railway Syndicate; but we note with satisfaction the pro-

gress of mission work in the North-West, and we hope to hear from Rev. Jas. Wellwood, B.A., Rev. D. McRae, Rev. W. Mullins, and others of our graduates in the Great Lone Land.

The Library.

OUR Library has long ago outgrown its accommodation, but will soon be placed in a position worthy of its treasures. We are glad that the French department is to receive a considerable addition of new works recently purchased in France.

In Memoriam.

ALFRED BLOUIN, STUDENT PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE.

Obit Nov. 12th 1880.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Asleep! so young, so full of promise great,
No more to take his place amidst the toil
And care of busy life. No more from out
His lips shall flow the message sweet of love--
Amazing love that Christ to him revealed.
Almighty Lord, who measur'st out the span
Of life, who now has ta'en away our friend,
And spread a gloom within our halls, and filled
With deepest agony a father's heart,
Teach us to say, "Thou doest all things well,"
E'en when our lips the cup of sorrow press.
O God! into his father's broken heart
Pour healing balm, and lead him to thyself.
Our fellow-worker in thy vineyard thou
Hast ta'en beyond the reach of sin and woe;
Our loss to him is gain and ceaseless joy
So lead and mould us by thy sovereign grace,
That when at length like autumn leaves we fall,
And yield to death's inevitable call,
Our souls may rise to heaven.

A. L.

Grip Among the D.D.'s

MR GOLDWIN SMITH made a clumsy blunder when he called Gritism "Calvinism in Politics." He intended it as a sneer, when, in point of fact, it was a high and, unfortunately, undeserved compliment. This would be a happy country if all its people acted on the principles of Calvinism.—*Grip*.

Well done for *Grip*; he deserves to be encouraged. Surely he is orthodox enough to be on our Library table. Why do not some of the colleges with a superabundant stock of D.D.'s attach those mysterious symbols to his name?

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