

A. H. McFarlane was born in Dumbarton, Scotland. By dint of personal effort, and private tuition, he was prepared for College, and matriculated in McGill in '73, but on account of ill health had to abandon the idea of a full course in Arts. He was proficient in many languages and while studying theology, filled with much satisfaction the position of Classical Tutor in the Presbyterian College for three years. In Nov. '80, he was ordained and inducted at Farnham Centre, where he had laboured very acceptably for six months previously. Now a shattered congregation is repaired; the enemy's camp invaded, and important conquests gained.

T. A. Nelson's parents came from the Green Isle. Thomas, having received a thorough common school education, under the tuition of Rev. W. M. McKibbin, M.A., '75, entered the High School at Metcalfe, where he remained for one year. In '72 he finished a complete course in the Ottawa Business College, and began to exercise his knowledge in one of the lumbering yards of Ottawa. But that was not the life for which the active lad was adapted. He had other lumber to handle; and, before he was eighteen, resolved to quit it for more congenial pursuits. The following year, '74, found him in the Presbyterian College, Montreal, diligently engaged in his studies. In the fall of '80 he was ordained by the Presbytery of Brockville, and inducted into the charge of Dunbar and Colquhoun, having previously declined two calls. An extended communion roll, increased attendance on ordinances, and greater liberality on the part of the people, attend his labours.

J. K. Baillie is of Scotch extraction. His native place, Aylmer, Que. and its neighborhood, have now become "famous" not only, as being the birthplace, or home of many of our graduates, but also of many of our graduates' wives—pity 'tis so far away from our single graduates in the west. John was the Asahel of class '80, being "as light of foot as a wild roe." Prior to his conversion he was the champion foot runner of the Dominion. In '72, in this capacity, he was elected the representative of St. Andrew's Society, Ottawa, and visited several of the leading cities of America carrying off thirty first prizes, and securing nine champion medals. After his conversion, and the usual preliminary education, he repaired to Montreal, and devoted himself faithfully to his studies. Having completed his Literary Course in the College he began the study of Theology. Much of his spare time was spent in the hospital, and doing missionary work among the outcasts in the slums of the city. In the Fall of '80, he was settled over the Congregation of Second Innisfil.

T. A. Bouchard, a native of Chicoutimi, Que. is sprung from French and Highland Scotch parents. Theodore's Collegiate training began at his mother's knee. She being a Presbyterian no doubt instilled into his mind the elements of that system. Afterwards, he entered the Mission School at Pointe-aux-Trembles, where he remained for three sessions, when he took one session at McGill Normal School, and entered the Presbyterian College, Montreal. After graduating he was called to Windsor Mills, but the Presbytery not sustaining the call, he was settled as an ordained missionary over Grenville in the Fall of '81, where his French and English will be eminently useful.

C. McLean is, we believe, a native of Prince Edward's Island. We are sorry we have learned nothing of the early career, or present career of this estimable and

"famous" member of the Class. He took a partial course in Arts in McGill, and a full Divinity course in the College. He holds a scholarship and prizes for proficiency in the Gaelic language; also, the Alumni Scholarship for proficiency in Oriental Studies. During his College course, he was not unmindful of his Highland brethren in the city, and was mainly instrumental in organizing the Gaelic Mission of Stanley St., which is so highly prized by that class of citizens. In '80 he was inducted by the Presbytery of Glengarry into the pastoral charge of Roxboro.

P. R. Ross has a good orthodox birthplace, the County of Oxford, so well-known for its generous support of missions on the Island of Formosa. In September, '74, he matriculated in McGill College, with the intention of taking a course in Arts; but, after a very successful session, gave up, in the meantime, his idea of college, and repaired to his farm. He, however, was not allowed to rest there. Desire stronger than ever took possession of Peter's mind to enter the ministry, and, accordingly, he resumed his studies, and graduated honourably in the spring of '80. He now ministers acceptably to the Presbyterians at Cote des Neiges, having been inducted into that pastoral charge soon after his licensure.

W. Shearer, of Scotch extraction, is another bud of promise from the Ottawa district. His father is an elder in Knox Church, Ottawa, and William was consecrated to God by his Christian parents from his birth. He received his early education in his native city, and while attending the Ottawa Collegiate Institute, manifested superior attainments in mathematics. In '74 he matriculated in McGill College, and during his partial course there, led the van in science and mathematics. At the beginning of his course, the claims of China took hold of his mind, and appear never to have wholly left him. With the foreign field in view, he spent the summer of '77 studying medicine with a professional man, intending to take a course in medicine in preference to Arts. At the close of his theological course, he offered himself to the Foreign Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, but by reason of the low state of the funds his offer was declined. An application to the American Board was followed by a like disappointment. Soon after this, he offered himself as a missionary at home, and was ordained by the Presbytery of Ottawa, and appointed to a very difficult field, within the bounds of that Presbytery, where he still labours energetically.

J. A. A.

Our Exchange Table.

THE session has closed. The JOURNAL is about to take its customary holiday, lasting till next September, and in wishing *au revoir* to its hundred exchanges, it desires to record its appreciation of the courtesy of the following professional papers in placing it on their lists:—

Canadian Monthly, Toronto, Ont. \$3.00.—It might be presumption on our part to attempt a criticism on this basket of Canadian literature, but fortunately for us such is unnecessary as almost every one in the land knows of its sterling merit.

National Presbyterian, Louisville, Ky. 75c.—A valuable and wide-awake sheet which commenced its monthly visits unsolicited, and is on that account highly appreciated. We are most favourably impressed with its appearance and contents.