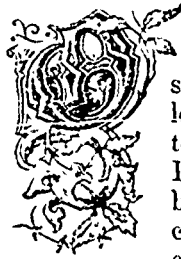


none near them to instruct or guide them, whose knowledge of the Bible is very scanty, and who, when left to themselves, little know where to find those words that are most suited to their wants.

These sentences begin the preface to a neat little volume entitled "Christ the consoler," containing passages of Scripture of the character indicated, selected and arranged by the Rev. Robert Herbert Story, minister of Rosneath, formerly assistant minister, in St. Andrew's Church, Montreal. All the passages which seem to refer to the sufferings of human beings under any of their common troubles are arranged in the following manner:—first, those in the narrative form, such as the stories of David and Goliath and the raising of Lazarus; next, those which convey general counsels or consolations; and then, words of promise—the order in which they occur in the Old and New Testaments being followed in each division.

To the extracts from Holy writ the compiler has added a few prayers and hymns, "believing that through ignorance of the many beautiful hymns of the Christian Church, much relief in sadness and much light in darkness is often lost: and that the prayers of the afflicted are, in many cases, from lack of fitting suggestions of form, if not of topic, too apt to be either "vain repetitions," or what they who offer them feel to be but imperfect utterances of the thoughts and desires of their own hearts."

There is, therefore, nothing original in this volume—nothing except the plan according to which its contents are selected and arranged. It is a treasury of "things old," but they are very precious things, lovingly offered and made accessible to those who know not where to find them. It is for the most part THE CONSOLER'S own illustrations of his yearning cry—"Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden;" and of his promise too,—“I will give you rest.” Besides that, it is the intercessions of most Christ like spirits impersonating in their compositions the sons and daughters of affliction. We believe that much good will be done by the circulation of the volume. It is published by Edmonston and Douglas, Edinburgh.



OUR readers are aware of the proposal to found a scholarship in Queen's College, as a permanent tribute to the memory of the late Principal Leitch, and will be pleased to learn that the efforts made to carry it into effect have been successful.

£100 stg., transmitted by Rev. Dr. Williamson, of Colessie, in behalf of friends in Scotland, joined to contributions received in Canada, amounting to £200 stg., will form the foundation of the scholarship. The interest of the total sum of £300 stg., that is to say, \$100 or more, will be the annual value of the scholarship. It will thus be, by at least \$20, the most valuable scholarship for which students can compete, and to successful candidates will form a very important assistance and encouragement in the prosecution of their studies. No more fitting memorial of the distinguished gentleman, whose name it bears, could have been devised; and our confident expectation is that, while it will serve to hand down that name with honour to posterity, it will prove, year by year, a most useful incentive to diligence and perseverance among the young men attending Queen's College.

We are informed that an offer has been made by Dr. Williamson, acting in behalf of subscribers in Scotland, to forward an additional amount of £100 stg., so soon as an equivalent shall be raised in this country, for the purpose of founding another memorial scholarship, and that the committee of the trustees of Queen's College, who have successfully implemented the conditions, according to which the first has been instituted, are intrusted with the task of endeavouring to fulfil the terms upon which this offer may become available. Should this new proposal be carried into effect, it is agreed, we understand, that the first scholarship shall be connected with the theological department, and that the second shall be open for competition to students in arts, irrespective of their intention to study for the ministry. The former will memorialize the more intimate connection of Dr. Leitch with the faculty of theology, in which he was primarily professor of divinity, and with the church, to whose advantage his professional labours were chiefly directed; the second will be a tribute to him as principal of the University. We hope soon to hear of the completion of this

Mr. William R. Croil having returned from Scotland, all communications respecting the Temporalities' Fund are requested to be addressed to him as formerly.