

and Indians fills an entire column and includes Sir Charles Tupper and other Canadians. The whole party came away charmed with the reception. London asks wonderingly: what will the Queen do next?

At the last General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, the following Congregational Ministers were admitted.—Rev. Charles Maurice Short, lately Minister of the Congregational Church, Cork. Mr. Short is a son of the Rev. Dr. Short, M. A., of Ward Congregational Church, Dundee.—The Rev. David Jamieson, Minister of Parkgrove Congregational Church, Glasgow, petitioned to be admitted to the status of a Minister of the Church. Accompanying the petition was another from the office-bearers of Parkgrove Congregational Church, to be received as a congregation into the Church of Scotland.—Rev. Peter Hatley Waddell, LL.D., Minister of the congregation at present worshipping in the Trades' Hall, Glasgow, was licensed as a preacher by the Presbytery of Dunoon, in 1841. He became the Minister of an Independent congregation, first in Girvan, and afterwards in Glasgow. He now craved to be admitted to the status of a Minister of the Church, and, along with his own petition, submitted one signed by the majority of his present congregation to the number of 250, and craving to be received along with him into the Church of Scotland. The Committee, after full consideration of the whole circumstances, recommended that he be admitted as a licentiate of the Church, and that it be remitted to the Presbytery of Glasgow, to take such steps for the reception of his congregation as were in accordance with the laws of the Church.

DR. JAMES MCGREGOR of Edinburgh has entered heartily into the "White Cross" movement, the declared objects of which are:—

1. To treat all women with respect, and endeavor to protect them from wrong and degradation.
2. To endeavor to put down all indecent language and coarse jests.
3. To maintain the law of purity as equally binding upon men and women.
4. To endeavor to spread these principles among my companions, and to try to help my younger brothers.
5. To use every possible means to fulfil the command, "Keep thyself pure."

The White Cross movement was started in England, in 1885, by the Bishop of Durham. Its healthful influence is already spreading rapidly on both sides of the Atlantic.

ACCORDING to reports from Bohemia, it appears that the Old Catholic movement is

making rapid progress in the southern part of that country. It is believed that a very large accession is likely soon to be made in its ranks. The Church clergy, it is said, have taken alarm, and they have signed an address to the Bishop, urging him to approach the Government, and if necessary, the emperor, in order that the movement may be opposed by legal administrative measures.

THE London *Athenæum*, in its notice of Dr. Henry M. Field's volume, "The Greek Islands and Turkey after the War," says:—"We find in Dr. Field's book an interesting account of Robert College, that American institution on the Bosphorus which has done so much toward the introduction of enlightened ideas into Bulgaria and the Slav provinces, and which has done far more toward checking the advance of Russia than the Crimean war ever did. American influence in the East has been disinterested and exceedingly happy."

IN AMERICA some of the best thinkers begin to lean towards some kind of Religious Establishment, for the Schools at least. PRESIDENT SEELYE of Amherst College, shows in *The Forum* just issued, that the modern public school system does not turn out good citizens—that, on the contrary, concurrently with an ever-increasing expenditure for education, there is a steady decline in public morals. He attributes this to the fact that the schools have been more and more secularized; and he considers that the very existence of modern society demands an immediate resort to systematic religious instruction in the public schools. Moral teaching, he says, will not suffice. "Men are not made virtuous," so he informs us, "by instruction in virtue, * * * no moral renovation of society has ever been accomplished by the teaching of morality, however pure." Religious teaching alone will meet the case; even a false religion will be found more conducive to virtue than no religion.

THE Cumberland Presbyterian General Assembly condemned the use of tobacco by a vote of 112 to 23; and the Reformed Presbyterian Synod has just reaffirmed its action forbidding any one to be licensed to preach who uses tobacco, and also condemned raising, manufacturing, and selling tobacco, and advises sessions to appoint no Sunday-school teacher who uses the weed. Yes, it is "coming into disrepute."

JUST before concluding its annual session, the Anglican Synod of Toronto Diocese passed the following resolution unanimously: "That this Synod instruct its delegates to the Provincial Synod respectfully to request that body to