

The attitude of the two heroes on both occasions, apart from the surroundings, was noble. But, when we think of what this race really is, and of its general effects, the part played by these Christian gentlemen becomes somewhat questionable. Next to the "Derby" the "Oxford and Cambridge race" is the most prominent sporting yearly event in England. Betting on the race is indulged in by rich and poor in the sporting world; thousands of pounds are staked on the event and change hands, and money is recklessly squandered which might be turned to good account. Heavy losers regard the man whom they backed, but who failed them, with feelings akin to execration; and winners speak of their man as a "jolly good fellow." Preachers looked upon in either light cannot have that respect they might otherwise command.

THE Missionary Association has our best wishes in its extension of work. A resolution, unanimously carried, to provide in whole or in part the necessary funds to send a missionary from Queen's to the foreign field, is a step in the right direction. No doubt there are difficulties ahead which will require to be provided against, but future probabilities should not, and have not deterred the Association from practically ascertaining the feeling of former members, graduates, and others interested. The Association has issued a circular, detailing in brief its purpose in this matter, and soliciting at the same time financial aid and Christian sympathy in the work. We trust the appeal will not be in vain. Former members of the Association especially ought to rejoice in the extension of its endeavours. The home work of the Association is on the increase; but this fact serves only as an impetus to further energy in another direction. The aim of the Association is to support entirely a missionary in the foreign field. At

present this object is not likely to be realized; but we trust that students and friends will render it possible at no distant date. It is intended that the missionary, while under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, shall yet be a student of Queen's, and be acknowledged as labouring in name of the Association. Of course the sanction of the church to this arrangement will require to be obtained; but we have hope that the endeavours of the students shall not be frustrated by any opposition from that quarter.

THOSE who endeavour to further their own purposes, provided these are legitimate, shall find the sympathy and support of others. Branches of Queen's University Endowment Association are gradually spreading throughout the dominion; and although we have amongst us, in the person of our energetic Principal, the mainspring of action, Queen's as a college has hitherto been criminally inactive. But there is at last a slight shaking of the dry bones. The Alma Mater, as the representative society in the College, has now organized a College branch of the Endowment Association. This branch will of course be subject to the rules which guide other branches; and its aim shall be kindred to that of the other organizations throughout the country, viz., the maintenance and progression of Queen's. It is no argument to say that students can financially do little or nothing for the benefit of their Alma Mater. They can do their best. The cents of a child deposited in a toy-bank are the hope of future dollars; and the lesson of thrift inculcated remains with the child throughout life. Let us, when students, give our cents, if we can do no more, and the dollars will follow when we become graduates. Abiding interest for our Alma Mater is best infused during College days; and interest is effectively incited by little acts of self-denial. We trust the Col-