

for men who live near to Him.

Principal Scrimger, in closing the convocation, stated that the number of graduates, although smaller than usual, was an increase over former years. He expected, he said, that the vacant chairs of apologetics and Church history, and Old Testament literature and exegesis, now being temporarily filled by Professor Creelman and Professor Youtz, respectively, would be permanently filled. At the meeting of the General Assembly he will propose that these two chairs be filled by Dr. Welsh, of Toronto, and the Rev. A. R. Gordon, of Dundee, Scotland.

Principal Scrimger said an appeal would shortly be made to permanently endow the institution. He trusted, in view of the great importance of training young men for work, particularly in the Northwest, that the appeal would meet with a hearty response.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES.

Third year theology.—Gold medal and McCorkill Travelling Fellowship, \$400, E. McGougan M.A. Hugh Mackay scholarship, \$60, J. W. Woodside, B.A. Mrs. Morrice Scholarship, \$50, James Foote, James Sinclair Scholarship, \$25, J. W. Woodside, B.A.

Second year theology.—David Morrice Scholarship, \$100, L. A. Wood, B.A. St. Andrew's church, London, \$50, J. C. Nicholson, B.A. George Sheriff Morrice Scholarship, \$50, J. S. Jamieson, B.A.

First year theology.—John Redpath Scholarship, \$50, F. H. Gray, B.A. Edward MacDonnell Morrice Scholarship, \$50, I. A. Montgomery, B.A. W. Brown Scholarship, \$50, J. R. McCrimmon, B.A.

French theology.—Knox Church, Perth, scholarship, \$35, R. E. David.

French literary course.—Emily H. Frost Scholarship, \$35, J. Boucher.

University scholarship.—Lord Mountstephen, \$50, J. M. McKenzie, Stirling, \$50, H. W. Cliff, First Church Brockville, \$50, W. McMillan, Erskine Church, Montreal, \$50, I. E. Brunner, Crescent Street Church, Montreal, \$50, J. T. McNeill, Hamilton, McVab Street, \$40, E. A. Corbett, McCorkill scholarship, \$50, J. A. McKenzie, McCorkill, \$50, J. Thom Gordon, Dr. Kelly, \$25, A. B. MacDonald.

Nor-West Scholarship, \$25, R. G. Stewart.

Prizes (in books).—S. S. Pedagogy, \$15, E. H. Gray, B.A. Christian Missions, \$10, J. Corder, Eloution (third year) Kneeland prize, \$25, J. W. Woodside, B.A. Eloution (second year), J. A. McMaster prize, \$15, R. G. Stewart, Eloution (first year), J. A. McMaster, \$10, C. W. Shelley, Ecclesiastical architecture, Judge Hutchinson prize, \$10, E. McGougan, M.A. Essay, relation of pastor to the young people, \$30, J. W. Woodside, B.A.

Philosophical and literary society prizes.—Public speaking, \$10, C. W. Shelley, English reading, \$10, James Foote, French reading, \$10, R. E. David, English essay, \$10, J. S. Duncan.

Rev. W. J. McCaughan, who was minister of St. Andrew's, King street, Toronto, for a short time, and thereafter went to Chicago, where he has since been the pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, is called by May street congregation, Belfast. It is likely Mr. McCaughan will accept. May street church is one of the largest in the north of Ireland, seating 3,000 people. It is a church in which the celebrated Dr. Henry Cooke ministered up till the death in the sixties.

At the meeting of Stratford Presbytery a call was presented from Palmerston for Rev. R. A. Cranston, of Cromarty, but owing to the serious illness of the reverend gentleman the call was left over.

KNOX COLLEGE CONVOCATION.

At the closing exercises of Knox College, which were largely attended, Rev. Principal McLaren presided. Rev. A. Gandier, pastor of the church, and Rev. Dr. Lyle of Hamilton assisted in the devotional services. The venerable Principal spoke of the good work done by Knox College, which had just reached the close of its 63rd session, and he felt that there was cause for gratitude. The college had sent forth 626 graduates, who had been scattered not only over every Province in the Dominion, but in the United States, Great Britain, Ireland, Japan, China, India, and other countries.

Rev. J. McDuncan explained that such excellent work had been done by Mr. J. D. McCrae, who came so close to Mr. J. A. Sharrard in the competition for the post-graduate scholarship of \$400 that it had been extremely difficult to decide which of them had won, that it had been agreed that the only way out of the difficulty was to give Mr. McCrae a scholarship also. This had been made possible by the generosity of friends of the college.

The graduating class was presented by Rev. Prof. Kennedy, and the Principal handed them their diplomas. He addressed them briefly.

Rev. Robert Martin, Stratford, and Rev. Murray C. Tait, B.A., Claremont, were presented by Rev. Dr. Turnbull for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. The conferring of this degree by the Principal was followed by the conferring of the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. Hugh McKay, Round Lake, Sask.; Rev. John H. Ratcliffe, St. Catharines; Rev. John G. Shearer, B.A., Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada, and Rev. Robert E. Welsh, M.A., General Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada.

Rev. Dr. Neill announced that Rev. Hugh McKay was unable to be present. He spoke of Mr. McKay's splendid services to the country in inducing the Indians to remain friendly to the Crown during the Northwest rebellion.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher, Hamilton, presented Rev. John H. Ratcliffe for his degree.

Mr. John A. Paterson, K.C., presented Rev. J. G. Shearer, who "had found his work" in the Lord's Day Alliance. Mr. Shearer, he said, was a great organizer, a fearless and eloquent platform speaker and a tireless worker. He had in the Lord's Day Act of Canada preached a great sermon.

Professor Kilpatrick presented Rev. Mr. Welsh, a graduate of the University of Glasgow, who had done missionary work in Japan, besides having had charges in London, England. Rev. Mr. Welsh's literary work was referred to in high terms, and the professor said his appointment to the chair of apologetics and Church history in the Presbyterian College of Montreal was one for which Mr. Welsh was specially fitted.

Brief and modest addresses were given by Revs. Dr. J. H. Ratcliffe, Dr. J. G. Shearer and Dr. R. E. Welsh, who expressed pleasure and gratitude at having been made doctors of divinity by Knox College.

Following are the names of this year's graduates and the prizes:

The members of the graduating class are as follows: W. H. Andrews, M.A., D. W. Christy, J. W. Currie, M.A., D. S. Dix, M.A., W. L. Findlay, B.A., D. C. McGregor, B.A., J. D. McRae, M.A., W. C. McLeod, M.A., T. D. Park, B.A., J. B. Paulin, B.A., J. A. Sharrard, M.A., W. H. Smith, B.A., P. B. Thornton, B.A., P. Taylor, B.A., T. M. Wesley, B.A., J. R. Wilson.

Third year results are as follows:

The Bonar Burns scholarship of \$60, J. A. Sharrard, M.A.

The Elizabeth Scott, \$60, and the George S. Morris, \$50, P. Taylor, B.A.,

E. C. MacGregor, B.A., equal.

The Goldie scholarship, \$50, J. D. McCrae, M.A.

The Herar scholarship, \$25, and the Cayne scholarship, \$25, B. S. Dicks, M.A., I. M. Wesley, B.A., equal.

Second year results were:

R. H. Thornton scholarship, \$100, W. B. Taylor, B.A.

Knox Church, Toronto, scholarship, \$50, F. W. Kerr, B.A.

Loughrin scholarship, \$50, Jane Mortimer scholarship, \$50, W. D. MacDonald, A. H. Barker, equal.

Bloor Street Church, Toronto, scholarship, \$50, S. H. Pickup, B.A.

J. A. Cameron scholarship, \$50, S. H. Mavor, B.A.

Dunbar scholarship, \$25, M. G. Melvin, W. P. Lane, equal.

First year results:—

J. M. Gibson scholarship, \$100, J. E. Thompson, B.A.

Central Church, Hamilton, \$60, H. R. Pickup, B.A.

St. James Square, Toronto, \$60, G. A. Little, B.A.

Eastern scholarship, \$50, W. Scott, B.A.

John King scholarship, \$50, and Gillies scholarship, \$50, W. W. Bryden, B.A., H. M. Pallin, B.A., equal.

Mrs. Morrice, \$50, Boyd scholarship, \$25, C. D. Farquharson, F. S. Dowling, equal.

The post-graduate scholarship of \$400 was won by J. A. Sharrard, with honorable mention for J. D. McCrae.

The Bayne scholarship, \$50, with J. E. Thompson and the Prince of Wales prize, \$50, to W. R. Taylor.

The Clark prize (1), P. Taylor; the Clark prize (2), not awarded.

The Smith scholarship, \$50, not awarded.

The Brydon prize, \$25, B. S. Dicks.

The Gordon Mortimer Clark, \$125, P. Taylor.

A SUCCESSFUL PASTOR.

Our morning contemporary, The Citizen, has been dealing in a series of short sketches with "The Men of To-day and To-morrow." Last week it gave the following pen-portrait of one of the prominent ministers of the Capital:

Rev. A. E. Mitchell of Erskine Presbyterian church was born in Markham township, York county, and received his preliminary education in his native place and in St. Marys.

He afterwards attended Toronto University, being graduated in 1887, and Knox College, in which institution he received his theological training. After his ordination Mr. Mitchell was appointed to Waterloo, where he had previously appeared as a student in several pulpits.

In 1891 Mr. Mitchell was called to St. John's church, Almonte, where he remained for nearly ten years, and in 1901 was requested to take charge of Erskine church, in the capital. During his pastorate Erskine has made phenomenal progress. Since 1901 the small frame church and Sunday school hall have been replaced by the splendid stone structure that now adorns Bronson avenue. The large brick manse is also a monument to Mr. Mitchell's energy. When the present pastor took charge the revenue for sustentation work amounted to \$1,591. Last year the same fund reached the grand total of \$5,300, with a total revenue of \$8,300. From an adult membership of 90 in 1901, Erskine has grown to 640—the largest membership of any Presbyterian church in the city. In 1901 there were 190 Sunday school scholars and last year the total reached between five and six hundred.

Mr. Mitchell, under whose direction Erskine's great progress has been accomplished, is a member of the A.O. U.W., the I.O.O.F. and the Chosen Friends.