

REV. MR MACKAY, of Montreal, met the students at their Saturday morning Conference on December 8, and gave them a splendid talk on "The Reading of the Scriptural lessons in Public Worship." His contention is, that the Scriptures should be read in such a manner, that, without making comments, the reading will be an exposition of the passage read.

THE Public Meeting of the Student's Missionary Society, on Friday evening, December 7, was well attended. A paper on "South America" was read by A. E. Mitchell, and Wm. Neilly in a paper on "Mission Work in the Far West," gave an account of his summer's experiences. The address of the evening by Rev. A. B. Mackay, of Montreal, on "Non-Missionary Failures" was appreciated.

THE students were all pleased to see Mr. Henry W. Darling in the chair at the Public Missionary meeting. There was a bright, crisp air about the manner in which he discharged the duties of the chair, savory of a business man, and pleasing to everyone. Our Church in Toronto affords a good many laymen, who are equal to an undertaking of a like kind, and our societies should be encouraged to secure them for their public meetings.

THE readers of our College Magazine will be pleased to know that Rev. Prof. A. B. Bruce, D.D., of the Free Church College, Glasgow, is to contribute the leading article in an early number of the *Monthly*. He is one of the leading men in theological thought in Scotland, and author of "The Parabolic Teaching of Christ," "The Miraculous Element in the Gospel," "The Training of the Twelve," etc.

Rev. Dr. Proudfoot has lost none of his vigor in the class-room. His lectures on Homiletics which closed last term were popular, and deservedly so. One of the early changes in the curriculum of the college, when made, should be in Dr. Proudfoot's department. His lectures should extend over the full college session, and should reach more than the senior classes in theology.

IN Knox Church congregation, Galt, where so many good people are to be found, there has existed for years, a soil, in which almost any unbalanced extreme will take root and flourish, so long as it aims at a higher Christian life. It is feared, however, that from the attitude of some people there, they have found a short road to the high attainment they claim. Ordinary Christians, who are endeavoring to be cleansed from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, are disposed to believe, that there is quite a section of the highway to holiness which they have either missed or passed over in the dark.