

The gift is most opportune. It goes to strengthen the department in which we are weakest. Day by day and week by week a steady grind is going on, but little thought and less care is given to that part of our training which will be most in evidence in actual work. This prize cannot surely fail to awaken a general interest in elocution. Let the hills and dales, the woods and coves of our mission fields have great things to tell of progress in oratory during the coming summer.

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THE meetings of the Theological and Literary Society have come to a close after a most profitable session. Following the example set us last year of having an occasional lecturer from outside the college address our society, we have had the pleasure of listening to prominent men who have made a special study of particular subjects. We much appreciate the kindness of these gentlemen and hope that some of us, at least, may hear them again. This programme both relieves the student of extra work and adds interest and profit to the meetings.

What has been said of the Theological and Literary Society applies to the Missionary Association also. Our professors have taken a warm interest in these meetings, and no lecture of the whole course so touched our hearts and inspired our souls as Dr. Currie's on "The Grandeur of the Missionary Enterprise."

It is not often we offer suggestions to the wise leaders of our church, and may be pardoned if we venture advice to both the H. M. and F. M. Committees. We would say to the former, that it would be greatly to the advantage of the students, for various reasons that must be evident to all, if this committee would hold its meeting before the middle of April at the very latest. To the latter we would hint, that instead of giving our outgoing missionaries to one Presbytery only for ordination and designation, they should be sent to different Presbyteries, say Dr. Grierson to Halifax, Mr. Foote to St. John, and Mr. McRae, if he goes, to Sydney. There will be as much interest and enthusiasm over the ordination and designation of one missionary as over two or three. Why not have this interest and enthusiasm created at as many different points as we have missionaries?