

heating, etc. The endowment fund, although not large, is steadily increasing from year to year, it now amounts to nearly \$16,000. The following constitute the Faculty:—

Rev. John M. King, D.D., Principal and Professor of Systematic Theology and Exegesis.

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Mr. J. E. Munroe, B.A., Tutor in Mathematics.

Our Theological Colleges have done a noble work in the past, they are doing a grand work at the present, and every intelligent mind will acknowledge that their influence will tend not only to the material but also to the spiritual elevation of our faith and land of our birth and adoption. These institutions of learning then cannot be too strongly commended to the prayerful and practical sympathy of the whole Church. "The harvest truly is great but the labourers are few." Dr. Robert Moffatt on returning to Great Britain after fifty-four years of missionary work in South Africa, being asked to write in an album wrote impromptu:—

"Mine album is the savage breast,
Where darkness broods and tempests rest,
Without one ray of light;
To write the name of Jesus there,
And point to worlds all bright and fair,
And see the savage bow in prayer,
Is my supreme delight."

May it then be our privilege and "supreme delight," to aid in every possible way the promotion of this glorious work, and thus hasten the coming of Christ's kingdom.

THIRTY YEARS AGO.

BY REV. ROBERT MURRAY, HALIFAX.

In 1817 one of the earliest unions in the history of Presbyterianism was consummated at Truro, Nova Scotia. Two Presbyteries united and formed the Synod of the "Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia." The new Synod comprised three Presbyteries—Truro, Pictou, Halifax—and included all the Presbyterian ministers in the province and Prince Edward Island except one, in Halifax City, who was perfectly friendly but whose congregation was averse from union. There were then nineteen ministers in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The prospect was hopeful and bright. But division and strife came unbidden and remained for many years. The next union was the one of which I am to speak—the union of the Free Church and the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia in 1860.