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THE PRESBYTERIAN YEAR BOOK for 1889, in addition to the useful and reliable information concerning the Presbyterian Church in Canada, contains a number of able papers in brief compass, by several prominent ministers, on matters of vital importance to all who are interested in the welfare and progress of the Presbyterian Church in the Dominion.—*Barris Examiner*.

THE PRESBYTERIAN YEAR BOOK for the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland, is the title of a very useful little work, edited by the Rev. George Simpson, and issued from the press of the Presbyterian Printing and Publishing Company, (Limited) Toronto. Among other interesting information it contains short articles on "Our Church Statistics," etc. It will be seen from this that the contents are varied, and the preparation of the work reflects great credit, etc.—*Guelph Mercury*.

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## Notes of the Week.

MR. MACDONALD, of Florence, contributes to the *Christian* an article on Gavazzi. He says that he was a profound theologian, especially on all controversial subjects, well versed in botany, and the natural sciences. He was also an adept in medical lore, thoroughly acquainted with music, and a keen observer of men, manners, and scenery during his extensive travels. It seems that on the morning of his death he was well and hearty, and went out after lunch to see the flowers on the grave of King Victor Emmanuel. A fit of coughing came on, and a vein was ruptured. In a minute, falling into the arms of a friend, he was taken home.

THE trial of Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln, for ritualistic practices is exciting great interest, a fact exemplified by the special early celebration of holy communion in the several London churches on the morning of his appearing in Lambeth palace before the Archbishop of Canterbury, who was accompanied by the Bishops of London, Winchester, Oxford and Salisbury. Dr. King protested against the jurisdiction of the archbishop, and an adjournment was made to 12th March for consideration of the protest. The archbishop has no liking for this prosecution, but is powerless to prevent it. It takes place under the Public Worship Regulation Act of Lord Beaconsfield, and there is no precedent, it is said, for the jurisdiction of the archbishop during two centuries. The ritualists have subscribed \$85,000 for the defence.

UNIVERSITIES with all the faculties combined exist in France only at five places, Paris, Bordeaux, Lyons, Nancy and Montpellier, of which the Paris High School is the only one with a reputation outside of France. Besides these there are thirteen faculties of law, six of medicine, fifteen of the "free sciences"—i.e., the humanities, fifteen of literature, two of Protestant theology, three of pharmacy, seventeen preparatory schools for medicine and pharmacy. All these are under State control, independent of these there are six faculties of law, one of medicine, three of the sciences and four of literature. The Catholic seminaries, of which there are about twenty-four, are also independent of State control. The growth in the attendance at the theological faculties in Germany is phenomenal. In 1876 there were fewer than 1,600 theological students; now there are almost 5,000.

THE Rev. Dr. Armstrong, of St. Paul's Church Ottawa, has written temperate and able letters to the *Citizen* on the Jesuit grant by the government of Quebec. He closes his last published letter with these remarks: The accusations against the Society were multiplied without number, and especially with that insatiable avidity of temporal possessions with which it was reproached.—(Pope Clement's Brief.) Preachers against covetousness! What spirit do they manifest now in their desire to obtain \$400,000, to which they have no legal right? The Pope's brief records the legal verdict of the nations against the Jesuits up to the time of their suppression. Have the nations thought any better of them since their restoration? Ask Russia, Portugal, Spain, Germany, Italy, France. We are free to admit all the courage and self-sacrifice Jesuits have manifested in promoting the interests of their Order. But are we to be blind to the teachings of history and take for granted that what has been a source of trouble in every other land will prove a blessing to ours? The voice of history calls not merely upon Protestants, but upon all patriotic citizens to resent and resist the encroachments of the Jesuit.

AT the last meeting of the Toronto Presbytery, the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell gave notice of an overture to the General Assembly in these terms: Whereas the Church of Christ should be careful not to exclude from the ministry any man whom the Lord of the Church would receive; and whereas the desired union of the several branches of the Church would necessarily involve the adoption of a common standard for admission to the ministry: and whereas the present terms of subscription in the Presbyterian Church in Canada have the effect of excluding from its ministry men who are acknowledged to be true

ministers of the Gospel in other branches of the Church: It is humbly overtured to the venerable the General Assembly to take such action as it may deem best in the premises in the way of altering the relation of the ministers to the Confession of Faith, or of substituting for said Confession some briefer statement of the truths which are considered vital. In giving his notice, Mr. Macdonnell desired not to be understood as attacking the Confession of Faith, but only trying to make more simple the machinery of the Church, and thus promoting, or at least lessening the difficulties in the way of the union of the various sections of Christ's Church.

THE New York *Independent* says: Dr. Dix's sermon last Sunday was on the Apostolic Succession, on which, he said, all hope of Christian unity must be based. We should call it a sermon against Christian unity, a sermon warning all Low Churchmen and Broad Churchmen that only on the condition that the world adopts the High Church theory can unity be possible. Matthias, he says, was chosen to succeed Judas because the Apostolic Succession must be maintained. "If anybody and everybody who had a devout spirit and love of Christ could have evangelized without asking any one's leave or waiting for formal mission, the vacancy need not have been filled. That it was filled in that deliberate and solemn way shows that the office of apostle was to be a perpetual ordinance with the Lord." Did those who "went everywhere preaching the word" wait "for formal missions?" But this gives his view sharply: "We cannot yield an inch on this cardinal point in the plan of reunion. We believe that reunion is a simple impossibility except upon that apostolic platform. To come together after a denial of the fact and the doctrine of apostolic succession would amount to a rejection of historic Christianity." With all this Dr. Dix declares that the growth of the Church (Protestant Episcopal) gives ground to believe that it will become the Church of this people. We would like to see a statistical exposition of his belief, as also of his statement that the doctrine of Apostolic Succession has as much evidence as exists for the continuity of the presidency in the United States!

THE Toronto Orangemen held a large and an enthusiastic meeting to denounce Popish encroachments on civil and religious rights. The resolutions unanimously adopted were as follows: (1) That as the Roman Catholic Church is a political organization, and as recent events in the political history of the Dominion of Canada, and of the various Provinces of which it is composed, show clearly the subserviency of both the Conservative and the Reform parties to the Church of Rome, and as this political ascendancy of the Church of Rome is secured by the agency of a corporate vote, the time has come when it is the manifest duty of true Protestants to organize on a distinct political platform, whose objects shall be the defence of civil and religious liberty, the securing of equal rights for all the subjects of Her Majesty in the Dominion, and the prevention of the political ascendancy of Romanism. (2) That after an experience of more than twenty-one years under the British North America Act, we find it to be defective at most vital points, notably in its recognition of race and denominational distinctions, and the continued possibility of extending class privileges to an almost unlimited extent, thereby hindering that fusion of races and unity of action and feeling that must exist between all classes, in order to build up a great nation, and we believe the time has now come for a revision of the constitution of the Dominion, in order to promote the harmonious development of thought and action between all peoples engaged in building up this great and rapidly growing country. (3) That we pledge ourselves to co-operate with all Protestants and liberal Roman Catholics who will unite with us in strenuously opposing the granting of special privileges to the members of any creed or nationality, and in vigorously resisting the establishment and endowment of the Jesuits in Canada. (4) That the Executive Committee of the Toronto Orange Lodge be appointed a committee to represent the Orangemen of Toronto in co-operating with the representatives of all other bodies in sympathy with this movement in taking such action as may be deemed best in the present grave crisis in the affairs of our country.