

Every one of these Lectures is of considerable, several of them of very high merit; and in the volume there will be found a great deal of important matter, which the mere titles would not lead one to expect. For instance, Whately's article is, in its bearing, really an argument for the Divine authority of the Scriptures. The book, which costs only a dollar, is admirably adapted for the perusal of intelligent and reflecting persons, either young or old. The extensive circulation of such works is fitted to exert a beneficial influence, moral as well as intellectual, on the community.

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THE VOICE OF THE THEOLOGICAL HALL TO A MISSIONARY ELECT.

The following address was, on the 24th of September, presented by the students of the Theological Hall, to Mr. Zerub Baillie, preacher, who had been accepted as a missionary for Old Calabar, and who, for some time, had been occupied in acquiring a knowledge of medicine. It was accompanied with a donation of twenty valuable volumes and a pocket-case of surgical instruments. Four of the Professors, who were present, made a few suitable and impressive remarks, chiefly with regard to the duty of each student taking into earnest and prayerful consideration, the call for aid, that is coming so loudly from heathen lands. "That call," Dr Brown said, "is general; Mr. Baillie had heard it and responded to it; and every one must be prepared with such an answer as will stand the scrutiny of an enlightened conscience now, and of the coming judgment-day, why he has not seen it to be his duty to obey the call also." It was, indeed, a gratifying sight to behold so many intelligent young men—all aspiring to the office of the sacred ministry, appreciating and applauding the devotedness of their esteemed fellow-student, who has consecrated himself to the service of the Lord in the dark regions of Central Africa, and doing what they could to cheer him at the outset of his course. And the interest of the scene was heightened by the fact, that among the one hundred and ninety students who this year attended the Hall, were two from Nova Scotia; a converted Caffre from South Africa; a converted Mahomedan from the East Indies; and a converted Jew from Germany, thus exemplifying that the Hall is, what the Synod recently declared it to be, a seminary for the world:—

Dear Brother in Christ.—Before parting with you, we desire to express, in this deliberate and collective form, our high esteem for your character, our admiration of your qualifications, our sympathy with your position, and earnest wishes for your welfare. In this expression of sentiment, the whole Hall of students unite, and the formal way in which it is done, is intended to indicate the sincerity with which it is conceived. We take this mode of recording more permanently, than by oral address, our sense of the careful and conscientious diligence with which you have sought to accomplish yourself for the prosecution of missionary labours in Central Africa, of the rare variety and extent of the acquisitions which you have made in the course of a long and diversified curriculum, and of the singular fitness which, in these and other respects, you appear to us to possess for the important and difficult field you are about to occupy. The happy temperament with which you have been endowed—the frankness and suavity of manners for which you are distinguished, the generous sympathy with which you regard your fellow-creatures, especially those of heathen lands—the piety with which you have surrendered yourself to the cause of God; these and kindred features of your character, warrant us in forming our judgment of your special adaptation to discharge the office of a missionary, and in anticipating, so far as these and the like may furnish ground of anticipation, a career of eminent usefulness and increasing honour.