

denomination which will assume the responsibility of erecting a residential college. This college must have no sectarian tests for those desiring to reside in it; but it may have class rooms and all facilities for the teaching of theology by the denomination controlling it, and the fullest opportunity is afforded for bringing religious influences to bear on the students resident within it, so long as there is no compulsion. These students are from all courses in the university, and are frequently among its best men. Thus Ormond College led the University of Melbourne for years in scholarships and St. Andrew's College stands high in Sydney. This arrangement affords a fine combination of the Oxford college system and the more common type of University system. Each college has a staff of resident tutors, in addition to the theological professors, whose duty it is to give counsel and direction to the students in all phases of their course. The plan works exceedingly well, allowing the stronger men to prosecute their studies much more widely than would otherwise be possible, and giving needed help to those who are not quite up to the average.

The work of education bulked largely in both Assemblies, and I found the college men among their most prominent leaders.

In New South Wales a serious attempt was made this year to study the question of non-church going and one of the most thorough-going studies I have ever seen made by a church committee was put in the hands of members of the Assembly in printed form. The same question received attention in Victoria, and there is good reason for it. It is clear to the most casual observer that the church has not the hold upon the people in Australia that it must get to save the nation, or even to equal what is being done in Canada. The general climate and easy conditions of living tend to excessive pleasure seeking and unless this tendency can be overcome, the future of Australia is a very doubtful one.

The Presbyterian Church has made a larger numerical gain during the past ten years than any other Protestant church, but its sanest leaders are impressed with the greatness of the task that still lies before it. Home missions have not kept pace with the growth of the country, though at last Commonwealth Assembly a decided forward movement was made, looking toward the following up of the men who are so widely scattered over the sparsely settled regions of the interior.

The Victorian Church has long had a vigorous foreign mission work and under the consecrated leadership of Rev. Frank Paton, son