

resolved to maintain its supervision over Eardly, and to send two students to Manitoba for the coming summer. A committee was appointed to find openings for missionary work in the city and vicinity.

At a special meeting a communication was read from Dr. Bryce of Manitoba College, asking that the Society take up the field of Gretna in Southern Manitoba, and that Mr. Hargrave be appointed Missionary. Mr. Hargrave said he could not undertake the work, but it was resolved that Gretna be considered one of the fields for the summer.

LITERARY SOCIETY.—At the meet-

ing of February 19th it was resolved to leave the examination of students essays with Professors Campbell, Scrimger, and Coussirat. On the 26th the competition for prizes in speaking and reading was proceeded with. The subjects were, for speaking, "The work of the Missionary," for reading, in English, "The Insignificance of this world" and thirty-eight verses of the fourth chapter of John's Gospel, in French, "Les Vierges," and the same passage of Scripture as in English. The prize winners were Mr. A. S. Grant, B.A., speaking; Mr. R. Johnston, English reading; and Mr. A. J. Lods, French reading.

STUDENT'S THOUGHTFUL HOUR.

Is it possible, while gaining intellectual power to lose spiritual discernment?

Time flies; Eternity rolls. Time is a swift-winged bird of which we just hear one wing vibration as it shoots past in rapid flight. Eternity is an endlessly revolving wheel, of which the greatest world cycles are but single revolutions. Our bodies are borne through the seconds and years on the wings of time, till they fall from them as feathers from the wings of a bird. Our souls, rejoicing in their essential vitality, guide the chariots of Eternity, till they pass through the pearly gates and reach our Father's Mansions in safety.

ROM. i. 9. *Whom I serve with my spirit.*

It is easy for many people, when the eyes of the world are upon them, to persuade themselves that they are serving God. Consistency demands that the external conduct should coincide with the Divine commands. Many are fearless and outspoken on things that pertain to religion, but are very poor closet-christians. This is the case with all hypocrites. Few men are intentionally hypocrites. They are generally self-deceivers; nay, while they fail to deceive the world, they succeed in deceiving themselves.

Like Peter, before the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, they will proclaim their willingness to lay down their lives for Christ, but, like him, they fall before secret and strong temptation. This teaches us the value