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## Important Notice.

I find it will be an advantage in several ways to have the office of publication of THE CANADIAN EVANGELIST in Hamilton, where I now reside. I have accordingly decided to publish the paper from 85 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, Ont. Agents, subscribers and advertisers are requested to take notice that all remittances must be sent to me to that address. As I have no connection with the office at 11 Richmond Street West, Toronto, money intended for payment of subscriptions and advertisements in this paper must not hereafter be sent to that office. Orders for books, tracts and Sunday-school supplies should be sent to 11 Richmond Street West, Toronto, and not to me, as I am not in any way connected with that business.

GEORGE MUNRO.

## The University of Toronto.

Some three years and a half ago, the EVANGELIST had a good deal to say about University College, Toronto, and its advantages as an educational institution. Considerable interest, we discovered, was taken in the matter by our readers. One of our principal contentions was that young men preparing for the ministry of the Word, would find our own University in Toronto a better place to pursue their literary, classical, scientific and philosophical studies, than any College in the States.

We maintained that those who had been trained in our own public and high schools, in passing into our own University, would not be subjected to the inconvenience of becoming adapted to a different system of teaching, different series of text books, etc., as those going to the States would be; but would simply be proceeding from one grade to another in a well considered and constantly improving system.

In the interval since the articles referred to were written, time and circumstances have confirmed the views then expressed. The University of Toronto is a better institution now than it was then, and steps are being taken, we may say, continually to increase its facilities for imparting a good all round education; in a word, to make it second to no University on the continent. Those of our brethren who have looked into the question at all are of course aware that the equipment of our University in Toronto is now very far in advance of that of any college conducted by our brethren in the States, and is fast taking rank among such Universities as Harvard and Yale. It is well known that the professors in all the Colleges of the Disciples in the United States lament their inadequate facilities for doing full University work; and they are constantly urging the wealthy Disciples to so increase their endowments that they may be able to take higher rank and do better work. There is no sufficient reason why our young

men who desire, as most young men do, a first class education, should suffer from the deficiencies of the Colleges in the States when we have a College in our own country which is so much superior to the best of them. It is scarcely necessary to observe that we are writing about educational institutions and not about the professors in them. We know enough about the professors in the principal colleges of the Disciples in the States, to be well aware that the chief among them are men of learning and of teaching power; but there is scarcely one of them that is not handicapped by insufficient appliances, inadequate salary and overwork. So we consider it but our duty to urge our young men who wish to make the most of the time they can spend at College to attend Toronto University.

But the question will be raised, what about a ministerial course, what about instruction in the Bible? It will be said, Toronto University can not furnish that, and that is quite true. It may be asked, would we recommend a young man to go into the work without a ministerial or Bible course? and we would answer in general, no. Though we can point to instances where men became successful preachers without what is called a theological training, and if a young man can only take one course, by all means let that be a general course, and not a special one, even though that special course should be in the College of the Bible at Lexington, Ky. But what shall be done in the case of one who has graduated from Toronto University and who is determined to have special training in the line of a preacher's special work? One thing he can do is to do as Bro. R. W. Ballah has done, take a course in the Bible department of one of the Colleges in the United States. We doubt not but in general that would be found very satisfactory, and, as things have themselves at present, perhaps the best thing that could be done.

But there is a more excellent way possible and desirable. It is that means should be provided in Toronto to give such training in the Bible and in ministerial work as earnest young men feel the need of after graduating from a university. The commonest objection to this proposition is that the Disciples in this country are not able to make such a provision. Our reply is that they are able, though they may not be willing just at present. The legacy of our late brother D. A. Sinclair is no insignificant beginning for such an enterprise, and has brought the matter before the people in such a way as to require immediate action. It is the duty of the Board of the Co-operation and the Committee on Education to see to it that the dying wish of that sainted young brother is respected and carried out. And there are good reasons for believing that when the enterprise gets properly before the brotherhood there will be found many to assist liberally in raising the fund to such a point, that ere long, one competent professor could be employed and established in Toronto—one who, by wisely supplementing the instruction given in the general course of the university, would be able to turn out a class of preachers second to none in the world.

Let this suffice now. We shall have more to say by and by.

Among our selections in last number was a very seasonable article by J. B. Briney on "A Modern Evangelist vs. Primitive Evangelists." In this issue there will be found another from the same pen on a timely topic. Bro. Briney is a strong, sound and sensible writer. It always pays to read what he writes.

A hundred years ago there were only 26,000,000 English speaking people in the world, to day there are 196,000,000.

In last number we published articles concerning Hiram College and Kentucky University. We intended to insert one about Bethany College, but could not lay our hands upon it, neither can we now. Perhaps some friend will help us by sending an account of Bethany College under the administration of President McDiarmid. The Disciples in the States have been for a good while talking and writing about their difficulties in the matter of higher education. There seems to be a very general demand for one first-class institution; a university in the full sense of the term.

The result of the recent Manitoba elections must, we think, be gratifying to those who desire to see a great nation built up north of the St. Lawrence and the 49th parallel. The people of Manitoba are determined to have none but public schools, supported by public money, and we think they will accomplish their purpose, notwithstanding the efforts of the Roman Catholic priesthood to frustrate it. The very large majority in favor of prohibition is very creditable to the Prairie Province. We shall watch with interest the outcome of that vote. We understand Mr. Greenway is pledged to give it effect.

The Royal Commission on the liquor traffic has begun its investigations in Halifax. Sir Joseph Hickson and his colleagues may be depended upon to do their work thoroughly. The friends of the traffic have taken steps to have their side of the case fully presented. It will be interesting to learn what their able representatives have to say for them and their business. One would think that a child could overthrow the most skillful defender of the liquor traffic. Nevertheless it will be well for the leaders among the temperance people to lay their side before the Commission with clearness and with force.

## Our Omnibus.

At the last commencement of Bethany College, Bro. John Campbell, of Erie Mills, St. Thomas, was elected a trustee of that institution.

A C. Gray, of West Lake, is expected to fill the pulpit for the Disciples of Christ next Lord's day.—*Blenheim News*, July 28th.

H. A. McDonald will succeed H. H. Rumble as president of Western Kentucky College. This will be good news to all the friends of the college.—*Apostolic Guide*.

President Hugh McDiarmid, of Bethany College, is expected to spend a few weeks in Ontario this summer. It is to be hoped that he will venture farther east than Ridgetown and St. Thomas.

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Seventeen more one dollar contributions will close up this little matter. Let us have them, brethren and sisters, before the August 15th EVANGELIST comes out. Send to 85 Wellington St. North, Hamilton.

Those who are interested in knowing what the southern portion of the United States is like, will have an opportunity at the Buffalo, N. Y., Exposition, August 17th to 27th, of seeing photographic views of its towns and people. Also specimens of its ores, minerals,

precious stones, woods, agricultural products and fruits. The southern exhibit will take up one-half of the Exposition halls at Buffalo.

CORRECTION.—We are happy to be able to contradict the rumor to which we alluded in last number, to the effect that the church in Beamsville was not meeting on the Lord's day, because they have no regular preacher. The church in Beamsville does meet to break bread on the Lord's day. We should like to hear a similar good report from Ridgetown.

Let not the length of Bro. Knowles' article prevent any one from reading it carefully. We commend it especially to our young friends. Bro. Sheppard's "On Vanity" contains a word of needed warning in a day and country like this. When denominationalism is strong and popular, the zeal of many for the truth is apt to wax cold.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS.

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Sunday school superintendents and teachers are reminded that the first Lord's day in September is the day on which the Sunday schools are asked to take up a special collection for Home Missions.

## Church News.

GRAND VALLEY, July 26th.—Our new house is up, the roof on, and the floor laid. S. WOOLNER.

WIARTON, July 25th.—Two confessions at our meetings last evening.—A. TONKIL.

ERIN.—Bro. R. W. Ballah and the Erin churches, we are glad, but not surprised to learn, are becoming favorably known to one another.

VAUGHAN, July 25th.—I came here June 9th and have been laboring with the church since that time. Our meetings are increasing in attendance and interest. Three persons confessed their faith in Christ yesterday. ROBT STEWART.

## Bro. A. P. Cobb and the Owen Sound Meeting.

The brethren will be glad to know the church in Owen Sound is to have the presence and preaching of our esteemed Brother, A. P. Cobb. We think, just now, that the "lines have fallen to us in pleasant places, and we have a goodly heritage."

We desire to share this privilege with all who can come up for a Lord's day or a few days in mid-week, and enjoy the meeting with us. So brethren, please take notice that Bro. Cobb will begin a meeting here on Lord's day, Aug. 7th, and continue for three weeks. His daughter will accompany him and assist in the singing. JAMES LEDIARD.

## Sunday School Convention.

### CHANGE OF TIME AND PLACE.

The S. S. Convention of the teachers and S. S. workers of the Northern churches, will be held in Owen Sound on Aug. 11th and 12th, and not in

Walkerton as previously announced. This change has been made because of the visit of Bro. Cobb, that those attending may have the pleasure and profit of both meetings. We hope to see many present and to be greatly helped in our S. S. work.

JAMES LEDIARD,

Owen Sound, July 25th.

## Off for the Labrador.

Acadian Recorder, Halifax, N.S.

Prof. W. M. Reid, J. D. Scomberger, Lyle Vincent and W. D. Vincent, arrived by the Halifax last night. They are some of the party who go to Labrador in the schooner Evelina in the interests of the World's Fair, to secure an Esquimaux village with some fifty inhabitants and all appurtenances thereto belonging. The schooner left Cunningham & Curren's wharf to day on her mission.

A Recorder reporter was talking to-day to Capt. Wm. McConnell, of Port Harford, Guysboro, who is in charge of the vessel. An interesting incident was mentioned (and although it sounds like a "puff" of a patent medicine it is worth noting). "Do you see that man over there?" said a friend, "That is Capt. McConnell, who is going after Esquimaux. I have known him for years, and he was that bad with asthma that he had sometimes to be held up on board his vessel. You see him?"—(he was piling wood in a cord measure to take on board)—"he is a well man; and he attributes it to some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that he took, two after each meal."

Out of curiosity, the reporter secured an introduction to the captain, and after some talk about the expedition, remarked: "Is that correct, Captain, about your recovery from asthma, and that you attribute it to those pills?"

"Well, I don't know anything else. I recovered after taking them."

"And haven't been troubled since?"

"No. Of course we will see what this winter may bring forth; I haven't said anything about it."

"But last winter?"

"I began taking them in December, and found the change brought about in my condition, which Dr. Parker, of Halifax, said was about as bad as it could be."

It isn't often that a patent medicine gets such a big boom in the incidence of news-gathering, as is furnished in the above; but it is all set down just as it transpired, incidentally.

The whole Labrador party consists of Messrs. Tabor and Vincent, Prof. Reid, of Harvard College; Mr. Lyle Vincent, St. Louis; Dr. Baur, Philadelphia, a distinguished naturalist; Prof. Gillette, New Haven, Conn., and Hon. W. F. Ryder, Quebec. They expect to return with about 50 Esquimaux, with dogs, komatiks, kayacks, and a general collection of curiosities from Esquimaux land. The schooner is a handsome model, 95 tons, and is a fast sailer. John Silver & Co. furnished the supplies.

"Gentility is neither in birth name, nor fashion, but in the mind. A high sense of honor, a determination never to take a mean advantage of another, an adherence to truth, delicacy and politeness towards those with whom you have dealings, are the essential characteristics of a gentleman."

"All that is great comes through work; and civilization is its product."

"Success on earth may mean the worst kind of failure in heaven."

Our daily life should be sanctified by doing common things in a religious way. There is no action so slight or so humble but it may be done to a great purpose or annulled thereby.—GEORGE MACDONALD.