

en route for Chicago, where they spent Sabbath, 15th ult. Springfield, Illinois, Alton and St. Louis were visited during the week, and Sabbath, 22nd, found Mr. Hall in Buffalo, and Mr. Balgarnie once more in Hamilton. Mr. Hall preached and lectured in Buffalo, and twice addressed the American Board. On Thursday, 26th ult., the travellers came to Toronto, each addressing two immense congregations in the evening, and on the following morning attending a Union Prayer Meeting called by the Young Men's Christian Association. Sabbath, the 29th, was spent in Montreal; Tuesday was given to Quebec; and thence, through the White Mountains, they were to find their way to Boston, &c., &c., &c.

Wherever Mr. Hall has gone, he has been received with the greatest enthusiasm; but he has left still greater love behind him. He preaches the pure gospel, in the simplest style, with abundant illustrations, and a most natural and unprofessional earnestness. His tall and graceful person, fine countenance, musical voice, and clear and expressive utterance, add much to the power and charm of his public address. His genial and manly nature, innate courtesy and undisguised humour, make him a choice companion. He is in excellent health, takes good care of his *physique*, participating freely in out-door sports, and therefore enjoys life and gets through a vast amount of work. Preaching three or four times a day, or twice on a single evening, seems no burden to him. We do not wonder at his great popularity, at the hold which he has upon the working-classes in England, or the fervour of his welcome in America. His tour upon this continent must do good, visiting, as he will, most of the principal cities, meeting with representative assemblies, such as the American Board, finding every ear open to him, and having such a happy faculty of addressing himself to each occasion, so that he can speak warmly for another nation without denying his own.

We count it a great privilege that some of the Canadian cities have enjoyed, in being permitted to share in this visit. Yet it was obtained only by the most importunate urgency, for like most English travellers, these were so taken up with the superior *bigness* of the United States, that they had not intended to come to Canada, and even thought it was far-off and somewhat inaccessible! But we hope that they will not fail to tell those who may follow them on the American tour, that there are four millions of British subjects on this continent, and that there are things among them worth seeing.

We know that our visitors were very deeply impressed by the provision here made for National Education. They will go home prepared to advocate a similar measure for England.

Mr. Balgarnie also has left a most favourable impression wherever he has gone. On the platform and in the pulpit, his services have been of a high order. Many will remember him, and the good work he is doing at home.

It will be a pleasant memorial of this visit, that while the Americans will build a tower for Mr. Hall's new church, some other distinct part of it—perhaps a window—will be furnished by Canada, and bear its name. In Toronto, \$180 were collected for this purpose.

THE CANADIAN INDEPENDENT.—The September number of this tastefully got up and well conducted Magazine, the organ of our Congregational brethren, has come to hand, with a steel engraving of the Rev. F. H. Marling as a frontispiece. We wish our enterprising contemporary great success.—*Canadian Baptist*.