

time to time almost from the first, has added to the interest of our department for correspondence by a communication on the "Woman's Crusade." We wish we might hear more frequently from him, which wish, we are sure is shared by our readers. At this time we take the liberty of making the most use of him we can, and publish the following private note which is of public interest :—

"Herewith I send for the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT a brief communication on the most exciting topic of our region. If it may provoke the pious and prudent sisterhood of the Canadian churches to earnest inquiry—"Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" and quicken the zeal and faith of any, I am sure the hours spent in preparing it will have been well employed.

On the 25th February, my relation to the flock among whom I now minister, was changed from that of 'stated supply' (for which I know no scriptural authority) to the settled pastoral charge. This was done by the unanimous request of the people, who at the same time without my knowledge, added a hundred dollars to my salary, to take effect from the time I began my labours among them, now more than eleven months ago. The services were very well sustained by the ministers invited, and by the community. The two pastors at Aurora, (my former field of labour,) were chosen Moderator and Scribe of the Council. The former, Rev. Mr. Prescott, offered the prayer of installation and the right hand of fellowship. Rev. Dr. Roy, of Chicago, delivered the charge to the pastor, the Rev. D. D. Hill, of Aurora, gave the address to the Church. The Methodist and Baptist pastors of the place assisted in other parts. In the evening a very able sermon was preached to a full house by Dr. Roy. This was the best of the feast.

Wishing you much prosperity in your pastoral and editorial work, with much esteem,"

Yours very truly,  
EDWARD EBBS.

A MISSIONARY MARTYR has just been added to those who have given up their lives on earth for the Master, and who are canonized and crowned in heaven. The atrocity indicated by the following despatch occurred at Ahualulco on Sunday, March 1st, and serves to show that Romanism, like the Bourbons, has learnt

nothing and forgotten nothing. The Rev. J. L. Stephens was a Congregational missionary sent with Mr. Watkins by the American Board to Mexico during the past year. Of the fifteen hundred and twenty-five missionaries sent by the Board, it is stated that only eight have become victims of the assassin. Lyman and Munson were murdered in Sumatra in 1834. Satterlee was struck down by a white man among the Pawnees, in 1837. Dr. Whitman and his wife were assassinated by the Indians in Oregon, in 1847. Merriam fell in Bulgaria in 1862, and Coffing in Central Turkey the same year. Mr. Watkins, who is still in Mexico, is a son-in-law of the Rev. A. J. Parker, of Danville.

"In the morning a priest delivered an incendiary sermon, in the course of which he advocated the extermination of the Protestants. This so excited his hearers that in the evening an armed mob of 200 persons broke into the house of Mr. Stephens, and with cries "Long live the priests," smashed his head to jelly and chopped his body into pieces. They afterward sacked the house and carried off everything of value.

After much delay, the riot was suppressed by the local authorities. The Government has sent a detachment of troops to the place. A rigid investigation has been set on foot, and orders issued for the arrest of all priests in Ahualulco and the neighbouring town of Teshitan."

THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH has already found footing in Canada, and in the capital. A number of the leading Episcopal families in Ottawa, being quite disgusted with prelacy as represented by the Bishop of Ontario, requested Bishop Cummins to visit them and organize a Reformed Episcopal Church. This he was unable to do at the time, but sent in his place the Rev. M<sup>r</sup> Gallagher, who was cordially received, and has since been preaching to overflowing congregations in the court house. Already an organization has been made, a large sum