

on the "*simplicity*" of the doctrines, and the credulity of the believers. But he refused to criticise the "system" (?) He never criticised even his *own* dreams. Dr. Tracy of Toronto University was heartily received, as he always is by a McMaster audience. Every religion has won the attention of men by miracles, real or pretended. The Doctor showed that the miracles of Theosophists were "shams." Moreover, as a conclusive test of a religion we enquire concerning the moral results. What are the moral results of the doctrines of Theosophy? They certainly are not, nor have they been, conducive to the development of the moral nature.

ON Thursday evening, 10th instant, the Theological Society held a sort of Echo Meeting of their meeting on the 1st inst., in which Dr. Strong, the speaker at the first meeting, received some friendly criticism from Dr. Rand and others. The students had all been pleased with Dr. Strong's masterly presentation of his theme, but were anxious to hear the supporters of the opposite theory present their views. This opportunity was given them when Dr. Rand appeared before the Theological Society. In his criticism he dwelt chiefly on two objections, one to the theory of evolution as presented by Dr. Strong, and the other to his explanation of the Atonement in the light of evolution.

Dr. Goodspeed, Dr. Ten Broeke, Prof. Farmer, and Dr. Welton were all present, and at the hearty invitation of the audience arose and presented their views. From these it would seem that, though Dr. Strong has many warm friends on the Faculty, his theory can not claim the same distinction. By these two meetings the Theological Society has provided a great deal of material for discussion, and we may add that the material is being rapidly utilized.

THE evening of Feb. 28th was made the occasion of a very delightful sleighing-party under the auspices of a few of the students. The day dragged wearily on, eventually closing into a night of beauty and serenity. The moon seemed to exult in gladness, while the glittering stars sparkled with glory. In harmony with the glad evening was the melody in the hearts of sixty or more of the elite of the University and her sympathizers. In due time the party was on its way. A long van drawn by three teams of horses scarcely served to accommodate the happy occupants. Previous arrangements had been made to visit the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bessey, of Little York, and thither the party was directed. To attempt to describe the trip would be unwise. Every person was happy. Some shouted and sang, some told stories, while some talked politics and reviewed the prospects of the coming election. In a seemingly short time the party arrived at its destination, and received a very warm reception from Mr. and Mrs. Bessey. After refreshments were served, a very spicy programme was rendered. "Jimmie Brown and the Baby," by Miss Gile, made many think of by-gone youthful days when domestic cares traced furrows in their brows. The next number was a solo, by Miss Lugsdin. Mr. Brophrey then followed with a recitation, entitled, "Lord Ullin's Daughter." The programme was ended by a trombone and guitar duet,