

Provinces there has been progress in the right direction. All the colleges were able to report favorably both as regards support and the attendance of students. The contributions to the schemes of the church showed a satisfactory increase, the difference between the second year after the Union and the tenth year being nearly half a million dollars. The religious life of the church, as judged by the usual tests and indications, is in a vigorous condition. There is growth, there is movement in the right direction, reported all along the line.

The Assembly uttered its testimony in favor of reformation in morals and against prevailing forms of evil. Fraternal greetings and a request for coöperation were received from the Church of England Synod, and were cordially reciprocated. Well may all who attended the late Assembly or who have studied its proceedings, thank God for the past and look to the future with faith and hope.

It is a favorable "sign of the times" that Christians are drawing more closely together. Friendly greetings and messages of cordial congratulation have succeeded the sneers, the taunts, the fervid denunciations which at one time were not unusual. Our own union has been so manifestly owned and blessed of God that it has encouraged others to tread in the same pathway. The Methodist union bids fair to be an assured success. And now our respected and beloved brethren of the Church of England are becoming prominent in their willingness to coöperate in measures for the promotion of pure and undefiled religion. From the temper of our own Assembly it may be very confidently asserted that no movement towards the closer union of Christ's family will be without the ardent coöperation of the Presbyterian Church. Our Church is still favored with the friendly and very valuable aid of our parent churches in Scotland and Ireland. They all regard ours as a younger sister, or a daughter, and they never fail to lend such help as is in their power to render.

Our Foreign Missionaries will be with us for a few months, and many of our congregations will have an opportunity of hearing

from their own lips the story of Gospel triumphs among the heathen. Zeal for missions will thus be quickened; and the conviction will be deepened that the Gospel which we send to India, to Formosa, to the New Hebrides, to the coolies of Trinidad, is all worthy of being cherished, preached and practiced at home.

**FRENCH EVANGELIZATION.**—The annual collection for this scheme of the Church will be made in all our congregations and preaching stations on the **THIRD SABBATH** of July. This important department of the Church's work needs the financial aid and the prayers of all our people. It is hoped that the July collection will be a liberal one. Copies of the report have been mailed to all ministers and missionaries, who will thus be in a position to explain the nature and extent of the work. Collections will be sent to Rev. R. H. Warden, 198 St. James street, Montreal, or Dr. MacGregor, Halifax.

**MISSION GOODS FOR THE NEW HEBRIDES.**—Congregations, Sunday-schools or societies desiring to send boxes or parcels containing made-up clothing or calicoes for the schools, and the work generally of our Canadian missionaries in the New Hebrides, should forward all such goods not later than 31st August to Mr. Isaac A. Grant, merchant, Pictou, Nova Scotia, who has undertaken to ship what may be sent in to Sydney, Australia, in time for the "Dayspring" leaving that port on the 1st of April, 1885, for the New Hebrides. Each box or parcel ought to be carefully addressed to the missionary for whom it is intended, accompanied by a note or card to Mr. Grant, that he may acknowledge the receipt of the goods to the proper party. Full address of each missionary:

Rev. J. W. McKenzie, Efate.

" J. Annand, Aneityum.

" H. A. Robertson, Erromanga.  
Care of Rev. Dr. Steel, Sydney, Australia.

**ERROMANGA.**—Rev. H. A. Robertson, of Erromanga, is at present in Toronto carrying through the press a translation of the Gospel into Erromangan. Until this work is completed Mr. R. will not be able to address any congregations except those in or near Toronto, and these only on Sundays, as his whole time during the week will be occupied in transcribing copy and correcting proof. Address until 1st August:—  
41 Wood Street, Toronto.