



HE MUST BE RECKONED WITH HENCEFORTH.

—Westerman in The Ohio State Journal (Col.).

stigation of the liquor traffic—has led and justly, to the indignant resignation of one of the best boards of license commissioners ever appointed. But the people have the antidote of this bane in their own hands. The Local Option campaign throughout the country gives grand opportunity for local prohibition. The temperance people and the Churches will be false to their principles and their pledges if they fail to grasp this splendid opportunity. The drink traffic will die hard. It is said to be raising a colossal election fund. It must be watched as with the hundred eyes of Argus, and the plots and iniquities which have been perpetrated before must be strangled, as with the hundred arms of Briareus.

#### THE COLLEGE QUESTION.

The great question of higher education is receiving earnest thought and study and comparison of methods in educational circles. It is frankly considered that the principle of University Federation, in which Canada holds an unique and advanced position, must be considered sacred. It is a compact which may not

be broken. Let the Churches and the colleges unite, and we may build up in this province an institution which shall take its place with the great universities of the world. It need be no longer necessary to send our sons to Harvard or Yale, to Leipzig or Berlin. Nothing but the best is good enough for Canada, and we must develop the best at home or import it from abroad. The student body must not injure their own interests by silly insubordination. They are not in Russia. It does not need a strike to procure redress of any wrongs.

#### HOUSING THE POOR.

Recent investigation into the housing conditions of great American cities shows that landlords have not taken too readily to the idea of the model tenement as a paying investment. Those who have tried it, however, find gratifying returns. The percentage of removals in a satisfactory house is exceedingly low.

But in most tenement houses the condition is lamentable. Bad sanitation, lack of air and light, and overcrowding everywhere prevail. The danger of fire, and the generating field afforded for disease and crime should awaken the interest of citizens. It has been suggested that the municipal ownership of tenement houses would lead to improved conditions.

Even in our city of Toronto there are families living behind stores in the downtown districts, in rooms so hemmed in by brick walls as to make the gaslight necessary most of and sometimes all of the day.

We have only time to refer here to the appointment of the Rev. R. P. Bowles, M.A., to the important position of Professor of Homiletics in Victoria University. He will here exert an even wider influence than even the most popular preacher. To be a teacher of teachers and trainer of preachers is to exert a very wide and far-reaching influence on the future of our Church. We wish him great success in his work. We hope to present his portrait in an early number; did not get it in time for this issue.

Long may we live! long may we love!  
And long may we be happy!

—Burns.