

MANITOBA COLLEGE.

THE THIRD SABBATH OF DECEMBER was appointed by the General Assembly as that on which the annual collection on behalf of Manitoba College should be taken up. The attendance promises to be large during the present session both in Arts and in Theology. The number in the first year of the Arts' course is by a good deal the largest in the history of the institution. The College has now been relieved of the burden of debt. On the other hand, the increasing attendance has made it necessary to incur additional expense in the way of supplementing the teaching of the regular staff. For the annual maintenance, with the exception of the salary of the Principal, which is raised by the Synod of Manitoba and the N. W. Territories, including British Columbia, the College is mainly dependent on the proceeds of this collection. The great benefit of the institution to this part of the Church and of the Dominion has never been more obvious than now. In these circumstances, I would very respectfully, but as knowing how much is at stake, very earnestly ask my brethren in the ministry to give an opportunity to the people to contribute to the funds of the institution on the day appointed, unless in those congregations in which an annual allocation is made to this in common with other schemes of the Church.

JOHN M. KING.

ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE AND CHILDREN'S RECORD:—This is the name of the new magazine which is to make its appearance on the first of January next, and which is intended for the Youth as well as the Children of the Church. "Its special aim will be," says the prospectus, "to educate the missionary spirit of the young by bringing them into personal contact with the Missionaries, and by suitable illustrations to present more vividly the peculiar aspects of their work." The magazine will be published monthly, will contain twelve pages, and will be mailed to all parts of the Dominion at the rate of 15 cents a copy per annum—payable in advance—in parcels to one address. When it is added that the managing editor of this new enterprise is the Rev. W. R. Cruikshank of Montreal, the Sabbath-schools of the Church have a

sufficient guarantee that their interests will be well looked after. Mr. Cruikshank has been singularly successful in Sabbath-school work himself and is an enthusiast in everything pertaining to the welfare of youth, and we know that nothing will be left undone on his part to ensure the success of the important work which has been placed in his hands. It is of course desirable that orders for the *Illustrated Magazine and Children's Record* should be forwarded as soon as possible, in order that it may be known how many copies will be required for January. *We hope that it will be liberally patronized by every Sabbath-school connected with the Church.* Remittances and all communications are to be addressed to REV. W. R. CRUIKSHANK, 198 St. James Street, Montreal.

GIFT TO KNOX COLLEGE.—The many remaining friends of the late PRINCIPAL WILLIS will learn with pleasure that his niece, Miss Meliss of London, England, has presented to Knox College, Toronto, with which he was so long and so honourably connected, the large and fine oil-painting of the Principal, which not a few will remember to have seen in his house in Toronto. The portrait finds its place over the chair in Principal Caven's class-room, and will be a valued memorial of one who bore a distinguished part in laying the foundation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and to whom the cause of theological education is under the greatest obligations.

W. C.

PERSONAL:—Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, convener of the General Assembly's Home Mission Committee, West, has made an extended visit to British Columbia, preaching in Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and other places, visiting mission stations, and airing his new lecture on "Saint Paul in Rome," which is everywhere highly appreciated. Rev. J. K. Smith, D.D., of St. John's Church, San Francisco, formerly of Galt, Ont., has demitted his charge and gone on a visit to Scotland. Rev. Dr. Burrows, formerly of Truro, N. S., has demitted his charge of South Boston. Rev. M. G. Henry, lately minister of Shubenacadie, N. S., has ac-