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THE communication of "Prowler" in the present issue will doubtless prove of interest to that body of young men who have undertaken to show our students what Christianity is. Our correspondent appears to think that they have succeeded better in showing what it is *not*. Certainly, if the theology which they possess has only the effects which "Prowler" mentions, it would be advisable to imbibe a little more theology as rapidly as possible.

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The position of the Y. M. C. A. to those who are not members should be one at once of gentleness and humility. It is quite possible that outsiders are a trifle hypersensitive, but, if so, there is all the more necessity that those who are within the charmed circle should give them no occasion for stumbling. The "Stand aside, for I am holier than thou!" has done no good in the past, and we have very grave doubts of its ever doing any good in the future.

It is a well-known fact that our church students are as a general thing financially poor. The majority of them, at any rate, are neither bondholders in any of the great railways, nor possessors of a corner in wheat. They are not members of any trans-continental or trans-oceanic telegraph line, subsidized by two or three governments, which declares a 25 per cent. dividend every two months. They are not even possessed at the present time of a settled charge and drawing a stated income. And yet there are ministers in the Church and their name is, we regret to say, many, who treat our students as if they were billionaires with no greater problem to solve than how to spend their time and money. They ask our men to preach for them, and, when the work is over, pay them with a "Thank you!" Now, this sort of thing, we hold, is unfair. It may be often the result of heedlessness on the part of the minister; but, if so, it is the student who pays for this carelessness. It is wrong in theory: it is a direct infringement of the laws of Church etiquette; and we hope that the time is near when positive action will be taken in the Assembly in the matter, so that if students thereafter are treated in this way, the minister in question will be able to plead in excuse neither precedent nor ignorance.

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Most of our Church students will agree with the Church authorities, we believe, in thinking that Presbyterian examinations are a good thing. The recital of all that could be said in their favor would take long to tell. But it seems as if that portion of the work which deals with the Hebrew Bible, the Septuagint and the Greek Testament might be with all safety handed over by the Presbytery to the University authorities. We can understand the desire of the Presbytery to examine candidates for the ministry in Biblical exposition, statement of doctrine, Church government, Church history, and kindred subjects; but we fail to see the grounds on which it undertakes to supplement the work of University professors in the ancient languages.

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As we go to press we learn that the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education, has just submitted to his colleagues the name of the present Munro Professor of English Language and Literature in Dalhousie College, Nova Scotia, for the chair of English Literature in Toronto University. The appointment was confirmed, and Prof. William John Alexander will, next October, assume office. The appointment cannot fail to be a pleasing one to the