

ended. He attained to great age, reaching his 91st year, maintaining his keen faculties up to the very last. Before coming to Canada he had already followed up a brilliant university career by distinguished work for the church in his native land. Licensed in 1831 his first field of labour was Melness and Eribol in the far north, in a country where the memory of saintly ministers was a power and the ministrations of eminent preachers an incentive to great efforts. Edinburgh next claimed him and afterwards Rosshire, where he laboured in the famous '43 and left the Auld Kirk with his congregation. In 1845 and in 1848 he visited Canada as a deputy from the Free Church, and in 1849 he received a call from Mira which he accepted and settled in Cape Breton. A brief summary of his laborious and useful career is thus given by the *Presbyterian Witness*:—Dr. McLeod in 1853 devoted six weeks to canvassing for the "Professorial Fund" of the Free Church Synod. In that time he obtained \$20,000, a remarkable result considering the smallness of the congregations and the scarcity of money. In 1854 the degree of D.D. was conferred upon him by the University of Indiana. He helped very materially to build eight churches, and to organize several congregations. For thirty-two years he was a commissioner of schools, and for twenty-five a school-trustee. Eleven times he crossed the Atlantic on ecclesiastical business. He was elected twenty times moderator of Presbytery, four times moderator of Synod, and once (1877) moderator of the General Assembly. He preached over 6000 sermons; baptized over 2000 persons; admitted 1200 to the Lord's table and married 650 couples. His Jubilee was celebrated in 1883. He suffered greatly from asthma which for several years prevented him from resting in bed for even a night. Had it not been for asthma he could have profitably exercised his ministry till his ninetieth year, such was his wonderful strength and vigor of body and mind. He was one of the most hospital of men, kind hearted, generous, genial,—a faithful friend. "Had he no faults?" Of course he had faults; and let him who is free from such cast the first stone at his memory. Faults and sins we must all confess, expecting pardon and cleansing through Christ alone. But a stronger man, a sturdier Highlander, a warmer hearted friend, a more powerful and searching preacher, a more useful leader of a great flock or one who has done more for the advancement, spiritual and material, of his people, we do not know. We cannot name, in the whole history of the Church from ocean to ocean.

Young Men's Convention.

The interest with which the convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec was looked forward to was fully justified by the success which attended its sessions. Meeting in Toronto the delegates received that attention for which hospitable Toronto is justly famous; and who that has attended conventions but knows the bearing which comfortable home treatment has upon the harmony, spirit and good results of a deliberative or hortatory gathering. The meetings were characterized by earnestness and by the practical nature of the discussions. The convention brought together a large number of representative workers among the young of the churches, and the effect, it is to be fervently hoped, will be a deepening of spiritual life, a widening of interest in the cause of Christ, a greater sense of individual responsibility, and

a quickening of effort in congregational work. The programme of topics was selected and arranged apparently with that end in view. A welcome feature of the meetings was the loyalty to the Church, and stated means of grace which prevailed. While there were many suggestions as to how the Y. M. C. A. could be made attractive and useful, the congregation, the pastor, and the churches at large were wisely kept in the foreground, and no thought of rival or independent interests disturbed the convention. The great problem for the Associations is the spiritual gain which their work will bring to the members and to the congregations with which they are connected, and it is gratifying to know this was by no means lost sight of in the great gathering of last week.

The Chiniquy Fund. Mrs. A. McArthur, Carleton Place, has sent the sum of five dollars to the Chiniquy Fund.

Donations for Missions. Rev. Dr. Cochrane has received £150 sterling from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, for North-West Missions; also \$200 from Farrington Independent Church, Brantford, to aid in the support of a missionary in the North-West, and \$90 additional to be divided between Home and Foreign Missions. Also \$150 from the St. Andrews' Mission Band Perth.

Indoro Missionary Reported already up to Jan. 18th Collogo Fund. \$267.67. Received since, up to Jan. 26th, from W. F. M. S., Seaforth, per Mrs. McDonald, \$20.45; Mrs. Catharine McKenzie, London, \$5; Mrs. Rowat, London, \$1; A Friend, Belleville, \$6; Mrs. Dougall, Hensal, \$1; Total, \$301.12. The three months asked for are now nearly up. The last of these detailed reports will be sent in next Wednesday, Jan. 31st. Money received later will be reported in detail only to the *Record*.

BRUCEFIELD, ONT., Jan. 26th. ANNA ROSS.

A Subscribers' Tribute. It is not always hard blows in a newspaper office. If there be some who can dip their pens in gall, there be others, and we think of them with kindly feeling, who appreciate an honest effort and who do not withhold their words of encouragement. Of this the following letter from an old friend of the REVIEW is proof:—"I herewith remit you by post-office order the sum of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) in payment of my subscription for THE PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW for the year 1894, which you will please continue to my address, viz. Lucknow Post-Office, Ont. This, also, by your great kindness, entitles me to one copy of your fine plate containing the pictures of the moderators since the union of 1874 to the present day, which you will also mail to my address at your earliest convenience. Having been a reader of the REVIEW almost from the first issue of the paper to the present time, I have ever taken a deep interest in its welfare; and its thoroughly evangelical tone has, permit me to say, at all times been such as to make it a publication of such select character as should secure its entrance and careful perusal in every Presbyterian home in the Dominion. Under the REVIEW's new management there is a convenience of form that is much appreciated; a taste in the arrangement and execution of its work and designs that is truly æsthetic; an originality that is refreshing; a thoroughness that inspires confidence; and a spirit of aggressive work for Christ that bespeaks new and continued conquests in the Master's cause."