

POSSESSED with the idea of the duty and possibility of evangelizing the world in this generation, Dr. Pentecost, now laboring in Great Britain, offers to head a company of twenty-five or fifty men and women who shall go out to India at their own cost, and concentrate their efforts upon some single district, the intention being to work in harmony with existing agencies. The world would certainly be thrilled at such a spectacle, and the cause of missions wonderfully advanced.—*Congregationalist*.

ADHERENTS OF ROME.—While we know that half the second generation of Roman Catholic immigrants drift away from Rome, we are still often startled at the vast numbers claimed as belonging to that church. The *Missionary Review of the World* explains it—

“It is to be borne in mind, of course, that the Roman Catholic body now claiming at least 9,000,000, is reckoned by a different principle from that which obtains among Protestants. All baptized persons are considered full members of the Church, and it is customary to count families and circles of kindred.”

OUR good friend, Rev. George Purkis—thirtieth or so in descent from the honest charcoal-burner of that name who took out the body of William Rufus in his cart, and whose historic two-acres are yet in the family—is now resident in Bowmanville, and is found almost every Sabbath expounding the Scriptures in some vacant pulpit. A man with eight centuries of honest ancestors behind him, has given bonds to the world for honor and truth; and our dear brother is, we think, more spiritual in his preaching, every year that goes over his head.

AN UNRECOGNIZED THEOLOGIAN.—There never was a better answer than that given by an old negro of New York to Governor Colquitt of Georgia. The Governor had known “Uncle Abraham,” or whatever his name was, in the South, as a slave; and they had had great discussions on points of doctrine—especially about Election.

“Well, Uncle Abraham,” said the Governor, “do you think now that I am elected?” His answer was only this, slowly and solemnly: “Well, Governor; I never knew anybody elected, *who was not a Candidate!*”

THE BIBLE INSTITUTÉ in Chicago, of which D. L. Moody is the head, has secured the services of Prof. W. G. Moorhouse, of Xenia, Ohio, for the three months of April, May and June. Mr. Moody sends out a cordial invitation to all ministers, evangelists, theological students and other Christian workers, who wish a new inspiration in the study of the Word of God to come to Chicago for the entire three months or a portion thereof and take advantage of this opportunity. As the seminars close in April, theological students are especially invited to come and give a few weeks to Bible study under this gifted teacher. Address R. A. Torrey, 80 West Pearson Street, Chicago.

CHRIST, AND HIM CRUCIFIED.—The *Christian Union* thus speaks of meetings by Phillips Brooks and Moody:

“Men not interested in religion: There is nothing—neither fashion, politics nor business—in which they are so profoundly interested. What they are not so interested in is unreligion in religious garb and with a religious phraseology. Neither Phillips Brooks nor Dwight L. Moody spend their time in discussing politics or sociology or ethics. They deal with the fundamental truths, with the spiritual life, with the relation of men to God; they speak to men as sons of God. No lesser theme could command such continuous attention. Not even in a political campaign could the most famous political orators give a succession of six lectures on the tariff, or the Southern question, and command such a hearing as Phillips Brooks has commanded for his discourses on redemption. Max O'Rell is a popular lecturer; Kennan interests great audiences; but neither of them could speak six days in succession to crowded audiences in the middle of the day. A lecturer in Fifth Avenue on Success in Society, or in Wall Street on Success in Business, could not easily get an audience for one day during business hours. Mr. Moody gets a double audience in Fifth Avenue, and Phillips Brooks could easily have had a double audience, if he could have addressed it, at the head of Wall street! And their theme is religion.”

Editorial Articles.

THE LETTER of Mr. H. J. Clark, on another page, was in our hands for April; but by an unfortunate oversight, failed to appear in that number. The discussion is not a pleasant one, but Mr. Clark has a right to be heard; and his expressions of warm esteem for the pastor and members of the Western Church, should disarm all resentment on the part of those brethren whose actions he criticises.