

have been all tares if no Christian wheat had been sown." "The heart is to be for God and goodness, and where the heart is far from Him, worship is vain." "It is said that in the Jewish Talmud there are tracts filled with blasphemies against Jesus, and yet that, among all the evil things said, there is no charge against Him of any sin save His claim to be 'the Son of God.'" "Revelation, if we believe it, gives us some insight into the spiritual world, but beyond what we thus learn there is utter darkness." Speaking of Christianity, he says, "Whilst all previous systems had merely sought to purify the stream, it demanded the purification of the fountain."

Our College Column.

Dr. Jackson is at present delivering his course of Lectures on Congregationalism.

We are pleased to be able to state that Dr. Cornish has so far recovered his health, as to be able to attend once more his classes in McGill.

The first half of our session is fast drawing to a close. Another fortnight, and we shall be in the midst of examinations. Hard work is now the order of the day.

On Tuesday, Nov. 11th, Rev. I. J. Swanson, B. A., of the class of '90," was married to Miss B. Findlay, daughter of Mr. J. Findlay, deacon of Zion church, Montreal. The ceremony was performed by Prof. Warriner, and was attended by many of our students, who were well armed for the occasion. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Swanson every success and joy in life.

It may not be known among all the friends of our College, that we have in connection with it, a reading room; which has been for some years past and is still of invaluable service to the students; but which may be made still more serviceable. In view of the great importance of the reading room, in the preparation for the ministry, we sincerely hope that this branch of our educational institution will not be allowed to suffer for want of funds.

All friends who have assisted us in the past, as well as those who are now assisting us, will please accept our sincere thanks for that assistance. Mr. W. S. Pritchard, reading room committee, acknowledges with thanks a cash subscription from Rev. A. P. Solandt, B.A.; and takes this opportunity of saying, that all such help, from the graduates and friends of the College, will be thankfully received. If any friend wishes to contribute a periodical, he would do well to correspond with Mr. Pritchard before doing so; that he may not send papers already on file.

Mr. R. O. Ross reports as follows,—“I have enjoyed the work of the past summer very much indeed, and have experienced much kindness from the people of Cowansville and vicinity. Though Cowansville was my home during the summer, the greater part of my work was at out stations near. At Brome Corner, ten miles distant, I preached on Sunday afternoons, up to the middle of August; when the church there was closed for repairs. The congregation numbered about fifty on an average. Besides supplying this station I assisted Mr. Main, the pastor of the Cowansville church, both in his work at Cowansville, and at two other preaching stations, where we held week-night services. All our services were well attended when circumstances were favorable, and were enjoyed by all. During the last month I supplied the Brigham church, which from July 1st, up to the time of my return to College was vacant; but now I am happy to state has secured a pastor.”

On Thursday evening, Oct. 2nd, the opening services of the College were held in the Assembly Hall, Mr. Geo. Hague, in the chair. The first speaker of the evening was our honored Principal, Dr. Barbour; who spoke of his visits among the churches during the summer, and of the many friends of the College he had found. He referred to the numerous features of encouragement in connection with the College; and mentioned that the Junior Class in Theology of this session exceeded the total number of students at the time when he assumed the principalship. As far as students were concerned, the outlook was bright, for reports had come from various churches of young men, who were preparing to enter. As an incentive to the students he spoke of the gold medal, to be called the “Cornish Medal”; which, through the generosity of a friend of the college, was to be awarded to the student making the best progress in all branches during the year. And, lastly, he spoke warm words of praise concerning the new professor Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.A., B.D.; referring to him as happily belonging to that class of men, whom *positions seek*, and, not to that class who are continually *seeking positions*.

Then followed Prof. Warriner's inaugural address on “The Minister and his Bible,” about which, as it appeared in full last month, we need not particularize; suffice it to say that it was an able and practical address; worthy of the writer, and of the occasion; and was listened to with the greatest attention and interest.

Inter-Seminary Missionary Alliance.

This rapidly growing organization held its annual convention this year in Montreal, from Nov. 6th to 9th. The Canadian Alliance is a branch of the great student missionary volunteer move-