

ourselves the responsibility of neglecting the means which God has placed in our power. Our "marching orders" are to "work while it is day," to "do what we can," and leave the results in the hand of the Lord of the Harvest. Individually we can all do something, and the humblest efforts will, we are sure, be blest. We can endeavour by our prayers, by our public and private efforts, to secure that most favored and honored weapon of God's armoury, a numerous, earnest and devoted ministry. To our own body, which proudly claims its connection with one of the established Churches of Great Britain, our famishing country has a right to look for spiritual food. And whence is that spiritual food to be supplied? To the Parent Church in Scotland, burdened as she is with missionary schemes in all quarters of the Globe, it is plain that we must not look for a continued supply of ministers. True, as yet the majority of our ministers are those who, imbued with no small portion of missionary spirit, have left their native land with all its dear associations, and come to labour for Christ in a field, morally so uninviting as this. But yet the small number who now and then reach our shores, a number so utterly inadequate to our necessities, impress upon us the conviction that we must have some other source of supply, if we are to attempt to meet the rapidly increasing demand. Such a source, in God's good Providence, we happily possess in the valuable, but hitherto not sufficiently valued, Institution of Queen's College. The very existence of this University we hold to be a token of God's watchful care over our Church. Cradled amidst many a storm that might well have destroyed it, and surviving them all, it stands before us now in rapidly increasing strength and usefulness. Much does the Church owe to those men who stood by it in the hour of its adversity, and amidst difficulties and taunts and discouragements sowed in tears the precious seed that is already yielding an abundant harvest. Already the College has sent out ministers second to none in talents, attainments, piety and zeal. To make it yet more increasingly useful, a flourishing nursery, annually sending out labourers, not by twos and threes but by scores, into the Church, it only requires more full encouragement, more ardent efforts, more earnest prayer. And these it rely will not look for in vain from every well-wisher to our Zion. Above all we should pray,—and, oh, that we could touch a responsive chord in the bosom of every young aspirant to the ministry, that each of its students may be imbued with the spirit which inspired Martyn and Brainerd and Swartz, the spirit which made the greatest of all missionaries, St. Paul, exclaim; "For, though I preach the Gospel, I have nothing to glory of; for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is me, if I preach not the Gospel."

The present is a critical moment in the history of the College. It has lately been deprived of one of its Professors by a mysterious and afflictive providence, and much, we cannot compute how much, depends on the choice of another. The Trustees, with whom rests the appointment, have a weighty responsibility to sustain. We do trust that, laying aside every motive save that of a single desire for God's glory and the welfare of His Church, they may, with unbiased judgement and candid consideration, seek to fix upon that man who most of all, not alone by his talents and scholarship, but by his earnest labours, his untiring zeal and above all by his example, shall inculcate upon the students under his care that ardent piety, that indefatigable perseverance, that "beauty of holiness," that laborious humility which is

"Content to fill a little space,"
"So God is glorified!"

and, last but not least, that spirit of fervent continual prayer, which are each and all, if we believe God's Word, the essential requisites for a successful ministry. And may the God of all grace, who "knoweth the hearts of all men," guide them in their choice, and show them whom He has chosen!

A LAY READER.

P. S.—Several selected articles, and an account of a Missionary Tour to the West are in type, but unavoidably postponed till next number.

POETRY.

"HE DOETH ALL THINGS WELL"

Sad Christian, dost thou wonder why
Thy path with grief is spread,
And o'er a rough and thorny way
Thy feet are often led!
Still trust, although thy weaker sense
The reason cannot tell,
Trust ever in His providence
"Who doeth all things well!"

If He hath plucked some tender flower
That by thy pathway grew,
And there, in many a dark-some hour,
Its light and fragrance threw,
Yet bend thou humbly to the blow;
Not needlessly it fell;
He strikes not willingly, we know,
"Who doeth all things well!"

Perehance some secret hope was thine,
To none but God expressed,
Some cherished plan, some fond design,
Long buried in thy breast,
This hope thy God has crushed: but, while
Thy heart with grief may swell,
Acknowledge with a tearful smile,
"He doeth all things well!"

Perehance in sickness thou art laid
In thy dark silent room,
To count the weary hours, and tread
The passage to the tomb.
Yet never let thy heart despair,
Whatever be thy lot,
Nor deem that He, who placed thee there,
Thy sorrow hath forgot.

When earthly mists are cleared away,
Thy joyful strain shall swell,
Confessing through eternity,
"He doeth all things well!"—*Iona*

ORDINATION OF A MISSIONARY.—We learn from the Edinburgh Post of the 16th ultimo, that the Presbytery of Elgin met on Thursday, and proceeded to the Ordination of the Rev. W. Masson, as a Missionary in the Presbytery of Hamilton, Upper Canada.

UNIVERSITY OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

There will be a General Meeting of the Trustees of Queen's College, in the Building, on Wednesday, the 19th November, at 3, P. M.

A full attendance is earnestly desired.

JOHN HAMILTON,
Chairman.

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MR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, recently appointed Head Master of Queen's College School, Kingston, respectfully intimates to all whom it may concern that the School is now in full operation under his care.

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Being himself a graduate of Queen's College, he expects to make the School fully available for the purposes of its establishment as a Preparatory School for that Institution, and therefore hopes that parents, intending to send their Sons to that Institution, will avail themselves of the privileges which the School affords.

For fees and other particulars see the announcement of the Senatus.

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Mr. H. G. Borthwick, (late Principal, Queen's College School,) respectfully intimates that Pupils are carefully prepared for matriculating at the Universities, for examinations before the Law Society, &c.

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