

preach they do not display backwardness or rudeness." Day and night at work he has never seen them flag. Dr. Mackay and his well-trained band of students will compare favourably in the Gospel with whomever Cromwell and his Ironsides were in war, fairly unconquerable.

There can be only one opinion about the course of study in Oxford College, viz., that it is eminently satisfactory, and must and does provide a most powerful impetus to the mission. It does seem, too, that of the theological colleges in Canada might get useful hints from Oxford College for the training of students for real, practical work.

Our mission to Honan is very recent and of great promise. The city is part of the central province of China and has a population of about 30,000,000. Its capital city is Kaiping-fu and is situated on the Yellow River, from which it has often suffered, as the river bed is above the adjacent country. This river has overflowed nineteen times in the records of history.

We have in this distant and inviting province, now the newly organized Presbytery of Honan, and they have published their first minutes.

The Presbytery of Honan is composed of the following brethren: Rev. Jonathan Goforth, Rev. J. Frazer Smith, M.D., Rev. Donald McGillivray, B.D., W. McClure, M.D., medical missionary, Rev. John McDougall, B.A., Rev. M. McKenzie, Rev. J. H. McMichael, B.A., Misses Graham and McIntosh are the trained nurses of the mission.

The Canadian staff-mission to Central India is as follows:—Rev. J. Fraser Campbell, at Rutlam; G. Wilkie, M.A., at Indore; W. Wilson, M.A., at Neemuch; G. McKelvie, M.A., at Mhow; Buchanan, M.A., M.D., at Ujjain, with the following ladies:—Miss Rodgers, Ross, Beatty, M.D., Oliver, M.D., Sinclair, Scott, Jamieson and Harris.

Mr. Norman H. Russell, B.A., has lately been designated by the Foreign Mission Committee to work in India. The Central Church of Toronto, Dr. McTavish, pastor, have nobly undertaken his support.

Miss Mackellar, M.D., has also been designated to Central India—she left Canada in May and is now taking a special course in London to fit herself more fully for service in India, whither she hopes to proceed in the fall.

During the past year Mr. Wilkie has been making a tour of Canada raising money for his college in Indore. We are glad to say he has been very successful, and that more than the required amount has been raised. The Presbyterian people of Canada responded liberally to his demands, and the handsome sum of \$11,097.54 has been subscribed, of which \$9,751.64 has been paid up to date.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, organized in 1876, has proved itself to be a most powerful adjunct in our foreign work. Its influence has been wide-spreading and far-reaching.

There are now in twenty-five Presbyterial Societies 437 Auxiliaries, 176 Mission Bands and 613 branches. The Auxiliary membership is 10,443, and of the Mission Bands 4,896. Total, 15,312. Life members, 391.