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MEN OF TO-DAY

A New Dean of Pedagogy

DR. S. B. SINCLAIR recently appointed Dean of the School for Teachers, Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, comes to this honour through a series of pedagogic achievements. Dr. Sinclair is of Highland Scotch descent, with the appreciation of scholarship and capacity for hard work which characterise the Scottish student. He was born in Ridgetown, Ontario, where he received his early education, afterwards going to Hamilton Collegiate Institute and subsequently receiving the degree of B.A. from Victoria University and of M.A. from the University of Toronto, also Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. Scores of Canadian youths enter upon the teaching profession in rural and village communities, with no intention of making pedagogy a life work. But, from the first, Dr. Sinclair was enthusiastic in his chosen sphere, and has lost no opportunity to equip himself thoroughly for either the public school class-room or the lecture in the university hall. After several years experience in public and high school work, he was appointed Principal of the Hamilton Teachers' Training School. In 1893 he became Vice-Principal of the Ottawa Normal School. Dr. Sinclair's educational articles and addresses have been marked by a depth and earnestness essential to the educator who realises the opportunities of his profession. In his new position, formerly held by Dr. George H. Locke, Librarian, Toronto, the results of Dr. Sinclair's ripe experience in pedagogy will be of utmost benefit to a large body of students and teachers in one of the greatest educational institutions in the Dominion. "Macdonald" in both Ontario and Quebec stands for progress.



Dr. Edward Fisher,
Director, Toronto Conservatory of Music.

A New Ontario Minister

WHEN Mr. Isaac Benson Lucas, K.C., M.P. P., first came to Queen's Park, Toronto, the press gallery dubbed him the "boy orator." Eloquence is not his only asset. Mr. Lucas possesses a thinking cap. This he has proven during the past three sessions of the assembly by the intuition which he has shown, and the business-like qualities which he has displayed before the Private Bills Committee. Now he gets the reward which comes to ability and application. Sir James Whitney the other day welcomed him into the Ontario Cabinet as minister without portfolio. Mr. Lucas was born in Warwick Township, Lambton county, in 1865. His education prior to entering the legal profession, was obtained at the well-known Strathroy Collegiate Institute. He received his first taste of politics in 1898, when he was elected to the Legislature for Centre Grey. His interest in his constituents has occasioned a triumph at every contest since. The duties of the new Minister will largely be concerned, for some time at least, with telephone jurisdiction and the revision of the Assessment Act.

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A Democratic Church-Worker

NOT a few business houses would be glad to have a string attached to the services of Mr. Herbert K. Caskey. His executive ability would probably long ago have brought him wealth were he hearkening to material prosperity. But Mr. Caskey early heard the "higher call." He went into church work on scientific principles. He joined the Y. M. C. A. at Youngstown, Ohio, and soon became general secretary there. Philadelphia heard of his work, and, in consequence, he moved to that greater field of opportunity. The Philadelphia post afforded him ample scope for the study of modern sociological problems. About a year ago Mr. J. Campbell White, of New York, was on the hunt for a man knowing something of the meaning of life to help him propagate the gospel of the "Haystack prayer meeting." H. K. Caskey appeared to fill the bill to a nicety, and so he became Mr. White's right hand man. Then, shortly after this, a sudden wave of chivalry, emanating from the United States, swept over the men of Canada. It culminated in the formation of the Canadian Laymen's Missionary Movement, to relieve femininity of somewhat of the burden of caring for the heathen. A great congress was decided on to advertise the new project. Mr. Caskey was called on to do the organisation work. The success which he made of it and the congress at Massey Hall, Toronto, inspired the committee to offer him his present position as permanent secretary of the movement in Canada.

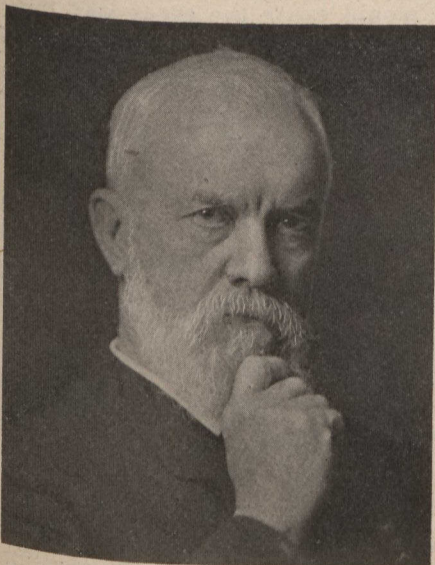
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A Veteran Archaeologist

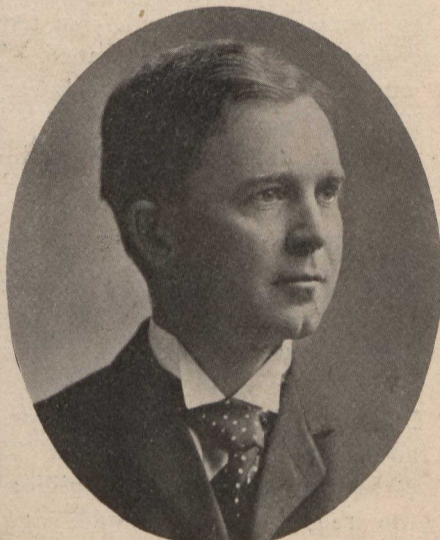
THE career of Mr. David Boyle exemplifies the opportunity for distinction which this country offers to young men born to pewter instead of silver. Mr. Boyle began life in Canada at the blacksmith's forge; to-day he is recognised among the foremost of

A Leader in Musical Teaching

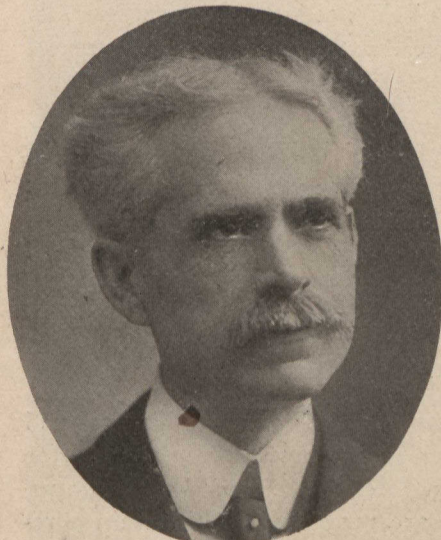
THIS country has contributed many of her brightest intellects to the enrichment of the United States, and Uncle Sam has been almost equally generous in lending his notables in return. From the State of Vermont came Dr. Edward Fisher, a pioneer and a leading spirit of higher musical culture in Canada. His name is inseparably associated with the Toronto Conservatory of Music, founded by him in 1887. Eminent teachers of Boston, like Sharband, Thayer, and Eicheberg guided Dr. Fisher's early musical tendencies. He also studied under Loeschorn and August Haupt at the German Capital. His first Canadian appointment was at the Ottawa Ladies' College in 1875. His experience there and elsewhere in Canada was of considerable value to him when he decided to start a school of his own ten years later, of which the Toronto Conservatory of Music is the result. That institution began with two hundred students; it has now an enrollment of twelve hundred. Canadians are not remarkable for musical ability, but year by year their reputation in this respect grows greater. National independence and self-reliance will come in music as in other spheres.



Dr. David Boyle,
Ontario's Provincial Archaeologist



Hon. Isaac B. Lucas,
New Cabinet Minister, Ontario



Dr. S. B. Sinclair,
Who goes to Macdonald College



Mr. Herbert K. Caskey,
Secretary Laymen's Missionary Movement