

All this has been the work of the Jesuits, and greatly to the disgust and distress of moderate Roman Catholics.

In Germany and Switzerland the services conducted by Mr. Pearsall Smith excited very deep interest, and, it is hoped, were productive of much good.

In England the grand theme of discussion, the great object of interest, has been the Revival of religion in connection with the services of Messrs. Moody and Sankey. The services in London were attended with the profoundest interest. Hundreds of thousands who had not often heard the glad tidings flocked to hear. The interest was unabated to the last. Men and women of all ranks attended the meetings. A proposal to preach at Eton excited unreasoning opposition; but the proposal was carried into effect. The Archbishop of Canterbury has written a letter endorsing to a large extent the work of Messrs. Moody and Sankey. Thousands of ministers of all denominations flocked to the meetings. The press, on the whole, was favourable in its criticisms.

The visit of the evangelists to Great Britain is now about its close; it certainly has been a wonderful visit. Who would have ventured to predict such results from such agents! To God be all the glory.

One noteworthy feature in the revival in Great Britain was the success with which laymen were enlisted in Gospel work. This is what we need in all directions—in the new world as well as the old.

The battle of Ritualism is going on with all its wonted vigour. A powerful band of "Puseyites" are devoted to the enterprize of conforming the Church of England to that of Rome. The enactments of parliament and the decisions of the law courts are alike inefficient to remedy the evil. There is no true remedy but the Gospel of the grace of God truly and purely proclaimed.

A meeting of representative men from all the Presbyterian Churches throughout the world has been held in London. It was harmonious and encouraging. It has tended already to give visibility to the Reformed faith. A General Council has been

agreed upon; but details have not yet reached us.

The negotiations for the union of the Presbyterians in England are proceeding most favourably. We are not aware that any date has yet been fixed for the actual celebration of the union; but there appears to be now no obstacle in the way. The same may be said with regard to the Free Church and the Reformed Presbyterians.

Evangelistic work is being prosecuted with zeal and success in Scotland. There is some stir about ecclesiastical politics; but it counts as nothing in comparison with energetic work in the Lord's vineyard.—The Irish Presbyterian Church is doing its work well and faithfully—as usual. There was a slight falling behind in the Sustentation Fund; but prompt measures have been adopted to repair the loss.—The Irish Episcopal Church has narrowly escaped disruption in the interest of Ritualistic High Churchism.

Coming over to this side of the Atlantic we notice that in the United States and Canada, Romanism and Ritualism are unusually active. The clergy in Quebec are endeavouring to subject everything to the sway of the Pope. It is much the same wherever Popery has secured a footing. In Central America, in Mexico, in South America, there have been wicked outrages committed by priest-led mobs. In the United States a live Cardinal now flourishes the "Red Hat," and probably the "scarlet stockings." Crowds of Jesuits and other agents of the Man of Sin are arriving from Europe. On the other hand the Evangelical Churches are doing their work with more than usual vigour and success.

CONGRATULATIONS.

In our last issue we mentioned that the General Assembly had received the congratulations of the Methodist Conference, the Irish General Assembly, and the Synod of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Montreal. We now add with much pleasure the following from the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto: