

College at Montreal—that the Kirk Synod be requested to complete the endowment of Queen's College, Kingston,—and that it be distinctly declared that the General Assembly adhere to its views in favour of non-sectarian education. The Resolution which was favourable to Union, passed by a majority of 60 to 11.

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### Canada Presbyterian Church.

There are 45 students preparing for the ministry in Knox College, Toronto.—An effort is now being made to raise \$250,000 for the endowment of Knox and Montreal Colleges. It is expected that another Professor will be added to the Montreal College next year. Says the *Monthly Record*:

"The Rev. G. L. McKay, the first missionary of the Church to China, is now traversing the wide Pacific on his way to his field of labor. Many prayers will doubtless be presented on his behalf, that he may be may carried in safety across the ocean, and that he may be made an abundant blessing to the people among whom he may labor. Should any contributions have been made in aid of outfit and passage expenses, it is requested that they be transmitted immediately."

Professor Young has been appointed to the Chair of Ethics, &c., in the University. The 16th ult. was appointed by the General Assembly as Thanksgiving day.

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### Presbyterian Church in the United States.

There are nine institutions for the training of the ministry of this church:—Princeton, in Princetown, New Jersey; Union, in New York city; Auburn, in Auburn, in Auburn, New York; The Western Seminary, in Alleghany City, Pennsylvania; Lane Seminary, in Cincinnati; Danville; Danville, Kentucky; the Seminary of the North-west, in Chicago; the German Theological School, in Newark, New Jersey; and the German Theological School of the North-west, located at Dubuque, Iowa. There is also a Theological Department in Lincoln University, which has received its endowment from, and is under the quasi control of the Presbyterian Church.

Several of the seminaries begin the new year with new professors. Rev. Charles A. Aiken, D.D., is called to Princetown. Rev. Thomas E. Thomas, D.D., has already been installed in the chair of Greek Exegesis in Lane; and Rev. Geo. L. Prentiss, D.D., takes the chair of Theology in the Seminary of the North west.

The missionary and evangelistic enter-

prises of the Church are being carried on with unprecedented vigour and success.

Vigorous missionary operations are now being carried on by the Presbyterian Church in the Papal countries of the American continent, and the work seems remarkably encouraging. Mexico in particular appears white into the harvest. The *The New York Christian World* contains the following extract from a letter written by a gentleman in the city of Mexico to a prominent merchant in New York:—

"The scene presented to me a large congregation of Mexicans, both men and women, with their little ones, worshipping God in simplicity and in truth, contrasted strangely with all that I had before seen in Catholic Mexico. Though the indefatigable efforts of Messrs. Riley and Romero, and others, against a fierce and relentless opposition, Protestantism is firmly planted in our sister Republic, so long benighted. And I know personally the Government of Mexico is desirous that success shall follow the work, as a means of advancing her people in civilization and the knowledge of their duties as citizens."

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## Our Foreign Missions.

### The Out-going Missionaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie arrived in Liverpool after a comfortable and speedy passage. They were at Glasgow at date of writing, and in good health and spirits. They, with Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, companions in travel, had taken passage for Melbourne in the Steamship "Great Britain," to sail from Liverpool on the 14th of December. If they have a fair passage they will be in sufficient time at Melbourne to spend a month in Australia, and sail in Dayspring, March 12th, the date at present appointed.

### Word from the New Hebrides.

We have at length had intelligence of the arrival of the Dayspring among the Mission Stations, and of the gathering of the missionaries in Annual Conference. The brethren met this year at Aniwa. Seven ministers were present—Dr. Geddie, Rev. Messrs. Inglis, Paton, Copeland, Neilson, Watt and Milne with Captain Fraser. Mr. Cash was absent at Auckland, and Mr. Goodwill at Santo.