

# The Teachers Monthly

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Ed. "WORDS AND WORKS OF JESUS," is the general title for the Lessons of 1906: these as recorded in the first three Gospels.

Ed. Familiar ground; but on that account all the more charming, especially under such leadership as the Editors of THE TEACHERS MONTHLY are enabled to promise. Rev. Principal Falconer, of Halifax, who is recognized on both sides of the ocean as among the foremost New Testament scholars, will provide the Exposition of the Lessons during the entire year, and Rev. Dr. James Ross, of London, the Light from the East. The Application will be in the hands of Revs. J. W. Macmillan and Clarence Mackinnon, of Winnipeg. For Teachers of the Older Scholars, will be done by Rev. J. H. MacVicar, of Fergus, Ont., and For Teachers of the Little Ones by Mrs. Jessie Munro Johnston, of North Bay. Mr. Fraser and Mr. Duncan, the Editors, will contribute their share, as previously, and a new paragraph on the Question on Missions will be added for each Lesson.

Ed. You have found THE TEACHERS MONTHLY helpful. We shall hope to continue you on our lists and to add thousands more. The outline of writers and subjects given above shows that we have planned better things than ever for the new year. No mention is made in it of the editorial and contributed articles to which a number of pages in each issue are devoted. The scope of these has been greatly extended during the year now

closing, as our readers have recognized. Each month of the coming year will, we venture to say, bring its surprise in the way of fresh topics and bright and vigorous treatment of them. The field is a very wide one:—the cultivation of the spiritual life; the study of the Book and of the child; principles and methods of teaching; the problems of the scholar, the teacher, the superintendent, the librarian, etc.; Sabbath School work as others are doing it, and what we may learn from them; the great questions of teacher training and missions; these are some of the departments in which we have articles already on hand, or on the way. "The best year yet," is our motto for 1906.

## "Dwelling in Tents"

By Rev. Prof. J. E. McFadyen, B.A. (Oxon.)

"Dwelling in tents, with Isaac and Jacob," Abraham "looked for the city which hath the foundations, whose Builder and Maker is God."

Both the city and the tent have their contribution to make to religion—the city with its suggestion of social activities and obligations, the tent with its suggestion of frailty and change. The one is a prophecy of the heavenly Jerusalem, where men dwell together as brethren in unity; the other is the fragile symbol of our earthly life, which oftentimes seems to have no foundation anywhere, but shifts its place with the changing days, and finally vanishes away. Here to-day and gone to-morrow: that is the message of the tent. Nothing to do but pull up the tent pins, and the home has vanished as at the touch of a