Vacation Notes

At our August Conference my parishionat our August Conference my paramon-ers grant ed me a vacation, the second in four years. So on Sept. 26th I started for Toronto. After crossing the tumbling Bay of Fundy, I got on board the C. P. R. through train, and one day and night on the train found me in the Queen city of

Twelve years having passed away since I saw Toronto, I noticed many improve ments, especially going from Union Station up to Bloor St., viz., Parliament buildings and Methodist College and a new street with the hum of the electric cars. The first building I entered was McMaster Hall, where the work of McMaster University is in full swing. Many changes were noticeable here. Rev. J. H. Castle, D. D., the beloved President, had finished his work on earth; also the founder of the University, Senator McMaster, and Professor McGregor, our teacher in Homiletics. Their portraits and cold marble gaze upon us, but they are not, for God has taken them home. But thank God "their works do follow them." Grand work is being done. Crowds of students throng the buildings, dedicated to God by their noble founder. I attended the opening exercises of the University, there were many strange faces in the faculty, only three who were there twelve years ago when I was a student there, viz., Dr. Rand, Dr. Welton and Dr. Newman. Three others of the faculty I had met before, the Chancellor, Rev. O. C. S. Wellace, L. L. D., Dr. Goodspeed and Dr. Farmer. Four of the above named are Maritime Province men, three of whom are from Nova Scotis. I heard two Nova Scotia pastors preach Sunday, Oct. 1st. Rev. W. W. Weeks, Walmer Road, and Rev. Chas. A. Eaton, Bloor St., two of the largest Baptist congregations in the city. I met Rev. J. H. King who is studying Theology, and who is also pastor of a Baptist church in the city. I found him in his study pressed with correspondence concerning his patriotic poem. There are several Maritime students studying here. A forward movement is on for extensive building operations, they have not room enough for the students that come. McMaster University gives the Bible a large place, and is in every sense of the word a Christian school, where God is revered and His word honored.

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Miss DePrazer.

Miss DePrazer arrived at Ottawa on Oct. 11th, aud left on the 17th to fulfill her engagements in Toronto. To those who have made her acquaintanceship in the Seaside Provinces, I need hardly say she captured the hearts of the Ottawa Baptists. To say otherwise, would be equivalent to saying that the Baptists here have no hearts. I trust that the information and inspiration imparted by her visit, will create a new zeal in missionary work, and lead us to greater effort in that direction It was like a revelation to hear of and witness the fruitage of the gospel, which the Baptists of Canada had sent to the Telugu Baptists of Canada had sent to the Telugu Land, returned to us through this cultured Christian lady. Let us compare our average idea of the unconverted, uncivilized native of India, with what we have seen in the person, and character, and life of Miss DePrazer, and let us credit the difference to the Lord Jesus Christ. This will give us some idea of what the spirit of the Master can do and will do, if we only give him the opportunity.

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Miss DePrazer came to Canada, not to receive homage, but to do good; and yet wherever she went, while she denounced the worship of idols she almost became idolized herself. She never thred telling of the many kindnesses of the Baptist people of the Maritime Provinces, and I am sure they will be glad to hear of her even though briefly and hastily. even though briefly and hastily,

Yours sincerely Ottawa, Oct. 18, 1899.

Mews Summary &

Two fresh cases of bubonic plague have curred at Santos, Brazil,

The Western Grain Standards Board met in Winnipeg and fixed grades.

Thursday, Nov. 30, has been proclaimed Thanksgiving Day in the United States.

Plorence Marryat (Mrs. Frances Leau), ne well known author, died in London

The Deutsche Colonial Zeitung, of Ber-lin, deprecates any suggestion that Ger-many should renounce her claims in the Samoan Islands.

It is stated that J. Pierpont Morgan, New York, has bought a controlling inte est in the publishing house of Harper Brothers.

The Vancouver, B. C.. City Council has passed a resolution to the effect that gambling in the city must cease or the chief of police will have to hand in his resignation.

Highwaymen held up the stage coach from Liverpool to Bridgewater Friday night, and robbed the passengers of all the money they had, about twenty dollars.

Burglars attacked the night watchman at Bixel's brewery, Brantford, tied him up and robbed him of \$10 and then blew up the safe, failing to open the cash depart-

A large quantity of the delicious Breakfast Cocoa made by Walter Baker & Co, Ltd., of Dorchester, Mass., U. S. A., has been purchased for the medical stores of the regiment that Canada is sending to South Africa.

Hon. Peter Mitchell was found dead in his room at the Windsor Hotel Wednesday morning. Mr. Mitchell was a native of Newcastle, N. B., and was for many years one of the political leaders of the Province. He was one of the fathers of Confederation and was Minister of Marine and Pisheries in the first Dominion government. He was 74 years of age.

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President Schurman's thoughtful address to the Cornell students on "The Problem of Territorial Expansion" appears in a revised and authorized form in the Review of Reviews for November. President Schurman's position as chairman of the Philippine commission just about to meet in Washington gives special importance to his expressed opinions on this subject.

Sir Alfred Milner, governor of Cape Colony, and Mr. W. P. Schreiner, the premier, have issued a proclamation declaring null and void the proclamation of the Orange Free State, asserting that a portion of Cape Colony is now Free State territory. Sir Alfred Milner's proclamation warns all British subjects in the colony of their duty and obligations to the queen.

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G. H. Allen, of Kingston, inspector of agencies for the Standard Life Assurance Company of Edinburgh, Scotland, has completed an arrangement with the Dominion Government for placing one million dollars life insurance on the members of the Canadian contingent who are going to the Transvaal. This will give one thousand dollars insurance to the relatives or heirs of any officer or man who may die during their absence. Insurance will take effect from the time the contingent starts from Quebec and will be paid on all parties who die from any cause. The Government will pay the premiums.

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The Globe's London cable says: The Queen's letter thanking Canada for the contingent raised for service in South Africa is given great prominence in newspapers. All the leading papers comment most favorably in their editorials upon the loval attitude displayed by the colonies in this crisis. The Daily Mail editorially contends that Canada is not animated simply by a wave of hysterical sentiment, but is acting deliberately, after full consideration, and points to the resolution passed in parliament some time ago in support of this contention. A correspondent in the same paper suggests that on the first redistribution of seats in the Imperial House of Commons provision should be made for representation of the colonies. Africa is given great prominence in news-

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