

Our Graduates.

REV. J. C. McLEAN, '80, of Lodi, Ont., resigned his charge at the last meeting of the Glengarry Presbytery.

REV. WM. SHEARER, '80, was surprised on Wednesday, 29th March, by a number of friends presenting him with an address and a purse of \$40.

J. K. HENRY, '81.—At the last meeting of the Barrie Presbytery, a call was sustained from the congregation of First West Gwillimbury and Cookstown in his favour, with guarantee of \$677 stipend and promise of a house. After a short time requested for consideration, Mr. Henry intimated his decision to decline the call from Angus, New Lowell, and Bonnyton, sustained on February 14th, and to accept the first mentioned. The Presbytery resolved to meet within the church at Bond Head on Wednesday, 12th of April, at eleven a.m., for examination and trials of Mr. Henry for ordination, and, should these be sustained, for his ordination and induction to the charge—Dr. Fraser to preside, Mr. James to preach, Mr. Cochrane to address the newly inducted minister, and Mr. Grey the congregation.

REV. ROBERT HUGHES, '76.—The Bible class and some of the young people of Cumberland met at the Manse on Friday, the 10th inst., and presented their pastor, Rev. Robert Hughes, with an address and \$29 as a small token of their appreciation of his labours amongst them in the Sabbath-school.

J. REID, B.A., '81, has accepted a call to Bay City, Michigan, to assist Dr. Wight. He expects to leave the "Modern Athens" about the middle of May.

REV S. J. TAYLOR, B.A., '79, writes from Paris:—"It was a pleasant hour indeed that I spent in its (The Journal) perusal, and that pleasure was heightened by the fact that I was able to fix the author of almost every piece. In fact, I found myself once more roving the halls of Montreal Presbyterian College. * * * I attended a conference in the Chamber of Deputies. It was like a holiday in an asylum. I have dropped into the lectures of the Protestant Faculty of Theology a few times. I don't think that Montreal College would lose much in a comparison with the four corresponding chairs. It is true that the professors enter into their subjects with a minuteness which time forbids in Canada. I have also been into a few lectures in the Roman Catholic Faculty of the University—the once famous Sorbonne. To my surprise I found a few old men on the benches eagerly listening to the learned Abbé Ernest Renan, who is a professor in the College of France. He is reading the Psalms this session. I have heard him a few times. No doubt an excellent orientalist, but otherwise he is a concentration of Strauss and Hegel. A French professor generally goes at his work without notes or M.S. There are many brilliant lecturers, and often the popularity of the lecturer depends on his ability to make *jeu-de-mots*. Philosophy and History appears to give work to the largest number

of lecturers. In the former subject you can find all types, from the grossest materialism to a respectable spiritualism or even idealism. Of course, every Frenchman 's a philosopher (very often however in *his* mind). I suppose every Frenchman is a politician in the same way. The condition of affairs is an illustration. It may be that I am too much of a pessimist, but I would incline to differ from some things, at least, that I have read and heard in Canada about the land of the "Fleur de Lys."

MR. TAYLOR leaves France for Germany this month. We hope to meet him on our native heather in the Land of the Mountain and the Flood, ere the crack of the sportsman's gun is heard on the celebrated 12th of August.

THE Rev. D. H. McLennan, M.A., '73, and J. R. McLeod, '78, visited their Alma Mater, the latter on his way went to attend the Home Mission Committee Meeting in Toronto.

LAST year the following Graduates were members of the General Assembly:—

Thos. Bennett, '76.	W. J. Dey, M.A., '75.
M. D. M. Blakely, B.A., '80.	H. Sinclair, '72.
W. M. McKibbin, M.A., '75.	J. F. McLaren, '80.
T. A. Nelson, '80.	Gustavus Munro, M.A., '73.
A. F. Tully, '75.	Geo. McKay, '73.

THIS year so far as appointments have taken place the following will be members of the Supreme Court:—

D. L. McCrae, '79.	R. H. Hoskins, '71.
John Munro, B.A., '79	C. McKillop, B.A., '78.
C. E. Amaron, M.A., '79.	M. H. Scott, B.A., '79.

Rev. Thos. Bennett, '76, The Revs. J. J. Leach, D. M. Gordon, and F. W. Farries, gave addresses at a musical and literary entertainment held in the Presbyterian church at Carp, on the 7th ult.

THERE was a wealthy brewer in Montreal who built a church and inscribed on it "This church was erected by Thomas Molson, at his sole expense. Hebrews xx." Some of the McGill College wags got a ladder one night and altered the inscription so as to make it read: "This church was erected by Thomas Molson, at his soul's expense. He brews XX.—N.Y. Post.

WHAT about the camel's back now? Here is the last straw. At the meeting of the Presbytery of Kingston, held on 21st and 22nd ult., "An overture presented by Mr. Wilson, asking the Assembly to add Church Government to the subjects for examination of candidates for licence, was adopted." Add this to the "Special Course" prescribed by the Montreal Presbytery, and it is quite evident the Fathers and Brethren are beginning to agitate the higher education theory. Nevertheless, we approve of Mr. Wilson's overture. There is no reason why the subject of Church Government—so fully and definitely taught in our course—should not be included in the Presbytery examinations. It may help to prevent some of our congregations from forgetting that the government of our church is Presbyterian, and not Independent.