

the mother and nurse of the great American Church as well as of our own has now an annual income of over half a million, and as many as 350 Students in her Missionary Colleges.

He next called our attention to the great work of the Church Missionary Society, founded in 1801, only second to the S. P. G.

After dealing with these, the two "great" Societies he passed in review what he called the "Accidental Societies," the Ladies' Association and Zenana Missions in India, carried on by women only, the Anglo-Continental Society for spreading a pure Theology within other Communion by teaching and not by Proselytising.

This important work is being prosecuted in Italy and Germany, Switzerland and France. The Oxford Mission to Calcutta, and the Cambridge Mission to Delhi were next noticed, as well as the Missions in North China, &c. The work of the Colonial and Continental Society employed in 1886, 106 Clergy. The South American Mission founded in the blood of all its original labourers, and the Universities Mission in Central Africa were next treated of, with touching notices of the two Martyr Bishops, Mackenzie and Hannington. The peculiar difficulties and triumphs of the Melanesian Missions were treated at length adorned as they are with two Martyrs Bishops Selwyn and Patteson. The paper was followed, by interesting discussions on the points so ably brought forward by Canon Dumoulin, and closed with prayer.

The subjects for the prizes to be awarded in June next have been made known, and are as follows:

SERMON—S. John vi. 66-67.

ENGLISH ESSAY—"Parliamentary Reform in England in 1832, its history and results."

ENGLISH POEM—"Westminster Abbey on June 20th, 1887."

LATIN ESSAY—"Oratio ad populum contra leges agrarias H. Georgii."

LATIN HEXAMETERS—"Cleopatra."

GREEK IAMBICS—Tennyson's "Ulysses" down to "for ever and for ever."

The books to be read for the Hamilton Memorial and Cooper Apologetic Prizes are:

FOR HAMILTON MEMORIAL—

"Heroes of Hebrew History."—*Rp. Willerforer.*

"Sermons on Old Testament Subjects."—*Rp. Woodford.*

"Footprints of the Son of Man as recorded by S. Mark."—*Canon Luckock.*

FOR COOPER APOLOGETIC PRIZE—

"Miracles of our Lord."—*Steinmeyer.*

On the whole the choice of subjects is better than last year though, some of them cannot be said to be of a very inspiring nature. Whether the land theories of Henry George, which involve so much phraseology of a distinctly modern and technical character, form a suitable theme for a Latin Essay is questionable. The subjects for the Latin

Hexameters and Greek Iambics are very happily chosen although it is very doubtful if any one will attempt them. Westminster Abbey on June 20th, 1887, may offer a variegated picture to some imaginative mind, while Parliamentary Reform in 1832 is sufficiently confined so as not to embrace the principal parts of the civilized world, like last year's forbidding subject of Imperial Federation.

EXCHANGES.

We have received a large number of exchanges since our last issue, and are glad to welcome one or two new friends. On a comparison of all, we notice but few in which there is any falling off in style, matter, &c., which is a good omen for the coming year. In accordance with time-honoured custom, it is our pleasant duty to wish them a "Merry Christmas," in the shape of wishing that they may all have a Christmas Number of such excellence as we should desire for ourselves; and a "Happy New Year." We trust that the different editors will not be suffering from any ill effects of Christmas Vac. feasts when they return to wield the pen, and that their opening editorials may show traces of the mollifying influences of the season, more especially in this particular column.

We welcome "The Varsity," of which we have received four numbers. There is an uncommonly good article on "The Student as a Social Unit."

Surely the editors of "The Sunbeam" might see whether the stock of paper in their vicinity does not contain some article which would show off the printer's ink to better advantage.

We have also received "The Canada Educational Monthly," "Acta Victoriana," "The Portfolio," and "St. John's College Magazine."

Again "The Berkeleyan" is exceptionally good, notably in the Review department. It has an interesting article on "Requisites of Tragedy." "The Dartmouth" (2 nos.) editorials are exceedingly spicy; we sympathise with the students in their complaints of the College clock, as our own is occasionally tempted to indulge in such vagaries.

"The Normal News" has a great many errors in a short compass. Either the printers or the proof-readers want looking after.

"The Hamilton Literary Monthly" contains a neat article on "Hawthorn's Delineation of Puritan New England."

"The Critic" sends us about the worst number we have seen. It seems to have had to take anything to fill up with. We hope to see more ballast and less so-called wit next time.

We acknowledge "Troy Polytechnic," two numbers "The Manitou Messenger," "The Stylus," "The College Mercury," two numbers; "The Yankton Student," "The Adelpian," "The Sibyl," "The Undergraduate," and "The Nut."