

times were better than these. So there would be a like improvement in the amounts thus secured for the diffusion of the Gospel.

The plan proposed would no doubt be open to objection. What method devised is perfect? Some might regard a Scheme like that referred to as an infringement on congregational, and even personal, freedom. Presbyterians have great respect for law and order, whether civil or ecclesiastical, but they have no less regard for individual liberty, and they do not willingly give their consent to be obedient to an ordinance until they are satisfied that it is just and right. The proposal is one, however, that will bear examination and careful consideration, and is doubtless one that will commend itself to general approval.

Weak congregations and mission stations could hardly be expected to approve readily and heartily of a Scheme that at first sight might appear to them as an additional burden they would be called to bear. Many members in these congregations are more self-denying, and contribute more in proportion, than others in wealthier congregations, and they might at first blush imagine that such a plan would be a new and cruel infliction. Their own needs are so great that they ought to be just before they are generous. As it is there is perhaps not a single mission station that does not make some contributions for missions in the course of the year. At all events when the annual missionary meeting is held they give something for the spread of the Gospel in the regions beyond. What difference would it make even to them if on the Sabbath day they gave directly for this purpose as the Lord prospered them? They might be stimulated to a little more liberality, but they, as well as the cause for which they contributed, would both be benefited. No proposal similar to that now presented to the American Church has yet been submitted in our Church Courts, but at all events it is worth thinking about.

Books and Magazines.

THE SEEKING SAVIOUR AND OTHER BIBLE THEMES. By the late Dr. W. P. Mackay, of Hull, Canadian Edition. (Toronto: S. R. Briggs.)—This valuable work by the late Dr. Mackay, like his others, is rich in spiritual fervour and earnest exposition of saving truth.

THE TRINITY OF EVIL. Infidelity, Impurity and Intemperance. By Canon Wilberforce. (Toronto: S. R. Briggs.)—This is a publication of great intrinsic and great practical value. It is just such a work as our times require. It is a book that ought to be read by the young especially.

THOMAS DRYBURGH'S DREAM. A story of the Sick Children's Hospital. By Annie S. Swan. (Edinburgh: Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier.)—To all who can appreciate a good Scotch story, lovingly and appreciatively told—and who does not?—this little work will afford exquisite enjoyment and profit.

SACRIFICE OF PRAISE. Compiled by an Invalid. (Toronto: S. R. Briggs.)—This publication contains thirty-one sheets, clearly printed in legible type, and is mounted for hanging in bedroom or sick chamber. Each sheet contains an appropriate extract from a Christian author, a passage of Scripture and a poetical quotation relating to praise.

THE CANADIAN CRUISE published at Halifax, N. S., has with commendable enterprise issued a special number, designed for circulation at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition in London. It gives a fair view of the various natural products and industries of the Maritime Provinces, and brief and accurate statements of the educational and religious institutions of the Dominion.

DAY OF REST: ITS OBLIGATIONS AND ADVANTAGES. By Rev. James Stacy, D.D. (Richmond, Virginia: Whittet & Shepperson.)—In these days when the sacredness of the Day of Rest is being disregarded by many, this is a most timely publication. The arguments for the proper observance of the Sabbath are concisely and clearly stated. The volume treats of the Origin, Perpetuity, Observance and Advantages of the Sabbath.

ADAMS' HISTORICAL CHART. (New York: Colby & Co.)—This is one of the best constructed charts yet published, giving a clear and comprehensive view of the leading events in the world's history. It shows accurately the relation in which the great events of

history stand to each other. It also embraces a number of classical and modern maps. The chart is published in three forms, one for hanging on the wall, also in portfolio and book form.

LIFE AND LABOURS OF REV. R. A. FYFE, D.D. By J. E. Wells, M.A. (Printed for the author by W. J. Gage & Co.)—This is an excellent biography of a worthy and estimable man. Professor Wells in a clear and graceful literary style tells the story of Dr. Fyfe's career in a way that is both interesting and instructive to the reader. The work is a valuable contribution to Canadian literature, describing the struggle for civil and religious freedom in this land.

A COMMENTARY ON THE FIRST EPISTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS. By Thomas Charles Edwards, M.A., Principal of the University College of Wales. Second Edition. (New York: A. C. Armstrong & Son.)—That a work like this should have already reached a second edition is not surprising. The learned author gives in moderate compass the results of a vast amount of careful study and patient research. He has carefully and critically examined the works of most of the distinguished scholars who have preceded him, and at the same time exercised an independent and well-balanced judgment. His conclusions may not always be unhesitatingly accepted, but the work as a whole will be most helpful in the elucidation of the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The list of members of the Twelfth General Assembly, which meets in St. Paul's Church, Hamilton, on the evening of Wednesday, June 9, is substantially as follows:

NOMINATED FOR THE MODERATORSHIP.—Rev. J. K. Smith, M.A., Rev. D. M. Gordon, B.D., Principal Grant, D.D., Rev. Thos. Wardrope, D.D., Rev. John Laing, D.D.

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