

CHRISTMAS SONG.

Written for the old Tyrolese Me'ody, "Silent Night"

SILENT night ! shadowy night !
 Purple dome, starry light !
 Pouring splendour of centuries down,
 Gold and purple, a glorious crown,
 Where the manger so rude and wild
 Cradles a sleeping child.

Silent night ! Mystical night !
 Kings and seers sought thy light
 Where the watch of the shepherds is kept,
 Heavenly hosts through the stillness have swept,
 Clear proclaiming a Saviour born,
 Singing the Christmas morn !

Holy night-heralding dawn !
 Far and near breaks the morn !
 Breaks the day when the Saviour of men,
 Bringing pardon and healing again,
 "Holy, harmless and undefiled,"
 Cometh a little child !

—Selected.

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AS a frontispiece to this number appears the portrait of Robert Vonclure Jones, M. A., Ph. D., the highly esteemed Professor in the Greek and Latin Languages, at this University.

Dr. Jones is a native of Prince Edward Island. He was born at Pownal, June 25th, 1836. His father was William Jones, who was born in London, and emigrated with his parents to Prince Edward Island about the beginning of the present century. His mother was Mary Gay who came with her parents from Maine, U. S. A., in 1802.

His student life began at Central Academy, (now Prince of Wales College) Charlottetown, where he came under the instruction of Professors Cundall, Kenny and LePage. Professor Kenny, who studied for the priesthood, but did not take holy orders, was Dr. Jones's chief teacher. Under the direction of this professor, he was initiated into the mysteries of the Latin and Greek roots, which are now so completely under his control. Professor Kenny was an eminent scholar and understood how to infuse his students with a love of learning, and to leave them forever after much indebted to him.