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Prof. R. E. Welsh, D.D., of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, returned from the Old Country after a brief holiday outing.

Mr. Archibald Campbell has been appointed assistant classical professor in Queen's in place of George Mitchell, recently resigned. Campbell is a young Scotchman, who, after a course of six years at Fettes college, Edinburgh, spent four years at St. John's college, Cambridge, where he took very high honors in classics.

Contracts for the insertion of certain advertisements about Unitarian doctrines and beliefs have been placed with 32 daily papers by the American Unitarian Association. Such advertisements have been appearing in Ottawa papers for the past year or more. This method of advertising in the secular press is condemned in certain quarters.

It ought to be true, remarks the Canadians Baptist, that whenever two Christians meet they give to each other the hand of Christian fellowship. That is done in a thousand instances, and it ought to mean more than it does. The hand of Christian fellowship is for every lover of the Lord Jesus, no matter what his church affiliations.

The appointment of Mr. N. B. Colcock, of Niagara Falls, Ont., as Provincial Immigration Inspector in London, England, has been most favorably received. If all the Ontario Government's appointments are equally unobjectionable their would be little room left for complaint. Mr. Colcock is an old newspaper man, and brings to the discharge of his new duties intelligence, ability to deal with men and things, and social qualities that will make him a favorite wherever he goes.

AID ASKED FOR FERNIE CHURCH.

The following earnest cry for assistance from our friends at Fernie has been received by The Dominion Presbyterian from Rev. Frederick B. Duval, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly.

Dr. Duval says: Having made careful inquiry into the loss sustained by our church at Fernie, B. C., in the late conflagration that swept the town, along with the adjacent forests, by advice of men of the West who are fully informed of the situation, we feel constrained to set before the whole Presbyterian Church in Canada the urgent need of quick relief.

The loss of church and manse. \$3,500.00
Less insurance 3,500.00

Leaving a balance loss \$5,000.00
Debt on manse 800.00
(Which a homeless, ruined people have no way of meeting.)

The pastor's loss of personal effects 2,000.00

Funds necessary for ordinances for a year for a people in personal distress 3,200.00

\$11,000.00

Eleven thousand dollars is the closest estimate to rescue this suffering congregation from destruction. This takes no note of the personal losses of the members or their homeless condition. We urgently, tenderly call upon all presbyteries, sessions, pastors and individual members of our beloved church to take the quickest means of responding to this call.

Presbyterians do not require scripture quotations to impress the duty of bearing one another's burdens and so fulfilling the law of Christ. No service is dearer to God, nor sweeter to men. Send contributions from east of Lake Superior to Rev. Dr. Somerville, Presbyterian agent, Confederation Life building, Toronto; from west of Superior to Rev. Dr. Farquharson, Presbyterian agent, Winnipeg. Send as quickly as you get congregational or private contributions.

The marriage took place on August 5th, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Westbourne, Grove Terrace, London W., England, of Lucy M. Harrington, youngest daughter of the late William H. and Charlotte Geddie Harrington, of Halifax, grand daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Geddie, the New Hebrides pioneer missionaries, to Maurice Gustav Roux, of Paris, France.

It is pleasant to read of a minister—Rev. Mr. Hall, of Otterburn, Man.,—who from a farm of one thousand acres has just completed threshing thirty thousand bushels of wheat. This has been sold at \$1.10 per bushel, delivered at Fort William.

Rev. A. E. Mitchell, of Knox Church, Hamilton, passed through the city on his way home after a few week's rest at Kirk's Ferry. Mr. Mitchell expressed himself as having become accustomed to his new environments and says the church at Hamilton, which has over a thousand members, is in a prosperous and thriving condition, and the late change is proving in every way propitious.

STILL THEIR CREED.

The spread of Mormonism in England has been so great during the past year or two that one of the large daily papers sent a representative over to Salt Lake City to gather first-hand information about the cult as it exists in its own land. His investigations were particularly in regard to the practice of polygamy and are of some interest to Western Canadians inasmuch as we have the Mormon problem in our own midst.

The writer characterizes the Mormon religion as follows: "A religion that has remained almost a mystery to all who are outside its direct influence, and one that does not deal gently with any of its members who leave the fold. There is no creed that is more brutal, more terrible in its vengeance; none that is more savage or smiling in its wooing."

As to polygamy he says: "It has, over and over again, been denied by Mormons, or Latter Day Saints, as some prefer to call themselves, that polygamy exists in any shape in their colony in Utah, but it is nevertheless true that polygamy does exist, and is at the present time their religious creed."

The journalist secured an interview with a very affable Mormon merchant who, while off guard for a moment, disclosed a hint of the true situation: "If you knew the great religious value of plural marriage you would not talk so lightly of it," he said almost heatedly. "Our creed is not one that can be twisted to suit any law Congress cares to pass nor will we give up what to us is a great duty, to please any Government. Plural marriages is a covenant—" He broke off suddenly, and changed the conversation with the diplomacy that is an art with Mormons, and, do what I could, I was unable to bring him around to it again. What he had said made me determined to find out whether in reality polygamy was still a part of the Mormon creed, and I am satisfied now that it is. The Mormons now take it as a clever thing to conceal their polygamy. They deny it without a twinge, but the usual thing is to have two houses. In one case that came under my notice there were a Mormon and his three wives in one house, and two of the three were Englishwomen, who had been taken over from England in ignorance of the true state of affairs.

"The kindest thing—from the Mormon standpoint—that Gentiles could do to Mormons and Mormonism would be to let them and it alone. They do not desire to be talked about, especially by any one who knows them or has any intimate knowledge of their creed, and one cannot be long in Utah before one feels that their silence on the subject of polygamy springs mainly from the hope that some day the practice may be too strong for any opposition to break down."

A man may be lowered in the opinion of men by the sins of others, but it is only his own sin that lowers him in the sight of God.

After, "What must I do to be saved?" comes the great question, "What can I do to serve?"