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FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1874. THE BEECHER SCANDAL.

This painful scandal has again been revived by the publication of a letter from Theodore Tilton in which he protests against being made the scape-goat of either Beecher or any other man.

OUR CIRCULATION.

From time to time, during the past two months, efforts have been made to increase the circulation of THE PRESBYTERIAN, and with the most gratifying results.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Circulation count. Includes Galt, Quelph, Paris, Ayr, Brantford, Woodstock, Brockville, Smith's Falls, Perth, Carleton Place, Almonte, Pakenham, Arnprior, Villages on N.R.R.

Total number of new subscribers, 417. This is very encouraging; but we have not yet reached a paying point.

SUMMER RELAXATION.

Though it had the appearance of being tyrannical, there was after all a great deal of sense in Queen Elizabeth requiring young Englishmen to make themselves familiar by travel with their own country before they went to other lands.

down to New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia, and others still to Lake Superior and Manitoba. Canadians have reason to be proud of the wide fair land in which they dwell.

PRESBYTERIAN UNION.

The well informed Ottawa correspondent of the Stratford Beacon writes as follows, on the recent discussions on Union in the General Assembly and Synod:—

THE ADVOCATES OF UNION. found able and profoundly earnest leaders in the persons of the Rev. Mr. Caven Principal of Knox College, and the Rev. Dr. Topp, minister of Knox church, Toronto.

THE HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND.

It is situated on the left bank of the beautiful but deceptive river Avon, of which Thomas the Rhymer said that it

They met—that little band of heroes—in solemn conclave, their only canopy God's own heaven above, their only shelter the shadow of the dark, frowning, pine-clad Grampians.

NOBLE FATHERS OF AN INFANT CHURCH

knelt to supplicate to the divine blessing and guidance; upon that same sward, carpeted and cushioned by nature's own skilful hand, they reclined and rested their wearied bodies.

SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

in connection with the Church of Scotland, the debate on union was entered into at very great length, and the whole of the points at stake treated very exhaustively.

The leaders in favor of union were the Rev. Dr. Snodgrass, principal of Queen's university, Kingston, the Rev. D.M. Gordon, of St. Andrew's, Ottawa, and the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of St. Andrew's, Toronto.

Ministers and Churches.

The ladies of the C. P. Church, St. Catharines, netted nearly \$100, from a Strawberry Festival, held last week.

Dr. Maclise of Alexander Church, New York, has accepted a call from the congregation of Calvin Church, St. John, N. B.

The enlargement of the 1st Presbyterian Church, Brockville, is under consideration. Under the successful ministry of the Rev. A. J. Traver, M.A. the congregation has grown apace, and more room is now demanded.

We are rejoiced to learn that the Rev. W. T. McMullen, Minister of Knox Church, Woodstock, has resumed his pastoral duties in improved health.

Following the excellent and successful example set recently by the Rev. Mr. Inglis of Stanley Street Church, the good people of Knox Church, Ayr, have taken into consideration the establishment of a library in connection with the congregation.

The Rev. Mr. Thompson, of Ayr, has kindly intimated his intention to give instruction in psalmody and sacred music to all the young of both Presbyterian congregations who desire to improve themselves in the art of singing—the meeting for practice to be held every Tuesday evening.

Book Notices.

THE TOURIST'S GUIDE TO THE MUSKOKA REGION. Toronto: Hunter, Ross, & Co.

We are indebted to Captain Cookburn, Manager of the Northern Lakes Navigation Co., for a neat pamphlet, bearing the above title, which gives a description of the lake and river scenery of the Muskoka District.

THE LONDON QUARTERLY REVIEW.

For April, just reprinted by the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, New York, opens with an article on the "War between Prussia and Rome," and takes side far more warmly with the government than did the Edinburgh Review when treating the same subject in a recent number.

BLACKWOOD.

Reprinted by the Leonard, Scott Publishing Company, New York. The June number of Blackwood's Magazine, which completes Volume CXV, is filled, as usual, with interesting matter, and is a proof that instead of degenerating, this periodical, like wine, mellows and improves with age.

serials, "Alice Lorrains" and "Valentine and his Brother," are continued. In "The Poets at Play" we find many verses which were not written for publication, but dropped naturally into the private communications of such writers as Scott, Cowper, Lamb, Swift, and many others.

Presbyterian Union.

"Strengthen, O God, what thou hast wrought for us."—Ps. lxxviii., 28. The Rev. John Gray, B. A. gave the Presbyterian Congregation an interesting account of what was done at the General Assembly, last Sunday evening.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

DEAR SIR,—Has the Canada Presbyterian Church resolved to abandon her Mission and College in Manitoba? Is the field to be given over entirely to other Churches?

Will the respected Convener of our Home Mission Committee be kind enough to "rise and explain?"

Summer is the harvest season in that Province, and if the crop is not gathered then, when is it likely to be gathered? I am told that our three new missionaries would only reach Manitoba about this date—1st July; but with the Convener of that Presbytery's Home Mission Committee and three others of its active laborers absent, who is to direct the work of these new men when they land in a strange country? Will Mr. Cochrane kindly explain matters and remove a much talked of complaint?

medical missionary to the Canada Presbyterian mission in that distant land. There was a considerable increase in the Church membership, amounting to about two thousand, and an increase in the revenue of about \$10,000 in all.

Having enjoyed a good opportunity of becoming acquainted with them he bore testimony to the number of pious, devoted ministers, who were present at the annual meeting. There was not an unkind word spoken, notwithstanding the absorbing character of the debates.

A FRIEND OF MANITOBA.

"Two things a master commits to his servant's care, said one, 'the child and the child's clothes.' It will be a poor excuse for the servant to say, at his master's return, 'Sir, here are all the child's clothes, neat, clean, but the child is lost!'"