TESTIMONIALS OF A VALUABLE BOOK.

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Moderator of the Assembly of 1876.

Minister of Knox Church, Toronto.

TORONTO, 26th March, 1877.

DEAR SIR,-So far as I have been able to DEAR SIR,—So far as I have been also to examine the volume, I am propared to endorse the favorable estimate of it expressed by the ministers and other gentlemen in Guelph and neighbourhood.

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he uses a simple and pleasing style. He has succeeded in throwing an interesting light on many passages of Scripture. The Canadian edition of this work is very attractive in appearance and its avery attractive in appearance and its avery in appearance. Canadian edition of the value is intractive in appearance, and its value is increased by Dr. McCosh's essay.

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Principal of Knox College, Toronto, and Prof. of Exegetics and Biblical Criticism.

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account of recent researches in Egypt, Arabia, Palestine, Assyria, and Babylonia, which serve to illustrate and confirm the records of Scripture. Altogether the book is one of great value.

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To all who desire an intolligent acquaint-ance with the Book of Life, Woods' "Bible Animals" must prove eminently helpful in the interesting department of Scriptural zoology. The illustrations are profuse and artistically presented—the information is accurate and the spirit devant. The is accurate and the spirit devout. The essay by Rev. President McCosh on "Evolution," combined with the work, will prove a profitable and opportune addition to many; while the researches of Rev. Dr. March leave but one regret, that they are so short.

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On careful examination I find Woods "Bible Animals" to be a valuable and use-ful lock. In it every animal mentioned in nul to k. In revery animal mentioned in the Bible is do crib-d in tamiliar and in-tereding language. The meaning of the original terms is carefully investigated, and the adiliculties of translation are unravelled the officities of translation are unraveiled so as at every justates to remove obscurities, and present the subject clearly to the reader. The numerous spirited illustrations, give a graphic reality to the description and convey a knowledge of the subject which words alone could not. This book will be a valuable help to understanding many passages of Scripture, which have been hitherto very imperiently understood owing hitherto very imperiently understood owing to a want of knowledge of the animals referred to, and uncertainty as to the meaning of the original words. The appended easy on "Evolution" by Dr. McCosh, while too short for the student of science, farmilles a candid and reliable view of the subject to those who have not time or operativity to read legicle on the question.

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ing and instructive paper by Dr. Merch on
research and travel in Bible Lands, including the . .. its to the latest date of the gon in Palestine and Moab. In it we a summary of travels and exploration a Palestine, Egypt, Arabia, Petrae, A is and Babylonia, presenting a most vive picture of these countries, and work now of the terminy which they are now given in combined in combined and illustrating the Scripture history. I cordially commend the book to avery Bible student.

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Mission to Japan.

Mr. Parkhurst who had visited Mrs. Pruyn's home in Yokohams, as well as others in India, Syria, and China, said he cruyn's home in Yokonams, as well as others in India, Syria, and China, said he thought it surpassed them all in its perfection in all its development—and it was so liberal—every one of any denomination felt they had a welcome there. Mrs. Pruyn speke very highly of the capabilities of the Japanese girls intellectually, also of their susceptibilities for spiritual instruction. It was really marvelous they were so anxious that others should partake of what they had received. In their leisure hours, they would take their Bibles and visit from house to house to tell of Jesus. Everything in the "Home" was prayed about, and the child en early learn simple trust in God—and to believe in and look for answers to their prayers. In God's good providence a young man of influence was brought to the "Home," and remained for some time as a guest and became a Christian, and was afterwards selected as Pripartal of a Narmai School which the for some time as a guest and became a Christian, and was afterwards relected as Principal of a Normat School which the Empress has lately founded, though she herself is still a heathen, and has not the slightest inclination to become a Christian.

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The girls at the "Home" made it a subject of special prayer at their prayer meeting, that the Bible should be taught in this school, and great was their delight when their request was granted. Mrs. Pruyn read an interesting letter from a pupil, in which the child spoke of being killed by her brother, because she said she preferred the happiness of heaven to that of carth. The blows were repeated on the reiteration of her views. On telling the teacher, they prayed with her, and she was quite affected the following day at seeing how her loving Father had cared for her. On her teacher accompanying her to her brother's house he was gentle and kind to her, and did not fulfil his threats of conding her away.

Mrs. Pruyntoid some interesting facts with regard to the men in Japan. One young man of good family (for rank in Japan seldom implies wealth) had applied for employment in the Home, merely to

Japan seidom implies wealth) had applied for employment in the Home, merely to learn English, and was taken as a servant. Mrs. Pruyn soon discovered great aptitude in all he undertook, and retained him as her interpreter and personal servant. She soon noticed that he became very much interpreted in the Rible. One of the police ested in the Bible. One of the native teachers being ill, Mrs. Pruyn asked this young man to take his place at the native service and read the Bible; and as she thought he would be incapable of anything further. asked him to read the Lord's prayer. He went on with the prayer for a short time and then stopped, and as Mrs. Pruyn thought broke down, but he broke into a most touching prayer which Mrs.
Prnyn fell though she could not understand. The language came from the depths
of his soul. Shortly after this he was called home by the illness of his father, and fears were entertained that he would return to were entertained that he would return to heathenism; but after a time he returned to the Home with great jey. After closely watching him, Mrs. P. thought his talents were lost in his present service, and that he would be a great acquisition as a native preacher. When Mrs. P. asked him, he answered with many tears that this was what he had longed and prayed for ever since he returned from home; for while with his father he was not sufficiently instructed to speak of Christ, or explain the way of salvation, and this pained him exstructed to speak of Orrist, or explain the way of salvation, and this pained him exceedingly; so all was speedily arranged, and he is now studying, and in his leisure evangelizing. At one place where he had been preaching about the Holy Spirit, a poor man went to a missionary and said a young man had been preaching that in what to a coved they must get something young man had been presoning that it order to be saved they must get semething they could neither see nor hear, but they could feel, and that it was like air, and he had been walking up and down trying to breathe in the air. Mrs. Pruyn spoke of temperance going hand in hand with the Gospel. Though the Japanese were not which in a result, they thought much of a drinking people they thought much of temperance. Once an old man came up to Yokohama on business, and carried home with him a Bible and some temperance papers from the Sunday School there. He became a believer all by himself in his lonely country-house; founded a temperance Society of twelve members who were to abstain from drinking, smoking, and to abstain all sin, and they were to be tested for three months. Some time after this, this little company of believers were discovered by a young man who had been sent to a distant station to help the Missionaries. Ho advised the old man to be immediately baptized and go up to Yokohama to receive turther instruction, which he joyfully consented to do. The field is white unto the arvest and God is working miracles there. Let us pray much for that land, and help the missionaries in every way that we can "Japan" means "Daybreak." She has already had the dawn. Oh may the full his of day so in solice Notes of an Address by Mrs. Pruyn, a returned Missionary, taken in Chicago March 1876.

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Official Aunouncements.

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Olitawa —Next Presbytery meeting in Kuox Church, Ottawa, on Monday, 7th May, at 3 o'clock

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WEITOX.—At Whitby, on the third Tuesday of May, at 11 a.m. BROCKVILLE.—At Prescott, on Tacchay, 3rd of July, at 7 p.m.

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