

fully be taken as the outline of discourses by a teacher or preacher. The first deals with what the author calls the "Presupposition of the Kingdom of God," or what we used to call the subject of Natural Theology; treating of the doctrines of Creation and Providence, and the Attributes of God manifested in Creation and Providence. The second is on the Main Revelation of the Kingdom of God—God as Holy Love, a conception which is compared with other notions. Under this the author deals with Moral Attributes of God, and God's plan of the Universe. In the third part we have the doctrine of the Trinity discussed as the "Corollary from the Kingdom of God." And here the work of the Holy Trinity in the plan of Redemption is described and the relations of the Christian doctrine to those of other systems examined. Of course there is no room for much reference to the work of others; but a great deal more is done in this way than could reasonably have been expected. Views offered to those here advocated and briefly noticed and refuted. Good references to other works are given in foot notes. As an instance of the way in which the subject has been brought up to the present day, we may mention that Dr. Candlish discusses the theory of Divine prescience advocated by Dr. Martineau in his "Study of Religion" lately reviewed in these columns.

THE PRINCE AND THE MARTYR.

"The Prince of Wales caused the grave of Charles I. to be opened the other day, restored the jewels, that had been taken from it, and having closed it again, knelt by it in silent prayer."

Unlock the shrine, where peacefully has slept
All through the centuries gone, the mangled form
Of England's martyr'd King! O vile usurper,
Delirious with success, with power mad!
The Lord's Anointed, thy unhallowed hands
Have mutilated, marr'd and spoiled!
The fury pitiless, and the tearless eye,
And gaze unfaltering, saw the axe to fall.
The son of Monarch's past, the sire of future Kings,
The high-soul'd Churchman, thoughtful, gentle, kind,
Rolls from the hideous block, a quivering, bleeding
corpse.

In Windsor's noble fane, the faithful few,
Who, through those awful hours, had firmly stood
A fearless band, around their rightful liege,
The ruined temple of the King they loved,
To rest has layed; with mute and mournful prayer
That Heaven soon, with pity, might look down,
In kind relief, on Britain's hapless plight.

Time: the adjuster of the weak and wronged,
In phantoms of succession, passes by,
The regicide, his frantic course, has run;
And justice, once again, the balance fair upholds,
And wrong, and blight, and curse from off the royal
name,
Of Charles,—martyred Monarch,—disappear.

Beside the opened tomb.—O, who his thoughts can
paint?—
Within that Chapel proud: The Heir to Britain's
throne
In silence kneels, the treasures of the grave,
Memorials once put there, by hands now cold—
Again are laid within the voiceless shrine,
With deep and reverend awe, the careful loving
hands

Again the kindred earth to earth replace,
And Charles Stuart, the noblest of his line,
Sleeps, till Incorruption claims her long-quiet
sway.
And this tangled, puzzling maze of human deeds,
Unravell'd by the hand of God alone,
Shall stand, as clear as day, before our clear'd
sight.

Toronto, Jan. 22nd, 1889.

J. H. McCollum.

ONTARIO.

A clergyman of this Diocese, in forwarding \$2.00 for two new subscribers, writes: Let me congratulate you on the present tone of your paper, there is an independent and fearless ring about it. The literature of the Canadian Church, was formerly much hampered by the timidity and namby pambyism of its press, care used to be taken to insert nothing that was not commonplace.

Home & Foreign Church News.

From our own Correspondents.

DOMINION.

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—Death of Rev. Canon Belcher.—A good man has been taken from active religious work in Montreal by the death of Rev. Samuel Belcher, rector of Grace church, honorary canon of Christ Church Cathedral, and secretary and bursar of the Diocesan Theological college. Mr. Belcher, who has been ill but a short time, was one of the oldest ministers in continuous charge of a parish in the city, having been appointed the first minister of Grace Church eighteen years ago. Before that he had served in the Diocese of Huron for some time after his coming to Canada, twenty-five years ago. He was born in London, England. His illness was a brief one. He had often expressed the wish that when death came it would find him in harness, and he was gratified. His work had weakened his health, and though urged by his congregation and friends to take a rest he steadily declined. A week ago last Sunday he was seized with a severe chill while in his study, but persisted in going to the church and conducting the service. This aggravated his illness, and on his return home he was forced to take to his bed. At first he showed symptoms of pneumonia; with these were complications of rheumatism and neuralgia, producing great weakness and resulting in his death. Mr. Belcher leaves a family of one son and two daughters, one of the latter married and residing in California.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Diocesan Sunday-School Association was held in the Synod Hall last week, Bishop Bond presided. Amongst those present were the Bishop of Huron, the Rev. Dr. Norton, the Rev. J. H. Edgecombe, Mr. L. H. Davidson, Mr. N. R. Mudge and Mr. R. H. Buchanan.

Mr. Buchanan read the fourth annual report, which gave very many valuable hints to teachers in their dealings with pupils.

The officers for 1889 are:—President, the Lord Bishop of Montreal; clerical vice-president the very Rev. the Dean; lay vice-president, Dr. Davidson; treasurer, Mr. Mudge; and secretary, Mr. Buchanan.

The treasurer's statement showed that the year had been started with \$12.26 on hand; \$29.76 was received from all sources, while expenses amounted to \$30.80, leaving \$11.22 balance on hand for the year.

After some remarks by Mr. Parnell and the Rev. Mr. Edgecombe, Bishop Baldwin gave an address. It was not the function of the Sunday-school teacher to make philosophers of his pupils—the public schools could do that,—nor philanthropists, but to teach them to be children, sons and daughters of the living God. The power of sympathy must be taught the children. The theory of evolution killed human sympathy. Nothing but confusion rested on the thought that they and the heathen of Africa were but descended from baboons, but when it was thought that we and they are made of one blood, and that we are the debtors, then can be taught the greatness of human—of divine sympathy.

The thanks of the audience were conveyed to the speakers by the Bishop. The meeting closed with the benediction.

ONTARIO.

AMHERST ISLAND.—We regret to have to announce that the Rev. Wm. Roberts, received a very severe kick from his horse the other day while leading him to water, which will lay him up for several weeks.

TAMWORTH.—The Rev. J. R. Serson, M.A., has been invited to take charge of the important parish of Deseronto, as the Rev. Thos. Stanton's assistant, but no small inducement will be needed to draw him away from his present charge, where he has done good work, and is much beloved, and to which he is much attached.

WELLINGTON.—A very successful missionary meeting was held in this village on Tuesday evening, 22nd January. The congregation being large, the service hearty, and the collection good. The service was conducted by the incumbent, Rev. W. H. Smythe, who is doing a good work here. After the service addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. K. McMorin, of Kingston, and Rev. A. L. Geen, of Belleville. The

energy of the Incumbent of this parish, who is a man far advanced in years, might be copied to advantage by many a younger clergyman.

ODESSA.—The congregations in Rev. Mr. Quartermaine's mission, showing their appreciation of his services, lately presented him with the following address.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—Please find as given below the names of a few of your many friends, who wish you to accept this set of harness, whip, and bells, and balance in cash as a slight token of esteem in which you are held in this community, by the members of all denominations, (it is signed by 57 people), on behalf of these friends allow us to wish you and Mrs. Quartermaine A Very Happy New Year. Robert Bennett, Thos. Milsop, and J. A. Timmerman.

SOUTH MARCH.—The several congregations, under the Incumbency of the Rev. Walter H. Stiles, have of late been more than active in good works in anticipation of the marriage of their esteemed pastor to Miss Ellie Code, daughter of Mr. A. Code, of Ottawa. This happy event took place at Christ Church, Ottawa, on Wednesday, the 16th inst., the Venerable Archdeacon Lauder, assisted by the Rev. T. J. Stiles, brother of the groom, officiating. In the afternoon the newly married couple, accompanied by a number of Ottawa friends, drove out to the rectory, and upon their arrival they were received by a number of the parishioners. The rectory, having recently undergone a thorough renovation, looked most inviting, and to add to the appearance of hospitality surrounding it, the kindly thoughtfulness of the parishioners had provided a most sumptuous wedding dinner. Nor did their kind attention end there. A look at the quantity of wood in the newly erected woodshed, the quantity of hay and oats in the stable, and the provisions in the larder, coupled with the favourable impression already formed by association with those of the parishioners, were proof convincing that the lot of the esteemed pastor and his bride had certainly fallen in pleasant places. Still further surprise was in store for him, for just as the feast was ended one of the young ladies of the congregation, Miss Street, advanced, and on behalf of the several congregations, presented Mr. Stiles with an address and a purse of seventy dollars. The Rector, on behalf of Mrs. Stiles and himself thanked those present, and through them the absent ones, again and again, for their kindness and thoughtful consideration. He trusted that God would take each and all of them into his holy keeping, and that his ministry among them might be abundantly blessed throughout the coming years.

PEMBROKE AND PARTS ADJACENT.—The past year has been one of cheering progress to this parish. The Rector, Archdeacon Daykin, is a most energetic parish worker, and already the fruits of his labour is making itself seen. On Christmas Day there were at the early celebration 37, and 63 at the 11 o'clock, being largely in excess of last year. The offertory was nearly forty dollars. A new parsonage has been built, together with very superior stabling and other out-buildings, these latter on a new lot in rear of rectory. From the Parochial Magazine lately established in this parish, and localized the neighbouring missions as the organ of the County Clerical Union, many items of interest which evidence the vigour of Church life, may be culled. The township of Alice, which for many years has been attached to Pembroke, with its neat little Church "in the wilderness," erected through the indefatigable efforts of a former rector, Rural Dean Nesbitt, has been detached therefrom and added to the new mission about to be created at Petawawa. On Sunday after Epiphany, Archdeacon Daykin and Rev. Mr. Bliss, of Mattawa, conjointly conducted the service at Alice, the former introducing Mr. Bliss, and handing the Church over to his pastoral care. At Mattawa the peoples' warden recently presented Mr. Bliss with a numerously signed petition, expressing the hope that the division of the mission would not result in his removal, and recording their appreciation of his great zeal and labours, and the obstacles he had overcome in his pioneer work. One sentence from Mr. Bliss's reply may well be quoted. "To leave a work I had myself begun, amid which I see many evidences of the guiding, sustaining hand of God in blessing my labours; to leave the dear little sanctuaries wherein we have so often met and joined together in holy worship, and before whose altars I have so often stood to plead 'the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice'; to leave those among whom my personal intercourse has been such as to lead me to prize their love and friendship, many whom I know to be striving to walk worthy of their vocation; to be godly men and women, boys and girls, to do this, one must indeed be actuated by strong motives, and that motive with me is best expressed in one word, duty." The reply concludes by saying that there will not be any change for several months, the additional work being provid-