

distributed in interest on the mortgage debt of \$26,500 on the building to pay one-half the salary of a Professor. It has been arranged to celebrate the Jubilee in October, and make an effort to raise a Jubilee Fund sufficient to clear the debt, and aid in strengthening the staff. This could easily be accomplished were all the friends of the College to unite in this purpose. True, the time is short—only three months,—but willing hearts can do much in that time. A meeting of Alumni at St. John, N.B., resolved that each Alumnus should aim at raising an average of \$100 in his congregation. Some may not be able to do this, but many can do very much more.

Are you an Alumnus? Will you try in your congregation to raise some adequate recognition of the claims of your Alma Mater? And will you give something yourself?

Are you a friend of Knox College? What will you contribute towards making the Jubilee a success? Do not wait to see what others are going to do, but do what you can now. In this it is true, "He gives twice who gives quickly." Enclose your contribution in the envelope and send it. If the cash is not convenient, send word now what you will do before the meeting in October.

I am yours truly,
 Room 64, W. BURNS,
 Confed. Life Bldg. Sec'y Jubilee Fund.

Church Union.

Notwithstanding that the question of Church Union has impressed not a few leading Canadians as an impracticable dream, the subject seems to have in it a peculiar vitality which keeps it as a live issue before thinking Christians who cannot help deploring the division lines which keep so many church organizations assunder. The press of the United States has of late given publicity to the views of Churchmen, Presbyters, and Methodists, few of whom defend the present condition of affairs. How to overcome the obstacles which are in the way is the great problem, but if the leading minds, the practical men of the churches, those who come in direct contact with their fellows, and who feel the need of increased resources—if these are convinced that unity would bring additional strength; then, no matter how difficult the problem may seem to be, it is worthy of the best thought and effort of all the churches.

In this connection a few opinions have been gathered from eminent clergymen of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Anglican Churches a first instalment of which is given in this issue of the REVIEW. As the Symposium progresses some of the more striking points will be referred to at length and it is hoped our readers will find food for useful thought in the discussion of the question.

Highly Christian Ideal. The retiring Moderator of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodists preached a notable sermon at the Annual Assembly of his church. In the course of the discourse he severely deprecated what he conceived to be the growing tendency of the churches, Conformist and Nonconformist, to lift into undue prominence the point of numerical strength and external status. This striving after fictitious popularity surely betrayed weakness. He admitted that in view of the vital Welsh issue now before the country some attention ought to be paid to statistics, not, however,

because the principle to be determined was essentially one of arithmetical calculation. Dr. Rees, whilst heartily sympathising with the sentiment which prompted fervid Christian men to win masses to attend divine service by means of solos and instrumental music, viewed these methods as superfluous and superficial. He pleaded for a higher Christian ideal on the part of 400,000 Nonconformists of Wales.

Sunday Street Cars. The veiled attempt to inaugurate a system of Sunday street cars in Toronto, made last Sunday, by persons who do not seem over anxious to assume the responsibility of their act, is not likely to prove successful. City Solicitor Meredith has given an opinion, which, if acted upon, as doubtless it will be, will give a quietus to the boisterous promoters of the project. At the same time we urge upon the Sabbath Observance Committee to leave no stone unturned, to abate no effort, to relax no vigilance whereby the wily enemy may gain even a small advantage.

Gaelic Speaking Students. The announcement is made that the Gillian MacLaine Gaelic Bursaries are open for competition. There are one in Arts and one in Divinity, tenable for three sessions, open to Gaelic-speaking students from Canada, studying at any Scotch University for the ministry of the Church of Scotland—annual value of each £95 to £100—will be awarded after competitive examination to be held before the opening of Session 1894-95. For particulars apply to REV. P. N. MACKICHAN, Inveraray, Scotland. It has been suggested by the Halifax *Witness* that examinations could be arranged to be taken in Canada as well as in Scotland, and the suggestion ought to be taken up.

Toronto Bible Training School. The prospectus of this proposed Bible Training School has been issued, and should the object of the promoters be realized, great good will be the result. The design is stated to be the training of consecrated men and women as Sunday School workers, as pastors' assistants, and as City, Home, and Foreign Missionaries. It is intended for those who believe they have been called of God to Christian service, and who, from age or other reasons, cannot pursue a full collegiate and theological course of study. Special provision is also made for Sunday School teachers and others who desire a better knowledge of God's Word. The school will be interdenominational and among the office-bearers are representatives of various churches.

Sensational Reports in the Press. A circular signed by about 100 members of Parliament, is being issued to the editors of the daily press of the United Kingdom, urging them to give fewer details in their reports of sensational cases in public journals. The circular states:—"We have remarked with regret and concern that in connection with a portion of the press, there is a tendency to enter very fully, as it seems to us, into unnecessary detail, when reporting sensational cases involving immorality or brutality, and particularly evidence appealing to man's sensual nature." It further protests against headlines and contents-bills designed to draw particular attention to the worst features of the case, and the signatories state that, in their opinion, the publication of such details as are now so frequently given cannot fail to have a demoralizing effect upon a vast mass of young women and young men ever craving for excitement of an unhealthy kind.