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The generous friend of missions who, some two years since, gave, out of comparatively limited means, *one thousand* dollars toward Mr. Annand's salary in the New Hebrides, has now given *seven hundred and fifty* more for the same purpose. If the giving of the Church of Christ approached even in a far off degree this noble standard, soon would the Saviour's command be fulfilled, and the gospel preached to every creature.

Our Theological College at the recent closing, granted its first degree of D. D., and chose for the honor, Rev. John Morton, of the Trinidad Mission. Whether we consider Mr. Morton's talents; his scholarship, especially in the Hindi; or his long, faithful, and successful work in the mission field, the title is well and worthily bestowed. It is fitting too that a church which has been for so much of its history, a missionary church, should look to the mission field for the subject of its first degree. Well worthy a similar honor, in so far as such things be an honor, is his comrade at arms, the Rev. K. J. Grant, who has been so successful for a score of years in the same mission field.

The agitation for a revision of the Confession of Faith, or for a shorter creed in the

Presbyterian Church of England has taken end by the hearty adoption at the recent Synod of a comparatively short and simple statement of Doctrine, embracing the leading points of the Evangelical faith. The thing that should keep calm the minds of all who may fear that revision agitations will unsettle the foundations of faith, is that the Bible is far more widely circulated and read than ever before. And with that, there is no danger of the great body of Christian people of any Church deviating far from the truth of God.

At the closing exercises of the Theological Hall on April 30th, the following gentlemen having completed their course of study for the ministry, received diplomas:—

Daniel McD. Clarke, B.A., Pictou County; George M. Johnson, B.A., Stewiacke; John A. Matheson, B.A., Boularderie, C. B.; Chas. McKay, Scotland; Ambrose W. McLeod, B.A., P. E. I.; Fred W. Murray, New Brunswick; F. S. Coffin, B.A., P. E. I.;

The degree of B.D. was then conferred upon Rev. John Calder, B.A., and Mr. J. A. Matheson, B.A., and that of D. D. upon Rev. John Morton of Trinidad. The St. David's prize of \$25 for the highest marks at all the regular class examination was won by R. A. Falconer, M. A., and the Morrison prize of \$12 for entrance examination in Hebrew, by J. W. Falconer, M. A. The valedictory was given by Mr. A. W. McLeod, and addresses by Rev. A. Simpson, Rev. L. G. Macneill.

Another congregation in the Western Section of the Church, Central Church, Toronto, has assumed the responsibility of supporting a missionary to the Foreign Field. They have named Mr. Norman H. Russell, B. A.,