

Canada School Journal, Toronto, Ont., \$1.00.—It claims a circulation of 5,000, and doubtless deserves it. We think certain Toronto publishing houses are only making themselves ridiculous before the public by their incessant quarrelling and abuse of each other. We don't pretend to say which is the more to blame, but we fail to see how education is going to be advanced if base personalities are to be continually dragged into its organs.

Literature, a monthly magazine devoted to literary culture. C. A. Wenborne, Buffalo, N.Y., \$2.00.—We cannot speak too highly of this new periodical which we are glad to know is now firmly established. To students particularly it is indispensable.

Presbyterian Witness, Halifax, N.S., \$2.00. We have already expressed our admiration of this excellent weekly. We shall be thankful if the *Witness* will resume its visits after our summer holidays.

Canada Educational Monthly, Toronto, Ont., \$1.50.—We have read it from its initial number, and it has always maintained a high literary standard. Its columns have been greatly enriched by the incorporation of the *Hamilton School Magazine*, which, if we remember rightly, began its career as a collegiate journal, and attained an enviable eminence. The *Monthly* has acquired the not very common habit of taking part in controversies in a gentlemanly manner.

Presbyterian Home Missions, New York, \$1.00.—It were a pity if all our readers do not include this magazine in the list of papers to which they subscribe. The reading matter is first-class.

Educational Record for P. Q., Montreal, \$1.00.—It steadily improves with time, though the tone still reveals the fact a little too noticeably that the editor has not been a very long time out of England. J. T. Donald, M. A., has charge of the scientific department.

Protestant Pillar, Montreal, Box 2092. 75c.—This organ ably represents the Reformed Episcopal Church in Canada, and is conducted in a vigorous manner.

Crumbs from Our Scrap Book.

The students of the Presbyterian College are publishing a well edited and beautifully printed journal full of matter especially interesting to the students and graduates of this most useful and successful institution and to Presbyterians in general. All who are interested or who ought to be interested in the college work, should have this journal sent to them.—*Montreal Daily Witness*.

The first number of the second volume is to hand, bearing the evidence of good management and of good taste.—*Varsity*, Toronto.

In matter and appearance, it is a credit alike to the editors and publishers, and ought to receive the united support of the class of readers in whose interest it makes its appearance. There is a blending of honest bluntness with dignity in the first number, that promises well, and as the students of to-day will be the Professors of the future, it is gratifying to see a college journal taking a high stand from the start, and refusing to cater to slang and coarseness.—*Montreal Protestant Pillar*.

It is quite spicy and thoroughly readable.—*Halifax Presbyterian Witness*.

Addresses its readers in good English, faultless Gaelic and elegant French!—*Ibid*.

A handsome magazine well stocked with articles of decided literary merit. This is as it should be, when one considers that in its editorial staff the JOURNAL numbers three divines and two titled graduates.—*Martha Washington Messenger*, Abingdon, Va.

Having been compelled by unforeseen circumstances to enlarge its sheet, it now towers above all its compeers, like Saul among the prophets. Considering it is only a two-year old, it is "prodigious."—*Presbyterian Record*.

Presents a very handsome appearance, the cover being adorned with an engraving of the fine new college buildings. The Local department is especially good, and the whole paper is just what it pretends to be, strictly a college paper, that is, a record of college events. This is more than we can say of a very large number of our exchanges.—*Acta Victoriana*, Cobourg, Ont.

Much improved this session, and may now rank with the best journals.—*Queen's College Journal*.

An excellent paper and "gotten up" in good style. It is entertaining, and that ought to be the aim of all the college journals.—*Mississippi University Magazine*.

Very pleasing in its form and contains some good, solid matter.—*Portfolio*, Hamilton, Ont.

We find it both interesting and instructive. The local columns are full and spicy, and there are several columns devoted to French, which form a capital feature in a college magazine. We hope that some of our more advanced French students may, at some early date, furnish an article in that language for the *Messenger*.—*M. W. Messenger*, Abingdon, Va.

A paper we prize very highly. It has a cut of the college building on the first page and is otherwise attractive in its make up. It is destitute of anything light or flippant—locals are sparingly indulged in and college wit, common to most papers, finds no place in its columns. Its matter is from experienced pens, so that it partakes more of the nature of a literary periodical than a college organ. It is read with interest and we would have it a constant visitor.—*Lariat*, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Both the Journals of the Presbyterian Colleges are live papers. That of *Queen's College* is stronger in reading matter, while the PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE JOURNAL is, like the English *Schoolmaster*, better as a newspaper and register of what is going on in its special world.—*Educational Record for P. Q.*

A McGill correspondent writes thus in the Toronto *Varsity* :—

"The question is beginning to be asked, why McGill cannot support a college paper when even" (sic!) "the Presbyterian College is able to do so. We certainly cannot see why another attempt should not be made to start one, and, if possible, to get the Presbyterian journal to amalgamate. If this were done, and if all the other affiliated colleges were asked to co-operate a very fair monthly could be published. The great point would be to select able men to take charge of the undertaking." Just so, and perhaps the writer of the foregoing is the only "able man" in McGill who would be fit to act as "undertaker" if it dies in its "infancy."

INTERESTING TO SOME THEOS.—One of the best known college presidents, has hit upon an effective epithet to apply to the optional courses now in vogue in some of the Universities. He calls it "the restaurant plan of education."—*Pa. Col. Monthly*.