

concerned about times and seasons than some who figure up the time necessary to complete the work. It is not for us to say that the thing could be done before another century opens. Our business is to be faithful and not to say, "My God delayeth His coming." Such a spirit animated the Kingston Convention. The chief speaker was Dr. J. L. Nevius, of North China, a man of rare good sense and *en rapport* with Chinese mission work. It was good to see him correcting, advising, informing, inspiring, establishing the younger brethren.

Montreal men are holding their own. Their *Journal* has not come to hand yet, but, like all good things, it is worth waiting for. The most piercing note in their Table Talk was sounded when some one discovered several typographical errors in Principal MacVicar's article on "French Evangelization" in the October number of the MONTHLY. Alas, for the printer, he is the object of many maledictions.

The Morin College, Quebec and Pinehill College, Halifax, are both on our list and will be heard from regularly. The friends "down by the sounding sea" are devising means for the fuller endowment of their college. There is a sturdiness about the Easterners, and so many of their sons are high up on the ladder of fame that "Blue Nose," "Herring Back," and other epithets that in school days roused our ire have lost their sting and are complimentary rather than otherwise.

The Winnipeg students are congratulating themselves on the addition to their staff by the appointment of Prof. A. B. Baird. He is one of our old Toronto men, and back in the seventies was a tutor in Knox College. We have not forgotten the day when several raw youths had an introduction to him and to Xenophon's Anabasis at the same time. We congratulate both Prof. Baird and Manitoba College on his advancement to a professorial chair. His Inaugural Lecture, delivered a week ago, was a careful examination and setting forth of "The Apologetic Value of Modern Missions." Prof. Baird would have had his sketch of work among the North-west Indians, in our "Canadian Presbyterian Mission Fields" series, ready for this issue had it not been that extra work was laid upon him owing to Principal King's recent illness. The Manitoba men are facing the mission problem. Dr. King's open letter is brief but significant. It appeared in the *Canada Presbyterian*, but it properly belongs to the discussion now going on in the MONTHLY.