

The God of the Gospels has trusted to you this so blessed and so promising missionary field: it is a source of honor and benediction for you to have taken it. The humble collegiate institution you support at St. Anne has already given twelve ministers and evangelists; seven of them are already working in your midst, with great fruits. Tell me where is the congregation, not only in Canada, but on this whole continent, or even in Europe, which has given twelve ministers or evangelists to the Gospel cause, these last six years? Do you not see that if you neglect, or give up this thousand times blessed missionary field, you lose the best nursery of evangelization which the providence of God has ever given to his Church.

If you are sincere, when you say that you want to convert Canada, keep this admirable nursery of evangelists. You will never have too many of those French Canadian converts who will preach the Gospel to their countrymen. Last Sabbath, five new brave, talented and pious young men, offered themselves to me to study for the ministry. I have accepted them in your name. Send me the help. I want to keep up my dear college, and in a few years the Lord will turn them into the apostles of Canada.

We will be dead then; we will have left this perishing world. But, at the feet of the Lamb we will sing an eternal hymn of joy, for having been called by our sacrifices to help Him to conquer the world.

Believe me,

Your forever devoted

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REVIEW OF RECENT RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

One of the most interesting of recent books from a theologian's point of view, is that of Professor Crawford, of the University of Edinburgh, on the *Atonement*. His last work was on the *Fatherhood of God*, so that he follows Dr. Candlish very closely in his choice of subjects. In the treatment of this important doctrine, however, we find Professor Crawford pursuing a plan entirely different from those of Drs. Candlish and Hodge. The work consists of four parts, the first of which is an "Inquiry into the doctrine of the New Testament respecting the Mediatorial work and sufferings of Jesus Christ." This inquiry takes the form of a collation of various passages in which Christ's work and sufferings and their efficacy are spoken of in Scripture, and the first part concludes with an orthodox and complete statement of the results of the preceding induction. The second part is an inquiry as to "how far the results of the previous induction may be confirmed by a survey of the prophetic intimations and sacrificial institutions of the Old Testament." The third part is a "review of the various theories which have been proposed respecting the obedience and sufferings of Christ as substitutes for the doctrine ascertained by the foregoing induction." The author takes up theories of martyrdom, subserviency to the resurrection, example, exhibition of the Divine character, manifestation of Divine love, Arian or middle theory, realistic theories, theory of self-sacrifice, theories of identification and sympathy, theory of conflict or collision with the evil that is in the world (Robertson of Brighton), moral power theories of Young and Bushnell, rectoral and governmental theory. In the fourth part Professor Crawford reviews "the objections to the doctrine of the atonement as ascertained by the foregoing induction." Dr. Smeaton, of the New College, Edinburgh deals with the same theme, and taking his stand upon scriptural exegesis, gives to the theological world "The Doctrine of the Atonement as taught by the Apostles." The fifth volume of the works of the late Dr. James Hamilton has appeared containing twenty-five lectures on Moses the Man of God, eight on Peter i., four on Philosophy and Christianity, and eight on the Ethics of the Gospel. The Rev. Donald Fraser, once a minister of our Church, has added to his reputation by his recently published first series of "Synoptical Lectures on