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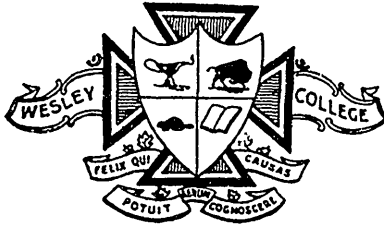
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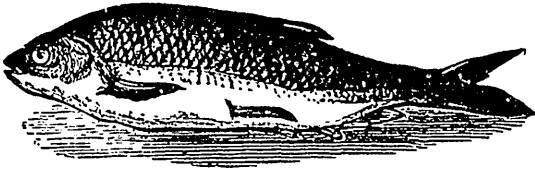
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## EDITORIAL

The College year just closed is one of the best in the history of Wesley. Once more the youngest of the colleges has succeeded in carrying off her share of the honors, bearing testimony to careful and painstaking work on the part of both Professors and students.

That the College is a most important factor in our Western educational system was shown the other day at the Conference in Brandon. As soon as Dr. Sparling returned from Convocation, the work of the hour was suspended, at the request of Conference, to allow the Principal to announce the results of the year's work, and when it was shown that Wesley had sustained her reputation of the last three years by again taking the first place, enthusiasm expressed itself in rounds of applause.

While the work done has been most thorough, it is felt that it is being accomplished at the sacrifice of the staff. The Principal alluded to this in his remarks, and intimated that steps would shortly be taken to increase the present teaching staff by two additional members. If this is done, we feel sure that Wesley's success in the future, as well as her standing among the Colleges, is assured.

That two Alma Mater societies are in existence seems to be an assured fact. One was formed some years ago, officers were elected and a constitution drafted, but for some reason the society became practically a dead letter, so much so that one year ago very few graduates knew such a society existed. It was then felt there was need of some organization to keep alive the feeling of loyalty to the College as well as provide two scholarships to be offered for competition in the Theological course. Mr. W. A. Cooke, B.A., was elected president, with W. A. Lewis, B.A., secretary. This society set itself to the task of raising sixty dollars in scholarships, and was highly successful, as the final report of the treasurer showed.

Just previous to Conference signs of life appeared in the first society, and a meeting was held in Wesley College. A discussion took place on the question of membership. It was clearly the feeling of the meeting that the Alma Mater society should be composed of graduates in Arts. A request was made that students having graduated in Theology be admitted to membership, but was not entertained. A committee was formed from members of both societies to confer on the question of member-



ship. Here again the representatives from the first society were unwilling to make any concessions, so the meeting adjourned.

The second society met in Brandon, and after the matter was discussed at considerable length, it was decided to retain the name, "The Alma Mater Society" for another year. All the graduates present were strongly in favor of strengthening the membership of the society by admitting Theological students. Several non-theological students were present and expressed their hearty sympathy with the object of the society. At this meeting it was clearly shown that the executive of the first society do not represent the feeling of all the graduates in this matter.

The scholarships were again pledged, and the hope was expressed that the differences would be amicably arranged before the next meeting.

In a few days the responsibility of the present staff will cease. At the beginning of the year the outlook was most unpromising, as only one of the staff was able to be in attendance. However, in a few weeks all had returned and the work became much easier.

The editor's thanks are especially due Messrs. E. R. Wylie and E. J. Bawden for their kindness in connection with the publication of Vox in addition to that of their own departments. We have attempted no radical change during the past year, chiefly because our finances would not warrant going beyond the sixteen pages. From the many words of kindly appreciation which have been sent us, we feel that our work has not been altogether profitless to the reader. Under Miss Baker's able management, the Literary Department has furnished a number of good articles from the best writers of Winnipeg, while Mr. Barner is the first editor of the Religious Department to have a choice, well-written leading article for his department each month, and he it said, also, he was always on time. But we must not forget to men-

tion R. E. McCullagh, B. A., our esteemed Business Manager, to whose untiring energy and business ability is due the fact that "Vox" is nearly out of debt. That no misunderstanding may arise from the last statement, we have to say there will be no large deficit to carry over to another year. Should any unpaid subscriptions be handed in, the probability is that "Vox" will be able to commence a new year under most favorable circumstances.

To all friends is extended the hearty thanks of the retiring staff for the assistance given us during the year.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

On the last day of lectures for this year the death of N. I. Vernon, of St. Hillory, Minn., and late of Wesley College, was announced. Mr. Vernon came to Manitoba in the fall of 1896, and was received as a probationer in this Conference in 1897. He was stationed at Pipestone during the first year and the next at Argue, both circuits on the Deloraine District. In 1898 he was stationed on the Blythfield circuit, and took the Previous year. The next year he supplied at Bagot, under the superintendency of Rev. W. A. Lewis, B. A., and attended College, writing on the Junior B. A. examination, in which he took a good stand. Just at this time he received an invitation to a charge in Northern Minnesota, and accepted, leaving almost immediately for his new work.

In the Y. M. C. A. work of the College he took a deep interest, as well as being a regular attendant at the Literary society, where, being a forcible and pleasing speaker, he was often heard in debate.

Mr. Vernon had a wide circle of friends in Manitoba who will learn with profound sorrow of his early demise.

To Mrs. Vernon we extend the sympathy of the students in her early loss.

Equally Horseless. — "Ha!" jeered the bystanders. "The automobile has come to stay! See it stay!"

"That's all right," responded the man

on the seat, calmly lighting a cigar. "But why should a machine that merely displaces the horse excite the ill-will of asses?"—Chicago Tribune.

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT

### THE EARLY DAYS OF WESLEY COLLEGE

By Rev. W. A. Cooke, B.A.

I was glad when the editor asked me to write an article for "Vox" on "The Early Days of Wesley College." Most men, in the storm and stress of active life, look back with peculiar pleasure to their college life; but he, whose early college days are the early days of his college finds a double delight in reviewing the memories of those halcyon days. "This my joy therefore is fulfilled."

This paper does not pretend to be a complete and final record of the early days of our College. It does not claim the dignity of "History." The modern historian has made us know by his numerous foot-notes, and references, and biographies, and addenda how serious a business is the writing of history. Some day a post-graduate of some German University will ransack the Manitoba Provincial Library for copies of Acts of the Legislature, search University records, look up old minutes of Conference, calendars and newspapers, and in other laborious ways make accurate investigation of the original sources of the history, and then, in ten volumes, with the usual marginal references, and quotation of authorities, will write "A History of the Early Days of Wesley College."

This article is historical, but it is not "a history." It is a little bundle of remembrings and remarkings. The writing of it is a pleasant vacation pastime, and the reading of it, in the midsummer number, is intended to be a sort of entree between the Courses, as you read the honorable record of the late examinations. No doubt the erudite historian-to-be referred to above will consult the early copies of *Vox Wesleyana*, and will be indebted for his most graphic touches in his chapter on "The Inception" to these personal impressions.

It was a pleasant morning early in October, 1888, when, in the parlors of Grace Church, Winnipeg, two Professors — the Rev. Principal Sparling and Prof. R. R.

Cochrane — met three students, Miss B. Earl (now Mrs. Stead), Mr. W. A. Lewis, and your friend, the writer. The Rev. W. L. Rutledge, pastor of Grace Church, who was present, remarked to Dr. Sparling that they were there to open the College, but "the boys" were not there. Mr. Lewis turned to me, and said: "I suppose, he calls *us* 'men.'" The newspaper representatives were present to view the imposing ceremonies and report them to the excited, expectant public. I think the reporters were very much disappointed that morning. I have never learned whether the Principal was disappointed or not, but I have sometimes suspected that if his heart sank then, it has often swelled with pride since, as he has looked back to that unpromising morning, with its three students, in much the same way as the millionaire looks back to the morning he entered the city with only three cents in his pocket. A bit of cheap and easy Latin advice naturally follows here, "Nil des perandum."

Without any preliminary exercises the students were questioned individually concerning the Course they wished to take up, a certain amount of work was assigned, and then they were dismissed to meet again the next day. Miss Earl was taking the Junior B. A. year. There is a certain devotion which it is the bounden duty of a Preliminary student to pay to one in a higher class, and the members of the first Preliminary class knew their duty. The doing of that duty was made delightfully easy by the vivacity and courtesy of the lady to whom it was due. Mr. Lewis was taking Preliminary work, for which he had been prepared in Palmerston High School, and his work in the class gave evidence of his good start in all the subjects of the Course. But it was before class and after that you saw him at his best; his quiet humor, quaint sayings, and ready repartee made him a universal favorite and did the

Preliminaries good service whenever there was any need of a champion.

The students were incidentally informed and were duly impressed with the information that Prof. Cochrane was the most efficient and successful High School teacher in Ontario. We did not doubt this fact when he was leading us to a closer knowledge and finer appreciation of the English language and literature, but we positively believed it with a strong conviction, when in mathematics he got away down below anywhere we had ever been, at the very foundations, as it seemed to us, of that wonderful department of human thought. Mr. Lewis declared him to be the best teacher he had ever had; to some of the rest of us it seemed that we had never had a teacher before. To tell the whole truth, there were times when we were in that state of suspense and expectancy of peculiar physical restlessness that one feels just before a thunderstorm; at such a time a man is wise who has taken pains to prepare himself with raincoat and rubbers. Professor Cochrane, was always ready to give help to a student who sought it. When in class a man was honestly doing his best to get his feet firmly on the steps of a difficult course of thought, but clumsily failed to accomplish it, the patience and pains of the Professor sometimes made us marvel. But woe to the presumptuous trifle!

The Principal taught in the College for a while, and then he returned to Kingston to finish his term there in the church of which he was the pastor. He was kind, helpful and encouraging. His students felt he had a personal interest in their welfare, and I know at any rate one student who owes him a lifelong debt for cheer and counsel given in those early days. Students of Wesley College, who have any ordinary faculty for quotation, could construct a noble liturgy from the morning prayers of the Principal. Not having that gift, I can only indicate what others could give *verbatim et literatim*: frequently he prayed that while we were seeking the knowledge of truth in its earthly relations, we might not be unmindful of the wisdom that is from above. It shall be a boon divine when for all our students that prayer is answered.

When Dr. Sparling went east again, morning prayers were conducted by Prof. Cochrane. We gathered in the south parlor, and professor and students read the scriptures verse about. Then the Pro-

fessor read the beautiful "third Collect, for Grace": "O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with Thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." We repeated the Lord's Prayer in unison, and then dispersed to our respective classrooms.

It is of antiquarian interest that in the early days of the College, the different years had their own class-room, and the Professors were peripatetic. Students of to-day ought to appreciate their privilege of taking a little light exercise between classes. It was perfectly appropriate that our Preliminary class was given what was at that time the Primary class room. We sat at some little distance from the blackboard, while behind us rose the stairs on which the infant feet stumbled on Sundays.

A few days after the opening two other students joined the Preliminary class. The Rev. Edward Agur Kancan was a Manxman, who had preached with success on the Western plains as a probationer. A young man, short and not stout, hair curly and thick and long, a nose something like Lord Beaconsfield's, or the then Premier of Canada, Sir John A. Macdonald, quick in his movements, rather professional and individual in his ways, he was quite an interesting addition to our numbers.

The other was Robert Lawrie—we knew him as Bobby. A young lad, who had taken a year or two of preparatory work in Manitoba College, he used to tell us of the boys he had "licked," and how he had beaten everybody in Cæsar and French the year before. Everyone liked him, and though he did not beat everybody in Wesley College, he showed himself to have a good mind. When he came to Wesley he announced himself as "sub-editor" of a certain Territorial newspaper. When he left College he went back to newspaper work, and those who knew his brief but bright career know how rapidly his character ripened. He sought the highest and best in life, and first, I think, of all our company, he passed, trusting in his Redeemer, into the Great Beyond.

Soon the other Professor arrived, bringing with him his Breslau degree and his

experience of teaching in Mount Allison University. We agreed that he was handsome. That he was cultured admitted of no discussion. Indeed, it was his consistent doctrine that College education meant general culture. Accordingly, in class, he was always ready to give an excursus on some topic suggested by the lesson. I remember that when it came near examinations, and we had not read all our Latin authors, some of the class felt he might have helped us to more translation, instead of giving us so much collateral information. It is not surprising that sometimes the tables were turned, and he felt it needful to criticize us—and, truth to tell, with much more reason. At other times he was very pleasant and bright, and one of his jokes is worth writing here in order that it may be transferred to the pages of that history of the College yet to be written. The class was reading Xenophon's Anabasis, and had followed the army to Tarsus. True to his principles, the Doctor spoke of the historic importance of Tarsus, and drew from the class the statement of Paul the Apostle that he was "a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city." Just then Mr. Kaneen sneezed; with mock severity, Dr. Laird said, "Mr. Kaneen, Tarsus is not to be sneezed at."

One day while Dr. Laird was taking our class, we heard a knock at the class-room door, and a gentleman of ample proportions, dressed in a fine broadcloth suit, was introduced to the Professor. A day or two later he was introduced to the class as Mons. le Chevalier de la Mothe, our lecturer in French. He took the French of the various years, and, to time his lessons, carried a metallic clock around with him from room to room. His Gallic nature was often shocked by the lack of politeness and polish in his students, and sometimes he became our teacher in etiquette. A student, who had been inattentive, was told that out of respect for himself *first*, out of respect for the class *second*, and out of respect for his teacher *third*, he ought to behave in a more gentlemanly way. He had a "systeme unique" of teaching French, and dictated a good deal for us to write in our note-books. One interesting note read as follows: "Master your alphabet—note well the two e's—e, ê: the three g's—ga, gla, gua: the two k's—ka, qua. Go over often your b a, ha—make yourself master of them; mind and take care of your spell-

ing; and for sure you will read very quick; and, what is better, you will never forget it." We scarcely understood the manner of our Xmas exams, when he read out to us the answers to the questions on the board, and I believe that the Professors scarcely understood the uniform excellence and high marks of the class in French until they learned the unique way in which the examination was conducted. This would become an exceedingly popular system of examination if the University Board of Examiners could be prevailed upon to adopt it. But Mons. de la Mothe did very thorough work, nevertheless, and well merited the respect and honor of his students.

Rather late in the term there came yet two students more—W. T. Shipley, Previous, and W. T. Halpenny, Preliminary. Mr. Shipley was brown and ruddy, with a clear, bright eye, and such an honest, unassuming manner, that you could not doubt his truth and goodness. And he had mental gifts withal, he was the brightest student in the College. Mr. Halpenny had just got his second class teachers' certificate, and had been teaching. He was the best mathematician in his class, and had worked out deductions for himself not only in geometry, but also in the great science of practical life. Independent in his thinking, he wished to know the axioms and postulates and work his way to his own conclusions. Brave, noble fellow! His eyes failed, and threw him back again and again, but he did bate no jot of heart or hope, but steered right onward, and this year he reached his goal.

That first year we had no Football Club; no mass meeting called to consider the challenge by Manitoba College Football Club, for Manitoba scarcely knew of Wesley's existence, and wanted a foeman worthy of its steel, which it found that year in St. John's, if I remember rightly; no Literary Society, with its great field nights of exciting debate; no Senior Stick, for there was no Senior; no Y. M. C. A., with its generous missionary enthusiasm. None of these things had Wesley, but it was a true College, nevertheless. The Professors led us across the borderland into new fields of knowledge; we saw as never before the wide domains of the kingdom of truth; life was made immeasurably richer; and promises were spoken in the soul of greater things yet to be.

Having lingered so long over that first

year. I can only suggest to my friend, the German historian, a few points worthy of his learned research.

The second year the College session began once more in Grace Church parlors, but early in the first term we removed to No. 26 Albert Street. The additions to the staff that year were Rev. Prof. Stewart, who took Theological and English subjects; Mr. T. J. McCrossan, Classics, and Mons. Bourgeois, French.

During the session two College societies were organized. The Football Club was formed in Grace Church parlors on Thursday afternoon, September 26, 1889, with Prof. Cochrane as president, and "the old war-horse," Mr. T. J. McCrossan, as cap-

tain. The first College dinner was in connection with the Football Club, and was held in Albert Street. The Literary Society held its first meetings in Albert Street. One notable evening was when the Rev. Hugh Pedley came and talked to us, and allowed us to handle a manuscript of one of Henry Ward Beecher's sermons.

The third year opened in "that large and commodious building on the corner of Broadway and Edmonton Street." Here the forceful, manly John R. Mott visited us, and helped to organize the Y.M.C.A., from which two years later James Endicott was sent as the representative of Wesley College on the mission field in Western China.

## MAKING IT HOT FOR HIM

By Jackson Wray.

"Very good, Squire Wardle. War you are wanting and war you shall have. It's an odd game that two cannot play at, and if I don't make things hot for you, my name's not Abel Hepplethwaite."

"What's the matter now, Abel? What has the Squire been doing this time to vex you like that?"

"Doing? He's always doing. This time? It's every time. But he's capped things this time. The dirty scoundrel. I'll—"

Here the good man's temper fairly got the better of him. He dared not use stronger language in the presence of his wife, so he jumped from his chair and gave emphatic expression to his feelings by pounding up and down the floor.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Hepplethwaite — "Deb," her husband called her — quietly slipped a letter she had just been reading into her pocket and picked up the one that had so roused her husband's ire.

It certainly was a gem of its kind, and showed full clearly the cantankerous character of the new Squire and Hazel Carrs.

"Sir—I have told you more than once that you have no right-of-way through the Lower Carrs. Your cart, which was left within my gates while your horses were taken to be shod is now turned upside down in the chalk-pit. You may go and fetch it this time, but understand, if it oc-

curs again, I'll pitch horses and man over into the bargain.

"Simon Wardle."

For a few moments Mrs. Hepplethwaite felt her own pulse beating quicker, and the red blood mounted to her cheeks.

Some years before Abel Hepplethwaite had lain for long an almost hopeless patient in the county hospital. There, Deborah Co-stance, one of those nurses who are "born, not made," had won him back to life after the surgeon's knife had made it possible. All unwittingly she had won also his honest yeoman heart. When Dr. Gregory, the senior physician, gave her away he told Abel that it would have been a good thing for the hospital if his disease had "taken another turn!"

"Well, Deb, what's up this time, eh?" snapped Abel, arresting his vindictive march to see what effect the precious missive would have on his wife's usually placid temper. "A scurvy rascal! Isn't he? Confound him. But I'll get even with him. Chalk-pit, indeed! I'll pitch him into a pit that hasn't a bottom to it. I'll make it hot for him. I'll—"

What more he was going to do must remain a mystery, for he was suddenly startled into silence by Deb's unlooked for acquiescence.

"Yes, Abel, I agree with you. This thing has gone far enough. I would make

it hot for him, indeed. I'm willing to help you, myself."

Here she seized the poker and lunged at the big log fire that blazed on the open hearth with a vigor as emphatic as had recently dwelt in Abel's feet.

He, good man, could hardly believe his ears and eyes. Hitherto his gentle helpmeet had been a most effective drag on his vengeful temper. Here was a chance, indeed. The opportunity was too good to be lost.

"Why, now you're talking sense, Deb. Loving your enemy may be all right if there's a spark of manhood in him, but with a cur like Wardle—! Fact is I've been turning that 'other cheek' so long that I've got a crick in my neck. Now, I'll take that letter over to Lawyer Jones forthwith. If he can't make—"

"The wicked man," chimed in Deb., turning once again to the fire, now blazing merrily up the chimney. She was still holding the letter, when, by some means or other it fell and the draught carried it gaily into the midst of the burning logs.

"Hi, Deb! the letter!" cried Abel, rushing to the rescue. Alas! too late. They had "made it hot" for the letter at any rate.

There was a knock at the door, and Dr. Lidyard, the local medico, entered in his usual free and easy manner and sat him down.

"You got my letter, Mr. Hepplethwaite?" Deborah was his "right hand man," he averred.

"Good," he added, in reply to her acquiescence. "I've brought my dog cart, and I'll drive you there at once."

"Letter! What letter? There! Where?" said the wondering Abel.

"Oh, I didn't tell you, Abel. I got a note from the Dr. this morning," said Mrs. Hepplethwaite. "asking me to look after a poor girl, a patient of his who is about to undergo an operation similar to yours. Of course, I'm glad to go."

"Poor thing!" said Abel, whose heart (bar the Squire) was tender enough. "Of course you'll go. Who is it, Doctor?"

Deborah gave the Doctor a very meaningful glance, as she passed to put on her things. Putting two and two together, he answered vaguely:

"Oh, you won't know her. She has only recently come to the village. By the way, it's pretty serious. Mrs. Hepplethwaite may not be back till to-morrow."

On the other side of the village stood the large iron gates that gave admission to Hazel Carrs, where dwelt Squire Wardle. He had but recently purchased the estate. In the very middle of it lay Abel Hepplethwaite's freehold farm.

Through the gates and along the carriage sweep drove the Doctor and his companion till they reached the Hall.

Soon they were ushered into the darkened chamber where lay Maud Wardle, the Squire's only daughter, sick to the death, but with one frail chance of life. By the bedside stood Dr. Gregory, the celebrated city physician, who well knew Deborah's worth and looked his welcome and his satisfaction at her presence. Well he knew that the chance for his patient's life rested even more with the nurse than with him.

Wonderful was the strength and comfort that the strong, sweet woman brought to the young sufferer.

Presently there was a hushed tension through the house. 'Twas as if the vital balance poised so delicately might be unsettled by a breath. In his library sat Simon Wardle, his head bowed on his hands and a weight on his heart that it seemed would never lift. A hard man was the Squire and selfish withal, but he loved his child, the latest gift of her dead mother.

By and by the doctors came down. He dared not scan their faces.

"Is it over?"

"Yes."

"And is there hope?"

"There is," replied Dr. Gregory. "It depends now, under God, upon the nurse. You may thank Him, Sir, that your daughter is in the hands of such a woman as Nurse Constance."

Slowly the evening darkened into night; slowly, so slowly, the night hours crept away; slowly the wain dawn light stole across the sky and through all the leaden hours did Deborah Hepplethwaite wage gentle but valiant battle for the life committed to her charge.

Now and again Dr. Gregory stepped noiselessly in, looking eagerly for the reassuring signs of renewed life.

With the new day new life seemed to take possession of the young girl's frame. The crisis and the strain were passed. Presently the patient waked from a short, refreshing sleep free from any fever or unrest. Deborah yielded her place and prepared to go to the Grange.

On the stairs she met the Squire. She had only seen him once before, but the lines of care and the sunk and darkened eyes had greatly changed him. This appealed strongly to Deborah's tender heart, but more strongly the look of fearsomeness as though he dreaded the message that she brought.

"All's well, Mr. Wardle. Your bonnie girl is saved."

"May God in Heaven bless you. I may see her?"

"Yes; she asked for you. I am going home for a while, but I would like to speak to you first."

"Certainly, nurse. Step into the library and I'll be with you in a minute."

There was a quiet smile on Deborah's lips as she awaited the coming of the Squire.

He did not keep her long.

"Nurse Constance," he said, as he entered, "how can I be grateful enough to you?"

"Constance is my maiden name, the name most familiar to Dr. Gregory. Now my name is Hephlethwaite."

"Is what?" said the Squire. "Did—did you—did Mr. Hephlethwaite get the letter I sent?"

"Yes, Mr. Wardle, but the same post brought word of your daughter's need, and—"

"Mrs. Hephlethwaite, I'm heartily ashamed of myself. Will you forgive me?" and he held out his hand in a timorous,

abashed way very strange to the erstwhile character of the man.

"With all my heart, Sir," said Deborah. "Neither my husband nor I desire anything but your neighborly good wishes."

"Madam, I've been an unmitigated fool, and the reflection is not comforting. I must drive you home. I want to see your husband."

"Thank you, Sir," said Deborah, highly delighted. "Then I can come back with you to my patient."

The thought of his girl emphasized Deborah's kindness.

"Are you sure you forgive me?" There was a tremor in the words. "God knows, I'm sorry, indeed."

Arrived at the Grange, the Squire accosted his burly antagonist.

"If you will shake hands with a stupid fool, who didn't know how to appreciate a good neighbor, and if you'll let me beg your pardon, Mr. Hephlethwaite, I'll be very thankful."

If Deborah had "made it hot" for the Squire, it is a certain fact that about now it was pretty warm for Abel. He looked at the Squire; he looked at Deborah, and it all flashed upon him. His head drooped in the presence of his noble and magnanimous wife. He understood the by-play at the hearth. He grasped the proffered hand of the Squire with a frank cordiality, and said:

"Mr. Wardle, my wife promised me to 'make it hot' for you' but she can beat me hollow at kindling a fire!"

## BIOGRAPHIES

WESLEY McCURDY was born in the year 1881, April 2nd, near La Salle, Manitoba. When but five years of age the youthful McCurdy induced his parents to move farther west, near Melita. At the age of eight years young Wesley took himself to the public school, where his budding genius displayed itself in the remarkable rapidity with which he consumed text books. At the age of fifteen his parents moved back to La Salle, where Wesley secured a second class certificate. The following year he matriculated and entered Wesley College, where his slight and youthful figure caused some student wag

to dub him "Jumbo," a sobriquet which clings to him still. The genius of young Wesley soon appeared in college study, and he succeeded in winning a scholarship in his Previous. By this time young McCurdy had become so abnormally developed that he entered the special course in mathematics and secured the second scholarship in his Junior year. In his Senior year the bronze medal fell to his lot.

In college life Mr. McCurdy was a prominent character. His voice was heard at all public meetings, and he spoke with no uncertain sound, especially on the pop question. He was more addicted to the

Auditorium than to the Literary Society. In sports he took considerable interest. It was here that his mild and gentle nature displayed itself to the best advantage. He was known as a good rooter at all football matches, and in hockey he won considerable reputation at point. When not on the fence, his spare time was spent in remonstrating with the referee and goal umpire.

Young Wesley's social career, his successes and disappointments, his hopes and fears, the inner history and personality of this remarkable youth, I do not wish to rudely unveil before an unsympathetic public, but shall leave for some subtler biographer.

in Latin and Mathematics, and getting honorable mention in English and History. The following year he received the second scholarship in the Previous and honorable mention in English and History; in the Junior B. A. year, the first scholarship in Classics, finishing with the silver medal in Classics.

Notwithstanding the time and labor given to his special studies, and which have made him one of the most successful and conscientious students who have ever passed through the University, Mr. Brown found time to accept a classical tutorship, and to take a foremost part in all College organizations. The successful stand taken



W. McCurdy (Math.)



A. E. Vrooman (Phil.)

THOMAS D. BROWN first saw the light at the town of Port Hope, Ontario, in the latter half of the nineteenth century. At the early age of four years he moved to the vicinity of Rice Lake, noteworthy as the scene of the early labors of James Evans, and of Mrs. Moodie's book, "Roughing It in the Bush."

The fall of '99 found him in Manitoba, near the pleasant Lake of Killarney. He engaged in the time-honored labors of agriculture. In '92 he obtained a third-class certificate, normalised in Brandon in '94, and became an instructor of youth for a few years, after which he turned his attention to University affairs. In '97 he matriculated, taking the first scholarship

by his students in the recent University exams, attest his ability as a teacher, while the fact that he has been a member of the Y. M. C. A. executive throughout the greater part of his course, successively treasurer and president of the Literary Society, a strong and valued player of association and Rugby football, of the former vice-president and twice junior captain; and the most able exponent of handball in his years, clearly demonstrates that the successful student need not, and should not, be an intellectual recluse or book-worm.

In his Senior year, Mr. Brown also discharged the social duties appertaining to the office of Senior Stick, the highest posi-



tion in the gift of his classmates, his election doing credit both to the office and to their judgment.

Throughout this most brilliant and useful college career, Mr. Brown's head always retained its normal dimensions, his modest and unassuming bearing winning

GEO. E. McCROSSAN was born in the City of Winnipeg when it was but a small place compared with its present importance and population. Being endowed with more than ordinary ability, he quickly passed through the different grades of the public school and entered the Collegiate at



T. D. Brown (Classics)



Geo. McCrossan (General)



T. J. Small (Theo.)



J. E. Lane (General)

for him the respect and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. Whatever walk of life he may enter, and it is probable that Theology will claim his attention, we predict for him the success which always accompanies faithful, conscientious, well-directed effort.

an early age. Catching the spirit of the times, George decided to enter mercantile life, and at the end of the term left school to pursue his fortunes in a dry goods store. Having served his apprenticeship at this business, he finally concluded that it was not to his taste, and when the Collegi-

ate was opened in September George was found there with books under his arm, ready and willing to drink deeply of the fountains of truth. In this he was very successful, for the following years were ones of marked success. He successfully passed his Preliminary and Previous examinations, and then took out a first-class professional certificate. This noble profession was not long destined to be favored with his valuable help, for, having taught a year, George decided that his bent lay elsewhere, and in October, 1898, came back to Wesley and took up the General course. In his Junior year he captured first honors, thus winning \$120, and on his

year appears the name of George Moody. George was born in Hamilton, Ont., in the year 1875. In 1882 his family moved to Manitoba and settled on a farm near Virden. The Virden Public school and High school and the Brandon Collegiate were the schools attended by Mr. Moody previous to his coming to Wesley College. In 1897 he passed the Preliminary examination. Each following year he was successful in the University examinations, until this year places in his possession the Bachelor of Arts degree. The course which he chose was Philosophy, a course quite congenial to his mental temperament.

Mr. Moody purposes taking up the legal



(Geo. Moody (Phil.)



E. R. Wylie (Science)

final year he was equally successful, winning first place and the silver medal.

George took an active interest in all the different societies, but it was particularly in debates that he was at home. His success, however, was not confined to indoors alone, for he was equally clever at cricket, hockey and football. No name was oftener cheered than that of Mickey, as, by some clever run with puck or ball, he landed a goal for Wesley.

We feel assured that equal success will follow him in the future as it has done in the past.

**GEORGE MOODY** — In the list of graduates from Wesley College for this

profession, and is at present an articled clerk for the firm of Aikins, Culver & Pablado.

**EDMUND RICHARD WYLIE** was born in the County of Durham, Ontario. After receiving his education at the Lindsay Collegiate Institute, from which he matriculated at the age of fifteen, he came to the Territories and taught a few years. In this employment he was most successful, and thus was highly esteemed by the officials of the educational system there. After entering Wesley College he decided to graduate in Natural Science, and in the spring of '00 creditably achieved his aim. Mr. Wylie was possessed of that happy

combination of qualities which are indispensable if a student wishes to enter fully into College life. Neither in sport, learning, nor in his opinions and disposition was he ever one-sided. At various periods of his College career he held responsible positions in the College societies, having played on both football teams, and having been at the same time editor of the "Local and Personal" division of "Vox Wesleyana," and president of the College Literary society. How satisfactorily these offices were filled by him is well-known. To fulfil the duties of such positions, one must be endowed with a bent of mind in which tact is combined with firmness, and in

province in 1888, and after spending seven years in farming, entered the work of the Methodist ministry five years ago. After doing creditable work at Wesley during two years, he has completed his studies and was received into full connexion and ordination at the late Conference. His new circuit is at Weyburn, Southern Assiniboia.

F. B. RICHARDSON, who is one of the most popular members of the ordination class, hails from Markdale, Ontario, where he was born in 1871. In the year 1882 he came to Manitoba, and until 1895 was engaged in agricultural pursuits. It



H. J. Galley (Theo.)



F. B. Richardson (Theo.)

which executive ability must be displayed without obtrusiveness.

In social life he has made a large number of friends who will greatly miss his departure from the city. Although his friendship was not hastily extended to everybody, yet those who gained it valued it highly, and there is no doubt that whatever object in life Mr. Wylie pursues, his energy and good judgment will enable him to achieve it.

HAROLD JAMES GALLEY first saw daylight in the City of Manchester, England, where he received his early education, and spent some years in mercantile business. Becoming dissatisfied with the office and warehouse, he came to this fair

was in this year that he was accepted as a probationer of the Manitoba Conference, and was stationed at Salteaux, where for three years, with great satisfaction to his people, he remained as their pastor, an honor very seldom allowed a probationer. In 1897 he was sent to Wesley College, where he has pursued his studies for two years with credit to himself and the institution. The last year of the College term the Conference being short of men, he was stationed at Blythfield, to which place he will return for another year.

MISS IDA BAKER — In this year's class, which is a fairly large one, Miss Baker has the distinction of being the sole

lady graduate. Miss Baker was born in Trenton, Ont., and received her early education at Kingston. Subsequently removing to Portage la Prairie, she prepared for her University course, both matriculating and taking the Previous year at the Collegiate Institute there. She entered

past year filled the position of Literary editor of "Vox" in a very efficient manner. She was also, in her Junior year, secretary of the Philosophical society. In spite, however, of these many offices and the duties attendant upon each, Miss Baker's student life was not allowed to suffer, and in



W. T. Halpenny (Phil.)



Miss Ida Baker (Phil.)



W. S. Reid (General)

Wesley College in the fall of 1898 as a Junior student in the Philosophy course. From her first entrance to Wesley halls, she has been distinguished by the active part she has taken in everything that tends to brighten and better College life. For two terms she acted as vice-president of the Literary society, and has during the

the recent examinations she attained first-class honors in her course.

Miss Baker leaves our College attended by the sincere good wishes of our students for whatever career in life she may pursue; we feel that with the exercise of those qualities displayed in her College life, success may safely be predicted.

**WESLEY TUCKER HALPENNY** —  
 The subject of this sketch was born in Perth County, Ontario, and came to Manitoba in '81, and took up his residence at Neepawa. He obtained a third-class certificate in '87, a second-class in the following summer, and during several subsequent years was known as an energetic, painstaking and highly successful teacher. Among his College associates Wes. was a general favorite, his genial good nature, coupled with a fondness for "scraps," making him a most pleasant companion. In his chosen calling, as well as in the vocations in which he previously engaged,

years of the Philosophy course, besides taking part of the special B. D. course. At the last session of Conference he was recommended to Victoria College.

**W. S. REID** hails from "Auld Scotia," having been born in the Parish of Eday, Orkney, Scotland. His family is an ancient one, and in his veins there flows the blood of the Vikings, the old sea-rovers, which fact to some extent accounts for the tenacity and perseverance he has exhibited during his career. In 1883 our subject, feeling within him a yearning for greater freedom, came to Winnipeg with his par-



R. A. McCullagh, B.A. (Theo.)



E. J. Bawden (Phil.)

we have no reserve in predicting abundant success.

The first connection of Wesley Tucker Halpenny with Wesley College dates from '91, although he matriculated two years previously. Compelled by weak eyes to relinquish the pursuit of learning for the time being turned his attention to agricultural pursuits, in which he was eminently successful. Schools at Dauphin, Morden and elsewhere flourished under his ferule for several summers, and in '97 he again resumed his studies at the College, and in the spring of that year took the Previous examination and was also received as a probationer for the ministry. During the three subsequent years W. T. Halpenny was stationed by the Conference at Gilbert Plains, and during that time he prepared the work alone and passed with credit in the two final

ents, and thence in the same year to Yorkton. During the Indian uprising of 1885 his family were driven from their homes, and W. S., in company with his brother, though but young in years, at once enlisted in their country's service, becoming members of the Northwest Field Force, under Major Watson's command, in which company the present Capt. Gardiner was at that time serving as a junior officer. The brothers saw considerable service, for which, at the close of the war, they were rewarded with the active service medal.

In 1892, W. S., obeying the gospel call, resolved to enter the ranks of the itinerancy, and spent three years very successfully on mission fields at Moose Jaw, Balgonie and Prince Albert. In 1895 he entered College and spent parts of two terms in preparing for matriculation, which examina-

tion he passed successfully in 1897. Since that time until graduation he has been a regular student at Wesley. At his examinations he was very successful, notwithstanding the large amount of time given to other matters, and his ability is attested by his successfully taking during his Junior B. A. year, in addition to his Arts work, a full year's work in Theology, while acting at the same time as pastor of Louise Bridge Mission and as book-keeper for Miss Martin's boarding establishment. During his Senior year, too, he was pastor of Burnside circuit and prepared himself for ordination, being ordained at Brandon

of the West. Here he finished his common school education, begun at Toronto, and passed through the High school. He then decided to enter commercial life, but this not being to his taste, he entered law, in the study of which he spent a year, but, being dissatisfied with his little stock of knowledge, he decided to take a course in Arts. He matriculated successfully, then took a Normal training, after which he taught a year. He then took off the Previous examination, afterwards teaching for three years; then, thinking he had fulfilled his pedagogical obligations, he determined to finish his Arts course. Accordingly, he



R. K. Baker (Phil.)



A. E. Thompson, B.A. (Theo.)

last Conference. The large amount of time bestowed by W.S. on his mission fields withdrew his attention largely from College societies and associations, but to those who shared his intimate acquaintance, he will always be remembered as a diligent and faithful student, and one who took more than a passing interest in the welfare of those around him. As he enters upon his life-work he bears with him the best wishes of his many friends and associates.

E. J. BAWDEN, the subject of this sketch, was born in Toronto, the Queen City of the Dominion, in which place the first nine years of his life were passed. At the tender age of nine his family migrated to the Prairie Province, and his new home was taken up at Brandon, the Wheat City

came to Winnipeg and registered at Wesley in 1898. The course he pursued was Philosophy, in which he was a most successful student.

Ed. will be greatly missed from the halls of his Alma Mater, for he was a prominent member in all social, literary and athletic circles, being connected with the Philosophical society, the College Literary society, and athletic editor on the most successful editorial staff in the history of "Vox Wesleyana." But it is in athletic circles where his absence will be most noticeable, as he was a prominent figure in all college sports. He played a magnificent game of football in that most difficult of positions, centre forward. As a goal keeper in hockey he was *par excellence* the surest and quickest of the intercollegiate league, to

say nothing of his minor accomplishments, where behind closed doors he leads the crowd. Ed. was also on the College athletic team that won the intercollegiate championship.

REV. P. IVESON THACKER is of English birth, having been born at Leicester, England, in 1872. He came to Canada in 1882 with his parents, who have ever since resided in Winnipeg. In 1892 Mr. Thacker was appointed to the Indian school at Fisher River. It was here, while

in the year 1890. For a period of three years he engaged in agriculture on the Portage Plains. From the Prospect circuit of the Portage district he was recommended as a candidate for the ministry. He was on the Sidney and Elm River fields of that district. Whilst at Elm River he attended school by way of preparation for his Preliminary examination. After his reception as a candidate he was sent to that great indefinite region, "the West." Within the bounds of the Regina district he worked on the Wascana, Red Deer Hill



A. Barner (Theo.)



T. E. Taylor (Theo.)

under the ministration of Rev. W. P. McHaffie, he decided to enter the ministry of the Methodist church, and the following year was stationed by Conference at Indianford, where he did splendid work. At the end of the year he was transferred to Daly, and the third year to Huntingdon, from which field he was sent to College. While at College he was called to the pastorate of the Congregational Church, on Maple street, where he labored until the Conference of 1899, when he was stationed at Resser and St. Charles and at College. He is appointed this year to Sturgeon, Edmonton district, where we trust he will be as successful as in the past.

ARTHUR BARNER saw the light in the old Cathedral City of York on the 6th of May, 1868. The spirit of unrest led him to come to the Province of Manitoba

and Boharm fields. He spent two years at College, and there he did good work as a student, winning both honor and credit for himself and college. The Conference of 1900 received him into full connexion and ordained him. He goes back to his well-beloved West, and enters his labors on the Saskatoon field.

THOMAS ELI TAYLOR was born in the County of Peel, Ontario, in the year 1870. In 1874 he came with his parents to Manitoba and settled in the township of Meadow Lea, where the family resided until 1888, when they left the farm and made their home in the City of Winnipeg. Here Mr. Taylor attended the Public school in order that he might gain a better education. After securing a teachers' certificate he taught for some time in Manitoba and North Dakota. In 1894 he was sent by the

Conference to take charge of the Gainsborough mission, and in the following year entered the ranks of the ministry as a probationer. After spending a year on each of the following fields (Estevan, Wascana and Austin) and 2 years in College, during which time he was on the Rosser and St. Charles, and Prospect and Macdonald fields, he was received into full connexion and ordained at the Methodist Conference held in Brandon on June 6-12, 1900.

third-class certificate and taught school till entering College in '95. After taking his Previous he remained out for one year. In his Junior year he distinguished himself by taking the second scholarship of \$80, and now in his Senior year he has carried off the bronze medal in the General Course. John has been a hard student, but not a book-worm by any means. He has always been prominent on the football field, playing on the senior forward line this year.



P. J. Thacker, (Theo.)



W. H. Douglas (Theo.)

JOHN LANE—About the beginning of the last quarter of the present century John Lane began his career at Anderson, Ontario where, in the desks of the public school his initials may yet perchance be seen deeply engraved. Having exhausted the resources of this seat of learning, he graduated into the St. Mary's High school. This institution he did not, however, attend, but taking as his motto "Westward Ho!" he came to the land of promise in '92, locating near Virden. Here he took a

In Christian work he has also taken a most active part. In his Junior year he was vice-president of the Y. M. C. A., and during the past term has filled the responsible position of president with credit to himself and with acceptance to the boys. We notice by the draft of the Manitoba and Northwest Conference that John has been stationed, as a probationer, at Huntingdon, and in this new sphere of labor the boys wish him every success and a life of useful service.

"The Farringdons," a new story by Ellen Thornycroft Fowler, will be read with interest by the many readers of "Concerning Isabel Carnaby," which appeared in the *Christian Guardian* a few months ago. "The Farringdons" is a vivid portrayal of Methodism in England, as it exists among the masses. The inner life of the spirit,

with its moments of triumph and defeat, in the quiet of rest is beautifully shown.

During the past month in England the demand for war stories and history has been unusually large, yet "The Farringdons" takes first place among the list of our works. We bespeak for it a ready sale for the summer holidays.



## RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT

### THE SPIRIT OF THE MINISTER

By Rev. F. A. August, Port Arthur.

It is with no affectation of modesty, my brethren, that I assure you of my shrinking from the responsible task assigned me to-night. When our esteemed ex-president informed me of the honor conferred upon me, and with his characteristic emphasis, heavily underscored the words "This is final," in my first fright I felt impelled to reply, "I pray thee have me excused. 'This is final.'" But later and calmer moments reminded me that 'twas

Mine not to reason why.

Mine not to make reply.

Mine but to do or die.

I have always regarded this evening's work as properly belonging to the fathers of honored service and matured experience. "However, since no man taketh this honor unto himself but he that is called," I cannot be deemed presumptuous in addressing you on some aspects of the minister's vocation. I have chosen to speak upon the subject "The Spirit of the Minister." If I seem to slight the importance of other elements in ministerial usefulness, e. g., physical, intellectual and social culture, etc., the brevity of my time will reveal the explanation. Even this theme must be narrowed to include only one or two elements that perhaps are not so frequently emphasized.

#### THE SPIRIT OF HOPE.

The minister must be pre-eminently a man of hope—hope large, hope unfailing. What Dr. Banks, borrowing from Dr. Edward Everett Hale's phrase, "A man without a country" calls "A man without a sky." Such is a man without hope. The minister, above all men, must be a man with a sky. God cannot bless a discouraged man, for little hope means little faith, and little faith means little blessing.

God cannot use a discouraged man. Elijah must first be fed and comforted, inspired. Then, and only then, can he be re-commissioned. The minister who has lost hope in himself, in his people, or in his age must either get up into the mount

where the bracing breezes of heavenly hopefulness are blowing, or expect his ministry to prove not merely a failure but a disaster. For the spirit of disheartenment in the pulpit will soon spread like a malaria through the pews. And the age is sufficiently poisoned by the spirit of pessimism.

First, *Hope in the possibilities of his own life.* A lofty ideal and belief in its attainment are of first importance to true ministerial success. Herein are distinguished the minister who is born from the minister who is made. The ideal of the latter is human and earthly; that of the former is divine and spiritual. When God calls a man to this work

"Which well might fill an angel's heart.

It filled the Saviour's hands"—

He sends a fair angel of unselfish nobleness and beauty to go before and lead the way. If the ideal be low and earthly, God has not called. If God has not called, there lie before us only disappointment and failure. But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you. Before you on this evening ever memorable is a vision of a career marked by unselfish zeal and holy influence in the service of your Master.

Nor can the hopes be too high. Let the pattern be large. The most fervid fancy cannot point an ideal of Christly or Apostolic service that can outreach the reasonable and practicable. The Apostolic conception of Eph. iii. 20, "Able to do," transcends all human ideals, while that of Christ in John vii 37-39, causes the mind to stagger before its stupendous weight. There are no limits to the possibilities of our life, provided always our nothingness abide in His fulness.

Let the hope be large, but let it be the blossom not of lazy indifference or conceited self-sufficiency, but of faith in God.

Secondly, *Hope in His People.*—Faith in and expectation of his people are the measures of a minister's influence. Trust and love and hope are for most men far mightier grappling hooks than appeals to fear or shame or reason. Our people will

measure up to our loving sympathetic helpfulness for their confidence in them. The Psalmist's grateful exclamation, "Thy gentleness hath made me great" has been echoed again and again by lives redeemed by the love and faith of some great heart. Who shall tell the power over Peter's life of that word, "Thou art Simon, thou shalt be called Cephas?"

Prof. Drummond says "Such tales of woe I've heard in the enquiry room that I've felt I must go home and change my very clothes after the contact." What magic power called forth such confidence? His manly, trustful, robust faith in men. Arnold, of Rugby, formed half or two-thirds of many of the men of England. The music of hope must be kept ringing in the pulpit if we would lead up to the attainment of large life and excellence. Such hope, my brethren, is the fruitage of love alone. It is born of the "God of Hope." It cannot be made or acquired. It is begotten of companionship with Him who, even in the agony of death, said: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

There is a youth, degraded with vice. Of his restoration all men despair. There is one who never despairs. His mother. Mother love never faileth. "Charity hopeth all things." Such must be the relation of pastor and people.

Thirdly, Hope for the Age in which He Lives.—The preacher must not only hope for himself and his people, but for the age in which he lives. He who would make his age better must live in sympathetic, loving, hopeful touch with it. He must catch its spirit and yet be above it. "Every man is first the creation of his own age, and then in turn helps to change his age into another that is to follow."

The preacher's mission is to elevate his age. If so, he must breathe its spirit, love it, keep in sympathetic touch with it, and yet be independent of it.

There are certain prevailing trends of this age, healthful in their aim, yet liable to dangers. Growth and development is always liable to danger through misdirection. The preacher's attitude toward these should be neither to ignore, antagonize or unnaturally repress, on the one hand, or weakly or carelessly drift with the tide, on the other.

In the church the prevailing signs are devotion to the young; seen in Sunday

school work, conventions, leagues, etc. These must be kept well in hand.

Missionary movement. Blessed and hopeful signs to be encouraged, but let the preacher hold with a loving, sympathetic and firm hand, lest the church become disintegrated, and that which was a healthful growth on the grand old Tree becomes a wild or struggling encumbering and fruitless vine.

With each and all of these movements the minister must keep in sympathetic, loving touch, recognizing them as hopeful signs of the times, yet be so far above and independent as to be able to guide the vessel of church and society safely between the rocks on either hand, neither vainly resisting the healthful currents of his time, nor weakly yielding to their sometimes fitful flow.

#### THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH.

The preacher must be pre-eminently a man of truth. The words of his Divine Example before Pilate must be his watchword ever: "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world that I might bear witness to the truth."

That is his one great mission "To bear witness unto the truth."

The spirit of love and devotion for truth must be to him the master passion. Not in the narrower sense of merely speaking truly or in harmony with our thoughts. The Saviour uses the word, as F. W. Robertson has beautifully shown, to represent the word reality. "To bear witness to the reality." The minister is to be a witness to fact, truth, reality. And this in three particulars. In his conversation, his preaching, his life.

First, In Conversation.—Here is an important principle to guide him in his conversation—truth or silence, facts or nothing. To say that the minister should speak the truth in the sense of being veracious would be but an insult to your integrity. That is granted always and everywhere. But truth is more than veracity. If one repeats a scandal believing it to be true, he may be veracious, but he is not truthful. To be truthful, he must speak in harmony with facts. The ministry has no use for the gossipy or garrulous tongue. By such circuits have been torn to pieces. There are enough of these outside the parsonage. A silent tongue is a jewel to any man or woman. To the preacher it is a pearl of great price.

Secondly, In Preaching.—The preacher's business is to bear witness to the truth. The great solid realities of life—these are what the age requires. It does not want our doubts, but our convictions, and convictions born of truth, fact, reality.

"Give us your convictions, as for doubts we have enough of our own."—Goethe.

It does not need our speculations, theories and vagaries. It is well-stocked with these. But it wants reality. The world is full of show, and force and falseness. It cries for the real, the solid, the true. It wants not entertainment or gratification of its cruosity. It calls for truth, bread, blood, life, love. The entertaining pulpit may make mushroom congregations. We do not want mushrooms; we want trees of righteousness. We want characters that have foundations, and these are built on and built of the solemn yet glorious truths and realities of the living God, as revealed in the life and teachings of our Lord.

The world is gone wrong in the very fundamentals of life, and therefore the need of the day is for emphasis upon these foundation truths of sin—salvation. Do we preach as we ought of sin? Sin, not immorality. Sin as related to God. Sin as lovelessness. The world knows something of morality, but how false its ideas of sin. Nay, sin has no place in its code of morals. It has its gradations—murder, licentiousness, drunkenness, theft, dishonesty, and these only as offences against himself, his fellow or the state. God is not in all its thought. But what of pride, and envy, and selfishness, and unbelief? The preaching of to-day must give prominence to sin as lovelessness, sin as violation of God's law, sin as inward depravity.

How shall we thus preach, except as we know by experience? "We have known what it is to totter on the pulpit steps under a sense that the chief of sinners should scarcely be allowed to preach to others. Ah, beloved, I do not think he will ever be successful as a minister who is not taken into the depths and blackness of his own soul and made to exclaim, "Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints is this grace given that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ."

Yet these were men right under God for conviction of sinners. God calls you, my brethren, to know the awful fact of sin, and witness to it.

Salvation.—If the world gets wrong regarding the fundamental fact of sin, it is but a slip to unreality in regard to salvation. If sin be but disruption of the relations between man and man, but the breaking of a statute, salvation is mere reformation, outer and superficial rectification. Sheldon's popularity reveals this trend of public thought and feeling. We must recognize the healthfulness of this ethical tendency, but woe to us, our church and the world if we fail to sound the warning note and to proclaim upon the housetops that Christ taught first forgiveness, regeneration, sanctification. Let us preach a full or bad gospel of ethics, not as rootless flowers stuck in a child's garden, but as plants that our Heavenly Father hath planted in the rich deep soil of conviction for sin, repentance, faith, forgiveness, regeneration and love for God and man, Christ a personal Saviour. But, again, how shall we witness except we know? How shall we proclaim the fullness of salvation if we know it not? *Experimental preaching alone has power.* (John vii, 37-39). These blessed truths must be realities to us. Preaching is an art, but it is also an incarnation. Only a vivid consciousness of these vital facts will enable us to preach with effect. Our preaching must have soul. Our preaching is too cold, too stiff, too unreal. John Foster said the sermons of Blair "got chilled through in standing too long waiting to be dressed." By all means let us have the dress, but above all let there be bones and blood and nerve and soul inside. "Lifeless preaching is a supreme blasphemy."

Again, I say the great truths as revealed in Christ's life and teaching, and as revealing the profound realities that underlie and enfold our life and destiny, must be the supreme object of the preacher's living search and the subject of his blessed knowledge and enthusiastic message.

The Bible first, and of the Bible, Christ.

Thirdly, Truth in the Life and Character.—The man of truth is not he who merely knows, believes and preaches truth, but he who lives it. A real man. The real man is the man for the age; nay, for any age. Nor what the pulpit has or says, but it determines its power. Not that we need less education, and culture, and eloquence; nay, we should have more. The need is not for the educated man, but for the unselfish and consecrated educated man.

President Dwight in Bac. sermon before Yale University—"I believe there is nothing more needed in this showy, luxurious place-hunting, fame-seeking, money-getting generation than the giving forth from educated men of such genuine inward living as the one thing in the world." The man in himself. That is what the Divine summons calls you to be." This my brethren will alone meet and conquer the skepticism of the times. The falseness and unreality in politics, business, press, society, and in the church itself are fostering the spirit of skepticism. Men are doubting the reality. God and truth, and goodness, and purity. "Who will show us any good?" "There is not an honest man." "Every man has his price."

It is ours brethren to bear witness to the reality of goodness, love and purity. It is ours to show that character is more priceless than gold, or praise, or place. Let us hold the banner aloft. Truth, goodness, purity our watchwords ever. Let us show that the highest motives, even God, moves us ever. Help to preserve for our Conference its enviable reputation for freedom from wire-pulling. Let the work on the poor field be as thorough as that on the rich. Let it never be said you spend more time in the homes of the well-to-do than in those of the poor. Let the moments be spent as conscientiously in the privacy of your home as under the public eye. As for laziness, let it not be once named among you as becometh ministers of the true Apostolic succession. "The Gods will see it." Imperatively there must not be any shoddy or scamping in the work of the ministry. The God of Shoddy must be knocked from his throne by the strong hand of an honest pulpit.

"Thoughts on Tennyson," in Vox Wesleyana, is a meritorious and instructive paper. It shows that the great Laureate's poetry is universal in its popularity, for it appeals to all classes, "from the little child to the grey-haired man," and that moreover its marvellous beauty depends largely upon the good principles which as a rule it inculcates. Thus Tennyson fulfils the true mission of a poet, to elevate, for "by recording noble acts and expressing noble thoughts he helps us in our daily needs and raises us to higher things." Another

Strong personalities is the need of the day. Educated men, true men, spirit-filled men—men whose very atmosphere is ennobling. Ah, yes, atmosphere. That subtle, intangible, indefinable, yet mightiest force in the world—that force which proceeds not from argument, or persuasion, but from the man himself and is measured by the sum total of his physical, mental and spiritual powers. What is the power to covet? Covet earnestly the best gifts.

And how shall we secure this wealth of personality? Its power consists in the mighty grasp of truth. Its might is the might of the sense of reality. Its strength is the strength of the heart. Great personality is developed through great personality. Like makes like. Companionship with Christ is the largest force in forming great character.

"Christ's point of view was the truth." "I am the truth." "To bear witness." As one is with Christ one finds himself true to truth, loving of love and also true to love or loving of truth." — President Chas. H. Thwing.

Be men of hope and be men of truth.

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Thanksgiving was the keynote of the sessions of the Woman's Missionary Society.

All Asia is the ship, Japan is the rudder; let the Church put her hand on the rudder and all Asia will be brought to Christ.

I am a travelling preacher, but I cannot reconcile myself to a travelling congregation.

article in this journal which will repay perusal is that on Arthur Henry Hallam. The writer endeavors to show that Tennyson did not exaggerate the merits of his dead friend in "In Memoriam."

A Dilemma. — Mrs. Gallagher: "An' phwat'll Oi do at all, Moike? This machine only goes up to eight shtone, an' Oi'm sixteen shtone if Oi'm an ounce."

Gallagher: "Get on twice, Bridget, an' add up th' totals." — Glasgow Evening Times.



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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Mayers is at present in Holland.

Miss Beall is a teacher in the Argyle.

Mr. R. Tait is rustivating at Weyburn.

Miss Jamieson is teaching near Findlay.

Miss Harrison is in command of a school at Holland.

Miss Laura Sparling, B.A., has gone east for the summer.

Rev. F. M. Wooton visited the College just after exams.

Miss Cleaver expects to spend her holidays at the Coast.

Mr. Gilbert is attending a Theological school in Chicago.

Mr. McClelland is this summer a traveller in Southern Manitoba.

W. T. Shipley, B. A., of Glenboro, went east on the Press excursion.

Miss Luvia Stewart purposes spending her holidays at Victoria, B. C.

Mr. C. E. Saunders has been suddenly called to his home in the east.

Miss W. Beall, B. A., gave a very pleasant bicycle party on May 29th.

J. K. Sparling, M. A., has returned to his law practice at Dawson City.

Mr. Ireland has gone to Maniton to take charge of Rev. Mr. Holling's work.

Leslie Dilworth has removed from High Bluff to the Okanagan Valley, B. C.

Rev. H. L. Smith, of Dryden, spent a few days looking up friends in the city.

Miss Edith Stephenson, B. A., is spending her holidays at the Lake of the Woods.

Messrs. Bawden, McCrossan, Laidlaw and Walker are playing with the Victorias.

The friends of Rev. J. H. Morgan, B.A., sympathize with him in the illness of his wife.

Wesley McCurdy, B. A., has secured a position in the business office of the *Free Press*.

Miss Walsh, B. A., gave a delightful bicycle run to Bird's Hill on the evening of May 30th.

Fred. Walker, Wesley's promising young full-back, is working in the Columbia bicycle livery.

Geo. Moody has entered the offices of the C. P. R. solicitor with the intention of studying law.

Rev. R. J. McGhee, B. A., of Grand Rapids, Minn., has been visiting in the city during exams.

A. W. Kenner occupied the pulpit for Rev. J. C. Switzer, B.A., of Kerfoot, on May 20th and 27th.

The friends of Rev. J. C. Switzer, B.A., will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from his late illness.

Miss Alma Ryan and Miss Clint purpose spending the summer holidays at Lake Clementi, near Brandon.

Mr. R. K. and Miss I. Baker returned to the city for Convocation, when both received their degrees in Arts.

Miss Isabella Johnston entertained a few of her College friends at a very enjoyable wheeling party just before exams.

On Thursday before exams, a few of Miss E. Moore's College friends spent a social evening of *crouquet* and *charades*.

Ed. Woodhull, B. A., accompanied the Western Press Association on an excursion through eastern points of interest.

Some charming young ladies presented several of the Wesley Seniors with beautiful bouquets of roses for Convocation Day.

A meeting of the old Alma Mater Society was called for May 28th by H. W. Whitla, B. A., secretary of the association.

Rev. S. P. Riddell has returned from his two years' course in Evanston. The boys were all pleased to see Sam around once more.

A new work is being published by Mr. I.—h. It is in sixteen volumes, and is entitled, "How to win a Philosophy Scholarship."

At Convocation—Young Lady: "I feel so warm." Young Grad. (with the parchment in his hand): "Shall I fan you with a Degree of Art?"

Jos. Little, B. A., better known as Joe, has won the Governor-General's medal and also the Proctor Monroe medal in the final year at medicine.

Mr. Cecil St. John spent a few weeks reviewing his work at Carman under the eyes of his brother Charlie. Results show that his time was not spent in vain.

Boys and girls, don't forget to wear your colors during holidays. It is your privilege as well as your duty, for Wesley stands high as a College, and her honor is yours.

The other evening several prominent members of the College Board spent some time looking over Wesley grounds. While this was in progress two policemen patrolled Portage Avenue.

Dr. Gray has been visiting hospitals in the States. During his absence R. J. Cooke, B.A., has had charge of his horse and rig. Judd has improved these opportunities to the fullest extent.

Several Wesley students attended the bicycle run of the West End club from the home of Mrs. Harris. The boys enjoyed themselves immensely and say all kinds of nice things about the West End club.

Wesley halls are almost deserted. A few seem to long to linger longer, and their hollow laughter echoes amidst the lofty halls as in a cavern. That heartless monster, the steam engine, has whisked their friends away to distant places, and left them utterly desolate.

D. T. Basteda, who has succeeded in carrying off the first scholarship in Natural Science, has secured a position in the customs office, Melita. It took considerable will power on Bass's part to leave the city, especially the Grace Church Sunday school, where he was a most devoted and regular attendant. No doubt he will return in October to complete his course in Science.

The Wesley girls gave a farewell in the library to the College boys at the close of the terms. Among the guests present were Dr. and Mrs. Sparling. A very pleasant evening was spent at games and various other forms of amusement, after which luncheon was served in good form. Though a farewell, and in some cases we suspect a very sad one, yet this evening adds one more to Wesley's successful little social events.

W. Gordon Tanner is spending his holidays at Thornhill helping W. R. Hughes.

On the evening of June 2nd a farewell was tendered to Rev. W. A. Cooke, B.A., by his congregation in Young church. Mr. Cook leaves Young church for Cypress River.

Friday being the close of the regular College term, the young ladies of Wesley gave a most enjoyable cycling party to a number of their student friends. In spite of the distracting rain and mud, a couple of hours were passed in wheeling. Then the party returned to Mrs. T. E. Morden's, Ellice Avenue, and showed considerable ability in an impromptu programme. Later the ladies served a charming lunch as a wind-up to one of the most successful of College parties. Miss Belle Johnston took a flash light of the group.

Before leaving College for the summer many of the students indulged in some good resolutions. We append a few of them:—

"I must quit this reckless life and behave when I get home."—J. W.

"I must give up society and settle down to business."—W. F. S.

"In cases of emergency, I shall in future take the street car."—G. M.

"Ad or no ad, I won't be happy till I get her."—W. M—e.

"I must quit trading watches and playing games of chance."—G. Mc—n.

"I must keep better hours and rise in the esteem of my landlady."—E. J. B.

"I must learn to play the piano, even when guests are present."—B. E. R.

"If I'm spared another year, I'll raise an awful row."—T. J. S.

"After this I will try to abstain from arriving at the depot four hours before my train goes."—Mr. Wy—e.

"Next year I will not limit my attention to the fair sex to a single night."—Mr. Li—y.

"After mature deliberation, I've decided to go out more next year, as this making a hermit of myself, as I have done, is nonsense."—Mr. Se—ns.

"Next year I'll study the night before exams, and pass all right."—S. R. T.

"Along with my next year's course I intend to take up one of the fine arts, such as painting, for example, and thus attain a higher degree of culture."—C. St. J—n.

## DE ALUMNIS

Mr. J. D. Hunt, '90, is practicing law at Carberry.

W. T. Shipley, '91, edits the Glenboro Gazette.

E. A. Garrett, '91, is Science Master in the Winnipeg Collegiate.

A. J. Tufts, '91, is now stationed at Wolseley.

W. A. Cooke, '92, is stationed at Cypress River.

R. A. and S. E. Clement, '92, are practicing law at Brandon.

W. W. Abbott, '93, is stationed at Fort William.

M. M. Bennett, '93, is now stationed at Grenfell.

James Endicott, '93, is on his way home from China.

E. Hetherington, B. A., '93, is stationed at Dawson City.

J. K. Sparling, '93, is practicing law in Dawson City.

H. W. Whitla, '93, is practicing law in the city.

A. R. Aldridge, '94, has spent the last year in England.

T. E. Argue, '94, is Principal of the Miami Public school.

W. L. Armstrong, '94, is stationed at Fort Rouge.

E. J. Chegwin, '94, is stationed at Roland.

J. P. Clinton, '94, is in Winnipeg at present.

W. S. A. Crux, '94, is stationed at Franklin.

Miss M. K. Edmison, '91, is now in British Columbia.

C. G. Elliot, '94, is teaching at Peachland, B. C.

J. Halpenny, '94, graduates from the Medical.

Jos. Little, '94, graduated from the Medical.

W. R. Sparling, M. D., '94, is practicing medicine in the city.

R. J. Cooke, '95, expects to locate in Winnipeg on the completion of his medical course.

C. H. Cross, '95, is stationed at Cartwright.

H. A. Gordon, '95, is practicing medicine at Strathclair.

J. B. Hugg, '95, is now Principal of Regina High school.

Miss Kate Lane, '95, teaches in the Isbister school.

W. A. Lewis is stationed at High Bluff.  
Edwin Loftus, '95, is studying law.

J. W. McKittrick, '95, is stationed near Chicago.

J. P. Wadge, '95, is Science Master in Brandon Collegiate.

R. J. Brown, '96, is teaching at Russell.

H. V. Fieldhouse, '96, has completed his law course.

W. T. D. Lathwell, '96, is Principal of Crystal City Public school.

F. W. Sparling, '96, has completed his course in law.

J. C. Switzer, '96, is stationed at Kerfoot.

J. S. Woodsworth, '96, has spent the last year at Oxford.

E. A. Woodhull, '96, western representative, *Free Press*, Brandon.

J. W. Bruce, '97, is stationed at Carnduff.

J. F. Brooks, '97, is studying law in the city.

R. W. Cumming, '97, has gone to Nelson, B. C.

J. A. Haw, '97, is stationed at Kenlis.

T. J. Johnston is stationed at Emerson.

R. E. McCullagh, '97, was ordained this year.

S. T. Robson, '97, is stationed at Sintaluta.

Miss Laura Sparling, '97, is a tutor in Wesley College.

A. A. Thompson, '97, was ordained this year.

H. W. Wadge, '97, is attending the Medical.

E. H. Bennest, '98, is studying law in Brandon.

Miss Crawford, '98, is teaching in Virden.

C. W. Doran, '98, is studying medicine in Minneapolis.

G. H. Knowlton, '98, is teaching in B. C.

H. J. Kinley, '98, is stationed at Pierson.

M. C. Markle, '98, is studying law in Melita.

J. H. Morgan, '98, is stationed at Rat Portage.

Miss Stephenson, '98, has been attending first-class Normal.

Charles St. John, '98, is Principal of the Aberdeen school.

Miss Beall, '99, is teaching in the city.

N. H. Carwell, '99 (Cataline), is Principal of the Reston schools.

H. P. Carper, '99, is studying law.

L. J. Carter, '99, is attending the Medical.

G. W. Fallis, '99, is at St. Andrew's.

J. T. Harrison, '99, is stationed at Glendale.

B. B. Halladay, '99, is in the Grain Exchange.

T. E. Holling, '99, is stationed at Manitou.

S. R. Laidlaw, '99, is studying law.

R. J. McGhee, '99, is preaching at Grand Rapids.

Miss H. Penner, '99, is at present at Gretna.

Miss Sadie Ruttan, '99, is now Mrs. S. T. Robson.

Wilfred Laurier Roblin, '99, is accountant in his father's office in the Grain Exchange.

W. A. Sipprell, '99, is now Principal of the Western Canada Business College.

E. B. Spear, '99, is studying at Victoria.

Miss Walsh, '99, is Principal of Fort Rouge school.

S. Wilkinson, '99, is pastor of Killarney.

H. Wheeldon, '99, is in the Manitoba Marble Works.

Stephen Windsor, '99, has completed his Normal course.

Fred. Wilson, '99, has completed his Normal course.

A. E. Kenner, '99, is a reporter on the *Winnipeg Free Press*.

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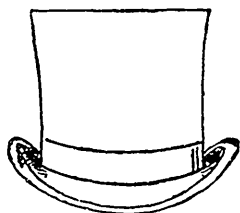
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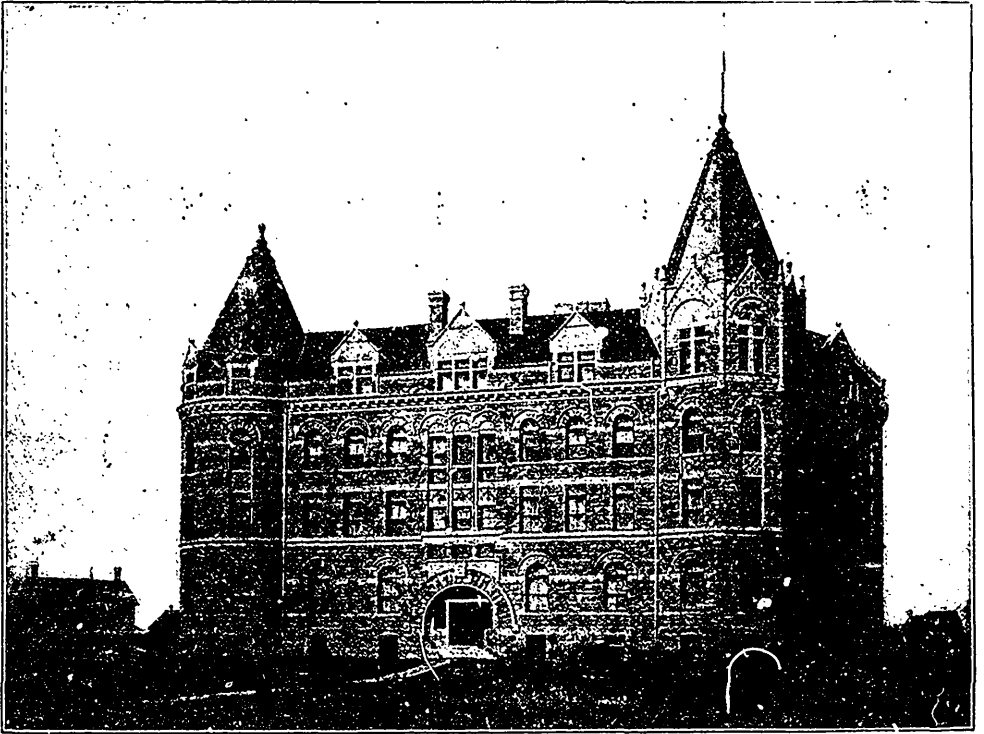
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