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OUR DESIGN.—The great design of the School is the training of consecrated men and women for Christian service at home and abroad.

CONTRIBUTIONS.—Any friends desiring to have fellowship in the work may send their contributions to the Treasurer, J. N. Shenstone, Esq., 40 Walmer Road, Toronto, or to any officer of the School.

Still Growing.

Since the last RECORDER was issued, the enrolment of students has been increased. After the New Year a number entered the School, both in the Day and Evening Courses. In the Day Courses there have been registered during this Session 42 men and 30 women. Evening Course 163 altogether have been enrolled. The attendance at the various classes, and the interest in all the work, is being well maintained. is good to look down from the platform of the Assembly Hall upon these large numbers of earnest and eager students of the Word of God.

The Special Classes.

At the opening of the New Year a Singing Class was introduced into the work of the Session, under the leadership of Mrs. Harold Stephens. Mrs. Stephens, who is the wife of the pastor of the Parkdale Tabernacle, is the author of a number of hymns, and was formerly teacher of music in the Nyack School for Christian Workers in connection with the Christian and Missionary Alliance. She has taken up the work with great enthusiasm, and good progress is being made.

Two Medical Classes are being held each week. Dr. Bowie is continuing his Course on Drugs and Medicine, begun in the fall. Dr. Howitt is giving his valuable course for intending mission-

aries on Tropical Diseases.

The Class in New Testament Greek, under Mr. Luce, is showing commendable perseverance and making good progress. The English Classes also are doing satisfactory work.

Special Lectures and Addresses.

Two very interesting lectures on the Chronological Periods of the Old Testament and the Days of Scripture, have been given to the students by Mr. Martin Luther Rouse, B.A., formerly of London, England. Mr. Rouse is an ardent student of subjects relating to Biblical chronology and antiquities.

A unique missionary appeal was made at one of the morning sessions last month. It was in the form of an impersonation of Chundra Lela, the Hindu priestess, telling the story of her search after God. The impersonation was made in native costume by Mrs. Burnell, an American lady, who spent some years as a missionary in India. It was a striking revelation of the agonizing struggles of carnest, enquiring spirits in the darkness of non-Christian lands.

We have also been favored by visits and addresses from Rev. H. R. Horne, Secretary of the Upper Canada Tract and Book Society: Rev. Jesse Gibson, Secretary of the Upper Canada Bible Society: Rev. S. B. Rohold, Presbyterian Missionary to the Jews in Toronto, and Rev. Jas. A. Shimmon, of Honan, China.

Evangelistic Work.

Mr. E. E. Preston, the Leader of the Evangelistic Band, reports that more energetic and aggressive work is being done this Session than ever before. In the midst of their studies the students are not forgetting their Master's words, "Come ye after Me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." More Gospel meetings are being held, and the attendance of students is larger than in Mr. Imrie's kindly previous years. criticism has proved beneficial in correcting errors and in helping the students to become more efficient in this practical work. A considerable number of persons have been led to declare their acceptance of Jesus Christ. In addition to the work of the students as a band. two or three of them are engaged each Sabbath in supplying vacant pulpits.

The Missionary Society.

The regular weekly meetings of the Society maintain their interest and continue to be well attended. Thirty-five students are enrolled in six mission study classes, engaged in the systematic study of six different missionary subjects, e. g., "The Conquest of India," "Daybreak in the Dark Continent," "The Moslem World," "Medical Missions," and the Problems Connected with the Cities, and with the Foreign Populations in Canada and the United At the Thursday morning prayer meeting some earnest addresses have been given. Among those who have spoken at this meeting may be mentioned Rev. Jonathan Goforth and Mrs. Goforth, of China, Mr. Hay, of Paraguay, and Mrs. Talbot, of the China Inland Mission. There are thirteen student volunteers among the members of the Day Classes, some of whom have volunteered since the Session opened.

The Rochester Convention.

The School had a large delegation to represent it at the great Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement held at Rochester two months ago. Seven students were present there, Mr. J. S. Musselman, Mr. Harrison Roc, Miss Tew, Miss Devitt, Miss Kratzer, Miss-Frost, and Mrs. Sewell. At one of the morning sessions of the School soon after the New Year, a profitable season was spent in hearing reports from these delegates.

Bible Interpretation.

REV. ELMORE HARRIS, D.D.

- 1. Give names for "the Bible" employed in the book itself, and discuss the statement that "The Bible merely contains the Word of God."
- 2. Give the languages employed in the Original Scriptures and their value in Revelation.
- Compare the Authorized and Revised Versions briefly and generally.
- 4. Write a note on "The Canon."
- 5. Distinguish "Revelation" and "Inspiration."
- 6. Define some different aspects of "Inspiration."
- 7. Give some marks of "Inspiration."
- 8. Write a note on "The Method of Inspiration."
- 9. Explain "Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth," 2 Tim. ii: 15.
- 10. Give the Biblical Divisions of the race and where found.
- Explain the peculiar position of Israel and give passages.
- 12. Define the significance of Matt. xxviii: 19 and xxv: 31, by application of this Biblical principle of interpretation.

Zechariah.

REV. ELMORE HARRIS, D.D.

- 1. Write a brief note on the Prophet himself, giving the significance of his names (i: 1).
- 2. State the aim of this prophecy.
- 3. Write a short account of the discussion on "One Zechariah and Zechariah One."
- 4. Explain the expression "Jehovah of hosts" and its special bearing on the date of Deuteronomy and the visions of Zechariah.
- 5. Distinguish the "angels" in the first vision (i · 7-17) and with a note on the "man" of v: 8.
- 6. Note the fulfilment on the prophecies in Chap. 1: 16, 17.
- 7. Write an explanatory note on Chap. ii: 4, 5.
- 8. State the main divisions of Chap. iii, with a word or two regarding each.
- 9. Who are the two "Sons of oil" in Chap. iv: 14, and give the final fulfilment with some detail.
- 10. Explain the "four chariots" of Chap. vi: 1, and give Scripture references as to their ministry.

- 11. Write a note on the statement made regarding Chap. vi: 10, "A Command to be once more carried out by Israel on that glorious morning after that dark and dreary night of sin and tribulation as well as wrath is past."
- Explain fully "He shall be a priest upon His throne," (Chap. vi: 13) with Scripture references.

Christian Doctrines.

REV. ANDREW IMRIE, B.TH.

- 1. (1) Is the study of the Doctrine of God important? and why?
 - (2) Why is the formal proof of God's existence not necessary?
- 2. (1) What is God?
 - (2) By what means is it possible to know God?
- 3. Give three names of God with their significance.
- 4. Name the attributes of God, defining Absolute, Personality and Holiness.
- 5. In what way does God manifest
 (1) His holiness.
 - (2) His love.
- 6. What do you mean by the Trinity as taught in Scripture?
- 7. Is the Trinity essential to
 - a. A proper divine revelation?b. A proper divine redemption?
- 8. Explain what was man's original state and relation to God.
- 9. SATAN.
 - a. Does he exist as a personal being?
 - b. Name some of his characteristics.
 - c. What are his methods of working?
- 10. What is God's providence in relation to man's evil acts?

Christian Evidences.

REV. J. McNicol, B.D.

- 1. Define the terms: Christian Evidences, Agnosticism, Materialism, Pantheism, Theism.
- 2. Why should we study Christian Evidences?
- "Nature is but the name for an effect whose cause is God." Explain this statement.
- 4. State the moral argument for the existence of God.
- Discuss the problem of the presence of suffering in the world in relation to the Goodness of God.
- 6. Why does man need a supernatural revelation from God?

- Give reasons for believing that the Mosaic account of the supernatural origin of Israel's religion is historically true.
- 8. What bearing have such passages as the following on the question of the divine origin of Mosaic laws: Ex. xii: 25, xxiii: 9: Lev. vi: 11, xix: 34; Num. xix: 14: Deut. xv: 15.
- State the argument for the supernatural origin of prophecy from its general fulfilment.
- 10. Answer the objection to the character of God in the O. T. based on the treatment of the Canaanites.

Notes.

THE closing exercises of the present session will take place on Friday, April 29th.

THE written examinations on the work of the present term will begin about the 18th of April.

On another page will be found a number of the papers on which the students wrote at the December examinations.

Mr. W A. Hunter, who graduated from the Bible Training School a few years ago, is now preparing for the ministry in the Presbyterian College, Montreal.

MISS ANNA KRATZER, who completed her two years' course in the School in December, has been appointed for service in China in connection with the China Inland Mission.

MISS HETTY HUMPHREY, one of our Evening Class students, is leaving this month for Port Simpson, B.C., where she is to be engaged in missionary service under the Women's Board of the Methodist Church in the Crosby Home for Indian girls.

Mr. Joseph Gawthrop, a member of last years' graduating class, has been engaged in mission work in Saskatchewan, under the Home Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church. He is now at Tompkins, in that Province, where he is meeting with much encouragement.

THE REV. W. H. L. MARSHALL, at one time student at the Bible Training School, has obtained a "B.A." at Hiram College, Ohio, and is now taking a postgraduate course at Yale College, where he has a scholarship. At the same time he has charge of a Congregational Church at Monroe, Connecticut.

MISS N. E. HOULDING, who has been in the Nursing-at-Home Mission since

her graduation two years ago, and has been preparing for foreign mission service in Northern Nigera, has recently been seriously ill. She is now resting at her own home near Brantford, and we are very glad to know that she is regaining her health and strength.

Mr. Ma T. Wou has been appointed missionary of the Toronto Chinese Christian Association. This is a new organization formed by the Christian Chinese of the city, which, it is expected, will soon lead to a regularly organized Chinese Church. Their head-quarters are the old Duchess Street Mission, and there Mr. Ma Wou preaches to his fellow countrymen every Sunday morning and evening. We wish him very great blessing in this important work.

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