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THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

This number of the Recorder reviews the work that is being carried on during the present session. It will give some idea of the course of study which is provided by the Bible College and which extends over three years. It will be acknowledged that this course is fairly comprehensive. This work is being carried on now by a staff of four regular instructors, who are devoting all their time to the interests of the College.

The number of students registered in this first half of the twenty-seventh session is 386, which exceeds the total number reached in any previous session. Of these, 112 (44 men and 68 women) are attending the regular day classes and are taking the full course for Christian workers. The majority of these come from homes outside Toronto, and represent different parts of the country. Some have come from our western provinces and several from the United States.

Early in the session the Board, Faculty and Students' Associations united in a welcome to the incoming

students. Brief addresses were given by the leaders of the Student Societies, who explained the purpose and work of their respective organizations. An interesting and important contribution to the programme was made by Rev. Peter Strang, D.D., one of the Superintendents of Western Missions for the Presbyterian Church, in whose district eleven students had been laboring during the past summer. Dr. Strang spoke very highly of the worth and the work of these young men, and challenged the College to turn out any number of such men and he would cordially welcome them all to his district next summer.

The Medical classes conducted by Dr. Oswald C. J. Withrow on Monday afternoons are not only proving of great value and interest to the students but also attracting the attention of a number of visitors.

A new and very helpful feature of the College life this session is a series of talks which are being given by Mrs. E. R. York once each month, on hymns and religious and devotional poetry.

THE BIBLICAL COURSE

By Rev. John McNicol, B.D.

It has been our plan, as far as possible, to begin each day with an hour devoted to the systematic study of the Bible, book by book. This course is conducted by the Principal and takes three years to complete. The method is analytic and expository.

The work this year is in the New Testament. After a short time spent on such questions as the origin and purpose of the Gospels, why there

are four Gospels, the students are now being led through a comprehensive reading of each Gospel, getting the message of each one and contemplating the portrait of Christ which each one presents.

To illustrate the nature of this work we give the outline of Matthew and John on which the study of these Books in the class room is based.

The Gospel According to Matthew

Theme

Jesus Christ as King and Saviour.

("Son of David, Son of Abraham," 1: 1.)

I.—The Preparation. (Chs. 1: 1—4: 16).

1. His Coming. (Chs. 1, 2.)

Royal descent (1: 1-17). Divine origin (1: 18-25). Infancy (2: 1-23).

2. His Manifestation. (Chs. 3; 1—4: 16).

The herald (3: 1-12). The consecration (3: 13-17). The testing (4: 1-11). Beginning of His ministry 4: 12-16).

II.—The Ministry of the Kingdom. (Chs. 4: 17—16:20).

III.—The Ministry of the Cross. (Chs. 16:21—28: 20).

"From that time began Jesus . . ." (4: 17) Jesus Christ, Son of David, proclaiming the Kingdom of heaven.

"From that time began Jesus . . ." (16: 21) Jesus Christ, Son of Abraham, making propitiation for the sin of the world.

1. The Announcement of the Kingdom. (Chs. 4: 17-25).
2. The Laws of the Kingdom. (Chs. 5-7).
3. The Works of the Kingdom. (Chs. 8, 9).
4. The Messengers of the Kingdom (Ch. 10).
5. The Opposition to the Kingdom. (Chs. 11, 12).
6. The Mysteries of the Kingdom. (Ch. 13).
7. The Rejection of the Kingdom. (Chs. 14: 1-16; 20).

1. The Announcement of the Cross. (Chs. 16: 21; 28).
2. The Preparation for the Cross. (Chs. 17, 18.)
3. The Approach to the Cross. (Chs. 19, 20.)
4. The Final Testimony to Israel. (Chs. 21-23).
5. The Final Prophecy to the Disciples. (Chs. 24, 25).
6. The Suffering of the Cross. (Chs. 26, 27).
7. The Victory over the Cross. (Ch. 28).

The Gospel According to John

Theme

Jesus Christ as the Son of God. (20: 31.)

I.—The Manifestation of the Son of God. (Chs. 1-4).

1. The Introduction. (1: 1-18).
2. The Witness to the Son. (1: 19-2: 12).
 - (1) The witness of John the Baptist. (1: 19-34).
 - (2) The witness of the first disciples. (1: 35-51).
 - (3) The witness of the first miracle. (2: 1-12).
3. The Work of the Son. (2:13-4:54).
 - (1) In Jerusalem. (2:13-3:21).
 - (2) In Judea. (3: 22-36).
 - (3) In Samaria. (4: 1-42).
 - (4) In Galilee, (4:43-54).

II.—The Conflict with the Unbelief of the Jews. (Chs. 5-12).

1. The Outbreak of Unbelief. (Chs. 5, 6).
 - (1) In Jerusalem. (Ch. 5).
 - (2) In Galilee. (Ch. 6).
2. The Development of Unbelief. (Chs. 7-10).
 - (1) At the Feast of Tabernacles. (Chs. 7, 8).
 - (2) At the Feast of Dedication. (Chs. 9, 10).

3. The Culmination of Unbelief. (Chs. 11, 12).

- (1) The last miracle and its result. (Ch. 11).
- (2) The close of the public ministry. (Ch. 12).

III.—The Revelation to the Faith of the Disciples. (Chs. 13-17).

1. The Last Ministry of Love. (Ch. 13).
2. The Last Messages of Love. (Chs. 14-16).
 - (1) Comfort in View of His Departure. (Ch. 14).
 - (2) Provision for a living union with Him. (Ch. 15).
 - (3) The Promise of the Holy Spirit. (Ch. 16).
3. The Intercessory Prayer. (Ch. 17).

IV.—The Victory of the Son of God. (Chs. 18-21).

1. The Final Work of Unbelief. Chs. 18, 19).

(The crucifixion of the Son).
2. The Final Reward of Faith. (Chs. 20, 21).

(The risen life of the Son).

ENLARGED CURRICULUM

The addition of Dr. Frank S. Weston to the permanent staff of instructors has made it possible to enlarge the curriculum with the beginning of this session. In addition to his former work in Systematic Theology, which he is still continuing, he is now taking up two entirely new courses of study, viz., Homiletics and Psychology.

In Homiletics the sections are: (1) The Worker—his mental and moral pre-requisites; The Work—its limits and authority; (III) The Message—its source, nature, structure, substance, qualities, varieties and delivery.

The Psychology taught covers: (1) The mechanism of the mental states; (II) The fact and planes of consciousness; (III) The mental process; (IV) The mental powers.

All is arranged to give the student a knowledge of his own mind, and to teach him how to most effectively use it.

The course was added in order to furnish method as well as knowledge.

At present 57 are study Psychology and 47 Homiletics.

THE PARSON'S MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP

By Rev. W. G. Hanna, B.A.

The subjects of instruction under charge of the writer are:

I.—Biblical Theology.

This course extends over three years and includes:

(1) Messianic Type and Prophecy

The divine preparation of Israel in mind and heart, through worship and service for the advent of the Messiah. The lectures are based on—"Studies in the Mosaic Institutions." (Moorehead).

"Rites and Worship of the Jews," (Edersheim).

"Old Testament Prophecy." (Davidson) and "Messianic Prophecy." (Briggs) with corrections and additions.

(2) The Life and Teaching of Jesus, with constant reference to:

"The Life of our Lord." (Andrews). Greek Harmony of the Gospels, (Robinson). "The Theology of Christ's Teaching (King). "Biblical Theology of the New Testament," (Weidner).

(3) The Life and Teaching of Paul. Students are encouraged to read:

"The Life and Epistles of St. Paul," (Conybeare and Howson). "Harmony of the Life of Paul" (Goodwin). "The Theology of the Apostles," (Kennedy). "Biblical Theology of the New Testament," (Weidner).

In these lectures the whole Bible is accepted as the Word of God, without abatement or change, and a brief is held for the supernatural and miraculous.

II.—Church History and Missions.

Here the progress of the Kingdom of our Lord is traced through the centuries from the Apostolic age to the present time. The text books used are:

"The History of the Christian Church", (Fisher), and "The History of Protestant Missions," (Warneck), with additions. The course each year is as follows:

(1) History of the Ancient and Medieval Church.

(2) History of the Reformation in different countries.

(3) Modern Church History and the History of Missions.

III.—New Testament Greek. There are Junior and Senior Classes.

(1) Essentials of New Testament Greek, (Huddleston. The Epistles of John.

(2) Syntax of New Testament Greek. (Nunn). Readings in the Gospels.

This course is calculated to give students a reading knowledge of New Testament Greek.

IV.—Christian Ethics and Religious Pedagogy.

(1) Christian Ethics.

Here the aim is to show the application of Holy Scripture to the establishment of Christian characteristics and direction of conduct with a view to the right solution of the moral problems of life.

"Christian Character and Conduct," (Kilpatrick). "Christian Ethics," (Gregory).

(2) Religious Pedagogy.

In connection with the use of The Sunday School Teacher's Manual, (Groser) and The Pedagogical Bible School, (Haslett), lectures are given in the principles and method of instruction in the Bible School, also in organization and management.

The purpose of this course is to make instruction practical so as to secure efficiency in serious Christian service.

PASTORAL THEOLOGY

By Rev. T. B. Hyde.

The Department of Practical Work carried on in the College for many years, has been reorganized and extended, so as to include several subjects taught in other departments, and some others not hitherto included in the curriculum. It is now intended to take into consideration the necessary qualifications for practical Christian service, in the various departments of work in which our students are likely to find themselves.

In addition to what may be called the larger and more important subjects, such as.

"The Person and Offices of the Holy Spirit."

"The Principles and Practice of Prayer."

"Pastoral and General Visitation."

"The Character and Conduct of Gospel Services."

"How to do personal work." consideration is also given to:

"Public Reading," "Public Prayer," "Presence and Department," etc.

During the present term we are studying the "Need, Possibility and Preparation for Personal Work," taking into account the subjective and objective difficulties to be encountered and how they may be

overcome. Students are instructed in the art of soul winning, as set forth in the life of our Lord and His Apostles, and at the same time are expected to put this instruction into practice in the services they conduct or attend, bringing to our study the results of their success or failure and thereby contributing to the practical value of the course.

The Students are organized under the "Evangelistic Society," and through it are conducting Gospel and Evangelistic services in churches, missions, factories and homes. The place of prayer and power for service and also the necessity of personal fellowship with our Lord, are emphasized as conditions on which this department of work can be carried on, both with profit and success.

Attention will be given to work with the young, both in Sunday School and Young People's meetings, setting forth the character and value of object teaching, as a special means of setting forth the truth. The proper use of hymns, the time for and character of "After Meetings," and kindred subjects, will find a place in this department so as to give our students a comprehensive introduction to the great sphere of practical work.

NEW EQUIPMENT

As one result of the splendid response made by former students, supplemented by the contribution from the 1920 Graduation Class, we have been able to add some of the necessary additional equipment required for the office of the College. The installation of a "system-desk" for the Registrar, a "two-in-one" typewriter desk for the Office Secretary, a new Royal Typewriter, an Edison-Dick Mimeograph, and newly

painted walls have called forth expressions of surprise, and gratification from many of our visitors, and help to make more efficient work possible. In addition, display lamps have been placed over the main entrance, a dark green cork-linoleum carpet laid on the platform in the Assembly Hall, with velvet curtains to match hung over windows and over the blackboard during special and public meetings.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

By Herbert L. Troyer, '06.

The work and interests of the Missionary Department are under the general supervision of the writer, who is assisted by the Executive Committee of the Students' Missionary Society, under the presidency of Mr. J. Frank Holliday '21. In addition to the Wednesday afternoon meetings for general Missionary Education and Methods of Work, and the regular Missionary Prayer Meetings held on Thursday mornings from 8 to 9 o'clock; the Student Volunteer Band of 25 members led by Miss Jessie Jack '21, meets each Monday afternoon to study and discuss matters of interest peculiar to those who expect to enter active service on the foreign field.

Four Mission Study classes are being held each week this term. The course on "Canada's Share in World Tasks," is under the leadership of Rev. H. C. Priest, B.A., Secretary of the Canadian Council of the Missionary Education Movement, and the Editor of the above text-book. The group on "Medical Missions" is led by Miss Isabel Jack '21. Miss Marjorie Palmer '21 is directing the course on "The Bible and Missions," and Mr. Alfred Fieldus '21 is leading the studies in "The Call of the World Task."

In addition to the above, and as an experimental departure in missionary education, fifty students have been organized as a World Parliament of Missions. Each member is representing some country or district and assuming responsibility for discovering, collecting, and releasing information regarding their

chosen constituency. After several days of research and careful preparation, the First Session and "Formal Opening" was held on Wednesday afternoon, November 3rd. Following the entry of the Mace and the arrival of the Speaker, the "Speech from the Throne," was read by Principal McNicol.

The debate on the announced policy of the Government regarding plans for the speedy evangelization of the world was participated in by some forty students who were representing either the Government or the Opposition. These brief addresses brought to light a number of interesting facts and figures regarding present day conditions on the Mission Fields, and the work now being carried on or planned for by the various Mission Boards and Societies. A number of interested friends occupied the visitors gallery and gave every evidence of keen interest in the proceedings.

Last year the students voluntarily contributed as part of their missionary giving \$200, to Rev. Roy Baker '19, in China; \$200 to Mr. L. C. Donaldson '14, in Africa; and \$200 to Mr. Fred Story '11, in South America. This year the four following students have been selected: Miss Ella Hall '96, Methodist Board, West China; Mrs. H. O. Eastman '21 Baptist Board, South America; Rev. Duncan McDonald '11, Presbyterian Board, Central India; Rev. John Proctor '16, South Africa General Mission. It is hoped the same financial objective may be reached.

SOME VISITING SPEAKERS

Among the visitors to the College lately, have been Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Murray, of South Africa; Rev. Henry W. Frost, of Philadelphia, Home Director of the China Inland Mission; Mr. B. Davidson, of the India and Ceylon Mis-

sion; the Rev. George Speedie, Secretary of the Upper Canada Tract Society; Professor Goona Sakara, of Calcutta, who has been associated with Mr. B. C. Sircar, '04, in Y.M.C.A. work in India, and Miss Ruth Angel of New York.

THE PARLIAMENT AND AFTER

By J. Frank Holliday, '21.

"I have not felt so enthusiastic about anything in a long time," said one student, as he rushed out of the library to search Toronto for missionary information regarding South America, and he was not the only enthusiast, for numbers of the students of both sexes haunted the missionary library for several days. The "World Atlas of Foreign Missions" was in constant use. One student stated that she had read three books to get what she wanted, and even then she was looking for more information. What was the cause of this excitement. Why, on Wednesday, November 3rd, was to be held the first session of the Toronto Bible College World Parliament of Missions, and the above mentioned enthusiasts were to deliver speeches of the duration of one minute, in which they were planning to crowd all the distilled and condensed information possible, regarding the work and needs of their respective constituencies. With Wednesday came the Parliament. The members occupied the seats on the floor of the house, while the spectators enjoyed the privilege of watching and listening from the gallery. The Speech from the Throne, read by the Principal, was followed by a

debate upon the announced policy of the Government, in which they claimed that they were endeavoring to effect the speedy evangelization of the world. The Opposition, with no uncertain sound, set forth the needs of the world, and the inadequate efforts being put forth by the present missionary force.

With equal eloquence, the Government maintained that the Missionary Societies of the world are doing, or are planning to do, all that could be reasonably expected of them, in view of their present resources of workers and money. Following the vote, in which the Government was sustained, notices of motion were presented by the Minister of Justice and the Minister of Health, who announced their intention of presenting bills at the next session of Parliament, calling for the addition of several thousand evangelistic and medical missionaries to the present working staff.

Confident that they could defeat the Opposition by foot as well as by words, the Government issued a challenge to a football match. Their high hopes, however, were doomed to disappointment, as indicated by the result of the match, showing victory for the Opposition by a score of 3 to 1.

THE EVANGELISTIC SOCIETY

By Violet Ivory, '22.

At the beginning of the term our work seemed rather quiet, but now, doors are opening on every side for service. In many cases we are unable to meet the demands.

We have two regular appointments for Sunday evening services: Sackville Mission, the first and third Sundays, and People's Mission, the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Besides these we have appointments from time to time in other places.

During the week, meetings are held in various places. Every Monday noon we go to the Christie Brown Biscuit Factory for Gospel services, and at Yonge Street Mission, we have one meeting each week.

Hospital visiting is being carried on by some of the students, and a large number also have been engaged in house to house visitation, which is proving most profitable.

EVENING CLASSES

Two hundred and seventy-five young men and women, from nearly one hundred congregations in the city, are enrolled in the Evening Classes, and are meeting for two regular lectures each Tuesday and Thursday evening. From 40 to 50 members come direct from business and avail themselves of the supper served in the Common Room. The evening students have elected Mr. Norman Barrington as President, Miss Helen Telford and Miss Alice Reid as Vice-Presidents. Under the direction of this committee programmes are arranged for the period between 6.45 and 7.30 o'clock. On

recent Tuesday evenings, addresses have been given by Mr. Troyer on "Missionary Education," "The Call to the Foreign Field," and "Ideal Meetings;" by Mr. Hall on "The Work of the Evangelistic Society," and "The Value and Methods of Personal Work;" by Mr. Gerrard on "Hospital Visitation;" by Mr. Harris on "Religious Conditions in Malta;" and rehearsals in Gospel Singing have been conducted by Mr. James. This period on Thursday evening is reserved as a devotional hour, and as a time for united prayer and intercession on behalf of the College and its work.

THREE TESTIMONIES

At the ordination of Mr. Cecil White, '14, on September 20th, Rev. Joshua Roberts, rural district superintendent of the Baptist Churches of North Michigan, commended him for his scriptural preaching and spoke of the work the Toronto Bible College is doing in turning out men of this stamp.

greatly to carry conviction to the hearts of the people and was instrumental in strengthening the faith of many.

"I thought that you would be pleased to get this information about the work of your students."

The Rev. Peter Strang, D.D., Superintendent of Presbyterian Missions in South Saskatchewan, had eleven of our College Students under him last summer. His unsolicited testimony about their work, written to the Principal, at the end of the season, was as follows:

A young man and his wife, who attended the College for a short time about five years ago and are now on the other side of the American border, in sending a contribution this fall, wrote as follows:

"We are pleased to testify to the earnestness of all these men and to their preaching gifts. They had a very definite message of salvation from sin by God, through the Lord Jesus Christ, and of the new heart by the Holy Spirit. An additional feature of their work this year was that six or seven of them, who were working close enough together, carried on short evangelistic campaigns in a number of centres during the summer, with good success.

"For some considerable time it has been upon the hearts of Mrs. N. and myself to make some contribution, however small, towards the furtherance of the work of the Toronto Bible College. The work being done there has our hearty endorsement, and we believe, also, the approval of the Christ whose Word of Life it endeavors to hold forth in its integrity. We are thankful that it was our lot to come in close contact with the institution, even though but for a brief time.

"Their knowledge of the Scriptures and the certainty with which they delivered their messages helped

"As proof of our sincerity and desire for a real hearty fellowship with you all in this good work, please enclosed find ——— which we wish you to use as the Lord may direct. We shall be glad if we are able to make this an annual contribution."

COLLEGE NOTES AND NEWS

We are glad to welcome Dr. Frank S. Weston to the Department of Systematic Theology. Dr. Weston has resigned the pastorate of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toronto, in order to give full time to the work of the College.

The Students' Council is ably presided over by Mr. David McDonald '21, assisted by Miss Helen McDougall '21, as Secretary.

The Women Students are organized under the leadership of Miss Marjorie Crothers '20, as "Head Girl" and Vice-President of the Students' Council.

Mr. Morley Hall '21, Mr. Frank Page '20, and Miss Violet Ivory '22, are President, Vice-President and Secretary respectively, of the Students' Evangelistic Society.

The Students' Prayer Meeting, held in the College each Saturday evening between 7.30 and 9 o'clock, is proving a means of great blessing.

Examinations for the Day Classes will be held from December 13th to 21st, on which day the Christmas recess begins.

The Evening Class Students will

The members of the Board of Governors, Advisory Council, Faculty and Staff, meet in the College on the last Friday evening of each month for conference and prayer. Please remember the date, and unite with us in intercession on behalf of our work.

Mr. S. J. Moore, a member of our Advisory Council, was elected as President of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec, at their recent meeting held in Brantford.

Miss Nellie Simpson '21, is serving the Toronto Baptist Chinese Union as a nurse, working especially among the Chinese women and children in Toronto.

Mr. A. G. Malcolm, Vice-President of the Gordon Mackay & Co., and a prominent worker in the Olivet Congregational Church, was recently elected a member of the Board of Governors of the College.

EXAMINATIONS

write on December 14th, 16th and 21st.

The Spring Term commences on Tuesday, January 4th, 1921.

AN APPRECIATION

To the Secretary,
Toronto Bible College,
Toronto.

Kineaid, Sask.,
Nov. 18th, 1920.

Dear Sir.

I am instructed by the Presbytery of Assiniboia to report to you that Messrs Prior, Page, Windsor, and Powell, students at your College, who were employed during last summer within the bounds of Assiniboia Presbytery, did excellent work on their fields, to the full satisfaction of Presbytery.

Yours truly,

JAMES F. SELLAR,
Clerk of Assiniboia Presbytery.

If you are interested in the formation of a "Prayer Circle" in your town, on behalf of the College, please write to Mr. H. L. Troyer, Asst. Secretary, 110 College Street, Toronto, who will give further particulars.

SOME OF OUR GRADUATES

'96

Rev. C. Edward Burrell '96, of Farmville, Virginia, was a welcome visitor to the College recently.

'04

Rev. C. J. Loney '04, pastor of the Stanley Avenue Baptist Church, Hamilton, was recently elected President of the Baptist Ministerial Association of his city.

'05

Rev. Herbert S. Bennett '05, (B.A. '20 McMaster University) preached his farewell sermon at Vittoria, on October 31st, and has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Campbellford, Ontario.

'05

Miss Lila Russell '05, is living at present, with her brother, whose wife and daughter were instantly killed by a train, while riding in a motor, recently. Her address is 124 Welsh street, Kane, Pa.

'07

Rev. Percival B. Loney '07, who has successfully led the members of Tillsonburg Baptist Church in the erection of a splendid Sunday School Hall, has accepted the unanimous call to the pastorate of the church in Lindsay, and expects to enter upon his new work early in December.

'10

Rev. William E. Atkinson '10, was ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry in the Christie Street Baptist Church, Toronto, of which he is pastor.

'10

Miss Anna Kratzer '10, after spending her first furlough in Canada, has returned to her work in China under the China Inland Mission.

'11

At Ali Rajpur, Central India, on May 16th, 1920, to Rev. Duncan Mc-

Donald '11, and Mrs. McDonald (nee Myrtle Moore '09), a daughter, Anna Martha.

'11

Dr. Isaac Erb '11, Pathologist of the Sick Children's Hospital, and this year President of our Students' Association, has moved to 1549 Bloor Street West.

'11

Mrs. D. Cummings (nee Miss Jennie Seabrook '11), has moved from Peterboro to 845 Connaught Avenue, Moose Jaw, Sask.

'12

Miss Catharine M. Mangan '12, who has been working in Bolivia, under the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Society has returned to Toronto on furlough.

'12

Rev. Oswald J. Smith '12, has organized, and taken charge of a new mission work, known as The Gospel Auditorium, situated at the corner of Dovercourt Road and Queen Street, Toronto.

'12

Miss Rose A. Bolton '12, who has charge of a Nursing Mission in Spray, N.C., was in Toronto recently looking for nurses to assist in her work.

'13

Mr. Augustus A. Wilson '13, and Mrs. Wilson, after one term of service with the South Africa General Mission, have returned to Toronto, on furlough.

'14

Mr. Lloyd C. Donaldson '14, and Mrs. Donaldson, who have given one term of service in Nigeria, under the Sudan Interior Mission, are spending part of their furlough with his parents in Tatamagouche, N.S.

At Cleveland, Ohio, in July, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd C. Donaldson, a daughter.

SOME OF OUR GRADUATES

'15

Rev. Sidney Cooper '15, and Mrs. Cooper, have been forced because of ill health, to temporarily abandon his work in the Canary Islands, and returns to England, where he may be addressed at 24 Sycamore Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, England.

'15

Mr. George Blackett '15, pastor of the Woodbridge and Humber Summit Congregational Churches, reports encouraging results of his work.

'15

Mr. Roy MacGregor '15, is assisting Rev. R. V. Bingham of the Sudan Interior Mission in the editing of the "Evangelical Christian."

'15

Miss Mattie Slingerland '15, is acting as Traveller's Aid for the Women's Christian Temperance Union, in meeting and directing women and children at the Parkdale and Sunnyside stations, Toronto.

'16

Rev. Dixon A. Burns '16, First Vice-President of the Students' Association and Pastor of the St. John's Road Baptist Church, Toronto, has been given three months leave of absence from his church, owing to ill-health, and, with Mrs. Burns '17, has returned for a visit to his parents in Newmains, Lanarkshire, Scotland.

'17

John J. Roberts '17, has been asked to take charge of the Baptist churches in Zone and Bothwell, Ontario.

'17

Mr. Alfred M. Etherington '17, has gone to South America to enter Industrial Mission work.

'17

Mr. Norman E. Walker '17, who has been very aggressively promot-

ing the interests of the "Christian Boys' Association" in Toronto, has undertaken to pioneer this organization in the State of Michigan.

'18

Miss Annie Eaton '18, is assisting in the work of the Sackville Street Mission, Toronto.

'20

Mr. Nelson B. Martin '20, has taken charge of the Mennonite Mission on Danforth Avenue, where he succeeds Rev. S. M. Kanagy '16, who has joined the teaching staff at Hesston College, Hesston, Kansas.

'20

Mr. Harry K. Franks '20, has been called to the pastorate of the Disciple Church at Aylmer, Ontario.

'20

Mr. Kenneth H. Prior '20, after spending the summer in mission work in South Saskatchewan, has registered for the course at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, where he hopes to complete his training for his chosen field in Africa.

'20

The following members of the 1920 Graduating Class have returned for a Post-Graduate year:—Miss Inez Botterell, Ottawa; Miss Alice Broughton, Dorion; Mr. Michael Billester, Hamilton; Miss Christina Cameron, Hamilton; Miss Blanche Creiger, Welland; Miss Marjorie Crothers, Willoughby, Ohio; Mr. Herbert Foster, Detroit; Miss Edith Poole, Hamilton; Mr. Frank Page, Montreal; Miss Isabelle Runsey, Toronto; Mr. William Windsor, Toronto.

Mr. Norman Bauman, a student with us in 1913, has received the A. B. degree from Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana, and is taking theological studies in Chicago.

“THE CHRIST WE FORGET;” and “THE CHURCH WE FORGET”

P. Whitwell Wilson's Books

We have had so many books on the Bible written in the academic fashion, or with a critical bias, that it is refreshing to get something from another angle. Here are two books written by a man of affairs who is at the same time a man of faith. Mr. Wilson is a newspaper correspondent, and was at one time a member of the British Parliament. Dealing with living men and women all the time, he sees life whole, and has a clear-eyed vision of the realities of life. He has read the Bible daily from a child, and has allowed it to speak to him for itself. The result is that he is unbiassed by the conflict of critical theories, and finds in it a living message which is sufficient for all the needs of the present day, as it was sufficient for all the needs of the early Christians.

“The Christ We Forget,” which he calls a life of our Lord for men of to-day, was published in the summer of 1917, and in two years passed through ten editions. “What I present here,” he writes in the opening chapter, “is not a fifth biography of Him, where incidents are set out in order of date, but a portrait, in which many aspects are blended, stroke by stroke and sentence by sentence, until His face, His form, His character are gradually revealed, as on a canvas. Yet He is more than any such picture—for He lives and moves amongst us, even to-day. And if this book teaches anything, it is that we must see Him, if at all, each for himself.”

“The Church We Forget,” which was published last year, is a study of the life and words of the early Christians, based on the Acts and the Epistles. The author writes with that combination of sober judgment

and exalted feeling which marks a genuine Christian experience. Here, for example, is the way he closes his chapter dealing with the hope of the early Christians:

“The second coming of Christ was not a topic which the disciples reserved for special conventions or courses of lectures. It was their background—the atmosphere that they breathed—the light by which they did their duty. . . . When Paul wrote to the Thessalonians on questions of prophecy, he was himself living at a very climax of practical and personal efficiency. The sense that they must prepare this our world for One whose eye is quick to mark iniquity—whose heart is stirred by injustice and cruelty—whose love extends freely to all men, however humble and ignorant, was to the disciples and may well be to all who come after them, the very stimulus that people need for the noblest service in the darkest regions.

“If there has been controversy over the Second Advent and over the Millennium, and over times and seasons, it may be that the reason is a failure constantly to associate hope with service, prophecy with practical politics, and vision with obedience. The disciples were too busy to quarrel with one another over the second death. But they were not too busy to share with one another the ennobling dream of eternal life.”

We understand that Mr. Wilson has another work in preparation, “The Vision We Forget,” which is based on the Book of Revelation. It will be interesting to know what message for to-day the author, with his method of approach, draws out of this book.