

DR. MCKENZIE AT YALE.

Special Meetings—Characteristics of a Popular Preacher.

As The Weekly goes to press, the College is in the midst of what has been expected to be one of the greatest religious awakenings of recent times. In preparation for this, early morning prayers were held at Dwight Hall during the last three days of last week. The interest taken in this work now is so great that, although these meetings were held before breakfast, they were crowded each time. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of the present week Dr. McKenzie, of Cambridge, has been secured to speak before the students, in the large University meeting room, in Dwight Hall. It was also decided to hold brief meetings for prayer from 1:45 to 2:15 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, to be led by college men. Of the thirteen hundred members of the Young Men's Christian Association at Yale, eight hundred are enrolled as active members. To each of these eight hundred a circular was sent, asking him to be present at the meetings himself, and to bring someone with him.



REV. ALEXANDER MCKENZIE.

Dr. McKenzie is a man in the prime of life, blessed with a vigorous constitution, which enables him to do an incredible amount of work. He is of medium height, solidly built, with a broad, kindly face, and high forehead, suggestive of mental grip. His photograph has often been taken for that of Donald G. Mitchell. Dr. McKenzie has enjoyed a continuous pastorate in the Shepard Memorial Chapel at Cambridge for thirty years. He is well known to Harvard men, a large number of whom attend his church regularly.

His great popularity at Yale dates from February, 1894, when he gave a series of three addresses in Dwight Hall, at the invitation of the Young Men's Christian Association. His masterly and powerful presentation of simple Gospel truth won for him a large place in the hearts of the University, and such interest was aroused that he was invited to return the following week, when, for four nights more, he spoke on "The Essentials of a Christian Life." Other colleges heard of his success in reaching college men, and his services were eagerly sought at Cornell, Williams, Amherst, Dartmouth and elsewhere. He has also become a conspicuous figure on the Northfield platform.

Dr. McKenzie's power may be accounted for in various ways. He has natural oratorical ability. His sympathetic eulogy of his friend, the late Governor Russell, was a masterpiece. Commenting upon it editorially, one of the Boston papers said, "Dr. McKenzie's sermon at the Russell funeral was the more effective because so simple and so direct in style. The doctor's heart and brain work wonderfully well together." His addresses are carefully prepared, but delivered without manuscript or notes, a good many matters being filled in "on his feet." He has a rich fund of choice quotations and illustrations which embellish his sermons. He is pre-eminently a spiritual preacher, and holds close to the view that the world is lost without Christ, that there is no hope without Him, and that the great work He came to do in the world was to save men and bring them from darkness into the light. A well-known merchant who has been

connected with his church for twenty-eight years says: "His spiritual preaching holds his congregation as no so-called modern preaching can, and the more I watch the effect of his preaching the more I am convinced that the great hold he has in our community and in our country to-day, is because he believes the preaching of the Cross of Christ is the supreme power, and that no reformation has any solid basis to rest upon which ignores this fact." W. H. S.

Lecture and Concert Program.

The following lectures and concerts are open to Yale students:—

March 18—"The German Novel, illustrated by the works of H. Sudermann," by Prof. Wm. Lyon Phelps, in the United Church at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the University Extension Society.

March 19—"The Use and Misuse of Statistics," by Prof. A. T. Hadley, in the Scientific School.

March 23—"Recent Explorations of the Deep Sea and Their Results," by Prof. A. E. Verrill, in the Scientific School.

March 24—Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte, Harvard, '71, will speak before the Civil Service Reform Club in the College Street Hall at 8 P. M.

March 25—"Grave Monuments, Mainly Attic," by Prof. Fairbanks at 7:45 p. m. in Phelps Hall.

March 25—"The Construction of High Buildings," Mr. L. W. Robinson, in Boardman School.

March 25—"The Scotch Novel," illustrated by the works of Robert Louis Stevenson," by Prof Wm. Lyon Phelps, in the United Church at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the University Extension Society.

April 1—"The English Novel," illustrated by the works of Thomas Hardy," by Prof. Wm. Lyon Phelps, in the United Church at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the University Extension Society.

Y. G. A. Officers.

At a meeting of the Yale Gymnasium Association, held on Monday, March 8, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, W. B. Conner, '99; Secretary, W. Noyes, '99; Treasurer, R. G. D. Douglass, '98. A vote of thanks was tendered to J. E. Heaton for the testimonials presented by him to those members of the team who won a "Y." F. A. Lehlback '98, was elected Captain.

Essays for Junior Exhibition.

All essays for the Ten Eyck prize competition (Junior exhibition) have been handed in to Dr. Charles S. Baldwin, who will have charge of reading them. There were in all 38 essays handed in. The following list gives the number of essays for each subject offered: "Joan of Arc," eleven; "Armenia," four; "The Development in South Africa," four; "Sectionalism in American Politics," six; "The Admirals of the Eighteenth Century," three; "The Policy of the United States in regard to the Future Acquisition of Territory, one; "William Morris," three; "The Elizabethan Tragedy of Blood," none; "The Book of Esther," three; "The Popular Election of Senators," one; "Reform in the Consular Service of the United States," none; "Heine," two

Journal of Science for March.

The principal articles in the Journal of Science for March are as follows: "Crater Lake, Oregon," by J. S. Diller. "Origin and Relations of the Greenville and Hastings Series in the Canadian Laurentian"; by F. D. Adams, A. E. Barlow and R. W. Ellis. "Outline of a Natural Classification of the Trilobites"; by C. E. Beecher (Part II). "Scoured Bowlders of the Mattawa Valley"; by F. B. Taylor. "Excursions of the Diaphragm of a Telephone"; by C. Barns. "Arctic Sea Ice as a Geological Agent"; by R. S. Tarr. "Contribution to the Geology of Newport Neck and Conanicut Island"; by W. O. Crosby. "Estimation of Molybdenum Iodometrically"; by F. A. Gooch.

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