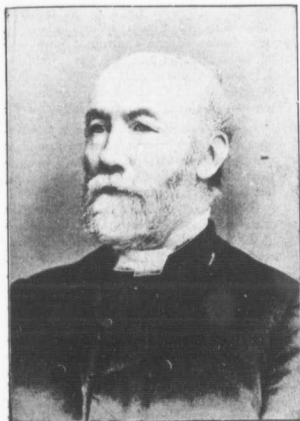


popular, and the proposal "that the secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for Dr. Briggs" met with universal approval.

Rev. Dr. Huestis, Book Steward of the



REV. A. CARMAN, D.D.,
General Superintendent.

Eastern section, was elected in the same way. His popularity in the east is scarcely less than that of Dr. Briggs in the west, and the Conference rewarded his fidelity and success by unanimously giving him another term of office.

When the question of the *Guardian* editorship came up there was a change in the programme, as there was not the slightest chance for any one to go in by acclamation. Four ballots were necessary before a majority was secured. The final result showed that Rev. G. J. Bond was elected with 124 votes. The next highest was Rev. A. C. Crews, 115.



REV. JOHN POTTS, D.D.,
General Secretary of Education.

The new editor was born in Newfoundland fifty-two years ago, and spent the early years of his ministry in the "Island Colony." The people of that country are

proud of him as one of their own boys. He was elected secretary of the Newfoundland Conference in 1883 and 1884, and president in 1885 and 1888. He was transferred to the Nova Scotia Conference in 1891, and after serving a term as pastor of Brunswick Street Church, Halifax, N.S., was chosen editor of the *Wesleyan*, which office he has filled with acceptance for eight years.

The two Missionary Secretaries, Drs. Sutherland and Henderson, were re-elected with unanimity, and both made happy speeches in response. There is probably no readier speaker in the Conference than Dr. Sutherland. He is always prepared with a strong argument or an appropriate illustration, and is generally regarded as one of the most convincing debaters in the ranks of Canadian Methodism. When the Doctor said he "scarcely knew what to say," the Conference smiled, and a delegate remarked, "It's the first time." In addition to being a fine speaker Dr. Sutherland is an executive officer of rare ability, and has all the questions relating to missions at his fingers' ends. His associate, Rev. Dr. Henderson, is one of the most eloquent preachers in Canada, and his effective advocacy of the missionary cause upon the platform has been a strong factor in the missionary advance of the past quadrennium. In a few words before the Conference he said that he appreciated his work so much that he would not change places with King Edward.

Rev. Dr. Potts has long been regarded as one of our representative men, who has no superior in the pulpit or on the platform. With fine presence, clear, strong voice, and vigorous thought, he has all the elements that make the orator, and his appearance in our pulpits is welcomed from the Atlantic to the Pacific. As a recognition of his worth and work the Doctor was re-elected as Secretary of Education by acclamation.

The Rev. Dr. Withrow has been such an acknowledged success as Editor of the *Methodist Magazine* and Sunday-school periodicals that there were half a dozen delegates on their feet at once ready to move that he be unanimously re-elected. He is a born editor, who seems to be growing in efficiency with advancing years.

Rev. Dr. Griffin is immensely popular with his brethren, and there was no opposition to the proposal to continue him as Treasurer of the Superannuation Fund. The Doctor was the wit of the Conference, and frequently gave the brethren the relaxation of a hearty laugh.

The Sunday-school and Epworth League Department continues to be in charge of Rev. A. C. Crews.

The new officer appointed as General Secretary of Temperance is Rev. S. D. Chown, D.D., pastor of Broadway Tabernacle Church, Toronto, and ex-President of the Toronto Conference. Added to a fine appearance, a good voice, and a genial disposition, he is possessed of steady judgment and business tact which in the opinion of his brethren will make him a safe man for the difficult position he is called upon to fill.

Rev. Dr. Maclean, the new editor of

the *Wesleyan*, will find the duties of his office quite congenial, as he has been interested in literary work for some time. His books have been received with great favor in Canada, the United States and England.

The new officers will not enter upon their duties until July next.



REV. DR. SPARLING,
Principal Wesley College.

Temperance Forward Movement.

The General Conference decided to elect a General Secretary of Temperance and Moral Reform. His duties were catalogued as follows:

"He shall be the medium of communication between the General Conference Board of Temperance and Moral Reform, and all parts of the work; he shall conduct the correspondence of the depart-



REV. S. D. CHOWN, D.D.,
General Secretary of Temperance and Moral Reform.

ment, and attend to the general business of the same; he shall also collect and disseminate information bearing upon the work of this department of the Church.