

It has been proposed to issue a new Connexional hymn-book, but the majority of the quarterly meetings of the circuits are opposed to the proposal.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

A monument in honour of the late Alderman Smetherst has been erected in the public park at Grimsby. For many years he was a well-known official in the Connexion.

Seventy young ministers are attending Mansfield Summer School, Oxford, all of whom have been generously aided by Mr. W. P. Hartley, J. P., Missionary Treasurer.

BIBLE CHRISTIAN CONNEXION.

The following places are mentioned as having been visited with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit: Hatherleigh, Northlew, Crewkerne, Newport, Mitcheldean. At some of these, debts were also extinguished.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Principal Whittington, of British Columbia, has secured the following professors for his college: Rev. J. J. Colter, M.A., of Sackville and Harvard, Mr. A. J. Wilson, B.A., Rev. Morley Peart, B.A., and Miss M. B. Miller, B.A., all of Toronto. Arrangements have been made by which students may matriculate at this college and proceed with their studies as if they were at Toronto University.

Dr. A. Sutherland, while attending the General Conference at Memphis, also visited Nashville, and preached a most edifying sermon to a large congregation at McKendree church.

St. James' church Quarterly Official Board, Montreal, have resolved to memorialize the General Conference to extend the pastoral term from three to five years.

The Upper Canada Bible Society recently made a grant of one hundred bibles and fifty testaments to the Rev. Thomas Crosby, of Fort Simpson, B.C., for the use of the Indians in that locality.

Rev. J. Endicott, B.A., who was sent to China by "the Boys" of Wesley College, has sent a very

interesting letter to them, which is published in the *Missionary Outlook*.

Rev. T. Crosby writes from British Columbia respecting a recent missionary journey, where he had a singular experience. Some of the Indians were suffering from *la grippe*, and they said that he had taken the disease in the box and during the night-time opened the box and blew the disease all over the country. At another place it was said that he had the disease corked in a bottle, and when he visited their houses he dropped a little of the liquid in each house. Notwithstanding these strange notions, he witnessed many conversions.

The conferences are in full swing as these notes go to press. They will be duly reported in our next number.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Bishop Ninde has gone on an episcopal tour to China and Japan, and will be absent from the United States until January, 1895.

During the fall numerous conferences will be held, both at home and abroad. Ten are appointed for August, forty in September, and fifteen in October. Besides these, Bishop Newman will hold eight others in Europe.

There has been an average of fifty converts a day for the last three years in the missions in India.

Bishop Thoburn, of India, has come to the United and is asking the church for twelve missionaries and \$50,000.

A new Methodist building has been erected at Pittsburg. There will be ample accommodation for the departments of the Book Concern.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has had a marvellous history. In twenty-five years it increased to 151,272 members. It now supports 145 missionaries, 624 Bible-readers and teachers, 435 schools and orphanages and nine hospitals, and owns nearly \$500,000 worth of real estate in India, China, Japan, Korea, Burma, Bulgaria, Mexico and South America. The society is managed without any salaried officer.