

WESLEYAN MISSIONARY NOTICES,

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THE first No. of these "Notices," issued by the Committee of the Canadian Wesleyan Missionary Society, was in November, 1854; and the first Article in that No. was on "THE HUDSON'S BAY MISSIONS." In resuming the publication of these "Notices," designed especially to preserve a permanent record of the Society's operations, and the testimonies furnished by Missionaries laboring on Foreign and Domestic Missions of the blessed effects of a Gospel Ministry, delivered in the German, French, Ojebwa, Oneida, Cree, Muncey, and Cowitchan languages, we place on record an outline of a VALEDICTORY SERVICE, connected with the same branch of our extending operations. The General Committee in the fall of 1867, very earnestly and with great unanimity, recommended the establishment of two new Missions,—one to the settlers at Red River, and one to the Blackfeet Indians, Elk River, near the Rocky Mountains. The authorities of the Church having selected and appointed suitable brethren for these new enterprises, the Valedictory Services were held on Thursday evening, May 7th, in the Richmond Street Wesleyan Church, in connection with the departure of the Revs. G. YOUNG, E. R. YOUNG, and P. CAMPBELL, the Missionary band appointed to labor in the great North-West. By seven o'clock, the hour appointed for commencing the service, the immense building was crowded to its utmost capacity, presenting a most magnificent spectacle. Not only was the Methodism of Toronto fully represented in the gathering, but from adjoining Districts east and west large numbers came thronging in, affording good evidence that the flame of missionary zeal was still burning in the heart of Methodism as warmly as when Wesley went forth in the spirit of the well-known motto, "The world is my parish." There was also a good representation of sister denominations, affording pleasing evidence of kindly feeling, and of deep interest in the Missionary work.

On the platform were seated the Rev. James Elliott, President of the Conference; Rev. W. Morley Punshon, M.A., Rev. Drs. Wood, Taylor, Green, Ryerson, Jeffers, Cocker, and Jennings, the Revs. Geo. Young, George McDougall, E. R. Young, and P. Campbell, the Missionaries for the Red River and Saskatchewan Districts; Revs. Wm. Pollard, R. Jones, S. Rose, G. Cochran, R. Whiting, Wm. Young, J. G. Manley, F. H. Marling, Jas. Caughey, E. H. Dewart, John Carroll, A. Sutherland, and John Macdonald, Esq., and A. W. Lauder, Esq., M.P.P.

Addresses were delivered by the Missionaries, the Rev. GEORGE MCDUGALL, who had labored for some years in the Territory, the