

RELIGIOUS.

METHODIST.

Rev. George Boyd, President of the Methodist Conference of New Foundland, arrived in Halifax last Saturday.

At the expiration of his pastorate of the Methodist church, St. Stephen, N. B., the Rev. Geo. M. Campbell will become the pastor of the church in Moncton.

The Evangelistic Band under the Rev. David Savage, concluded their work in Dartmouth last Sunday week, and since that time have been holding meetings every night in Grafton Street Church. As a result of their labors quite a large number have professed conversion.

The Rev. Moses Rodgers, believed to have been the oldest Methodist minister in the United States, died last month in Long Island, in the ninety-fourth year of his age. He had been preaching about seventy years. He was a direct descendant of John Rodgers, who was burned at the stake in the sixteenth century.

PRESBYTERIAN.

St. Andrew's church, of this city, held a meeting on Wednesday evening last, at which a commissioner was appointed to ask the Presbytery of Halifax to moderate in a call.

Rev. P. M. Morrison, Agent of the Presbyterian church, has been visiting a large number of churches in P. E. Island. He expects to visit the remaining congregations after the meeting of Synod.

Subscriptions toward the testimonial to Dr. Horatio Bond, on the occasion of his jubilee, which takes place this year, are being sent from all parts of the world.

Intelligence was received last week of the death of Mrs. Murray, wife of one of the missionaries of the Presbyterian church to India. She belonged to Pictou, and was highly esteemed by all her acquaintances. Her death is a great blow to her many relatives and friends.

Last year, the Sunday schools in connection with the Northern Presbyterian church of the United States, gave for Foreign Missions over \$50,000, being an advance over the previous year of \$20,000.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The church at Bedford is (not for the first time) indebted to the exertions of Mrs. Beech, of the Bellevue Hotel, for a considerable sum, \$70, we believe, which was raised the week before last by a concert, and is to be devoted to the repair and embellishment of the church and church-yard. Mrs. Beech has long been recognized as one of the most, if not the most, active and substantial supporters of her church. On this occasion she was materially assisted by the ready kindness of several ladies and gentlemen from Halifax, who contributed not only in money, but by their talents, to the success of the entertainment.

The Anniversary Services of Aug. 12th were observed in St. Paul's Cathedral by a special sermon by the Bishop of London, and in Westminster Abbey by Bishop Perry, who received the news that very morning of his election to the See of Nova Scotia. Considerable interest is being manifested in England on the subject, in spite of the efforts of the *Church Times* to write down the Canadian Church.

No definite answer has yet been received from Bishop Perry as to whether he will accept the Bishopric.

Rev. John Partridge, of Ship Harbor, is contemplating leaving the Diocese. He has done good and faithful work in his Parish, and will be much missed. He has been appointed to the Parish of Thomaston, Ont.

Rev. C. LeV. Bine, B.A., will act as *locum tenens* at Amherst for six months, during the absence of Rev. V. E. Harris in England.

Rev. Dr. Partridge has returned after two months leave of absence, much benefitted by the change.

A Harvest Choral Service will be held at the Garrison Chapel by the united choirs of the Garrison Chapel, St. Stephen's Chapel, and St. Luke's Cathedral, on the 11th October, under the direction of Mr. King Pooley.

Rev. F. R. Murray having been appointed collector for the new Cathedral, has visited Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton, and is now, we understand, travelling in the States.

BAPTIST.

Rev. H. B. Smith was ordained and inducted into the pastorate of the Canoe Baptist Church on the 9th inst.

Owing to failing health, the Rev. Walter Baras has been compelled to resign the charge of the Baptist church at Victoria, B. C. He is a son of Mr. J. W. Baras, of Wolfville.

The Baptists of Canada have sustained a heavy loss in the death of Senator McMaster, of Toronto, which occurred last week. McMaster Hall was built at his expense, and six chairs in it were endowed by him. It was through his princely gifts that McMaster University was established. Many of the other Baptist enterprises were also freely helped by him.

This month the Nova Scotia Free Baptist Conference was held at Clark's Harbor, Shelburne. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided by an almost unanimous vote that it would be unwise at present to seek organic union with the Baptist Church of the Maritime Provinces. The churches reported a membership of 3,841. For all purposes there was raised last year the sum of \$7,314. It being the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Conference, very interesting jubilee services were held.

Rev. Mr. Tory, a Chinese Baptist preacher, delivers exhortations in front of a large pagan temple in Chinatown, San Francisco, every Sunday.



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