Washington, Mathias Holtby, John Doel, Methodistically, as a part of one or two Circuits. Jacob Pool, Robert Darlington, Henry Byers,
Luther Houghton, Wm. T. Hewitt, John settlers in Essa and Innisfil who, with their children and others, now make up a membership of

ceased to be recognized as Ministers among us? | new parsonage, into which the minister will shortly In answer to which it was stated, that W. F. move. Bond Head has the materials on hand for In answer to which it was stated, that w. r. a new brick parsonage, to be completed before winter. Aurora enlarged and improved her church with a view to enter the ministry, in connection last year. Bradford is putting side galieries in with the M.E. Church, United States. E. S. her church and moving strongly to wipe off her Frazee, had left during the year and gone to the M. E. Church, United States. D. A. Perrin, church in Shombergh. Innisfil built a new church

sented the report of the Committee of that either aspire to the position of self-sustentation, Fund, which was of a most encouraging de- or, at any rate, give a good account of herself. scription. The income had been well sustained Jesus reigns and the claims for the future, are likely to be better met than during the past year, an announcement which was received with great cheering, doubtless, especially by the members of Conference who have the good fortune of being family men. 841 children are provided

men have been recommended by the have life." In introducing the subject he referred various District Meetings. The Educational to the circumstances which gave rise to these science. The calm and introspective tone of The Committee was appointed to meet at an early words, the cure of the invalid at Bethesda and Songs of the World Within, will make them favordate, the members of which are Drs. Nelles, and the conversation which arose out of it between ites of life's quiet hours, those, especially, entitled Rice, with R. Jones, G. R. Sanderson W. Pol- the Jews and our Lord. The text implies that Through the Shadows, God's Heroes, Christian lard, and the following laymen Dr. Ogden, A. man was dead. Scriptures speak of death in W. Lauder, M, P. P., T. Nixen, A, Dredge, three different cases. The first in order of time, ness Within, which appears on the first page of toand R. Woodsworth. A committee having been and its injurious effects is spiritual death, or the day's issue. In the Songs of Home and Heart those appointed 12 months ago, to examine the various separation of the soul from God. This took place entitled Our Dead, and Our Boy, will awaken a symschedules, presented their report. Much discussion in the days of man's apostacy, and was the cause pathetic chord in many a bosom. A noble patriotism was held respecting this subject. The Secre- of all the evils which men suffer or fear rings through his National Lyrics, and an unsuspecttary, Rev. J. H. Bishop, presented various speci- Temporal death or the separation of the soul ed vein of humor is evidenced in Deacon Grimes. mens of schedules, which by the additions of from the body was embraced in the original which he promises, if life and health be spared, enticertain suggestions, were finally adopted. As it sentence, and has passed on all men. "From tled, The Canadian Year. The specimen we have is an important matter that correct statistical ac- moral, natural evils flow." Eternal death, or only whets our appetite for more. We bespeak for counts should be presented to the District Meet. the final banishment of the soul and body from this volume a wide circulation. Its mechanical exeings and Conference, it is to be hoped that the Godffor ever, is frequently referred to in Scrip- cution is a credit to the Canadian art of book-making.

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from the Chair, announcing the pleasing fact to man. A proclamation of mercy and peace has that the increase of the membership for the pre- been made. Fancy a culprit condemned to suffer sent year, amounted to 2,156. Considering that death receiving intelligence of a reprieve. What there is always a great loss sustained in the mem- a contrast between him and a sinner listening to bership by removals, deaths, &c., this increase is the repeated offers of life and salvation! Life regarded as satisfactory. At the suggestion of spiritual may be enjoyed in the day of man's the Co-Delegate, the Conference sung the Dox- faith. Life temporal has been provided to furnish think a comparison with other places will show we ology, and he Rev. J. S. Youmans engaged in us with opportunities of securing salvation. Life are not so bad as represented. It is only a few years prayer, the benediction was pronounced, and the eternal, embracing a freedom from eternal death, ago we were cut off the Kemptville Circuit, since Conference adjourned until this morning at may be obtained, through faith, in the great that time we have paid off all debts on the old 9 o'clock, when the report of the Book Room atonement. will be presented, and the election of the Editor But why do not all men secure it? Not for. We pay our minister in full, and have nearly will take place.

# Our Hame Work.

BARRIE DISTRICT

church. It has more stations on the list than adopted, this is the only correct one, "Come unto part of this District, for the time it has been settled, any other, though they have not, quite all, during the year been occupied. More than half of it is Missionary ground. No less than \$522.28 were We have in the language of the text the obexpended for Missions on it during the Conference year 1867-8-the largest sum on any District. It will, no doubt, be divided into two- "Ye will not." This explains the whole questhe Barrie and the Bradford Districts.

At no very distant day very likely another Until that time, Barrie District will be a large strongly urged. The acceptable mode of coming Missionary District, but of great importance.

Even now there is a belt of Missions, domestic to Christ was illustrated by a reference to the and Indian, stretching from Collingwood, round parable of the prodigal son, and the case of the terday to determine what course should be pursued Georgian Bay, by way of Orillia, Muskoko, Syrc-Phoenician woman, and the rich ruler, show- in regard to the Bill for the disestablishment of the Sault Ste. Marie, and then westward along the north shore of Lake Superior. Little as may be thought of the region embraced in it twenty Parry Sound, French River, Bruce Mines, to thought of the region embraced in it twenty years more—yes, ten years more will unfold its importance. Though it will be the thorough appeal to sinners to come to Christ for life, and wish to dictate, and were anxious that the judgment fares to the great west, and in it will spring up villages, towns, and cities. Wait until a rail road connects Georgian Bay, probably at Parry life strengthened and increased. Sound, with Ottawa, another Georgian Bay with Port Hope; besides the present connection of it with Toronto, by way of Collingwood, and Barrie District will give a good amount of itself, if properly worked now. Now is the time to fix Broken Reeds; or, The Heresies of the Ply its intellectual and religious future. Who will do it? Even now Collingwood, Barrie and Orillia are aspiring little towns, and soon Parry Sound will perhaps outstrip them. Those regions lie near the heart of the Dominion-Ottawa-and if the Dominion lives-must soon be warmed into There will not be a Mission in it but will be important. And if correct views prevailed, the noble men who will work them should be in the position of honour, instead of that, of cul- the points assailed by the admirers of the "Brethren, of Owen Sound region, (Methodistically) (God such notions were exploded, or the men who now propagated so zealously in so many quarters, as who hold them. The returns are not yet com- the only true Gospel. pleted for the past year, but allowing those not not made to be as favorable as in the former year, there will be an increase of about two hundred members. The roturns, so far as made, show that \$2500 were paid during the year upon church debts, leaving the church in Collingwood entirely free, and others somewhat relieved. That \$5350 were paid for new churches, \$2096 for parsonages, and \$560 for sheds, making a total of \$10,506.

The Bradford District will at once take its place with nine Circuits and three Missions. Its size those acquainted with his poetical powers have been twelve thousand present. A protest against the Bill the above in the City, to which they would invite the control of the largest and best assorted Stocks of the largest and best assorted will be about thirty miles by forty; a splendid agricultural country, from twenty to fifty miles will, we are sure, be more than realized.

The question, The are the Supernumerary Ministers? was taken up and the following brethren were announced, as belo ing to this list.

J. B. Keagy, B.A., Nelson Burns, B.A., Geo.

We think that Bro. Dewart is altogether too modest in his estimate of his own poetry. He is something more than a mere "minor bard reflecting with subciencies, May that feature never be marred. Its past history is a guarantee of future progress. Men are living who travelled all there was of it, Methodistically, as a part of one or two Circuits.

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Douglas, F. C. Ireland, R. W. Ferrier, M.A.,
E. S. Ingals, Francis Hunt, T. McMullen, town and Alliston Circuits, and soon to be Cooks

In these mines he has wrought and found therein nuggets of golden truth, which he has polished and town, Alliston, and Thornton Circuits, new villages, burnished to a beauty and lustre worthy of their innew churches, new parsonages, new sheds are are springing up all around. Mount Albert has are springing up all around. Mount Albert has a ting prelude to the after songs—a worthy portal to M. E. Church, United States. D. A. Ferrin, B.A., had retired and entered into secular worth \$1170, besides vestry and shed; and she

I. B. AYLESWORTH.

### THE PULPITS.

QUEEN STREET CHURCH.

penitent. It is further implied in the language At the close of the session, a note was read of the text, that life is provided for, and offered

because of any want of power on God's part- doubled the connexional funds, and why we should not because of any want of willingness-not be said to lack in liberality, I cannot understand. because of any secret decree preventing men Your correspondent is evidently unacquainted with from embracing the provisions and offers of the North part of this District, as he knows nothing salvation. The grand reason is here stated, of revivals or church extension, while we have had "Ye will not come unto me." Here we have of our esteemed pastor, Rev. J. Howes, have been what must be done to secure "life." Various greatly blessed in the conversion of sinners and It is the largest in some respects in our theories as to the way of salvation may be quickening of believers, and generally the northern me." But how? As you are, by faith, now. will, I think, compare very favourably with the stacles that prevent men from coming to Christ, tion, "I would," "Ye would not." The At no very distant day very likely another division will take place, and Collingwood and Orillia Districts will appear in the Minutes. difficulty. This point was brought out and way. The discourse was closed by an earnest

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for some time, promised the public, and for which persons opposed to the Irish Church Bill. Nearly

the garden of sweet spices through which he leads us -he avows as his purpose in writing, the effort-

"To wake within The dreaming soul a higher view Of life's mysterious worth; . To sing of liberty for hearts oppressed, And promises of true, abiding rest.

This lofty gage he faithfully fulfils. His "Questionings ' remind us somewhat of Burns' " Man was has a fine brick church under way at Thornton. made to mourn," but it is instinct with a higher The Treasurer of the Children's Fund, pre- Hornings Mills is looking up and will no doubt, christian philosophy than that poem, or than "The by the time the present Superintendent leaves it, Voices" of the English Laureate, to which it bears

> But we have here no weak imitations of the popular poets of the day. His verse is not fashioned standard of musical excellence both in Europe and after the manner of Tennyson or Longfellow. It is America. By recent arrangements they are enabled not the faint echo of other voices, but the strong, clear, natural utterance of his own.

poems of the volume as particularly impressing our The sermon in this Church was preached by have all experienced, though unable to give them the Rev. J. Gray, who took for his text the 40th utterance. The Song of the Wind, evidencing a deep The question Who go to College, was taken verse of the 5th chap of the Gospel by St. John, and keen sympathy with nature. Milton, an ode of 6--Sin. up, when it was found that 14 young "And ye will not come unto me that ye might epic dignity. A Plea for Liberty, not unworthy of the author of the Areopagitica. The Polar Sea, and the Atlantic Cable, which chronicle the triumphs of Work, From Darkness to Light, which reads like a work done on them. They are the best in every respiritual biography, the Gospel Herald, and Darkspiritual biography are the best in every respiritual biography.

## Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Recorder.

DEAR SIR .- In your correspondent's review of the Brockville District, I find something good said of all the Circuits, South Mountain excepted. Now I churches, built one new church, which is free from debt, and bought a parsonage, which is nearly paid

surrounding country, temporally and spiritually.

## LATEST NEWS.

IRISH CHURCH BILL.

A meeting of the Conservative Peers was held yes-

Lord Cairns urged that opposition be made to the Bill on the second reading, and that it be finally rejected. He said the leaders of the party did not to saints to come to Him to have their spiritual of each Peer should remain unfettered. He felt that as the country had never pronounced on the present | Hats fitted with the Conformateur. Highest Bill, and as the feeling of the House of Lords was so opposed to it; the most politic, consistent, and best course to pursue, under the circumstances, would be

to repudiate the measure. Lord Salisbury deprecated the course recommended by Lord Cairns. The agitation which would follow the rejection of the Bill would be most disastrous to the country, and would do nothing to save the Irish Church. It would be better to accept the Bill and modify it in Committee, than to renew ill feeling and Box 55, Toronto.

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