

## RELIGIOUS.

## BAPTIST.

Rev. C. H. Spurgeon is said to be on the point of separating himself from the Baptist Union in England.

Rev. J. H. Hughes, of the Baptist church at Chebogue, Yarmouth Co., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Franklin Park Baptist church, Boston.

The Baptist cause is very weak in Ireland, there being only 19 churches, with a membership of 1,700.

Rev. J. T. Parsons has severed his connection with the Free Baptist church in St. John, after a pastorate of eighteen years.

A Baptist church in Florida has expelled all its members whose names appeared on petitions for liquor licenses.

During the prevalence of scarlet fever at Plainwell, Mich., all the churches were closed. The Baptist minister sent his sermon in a printed sheet to all its members.

## METHODIST.

The Methodist Church of Canada has lost an able leader in the death of the Rev. Dr. Nelles. He entered the ministry of the Church in Canada in 1846, and in 1850 was elected President of Victoria College, which position he held until his death. His efforts on behalf of education cannot be overestimated.

The local missionary committee of the Nova Scotia Conference will meet in this city on the 26th instant.

Rev. William Brown, whose term as pastor of Charles St. church expires with the present Conference year, has accepted a call to Windsor.

The Central Board of Missions, which lately met in Montreal, expects to raise about \$200,000 this year for missions.

The Cincinnati M. E. Conference requested its delegates to the General Conference to favor legislation that would recognize the office of evangelist in the church.

## PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. D. Ross, of Wolfville, has received a call from the Presbyterian church at Springside, Upper Stowiacke.

Principal Grant, who was taken seriously ill in Toronto while engaged in soliciting subscriptions for Queen's College, has recovered sufficiently to resume his duties.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Eastern Section, collected \$5,000 last year. Mrs. Burns was elected President for the ensuing year.

Rev. Dr. Jenkins, pastor emeritus of St. Paul's church, Montreal, preached in St. Matthew's church last Sunday morning. He left this city on Monday for England, where he intends to permanently reside.

Rev. Mr. Dill will be inducted into the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Parraboro on November 8th.

Presbyterianism is making rapid progress in Manitoba, since 1881 the membership has increased 15,000, or 104 per cent.

Mr. D. L. Moody has arranged to have Ying Lee, proprietor of a Chinese laundry at Hartford, Conn., enter his Mount Hermon School at Northfield, Mass., to prepare himself for the ministry. He is a remarkably bright Chinaman, far in advance of the great mass of his race.

The First Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. Y., has just celebrated its centennial anniversary.

A bazaar in connection with St. James' Church, Dartmouth, is to be held in the basement of the church on Thursday, the third of November, and the ladies of the congregation are up to their eyes in preparatory work. The proceeds of the bazaar are to be devoted to paying for the repairs which the church is now undergoing, and it is hoped that a handsome sum will be realized.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Synod of this Diocese will meet pursuant to adjournment on Wednesday, the 9th of November. It is not thought likely that a nomination by the referees in England can be made by that date.

The Anniversary Service of the Church of England Institute of this city was held on Thursday evening in St. Paul's church. This church is the best adapted of all Halifax churches for a service of this kind, affording ample room for both singers and congregation. The anthem sung was Stainer's "Let every soul be subject," being repeated from the service held in St. Paul's at the Jubilee Service. The music was well rendered by the united choirs, and the sermon preached by Rev. G. Gooderich Roberts, rector of Fredericton. Mr. Roberts has a good presence and a fine voice, and the sermon could not fail to be acceptable to all who heard it.

Next Sunday is Dispensary Sunday. A large proportion of the patients are Church of England poor. The institution is well managed, and impartially and effectively served. Church of England people should not overlook this on Sunday.

The trustees of the proposed Protestant Episcopal Cathedral in New York city are said to have decided upon the site for the new structure. This is now occupied by the Leake and Watts Orphan House, and is bounded by 110th street, Morning-side drive, 113th street and Tenth avenue. The property is appraised at \$1,000,000.

New furnaces for the proper heating of St. Luke's cathedral have recently been purchased and placed in position. On Sunday last the rector stated that the congregation would require to at once raise the sum of two thousand dollars, five hundred dollars of which were wanted to pay for the new furnaces, and fifteen hundred dollars to pay off the indebtedness on the rectory.



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