

## Religious and Missionary Intelligence.

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Conventions and Missions to promote the work of God are being numerously held in various parts of Great Britain. The most remarkable is the Fourteen Days' Mission held at Princess' Hall, Piccadilly, London, under the Rev. H. P. Hughes, M.A. A system of house-to-house visitation was organized, so that every residence in ninety-six squares and streets in the neighbourhood could be visited. Two services were to be held daily, except Saturdays. Late meetings, commencing at nine o'clock p.m., were to be held on two evenings, one for young men and the other for young women. All the staff of labourers belonging to the West End Mission were to take part in the proceedings.

City Road Chapel was selected as a suitable place in which to hold a Holiness Convention to continue a week, with two services daily. Arrangements were made to run cheap excursion trains from about 300 provincial towns. A similar gathering is to take place at Hinde Street Chapel.

The Forward Movement continues to be the most popular subject in Methodism. Every week reports additional places where the movement has been inaugurated. Luton, Coventry and Leek have entered into line.

Rev. J. E. Clapham, the indefatigable Home Missionary Secretary, has commenced a most successful work among the villages of the Norwich and Lynn District, several of which for various reasons had been given up, as the circuits could not supply them with regular services. Mr. Clapham hopes to re-open every village place of worship by appointing lay-agents to work among the people, and if possible regain lost ground.

President Kelly reminded the ministers respecting Temperance Sunday, on which day it was expected that every pulpit in English Methodism would sound a loud trumpet-blast against the drink traffic.

The Local Preachers' Mutual Association is of great service in England. The affairs are managed by a General Committee, which meets monthly in London. At one recent monthly meeting more than \$3,000 was paid in small sums to needy brethren, nearly 500 were the recipients of temporary or permanent relief.

Since peace had been proclaimed in Hayti the Wesleyan missionaries have been performing real mission work. A letter received from Cape Haytien states that religious services have been held in the market square and in several of the streets. Processions were formed, hymns sung, both in French and English, and short addresses were delivered. Crowds of people had thus been drawn to the Church. One remarkable service was held on a Sunday evening, and as there is no gas in the town, candles were lighted and held by persons in different parts of the congregation.

The average age of Methodist ministers who died last year is a fraction over sixty-six, not a bad showing for the wear and tear of the itinerancy.

A Wesleyan Ministerial Guild, has been established at Ley's Wesleyan College, Cambridge. The design is to encourage Biblical study among ministers. The movement is regarded as very important.

A bazaar was held at Kirby Stephen, which produced \$1,865, and another at Birmingham, produced \$3,500.

Rev. Thomas Champness received in two months no less than 170