

of a Bishop to the same, we deem it expedient that all missionaries should place themselves under the general superintendence of such missionary Bishop, subject always to their obedience to such written instructions as may be sent to them by those in authority at home." Concluding resolution.—"That we desire to render our hearty thanks to Almighty God for the blessings vouchsafed to us in and by this Conference, and we desire to express our hope that this our meeting may hereafter be followed by other meetings to be conducted in the spirit of the same brotherly love." The closing Benediction.

FOR THE CHURCH CHRONICLE.

"Thou art my beloved Son, in thee I am well pleased"—LUKE iii 22

If man at the beginning,
With wickedness perverse,
Rushed headlong into sinning,
And earned his Maker's curse :

Why should cold Justice's fountain,
In unaccustomed mood,
Its natural banks surmounting,
Mingle with Mercy's flood ?

Why clothed in garment human,
Should God on Earth descend,
And coming forth from woman,
Be born the sinner's friend ?

"Deceivers," cries the scoffer,
"Ye ne'er were lost or saved ;"
"What reason can ye offer
For life beyond the grave ?"

While doubters urge their questions,
And sceptics stand aloof,
All ready for rejection—
Demanding farther proof—

Asserting "blind faith" treason
To human-fangled laws ;
Resting secure on reason,
Weighing effect and cause

The Devil's point their error,
Unwilling act their part,
Complaining in their terror—
"Oh God from us depart."

As well the unclean spirits
Who see the heavenly sign,
Quick recognize His merit
And know the man divine.

And we, His name professing,
The Bible as our guide,
Its words as law confessing,
Point to its truths with pride,