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THURSDAY, AUG. 6, 1885

The Rev. W H. Wadleigh is the only gentleman travelling authorized to collect subscrip tions for the "Dominion Churchman."

Causes of the Rebellion .- The facts in regard to the late rebellion in the North-West, are now coming out in the trial of the chi-f promoter of that disturbance. We take no little credit to ourselves for the Dominion Churchman having been the first journal in Canada to point out that the object of Riel and his friends, was the establishment of an independent Republic in the North-West, and that the so-called grievances in regard to land, were not even an element in producing or aggravating, much less justifying the out break. The beginning and end of the affair was political. It was a rebel lion against the sovereignty of Canada over her new Territories. Movements of this kind are no novelities in the world, their main features are similar. A student of history and of men detects such appearances as a physician sees special disease symptons. Our diagnosis of the N. W. out-break was scientifically accurate, because based upon independent observation and judgment, while others went wildly astray in their haste to condemn or defend the past or present rulers of the country. How far the arch rebel Riel had the moral or immoral sympathy of the Romish Church authorities, will possibly never be known. But this is hardly open to question that the rebellion would never have assumed such formidable proportions, had the leaders been utterly without support from the Romish Church and their mad effort been sternly discountenanced by the priests, for the rebel leaders were all bigoted Romanists.

THE DOMINION OF PREACHERS .- The Week is responsible for the above phrase, which represents what in Canada is a new, offensive and dangerous power. We have in the Blue Laws of the Puritans, an illustration of this power and in Canada there seems a decided tendency on the part of the sects

to enact laws equally opposed to civil liberty. One esteemed correspondent, a Wesleyan, asks us submit to any other Ecclesiastical yoke."

ever condemning those they have no mind to?

HATCHISM AND ITS EFFECTS .- One could not but wonder with some degree of painful anxiety what ffect would the teaching they had been so unforunately subjected to at College, have upon the work and the minds of the young men just ordained mere secular stewards of an earthly organization, they leave them. which was not the creation of Jesus Christ, but a If my friends have alabaster boxes laid away, mere development of existing social elements in full of fragrant perfumes of sympathy and affice-God's stewards of His mysteries, and Christ's weary way -Selected. ambassadors. It has also done them a cruel wrong by leaving them to enter the ministry of the Church without respect for that Church as the Body of Christ and Temple of the Holy Spirit. These young men may by God's grace and better guidance throw off the wretched influences of their college life, but their whole life long will they feel that they were morally, intellectually, and spiritunon-Church teaching of their college in regard to the Church and Ministry and Sacraments. It is moreover, a very serious injury to a young clergybeen brought in his college life into personal daily contact with teachers of high scholarship and literary culture. That is an irreparable loss as all these young men will one day discover, and then they will bitterly lament their folly in attending a College which has no reason for existence beyond party exigencies, and the ill feeling to Trinity College still kept up by a few implacable zealots.

of the strongest religious bodies has committed it- pleasantly enough, to say what we mean by statself, contrary to its historic record in soberer days, ing that "for years the Methodist body was supdays which mark the zenith of its influence as a ported by the Church of England." The answer spiritual force, to the Scott Act and but for a strong is easy. The spiritual and intellectual life of profest by a few wiser heads, would in its last con- Wesley, were the product of the Church. What ference have committed the whole body to a move- the Methodist body got from John Wesley, it got ment to prohibit smoking! Next we should have by and through him from the Church. Further, some other innocent custom made criminal until the numerical strength of the Methodist body for men rose again in rebellion against such odious many, many years, was drawn largely from the tyranny. As the Week justly says, "The question Church. So the Church gave support to the 18 one of social liberty and men having burst the Methodist body by providing the members which bonds of the Roman priesthood are not going to constituted its original strength. Further, the entire strength of the Methodist body, theologically, A declaration has been made by the highly was drawn and to this day is almost wholly drawn eminent Surgeon Sir W. Thompson, a great tem- from the Church. Not merely in its doctrines, but perance authority, that "more evil is done by over in its literature, the Church has been from the days eating, than over drinking." This decided state of Wesley to this hour, the literary support of ment will logically involve a crusade against food what literary life and doctrinal purity exist in the and we respectfully commend the matter to those Methodist body. Methodist literature is merely who are exercising "the Dominion of preachers" Catholic literature redressed. We could extend as a fine opportunity for them to commence an this by dwelling upon the spiritual support given agitation on the lines of the Scott Act, and their by the Church through the Sacraments to the proposed Anti-Tobacco Act. If food causes more Methodist body, the members of which in its palmy evil than drink, as Dr. Thompson affirms, the only days, for years thankfully received the Eucharist honest course open to the Scott Act supporters is- at the altars of the Church, and brought its young starvation. Will they now abandon meat and to be received into Christ's folds at the Church's bread and all forms of food, and will they as in fonts. We could extend this in other ways. consistency they are bound, agitate to have the Indeed, were the Methodist body to give back to sale of food prohibited, except to the rich as the the Church what it owes to the Church, there Scott Act prohibits drink except to the rich, or, as would be nothing left of Wesleyanism but a memwe judge will they continue to compound for sins ory and an influence. Finally we beg leave to add they are inclined to, by still more vigorously than that if any modern Wesleyan were asked to say what special spiritual privileges he enjoyed as such, which he could not have more abundantly in the Church, he would be speechless. As the Wesleyan body has drifted more and more into independence of the Church, its spiritual prestige and power have declined.

ALABASTER Boxes.—Do not keep the alabaster as deacons at St. James' Church, Toronto. They boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until have been carefully taught out of a text book by your friends are dead. Fill their lives with sweet-Dr. Hatch, that the whole Christian system is ness; speak cheering words while their ears can nothing more divine than a mere benefit club. hear them, and while their hearts can be thrilled They have learnt that a Bishop originally was only and made happier by them. The kind things you a chairman or chief officer of a relief society, and mean to say when they are gone say before they now is merely chairman of the Synod. They have go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins, been trained to regard the Ministers of Christ as send to brighten and sweeten their homes before

the age of the Apostles. Contempt for Episcopal tion, which they intend to break over my dead authority they have seen recognized as a system, as body, I would rather they would bring them out indeed the guiding principle of those who have in my weary and troubled hours, and open them, taught them and ruled them and who will rule that I may be refreshed and cheered by them, while them in their parishes if they submit to such I need them. Let us learn to anoint our friends tyranny. Such teaching has done its evil work in beforehand for their burial. Post-mortem kindundermining their respect for the authority of their nesses do not cheer the burdened spirit; flowers on Bishop, and respect for their own authority as the coffin cast no fragrance backward over the

A FRIEND, once won, need never be lost, if we will only be trusty and true ourselves. Friends may part—not merely in body, but in spirit, for a while. In the bustle of business and the accidents of life they may lose sight of each other for years, and more—they may begin to differ in their habits. and there may be, for a time, coldness and estrangeally dwarfed and injured by the semi infidel and ment between them; but not forever, if each will from the same port and ere night fall lose sight of man to be sent out to his work without having each other other, and go each on its same course. and at its own pace, for many days, through many storms and seas, and yet meet again, and find themselves lying side by side in the same haven, when their long voyage is past.

Correction.—In our last issue we are made by an error of type to say, "he, the liquor dealer, would be unworthy the name of a man if he did fight against the Act, placing his trade under legal condemnation." Of course, it will be seen that the THE CHURCH AND THE WESLEYAN BODY .- A much sentence should read, "if he did not fight, etc."