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In Memoriam

HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL

SIR WILLIAM O'GRADY HALL, K. C. B., &c.

Commander-in-Chief of H. M. Forces in Canada. Obiit die Mar 19th, 1878.

BY JOHN T. MELLISH.

We bid thee, warrior bold, a long farewell: Away to home of youth, the fatherland...

Sad is our city by the sea to-day! No mantle white of snow the bare earth hides...

On frowning fort, tall ship and city roof: At half mast float the flags. In factory, shop...

With eager multitudes the streets are thronged.— All ranks and ages; some from foreign climes...

And now to solemn sound of muffled drum: With thrilling requiem strain, the tolling bell...

LADY BERTIE, Canada's daughters weep: With thee; her sons chivalric for thee pray...

VICTORIA QUEEN, the land where rests the dust: Of thy brave chief, who held the high command...

BOLD CHIEF, called to Himself by King of kings: And safe forevermore from all the wars...

So named from him of Carthage fame, In Revolution time commander here...

Brave Chief, by King of kings called to Himself: And safe forevermore from all earth's wars...

OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

WESLEYAN EDUCATION.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—The able and vigilant secretaries of our great educational interests have taken old time by the forelock...

IN PARLIAMENT little has been accomplished, notwithstanding the early meeting. Our legislators are now away...

THE CHILDREN'S HOME in all its branches is full, and the applicants for admission have not unfrequently to wait weary months...

AN EVENING OF SACRED SONG, these have secured large audiences and most liberal support. The families of our friends have provided...

THE RESERVED FORCES are called out, as intimated in a former letter. They have to report at their head quarters at the end of the present week...

appointed rendezvous on the 19th inst.

THE SITUATION

of affairs have not changed much in the past two weeks. There has been the full amount of diplomatic correspondence between the Great Powers...

THE BUDGET FOR 1878

has been introduced, and it is already plain that England has entered upon a course of action which will need large and increased supplies of money.

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April 16, 1878.

OUR SUPERNUMERARY FUNDS.

ARTICLE III.

Principles which should, and principles which should not, underlie any scheme of Amalgamation, and other matters.

1. Any scheme of amalgamation must do justice to our laity. Our meaning, here, will be understood when we state that if we enter into union an attempt will necessarily be made...

2. We may lay it down, almost, as a self-evident proposition that any scheme must mete out even justice to all the members of our Conferences—young and old.

the sum which ours have paid from the beginning. As a consequence, quite a sum would have to be paid to our older men; counting interest, to place them, on this respect, on a level with contributors of the same age in the West.

Now, as we look at it, this scheme might be fair enough as between the West and the East, but it would be very unfair as between ourselves. On what principle of right can we give to one man \$300, and to another only \$30...

But here a broader question presents itself for consideration, relating not only to this scheme but to our financial polity generally. We refer to the relation sustained by the Conference to the funds placed under its charge.

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do as I will with mine own? For instance, We are engaged in organizing a Church Extension Fund. What security would there be if such a principle were accepted as sound that these funds contributed to build churches and parsonages, might not, by some roundabout way, find themselves at last, transferred to some ministerial pockets?

Whether such a danger is wholly imaginary—whether there is such a sense of security and such confidence in the stability of our Connexional Funds as there ought to be, we leave to the judgment of those who have carefully pondered the matter and watched the history of our financial enterprises in the past.

But if this principle is unsound there is only the alternative one; that our funds, one and all, are simply trust funds. This idea cuts off at a stroke all meddling with investments or incomes for a personal purpose.

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All new regulations, and alterations of any rule or regulation now in force, respecting our temporal economy shall not be considered of any force or authority until such rule, regulation, or alteration shall have been laid before the Quarterly Meetings throughout the several Annual Conferences.

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A few laymen, but we are sorry to say only a few, investigate thoroughly connexional matters, and make their influence felt in discussions of Connexional Committees.