

Society is most gratifying; the ordinary revenue is in advance of last year, and there is also an increase in the legacies of \$20,000.

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference.—This Conference met at St. Stephen. Three brethren, Rev. Dr. Wilson, S. T. Teed and A. C. Bell, were added to the list of superannuates.

Rev. F. W. Harrison was elected President and Rev. Thos. Marshall, Secretary. Three ministers had finished their course, of whom honourable mention was made.

Seven probationers were sent to college.

The report on Sunday-schools stated that there had been 461 conversions among the children during the year. The increase in the membership was 150.

Dr. Hart, the appointed Superintendent of the Chinese Mission, was present, and delivered a most enthusiastic address.

As in some of the Western Conferences, the Superannuation Fund occasioned much discussion. The Treasurer stated that only 60 per cent. of the claims can now be paid.

Nova Scotia Conference.—Windsor was the seat of this Conference. Only one probationer was received into full connexion; ten young men were received on probation. One minister died during the year, the venerable Dr. McMurray.

Rev. J. G. Angwin and D. W. Johnston, M.A., were elected President and Secretary respectively.

The missionary meeting was more than ordinarily interesting, and was addressed by several ladies. The receipts from the circuits for missions were \$326 below last year.

Dr. Inch, who has long been connected with Mount Allison University, has accepted the appointment of Minister of Education for the Province. The Conference adopted a resolution regretting the loss which Mount Allison thus sustains, but thanked the Doctor for the services which he has rendered. Dr. Sutherland was asked to accept the Principalship, and on his decline,

Dr. Allison, an alumnus of Mount Allison and a former President, was appointed.

The Conference favours a union between the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, or at least a scheme of co-operation which may prevent unnecessary outlay of men and money in those districts where the population is small.

Arrangements were made to celebrate the jubilee of the Educational Institutions of Sackville in January, 1893. Professor Andrews wants \$100,000 to be the minimum sum to be raised on the occasion; he would rather have a million of dollars, as it is contemplated to organize a school of Manual Training as preparatory to the school of Engineering and Applied Science; \$2,000 were subscribed by members of the Conference.

From the statistics of former years it appears that the Methodist Church between 1886 and 1890 increased at the rate of more than 9,000 per year. The increase in the Maritime Provinces was 1,772 during the four years.

Newfoundland Conference.—This Conference suffers greatly by the loss of ministers who remove to other Conferences, without receiving others in their places. This year Rev. G. J. Bond was transferred to Nova Scotia, and two to Manitoba, while two others withdrew to connect themselves with the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States. Two probationers were received into full connexion, and one superannuated minister returned to the active work. There are localities which are reported as greatly needing missionary labour.

During the Conference, the sum of \$14,000 was transferred to the President from the estate of the Hon. C. R. Ayre, for the building of the Connexional Orphanage.

The brethren are very earnest in their labours on behalf of temperance, and equally strong in their denunciations of the tobacco nuisance. Substantial progress is being made both numerically and financially; there is a net increase of fifty members.

Rev. Dr. Milligan, Superintendent