

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH.

Since the organization of the Church Extension Boards in 1882 they have received from all sources \$702,449.15, and have aided 2,510 churches with an average each of \$250. The total value of all the church edifices is \$18,775,362 by the census of 1890.

The next General Conference is to be held at Memphis, May, 1894. Rev. Alexander Sutherland, D.D., will attend as fraternal delegate from Canada.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Hart, Superintendent of the Mission in China, still pleads for a larger reinforcement of labourers for the Celestial Empire. Recent news states that Dr. Hart has had an attack of malaria. He had just returned from a tour of twenty days up and down the Fuh river, and everywhere found the natives friendly.

The Woman's Missionary Society has arranged a series of prayer subjects for all the months of 1894.

It is expected that Miss Munro will return to Japan in 1894.

Calls are being made by the Woman's Board for workers in Indian, Japanese, and Chinese fields. Teachers are required for the two former, and a medical missionary for the last.

A missionary map of Japan, showing the missions of the various Methodist Churches and the stations of our own Church, has been issued. As the map is very cheap it should command a large sale. Apply at the Mission Rooms, Toronto.

The Missionary Board is glad to hear that certain domestic missions have become independent. As there is a deficiency of income this year, if some others would follow such a good example the Board would rejoice.

METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.

The President of the Conference visited Kilham Memorial Chapel, Epworth. He was the bearer of

\$1,500 from Mrs. Crooks, Sheffield. It is a noteworthy fact that Epworth gave birth to both John Wesley and Alexander Kilham.

The old series of the *Connexional Magazine* now brought to a close, is the third, of which the last volume is the sixty-first, and the ninety-sixth volume from the commencement in 1798, immediately after the origin of the Connexion. Of the noble series of editors only three survive, Rev. J. H. Robinson, Ottawa, C. D. Ward, and J. C. Watts, who has just closed six and a half years of editorial work and forty-four of ministerial service. Rev. W. J. Townsend is now the Editor and Book Steward.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

The Local Preachers' Mutual Aid Association has had a prosperous year. All sick claims have been paid and a good balance remains on hand.

Primitive Methodism is strong in the Isle of Man; other forms of Methodism also flourish. The majority of the inhabitants are Methodists, yet the State Church monopolizes most offices and posts of power. There are forty magistrates, and thirty-eight of them belong to the Church of England.

W. P. Hartley, Esq., J.P., has presented the college in Manchester with a large collection of books.

Rev. N. Boocock, of London, has been set apart for the African field of service and will leave for his distant field at an early date.

RECENT DEATHS.

Rev. Robert M. Wilcox, of the English Wesleyan Conference, travelled forty-five years. During his superannuation he was not idle, but preached as long as his strength would allow. He also gave much time to pastoral visiting among the sick and poor. He also had a society class. The Master permitted him to pass the seventieth milestone of life before calling him home early in December.

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