

Was not that noble? This was true courage...

Provincial Wesleyan

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 1861.

In consequence of the official relation which this paper sustains to the Conference of Eastern British America...

Close of Conference Proceedings.

On Saturday the 6th, the Contingent Fund Committee met at 9 a.m., to make the appropriations from the Grant to the several Districts.

A resolution—which was ordered to be read in the various pulpits of our Church in this city—passed the Conference, expressing the gratitude of its members for the peculiarly generous hospitality afforded to them.

The Rev. Dr. Stinson, in taking leave of the Conference, said—

My President and Christian friends. These greetings and partings are pleasing but painful. One short week since, we met in this house of God, where for the first time we saw each other.

While I sat day after day during the week past, listening to your discussions I must say, and I say it honestly, for I am regarded as a matter of fact man, and not given to flattery...

Last Saturday we gave you some account of our work in Canada, and asked you to join in thanking God for His blessing on our labours; but there are two sides to a question, and I wish to tell you what we have still to do.

The President then briefly addressed the Conference and the assembled friends, after which the Co-Delegate—on behalf of the Conference, affectionately took leave of Mr. Boyce, who is about to return to England.

We have also an interesting work among the Indians. We have 200,000 Indians, and if we had agents, could have access to them.

When I say that there are words which cross the whole page of a book, I mean that we have all to oppose Plurism, and as not less obstructive—Hyper-Calvinism; with these and the efforts which are making to introduce French manners and French morals—we have much to accomplish.

The Rev. Mr. Jones said—My President I can assure you, and through you the brethren in this Conference, the families with which I have mingled, and the congregations with whom I have worshipped, that I shall remember this visit among the most pleasant and profitable of all the visits which I have been permitted to make.

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We have reason to thank God and take courage when we think that while in 1739 some eight or ten persons came to Mr. Wesley in London, asking how they should flee from the wrath to come, that same eight or ten have become millions, so that among people of all lands, of all colors, of all languages, Methodism is to be found.

To realize so desirable a consummation, it behoves us rightly to estimate the grave responsibilities under which we live, and which we are entrusted by the lead of the Church. The members of no other section of the Church universal bear weightier responsibilities than do we; for the members of no other Christian communion rival us in our possession of an admirable ecclesiastical polity, and of manifold and most precious means of grace—wondrous aids to personal advancement along the way of holiness.

I hold, that as affiliated Conferences, we owe a large debt of gratitude to the Parent Connexion for assisting us to reach the position we have to-day.

But I am gazing on many for the last time on earth. It is painful to part with the conviction, that we see faces to-day which we shall never see here again; but how pleasant to know that, side by side with other evangelical agencies, we are labouring for God, and with the prospect of making this country a great country, and when our work is done, we shall meet again.

The Pastoral Address.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA. Dearly Beloved Brethren,—Provisionally permitted again to assemble ourselves together for Confederal deliberation on all matters relating to the well-being of our Church, we eagerly and joyfully hasten to renew, in our collective capacity, our pastoral intercourse with you.

Some of our Circuits have been, during the year, blessed with very gracious revivals of religion, in which many precious souls have found the pearl of great price. We are enabled to report a net addition of 330 to our membership, and 1533 on trial; and the general state of our work is highly encouraging.

your choice and love. You will be greatly assisted in this necessary work, if with prevalent liberality you procure for your families a sufficient supply of that sound, healthful, noble Wesleyan literature, which our Book-Room at Halifax, in the management of our esteemed and active Brother, Rev. C. Churchill, A.M., can abundantly furnish.

You will be gratified to learn that the Theological Institute at Sackville, designed to aid in the preparation of our young Ministerial Candidates for the better discharge of their sacred duties, has won for itself an incipient success, in the hands of our gifted brother, Rev. C. DeWolfe, A.M., upon whose prelections, during the year, quite a number of young men, prosecuting their literary studies in the Sackville Academy, have been in attendance.

You will also be delighted to know that our Academic Institutions at Sackville, have enjoyed a year of decided prosperity. They have been very largely patronised, and have never been in a more healthy and vigorous condition than during the past year. Great and growing is our obligation to these most excellent Institutions. We exult in their efficiency and deservedly high character; and we cordially, confidently and earnestly recommend them to your undivided patronage.

We beseech you to walk worthy of your high vocation. Allow no talent to be misused or unemployed; no promise blessing to remain unatoned; no duty to continue undischarged. Live in God. Live for God.

But while your principal work, and your primal solicitude should ever be to fulfil your own obligations to God, and to make your own calling and election sure, how claimant and imperious is the demand upon you, in behalf of a race perishing in its misery for lack of truth and grace! Its wail of anguish is gone out through all the earth, and there is no speech nor language where their piercing cry is not heard.

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New Zealand.

The Maori war, as we were last week able to state, is reported to be at an end. The following are the details:—During the truce, which commenced on the 13th and ended on the 15th of March, terms were offered to the native rebels by Governor Brown in the following address:—

"Hapuna and Ngatua.—For twelve months you have been carrying arms against Her Majesty the Queen and the authority of the law. You have now laid down your arms, and expressed a desire for peace. Believing you to be sincere, I have come from Auckland for the purpose of stating the terms upon which it will be granted, and upon which Her Majesty's pardon and protection will be extended to you.

Those terms were not accepted, and on the 15th of March were renewed. On that morning, 370 men of the 5th and 65th advanced to the front, and divided into working parties and coverers. The day leading to Te-Arai was covered, and a branch sent from No. 8 road, to sweep the rifle-pits on the verge of the valley.

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Religious Awakening in Paris.

Dr. McClintock, American Chapel-minister at Paris, in a letter to the Methodist, gives an account of a religious awakening in that city, which in view of its agencies and results, is one of the most remarkable manifestations of divine grace in the whole record of revivals.

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