

And we doubt not but many of the readers of the Wesleyan, have cause to be thankful that such a system of doctrine and discipline as Methodism, was ever known in the world.

From a consideration of the great benefits conferred on mankind by the establishment of Methodism, it has been resolved, to celebrate its Centenary this year, both by religious services, and also, by contributions to be considered as strictly a free-will offering, and quite distinct from all other subscription whatever; and that the monies so raised, shall be appropriated to something either monumental or highly useful and essential to the carrying on of its now mighty machinery.

Above £200,000 has already been subscribed to the Centenary fund in Great Britain and Ireland; which sum has been appropriated to two Institution Houses, for Missionary premises; for the widows and orphans of deceased Missionaries; for superannuaries among the missionaries; for the purchase and outfit of a missionary ship; for the schools, for the education of preacher's sons; for worn out preachers at home; and for other similar purposes equally laudable, and equally important to the permanent establishment and extension of Methodistical influence through the world.

At the late District Meeting, arrangements have been made for holding Centenary meetings, and for raising subscriptions for the Centenary fund, through this District, when there is not left but our Societies and congregations will come forward with their free-will offerings, in gratitude to the cause which has been made such a blessing to themselves and their families.

The Centenary fund is not strictly and absolutely Missionary fund; yet from the manner in which it will be appropriated, it is evident the Missionary Society will partake largely of the benefits resulting from it. And moreover, our friends should remember that whatever tends to promote the cause of Methodism any where, does in fact promote it generally, for we are eminently one body.

I trust, Mr. Editor, that the columns of the Wesleyan, like the columns of "the Watchmen;" will soon begin to exhibit long and respectable lists of Centenary subscriptions, and thereby give an important evidence of gratitude for the benefits that under God, have been conferred by Methodism in the Province of Nova Scotia.

I am, Sir, yours respectfully,  
A WESLEYAN.

**The Wesleyan.**

HALIFAX, MONDAY, JULY 23.

**CENTENARY OF METHODISM.**

**PROJECTED MEETINGS IN NOVA SCOTIA.**—We have great pleasure in giving publicity to the arrangements which have been entered into for celebrating the Centenary of Methodism in this Province. Our readers will generally be aware, that the actual Centenary day to be observed throughout the world, is the 25th of October next, to be kept as a solemn religious festival by services particularly appropriate to commemorate the rise of Methodism in 1739; but that previously to this, meetings are to be held after the manner of those in England, for the express purpose of making a general pecuniary contribution to be given as a thank offering to God, for the benefits derived from our re-

ligious system, which contribution is to be placed in the General Fund at Home, to be expended upon such great and noble objects as will be promotive of the work of God, and at the same time will be a monumental proof of our attachment to those principles, which, under God, were established and perpetuated by the labours of our revered Founder.

We trust that we need scarcely express a hope that every member of Society will come forward and place his offering on the altar which sanctifieth the gift. Let all come, no sum, however small and trifling, will be despised, while the intention sanctifies the offer; and we trust that all, both rich and poor, will afterwards have the satisfaction of feeling that they have paid one instalment of the immense debt of their obligation and that they "have done what they could."

The first General Meeting for this District, will be held in Halifax, on Thursday, 5th of August next, and that for the other District will be held at St. John, August 15.

Immediately after the meeting in Halifax, a series of sectional meetings will be held, so as to embrace every Circuit throughout the Province. The arrangements have been arranged as follows:—The first session of the Rev. R. Adler, Representative of the British Conference—the Centenary Meeting at Halifax, will be held on Tuesday, the 15th August, to embrace the following Circuits:—Baton, Cornwallis, Pictou, Pictou-borough, Windsor and New York. A similar meeting will be held at Charlotte Town, on Monday, 5th September, to include Charlotte Town, Digby, Murray, Harbour, Guysborough and Wallace. Another will be held in Liverpool, on Thursday, Sept. 11, to embrace Liverpool, Lunenburg, Burlington and Yarmouth.

To each and all of these meetings the attendance of lay representatives from each Circuit is particularly desired. We shall subjoin the copies of two Circulars which have been issued. The first intended for the Preachers, the second for the lay friends.

**CIRCULAR LETTER**

Halifax, July 22, 1839.

MY DEAR BROTHER—

It being necessary to enter into arrangements for holding Centenary Meetings throughout this Province, to celebrate in this, the hundredth year of its existence, the formation of the first Methodist Society, and for the establishment of a fund for purposes which have been already widely made known—it is proposed that the following order shall be observed:—

A General District Centenary Meeting,—adjourned from various meetings of a similar kind held in England, and aided by the presence and assistance of one of its honoured representatives, the Rev. R. Adler, one of the General Secretaries of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, shall first be held in Halifax; to commence on the 5th of August next, at which you are requested to attend, in company with all the principal lay friends connected with our Society in your Circuit whose assistance can be secured; and at which time arrangements will be made for holding similar meetings throughout the Province.

It is supposed that you have already widely circulated the addresses furnished you on this subject by the Society at Home, and it is hoped that no farther in-