

Indians. These poor creatures have suffered grievous persecution at the hands of the Seminary of St. Sulpice. The Seminary holds the land for the good of the Indians, but as soon as some of them embraced Protestantism attempts were made to expel them from the homes of their childhood, and because they refuse to comply with this cruel mandate the Minister of Indian Affairs has written them to the effect that they need not expect any further annuities, such as they have been accustomed to receive. A Committee of Privileges has been appointed, to whom the question is referred. An attempt will be made to obtain the aid of the Dominion Government on their behalf.

As might be expected, the Committee on Temperance presented a report which gave no uncertain sound. No license, either high or low, will satisfy Methodist people. Nothing short of prohibition pure and simple will do, hence a Standing Committee has been appointed; a deputation was also appointed to wait upon the Dominion Government to press upon them and also the leaders of the Reform party the claims of the country for prohibition, and also the subjects of North-West permits and licenses.

The Report of the Committee of the Book Room and Publishing Interests was full of interesting facts. The profits for the last quadrennium are \$78,775, \$22,000 of which was appropriated to the Superannuation Fund. Some wanted the *Christian Guardian* reduced in price, but it was proved that this would be a ruinous policy. A new young people's paper will probably be published, and thus meet the want of those who are calling for a cheaper paper.

The Eastern Book Room at Halifax reports improvement, inasmuch as there is a profit on the quadrennium of \$1,874.53, whereas the former quadrennium showed a net loss of \$636.

Montreal Branch Book Room reports a gratifying improvement. After making deductions for depreciation, etc., the net profits are \$1,752.63.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

This is a new departure. Rev. Dr. Berry, Editor of the *Epworth Herald*, visited the Conference, and met with a cordial reception as he described in an earnest manner this "missing link" in Sunday-school and Church work. The General Conference gave its imprimatur to the League. We doubt not but that it will now grow to maturity. There are already about 150 Leagues in Canada.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

General Superintendent Carman preached on the evening of the first day of the Conference, after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, at which the Rev. Dr. Steward presided.

A Welcome Meeting was held on the second evening, which was given by the Sunday-school Union of the city.

On Saturday afternoon, September 13th, Principal Douglas and his staff gave a reception at the Wesleyan Theological College. James Ferrier Hall was filled to overflowing and an hour was pleasantly spent in listening to several brief addresses, after which light refreshments were served and then a procession was formed, headed by Sir William Dawson and General Superintendent Carman, which proceeded to McGill University and a considerable time was spent in Redpath Museum; the various objects were explained by Sir William. Nothing could exceed the urbanity of the learned Principal of the University and the members of his staff.

The General Conference commenced its sessions September 10th, and closed on the 30th at midnight. Dr. Carman presided at all the sessions. He displayed great skill in his dealings. Nothing could surpass the fairness with which he conducted the business. The Secretary, Rev. S. F. Huestis, and his associates, Mr. W. Kennedy, Rev. J. S. Ross, Professor Bradley, and the Journal Secretary, Rev. W. Jackson, performed yeoman service and no doubt felt relieved when the Conference closed.