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ol MISSIONS AND MONEY.

beta The Church of Christ is essentially missionary in her character. She cannot be otherwise while retaining her vitality. In proportion to the possession of experimental religion among her, members will be the ardor of her missionary spirit.

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This unselfish enterprise is the natural outflowing of the benevolence of Jesus Christ infused by the Holy Spirit into the hearts of true believers. The Christian religion fosters ambition,-the true kind of ambition .-- prompts its votaries to dare, and do valiantly for the Master. The church aims at nothing less than universal dominion. All must bow to Jesus. Her faith has caught the prophetic utterance, "The saints shall possess the kingdom," and with that in view she plies all her energies in the Gospel vineyard. Though strongly opposed and bitterly persecuted in her onward movements, she derives great consolation from the animating words of Jesus to His early disciples. "Fear not little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the

OUR CHILDREN AND SUN-Brooklyn, New York recently, has again this city, dwelt particularly upon the the power of his grace, hyea been marvellflung away. We do not favor the pracfallen into difficulties with his people. DAY SCHOOLS. tice of pew-renting; on the contrary kindly manner in which he was greeted onsly displayed in the establishment spi His deacons were disposed to dismiss him. we regard it as one of the hindrances at the door by a member of the church. To Wesleyan Methodist Ministers, Sunday and success of missions. The manifest the Dr. Fulton summoned a meeting of the School Superintendents, Officers, and and led to a comfortable seat. To our approval of heaven has been pleasingly to the Gospel existing within the churchim Church members-presided himself-put Teachers. official brethren generally we would say, wouchsafed. This aspect of the cause It is gradually confining Sabbath wor-801 it to vote as to his remaining in his pre-"Go thou and do likewise." In many By authority of the Conference, the ply of is highly encouraging. While the church ship to those respectable families who sent charge-counted a vote of 185 in his cases the sexton of the church would Committee of our Sunday School Union has thus been made a blessing to have principle enough to lead them to favor and 153 against him. The meeting hesitate to open certain pew doors : in are empowered to make such arrangevei others, the reflex influence upon herself | the sanctuary, and barring out the then adjourned, the majority proceeding other cases parties, would feel less free to Dr. Fulton's residence "to return ments as will enable us to join with has been most beneficial. masses. In too many cases it gives the oth b As a branch of the Church of Christ, highest seats to the rich, while it sends to follow him than one of greater thanks to God for the majority." This is other Sunday School organizations at ser the Methodists should not be elated, the poor man to the gallery, or crowds authority. No one who has read the the version given by one of the daily pahome and abroad in the observance of But what were the 153 doing at Sunday, October 17th, 1875, and Mon-Scripture which formed the basis of pers. ma but profoundly grateful that God has him into a corner, or leaves him at the this time? Concocting, it would seem, day, October 18th, as days for Special our last Sabbath-school lesson, and has der door. At a meeting of the Church given them such a conspicuous place in some new scheme, for compelling the Dr. pondered Christ's words to His disci-Prayer on behalf of our great work. per Congress, held a few years since in Lonthis glorious latter day movement. to resign ! the ples "If I then, your Lord and Master. The Committee therefore most glad-Our responsibilities are great, nor don, it was declared by "resolution," Apart altogether from the scandal of have washed your feet; ye also ought ly invite your earnest co-operation in ele would we try to shirk them. Providenthat the pew system shuts out ninethis affair, it speaks but sadly for the form to wash one another's feet," can feel the movement, confident that in answer tua tially led to our present position, we tenths of the laboring classes of that of Church government which can tolerate to fervent pleading, the God of all that he in the least demeans himself. toil such measures. A connexional polity would dare not retrograde. Year after year country from public worship. Allowing who seeks to please the largest possible grace and the Lover of the little ones not make short work with this discontent. we must expect to have our ears assailthat even in our larger cities the number within range of an earnest will pour out richly of His Spirit upon Independence may sometimes be costly in gre ed, and our hearts touched by earnest evil is not nearly so great, but little arecclesiastical as in other conditions of life. plie ministry. the workers who seek to gather and and pathetic appeals for recruits and gument is required to prove that the Thus far our reflections upon subjects feed His lambs, and upon the myriads pew system is a prohibitory system, so supplies for this noblest of religious en-The satisfactory performance of this rought out by the daily papers as we hal of those of whom He said, "Suffer the terprizes. We cannot withhold our far as the religious privileges of a no duty, let it be remembered, pre-supposes pass along. sons and daughters, prayers and money, lin little children to come unto Me:" nor small part of our population are cona willingness on the part of all pew-There was but little of incident upon may we doubt that the result of such ip. when Jesus, who gave Himself for us, cerned. Bishop George once observed holders to welcome to a vacant seat any our journey during the first thousand intercession will greatly bless the parvel asks our hearty and fullest co-operation. while looking at a splendid church edione who may be presented. Horace miles. Drs. Stewart, Pickard, and Allison, ents of our Scholars and other members Love to Jesus alone makes fice in Baltimore, "The poor have the Greeley in referring to the country home with Messrs. Milligan, Huestis, Lathern, Gospel preached to them, but not here.' of their families. of his childhood, gives us a beautiful idea " Our willing feet and the writer, composed the company Is not this true in reference to many While the Committee hope that In swift obedience move.' of the bospitable spirit which pervaded from St. John. west. vee many local arrangements will be made Oh, that all who say they love Him Provincial Churches? The fact is a wh it, when he tells us, that the latch-string A dignitary of the New Brunswick Conserious one. If it be true of society as in various circuits, they would respectwere thus influenced. Many in Chriswas always on the outside. Let it be ference would doubtless have been of the ro: of thesea that "from the deepest depths so in Christian Church and houses. number, but for the appalling fact that he tendom have correct views of the fully suggest that the following order A claims of God upon them, but only a come the most precious pearls," what Let a pleasant face and a proffered book was announced to preach a missionary sershould as far as practicable be obzav mon Sunday morning at Cobourg. This few yield to them fully. Hence the are we to expect from those vigorous greet him who comes to occupy a vacant served :--un ntimation convinced him that he had strange misuse of the gifts of God. minds to which the State, through our seat, however humble may be his garb. That on Sunday and Monday mornmportant business requiring his attention Sometimes among those who have not excellent school-system, is now offering The opening of a pew-door may lead to ings. October 17th and 18th; between iee during an additional day or two in New an abundance of worldly goods, we find so many aids? Unless the doors of the salvation of a soul, and may set in Seven and Eight o'clock, all Teachers ud Brunswick. The usual variety of experian individual who puts into the Lord's our churches are thrown open as widely motion a wave of influence, to roll on should engage in private praver for per ences-sleepless hours with some and tritreasury to the full extent of his or her as are those of our schools, we can ex- with ever-increasing volume, until it ha God's blessing on their labours, and umphant repose with others-entered inability; but how much more rarely is pect "only evil and that continually." shall break on the eternal shore. A for each of their scholars by name : po. to the journeying life of the delegation. this the case among the wealthy? Poor Let restrictions be continued, and,--to young man who afterwards filled a dis-Pullman has not obtained a complete con-That before the Sunday Morning ho widows are more likely to receive the use the words of a living preacher- tinguished place in the political and 1t quest over railroad agitations. We would School and after the Evening Service, ourselves have preferred a trip to Portplaudits of Jesus for benevolence, than "How atheistic the next generation hr religious world, one Sabbath evening Special Prayer Meetings should be men prospering in business. There is will be, God alone knows! How far shortly after his arrival in London, enland by the excelient, "Falmouth," but held: the philosophy of that negro prevails to no lack of means in our churches; the society will drift from religion, and on tered a chapel in that city. He stood That on Sunday afternoon, instead of xp a great extent. who described his preferdifficulty is to extract them from the what rock humanity will strike, the some time in the aisle, but no one offerthe ordinary school exercises. the Teachences as in favour altogether of "de land "bocket while selfishness controls the Omniscient alone can tell !" The muled him a seat. Vexed and chafed, he ers, Scholars, and Parents should be re voyage-for, you see, if de steamer exheart. tiplication of services in public halls, pn turned to withdraw. One of the setassembled at a Special Service for singplode you do'nt know where you is, and if 10 The Methodist Church of Canada reen and the conversion of our churches into tled congregation however saw him go ing, prayer, and address : de train explode you do know." Perforce places so free that the Minister or quires a large increase in her mission-That on Monday Evening general out, followed him to the outer door. we followed the rails if we would enjoy Home Missionary may, without the ary income this year, to sustain the ou brought him back and made room for good company. Sunday School Meetings should be held slightest hesitation, invite to them "the work already commenced, not to speak him in his pew. The sermon to which for the purpose of uniting School work-Speaking of negroes-the celebrated least and the lowliest," without danger he that evening listened, led to his conof pressing calls for wider extension. ers and other members of the Church Tennessean Jubilee Troupe were with us in sympathy and prayer, to be conductof the brand of poverty, alone can save "The financial outlook at present is not version.' This incident encouraging to from Montreal on Saturday morning. ed in such a way as local circumstances "the most encouraging. With a consi- us from impending danger. -d Their history is a strange one. Every one ministers, is highly suggestive to pewmay indicate to be best. of the ten or twelve have been in slavery, derable debt from last year,-depres-We did not, when we took up our holders. 10 The Committee further hope that our though yet quite youthful. The blight of sion in business generally and an pen, intend to write so much about Ministers will be good enough to assist 10 This subject is worthy of serious that "institution" had followed them. increase of new men recently from Eng- pew-rentage. But what we have writin this important work by preaching at ew thought. There are crises in the lives One girl weeps yet over a loss to her worse and on Mission Stations in the Mari- ten, we have written, and are not in- of all men, and when the voice of the least once on the Sunday, with particu-B (than the bereavement of death. Three of time Provinces, there is certainly just clined to draw the pen through a sin- Spirit is heard above the din of the lar reference to Sunday School work her sisters had been sold, and resold; their and the conversion of children. cause for deep solicitude in reference gle line. It cannot, however, be ex- world; when a resurrection of childnames changed with each new ownership. to the early future. It is truly gratify- pected that a system so intimately con- hood's lessons has taken place; when GERVASE SMITH. until every trace of their identity is hope-President of the Conference. ing to see destitute places supplied with nected with the support of our church- the prodigal is on the point of saying, lessly wiped out! The living are dead. 7e CHARLES H. KELLY, ministerial agencies, and to have over- es, can be suddenly set aside. We "I will arise and go to my Father," From this curse, so grandly have the le worked brethren on extensive circuits therefore point out several plans by however dissolute his life may have Secretary. company arisen that they are educated. WILLIAM BINNS, aı relieved; but the question arises, How which the evil alluded to may be less- been, he instinctively moves toward and, what is 'better, thoroughly redeemed Assist. Secretary. ıei will those additional claims be met? ened, and ask for them the thoughtful the church door. At such moments, During two tours of singing for the pubfrom the selfishness of human nature. AN Wesleyan Methodist Certainly not wholly by those circuits attention of circuit officials generally. and under such influences, men at other lie they have turned in for the benefit of Sunday School Union. or new stations. A church, of which we have heard, in a times bold and rough, become timid and their College, fifteen thousand dollars. London, E.C. September 1st, 1875.

emergencies our people will manifest for the morning service, but throws | ward ; a cold word, or quiet neglect may increased liberality; otherwise we shall them open to the public in the evening. give an impulse hell-ward. We once hear and some of us feel a great deal about those uncomfortable realities, " large deficiencies." Notwithstanding the stringency of the money market and the depression of trade, we are quite sure, that an advance upon last year. can and will be made. Why not? As already intimated we have the means. but they are diverted into the wrong channel. Cannot many, including a few ministers, spare a few dollars by exercising a little self-denial in reference to the use of tobacco? Cannot the ladies the house of God, is admirably met. retrench in some articles of dress, without painful sacrifice ? Only think of it, twenty yards of silk for a dress ! Alas ! extravagance uses up more money than the mission cause. What will many professors do in the day of judgment, when examined in reference to the use of imparted talents? We certainly shall have to give an account of the deeds

done in the body. Let us not forget that we are stewards. The gold and the silver are the Lord's. but he has lent them unto the sons of men, and some refuse to pay him back a low interest. Five per cent. would fill the Lord's treasury to overflowing. "Largely thou givest, gracious Lord, Largely thy gifts should be restored;

Is, "Freely give." He only who forgets to hoard Has learned to live."

CHRISTIAN COURTESY AT THE CHURCH AND PEW DOOR.

th An American gentleman on speaking ticular juncture. for some years we take for granted. It its Dr. Fulton-the Justin D. Fulton of to a friend a short time since, respect-Kingdom." has long been used by our churches as a th SPECIAL DAYS OF PRAYER FOR Tremont Temple fame-who went to ing a visit to one of our churches in crutch, and crutches are not hastily . The providence of God, as well as the

Our hope is that in view of those neighbouring Province, rents its pews sensitive, a kind word may help heaven-We have no wish to advertise the church in question, we are not sure whether it is not a place where-to borrow a witty remark-the Gospel is "dispensed (with)," but we are at liberty to learn from all quarters, and to learn this lesson could do no harm. Equally good, if not better, is that plan adopted in another church by which each alternate pew is made free. In this case the objection to free seats, on the part of those who wisely wish to have their families seated together in

> Some of your readers are acquainted with a plan adopted in several large churches in England and America, where pew holders and their guests are admitted by a private door until the hour appointed for service, when the front doors are thrown open. and every unoccupied . seat is regarded as free. We remember that one morning, having been, through the kindness of a friend, admitted into Spurgeon's Tabernacle, we were deeply interested in watching the tide of humanity as it rushed in, when the front doors were thrown open just before the commencement of service. To attempt this might, however, justly expose us to the charge of attempting to wear clothes too large for us.

Where from circumstances neither of these plans can be adopted, an earnest effort on the part of official members to accommodate all who present themselves, may attract many to our

knew a man-of-war sailor enter the door of a church, walk up the aisle, and then walk down again, to return with a large stone on which he sat throughout the service. He was "one of a thousand," Under the same circumstances men have walked out never to return. The great question of eternal life or death may be determined at a church door. Welcome then the poorest outcast who may even look at your church. And see to it that none who approach the door of a Methodist church in town or country, may ever have in effect to sav

"Suffer me to pass Round the forbidden place ;

Lingering a moment, Like outcast spirits who wait. And see through heaven's gate, Angels within it."

Editorial Correspondence.

If indications are to be relied upon, usiness begins, in these Eastern States to look up. Boston is wonderfully active nce more. Streets lined with cases of Goods and shops crowded with purchasers, seem to be a part of the cities-life today. The lecturing season, too, has set in with great enthusiasm. John B. Gough-that orator who never declines and never grows old-has been delighting Boston audiences with an address upon Blunders." The little man has stories by the hundred. His gesticulations are wonderfully vigorous. As a temperance speaker it is thought that he excels. Treating on this topic Gough is very powerful-in fact altogether inimitable. Why cannot we have him in the Provinces? He would do a world of good at this par-

A minstrel troupe is capable of greater things, however, than making money :--Everywhere the whites are awakened into sympathy with those who had been degraed by generations of toil and bondage. These singers are preachers and mission aries as well. Their songs are principally upon emancipation-confounding metaphors very often in their expression of slavery and redemption, both domestic and spiritual. They have sense sufficient to make choice of poetical sentiment ; but as they come to represent the coloured race as they were, the public hear strange confusions of language.

Take these specimens :---"O some say John the Baptis; Is nothing but a Jew ; But the holy Bible tells us That John was a preacher too."

"An angel came from heaven,

- He came three times a day, To his't those diamend winders.
- To hear old Daniel prav."

There is no mistaking the preferences of a company that sing

'I'm a Methodist bred and a Methodist born

There's meetin' here to-night; And when I am dead there's a Methodist gone,

There's meetin' here to-night. CHORUS.

Shadrach, Meshack and Abednego There's a meetin' here to-night : We try your religion whether or no There's a meetin' here to-night.

" Canada" had been a charming word to the ears of these young persons in days gone by. It meant a land where the slave's fetters iell off, and the colour of the skin gave no man the right of predominence. Now they fairly luxuriated in seeing a land which had been to them long like the fair inheritance of some magic story.

Leaving the choice company, two of us diverged toward Ottawa. A fair city in a virgin country. But more of this again.

BY TELEGRAPH

OCTOBER 10, 1870

(Special to the Wesleyan.) COBOURG, ONT., Oct Missionary Deputation for E. Provinces-Rev. William Wil Secretary of the London Confe Wm. Gibbs, Esq., of Oshawa, Ont J. B. Morrow, Esq., of Halifax, wi go East shortly.

Enthusiastic missionary meeting last night.

Principle of appropriation of not decided, but probably the s of the Eastern Conferences w adopted.

Next meeting of the Board w held in St. John, N.B., and mer will then visit both Provinces for sionary Meetings.

CIRCUIT INTELLIGENCE

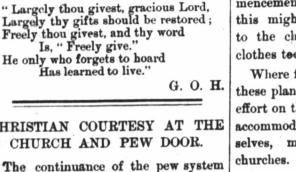
FLORENCEVILLE CIRCUIT .- Th of our missionary meetings was in Waterville last Wednesday ev when Rev. Messrs. Taylor and D gave interesting addresses. The scriptions were largely in advance o of former years. Owing to the extr wet weather we have been compe postpone the rest of our meeting people have taken in hand to fix th sonage, which was in a somewhat idated condition. In this matte people of Williamstown have bee pecially forward. At Summerfie have commenced to finish the ins our church. We will expend abo upon it. The appointment befor last, at Peel, was a season of un solemnity and profit. On the oc I baptized a lady and her dau The power of the Spirit was mani present to impress the congregati C. H. PA

Florenceville, Oct. 8, 1875.

Letter from the United Sta

The WESLEYAN has come to ha its new dress, bright, beautifulthing about it in matter, arrange and mechanical execution, deservin highest praise. Success to it new departure, and may many ble attend its editor and readers.

About sixteen years ago we com ed corresponding for it over the nature of "Cecil," and during years it has come regularly to our to cheer and encourage us, a in its new dress, we shall prize it than ever. And though never territory in which it principally lates, yet I somehow have come quite well acquainted with its pa and readers, and I hope some enjoy the privilege of shaking the of some of them. Most of our ANNUAL CONFERENCES have been held for the season, and reports of the state of the worl most cheering and encouraging. Th the country financially, is still dep ed. vet the finances of the Church never in a better condition. Som partments of the work are a little barrassed just now financially, bu believe they will not suffer any e tial injury from the embarrassme the end.



REVIVALS

are progressing in various parts of work, and there is evidently an inc ing revival influence in the Ch The prospect is that a general rewill be enjoyed during the fall and ing winter, which is most dev desired.

IMPORTANT MEETINGS

are soon to be held to consider ch matters, among which are the me of the General Missionary Committ New York, when the entire missic work will be considered, the appr ations made to it for the year; an annual meeting of the Board of B in Boston, held there for the first These meetings are looked for considerable interest, and we will to inform your readers of their do

AMONG THE BOOKS AND PUBLISH

much might be said, but we will take much space in remarks on the ject in this letter. Messrs. Robert ter & Brothers, have issued, " Years in the Turkish Empire," by E. D. G. Prime; D'Aubigne's "H of the Reformation in the time of vin," vol. 6th. " The Testimony Rocks," by Hugh Miller, and the " and words of Jesus, and Morning Night Watches," by Dr. Macdul most valuable books, as are all th sue from their publishing house Macduff will be read with great est, and the present volume will be sidered as among the best of his