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## Centennial Numbers of the "Methodist Magazine."

WITH a view of bringing within the reach of every one at this important Centennial time the best survey we can of the great movement which twenty-five millions of Methodists will, in the month of March, commemorate, we have prepared three special Centennial numbers of the *Methodist Magazine*. They will contain articles by William Arthur, Dr. Douglas, Dr. Stafford, Dr. Potts, and many others, on different aspects of the great Methodist movement, and will have illustrated articles on the Footprints of Wesley, with good portraits and many other engravings and many other important papers.

Among the topics will be, Wesley and Voltaire; Wesley and the Moravians; the Development of Methodism; Methodism, a Power Purifying Society, etc.

The March number of this *Magazine* will be, even more than the others, a special Wesley Centennial number. It will give a very full and touching account of the last days of John Wesley, with fine portrait; also an estimate of his character by several of his contemporary "helpers;" a paper on the Mother of the Wesleys, by the Rev. Dr. Potts, Educational Secretary, with fine portrait; a noble Epworth poem; a fine paper on Wesley and the Eighteenth Century, by the Rev. J. O. A. Clarke; an illustrated paper on the Footprints of the

Wesleys, by the Editor; and some reflections on the social and religious influence of the Wesleys, founded upon Lecky's History of the Eighteenth Century, besides other articles. Of this special number, enlarged to 112 pages, we shall print a very large edition, in expectation of a very large demand. These will give our Leagues and Young People's Associations, and Sunday-schools and others, ample material for Centennial addresses. These numbers will be sold at twenty cents each, or fifty cents—post free—for the three, January, February and March, containing 324 pages, with a dozen Centennial articles and a score of other papers, with nearly 100 fine engravings.

## Wesley Centennial.

LET CANADA TAKE PART.

THE English Methodists purpose raising in connection with the centenary of the death of Wesley, a sum of about ten thousand pounds, to be applied in building a new and worthier tomb over Wesley's grave; to set aside Wesley's house as a museum for Methodist antiquities; and to thoroughly restore City Road Chapel, making it worthy of the mother church of Methodism. Among other proposed changes the present wooden pillars under the gallery are to be removed, and seven handsome marble pillars placed in their stead, each to cost about \$500. The Canadian Methodist Church is requested to contribute the amount necessary to supply one pillar.

Dr. Potts has consented to act as treasurer for this fund, and has already received several subscriptions. It would be a nice thing for our Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues to have a share in this movement. Address Rev. Dr. Potts, Toronto.

## How "Onward" is Received.

WE are constantly receiving very appreciative notices of *Onward*, of which the following from the Rev. W. J. Barkwell, of West Toronto Junction, is a specimen: "Accept congratulation on your successful effort to meet the need of our interesting young people. *Onward* is a superlative gem and fills the bill to a nicety. Such a bright, spicy paper, so vigorous and progressive and so wholesomely religious, cannot but appetite while it satisfies. May it have a wide circulation. Our order of seventy-five copies has been eagerly devoured and will have to be increased to one hundred."

These letters are a great encouragement. We shall spare no effort to make *Onward* as good as we know how. We want to be in every way helpful to our young friends, and especially to be religiously helpful. We esteem it a great privilege to be brought into weekly fellowship with so many thousands of the bright young