

## RELIGIOUS.

## BAPTIST.

Rev. J. F. Avery leaves Halifax on the 27th inst. for New York, where he will engage in mission work. He will continue the publication of his paper, *Buds and Blossoms*.

Rev. J. F. Kompton has resigned the position of pastor of the Baptist church at Chester, and will in all probability become pastor of the church at Hopewell, N. B.

The annual meeting of the Baptist Sabbath School Convention of the Central Association of Nova Scotia, was held in the First Baptist church yesterday.

The colored Baptists of the United States number 1,070,000. They meet in convention, and support a mission in Africa.

Next Sunday the Baptist church at New Glasgow, which has been undergoing extensive improvements, will be opened with appropriate services.

## METHODIST.

The annual meeting of the General Board of Missions of the Methodist Church of Canada will be held in Montreal on Oct. 11th.

Some of the Methodist churches of the Province are already taking measures for the supply of their pulpits which will be vacant next year. An invitation from the Yarmouth North circuit, has been accepted by the Rev. J. J. Teasdale, of this city; and the Rev. Joseph Gietz has accepted an invitation to Charles St. Church. It is stated that the Rev. J. A. Rogers will be the next minister at Brunswick St. church.

On the 11th October the annual meeting of the N. S. branch of the Woman's Missionary Society will be held in Yarmouth.

The \$50,000 endowment fund for the New York Hospital, has nearly all been subscribed.

The Methodist mission tent is doing excellent work in Ireland. It has thus far been received with hospitality, and its novelty has attracted many worshippers.

Charles B. Wright, one of the Directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, now in Tacoma, W. T., has offered \$10,000 to the Methodists of Washington Territory toward a Methodist university, if the university is located at Tacoma.

## PRESBYTERIAN.

Last year 728 were added to the membership of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, which now makes the entire membership 4,020.

Thirty-nine churches in the United States gave for foreign mission work over \$2,000 each; twelve gave over \$4,000 each, and Fifth Avenue church, New York, contributed \$28,000.

Australian Presbyterians are raising \$250,000 for church extension and educational purposes.

Rev. Charles A. Doudiet, of Montreal, is visiting the principal places in the Maritime Provinces in the interests of French Canadian evangelization. He preached in two of the Presbyterian churches of this city on Sunday last, and on Monday lectured in Chalmers church. Though a Frenchman, the reverend gentleman is a very able and eloquent English speaker.

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces will be held in New Glasgow on the 4th October. Within the Synod there are eleven Presbyteries.

In the Presbytery of Halifax which includes the counties of Halifax, Hants, Kings, Annapolis, Digby, and Yarmouth, there are 30 congregations and 6 mission stations, connected with which there are 3,033 families. Last year the sum of \$28,309 was raised for salaries, and \$9,007 for the schemes of the church.

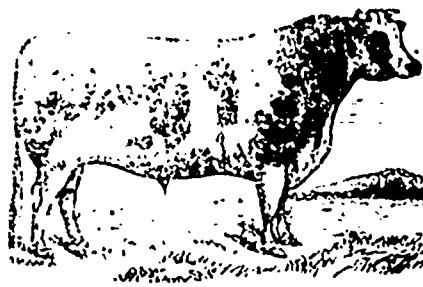
The Presbytery of Halifax met at Little River yesterday, and inducted the Rev. T. H. Murray into the pastorate of the church.

Last Thursday the Halifax Ladies' College was opened, there being over a hundred pupils in attendance.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

In connection with the commemoration of the Centennial of the Colonial Episcopate, it may interest our readers to know that there is in England a clergyman, the Rev. William Rupert Cochrane, rector of Langton, Lincolnshire, who represents 134 years of family service given to the Church, out of which 111 years were spent in the ministry of the Church in Nova Scotia, which province formed the diocese of the first appointed colonial Bishop. Mr. Cochrane has been for 35 years a clergyman, his father was in the ministry for 56 years, and his grandfather for 43 years. The grandfather, the Rev. Dr. James Cochrane, President of King's College, Windsor, the first Colonial University holding a Royal Charter for conferring degrees, was one of the first clergymen ordained in Canada. We cannot but think that it would be a gracious act on the part of the Queen towards the Church in the colonies to mark the fact of her Jubilee year coinciding with the centennial year, by conferring upon Mr. Cochrane some distinction, say that of an honorary chaplaincy to her Majesty, in recognition of the long service given by his family to the Church. There are doubtless other instances of men connected with the other Colonies deserving reward which have not yet been brought to our notice, but the case of the Cochranes is one of such exceptionally long and faithful service that it seems to call for special recognition.—*The Rock, London, G. B., Aug. 19.*

This excellent suggestion of *The Rock* was originally made in the Critic of April 1, by our Contributor "Snarler," who also called attention to the length of the clerical service of the Cochrane family.



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