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United Connexion. He is a man who sees the bearing of measures at a glance, and prosecutes his chosen ones with enthusiasm and perseverance. At school and college he stood high in his classes. His scholarship is varied. He is a slashing writer, a good preacher and lecturer; and we believe he will prove himself adapted to attach subordinates to himself, and to govern them after. It is to be hoped his plans will receive consideration, and his efforts encouragement, by the General Conference and Connexion at large.

While yet growing, his "lathy" figure gave him an ungainly appearance; but now he has filled up into a fine specimen of manly beauty. His tall, straight figure, easy carriage, dark hair and beard, and coal-black eyes, to our taste, give him a fine appearance. Alas! ladies, there is no chance for you—he is married to a wife who has all his heart. A nobler heart never throbbed in human breast than that of Charles S. Eby. A thousand times, may God Almighty bless him! Amen.

We must here correct our surmise about Mr. Sparling being the youngest member of the General Conference, Mr. Eby being two years his junior.

REV. EDWIN HOLMES, was born in the picturesque village of Old Bolingbroke, Lincolnshire, England, of English parents, on the 10th of October, 1833. He was brought up in the Church of England, his father being for nearly thirty years clerk in the Established Church, Living, however, in the shire of the Wesleys, Methodism was earnestly at work, and he was first brought under its hallowing influences by being invited as musician to lead the choir of the Wesleyan church. In the latter part of the summer of 1854, while residing in Boston, in the same shire, he was invited to take part with the choir of the New Connexion Church, West-street, and almost immediately after, under the labors of W. Pacey, was led to Christ, and united with that Church. He, with three other young men, formed a society in connexion with the Church, named it "The Band of Love Society," and met weekly for prayer, reading of the Scriptures, and making preparations for public speaking. Immediately after his conversion he was put in the plan as a local preacher, appointed tract distributor, a teacher in the Sabbath School, and soon after its Superintendent. In the early part of 1857 he was appointed by the English N.C. Conference as a Missionary to Canada, and in July of that year, after hearing a lecture on Canada by Rev. J. H. Robinson (who was then on a visit to England), a "farewell sermon" by Dr. Crofts, and enjoying a "Farewell Tea Meeting" given by the kind friends of Liverpool, he with four other Missionaries, sailed in the steamer Anglo-Saxon, and in nine and a half days reached Canada's shore. Since then he has labored in the Dereham, Norwich, Pennington, London, Nassageweya, Prince Edward, Milford, Aylmer, Manvers, and Mount Forest circuits. He has had the honour of being Chairman of Districts, Secretary of Conference, is now Secretary-Treasurer of the Paternal Fund, and also now is, and has been for several years past, one of the four "Directors" of the Superannuated Preachers' Annuity Society.

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