

The late General Conference, held just previously to our Annual Conference, has taken the Institution under its general direction—thus securing the co-operation of the entire Church, East and West. Indeed, the unanimity and zeal manifested by our brethren of the Niagara Annual Conference, in this matter, leave but little room to doubt our speedy success in this educational enterprise. The General Conference having appointed our former Agent, Rev. J. H. JOHNSON, we have selected another to canvass more fully the country. We commend him to you, feeling every confidence that your hearty co-operation will be given. Brethren, our responsibilities to the Church and to the world are becoming greatly increased. The demands upon our benevolence are daily multiplying. Prosperity attends every branch of industry. Facilities for doing good are every day opening up, and means for promoting Christ's Kingdom multiplying on our hands. Our country apparently is destined to become intelligent, rich, and powerful,—may we not pray, “holy and happy”? Efforts to do good must keep pace with the mighty advancements of the age, or the triumphs of truth over error will be long delayed.

We need say nothing of the *Canada Christian Advocate*—it speaks for itself. Continue to purchase and read it—let every Methodist family possess it. Thus you will sustain the Church, bless your families, and further the great cause of scriptural religion.

We urge upon your attention the necessity of being Methodists. Love and perpetuate those excellent means by which, under God, Methodism has become what it is; such as Prayer and Class-meetings, &c. Be experimental—be practical—let your motto be “Holiness to the Lord.” Carefully guard against that growing evil amongst professors of religion, viz.—Sabbath-breaking. “Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.”

New fields are opening for Missionary operations. There are many Macedonian cries, “Come over and help us.” Our Missionaries traverse a large tract of country—urge their way to many of the most remote settlements—and are instrumental in carrying the pleasing message of peace and good-will to thousands, who otherwise would remain destitute of the blessed Gospel of Christ. Brethren, we solicit your co-operation in sending the glad tidings of salvation to the habitations of the poor and needy; and, confiding in your liberality, we cheerfully commence another year's exertions in our Missionary enterprise.

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