THE USES OF TROUBLE. BY REV. T. DE WITT TALMAGE.

The trouble we have were sent for a revelation. That man who has always been prosperous don't know his own heart. He says, "I am so cheerful; this must be the cheerfulness of the Christian religion. Why, it is very easy to be cheerful when you have nothing to make you sad. You live in a brown-stone house, with tapestried parlors, have plenty of friends, aud so much money that the only question with you is how to make a permanent investment. But suppose everything goes wrong; suppose the bank won't have anything to do with your paper. Those people that used to sit at your table are too short-sighted to see you on the other side of the street. Sup-Zions Herald. pose God upsets all your plans, and everything seems smashed in, then it is not so

easy to be cheerful. It is easy to be cheerful in a bright home, with the gas-light turned on on full head, children full of romp and hilarity. But suppose the circle is broken, the piano shut. because the fingers that used to run over them are turned to dust, then it is not so easy to be cheerful. No ! my friends, we don't know ourselves until we have been in trouble. A Christian lady I knew had her husband accidentally killed at the West. His body was brought home at twelve o'clock at night. It was an awful spectacle to witness the rebellion of that woman. She called God unjust; but after a while God came to her with the consolation of his Gospel. She said to me, one day. "I did not know my own heart : I my soul." She did not know her heart before. You do not know yours until trouble, disaster, and trial come.

Again, there is a future family reconstruction in a better place. Sometimes in Ireland, Germay, or England, a son will say to his father, " I am going now to America !" They try to persuade him to stay. He comes across the waters. He writes letters home. After a while another brother comes, then a sister, then the father and mother. The whole circle is united here, and they have a grand jubilee on this side of the water. So will be our egress from this world. Your son will go, your life on the 19th ult : father, your sister, your mother, one after another, until on the other side of the flood we shall have the great family reunion. You say, "I believe that." No, you don't you don't believe it as you ought. If you did believe it with all your soul, it would take nine-tenths of your trouble away. Heaven is a great fog to most of us; it is afar off, intangible, uncertain. Oh ! there after she was enabled to rejoice in a knowledge is nothing permanent and fixed but heaven. The house in which you now live is not half so real as that in which the departed live. You do sot know in the morning where you with the people of God, when uniting in spirituwill be in the night. Your existence is not al worship; and lived with a hope through Christ guished missionary from China; Fredk. E. introduction of these topics into a paper so so real as theirs. Do not feel sorry for the of worshiping in Heaven. loved ones who have departed in Christ. They don't want your pity. Write letters to Victoria on her obscurity, or to the Barings on their poverty, rather than say, Poor father." "Poor mo-Poor child." ther," to those who are in heaven. You are poor, they are rich. In this world you don't live much with your family ; much of the time you are off. Father goes to labor at seven or eight in the morning and don't come back until five or six; mother is always busy with cares, she cannot sit down bereaved husband, two children, and many has visited America, and while in New much : but in heaven we will be together friends mourn her loss but not as those who all the time-no more work to do. If you have no hope. have four children, and God has taken one of them, and somebody asks you how many children vou have, don't say three say four -one with God. Why did you lay it away in the family vault? Why not in the Potter's Field? "Why," you say, " that is my child." Yes, it always will be yours. Ah ! do not be jealous of the grave. The grave will not damage any who dies in Christ. I expect to have all my kindred about me in the better world. The day of the resurrection will take up seven of them from the grave-yard at Somerville, one will be taken from China, one from the sea of Cape Hatteras, and many from the cemeteries of Laurel Hill and Greenwood, and I shall see them, and know them better than ever I did. You go to bed at night, and say, "Call me early in the morning," you are afraid you will oversleep yourself; but the first knock that comes you will rise up. Just so it will be with those who sleep in Christ. No matter where they are, in England, Ireland, Scotland, in Germany or in the sea, the first knock on the sepulchre will bring them up. Said Haliburton, that good. grand old Christian, when about to die, " I have a father, a mother, and ten brothers in heaven, and a sister there, and I will be the eleventh brother there." I like such specific faith as that. Remember, also, that our troubles here are preparatory to glory. It was very bright when I arose, this morning; then clouds came over the sky : then there was a dash of brightness, then clouds again ; and when came to church it was stormy, now it is bright again ; and it is all the brighter from the fact that it was dark a little while ago. It is all the brighter now at twelve because at eleven it was cloudy. So, my friends, it is with the clouds and darkness of this world, which will make all the brighter the coming glory. The darker it is here, the brighter it will be there. When John Holland died, it was about five or six in the God be all the praise for His truth and saving round, and it was growing darker and darker. When near the last moment, he looked up, and said to the family, "What is this strange light in the room. Have they lighted the candles, Martha?" "No," she said. He replied, "Then it must be hea-Ho ! ye slandered and persecuted, they will speak well of you there. Ho ! ye sick, I tell you the first breath of heaven will send immortal health through your pulses. Ho! ye bereaved, there will be no grave digger there. The river of God will flow right down, deep as heaven's own joy, in a river of gladness, flowing between banks of myrrh, its depths bright with jewels, under skies roseate with gladness, and moving on with argosies of light to the stroke of the golden oar and the song of angels, and there will not be either a sigh on the wind or a tear in the water.-S. S. Workman.

numanity is interested, and who is equally preci to secure a first-rate meeting, and to pre-In the love-feast a preacher said, "I intend pare the Wesleyan mind of the metropolis ous to all to stand sword in hand, and push the battle to the gate, until the Master says 'It is enough."

GATHERING HOME.

A sister said, "Bless God, I have heartfelt did not in any respect fall below the average religion. I know 'sactly when Jesus spoke character of its predecessors. In a few peace to my soul, and my scales fell off. I days we shall have before us a full report know'd the Lord don't convert men to do not- of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting, thing, but to 'strain others to be saved. So I and doubtless the readers of the Wesleyan set my candle on a hill. I'se been the means of will soon thereafter enjoy the pleasure of bringing fifty souls to Jesus, that has been con- reading the most interesting and instrucverted and joined the Church, and when any of tive portions of that report. em dies and goes to glory. I bless God dat my Meanwhile we may take a glance at the crown is getting brighter. Brethren, I am not general arrangements made by the Commitor this world; we belong to a better country,

and I intend, when the bell rings, to have my tee of the Society in preparation for the Antrunk packed; so I pack a little every day."- nual Meeting. On Tuesday evening, April 26th, a missionary sermon was preached in that part of London called North Brixton.

On Wednesday evening, April 27th, a discourse of the same character was delivered The church bells toll again ! Bishop Kingsley in City Road Chapel. On Thursday morna genial, whole-souled man, a wise and loving ing, April 28th, the President of the Con- as can be ascertained is about 20,000, and associate, a broad and progressive spirit. No ference preached in the Centenary Hall. On about 400 of them are engaged in the work two men, in the episcopacy or out of it, sur-Friday morning, April 29th, Dr. Edmond, of the Christian ministry. The deep seatassed him and his associate, Bishop Thompson of the United Presbyterian Church, preacha those traits which win and hold troops of ed in Great Queen Street Chapel. On Satfriends. His loss is a terrible calamity to the urday morning, April 30th, a Missionary New Testament in Hebrew is greatly in-Church. Worn down by long sea voyages, by Breakfast Meeting was held at one of the sultry clime, by unaccustomed changes of City Hotels; and on the evening of the same climate and diet, he has perished suddenly, far day a special Missionary Prayer Meeting from his home. But he died in the land of his Lord. A Bishop of our Chnrch has breathed was held in the City Road Chapel. These his last in the most sacred spot of earth. the successive services well prepared the way did not know that I had so much sin yet in land that is nearest heaven. It is sad, unspeak- for the more general efforts of the following able sad; yet, if he must go, there is comfort in Sabhath day, May 1st.

> the thought that he was called from the holy to On the Sabbath, one hundred and fiftythe holiest land. The Church trembles under nine missionary sermons were preached in this frequent stroke. The Bishops would do eventy-nine different chapels comprised in wisely in appointing a day of general mourning, the twenty-four London Circuits. In each prayer for the speedy conversion of all the and fasting, and prayer over these bereavechapel two of these sermons were delivered.

and in Great Queen Street Chapel three. These sermons were delivered by ninetyone preachers, and were heard by many to be fought over again. Much attention thousands of people.

Mary Elizabeth wife of Mr. James H. Gosbee. The ministers living outside of London, and daughter of Mr. John Acker departed this who took part in these services by special Kingdom. The doctrine of the final anniinvitation from the Committee were Charles hilation of the wicked was first fully stated, Sister Gosbee was born at Birch Town Shelburne Co., and was known at her father's house Haydon a most effective Superintendent and then followed a writer who calmly and from Plymouth; George Osborne, former ably contended for the final restitution of as a worthy young woman of retiring manner, Some years since she evinced a desire to enjoy General Missionary Secretary, now Theolo- all to favor and happiness. Lastly Dr, religion. Having removed to Guysborough, gical Tutor at Richmond College-a most while attending a prayer meeting, the Lord able man ; James P. Dunn an exceedingly and in three letters produced the full argugraciously deepened her convictions; and soon successful pastor from York ; Thos. Vasey, ment as deduced from the teachings of one of the most useful of living English Christ and His apostles, with a clearness of her sins forgiven. Being married in 1867 Methodist Clergy, of Sunderland; James and force which has left little to be desired; and he has written with so much point and she with her husband returned to her former home. She was ever pleased to be present H. Cummings no doubt a man of mark directness of proof as will greatly serve from Bigglesmade; Josiah Cox, a distin- the cause of truth. It was feared that the Toyne, a popular preacher from Bristol; and widely read was a mistake and cause for re James Stacey the worthy and able Princi- gret, but as the answer on behalf of evan-Her last illness was short, nor did she expect t would terminate fatally, until a short time bepal of the Methodist New Connexion Colfore her death. That knowledge, however found lege at Sheffield. Dr. Stacey preached on lowed to sink into angry disputations, these her resting on Jesus Christ, for present and Wednesday evening at City Road, and twice fears are dismissed, and it is hoped that the everlasting salvation. She expressed her wish respecting her children, and her burial, and on the following Sunday, once in Highbury frequently engaged in prayer ; awaited her end. Chapel and once in the Hinde Street Chapel.

After her friends thought her unconscious, while No doubt he also took a prominent part on the day, and men of God must gird on the her husband was praying at her bedside, her the platform in Exeter Hall at the Annual armour. lips moved as though uniting with him. Her Meeting on Monday May 2nd. Dr. Stacey York made a highly favorable impression

privilege of hearing him preach.

J. D. H. on the Methodists of that city who had the

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the world generally, by the various posi-tions which he had occupied, and which he important discoveries and conclusions, is In England, in the United States, ENGLISH CORRESPONDENCE. the world generally, by the various posi- Survey. Here modern science in its most had so honourably filled. As a Professor presented in an easy, growing style that Dominion of Canada, it has multiplied in the attrion of the Jens-Controversial terson of the Jews-Control Meetings-in one of our colleges he was very success-the March Quarterly Meetings-The Chancellor's Budget - The Easter ful; as a divine and preacher he ranked illustrations are exceedingly attractive. but few superiors, and in authorship he had The Andes and the Amazon : or, across the DEAR MR. EDITOR,-In connection with DEAR MR. EDITOR, -In connection with gained a most enviable and honourable continent of South America, by James

Africa, India, China, and Polynesia, are among position. At the time of his death he was Orton, M.A., Prof. of Natural History in its highest glories and the result of its most and nectings, famed all over the world : your preparing, in connection with Dr. James Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York cessful labors. All these facts are evidences of orrespondent would direct attention to the Strong, the great biblical and theological Most important and valuable information is true religious life, and of the existence of the work which is being wrought under the work of the age, The Cyclopædia of Bib- here given of the Equatorial regions of presence and blessing of God in the Methodis Divine blessing in the conversion of the lical, Theological and Ecclesiastical Litera- South America, and as a book of travel it Church." Divine bleaving in the conversion of the ture, three volumes of which have been is full of charming interest. History of the We mark with pleasure the evidences of

beloved of God for their Father's sake. issued by Messrs. Harper & Brothers, New American Civil War, by John William Two great societies are engaged in this spe-issued by Messrs. Harper & Brothers, New American Civil War, by John William Cial department of holy toil. The London Vork. He was also President and Profes-Draper, M.D. The third and last vol. of cial department of holy toil. The London sor of Practical Theology in the Drew The-Society which is entirely Episcopalian; and slow of Practical Theology in the Drew The-this work is now issued, and is equal in Society which is entirely Episcopalian; and ology Seminary, Madison, N. J., an institution which owes its existence principally volumes. This work is regarded as the the Gospel among the Jews, which is supported chiefly by Dissenters. Both socie-to his labours and influence, and for the most full and complete history of the war success of which he felt the deepest inter- ever published, and is exceedingly attracties have been honored of God, and much est. He fell at his post suddenly in the tive in style. success is from time to time reported. The strength of his manhood, aged 56 years. work is special and requires peculiar agep-

His end was peace. ies; yet in Great Britain and in foreign lands the number of converted Jews as far

found greatly to accelerate their prosperity, Froude's celebrated History of England spiritually, numerically and financially. The cry for more ministerial help, from so many cirapproaching completion. Ten vols, have Bishop Thompson died suddenly at the been issued. Vols, 11 & 12 will be issued cuits, is also indicative of the same.

eity of Wheeling, Va., on his way from in September. This work is exceedingly Doubtless many of our readers will be struck the West Virginia Conference, over which popular, and its author has gained the firwith the absence of everything new and exciting he presided, to the Newark Conference in rank among the writers of history. He in the report of the proceedings. In fact, the New Jersey, which he was to attend. But knows how to write so as to attract attenremark is often made, that there is nothing very four days before his death he wrote a long tion and to be read. The remaining vols. interesting to outsiders, and it seems a wonder letter, giving a description of what he had will be looked for with interest. The pubthat so many intelligent men should spend so seen and learned in his recent travels, to lishers, Messrs. Charles Scribner & Co. long a time together and yet not accomplish Zion's Herald. His disease was typhoid- continue the publication of their Illustrated anything which shall awaken more interest outpneumonia. Bishop Thompson was born Library of Wonders. The vol. entitled, the city of Portsmouth, Eng., and came " The Sun," by Amedee Guillemin, transside ! We would remind persons who so speak to this country with his parents in his ninth lated from the French, has just been issued that it is necessarily characteristic of the Convear. After leaving the schools, he entered and like its predecessors, is full of thrilling the medical profession, for which he was interest. It contains 58 illustrations, and routine kind. Unlike some sister churches, we thoroughly qualified; but at a Methodist is exceedingly attractive. camp-meeting he was awakened to the inte-Messrs, Fields, Osgood of Co have in

rast of his soul, and soon became an ear- sued the series of Sermons delivered in There are many of your readers, Mr nest Christian. He united with the Meth- Music Hall, Boston, by Rev. Mr. Marry Editor, who dearly love the cause of Israel, odist E. Church, and entered the Ohio of Park St. Church, and are received by to whom this brief reference will be truly Annual Conference in 1833. He arose at the public with much favor. The serme welcome ; and prompt to more importunat once to distinction among his brethren. In are written in an earnest, attractive style, Conference consists in the careful scrutiny and 1838 he was elected to the Principalship of and will be extensively read by the masses. seed of Abraham; and the presentation of Norwalk (Ohio) Seminary; in 1844, to They treat on important, practical topics fresh experiments, or seeking to discover new pecuniary offerings in aid of the good work. the Editorship of the Ladies' Repository, and will do good. The same publishers "There is nothing new under the sun. Cineinnati ; in 1846, entered upon the Pre- have issued Miss Elizabeth Stewart Phelps' and old controversies rage, and battles have sidency of the Ohio Wesleyan University, new work, entitled, Hedged In-a thril

where he remained 14 years; in 1860, ling story, showing how fallen humanhas been lately drawn to a series of letters elected to the editorship of the Christian ity, in some of its worst conditions may appearing in the Christian World" which Advocate, at New York, and in 1864 he be rescued and saved. The author uses an has an immense circulation throughout the was elected and ordained one of the Bishops exceedingly graphic and attractive pen. of the Church. He was a great man-a Messrs. Hurd and Houghton have issued genius. His mind was of the highest order Holy Matrimony, by Rev. James A. Bolles, blishments. On a first view of the case, it must -clear, critical, philosophical, but emin-ently practical. His scholarship was great ject of matrimony in-its various relations research, especially in the depart- and obligations, and has presented facts on of establishments in which 6,000 English ladies Angus of the Baptist College, London, apments of science, classics, and belles-lettres, the subject that should be well considered peared in defence of the Orthodox views was extensive and profound. As an author at the present time. Such a work is espehe had gained a high position. His works cially called for, and heartily do we wish i will be read in all times as among the finest an extensive circulation. The same pubspecimens of English composition. His lishers have published The Nation ; the asay, entitled, "Close Thought," has foundations of civil order and political life scarcely been equalled from Addison to in the United States, by E. Mulford. This Froude. His last hours were full of Chris- work evinces marked ability, great research, and a clear and thorough knowledge of the tian hope. an hope. Bishop Kingsley was two years older subject presented. The topics discussed are

han Bishop Thompson, but was elected to of the utmost importance, and should be the Episcopacy at the same time. He died carefully considered by every citizen. The suddenly at Beirut, on an Episcopal tour work should be read and studied, as it conaround the world. He visited the missions tains information that every person ought of the Church in China and India, and his to understand. letters from those countries have been read

Messrs, Carlton & Lanahan, have give minds of many will be established. The with great interest. Bishop Kingsley was the public some excellent works recently, times are such as will not allow the Church an able divine, a good scholar, an earnest Among them are Rome and Italy at the to be silent upon the great controversies of practical thinker, and in all the positions opening of the Ecumenical Council, by E e had been called to fill by the Church, he De Pressense, D.D., and translated by Rey

The March Quarterly Meetings have had sustained himself with great credit and George Prentice of the New England Consuccess. For many years he was Professor ference. This a work for the times. Topic Many gratifying records of increase and of Mathematics in Alleghany College, and for Teachers. A manual for ministers progress have been made public, but it is in 1856 was elected editor of the Western Bible-class leaders, and Sunday School Christian Advocate, which position he filled Teachers, by James C. Gray. The Young eight years, and i lastad to th

ference that most of its business is of a very are not engaged in discovering or establishing a polity ; this has been working in the main now for many long years, and though occasionally some parts may require re-adapting to altered scenes or circumstances yet, on the whole the machinery is complete; and the business of the review of all its operations rather than trying ones.-Wesleyan Chronicle, Feb. 19th, 1870. INSPECTION OF CONVENTS. No one can be surprised at the resistance offered by Roman Catholics to Mr. Newdegate's measure for the inspection of monastic estaappear reasonable and fair that some inquiry of an official kind should be made into a class are entirely secluded from the life of the external world-more so than if shut up in prisons strongest terms by Roman Catholics of the paradisaical condition of these ladies. Every one of them, it seems, is perfectly happy, and their relatives, who ought to be first to complain if anything were suspected to be wrong, are altogether satisfied. If this be really the case, it would surely be of the greatest advantage to the Roman Catholic Church to have an official inspection, which would have the effect of convincing the Protestant public of England that

that it will always be found, that wherever the

such is the fact. What have Roman Catholics to fear from inspection, if all is going on so harmoniously and happily within the convent walls ? It would seem better policy on their part to court investigation rather than to resid it; and the strenuous and even passionate resistance which is offered can only be interpreted in one way by practical minds. The argument that the nuns are protected by the laws of the foreign jurisdiction for British subjects living in their own country The threat that if the Government allow Mr. Newdegate's proposal for a committee to pass, it will lose the support of every Catholic, is just a case of canon law and Romish priestcraft. asserting itself against civil and religious liberty. No one wishes to interfere with the religious convictions of persons who prefer to devote BEDEQUE, P. E. I., April 29th, 1870 .- Bro. themselves to a life of privacy and religious seclusion, or to intermeddle with the authority of superiors whom these recluses have vowed to obey. All that is wanted is satisfaction that no infairness exists, that no ones is involuntarily kept in imprisonment. The past history of religions houses, as they are called, in every country where they have been permitted to exist, is enough to justify inquiry. And as to the present time, the inmates of English convents are kept there either with their consent or. against it. If with their consent, inspection can only strengthen their cause ; if a ainst it, no fair minded man, be he Catholic or Protestant, could wish their confinement to be perpetuated .- Methodist Recorder.

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CHARACTER OF THE NEGRO. BY BISHOP THOMPSON

The negroes, I think will hardly be found even under the most favorable circumstances equal to the Anglo-Saxon in practical life; but in the fine arts they may excel, especially in music. They will also in eloquence, particularly of the imaginative kind. Lodged miles away from the seat of Conference, I did not have at opportunity of hearing any sermons; but on Sabbath I attended Sabbath-school and lovefeast.

The children, well-dresssd, sang familiar Christian oratory that take place anywhere songs with sweet voices, in slow time and planthroughout English speaking Christendom tive airs. As I scanned their docile looks, variare made at these Anniversaries. This ous colors, and cheerful faces, while they sang year the annual meeting was held on Mon-"O how I love Jesus," I could but think that day, May 2nd, of course, in Exeter Hall, even while they were slaves, they had an interest in Christ, and that could they be reduced the finest room for the purpose in London. to bondage again, they could not be robbed of From the character of the arrangements that treasure. Christ is the one in whom all made by the Society's General Secretaries

Shelburne, May 5th, 1870.

nents.-Zion's Herald.

Obituary.

Jesus who said , " suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not ; for of such s the kingdom of God," has permitted one of on the platform, to the common Christian our Sabbath school to gain the "shining shore.', cause during the celebration of the Anni- the number of our people has been increased. burg, and appeared to have but a feeble cons- ciety. But we regard with particular satistitution. The year before she came with her faction the presence of Dr. Stacey at the residence with us, her friends entertained hopes that she would grow strong, but a change came and she sank gradually, and died on the 16th ult., in the fourteenth year of her age. Though proceedings of one of these grand annual young she gave many pleasing evidences that celebrations of our Church in England. It she loved her Saviour, during the last weeks of was time that the British Methodist Judah her life she found much pleasure in reading a should hold forth its hand lovingly, fratersmall work entitled " come to Jesus," and in nally to the British Methodist Ephraim. We meditating on the pleasure of at last resting with trust Dr. Stacey has had a perfectly glorious On the last Sabbath of her life on earth she

visited once more her loved Sabbath school. Though she loved her friends on earth, she said she "would rather go to be with Jesus," and resting her head on her mother's breast her soul sary work for them in the venerable City silently returned to God who gave it. J. D. H.

Shelburne, May 5th, 1870.

urviving friends.

WEDNESDAY, M .Y 11, 1570.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

LONDON.

other denominations rendering valuable and It is believed that although there has not justly appreciated services in the pulpit and revival, yet in many quarters the Divine

that has ever been invited to assist in the

time among the Methodists of the Old Contee to ask Dr. Stacey to begin his Anniver-Road Chapel. For there, if anywhere, Dr.

Stacey would feel at home, inasmuch as in its little grave-yard reposes dust sacred to This is always eagerly looked for, and i

Died on the 21st of April, in the 13th year of Benson, Clarke, and Watson. No where her age, Euphemia, daughter of Mr. Edmund in England-not in Westminster Abbey, not This year it happily brings relief to many. in St. Paul's Cathedral, not in the Tower of Mr. Lowe has secured, at the cost of Crosby of Freetown, P. E. Island, This young London, not in Windsor Castle, not in the somewhat sharp and novel mode of collecperson sought and found religion a few weeks before her death at revival services which were shaded Church-vard where lie the remains being held at the above mentioned place. Her of several generations of his ancestors, not balance due on account of the Abyssinian conversion to God was clear and satisfactory, in the re-explored haunts of his early boy- war, there yet remains a considerable during the illness which terminated her life she hood, touching as were their respective aswas very happy in God her Saviour, had no desociations, did the writer feel so deeply sire to recover and died in great peace. To moved as when thrilled by the suggestions evening, the shadow of night was gathering power, and for the comfort derived therefrom to of the place as he stood near the tombs of Wesley and Watson in the grave-yard at duty at present paid upon sugar is to be P. P.

City Road. No doubt the genius loci made taken off. There are a few other items of Brobincial Wieslepan. itself felt also on Dr. Stacey's mind and heart, when he stood up in the pulpit of itself felt also on Dr. Stacey's mind and City Road chapel on Wednesday evening, April 27th.

We hope the brotherly courtesy grace fully tendered and cordially accepted in Dr. Stacey's case, will be but the beginning of a plentiful interchange of fraternal acts be- of north east winds and chilling atmosphere.

In what may be called the early English tween the Old and the New Methodist Conspring time, the most important Methodistic nexion. Probably the other offshoots in events transpiring in Great Britain are the England will in turn be the object of cour-March Quarterly Meetings. But the most teous attention from the Parent Body. And important Methodist fact of the latest English spring month is the Anniversary of the time all the branches of British Arminian felt or heard upon this momentous topic ; in London in the first week in May. Stren- and remain together in one grand organizanous efforts are made under the general tion.

managment of the Secretaries of this great Society to render its annual meeting one of which is easy enough to do when once which gives them so much but asks so little. surpassing interest to the Methodist public. astride of our Methodistic unity hobby. occasions; and the Missionary Anniversary ration for the Annual Meeting at Exeter platform is always graced by the presence Hall on Monday the 2nd inst. When the of one or more distinguished men from oth- Report of the proceedings at that Meeting be available upon this question. er Protestant communions. As a consereaches us, we shall feel glad and grateful quence, some of the noblest displays of to find in its record ample proof that this

vear's Anniversary was quite equal in interest and power to any that preceded it. J.R.N.

Men may live in a crowd, but they must die

always glad to observe leading ministers of tained at the last visitation of the Classes. Episcopacy. THE SPRING CONFERENCES been any very remarkable or wide-spread

gelical teaching is so satisfactory, and the

matter rests where it is, and will not be al-

been fully reported in our Methodist papers.

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reduction, and the Budget has been received

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with much favor and not a little thankful-

In consequence of the Easter recess or

nolidays, we have positively no parliament-

luxuriating in their homes, and enjoying

with all others the singularly beautiful

We are the actual numbers of the societies as ascer-

shower of blessings has descended, and that presented at their sessions are of the most a number of works in press, which will cheering character. It has been a year of shortly be given to the public. Priscilla Sarah Balkman, was born at Lunen- versary of the Wesleyan Missionary So- The March Meetings are the best attended great prosperity. It has been a year re markable for church building. Large and

expensive church edifices have been erected portant questions of the Minister's continuance upon the Circuit, and the filling of the in every part of the work, and especially in parents to the town; and the first year of her Anniversary this year. He is the first vacancies caused by necessary changes. A New England. Some of these edifices are minister of the Methodist New Connexion large number of prospective arrangements of the highest type of architecture, and

were erected at great expense, some o are thus entered into, and both preacher them costing from one hundred to two hun and people are satisfied. dred thousand dollars. This work is still In many instances this system of invitagoing on. A large number of similar church tions, now being so generally adopted, edifices are in process of erection, and will facilitates the work of the Stationing Combe completed during the present year. The mittee, and many of the proposals are finally sanctioned; but, on the other hand, educational interests of the Church were never more satisfactory. New literary of May, 1870 .- "You will be pleased to hear it is the occasion of great and frequent eminstitutions are projected, which will be an that there has been quite a number converted barassment, and the Conference is compeled, for the sake of meritorious men and honour and a blessing to the Church. nexion in London. It was a happy thought their families, to interfere and make provi- might name the University to be erected Syracuse, N. Y., and the Boston Univer on the part of the Secretaries and Commit- sion for them, although there may have sity, but we will reserve a notice of thes been a formal and unanimous invitation, and other literary institutions for a future duly and thankfully accepted,-but Conferletter. ence claims the right to set it aside.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has AN INCREASE OF MEMBERSHIP submitted the Budget for the coming year. is reported at the recent Conferences, which

universal Methodism—the dust of Wesley, Benson, Clarke, and Watson. No where impositions or exemptions from payment .--Church is large. And I am happy to say that this revival influence still continues. which we are indebted to the courtesy of the and many are "added to the Lord." These accessions to the Church add greatly to her Rev. J. S. H. Royce. Like the apostles and tion carried into effect last year, a very responsibilities. What a work to train elders who aforetime assembled at Jerusalem. handsome surplus; and, after paying the these converts for duty, and lead them to the Conference has been engaged in hearing develop into well-proportioned, earnest and declaring all things that God has been Christian labourers! amount, warranting a reduction in the payconverts never reach any high or useful great joy unto all the brethren. The increase ments of the present year. The income position, for the want of suitable training in Church membership for the year is shown to tax is to be reduced one penny in the by the Church.

IN THE LITERARY WORLD.

We have had several important additions tioners, 258; native assistant missionaries ento our English literature. Messrs, Robert gaged in our South Sea Missions 61 Thus Carter & Brothers, have issued the third vol. of Hanua's Life of Our Lord, -entitled, by the "good hand of our God upon us to the " Close of the Ministry," Each suc- good," we continue to prosper. We are able

ceeding vol. adds new interest to the work. to rejoice in the fact that, placed in the midst ary news to chronicle. Our legislators are and the remaining vols. will be looked for of the rapidly increasing cities and peoples of with great desire. It is charming to read the Southern world, our Church is endeavoring these vols., unfolding as they do the indivi- to keep pace with the advancement going on port before us in the following general weather which has succeeded our long spell duality of Christ. The author has described around us.

with great beauty and force many of the characters and places so interwoven in the Upon the Education question the public Life of our Lord. They have also issued. mind continues much excited. Meetings, God is Love, or Glimpses of the Father's great and small deputations and conferences infinite affection for his people, from the occupy the attention and testify to the deep ninth London Edition-a work of great interest which this question has called forth. it is to be prayed for that in God's good But Methodism has has not vet made itself ability and value, and well adapted to instruct and develop Christian character.-Wesleyan Missionary Society, always held Methodism may feel able to come together and this inaction, whether it be irresolution Light and Truth, or Bible Thoughts and and a little irritation (especially with the ther-Themes, by Horatius Bonar, D.D., is a mometer at 108 in the shade !) be felt, yet paor fear, is playing into the hands of the Government and of the compact and power- choice vol., containing a fund of valuable tience was allowed to have her perfect work. ful party of Episcopalians who stand be- thoughts for every christian. Our Father But we are straying from our subject, hind, yet avowelly rejoice in the measure in Heaven,-The Lord's Prayer explained and illustrated, by Rev. J. H. Wilson, M.A.

A grand opportunity of exerting a mighty influence upon public sentiment has been The pleasing style of this work will give it Year after year, the talents of the ablest men We were showing that thoughtful and ex- lost to us, or will be attempted when too unusual attraction, and especially make it the Australian platform; reminding us of those in British Methodism are laid under contri-bution to ensure the attractiveness of the arouse public attention and interest public arouse public attention and arouse attention and arouse attention and attention and arouse attention arouse attention and arouse attention attention attention arouse attention attention attention arouse attention arouse attention grand intellectual feast, furnished on these feeling in the noble Mission cause in prepa- has not yet made known the extent of its celebrated William Arnot, of Edinburgh, is only by our series of the Committee of council on Education is very gratifying. The Christmas exampromised modifications, and all at present is one of the best biographies of the language. only by our own and other churches, but also vague and uncertain, and several weeks It is issued by this enterprising house in by the press of Great Britain. Occupying such didates presented themselves in abundance will elapse before definite information will the best style of the art. Messrs. Harper. & Brothers, have just to look out all over the Methodist family, and,

issued several works of more than ordinary whilst meaning no disparagement to others, interest and value. Among these we will with satisfaction the President was able to trast to the Reports of some previous years. reference to the History of Matter and of

DEATHS OF DISTINGUISHED MEN. life. Together with a statement of the in-The Methodist Episcopal Church has timations of science respecting the primorbeen called to mourn the loss of three of dial condition and the ultimate destiny of its leading representative men-Dr. John the earth and the solar system,' by Alex.

Shetlander and his Home, by B. K. Peirce D.D.-a most admirable work for Sunday ment that they have an appeal to the Bishop and School Libraries. Home Life, or, how to the Pope is worse than futile, as it introduces a make hope happy-a book for parents, chilhave nearly all been held, and the reports dren, brothers and sisters. They have also

> CECIL. Circuit Intelligence.

Prestwood says :-- "You will be gratified to learn that in different parts of this Circuit, the Lord has been graciously pleased to revive His work, and that about forty persons have professed to receive spiritual and saving good." HAVELOCK, N. B. Bro. Parker writes 4th 1 and added to our little band on this circuit since the commencement of the last month."

LIVERPOOL -The President of the Confer ence says May 13, 1870, "Our Tea Meeting was quite a success, receipts \$102.00."

THE AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE. The Sixteenth Annual Session of the Austral-

asian Wesleyan Methodist Church has been held and concluded. Elsewhere we give, as usual, full accounts of its proceedings, fo

The Thirtieth Report of the Weslevan Education Committee has just been issued. and will command particular attention in the present position of Educational affairs in the country. To this Committee is intrusted the supervision of the day and in-We fear that many any high or useful great joy unto all the brethren. The increase erally, in the Wesleyan body; and the **Re** port naturally opens with a reference to the be 3.384, with 10,091 on trial. In connection manifold diversity of opinion just now prevalent. The religious difficulty, it states with the Conference we have now a memberwith truth, cannot be ignored. It is upon ship of 55,556; ordained ministers and probathis, more than anything else, that the energy and interest of the contest which is ow going on are concentrated. It was his which seemed to necessitate the summoning of the large Committee of the Weslevan Body by the President in November last. The proceedings and discussions of that Committee are referred to in the Reerms :-

So much of our space being taken up by the After three days' careful deliberation, the eeting adjourned without coming to any decisi Conference report, we are necessarily compelon upon the general question. led to be brief in our remarks upon it. We Within the exremes first noted, almost every shade of opinion have been thankful for the information received was represented; but as no one proposed to en-force religious teaching without regard for liberthat the Conference has been one of great hary, so no one proposed to ensure liberty by uttermony; and though interests extended over discarding religious teaching. No one was such an area will naturally sometimes conflict. faithless to the principle so often connexionally affirmed that there can be no sufficient education apart from religion; and all were intent upon securing a truly religious training in a form which would be compatible with personal liberty. The President-the Rev. G. HURST-as was expected, was found fully equal to his place and The most interesting part of the Report s that which refers to the operations of the duties. His devout, comprehensive and able address will be read with pleasure, ranking as past year. Nearly 130 students completed the year's course in the Westminster Trainit does among the foremost ever delivered from ing College, the report of the annual inspection of which, as published in the Minutes deliverances in the Home Conference which. of the Committee of conneil on Education inations were remarkably successful. Cana position, it is natural and proper for any man for examination, with a view of entering the College for the present year; forming, in this respect, a marked and favorable con-Were it not for the restriction upon the

further progress of Wesley n Education im-" Itshas commanded the approval and blesposed by the operation of the Revised Code, ing of God everywhere. The youngest of the which limits Government aid to the num Protestant Churches in the British empire, or in ber of students in the exi-ting college of English-speaking nations, it is the largest and Westminster, and thus bars the ay to furthe most successful. During the 130 years of ther progress, a much larger number of alone. Friends and ministers can only accom-magnetic frequencies of them can speak Kingsley. The first-named had become gy, and Botany in the University of Michi-more Sunday-schools, converted, through the work. It is, however, satisfactory to know from experience, and tell us what it is to die. well known not only to the Church, but to gan, and director of the State Geological power of God, more souls, and raised more nu- that the supply of candidates, instead of be

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