re even an outline of these specific interesting to the general reader. but be unfer to the Speakers whose even nd sentiment was fraught with inforand calculated to excite pleasurable in the minds of the andience. vrus Bent, the late Librarian, having

from Amherst, Mr. William A. McD. unanimously appointed Librarian in and Mr. William M. Fullerton was imously appointed Assistant Secretary

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LEAFLETS.

No. 4.

EVENING THOUGHTS.

scene is of dull, town character. - Vet without some points of beauty and est. Few, if any, scenes, but have lements of eloquence;-few minds, fit, in capability and tone and all the te accompaniments-of expressing the ed thoughts,-of giving the requisite o nature. A sentiment seems disn cloud and field and flower .- a sen of praise, of pathos, of beauty .-- but bal embodiment is not present, and rit of thought glides away, like the om the grass, or like the unfixed sun from the silvered tablet.

sun has set; the evening is still and -and the houses, rising one above the with their dull-looking windows, and roofs, are the chief objects in the field of

But, in a spot of garden ground, beneighbouring cottage, a balsam tree branch aspiring vertically, and each with an almost bursting bad-apan emblem and an evidence of the re-

tree has not a suitable back-ground, lure. or watery expanse, or brighter the different shades of greyish brown. rom house side, and shed and fence, ound. But these branches and buds solemnly motionless, in the still air. yet living, as if they too had thought piration, above the scenes of earth. I there, the tree may not quit its place ve.-but it seems attracted by the r air and stronger light, to upper, pu

space above, also, to which each spray points, is a serenely beautiful te: an amalgamation of azure and with some long fleecy clouds marking ncave :- still. calm, profound, -type nity, as the spring buds are of time. silence is broken from the bells of a not far distant. Fitting music for me and the hour. It seems to fill, t disturbing, the air; to contrast, than dissipate, the stillness. The less tree,-the serene sky,-the chiells are in unison.

it strangely varied scenes do they re-I recollect similar impressions, simies of mind, similar scenes, here and over earth's surface,-here and there. history of life. The company, the so--the realities, the hopes, of the perise, spectrally, for a moment, to the -and the breast seems to throb again. former emotions. Scenes of hope fear,-of solemn quiet and of deep -recollections of the distant and the ome, as I gaze on the sky, and on the boughs, and listen to the tones of the r bells.

l. mysteriously, sympathises with How many may be, for a solitary t, thus musing at this peaceful hour. he varied emotions become visible or s, low graphic or eloquent would pear.-What intellectual exhalations w r.se, in the still atmosphere, only to man in their individual character great aggregate lost, except to the of a spiritual world.

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WESLEYANA.

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(From the Toronto Ch. Guardian.) tildress of the Canadian to the English Conference. COVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

We most gratefully acknowledge the receipt ... our address, the reading of which has produced cong impressions and lively emotions in our we are greatly encouraged by the delightcal and animating facts which you have stated. while we are deeply impressed with the ballowed so at ments and comprehensive views of the unity and polity of the Wesleyan. Church, as well as practical counsels and advices, conveyed in your

Be assured honoured Fathers and Brethren, that me respond with all our hearts to the views you have expressed on the unity of Wesleyan Methodista in Canada. Every year's experience deepens our convictions of the importance of that unity, and developes more fully the wisdom of the arrangement by which the operations of the English ata' Canadian Conferences have been consolidated ato one harmonious and powerful instrumentality sapread evangelical truth and holiness throughout full improving country. The spirit of that arrangement has become incorporated with the best thinkings and feelings and hopes of the entire tainistry and membership of our Church. Not a discordant note is heard throughout our societies; or does a spirit of uncharitableness or suspicion find a lodgement in any section of our ministry .vur ministers and people are indeed, and in teuth one heart and of one mind, and intent upon the great work committed to our trust.

We rejoice that you have been favoured with times of refreshing in your societies and congregations, both at home and abroad; and we are thankful to be able to state, that we have been blessed with similar visitations of Divine mercy and power in many parts of our work. The agitations of the times and the great depression which has pervaded all our agricultural, manufacturing and commerrial interests, have been unfavourable to the sucess of our labours; yet have they been crowned with some success in every department. There was been a numerical prorease of several hundred in our societies; i' me has been an increase in our tions for the support of our superannuated Preachers; there has also been an increase of between one and two hundred pounds in our receipts for the Missionary Society—the aggregate receipts for the last year being upwards of 22 900. Corresponding progress has been made in the departcompletion of a sarge number of chapels. We beheve that in no former year have our Ministers aid People exerted themselves with so much quanimity and success in these several branches et our work; nor lave we ever witnessed more en-

couraging tokens of the Divine blessing. The extent of the Missionary department of our work in Western Canada, in addition to our usual native Local Preachers, 1.091 Church Memlers, and New Settlements, there are 37 Circuits, 49 Missionaries, 67 Local Preachers, 409 Preachingplaces, 5,048 Church Members, 56 Sabbath Schools, 2268 Scholars, 301 Teachers, and C1,509 Hear-

it is thus our care and endeavour, to the utmost tour power, to supply the new and feeble settle- fully baptized, the Indian with the Light of Life, and or the crucified

Several churches will soon become vocal around him the comforts and institutions of Chris- . In order to accomplish more fully the great obwith praise and pru er and appeal :- many thin civilization. This has stamped a characteris- jects of the Union and promote the interests of minds will soon be within the influence of the feature upon our great mission in this country. Methodism in this extensive country, we have apimportant thoughts and feelings. How ma- from the beginning; and, in the fulfilment of it, pointed our beloved and honoured brother the my will allow the passing cares of life to ab- our Ministers and Missionaries have endured un- Rev. John Ryerson as our Representative to you sorb or dissipate the seeds of improvement? numbered labours, privations, and suferings. Our Our esteemed brother having heretofore been de-How many will yield well grounded acqui- success has corresponded with the sacrifices made puted and most efficiently represented us to you in seence to exhortation and advice? How to secure it; and how much that success has been the same capacity, is already known to, and appromany will go or from this time, so numbering promoted by the present Union between the Eng- ciated by, you as well as ourselves; and to him we their days, that they may applytheir hearts lish and Canadian Conferences may be conceived refer you for information on all matters pertaining extent before the Union. In accordance with your all the British North American Provinces will be will be wanting on our part, throughout both our the Parent Body in England. Circuit and Missionary work, to raise as large turds as possible to aid in its support and exten- counsels, and co-operation; and we devoully unite

> cessary for its promotion, we are deeply indebted world. to the indefitigable and able labours of your honoured representatives-the Rev. Dr. Richev and the Rev. Enoch Wood. Mr. Wood's ministrations in the pulpit and appeals on the platform, his visitations of the widely-spread mission stations and care in the management of the Missionary Funds. his affectionate and spiritual intercourse with our elves and people, have afforded ample proof that we were not mistaken in requesting his continuance as Superintendent of Missions in Upper Canada. We gratefully acknowledge your kindness in complying with our request; and we are sure that his continued labours in this Province, which eminently advantageous to the interests of your

It is also with no ordinary feelings of pleasure dize. that we re er to the public and private intercourse, the ministrations and labours of our esteemed brother the Reverend Dr. Richey, who has performed the duties of Co-Delegate during the past year, and whom you have appointed President for the present year. Like your Superintendent of Missions Dr. Richey has been in labours more abundant: and never, we believe, did his labours exert a more commanding and salutary influence; and never have the varied interests of our beloved Church had a more vigilant and able. Overseer. Dr. Richey has been known as an eloquent Preacher and able exponuder of Wesleyan Theology and in his new position of Chief Bishop of our Church, he has exhibited talents equally exalted for counsel, admonition and government. The fervour and power of his ministrations, his discrimination decision impartiality and kindness in presiding over our deliberations, together with our tions for his present office; and we most earnestly and unanimously request his appointment as our President the second year. We are confident, Church in Canada.

We feel that a great and sacred trust has been committed to us in respect to Scriptural Truth itment of Sabbath Schools, and in the erection and self, as well as in ministering to the spiritual FAST DAY IN BROOKLYN.—We understand place in which he is employed. In the slightest. dism. In all such cases, we find the true remedy gations were large. in our decisive and practical testimony to the unwaveringly stand, their truth and importance, teurs of the American Tract Society. we are resolved uncompromisingly to maintain, and with their spirit we fervently desire to be more OREGON. - The communications from the Rev

by comparing the vast field of our Missionary 12-1 to the work in Upper Canada. We do indeed anbours at the present time with its former limited ticipate the day when the Wesleyan Churches in affectionate admonitions, we shall devote ourselves formed into one great communion—the Preachers with earnest diligence to the cultivation of the mutually itinerating from Province to Province as great Missionary field which your henevolent co- occasion may suggest-and the whole work consooperation enables us to occupy, while no exertions licated by one united machinery in connexion with

We solicit the continuance of your prayers, with you in imploring the abundant outpouring of In the maintenance and extension of our varied the Holy Spirit upon all the ministers and congrework, and in raising the pecuniary resources negations of our beloved Church throughout the

Signed by order, and on hehalf the Conference of the Westevan Methodis are in Canada, at Hamilton, this fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine. CONRAD VANDUBEN, Secretary.

RELIGIOUS SUMMARY.

CHRISTIANIZING THE JEWS .- The London Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews reported a prosperous and useful condition of its affairs. Receipts £17,843. At this meeting the we cordially and enanimously request, will be Rev. Hugh Stewell remarked, that in Rome, so great was the desire to read the Scriptures, the own Missionary Funds and the work under his Jews were purchasing large numbers of Bibles and conveying them to Rome as articles of merchan-

> LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.-The London Missionary Society reported its receipts for the ast year at £64,508. The young duke of Argyle who has recently distinguished himself in acclesiastical polemics, presided at the innual meeting, and made an opening speech which is spoken of as "eloqueut, nowerful, and comprehensive." He is certainly a young man of high promise, though his tastes run in a very different (and batter) channel from three of some of his illustrious aucestors.

Anniversary of the London Missionary Society the Duke of Argyle, who presided on the occasion. mentioned the following interesting fact:-

"A young chief, who sat on the platform near His Grace, lately arrived in England from Raratonexperience of his labours during the year, have ga In viewing the curiosities of this great metrodeeply impressed us with his admirable qualifica-polis he was taken to the museum of the London Missionary Society. There, for the first time, he witnessed one of those images which his fathers wershipped! So completely had pagan worship that, in acceding to this request, you will consult been abolished; so literally had their idols been the best interests of the Wesleyan Methodist cast to the moles and to the bats, that the Rarratonga chief had not even seen one of them, before he arrived in the metropolis of Christendom."

wants of our scattered population and Indian that the day appointed by the Mayor of Brooklyn Tribes. A 'revived' and semi-papal 'external- for fasting, in view of the fatal epidemic, was obism' has also developed itself in this country in a served with appropriate solemnity. The " city of section of the Protestant Church, and, as usual churches" were a very quiet aspect. The stores days in some accessible rural districts, at a few with scepticism and formalism of every shade, were generally closed, and in the evening there breather a spirit of unmitigated hostility to Metho- was service in many of the churches. The congre- restore the healthy balance of the budily functions.

circuit work, may be conceived from the facts, 270at doctrines and principles which our revered. Young Ministers. Twenty-five young or of somewhat more aggravated character, a more that there are 11 Incian Mission Stations, supplied Founder was the bonoured instrument in reviving, men, members of the Union Theological Seminary by 13 Missionaries, sided by 12 Interpreters, and and which have characterised us as a People of New York at it anniversary held recently, re. twice a year, may nuffice to adjust or restore the containing 12 Day Sensois and 12 Teachers, 30 | throughout the world - Justinication by faith along cented their certificates of similarications to preach in the atonement of Christ, assurance by the in. the Gospel. One of the number is already on the and Regimen. and 2,492 attendants upon public worship. In the ward witness of the Holy Spirit of personal accordants upon public worship. In the Domestic Missions, or Missions to the Emigrants ceptance with God, entire sanctification by the Persia, and a number of others are expected soon Blood of his only begotten Son, and the spiritual to be employed in the West or in foreign lands. internal call to the work of the Christian Minis. A large number of the under graduates are expect try. On the platform of these great doctrines we edit spend the three months' vacation as colpor-

Mr. Roberts are down to the close of February. ments with the ministrations of religion, and to From past and present indications, we antice. They are all dated from Oregon City, and furnish provide every newly-arrived emigrant with its pate a year of revival and prosperity. We go pleasing information to the friends of that interestonsolations, to cause the accents of religion to forth in faith, and with the single purpose of laying ing field d missionary labour. Mr Roberts speaks ningle with the first echoes of the woodman's axe: saide all worldly cares and studies, all uncharita- of the large number of persons that have left Ore to assuage the sorrows and alleviate the privations bleness and suspicion, of honouring each other's gon for California, many of whom have left familof the new settler with sanctuary privileges and character, and of knowing nothing among our les behind who require the attention of the memsympathies, to illumine the rayless wigwam of congregations and people but Jesus Christ and him bers of the mission family. The members of the might render homes much computable to me Cristaiseion were enjoying pad he dt.

VARIETIES.

INTELLIGENCE IN A FIRM. - At a recent meeting of the Liverpool Philosophical Society, Doctre Warwick related an extraordinary instance of inelligence in a fish. When he resided at Durham, he seat of the Earl of Stamford and Warrington, he was walking one evening in the park, and came to a pond where fish intended for the table were temporally kept. He took particular notice of a fine pike, of about six pounds weight, when it observed him, darted hastily away. In so doing it struck its head against a senterbook in a post (of which there were several in the pond, placed here to prevent peaching) and, as it afterwards appeared most horrible. It rushed to the bottom, and boring its head into the mud, whirled itself round with such velocity that it was almost lost to the sight for a short interval. If then plunged about the pond, and at length threw itself completely out of the water on the bank He went and examined t, and found that a very small portion of the brain was protruding from the fracture in the skull. He carefully replaced this, and with a small silver toothpick, raised the intended portion of the skull. The fish remained still for a short time and he then put it again into the pond. It appeared at first a good deal relieved; but in a few mis nutes it again plunged and darted about, until it threw itself out of the water a second time. A second time Dr. Warwick did what he could to telieve it, and again put it into the water. It continued for several times to throw itself out of the pend, and with the assistance of the keeper, the doctor at length made a kind of pillow for the field which was then left to its fuls. Unon making his appearance at the pond on the following morning. the pike came towards him to the edge of the wal ter, and actually laid its beed upon his feet. The doctor thought this most extraordinary; but he examined the fish's skull and found it going on all right. He then walked backwards and forwards along the edge of the pand for some time, and the fish continued to swim up and down, terming whenever he turned; but being blind on the wounded side of its skull, it always appeared age. taled when it had that side towards the bank, to it could not then see its benefactor. On the next day he took some young friends down to use the fish, which came to him as usual ; and at length he actually taught the pike to come to him at his whistle, and teed out of his hands. With other persons it continued as shy as fish neverly att. The doctor thought this a most remarkable to-THE IDOLS HAVE PERISHED .- At the recent stance of gratifude in a fish for a baneft received. and as it always came at his whistle, it proved the what he had previously, with other naturalists, dishelieved-that fishes are sensible to sound .. Ohambers' Journal.

> CHANGE OF AIR .-- An occasional change of sie may be said to be almost necessary to the perfect well-being of every man. The workman must leave his workshop, the student his library, and the lawyer his office, or souner or later his health will pay the penulty; and this, no matter how great his temperance in eating and detaking-no matter how vigorously and regularly he uses he. limbs-no matter how open and dry, and free from sources of impurity may be the air of the. cases of impaired health, the sleeping in the suburbs of the town in which the life is chicale spent, or even spending a few hours of detached miles distance from the dwelling, may suffice to and maintain the bodily machine in a fit state for its duties; or in cases of somewhat more urgency, decided change of air, for even a few days, once as due economy of the system .- Revertson on Diet

Complaining -- I haver complained of my condition," says the Persian poet Saudi, " but ouce, when my feet were bare, and I had no money to buy shoes : but I met a man without fret, and became contented with my lot."

Good NATURE .- Good nature is the very air ofa" good mind, the sign of a large and generous soul, and the peculiar soil in which virtue prospers

BENEVOLENCE, -- There cannot be a more glo: oue object in creation than a human being, replete with benevolence, meditating in what manner be or, by doing most good to has creatures - Yhite