

Beginning with a small company in a private room in the city of New York, Methodism has already grown to become the largest Protestant denomination of North America. It has its hundreds of colleges and seminaries, its thousands of ministers and churches, its millions of members and adherents, and it has its missions in all parts of the world. What hath God wrought by means of this revival of primitive Christianity! Surely never was so short a history more full of marvellous displays of the power of the Gospel, or more full of promise of future good! And God is now helping in this blessed celebration, by the extensive revival of His work, and by the conversion of many thousands of precious souls; and His people are devising liberal things, more fully to secure the ground already gained, as well as to provide for greater future progress. We deeply sympathize in this great celebration of our brethren. From the same origin Methodism has spread throughout Canada, so that we have the same historical interest in this Centenary as our brethren in the United States. Let us all rejoice together! What more suitable and worthy occasion could there be, for placing our best contributions on the altar of our God, who has done such great things for us! Let us then distinguish this year by some good work, worthy of the occasion, which shall not only be a monument of Centennial gratitude, but likewise a permanent benefit to some of our important connexional interests. Most of all, let us consecrate ourselves anew to God and His cause, and seek a powerful baptism of his Spirit, that the future may be as the past, only much more abundant, and much more pure and excellent.

Our present Conference has been one of mutual edification, and we trust its deliberations and conclusion, on several important subjects which have engaged our attention, will tend to the glory of God and the prosperity of His cause. We have rejoiced to welcome among us, as our President, the Rev. George Scott, D.D., an honoured member of the Parent Con-