

Address of the Canadian Conference

OF

THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH,
TO THE ENGLISH CONFERENCE.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

Grace, mercy, and peace be multiplied unto you through Jesus Christ.

It is with great pleasure we once more address you, as fellows in the same great field of labour, though occupying a somewhat distant corner of the field. Another year has gone, and by the good providence of God we have been permitted to meet in Conference again, to discharge important duties we owe to him and the church.

We are thankful to hear and read of your growing influence and power for good; of the great liberality of our people in England; and above all of souls added to the church, while religion is maintained as a *spiritual life*. God is honoring the Primitive Methodist Connexion as a signal instrument in the salvation of men, for when we look at the results of fifty years labours, we are constrained to say, what hath God wrought. To Him be all the glory. May you in England, and us in Canada, and our dear people elsewhere, be ever faithful to our *principles and to God*.

It is a matter of regret that our numerical prosperity is not much greater this year; but we are nevertheless thankful to God for the measure of increase realized. Our losses by removals into localities beyond our reach is very great, considering the comparative smallness of our cause. Some stations have a considerable increase, while