

Simcoe. He has been a Church member thirty-nine years, a travelling preacher twenty-nine, and a Chairman, more or less of the time, the last sixteen. He was converted during the first union, went out in the work during its disruption under the Canada Conference, and received into full connection, made a Chairman, Secretary of Conference, and Co-delegate during the period of the union's reconstruction; and now, under the new order of things, a President of Annual Conference; and, if we secure a union of all the Methodist bodies, I do not know what we may not yet expect to find him.

His position as Secretary on the Committee of Discipline, during the late General Conference, was a very important and responsible one, in which he earned the universal approval of his brethren, and was prepared, for contributing the very able and discriminating paper on that body and its proceedings, published in the first number of this MAGAZINE,—albeit this writer must not be understood as endorsing *all* its positions and deductions. Our friend, however, is one of the very few of whom so many good things could be said, and said truly. Mr. Williams is a firm believer in the Wesleyan doctrine of entire sanctification, which he emphatically preaches, and which he seems to have realized in his own experience. In our present commendable efforts for a liberal educational standard, it is to be hoped we will not obliterate the marked individuality which characterized our early preachers.

THE FLOWER UNDER FOOT.

THE flower may hide its lovely face
 Among the tangled meadow-grasses;
 It cannot hide its fragrance there
 From any heart that passes.

Ah, gentle deeds, whose blessed wings
 Alight in darkened doors, unbidden,
 Your lovely flower is known in Heaven,
 That low on Earth is hidden.

—JOHN JAMES PIATT.