

RELIGIOUS.

METHODIST.

The Welsh Mission Church in Utica, Northern New York Conference, is the only Welsh Methodist Episcopal church in America. It has 115 members.

The next English Wesleyan Conference will meet in London in August next.

The Hon. C. Maclay, of California, has added \$50,000 to his former gift of \$150,000, for the Methodist College to be erected at San Fernando.

A Simpson Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church has just been finished in San Francisco, at a cost of \$40,000.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Lord Bishop of Newfoundland, who has been staying in the city for the past three weeks, has taken much interest in the work of the church. He has preached in most of the churches, and his thoughtful and powerful discourses have been highly appreciated. It is to be hoped that his Lordship's health will soon be entirely restored.

The Rev. Canon O'Meara is now in Yarmouth soliciting subscriptions for the Diocese of Rupertsland. He was fairly successful in Halifax, having obtained sufficient to support one clergyman.

The clergy of the city have been exchanging of late; this is as it should be, good for preachers and hearers alike.

It is rumoured that a clergyman is coming out from Ireland to preach for the congregation of St. Paul's. To such an extent does the system of popular election degrade the ministry.

The Very Rev. Lord Alwyn Compton, Dean of Worcester, has been appointed Bishop of Ely.

The Dean of Chester, Dr. Howson, is dead.

Wm. Gibson Humphry, B. D., prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, and one of the revisers of the authorized version of the New Testament, is dead.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Rev. J. C. Cattanach is to be inducted this evening in St. Andrew's Church. It is proposed to hold a welcome social next week.

The induction of the Rev. Mr. Forbes as pastor of the Presbyterian congregation at West River and Green Hill, Pictou Co., took place on Wednesday last.

It is estimated that the Third Presbyterian church in Chicago, of which the Rev. Dr. Kittredge is the pastor, sustains the largest weekly prayer meeting in America. The lecture room will seat one thousand, and is usually full.

The sixty-two Sunday-Schools connected with the New York Presbytery, increased their membership by 5,049 during the last year, the aggregate number being now 21,050. The largest school is that of North Church, which numbers about 800.

A map is shortly to be published showing the situation of every Presbyterian church in Ireland. The idea is due to the Moderator of the Assembly.

BAPTIST.

One of the most celebrated converts to Christianity was Lough Fook, a convert of the Southern Baptist Mission at Shanghai, who went to British Guiana as a coolie for the sole purpose of preaching to his countrymen there. Before his death, at Demerara, he had built up a Baptist Church of 200 members, who contributed \$2,000 annually to benevolent objects. The Rev. Dr. Graves says of him: "Thus passed away one of the brightest jewels that Christianity has recovered from the dust heaps of China."

The Baptist Church at Campbelltown, N. B., has extended a call to the Rev. W. C. Vincent, of Rockville Centre, N. Y. He will undertake the duties of pastor next month.

The Rev. A. F. Adams has accepted a call from the First Baptist Church, Yarmouth.

CATHOLIC.

The Canadian College at Rome will cost \$200,000.

Fr. R. B. Casgrain, of Quebec, has gone to Naples, where he will pass the winter.

A grand reunion of the students of Nicolet College will take place the 24th of May. The day will be most eventful as a statue will be erected in honor of Rev. Thad. Carou, the famous Superior of the college.

The College of the Propaganda announces that up to November 1st, in the vicariate of Cochinchina, 9 missionaries, 7 native priests, 60 catechists, 200 members of religious orders, and 24,000 Christians were massacred; 200 parishes, 17 orphan asylums and convents were destroyed, and 225 churches burned.

The unprecedented large number of Catholics returned to the British House of Commons, at the late general elections, affords a subject for study. No fewer than eighty-three Catholics have been returned and of these Ireland contributes seventy-nine. England contributes only three, two being Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Mr. Charles Russell, Q. C. Mr. D. H. MacFarlane, the late member for the county of Carlow, who is elected for Argyllshire, is the first and only Catholic member returned by Scotland since the Reformation.

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