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Oregon and California are, in an important sense, missionary fields. In both the people feel the need of religion and its institutions.

Provincial Wesleyan

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1858. Communications designed for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the writer in confidence.

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The meeting in Brunswick street took place last evening, and to-night a meeting will be held at Dartmouth.

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Smackville Academy. A private letter from the Rev. R. E. Crane, expresses regret for his inability from want of time to supply us with a full notice of a recent session of Smackville Academy.

The class in Composition under the able tuition of Mrs. Allison, the Christiana, Sec. of the Female Academy, gave, I believe, entire satisfaction. Most of the pieces were very well composed, and reflected great credit on both teachers and taught.

The subject of the contemplated College, upon the intellectual preparation of candidates for our Ministry is a view of the subject which strikes us as of vital importance, and under the present circumstances of our Church, of pressing urgency.

Wesleyan Missionary Anniversary.

The season for holding in Halifax the Annual Meetings on behalf of the Wesleyan Missionary Society has returned. On Sunday last services were preached in the several churches of this city and Dartmouth, in accordance with the announcement contained in our paper last week.

The Rev. C. Churchill, A. M. did not read but presented a report, giving a plain, lucid, and impressive statement of the present position of our Mission. He proceeded to continue and complete his report at the adjourned meeting on Wednesday evening, at Brunswick Street.

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The total increase for the year in all the Circuits is 21,300. This is a matter of thankfulness; but when we consider our vast membership and our opportunities for saving men, we feel humbled that we have done so little.

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Letter from New England.

The Rev. Beverly Waugh, D.D., Senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, departed this life on the 31st inst., in the hope of glorious immortality. He died in the prime of his manhood, and with which he had been troubled for a long time.

Margaree Circuit, C. B.

On Thursday evening, the 25th ult., a Missionary Meeting was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, which was ably conducted by the Rev. S. T. Teed.

The Rev. J. W. Perkins, stationed at Church Street, Boston, died on the 7th inst. The disease of which he died was consumption. Though somewhat advanced in years, he was able to discharge his duties as heretofore. Hence he was returned here the second year.

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