cal man can sign a requisition for the pro-curement of liquors for medicinal purposes. The Crooks Act has no penalty, and is in fact

a snam.

The McCarthy Act has a limitation that not more than one pint shall be sold, and no liquor is allowed to be drunk on the premises, under a penalty of \$40 for each contraven on. The Crooks Act provides no penalty and makes no restriction as to quantity.

The person selling liquors on such requisi-

tion must make a sworn monthly report, showing the names of persons buying, the certificate, and the quantity, under a penalty for neglect of \$20.

The Crooks Act leaves everything so loose that drinking by certificate on Sunday is a

REGISTER OF LICENSES.

The McCarthy Act provides a register in which all forfeitures of licenses, disqualifications of licensees, record of convictions, are There is no such provision in the Crooks

Under the McCarthy Act not more than one bar can be kept in any house or premises The Crooks Act is silent about this neces-

SUNDAY DRINKING. Under the McCarthy Act, in all places where intoxicating liquors are to be sold by wholesale or retail, no sale or other disposa of liquors can take place from seven Saturday nedical purposes. Under the Crooks Act the medical certifi-

Order than useless.

It is further provided under the McCartby Act that in hotels liquor may be sold or Sunday to guests, bona fide residing abboarding in such houses, during meals, between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., and between 5 and 7, to be drunk or used only at their meals at table.

As far as the Crooks Act is concerned. all hotels are allowed to sell to their guests etween 7 Saturday night and 6 a.m. Monday. At present (under the Crooks Act) the law allows a guest to get liquor at any time from 7 o'clock on Saturday night to 6 o'clock Monday morning, and that necessitates the hotel-keeper keeping a man in the par to supply the guests when they ring the ship, intimidation, and other causes, they come and insist on being supplied also, making these hotels do a large business on Sun-day, when I know it is often their wish not SHOP LICENSES.

The McCarthy Act provides that shop censes after 1st May, 1890, in cities and towns, and in other places after 1st May, 1887, shall not be continued to persons now holding them in connection with grocery and other stores, and that no new ones shall be granted at all.

The Crooks Act allows the sale of liquors connection with groceries, etc. MINORS.

The McCarthy Act provides that no liquors shall be supplied to minors under 16 years of age under a penalty of \$20 for each The Crooks Act takes no care of minors at

The McCarthy Act provides that a vessel

icense shall not permit the sale or disposing of liquors at port, or except at regular meals and to actual passengers only. It prohibits a bar being kept on board vessels at any time. The Crooks Act allows the sale of n vessels everywhere throughout the vessel, and at all times except at the wharf, and per mits the keeping of a bar-destroying comort of ladies on excursions. FALSE LODGERS-HOW TREATED.

In order to prevent Sunday sale the Mo-Carthy Act provides that every person who, by falsely representing himself to be a lodger, obtains or attempts to obtain liquors when the premises are required to be closed, is liable to a penalty of \$20. The Crooks Act lets the lodger severely

TREATING. The McCarthy Act provides that if any rson having a shop vone to liquor on the licensed premises he incur a penalty of \$50. The Crooks Act does not attempt to disturb he evil practice of treating.

The McCarthy Act provides that the inspectors shall visit each licensed premises at east once quarterly and report to the chair-

The Crooks Act does not pretend to pro-Bad blood, low vitality, and a scrofulous condition of the system leads to consumption and other wasting forms of disease. The pre-ventive and cure is Burdock Blood Bitters. A match between the Shamrocks and To-

onto Lacrosse Clubs was played in Montreal on Saturday, the Shamrocks taking the first, third, and fourth games. Prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, etc., guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One pill a dose. 25 cents.

Mike Cleary, the pugilist, is anxious to meet Mitchell, the English champion, in the ring. He has sold his saloon in Philadelphia, where the sparring exhibition with Sullivan was prevented by the authorities, and has moved to New York.

"The demand is good and it is giving satisfaction to our customers," write N. C. Polson & Co, druggists, Kingston, regarding the great blood and liver medicine, Burdock Blood Bitters. Frank J. Fehr, of Cincinnati, won his bet

on cigar-smoking. He smoked forty-nine in six hours, and John Backer, of Cleves, Ohio, smoked thirty-three, being beaten sixteen cigars. Fehr now wants to bet \$100 that he can smoke 100 cigars in ten hours. Few complexions can bear the strong, white

Few complexions can bear the strong, white morning light which exposes every speck of tan, every pimple, and the slightest spotting of eczema. In Dr. Benson's Skin Cure is sure relief from the annoyance of these blemishes on the cheek of beauty.

A New York burglar got into the bedroom of Miss Gilbert. She was awake and watched him searching the bureau drawers, and finally spoke to him. When he was told that the person whom he was about to rob is the one

erson whom he was about to rob is the one who has done so much for prison reform he begged her pardon and would have sneaked away, but Miss Linda detained him, talked to him, and finally sent him home with a big basket of food for his hungry wife and gaunt

A new treatment, Permanent cure of the worse case is effected in from one to three

applications. Treatise sent free on receipt of amp. A. H. Dixon & Son, 305 King street west, Toronto, Canada.

What the Rev. E. B. Stevenson, B.A., a clergyman of the London Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, has to say in regard to A. H. Dixon & Son's New Treat-OAKLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA, March, 17,'83,

Messrs. A. H. Dixon & Son, Toronto Can-DEAR SIRS. - Yours of the 12th instant to hand. It seems almost too good to be true that I am cured of catarrh, but I know that

I am. I have had no return of the disease, and never felt better in my life. I have tried so many things for catarrh, suffered so much, and for so many years, that it is hard for me to realize that I am really better.

I consider that mine was a very bad case; I consider that mine was a very that case, it was aggravating and chronic, involving the throat as well as the nasal passages, and I thought I would require the three treatments, but feel fully cured by the two sent me, and am thankful that I was ever induced to send

to you.

You are at liberty to use this letter, stating that I have been Cured at Two Treatments, and I shall gladly recommend your remedy to some of my friends who are sufferers. Yours with many thanks, Rev. E. B. STEVEN

THE CHURCHES Annual Meetings of Legislative Bodies.

ANGLICAN CHURCH. SYNOD OF TORONTO. Second Day.

The Synod of the Diocese of Toronto met again on the 13th at 10 a.m. in St. George's school-house, the Bishop of Toronto in the The Executive Committee presented their report for the past year. It stated in reference to matters referred to them:—(1) The committee find, upon examination, that it is impracticable for them to tollow out the in-

impracticable for them to tollow out the instructions given to them to obtain the opinion of the law courts on the legality of a compulsory assessment for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, owing to the fact that no proper case with plaintiff and defendant can be raised; and especially because the carrying through of such a case would involve a large expense, for which no properties. for which no provision has been made. It also gave a history of the steps which had en taken in regard to the disposition of the St. James' rectory surplus.

The report was adopted.

ENDOWMENT OF SEE. The Committee on the Endowment of See, tectory Lands, &c., submitted their report. t detailed the steps taken in the St. James' ectory fund litigation, gave a list of the ectory land sales, and of the general invest-

The Rev. WM. LOGAN moved the adoption Lands Committee apply at the next session of the Ontario Legislature for whatever legislation may be necessary to vest all lands, over or in respect of which the incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto has by law power of sale or other disposition in the said power of sale or other disposition, in the said Synod, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such unsold lands may be dealt with by the Synod in the same manner as the proceeds of the sold lands are now dealt with, in accordance with the provisions of the Acts of 1866, 1876, and 1878. Carried. He also moved that clause 26 of the constitution of the Synod be amended by inserting in the 21st line thereof the words "or de-bentures of loan investment companies in Ontario." Carried.

CLERGY COMMUTATION TRUST. Mr. A. H. CAMPBELL read the report of the Clergy Commutation Trust Committee, from which the following is extracted:—
On reference to the financial statement it

will be seen that under the decree in the cause the Synod v. De Blaquiere the sum of \$11,-760,96 has been paid into court. In order to realize the necessary funds for this purpose, your committee was obliged to sell debentures to the amount of \$11,000, by which amount the debenture account has been so far reduced. Under the terms of the same decree your committee were obliged to transfer to the decree. committee were obliged to transfer to the de-fendants in this cause the Macqueen mortgage for \$5,000, and the Martin mortgage for \$750, making together, \$5,750, by which amount the mortgage account has been reduced. So that by the sale of the de-bentures and the transfer of the mortgages, as above set forth, the capital of the fund has been reduced by the sum of \$16,750. By the sale of the aforementioned debentures at a high premium your committee were enabled to reduce the amount at debit of profit and loss account from \$1,680.24 (as at this time last year) to \$917.94. And in order to restore this last-mentioned amount to capital, and to prevent a further impairment of the Trust Fund, your committee recommend that they be

increase of income this year over that of last year of no less than \$2,976.17. This is largely owing to the results of the new scheme of monthly subscriptions through Parochial Missionary Associations, which has been adopted for varying periods of from two to twelve months, by about one-third of the parishes in the diocese. The total amount received from this source during the year has been \$5,096.51, which with \$3,087.83 colected under the former system of annual lected under the former system of annual house to house collections, represents a total of \$8,184.34, against \$5,533.79 last year, an increase of \$2,650.55. The collections of missionary meetings and services show an increase of \$42.11, and the January and July offertories a falling off of \$197.78, while the Thanksgiving collection exhibits the hitherto unprecedented result of \$2,008.02, which is \$387.79 more than last year. The

unprecedented result of \$2,008.02, which is \$387.79 more than last year. The special collections, subscriptions, and donations, which were chiefly elicited by the debt existing on the fund some five years ago, are naturally decreasing since the extinction of the debt. This year they have diminished by \$623.19. But against this deficiency your board have to scknowledge, with thankfulness, a bequest by the late Miss Henderson, of London, England, of £100 stg. and a donation, through the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, of £9 is 9d., producing together \$530.69. The report was adopted.

Mr. BIGGAR moved that the Synod gratefully acknowledges the good work accom-

fully acknowledges the good work accom-plished by the Churchwoman's Mission aid, and trust they will be able to continue their beneficial operations. Carried.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND. The Committee of the Widows and Orphans' Fund reported as follows:—

The receipts on account of capital include the handsome bequest of \$1,000 by the late Samuel B. Smith, of Toronto. The balance at the credit of the account is \$27.77. The income of the past year has been \$5.418.82 income of the past year has been \$5,418.82, as compared with \$5,948.30, the income of the previous year. The expenditure for the ordinary requirements of the fund, \$4,795.89; for balance due on money borrowed in the year 1876, \$1,000—making the whole expenditure \$5,795.89; and leaving a balance of \$2,869.15 at the credit of the income account on the 30th of April, 1883. Since the last meeting of the Synod no change has been made in the pension list. There are now 20 widows and 12 orphans assisted by the fund. The report was adopted. income of the past year has been \$5,418,82.

The report was adopted. Third Day. The Synod of the Diocese of Toronto met again on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in St. George's school-house, the Bishop of Toronto

presiding.
After devotional exercises, Mr. W. H. How-LAND made a verbal report in reference to the proposed colonization scheme sanctioned by the Synod. He stated that efforts had en made to secure two townships for settlebeen made to secure two townships for settlement, but owing to the lateness of their application they could not obtain them from the Government, who had then suspended their concessions to colonization companies. He suggested the appointment of a new committee to continue the negotiations, who could obtain townships on the rebate plan, which would be a pretty sate method of speculation.

to appoint a sub-committee to consider the subject.

Rev. John Langtry presented the report of the Committee on Religious Instruction in the Public Schools, as follows:—
"That the conference pledges itself to press upon the Attorney-General the making the reading of Holy Scripture by the children and teachers, together with the prescribed prayer issued by the department, an obligatory exercise at the opening of the Public Schools of Ontario, the passage of Holy Scripture to le read each day being prescribed by the department, in conformity with the recommendof the Committee on Religious Instruction in the Public Schools, as follows:—

"That the conference pledges itself to press upon the Attorney-General the making the reading of Holy Scripture by the children and teachers, together with the prescribed prayer issued by the department, an obligatory exception of the Public Schools of Ontario, the passage of Holy Scripture to be read each day being prescribed by the department, in conformity with the recommendations of a committee of this conference, or of some other representation of the various religious bodies in Ontario, regard being had in all cases to the provision of the Consolidated states and the conformal committee of this conference, or of some other representation of the various religious bodies in Ontario, regard being had in all cases to the provision of the Consolidated states are considered in the poorer parts of the city, provided further that 5-22 of the whole undivided of the consolidated surplus shall, as agreed upon last year, be reserved, and shall not be thus distributed.

school Act, 37 Vic., ch. 28, sec. 142, permitting the parents of any child having conscientious objections to the reading of Holy Scripture to withdraw the child from such reading." That this conference further agree to press upon the Government the reatoratio

The report was adopted.
The following resolution passed by the lact
Synod was confirmed:

Addition of clause 16 to the canon for the

Addition of clause 16 to the canon for the administration of the Widows' and Orphans' fund of the diocese of Toronto:

"This canon shall be held to' apply to cases of clergymen who were on the superannuated list of the diocese on the 4th November, 1881. And as to clergymen labouring in the diocese on said date, of sixty years of age and upwards, who were ordained or who entered the diocese at an advanced period in life, the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Committee are authorized and empowered to deal with such cases in such manner as they may deem just and reasonable."

Rev. A. H. Baldwin submitted a form of prayer for use on Rogation days. He said he had long felt the necessity of such a ser-vice as this, which was not supplied in the Rock of Common Prayer. Book of Common Prayer.

After some discussion, Rev. Mr. Ford withdrew his amendment, and Rev. Mr. Baldwin substituted for his motion the following:—"That the Bishop be requested to prepare a form of prayer for use on Rogation days."

Rev. A. J. Broughall submitted the report of the committee on the memorial of the Dominion Alliance.

They recommended the following resolution for adoption:

"That this Synod, while rejoicing at all well directed efforts for the prevention of the

well directed efforts for the prevention of in-temperance, declares its conviction that the endeavour to totally suppress the liquor endeavour to totally suppress the liquor traffic is at present premature. Further, the Synod rejoices to know that an association on the basis of the Church of England Temperance Association has been formed by sanction of this Synod in this diocese, and that active and successful branches of the association are being formed in different parts of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese, and that active the second state of the diocese. and that sermons are preached with a view to the promotion of the cause of temper-

Synod endorses the proposal to preach an annual temperance sermon on such a day as may be arranged by the Bishop and the Dominion Alliance."

The amendment was carried with the substitution of the words "Church of England Temperance Association" for

SABBATH OBSERVANCE. Rev. Canon O'MEARA submitted a report from the Sabbath Observance Committee re-commending that the Bishop be requested to appoint a committee to act in conjunction with committees from other denominations in

The report was adopted. Fourth Day. The minutes of the previous day's proceedings were read, corrected, and confirmed.

FREE CHURCH VESTRIES. Mr. Workell introduced a canon providing or the protection of vestries in free churches for all the purposes mentioned in the Church Temporalities Act, and for the election and appointment of churchwardens and the con-

by Rev. Dyson Hague, "That this Synod regrets to learn that more has not been done in the diocese towards carrying out the organization of branch societies of the Church of England Temperance Society, to which it pledged itself at the last meeting of Synod;

Two amendments were moved to Mr. Hos-kins' resolution, but were both lost. The

original motion then passed. ST. JAMES' RECTORY SUBPLUS. Ven. Archdeacon Boddy moved that the scheme of proportional distribution submitted to and adopted by the Synod of last year (June, 1882) be confirmed and adopted for the distribution of any surplus that shall be added to the state of the s adjudged by the court as accruing to this Synod from the Toronto rectory up to the first of July next, 1883. But that any surplus which may accrue after the first of July next, 1883, shall be distributed as follows, that is to say, the incumbents of the followthat is to say, the incumbents of the following three endowed churches: Trinity East, Holy Trinity, and the Church of Ascension, shall receive the following sums per annum, Trinity East, \$800; Holy Trinity, \$600; the Church of Ascension, \$400; and the balance shall be distributed equally among the incumbents of the other churches in the

by directs the Rectory Lands Committee thus to deal with such surplus so soon as the itigation shall have been finally decided.

The motion was carried.

MARRIAGE **

S. JONES moved this Synod do m Rev. S. Jones moved this Synod do memorialize the Government on the subject of the present system of issuing marriage licenses, and respectfully urge upon it the expediency of so amending the form of proceedings that the questions now placed on the printed slip to be sent in with the answers to the marriage registrar be endorsed upon and contained in the marriage license itself, and be filled up by the person furnishing the license, who shall be responsible for taking all due care to see that no lawful impediment exists. The motion was carried.

CHURCH YEAR BOOK.

The motion was withdrawn.

The benediction was then pronounced, and the Synod adjourned sine die.

THE SYNOD OF ONTARIO. KINGSTON, June 12.—The Synod of the Diocese of Ontario met this afternoon. The Bishop made a lengthy and interesting charge. He said that during the last eighteen months he confirmed 997 males and 1,292 females. The total number of those confirmed is 2,289, of whom 2,163 received their first companion. first communion at the time of their confirmation. The number is larger than ever before in the same space of time and with the same area. He held four ordinations. the same area. He held four ordinations, at which ten candidates were admitted to the hely order of deacons and nine were promoted to the priesthood. The following churches were consecrated:—St. Paul's, Renfrew: Trinity, Suannonville; St. Anne's, Easton's Corners; Christ church, Amherst island; St. Thomas, Torbolton; St. George's, Alice; St. Mark's, Pakenham, and Holy Trinity, Chesterville. Five per cent. of all confirmed by him in the last 21 years were converts to the Church, and very many of them persons of rank and intelliyears were converts, to the Church, and very many of them persons of rank and intelligence who knew why they became Churchmen, and when it is considered that the whole number confirmed in that time was 20,700, of whom 16,139 became communicants, the proselytes have been numerous, and the diocese has not been without vitality. The number of churches in the diocese twenty-one years ago was 69, it is now 171, and taking into account the 24 churches that have been year) to \$917.94. And in order to restore this last mentioned amount to capital, and to prevent a further impairment of the Trust Fund, your committee recommend that they be authorized to set apart a certain portion of the income in each year, in order to provide a sinking fund wherewith to recoup the capital account, and to prevent future loss by having to purchase debentures at a premium.

The report and its recommendations were adopted.

MISSION BOARD REPORT.

Rev. John Pearson read the report of the Mission Board, from which the following is extracted:—The accounts rendered show an increase of income this year over that of last year of no less than \$2,976.17. This is largely

office, be a corporation to represent the interest of the church of which they are so elected or appointed churchwardens, and of the members thereof, and shall and may sue and be sued, answer and he answered unto, in all manner of suits and actions whatsoever, and may prosecute indictments, presentments, and other criminal proceedings for and in respect of such churches and church-yards, and all matters and things appertaining thereto, and all the goods and chattels, property of such church, and all choses in action to which their predecessors as such churchwardens may have been entitled at the expiration of their term of office or ceasing to be churchwardens shall vest in them, and they shall not be liable personally for any debt or obligation lawfully incurred by the massuch churchwardens within the scope of their authority or with the sanction of the vestry of such church, and no action or proceeding shall abate by reason of the death, resignation, or removal from office of any such churchwardens, but the same may be continued by or against their successors in office. But nothing herein contained shall be deemed to release or exonerate the property of the church which is vested in any churchwarden by virtue of this Act from liability to answer the debts or obligations incurred by any such churchwarden within the scope of his authority, or with the sanction of the vestry."

The motion was carried on a division.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE.

Mr. G. B. KIRRPATRICK moved, seconded by Rev. Dyson Hague, "That this Synod and to the Executive Committee to learn that more has not been done in the diocese towards carrying out the

mittee from time to time." Carried.

Winness are stated his bas ben called by the case of t The annual Synod of this diocese opened in Montreal on Tuesday. After a sermon by Rev. Mr. Machin, of Sorel, the bishop took the chair, and after a preliminary welcome to the members his Lordship said there were nine churches building and much good was being done at the east end of the reaffirms its approval of the great desirability of immediate action, and urges the members of the Synod (clerical and lay) to form societies at once in their respective parishes, so that the Diocesan Society may be forthwith organized. Resolved, That his Lordship the Bishop be authorized and respectfully requested to appoint an organizing agent for the carrying out of its objects." He pointed to the magnificent results in the way of temperance reformation effected in England by the Church organizations, and predicted an equally favourable issue from similar organizations in Canada.

The motion was carried.

THE CANONS AND BY-LAWS,

The discussion on Mr. Hoskins' motion to confirm the printed copy of the canons as the canons of the Synod was resumed.

Two amendments were moved to Mr. Hosgard to pastoral visitation he recommended that at least twice in every year each family should be visited. In the country more fre-quent visiting is desirable than in the town, where there are not so many obstructions to

getting to church. He advocated more statistical accuracy in visiting lists. METHODIST CHURCH.

St. CATHARINES, June 13 .- The conference assembled at 9 a.m., and opened with singing the 562nd Hymn, the secretary of the conference reading Philippians i., and Rev. C. Stringfellow leading in prayer. The minutes of the former session were read and approved.

for the superannuation fund would go into force this next year.

Dr. Sanderson—Yes; that is on the assumption that the basis of union does not carry. If it should carry, why, we know not what regalations may be made.

Dr. Krokman arose to the question of rejulage.

Some miscellaneous matters were then at-lended to.

The discussion of the basis of union was then resumed, and occupied the attention of the conference for the balance of the day.

Ninth Day. St. Catharines, June 14.—Conference resumed this morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. W. R. Parker, M.A., president, presiding.

Rev. J. C. Slater presented the report of the Children's Fund Committee, which was

the person furnishing the license, who shall be responsible for taking all due care to see that no lawful impediment exists. The motion was carried.

CHURCH YEAR BOOK.

Rev. S. JONES moved that this Synod respectfully requests the Provincial Synod to consider the expediency of appointing a small committee to prepare and publish under its authority a Year Book, containing in a compact and accessible shape-such information concerning the Canadian Church as would be of general interest, and especially useful to the clergy and lay members of the various Canadian Synods. With regard to meeting the expense thus incurred, this Synod suggests that the various Synods would no doubt engage to take a certain number of copies of the publication yearly, for the supply of its own members, recouping itself either by sales, or by including the item under the head of general purposes, or in some other way, at each Synod might determine. The motion passed.

A motion was passed authorizing the Mission Board to employ a travelling missionary agent.

Mr. Barlow Cumberrland moved that the provision disfranchising parishes who did not pay their assessments to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund be enforced in future.

His Lordship strongly opposed the motion, on the ground that it was not in accordance with Christian spirit to compel these people to contribute.

The motion was withdrawn.

The benediction was then pronounced, and the Synod adjourned sine die.

A committee was appointed to confer with any other committees which might be appointed to agitate the question of the introduction of the Bible into the common schools.

Moved by Dr. Fowler, seconded by Rev. J. Graham:—"That this conference tenders its warm sympathy to our beloved brother James Hannon, whose failure in health necessity." states a year's superannuation, and also expresses the confidence and esteem which he has won by his faithful, honoured, and successful ministry while amongst us. We pray Almighty God that his health may be restored, and we shall hail with joy his return to the active work of the Christian ministry." Rev. Mr. Hannon acknowledged the reso-

Rev. Mr. Hannon acknowledged the resolution in fitting terms,
Rev. A. S. Russelli, B.D., presented the report of the Church prosperity. The committee on motion for permission to sell the Plattsville parsonage property elicited the statement from a minister that they owed him \$20 insurance money on that property, which they refused to pay.

The discussion of the basis of union was then resumed, and continued until midnight. then resumed, and continued until midnight,

The PRESIDENT declared the debate closed. saying it would be well to call in any mem-bers who might be outside and to awake any who might be categoried and to awake any who might be asleep. (Laughter.)
On the call of the President the secretary of the conference read the report of the Memorial Committee, the amendment and the

THE VOTE. It was just 1.30 a.m.; all was silent and the president requested all that were in favour of Dr. Williams' amendment to the amendment to arise. It looked then as though the amendment to the amendment was lost. He then requested all who were against the motion to arise, when it was evident that some had not voted at all. The secretary arose and announced 101 for the amendment to the amendment and 88 against it, leaving a majority of 13. Two or three forgetting themselves made a little clap, which was promptly hushed.

Presently some one atruck up "Blest be Presently some one atruck up "Blest be the tie that binds," and all cheerfully and heartily joined in the singing.

Thus was finished a debate that for strong

pleading, stirring appeals, and prompt repar-tee has never been equalled in the history of the Methodist Church in Canada. the Methodist Church in Canada.

The scrutineers presented the result of the ballot for the chairmen, who on being

ballot for the chairmen, who on being announced nominated their respective secretaries as follows:—

Hamilton, Rev. A. Langford, Rev. J. Philp, M.A. Niagara, J. A. Wilhams, D. D., Rev. J. Kay. Brantford, Rev. J. Wakefield, Rev. M. Benson. Woodstock. Rev. W. Williams, Rev. W. W. Ross. Simcoe, Rev. A. E. Russ, M.A., Rev. D. Chalmers. London, Rev. E. B. Ryckman, D. D., Rev. J. V. Smith. St. Thomas, Rev. D. G. Sutherland, LL. D., Rev. B. Clement. Sarnia, Rev. G. R. Sanderson, D. D., Rev. W. McDonagh. Chatham, President, Rev. J. Whiting. Guelph,—Griffin, Rev. J. S. Scott. Wellington, Rev. J. Brock, Rev. J. Broley. Stratford, Rev. W. C. Henderson, M.A., Rev. J. Mills. Goderich, Rev. J. Grey and G. H. Cornisb. The conference adjourned, to meet at 10 The conference adjourned, to meet at 10

Tenth Day. It was moved, seconded, and carried that Oil City be made a mission in accordance with their own request.

The following resolution from the Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by Rev. W. W. Ross, and, on motion, was ac

WHEREAS our attention has been called by the Toronto Ministerial Association to the increasing profanation of the Lord's day in our Dominion, and whereas we are deeply impressed with the vital importance of the question as affecting all our interests, both moral and material;

Resolved, First—That we set the matter more frequently and more earnestly before our people. Second—That we hold ourselves in readiness by duly appointed committees and otherwise to co-operate with others in securing the enforcement of the civil law against all desecrations of the Sabbath day.

ST. CATHARINES, June 13.—The conference assembled at 9 a.m., and opened with singing the 562nd Hymn, the secretary of the conference reading Philippians i., and Rev. C. Stringfellow leading in prayer. The minutes of the former session were read and approved.

The Sabbath School Committee presented a report of a very encouraging character. Dr. Sanderson also presented the report of the Superannation Fund Committee. The income is larger than any preceding year, but there has been an increase in the number of claimants.

Rev. A. L. Russell wanted to know if the new regulation relative to raising amounts for the superannuation fund would go into force this next year.

Dr. Sanderson—Yes; that is on the assumption that the basis of union does not carry. If it should carry, why, we know not

There was a large attendance. After engaging in singing, the secretary read the 12th chapter of Romans, and the Rev. W. L. Scott offered an earnest prayer.

Rev. Dr. HUNTER said he had received a communication from the Toronto Ministerial Association, in which they direct attention to the profanation of the Lord's day by work on the Canada Pacific railway, by excursions thereon, and by keeping open saloons, cigar shops, etc., in violation of the Act; that there was need of enforcing the law, that unity of action was desirable, and that steps should be taken to arouse the Christian community. He therefore moved, seconded by Rev. Hugh Johnston, that Rev. Drs. Rice, Cochrane, Dewart, and Sutherland, and Messrs. John Macdonald, John Rose, and Warring Kennedy be appointed a committee to act in reference to this subject in conjunction with other Christian commuttees.

It was inoved by Rev. W. W. LEACH, seconded by Rev. Mr. Tyndall, "That a committee be appointed by the Nominating Committee to prepare a report on Sabbath observance."

The question of Who are the superannuated ministers? was taken up. Some who were in this relation last year return to the active work, Revs. C. Bristol, G. T. Richardson, W. W. Leach. Forty who were on the list last year still provided by the still results. son, W. W. Leach. Forty who were on the list last year still remain in the same relationship, and the names of Revs. Dr. Hunter and G. J. Dingman were added to the list.

The question of supernumerary ministers was considered. Such ministers are retired from the active week.

on the funds of the Church. There are only fifteen such, as the Rev. T. W. Glover returns to the active work. The next conference is appointed to be held

Third Day. Rev. Hugh Johnston presented a communication from the Women's Christian Temperance Association in reference to introducing text-books into schools which would point out the injurious effect of alcoholic liquors. Referred to the Temperance Committee. The president read a telegram just received from the London Conference that the "Williams' amendment was carried by 101 to 88," which was received with partial cheers. The "Williams amendment" was cheers. The "Williams amendment" that the basis of union be not accepted. Dr. Burwash presented the report of the

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At ten o'clock the memorial service in remembrance of those ministers who had died during the year was held. The hymn, "Come let us join our friends above, &c." was sung, after which Revs. Drs. Rose and Carroll led in prayer.

The districts were called in order, and the secretaries read the names of the deceased. The first was Rev. W. Price, aged 61, who died at Brantford. He had long been feeble, and lived in retirement. He died well.

Rev. V. B. Howard died at Cobourg. The obituary was read by Rev. R. Jones. He had been superannuated several years, but died after a short illness.

Rev. W. Steer died at Grafton, obituary read by Professor Burwash. He was a venerable, man, who died at the advanced age of four score. He was a Beulah land Christian.

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Rev. R. G. James was a passenger in the Asia, which foundered last September in the Georgian bay. The only surviving passenger in that dreadful catastrophe testified that at the last he exhorted his fellow passengers to look to Jesüs in the hour of their great extermity. The solemn service was closed with suitable devotional exercises.

At two o'clock the President took the chair, Rev. J. Hodgson led in prayer. The minutes of the previous session were read and confirmed. The cases of some ministers who desired a superannuated relation were referred to the committee which was appointed at a former session, but was omitted from our report. The following was the appointment of the committee on conference relations was appointed to consider all new applicatious for superannuation, the said committee to be composed of Dr. Dewart, H. S. Mathews, Dr. Jeffers, J. Learoyd, J. G. Laird, W. Tindail, and J. Bredin.

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Several memorials and special resolutions were presented, and referred to the respective committees. One was signed by forty widows, who are claimants of the superannuation fund, and pray that such steps may be taken as shall prevent a further diminution of their small claims on that fund. The reading of the document was listened to with br

At 5.30 the conference adjourned, with the condiction by Dr. Rose. Fourth Day. Rey. H. S. MATTHEWS read the report of the Superannuation Committee, which recom-mended that Revs. H. Wilkinson and P. D.

Will should be placed on the superannuated On motion of Rev. R. DUKE, seconded by Rev. A. Haimes, a vote of thanks was ten-dered to the unknown donor of Dr. Duff's Life to the members of this conference. Rev. W. Briggs, through whom the gift was made,

shall communicate the resolution to the gen-tleman. Dr. Rose read a report of the Ministers'

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Aid Society, and gave a lengthened explanation respecting matters which he thought would further increase the usefulness of the society. Dr. Rose was very cordially thanked for his services, and a committee of five meet other committee to make arrangements for the future management of the society.

Rev. John Bredin read a report from the Stationing Committee respecting new missions. Monmouth, to the north-west of Lindsay, where there are six townships without Protestant worship, is to be formed in the Brandon district, Big Plain, and others. Four new missions were formed in the Portage la Prairie district; eight new missions in the Regina district, which becomes the head of a new district at this conference. Eight new missions are also to be formed in the Saskatchewan district. Of the domestic missions, Wooler, Cobourg district, is to be-

Methodism in this country.
"2. In regard to the basis of union now resented to this conference for consideration.

tions:—

"(a) In view of the decision of the last General Conference in regard to the projected union restricting the committee from making any arrangement which would permit the general superintendent to interfere with the annual conferences and confining him to the sphere of General Conference work, which restriction we believe was wise and designed to maintain the constitutional rights vested in the annual conferences by the terms of the union of 1874 and incorporated in the Book of Discipline, we disapprove of that condition of the basis which makes it the prerogative of the general superintendent to prerogative of the general superintendent to interfere with the rights of the annual conferences by presiding alternately with the 'an-nual president, conducting the ordination ser-vice, and jointly signing the ordination parch-

ments.

"(b) We disapprove of the omission and consequent abolition of the restrictive rules 1, 2, 3, and 4, section 15, page 40, of our Discipline; first, because we believe that these restrictions wisely protect the Church against changes in matters of fundamental importance, and, secondly, because the General Conference has no power to do away with them.

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"(c.) We disapprove of the abolition of the restriction upon the General Conference legislation affecting the rights and privileges approach of approach conference contained in section 17. registation alecting the rights and privileges of annual conferences contained in section 17, page 98, of our Discipline, ordinarily known as the veto power, and believe that it would be 'unseemly to lessen the powers of the annual conferences at a time when provision is being made for the introduction of equal lay representation of these bodies.

"3. In view, therefore, of the reasons be "3. In view, therefore, of the reasons before mentioned, and in view also of the serious disastisfaction that exists both in our own Church and the others, the strong ground there is to believe that there are grave legal irregularities in the method of procedure that has been adopted, the organized opposition of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the strong probability of any union carried out on the lines of the present basis producing irritation and possible disruption, we respectfully and earnestly request the General Conference to delay action until all legal questions are satisfactorily settled and the objectionable features of 'the basis eliminated."

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vital and fundamental.

"That these brethren have devoted lite, talents, and influence to the service of the Church of their choice and affections, and that we, as a conference of ministers acting in the fear of God, and deeply impressed with the gravity of the situation and the responsibility of the hour, dare not attempt to force the proposed union on the basis in its present form, and thus incur the risk of alienation, disruption, and disintegration. Therefore, resolved:

"1. That for the sake of union and to meet the views of our brethren of the Methodist."

"1. That for the sake of union and to meet the views of our brethren of the Methodist Episcopal Church we accept a general superintendence with an eight years' term of office; provided that the general superintendent or superintendents shall not interfere with the duties and powers of the Annual Conference officers nor of church Courts.

"2. That in deference to the polity of the Primitive Methodist and Bible Christian Churches we accept the principle of lay representation in the annual conferences as contained in the basis, or as may be constitutionally modified by the general conference of the united church.

"3. That, with the understanding that the restrictive rules are not abolished by the basis but were left out of it inadvertently, and will be incorporated in the constitution

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Meeting of the General Assembly at Lon-

LONDON, June 13.—The ninth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was opened in London this evening. In no more inviting place could the Assembly convene than in St. Andrew's church, which is one of the finest in the Dominion.

At the appointed hour, accompanied by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. A. Murray, the retiring Moderator, Rev. Wm. Cochrane, D.D., of Brantford, appeared before a large and intelligent congregation. The 67th Paslm was sung, the 42nd chapter of Isaiah was read, and prayer was offered, after which Rev. Dr. Cochrane announced as his text, Joshua xiii., 1: "There remains the yet very much land to be possessed."

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After the Assembly roll had been called and the attendance duly noted.

Dr. Coohrane, on retiring from the moderator's chair, said:— FATHERS AND BRETHREN, -Twelve months

in my endeavours to advance the interests of our Zion. It has been a year of anxious, earnest labour to many of us, but we have not toiled in vain. Never in our history as a united Church has there been greater encouragement to prosecute God's work is not toiled in vain. Never in our history as a united Church has there been greater encouragement to prosecute God's work in our own and in heathen lands. It seems to me that we have entered upon a new era of missionary enterprise, and that in proportion to our faith shall be the resources necessary for the work. "I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord." There are many thoughts that struggle for expression on such an occasion, suggested by the changes of the past year. The deaths in the ministry have been numerous, some in the very prime of life, others called, like watch-worn and weary sentinels, to put their armour off and rest in heaven. But their armour off and rest in heaven. But the mortality among the eldership and prominent members of the Church has been startling and beyond all precedent. Out of this long death roll each is in some respects a memorable man. Shall it be deemed insidious if I mention the names of Alexander McLeod and James Barnes, of Halifax; David Greenshields, Jas. Court, and Edward Mackay, of Montreal; John McMurrich and James Michie, of Toronto; Col. Haultain, of Peterboro'; Warren Rock, of London, and Duncan McVicar, of Chatham. The poets say the souls of such that die are but sunbeams lifted higher. Nor will this General Assembly think it strange if I mention yet another name, Elizabeth Bonar Burns, a sweet, saintly, gracious, active spirit, whose good deeds and holy activities will, with the life and labours of Dr. Burns, never be forgotten by the Presbyterian Church in Canada. And now, fathers and brethren, I ask you to elect a successor to the moderator-ship of this venerable court, and I bespeak for him the ask you to elect a successor to the moderator-ship of this venerable court, and I bespeak for him the same forbearance and charity you have so uniformly accorded me during my term of office.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR. In pithy addresses the following gentlemen were proposed:—Rev. Dr. King, of Toronto; Rev. E. Kenneth McLennan, by Mr. James Croil and Mr. Duff; Rev. Dr. MacLaren, by Rev. Mr. Gordon and Rev. R. N. Grant.

A vote was taken between Rev. K. McLennan and Dr. McLaren, when the latter
received a majority of votes.

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and Dr. King, when it was found that 63
were in favour of the former, and 85 in favour
of the latter.

Dr. PROUDFOOT moved, and Dr. McLaren
seconded, that Dr. King's nomination now be
made unanimous. This was carried.

THE NEW MODERATOR'S ADDRESS. Dr. King then retired, and in a litt onder, appeared and addressed the General Assembly. He thanked the Assembly for the honour now bestowed, said he had no special qualifications for the position, hoped that by grace granted from on High, and through the courtesy of the brethren, he would do his duty. In happy terms he referred to the subject of union which is now before a sister Church. He said the Preshyterians showed the way and he which is now before a sister Church. He said the Presbyterians showed the way, and by reason of the happiness and prosperity which have attended our union the Methodist brethren may feel encouraged to follow. Dr. COCHEANE laid on the table replies from her Majesty and the Governor-General

from her Majesty and the Governor-Genera to the loyal addresses, and the Assembly ad journed. At 12 o'clock sharp business was resumed.
Rev. Mr. Lanng reported on behalf of the committee appointed at the last Assembly to take into consideration the whole matter of ministerial support. The report was received, and on motion of the convener, seconded by Rev. A. R. Mackay, it was agreed to take up this subject the first thing to-morrow morning.

The following are the applications from ministers and licentiates for admission into the Presbyterian Church in Canada:—Sydney Presbytery, Rev. Jas. Scott, of the Methodist Church; Halifax, Messrs. J. M. Robinson and Jas. Anderson; Toronto, W. H. Hunt, from the United States; Owen Sound, Geo. Law, from Scotland; London, Geo. Crombie, from Chiua; Stratford, H. Morris; Huron, G. A. Frances, of the M.E. Church. These applications were put into the hands of a

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