

with all other needed reinforcements, to join them in their work as soon as they can get it sufficiently organized, say six, nine, or twelve months. Such will constitute a broad preparatory base for soul-saving work, to be utilized as the Lord shall direct. The population of Brazil is nearly fourteen millions. Not a dollar is asked from home for the support of any man or woman sent out by Dr. Taylor. Some may receive help for building churches or colleges, but not to support the workers. What is needed is money to pay passage and provide such outfit as may be essential to their work, such as school furniture and findings. None of Taylor's mission-fields in India or South America cover an acre of territory pre-occupied by the regular Methodist Missionary Society, so there can be no conflict between the two classes of workers. He does not want any funds that should, and otherwise would, go into the missionary treasury; but, if there be those who, having done all they could or would in their regular giving, wish to have a share in paying the passage of these workers to Brazil, to Central America and Chili, and also to India, they can send by letter addressed to Rev. W. Taylor, D.D., 305 Broadway, New York. The Doctor supports himself and family by the sale of his books, which have had a large circulation, and cannot fail to do good.

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

The Methodists in Bermuda are passing through a season of great

trial. Since 1839 there has been no severe hurricane until recently, when a dreadful storm swept over the whole country, some say the most severe of the century. The destruction among the shipping was great, and but few buildings escaped injury. The places of worship belonging to our Church have suffered severely, and unless help be sent from abroad it will be impossible for a long time to come to do a great deal towards their re-erection. The people deserve the practical sympathy of the Methodists of Canada.

A new church, capable of seating 800 persons, is in course of erection at St. John's, Newfoundland. The corner-stone was laid by the wife of the Rev. J. Shenton, whom the trustees presented with a silver trowel for the occasion. The service was one of great interest. This makes the third Methodist church in the city of St. John's.

Dr. Sutherland has returned from his North-western tour. As these notes are being prepared, the Central Board meeting is being held, from which we regret to learn that the income of the Missionary Society has fallen a little behind that of last year, while the demands for increased aid in all the mission departments exceed those of former years, so that painful retrenchments must of necessity be made.

The Rev. Henry B. Steinhaur accompanies Dr. Sutherland, and from his long experience in mission work in the North-west, where he has laboured upwards of a quarter of a century, he will be of great service at missionary meetings during the present season.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Story of the Jubilee Singers, with their Songs. By J. B. T. MARSH. Fifty-ninth Thousand. Pp. 243. Boston: Houghton, Osgood & Co. Toronto: William Briggs.

This book recounts one of those truths which are stranger than fic-

tion. It tells how a little company of recently enfranchised slaves set out to raise, for the founding of a college for their people, what seemed the fabulous sum of \$20,000, and returned in three years with \$100,000; how they encountered at first contumely, persecution, and insult; and