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THE MANCHESTER CONFERENCE. PREPARATORY COMMITTEES either in subscriptions or school pence. (From the London Watchman).

Friday, July 21st.

EDUCATION OF PREACHERS' CHILDREN. The committees of ministers and lay gentlements of Methodism, and to make recommen-Conference, and many of the most distinguish the consideration of the next resolution. ed ministers and laymen. The report read

pupils, or former pupils, who have gained high ate. academic distinction. To the instances referred Mr. S. R. Hall suggested that it would be their respective circuits.

to in the report Dr. Osborn added an allusion wise where School Boards existed to hand over to the splendid success obtained at the last matheir schools to the Board, and to employ their triculation of the London University, at which resources in multiplying institutions for the Committee is seldom large; it was this year addition to his former benefactions, he now ge-nerously offered £300 a-year for home mission- and Mr. Alderman Barlow that the system of the first and second places in the honours list training of teachers. Against the former smaller than usual. Probably Saturday after- ary ministers in London for three years. were occupied by young men from Kingswood and Woodhouse-grove. Parents, while re-

joicing in such educational advantages for their boys, will be equally glad to know that the Rigg in favour of the establishment of a second Baker, reviewed the state of public feeling and conversion resulting from home mission efforts. greeted with long continued applause, told how meeting disciplinary arrangements are highly com-Rigg urged the necessity for such an institution. Rigg urged the necessity for such an institution.

The need long felt that similarly efficient According to the ordinary training, they tion of postal labor on Sunday, and for suppresschools should be established for preachers' could receive at Westminster College only 70 sing the liquor traffic on that day; also with redaughters is at length being met. The Five could receive at westminister could receive at westminister could receive at westminister could receive at twestminister could receive at twest Elms School at Clapton, placed under the con-that number of applicants year by year whom Sabbath Observance Act. An interesting control of Conference twelve months ago, thas al-it was most desirable to accept. This number versation followed, during which earnest proready accomplished good work. Very favora-would rapidly increase. It would be objection-tests were made against the Sunday liquor ble reports were given of the recent examina-able, and a serious dereliction of duty, for traffic, and exhortations to use every effort for tion of its pupils. A second school, to be call-Methodists to leave these young people to seek its suppression. The question of using the railed Beech Holm, in the same locality, will be training in colleges where injurious ecclesiasti- way or other modes of public conveyance on ready to receive forty girls within a week or cal influences might be brought to bear upon the Lord's day was also discussed. One or two fortnight; and, by the noble generosity of them, or where they would be without pastoral of the speakers appeared disposed to condemn John Fernley, Esq., a third will soon be avail-oversight. Dr. Rigg proceeded to deal with such use in all cases; others, while equally able at Southport. The building, the walls of the question of finance. He showed that by strong in their condemnation of Sabbath desewhich are already rising, will cost about $\pounds 7,000$. the question of mance. Are with Government cration, thought that public conveyances might Thanks were cordially voted to Mr. Fernley, aid, the cost of supporting the additional stu-under some circumstances be used by those atand, in speaking on the subject, Dr. Osborn dents might be provided. Premises, admirably tending the house of God or going to distant commended to others, having similar means, suited for a new College, had been recently places to preach without blame. the example of that gentleman, in making, to offered for sale at Battersea, and had been so considerable an extent, his own hands his purchased on behalf of the Committee. The executors.

present Westminster College would be reser-During the morning various suggestions ved for male students, and the new College urged by Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Bunting, and others, that more competent junior masters

leyan day-schools, and that of that amount pro- ed expositions, for warm-hearted extempore moved a resolution asking, on behalf of the was supplemented by Mr. Simpson, who ex- John Tindall, by seniority, in place of James a definition comprehensive enough to satisfy bably £100,000 comes from Methodist people preaching. Dr. Osborn agreed with Mr. Down- Fund, a larger income, and added a few words plained that the action of the Society, against Loutit. ing that Methodism would lose its hold on the urging that the communistic tendencies, and caste had tended to separate from them many Charles Garrett, by nomination, in place Mr. Holland insisted that there were two country were it ever to forego the power of ex- the efforts to spread skepticism in our large who formerly had been members, but, by do- Samuel Fiddian, superannuated. sides to this question of denominational educa- tempore preaching; but he maintained such towns, could be counteracted only by zealous ing so, had rendered the church more pure. John Gay Wilson,, by seniority, in place tion, and was proceeding to argue that its de- preaching might well be conjoined with learned Christian effort. and who also spoke of the care the missionaries William Box, superannuated. velopment in the country would tend rather to exposition, and referred to Dr. Clarke and Mr. Sir Francis Lycett pleaded the claims of take to guard the door of the native ministry Benjamin Bayley, nominated by the Irish ing preachers being ninety two. Neither Manmen entrusted to review the various depart-turther the interests of Romanism and of the Benson as eminent examples. The system of London. He drew a startling picture of the against any but truly converted men. The Conference, in the place of John Greer, de-Ritualistic party than of Methodism, when Mr. local preachers was essential to Methodism, and religious destitution of Paddington, where, Rev. W. J. Davis, announced as the author ceased. dations to Conference, have begun their work T. P Bunting interposed with a call to order, every effort should be made for their improve-amid a population of 100,000, there is no Me-of the Kaffir Dictionary and Grammar, also Wallace M'Mullen, nominated by

to-day. In the morning the educational ar-on the ground that Mr. Holland was wander-ment. The difficulties were great, and he thodist chapel, and where the united efforts of speke as a returned mission try. He described Conference, in place of Thomas T. N. Hull, rangements for preachers' children were con- ing from the point before the Committee. He should be glad to hear suggestions as to how all denominations have provided sittings in the wonderful development of the work of God superannuated. sidered. Methodists, with good reason, re-deprecated very earnestly the reopening of these might be overcome. Sir Francis Lycett ehurch and chapel for only 30,000 persons. in South Africa. joice in the Kingswood and Woodhouse-grove a question that had been practically closed, insisted upon the importance of their ministry He suggested improvements in the management Among other references to the financial state tion of its President and Secretary. The fol-

Schools. Among the alumni of these institu-The President ruled against Mr. Holland, sug-being distinguished for holiness of heart and of the Home Mission Fund, and wished that of the Society, Mr. Boyce dwelt almost pathet-lowing is the result of the elections :tions are the President and the Secretary of gesting that he should defer his remarks until life. He expressed regret that the progress chairmen of districts might be set free from ically upon the practical difficulty of reducing made in London during the last ten years had circuit work. He mourned greatly the de- expenditure, and then cheered the meeting by

Mr. W. Williams said that the duty of car. not been greater. Mr. G. Lidgett suggested clension of numbers, and hoped Conference the information that next year the scheme for this morning sustains the high reputation of the ing for the religious instruction in their dayschools. They tell of an unusual number of schools devolved especially upon the pastor- should, like candidates for the regular ministry tion and prayer. He wished that in London debt would be completed, and that then the be required to pass the quarterly meetings of they could build a hundred instead of fity cha- circuits in those islands would be placed in the pels. After Sir Francis had finished his very position as circuits in England. Dr. Jobson

earnest and telling address, the President gave wisely suggested that greater pains should e THE SABBATH COMMITTEE. The attendance at the Sabbath Observance addition to his former benefactions, he now ge- the arrangements for many of their meetings; to it greater emphasis by announcing that, in taken in preparing the reports and in making

noon is for many an inconvenient time. In the The most important conversation of the absence of the President, the Rev. W. Shaw of the Home Mission Fund should not be less Italy was prominent in the speeches, as morning arose on a resolution proposed by Dr. absence of the fresident, the field, the field, the field, the field of the Home Mission Fund should not be less than field be than field of the field of

> preach a faithful and evangelical sermon before and how ever since he had been looking that the Queen; the sermon over, the clergyman Rome should be the head of a Methodist mis made an appeal on behalf of the Church Mis- sion. Mr. M'Mullen, of Dublin, said that an sionary Society, and in doing so read extracts eccentric but excellent Irish minister was wont

speech with invocations of blessing on the ises occupied by our mission in Padua.

Monday CHAPEL AFFAIRS.

The elaborate and very able report read this were made for the improvement of the Kings-when opened occupied by female students, and the new Conege The endorate and very able report read this until probation; and if this rule was 'broken wood and Woodhouse-grove Schools. It was not proposed to provide for the pur- work of chapel building and enlargement is car- their case, as in that of foreign missionaries, emotion, the marvellous progress made by Me- God-man. We have seen the manifold bear- or neglected, the offender "cannot take it ill chase and adaptation of the new premises by an ried on throughout the country with undimin- the principles of itinerancy might be modified, thodism since the Conterence was first held in ings of this truth on Christian theology; not it he is excluded from our Connexion." The

immediate special effort, but gradually. An ished zeal. It is reason for great encourage- To succeed in such work, especially in large that chapel. He called upon all to strike the without some side references to the great conshould be employed. Mr. Fowler thought the addition of £1,000 a-year to the Education ment that so large a number as 255 erections cities, required a life consecration. two schools might well be combined in one Fund. would enable the Committee to do this have been completed at a cost of £228,364, Dr. Rule wished for certain changes in the had made them a people. Their Missionary tian Church from the beginning. We have mediately, "Let every one take this warning. large institution, somewhat on the plan of the national public schools. He also recommended

Dean Stanley himself. It was in the year 1765 that the Conference first held its sittings in

The Conference then proceeded to the elec-

FOR PRESIDENT John H. James, D.D. 201 Luke H. Wiseman, 196, Charles Haydon George T. Perks. M. A. Gervase Smith, M. A..... Joseph Hargreaves George Scott, D. D. James H. Rigg, D. D. W. W. Stamp, D. D. 2 FOR SECRETARY Luke H. Wiseman, M. A..... 334 George T. Perks, M.A..... 41 H. W. Williams Gervase Smith, M. A. 14 Samuel R. Hall 5

> John Bedtord W. T. Radeliffe THE FERNLEY LECTURE.

from the Weslevan Missionary Society's Re- to close his fervent missionary addresses by This lecture was delivered in the Grosveport. Mr. Smith told how this appeal was re- anticipations of a Methodist Conference to be sponded to by the members of the Royal Fam- held in Rome Mr. J. S. Budgett had visited ily, and closed an eloquent but discursive Italy, and could describe the admirable prem-

Nor were the expressions of sympathy with summary and appeal, which we present in the them " to see with their own eyes their horses Mr. S. R. Hall regretted that superintend- the new and great work that now opens in the Lecturer's own words, will convey some idea rubbed, fed, and bedded," and " never to ride ents should be overburdened with what was Eternal City merely verbal. Mr. Perks read of the outline and purpose of the lecture, which hard." At this Conference it was resolved for called circuit business. Such business had in- a note from Mr. Fernley, which elicited loud the crowds of ministers and lay gentlemen from the first time to have one uniform ticket of creased greatly daring the last few years. cheering, announcing that that gentleman would That a minister's time should be so much occu-give towards the purchase or erection of a bled on the occasion, felt it to be their great was to be issued from London; and measures all parts of the Connexion, who were assem- membership throughout the Connexion, which pied in preparing schedules, in attending Com- chapel and other mission premises £5,000. Mr. privilege to hear :-mittees, and in the man gement of day Heald expressed his willingness to follow so

schools, was a serious obstruction to success noble an example, and promised a like amount. He thought the ministers selected for home The announcement of these munificent gifts was subject; the most unworthy who ever approach. A stringent rule was insisted on with regard to mission work ought not to be young men in received with great enthusiasm, but the excite- ed it. We have considered the testimony of the literary work of the preachers. None of their probation, but married men of seven or ment of the meeting did not rise to its highest Scripture to the constituent elements of our Sa- them was to print anything without Mr. Wesnote of praise to that infinite goodness which troversies which have been waged in the Chris- point, tor in addition to the rule it is added im-

then aspired to the dignity of being the head " Lancashire" Circuit, to which four preachers were appointed. The Kingswood collection of that year throughout the Methodist Connexion, amounted to £100 9s. 7d., and for the subsistence of those "preachers who were entirely worn out" it was enacted, that every brother in tull work should contribute half-aguinea annually, and a guinea entrance money on being received as a travelling preacher At the Conference it was complained : "We are still overrun with debt : what can be done?" And the reply was a prohibition against building any more preaching-houses except by the advice of the superintendent, or "assistant," as he was then called. Various regulations were passed at that Conference relating to the style of chapel architecture, among which are these Let all the windows be sashed, open ing downwards. Let there be no tub-pulpits, and no backs to the seats." The preachers were strictly required to see that the men and women sat apart from each other; never to keep up a love-least more than an hour and a half; to see that all evening congregations

Manchester. There were in England at that

time 25 circuits ; in Scotland, 4 ; in Wales, 2 ;

and in Ireland, 8: the total number of travel

chester nor any other place in the county had

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preaching began later than seven, except in harvest time. The "silly custom" of break ing the lovefeast cake to each other by the perpr-street Chapel, Manchester, last evening, sons present, was condemned as tending to Tuesday, July 25, by the Rev. W. B. Pope, "create much confusion." A regulation was to an overflowing congregation. The subject passed stating that some of the preachers were was "The Person of Christ." The following not merciful to their horses, and requiring of were taken to discourage members from re-Here, then, I take farewell of this wonderful moving needlessly from one society to another

the Irish of a circuit; but there was what was called the were dismissed in time for every one to be at home by nine o'clock, and that no evening

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too frequently seeking to prepare their sons try if they neglected to exert themselves to the this year, argued that Methodism was coming now enjoyed with the soldiers. for the legal and other professions. The want of capital to embark them in business created

a temptation to this course, but it was often attended with danger Dr. Oshorn demurred to the statement that the schools did not now serve to prepare the boys for any calling to which they might subsequently be devoted. Conference to appoint a Committee to enquire concerning any methods by which the efficiency of the schools may be promoted. attending them.

GENERAL EDUCATION.

is 887. In these schools 150,765 children are

umns shortly.

vided for as early as possible.

The Education Committee of Review met in Holland's view. the afternoon. In opening the proceedings the President exhibited sundry sheets of foolscap containing, he said, the names of 748 gentle-

Professor Williamson, who stated it was the Conference Committees, supported, in a speech men, connected in one way or other with the of great beauty and power, the proposal for a Committee, or invited to attend. Heiplayfully

asked if the list should be called over. This was not done, but the reference reminded those, present, of what otherwise some might have been in danger of forgetting, that the right to vote or speak in the Committee was limited. The number present was very large, and in-ded not a few gentlemen whose names have obtained honorable prominece during the past fe # of the Committees held during the year were for teachers occasioned by the opening of many new schools, of arrangements for bringing heartily passed. 'The Children's Home," that already well-

known and popular institution for training des- On the motion of Mr. Jenkins, seconded by known and popular institution for training des-titute and neglected children, into association Mr. M'Arthur, a resolution in favour of the Mr. H. H. Fowler protested against even indiwith the Committee; and of the purchase of Westminster Memorial Chapel was passed, and with the Committee; and of the purchase of admirably suited premises in Battersea, made to increase the accommodation for training thing has been done towards raising the reteachers. There are 638,606 children in Wes- quired amount were urged to speedy liberality levan Sunday-schools. an increase of 16.017. in this matter.

The meeting closed with well deserved The increase in the day-schools, stimulated by the working of the education act, has been thanks to the Principal of the Westminster Colhave been opened, and the total number now the Education Committee.

Saturday.

THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION COMMITTEE. taught, showing an increase of 21,655. Mr. Clulow, in an instructive report, gave the result of his inspection of Wesleyan schools. ceedings of the Institution Committee. First, no chapel better suited for Methodist preachcatechism. The report on Sunday-schools was of local preachers. This subject was introduc- Let them keep up the old spirit of Methodism,

Mr. J. Hargreaves referred with satisfac-tion shared by the entire meeting, to the res-toration of Mr. Olver, after his lengthened sickness, to comparative health. He moved a resolution, which after conversation was agreed preacher system there was needed a thorough new erections, founded at the last Manchester These things might well account in part for the Lycett had done for London.

tion, spoke of the danger lest, by the pressure sad fact that this year decrease stared them in ral element in the schools should be attenua- the face. Serious investigation should be made to secure secular results, the religious and moted; and urged in favour of denominational into the whole question, and Mr. Bunting urginspection the example of other Churches. He stated inoidentally that nearly a quarter of a million of money is expended annually in Wes-

that the course of study should differ, after a certain point, ia the case of boys likely to be ted a smile by referring to himself as being, 060 has been raised Mr. Shaw might well ceive Government pay, but this Mr. Prest devoted to professional pursuits, and those like-like his friend, Mr. Holland, a defacted candi-suggest that such facts should be taken into con-trongly depi ecated, assigning as chief reasons will not attempt to indicate even the principal ly to engage in trade. Mr. S. R. Hall ex-date for the School Board. He thought they sideration by those who, from the decrease in that thus Methodist chaplains would sacrifice points of this speech. It produced a remarka-my beloved brethren, that we turn from the believe in the popular delusion that the first pressed a caution against Methodist preachers too frequently seeking to prepare their sons try if they neglected to exert themselves to the try if they neglected to exert themselves to the to late for the School Board. The thought they startand by those who, from the decrease in that thus sterholist chapters in the popular dentation that the popular dentation the popular dentation that the popular dentation the popular dentation that the popular den

try if they neglected to exert themselves to the utmost to train Methodist teachers. Mr. Holland did not wish to re-open the gen-eral question, but would prefer transferring Wesleyan schools to the care of the School Boards to accepting aid in the way of payment for denominational schools. The latter course difficulty in their chapel-building efforts even dwelt upon the spiritual good resulting from all rose to their teet and joined in heartily human by his own testimony; and before the half-awakened wives, and conversed with their

sent system by another. On the motion of Mr. J. S. Budgett rose after Dr. Osborn, Mr. J. S. Budgett rose a how in his opinion, provision could be made and the Methodists of the Provinces for the dumb devil of indifference. for the pastoral oversight of Methodist students liberal response they had made to the appeal Mr. Pocock put in an earnest plea on behalf lowed by other noble gifts.

on behalf of London. He went on to say, amid of the neelected rural districts. He spoke in And now came the close. Mr. T. P. Bunt-Mr. Stevenson, of Newcastle, supported Mr. the applause of the meeting, that $\pounds 26,000$ had illustration of a town in Surrey which had no been subscribed, that already four chapels were Methodist chapel within a distance of twenty being built, and that he hoped, before the end miles, and where they had little reason to those Preparatory Committees, and then ac- who are holy brethren in Jesus, and partakers was not neglected by that assembly, especially Professor Williamson, who stated it was the long out, and that the hoped, other the out of the year, the number would be raised to ten. think evangelical truth was preached at all. cording to his wont, indulged in references to the strongly urged that home missionaries the strongly urged that home missionaris the strongly A conversation upon chapel-building seldom He strongly urged that home missionaries the election to take place to-morrow. Pres-A conversation upon chapel-building settoring in god that house mission to take place to indice in a place to indice in the should be relieved from circuit engagements, ently his tone became serions and even solemn, ledge of the mysteries of faith may be denied to sing, and also--not always an easy matnew Training College. Mr. Alderman Barlow followed on the same subject of style. Such discussion arose this and devoted solely to aggressive work. Mr. Stephenson, of Newcastle, lamented the Mr. Alderman Barlow followed on the same red to some of the chapels in Cornwall as ex- large number of professed members of Society side, and further gave to the meeting a pleasant single unattractive in appearance. This who are never present at class-meeting, and secured loud applause by not ceedingly unattractive in appearance. This who are never present at class-meeting, and heritage. He is mine. He is yours. He and to be cautioned against singing too slow. sensation and secured loud applause by not called up Mr. Downing, the representative of only expressing his admiration of the Children's called up Mr. Downing, the representative of only expressing his admiration of the Children's called up Mr. Downing, the representative of called up Mr. Downing, the representative of only expressing his admiration of the Children's called up Mr. Downing, the representative of called up Mr. Downing, the representative of only expressing his admiration of the Children's called up Mr. Downing, the representative of conducted to the Children's Fund. Some conducted to the Children's Fund. only expressing his admiration of the Unidren's that district, who during these Committees, has proceeded to the Children's Fund. Some con our Israel.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

tective speakers among the laymen of Method- for ministers' daughters, and also on the diffiism. He asserted that though Cornwall could culties which beset the arrangements in Cornmonths in connection with the London and se-veral provincial School Boards. The Minutes a farm and house in the neighborhood of Bolton, and by adding that if at the end of that not desire them, yet that substantial and com- representative of the district, urged that the ton, and by adding that if at the end of that time it was found to be serviceable, he would modious buildings, suited to all Methodist pur-time it was found to be serviceable, he would read by Mr. Olver. They told, inter alia, ot probab y present it. Mr. M'Aulay, Mr. Hay, poses, were abundant. Mr. Brailsford ad- ministers instead of members. It was ulti mired the exterior of Gothic buildings, but mately recommended that the assessment and Mr. Cooper warmly supported the propos-al for a new College, and the resolution was thought that in nine cases out of ten the preach-shauld be made in the same manner and at the

er were heard with difficulty. Mr. Prest said, same rate as last year. there was other causes besides the adoption of the Gothic style for preachers not being heard.

HOME MISSIONS.

During the Preparatory Committees which close to-day, again and again has the fact of

decrease been alluded to, in a tone of deep but as yet we have no words at command in look down upon us and to bless us: to renew on to perfection. deemed best. He indicated his own preference for Gothic architecture, and warned the Committee against attempting to resist the progress of taste. The speech of the morning was that of Dr. Osborn. He admitted the right of tion have given a high religious tone to the that attended the word.

the working of the education act, has been thanks to the religious to the they should adopt, but suggested that chapels been a fitting-we might almost say a glorious finale to the series of Committees. The heashould be designed, not for singers, but preachvy rain that fell did not prevent the gathering ers, and that care should be given to their ac-There were two points of interest in the pro-oustic properties, and to ventilation. He knew of large numbers at the opening, and as the

meeting proceeded, the noble chapel in which sult of his inspection of Wesleyan schools. ceedings of the Institution Committee. First, no chapel better suited for Methodist preach-The point upon which the report dwelt most a proposal, which passed unanimously, in favor ers that that in which they were assembled. The point upon which the report dwelt most a proposal, which passed unanimously, in favor ers that that in which they were assembled. James selected for reading the seventy second formally opened at the Oldham Street Chapel, Holy Ghost, be all might, majesty and dominemphatically was the necessity of special effort of the appointment of a third and thoroughly He especially insisted, with great unction and the prayer was offered by Mr. Manchester. More than seven hundred min- ion ascribed for ever and ever. Amen. Wesleyan day-schools. At least half an hour morning and evening, should be given to Bible what aside from the objects of the meeting, but reading and exposition, and to the study of the of great interest. on the work and qualifications fail, their chapels would soon be of little value. the opening of the mission at Oporto, the invi- tures by the Secretary, and prayer. After THE FIRST MANCHESTER CONFER-"taken as read:" it will appear in our col-ed by Mr. W. W. Pocock, who dwelt upon the and Methodism would be more than a match need of ministers giving more attention to for Ritualism; but if they went into a compe-Mr. J. Hargreaves referred with satisfac-qualifying local preachers for their work. It ton in regard to asthetics they would be beat-mates of his palace; the arrangement to place viz. the filling up of those vacancies in the lega

Tuesday.

resolution, which after conversation was agreed preacher system there was needed a thorough new erections, founded at the last Manchester who, while acknowledgeing that the number of annuated, and his place becomes vacant. It Manchester. The first Annual Conference was to, urging reasons why the efficient inspection and effective radical reform. The system of Conference, was now exhausted. He expressto, urging reasons why the efficient inspection and enective ration reform. The system of Conference, was now exhausted. He express-of our day-schools, especially in regard to reli-admission on the plan was wrong; and many ed a sentiment to which we would be glad were of our day-schools, especially in regard to reli-gious instruction and influence, should be pro-were retained who had ceased to be efficient. their practical responses. It was desirable, he were retained who had ceased to be emcient. their practical responses. It was desirable, he to that mission there was no reason to be de- by superannuation; in Ireland, two, one occa- John and Charles Wesley, there were present vided for as early as possible. Mr. W. W. Pocock, in seconding the resolu-Mr. W. W. Pocock, in second the r nation was being moved by knowledge, and by -the first being by seniority, the second by Samuel Taylor, Vicar of Quinton: and Mr. the preaching of Christ. He urged the Com- nomination, and the remainder alternately :- J. Meriton. Their conversation related chiefly

mitte to send out tried and competent married James Grose, by seniority, in place of Eli-to doctrinal points; but the last day there was a This afternoon Mr. Prest delivered the report of the Committee upon Home Missions, men, whose chief duty it would be to train na- jah Toyne, deceased.

which they might subsequently be devoted. He also deprecated the disturbance of the pre-would subserve the interest's rather of the Church of England and of the Roman Catholics. In a latter course would subserve the interest's rather of the Church of England and of the Roman Catholics. In a latter course would subserve the interest's rather of the Church of England and of the Roman Catholics. In a latter course would subserve the interest's rather of the Church of England and of the Roman Catholics. In a such meetings. In the abounding wickedness of Church of England and of the Roman Catholics. towards its reduction. His example was fol- derful Person! To that consideration of our ally education of children. This is not cured Lord's undivided Person, the Holy Spirit this by the preachers. Either they have not light day challenges us all. " Us all," I say, not only or not weight enough." Such was Methodism, And now came the close. Mr. T. P. Bunt-ing, in grateful terms, moved the thanks of the ege it is to be students and ministers of Christ's the first quarter of a century of its existence. meeting to the President for his conduct of mysteries, but all who bear the Christian name, The question of the conduct of public worship as he spoke of the illness of one who, had he to you, but, my beloved brethren, Christ be- ter-to "set them right that sing wrong." as he spoke of the inness of one and in the to you, but, my beloved bretaren, Christ be-been amongst us, would probably have been the longs to you all. He is the common property The people were to be taught to sing by note, elect of his brethren. Mr. Bunting's words and heritage. He is mine. He is yours. He and to be cautioned against singing too slow. diating, going torth upon all who touch Him. frugality in expenditure as a branch of religion;

THE FERNLEY LECTURE.

weekly and monthly subscriptions should be

There was no prerogative in that ancient Gali- and abstinence from snuff and dram drinking. We have just listened to Mr. Pope's lecture lee which is denied to this place. Virtue went The people were censured for talking to much on "The Person of Christ." We could de- forth and healed them all. So let it be now ! and reading too little. The preachers we re or-

heart and soul the verse-Jesus is worthy to receive Honor and power Divine ; And blessings more than we can give Be Lord for ever thine :

(From the Methodist Recorder.)

scribe the vast congregation that crowded Help us. O Lord, to turn our eve of contem- dered to reprove them publicly for reading they were held spell-bound by the lecturer for peace with Christ this night. My fellow Chris- way of setting an example of reserve in con an hour and a half, and how gloriously at the tian, if He has become dim to your vision, let versation, the following order was passed :---close they joined in singing Dr. Watt's beauti- Him rise before you in all His glories this night ! "Do not talk too much yourself; if you stay ful hymn of praise to Christ, repeating with If your faith has become dull, cast such a look above an hour at any place, take out a book upon Him as will make Him your own. If and read." In the last Minute of this Conter your love and loyalty have grown cold within ence of 1765, it is declared that religion was usyou, O ! let them flow back with a rush of tu- ually too superficial; and to remedy this the multuous feeling to-night ! For He is ready to preachers were directed to preach on the most

receive you. He is present in our midst to spiritual subjects, and to exhort believers to go decrease been alluded to, in a tone of deep but as yet we have no words at command in look down upon us and to bless us; to renew on to perfection, seriousness, but by no means of discourage- which to describe the lecture. We simply within us our devotion, and to seal upon all our Such is a brief summary of the proceedings ment. Exhortations to humiliation before God, thank God for the grace given to the preacher hearts His blessing. And when you have gone_ of the first Manchester Conference. The times to earnest prayer, and to renewed consecra- so to exalt the Lord, and for the rich unction from this place, and the virtue of this service were different from those in which we live, and and ministry has gone with you, then consecrate the position of the Society relatively to the Esyourself atresh to this immortal study-to this tablishment and to the country was different. knowledge that cannot pass away- until, hav- But we are mistaken if the thoughtful reader ing beheld the glory of the Lord as reflected does not discover in some, at least, of these

from His Word, you are changed into the same quaint old recommendations tood for reflection, image, and reaching the beatific vision, see and hints which might not be altogether unser-

I COME AS I WENT.

It was a touching incident which fell under the notice of a Christian lady lately at a rail way station. She saw a husband bear his inva lid wife in his arms from the car. As clasping his neck she was borne to a carriage, she re marked to a friend who stood near, in tones of unexpected cheerfulness, "You see I come as strong arms of him who loved her And is this not the daily experience of every saint? How feeble in himself, yet how upborne of Christ ! "Without me ye can do nothing," says the voice of Jesus. "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me !" exclaims the apostle. "When I am weak, then I am strong."

Be not angry that you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make as "the congregation of English believers" yourself what you wish to be.

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE.

BY TELEGRAPH.]

MANCHESTER, July 26. The one hundred and twenty-eighth annual Him as He is, to whom, in the unity of His Per- viceable at the present time.

The Conference which has already virtually