

by my being empowered to offer you £1000 as a donation from my sister Miss Heald---[Hear, hear.]---and £500 as one from my sister Margaret---[Long continued cheers.] Now, Sir, you will think I have lost sight of my promise, and therefore I will come to an end,---only let me impress my friends with the necessity of doing to-day the work of the day---Let "us honour the Lord now with our substance, and the first-fruits of all our increase," and put our trust in Him for the future. A positive call of duty to-day, should be settled to-day. It has been done so, by many here present, but by none, taken as a whole, so much as by our ministers;---theirs has been not generosity merely, but sacrifice. What can be done then to carry out these promising commencements, to their proper consummation? It is urgently necessary that Mr. Wood and Mr. Farmer, and others, with the preachers, should unite in a plan by which the spirit of this meeting may be diffused throughout our societies; for the whole celebration of this event should be a connexional act. Let our lay friends, who have so admirably commenced the plan, "follow it up," personally visiting the more important Conference and District Towns of the Connexion, and let us thus make a "long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull altogether." [Great cheering.]

In the evening meeting of the second day,

MR. SCARTH, of Leeds, said, that though his mind was set upon raising 100,000*l.*, yet he did not think it would require any convulsive struggle, on the part of individuals or the connexion generally, to accomplish that object; nor did he think that there was any risk, that the other funds of Methodism, would be, in the slightest degree, injured by what would be done on this occasion,---as it would be done over and above every thing they were accustomed to do. So far from this, it was moreover his hope, and trust, that, by the blessing of God, the annual income of the Wesleyan Missionary Society would, in the Centenary year, amount to 100,000*l.* [Hear.] They had been trying to do something toward this at Leeds. They thought they had done their best last year, but this year they had produced nearly double. As he had been complained of for being too quiet, and as something like a speech had been required of him, he would say a word or two on the influence which that meeting, in all its bearings, was likely to have upon Methodism. He believed that it would have, in a very marked and especial degree, the smile and approbation of God; and that the blessed influences which had been upon them, while together, would accompany them to their several places of abode, disposing them to put forth all their energies in the service of this cause. He expected that from the commencement of their operations, they would have a gracious out-pouring of the Holy Spirit of God upon their societies, and that his work would revive on every hand. [Hear.]

The following remarks close the account of this ever-memorable meeting---

It must suffice here to state, that, on the recommendation of a Sub-Committee who had met early in the morning, it was unanimously agreed that the minimum proposed to be raised at the Centenary should be fixed at 60,000; that of this sum 35,000*l.* should be appropriated to the Theological Institution, 15,000*l.* to the Mission Premises and other Missionary specialities; 3,000*l.* to the Polynesian Mission Ship; 5,000*l.* as before stated, to the Discharge of the School-Building's Debt; and 20,000*l.* to the Chapel Loan Fund. The surplus, if any arise, which is now confidently anticipated, is to be divided among some or of all the several objects before specified, according to what may appear to a committee to be the necessities at the time of each case. The important proposal for augmenting the Auxiliary Preachers' Fund, was cordially approved; and a Sub-Committee appointed to promote its adoption in the way prescribed by the rules of the Connexion on financial subjects. Various other arrangements were made respecting the Centenary; and the results of all the preceding conversations and discussions were embodied in upwards of Twenty Resolutions, which were moved, seconded, and unanimously adopted. Other Resolutions were carried, expressive of the thanks of the meeting to Almighty God for his signal blessing vouchsafed to it, during its deliberations; and of its acknowledgments to the Manchester friends for their hospitality and zeal, to the Ministers present for their assistance, and to the excellent President for the ability, piety and affection, with which he had conducted the various proceedings. After the usual Doxology had been sung, the President concluded this ever-memorable meeting by solemn thanksgiving and prayer.

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WE have devoted a considerable portion of this number to an abstract of the account given in the London Watchman, respecting the Centenary Fund. It will be read with the deepest interest; and not less so, we trust, on Mission Stations than at Home---seeing that in the various objects embraced by the views of the Committee, Missionary interests will not be overlooked; and we hope, likewise, that when arrangements are made, (as they will be) for the Centenary Celebration in this District---that there will not be a few, who, remembering what they owe to Methodism, will respond liberally towards the *monumental* and *connexional* intentions of the Committee of the Centenary Fund. As one great object amidst many minor claims, let the question be asked, and *conscientiously* answered---"How much owest thou unto thy Lord?"---and we have no fear for the result.

THE two following numbers of this periodical will close the first year of its existence. It was commenced without prospectus, and without large promises---the few first numbers, in fact, were decidedly unprepossessing in its favour,---yet it has witnessed a gradually increasing support throughout the year, and we have no hesitation in saying, that if the Agents and Preachers will continue to solicit and forward the names of fresh subscribers, we will venture to engage that every possible improvement shall be given, so as to make "The Wesleyan" worthy of the patronage of all. While we are sufficiently sectarian to mark our own views, and defend our own connexional policy,---we trust our pages will present nothing to offend the eye of others, who may in minor points differ from us.

In the course of the succeeding year, it is proposed---when a mass of interesting matter shall present itself,---to issue three or four supplementary numbers in the intermediate week, so as to close the second volume at the end of the year 1839, and commence succeeding volumes with the first of the year. Of each number due notice will be given. A title page and index of volume 1st. will be comprised in the 26th and closing number.

WE beg to acknowledge the receipt of a volume of Poems, by Mr. LASKEY, of the Province of New Brunswick. We have perused the same with interest, and trust that this attempt of native genius will be properly appreciated by the patrons of science and song, and that the volume will meet with a ready sale. We have marked a few pieces, to which we intend to give insertion in succeeding numbers,---and we cordially give our hearty recommendation to the work itself.

The Rev. Thomas Smith, Wesleyan Missionary, late of this District, arrived safely in Bermuda, after a passage of 30 days.

We owe an apology to our friends at "The Gore," which we have no doubt their kindness will accept---"it was an oversight."