

and other places. Rev. Arthur Brown-
ing spent some weeks at Meaford, and
was encouraged with the results of his
labours. Other brethren and sisters who
are in the evangelistic field have been
usefully employed.

METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.

Leeds, Yorks, stands first in the Con-
nexion in the amount it contributes to
the Mission Fund. At the late anniver-
sary two missionaries from China were
present, Rev. John Innocent, President
of Conference, and John Robinson, who
laboured in China thirty-seven and
twenty years respectively.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

Rev. W. L. Watkinson, President of
the Wesleyan Conference, has agreed to
preach the annual sermon for the Council
in London, February 5th.

Rev. Thos. Jackson has made arrange-
ments for students to spend their Christ-
mas and other vacations in work at the
Working Lads' Institute, Whitechapel,
London.

RECENT DEATHS.

The Obituary List in the Wesleyan
Conference Minutes contains fifty-three
names. The average life was 63½ years,
the oldest being in his ninetieth year and
the youngest just turned 25 years. The
period in the ministry averaged 46 years.

On the last week in November, Rev.
J. A. Diome, missionary at Caughna-
waga, came to his death while walking on
the railway near Montreal. He was very
deaf and was not aware that a train was

coming rapidly after him, and was struck
by the engine. He had only been in the
ministry seven years.

Rev. W. B. Jost, B.A., of New Bruns-
wick, was a young man of more than
ordinary ability, of whom many years of
usefulness were expected, but he was
called to his reward in the morning of
life. His father and grandfather were
Methodist ministers. With a view to
better fit himself for the ministry he went
to Chicago to pursue a post-graduate
course, when he was seized with typhoid
fever and soon died. Among his last
words were: "My heart is full of the
love of Christ, and God's will is best."

Rev. R. R. Wilson, Hamilton Confer-
ence, entered the joy of his Lord after
being four years in the ministry. He
was deservedly esteemed for his amiable
disposition and manliness. In respect to
study he was wonderfully successful and
gave promise of great usefulness. His
death is greatly lamented.

Rev. Thomas Swindell, Primitive
Methodist minister, Norwich, Eng.,
died November 8th, aged 83. He was
in the active work thirty-eight years, the
whole of which was spent in Manchester
and Norwich Districts. Two of his sons
are in the ministry.

Rev. Dr. Raymond, for several years
Professor in Evanston University, has
gone to his reward at the ripe age of 86
years. He spent a few years in the
pastorate. The Wesleyan Academy and
Garrett Biblical Institute shared his
labours for many years. He left behind
him a valuable work on "Systematic
Theology," in two volumes.

A MESSAGE FROM HOME.

BY AMY PARKINSON.

No wintry blast,
No skies o'ercast,
No more decline of day;
But genial air,
Heaven's dome serenely fair,
And light alway.

No longings sore
For joys of yore,
And friends that were so dear:
The last tear dried,
Each yearning satisfied,
And loved ones near.

Toronto.

No weariness,
No cares oppress,
No pain nor weakness more;
But rest at last,
Perplexing thought all past,
And suffering o'er.

No dying hour,—
Dark death's dread power
Forever passed away;
Who enter Here
Drink of God's River clear,
And live for aye.