

not of the civil institutions, of the religious life of the country, and of the determined purpose to subvert the public schools.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

The Rev. David Savage has spent several months in the North-West, where he found a wide door opened to him. He has since been labouring, with great success, in London, after which he goes to Petrolia.

The *Pall Mall Gazette*, one of the strongest of London journals, publishes an appeal from the Rev. Wm. Darby to the British Government. It relates to difficulties between the French and English fishermen in Bonne Bay, Newfoundland. Protection is demanded against French oppression, and the question looms up as one of grave international importance. Mr. Darby is at present a student at Mount Allison.

Several large collections have recently been given at Church Dedications and Anniversary occasions. Euclid Avenue, Toronto, in one day laid \$1,000 on the plates. St. Paul's Church, Brampton, in addition to a mortgage, was burdened with a floating debt of \$12,000. It was resolved that this burden should be removed. In one Sabbath \$14,000 were contributed. Grace Church, Brampton, has been enlarged and remodelled at great cost. The collections and subscriptions at the opening exceeded \$20,000, which more than defrays the entire cost. The Methodists in Victoria, British Columbia, in one day gave more than \$4,000, which sum was made up to \$5,000. The two churches in the city thus gave \$10,000 in a few weeks for the reduction of the debts on their houses of worship.

RECENT DEATHS.

The Rev. Dr. H. J. Van Lennep, for many years a missionary in Armenia, died recently at Great Barrington, Mass. He was born in Smyrna. Once, while a missionary, his house was burned over his head, and he and his family barely escaped with their lives.

We regret to learn the sudden death of Dr. J. S. Lathern, a promising young physician, son of the Rev. Dr. Lathern, Editor of *The Wesleyan*, Halifax. He was in his 29th year, and had already won a position of confidence and respect in the city. His sorrowing family have our deep condolence.

The Rev. E. Teskey, of Brookholm, London Conference, after a long and painful illness, has been called to his rest. He entered the ministry in 1861, spent two years at Victoria College, and had a useful and successful ministry of nearly thirty years.

John M. Phillips, Esq., senior Methodist Book Agent, New York, was suddenly called to his reward. He was a valuable man to the Church which he served faithfully for many years, both as Book Agent and Treasurer of the Missionary Society.

Rev. Dr. Adams, of the same Church, died at Jackson, Miss., very suddenly at the depôt as he was arranging for the shipment of his goods to Oxford, where he was appointed at the late Conference. Without a word or sign he sunk to the floor, and his soul passed away. He was a man of rare gifts and extensive culture.

The Rev. Richard Stepney, a Superannuated Wesleyan minister, died November 12th, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. The writer knew him well forty-six years ago, when he was a laborious minister and faithful pastor.

The Rev. Thomas Russell, Primitive Methodist, died at the great age of eighty-five. In his early career he suffered many privations in the West of England, and was even imprisoned three months for preaching the Gospel in the open air.

The venerable Dr. Knowles, of the Wesleyan Church, died at Tunbridge Wells, at the age of eighty-five, and the fifty-seventh of his ministry. He was a man of great learning, and was skilled as a scientist and linguist. At one time he was a missionary in the Orkney Islands.