

hearts to do. We are glad, however, to learn that the members of the Epworth Leagues in Toronto Centre District are taking the matter in hand, and it is hoped that they will be able to provide the necessary funds for such a noble object. This is the time to favour Zion. It seems that showers of blessing are falling upon all parts of our work. The fields are becoming white unto harvest, and it might be well for the friends of Methodism in Canada to imitate the example of some others, and hold a self-denial week on behalf of their missions.

Barbara Heck.—The name of this mother of Methodism in the United States and Canada is not likely soon to die. Another monument is about to be erected to perpetuate her memory. The late Mr. H. A. Massey left \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a building in connection with Victoria University, specially for the use of lady students attending that seat of learning. The sum named will not be sufficient, and, therefore, the ladies of Methodism are devising means to raise a similar amount, which will be appropriated to the purpose named. We trust that the ladies will be successful, and that ere long the name of Barbara Heck will be associated with Victoria University in Toronto, as it is already identified with the North-Western University in Chicago. It is a pleasing coincidence that the scheme should be launched in this diamond year of her Majesty's reign.

Timothy Eaton, Esq., and family have contributed \$365 to the Missionary Fund, specially for missions in the North-West.

RECENT DEATHS.

The patriarch among the Primitive Methodists in England, Mr. Thomas Bateman, has been called to his long home. He was nearly 100 years old, and had been a local preacher more than seventy years. For many years he was a member of Conference, and was elected to the office of President.

The Rev. Dr. Mark, a member of Montreal Conference, though he had sustained a superannuated relation for fifteen years. During his early ministry he studied medicine, intending to go abroad as a medical missionary. In his retirement he practised the healing art, especially among the poor.

Rev. H. Meyers, of Montreal Conference, departed this life February 5th, in the twenty-sixth year of his ministry. Most of his ministry was spent in the neighbourhood of Montreal. A few weeks before his death he went into the hospital and underwent a painful surgical operation, and died soon afterwards. The memory of the just is blessed.

Rev. F. E. Fletcher, B.A., of Manitoba Conference, died at the residence of his father-in-law, Toronto, February 27th. On entering the ministry he spent a few years in Ontario and then three years in Winnipeg. In May, 1895, he was married to Miss Emma Crosby, daughter of Rev. George Browne, of Toronto. During the summer he took a severe cold, and became a victim of consumption. By the advice of friends, he returned to Ontario, where, after a few months of patient suffering, he fell asleep in Jesus. His bereaved widow and beloved mother, and other relatives, have the sympathy of a large circle of friends, both in Manitoba and Ontario. According to his special request, Chancellor Burwash delivered the address at his funeral. Rev. G. M. Brown, who took him into the church, took part in the exercises. Members of his ordination class, and two brothers, carried his remains to the tomb.

Rev. J. W. Savage died March 9th, at Peterboro', where he was visiting. Mr. Savage was born in Yorkshire, England, in 1829, the son of a Methodist minister. Coming to Canada he entered the Methodist ministry in 1854, and travelled forty-one years. He was superannuated in 1895. In 1880 he attended the Centennial Memorial Sabbath-school Conference, London, England. At the time of his death he was engaged on a work entitled "Distinguished Characters of Bible and Ecclesiastical History." He leaves a wife, daughter of the late Jacob Spence. His daughters are wives of Rev. Thomas Dunlop, Rev. S. J. Rorke, and Mr. Cross, of Bond Head. His brother William is a superannuated minister in Guelph Conference. Bro. J. W. Savage was a man greatly beloved by all who were favoured with his acquaintance.

"None knew him but to love him,
None named him but to praise."

"Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand ;

Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be."