himself for all the stupid reception of his en-

ment of spiritual good, it has been, to a great but specially prized and loved by the experimen- can satisfy the aged preacher of the Wesleyan, extent, through the reading of sacred poetry; tal Christian. She loved the gates of Zion more and apostolic type, but to witness the conversion when I have had a choice of means, I have se- than all the dwellings of Jacob. All Christ's of sinners,—the salvation of men. The junilected it in preference to any other. I would friends were specially dear to her, and his minis- ors herein are imitating good examples. As the cherish this invaluable aid to your usefulness." and earnest prayers. And many and importune conquer or die, so the growing company of our Such was almost the dying charge of Dr. Net- were her supplications in behalf of the impeni- ministers is saying, and teeling, "The people tleton to the theological students as they stood tent. Having finished the high and holy work may be saved, they must be saved, and if lowly around his death-bed. His reading of a hymn committed to her, she sweetly fell asleep in prayer, loving plainness, and scriptural fidelity would stir like a trumpet, or melt like the "Pa- the arms of her faithful, covenant-keeping God

too many aids. Least of all can he afford to ntroduce hinderances himself. Nor shall be be held guiltless who, as an embassador, present the message with which he is charged, clad in harlequin robes of sound, not only powerless, but offensive. - N. Y. Christian Advocate.

Whitnarn.

MARY TOWNSEND, OF LOUISBURG, C. B. Another has exchanged time for a blissful eternity in the person of Mary Townsend, who died at Louisburg, Sydney Circuit, in June last, in the 26th year of her age. Sister Townsend was converted to God, and joined the Weslevan church, under the faithful ministry of the Rev. F. W. Moore. She was highly respected by all who knew her. She took a lively interest in the enabled, however, to cast her cares on her loving ual conquests had proportionably declined. and faithful Saviour, and as her end drew near, her Father's house above, she exhorted her friends to seek religion, and meet her in heaven. dear children; one who is but a few months old,

Z. W. TOWNSEND. Louisburg, C. B., Sept 28th, 1863.

faith and patience inhe.it the promises.

HARRIET CLARKE, OF ST. ANDREWS, N. B. Died at St. Andrews on the 14th of June last. Harriet Clarke, daughter of Capt. James and

Esther Clarke, seed .21 years. From her childhood she was remarkable for beaming with an unearthly radiance, indicated again, in the present generation. the joy and peace within. She died in the triof the Sabbath School walking in procession.

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where the hymn was sung commencing with "Sister thou wast mild and lovely. &c." R. O. B. JOHNSON.

You will perceive by the following that our excellent Bro. Phinney has been called to pass through dep waters of domestic bereavementin the loss of another child-and that the

Died, on the 17th Sept., at the residence of Mr. Wm. Connors, Sandy Hill, Mr. Charles Hennigar, youngest son of Lawrence Phinney, Esq., of Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, Nova

The deceased arrived in this city in the month of June last, and entered the office of W. H. Walker, Esq., as a student-at-law, and although his sojourn in our midst was brief, he had never theless by his gentlemanly demeanor, scholarly attainments, and christian worth, received the friendship and respect of a number of our citizens who are now called upon to mourn his loss.

MRS. C. STOKES, FORMERLY OF LIVERPOOL, N. S.

On our recent visit to the United States our the Liverpool Circuit. terial for an extended and interesting memoir.

Sister Catherine Stokes entered the vineward

were by the d to Christ. Her humility was the utmost ground to hope, for the further useful-

manding her example ! Lynn, Jan., 1863.

Probincial Wesleyan. WEDNESDAY, OCT'R 14, 1863. Number of Members in our Socie-

ties, 1863.

This is a very suggestive subject, and one no small importance. The number of members from year to year, is justly deemed one indication of the measure of true usefulness, by the ministry, and other agencies of the church. It should not however be overlooked, that the entire influence for good, of the church, is not, cannot be, accurately represented by figures. There is a constant a mighty promotion of the kingdom of cause of religion, and rejoiced in its success. As God, by preaching, by other ordinances, and by long as she was able to go to the House of God, the prayers and example of Christians, which it was her delight to be there, and when others eludes the keenest "observation" of men. Still neclected the class-meeting, she highly priz- were the living membership of the church deed the "communion of saints." For a time she creasing from year to year, it would be held as a was called to suffer severe bodily pain, she was demonstration that its power of achieving spirit-

In the following observations, to which we she anticipated it with calmness and hope, ex- have been led by the returns in the "Minutes of pressing to the writer, and the many friends who | Conference of 1863," nothing is further from our pressing to the writer, and the many riccus who visited her, her well-founded expectation of being purpose than to speak ex cathedra, or to imply a poorer? This inquiry would be directed pridict fire, he may adopt a vigorous policy, and so reflection on our laborious ministers-or the zealous class-leaders of our Connexion. They obtain, and they are entitled to all honour and love But if we can awaken any appropriate thought, that shall lead to right action, in the case to be ed the present religious habits, and feelings of examined, and if the divine Spirit, our holy Helpalso a large circle of friends to mourn their irreer, shall crown it with his blessing, so that the parable loss. May we be followers of them who membership of our Societies shall be at the same time further sanctified, and augmented, during this year, and in all future years, our whole end will be accomplished, and the Holy One of Israel, shall be alone, and ever glorified.

By the Minutes of the late Conference it appears hundred and fifteen members. (See p. 12.) This is a record which calls to humiliation before God. It is to be supposed, that the honesty and fidel the sweetness of her temper, and respect for religion, but it was not until about three or four lowed by solemn self-inquiry, and fervent prayer years ago, during a series of religious services by all the members of Conference, and our peoheld by Bro. Brownell on the St. Andrews cir- ple generally throughout the Connexion. This cuit, that she experienced the peace of God which decrease does not stand alone in the records of passeth knowledge; and from that time she walk- our Church, for the last seven years. There was ed worthily of her high calling. Scarcely any ob- a small decrease in the membership in 1857, and men, if by any means they may save some."

It know instances where this circuit influence has gospel of the Son of God. stacle would prevent her from attending the 1862; in the former year, of one hundred and may be deserving of serious thought whether lameans of grace. Her place in the house of God, | toenty-five, and in the latter of one hundred and bour timely bestowed on the anxious inquirer, the Sabbath School, or the class meeting was cight. Unhappily the decrease last year was and those who but recently have professed faith rarely vacant. If God had spared her life, much greater, than the united losses of those she bade fair to be a useful member of the church. previous years. Plainly, the reported decrease ed, and grounded in Him, may not be for But alas! blighting consumption had marked her in our societies in the year ending May 1863, was the proper and principal ends of the ministry, as his victim, and for eleven months she lay up- eighty-two members more, than in both the for- as successful as any other form of pastoral efon her bed, suffering from this wasting disease. mer years. Let the truth be told. Let it be Her sufferings were great, but she bore them pondered, then such observation, enquiry and with Christian fortitude and resignation. So far effort may follow as shall, if it please God, prewas she from murmuring, that her countenance, vent a like sorrowful, and searching occurrence

Let no man's heart fail him. The unnerallel umph of faith in the Redeemer. The solemn oc- ed prosperity which God has given to the Methocasion was improved by the writer by a dis- dist Societies, wherever they exist, has not been course from (1 cor xv. 57) "But thanks be unto without corresponding depressing incidents. The God, &c." After which, the Teachers and scholars parent Societies in Britain, and those in Canada and the United States have had some years of the congregation repaired to the grave yard, numerical losses. But, these, as in the case of our own Connexion, were owing merely to local that no small part of those now published in the and transient causes, and, not in the least degree to any departure from "the truth as it is in lesus," or the decline of ministerial ardour, or CHARLES H. PHINNEY OF ANNAPOLIS COUNTY, want of adaptation in the agencies of the Body; hence they were speedily followed by years of great and permanent additions to the Societies The flowing tide often appears to recede on the pebbly beach, but every returning wave advances further than its predecessor until high-water

mark is attained. We have the more confidence in thus speaking. ecause, during the period referred to, there have and private members, male and female. To he been four years of absolute, and considerable in- wholly consecrated to God, is our highest good. rease in the membership of the church, and the this will have the most powerful influence toowest increase, in these four years was greater, wards the enlargement of the church. To be than the greatest decrease of either of the years

in question. The increase in 1858 was 781 " 1859 " 1.305 " 1860 " 351 and in

net increase in seven years of two thou- earth will be accomplished without such persons, tors of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches in sens who are now called upon to mourn his loss.

— Copied from the Ottawa Citizen, C. W., Oct. 8, ing the present total membership of our Church ing the present total shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, What hath great Master, in displeasure, as having become God wrought!" Supposing then, which God disqualified for his choicest service on the earth. forbid, there should be nomore enlarged prospe- And to lose at the same time, the blessedness of Osgood, New England Conference, of an aged than in the past seven at the end of one half of distinction, and reward of direct usefulness to rity in our Societies for the next fourteen years, entire and accepted consecration to God, and the Scotia to Massachusetts a few years since, and that time, the members would be about eighteen souls, is a calamity on which no ealightened thousand-and, at the close of the other half, or Christian can allow his thoughts to rest, and The memory of Sister Stokes is precious to many in 1877 the members in our Societies would be his heart to feel, without the strongest depreca-The memory of Sister Stokes is precious to many friends in this Province, and the incidents of her about twenty-one thousand. No inconsiderable tion. tribe certainly of the Israel of God. Suitably to Perceiving then on the one hand, the peril of

which for series of years she employed as a we cannot but regard these returns as affording observations on British Methodism of the routine of service, and realize God's pre- marked, ever esteeming others better than ness of these Institutions, and especially that they sence, and tones will become appropriate and herself, and looking with greater approval upon may be the means of leading thousands of the bring all hearts into sympathy, many into active the excellencies of others than her own. Her scholars to an early, saving knowledge of Christ, now on a visit to England, in correspondence

And yet here is the finest field for effect. The and so firmly slosed her eyes and mouth in death's dition to our societies than during the past seven Methodism, and his high appreciation of her exration, have been wrought into song. Yet these who is invisible, fighting the good fight of faith earliest years of our separate Conference exist. A. M. as the Deputation to the next general Conference of the substitution of the substitution of the next general Conference of the substitution of are often read in a doggerel, see-saw fashion, for more than three quarters of a century, filling ence, will not require repetition. The ministry, ference of the M. E. Church, he remarks upo stupefying every ear and heart. He that takes ber place in the sanctuary and the class room also, has been enlarged from about 92 in 1856, some matters which do not quadrate with his pains to stultify his hearers with several prelimi- whenever her extreme age would allow, till with- to 137 in 1863. This significant augmentation ideas of progress, and upon some differences beof ministers, has been effected by the admission, tween British and American Methodism, which, nary exercises of this droning sort may thank in a few weeks of her departure.

of ministers, has been effected by the admission, tween British and American Methodism, which himself for all the stunid reception of his entreaties, and the disregard of his after efforts. this Commonwealth in 1854, bringing from her in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ." Of We give two or three paragraphs of his last letBut he that can thrill the souls of his auditory pastor a highly commendatory letter to the Mewith the happiest expressions of the happiest thodist Episcopal Church, which was received by expected they will continue to give themselves thinkers in their happiest moments, may pre. C. L. McCurdy, then paster of the Methodist wholly to the work of the Lord. O, that on pure such a reception for his own thought as Episcopal Church at East Cambridge. About every Circuit where they labour, and in every shall greatly bless and help both his hearers and six years since she removed to this city and congregation to which they preach, they may united with the Maple Street Church. It can of soon have more seals to their ministry, and more her in truth be said, that she was revered by all, souls may be given them for their hire. Nothing

charge it on you voung men, to cultivate and ters shared very largely in her warmest affection true military spirit, in our country's battles, is to prise by its rigid adherence to form) whether in preaching, can win souls, and this is the way and Saviour, Dec. 8th, 1862, in the 96th year of to win them, then shall many be won to Christ He that wins human souls to God cannot have ther age. How sublime her history, how com- from this day forward." Dear brethren, we bid you God speed.

Referring to the number returned as "on trial" from year to year, it would seem that there occasion for calling in question, either the principle upon which these returns of probationers are compiled, or whether adequate pastoral attention is ordinarily given to all those who are it not possible, in the ordinary conditions of our their vocation, and upon individual congregasocieties in these Provinces, that the large number of persons of this class—the fruit of so much the old circuit system prevals universally. I beconference a most delightful addition to the membership of the church? How shall we secure to the church, and for Christ, all of these who so recently manifested decided tokens of their desire modify her sircuit system or be thrown into the to flee from the wrath to come, to be saved from their sins? Why may not every one of them be -why? Redeeming love answers, " Him that

cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out."

May it be allowed to propose, whether at the earliest opportunity, the Superintendents, and their colleagues on their Circuits respectively. would not do well to institute specific inquiry, for every one of these probationers, by name, whether old or young, male, or female, richer or nized as being on trial. Having thus ascertainis given to the outguishing energy of three or these objects of pasteral solicitude, might not display a ministerial power such as the Church suitable, direct, immediate ministerial attention and the world require. be extended towards them? Should it be found cases, for the minister to hold personal intercourse with the probationers, might not this hopeful service, be devolved on some other suitable person. "A word fitty spoken, how good there was a net decrease in our Societies of three is it?" This manifestation of love to souis by

in Christ and are consequently not yet rootfort? Alas! it avails but little to bring many in our congregations to the position of him, who was pronounced to be "not far from the kingdom of God", unless they are conducted fully, and finally into it. To have persuaded them to become almost Christians only, will not be found sufficient; they are to be lovingly pursued, and personally, individually cared for, until they become altogether such as Paul, in respect of his subjection to Christ, and devetedness to Him. If this course be taken, it may indeed be hoped, minutes of conference, as " on trial," will by another year be correctly placed in the more satisfactory column of all who have, through grace,

become entitled to the better standing of approved. consistent members of the church. Indeed this inquiry calls for an examination of the completeness and depth of personal piety, as for the advancement of the cause of Christ in the leaders, local preachers, sabbath school teachers.

instrumental in saving souls, is our greatest,our imperishable honour. Personal, constant consecration to God, will conduce to that blessed result. Church members who decline this, do not become so sanctified, as to be meet for the Mas-1861 " 330, making ter's use. The increase of God's household on the

BY AN AMPRICAN MINISTER.

The Rev. G. Hughes, Methodist E. Church, inguest ecutacy of joy, the deepest signs of penils and product of the latter she endured, as seeing Him for economical and prudential purposes, is the to the appointment of the Rev. W. I. Thermton the spring.

PULPIT OR PORUM.

There is one feature of American Methodis Churches, and I may say of the American Churches generally, that will strike Mr. Thorn ton's attention. I hope it may cause him no seri ous inconvenience. At the late conference he took oceasion very emphatically to inquire of the Chap el Committee (which is a central authority, hav ing jurisdiction over all the chapel improvements of the Connection, and sometimes fetters enter was true that in some of the chapels in Manches ter the forum had been substituted for the old style of pulpit? He will find many pulpits in America constructed after the forum style, and I shall not be surprised if he enjoys their freedom so much that he will return home a convert t the forum style of the pulpit.

DEFECTS OF THE CIRCUIT SYSTEM I venture to suggest, with all due humility an deference to the opinions of older and wiser men that there is another and more striking contrast between English and American Methodism, which I indulge the hope may secure at the hands of reported as " on trial", in order to the full de- our Wesleyen brethren profound consideration elopment of their christian character, continue We adopt the policy of throwing upon our min d church-membership and stability in grace. Is istry individually the high responsibilities of tions their appropriate responsibilities. Here study, pains and prayer, should yield at the next lieve it needs modification. It served well in the opening of our history. Now the teeming mass es of humanity in the large towns and cities mus be reached otherwise. Wesleyaniam must either shade by other Churches. Let Dr. Waddy, who is so filled with wonder on account of the lack of at this question. A rigid adherence to the old circuit system is cramping the rising ministry of the Connection, and the people too, in a way that seriously retards the progress of Methodism in England. Three or four young and vigorous ministers are placed under a venerable superintendent in a circuit. They are subject to his au thority. If he be a man of comprehensive views, four ministers of Christ, who would otherwise

And what is worse then all, the pastoral charimpracticable, as it doubtless would be in many acter of the ministry is sacrificed. The Wesleyan people cry out dolefully on every hand, "Our cannot visit us pastorally." "The Church" minwards the great end, their salvation, then tripes while Circuit must determine whether a chapel was at first produced. And, surely it is no less officiary are more or less influenced by the queshonourable and Christ-like, thus to retain in the tion whether the new chapel is likely to draw fold, those who might otherwise, wander from it. away any of the strength from the congregations than at first to bring them into it. Happy are where they severally worship. Then the approvthey who have grace to "become all things to all al of the "Chapel Committee" must be had. I but back the cause for probably a quarter of a century, exercised in regard to the building of chapels. In towns and cities, at least, each minister should have his congregation, thus devoutedly pray that they may.

Yarmouth Circuit.

My DEAR BRO,-We have just held our Misionary meetings in this Circuit, and I feel thank ful in being able to report, that they have been seasons of great interest. We had hoped to have had Bro. Brettle of Barrington with us, as he had been appointed by the late Financial District meeting; but in consequence of illness he exemplified in holy living and incessant effort, was prevented. Bro. Brown, my highly eson Sabbath last, with great adceptance.

On Monday evening last we held our first Missionary meeting in the Providence Church. This new and beautiful building. Which does great credit to our people in the town, was well filled on the occasion. Nathan Moses, Esq., our old and long tried friend, occupied the chair; and in a nest and appropriate speech introduced the business of the meeting. Resolutions were moved and seconded by Rev-

Messrs. Christic and Angell, the respected Pasto the goodly number of "Fifteen thousand one honour of being employed in this best and greatto the goodly number of "Fifteen thousand one honour of being employed in this best and greatthe auspices of the Sons of Temperance, and alChurch having been heard in favor of the protheir doctrines (it is no exaggeration) as he hated missions was nobly advocated, before a very so a funeral, so closely are the joys and sorrows posed translation, and those on the other side Satan : he conscientiously regarded them large congregation, assambled in our church at of life associated. In the evening enjoyed a having spoken in favor of his retention in his as heretics, blasphemers, and reprobates: al Milton. Bro. Freeman Gardner, one of the very interesting Missionary Meeting, under the former field of labor, St. Peter's, Glasgow, Mr. though a gentleman, a clergyman, and a Chrisoldest and most respected members of our So- supervision of my esteemed, and sealous cousin, Arnot proceeded to express his views in the tian, he allowed himself to use all manner of four ciety in this place, in the chair. The meeting S. F. Huestis. Jacksonville Circuit has never matter. Coming, after some preliminary obserwas all that could be desired, both as regards the had but the one Superintendent, and I believe vations, to speak to the general merits of the ike, At the same time he unconsciously lived, numbers present, the speeches delivered, and the the people unanimously desire no other. On the case, he said he set aside altogether the compamounts subscribed. On Thursday evening, we next day, journeyed over still more of this rative importance of the two places. It was in fluence, and in sympathy with them; between held our missionary meeting at Chebogue, a fine charming country, and at even, met Bro. Tuttle another direction altogether that his reason lay; his faith and theirs there were nine points of village about three miles from the town of Yar- at one of his preaching places, called Waterville, it was only one; it needed to be strong, for it agreement to one of difference; and, except in eare for all these, to shepherd with holy wisdom, and to lead them forward in knowledge of the and to lead them forward in knowledge of the and to lead them forward in knowledge of the and to lead them forward in knowledge of the angle one of the oldest as as well as one of the most tions large, collection good, speeches very inter
was this, that it was beneficial for the Church's he was but for them. The cause of all the trou
was this, that it was beneficial for the Church's he was this; Toplady was a Calvinistic, Wesley and to lead them forward in knowledge of the things of God in the experience of sanctifying things of God in the experience of sanctifying useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one of the most useful members of our church in this place, presents as well as one things of God, in the experience of sanctifying made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing, who can be unwilling to consegrace, and to develope and direct their canacity made a blessing that the flat the Sister Catherine Stokes entered the vineyard of our Divine Master when about 16 years of our Divine Master when about 16 years of Christian work, will be no small effort for the control of the first and progress of when I tell you that Bro. Wilson of Woodstock, when a minister had labored a long time in Armhuman sort; in that day was one of the deputation. On inquiry I found a sphere, he should once in his life have that the fiercest and most inhuman sort; in that day was one of the deputation. for Christian work, will be no small effort for the the tender conscience be allowed to answer for and of its triumphs, and of the many who had that most of the pillars in our church in this resphere changed. That was the one reason; it party strife ran as high in religion as in politics; Four years subsequently she received an enlarged measure of the gift of Christ, and was
larged measure of the gift of Christ, and was

It will be well to add here, the gratifying stasphere changed. That was the one reason, a party strine ran as ingular response will be through its instrumentality been brought to gion came from Sheffield, and were brought to some of whom had passed away to heaven. Grate will some of whom had passed away to heaven. Some

God through the instrumentality of our beloved an upper and a lower aspect. It bore on the had not sense or grace enough to let his neighborhand an upper and a lower aspect. It bore on the had not sense or grace enough to let his neighborhand an upper and a lower aspect. It bore on the had not sense or grace enough to let his neighborhand an upper and a lower aspect. It bore on the had not sense or grace enough to let his own quietly, and

new and necessary articles of furniture into the things. ring all hearts into sympathy, many into active the excellencies of other side. He had the fear such as the current of the beautiful St. John, sixty miles, that they had, and that if it were examined into self-respect was nevertheless great, as was her saith.

But the most difficult achievement of correct faith, both continuing to the last. By virtue of ship with his Church.

nestly seeking for a revival of the work of God in their own hearts and in the hearts of others; and, judging from appearances, I am led to hope that in my next communication I shall be able to inform you that this great blessing has been Affectionately yours,

Yarmouth, Oct. 3, 1863.

that thing's look quite encouraging on this Circuit. Through the liberality of our friends we have been enabled to secure the services of an additional Preacher, an arrangement from which sympathize with all such endeavours after Union. demand, and, what was very wonderful to him

The meeting at Hopewell Corner was of a very interesting character. A. R. McLellan Esq., M. F. F. occupied the chair, and, in a neat and appropriate speech, showed that the mission gelical Witness, has a lengthy communication on curred, he refused to allow a change. One of appropriate speech, showed that the mission cause was justly entitled to the sympathy and this subject, occupying the place of a leading edithe hopes he would have, if the change now proread the report, the Rev. Dr. Pickard moved the first resolution in a very able and interesting manner; Rev. J. B. Johnson seconding it, in a brief, but very suitable address. The second resolution was moved by the Rev. Dr. Dewolf. President of the Conference, who, in his own pleasing and inimitable style, edified his hearers, without feeling it necessary to make such uncalled to reciprocate the kind expressions. Only let him say to them that in many things their statements rather went from everybody. The writer seconded the closed with prayer.

A debt of some \$60 remaining on the Parsonage our friends at the "Hill" held a Tea Meet- Lord Jesus, and it will not suggest continual ting it. In consequence of a grand Temperance occupy the position towards us, of sister denom-Demonstration at Coverdale the same day, our inations, and they have come under all the oblireally, fully, for ever saved? Christian love asks prosperity, and the conference generally, look gathering was not as large as we had anticipated, nevertheless we realized something over \$50, love and candour, and respect, and peace, with which with some donations promised will pay off regard to those who differ from them on non-es-

wise feeble efforts.

Hopewell, Oct. 5, 1863.

met, at least a few times, before they were recog- and colleagues. But if the reverse, then a check Church Dedication, Sussex Vale.

throwing upon the people in that place the re- notice, our Nictaux Tea meeting came off, and ed to their free vote by the General Conference phant Christian joy. The writer in the Luther sponsibility of sustaining him. He should be a proved a decided success. The day being un- against the system of ultra-democracy in the an thus discusses this hymn book: "In later pastor to them, and, as a wise master-builder, usually fine, a large concourse of people assem- Church. Now, we ask, cannot our seceding years the compilations for public worship were develop the latent powers of the membership in bled from every part of the surrounding country, brethren, to whom we wish all blessing, go on exclusively the work of John: especially the the work of building the spiritual Jerusalem. The tables were supplied with everything that their way rejoicing, and let us alone? Can they 'great hymn-book' 'for the use of the people Some of the more intelligent Methodists in could please the eye and delight the palate, pro- not talk even of Union among themselves with- called Methodists;' of which the saintly Flet-London are opening their eyes to this necessity, vided for us by the hands of the gentler sex. out those very elever and spirited compliments cher' said, 'One of the greatest blessings that and endeavoring to get the circuits divided. The Interesting speeches were delivered by ministers to those who are not meddling with their affairs God has bestowed on the Methodists next to the younger and more vigorous men in the ministry of the Baptist, Methodist, and Episcopalian at all? Surely they do not depend upon keep- Bible, is their collection of hymns; and which discern the signs of the times. Will the con- Churches, and the people, so far as we can judge, ing up a prejudice against the Wesleyans, more with alight alterations and a considerable suppletrolling minds in the conference also see it? I went away well pleased with themselves and each than keeping up the life of their own bodies! ment, is still used by the English Wesleyans. heir new and commodious Church.

Missionary Meetings &c.

According to arrangements of Financial District meeting, respecting Missionary Meetings, dian. teemed colleague, and Bro. F. W. Pickles, of N. Woodstock, was obliged, owing to the lewness, world, by the whole shureh, its ministers, class- East Harbour, preached the Missionary sermons, of the river tot ravel by Coach, instead of steam- Localized and Itinerant Ministry.

isposed to do all in their power to make their states and process the state of the with his honours. Has been too long a member one place. The Wesleyans, he thought, had sum has been raised for the purpose of putting of the Methodist society to be led away by such made an error in excess in the frequency of new and necessary articles of furniture into the house where we reside. It is the intention of the house where we reside. It is the intention of the A fall of rain having swollen the river some-deration of the Free Church whether they had friends at Milton, to build a new Parsonage in what, I'enjoyed the privilege of steaming down not erred on the other side. He had the fear

But the most difficult achievement or correct states, acting the former, she adjusted her arms and hands, in the former hands are also adjusted her arms and hands. ministers and their wives, Mrs. Thomas Killam. rugged and romantic, but not so lovely as here partially lost for want of such a change of And yet here is the finest field for enect. The sum so namely stosed ner syes and mouth in dentity lost for want of such a change of highest ecatacy of joy, the deepest sighs of peni- last struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the Society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the Society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years. The pruning which the society required reference in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle that they moved not again. By years are referenced in the first struggle tha What is best of all, our dear people are ear- of labour, of Union among the Seceding Metho-

Hopewell Circuit.

we hope lasting good will result. Our missionary meetings with but one excepform you, that notwithstanding the extra efforts It seems to us that such a union as that referred was the general mute but resistless demand that stead of one, we have already considerably overrun the receipts of last year.

A new Wesleyan Church was dedicated to have preferred that indirect popular government | we have obtained the hymnology of the Church God, and for the purposes of the Christian that is exemplified in the British constitution, to To John Wesley he assigns an eminent, but not Ministry, at Dutch Valley, Sussex Vale Circuit, that Democratic system which resembles the re- a foremost place. "If." he says. "there had been N. B., on Sunday, Sept. 6th. The Sermon was publican ultraism and eternal electioneering that no other of the name, the founder of Methodism preached by Rev. D. D. Currie. The Church has we see in the States. The laity of regular Metho-might be honoured as an eminent hymnist: but neither mortgage, nor debt; nor has it spire, nor dist bodies believe they have a better security his claims in this respect are eclipsed by the glotower, nor any other ornament of the kind at- than church democracy could give them, for their ries of his younger brother. He certainly had preachers have too much circuit business; they tached to it. It is a plain, commodious building, privileges; for the due administration of discipand looks well. The pews are not to be sold. line ; for the spirituality of the Church and the he did write will bear honorable comparison with They are to be rented annually, about the 1st progress of the Gospel. They know that while the verses of Charles; and of what he might have exertioned upon his preachers, and they are day of May each year. The highest bidder their system does not destroy the pastorate, it done we can form no idea. It was want of will personal converse, would in many instances be taking the poor en masse. Besides, this circuit taking the poor en masse. more appreciated, and be more effectual, to system fetters the people. For example, the rents to be appropriated for the support of the own local affairs, and of the connexional temportation and a system fetters the people. For example, the rents to be appropriated for the support of the local affairs, and of the connexional temportation and a system fetters are supported for the support of the support of the local affairs, and of the connexional temportation and a system fetters. earlier labours, whereby awakening of conscience be built in a given locality. The views of the leyan Church erected in that locality. It was eges; and they feel assured that it is abundantly important matters, which none but himself could commenced since the beginning of the present better calculated to preserve peace and discipline year. We are indebted, mainly, to the well- in the church, and to promote the all-important in the family-and that poet his fertile and fluent directed enterprise and christian liberality of work of evangelization. And they are satisfied brother-was enough for the needs of Methobrother DAVID LAW, and his family, for so suita- that all needful modifications can be made to dism in particular, and of the world at large." ble a building, in which to proclaim the glorious render their system still more efficient. They The Wesleyan hymn-book, next to the Bible

Nictaux Tea Meeting.

CARLETON COUNTY N. B.

I left home on Monday 28th September, for of the kind I have tasted in that place,

During this day, visited a pic-nic got up under The gentlemen present representing that most curious that biography records. He hated thenceforward a faithful, earnest, laborious Christitics of our Sabbath schools. These were first tistics of our Sabbath schools. These were first then be given as the duty, the trial, the opportion of the very best speeches it has been my privile to the seems there were 189 Sabbath Schools, 1,341 and one gracious consequence, shall finfallibly by Rev. Reasers. Whitman, Brown, Dealirs, and the conference of the gift of Christ, and the conference of the gift of the very best speeches it has been my privile to the seems there were 189 Sabbath Schools, 1,341 and one gracious consequence, shall finfallibly by Rev. Reasers. Whitman, Brown, Dealirs, in privile, the trial, the opportion of the very best speeches it has been my privile to the seems there were 189 Sabbath Schools, 1,341 and one gracious consequence, shall finfallibly by Rev. Reasers. Whitman, Brown, Dealirs, in privile, and the conference there were reported 234 Sabbath the large additions that shall be made to the green as the duty, the trial, the opportion of the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches it has been my privile to the very best speeches and the Church's folly reported at the Conference of the very best speeches and the church's point of the very best speeches and the church's folly reporte

levely place of all, the present residence and field circulation, there would be less stagnation. G. O. H. On the under side, again, there was the minis-

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among the Seceding bodies of Methodists in Eng- every Sabbath-day in such a sphere; and he land, looking towards a union of those bodies thought that either, in process of time, the mininto one denomination. The action of some of ister would go cut and in under a load a detheir Conferences suggests a formal Union, while pressing sense that he was not fulfilling his duty. the action of others merely expresses brotherly or the effort to do it would crush him. When he MR. EDITOR,—You will be pleased to hear sympathy and good-will. The idea of such a said a demand made on a minister, he did not union has awakened considerable interest among mean any articulate demand made by sessions or them, and has been discussed in their papers congregations. No such demand was made upboth in England and Canada. We heartily on him. His dear friends never made any such All christians cannot at present be brought into many a time, they never made any complaint. one denomination, but the number of denomina- They had not made a demand; they did not in tions might very advantageously be lessened. tend to do it; they had much patience. But it to, would have a very wholesome influence, in was made by the spirit of the age and the habits Church organizations; and that it would make of human life, and considering that they had ona faithful administration of discipline more prac- ly one life to devote to the Lord's service, he

ticable among them and us. Our New Connexion contemporary, the Evancause was justly entitled to the sympathy and support of every Christian. The writer having advocated. We are sorry to see that this article should now and then see the inside of a book. contains, as do most articles on the subject in the He was at present something like one of those papers of our seceded brethren, unfriendly, and ragged boys that walked past a confectioner's we are compelled to say, invidious, references to window, not expecting that they should ever the parent Wesleyan Connexion. It would be very touch the sweets within. He would not attempt agreeable to our feelings, if they could manage to to reciprocate the kind expressions of his friends winning here, as everywhere else, golden opinions for attacks on their Wesleyan bretaren. It seems in favor of the change. If he went out of the to us that a genuine spirit of Union would tend way there were some men who were younger, and resolution and Rev. Mr. Bleakney (Baptist) to us that a genuine spirit of Union would keep way there were some men who were younger, and resolution and Rev. Mr. Bleakney (Baptist) to make its possessors speak kindly of all curison whom there had not yet come so many public tian churches. The true spirit of union is a claims, who could do the most of their work despirit of brotherly love towards all who love the

sential points. They have come under the obli-All things considered, we have good reason to gation to abstain from unseemly attacks on other be hopeful. Our congregations are large, and a bodies of christians, both for the honour and the Edinburgh. good spirit of hearing is manifested. All we interests of christianity. They have got what want to make things truly prosperous, is the they wanted; they have undertaken to make The Founder of Methodism as a power of the Spirit to render effectual our other- Methodism democratic, and they have now the liberty to make it so to their hearts content. brethren alone. The Wesleyan and Episcopal Writers." The writer furnishes, we think, an Methodist Churches, in Europe and America, impartial history of the poetic minds from whom

have made their choice in England and aflowed exercised a silent but potent influence in the earthe democratic party to go out and please them- ly Methodist societies. It may be doubted if any selves; and in the United States also, the Me- revision of the book has been an improvement. thodist laity have just decided, by an overwhelm- It speaks the language of heaven-the language On the 23rd ult., agreeably with published ing majority—the question having been submitt- of the new-born soul—the language of trium

other. The amount realized was the very res- Surely it cannot be that another generation must The Preface to this volume is one of the most pectable sum of \$170.00, which will materially come upon the stage before the right spirit can remarkable in the language. 'As but a small aid the building committee in the erection of prevail! They call themselves the "liberal part of these hymns are of my composing, I do bodies," and they call us hard names, though it not think it inconsistent with modesty to declare is not evident how it shows a liberal way of that I am persuaded no such hymn-book as this thinking to ride a hobby, to carry a principle to has yet been published.' Strong language, but extremities, to look only at one aspect of things. perfectly true. It is still one of the finest col-Still we do not quarrel with their titles of self- lections in existence, whether we regard the commendation, if they will only cultivate kind piety or poetry; and at that time, nothing of the feelings to other churches.—Christian Guar- kind had approached it in merit. When we re-

boat; arrived at my destination half an hour before the time for service, congregation not large. Church, Giasgow, has just had occasion to ex-Missionary zeal low, speeches ordinary, collec- press his views respecting some of the disad- toric characters, about whom posterity will likely Missionary zeal low, speecnes ordinary, coner- press and views respecting about the control of the next day travelled a few miles vantages attendant on a localized ministry, and form judgments differing from those entertained through a new, but beautiful country. I was utthrough a new, but beautiful country. A was the time beneated without the surprised at the extent and thrifty appear- well as the more scriptural character of, at least theran will do much towards forming this opinion ance of this western portion of New Bruns- an approximation toward the itinerant system as of posterity. His comparison of Wesley and wick. It promises to become speedily a most adopted in the Wesleyan Methodist Connection. Toblady is, we think, correct, and is given in lovely agricultural country. Some of the orch- The occasion was that of a meeting of the Free these words: "The history of Augustus M. Topards, though young, compare favourably with Presbytery of Glasgow, a portion of the busithe best I have seen in rich Cornwallis; while ness of which was the disposal of a "call" consistency. He is chiefly known directly or the flavour of the fruit is quite equal to anything which Mr. Arnot had received from the Free indirectly in consequence of his connection with High Church, Edinburgh.

sense, for no tone of adoration or longing desire swept the feelings into the fide of spand. Another took advantage of the elevation of the Michael to the feelings into the fide of spand. Another took advantage of the elevation of spirit to indulge in metaphysical hair-splitting, and actually seemed to be working out some knotty protion of the consistency of the employed as a chiracter were bestowed on her, of the consistency of the employed as a chiracter were bestowed on her, of the consistency of the employed as a chiracter were bestowed on the impliest of the spond and the intervent of adoration or longing desire should say in effect, I am so well here I shall not those meetings, as they are the first I have held in stock, in time to witness the enthusiastic reception, by volunteers and others, of Mr. With the people of this my new charge, I am for the province.

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the greater portion of a minister's duty was his preaching. There was a certain heavy demand Certain overtures have lately been made, made upon him-preaching for many years twice had a deep conviction that it was a very serious

cidedly better than he was able to do. Mr. Arnot concluded by remarking that he had ing on Tuesday last, for the purpose of liquidataunts and flings at other churches. They now stated his judgment distinctly to the Presbytery there gladly submissive to the Presbytery-glad that he had the Presbytery to whose judgment to bow. The result of the proceedings was the unanimous decision of the Preshytery in favor of Mr. Arnot's translation to the Free High Church.

We have had occasion already to republish One would think that our democratic brethren extracts from an able series of articles in the Lumanage; and he doubtless thought that one poet

member that John Wesley extracted its contents from over thirty volumes and tracts issued by himself and brother during forty years previous we can estimate the degree of labour required.

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