

A LITTLE GIRL'S REPLY.—A celebrated tutor in Paris, was in the habit of relating to his pupils as they stood in a half circle before him, anecdotes of illustrious men, and obtaining their opinions respecting them, rewarding those who answered well with tickets of merit. On one of these occasions he mentioned to them an anecdote of Marshal Turenne. "On a fine summer's day," said he, "while the Marshal was leaning out of his window, his valet opened the room, and approaching his master with a soft step, gave him a violent blow with his hand. The pain occasioned by it brought the Marshal instantly round, when he beheld his valet on his knees imploring forgiveness, saying that he thought it had been George, his fellow-servant." The question was then put to each of the scholars, "What would you have done to the servant had you been in the Marshal's situation?" A naughty French boy who stood first, said—"Done! I would have run him through with my sword." This reply filled the whole school with surprise, and the master sentenced the boy to the forfeiture of his tickets. After putting the question to the other children, and receiving different answers, he came at length to a little English girl, about eight years of age. "Well, my dear, and what would you have done on this occasion, supposing you had been Marshal Turenne?" She replied with all the sweetness of her nation, "I should have said suppose it had been George, why strike so hard?"—The simplicity and sweetness of this reply drew smiles of approbation from the whole school, and the master awarded the prize to her.

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WE take the opportunity of calling attention to an article in the first sheet, on the Doctrines of the Wesleyan body. It has been transcribed for the Wesleyan by one of its friends, and is worth an attentive perusal. It is presumed that the public *visa voce* exposition of Doctrinal truths is properly understood, and appreciated, by the majority of our readers. The orthodoxy of the body is extensively admitted, and—if necessary—voluminously explained in works whose fame will never die;—but, at the same time, a plain and condensed view for reference, will be welcomed by those, who, with us, desire to see scriptural holiness spread through the length and breadth of the land.

THE time is now arrived, when our Missionary Anniversary Meetings are generally held in the country: we shall be glad to receive accounts of the proceedings of such, from every part of the Province. During the past week four meetings have been held in the Newport circuit, which have been extremely well attended, and have realised between fifty and sixty pounds for the Mission cause. The sermons were preached on the preceding Sunday, by the Rev. W. Webb, of Windsor, N. S. The meetings were held as follows:—On Monday evening, at Meander,—James Allison, Esq., M.P.P., in the chair; on Tuesday evening, at Oakland,—John Allison, Esq., in the chair; on Wednesday evening, at Kennetcook; and on Thursday evening, at Kempt,—on both these latter occasions, Mr. John Salter, took the chair. The speakers were:—Rev. W. Crocombe, of Horton; Rev. W. Wilson, of Newport; Rev. W. Webb, of Windsor; and Rev. C. Churchill, of Halifax.

WESLEYAN CONFERENCE—Great Britain.—The ninety-fifth conference commenced its sittings on July 25, at 6 o'clock. The Rev. Thomas Jackson, of London, was chosen, (by a large majority,) to fill the important office of President, and the Rev. Robert Newton, (well-known in Bristol as the powerful and eloquent advocate of foreign missions,) was again elected to the office of Secretary. Perhaps no man, since the days of the venerable Wesley and Whitefield, has more successfully exerted himself in the cause of truth than Mr. Newton: he is not *ubiquitous*, but nearly so. During the present week, various committees met to facilitate the business of conference, composed of preachers and gentlemen invited from different parts of the United Kingdom. The important matters brought before them were discussed with freedom and in the true spirit of christian courtesy. The addresses of Mr. Wood, of Manchester, Mr. Farmer, of London, and Mr. Crook, of Liverpool, were distinguished by the elegance of their language, and the manly and independent sentiments they espoused. Perhaps there is no meeting of ministers whose deliberations are connected with so many persons and circumstances in every part of the world: and whose decisions are more anxiously expected. The eyes of the members of this increasingly extensive connexion are fixed upon this annual assembly, and it must be very gratifying to every true lover of the British Constitution to be assured, that the spirit of the men composing the conference is truly loyal, and, from principle, attached to the Queen, their country and its laws.—*Felix Farley's Bristol Journal.*

A RIOT occurred on Friday and Saturday week, in which several houses on the upper street were destroyed. The principal leaders were sailors of H. M. ship Cornwallis, and part of the 93d. Regt. It originated in the ill-treatment of a sailor, in one of the dens of infamy on the hill; the soldiers were led to unite in the affray from a similar cause.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

AMICUS has been received, and will be inserted; he has our best thanks.

Lewis Marshall, Esq., of Sydney, is acknowledged with thanks.

HALIFAX MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—The Committee have published a report on Prizes. The subjects of competition are under the following heads:—Geometry, Drawing, Mechanics, History, Local Improvement and Literature.

NATURAL HISTORY.—A gentleman who is desirous of forming a collection of the animals of Nova Scotia, for the purpose of presenting them to Scientific Institutions in England, offers handsomely to reward all persons who may procure and forward to Halifax, living specimens of Birds and Quadrupeds. Mr. Andrew Downs, Water Street, Halifax, (opposite Tobin's Wharf) is authorized to receive specimens, and to treat with parties for the price. In all cases it is desirable to have specimens of different sexes. The subjoined list contains those which are most desirable.

Moose	Star nosed Mole
Cariboo	Fox, black, silver, etc.
Wolverene	Fisher
Lynx	Bear, etc. etc.
Weasel	Eagles
Martin	Horned Owl
Otter	White Owl
Beaver	Woodpeckers
Mink	Black billed Swan
Muskrat	Eider Ducks
Musquash	Snow Geese
Woodchuck	Brant
Raccoon	Partridges
Porcupine	Humming Birds
Flying Squirrel	Hawks
Hare	Cranes
Caracjou or Badger	Jays and birds of all kinds large or small.
Marmots	

Geological and Mineralogical specimens, Organic remains, fossil bones, plants, shells, etc. will also be received.—*Nova-Scotian.*

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