

Canadian Methodism, the speaker expressed his hearty sympathy with the Educational movements of the Church. He hoped to live long enough to see a building in Cobourg worthy of the grand objects which their University represented. Many eyes were upon them to learn from their attitude towards this proposal what measure of practical appreciation they had for a scheme so necessary and so worthy. Let them look well to it that no other locality took from them their honours. He hoped such would not be the case. Mr. Macdonald also read a telegram from Toronto intimating that the missionary offering of the Toronto Metropolitan Church for the year now beginning would be likely to reach the noble sum of three thousand dollars, and this, said the speaker, from a Church already carrying a debt of \$60,000.

At the close of Mr. Macdonald's address the collection was taken up, after which the Rev. JOHN A. WILLIAMS, seconded by W. CLENDENNING, Esq., of Montreal, introduced the following resolution: "That the thanks of this meeting are presented to all ministers and other advocates of the Society's claims, to collectors—adult and juvenile—to the officers, teachers, and youth of Sabbath Schools, and to all who have generally assisted in making up the Society's income."

The hour of the evening being now advanced, both the mover and seconder of this resolution declined to keep the audience longer in waiting; each, however, delivered a few timely, and in the case of the President of the London Conference, humorous remarks. Votes of thanks were also passed to the chairman of the evening, and to the choir for their assistance in sustaining the interest of this interesting anniversary occasion. After the singing of the Doxology, Dr. RYERSON pronounced the benediction and the large audience dispersed.

CENTRAL MISSIONARY BOARD.

On Tuesday, at 10 a.m., the first business session of the Central Board was opened in the audience room of the church. There were present Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Chairman; Revs. Dr. Wood, Alex. Sutherland, Jas. Elliott, John A. Williams, Geo. McRitchie, J. G. Laird, Wm. Williams, D. D. Currie, Howard Sprague, A. M.; A. W. Nicolson, S. F. Huestis, Geo. S. Milligan, Thos. Harris, Judge Deacon, W. H. Gibbs, John Macdonald, M.P., Joseph Lister, A. J. Donly, W. Clendenning, Robert Wilkes, James T. Morrow, Esqs., and the Hon. J. J. Rogerson. After devotional exercises, the Rev. T. Harris engaging in prayer, the Rev. John A. Williams was chosen as Secretary of the meeting, with the Rev. D. D. Currie as his associate. A. J. Donly, Esq., of Simcoe, was appointed Journal Secretary.

After the minutes of the previous meeting were approved, it was decided on a motion introduced by John Macdonald and W. H. Gibbs, Esqs., to communicate by cable with the Secretaries of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, London, England, to ascertain the decision of their committee in reference to the commutation of the grant to the Missionary Society of the late Conference of Eastern British America. To this communication a very prompt reply was received from Dr. Punshon, to the effect that a thousand pounds sterling would be appropriated to the work for Newfoundland, Labrador, and Bermuda for the next five years. The minutes of the various sittings of the Committee of Consultation and Finance having been confirmed by the Board, the Financial report for the year ending the 30th June last was read, and will as usual be duly placed in the hands of subscribers. During the afternoon session, up to the time of adjournment, considerable routine business was disposed of.