

cheerfulness; and the people, with the exception of those who were poisoned with the O'Kellyan schism, manifested great satisfaction at what had been done. It was, indeed, manifest to all impartial men that the members of this conference "sought not their own" glory, temporal aggrandizement, ease, or pleasure, but the glory of God and the good of mankind.

This year there were no less than nineteen conferences held in different parts of the country, for the convenience of the preachers and people, and it was upward of eleven months from the time of the first to the last,—the times and places of which, not affording much matter of general interest, I think not necessary now or hereafter to specify. In these several conferences the following twelve circuits were added :—*Swanino*, in Virginia ; *Haw River*, in North Carolina ; *Hinkstone*, in the West ; *Washington*, Maryland ; *Freehold*, New-Jersey ; *Herkimer* and *Seneca Lake*, New-York ; *Tolland* and *New-London*, Connecticut ; *Province of Maine*, Maine ; *Prince George*, in Maryland ; *Savannah*, in Georgia.

An effort was made this year for the erection of district schools, in imitation of the Kingswood School, established by Mr. Wesley, in England; and an address was drawn up by Bishop Asbury to the members of the Church, with a view to call their attention to the importance of this subject. Several such were accordingly commenced soon after ; but whether for want of skill in their management, or patronage from the people, or more probably from both of these causes, they lingered for a short time, and then ceased to exist. These failures in an attempt to impart the benefits of a Christian education made an impression

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