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permanent record the speeches upon impor- we can do it. The enterprising publisher of by what steps grave decisions were arrived closely printed 8vo pages, with twelve enments of general interest. All legislative too for original contributions. Our mariproceedings, and especially all changes in time friends sustain a well printed, vigorous, the Discipline, etc., will be faithfully record- secular monthly, published at St. Johns, ed. It will give brief biographical sketches N. B. The Canadian Monthly, published of the delegates to the Conference, and any in this city, though largely a reprint from gether, better acquainted with each other. a private, unofficial magazine, confined Its size, a small quarto, will facilitate its chiefly to one phase of religious expermanent preservation and binding, and perience, and with comparatively limitits files will in future be of exceeding value ed circulation, we are informed, pays exas containing the contemporary records of penses: an amalgamation with the great events of Methodist history which are now transpiring.

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The columns of the Conference DAILY RECORDER will afford an admirable medium for advertising; as it will circulate in a very large number of families in the city and throughout the Dominion, and will be largely preserved for future reference. A limited number of advertisements will be

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A METHODIST MONTHLY.

THE project of a Monthly Magazine that shall worthily represent the religious, intellectual and social life of Methodism.meets with the warmest favour in every quarter. Numerous public and private communications and utterances conspire to show that it meets a wide spread and deeply felt want. In another column some of these are reproduced. The late Canada Conference favourably received certain recommendations for the starting of such a magazine and refered the whole subject, we believe with its endorsement, either formal or implied to the General Conference. A late number of the Provincial Wesleyan, which represents, we suppose, the feelings of our friends in the Maritime Provinces warmly favours the project. Several of the ablest and most cultivated minds in the Connexion have promised, should the General Conference give its sanction to this evident and strong desire of the Church, to audience. heartily help with their practiced pens, the contemplated Magazine.

The scheme was some time since before levan Churches of the city. the Book Committee of the late Canada Conference, and a committee of some of our wisest heads was actually appointed to devise a plan for an official magazine previously announced, is the Rev. W. H for the Church, but their project has Cornforth, intimate personal friend and as yet remained in abeyance. Now, if companion in travel of the Rev. Gervase ever, is the time to launch the new argosy. Smith, M.A. Mr. Cornforth is, we believe, The tide of popular enthusiasm in the re- on a tour of observation through Canada organized and consolidated Church would and the United States. The visits of these doubtless float it into assured success. We English brethren is to us an unfeigned pleaare now making history. We need some depos. sure, and we hope will be as agreeable to itory of its facts. We require some organ themselves. We shall bespeak their kind which shall be the exponent of our higher offices to say a good word for Canada, as a intellectual life as a Church, and also its home for the industrous immigrant on their educator. We all admit the excellence of our return to their own country. efficient, weekly journalism, and the indispensable service it renders to the cause of God. But something supplementary is needed, on our first page the addresses of the delesomething in which important subjects may gates to the Conference. It will be seen be more exhaustively treated, something that from this how wide-spread is the constitu- ed to the sympathies of the members of Conshall worthily commemorate our honoured ency represented.

heroes as they pass away, something that may serve as the archives for placing upon permanent record and preserving in bound volumes subjects too important to be entrusted solely to the precarious keeping of weekly A.K. newspapers. We need something, too, that shall nourish the intellectual life of our young nationality. In this utilitarian age we are apt to neglect the spiritual for the material. But all true greatness is of the mind. we foster that, we shall live worthily of our heritage of glorious literature, and perchance ourselves, achieve something that may bless the world, it may be when we have passed

Many of our lay friends are active men of business, living in the bustling centres of population, with comparatively little time for reading more than the daily paper, or if they have time, with all the higher current literature of the day at their disposal. These can scarcely conceive the dearth of good reading, quickening at once the religious and intellectual life, in many of our rural districts, where daily papers seldom come, and where the popular lecture is unknown; and even crude. At another General Conference there in the busy cities our households have time for reading if we have not. And reading they will have, often of a pernicious character if we do not furnish them with pleaded as a precedent. that which is good.

full, authentic and official report of the finding sufficient number of readers. Sol-Conference proceedings. It will place upon vitur ambulando. Others have done it, and tant subjects, and thus indicate for all time the New Dominion Monthly can furnish 780 at. It will contain official and other docu- gravings, for \$1 50, and can pay a fair price mutually advantagous to its tors and to the proposed Monthly We are confident, therefore, magazine, adequately representing manifold and important interests of our entire Methodism, having the prestige and support of official sanction, the common organ of the whole Church, in whose profitsevery superannuated preacher in the connexion would share, would be a great and permanent success, a success financially as well as in the spiritual and intell'ectual benefits conferred.

> THE Rev. C. Lavell, M. A., preached an excellent sermon last night in the Metropolitan Church, from the text, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." The service was in the body of the church, and a very fair audience was present. A touching incident occurred at the close of the sermon. The preacher referred to the fact that thirty-five years ago he was brought to God under the ministrations of the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, who was sitting on the platform. The Rev. John Potts also gratefully acknowledged eighteen years ago he was converted under the preaching of the Rev. C. Lavell. Thus the bright succession runs from age to age, admit—that of a converted ministry in whose hearts dwells the anointing and consecrating Holy Ghost. The venerable Doctor. who thus saw before him two generations of sons in the Gospel, was deculy affected by the incident, as, indeed, was the entire

We presume that religious services were held, as per plan, in the other Wes-

Among the distinguished visitors to the General Conference, in addition to thos

ADDRESSES OF THE DELEGATES .- We give

PROCEEDINGS OF

FIRST CENERAL CONFERENCE UNITED WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

OF CANADA.

SECOND DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION. According to previous arrangement the Conference met at 3 o'clock. After devotional exercises and the reading of the Minutes of the morning session, the debate was resumed on the question of alter nates. Lengthy speeches on this subject had been delivered during the morning session by Drs. Allison, Pickard, Jeffers, Stewart and Green, and Revs. G. R. Sanderson, Gundy. Hurlburk and Hart, and by Messrs, Macdonald and Bowles; but, it was evident, that there

Rev. W. J. HUNTER had moved a resolution to the effect that the brethren who were now designated alternates should be received as members of this General Conference. He could see no harm that could possibly follow from adopting such a course. At present everything was new, and somewhat would not be the same difficulties to encounter, consequently there would be no probability that what was now done could be

was still a great array of speakers who were

ready also to show their opinion.

Mr. WARRING KENNEDY followed on the same side, and remarked that he could not It is an insult to our intelligence as a religiese with a great deal that he had heard ligious community to assume that we cannot during this debate; for instance, it had Will be issued every afternoon to the sustain such a periodical as above indicated, been stated that this Conference is not a conclose of the Conference. It will contain a either in furnishing literary material or in stituency and cannot therefore elect its own members. This is admitted; but, still, he held that it was fair, just, and equitable for the Conference to receive the alternate delegates, whether they be called originally elected or alternates, if they only came with proper credentials and with the confidence of the body electing them, and he thought that no one could question the legality of the act of this Conference in so receiving them. He would take the liberty to remind this General Conference that the measure now advocated obtains in the M. E. Church other information that may tend to make the British periodicals, and not of very popular in the United States. They have no clause widely severed branches of the new Metho- interest, is a paying enterprite. Earnest in their constitution, either for or against dist church, for the first time brought to- Christianity, a very excellent, although such a course, yet they deem it wise to admit it. Again, he considered it expedient as well as lawful to do so. If they remem. bered that some delegates reside 1,000, or should be held on Tuesday evening next, to for the Methodist Churches in the Dominion. maybe 2,000 miles distant, who, at the time receive those honored brethren, viz, -Bishop The doxology was sung and the Conferof their election may have had the best Peck, of the M. E. Church, United States; Revs. intentions of attending this Conference, and Gervase Smith, M.A., of the British Weslevan interim to prevent their attendance. Take for illustration the case of Hon. J. Ferrier. Mr. Dalgleish, J. P. Roblin, and others. To admit the said alternates does injustice to array of divines, will certainly be one of no none. No Conference has more than a proper representation, as the reserve or alternate does not take his seat unless the originally elected member cannot do so. Mereover, this Conference cannot be complete unless the alternates take their seats as he understood the discipline on page 177 of Minutes 1873. Another statement had been made during this debate, which is, that a blunder had been committed in appointing alternates. Now, the parties so changed did not, he thought, commit any blunder; what they did was done in good faith, and they, no doubt, acted intelligently, and may not the members of those Conferences turn round and charge this General Conference with committing a serious blunder in refusing to admit them. Then, finally he thought that for peace sake the brethren should be admitted. For all these reasons he would

> yote for the reception of the brethren. Rev. A. SUTHERLAND was the next who caught the eye of the President, and therefore was entitled to the floor of the Conference. He said at the commencement of his speech that he was disposed to be thankful that he had not been educated for a lawyer, and therefore he had not the skill of those gentlemen who could raise doubts and the only apostolical succession of which we quibble on points of law until everybody was lost in confusion. Not having had the honor of being a member of the Legislature, he was a stranger to the modes pursued in Parliament as to the safeguards which were to be found there. Doubtless it was necessary to have everything clear and distinct there, where party feeling usually runs so high, but in this General Conference, as he conceived, they were all brethren, and no one would bemean himself so as to take advantage of his neighbor merely on technical grounds. He hoped the motion for the reception of the alternates would prevail.

The Hon. Judge Wilmor, on taking the floor. was greeted with loud cheers. He was really sorry at the course the debate had taken; he could not have thought it possible that such a grave bedy of men as composed this General Conference could have gone so far away from the law laid down for their guidance; surely, those whose duty it was to make laws should be good law observers. He was twenty-one members. After some discussion astonished at the remarks made by the last on various portions of the report, the recomspeaker, who had expressed himself as thankful that he had not had a legal education. It Discipline was adopted. was certainly clear that his reverend friend had not been so favored; had he been so members was next appointed. Several exfavored, he (Judge Wilmot) felt sure that he cellent speeches were made by various memwould have been a famous legal adviser, and bers of the Conference, relating to the imwould have been true to constitutional prin- portant subjects which will occupy the attenciples. Several who had spoken on the question of this Committee, which we would gladtion now before the Conference, had appeal | ly insert, if our space would permit, ference in this case. He conceived that such members.

head, not the heart, that must decide this Book Room to consist of 25 members. sectional grounds; he was not there, nor was sist of 25 members. any other member of that Conference there, for the purpose of merely advocating what sion to sit again, which was granted. take broader grounds, and nobly stand forth shall be the Convener.

position, there were loud cries of vote, vot : the deliberations of the Conference. but, Rev. W. Williams and Dr. R ce made a taken by show of hands, followed by loud Conference Fund. cries of "carried," "lost," "lost." As both sides favor, while 80 voted against it, consequent y, drawling singing in public worship, and the alternates were not received.

item of business was the election of a nomin of music books. ating Committee, which a previous ses ion had decided should be composed of two DENT stated that Judge Wilmot is the author as the respective Conferences had already Banner," which has received great commen-President to name the delegates so elected, and from Lady Dufferin. The Conference ultibeginning with the Conference which is near. mately decided that Judge Wilmot be reest the rising sun, viz. Newfoundland. The quested to favor the audience with the said following are the members of the nominating piece of music in connection with the

Newfoundland Conference- Rev. T. Harriss, Hon, J. T. Rogerson.

Nova Scotia Conference - Rev. J. McMurcay, Hon. S. Shannon.

New Brunswick Conference-Rev. H. Pope, ir., D. Allison, LL.D. Montreal Conference-Rev.

Sheriff Patrick. Coronto Conference-Rev. E. B. Harper. M.A., J. Macdonald, Esq.

ondon Conference-Rev. S. D. Rice, D.D., of Conference. J. Scarff, Esq.

Methodist New Connexion-Rev. D. Savage, R. Wilkes, Esq., M.P.

A conversation then took place as to when it would be most convenient to receive the representatives from other Conferences. It was finally decided, that an open session of the Conference New Connexion Conference, and J. Gardner and ordinary interest.

The President also reminded the Conference that a Reception Tea Meeting was to be held in this Church on Friday evening. Certain gentlemen had aiready been appointed to make the welcome speeches; these were, John Mac. and in the evening by Rev. Alexander donald and R. Wilkes, Esqs.; also Dr. Sutherland, of Montreal, Mr. Cornforth

Ryerson, &c. The Conference should, he thought, appoint in the evening of the same day. some of its own members to reply to those adaddresses of welcome, all of which, must of Rev. D. Savage, Dr. Douglas, Hon. Judge Wilmot, Hon. Mr. Shannon, and Hon. J. T. Rogerson. The Ray, Dr. Wood to preside.

The Rev. J. Potts informed the Conference The Trial of the Seven Bishops," next Wednesday evening; an announcement which was cheered again and again. Some other announcements were made, and the doxology was sung, after which the benediction was pronounced, o'clock a.m Friday.

THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION. At 9 a.m. the President took the chair and gave out the 340th hymn, after the singing of for its government during its sessions. which the Secretary of Conference read the 55th chapter of Isaiah, and Rev. A. Hurlburt led the Conference in prayer.

The Minutes of the previous session were read and confirmed.

Hon, Judge Wilmot read the report of the committee which had prepared the document to be inserted in the General Conference Journal, authorizing the formation of the and recitations for temperance organizations, social present Conference, which with some slight gatherings, and literary entertainments. Mr. Hughes alterations was adopted.

Dr. Allison presented the first report of the Nomination Committee, of which Rev. J. Elhott is Chairman, and Dr. Allison Secretary. The Committee recommend that there be the following committees:

1. A Committee on Discipline to consist of mendation relative to the Committee on HAND-BOOK OF CANADIAN METHODISM. By Rev.

2. Committee on Missions, to consist of 24

3. Education Committee to consist of 21

appeals were quite out of order, as it was the 4. Committee on Publishing Interest and question. There had been too much said on 5. Committee on Sabbath Schools to con-

The Nominating Committee asked permis-

might be considered as highly advantageous On motion the Conference resolved that to their own little Conferences; they must the first name on each of the Committees

and say: "I am a Methodist of this vast Do. Dr. Wood moved and Dr. Douglas seconded minion, and whatever concerns Methodism a resolution, which was most heartily adopttherein concerns me." The Hon. Judge ap. ed that, as the Rev. John Ryerson is in this pealed to the Conference not to be carried city, this Conference begs leave to extend to away by their feelings, but to let judgment him a most cordial invitation to be present at as many of the sessions as the state of his At the c'ose of Judge Wilmot's lucid ex. health will permit, and also to take part in

On motion of Rev. J. ELLIOTT the Rev. S. few exp'arations, and then the vote was Rosk was appointed Treasurer of the General

JUDGE WILMOT gave notice of a motion relaclaim d the victory, the yeas and nays were tive to a tune-book, in doing which he made called for, when it was soon ascertained that some good remarks respecting singing in the motion was lost, as on'y 66 vot d in its general. The Judge disapproves of the strongly condemns the mode adopted by The President then stated that the next many professed tune makers and publishers

At this stage of the proceedings the Presimembers from each annua! Conference, and of a song and tune called the "Star Spangled made their selections, he would call upon the dation from His Excellency, Lord Dufferin lecture of Rev. Gervase Smith next Wednesday evening.

PROF. BURWASH called the attention of the Conference to the importance of holding a Conference prayer meeting. All were satisfied of the importance of the suggestion, but thought that for the present the matter must be postponed.

On motion of Dr. Pickard it was resolved that the nominating and other committees shall meet at the close of the present session

Dr. Rice moved a resolution for the printing of the names of the committees, and also those of the various members, and the places and times of their meetings. At an earlier period of the session the

Rev. J. LATHERN gave notice of a motion relating to the publication of a hymn-book

CENTENARY CHURCH, HAMILTON.-We are glad to see that the good people of Ham-M. Benson, of the M.E. Church, Canada Toe ilton are availing themselves of the services session, which will be addressed by such an of distinguised members and visitors attending the General Conference. The Centenary pulpit next Sabbath will be occupied in the morning by the Rev. W. H. Cornforth, of London, England, the travelling companion of Rev. Gervase Smith: will also preach in the King Street Church

THE Welcome meeting to night promises necessity, be brief. The suggestion of the to be an occasion of very great interst. Rev. President was accepted, and the following mem- Drs. Ryerson, Douglas, D. Savage. Hon. bers of Conference were so appointed, viz.: Judge Wilmot, Hon. J. L. Shannon; and Hon. J. J. Rogerson, will address the meet: ing. Dr. Wood in the chair. We are sure There will no doubt be an abundance of good our Toronto friends will turn out in force, things for the outer man, and we are sure there and give a right hearty welcome to their will be "the feast of reason and the flow of distinguished visitors.

THE Rev. Gervase Smith, M.A., whose that the Rev. Gervase Smith, M.A., has been lectures on Wyckliffe and the Armada were engaged to deliver his celebrated lecture on received with favour four years ago, has kindly consented to deliver his lecture on "the trial of the seven bishops" in the Metropolitan Church on next Wednesday evening. This grand Episode in English history will, and the Conference adjourned to meet at nine we are sure, be grandly treated on that

> On our last page will be found the standing rules of order adopted for the Conference

LITERARY NOTICES.

CANADIAN PROHIBITION RECITER. Edited by Jas. Hughes, Inspector of Public Schools, Toronto Adam Miller & Co., on sale at Weslevan Book Room. Price 30 cents.

This well printed and elegant little volume contians a choice collection of new dialogues, readings has exhibited admirable taste in his selections and arrangements, in which his own distinguished elocutionary skill has been of great assistance. The volume cannot fail to further the cause of total abstinance. It will be found an admirable repository for which the different Temperance organizations, now happily so common, may draw material of blended mirth and wisdom for their public enter-

Geo. H. Cornish. Published at the Wesleyan Book Room.

The Book-Steward is desirous of calling special attention to this valuable work, a copy of which ought to find its way into every Methodist family. The author has done good service to Canadian Methodisme in giving to the church this volume, and we hesitate not to say that this first edition ought to find a ready sale. No such work has ever before been published either in England or America. It has only to be seen to be prized,