

THE WESLEYAN, FRIDAY, JULY 27, 1883.

has fallen into the hands of an east THE WESLEYAN nest and extreme High Churchman. who is as rapidly as possible trans-FRIDAY, JULY 20, 1883. forming its character and sowing the seeds of evil."

Is no check being put upon these

Romeward. Of Ritualistic effort here,

one might say what Dr. Howard Cros-

by is quoted as saying of Heber New-

ton, upon the assertion of some one

that he would be brought to trial

METHODIST CHURCH OF CAN-ADA-ADJOURNED SESSION movements, and are they permitted OF THE GENERAL CON-FERENCE. without protest ? Not wholly without

protest, for it is well known that the In accordance with certain resoludifficulty of securing a proper support tions passed by the General Conference for King's College, Windsor, arises of the Methodist Church of Canada, largely from the unwillingness of at its Sessions in the City of Hamilton many wealthy Episcopalians to contribute money to be used in teaching in September, 1882, the said Conferdoctrines with which they have no ence will meet pursuant to adjournsympathy. No public protest, howment, in the Bridge St Church, in the ever, is being p"t forth. The Bishops City of Belleville, Ontario, on WEDNESof the Episcopal Church in the Mari-DAY, the TWENTY-NINTH day of AUGUST, time Provinces are certainly doing nothing to hinder the movement 1883, at seven o'clock in the Evening.

SAMUEL D. RICE President. Toronto, July 21st 1883.

MASKED ROMANISM.

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no influence.'

"No. no : he may preach Rationalism The Evangelical Churchman. of in his pulpit the next ten years and no Toronto, has read "with pain and innotice will be taken of it so long as he dignation" a catechism ubmitted for does not violate the forms and usages its notice by an Eastern correspondent. of his Church ; but let him get me to This it declares to be none other than enter his pulpit and preach the Gosthe "notorious Trinity Church Catepel there once, and he will have the chism," compiled under the direction bishop after him speedily." The Episof Dr. Morgan Dix, and "the subject copal paper is not endeavoring to check of much constroversy in New York." the growth of such dire teachings : it A copy of this precious substitute for defends them, and speaks harsh and " milk for babes" is on our table, havuntrue words of those who point out ing been forwarded at a time when the danger. The evangelical adherour paper was groaning under the ents of the Episcopal Church are makweight of communications on Methoing no public protest against these erdist Union. Its evil teaching, mingled rors. They attend the churches and with a great deal that is correct, is not apparently accept the homeopathic doprovided on the "small dose" system. ses and gradually increasing measures No one can look at its lessons on in which false doctrines are first ad-" Mysteries," on the Virgin Mary as ministered, while their training, their the "Mother of God," and on the evangelical experience in many cases, Sacraments, without thinking of is a guarantee against their being led Monseigneur Capel's reply to a quesaway by the oft-repeated error. But tion whether Ritualists were Romanwhat of their influence? Others by "No," said that successful it are led to believe that what they expositor of Romanism, "they are apparently accept may with safety be not, but they prepare many to come fully accepted by them, and their own to us, over whom we could have had children are being prepared, as they sit beside them, to become ready vic-This masked Romanism is no longer

tims of a system against which Ridley to be seen only at a distance. The unand Latimer and other worthies proknown donor of this catechism has tested even unto blood. This is sad pencilled on its title page, "Used in enough for this side of the veil, but St. Luke's Sunday-school." We have the outlook is sadder still when one not space to point out all the dangerreflects upon the danger of him who athways in which the children of sets even the Church instead of Christ Episcopalians in this city are being as a Saviour. led. They are now taught that the rule of faith is "Holy Scripture as The tactics of error are evident. Let interpreted by Catholic consent"; that a word be spoken against such perverjustification is making us righteous, sion of truth and the speaker is declarlike Christ ;" that the Church of Christ ed, as we shall be, to be an enemy to has three chief branches-the Church the Church, however he may admire of Rome, the Greek or Eastern Church, her record and her teaching in the and the Anglican or English Church." days of her purity. The effort is to out of which "there is not any sure hide all their movements Romeward way of salvation ;" that " the grace of under the cry of "The Church, The Baptism is the seed of the Spiritual Church." To keep the laity meanlife in the soul of man." while the while from protesting, the notion Eucharist is a Sacrifice and Holy Comof Apostolical succession is held up bemunion," and that beside "the two fore them, in forgerfulness of the fact great sacraments are "other lesser that the idea is an idea of modern sacramental rites." The chapter on days, as Bishop Lightfoot has so clearthe "Commandments of the Church," ly shown. The prevalence and deadwhich we are "bound to obey," awakens | ly prosperity of Ritualism, or masked a little curiosity. The first of these Romanism-for Monseigneur Capel's commandments is "to live by the statement was made a few years ago, Bible and Prayer-Book ;" the second, when the rector of St. Luke's would "to attend Divine Service," &c.; the not have dared to introduce such a third, "to keep the appointed days of catechism into his Sunday-school, and fasting and abstinence." By "fast- when the rector of the Episcopal ing," we are told, "is meant to go Church of the Ascension, Chicago, without all food ;" by "abstinence" would not have dared celebrate a is meant "to eat less food or of a solemn mass-the prevalence of this different kind." The fourth command- must ever be based upon that unity ment is "to examine ourselves day and historic continuity of the Christby day and confess our sins to God." ian Church which is found in the per-At the same time the youth are taught petuation of its orders and organizathat "the Church advises us to untion in an external and officially-orburden our soul to our pastor or some ganized identity. That way, remarks other priest." The fifth command. Dr. Rigg, for Western Christendom ment is "to receive the Holy Comat least leads straight to Rome. This munion devoutly and frequently," and system the Ritualists of the day adthe sixth is not to marry "within the vance with all their might : its conprescribed degree of kindred, nor dursequences they hide with all their ing Advent and Lent." ingenuity. Protestantism at largethe Protestantism of our fathers-Other efforts are being put forth in should be defended by all who are the same direction. Only a few weeks advocates of freedom of conscience ago our Episcopal contemporary in here and who are interested in the this only warmly commended, as an salvation of men hereafter. excellent manual of instruction for

phy will be the dearer because it illustrates the fact that Christian service may be earnest, active, untiring, and full of benefit to those around us, and yet be crowned with a blessed eventide. For youth there is a twofold lesson : that of a life begun under many disadvantages bringing forth fruit an hundred-fold, and that of a faithful Christian life being closed with rare respect from all whose good opinion is worth aught. We have never forgotten a sermon in which oseph Parker, from the words. "It doth not yet appear what we shall be.' dwelt upon the possibilities before the business men who were listening to him on one Thursday at the midday our in the City Temple. The possibilities which life has for an earnest. sturdy, persevering, God-guided youth. are freely illustrated in this volume. To have led and won in the long strife for equal rights for all re-

ligious bodies in Canada, and then to have secured the regard of his strongest opponent, the Episcopal Bishop Strahan : to have had even to contend for years in support of those rights against the leading men in Engish Methodism, and to have at last forced Jabez Bunting with the assent of the whole British Conference to say, The Canadians are right and we are wrong;" to have saved Ontario ethodists from the snares of Wm. yon Mackenzie in spite of themseland to have borne the ill-will many of them until they lear through the rebellion how they made we erred and suffered; to have ught an education by the log-fire until health threatened to yield, and then to be honored as the founder of one of the grandest systems of education in the known world ; to have commenced life in the backwoods of Ontario, and after more than three score and ten years of labor and honor to have been followed to his grave as Methodist minister-for he had never in his upward track proved

recreant to the church of his boyhood -by the highest officer and by the Legislature of his native province: furnishes a rare illustration of the ossibilities of life.

We dare not trust ourselves to speak of his work as a missionary to the Credit Indians, of his important influence as editor of the Christian Juardian, of his superhuman ever tions in behalf of Cobourg Academy, now Victoria College, and of his achievements as Superintendent of Education in Ontario. When the writer saw him it was on our own Conference platform, and next in England, on the platform of the last Nottingham Conference, and at his lodgings near the British Museum. The calm eventide of life was reached and a labor of love was occupying his attention. We were charmed with his gentleness and freedom from all assumption. With a wish to make our readers partakers of our joy we urge them to obtain the volume.

sive and thorough, and that Dr. Haanel is known as one of the ab lest men in Canada in his own department, the above testimony must be regarded as highly satisfactory. With the wellproved ability and energy of the older members of the Faculty. President Inch, Dr. Stewart and Professor Smith, and with the force and enthusiasm which the infusion of new blood may be expected to produce, there is every reason to believe that the reputation for thoroughness of training and scholarship which Mount Allison has fairly won will be retained and augmented in the coming years.

> On Tuesday morning the public were startled by learning of the death on the previous evening of the Hon. Wm. Elder, Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, and editor and publisher of the St John Daily Telegraph. Late in the evening he lay down, complaining of a slight pain in his chest and head. in a few minutes Mrs. Elder heard hun breathing heavily and on going to his side found he was dying. The death struggle was short and apprarently n t painful. For several years after he arrival in New Brunswick from Ireland Mr. Elder was in the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. Subsequently he became

editor of the Colonial Presbyterian. and after several literary ventures, of the Telegraph. As a citizen and an management of the telegraphing busditor of a leading daily journal, and indeed in society generally, Mr. Elder was highly esteemed. Even in political life he could not be said to have had an enemy. In 1869 he received the degree of A. M. from Acadia College, and a few weeks since the degree of D. C. L. from the University of New Brunswick.

A correspondent of the Methodis Recorder complains that " some Meth odist preache.s travelling in the coun try circuits are too partial and exclusive about what they call 'homes' in the villages, and stay with one house hold when they might give pleasure and do good to more than one : be cause some others would be glad to have them. "These pastors," says the writer. "seem as if they took the Lord's direction. 'Go not from house to house,' as binding in this matter,

but surely they are mistaken. The

Some recent criticisms by a witty Rev. C. B. Pitblado writes from Providence, R. I.

gentlemen of the present generation. seen to have some weight with the Church Guardian, which in its demand for surpliced choirs has this to say :

ongregation] becomes a question beween men and women, and men and boys, and is declared in favor of the latter, then the surplice becomes necossary. The white surplice makes all opear alike ; the rich man's son and he labourer's boy stand on equal footing as singers to the Lord. The cassock is a garment of delicacy; it

covers variety in patterns of trowsers. and these patterns are now very various ; it gives the whole choir uniformity of appearance."

Our contemporary the Christian Messenger acts the critic on the above sentiments, when it asks :

Is there no beauty in variety as well as in uniformity ? Why should there not be a variety in the "patterns of trowsers" as well as in the height and the countenances of the singers and in the colour of the hair as well in the choir as in the rest of the congrega-In the act of singing the praises of God there is variety required to produce harmony and it is only as the parts are modulated and so made to liffer that there becomes a combination of sweet sounds suited to express the high praises of the Almighty.

ady on the style of dress worn by

"I suppose none of my old friends n the Province know where I am, and likely few of them care. It does not take long to forget. I never had harder work than now and never falt " If it [the leading of praise in the more like doing it. Some of my best church members are Nova Scotians.

was delighted to find them here. Have always had fine appointments since I came to New England. Had also good ones before I left the Provinces. Feel as if I belonged 'away down East," but may be they will adopt me here.

That forgetfulness by Provincials of their former pastors is one of Bro. Pitblado's flights of fancy. Let him come and test them.

CORRESPONDENCE. INNOCENT RECREATION.

Every man needs this and should have it if possible. Its proper use does not interfere with mental and moral development. " All work and no play," is detrimental to the best interests of our race. All the creatures around us have their playful as well as working hours. Even in our hours of sleep we sometimes have recreation : for what else are pleasant dreams? There may be difference of opinion as to what constitutes innocent recreation, but on some points involved in the question all are of one The telegraph strike still continues. mind. In some cases work and re-

creation are so intertwined as to be

inseparable. Pleasure or enjoyment,

This must come through the senses or

the imagination. And those pleasures

that are not injurious to the mental,

physical and moral nature are inno.

cent. The study of God's works, in-

side and outside the Bible, affords the

special attention to sight seeing, that

the marvellous works of God, and o

his creature man. In doing so I

from the beautiful scenery of my na-

tive land, and journey to those places

where the most interesting works of

human genius and skill are exhibited

in connection with the wonderful

works of God. The railway convey-

ance exhibits the skill of man, but it

is less lovely than the valley of Anna-

and passengers from Yarmouth to

Boston, likewise shows the intellectual

power of man, but it is not as beauti-

ul and magnificent as the ocean

through which it glides. But the in-

fluence of Neptune on the stomach of-

ten spoils the recreation of the scene.

This unwelcome feeling was never be-

hought it best to turn my eyes away

Recently the writer has been giving

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best recreation to the soul of man.

an essential element of recreation.

It is probable that some compromise will yet be reached. The final upshot of the matter will probably be the iness of the country by the Govern-DELIT, SE England. No one can object to organization in behalf of certain rights, but when at the direction of some central committee of arbitrary disposition, the business of a country or continent is liable to be prostrated, sympathy in behalf of a cause which may have much to be said in its favor is likely to be alienated. Any league which binds every member to demand what a majority of its members may demand destroys, it has been well said, the freedom of the laborer for the purpose of destroying the freedom of the employer. A majority, altogethpolis through which it runs. The steamer which transports its freight er unworthy to rule, may soon dictate to men far more worthy then hemselves the course to be pursued. The conduct thus far of the immense number of operators on strike merits commendation.

For the many thousands of city Methodists who are scattered among

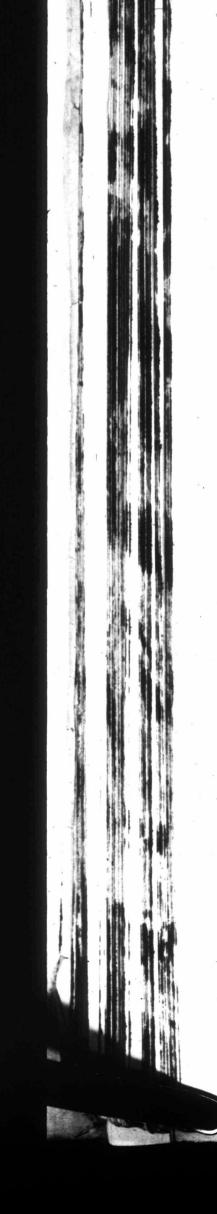
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A LIFE STORY.

disguised humanism. By an excellent Few books will have a more useful authority this book is said to have the mission than the large volume recently "spart, tone and phraseology of the published by our Toronto Book-room doctainal and catechetical manuals of under the title, The Story of my Life, the Gautch of Rome; the Gospel of by the late Dr. Ryerson. The "story," Christmonsticuouslyabsent." In view as supplied by Dr. Ryerson himself, of such choices one is not surprised to would have been somewhat meagre, learn that "the progress of ritualis- for that distinguished minister was tic and sarcerdotal error in Halifax is one of the most modest of men, but ken our entire Honor course in public opinion should speak out they must pay what was due in taxes very rame : that in a certain church, any needed details have been carefully Science, and was one of my best strongly, and that parents should on this whisky when it was shipped, "those or done and taught at which supplied by the diligent and loving pupils. He is especially strong in keep a most careful watch over the and also particle rule. its sover-minded members a few years care of the editor, Dr. J. George Determinative Mineralogy, Blow-pipe movements of their children. It is though it allo a fa They have consequently lost all that a charge of perjury may the deable whither the deable whither a loss of the deable whither ago that " monother case the most pro- abundant stores at his command. In view of the facts that the honor be preferred against those making the Bermuda has cost them, and the er than is sale, the boundary of the nounced Low Church congregation To the Christian reader the biogra- course in Science at Victoria is exten- statements.

young people, a "Grammar of Theo

logy," which advocates the most un

THE PROSPECT AT MOUNT ALLISON.

We are glad to learn that the vacancies made in the Faculty of our College at Mount Allison by the retirement of the Professors of Mathematics and Chemistry have been very satisfactorily filled. Professor Hunton, whose brilliant record at European Universities, and whose subsequent success as Professor of Mathematics at an Engineering College in London, have proved his abilities both as a student and a teacher, has formally accepted this Professorship to which he was elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Governors in June, and will be at his post in Sackville before the opening of the College on the 23rd prox. In regard to the chair of Chemistry and Physics, the vacancy having unexpectedly occurred after the annual meeting of the Board of Governors had been held, the Executive Committee deemed it advisable to make provisional arrangements for

the present year, leaving the perman-

house.'" There is much force in these remarks. Seated at the table of his flock an acquaintance may be formed which may benefit the pastor as well as people. It is not wise in a pastor to stay with one household when absent from home on preaching appointments, nor should any family attempt, through excessive kindness, to foster that habit in their minister

Master Himself called to a

At the close of the Conversation on the Work of God in the recent Irish Conference, Dr. Osborn said that "he was glad the subject of class-meeting had been referred to. He did not believe in the turning of classes into Bible-classes. That had been tried in England and failed. Classes were ex- ternal perience meetings. He was a staunch believer in Bible-classes, but by no means as a substitute for class-meetings, which were meetings for inquiry as to how their souls prospered, and, after that, inquiry into other matters. He believed in getting converted children into classes, and in preaching on the importance of Christian fellowship. There was a great deal about class-meeting in the New Testament, but only under another name. There would be no more Methodism when there would be no more class-meeting.

It was their life. Yet, he couldn't put class-meetings on the same level as the Lord's Supper; they shouldn't put a human institution in the same position as a Divine one."

A case, recently before the Stipendiary magistrate of this city, furnishes a sad comment on the morals of the

ent appointment to be made at the day in some quarters. Certain state- to the fact that large liquor dealers next annual meeting of the Board. ments, made on oath by young girls, in New York, in order to avoid the Mr. G. J. Laird, B.A., of Victoria led to the commencement of an inves- duty on liquors in store beyond a University, Cobourg, has been chosen tigation which threatened serious reve- certain period, had shipped a large to discharge the duties of this chair. lations. When danger of investiga- quantity to Bernuda, whence they Dr. Nelles, the President of Victoria, tion seemed over, affidavits were pub- shipped it back again, with the exand Professors Burwash and Haanel lished from the same persons to the pectation that it could remain in bond speak of Mr. Laird's scholarship and effect that they had sworn falsely in three years without duty or tax, qualifications in the highest terms. the first instance. The smoke in this should they wish to keep it so long. Dr. Haanel says, "Mr. Laird has ta- case implies flame. It is certain that But the government has decided that

man towns, villages and farm houses durwhose home He had not been in being the summer vacation, the Christian fore, 'To-day I must abide at thy Advocate has two good suggestions :

> tians, and do not forget that you are Methodists. God is everywhere, and responsibility cannot be lost by change place or scene. Do not, for the sake of show, turn your back upon the humble Methodist church. Remember it is the little country church that supplies the best members for our city churches. If you wish to have a true self-respect when you return, enter the little Methodist meeting-house, introduce yourself to the pastor, be liberal

in the collections. Drop into the Sunday-school; if you are a "talker" give them a few encouraging words you cannot talk give the superintendent a warm grasp of the hand. As for the Methodist who never reveals it where his Church is not at the top, he is brother to the man who is a Christian among Christians and silent among sinners. Withal, have a fragreeting for all members of Christ's Church whom you may meet in your wanderings.

Chaplain McCabe thinks "it would be a good plan for all those who are trying to furnish the 'sinews of Zion's war' to stop and give a whole year to the work of getting every Methodist family in the whole denomination to take a church paper." As the field secretary of the Board of Church Extension, he finds a difference instantly in a community where the papers are taken and read. There he has least difficulty in lifting large collections for his connectional enterprises. And, more than this, as one of the Advocates remarks, "our people are made the easy prey of proselyters, because they do not read of the church's achievements and catch its mighty inspiration.

amount of the duty.

A sail up Boston harbor awakens many pleasing sensations. Much of the riches of our world is found on the surface of its waters. The excite-" Do not forget that you are Chrisment of wonder prevails as we gaze upon the moving throngs of Boston's tortuous and narrow streets. Its breathing place-the Common-is invested with many marvels of beauty, both natural and artificial. A look through a large telescope reveals a remarkable phenomenon which science fails to explain, the spots on the sun. There were two groups of those dark appearances, one containing five distinct spots, the other four. I am not prepared to say that the inflated baloon was an exhibition of the wisdom of man. Its interior certainly : ffords a good illustration of an element very prominent in some men. It was ready for a flight, but as it had no rudder, the captain did not like to put to sea in the atmosphere, especially while a strong current was setting off land. With my face in the direction of New York I could not tarry for the ascension. Personal enjoyment was rea-

fore experienced

lized in sweet intercourse with relatives and friends who were formerly in Nova Scotia. But interviews on earth are alway associated withadieus. It will not be so above.

The eye is the inlet of much enjoyment. While steaming up the Sound. while the ear is gratified with sweet music, rather operatic than sacred, vet it is music, and if not associated with folly, is it not innocent recreation ?

And what shall be said of New York? It is a world in itself. A transient view of its externals is to know but little about it. Almost every aspect of human nature is presented in its Broadway; a good illustration of the broadway of the Bible. Both sin and grace here abound. Preaching material is easily gathered here by the careful student. It is pleasing to know by personal observation and inquiry that amid all the worldliness here exhibited there are many true followers of Jesus. It was exceedingly refreshing to hear on the Sabbath an excellent evangelical sermon in

Some time ago we called attention Hanson Place Church, Brooklyn, from the mouth of Dr. J. O. Peck. The singing was largely congregational, yet led by a well trained choir of fifty persons. It was as near what I think should be the aim and practice of all our churches, as anything I have heard. A visit to the finest cemetery in the world-Greenwood, well repays the effort of the tourist to gaze upon its scene of grandeur. Coney Island s indescribable. It is emphatically the "vanity fair" of America. Frequently 50,000 and more resort to this scene of gayety on the Sabbath from New York and surrounding towns. It is a suitable place to prove the possibility of falling from grace. To some, however, it is only innocent recrea-They have consequently lost all that ion, but it is approaching rather neardevil's kingdom.

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