tones of a mother's voice was not heard amid the wful surges of the river of death. Still, she ily who deeply feel this sad bereavement. disease, her spirit was then disciplined to sub-mission. She would say in her bodily sufferings, "Though the Lord slay me, yet will I trust in When I have been sufficiently tried in the fire, I shall come forth as gold seven times purified. My last days will be my best days." Thus did she wisely and well hope—that at evening-

She longed for the holiness of heaven-and for the whole of the last winter. Once only in the early part of summer she was kindly persuaded to ride abroad. It seemed to have a fatal effect ed from that time to suffer from partial paralysis, she sank rapidly -not without seasons of considerable bodily suffering. But whilst her powers of utterance remained—her language indicate unabated affection to her christian friends-undying love to her children who waited upon her she visibly descended to the margin of the river. Her hope was never once overshadowed by fear-her confidence in Christ did not vield to unbelief not for an hour, no, not for one mo- The Spiritual State of Methodism. the responsibility of the past does not rest solely pour the light of truth, stern inflexible truth, affection. ment. Aware that the long expected hour of was conqueror through Himiwho loved us. Death therefore to her was gain, and at length, as the spent storm expires in a sephyr-and the summer wave gently ripples to the shore-so she willingly sank into her last sleep-not to awake again until the heavens be no more—then her shall put on incorruption, and then shall be of God the saving that is written-" Death is MRS. MARY M. POTTER, OF ANNAPOLIS COUNTY. serious inquiry, and calling forth very general

Among the names in our list of Church and earnest prayer for an outpouring of the members in the Annapolis Circuit, opposite which it was our melancholy duty to write joyed. "deceased," during the past year, is that of Mrs. Mary M. Potter, wife of James E. Potter, Esq. of Clements. Sister Potter was the daugh-Esq. of Clements. Sister Potter was the daugh-ter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ditmare of Clements lation to the cause of God among ourselves, Shore. She was married to Mr. Potter on the prompting them to plead, "Wilt thou not revive also of December, 1835, and died on the 15th prompting them to plead, "Wilt thou not revive ents of his son, it may well be supposed that a lity, is thrown a certain charm which goes far to Shore. She was married to Mr. Potter on the Slat of December, 1835, and died on the 15th of last March, leaving her husband, and eight We hope that this year may witness very great of last march, leaving her husband, and eight whose the last of last for the latter; and accordingly we find Babing-by the counsels of praying parents, in childhood. of her eleven children, to mourn the loss of a and general prosperity in our own, as well as in ton duly entered at Lincoln's Inn, and finally I am justified in stating, that one evening at the her to "the happy land." Concerning her early religious impressions, and subsequent conversion to God, she has written as follows,-" Being early impressed with the sinfulness of my hear and the need of a change, I was led to pray t Almighty God. During a revival, when the Rev. Arthur McNutt was on the Circuit, my mind was deeply impressed with a sense of the evil of my heart, and I resolved to turn to the Lord. But what are resolutions formed in our own grew harder in sin. In after life the Lord still strength? Conviction were away, and my heart followed me, and glory be his holy name! He brought me to see the evil of my ways. Many a time while at places of amusement the Spirit be the last. My mother would reprove me, and, no doubt, pray for me; and I would sometimes meditate for hours upon the mercy of God in sparing my life, and think, what a mercy I am not in hell! yet still going on in the way of sin. What a wonder the Lord ever looked upon me ! When I reflect upon his goodness, I am lost in wonder, love and praise. Glory be to his holy

The gratitude declare That glows within my ravished heart? But theu caust read it there."

" In the spring of 1839 it pleased the Lord to pour out his spirit in Clements. My mind was awakened afresh to a sense of my lost condition as a sinner. For two months my distress of mind was great. But at length I found peace, I humbly trust, and joined the Methodist society at Clements Shore, where I still continue a member; although unworthy to belong to any

The conversion of her husband, ten years subsequently, was an event which gave great joy to the heart of our departed sister, as will appear from the following from her own pen-" In the summer of 1849 the Lord was pleased again to pour out his spirit, and in the Baptist church. under the pastoral care of Rev. Aaron Cogswell, a gracious revival commenced, and my dear partner was one of the happy number who joined the Church. How was my heart rejoiced A family alter, for which I had long prayed, was erected. I consider this a great blessing. May the Lord help us to keep it up."

The christian deportment of sister Potter had been in accordance with her profession from the time she joined the church of her choice, and she had experienced, from time to time, much religious enjoyment—but in a gracious revival of the work of God, which took place at the Hessian Line Corner, nearly a year before her death, her soul was greatly blessed-and the conversion of three of her daughters, at that time, was to her cause of great rejoicing .- The last illness of our much lamented sister, which was severe, was borne with perfect resignation to the will of God. She died happy in the anticipation of a glorious resurrection. In her death her family have not only sustained a great loss, lived. She was a Wesleyan Methodist from con-To the ministers and members of other denominations, as well as those of her own, the rights of christian hospitality, were by her cheerfully extended. She is now, we doubt not, reaping her reward in heaven.

Christian Messenger please copy.

Annapolis, Aug. 12, 1864.

them in their mortal frailty—and the soothing months. The first of these, Mrs. Hemphill of with the manifest productiveness with which the logies and interrogative appeals all fused togeth—hope that the good influence felt by all the min-Northampton, has left a husband and small fam- earlier ministry was crowned. We rejoice in the er by a swift impetuous logic which glows as it isters in Conference, and the determinations hope an indelible impression was made on many

ELLA AND EMMA RATCHFORD.

this was a sore bereavement, their favourite child There was no theme dearer to her than the love her, God in his mysterious providence saw at to Here lies the true solemnity of this question. of Jesus. There was nothing she pursued with take another of their children, Emma, aged 8 How many souls are perishing because we are years. Yet amid this sore effliction they had abundant reason to thank God that "life and people are profiting by the wisdom of the wise, able to her life. Infirmity detained her at home and they mourn not as those without hope, for are indulging in the enjoyments of life and home, on the testimony of the gospel we are led to be and may forget that thousands whose salvation lieve, that all dying in infancy are, through the Gop has laid down at our door, may go down stonement of the Saviour, and the regenerating to death unwarned and untaught! on her aged and enfeebled person. She appear- power of the Spirit, adopted by the Father into his family above. May parents and children be tened to the conversations at the Bradford Conre-united in Heaven

West Cornwollis, Aug. 15.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1864.

It cannot but be matter of deepest solicitude to every right-hearted christian, whether minised for its arrival. For her death had no sting—
the grave was to have no victory over her. She godly order and tranquility of churches—the brought to pass, in reference to all the children of the church, there is the gravest necessity for increase for the last year is occasioning most

> Holy Spirit such as our Zion has generally en-We trust that similar anxieties and expecta-

Judging from the various reports which have thought of all who attend the numerous, and in versus Clarke or Timmins versus Timmins. The every other respect rejoicing, Conference at Brad- black gown and voluminous wig had no beauties Says the Rev. Mr. East; "I called to see a sympathy and appreciation of my labours among ford, is one of regret that the spiritual results of for him, nor did the woolsack present any fascimother; she was in distress. She not merely you, while it excites in me heartfelt gratitude our mighty agencies are so inadequate. It has been the subject of one of the most important discussions of the session; and we trust that the feit for many days. No one for a moment thinks that the time has come when Ichabod should be written upon us, nor that Methodism is an unmixed failure. But it is an oppressive discourwould resolve every time I went that it should agement that so much sincere, arduous and expensive toil should be given under this dispensation of the Spirit with such comparatively small results. If our fathers had been less successful than they were, if our traditionary spirit were other than it is, we might be content with comparative inefficiency; but the memory of former achievements, and the anticipation of increase and advancement justified by improved and multiplied forces, conspire to aggravate the

> sainfulness of continued barrenness. It is not a full palliation of this apparent weakless that the progress of our denomination in every other department than its highest is satisfactory and pleasing. The number of sanctuaries and of worshippers is increasing. All the funds of Methodism are supported with enlarging munificence. Multitudes of young persons fill our day and Sunday-schools. The advancement of the Methodist community in intelligence culture and taste is without question. Faithfu reaching, holy lives and happy deaths, are yet mong the normal features of our Church. But hese facts, instead of moderating, only intensify the general disappointment.

We would not forget that there is danger even nore solicitous for our denominational honour and prestige than for the glory of God. It is well to mourn over diminished Societies; but let our zeal be for the Lord of Hosts, and not for the credit of human institutions, however venertheir labours in simple faith, they had no "ism" cradled in the midst of peculiar forms of church life, which we may think more essential than they annearance of our planet from its place in crea- well? Yet, surely the drama loses more by the ment who will subscribe? ion would be felt no more than the falling of a absence of gesture, elecution, the scenic illusions, leaf in the breeze that fans the forest at eve, it is and other accessories, than a speech can possinot difficult to believe that the entire collapse of bly lose by the want of correct electrion and gesthe organizations of Methodism would be of lit- ture. But, at the same time, we would not detie moment to the measureless plans and resour- rogate altogether the power of elecution, as we His praise cannot be given to another.

We are not without hope. There is a mani-

state, together with her exemplary life, lead us frection, which burns only in a mother's breast. She therefore Rachel-like mourned in times of their death, especially in the case of two of her sons, who, while following the sea, died on a foreign shore—where no sister's hand ministered to them in their mortal frailty—and the sonthin. The first of these. Mrs. Hemphill of the spiritual interests of the circuit. We state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We should in structive addresses, after which the spiritual interests of the circuit. We and instructive addresses, after which the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We all states the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the spiritual interests of the circuit. We shall state the spiritual interests of the spiritual interests of the spiritu good." She was at times herself subject to soute disease, her spirit was then disciplined to subso many chapels, to employ so many ministers, the world. taken from them at that tender age. But ere or to dispense so many tickets of membership taken from them at that tender age. But ere their tears of mourning had ceased to flow for her, God in his mysterious providence saw at to take another of their children, Emma, aged 8

The effects he studied by the words he man souls as we can. Here lies the true solemnity of this question. How many souls are perishing because we are diving to the speaking which he gave immortality are brought to light in the gospel," or are entranced by the voice of eloquence, or

> ference, and shared in its anxieties and hopes, place have increased, bringing a large influx of will go to his circuit resolved to reach, by the with the ministry, nor do the hopes of im- upon this subject. Let us bring up facts inconupon all the thirsty land.

We are sure that every minister who has lis-

Sketches of Macaulay No L

MACAULAY AS AN ORATOR. (Extract from a Lecture delivered in Lartmouth,

could not tie himself down to the leather covered | It is the opinion of those, who have profited by | ceptable on that account. reached us, it would appear that the uppermost tent himself with cases and no cases with Whitby minds are ruined by the theatre, where it exists, inability for the vastly important work of the would task his powers of antithesis and immense tive abuse of brother attornies.

Calne. At this critical period, when the seal for gone to the theatrs." tences, which followed each other in rapid and if need be, then send them to the theatre." glowing succession, now carrying the listener away by some flash of genius, and now startling him by some recondite allusion or far-fetched illustration. He was by no means a ready debater, our concern and anxiety, lest we should be nor did he ever attempt to speak upon any subect without careful and studied preparation.

It has been said that the speeches of Macaulay read so well, they are self-condemned; but they read well as speeches, and not as learned that a speech that reads well, cannot be a good

"knowledge is power."

She loved her children, with an ardour of af- state, together with her exemplary life, feed us direction in our memberhood. If, as it has been movement. His herangues were listened to with ing to the spiritual interests of the circuit. We and instructive addresses, after which the bene-

"The effects he studied by the words he made.

"Wanted. A Theatre!"

-Halifax Reporter, Aug. 11, 1864. A theatre is wanted by the city of Halifax. The business relations and capabilities of the Presentation to Rev. C. Lockhart. visitors, by whom a regular, really good theatre

gregations—the increase of the ministry, and the enlargement of ministerial qualifications—if there world, to represent life as it is not, must and the Rock of our Salvation. mortal shall put on immortality, her corruptible be not continuous accessions of converts, a steady be not continuous accessions of converts, a steady be not continuous accessions of converts, a steady influx of converted persons to the membership of the church there is the gravest recessive for or the church, there is the gravest necessity for careful heart-searching, and deepest humiliation of the mount, looking up to Him, the cloud, small as a compromising adherence to the doctrines of the mount, looking up to Him, the cloud, small as a realities of setual life. The play is the novel, man's hand though it be at first, may be beheld; not read but seen; not printed but portrayed, God has committed to your care, may live in sion, and as that has been our first public Pic-Nic, which giveth us the victory through our Lord JeMethodism at the present time, that the lack of teeming showers of grace may be descending bundred fold intensified. Now we do not say adorn their profession by a holy life and an unthat the theatre could not be made the means of blameable conversation. inculcating sound and healthful instruction, but Accept, Rev. and Respected Sir, our best we do say that it never is. It always has been, wishes for the health and happiness of Mrs and everywhere is, a source of moral pollution. Lockhart, yourself, and the members of your The whole history of theatrical performances family .- and, with feelings of gratitude for the

From the position and character of Zachary to carry away the whole almost irresistibly, Macaulay, as well as from the commanding tal- around vice, or at best, very questionable mora- Church, with abundant success. volumes of English jurists. He could not connations. His mind wanted something wider than wept, but wept aloud, 'O my child,' and she cannot fail to be a source of encouragement, and mere law terms and phrases; something deeper wept again. 'My child is just committed to an additional motive to increased earnestness than the most intricate case of the divorce court ; prison, and I fear he will never return again to in my future efforts to promote your spiritua something that would call into play his imagina- his father's house; and then her tears burst welfare. Your kindness, my much loved friends, tion and deep learning, more than the most de- forth, and with all my firmness, I could not help has deeply affected my heart, and will be thank tailed criminal proceedings; something that weeping with her. I was afraid to ask the cause; fully remembered by me to the latest period of I did not need, for she said, 'O that THEATRE! my life. ommand of language, more than the vitupera- He was a virtuous kind youth, till that theatre A truly gracious work, in which all of you proved his ruin." Said another young man, have more or less largely participated, has been The Whig party to which his father belonged, whom the Rev. Daniel C. Eddy, of Harvard St. wrought in the midst of us. In this we have rising barrister; and in 1830 he became member known that I should have come to this, I would good work, by the blessing of Ged, my laboure,

representative reform was rising to its height, Let us hear finally the words of Henry Ward to me ground for humility and of unfeigned the new member proved a great acquisition to Bescher. " Here is pleasure all flushed in its thankfulness to that Being to whom the praise of the party whose cause he espoused. It is in this gayest, boldest, most fascinating forms, and few all the good done upon the earth is due. position that Macaulay appears first as the ora- there be who can resist its wiles; and fewer yet, tor, and there can be no question made as to his who can yield to them and escape ruin. If you deep solicitude ever since my lot was cast among extraordinary powers. He may not have pos- would pervert the taste, go to the theatre. If you, the Lord is my witness—and this, I trust, sessed the lithe and graceful form, whose every you would imbibe false views, go to the theatre. by the grace of God, I shall never cease to feel. motion gives force and vigour to the uttered If you would put yourself irreconcilably against words. His rather squat figure, the large head the spirit of virtue, and religion, go to the theplaced low upon the shoulders, and the hands arre. Let parents who wish to make their chil- somely manifested, and for your good wishes for generally clasped behind the back, did not predere weary of home, and of quiet domestic Mrs. Lockhart and the members of our family, sent a very taking picture; indeed his appearance enjoyments, take them to the theatre. If it be I am, and ever shall be, grateful—and that the would remind one more of the prize-fighter than desirable for the young to loathe industry, and Lord may reward you " manifold more in this the orator. But when the mouth opened, it was didactic reading, and burn for fiery excitements, present time, and in the world to come" with to array a net-work of elaborately finished sen- and seek them by stealth, or through pilferings

If these things be true, and who can deny Lunenburg Sabbath School Picnic. them, how do the words at the head of this article read, and what do they mean? Wanted! An institution, the object of which shall be to undue the labors of those who are sowing the seeds, and rearing the tender plants of morality, religion, and holiness amongst us. Wanted The means of sending away those, who sojourn here a few days, a little worse and more wicked dissertations addressed only to the student. We than when they came, and thus help to give an are inclined to disbelieve the maxim of Mr. Fox, impetus to the work of the devil throughout the world. But most especially wanted! A House to be a temptation to them. But we have been speech. It is in our judgment entirely erroneous. in which the work of corrupting our youth of the morning beautifully calm, the glassy surface It attributes too much to the physical resources of both sexes may be conveniently, and systemati- of the water only broken by the rippling of the the popular art of oratory, and degrades it to a cally carried on; the means, by which fashionreally are to the working of God's Spirit. God mere harlequinade. It assumes that people are ably, and politely the morals of our children ter on either hand, made the row of three miles employed them formerly, employs them still, and to be moved by pantomime and mesmerism, and may be undermined, the characters, and lives of most interesting and delightful. Having reachwe devoutly pray may more extensively honour makes the orator a compound of mountebank our young men blasted, the minds of our daughthem in the future; but He can also do without and pandar. Have the plays of Shakespeare and ters polluted, and the career of vice in our midst haps as many, if not more, than all our boats them. If, as Dr. Chalmers said, the entire dis- Jonson ever been condemned because they read encouraged and hastened.—To this advertise- contained, who joined with us in the pleasures of DELTA. Horton, Aug. 20, 1864.

Cornwallis West Circuit. Mr. EDITOR.—Having lately removed to this oxen; a fire is made between two trees which ad ces of Him who is Head over all things unto the are well aware of its influence upon an audience. my new station, I have with much pleasure, mit of a bar or bearer being extended from one Church. Should this light grow dim, He can We wish, simply, to give it its true position, not noticed the improvements of the country, and to the other, upon which are hung the kettles, kindle a thousand others. He who has made us as the master, but the servant, not as the power, the progress of the cause of Methodism in this pots and boilers. The tables are laid and bouna people that were not a people, can transfer His but the engine by which the power is put forth, part of the valley of Cornwallis. From about 12 tifully supplied with all that is usually furnished overeign smile to other portions of the great and by which it may be so wielded as to produce to 15 years ago, I preached occasionally on the on such occasions, and perhaps a little more, the family, and they shall be preferred before us. Yet great results. Macaulay's force as an orator lay part of this circuit now called Grafton, being sta-"the gi'ts and calling of God are without repen- not in his elecution, but in his thoughts, and the tioned at that time at Horton, the junior preachtance;" and if we agree to honour God, He will words by which these thoughts were expressed. er attending principally to Cornwallis East and midable charge of thirty minutes or more, in yet honour us. What we need to see is that His profound learning also came to his aid, and West. Berwick, where I now reside, was then which a good deal of execution is done, the chilsalvation belongeth unto the Lord," and that proved the truth of the time honored maxim, a new place with few habitations—now it is one dren greatly changed in their views and feelings, of the most pleasant villages in the valley; the concluded that any further effort to take Peters-At the time of his entry into public life, farms nicely cultivated, the houses good and burg or do something else, would be fruitless, if fest disposition to look the facts fairly in the face. Macaulay was just thirty years of age, the period handsome in appearance, with a Methodist and not attended with the loss of life, and therefore in his chamber, or practising posture and ges- eloquent lawyers of his day, was also present It is admitted that no reference to secondary of youthful prime, when the energies of mind and a Baptist Church that would be ornamental and the retreat was sounded. causes can allay the suspicion that the greatest body are at their best. Eight years before he creditable to any place. The members here a of all evils is actually upon us,—an ebb of spirit- had quitted Cambridge a ripe and finished schol- few years ago were only to be numbered by twos the teachers and friends sat down to a sumptuter E., daughter of widow Hopkins. Our de- ual life. The Watchmen of Zion have long ut- lar. During these years he had mingled in gen- and threes, now we have a large congregation, ous repeat. When the wants of all were sup- and his hearers. There is often an awful impasparted sister was brought to God through the tered the voice of warning with no uncertain eral and political society, and flourishing Sabbath School plied, the tables cleared away, and the children sible gulf between the pulpit and the pew. The parted sister was brought to God through the stone of historic knowledge. He had inThe friends deserve much commendation for had time for amusement, the attention of all was familiar intercourse of the school-room helps to

both ministers and people ; a more entire reli- power as an orator too highly. As specimens of At our Financial District Meeting, lately held ance upon the powers of faith and prayer, and keen deliberative logic they far outshine any in Lawrencetown we had a pleasant meeting of Died of Diptheria at West Cornwaltis July 2d, less upon human talent, worldly approval, or of the productions of his own or the present day; Ministers, and a few stewards. We always re-1864, Charlotte Ella, daughter of Moses and secular strength and fitness; a more distinct ap- while as the channels of clean deep thought, and gret the absence of any of the last mentioned Frances Ratchford, aged 5 years. To the parents prehension of our mission, which is not to build expansive ideas, we may well match then against class constituting part of a Financial District Meeting. The busy season of haying and harvest gathering, probably hindered some of our lay brethren from being present.

> THOMAS H. DAVIES. We have omitted a portion of the above comunication expressing the opinion of the Annapolis District Meeting, upon an article which recently appeared in our columns, as, in our judgment, there has already been enough upon that subject. ED.]

ADDRESS TO MR. LOCKHART.

REV. AND MUCH RESPECTED SIR :- We, the blessing of God the Holy Ghost, a higher would be principally sustained. It is one of the Ladies of your congregation and members of standard of ministerial power and usefulness. requirements of the age, and it is to be hoped. your classes at Annapolis, on behalf of ourselves Probincial Telegician. Standard of ministerial power and usefulness. The subject will be the theme of earnest reflection that the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the subject will be the theme of earnest reflection to the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the subject will be the theme of earnest reflection to the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the subject will be the theme of earnest reflection to the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others, beg leave to present, for your account of the enterprising townsmen will not allow and others. tion throughout the year, and the convictions it has awakened will re-appear in the elevated chasite to slip. Such is the opinion of one of the subscription, and herewith respectfully presented racter and more earnest career of many. But Halifax tri-weeklies. Let us analyze it. Let us as a small token of our esteem and Christian

Looking back on the past brief period which prevement rest with them alone. We prayer- trovertible, and apply the test of actual experi- has elapsed since you, by the blessing of God, fully wish that every office-bearer and member ence as to whether this opinion is healthy and were made instrumental in the conversion of so ter or layman, when the church of his vows fails in the Church would " mourn apart," realise his good. Let us from premises but too well laid many precious souls in this community,—we are to accomplish the design of her Great Head, in the Control would mourn apart, reassents as laid down, reason to a just and logical conclusion.

The numerical increase of her membership. Whatthe numerical increase of her membership. Whatever satisfaction may be afforded in making the godly order and tranquility of churches—the godly order and tranquility of churches—the suggests, and acknowledgments of unfaithfulness, and acknowledgments of unfaithfulness, and acknowledgments of unfaithfulness, and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and acknowledgments of unfaithfulness, and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliancy in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliance in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliance in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliance in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an indescribable brilliance in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an index of the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in his cheeks, with an index of the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in the suggests and it is not too much to say that every in the suggests are suggests and it is not too much to say the suggests and it is not too much t

Greatly do we appreciate your paternal super-

corroborates this assertion. Fascinating in their interest you have taken in our welfare, we beg to tendency, their effect is to secure the attendance assure you it will ever be our sincere wish and of a large number of youthful minds, and then prayer that your subsequent life and labours may be crowned, by the Great Head of the Annapolis Royal, Aug. 6, 1864.

MR. LOCKHART'S REPLY.

My MUCH ESTEEMED CHRISTIAN FRIENDS,copy a portion of an appropriate article on this law, at least, its endless technicalities and dry lise the life-labor of him who, from the sacred too kind—address accompanying it, have taken subject, from the Methodist Recorder of the 5th details, had no charm for his piercing mind. He desk, enforces the words of truth and soberness. me by surprise; but they are none the less ac-

was eager to enlist the talents of the young and Church, Boston, visited in prison—" Had 1 greatly rejoiced, and will rejoice—and if in this f Parliament for the nomination borough of have as soon jumped into the fires of hell, as in connection with the labours of my excellent colleagues, have been in any degree useful, it is

That for your spiritual welfare I have felt Permit me again to assure you, my dear friends, " life everlasting," is my earnest prayer.

On Wednesday morning the 17th inst., at nine

clock, the bell summoned the children to the church, according to previous arrangement where after singing and prayer, and a short address from the Superintendent, the children were formed into marching order with the teachers. and proceeded to the boats with banners flying Five boats, some of them quite large, filled to their utmost capacity, left the back harbour fo the Second Peninsular; the tide in our favour

the day. Preparation is now to be made for the supply of not much less than two hundred persons, small and large. But with hearty good will cur men went to work; water, and boards for tables are brought to the ground by a pair of

a nature as to prevent her having much conversation with those who visited her bedside, neversation with those who visited her bedside, neversation with those who visited her bedside, neversation with those who visited her bedside, nevertheless, the few words she could say in reply to
the questions proposed relative to her spiritual
the questions proposed relative to her spiritual
the same kind friend who has just given them a corshould have, too, a good share of commendation
gard to the rising generation: he was followed
the untiring seal and labour he manifested
by the Rev. Mr. Martin, of New Germany, and
the Rev. Mr. Johnson, who delivered interesting
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to the untiring seal and labour he manifested
in getting the parsonage erected; and in attendthe Rev. Mr. Johnson, who delivered interesting

willingness to recognize and study the most disproceeds, and imparts an irresistable momentum there made of entire devotedness to the cause of minds, that being regulated by christian princi-May the Lord sustain them all by his grace, tressing features of the case. We rejoice that to the thoughts. When we view these produc-"It is the Lord, let him do as seemeth him and sanctify to them this dispensation of His the desire to trace the evil to its source, and to

Harrietsfields' S. School Pic-Nic.

The Pic-Nic at Harrietsfields, which came off hered by the inhabitants of that place, the weagrounds about 11 o'clock; and at one o'clock, its spiritual wants predicated. 0 persons consisting of children, young men and maidens and many old heads of families sat which the pastor thus regularly identified himdown on a lovely green, arched over-head by self with its general life and movement, which nature's handy work of various kinds of trees did not yield abundant fruits in the way of rich with green foliage; then was plentifully served up abundance of good things, accompanied with rich flavored tea and coffee, and prime ham. A grace of thanksgiving was beautifully sung by about 30 young voices, when all dispersed to join in the various amusements of the

afternoon, swinging was well kept up by the lads and lasses, while the young men formed a line of soldiery commanded by a young gentle man from town, several of them carried the British colors, and all marched some three or four miles on the Sambro road, where they gave bearty cheers for our beloved missionary his lady and our very kind and long tried friend Miss Cogswell with the indefatigable laborer and school teacher of the place, and also the many ladies who so bountifully supplied our repast.face was radiant with joy and gladness, and the his tender, smiling eye-his voice was sweet as silvery moon had long risen in the then cloudless sky before we sought our homes with glad we heard of it as a masterly performance. No and thankful hearts. The teacher and people render their thanks to the several ladies of Ha-

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The New Preacher.

question goes the rounds. The new preacher is performances, nothing was more remarkable than in important personage. All concerned are any the total forcetfulness of self: all was child-like ous to be informed on various points. Is he young or old? single or married? large or small? to a degree which cannot be communicated to a fine preacher? a good pastor? a sociable man? etc. Before he arrives some or all of these ques- I heard, but never any one whose elecution and tions, and very likely many more, will be an- manner were so captivating and persuasive. The swered. And the danger is that some of them unction and confidence of his prayers were also will be answered to his prejudice. This danger strikingly great, and the manner in which he reor faults, if he have any, usually circulate much tricks of elecutionists and actors." Summerfield nore rapidly and widely than his virtues. In was soon stationed in the city of New York this respect one of the former is equal to at least feeling, as he writes, that "God would be with a thousand of the latter.

It also happens, as the rule, that the preacher

who is faithful in and out of the pulpit makes

enemies. These are sure to say hard things of him-to do him all the injury they can-to send ahead of him reports which may hedge up his way of usefulness. Good brethren and sisters, do not prejudice the new preacher. Wait till you have an opportunity to judge for yourselvesassume that he is the very man that will suit you Listen to no unfavorable reports from any source. Suspect the motive of those who would give then And when your preacher comes on receive him frankly and cordially. Make him feel that he is welcome : that he has your confidence, your sympathies, and your prayers, as a capital or which to begin his labors among you. Take him at once, not only to your homes, but to your nearts. He comes endorsed and newly recom mended by the Conference. This to you is sufficient warrant against deception and fraud. In receiving him, as shove indicated, you have nothing to risk, but certainly much to gain. You will make him feel that he is at home, and he will enter upon his duties with a will and a hopefulness which otherwise he could not have After the new preacher has come on don't udge him too hastily. Give him time to show what he is. He may be of the kind that bears acquaintance. He may be a modest man, perhaps a diffident one. If so his first efforts in the pulpit, his first visitation to your families, will course were there, and the crowd was immense. be under the untoward influence of embarrass. Every seat, window, and footbold of that spacious ment. By these, therefore he ought not to be and beautiful edifice, were darkened with the udged. Wait a little.-Hear him several times people. Belonging to the "singing boys" of that before you decide on his preaching talent. This may save you the necessity of reversing your de ital seat directly in front of the preacher. D ision. Be in his company more that once beore you pass sentence upon his social qualities. the land of rest, was there and said : "The only If the preacher has a wife please do not expect | method by which I could see him, from among the too much of her. Remember her in your sympathies and prayers, as well as in your criticism She has at best her full share of hardships and privations .- Do what you can to make her so-

Relations of the Pastor to the

Sabbath School. There is truth, if not the whole truth, in Dr. yng's position on this subject. The pastor of church is a natural perpetual, ex-officio super- a fact that will show his intense power of riveting ntendent of its Sabbath-school. Few pastors, the attention. Among those in the side gallery indeed, have the physical strength, even where was a group of the most fashionable young ladies they have every other qualification to go through in New York, and one of them remarkable for the details of actual supervision as Dr. Tyng her wit and beauty. Before the services comdoes. Yet every pastor, who is wise, will keep menced she endeavoured to change her very bimself in constant living contact with his school. crowded uneasy position, but in vain. French a He should be in it some portion of the time la mode de Paris hats, with Methodist bonnets every Sabbath. 'He need not burden himself were jammed in confusion. Miss F. posture was with the care of minute supervision. But he most unpleasant, but the moment Summerfield should know every teacher, and if possible every began to preach, her eyes were riveted upon him, scholar. He should know what is going on in listening with scarcely a movement, until he the school, what they are studying, what hymns | ceased, when she heaved a deep sigh, as if then they sing, what they are doing in the way of only permitted to breathe. This was a daughter benevolence. He should every Sabbath catch of old Major Farlia, clerk of the common counfire from the warm young hearts there assembled, cil, and wherever Summerfield was to speak she and let his own heart give back an answering was to be found. Long since has she disappearglow. He should move in and out among the ed from the giddy circles of New York fashion, classes in kindly and genial sympathy, giving and gone to her account. May we not hope that and catching sunshine by his presence. A half some precious seeds sown in her heart, are now hour so spent by the pastor is better preparation | bearing fruit in heaven? for the pulpit than studying points of elocution ticulation before his mirror.

That in which preaching usually is most deficient is want of sympathy between the speaker often was to be seen among Summerfield's most instrumentality of the Rev. J. S. Finnery, and connected herself with the Wesleyan Society, of Unfortunately we have not to go far back to look telligently and carefully watched the signs of the their zeal and liberality in erecting a church at called to sacred exercises. The hymn was sung bridge over this gulf. The teacher and the chilconnected herself with the westeyan occuery, or carreing watched the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of the present crisis. It mes, and now heard without for signs of the seriousness of th which she remained a consistent member until for signs of the spreading disposition to counive at worldly prejudice, the assertion of Roman Catholic rights ent and bandsome, that with its land and outthen all joined in prayer. The Superintendent then all joined in prayer. The Superintendent congregation, feel that the speaker in that distant manners and manners in our social life, the and the cry for Representative Reform. One of the stand and outthen and manners in our social life, the season remarks on the importance and then made some remarks on the importance and the cry for Representative Reform. Some fine and already been carried amid £450. Brother Richard Smith, my predecessor in the stand and outthen made some remarks on the importance and the congregation, feel that the speaker in that distant pulpit is not so far off, after all. He is the searcity of earnest and spiritual persons capable. congregation, feel that the speaker in that dis- have his head broken to hear this young preach-

thy as those in the Sabbath-school. There the practiced eye of the wise and thoughful paster sees what truths most need present illustration Thursday the 11th inst., will long be remem- and support, what errors need to be refuted, what influences are to be resisted, what mining is to ther which for a few days previous had been be countermined, when the promises, when the damp and unpleasant, on the early part of that warnings of the gospel are to be pressed. The day cleared up beautifully fine and cool. Chil-school is to him the unerring pulse by which the dren and adults began to assemble on the life of the great congregation may be read, and

I have never known a Sabbath-school, in conversions and additions to the church. It is hardly possible, in the nature of things, that prophing under such sircumstances can be with out fruit. The school furnishes the sunshine and the rain, under whose genial influences the soil is best prepared and the seed most surely germi pates .- Hart's " Thoughts on Subbath Schools!

Reminiscences of Summerfield.

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Forty years ago some things in New-York Methodism were quite different from what they are now. For the year 1821 the New York Conference met in Trey, and during its session Summerfield preached to a large assembly, many of whom were preachers. His text was 1 Cor. an infant's. We did not hear this discourse, but single portion so moved and melted the large assembly even to tears, as Summerfield's simple rehearsal of the apostles' sufferings, in St. Paul's own words-" In stripes, in imprisonments : and the eminent Dr. James W. Alexander then of Princetown, was present, and said : " Never have I heard a passage of Scripture recited with such pathos." He introduced a beautiful quotation from the dying expressions of Melancthon, in allusion to a ship wreck, and Dr. Alexander Have you seen him? After Conference this adds: "In this, as in all Mr. Summerfields's simplicity and nature, yet fervid and pathetic those who never heard him. Many orators have me this year.' Upon his strong arm alone he

Summerfield drew the multitudes, when Me. thodist and Methodism were words in every body's mouth. He himself had no contracted sectarianism, and his pious eloquence opened all hearts to hear him. Wherever he preached thousands were attracted ; and we find this entry in his diary : "I find that my ensuing year's labors will be double my expectations. . . . 1 feel as if this year would terminate my mortal existence; my body is perfect weakness; my soul sympathizes too often with my hody, and wants that lively vigor and energy I so much need that

I feel that Jesus will do all things well." He was not able, with his fellow-laborers, t fill three appointments on the Sabbath, and hence on the "preachers' plan," his name stands for two sermons, morning and evening. Few who remember him at all, will forget his morning services, which invariably were devoted to Chrisians-the evening for the general congregation. During the summer of 1821, I believe, Sumfield's pulpit labours were interrupted for a few weeks, by sickness. The first sermon after his recovery, was preached in old John-street church. on Sunday morning, September 30th from Psalm 116: 12, 15-" What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows," &c. We. of famous choir, led by Mr. Avres, we had a cap-Bethune, who has recently joined Summerfield in taller crowd, who filled every accessible space was by climbing, like Zaccheus, not a tree but s huge church stove that stood in the northeastern corner. . . . We had all been crowded in the journ among you pleasant.—Pittsburg Advocate. | church at least an hour and a half before the time of service." We felt no small anxiety lest he would not be able to preach, but the fervent

prayers of the people were heard, and again he stood up calling on the name of the Lord, and with the cup of salvation in his hand. I cannot be accurate about the sermon, but well remembe

George Griffen, one of the ablest and mos He was a gentleman of very large size, and most venerable and commanding appearance. He attentive hearers, and on this occasion stood in "Why, Mr. Griffen, are you in this great crowd."

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