

about \$750,000 worth of supplies have been sent to needy ministers.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society collected last year \$313,937, being an increase of \$28,113.

Messrs. Grant and Fowler have presented property in Chile, S.A., to the Missionary Society, valued at \$200,000. Mr. Fowler also donated \$1,140, which he had loaned to carry on the work of the Society.

The indebtedness of the Missionary Society is \$186,143.79. Attempts are being made to obtain subscriptions of \$20 each toward the entire liquidation. The Bishops have subscribed \$100 each, and it is hoped that a sufficient amount will be obtained for the purpose.

The lepers in the asylum at Asansol, Bengal, India, requested to be allowed to contribute towards the payment of the missionary debt, and as they had no way of earning money they saved it out of their allowance of food.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

The Church has grown since the war from 700,000 to 1,500,000.

The Woman's Missionary Society in Virginia Conference raised \$7,116 23, and the Rosebuds—the children—raised \$5,291.

The Japan Conference reports as follows: Members, 559, a net gain of 17; Sunday-schools, 64; scholars, 1,554.

One of the preachers in Texas was offered by a Northern firm \$75 a week to do newspaper work in Mexico, but he declined, though his salary for preaching is only \$250 per year.

The Missionary Society has sustained a great loss in the death of its Treasurer, T. B. Holt, Esq., who died while attending Texas Conference.

Christianity in its various aspects has found much favour in Korea. In 1892 the wife of the Korean Minister to foreign countries connected herself with the Presbyterian Church.

The next General Conference is to be held at Baltimore, May 1898. Professor Davidson is the fraternal delegate from the English Conference, and Principal Spurling, of Wesley College, Winnipeg, Manitoba, will bear the greetings of Canada Methodism to the Southern Church.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. Messrs. Crossley and Hunter, after two years' successful labours in the Maritime Conferences, have returned to the West. Our religious exchanges speak in commendatory terms respecting these brethren and the good that has been accomplished through their instrumentality.

Another calamity has befallen our brethren in the East. This time the fine church in Moncton, N.B., is destroyed. The church was being heated for a missionary lecture to be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Henderson, and somehow the building became enveloped in flames, and before it could be extinguished the fine organ and most of the edifice were destroyed.

Rev. Dr. Henderson has been spending several weeks in Newfoundland, then he returned to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, and before returning home at Christmas spent one Sunday each at Quebec and Montreal. The people everywhere have given him a royal reception. He is booked for missionary services until the end of April.

A new church was dedicated at St. Thomas, November 28th, when the General Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Curman, and the President of Toronto Conference, Rev. Dr. Stone, officiated. The financial results were highly satisfactory.

The efforts of our young people in their Epworth League and other societies in helping the missionary cause are being crowned with great success. During the last few months, Rev. J. A. Jackson, M.D., was sent to Bella Bella to labour among the Indians; next Rev. D. Norman went to Japan, and now Rev. Dr. Ewan and his wife are on their way to China. They will both labour as medical missionaries among the Celestials. The brethren already named will be largely supported by the Epworth Leagues' Missionary Department.

Evangelistic services have been successfully held in very many places. Rev. A. J. Ranton, after labouring at Tweed and other places in Bay of Quinte Conference, proceeded to Newmarket, then to Toronto and laboured for three weeks in McCaul Street, and will conduct a series of evangelistic services at Berkeley Street, Bathurst Street and Avenue Road churches.

Mr. McHardy has conducted very successful services at Southampton, Dundalk