CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NOVA SCOTIA.

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Historical Items and Personal Reminiscences of Methodism in Cumberland, the Banner County in Nova Scotia,

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THIS northern part of Nova Scotia first received its name, Cumberland, in 1759. In that year the Province was divided into five Counties, Annapolis, Kings, Cumberland, Lunenburg and Halifax. Cumberland, at that time, included a portion of New Brunswick, now called Westmoreland. This union was severed twenty-five years afterwards. The name indicates an undoubted nationality, the best on earth. And probably no other county in the Province welcomed so many English emigrants. Thus the highest, purest and noblest style of refined civilization was stamped upon it at the right time, insuring just such desirable results as have been subsequently realized.

This County for patriotism, loyalty, intelligence, good morals, and all right kinds of progressiveness is certainly equal, if not in advance of all others. This statement may be regarded by some as an undue estimation of the land of my nativity. Not so. I have travelled through and preached in every one of the