

In the afternoon, Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of the Methodist Church (Canada), presided. Two papers were presented—the first by the Rev. Dr. Ellinwood, on “The True Relation of Mission Boards to Colleges on Mission Ground”; the second by the chairman of the meeting, on “Provision for the Support of Missionaries as regards Salaries, Houses, Outfits, Furloughs, Support of Children, etc.” At the close of the discussions, which were of the most harmonious character, resolutions were introduced by the Business Committee embodying the results of the Conference. It was also decided to call another Conference a year hence, and a committee of four was appointed to prepare a programme and make other necessary arrangements. As an appropriate close to this useful and inspiring meeting, a resolution was introduced by Chaplain McCabe, of the Methodist Episcopal Board, to the effect that an appeal to the Churches be prepared, to be signed by representatives of all the Boards willing to endorse the same, and circulated widely through the Churches. A committee to draft the appeal, consisting of Rev. Dr. Ellinwood, of the Presbyterian Board; Rev. Drs. McCabe and J. O. Peck, of the Methodist Episcopal Board; Dr. Judson Smith, of the American Board; Dr. Duncan, of the Baptist Board, and Dr. Sutherland, of the Canadian Methodist Board, was appointed. This Committee met the following morning, and unanimously decided upon the points to be embodied in the appeal, which will be drafted almost immediately, and submitted to the various Boards for approval. This important document, which may be said to mark an epoch in the missionary movement, will be laid before our readers as soon as it appears.

### A Gift From Abroad.

FOR some time past the Rev. E. R. Young has been in England, lecturing almost constantly in various churches and for various objects, but all the time giving prominence to the great theme of missions. That he still retains a deep interest in the Indian work the following letter will show, besides recalling an interesting chapter of missionary experience :

WESTBOURNE TERRACE,  
LANCASTER, ENG., Jan. 1st, 1894.

Rev. A. Sutherland, D.D.

MY DEAR DOCTOR,—Enclosed I send you two five-pound Bank of England notes as a special missionary subscription. I wish it to be special for the Indian Schools, and my only reason is the following :

Long years ago, it was my joy to lead to Christ the Indian who is now known as the Rev. Edward Paupanekis. My first interview with him was one day when he rushed into my house, maddened by the wretched white man's firewater, and tried to smash open my head with an empty rum-bottle, the contents of which he had poured down his throat. By a certain amount of diplomacy I managed to save my head. From that time I took a special interest in Edward, feeling that if I could get a man who had so much zeal in him for the devil, converted, he would be of great service to the Master. I had to follow him up through years of toil and effort before I saw him at the Cross, a grandly converted man. I had some trying and even dangerous times with him ere he surrendered. Last summer (1892) he told me, as we were sitting together on the bank of a Northern river, that more than once, when I had come into his

wigwam, and was praying for him, he was looking for an axe with which to split open my head! Now he is by all odds the best man we have in the North-West among the natives.

He gave me his son Joseph to educate. I brought him down at my own expense to Winnipeg, bought him a year's supply of clothes, and took him through to Morleyville School at the suggestion of Mr. Semmens and others. A few months ago, Mrs. Young sent him out his winter's supply of flannels and other things. I have also sent him money, and orders on Winnipeg for clothes, etc. He must be getting on, for he has sent back to Mrs. Young a most grateful letter, beginning, “My dear Elizabeth.” God bless the boy!

So this subscription of mine is to go toward the expenses which the Church has in keeping up the good work out there. If he does well there, or at Red Deer, where I think he is now, I will be glad to continue to specially contribute to the school. Mrs. Young and I will gladly, after a couple of years training up there, keep him at our own expense in Toronto, to more fully prepare him to go back as a teacher, and then perhaps as a missionary among his own people. Of course, there is the risk of bringing him out, that the many comforts of civilization may not be the best preparation for the simple, plain, hardy life he must necessarily live among his own people, and to them be most effective. But that will be a matter for future consideration. So, for the present, these notes are for the fund, with “more to follow,” if needed.

I can find any amount of work over here among all the Evangelical Churches. Rev. Marshall Hartly has asked me to speak at one of the Wesleyan May meetings in London this coming May. The Earl and Countess of Tankerville invited me to Chillingham Castle for a week. I could only give them a day. I spoke in the castle at 3 p.m., and again in the evening, to a most distinguished company. At the close of the afternoon address, I went out with some retainers to see the famous herd of wild cattle, the only herd in England. They number about eighty. They are very wild and for over a thousand years have been carefully guarded.

Thus it goes, sometimes in the stately homes of England and then in the slums of London. Speaking for some of the noble men there toiling, glad to give them all we can make for their blessed work, and then having it returned to me where I lecture before the wealthy ones.

Thus am I enabled to do as much good, and get as much good, as though in the active work in Canada. With the greetings of the New Year,

I am, as ever, yours cordially,

EGERTON R. YOUNG.

### Our Indian Missions.

BY REV. W. KINLEY.

AS the OUTLOOK comes to hand from month to month it is read with absorbing interest, and prayer is stimulated for those noble men and women who are giving their time and strength for the salvation of the poor, perishing aborigines of our country. It is a pity that the OUTLOOK does not reach at least every Methodist home in our land.

I have been asking myself how I shall answer before the Great White Throne for not having done more for the Indians, and many others have been led to consider earnestly what means can be adopted to push forward the mission work among these people with greater speed. While we rejoice in the large amount of work being done by our Missionary Society, and the large sum that has been appropriated to this part of the Master's work, we are deeply impressed with the idea that some immediate steps should be taken to meet the urgent needs of these people who are perishing in our very midst. To meet this want some independent missions have started. One of these is in operation on the Deloraine Indian Reserve, Manitoba. It was originated by Mr. H. L. Montgomery, of Deloraine, and he, with the people of that place and Boissevain, have employed and are sustaining a missionary, so strong is their desire to help this band.