

and resembles Mr. Moody very closely in appearance.

Three years ago Mr. Moody began the noon prayer meetings in St. George's Church, Glasgow. The meeting is still vigorously sustained, and has been greatly blessed. The Sunday morning "free breakfasts" are regularly attended by about two thousand one hundred. One minister has received sixty members to his church who traced their conversion to the influence of these breakfasts. A hundred young women who had fallen into sin have been reclaimed.—Another nobleman, Earl Musgrove, has begun to hold evangelistic services in England. At the latest accounts, he was labouring with great enthusiasm among the fishermen of Essex.—It is said that Prince Leopold, the youngest son of Queen Victoria, is about to become a clergyman in the Church of England.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In reference to our own Sabbath-schools in Canada, there are a few facts stated in the tabular report of the Secretary, Rev. A. Andrews, which we think are not very flattering to the Church. For instance, taking the six conferences into account, there are less than half the preaching places at which there are Sabbath-schools. Of the former there are 3,318, but only 1,620 of the latter. We are glad that 5,748 conversions are reported as occurring during the year, and that 14,599 of the scholars are reported as meeting in class, but then, remember, there are 114,183 scholars in the schools. The number of *Sunday-school Advocates* taken by the schools: only 14,337, not one copy for every eighth child. The number of the *Sunday-school Banner* taken is only 4,742,

but as we have 14,991 officers and teachers it will be seen that not one-third of them take this excellent magazine, which they would find to be an invaluable help in the study of their lessons. We know from experience how difficult it is to secure accurate statistical returns, but, we venture to hope that as a report of our Sabbath-school work will have to be prepared for the General Conference, that all who are connected with these matters will do their utmost to make their respective departments as perfect as possible.

ITEMS.

—The fraternity of the two Methodisms, North and South, as settled by the committee at Cape May, N.J., has just received another demonstration in New Orleans, where the property of three churches, valued at \$20,000, had been in dispute ever since the war. The title has now been confirmed in the Methodist Episcopal Church, (North.) The negotiations were conducted in the most fraternal Christian spirit on both sides. One after another the barriers are giving way. Time, patience, grace, will overcome all things.—The distinguished Dr. Duff, who was for so many years a Presbyterian Missionary in India, has gone to his reward. He visited Canada more than twenty years ago. We heard him speak for three hours to a crowded audience in Richmond Street Church, Toronto. He was a noble man, a hero among the servants of God.

—Rev. Henry Badger, Wesleyan Missionary for many years in Western Africa, chiefly at Sierra Leone, "the white man's grave," has also gone to his reward. He was an earnest, disinterested servant of God.