

CORRESPONDENCE.

JOTTINGS FROM FREDERICTON.

FEBRUARY 26, 1880.

MR. EDITOR.—Does the WESLEYAN print off-hand, disjointed, rambling letters, which speak right out in a plain, blunt way? Then, will it print this one? If it does not offer to its readers such harsh, then, alas, the writer hereof may never expect to address the WESLEYAN's cultivated audience. Your subscribers—I have no doubt—prefer the orderly, the precise—but when they lend an ear to a country preacher, they must consent to take less polish, and more pith.

The business outlook in this part of New Brunswick is improving. A year ago trade lay prostrate—depression sat supreme—now it seems the crisis is reached and passed; to-day the pulse of our commerce beats with freshened blood, and in city and forest there is great rejoicing. No thanks to the N. P., but to the "dead industry," so called by our able Finance Minister. Lumber is booming—prices are going up, and will still go up, so say our experienced operators. This advance in lumber has brightened the prospects of many of the brethren in this district, all our circuits and missions will be more or less benefited by it.

Our Relief Fund Meetings were, as report shows, a success. The Missionary Meetings, with the exception of Fredericton, Marysville, and Woodstock, yet remain to be held. By the way, it is generally the opinion here that the discussions and doings at the meeting of the "Central Board" will do our missionary cause very little good. The one controlling mind, the assumed superiority, the evident disposition to censure, did not commend itself with unusual acceptability, either to ministers or laymen. Our brethren in this Conference, from the President to the probationer, are as careful of missionary receipts and expense, and as loyal to the cause of missions, as any men can be; and we suggest, in all humility, whether it is not better that our brethren be taught their duty, if in duty they show a slackness, by kind reminders rather than by censoriousness, infused with a strong tincture of iron and caustic. Yet, we will do our work this year faithfully, honestly, loyally, as in the past, and may be again, as we have done in other years, pay the expenses of brethren who assist us at our meetings, out of our own pockets.

You will rejoice to learn, Mr. Editor, that this large District, every foot of which is known to you, is, as far as I can judge, in a very prosperous state. In Fredericton there are fore-gleams of the old-time prosperity. Under the able pulpit ministrations and continual pastorate work of our beloved Chairman, Methodism in the capital is looking up. Fredericton may be congratulated on having two such representative men as brethren Evans and Daniel. Gibson bids fair soon to rank with our towns in point of population and commerce. Our post-preacher, the Rev. M. E. Knight, is the minister in charge. A handsome and commodious church, to be built during the coming spring, will supply a long-felt need, and add so materially to the influence of Methodism, that Gibson will probably aspire to "independency."

Marysville, "the city of cottages," and home of New Brunswick's lumber king, is enjoying great temporal prosperity. The recently erected grist mill is said to be equal to any thing of the kind in the Dominion. Farmers from all the country round about, and even from distant parts of the Province, come with grain, and from wheat of their own growing, obtain flour as good as any they can purchase. The people of this and the adjoining counties are loud in their praise of A. Gibson, Esq., for this proof of his desire to see the agricultural, as well as the lumbering, interest in a thriving state.

Bro. W. W. Brewer speaks highly of the kindness of his people, and is hopeful of great good, as the result of special services to be commenced next week.

Bro. L. Johnson is working with all his soul for God and Methodism on the Nashwaak. In addition to his regular circuit work, he goes far away into the forests, and preaches Christ to the hundreds of lumber-men engaged in labour there; his work in this direction cannot be estimated. May God crown his labours with great success.

The heart of our singing preacher, the Rev. H. J. Clark, is full of praise to God because of the Holy Spirit's endorsement of his work in the salvation of precious souls. The Christian conduct of certain water Christians at Lincoln, so moved the zeal of Bro. Clark and his good people, that a Methodist Church, instead of the "omnibus" meeting-house, will be the result.

Bro. James Crisp entered heartily into his work on the Keswick. The handsome subscription of the Boston Mission to the Relief Fund, is at once an evidence of their love for the cause, and loyalty to their King. Sheffield Quarterly Board would, I think, had they the power, extend the term of service from three to any number of years, could they by so doing retain their present talented and popular pastor. It is said that Bro. Robert Crisp, of Jacksonville, will succeed Bro. Hobson in Sheffield. The earnest and faithful preaching of Bro. James Duke is bearing fruit on the Gagetown circuit; at Burton many have given themselves to God. In Woodstock, Bro. Colpitts has won for himself golden opinions, and for Methodism many adherents. Special services now in progress there, promise a large increase to our membership. Bro. Turner is beloved by his own people, and as a mark of the esteem of all denominations, resident at Benton, I may state that he was recently chosen as the minister of their choice, and the one to whom they would give their support. Canterbury is in a fever state of prosperity, and Bro. Williams working successfully for God, notwithstanding the anger of a newly-

adged successor of the Apostles, and his evident desire to quench, by the aid of infidel school-trustees, or the Provincial Government, or the devil—or any means the extension of Methodism. Bro. Wm. Harrison has made Richmond a desirable station. Bro. Mills, kind, genial, and active, is advancing our interests at Florenceville. Andover is hopeful of better days. Bro. Fenna, at Upper Kent, is abundant in labours. Bro. Opie, in his contributions to the Carleton Sentinel, shows that he is fully alive to the responsibility of his position, in the new and fast-settling country in which he is stationed. Of Stanley, I cannot write hopefully. I am loth to believe, Mr. Editor, although some soils are assuredly more difficult, and require more patient cultivation and humouring than others, that there is any soil in which Methodism cannot thrive. I do not for a moment blame the brother labouring there, but there must be shortcomings somewhere.

What Stanley needs—what all our circuits need—is an old-fashioned Methodist revival. May the revival we need be graciously granted—a revival of that godly discipline, too much in disuse, of that practical holiness that will lead to self-denial and purity in all the round of life—a revival, in short, that will make our cities centres of spiritual power, and our churches everywhere as lights set upon a hill. It is the recognition of the want of this spiritual power that culminates in the importation of revivalists, and the mechanical working up of religion into sensational fury. There is at present labouring in Fredericton, under the auspices of three of the churches, a Mr. Chubbuck, an evangelist from the United States, who is strenuously labouring to bring about such a revival. I have attended two or three of his meetings, and am more than ever of the opinion that such men are not of service to the church. I would not willingly underestimate the fruits of any revival season, but this appears to me—too much a thing of order—a machine process, to result in permanent good. Mr. Chubbuck is evidently an imitation of Moody—he has all the faults and none of the strong points of that evangelist. It is ungrammatical, illogical, and at times coarse and unscriptural. Mr. Chubbuck certainly has the ability to draw the crowd. But crowds are easily collected in these degenerate days—in the church or in the street. Numbers are no index to the moral worth of such gatherings. There is very little of the life and power of the Gospel in such efforts. There is the fury of sensationalism, and the hot fires of forced zeal, but that is not hope, any more than the electricity with which scientific triflers sometimes make a corpse thrill into the transient semblance of living beings, is real blood vitality. Then, I think, such means teach questionable views of the Spirit of God, making appear Holy Ghost. Holy injury is also done the cause of God, by the unrighteous haste with which half-converted converts are rushed into the water, and at once recognized as members of Christ's Church. Your readers will not, I trust, misunderstand me. As far as this revival has developed a saving religion in one, two, or a dozen souls, it is so far a triumph and a success. Yet, I claim, Methodism, at least, does not need such help, or methods of work.

I am yours truly,  
YORK COUNTY.

PROSELYTISING BOASTS.

The Churchman after a column of enumeration of the names of twenty-six proselytes in the year 1879, from various Protestant Churches, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Methodist, Congregationalist and Second Advent, concludes:—"Here is our hand, ready for any others like them who may follow in their train. With a noble sense of self appreciation it remarks:—"It is evident beyond a question, we think that our church is attracting more and more the attention of those who stand around her and that as her position, character, and claims are getting to be understood she is exercising a growing attractive power upon them." O, this language the Presbyterian remarks:—"But the Presbyterian Church received fifty-eight ministers from other denominations in the year 1879, and made no ado about it. Yet why may we not solace ourselves as The Churchman does, &c."

We freely advertise the above invitation of The Churchman to all unsettled spirits, but feel bound at the same time to present the warning contained in the last number of the Western Church of the state of affairs in the Protestant Episcopal Church as given by a correspondent of that paper. He writes in his communication:—"We are in our membership—putting the Prayer Book reverently out of all question—neither Protestant nor Catholic a huge monstrosity, like the ancient minster, half man, half beast. We refuse most bluntly to recognize the most worthy ministers of other denominations, and yet our people have no knowledge of any important tenet, obligatory *de fide*, which ought to separate us from these bodies, any tenet which makes salvation on the average more probable inside than outside the Catholic fold. And our people are so ignorant, because a great part of our teachers are as ignorant as themselves. Our communicant rolls are a bodge podge of Unitarians, Nestorians, Quakers and the like; well meaning enough but largely without the very rudiments of religious instruction, hurried through, at a few days' notice, a ceremony which in the opinion of half of them, is entirely unscriptural and simply a decent form. A sectarian from his cradle gets tired of his minister, takes a fancy to the rector of St. Demas's, has a good moral character—perhaps he is a man of influence too—visits said rector, says he would like to be confirmed, is asked if he means to do right says "yes," has an interview Tuesday, is presented to Bishop on Thursday, admitted to receive the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, and henceforth is in possession of full privileges. There are droves of such so-called converts in our midst today, &c."

In order to meet this state of things the writer proceeds to say that it is necessary to come out with the truth, for our people are perilously near to apostasy, such apostasy as is mortal sin where it cannot be atoned by inevitable ignorance. Our advice to all insatiable brethren contemplating a change in this direction is to look well before you jump. The above statement is from one who is behind the scenes, and is candid enough to acknowledge his impressions concerning his own "Household of Faith." We wish well to the twenty-six, but from a long personal experience we fear some will be disappointed. THE APPEAL.

THE GREATNESS AND SPIRITUAL CHARACTER OF REGENERATION.

Being born of God implies the greatness of the work which is wrought in the soul. It is God's production, and it is mighty. It is not merely a creation of something out of nothing; as when He said, "Let there be light, and there was light." It is the creating a clean thing out of an unclean. Light out of darkness, order out of confusion, beauty out of deformity, good out of evil. God's image of righteousness is true politeness, and knowledge in the soul which had borne in a lesser or greater degree, the dark, sinful soul, and wretched image of Satan. The subjects of this spiritual birth, were of their father the devil; doing his works of hatred to God, opposition to purity and goodness, truth and righteousness; and to everything in harmony with man's duty and interest. They are now the sons of God, doing his will. "Following after righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call upon the Lord, out of a pure heart." Living to God like God, bearing his image and rejoicing in the dignity and privileges of his children, pledged to promote the family interest, jealous for the family honour, glorifying Him "of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." We might infer the greatness of the work, from the exceeding greatness of his power, which is invoked to add to the work for its progress and completeness; in order to its consummation in eternal life in heaven. "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named. That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory; to be strengthened with might, by his Spirit in the inner man. That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith," &c. How truly spiritual in its character is this God wrought work. As in our natural birth we become inhabitants of the physical world, with bodily organs suited thereto, by which we behold the light, breathe the atmosphere; are sustained by food, and the processes of nutrition, so that by food and exercise, and sleep, animal life is sustained, is progressive, and becomes stronger and stronger until the full vigor of manhood is attained. So in our spiritual birth. We enter into light; we are called children of the light. Light is spiritual—light being the emblem of knowledge, joy and purity. We breathe and live in a spiritual atmosphere, prayer and praise the breath of the spiritual man. Communion with God. Fellowship with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are sustained in the spiritual life, by such food and exercises as nourish and strengthen the spiritual nature. God's word devoutly read, carefully and prayerfully studied; its exposition and application listened to, and appropriated, as seasons and circumstances render it necessary and fitting to suit one's case. The use of Divine ordinances, where rest and refreshing for the soul is given, and the exercises of the graces by which we wax stronger and stronger, until from like children, we become strong and stalwart Christians, fit for hard service and endurance. Mellowing and maturing into the ripened wisdom and experience of fathers in Christ or mothers in Israel. E. B.

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habitants, and the "hard win- was afterwards called, was not intense cold, but of famine. But the city, of which Hare was the literary centre, in Bishop, as Mr. Lawrence m- Burney's "Evelina," and Dr. "Tour to the Hebrides," and of "the great Dr. Goldsmith," tried, was a compact commu- distinctive character and spi- as, in fact, an English colonial a certain popular independ- was still evident, however exp- expression. Many of the in- took the oath of allegiance, but were with the blue and buff scarlet made merry around the town in which Sir Henry held his mimic court was gay and carefree revelry of a military so- and the cold and starvation and suffering of the city, the officers' On with the dance! let joy be The soldier must not think, stivity at head-quarters would, strike the patriot as a reflection miliantcy of the British pros- rants and the revelry were no able to loyalists growlers like winter in New York, and com- for wood which cost nothing ick-masters, or which could be y them for sixteen shillings a ak, and twenty-eight shillings y, he was forced to pay \$4 and and the indignant old Tory ext- it was well known that "thelit- and favorite Dolcines of Clin- ington, and Birch were all supplie- ge quantities of wood by their of the wood-yards in New York, regaling themselves in routs, ttle concerts and small parties warm, comfortable fires, and all the ease and luxury in life, poor soldiers, for whom the provided, were with their wives ren perishing in the barracks in ty of winter." the fashionable promenade was in front of Trinity Church, John Street was up town, when y to Philadelphia and to Boston ted by days, and when Europe s away over the ocean, New York up within itself, and had a "local which is long since gone. Every n in town then knew of the "fine ul" that could be drunk at the Head tavern and London Obop- Brownjob's Wharf, and the the little town, now grown into and various metropolises, in which e and ambition are, judging from Hall, extinct, is as quaint and ing as that of "Our Village," nford.—EDITOR'S EASY CHAIR, rs Magazine for March.

dispatch last week stated that Wagner, the English ritualist, received into the Church of Rome, "Mr Wagner's conversion marks nning of a long impending and prepared movement which may bring most of the ritualistic An- ergy over to Roman Catholicism" e following plan:

1. Persons who are already married are advised (sub tacita conditione) 2. Persons will be allowed to assist in ng in Catholic churches in mass' on, preaching and catechism, but be admitted to parochial func- especially to confessions. The and Irish laity would never com- married priests. 3. The males les in Anglican religious orders less through the novitiate under ed superiors, appointed by Rome, the end of their novitiate are to be with simple vows, and will con- philanthropic work under Vati- diction; 4. A special metropolita- ps Cardinal Manning is to be ed by the Pope himself for the nt of the reconciled, reordained clergy; 5. For the present the service outside the canon of the to be allowed in the vernacular, rregation of Rites deciding which the old Salisbury rite are to be ted with the liturgy; 6. The clergy are to take the usual vows ery when ordained sub-deacons. erts will be allowed and encourag- y prefer, to adopt the usual mass

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