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 writers are willing to have their names
 appended in print will be published in these
 columns. Neither the writing nor the publication
 of anonymous letters can be justified.

LONDON'S NEXT GREAT GATHERING.

London will be honored early in September by the presence of over 260 delegates to the Methodist General Conference which is held quadrennially. It is the legislative body of the Methodist Church of Canada, and there will be representatives present from eleven different conferences stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Starting on Sept. 8 the conference is expected to last over two weeks, though it is not unusual to have the discussions so prolonged that four or five weeks elapse before adjournment. There will be present a number of official representatives of Methodism the world over—including Japan, Great Britain and the United States. The Queen's Avenue Church will be the scene of meeting, and on Sundays, Sept. 9 and 16, every pulpit in the city, with the exception of the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches, will be occupied by delegates.

Much important business is expected to come up for discussion. One question will be the advisability of lengthening the term of the Methodist itinerancy from three to five or seven years. Many members of the body, while thoroughly convinced that the itinerancy is best adapted to the needs of the people, hold that there should be some flexibility in its operation, and that the welfare of the Church would be promoted by an extension of the term under certain conditions.

At the last General Conference, four years ago, a commission was appointed to inquire into the question of superannuation as it now exists and report on the advisability of a change in the constitution of that fund. The commission will report at the meeting in London.

Conference boundaries will also be discussed. A proposition is expected to be brought forward making only three, or possibly four, conferences in Ontario and Quebec, where there are now six—London, Guelph, Niagara, Toronto, Bay of Quinte and Montreal. One scheme that we have heard of, which is likely to be favorably entertained by many, provides for the enlargement of the conferences, so as to reduce their numbers, and calls for the division of Toronto city, so as to have one-half in one conference and one-half in the other, thereby equalizing the opportunities for advancing in the ministry. At the same time it is suggested that the conference dividing lines, instead of running east and west as now, shall run north and south. It is claimed that very beneficial results would flow from such a division. With the conference lines running east and west, a minister changing his circuit gets very little change of air. But with the dividing lines extending from Lakes Ontario and Erie to the far-away points in the Georgian Bay, Algoma and Muskoka regions, it would be possible, as occasion demanded, to afford a hard-worked, oftentimes over-worked, preacher, a new lease of life by giving him a thorough change of scene, and that, too, without necessitating a transfer from one conference to another.

The discipline of the Methodist Church will be subject to revision and pass under review. An endeavor may be made to relax the discipline, so far as indulgence in worldly amusements is concerned, but if we understand the views generally entertained by the leaders of Methodism, it is not at all probable that any material alteration tending to laxity will be indulged.

General business of great interest and importance will be the election of the officers of the church, including the general superintendent, editor of the Christian Guardian, editor of the Methodist Magazine and Sabbath school literature, the superintendent of education and missionary secretary, etc. Some of the committees will meet on Sept. 5, but the conference proper commences at 10 o'clock on Thursday, Sept. 6.

The delegates, we need scarcely add, will have a warm welcome in the convention city.

A COMING DEMONSTRATION.

Very many of our readers will be interested in the coming great Liberal gathering at Port Stanley, which takes place on Tuesday, Aug. 28. Among those invited to speak, and expected to be present are: Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. G. W. Ross, Hon. David Mills, Wm. Paterson, M.P., D. Macnish, M.P.P., Dr. J. H. Wilson, ex-M.P., Colin Macdonnell, ex-M.P.P., R. Ferguson, M.P.P., J. C. Dance, ex-M.P.P., George C. Gibbons, Q.C., and others. Several bands will be in attendance, and sports and games of an attractive character will be organized. Specially cheap fares have been arranged with the G.T.R., M.C.R., C.P.R., and London and Port Stanley companies, and there will be special trains to meet the wants of the excursionists. As a general election is approaching, it is important that as many of the western electors as can find it convenient should attend, and be made fully conversant with the great questions of the day.

—The Free Press assumes the role of judge, and tries the London election petitions in advance—of course, finding the horrid Grits guilty of every crime in the calendar, and the other political party paragons of excellence. Our contemporary also refers to recent political contests, though it wisely refrains from again defending the London seat steal. What it hopes to gain by reviving the Carling-Walker election developments, it is hard to say. It attempts to make out that the man now in his grave and his adherents—made up of members of both political parties, the chief of whom are either office-bearers or leading members in the Conservative Association today—were the only law-breakers on that memorable tussle with Pacific scandal funds and Carling's beer barrels. It is ancient history now, but seeing the organ revives it, let us inform the new generation of Londoners that on that occasion the seat was claimed for Mr. Carling, and vehemently refused by him. Why? Because Mr. Carling and his friends knew that if he claimed the seat, the conduct of his campaign would have been investigated, and a condition of affairs would have been revealed that would have disgraced him and his associates for all time. Now that the chief participants in that notorious campaign are either dead, or are members of the Conservative party, the Free Press will not be thanked by decent members of the party it champions for insisting on a revival of memories that must be decidedly unpalatable to more than one Conservative leader of today. What spite has the Free Press against these men?

THE MESSRS. LEONARD AND THE PUBLIC BATH.

The following letter, received by Mr. John Law, of this city, will be of interest to citizens generally:

"John Law, Esq., 121 Clarence street, London.
 "Dear Sir,—Your favor of the 9th was duly received regarding the proposal we made three years ago re public bath, and in reply you must have misunderstood our Mr. E. E. Leonard, as the proposal was declined by the City Council, and the funds then at our disposal we have put to other use. We regret the matter has been brought up again for discussion with our proposal connected with it. The conditions were not agreeable to the council then, and we have no other offer to make. Yours truly,
 "E. LEONARD & SONS."

This communication has reference to the offer made by the Leonard family on the death of their father, the late Senator Leonard. As a memorial of that much-esteemed citizen, the Messrs. Leonard made an offer to the city to provide \$7,000 with which to erect a public bath, on condition that the city authorities undertook its management and supplied the necessary water. The City Council and water commissioners at that time declined to close with the generous offer on account of the scarcity of water, and there was no further discussion of the project till a week or two since, when the public bath question was revived.

Some people imagined that the offer of the Leonard family, though declined years ago, yet held good, but there being doubts on the subject, Mr. Law very properly addressed a communication to the firm, which has brought forth the response here printed.

It would have been better policy on the part of the authorities to have accepted the generous offer of the Messrs. Leonard at the time when it was made, and then ask for time in which to carry out the stipulations of the donors. That not having been done, it was to be expected that the contemplated grant would be diverted into other channels. But though the Leonard memorial public bath cannot now be erected, we trust that the project will not be lost sight of. There is far more than enough water running to waste, from the Victoria Park fountain and other sources, to provide a public bath on the park. If it is objected that there is not sufficient room, let the rookery greenhouses, now maintained at very considerable expense, be removed, and let the necessary flowers for the park beds be obtained every summer from the various city greenhouses. Then the public bath could be erected in the immediate vicinity of the fountain, and the water now running to waste could be diverted into it. Undoubtedly, the expense would not have been so great if the Leonard offer had been accepted, but there is no

use of crying over spilled milk. A public bath can be and should be provided for this city, and there is no more central locality than that which we have indicated. We trust that the aldermen and other citizens who have taken the matter in hand will carry their work to fruition.

—Says the Winnipeg Tribune: "The South Middlesex Dominion voters' list is to be revised by A. G. Chisholm, of London. Mr. Chisholm was the Government candidate in that constituency last election. He may be a fair-minded man, but he is only human and liable to be biased in his own mind as well as improperly influenced by political friends. Such appointments are wrong because they cannot do otherwise than cause distrust among electors and increase a bitterness during election times which is already too manifest."

WOMEN IN GERMANY AND IN CANADA.

A Canadian contemporary quotes the statement of Rev. Dr. Harcourt, of Baltimore, who has been traveling in Germany, and who finds that women are employed in that country as laborers on railway works at pay of a little less than 25 cents a day. Our contemporary truthfully affirms that such sights cannot be seen in Canada, and adds it is because the "protective" tariff system exists in this country. Nonsense! Our conditions as a new country are not improved, but injured, by clogging the wheels of legitimate trade with unnecessary restrictions. Germany is even more a "protectionist" country than Canada is. But "protection" is powerless to aid either man or woman worker in Germany. And if Canada had no unsettled land to fall back on as a safety valve, and every man and woman who toils in the Dominion went to work each day in the year with a soldier on his or her back, it would speedily be found that our population would be even worse off than that of any old world land. Canada is better off than European countries, but it is because we have a new and comparatively undeveloped country, and every one who is not a fool will recognize that our relatively satisfactory condition is ours in spite of the class laws that our contemporary champions.

NO ATMOSPHERE ON MARS.

Lick Astronomers Upset Romantic Theories.

SAN JOSE, Aug. 18.—Prof. Campbell, of Lick observatory, has demonstrated with the spectroscopic method that Mars presents no evidence of having an atmosphere. Prof. Holden says that if any atmospheric pressure exists it is not as great as on our highest mountains, and thus popular fancies concerning that planet are out-grown.

DEADLY SHOTS.

A Gravenhurst Citizen Fires Three Bullets Into His Own Head.

GRAVENHURST, Ont., Aug. 18.—William Meinradis, formerly in business here, committed suicide at 12 o'clock last night by firing three bullets from a 38-caliber revolver into his right temple.

The desperate act was committed in his own house as the family were retiring. There will be no inquest.

FALL FAIRS, 1894.

LONDON WESTERN FAIR	Sept. 13-22
Toronto	Sept. 3-15
Kingston	Sept. 17-21
Wellesley	Sept. 18-19
Guelph	Sept. 18-20
Idleton	Sept. 20-21
Watford (East Lambton)	Sept. 24-25
Goderich	Sept. 25-26
Cayuga	Sept. 26-28
Woodstock	Sept. 26-28
Paisley	Sept. 26-28
Stratford (West Middlesex)	Sept. 26-28
Aylmer	Sept. 26-27
St. Thomas	Sept. 26-27
Zurich	Sept. 26-27
Brantford	Sept. 26-28
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Port Elgin	Sept. 26-28
St. Catharines	Sept. 26-28
Moss and Ekfrid	Oct. 2-3
Arthur	Oct. 2-3
Paris	Oct. 2-3
Chatham	Oct. 2-4
Walkerton	Oct. 2-4
Brooke and Alvinston	Oct. 3-4
Elora	Oct. 4-5
Smithville	Oct. 4-5
Orillia	Oct. 4-5
Ridgeway	Oct. 8-10
Drumbo (Wentworth Township)	Oct. 9-10
Tilsonburg	Oct. 9-10
Thorndale (West Nisour)	Oct. 9-10
Dorchester	Oct. 11
Burford	Oct. 11-12
Delaware	Oct. 12

AQUATIC.

MISHAP TO THE VIGILANT.
 COWES, Aug. 18.—The Vigilant's center board dropped out and was lost after passing "The Needles" in the race with the Britannia, and she has gone to Southampton, where she will be docked.

BASEBALL.

VICTORS AGAIN VICTORIOUS.

The Victor baseball club of the city went to Bothwell yesterday and played a close game with the crack nine of that town. After ten hard fought innings the Victors won by one run. The Bothwell boys are a gentlemanly lot of good ball players and their treatment of the London boys was superb. Following is the score:

Bothwells	0 0 0 1 2 2 0 1 0 1-7 11 3
Victors	3 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 2-8 10 4
Batteries	Bothwell, Dewey and Taylor;
Victors	Maule and Cowley.

The features of the game were the one-hand catch of a hot liner at short and Davis' long drive for a home run.

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