

received a very large vote—over 100, we think—for the position of editor of the foremost journal of American Methodism. Of that, however, one will learn nothing from this volume. With self-effacement of which few men are capable, she makes no reference to an incident to which we think future Conferences will look back without any complacency. A fine steel portrait of Miss Willard embellishes the volume and over fifty other engravings.

Studies in the South and West, with Comments on Canada. By CHAS. DUDLEY WARNER. Pp. 488. New York: Harper & Brother. Toronto: William Briggs. Post 8vo., half leather. Price \$1.75.

Mr. Warner is one of the most genial of tourists and most vivacious of descriptive writers. But in this volume he is something more. He exhibits many of the highest qualities of a statesman, a publicist, and a political economist. He studies the causes and tendencies which go to the making of the two nations occupying the northern part of this continent. He observes with the eye of an astute journalist, and deduces with the breadth of a philosophical critic the inferences to be derived from his travel and study. The resources, social progress and economical development of the New South, and of the great and growing commonwealth of the West and North-West of the American Union, are discussed in a series of chapters masterly in their scope and vigour of treatment.

The part of the book which will be read with greatest interest by Canadians is that devoted to the vast extent, exhaustless resources, and social and political condition of the Dominion. Such eulogy of our country coming from the pen of a foreigner, is all the more gratifying to Canadian patriotism. This is not Mr. Warner's first visit to Canada. No one who has ever read will ever forget the delicious humour of his book of travel in the Maritime Provinces—"Baddeck, and that Sort of Thing." The present volume, while

much more serious in its character, is characterized by the same lightness of touch and grace of diction.

Mr. Warner's account of Ontario will give some Canadians a more adequate conception of the extent of their country. It is, he says, an empire in itself. It is nearly as large as France; it is larger by 25,000 square miles than the combined six New England States, with New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Maryland. He reports very favourably of its climate, soil and resources; and pays a noble tribute to the Pilgrim Fathers of Ontario, the U. E. Loyalists, who brought with them much of the best blood and noblest traditions of the older colonies.

Our Own Country: Canada, Scenic and Descriptive. A large octavo volume, of 608 pages and over 350 engravings. By W. H. WITHROW, D.D. Toronto: William Briggs. Price \$3.00.

It would not become the writer to characterize this book. He merely quotes the publishers' announcement: "This is not a history of Canada, but a copiously illustrated account of the scenic attractions, natural resources, and chief industries of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and the islands in the Gulf of the St. Lawrence, Labrador, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the North-West Territories, British Columbia, and an excursion into Alaska. It describes every city, and almost every town in the Dominion. It gives a full account, with many illustrations, of the fishery industry, the lumbering industry, the agricultural industry, the oil-producing industry, the mining industry, the fur trading and trapping industry. It brings vividly before the mind the vast extent and almost limitless resources of the country. It is the most copiously and handsomely illustrated volume of the size ever produced in Canada. This volume embodies the results of the author's travels and observations for many years, from Cape Breton, N.S., to Vancouver Island. He has also