

majority. Still, in a strongly quiet way he originated, or at least carried through, several measures which were treated with distrust, if not opposition, in their inception. The building of the Centenary Church in St. John, N.B., the projection of the mission to Columbia, promoting the affiliation of the Hudson Bay Missions and the Eastern Canada District with the Canada Conference, and his long-cherished scheme of the organic union of all the sections of Wesleyan Methodism in the British North American Provinces, may be cited as instances of what we mean.

We add no more. A few strokes of the brush will often present as life-like a portrait as many.

Religious and Missionary Intelligence.

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Conventions for the promotion of Holiness are frequently held in the Parent Body. One of several days' continuance is recently reported in connection with the West-End Mission, London. Rev. Messrs. Hughes and Pearce, who are stationed there, are earnest advocates of this higher life. The services consisted of Bible readings, sermons and meetings for prayer and personal testimony. The attendance was large, and all the services were seasons of great spiritual refreshing coming from the presence of the Lord.

The Rev. Alexander McAulay and Mr. W. Sampson have returned to the West Indies, and commenced another revival campaign, which bids fair to be as successful as the one they conducted there last year. In a recent communication they state that the Sabbath services at Kingston, Jamaica, are attended by 2,000 persons, and during the week the large churches are also crowded. In some instances scores are not able to get near the door. A prayer-meeting was announced to be held at five o'clock in the morning, and before four o'clock many crept to the church through the night shadows. The place was filled, and about forty sought mercy from God.

The Rev. Thomas Champness

now employs fifty evangelists, he has received \$20,000 in aid of his work from sympathetic friends and from the places to which he has sent his agents. He has also received a considerable amount of money from the sale of *Joyful News* and religious books.

An important committee met in London in December to inquire into "the condition of Church membership." Evidence was given which proved that the average attendance at class was as high as ever, if not higher than before.

An important Methodist Convention was recently held in the Central Hall, Manchester. The chair was occupied by the mayor, who is a local preacher in the Methodist New Connexion. Ministers of all branches of the Methodist Church delivered stirring addresses. The meeting lasted more than three hours and was of a most enthusiastic character, and was pervaded by a deeply earnest religious spirit. Meetings of a similar character have been held in other places, which is certainly a cheering sign of the times.

Great attention is being paid to the physical wants of the poor as a means of promoting their spiritual good. At Bayswater a free tea was given to 600 poor persons. Two missionaries, male and female, are employed