

## RELIGIOUS.

## BAPTIST.

The fifty fifth annual session of the Free Christian Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick, met on Saturday last at Midland, Kings Co., N. B.

Rev. F. M. Young, of Dorchester, N. B., has declined the call to Woodstock.

Rev. J. A. Cahill, who lately resigned the position of pastor of the Baptist church at Carleton, N. B., has accepted the charge of the church at Summerside, P. E. I.

The colored Baptists of Georgia will celebrate next year the centenary of the founding of their first church in that State. There are now in Georgia 1,400 colored Baptist churches, 500 ministers, 2,000 licentiates, and 160,000 members.

## METHODIST.

At the expiration of his term as pastor of Exmouth St. church, the Rev. Robert Wilson will accept the charge of the Queen Square Methodist church, St. John.

Rev. Dr. Macdonald, one of the missionaries to Japan, who is now in Ontario, will shortly be joined by one of the ablest of the mission's converts, a Japanese gentleman named Hiraiwa. They will address missionary meetings throughout the Dominion.

Rev. George Boyd, of Newfoundland, intends visiting a number of the principal cities in Canada and the United States, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions in aid of the Methodist College and Children's Home in Newfoundland, to aid and equip which will cost about \$40,000.

The Rev. David Savage and his band of workers conducted their labors in Grafton Street church last Sunday. Every evening last week the church was crowded.

## PRESBYTERIAN.

The inauguration of the Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff as Professor of Church History of Union Theological Seminary, took place in New York on the 22nd ult.

Rev. Dr. Archibald, of St. Thomas, Ontario, while delivering a sermon in his church a few weeks ago, was seized with a fainting spell, and had to dismiss the congregation. He has since been confined to his house by an attack of pleurisy.

The Synod of the Maritime Provinces has been in session at New Glasgow since last Tuesday.

Rev. E. M. Dill has accepted a call from the Presbyterian church at Parrsboro.

Rev. J. M. Allan, of this city, is spending a few weeks in Scotland.

The congregation at Loch Lomond, C. B., which has been without a pastor for some time, has extended a call to the Rev. M. McLeod, of Lingvich, Quebec.

Owing to the students being at College, there will be, it is said, thirty vacant congregations in the Maritime Provinces this winter, and only six men are available to supply them.

Of the 696,767 communicants reported to the General Assembly of the Northern Presbyterian church this year, only 4,129 are in New England. In Pennsylvania there are 147,000, in New York 143,007, in Ohio 75,701, in New Jersey 52,702, in Illinois 48,682, in Indiana 30,957, in Iowa 23,645, in Kansas 19,598, in Michigan 19,115, in Missouri 14,679, in California 11,595, and in Wisconsin 10,227. Fully six sevenths of the whole number are in this central belt across the Continent. South of that belt the Northern church has only 40,000, and in foreign Presbyteries it has 16,198.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Rev. Canon Brock, President of King's College, preached in his turn at St. Luke's Cathedral on Sunday morning last, and at St. George's church in the evening. The prospects of the college are good for the ensuing year.

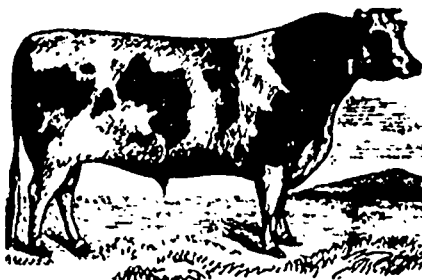
It appears to be almost a certainty that some message or letter from Bishop Pory to the Synod has miscarried. He claims to have given a definite refusal to the offer of the Bishopric. The authorities of the Diocese have not received it.

The Rev. F. R. Murray is still on his tour of collection for the new cathedral in the United States. He purposes to remain there for some weeks yet.

The Rev. H. J. Winterbourne, Rector of Lichino, and late of St. Mark's church in this city, was married in St. Stephen's church on Tuesday last, to Ida, youngest daughter of the late G. R. Anderson.

The Halifax Emigrants Home will be opened in a few days. Its object is to provide a lodging house for emigrants to this country while in the city, which shall be conducted on the strictest total abstinence principles, and under christian influence. It is confidently expected to pay its way, and on its Board of Directors are to be found some of the most prominent churchmen of Halifax.

A full Choral Harvest Thanksgiving Service, to be taken part in by the united choirs of the city, under the direction of Mr. R. King Pooky, will be held in the Garrison Chapel on Tuesday the 11th inst. The singing will be accompanied by the full band of the York and Lancaster Regiment. The sermon will be preached by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingdon, Bishop Coadjutor of Fredericton.



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