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· FRIDAY EVENING. - Public Reception of Young Men into full connection with the Conference. Addresses by the President, Rev. E. B. Harper, A. M., and Dr. Ryerson. Admis sion by ticket. Friends from the country may Street.

Our Hame Wark.

As you have expressed a desire to receive some statement concerning the condition of Whitby District, I venture the following remarks for insertion in your new "Daily."

where the usual kindness of our Methodist people was manifested in our entertainment. After the election of Brother McDonagh as District Secretary, Brother Stobbs was chosen as representative to the Stationing Committee, Brother J. C. Wilson was appointed to the Sabbath School Committee, and Brother MacCann for the Church Relief. With slight exceptions, the District is financially and spiritually in a prospereus contion. There is an increase in the aggregate of all the Connexional Funds, though there are certainly some circuits that might raise more for these purposes than they do. On this matter the usual enquiries and conversation took place, with a view to future improvement.

The entire deficiency due to ministers on the District amounted to \$553, 80, which, though heavy enough for the few brethren who have to bear it, is yet small indeed when compared with the large deficiencies of former years.

Stouffville, under the care of Brother Gee, disowns any further claims on the Missionary Fund, and takes rank among the self-sustaining circuits. Manvers, too, though not independant of the Missionary grant, has for the last two years reported no net deficiency-an encouraging fact in the history of that Mission. A good church and shed, worth \$1,000, have been erected there by Brother MacCann

With a view to the improvement of the work, Whitby and Bowmanville have during the year sustained each a third preacher, and now Bowmanville becomes a station for one man, leaving

Some circuits presented very encouraging reports town, and to keep pace with other religious bodies, of church building and enlargement, Grimsby alone a new church is very much needed, and we are having expended the present year \$6,100, making pleased to know the trustees and other friends are for the past few years a total for Parsonage and talking of the ways and means for building. During the twenty years of the existence of Port Church improvemt of more than \$10,000.

But notwithstanding the rapid growth of the Dis- Hope as a circuit, it increased in membership trict in church building, there was not a single ap- from 178 to 525. In 1861 it was separated from obtain tickets from Rev. G. Cochran, 142 Bay plication to the Church Relief Fund. The inference the country and formed into a station, under the superintendency of the Rev. John Hunt, with a is that Church debts in this District are rapidly takmembership of 216. During the incumbency of ing a place among the things of the past. Brother Field was compelled to ask a recom the Rev. G. R. Sanderson, the parsonage was mendation to Conference for a superannnated rela- greatly enlarged, and otherwise improved, so

tion for one year. There was much sympathy for that at the present time it is a comfortable, well our dear brother that so early in his ministerial furnished residence. In the eighth year of its existance as a station, CABINET work he should be laid aside, if only, as is hoped,

the increase in its membership has not been very Brother B. B. Krufor, who, under the Chairman, large, being only the difference between 217 and has labored with great acceptance on the Thorold 260, but in other respects there has been a com Circuit the present year, was unanimously recom- mendable advancement. At the Conference in mended to the Conference to be received on trial. 1862, the collection for the Connexional Funds

The Sabbath School Anniversary for the District were \$50 45; Missionary, \$188; in 1869, Conwes held on Thursday evening. There was among nexional Funds, \$95 25; Missionary, \$394.

the brethren a feeling that the details of the new | Our Sabbath School interest is one of the best scheme are too cumbersome for thorough and effec- in the Province. We have 395 scholars on the tive operation. But time may oil the wheels and roll, with a corresponding staff of excellent officers make the different parts of the machinery work and teachers, who are regular, attentive and enterharmoniously. prising. A Band of Hope, of 250 members, under

An interesting College meeting was held on the direction of the Superintendent of the Sabbath Thursday evening, in which the indefatigable Chair- School, meets twice a month; to which may be man of the District and Brother Casey from Napa added a library of nine hundred volumes of very to offer them on liberal terms, and at prices as favour nee, each took a prominent part. We never listen- choice works. Not less than 25 of the scholars ed to better college speeches. It would be a wise meet in class.

movement if the services of Brother Casey could | The past year has been a comfortable year in be secured to canvass the country in behalf of the every respect. We were favored with the services College. He has studied the whole question of Rev. Dr. Butler at our Missionary Meeting, and throughout, and has a way of putting it so as to with a Lecture from the President of the Concarry conviction to the minds of his hearers .- The ference, under the auspices of the Young Men's (hristian Association. Our congregations are 10 per cent. DISCOUNT TO MINISTERS. subscriptions were good.

A resolution was carried to divide the Grimsby large, respectable, and intelligent; the Society in Circuit ; and the official meetings of St Catherines peace, and enjoying prosperity, rejoicing in the and Port Dalhousie brought in resolutions for a conversion of sinners, and the accession of memunion of the two Circuits, which was referred to the bers to the fellowship of saints.

Stationing Committee and Conference. The meeting was very harmonious.

for a time.

It would have been strange had their been no diversity of opinion, but a thorough ventilation of each subject under discussion resulted in most of the resolutions passing unanimously.

The Welland people were prodigial in their hospi- Chambers of Commerce, at his hotel this morning. tality and kindness, and richly deserved the thanks In reply, to that of the American Board of Commerce, of the District at the close.

as the representative of the United States. He said J. H. S. it was the earnest hope, and chief wish of President Grant's Administration, and of America, to cultivate

DIVISION OF DISTRICTS.

Government and people of Great Britain, The happiness of the world, the advancement of civilization The Chatham District with several circuits the Darlington Circuit to be supplied by a marri- taken from the London District, was divided and the best hopes and humanity depended on the ed and single man. A good Church has been into two parts. The one to be called the concord of all branches of the human family, more

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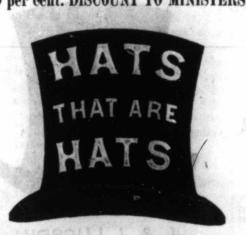
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LATEST NEWS. EUROPE. LIVERPOOL, May 31 .- Mr. Motley the new Minister of the United States, received the addresses of the he returned thanks for the welcome he had received

REVIEW OF THE DISTRICTS. WHITBY DISTRICT.

We had a very agreeable session at Newcastle.

rected at Tyron on this circuit. Oshawa, with its almost unrivalled Church (for such a place) becomes a very desirable station, leaving the eincreas of members, and freedom from Church- other the Bradford District. debt embarrassments, to make one of the best country circuits in our work.

The Beaverton Mission is making rapid progress. Of course, in laying ihe foundation of our work, and making a begin ning to everything ecclesiastical. difficulties must be encountered. But let us help the Missionary there in the erection of his new churches, and with the attention now being turned by railway men in that direction and consequent influx of population, we shall soon reap an abundant harvest. We have on the whole District a net increase of 168 members.

Five young men who had been employed during the winter under the Chairman, are recommended, after due examination, as candidates for trial in our ministry, and it is said two others are coming forward, for next year, in the same

For the Missionary Committee, our well-tried friend, W. H. Gibbs, Esq., who has rendered such valued aid to our Mission work in this District, has been elected representative. Major Stephen Washington and R. Campbell attend the Contingent Fund Committee, and Messrs. Bradley and Ross that of the Church Relief Fund.

The brethren have reason to be thankful for the preservation of their health during the year, my beloved colleague, Saunders, especially, having much improved in that respect. An aged Creek was formerly the name of this place, and in veteran, in the ranks of the superannuated ministers, Rev. John Law, has fallen, but died well. The other, Rev. C. Vandusen, is again ready for the active work.

marks, but if these facts are of service you are a grove, not three minutes walk from where I now welcome to them, from

> Yours truly, J. C. SLATER.

NIAGARA DISTRICT MEETING

The meeting of the Niagara District was held the present year in the rising town of Welland, com mencing on Wednesday, the 19th instant, at ten a.m., and closing the following day. All the ministers were present except Brother M. Baxter, who through illness was detained at home; and on Thursday there was a large attendance of lay brethren, who by many wise and judicious observations, added not a little to the interest of the meet ing. Brother Briggs was elected Secretary, and Brother Laird appointed to the Stationing Committee. Brother Berry represents the District in the Committee of the Church Relief Fund, and Brother Blanchard in the Subbath School Committee.

In the Church Relief Fund and Contingent Fund collections there is a slight decrease, and also in the receipts of the Superannuated Fund ; but an advance in the Victoria College collection (formerly the Educational Fund) of more than fifty per cent., year.

pressive word.

Chatham, the other the Sarnia District. The Barrie District also was divided in two Whitby Circuit with its five appointments, an parts. The one to be called the Barrie, the

A new Wesleyan Methodist Church was dedicated at Gregory's Corners, in the county of Lincoln. on the 23rd ult., by the Revs. J. S. Clark and duct of nations." T. C. Wilkinson. The sum of \$115 was received

from the services and the social, towards the liquidation of the debt.

The Rev. John Gemley, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Brantford, for the last three years, being about to be removed by Conference

address and a purse of \$150.

PORT HOPE CIRCUIT.

Port Hope is pleasantly situated on the shore of against 247.

Lake Ontario, has a fine harbour, and is the outlet the North of it. It is the terminus of the Port journed. Hope and Peterboro, and Lindsay and Beaverton Railway; and contains a population of some five thousand inhabitants. It is not easy to tell when Methodism was introduced into this place, for it is beyond the recollection of the oldest inhabitart, when a wew people began to assemble in the old school house on Protestant hill, to hear the word from the lips of a Methodist minister. Smith's the Minutes of Conference for 1808, we find the following entry: "Smith's Creek, Elias Patie:" and for 1812, "Smith's Creek, Thomas Whitehead."

From the year 1808, with more or less frequency. I have no time for making any general re- the gospel has been preached in this vicinity. In write, and which is now standing, a friend inform-

me that he had heard Elder Ryan preach a number of times to the teamsters and their escort, during the war of 1812, as this was one of the stopping places between Kingston and York. In the Minu-

tes of 1824 it is still the head of the circuit, embracing the large tract of country lying between Murray on the East and Whitby on the West, numbering 425 members. In 1825 the name of the circuit was changed for the euphonious Cobourg. with which the interests of Smith's Creek were identified till the year 1840, when Port Hope appears as a circuit, under the superintendency of the Rev. Wm. Haw; who returned at the end of the year 178 members, and \$13 connexional collections.

In 1833 a site was secured for a church and parsonage house, mainly through the exertions of the late Alex. Davidson and Wm. Barret : and a right of way, now Brown street, from Walton was bought, "principally for the benefit of those attending upon the preaching of the word in the Methodist Chapel," so runs the deed. This old building has been enlarged and altered, lengthened and widened, is longer in the middle than either at roof makes the total of District finances more than last or basement, has passed through so many changes that it would puzzle any one to tell to what order

The increase of membership is sixty-six. Doubt- of architecture it belongs, and no doubt would less the operation of the Children's Fund has the make Mr. Ruskin nervous; yet it is a very comeffect of making circuit membership returns "hon- fortable church, capable of holding some nine or est," in the most strict and rigid sense of that ex- ten hundred people. But in order to provide for half the lies that are told about me are not the growing wants of the congregation, and the true.'

specially on that of the leading nations co by public and personal interest, allied by blood, addicted to commerce, and the condition of the arts of peace. Mr. Motley concluded as follows :-- "My most strenuous efforts shall be devoted to further a good understanding on the basis of enduring friendship and kindly relations in accordance with the

faithfully friendly and equitable relations with the

principles of justice and honour, which are the immutable and only safe unerring guides in the con

TRISH CHURCH BILL.

LONDON. May 31 .- In the House of Commons, to night, Mr. Gladstone moved the third reading of the Bill for the disestablishment of the Irish Church. A large number of petitions against the passage of the Bill was then presented, after which Mr. James to another sphere of labour, his friends, as a token Maden Holt, member for North-East Lancashire, of respect, have presented him with a farewell made, and Lord Elche, member for Haddingtonshire,

seconded a motion that the Bill be rejected. A long but interesting debate followed, terminatin

in the refusal of the House to accept Mr. Holt's proposition and the passage of the Bill by a vote [of 361 ficial Legs.

The] result was received with uproarious cheers for the trade of the fine section of country lying to from the Ministerial benches. The House then ad-

THE SUEZ CANAL.

VIENNA, May 31st .- It is said that Ismael Pasha's our, which will extend throughout Europe, is for the purpose of determining the question whether the Suez Canal is to be considered a subject for the neutrality of all nations and for all time.

GERMANY.

WORMS, May 31.-The Protestant Congress, which

ssembled here to day, was attended by 20,000 people. including 'representatives from all the States of Germany. The Congress, by unanimous vote, resolved against the Papal exhortations to return to the Roman Church and in condemnation of the Encyclical letter and in syllabus." The idea of the formation of a United German Church is mooted.

MARRIED.

By the Rev. John Philp, B. A., on Tuesday, the 1st inst., at the residence of the bride's father, in the township of Nelson, WM. PHILF, Esq., M.D., SUITABLE STYLES of Waterdown, to ALICE GERTRUDE, fourth daughter of David R. Springer, Esq.

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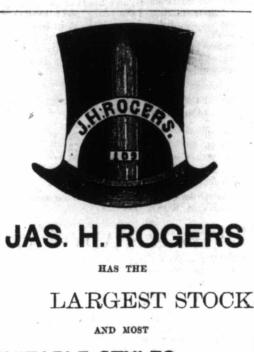
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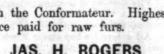
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