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O Blessed Lord, Once more, as at the opening of the day, And now, in all I read, I hear Thee say To those I love I will be ever near: And yet, while this I hear. To me, O Lord, thou seemest far away !

Thou Sovereign One, Greater than mightiest kings can it be fear, Or blinding sun Made by thy glory, so if thou art here I cannot see thee; yet this world declares That whose loves and bears Thy holy name, shall have thee ever near.

I bear thy name, That love, dear Lord, have I not long confessed? Thy love's the same As when, like John, I leaned upon Thy breast, And know I loved; oh! which of us has changed Am I from thee estranged ? O Lord, thou changest not. I know the rest.

My doubting heart Trembles with its own weakness, and afraid I dwelt apart From thee, on whom alone my hope is stayed; I would, and yet I do not know thy will And perfect love; am still Trusting myself, to be by self betrayed.

O blessed Lord, Far off, yet near, on me new grace bestow, I go to meet thee; even now I know u nearer art than when my quest began; One cry, and thy feet ran To meet me! Lord, I will not let thee go!

(From the Wes. Chron. Melbourne, Australia. THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

very full reports of the Conference proceedings. So far as we are able to judge, this new order of things has commenced auspiciously. We members, or that there is a growing dislike to know there has been a great saving of time in the class meeting, which does not arise from our own celony, and we presume that this has loss of personal religion. We shall not ven been true of the other colonies; the question ture to express any opinion as to which of these of expense we are not so clear about. No in- causes, or whether either of them accounts for convenience that we know of has been felt for the serious falling off in numbers, but the fact want of powers of legislation-which, as our itself calls for very serious and careful investireaders are aware, are reserved for the Gener- gation. al Triennial Conference; while each colony has

belong to its own boundaries. Two or thee questions of general interest and, as the result show, with some difference The last General Conference (1873) "ap-

proved of the principle of Lay Representation" in Conference, and it was referred to a committee to draw up some scheme for the practicable application of the princible, to be submitted to the Annual Conferences. This was done; and the result has been that the New South Wales Conference deters the consideration of the whole matter until next year, with the hone of expressing its views for final settlement at the General Conference of 1875: Victoria has remitted the matter to a large and influential committee, consisting of an equal numberof ministersand laymen; South Australia resolves to deal finally with the question next sweeping resolutions, in which it makes no reservations, except the question of ministerial character; so that practically, doctrine, discipline, every thing would be placed at the disposal of a majority of votes in the mixed Conference. We do not propose at present to disselves with simply recording and calling attention to them. All the Conferences at least refor the General Conference, and each one gives its adhesion to the principle of Lay Rethe general opinion is in favor of equal num-

bers of ministers and laymen. The relation of Communicants to the Church is another subject of great importance, which received considerable attention. It is well known that a large number of persons constantly attend the services of our Church, and are since they do not meet in class they are not recognized as related to the Church otherwise than as 'adherents' or 'attendants' on our ministry. That this state of things is undesirable, and that it is injurious to the persons concerned is very generally admitted; but how it is to be remedied is by no means so clear. To give them such distinct Church relation would, in the opinion of many, be to strike a very severe blow against the class meeting while others think this would be but the compliment of our system as a Church. Both of these extremes found able advocates in the Conterences, and while in Victoria a resolution to appoint a committee to consider and report upon the whole subject was lost by a narrow majority, in South Australia our brethren have cut the gordian knot, and adopted the following resolution, which they have printed in their

ngs? and so Australasia will become a Guardian.

are protont dly sorry that our South Australian brethren have been so precipitate, and that they did not adopt the constitutional course of they did not adopt the cons expressing their views, and asking the General Conference of 1875 to give effect to them.

The relation of children to the Church, we

glad that the Victoria Conference recognized the effort which has been made to torm a Methodist Sunday-school Union, and recommended its being made, as soon as practicable, con-

The consideration of the Missions was, of ference. The Chinese Mission, however, received some attention with us. We shall be

by the executive committee. The statistics presented to the Conference were most satisfactory in all respects save one: we refer, of course, to the number of Church not so with editors. The good accomplished, members. In New South Wales there is an if any, in the way of deciding souls for Jesus, Missions, 1053; in South Australia, 50. So that it should be so. Yet how earnestly one far it is satisfactory; but, in New Zealend who sends out the reading matter which he Victoria, the loss is 553.

Various explanations have been offered respecting this last item, some of them, no doubt, satisfactory so far as they go: but we contess In our last and present issues we have given we have heard of nothing which prevents our concluding, either that in the Methodist Church there is a great declension in the piety of its

In a week or two the changes of ministers future, we shall individually and collectively were considered by each of the assemblies, give ourselves more earnestly to our work or personal experimental religion, and of diffusing true Christianity. If ministers and people with one accord and with one heart engage in this work, depending upon and praying for the aid of the Divine Spirit, we may hope that the year shall be one of prosperity.

NEW CONNEXION METHODISM.

The Annual Conference of the Methodist New Connexion, was begun at Milton, May 20th. The time of the meeting of the Conference was left last year to be fixed by the Executive Committee. It is well known to our readers that during the year Mr. Medicraft, the English representative, used every effort to stir up opposition to union. Hence special interest attached to the meeting of this Conferupon the question of separation from the En-Wesleyan Methodists. Under these circumstances the vote for the question of President, became a test question to show the strength of fered the loss of its President, Rev. S. B. Gundy, during the year. The pulpit and presidental chair were draped in mourning on account solve to deal finally with the subject in time of his death. The ex-President, the Rev. W Williams, occupied the chair, according to discipline, and at ten o'clock proceeded to open presentation, while so far as we can gather, the Conference by announcing the hymn, "And are we yet alive?" The Secretary read the Scriptures and two senior brethren engaged in solemn prayer. The forenoon was speat in re ceiving credentials. About one hundred and twenty ministers and lay representatives duly accredited were present. Unusual interest centred in the election of President, inasmuch exemplary in their conduct, and are regular in as it is regarded as an index of the present their attendance at the Lord's-supper; but feeling of the Connexion on the question of union. Rev. D. Savage, editor of the Evangelical Witness being the aominee of the unionists, and Rev. J. Medicraft that of those opposed to union. Notwithstanding his eminent abilities, as well as the prestige of his position as general superintendent, he received but twenty

votes, while Mr. Savage received ninety-four. We are gratified that the action of the Conmion sentiment among our New Connexion prethren. On Friday the Special Committee

lution which read as follows: "Whereas a majority of the quarterly meet ings have adopted the basis of the proposed mion submitted by our last Conference:

that an interpretation of the twenty-third clause ven. True to time, up come the representa in the basis of union be approved by the tives of this great Missionary Society-The Wesleyan Conference, viz.: Any Act of the President, ex-Presidents, chairman, speakers, number of God-fearing persons, whose moral character is unblameable, but who do not meet General Conference affecting the rights and Committee-men, &c., a noble band. It only character is unblameable, but who do not meet in class, we will give encouragement to such to unite in the Communion Service, and will income law only when it secures a majority of the meeting is one for real business, they all With the resolution itself we agree, yet we also, that a respectful statement by deputation and confident of triumph. Dr. Jobson's musitime; because the General Conference only the English Conference, so directing their ap-

The following appears in the biography of the godly McCheyne: -"He entertained so full a persuasion that a was withheld he began to fear that some hidden sovereignity of the Fijis.

Ought not this observation to apply equally wrote in his journal:

course, confined to the New South Wales Con-Is the same thought not true of the readers

men to China, that they may be qualified for had a tongue like thunder, that I might make work here among the Chinese, is acted upon all hear: 'Escape for thy life' "? Though much of the good accomplished by preaching is hid from the preachers, yet they are in a position to know much of it. But it is

ncrease of 312 members; in the South Sea is unknown to them, and, doubtless, it is best there is a decrease of ninety-seven, while in thinks best adapted to draw souls to Christ longs for some tokens that his work is not in vain in the Lord!

May the Witness prove a sower of good seed in every tamily to which it obtains entrance. whoever may reap the harvest. And may be

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

gelistic services adopted by the Church through- no one transgressed in respect of length. gently to address itself to the questions which taken place; let us hope that with the recollections of the past, and the hopes of the Also that two ministers be sent to each locality a bubble of indignation was perceptible that and the prayers and piety of the godly revived. might offer some recommendation concerning evangelistic services, which, if adopted, might tend to promote reviving times throughout our

> At the next meeting of Synod a motion for ence because it was supposed it would decide paucity of labourers, no doubt this motion. which will be introduced by Dr. McCulloch, glish Conference, with a view to union with the will merit approval. In the last number of the Culloch's motion will become law .- Presbyte rian Witness.

> > General Miscellanu.

THE EXETER HALL MEETING. No one present at Exeter-Hall on Monday ast could entertain a fear that our missionar spirit is a spent excitement. Before ten o'clock the great ball was tairly filled, and as the last hour before the meeting rolled on the audience crowd. Where do they all come from? Why do they come? How can the speakers possibly hope to interest and electrity the professor from the college, and the dear old lady who always collects ten shillings a year; the enthusiastic but withal philosophical students, who erence has amply vindicated the strength of so well can detect wildfire, and so mercillessly clap it down, or derisively urge it on; and the old-tashioned Methodist from some obscure on the state of the Connexion reported a reso- Yorkshire village who looks for life and heat, yes, and blaze too. Who is that quiet, suspihind the platform? Surely it must be a Jesuit, come to watch it the Anti-Popery tide will rise " Resolved, That this Conference hereby ra- as high as twelve months ago. But a great tifies and adopts the basis of union, provided clap disturbs all these queries. It is just ele-

Near the close of Mr. McCheyne's career, he S. D. Waddy, M.P., received a very hearty present hymn book. This, it appears, was an But there is still a deeper depth of misery.

much interest. He could have held the meet- circumstance. First, we shall now certainly The Canada Presbyterian Church are now taking steps to have a general system of evantee be appointed to have special supervision of certainly charged with this force, and at once one, and will have an immense circulation.

in conjunction with the resident clergymen, the lucid report and pointed speeches previouswith a view of holding a number of nightly ly given should be so cooly ignored. But an the press about two thirds of his new book on meetings. At these meetings the truth would old friend is soon forgiven; very serious did missions and missionary statistics throughout be presented in a regular way, so that both all become as the work in its vastness was the world. He expects to get it published by speaker and hearer would be greatly benefited. spread out. But it was the seriousaess of re- conference—that is, by the end of July. There is no doubt special efforts for the good solve, not despair. On many a face was the had the opportunity yesterday of seeing of souls is productive of much good. Many are stamp of a purpose mighty as the task. Mr. much of it as is in type. It will be found woninstructed and impressed and led to become de- Fryar's deliverance was vastly relished. If derfully complete, and the information as re cided Christians. Ministers themselves are laughter is reported correctly, readers who cent as possible. Besides the statistical tables benefited, the careless are sometimes aroused, were not bearers will wonder. Mr. Fryar's which are very lucidly arranged, there are in humour is a part of himself, that is the secret. troductory and explanatory pages of great in-Perhaps our committee on the State of Religion But he is a humorist who can work as his terest and value. The effect will be to afford speech will show. It was perhaps rather a such a view of the condition of all Churches in difficult task for Mr. Bush to succeed such a all nations, and of missionary enterprise speaker. His earnest, direct words, however, throughout the world, as has never yet been reached all hearts. It was good to see one all published. Mr. Boyce's researches have bee aglow with the fire of the recent revival in the unequaled and unwearied. The work will be the revival of the office of the Evangelist will North on our London platform, and very hope-

there a ready and sympathetic hearing The climax of the meeting was Dr. Punshon's could probably have accomplished such a work speech. He only who can raise a tempest can of complete and condensed information be Princeton Review, is an exhaustive article on adequately describe it. There is always a look cause no German could have had such opportu the office of the Evangelist, showing that in the of eager expectancy and earnest preparation nities. Mr. Boyce stands in a position that is original constitution of the Church it was a dis. as the collection speech draws on. Platform central to the world of missions. opposition to union. The Connexion had suf- tinct and separate office, and also setting forth wanderers settle. Men and women bend forthe duties in which they were engaged. This ward to catch the words which are to touch the article will no doubt aid members of the Synod inmost heart, and fire it with faith and generin arriving at an intelligent decision in refer- osity. But to-day there is evidently a hope ence to this subject. We trust that Dr. Mc- for something even more than usual. Who was disappointed? At the mention of Dr. Punshon's name burst after burst of greeting is heard all over the hall. As quietness followshow profound it is!-every face looks forward back to the carriages. Then from noon to 7 much about the bearers-every eye is turned monial -nothing to eat or drink could be obto the speaker. His voice to-day is mighty, tained for love or money. Royal hospitality is first went to Burmah 12 years ago, and was and pours all over the hall in ringing words that fall distinct on every ear. The speech may be read and cannot fail to delight, but the magic of its delivery can only be faintly imagined except those who heard its tones, now ates who have survived the struggle, heat and ne body, and in many a heart there was great e lection, followed by the usual closing resolutions. Speedily all is over. Hurried tarewells are uttered; we linger about till the policeman says " Move on," and an unsympathetic Londoner gives a push to remind one that if we cious-looking man in a secure corner there bequickly walking away. But one thought is up-

> est.-Recorder. (Correspondence N. Y. Advocate.)

OUR ENGLISH LETTER. and heard the accounts so well read by Mr. ingly serious. Our "Worn-out Ministers and Exeter and half-way back."

kind of Joseph's coat of many colours. We TO OUR TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND of applause showed how pleased the audience give the profits to the same fund, but their im- through an anxious crowd, in addition to which THE Rev. Washington Gladden, who is enwas to know that the debt was a history, and mediate object is not to make profits, but to the greater part had not the honor of passing gaged all the week in editing the Independent. the balance is hand so small. There must have undersell and to win the market, nor can they by Her Majesty, as fatigue naturally obliged vents his superabundant energy by preaching been skillful finance to run income and expen- under any circumstances be bound to devote her to leave. The same fatigue which affects on Sundays to the Park Congregational Church diture so well together. The feeling of the their profits to this object. Judeed, it is highly Her Majesty also affects her subjects, while of Brooklyn. But his ruling passion is strong faithful minister has every reason to expect to see souls converted under him, that when this was withheld he began to fear that some hidden

are glad to see, received considerable attention. We are convinced that our practice as a Church on this subject needs careful considerable emendation. We hope the committee appointed by our own Conference will give this subject the earnest and calm consideration which its importance demands. Sanday-schools, their greater efficiency, and more intimate union with each other and with the Church, received some consideration, but perhaps not all that they deserved. We are glad that the Victoria Conference recognized tion and position on the platform, however, to come, that is, until seven years from the hausted, with their dresses torn and spoilt, and to the editors and readers of Christian papers? shows that there is no danger of the missionary death of Thomas Jackson, who was one of the one of them has been laid up with severe head-

proving it. The Chairman is on his feet, and have been correct. But the law does not re-Such has lately been the sad fate of several speaks with the thoroughness of a Bradford cognize a connectional interest. The pecuniary loyal ladies of Eugland, who make their moan pleased to hear that the resolution adopted by of the Witness? and should we not feel as the Victorian Conference, to send some young McCheyne did when he wrote, "Oh, that I and him. Evidently he likes the people, and Book Room. This not having been done, we man. He does not aim at oratory, but talks value of the hymn book should have been le- in the columns of the Times. Mr. Mitchell will return to Bradford with pleas- are helplass. Both judges expressed emphatiing recollections of a great bonour well receiv- cally their regret that the law stood as it did, ed and good service well rendered. The Pre- observing that such a case as that of our con-

posing the first resolution. Now we are really edy. The effect will be that a new hymn book mah, who was on board the steamer that res-This Exeter-hall audience is a strange child. the new book. I have heard it proposed that but there seemed to be so many lions in the

While I am on the subject of books, I may be under consideration. Owing to our present ful is the sign that his words so evidently found be welcomed by all in all countries who are in terested in their missions. Not even a German

A ROYAL CRUSH The last reception of Queen Victoria was a scene of dreadful torment to many of the ladies present, several of whom write to the London imes about it. It took hours to reach the place of presentation and hours more to get

certainly somewhat meagre. One of the victims writes thus plaintively: "I was present at Her Majesty's drawingroom, and I think the three thousand unfortunof gentle pathos, now of outspoken manliness; muddle, will agree with me that the utter want sure the results. Thrills of holy determination fellow loyal subjects of our Queen, at the exact the end of the first hour and ten minutes I had, esolve and new consecration-may God aid by the most careful factics and by taking every the door of the first ante-room.

"After two more long waits, and stampedes permost—the last meeting is one of the very

S. D. Waddy, M.P., received a very hearty present symm book. A man with a gold ring, in grown, recognition as he passed to his seat. Evident- error. If Mr. Jackson had possessed and had It is to go through this terrible ordeal and then will be treated just as politaly as cave-one case. "As I was walking in the fields, the thought came over me with almost overwhelming power, less shown that a true man has succeeded in hymn book, Dr. Jobson's expectation would be list of guests at the Drawing-Room." We do as want to steal any sheep that belong to flow want to steal any sheep that the flow want to steal want to steal any sheep that the flow want to steal want to steal any sheep that the flow want to steal want to s

REMARKABLE INCIDENT

On another page will be found a short acsident is one of those men always sure of a nectional claim to the profits of our own serbearing. His voice arrests attention from the vice book was never contemplated when the fuller and more graphic account of the same a little newspaper like that can do all the other first syllable; his earnest, powerful arguments act of Parliament was passed. But the law is always hold it. He was very happy in proclear and certain, and we are left without reminto the meeting. The shade of anxiety is for the use of our congregations must at once ened the boat's crew. The burning ship was growing lighter on the faces of the one or two on whom rests the responsibility of the arrange—ally, indeed, but as rapidly as possible. Dr. Osborn will probably be requested to prepare day they divided the last of their food and to do, yet, by the kindness and promptitude of water. Then, says Mr Crawley, from that some of our correspondents, we are in circum-But it is pleased to-day, and as Mr. James it should include (1) Wesley's own origina day till the 20th March, (eleven days) all they stances thus early to place before our readers, Wood proceeds in his masterly and yet popu- hymn book, as it was published by him, (2) a had to sustain life was one bird, two or three the following reports which yesterday were lar speech, success is well assured. It has sel-collection of psalms, (2) a supplement of choice small flying fish and a few barnacles picked announced by the Secretaries of the several that soweth and he that reapeth rejoice through dom been our lot to listen to a calmer and more hymns; making altogether perhaps a thousand trom the boat's bottom! They drank large meetings mentioned. It is matter of thankful-powerful speech. We expect to see Mr. Wood hymns and psalms. I should not be surprised quantities of salt water, and two of the men beon Exeter-hall platform again. Mr. Sawtell's if something like this comes to pass. Two cams delirious. These men insisted upon reached us that there is a net increase in 17 speech was well given, and will be read with good effects will be secured by this untoward casting lots, who, of the five, should be killed Districts, after deducting the number of those as food for the rest! the mate resisted the exe- who have died during the year; such who, for cuting of their purpose, but they went so far as various reasons, have ceased to be recognised to cast the lot; the fatal short lot fell to the as members; and also those who, in their re youngest, a boy of 18. The poor lad prepared moval from one circuit to another, have not out the Dominion. The matter has been writer on rhetoric speaks much of the advan- path-shadowy lions all, I think that we had to die, commending his soul to God. Here yet placed themselves under pastoral supervibrought up by overture from the Presbytery of tage of the "surprise power." Mr. Osborn's begun to despair of ever getting the book Ottawa. It has been suggested that a commit-native question, "What is it all about?" was Secondly, the new book will be a very cheap against the boy. Then the men, actually mad, it must be remembered, with starvation and thirst, plotted to kill the mate; but the boy kept close to him and woke him up whenever the men gave signs of making an att of the crazy men became so frantic and furious that the safety of the rest seemed to demand Connexion on a considerable accession to our that he should be killed. So the mate descided and drew the trigger upon him, but missed fire; capped the gun again, presented it at the man's bead, when a bird flew over the boat and saved the man's life, for the mate fired at the bird and it tell into the sea; quick as thought all plunged after the bird, which was instantly tora to pieces and devoured ravenously, every

> himself. It was touching in the extreme when West Indies. On one of his stations in the arrived on our deck, and the certainty of being saved realised, the man who had been wound ed fell on his knees and in simple words and most pathetic tones thanked God for His mercv. There are all doing well, and will not recognise themselves by the time we reach Calcutta. One remarkable fact has still to be menioned. The man just spoken of as returning thanks to God, asked Mr. Carpenter, (our mis. sionary companion in travel) if he did not remember him? and proceeded to give a narrative of certain particulars, which soon quickenwith eagerness. But we dely any one to say p.m.—the time required for this awful cereman was a sailor on the ship in which Mr. C.

> > then converted to God through Mr. C's. efforts.

-Witness

atom of it. One of the men was asked how it

tasted? he replied "ab you can't think how

rweet it was." The two crazy men continued

o fight turiously, nearly all the time. At last

the stronger fell upon the other, struck him

with a heavy iron spike, and caught the blood

which gushed out in a tin cup, and, with a grim

sense of fairness, divided the precious drops

church was laid at Brigus on Thursday, 21st vices in the town. He grew feebler this winsteadily increased. Varied are the thoughts here its ripple and there its roar. It was a of management was most deplorable. Being as also the grounds in the vicinity of the site attend the service of song. He was impressed master-piece of oratory—of which no one can in attendance on two ladies, I went through the of the new edifice, were gaily decorated with with Bunyan's words: estimate the power, because no one can meafirst crush-room, with about two thousand other bunting. The proceedings of the day comup the gates, which when I had been I wished menced by the delivery of an address by the mysen among them." His last public act was at the Rev. Thomas Harris, and the reading and remenced by the delivery of an address by the myself among them" he said, "I wish myself citation of services appropriate to the occasion, the one, accept the other! Now comes the possible advantage, arrived with my charges at At the conclusion of the services, a canister bereaved family, and touchingly breathed forth hermetically sealed, and containing various do- the hope of reunion in heaven. For a few cuments and papers commemmorative of the days only he stood on the brink of the river of through and over a series of chairs fastened together in rows, apparently for a consert, the formally laid by the Rev. Mr. Shenstone, after few hours before he died I commended him to Presence Chamber door was reached, and we which an address was delivered by the same God. He was trusting on the Atonement. were hurried through a narrow vista, with court rev. gentleman. The Rev. Mr. Milligan next His last words were, official on one side and the royal family on the proceeded to give a review of the past history with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to other, the great object apparently being to do and progress of the Wesleyan Church in this glory." And then be calmly slept in Jesus. the thing as quickly and unceremoniously as colony, after which a young lady, representapossible. Having scrambled past in the way I tive of the Sunday School, came forward and interest in the welfare of the church of Christ. describe we congratulated ourselves in thinking laid upon the stone a subscription of \$35, which He was fervent in his prayers. He preached that we could leave the place in the course of was still further supplemented by additional only Christ Jesus and Him crucified. To say Our Book Room is in difficulty, it not in dis- half an hour for home. But not so; it will be subscriptions from many present of gold and there were no infirmities, no errors of judgmay. Some parties in Bristol have brought scarcely credited, but owing to the entire want paper to the amount of \$260, brief addresses ment would be to say he was not human. privileges of the Annual Conferences shall become law only when it secures a majority of
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hymns, mostly modern, by means of which there two hours and three-quarters, the ladies ceedings, the scene was much enlivened by the

But his weariness is o'er. His protracted publication they threaten to undersell and drive sitting on stone steps in the coldest current of presence of the Brigus band, which, at the insufferings are ended. The warrior is disarm-With the resolution itself we agree, yet we cannot but deplore its adoption at the present of the whole case be submitted to cal voice sounds right through the pullding, the cannot but deplore its adoption at the present or otherwise of the whole case be submitted to cal voice sounds right through the subject of the warrior is disarmunder the market our Book Room and its Content of the market our Book Room and it time; because the General Conference only possesses the power to legislate. If the South Australian Conference has the power to adopt to the next Wesleyan Conference has the power to adopt the next Wesleyan Conference has the power Australian Conference has the power to adopt what may lead (we do not say that it must do soliciting their approval of our interpretation of soliciting their a so) to a change in the basis of Church membership, each of the other Conterences can exerthe twenty-third clause."

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who issue the new book promised, indeed, to
three hours of it they were fighting their way them.—Courier, St. John's, N. F.

wo hands and a little behind beed. Pray don't get into that category.'. 'Most of us arm poor folks, but we do not despise the rich. want to steal any sheep that belong to flucts m our neighborhood; but we do ment to the stray sheep into our fold.' 'Do pen accend church regularly anywhere? Or are our are of those Christian Bedouins who have as method religious habits, no settled chares bogs, as settled convictions of truth, no settled places of

making on the whole a net increase on the year of 3, 180 members.

We hope in another week or two to be able to publish a complete list, and from present appearances there is every probability that we shall have the pleasure of congratulating the Societies. - London Watchman.

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REV. THOMAS SMITH.

Rev. Thomas Smith was born Feb. 17, 1812, and died June 1st 1874. He was a native of Bermuda, and from that Island called to the work of the Christian ministry. He labored under the direction of the Missionary Committee in Liverpeol, Halitax with his comrades, including the wounded man N S. From this province he was sent to the Island of Dominica he was prestrated with sickness from the effects of which he mever fully recovered. He next spent four years in Hamilton, Bermuda, and from thence was sent to Newfoundland. He preached with acceptance and success on the Port De Grave. Bon avista, St. John's and Burin Circuits. In

Bonavista he witnessed a great revival, the

fruit of which remains to this day, as numbers

are there who were converted through his min-

istry, and to whom his name is fragrant with

blessed memories. He was next sent to Nova

Scotia in the year 1861, and stationed at Truro, then Mill Village, then Barrington. Six years ago be was compelled to retire from the more active work of the ministry, to do what he could as far as his strength would permit. He preached occasionally, assisted in the THE foundation stone of a new Wesleyan prayer-meetings, and took part in various serfuneral of the daughter of S. G. W. Archibald, when with tremulous voice he prayed for the

He was a good man. He manifested a deep

" How beautiful it is for man to die Upon the walls of Zion! to be called, Like a watch-worn and weary sentinel, To put his armor off and rest in heaven."