

RELIGIOUS.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Presbytery of Halifax met for the transaction of general business in St. Matthew's Church on Tuesday last.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada have issued a Tonic Sol Fa edition of its hymn book. Classes have been formed in different parts of Canada for instruction in the system.

An effort is being made which we trust will be successful to form the different branches of the Presbyterian Church in India into a union.

This year is the centenary of Presbyterianism in Montreal. A committee consisting of the Moderator, and other ministers, connected with the Presbytery of Montreal, has been appointed to make the necessary arrangements for a celebration.

METHODIST.

The Methodist churches of this city are holding special services. Quite a number have professed conversion.

Bishop Fowler of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, is visiting the mission fields of the body in South America. Bishop Hurst of the same church is about to sail from New York for Italy. He is to hold the Italy, Sweden, Norway, Germany, and Switzerland Conferences, and to meet the Denmark Mission. He is also appointed delegate to the British and Irish Conferences of the Wesleyan Conferences.

Over six hundred students were in attendance at the last term of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Bishop Warren of the Methodist Episcopal Church recently preached a sermon on the text, "Bear ye one another's burdens." As a result of that sermon a hearer gave \$50,000 to Denver University.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Rev. W. C. Wilson, curate of St. George and St. Matthias' Mission, has resigned the position, the resignation to take effect at Easter. Mr. Wilson has proved himself an indefatigable worker, and has by his efforts succeeded in freeing St. Matthias from debt. There are several good parishes open, such as St. Paul's, Dartmouth, Port Medway, Clementsport, and River John. It is sincerely to be hoped that Mr. Wilson will not leave the Diocese.

The teachers of the St. George's Water Street Mission gave their children a tea last week. This mission has taken hold of the children in its neighborhood, and there are now more than forty names on the books, with a good average attendance. The work is being prosecuted with much energy.

St. Paul's Church has not yet elected its Rector.

The Rev. E. T. Churton has been appointed Bishop of Naesau. He is brother of the Rev. Canon Churton, well-known in Halifax.

The Bishop of Truro has declined the See of Manchester. He is peculiarly fitted to deal with Cornish people, and they are thankful to retain him.

The following is a summary of amounts raised by the Church in England during 1884 from voluntary sources:—

Church Building and Restoration.....	£1,163,544
Endowment of Benefices.....	189,587
Parsonage Houses.....	95,327
Burial Grounds.....	7,381

Total.....£1,455,839

or about seven and a half millions of dollars. This does not look like decay.

CATHOLIC.

The Catholic University of Notre Dame, Indiana, has over four hundred students. There are here courses in Arts, Science, Law and Medicine.

In many countries educationists estimate that at the very least half a million people are needed in the constituency of a good university, and facts can be given that will prove the correctness of the estimate. In the Maritime Provinces the number of Roman Catholics is less than 400,000; yet they are called upon to support three Catholic Colleges where one should be enough.

PONTIFICAL MUNIFICENCE AND HONORS.—In addition to the considerable sums distributed on occasion of the Christmas season, the Pope has further placed in the hands of the Cardinal-Vicar 2,000 lire, to be divided among the poorer clergy of Rome who are most active in the work of their sacred ministry. He has also appropriated 12,000 lire for the benefit of the Institute of the Artigianelli di S. Giuseppe; 2,500 to that of the Hospital of St. Margaret of Cortona; 1,000 lire to the needs of the Diocesan Seminary of Tivoli; and finally, by a document drawn up by his own hand, given to the Sacred Congregation of Propaganda Fide, despoiled by the rapacious Government of Italy, the private gifts received during the past year, amounting in value to the sum of 500,000 lire, with the sole condition that a small portion of it shall be applied to the benefit of the schools, the hospital, and the poorer parishes.

FILLING THE VACANT SEES.—All the Prussian dioceses, with the single exception of Posen, are now canonically provided with episcopal administration. Mgr. Kromentz, translated to the archdiocese of Cologne, is succeeded as Bishop of Ermland by Dr. Thiel, his Vicar-General. Dr. Thiel is one of Germany's most learned priests, an honorary Doctor of Divinity of the universities of Breslau and Vienna, and for many years a professor of Ecclesiastical History and Canon law.

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