

Parsonages are being built in large numbers ; and many of the former are models of architectural skill and beauty. Our Connexional Funds are liberally sustained, and the Missionary Income exhibits a gratifying increase.

With thankfulness and gratitude to the great Head of the Church, we are enabled to report an increase in the membership of more than two thousand. But, amid much that is encouraging, our want, in answer to earnest, fervent and believing prayer, is a mighty baptism of the Holy Spirit, influencing all classes of society and extending to every congregation.

The present session of Conference has been one of great harmony and brotherly love, and its public services in a very especial manner have been marked by the presence of the Master and the unction of the Holy Ghost. Its memories must be ever fragrant. And carrying with us into our different fields of honourable toil, high resolves for increased devotion to God, we confidently hope for an enlarged outpouring of the Holy Spirit, not confined to any instrumentality or locality, but wide-spread and universal. Our prayer is: May God hasten it in his time !

We have great pleasure in informing you of the appointment of the Rev. Samuel D. Rice, D.D., and the Rev. James Elliot, one of the ex-Presidents, to carry to you our fraternal greetings ; and trust that their presence and addresses will aid you in your Conference business, and increase the interest and efficiency of your public services.

And now, dear brethren, for the present we say Farewell—earnestly praying that the blessing of the great Head of the Church—whose we