

probably be provided by the Primitive Methodists.

Nearly half of the English Wesleyan Church is said to be in their Sunday-schools. They have 939,938 Sunday-school scholars, and 128,955 officers and teachers.

Through the operation of the Metropolitan Chapel Building Fund, the chapels in London have increased from sixteen to ninety-five, one hundred cases have been assisted, and the total sum paid in grants and in loans without interest has exceeded \$1,000,000.

The Union feeling spreads. A united Methodist temperance demonstration has been held at Shrewsbury, and arrangements are being made to hold a united Methodist soiree in Nottingham. All the ministers of the various branches of Methodism are to exchange pulpits November 27th.

Thirty-six Methodists were returned to Parliament—all Liberals.

There are more requests for the services of deaconesses than can be granted, and appeals are being made for candidates to enter this benevolent work.

Dr. Macdonald, of Fatshan, China, states that notwithstanding the unsettled state of the country, the number of their patients was never greater, 2,494 out patients, and 221 in patients; 108 private patients were visited at their own homes. \$2,329 was received for fees and sale of medicines.

Mr. Augustine Birrel some time ago said to a Cornish miner, "You seem to be a very temperate people here, how did it happen?" He replied solemnly, raising his cap, "There came a man from God whose name was John Wesley."

METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.

An analysis of the final reading of the stations at the late Conference disclosed the following facts. Of seventeen superintendents who changed circuits, seven had stayed at their last appointment five years each; and one of the second ministers had also remained five years. Other superintendents generally had stayed

three or four years. The tendency is to fewer changes than formerly.

The autumnal meeting of the Evangelistic Union was held at Stapleford, near Nottingham. The meeting continued three days, and was numerously attended. Three services were held daily.

A memorial church in honour of the Rev. G. M. Innocent is to be built at one of the mission stations in North China, where Mr. Innocent had won the hearts of the people by his devotion and earnestness in time of flood and famine, and in leading many to give up their idols and join the Christian Church.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

The Connexional Jubilee Fund commands the attention both of ministers and people. Five hundred ministers have subscribed \$15,000. Nearly \$100,000 have been subscribed in all.

Wesley Chapel, City Road, has been offered and gratefully accepted for the Missionary Anniversary Breakfast meeting next May.

Rev. J. Travis, President of Conference, has been invited to occupy the pulpit in City Road Chapel on a Sunday at an early date.

Thirty students are attending Mansfield College at the expense of W. P. Hartley, Esq., lay treasurer of the Missionary Society. Mr. Hartley is one of the most munificent contributors to religious objects of the present day. He has been very successful in business. He is engaged manufacturing preserves. On Saturday, July 23rd, the output for one day was 130 tons.

The Primitive Methodist, Wesleyan, and Methodist Free Churches in Australia have appointed committees to meet for the consideration of the best steps to be taken to secure the organic union of these denominations.

BIBLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

An excellent portrait of Rev. Mark Guy Pearce with a character sketch is published in a late number of the *Magazine*.

The calls for additional labourers in China and the colonies are very