

sion. We entertained a hope that it might accord with their plans to honor us with a short visit at our Conference; but while indulging the pleasing anticipation, the telegraph apprized us of their embarkation for England. We trust we shall in due time hear of their arrival at home in health and safety, through the good providence of Him whom winds and seas obey.

Our Conference has been characterized throughout by the utmost harmony and brotherly love. Our public religious services have been times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. We shall repair to our allotted scenes of hallowed toil, renewing our engagements to consecrate our gifts and energies unreservedly to the cause of Christ; and while we uncompromisingly testify those doctrinal principles of general redemption, and of present, plenary, and conscious salvation wrought and attested in the believing heart, by the power of the Holy Ghost, which distinguish Methodism from some other forms of Christianity, we shall strive to cultivate and exhibit the kind and Catholic spirit of the first race of Methodist preachers.

Never, honored fathers and brethren, can we cease to cherish towards you, sentiments of profound regard, deference and love. Looking, as we do, with grateful admiration at the elevated and increasingly influential position which you sustain among the churches of the age, and at the means by which, under the especial guidance and blessing of Heaven, it has been attained, we glow with holy emulation to imitate your example. May we look to obtain mercy, to be found faithful, walking by the same rule, and minding the same things.

Signed by order, and in behalf of the Conference of Eastern British America.

WILLIAM TEMPLE, Secretary.

St. JOHN, N. B., June 25th, 1856.