are about to separate and depart to our respect solemn earnest words have left a lasting im- mother's arms, so did our dear brother fall s live stations and spheres of labor for another pression on many mirds. He was one of these sleep in the arms of Jesus. year's service in the work of the Lord. We shall good old Christians, who are uniformly kind to never all meet together again; for it would be the Ministers of Christ, 'esteeming them highly too much to expect that five or an hunored minis love for their works sake.'
isters who have assembled here would all live Through all his last sickness his mind was through another year and be found at the end of kept in a very peaceful and happy state. Deit together in essembly. This is a weighty con- livered from all doubts and fears, he rejoiced in merciful One overule these bereavements to aideration, and cannot fail to impress each one the full assurance of hope unto the end.' When the well being of this community. of us, down from the successor in the chair of his sorrowing wife said the felt it hard to pare the good William Thornton, who, in the year of with him; he replied he also felt it hard to leave his presidency, was summoned inte his Master's her. But said he 'live near to God; and we presence, to the last admitted candidate for this shall soon join hands on the happy shores of ministry. To many of us the scene before us bliss.' While expressing himself as perfectly -so changed in our time-is admonitory. resigned to the will of his heavenly Father, whe-Where are the venerated men who welcomed us ther it should please him to spare him a little into past Conferences, and led us in counsel longer here, or take him away-he yet rather and decisions? They have ceased from their desired to go and be with Christ in his glory. labors and their works do follow them. May, His soul was greatly refreshed, while receiving you and I be, like them, faithful unto death, the sacrament of the Lord's supper, on his dyand then receive the grown of life. (Amen.) ing bed. After which he desired us to join in And, now, what shall I say of the Conference singing Hymns of presse to God. Thus joyfully just closing? May I not say, gratefully, for did he into with rest having sojourned in this you as well as for myself, that it has been a vale of tears 73 years. May the Lord raise up good and happy Conference? (Yes) There others to follow him as he followed Christ. is no public association on earth so close, so intimate, and so loving as the brotherhood of Methodiet ministers; and we have felt this at the Conference of Hull. We have met together. spoken to each other of our welfare, deliberated on the work of God, heard of one another's suc- weeks our village has been visited, with a more cess; and as labourers from all parts of the field which is the world, we have rejoiced together with the joy of harvest. Woe !- woe to the man, whoever he may be, that shall by any rash or violent act bresk up or weaken this ministerial brotherhood! But "the best of all son of Bro. William Mounce, and grand-son of can be done by Papal genius, taste and wealth is, God is with ue," as our founder exclaimed in Bro. D. Scott, of Windsor. Poor Arthur was to render the ensuing Council imposing, and to death. He has been with us in our work-with suddenly seized with severe affliction, rendering attach to its decrees the utmost possible imporus in our public services in this town, crowning respiration incressingly difficult, so that articuthem with his saving presence—with us in our lation was almost impossible. We all felt that ergy. But the times passing over us are very tracks the onward march of civilization; in the daily sessions, guiding and governing us in our his case was critical, and all that medical skill, unlike those with which the Trent divines had cottage service, or in the village chapel, where decisions, and making us to be of one mind in and parental kindness could do, was done to to deal. It will fare ill in these days with new plain but earnest Christians can testify his house. One feature of the Conference has save his life. The salvation of his precious soul dogmas that cannot demonstrate, but instead of ceived into our ministry who are evidently de been taught to love. O that the children of our respect to old beliefs, is not likely to pay much in the city sanctuary where a thousand voice voting themselves to the salvation work of Me- beloved people would but make a decided stand regard to new articles of faith that rest their rise and swell into grand and lofty chorus circuits and districts, and raise funds, but God their parents would be the result. a'one can give us a succession of devoted ministers. And if He do this, the ministers given severe affliction, our dear young friend continued from that which to some extent in so many lands will themselves obtain chapels, schools, and to sink; until without one struggle, he slept in enforced the decrees of the Council of Trent. funds, and will make circuits and districts. I death. May the God of all consolation and The Council of Trent in one way or another of people on this continent, to many congreshall leave this Conference with renewed assur- grace, comfort and sustain the sellicted family.— did much toward arresting the further progress gations in the nations of civilized Europe, to ance that the Lord is with us in this respect, On the morning of the same day Aug. 23rd of the Reformed Faith. Had not that Council the most numerous body of people outside the and that our Theological Institution, with their Captain Harvie, master mariner of this place been held—or being held, had it been able to Establishment in the British Isles, to redeemed respective tutors and governors, are successfully died, after a protracted iliness, in the 63rd year summon to its aid in carrying out its decrees on- tribes of Africa, to groups of Chinese worshipare austained. Another encouraging feature of racter,-had not attained to the conscious favor much more widely than it did. this Conference has been its firm and immovable of God, until a short time previous to his death. To many minds that would be a most interest. islands of the Southern world. determination to adhere to the primary and ea- On the subject of his acceptance with God, he ing volume that would set forth clearly and ful. Very delightful, and of the utmost importance sential principles of Methodism. Had it been otherwise—had this Conterence wavered here—the otherwise—had this Conterence wavered here—the otherwise—had the conterence wavered here—the otherwise—the o we should have been weakened and dishonour- truly seek his mercy, condescended to "Resolve ly lost or gained by Protestantism and Roman afford. Memories are still fresh of a visit Home, ed. But it has not been so in the least degree the doubt." I saw him several times. Heard Catholicism respectively, since the organization and of a Sabbath spent in Brunswick St. Chap-We still hold by the Scripture principle of his last testimony of confidence in his Redeemer, of the last great conclave of this kind. An im-Christian followship, with its holy bonds and its committed his departed spirit to a compassionate partial and altogether truthful estimate of the week spent on the Atlantic, we reached safe for mutual benefits; and we shall continue to hold God, and while we silently, but prayerfully wit. relative gains and losses by both parties would the commencement of the Morning Service.— pot, while we have no more reason to look for which we have already erjoyed. These, together was a lengthy conversation, in which our lay to this, and to all Scripture principles of the persed the "loosening of the alver cord," his probably please neither. In the absence of They were singing,—as we never sing in Amer. progress in the former under a tyrannical and Church of Christ and And, now, what of the spirit returned unto God who gave it. He has such a volume, it is not difficult for an ordination Methodist Churches,—the united voices of oppressive government, than we have to expect future? The past is gone, never to be recalled left a large motheriess, as well as fatherless ed, the Conference closes, and we separate. therless protect and defend them. What of the year upon which we enter? Our trust is in the Lord our God-not in the name in our standards of doctrine and discipline; not in our compact and well-organised system of they now are, almost through ail lands; but in her age. the Lord Jehovah, for in Him cn'y is everlasting attempth. Nothing is more self-destructive of the soil, and the inging strength. Nothing is more self-destructive than heavy complicated machanism without inward power to sustain and actuate it; and if the ateiy resulting in her conversion to God, did, state. Every intelligent person knows what by Yorkshire Methodists. Nor could anything of Methodism, it will soon break to pieces by its the world's Redeemer for time and eternity. own weight. Brethren, we must teck to have around us on every side; and now, together and his family invariably found in her a true powerful party of Roman Catholics. One with all our beloved brethren and people of friend and faithful helper. But why say more? fourth of the people of Ireland belongs to Proevery circuit and of every land, let us cry, Her record is on high! " Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, and they shall live." I have only now to thank you for the unfailing did it seem even probable that she would be tasupport you have afforded me during the pro- ken from us now; but God's ways are always On the South American Continent the Roma unfit for the office I have held, and sometimes I

Part of the 46th Hymn, commencing with

you, for his Son's sake. Amen.

His adorable will let us gladly fulfil, was sung with deep feeling, after which. Mr. Arthur offered the closing prayer. The Conference closed at eight o'clock.

Ghitnary.

WALTER THOMAS.

Another of our good old leaders has been tapeace with God through faith in Christ Jesus, of Ocean as well as lend-a grateful, accepted And soon after he joined himself to the people secrifice ! called Methodists. From an intelligent and de- When our Brother was at home he held

large hearted good will towards all men. many friends, and do not know that I have one confidence of his brethren. enemy.' He was a man of a true Wesleyan spirit being ' the friend of all, and enemy of none.' The neighbours were accustomed to attend the this period; but he was kept in great peace. prayer meeting, which he conducted on the Sab. Patiently did he wait till his time came. A. bath evening in his own house. On those occa- bout a week before his decease he had a very sions he often exhorted them to give their severe conflict with the great adversary; but hearts to God, and seek those things which are our Covenant-keeping God gave him a com-

JAMES ENGLAND.

Although we have not been visited with any particular epidemic, yet within the past few than ordinary amount of mortality. In addition to the two deaths, reported so recently, in your obituary columns; two more families have been God's Vicegerent on earth, we imagine that visited with like dispensations.

The first of these deaths was that of Arthur. impressed and encouraged me—that is, the was the subject of deep solicitude, and earnest large number of young ministers this year re- prayer was continually offered to the God be had fearless modern criticism that awards only scant thodist preachers. Brethren, this is our hope. for Christ in early life! Happiness and safety claims on human credence, not on proofs but on We can exect chapels, establish schools, map out for themselves, and indescribable consolation to ecclesiastical ipse dixits. The decrees of the

accomplishing the high and holy purposes for of his age. The captain though a person much ly moral and intellectual considerations, the Rewhich they were satablished, and for which they respected for many commendable traits of cha--not even by Omnipotence. The year is end. family of children. May the Father of the fa-

> JAMES G. HENNIGAR. Avondale, Sept. 11, 1869.

MRS. ELISHA ATWOOD, OF BARRINGTON.

the Holy Spirit with us in all we do. We must united with the Methodist Church in Barrington, lands, Protestantism is vastly stronger than it passing through the press, -at one of the Con. live in the Spirit and walk in the Spirit. We During all those years she was a faithful and was three hundred and twenty five years ago. In must sing in the Spirit, pray in the Spirit, and consistent member. She loved the means of Germany, though the dreadful thirty years war a master in rhetoric, and with full and felt appreach in the Spirit; and then we shall succeed grace. The class-meeting was a Mount Tabor made the most cruel bavon smong Protestant preciation of the grandeur and greatness of the in the work of the Lord. And oh! what bless- to her. How dearly loved and prized by her communities, yet the adherents of that faith form theme, read that noble bymn edness awaits us if we do this! As I stand here was this indispensable and God-honored instituthe predominent class in the great ruling German among you, I see by faith clouds of abundant tion of the Churob. Her place in the sanctuary power of the day—an exceedingly different state blessings around yonder throne of God, ready to was never vacant when it was possible for her to of things from what prevailed in the Council of was wet as he uttered the stanza, fall in stowers over the land and over the be there. Her religion was not of the spasmodic Trent times. Scandinavia is Protestant to the world. I know there is much to affect the mind type; neither was it of the catentatious kind.— core. Spain, Portugal, and Italy were Cathoin the forms of avil around and beyond us. The It was rather like the river, sweeping or wards, lie in the Trent days, they are Catholic in valley of death sweeps wide and far with its deepening and widening till it reaches the infi- their fashion still. England is far more Protesbleached and whitened victims. They lie strewn nitude of waters. She was not an idler, an onover England, Ireland, the Continent, Asis, looker in the camp of Israel. Her religion was conversions to Rome and the influx into its man-Africa, America, Australasia; and left to our not a mere word piety. It had the vitality of ufacturing cities of Irish Roman Catholics, than selves, we should be silent; with dismay at true service in it. She was a dorr, and not a in the Trent epoch. Far down into the days of the question, "Son of man, can these bones mere hearer of the Gospel. She loved to do Queen Elizabeth there existed in England de-But the living power is near; it is good in the Church and out of it. The minister spite the barbarous penal laws against them, a

Her sickness was not long. Her death was Trent times. The Protestantism of Scotland is very unexpected. Not till the day of her decease stronger by far than at any period during the have been ready to ask if the Lord was less band, three sons and two daughters, with a large scarcely be said to exist throughout that vast repermitting you to place so unworthy a sinner in to all.

the chair of the Conference. But I have done the best I could in the circumstances, and at the time; and I am thankful for your forbearance CAPT. BENJAMIN DOANE, OF BARRINGTON. and support. I do not know that I have grieved any one. (No.) If I have touched with pain youth the writer knows comparatively lit- whom not eight millions we believe are Roman any brother, I crave his forgiveness; I did not intend to intend do sc. God bless and reward tle. When 20 years old he chose a seafaring Catholic. with the joys and hopes of the new life.

> and churchly, was altogether Methodistic. So ism immensely stronger than it was three hunthat when he fully consecrated himself to the dred years ago. discipleship of Christ his church connection was already determined. The vessel to which he be- kened by the ravages of modern scepticism, es val, he joined the Methodist Church.

It has often been said that the life of a seaman is inimical to godliness. In Bro. Doane's case, however, we have a happy exception. His ken from the tolls of time to the reslms of piety did not wene nor wax cold. His vessel was eternal rest. Walter Thomas of Upper Cle- frequently a floating Bethel. The incense of ment d'ed in the Lord on Monday August 23rd. true devotion under favoring and apparently un-About forty-seven years ago he was led to seek favoring breezes, was wont to ascend to the God

cided preference they became the people of his Church Offices of much responsibility. He fill. choice. Their views of scriptural doctrines and ed the offices of Trustee and Class Leader for church order were most in harmony with his some time. The duties of these varied positions he endeavoured to discharge with all fidel-

He was confined to his home for nearly a ever speak to them in a grayer meeting. Hi, happy, and as the infant goes to rest in its tion life.

He has left a widew, two sons, and three

daughters to month the loss of an affections husband and father. The Church sustains a great loss by thi

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Then and Now.

The approaching General Council of Roman Catholic Bishops will excite much attention throughout the Christian world. More than three centuries have passed away since the last o-called General Council sesembled in Trent If it was the object of that Council to recover the ground lost to the Latin Church though the pregress of the Reformation, its labors and its decrees have egregiously failed to achieve the de sired success. If it be the aim of the coming Council to inaugurate measures, enunciate claims or promulge dogmas, intended to being all Christian men to the feet of the Bishop of Rome as Council will prove as little successful as the last one at Trent in that respect. Everything that tance, will no doubt be done with skill and enevidence offer authority. The irreverent and coming Council, be they never so just or true, the hymns of Charles Wesley are heard; and Repidly, and without any mitigation of his will be backed by a very different sort of power unity of worship is unbroken.

thought and recollection.

d one third of the population of France.

the massacre of St. Bartholomew, and the revo- Dr. Geo. Osborn,—the Editor of the first com-About 35 years ago she was converted, and cation of the edict of Nantes. In the Nether-plete Edition of Charles Wesley's Hymns, now strangely overlooked by some of cur most emitestantism-now that was not the case in the

right. She lived well. She could not die other- Catholic faith has been extended during the last wise! She has left weepers behind. A hus- three hundred years, and Protestantism can circle of friends. May this event be sanctified gion, though there are a few Protestant congregations in it here and there. In North America, in the days of the Council of Trent there was merely savage heathenism. Now throughout Died, on the 25th of August, Capt. Benjamin that wide expanse there exists, we suppose, near-Doane, in the 60th year of his age. Of his ly forty four millions of most energetic people, of

life, and whilst his vessel was in London, G. B., It is manifest that, though the adherents of in 1839, he embraced the Saviour, and was filled the Roman Catholic church still far outnumber all denominations of Protestanism combined, His early training, considered domestically Protestantism is relatively to Roman Catholic-

It is true that Protestantism has been wealonged, soon after his conversion, sailed for pecially in Germany. It is also true that infi-Halifax, N. S, where, immediately on his arri-delity has made still more havoc among the nominal Roman Catholic population of France, Italy and Spain. It is confessed on all hands that the upper and educated classes of those

countries are infidel to a fearful extent. With regard to the future, Protestantism gives promise of accomplishing great things. It must be noted that it is strongest in those nations that are destined to lead the van of progress. The English speaking race is already the most influential in the world, and will rapidly more and more cutstrip all others. Protestantism does and will predominate among the people of that

Then the Missionary spirit, of quite modern A short time before he died, he said; I have ity; and in doing so, he won the esteem and ning the glorious work to which it has been

Charles Wesley's Hymns. 5 - DENOMINATIONAL INFLUENCE

The influence and power of Charles Wealey's hymns have not been confined to our own religious body. "With them acco ding to Isase Taylor commenced the existing epoch of lyrical composition," and they represent a mcdern devotional pealmody which has prevailed quite as much beyond the boundaries of the Wesleyan community es within it." But to us, denomin tionally, they possess a special value, and for all purposes of religion, they have been of unspeak.

able advantage.
Since, the sacred lyre of Charles Wesley was swept with masterly hand, other bards have arisen, and thousands of devotional poems have been composed; but for all demands of worship, of quickening the spirit of devotion, and affording the appropriate utterance of faith and hope, they cannot take the place of our own richly experimental and beautifully scriptural bymns. We have in our Church psalmody a comm bond of Christian fellowship. Could a richer

treasure have been bequeathed to any people? A dignitary of the Establishment has complained that in consequence of having no authorized collection, hymns of every class, from Popery to Arsinism, are sung in the Church of England. The question was discussed sometime ago, but without any decided result as there was "10 power whatever in the Church of England, to enforce the use of any particular hymns.' But wherever Methodist worship is celebrated; in the thropged thoroughfare, as the earnest evangelist appeals to

" Happy the souls to Jesus joined,

" Weary souls that wander wide

in the depths of the primeval forest, where

To adore the all atoning Lamb, And bless the sound of Jesus' name

Those hymns supply language of worshinthe common voice of song-to some ten millions

rily well read person to arrive at a general con- the "great congregation," as the "voice of ma- tropical plants to bloom in arctic climes. Wherclusion on this subject by the exercise of a little py waters," were raised in praise to God, and ever literature has had a wide-spread or lasting though familiar, in other days, with such fervour development, it has received the fostering care When the Council of Trent commenced its of worship, after the absence of years from the of the nation's rulers. sessions, or not long afterward, Protestantism dear old land, it came back with all the fresh-

and perhaps fully one half of its manufacturing The impression of that Sabbath was deepen-

" Jesus the name high over all." many a heart heat faster and many an ev " O that the world might taste and see

As he charged and challenged his brethren

the ministry by the holiest of all motives to high and hallowed consecration, there was full " His only rightcourness I shew.

His saving truth proclaim; Tis all my business here below To cry, "Behold the Lamb! Happy, if with my latest breath

Then followed a visit to Ireland, the land of eroic and tragic associations; but, when enteriog for the first time an Irish Wesleysn Chapel, a few miles distance from Dublin, remempered as the land which had given Walsh and Summerfield and Clarke and Arthur, with many other illustrious men, to Methodism and Christianity. The reverie of the moment was interrupted by the melting pathos of a hymn so often heard,-but, still music to the ear and more than music to the heart .-

"Arise, my soul, Arise, Shake off thy guilty fears; The bleeding Sacrifice In my behalf appears; Before the throne my Surety stands;

Though occupying a retired seat, it was no easy to leave without giving expression to gratitude for our rich heritage of hymns, for the common bord of Communion and for the unity of Christian worship.

St. John, Sept. 10th, 1869.

Random Jottings.

What a wonderful influence the weather exerts apon men's feelings and fortunes! Truly, "the important towns of Arabia, Northern Africa, and heavens do rule." One day the thick fog veil Spain. sweeps over the hills and droops down into the The development was so brilliant as it was sudvalleys shrouding in dense gloom the very limited den and wide spread, that restless energy and landscape the eye can command. The next, the insatiable ambition that bade them seek the Emrain rages across bill and dale in blinding sheets pire of the world, was bappily turned to the culand storm-driven showers. The half-dried bay tivation of literature, the transformation was not soaks in the fields, the half-cured fish grows dark inconsistent with Arabian character. Oriental, and slimy in the pile, and hundreds who have fiery, imaginative, passionate and oftentimes fabeen employed in shipping and unshipping the natic, they were formerly known only as the produce of the country are thrown out of work. armed devotes of a creed, that opened to its Eq. M. D. President of the Pictu Associa- walls painted in blocks of a one of different development among Protestants, has already This for a week or more with very slight cessa-followers a paradice of sensual enjoyment. Now tion serves to remind us of the proverb, "Twixt they burst forth on the world in a blaze of light cup and lip, &c." And may serve to remind us dazzling even to our eyes accustomed to gaze on to the delegates on behalf of their Pictou breth- and a slight circle towards the pulpit. The orese summoned! and the whole world almost is now of the higher truth of our continual dependence the steady, sunlit brilliancy of the present intel. accessible to it. To all human appearance, the on Him who "giveth food to all flesh," on whom, lectual development. This was at the darkest Rev. Mr. Bayne delivered a welcome address, year. Much languor and prostration attended next hundred years will see vast accessions to this period; but he was kept in great peace. Protestantism in every quarter of the globe.

On Him who "giveth food to all flesh," on whom, however large men's stores or promising their period of the dark night of the middle ages. A on behalf of the Pastors and Churches of Pictou, within it a small ornamental doorway leading. again He " lifts up the light of his countenance in gloomy folds over the coffined relics of de- from God be multiplied." upon us;" and with unclouded sky and clear parted glory. Increase of physical power had R. McGregor, E.q. of New Glasgow, bade the above. Just before he was taken ill, he told plete victory; and the day of his release from tion, that at least one verse in thirty of the seem rather to belong to some Southern clime culture, by the substitution of Northern purity sociations. His words were sound and whole-

imates men's feelings and faces.

Confederation is the question of the day her and the contest is carried on with considerable vigor, and in a manner much more civi ized and easonable than former contests have been in this country. Gentlemen of position and influence are visiting different parts of the island to deliver lectures and addresses for or sgainst the on the whole very doubtful, for while in one place all seem in favour of joining the Dominion, in another every one seems to be desperately opposed to it. A gentleman who had taken a leading part in

local politics addressed a large meeting in Carbonear the other night. He was very full and clear in his explanations and replies to objections, and could scarcely fail to make an impression favourable to the change. While noting the eager and respectful attention with which he was listened to, one could not but think of a time not long past when a political controversy was carried on in that place in a very different fashion. Among the signs of the tim s is a notice issued by the Romish administrator of the diocess of St. John's, prohibiting the clergy from using any chapel or place in which mass is said for the purpose of delivering addresses having reference to the approaching election. The reason alleged is a de ire to promote and maintain peace and good will among the people. An unfortunate inference might be draw-, but it would be more charitable to believe that a difference of opinion among the clergy themselves as to the expediency of Confederation has semething to do with it. Certainly some change is sorely needed here. Wh ther Confederation would bring with it a remedy for the evils which keep pioneer preacher, with sxe and saddle-bag some parts of Newfour dland fifty or a hundred years behind the rest of the world with no pro spect of improvement, is more than I can say. May a good Providence watch over the colony at this crisis, and, in spite of nonsense-howlers and self-seekers and would-be-tyrants of opinion on both sides, bring about what will be best for honest and hard working fishermen !

St. J. hn's. N. F., Sept. 15, 1869.

Modern Civilization Indebted to Arabian Literature.

Tennyson has with equal truth and beauty said concerning the triumphs of freedom :

" No sword Of wrath her right arm whirled,

Such is the power of genius and culture.

torians enumerate eight prior to the one that The Convention was inaugurated in St. An- to house to teach the people their duty to God nent modern historians. We refer the Serscen-

Towards the close of the seventh century the thirty-three in Nova Scotia, with a membership waves of Northern invasion bad rolled over all of twenty-two hundred. At the c'ore of the South Western Europe. At the close of the President's address a number of Committees eight a darker and figrer flood menaced it from | were appointed, which retired for the performthe South and East. Asia and Africa had fallen ance of their respective duties. and Europe was the great battle field of Mussulmen and Christien. But as God, in His Providence, raised up the Arabian power to punish Mr. Appand of Windsor, and Rev. Mr. Forest and purify a degenerate bierarchy, and to be the of Halifax, spoke in an animating and encourareceptacle of literature during the darkest pe- ging manner. ricd of the world's history, so having called it forth, he fixed the limits of its rule. It was not in his design that the red-cross should wave beneath the crescen'. Repulsed by Greek fire, the 'restless sons of the Desert" turned back from the class's shrores of Greece. The impetuous, energetic Abderame fell before the irrisiatible Martel. This ended the era of Moorish aggres-

There was something peculiarly characteristic f the Arabs in their mode of conquest. The Romans colonized the countries they conquered, exhibiting to the subjugated the advantages of a higher and purer e vilization. The Gotha retained and ruled the lands they won, adopting the religion and institutions of the vanquished wherein these appeared better than their own. The Celts, as exemplified in their successive invasions of Italy, came and plundered and passed away; their approach was, like an avalanche audden and destructive; their departure like its dissipation silent and gradual. The Saracine ravaged with fire and sword. This their religion sanctioned and rewarded.

So long as they continued an aggressive peo ple, they destroyed every vestige of ancient culure, but when turned from their dreams of universal conquest, they extended a toleration, worthy of Christian imitation, to those and to their works who differed from them in opinion. Those who burned the library at Alexandria, founded colleges, collected libraries, and erected magnificent edifices for educational purposes in all the

gloomy apprehensions vanish, and cheerful tope and licentiqueness. The different dialects of river.'

of gathering in the produce of the earth and sea Northern Europe had not yet coalesced, and the Animated and heartfelt responses were offers new formed nations cannot be sad to have had to those words of welcome by Rev. G. M. Grant. a language. The Arabs, however possessed one, of Halifax, D Laird, E q, of Charlottetown, rich, copious and beautiful, equally adapted to Mr Barteaux from St. John, and A McLean, Ean the racy disputations and deep researches of his- from Boston. The speeches were interspersed tory and philosophy, and the speaking and im- by most choice mus c from a very efficient choice aginative fictions of proce and poetry. In their and a vast congregation. In all it was a sea. language we fail to perceive signs of either in. son long to be remembered, -one which mass cipiency or decay. Although it lacked the con- leave its impress where it was held, and reflect movement; and what the issue will be appears disensess and classic accuracy of the Greek, and through the delegates its influence far and wide the stately majesty of the Roman, jet it possess- Dear Editor-At a future time I may add ed a richness and delicate flexibility unknown to a little to this necessarily imperfect report. I either of these. Nothing then can better indi- write this in great haste, that it may, if possible cate the wisdom and goodness of Providence, find a correr in the next issue of the Provincial than that the people possessing such a language, Wesleyan. Yours, affetly, became the "nurse of letters" during this pe- Picton, Sept. 17th, 1869. iod of digreceful ignorance.

" What think ye of Christ."

A FRAGMENT. Great interests are involved in a solution o this problem. Our Christian character hinges upon i'. Our progress frem sin to holiness depends upon the estimate we form of the Messiah. And yet constitute | as we are it is perhaps difficult to answer it in such a way as to do honor to the sinner's Friend. The gross materialism of our being, tends to drag D.vine things down to the level of the physical and sensible. It specifies the locality of Heaven, and gives shape and place to the "Infinite and eternal Spirit." Hence the incarnation-which is the grand basis of Christianity as a historical system-because t brings the Divine more perceptibly within the human sphere of things, subjects proud reason to the temptation of presuming on a daring familiarity with our Elder Brother. Trough the ationalistic theories of Priestly, Belsham and

Christian Association.

adjacent communities, form a noble array of Board believing that, much might be done for the

now exists. The present, although not more drew's Church by a warm and earnest prayer and his Church. and commercial wealth. At this day, Protest- ed by a subsequent visit to the Yorkshire Con-Died, on the 24th of August, after a brief ill- antism in France does not command the adhe- ference, where in througed congregations, after agency; not in our churches, spread, as happily ness, Mrs. Elisha Atwood, in the 55th year of they now are, almost through all lands; but in of that country. Since, therefore, the last Ge- for social worship, pent-up emotion found ex. to mark their effect upon the present; to notice fitting preparatory exercise, consisting of sing. the Conference bounds, have arisen from our

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> In their absence a brief series of devotional exercises was engaged in, during which Rev.

The Committee on Organization having returned, handed in a report, nominating as officers of Convention for the ensuing year as fol-

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W. Welsh, " St. John. " Blair, " Trure. Secretary-W. B. McNutt, " Halifex. Asst Secretary-J. Hockin, " Pictou. The Report was adopted.

The Secretary read a letter from Thane Miller, offering Christian solutations and a hearty There were several Foncy Tables which would God-speed; also a telegram from the Executive not have disgraced Broadway itself. Committee, Ontario, referring to Rom. zvi. 20-27, as expressive of their fraternal greetings. Horton and other adjoining Towns on the Avon up in tabling resolutions and propositions, and S camer-by coach and carriages, and once on their respective Association.

Prayer Meeting at 7 A. M., and an open air ser- reached about \$1200 vice at 61-2 P. M., in front of the market. Pursuant to latter recommendation such a service denominations, with whom we all, -Pastor and was held at the time and place specified. This people-mingle with the utmost freedom. being the first meeting of the kind ever held in But the best of all is, God is with us. There have Pictou, of course it took everybody by surprise. been several added to the Church, some of them But perfect order prevailed, and the Master of long wanderers from God, though once faithful

assemblies was evidently present. The meeting was led by the indefatigable Bro the power of Divine grice operating effectually Grierson of Halifax, who pressed the claims of through the means of God's app intment. He religion with great earnestness and affection .- has been adding to us weekly, if not daily, such Rev. Mr. Forest portrayed the love of God from as shall be saved. those precious words: "If God spared not His own Son." After singing "Come to Jesus," and commending the people to God in prayer, we repaired to St. Andrew's church to enjoy the Welcome Meeting!

This new and spacious edifice was crowded to excess. The solemn and impressive service was and is expected to be opened for public worship opened by singing, reading the Scriptures, and during next month. The interior is very prayer, -by the Rev. Mr. Herdman, G. Christie, pleasing, having a lofty open roof, and the tion, occupied the chair, and tendered a warm shades. The wood work is being painted welcome, in most choice and appropriate words. light oak. The pews are in the form of stalls

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P. E. Island Financial District Meeting.

This meeting was held in the Weslevan Church, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, Sept 15th, under the chairmanship of the Rev. Henry Pope, Jr. With two exceptions, all the ministers of the District (eight in number) were present : and they warmly greeted each other as colaborers in our beloved cause for the present year. We rejoiced to find all our brethren in excellent health and spirits, as also the four law brothers, whom we gladly welcomed.

After singing a song of praise, and reading a portion of Divice Truth, we gathered around our Father's footstool, and penitently besought his presence and blessing. We then, with much concern, applied our-

selves to the solution of our financial affairs-Ya'es are generally scorned, there are a few speech. After wading through stolid statistics figures telling more touching than any figures of questions worthy of serious consideration in this age, and at this juncture of religious polemics. Is there not too much of a practical leaning to the ancient heresy of Socinus, and the baseless cies," it was found that after estimating the rethe accient heresy of Socinus, and the baseless visions of Beron Swedenborg? Do we give dollars more than was raised last year, and dissufficient prominence to the Divinity of Christ; regarding that truth as absolutely essential to Christianity? Do we in the Sabbath school, the family, and the pulpit enforce the duty of men honoranted the Sabbath school, men honouring the Son even as they honour the 90 each; and a total deficiency in all the circuits Father? Or do we in our approaches to the of about seven hundred dollars! The brethren Mercy seat feel sufficiently impressed with the received these painful findings without the slight-Divine nature of our intercessor? Reader, est complaint, and resolving not only to give what think ye of Christ-wt ose Son is he?' themselves more heartily to the great work as D Z. saving souls; but to augment, if possible, the several important Funds of the Conference. In Convention of the Young Men's respect to the latter, however, some, who had raised unprecedented smounts during last year DEAR EDITOR. The town of Pictou is just felt it discouraging to be taxed for the same now favored with the visit of 'Christian Asso- smrunts this year. Still, who it was rememthe spicy groves of Ceylon and the beautiful power giving prominence alke to individuals ciation' delegates from various parts of the Lower bered that the good cause generally would be and nations. From a history of the world's lit- Provinces. The Convention is fairly organized thereby promoted there was a girding anew for erature we might infer the varying course of em- and hard at work. Eighty credentials were the prospective toil To this end, the grandes

> Christian soldiers, as full of zeal and as hopeful accomplishment of that object, by our showing of conquest as the ardent young warriors that the people their privilege and duty to increase David led against the infidele of Pailistia. May the amount of our public collections, as an imthey be mighty through God to the pulling down portant means of promoting the cause of Christ; and also by pastorally visiting from house to

associated intercourse, and the reading of the Liverpool Micutes?" A conversation followed, of Methodistic literature throughout our families is highly desirable.

After some other miscellaneous matters had received proper attention, this most harmonious and profitable session was brought to a close, and each brother, by prayer, commended to the special providence of God during the changeful events of the ensuing year. May it be one of glorious success!

J. WINTERBOTHAM.

The Bazaar in Windsor.

DEAR DR. PICKARD, -It will be gratifying to many of your rea lere to hear that, favoured by a good Providence to our utmo t wish with genial weather, our Bazaar has been a great success. The spacious Drill-shed, so kindly loaned by the military authorities, was finely decorated and festooned throughout. Fruit and delicacies of different kinds were in rich abundance, and such bountiful supply of provisions as was sent in by many willing contributors, has seldom been seen.

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Windsor, Sept. 15, 1869.

The Grafton Street Methodist Chapel.

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