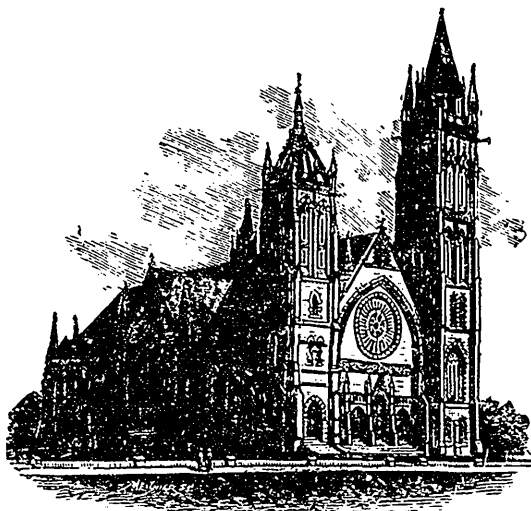


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GENERAL CONFERENCE.



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In which the Methodist General Conference was held, 1890.

Douse, all of whom were princes in our Israel; and among the laity whose faces we shall see no more in the flesh are the Hon. James Ferrier and Hon. John Macdonald, Sheriff Patrick, J. B. Morrow, Dr. I. B. Aylsworth, Dr. Norris, Robert Wilkes, S. S. Junkin, W. H. Leech, A. McRoberts, S. Warren, all of whom were not only distinguished in various walks of life, but were especially regarded as pillars in Methodism. Two of the fraternal delegates who were then present have also joined the great brotherhood around the throne in heaven, viz., Rev. Samuel Coley, from England, and the venerable Dr. Sargent, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

TWELVE years have rolled away since the Quadrennial Conference of Methodism assembled in Montreal. Such an elapse of time affords a fine opportunity for review. Marvellous changes have occurred in the interval. Those who remember the *personnel* of that assembly will look in vain for the well-known faces of some who were then conspicuous. At least twenty of the clerical members have passed on before, among whom may be mentioned, the Revs. Drs. Ryerson, Green, Pickard, Williams, Rice, Nelles, Rose, Carroll, and John

ECCLESIASTICAL CHANGES.

In 1878, the unification of three branches of Methodism had been in existence four years, and its utility was so well established, that other branches were taking steps to make one undivided whole. The results of the Union have been such as to satisfy the most sanguine expectations of its numerous friends. There has been a grand increase all along the line.

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This grand edifice in which the Conference assembled, may be described as the head-quarters of Meth-