

thirty years ago, and as it was then, so now, a great number being saved.

A new "History of American Methodism" is in course of preparation by Bishop Hurst and Dr. Gross Alexander, of Vanderbilt University.

Mr. C. N. Crittenden, who spent \$65,000 last year on homes for the rescue of fallen women, held a two-weeks mission in Washington. The ministers of all denominations rendered valuable assistance.

The Board of Education has under its care 200 academies, colleges, and universities. The income last year was \$86,442; 1,631 students of twenty-five different nationalities, in 134 institutions, were assisted by loans on easy terms.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

Rev. Thomas Jackson made the Clapton mission a grand success. It is now contemplated to purchase a valuable property in another neighbourhood, where he will have a large staff of agents under him. The new property will cost about \$40,000. It was built at a cost of \$90,000.

In connection with the Sunday-schools in the Connexion, there are 1,977 bands of hope, and 197,098 abstainers, an increase in ten years of 154,256 juvenile and adult abstainers, or an increase of 15,000 per annum.

METHODIST NEW CONNEXION.

Mr. W. Lewis Littlewood has presented Scotland Street trustees, Sheffield, with a centenary gift of property valued at \$16,940. The first representative Conference was held in this church.

BIBLE CHRISTIAN.

Farewell meetings were held at Chatham in connection with the departure of Miss Howe for China.

In order to increase the interest in missionary work, a series of booklets is being published, dealing with different phases of the China work.

Dr. Keen is becoming a popular author. His last book, "Tom Shannon and His College Chums," is having a wide sale.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

The church at St. Mary's, London Conference, has been completely renovated and enlarged, at an outlay of several thousand dollars. \$4,000 was obtained at the opening services. The church is said to be one of the finest in Ontario.

A splendid new church at Brockville supersedes the former edifice, which rendered good service for Methodism from its introduction into Canada. It is exceedingly gratifying that in eastern Ontario, where Methodism took its rise, it still maintains a first place among the religious denominations. About \$20,000 was contributed to the trust funds.

Revival services have been held extensively both in city and country. The conversions already amount to hundreds.

Dr. Potts has scarcely been free a single Sabbath from engagements on behalf of the Educational Society. Dr. Henderson has gone almost everywhere stirring up the churches on behalf of the missionary cause. Both these brethren report augmentation of funds in almost every instance. Dr. Carman, the General Superintendent, though a resident in Toronto since November last, is only occasionally at home. His programme of engagements at church dedications and other special occasions requires almost constant travel and absence from home.

The Editor and Book Steward have been engaged almost every Sabbath endeavouring to arouse our people to a sense of their duty on behalf of Connexional literature. From what we have heard we anticipate a large addition to the list of subscribers both to the *Christian Guardian* and *METHODIST MAGAZINE AND REVIEW*.

While these pages are passing through the press, the meetings in connection with the Forward Movement in Missions are being held in Toronto. On Sunday, special missionary sermons were preached simultaneously in thirty-five of our churches. We are glad to note that a large number of leading laymen took part in these services. Of the missionary breakfast, the League rally in the Metropolitan Church, and the mass meeting in Massey Hall, we shall give a condensed account in next number.

Professor Headland, of the Pekin University, is authority for the statement that the Emperor of China is now systematically studying the New Testament, and is at present reading the Gospel of St. Luke.

The Secretary of State for India has made this strong statement: "The Government of India cannot but acknowledge the great obligation under which it is laid by the benevolent exertions made by missionaries, whose blameless example and self-denying labours are infusing new vigour into the stereotyped life of the population placed under English rule."