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Asia, both Wesleyan and General, is more than usually exciting and important. There is an inthe prominent features in several parts of which demand remark. We are startled and saddened by the story of an attack upon the Mission House at Madras, which our readers will find on our ence. From China we have word that the mutterings of war have ceased, and that the doors of that vast empire are opened wide for the ingress of the Christian Missionary, while the Indian mail the first time for many months reaches us mail, the first time for many months, reaches us India which awaken concern.

ted to the position which he now sustains, render us thankful that the choice of the Conference tell on one so fitted, by the beautiful combination of the utmost refinement of clerical dignity, and the polished graces of cratery with the most at the polished graces of oratory, with the most attractive and transparent piety, to adorn the place mote Paganism and that it shall not retard Christian. wise and worthy men whom Methodism in England summons to wear the highest dignities and bear the weightiest responsibilities which she can impose. We, too, should delight to honour them. Out a certain was are there would not suffer in person or experience by a visit to their at the earliest opportunity. brethren of America. More than once, we are aware, intimations have appeared that Dr. Beecham's visit to these provinces impaired his the briefest paragraph in relation to China. health and induced a premature decease. When we remember that this servant of Christ, who had reached the threescore years and ten pro-nounced the alotted age of man, left our shores in time to be embodied in the first telegraphic in the apparent possession of robust health, and so impressed with the benefit and enjoyment which lantic wire. At hew era is thus heralded, an September his visit had afforded him that he cherished the era bright with the glorious consummation of hope of renewing his intercourse with us in the that great work which Christ commands travels and labours in America produced no in- care of Christian men will be bestowed with ten jurious effect, unless in the accumulation of bus- fold energy; and men now upon the earth iness in his department of labor at home which may labour for the day, in the hope of witnessmay have overtaxed his energies on his return. ing it, when the earth shall be full of the know-Ex-President West need not fear to come. We ledge of the Lord. should regret the invitation extended to him if cial to his health or even to his comfort, but we trust his 'physical competency' will be sufficient for a voyage in one of Cunard's palatial steam hips, and having with such distinguished ability passed through his presidential of any want of adaptation to the duty now assigned him. We are glad, then, that Mr. West | Martha's Vineyard is an island, situated about has consented to attend the Conferences of Canada and Eastern British America, and that, as bla by steamer or sailing vessels. The grove the Watchman tells us, Dr. Richey strongly urg in which the meeting was held is about a mile

welcome the thought of seeing Mr. West in 1859. feature of the recent Conference, the deaths of Ministers during the year. It is the impressive fact that in Great Britain and Ireland twentytwo have died, while not a single death has oc death has removed, two had been companions of Dr. Coke in his fatal voyage to Ceylon,-Dr. courtier, the mind of the true disciple of Christ. many years a distinguished place among the leading men of Methodism. "His death removes the last of the leading Superintendents and official men connected with the general itinerant work of Methodism during the second great period of its history. He died in the 86th year of his age full of days and full of peace."

of the British Conference in the second year

after his tenure of office to come to this conti-

nent in the capacity of President of an affiliated

appearance of Mr. Bowers in 1860 as we now

The question does not remain unanswered how are the vacancies occasioned by death to be filled. Upwards of one hundred candidates for the ministry were accepted at the Conference .-British Methodism is happy in having not only the candidates, but the means provided for their training, in her Theological Institutions at Richmond and Didsbury. Thither nearly fifty of those candidates have gone.

The anxious care of the Parent Body to leave the affiliated Conferences unfettered in their action upon matters which do not touch funda mental principles, is evidenced by the manner in which it has responded to requests emanating from Canada and the Conference in these provinces. In neither case we may admit does it appear to regard the changes proposed as eminently judicious or as very timely; yet to either system." It is indeed important to remember that the working of a system is not always of them during the time for public worship and of inferior consideration. Good principles may be social meetings in the larger tents. They furthey are developed, by the mode of their prac- calls, and for chit-chat, especially by those who tice and presentation. A perfect machinery might soon be disordered by unpractised hands, and material would be worked to great advanthem is reached. A number professed converprinciples and she has also sagacious practical men. Her machinery is noble and her managers have been generally eminent for their wisdom the working of Methodistic principles can safely be entrusted where Parent Methodism is content to confide it, to her affiliated churches. In the deliberative assemblies of christians, and still

of the young, residing in the place where he died. May we be also ready, for in such an hour as we think not the Son of man cometh.

Experience of age will form a check upon that impetuous innovation against which every legistive body has found it expedient to guard, and their strong antipathy to which the sages of the sound better than in the grove. British Conference very paternally express.

Mr. JENKINS' account of the perils to which he has been exposed in the Capital of Southern India will be read with thrilling sorrow and inlignation. The conduct of the Missionary reects the highest honor upon him, that of the Authorities" the deepest disgrace upon them. Here is an exemplary and beneficent Englishman dwelling in fancied security under the protection of the English flag, assailed in his own "castle" by a brutal mob which the event proves it required no overwhelming force to quell; and yet the English police lie quietly by until the mischief is done. This is the way in which law termixture of painful and pleasing intelligence, is made respected in Madras. Mr. Jenkins being legally entitled to give refuge to a poor Hindoo lad from the persecutions which awaited him in his father's house was, we hold, morally first page from the pen of Mr. Jenkins the excellent chairman of the Madras district, and then power, and, if need be, to suffer with him for righteousness sake. He has done so; and thus the closing proceedings of the British Confer-Missionary character. He would indeed be an

the occasion which suggests these remarks is a without the harrowing description of fresh and significant commentary on the nature of that sanguinary engagements, but assures us that quietness is being in some encouraging degree restor- serve in religious affairs, and adds poignancy to ed. There are however points connected with the sorrow with which we perceive that the disposition still prevails in the English Cabinet to The British Conference closed on Satur- pursue a policy of neutrality which means that day the 14th day of August. The tender and the Christian religion shall be free, -in the sense touching remarks of the President will be found that its claims and its precepts shall be utterly in another column. All that we have read both ignored, and that the prejudices of the heathen of and from the Rev. John Bowers, since elevawhence the sweet and saintly counsels of a Westianity, that where the Shaster and the Koran ley or the subduing eloquence of a Bunting have is free the Bible shall be so, that the desciples guided the understanding or swept the emotions of one creed shall be free to gain from another of an assembled Methodist ministry. It is our as many proselytes as can be won by force of deplored privation that we are not more fre- argument and persuasion. British Christians quently permitted to see and hear on this side certainly do not go too far when they request of the Atlantic, now so easily traversed, those from a British Government professing the faith wise and worthy men whom Methodism in Eog- by which themselves are animated that to all them. Quite certain we are, they would not ference, but we shall place it before our readers

We have left ourselves but little space to add is certainly not a little remarkable that this an. following year, we are fully convinced that his church to perform. On India and China the

A NEW ENGLAND CAMP-MEETING.

on Martha's Vinevard, State of Massachusetts. thirty miles from New Bedford, and is accessied the propriety of such a visit. Would it not from the landing, and is the best for such a meeting of any we have ever seen.

be a salutary regulation for each Ex President The meeting was a very large one-probably was supposed that some six thousand persons re-Conference, or otherwise as the wisdom of his mained on the ground, and that on Sunday there brethren might suggest? We should hail the were not less than eleven thousand present .-There were between three and four hundred tents on the ground, some of which were very The Watchman notices as the most striking large. The tents were mostly constructed of wooden frames and cloth covering. With two dry in a long storm. Most of them are fitted up for convenience and comfort. They are providapartments are provided with bedsteads, &c.

The Stand," as it is called, or pulpit, is built Harvard and Mr. Lynch. The former we had of boards, sufficiently large to seat twenty at a Canada. He had the manner of the polished sufficiently large to accommodate about fifteen, We mention only one other name, that of the if they choose. Before the stand are seats made Rev. George Marsden. He also was at one time of plank, with backs to accommodate about two Arise at 5 A. M.; family worship at 6; break-Preaching at 10; dine at 12; social meetings in the tents at 1 P. M; preaching at 2; supper at 5; tent meetings at 6; preaching at 7. At 10 all exercises are to cease, and all retire to rest. Occasionally public prayer meetings were held Some of the tent's companies boarded themselves, but most boarded at the boarding tents,

> ladies \$2.50 per week. Rev. Paul Townsend, Presiding Elder of the Sandwich District, Providence Conference, had the general superintendence of the meeting. We said there were over three hundred tents on the ground. Many of these tents are what are called "family tents,"—a somewhat new feature in our camp meeting arrangements.-Some regard them as injurious to the spiritual and comfort, there is a temptation to remain in

> are not spiritually minded. hours and aggressive efforts on the kingdom of darkness, to be realized in their respective

Our opinion is, the meeting large to be extensively useful. The congregation was unwieldy, and it was impossible for nundreds to hear the gospel. Where there are degenerate into a religious pic nic, or a good social time. This, to our mind, is not the object of camp meetings. They should be held with the special object of saving men, and when this is not done, they had better be dispensed with. A NEW CONTROVERSY ANNOUNCED.

Rev. Sylvanus Cobb has invited the Rev. Nehemiah Adams to prove the Scripturalness of endless punishment in the columns of the Christian Freeman of Boston. Mr. Adams has ac cepted the invitation, and will soon commence his work. Mr. Cobb is one of the leading men mong the Universalists, and edits the Freeman Mr. Adams is one of the leading clergy men of the (Orthodox,) Congregationalists, and is pastor of one of their largest churches in Boston. He the author of the far-famed " Southern View Slavery." If he does not succeed better in writing against Universalism than he did on the

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enough. It takes an Arminian to use up Univer-

The third vol. of the " New American Cycloedia," has just made its appearance, work published by the Appletons, is one of the nost valuable works ever published in this counry. All its articles are carefully prepared, and nost are original, and furnished by the best writers of the age. Its biogrophical department particularly rich. The sketch of the Bonaarte family is exceedingly valuable. The enterprising publishers are sparing no pains or exnse in getting up the work in the best possile manner; and its merits are beginning to be appreciated, as is evidenced by its increasing

The Harpers are busy as ever, and their vast stablishment is doing an extraordinary business. Who does not read the "Monthly?" and the Weekly" is becoming a favorite with the people. They have issued the "World of Mind," by Isaac Taylor,-a most profound and elaborate work on mental philosophy-a work, which, it we mistake not, solves many difficult questions this very important subject. The "History of King Richard the Third," has just made it ppearance from their press, by Jacob Abbot.-This is one of the series of Abbot's captivating listories; the most popular works of the kind ver published. They have also just issued a Memoir of Joseph Curtis," by Catherine M. Sedgwick. Here is a work for young men .-Would that all of this class would read it! Mr. Curtis was a most remarkable man, and the author has presented her subject in a manner to make the work one of the attractive biographies

September 31st, 1858.

The British Conference. We make the following extracts from the ondon Watchman of August 18th.

Letter from the United States, rica, and stated, that, having examined the thing, considering my peculiar temperament. Ex-President offered an affectingly solemn articles of union, the Committee recom- ence. I have sought Divine direction-and terminated. A NEW ENGLAND CAMP-MEETING.

Mended to the Conference with respect to I take this as an indication of God's will.—

Having just returned from one of our New Canada, that the changes proposed for the If things can be arranged to accord with it I England camp meetings, I will give your readers composition of the Stationing Committee year, he ought not, we think, to be apprehensive some notice of it. It commenced August 17th, and the election of Chairmen of Districts be not prohibited. These proposed changes, the Doctor observed, were changes relating to the working of the system and not affectchanges proposed would encumber the working of the system rather than facilitate it. the largest one ever held in New England. It what is really necessary to conserve the esference, the Committee further recommend that fraternal counsel and caution be given of the District Meeting. to them against hasty and premature the case of Eastern British changes. In coverings of cloth for the roof they will remain America, the brethren of that Conference desire to change their mode of nominating their President to the Parent Conference curred on the foreign stations. Of those whom ed with a good floor, carpeted, and the sleeping but the President of that Conference, considering how recently the Conference had been organised-for it was only as the other day that Dr. Beecham was there to organize known. He was for some time stationed in Canada. He had the manner of the polished before acting upon it. The Committee, and about this number can lodge in it at night, however, recommend the Conference not to interfere with the carrying out of the proin America. He entered the ministry very shortly after the death of Wesley, was twice elected President of the Conference, and held for pon between the Parent and the affiliated

for which gentlemen were charged \$3, and DEPUTATION OF THE EX-PRESIDENT. Mr. Osborn said-One or two matters lient to promote a personal connection be-Conference it freely concedes the privilege of tents, in some instances, are at a considerable and British America on the other. There whilst an instrument of much inferior mold mated, but as yet nothing definite respecting I announce a name that will carry the confidence of the Conference. The Conference tage by superior skill. But Methodism has right sion, and a large number professed to have made will agree with me that if he can reconcile higher attainments in the spiritual life, but I it with his sense of duty-if he can square apprehend the greatest amount of good experienced is in the general quickening of the

he will meet with a cordial welcome, and kind and valuable counsel. I feel also it is purpose stated in the letter appended, was a I had been desired by the Alliance Committee that he will find very much to afford him my duty to express my obligation to my Fraud and a Forgery."

family tents, the tendency of the meeting is to easily overrate the importance of keeping also to offer my thanks to the Conference at

ubject of Slavery, he will be floored, sure

tial in the world. great surprise, and I need not say, agitated to meet again at our annual Conference,-

will endeavour to render my utmost services. But you must remember there is the question of my physical competency for such a voyage—and that, which is also a heavy pressure on my mind, of my ability for such ing the principles of the system. The aduty. The authorities may find a more Committee believed that some of the competent person, and I would most gladly absolutely bound as that, if the opinion of to yourself, it seems fair that the answer should but it was not desirable to interfere with the my medical friends be adverse to it, I should appear in the same paper as the attack. free action of affiliated Conferences beyond be considered to have departed from my what is really necessary to conserve the essential principles of Methodism. But condeal to the Hackney Circuit. Their kindsidering that the affiliated Conference of ness and forbearance have been beyond Canada had not immediately at hand the praise. This arrangement will take me checks and guards found in the British Con- away some few months from that Circuit, and at a very inconvenient period-the time siderations I shall have to weigh; but I by him declined: wish in this, as in all things, to serve the

Lord Christ. CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE.

About half-past twelve the Secretary commenced reading the Journal, and finishd about half-past one.

The usual forms were then observed proposing the reception of all the acts, &c., of the Irish and Canadian Conferences as the acts, &c., of the British Conference, the members of the Hundred persent only voting-and at half-past one all present rose,

word. The order of the meeting was as follows: trying by experience the constitution agreed arrived, by the good providence of God, at Arise at 5 A. M.; family worship at 6: break- upon between the Parent and the affiliated the conclusion of this annual Conference. Conferences, and that there, as in Canada, When we have been favoured by so many all Ministers in full Connexion, and not the tokens of the divine presence, and grace, Ministers of fourteen years only, vote for and blessing, I am sure we shall all feel the most important measures, the Commit- bound to offer our grateful thanksgivings to tee would have the brethren of the Eastern Almighty God, the Father of mercies, and ship. Your letters also have been framed with British American Conference reminded that the God of all comfort. We are thankful it would be somewhat early to be seeking to have been preserved from any serious before the stand after the preaching in the afternoon and evening, for the special benefit of such said he might also add, that in both the as were truly seeking the salvation of their souls. cases of Canada and Eastern British Amelanxious, affliction and sickness. For my rica, the Presidents, Dr. Stinson and Dr. own part, I feel I am especially called upon Richey, did not advise the Conference to to acknowledge the goodness of God in the prohibit the changes proposed. The Report preservation of my own health, which by his vas unanimously received and adopted by good hand upon me, is now much more of our labours. We have all recognised the very remarkable manner in which the public services of this Conference have been ave occurred in connection with the North attended by the tokens of God's presence American Conference which call for seri- and favour. They have been seasons of ous deliberation. Those to whom the much refreshment to ourselves, and I beconsideration of such matters officially be- lieve, of great profit and delight to our longs have a strong impression that it is expe- beloved people. And it is a cause of specia gratitude to us, that the proceedings of the interests of the meeting. The large meeting tween the two Conferences of England and Conferenc have been distinguised, I think i tents occupy the inner circle, while the family | Canada on the one hand, and of England | may say, by an unbroken harmony. We never were more united; we never, as a distance in the rear, and constitute a sort of are great public and constitutional reasons body of Ministers, were more truly cordially Gospel I cannot pass over immorality. Conduct "not the principles but only the working of the village by themselves. Being furnished for ease which render this course desirable at all one,—one in the unity of a common salvatimes, and just now it is believed that the tion, one in our firm adherence to the faith visit of a Minister of standing and experidelivered to the saints, and one in our atence would be of great advantage. Under tachment to our common Methodism and in impaired in their efficiency by the way in which nish a good opportunity too, to visit, receive expedient to ask the Conference to depute a peculiar satisfaction and cause of thanksuch a Minister to undertake this duty in fulness to me to witness the general order the months of May and June next. When and dignity of our proceedings. I have not The results of the meeting are variously esti- I name the Ex-President-I am quite sure witnessed anything that I can call to remembrance, in the proceedings of our Conference, that seemed to violate, to any extent feelings of each other. No bitterness of its documents were published without the knowfeelings or of language has, in our general ledge or consent of the gentlemen whose names have been generally eminent for their wisdom and prudence. It may therefore be assumed that Church members present for more efficient la.

Christ on both sides of the Atlantic. I have to my own feelings,—at the conclusion of great pleasure in proposing that we request this Conference under the impression, that the Ex-President to attend as our Representative at the next Canadian Conference, and witnessed. Let us the have ever at the Conference of the Provinces of East- thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee pe at the foregoing strong language. Referring Secretaries of the Protestant Alliance. It is

that if it be necessary to make any modification in the time of their meeting, the presidents of those Conferences will do so.

Conferences will do so. We can assure our friend and brother that casion I have solicited or needed it, their prepared, subscribed, and published it for the value.

up a vial union between ourselves and those large, I will say, for the forbearance, the up a vital union between ourselves and those affiliated Conferences. I think we ought deliberately to aim by the blessing of God at a perpetual union between us and Ameour proceedings. I am conscious of many rica, a perpetual fellowship and brotherhood imperfections and many short-comings, but with those churches. There is no way of rica, a perpetual fellowship and brotherhood with those churches. There is no way of cementing this right feeling so important as the interchange of proper representatives. It may be thought by some that it would be sufficient to send a deputation to Canada when we send one to the United States.—But considering the great importance of the Canadian Conference and that of Eastern Reitish America, it is only due to Rodical Conference it is only due to Rodical Conference it is only due to Rodical Conference in the conference of the Canadian Conference and that of Eastern Reitish America, it is only due to Rodical Conference it is only due to Rodical Conference in the conference in the conference of the Canadian Conference and that of Eastern Mentals and many short-comings, but I have enjoyed what I trust still to enjoy, justification. This is the point at which you have left the controversy, and it is in this last endeavour to clear yourself that you introduce me by name as guilty of conduct which when known to you justified your charge of "Fraud and Forgery."

It will not be needful for me to travel over the ground already made so clear by Professor the ground which grounds you deem sufficient to enjoy, justification. This is the point at which you have left the controversy, and it is in this last endeavour to clear yourself that you introduce me by name as guilty of conduct which when known to you justification. British America, it is only due to Bodies Christ and to the service of His church; the ground already made so clear by Professor rising so rapidly in countries which promise that this will be to us another starting point in the career of life, and in the career of Alliance of Nova Scotia is not a local political them a special man, fresh from the honours ministerial labour. I do trust that, by the organization, but a branch of an English Socieyour chair, and rich in the esteem of his blessing of God, we shall witness a very ty; that all its arrangements here were made in rethren, so that they should feel they have prosperous year; that God, will be pleased a fair business like manner, and there is nothing presperous year, that they should leet they have presperous year, that could will be pleased, in its constitution or actings to endanger the some plentiful effusions of the Holy Spirit.

there is no great emergency, nothing wrong that requires to be set right, on the other hand I am very free to say that I think great have been reported to us as occurring on the good will be accomplished by such a visitation just now. If Mr. Ex-President will make up his mind to accede to our request he will render now accede to our request been stirred by those events: the hopes, the he will render very great service to those expectations, and the prayers of our own two bodies of Christian Ministers. I very people have been called forth. I trust that heartily support the Resolution. | we shall encourage them,—that we shall sant, remember that the blame rests with your-marked an attack upon a society, we shall encourage them,-that we shall sant, remember that the blame rests with your orry to oppose this. He was confident the of those hopes and the answer to those pray- which is now shown to be utterly untrue, and Ex-President's visit would be a very great blessing; but he boped it would be remembered that the interests of a very important and, if we fulfil our part we may be assured metropolitan Circuit are involved. Their that He will be wanting in the performance friends in the Hackney Circuit had been of His. I believe that the voice of God to compelled to suffer the loss of the Ex-Presi- our churches is-" Prove me now herewith two: dent's labours to a considerable extent durif I will not open you the windows of heaven I That the explanation given by you in your ing the last year; and in the event of his and pour out, - upon all your churches as letter in the Colonist of the 27th May, even if it

that the interests of a very important and upon you, a blessing that there shall not be tion. am sure, join with my heart in saying is not only untrue, but that when it was penned Mr. Lord spoke of the importance of this subject. He looked upon the Canadian all a word, which I can never pronounce but I am willing in the Methodist Body as one of the most influen- with tender, and often with pensive feelings -Farewell. I am impressed with the unne considerably. My allegiance to the that instead of being in our places, the Jardine, the statements of Mr. J. R. Forman

constitution of those Conferences and the However, I am in the hands of the Confer- and appropriate prayer, and the proceedings management or misunderstanding among them-

Hunter. o the Editor of the Provincial Wesleyan

SIR,-Will you oblige by inserting in you columns my letter to Dr. Tupper, which ap- ders of the political opposition, or that its docupeared in the Journal of 8th inst. As it is part v in renly to a letter of his which was add

Your obed't servant, JOHN HUNTER.

Halifax, September 13th, 1858. The following is Mr. Hunter's letter. we may remark was originally sent for publication to the editor of the British Colonist, and

Halifax, 31st August, 1858.

TO THE HON. CHARLES TUPPER, SIR .- You have given a portion of your tin its commencement. The results of your studies in this branch of useful knowledge have been expression not to ascertained facts, but to your given to the world in three distinct publications. First, we have been favoured with your speech in the House of Assembly, on the 19th March. afterwards published by authority, next, we have your letter in the Provincial Wesleyan of the 29th March, and lastly, your letter without date. but published in the Colonist of the 27th May. In consequence of your speech, I was dragged by name into the House, and although a strarger and a Minister of the Gospel, unmixed with, and uninterested in your party squabbles, I was treated with all the rancour of political partizan-

the view of fastening on me some odious charges. that after a pretty extensive intercouse with per- promoted by proceeding with it at present." sons living in different parts of the country, of all statement of yours can affect my character or ed since it first began. that of any other clergyman engaged in the Pro- II. The Revd. Mr. Freeman, a Baptist Minising influence on the youth of this community. ty to your statements. This is a charm not want-

dearly purchased. In your speech you assumed and asserted that

that he will find very much to afford him ground for gratification and thankfulness.

Mr. Arthur—I beg to second this Resolution, and in doing so may take the opportunity to state that I do not think we can be discharge of my duties; and I am bound tunity to state that I do not think we can be discharge of my duties; and I am bound tunity to state that I do not think we can be discharge of my duties; and I am bound the discharge of my duties; and I am

others in a guilt wholly your own.

The first points I intend to establish are these

nsenting to go, he (Mr. Thornton) trusted well as on those of other favoured lands - was all true is not sufficient for your exculpa-

rising Circuit would be duly considered by room enough to receive it." Your hearts, I II. That the said explanation given by you

granted that all you have said in your explana-The Resolution was unanimously passed. certainty—the darkness that rests upon the tory letter is true, and that all the information

Mr. West, on rising, was received with future. When I call to remembrance the heers, and spoke substantially as follows: revered heads that have been laid low. I wise. Yet with all this large indulgence you —When this subject was named to me, the impressivenes of the fact, that it is night before last, it affected me with very certain we shall not all of us be permitted "Fraud and Forgery." The letters of the Revs. D. Freeman and T

Conference was never more severely tested. names of some of us will be registered in and of Dr. Twining taken just as you give them I have family considerations of great mo- our obituary. I trust, my dear fathers and show clearly that there was in existence a society ment. I have had but little domestic enjoyment during the whole of last year, and scarcely have known what it is to sit two or three hours together with my own family I about in the body the dying of the Lord knew that I ought in the first instance to Jesus, that the life also of Jesus may be Twining and Mr. Jardine had been in commuconsult, as far as I could, with my beloved made manifest in our body." Suffer me to nication with the Secretary previous to the pubwife; and having done so I am ready to solicit your continued prayers on my behalf, lication of the documents, and that political deconceive the hand of God may be in the that Almighty God may give me wisdom signs had been disclaimed. While all you learn answer received this morning—for which, and strength, and that Christ may "be at second hand from Mr. Barss is that he was I can only say—she has risen in my estimamagnified, whether it be by life or by death." not a party to the "publication" of the circular; tion. There are great trials connected with And let me, in conclusion, with all possible the information of your mythical friend, the was not written till the 24th March, and up to such an undertaking, beside those to which respect and affection pray, that the grace of unnamed clergyman was at least six months old, London Watchman of August 18th.

BRITISH AMERICAN APPAIRS.

DR. JOBSON reported from the Committee on the proposals from the Conferences of Canada and Eastern British American British American British American British American British American British American With any one as to the propriety of such a such a undertaking, beside those to which I have referred. I am such a very wretched sailor that it becomes a question with me down the fellowship of the Holy Ghost may be with you now and evermore. Amen.

The hymn, "Blest be the dear uniting love," &c., was then sung, after which the society begun by men so unacquainted with business and after the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, so that the only conclusion to be drawn by any honest man capable of reasoning, was not—
the day before he was in possession of the Alliance documents in a printed form, the respect and affection pray, that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, so that the only conclusion to be drawn by any honest man capable of reasoning, was not—
there is a fraud and a forgery," but "here is a fraud and a forgery, but "here is a fraud and a forgery, but "here is a fraud and a selves." You must have learned, or you might have learned had you really wished for informa-Explanations by the Rev. John tion, from Mr. Freeman or Mr. J. K. Forman or Dr. Twining, who the parties were that actually conducted the business of the Alliance, and this information would not have left you a shadow of a ground for saying that it originated with lea-

> ments were in any sense a " Fraud and Forof the leaders of the government,-in the former capacity you are bound to exhibit some know ledge of the laws of evidence—in the latter you are bound to preserve and protect the persons or are bound to be courteous. But you have gath your evidence regarding an important public ture on an open untruth. affair. This is your statesmanship. Instead of protecting those who live under the government of which you are a member, you have o the consideration of the origin and affairs of acted as their cowardly assailant. Instead of so informed me. I then saw Mr. J. R. Forman the Protestant Alliance of Nova Scotia, of which | courteous enquiry of the lawful office bearers of | who told me that he had not attended a meeting I have had the honour to be a Secretary since the society, you adopted a means of investigation of the Alliance or received notice to attend one

> > ungentlemanly. grounds. Had your explanatory letter in the Colonist been true, I have shown that you only see him again—as he supposed for the purpose escape the charge of immorality by a tacit conescape the charge of immorality by a facit con-fession of incapacity and rudeness. But your of convincing him,—and Mr. F. added that his father was present and concurred in what he

own feelings in language that was coarse and

Your published grounds for the opinion that the Protestant Alliance circular was not an au-

thentic document are as follows :-I. " Last autumn a clergyman, not elsewhere referred to in this letter, told me that the movements of the Protestant Alliance had been arrest Various reasons have concurred in preventing ed and the organization of the country postponne from taking public notice of your attacks on ed in consequence of the report of a committee the Protestant Alliance, or your insinuations re- of gentlemen who were deputed last summer to garding myself. With some of these reasons ascertain the views of religious men generally you are not concerned, but one of the chief of that the Alliance had become so complicated publication of the Alliance papers before they them has a direct reference to yourself, and I with political movements that the cause of relishall therefore mention it:-It is simply this, gion and Protestantism were not likely to be all the meetings and that I never disapproved

I confess to a strong impression that this unpolitical opinions and of various positions in so- named clergyman is the creation of your own ciety, I have not found one who considered your fancy—a mere myth. However that may be, I word as sufficient to establish the truth of any have to assert that the Alliance never appointed matter however trifling. I begin this letter, any such Committee as you speak of—that no to act on the Committee until after the papers then, with the firm conviction that your notorious such report was ever handed in to the Alliance were printed, and before the country. Previous charge of "Fraud and Forgery" has no weight by any Committee or individual—further that to their publication Dr. T. was a regular and whatever in the minds of thinking men, that no the Protestant movement never has been arrest- useful member of our Committee.

such as yours, if not stamped with censure and ber of the society, yet it was placed on the Comheld up to reprobation might exercise a corruptmittee without my knowledge." His letter also by me some weeks ago will speak for itself. showed that he not only had not authorized, but Barss also contradicts you. You have managed to give considerable variedid not approve of the document in question. It is much to be regretted for his own sake REV. JOHN HUNTER, ing in your writings, though as it is gained at that Mr. Freeman made these statements. You,

means they were wrung from him. The facts formerly stated must be repeated, the Protestant Alliance was a political organiza- and new ones unfolded which I would willingly Committee of the Protestant Alliance. at least, the most delicate regard to the tion called into existence by political men, that passion for an erring brother.

proceedings, been witnessed by any of us; they bear, and you maintain your right "in view meeting of Committee at which the Alliance but we all retire, at least I give expression of these facts, and the deception thus attempted documents were adopted and authorittaively or. principles of the Protestant Alliance but feel with prayer and approved of its proceedings.— my engagements are such as to prevent " my Your letter in the Provincial Wesleyan re- For a short time he acted with me as one of the deliberative assemblies of christians, and still The preaching was excellent—scriptural— at the Conterence of the Frovences of East-time, of the preaching was excellent—scriptural— at the Conterence of the Frovences of East-time, of the Protestant Alliance. It is to your speech you say that your "whole argu-true that in the letter published for your content that the circular headed venience Mr. Freeman said he did not approve and sayings in regard to the Protestant Alliance and sayings in regard to the Protestant Alliance.

experience of age will form a check upon that the text, and most earnest appeals to the heart that if it be necessary to make any modifi-

to return Mr. Freemen his fee, and strike his name off our list. He replied as follows. Halifax, May 10, 1858

Secretary of the Protestant Alliance

I received your communication of May 1st. nclosing my fee of two and sixpence, I hereby beg leave to return it, and for the following

First. It does not seem to me constitutional or a society to devote its funds for any other object than that for which they were paid into its treasury. As the Alliance accepted the money for a special object it is very doubtful whether they ought to divert it from that object Second. It would be at least unmanly in me o receive it again after baving paid it into the reasury of your society. I hold that it one pays money deliberately for any object he is bound to abide by the transaction, even though the investment may be a bad one. Hence if this fee were a thousand pounds I should be bound to leave it in your treasury.

Thirdly. Another reason for my not accepting it is that my views of the principles of the Alliance have not changed since I paid the fee

You will therefore be kind enough to returnthis fee to the committee together with the state. ment, and oblige, Yours truly.

DAVID FREEMAN.

I now append the Rev. A. McKnight's obser

vations on Mr. Freeman's letter :-" In reference to the third reason in the above letter of Mr. Freeman's in which my name is introduced I have no hesitation in stating that so far as I can recollect the conversation which took place on the occasion referred to. Mr Freeman's objections related not to the princi ples of the Alliance but merely to its name .-He seemed to think that it would have been better designated an Alliance of Protestants .-The distinction which he tried to draw between the two names with respect to their significancy did not seem to me to be very intelligible; the impropriety of the existing designation of the Alliance and the advantage of adopting the proposed one, I could not perceive; but I certainly did not gather from anything Mr. Freeman said that he was hostile either to the principles of the Alliance or to the course it was tak ing with a view to carrying those principles into effect; and I was quite astonished to find a few days after, that he had rushed into print with a denunciation of the principles of an Alliance for whose support I had just seen him voluntarily pay his subscription."

ALEXANDER MCKNIGHT.

Comment on these letters in unnecessary. Rev. T. Jardine. Now, Sir, your speech was made on the 19th March. Mr. Jardine's letter

Your speech was not and could not have been made on the authority of Mr. Jardine's letter which was not written until five days after your speech was uttered. This you must have known well when you penned your letter for the Colonist, yet you venture on this palpable untruth.

IV. "I learned from a gentleman of the highest standing in this city that Mr. Forman, the President had informed him that his name had been used without his comment."
No sooner did your letter appear, than Mr. Forman wrote a letter contradicting the statement which refers to him. His name was used by the Alliance with his full consent. But even if his consent had not been given. Mr. Forcharacters of men in this community, even though man's conversation with the gentleman referred they should be your political foes. You wish to to could not possibly be the ground of your be considered a gentleman, I presume: if so, you charge in the House, for it did not take place until after your speech of 18th March. This ered imperfect scraps of hear say tittle-tattle, as also you must have known, but again you ven-

V. " At my request the Hon. James McNab on inquiry found that Mr. James R. Forman had had a similar liberty taken with his name, and tion more suited to your own nature; then gave for many months. He professed to be warmly interested in the general objects of the association, but said that some months before he had a long conversation with the Rev. Mr. Hunter combating his views and disapproving of this step-that Mr. Hunter left him saying he would explanation is not true, and you know it. This said. He stated that he had heard nothing more upon the subject until he saw the printed circu lar after it had been sent to the country." The following extract from a letter of Mr. J

R. Forman's, which I have had in my possession for some weeks gives an ample contradiction to your most untruthful statement :--

"I have to state that my name was placed on the Committee list with my full knowledge and unsolicited by you, that I did not know of the were in print owing to my not being present at of the formation or principles of the Alliance in

any conversation with you.

To the Rev. JOHN HUNTER. 6. Dr. Twining never wrote to me declining 7. " On what I considered the best authority

I learned that Mr. Barss had also declared that testant Alliance. But as a Minister of the ter immediately published a letter in which he he had not been consulted, and was not a party The following letter from Mr. Barss received

Halifax, 5th August, 1858.

DEAR SIR,-In answer to your inqui the expense of consistency, it may be thought who belong to his church, can best tell by what your note of yesterday, I reply:— 1st. I do not consider that any improper

has been made of my name in placing it on the 2nd. I have been regularly summon Committeeman to the meetings, and have been present at more than one of them.

3rd. I not only approve of the formation and proud to be a member, "and only regret that being a more efficient one."