

velopment of his native country, should record the history of the Loyalist fathers and founders of the British Provinces of North America. To this work Dr. Ryerson has given several of the best and ripest years of his life. He has spared neither pains nor expense in the prosecution of his task. He has had large correspondence with the U.E. Loyalists and their descendants. He has examined the MSS. and printed documents and original authorities on the subject in the Canadian Parliamentary Library and in that of the British Museum. He has discovered by his researches that the American histories of the early New England are with slight exceptions, little more than fictions, as also their histories of the Revolutionary War; and on unquestionable evidence he has corrected their errors. The work cannot fail to prove one of great historical value and to be a "monument to the character and merits of the fathers and founders of Canada," and also of the patient research, fervid patriotism, masterly delineation and philosophical judgment of its venerable author.

CORNISH'S CYCLOPÆDIA OF METHODISM.—We are glad to learn that the Cyclopædia of Methodism on which the Rev. Geo. Cornish has been engaged for a long time, is now ready for the press. From the experience we have had of the usefulness of Bro. Cornish's smaller Handbook of Methodism, we are confident that his Cyclopædia will be a work of great and permanent value.

The work has been endorsed and commended by the General Conference of 1878, and by several of the Annual Conferences. We are quite prepared to concur in the statement of the prospectus that "when published it must supply an actual want in Canadian Methodism, and prove of great value to every Methodist family. No such comprehensive work on Methodism has ever before been published. As a work of reference, in which everything pertaining to our Church history, from Newfoundland in the East to the Pacific Coast in the West, it has no equal."

Owing to the expense of publishing such a book, the author has determined not to print until a sufficient number of copies is subscribed for to cover the cost of publication. The Cyclopædia will, therefore, be published only by subscription. It will be royal 8vo. in size, and will contain 550 pages, and several illustrations. The price will be for cloth binding, \$4.50; for sheep, marble edge, \$5.00.

All ministers and others who desire to subscribe for the Cyclopædia will kindly send their name to Rev. Geo. Cornish, at Burlington, Ont. Six hundred additional names are necessary before the book can go to press. We hope that all the ministers and lay friends who possibly can will aid this worthy enterprise by their subscriptions at once, so that no time may be lost in putting it to press. Ministers will be allowed 25 per cent. discount on all the copies they may take.

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