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Poetical wills are certainly legal curiosities and the tollowing specimen, printed in Notes and Queries, and made by the late John Cooper Grocott, a Liverpool solicitor, is worthy of

"A LAWYER'S WILL." 26th of January 1835 " This is my last Will and Testament ; Read it according to my intent. " My gracious God to me hath giv'n Store of good things that, under heav'n, Are giv'n to those ' that love the Lord, And hear and do His sacred Word: I therefore give to my dear Wife All my Estates to keep for life, Real and Personal, Profits, Rents Messuages, Lands, and Tenements After her death, I give the whole Unto my children, one and all, To take as 'Tenents in Common' de. Not as 'Joint Tonents,' per mie-per tout. May God Almighty bless His Word, To all my 'presents from the Lord;' May He His blessings on them shed When down in sleep they lay their head I give all my 'Trust Estates' in fee To Charlotte, my wife and Devisee To hold to her on Trust, the same As I now hold them in my name ; I give her power to convey the fee As fully as though 'twere done by me. And here declare that from all 'charges My Wife's ' Receipts are good dis-charges. And now, my Wife, my hopes I fix On thee, my Sole Executrix-My truest, best, and to the end, My faithful partner, 'Crown,' and Friend.

In Witness whereof, I berennto My hand and Seal have set, In presence of those whose names below Subscribe and witness it.

J. C. G. (L. 8.) "This will was published, sealed and signed, By the Testator in his right mind, In presence of us, who, at his request. Has written our names these facts to attest. J. G. D., J. M., D.E."

THE REV. GERVASE SMITH IN

(From the Methodist Recorder.)

Dear Sir,-We dropped anchor in Quebec sanctuary. It was a real pleasure to offer the sigh, and said despondingly, "I doubt he Gospel of salvation to an attentive audience. not big enough to be sent out to Canada." It was arranged that we should take the Monmorning was devoted to the famous fortress and neighbourhood of this historic place. We visited the Plains of Abraham, where so many years ago the fate of a whole continent was decided, and the spot where Wolfe tell victorious. ducted us over the citadel, from which a magthe river, emphatically calling it the "Billy following scene took place upon her deck in view the passengers and crew. One of them, addressing an officer, said "Are there any English nobles on board—any dukes or lords?" the reply. " the sons of the English aristocravisitor. On one of them being pointed out,

the presence of some of our friends. Two sight-seers went on board to inter We have here members of the nobility." was "Let us see them," said the Yankee To the person sending us the next largest num-ber (to be not less than twenty,) we will forward a o'clock. After a hurried breakfast, we reach ed the depot in time for the Grand Trunk express for Toronto. Railway travellers from he shore of Lake Ontario where lie the remains of good Barbara Heck. The knell of the midnight hour introduced us to the rapidly-increasing city of Old York, but now known by the more euphonious Indian name of Toronto. The General Conference commenced on the morning of the 16th in the magnificent Metropolitan Church. Many of your English readers would gaze with profound admiration upon this structure. There is no building in Methodism, so far as I know, for a moment to be compared to it. Mr. Spurgeon's Tabernacle will hold more people, and Mr. Martin's chapel at Westminster may be as large, but neither of them, not indeed any Nonconformist sanctuary in England, has so imposing an exterior, or is more perfect in its internal arrangements. sions been crowded to excess, when the spec-

ing a simple hearted brother from the Emerald Isle called upon me at Dr. Ryerson's house. we came upon the Indian graveyard, in the cen-He began by saying that he had nothing par- tre of which lie, well guarded, the remains of icular to communicate to me, but he would Father Case, a celebrated Indian missionary

like to know how I enjoyed the wedding sup- of Canada. per the previous evening." On observing my want of comprehension, he said. "You know. Sir, the Old Methodists and New Methodists were married yesterday, and we had the weddo any business at all till to-morrow morning." | be sent out to Canada as a representative?" I | age, and his sight has become dim, but his heart | all along our entire Northern | border. We rejoiced to find ourselves once more on observed that it would be a great gratification seems as young and as fresh as ever. He re-We rejoiced to find ourselves once more on observed that it would be a great granthouston seems as young and as iron as ever.

Lerra firma, and our first greeting was, "You to us if he could come, but that he could not ceived us with great affection because of the vast country becomes individualized, with its all, more or less:

"Condone for are announced to preach to-night in the Cenbe spared from England just at present. My country and the Conference from which we proper conditions and institutions. As thus or-9.00 of our generous host, Mr. Renfrew, and were the exact gauge of my hieght and bulk; a happy soon to find ourselves once again in the shade passed over his face, he drew a heavy It was arranged that we should take the Mon-treal steamer on Monday afternoon, so that the feet 10 inches high, and 225 bs. in weight. VISIT TO THE INDIANS. It was our cherished desire to see something of our mission work in Canada. Through the of our mission work in Canada. Inrough the manus. kindness of a brother minister, arrangements which I must not stay to explain he made out (2.) Singleness of ministerial order, without cided, and the spot where Wolfe tell victorious. Knaness of a brotage minister, arrangements his age to be seventy-aight. He introduced us grades or degrees of character. Every ministerial were made for a trip to the Rice Lake and ms age to be seventy-aigut. He introduced us grades or degrees of character. Every minis-Alderville Stations. We realised to their ful-

ducted us over the citadel, from which a magnificent view is obtained. He pointed out the lest extent the vicissitudes of travel. Leaving prayer, in which he heartily ioined, we said isterial standing, just as under our democratic war ship Bellerophon, which majestically lay in our homes at six o'clock a.m. on Thursday, the 24th, we hastened to the Grand Trunk Station we do not expect again to see till the morning the other. (3.) The union of local self-gov-Ruffin." While we were gazing upon her, the for the early train. It was, however, nearly of the resurrection. If your readers will not ernment, in its annual conferences, with a comhalf-past eight before we left. On reaching be too inquisitive, either before or after our remon bond of union in its quadrennial General Port Hope, two hours and a half behind the turn to England, I will tell them that Mr. time, we found that the the train for Peterbo- Cornforth and myself took a present to Father ough had been long despatched. Having five Sunday and his household. I must not sav hours to wait for the next train, we hired a what it was, for fear of encouraging a bad "buggy," and drove to Cobourg to visit our English habit. I may say, however, that many noble educational institution, the Victoria Col- of my temperance friends would not object to lege, and to spend some melaucholy moments it. And certainly John Sunday did not. Many in the cemetery, two miles outside the city. of our friends told us that he will remember We returned to Port Hope in time for the train us for days and weeks to come. After several the two democratic "strangers" walked round for Peterborough, and were coolly informed inquiries concerning the mission werk at Alderabout him, apparently with the utmost curiosi- that a special pic-nic had taken the passenger ville, we returned to Hiawatha in time for the ty to see whether he had the same number of car in another direction, and that if we went it evening service. About one hundred persons arms and feet as ordinary mortals. We had a must be in the lumber van. There was no al- assembled in the church, most of whom were arms and feet as ordinary mertals. We had a must be in the number val. Indeed was not appeared by our canadian brethren, reached Montreal the next morning at eight thirty miles in primitive style. To make the thirty miles in primitive style. To make the style. To make the style. To make the style. To make the style. The make the style styl tions, on the ticket was printed in large type, a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of in its practical workings, the effectiveness of press for Toronto. Railway travellers from London to Exeter will smile at the express is cacepted of the express is accepted of t London to Exerce will smile at the express lars was charged. We passed through a wind which took fifteen hours to convey us 330 and barren waste, gazing for miles upon charred bim.' They were attentive throughout the serspeed upon their great mission, and doubt not friends share in their sorrows, "but we sorrow years. She was as a daughter, affectionate and vice. The singing was measured, shrill and that the collected story which they timber and unsightly stumps, with here and vice. The singing was measured, shrill and that the ecclesiastical organism which they not as others which have no hope, for if we Always in her place in the Sabbath school miles. We passed many points of Methodist timber and unsignity stumps, with need and need borough a large and thriving city. A good old supernumerary, who kindly welcomed us to Mr. and Mrs. Brooking invited the converted the chief central bade, which meet deep cell his house for half an hour, told us that when Indians to a lovefeast in the Mission-house. he first entered the place, thirty-five years ago, About twenty-five attended, of whom eight or there were only two small stores, the stock of ten briefly and modestly related their expewhich he could easily have carried upon his rience. They were chiffy old men and women back. There are now two large Methodist who spoke, and all expressed their thankfulnes churches, and, under the vigorous superinten- that the Gospel had been sent amongst them. us over fitteen miles to his hospitable home at His watha, on the shores of Rice Lake. It was who was far more popular, distributed as many thodist Church, crossed to this side of the Ata beautiful moonnight night; the road through the forest was excellent; the noise of the whole of the evening. We left as a delegate from the Chief Court of the to live in Boston, he at once joined the Metho-

were arrived at in open Conference. The fol-lowing among other subjects were discussed the Mission Church occupied the central posiand decided. It was determined that the de- tion. As we crossed the lake the water was will be used as a school and officers' residence; St. John News. signation of the "Methodist Conference of beautifully calm, and the air exquisitely balmy.

Canada" should in tuture be used. An effort The lake is 21 miles long, and in several places girls; and spacious outbuildings, which have

THE FRATERNAL ADDRESS OF THE GENERAL

Mr. Robert Vessey, in the 84th year of his was made to extend the term of itinerancy from three years to four, but was unsuccess- fact that several thousand of acres of rice plants and settled to this Island in 1819 and settled ful. All the educational institutions of the grow upon it. There is a little controversy as to those who are sick or changing situations.

Connexion were placed under one general suptom whether the produce of the lake belongs to whether the produce of the lake belongs to those who are sick or changing situations.

Nearly 200 children are already provided with ference of the Methodist Church of Canada to The date of his conversion we know not. In the date of his conversion we know not. Deputations were appointed to visit the Indians who live on its banks; but practi- comfortable homes in Canada. The younger our Connection. It is of course to be present of the fact his life in the land of his adopthe next British Conference, the Conferences cally the rice is theirs, for no parties can so of these children are sent out to farmers and ed to our next General Conference; but it is tion furnished the most pleasing and desirable of the Methodist Episcopal Churches, North and South, Methodist Episcopal and Primitive ready about a fornight before our visit, when Methodist Churches of Canada. Various con- nearly all the Indians of Hiawatha went in their clothing and schooling in return for their ser- have read an official paper with which we have a member of the Methodist Church. For sevnexional appointments have been made. The canoes to the scene of action. They paddle vices. Those trained to farm work or domesnexional appointments have been made. The venerable Dr. Wood was re-elected Missionary Secretary, and the Rev. Alexander Sutherland, Assistant Secretary. The Rev. S. Rose was re-appointed Book Steward, and the Rev. E. Dewart, Editor of the Christian Guardian. Some of the public services demand special note. One evening was devoted to missions, another to Methodist psalmody, another to Methodist psalm i.e., a welcome by the ministers and friends of strength, and our prospects were not cheering. For the party of fifty children just brought ence to make ue an official visit in May, 1878. day of religious stillness. An occasi Toronto to the delegates from various parts of Observing, however, a Canadian farm-house over by Mr. Stephenson 250 applications were

the Dominion. Representatives from the vari- on the summit above us, we made for it, and waiting at the Home, many of them from some ous Conferences of Canada, Eastern British found to our joy that it was occupied by a America, and Newfoundland, including the Methodist family. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin late Conference of the New Connexion in were themselves from home, but the kind-Canada, were present. A rich repast was pro- hearted daughter, who had charge of the that my London brethren and friends are mak vided by the Toronto friends, after which a bouse, cared for us. A span of horses was ing the best arrangements for sermons and public meeting was held, which was in every provided, and the eldest son, William Bram- meetings this year on behalf of the Metropolieense a great success. On the following morn- well by name, drove us in primitive style tan Chapel Building Fund. through the forest. On nearing the settlement

> We were received at the mission house with came. He entered into lively conversation ganized, this newest type of our great denom about the people and the places in the old land. There had not been a day, he said, in all these notice as embodying the latest and most of and prayed for us, and he once again shook These as settled by them, embrace especially, hands with us all in his heart. He seemed to (1.) The concurrent action of ministers and know all about the doings of the Conference at laymen in the higher councils of the Church' Toronto, and expressed the highest gratifica

Good-bye' to this most worthy man, whom political institutions each citizen is the peer of

as the following-viz., discipline, itinerancy, It was arranged, however, to send a messen- I may say as to the "Home" itself, that the in a letter descriptive of his voyage, published Brunyeate frequently visited him in his last sile Conference was appointed upon one or other evening. We retired to rest weary and thank- visit of the Rev. T. B. Stephenson in 1872 warmly commented on. The matter is a small might terminate ratally that he had no tear of these Committees. The various topics then ful, and prepared early the next morning for The property consists of seven and a half acres one. But it will likely enough come up in the but could rejoice it the hope of elemal glory to those Committees to which they belonged. Nine o'clock found us on the lake under the extreme limits of the city. An acre and a half heavily subsidized with Canadian money, and ages." These Committees met during a portion of the guidance and strong arm of Mr. Brooking. The is tastefully laid out with lawn, avenue, and the Canadian Methodist Church will probably day when the Conference was in session; their boat carried us some distance from the shore; shade trees; there is an orchard of about two deem it proper to enquire whether the discour- well as in his family and place of business. reports and recommendations were afterwards the scene was inspiring. The whole village submitted and debated, and the final decisions was bathing in the morning sunlight, while the

1 am, dear Sir, yours truly, GERVASE SMITH. Hamilton, Ontario Oct., 1.

CANADIAN METHODISM. Our neighbors of the "Domision" have intervening years, in which he had not thought thoroughly considered ecclesiastical ideas. tion at the proposed union of the different spirit of the age." and which, if properly methodist bodies in Canada. By a process regulated, is cheerfully accepted on all hands. which in some form, is demanded by the Conference, sufficiently strong to insure the with each other, and the vigyrous action of the

whole denomination in its consolidated unity. haps, be found in its lack of a general and local superintendency, to serve at once as a a Methodist Church would agree in theory the chief central body, which most draw all others to itself .- N. Y. Advocate.

dency of Bro. Charles Fish, a third is contem I should say that before the public service the likely to have some trouble on the question of a penitent to seek the torgiveness of sins, and Peace. plated, which is to rival even the Metropolitan children of the school gathered in the mission clerical precedence. We do not know what reitself. The Rev. R. Brooking, who had been garden, and sang while we were at tea several gulations they had adopted relative to this matwaiting for us seven weary hours, then drove hymns and songs. Both of us went out to them, ter. But last summer, the Rev. Gervase Smith, the heart unto righteousness, he with the mouth vehicle was broken only by the croaking of the the place and the people on the tollowing morn- largest body of Non-Conformists in England dist Church in that city, and became zealous Mr. Fraser in 1848. Pious and thoughtful or is more perfect in its internal arrangements.

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sions been crowded to excess, when the species and less not to the proceedings of the conference, I will brother day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the proceedings of the conference, I will brother day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the conference, I will brother day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the conference on the day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the conference of the church of the church of the church of the church of the smooth surface of the body. The noise with a brief reference to the day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the conference of the church of the smooth surface of the body. The noise with a brief reference to the day was spent at sea, in the ship in question, sink for a while into a cool and less active state long to the conference. I will be some of overpowering grandeur.

It is song is produced by the friction of its tail proceedings of to-day. We left Hamilton this during this voyage. On the morning to see the world-famed Falls of Niag- day, enquiry was made by the Cantain whether the conference of the confer

of rich garden land, pleasantly situated, in the Canadian Parliament. The Allan Line is Feeling that his feet were in upon the rock of

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lowing: "I do not regard smoking to be a out." O, it is a great salvation to save a sinner sin; on the contrary, by the grace of God, I like me; I am happy." Thus peacefully mass hope to enjoy a good cigar before going to bed hope to enjoy a good cigar before going to bed ing to this declaration, says that a multitude of the great preacher's best friends were mortified at its utterance. We trust no young man will claim license from this remark to begin cigarsmoking. It was only six months since, in a sermon to young men, that Mr. Spurgeon, in affectionate attention. A message was sent been in council, and the results are before the alluding to the habits that retard success, gave over to good John Sunday, and in a few minutes | been in council, and the results are before the religious public. With them the prevailing | utterance to the following: "What business we entered the house of the grand old Ojibetendencies were toward autonomy, unification, man wants a youth in whose mouth there exists ed with remarkable frequency, by the presence ding supper last night at the Metropolitan way chief. We should not in England regard and a more thorough organization; and with a pig-tail? You may be sure that no firm that of death in our midst, of the necessity of being and a more thorough organization; and with a pig-tail? You may be sure that no firm that of death in our midst, of the necessity of being Illustrated and beautiful Binding, 2 vols.

3.00 harbour on Sunday, the 13th ult., at 4 30 p.m. Church." He again marked my dulness, and his dwelling exactly as a palace, but it is looked due respect tor the body located chiefly in On-believes in thrift and energy, desires a boy or always ready for our journey to the spirit and energy, desires a boy or always ready for our journey to the spirit and energy desires a boy or always ready for our journey to the spirit and energy. Representatives from all classes, from thought it wise to turn to another topic upon as such bacause of the grand old ruler tario, and calling itself 'Methodist Episcopal,' a young man who reports himself in the store who dwells within. As might have been exit is evident that the body lately in session at or counting-room with a cloud of smoke enveloped who dwells within. As might have been exit is evident that the body lately in session at or counting-room with a cloud of smoke enveloped who have passed to those who have passed to the store happy termination of their voyage, one of our conveyed to him the pleasing intelligence of pected, he looks much older than when we last Toronto is really the representative one of Cafellow-passengers petulantly said, "What a Mr. Arthur's improved health, when he anx-saw him in an English Missionary meeting. His nadian Methodism, extending the wiser, the one made three Sundays since, passed away, verifying the words—saw him in an English Missionary meeting. His nadian Methodism, extending the wiser, the one made three Sundays since, passed away, verifying the words—saw him in an English Missionary meeting. His nuisance this is, landing on a Sunday; I can't jously inquired, "Do you think he will ever fine form is now bending beneath the weight of from Newfoundland westward to the Pacific, or the one made six mosths ago? The old

- Wes Advocate.

Obituary.

rould enable us to do greater instice to be MRS. SALTER OF CARLETON, ST. JOHN, N. B. ABETH, beloved wite of A. C. A. Salter, Esq., of Carleton, St. John, aged 37 years. A very tion with the Wesleyan Church date farther high respect for the deceased, and a strong sym- back and cannot have taken place much less pathy for a sorely bereaved brother, prompt than half a century ago. The uniform testime to write this brief obituary. Our departed mony of all who have been acquainted with her sister was a daughter of the late Rev. Richard is that she constantly aimed to "adorn the Knight, D.D., and the wife of the only son of that her whole deportment was "as becometh life she gave her heart to God, and united with
the Methodist Church, of which she continued
a worthy and useful member until she was callthe Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." Conference, sufficiently strong to insure the ed to the church triumphant. In her relation Once when making her a pastoral call, she said, harmonious co-operation of the various parts to the Church, and to her family she strove to it be God's will He will grant me a sudden with each other, and the vigyrous action of the glorify God and fulfil the duties required of her.

very favorably. Its weakest point will, per- as health permitted was a regular attendant ever-present supervisory power in all the departments of the Church's work. Our ideal of tion in the service of praise. She was a woman of most aimable disposition and deservedly be loved by all her acquaintances. She died, in with Him." S. F. H.

MR. ANSEL B. HOLDSWORTH.

Died at Digby, October 6th, Ansel B. CLERICAL PRECEDENCE OF THE
ALLAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

Died at Digby, October 6th, Ansel B. Holdsworth, aged 42 years. When he was about twenty-one years of age, under the ministry of the late Robert Chesley, he was led as berself in the hands of God. She died in to the proceedings of the Conference, I will song is produced by the friction of its tail on the smooth surface of the body. The noise is something between the hum of a bird and the policy of the Captain whether time and place. The Rev. and venerable Dr. Egerton Ryerson was elected President, and the Rev. Duncan D. Currie, of the Eastern British Duncan D. Currie, of the Eastern British American Conference, Secretary. The mode

Its song is produced by the friction of its tail on the smooth surface of the body. The noise is something of the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether tance with Brother Hold worth goes, he was something the could or one of the n. st reliable and active members of the cricket and the croak of a frog, and when thousands of them join in chorus the music is uproarious. It I remember a tendence of the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether tance with Brother Hold worth goes, he was something between the hum of a bird and the croak of a frog, and when thousands of them join in chorus the music is uproarious. It I remember of the morning of that of religious life. Yet so far as our acquain-the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether to Christ by a hearty and practical day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether to Christ by a hearty and active members of would conduct Divine Service in Recabin. It was a deright of the morning of that there was a clergyman on board with the croak of the cricket and the croak of a frog, and when thousands of them join in chorus the thing the morning of that the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether tance with Brother Hold worth goes, he was a clergyman on board with the captain whether the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether the day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether the captain day, enquiry was made by the Captain whether the captain the couldred on the smooth of the life. Yet so far as our acquain the chord of the life. Yet so far as our acquain the chord of the life. Yet

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Sometimes distinguished men make distinguished blunders. At the close of a sermon, recently delivered in his tabernacle, Mr. Spurgeon was foolish enough to utter the folwhile apparently slumbering he suddenly cried and one of the first members of our society

"Another hand is beckening us,
Another call is given,
And glows once more with angel steps,
The path that reaches heaven."

He reaps the bearded grain at a breath, And the flowers that grow between. Among them is the aged sister whose name stands at the head of this sketch. Some reternce would have been made to her decease, beore this time, but for the expectation of receiving from her friends such information as

Among her society tickets is one received Departed this life on the 10th of Oct. ELEV- from the late Rev. Wm. Temple, in March. 1833, but, ber conversion to God and connecdeath, for I teel that sudden death would be to As a wife and mother she was most affection me sudden glory." In this and other ways did As a wile and mother she was most amount and the church she testify her conscious readiness, through she sought to promote its interests, and as far christ, for an "inheritance incorruptible, under the church she sought to promote its interests, and as far christ, for an "inheritance incorruptible, under the church she sought to promote its interests, and as far christ, for an "inheritance incorruptible, under the church she sought to promote its interests, and as far christ, for an "inheritance incorruptible, under the church she can be considered and that fadeth not away." Her death, and the church she can be considered and the fadeth not away." Her death, and the church she can be considered and the fadeth not away. upon the means of grace. For about seventeen tracted. But, the will of God was endured local superintendency, to serve at once as a years she gave her services gratuitously as without a murmur, and as long as she was able perpetual and living bond of union, and as an organist of our church in Carleton, and most to express herself to those at her bedside, her

God grant a double portion of her spirit to every one of her numerous descendants.

Burlington, Nov. 4, 1874.

C. Jost.

scholars. She was a leading singer in choir, and also conducted the singing. Sabbath school where she will, be spectracted to nearly sixty days, she never

Mrs Maria E. Fraser, (nee Scott) wife of

American Conference, Secretary. The mode of election is by ballot and majority vote. There were aearly 200 delegates present, half of whom were ministers, and half laymen. After the Conference was constituted by the appointments referred to, a large number of committees were appointed, on such subjects