

Contributors and Correspondents.

MOODY AND SANKEY.

SIR,—Being in London, it has occurred to me that you might like to hear from an eye and ear witness something of the wonderful work that is going on in this city, under the preaching and singing of the American Evangelists—Moody and Sankey.

I will just tell you simply of some of the meetings which I have myself attended. Every day at noon there is a gathering for prayer in the Opera House. Messrs. Moody and Sankey generally preside, but even when they are not there, the large pit of the great building is pretty well filled, and sometimes not only the pit, but one or two tiers of boxes, and the stage, which is converted into an immense platform, are filled with an earnest assemblage of those who feel with Mr. Moody, that the whole work rests on the foundation of God's certain answer to believing prayer.

When the evening meeting at the Opera House is over, Mr. Moody hurries away to the very east end of London, to give another of his stirring addresses, in the large wooden building which has there been erected. It stands in the midst of a teeming population of the working classes.

a large hall is in process of erection, capable, like Bow Hall, of accommodating many thousands. At present Mr. Sankey has been for some time singing nightly at the Victoria Theatre, before going to the Bow Road Hall to meet Mr. Moody, and conduct the singing there. His sweet songs have touched many hearts in all parts of London, and some of the most marked and striking conversions have been the result of his enunciation of gospel truth in this way.

The morning meeting on the last Sunday at the Agricultural Hall I shall never forget. As my lodging is far from Islington I had to start soon after six a.m., in order to have any hope of getting a good seat. When I got to Islington I had no need to ask my way to the Hall. From every quarter, groups or single individuals might be seen coming, bible in hand, perhaps offering tracts to those they met, and all tending in one direction.

The hymns interspersed by Mr. Sankey were, as usual, a sort of clinching of the subject. At the close of the meeting, many remained, as requested, to give in their names as willing to take part in the house-to-house visitation, which has been carried on with such wonderful success.

thing to tell of conversions, and I can wish nothing better than that they should all be as satisfactory as that of the young servant in my lodging. The date when she first began to think is only three weeks ago, yet many a Christian of years past might envy her her appetite for God's word, which has superseded the foolish novels she formerly delighted in, and might take a lesson from her, in her simple desire to know what is God's will, that she may at once do it.

Chancellor Phillimore's Judgment.

SIR.—In one of to-day's city papers, we are furnished with the judgment of the Chancellor of the Diocese of Lincoln, (Eng.) on the matter of the Rev. Henry Keet, Wesleyan minister. And on every mind but that of an Episcopalian the judgment must leave impressions of no agreeable or kindly nature.

And the Bishop, when appealed to, sustained the Vicar's view. The Archbishop, however, though not pronouncing legally on the action of the Vicar, "considered that the objections urged by him should not be made," and was courteous enough to address the appellant as "the Rev. Henry Keet." But the legal point was referred to the Chancellor of the Diocese; and at some length he has pronounced against the appellant, and in favour of the parish incumbent. The judgment referred to might be handled minutely. But this I have no intention of doing.

of "Reverend." If this is done in social life, why should it not be allowed in a burying ground. Would any Episcopalian be well pleased, if in some parish burying ground in Scotland a clergyman of his own denomination were not allowed to insert his professional title on his family monument? I trow not, and will may the treatment meted out to the Reverend H. Keet awaken within him keen indignation, and fill similarly on all dissenters.

Approximate Statistics of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.
SIR.—I observe that some of the papers do not give the full statistics of our now united Church. Last year, the Canada Presbyterian Church reported 50,702 members; this year, 56,241; being an increase of 5,539.

Table with 2 columns: Denomination/Location and Number of Members. Includes categories like Canada Presbyterian Church, Presb. Ch. in connection with the Church of Scotland, Presb. Ch. of Lower Provinces, and Presb. Ch. of Maritime Provinces.

Now, if we allow for preachers not on the roll of the other Synods, and defective returns, in anything like the same proportion as in the Canada Presbyterian Church, we bring up the staff of preachers to about nine hundred (900), and the communicants to over 100,000.

accomplish much for the Divine glory and the welfare of mankind, both in the Dominion and in other lands, if only baptized with the Holy Ghost and endowed with tongues of fire. When we look back on all the ways by which the Lord hath led us these many years past, we have reason to exclaim, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Methodists Taxed to Support Presbyterian Schools.
SIR.—A few weeks ago a letter on the School Question, signed "Reformer," appeared in the Montreal Witness, in which the writer spoke of Presbyterians having, in some instances, taxed Methodists to support schools in which the Shorter Catechism is taught.

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"LET us remember that we are always casting the shadow of our real life upon some one; that somebody is following us, as John followed Peter into the sepulchre. Happy if, when all the influences of life flow back and meet us at the judgment, we can lift up our hands and apostles robes, and say: 'I am free from the blood of all men!' Happy then to hear even one soul saying to us out of the great multitude, that following the shadow of our Christian life and doctrine, has found some in heaven."