

"The King's Messenger," will run through the year, entitled, "BARBARA HECK, A TALE OF THE SETTLEMENT OF UPPER CANADA." It will give pictures of the early days of Methodism in this country, and of the perils and adventures, and the trials and religious triumphs of the U. E. Loyalist settlers of Canada.

The Editor will also contribute a series of papers of GREAT REFORMERS, including sketches of such martyrs and heroes as Savonarola, Arnold of Brescia, Jerome of Prague, Huss, Wickliffe, Farel, Calvin, and Luther. They will illustrate the historic conflict between the spiritual vassalage of Romanism and Protestant religious liberty; a conflict not yet ended, and one which has its lessons for us to-day.

Among the ILLUSTRATED ARTICLES will be a continued series on METHODIST MISSIONS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD; PICTURES OF BIBLE LANDS; PICTURESQUE CANADA, with views of historic scenes and monuments of our own country; together with PICTURES OF TRAVEL in various parts of the world.

Engraved portraits of several of the leading ministers of our church,

with sketches of their lives, will be given during the year. Important articles by Dr. Dewart on the New Hymn-Book, by Dr. Whedon on Arminianism (Reprint), Rev. Geo. Cochran on Japan, Dr. Sutherland on Bermuda, and others which we cannot now announce will shortly appear.

Popular papers will also be prepared on Practical Religion, the Higher Christian Life, Current Topics, New Books, and Religious Intelligence. No effort will be spared to improve the character and enhance the interest of the Magazine.

Our clubbing arrangements are not yet complete; but we are no longer able to furnish *Scribner's Monthly* at \$2.50 as last year. It costs us \$3 for every copy. We will, however, club it at that price with this Magazine, giving the two for \$5, or the two with the *Christian Guardian* for \$6.50, being \$1.50 off the full price. *St. Nicholas* will be furnished with this Magazine for \$4.25, or the two with the *Guardian* for \$5.75, being \$1.25 off the full price.

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## RELIGIOUS AND MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

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The Minutes of the late Conference, held at Birmingham, is a 12mo volume of more than 400 pages. Under the question, "Who are now received on trial," only two names are given. There are only thirty permanent supernumeraries, which is a small number, considering that there are about seventeen hundred ministers in Great Britain. Our fathers in England do not superannuate at such an early period as we do in Canada.

Forty-six pages are occupied with

obituaries of ministers who have died since the last Conference. Of these there are thirty-two in Great Britain, six in Ireland, and ten in the Foreign Missions—forty-eight in all—who have thus died in the work. Some have just been permitted to buckle on the harness, while others had long borne the burden and heat of the day. It is affecting and yet gratifying to read the record of those devoted servants of Christ who have thus been called to their reward.

There are 847 circuits in Great Britain and Ireland, to some of