

brother more than \$100. Such acts are creditable to all concerned. The endowment of Mount Alison University is progressing under the skillful management of Dr. Pickard. We are pleased that all the Methodist seats of learning in Canada are in a state of prosperity. May knowledge and piety ever be united.

OTHER METHODIST BODIES.

THE Episcopal Methodists have three Annual Conferences in Ontario, but they do not average 100 ministers each. From the published accounts they are evidently prospering. The increase of members exceeds 2,000. A female academy is contemplated at St. Thomas. A permanent camping ground has been secured near Brockville. The mission to Manitoba is to be strengthened, and the college at Belleville is in a better state than at any former period of its history. \$37,000 has been raised towards the endowment.

The Primitive Methodist Conference was held at Toronto, and was presided over by the Rev. George Lamb, from England. His presence, no doubt, greatly enhanced the interest of the Conference, as he has long been one of the leading ministers in the British Conference. An increase of about 500 is reported in the membership. The number of married ministers increases too rapidly for the membership. Great assistance is rendered by the parent body, both in men and money. Application has been made for six additional single men. The monetary grant is about \$3,000, besides the expense of Conference delegations.

The Bible Christian Conference was held at Oshawa. This denomination, though circumscribed, is very strong in a few places. The total number of ministers, including superannuated, is 79. Increase of members, 600. The financial agent appointed last year has raised \$15,000, \$5,000 of which has been paid; he still wants more than \$20,000 to pay off the Connexional debt.

We are glad that while there does not seem to be any immediate prospect of union among the forces of Methodism, there is so much brotherly love amongst them. A cursory observer must, we think, see that in our rural districts especially, while all are struggling to maintain an existence, by an amalgamation there would be a strong compact body, which could do much towards the evangelization of those parts of the world from which the Macedonian cry for help comes on every breeze. The union feeling spreads. The Methodist Protestants, and the Methodist Church of the United States expect to amalgamate this year, and two bodies of coloured Methodists are negotiating with a good prospect of becoming one. The commissioners of the two great Methodist Episcopal bodies are soon to meet, and appearances are much more favourable for a union than they were some time since. May Methodists everywhere soon become one.

ANGLICAN SYNODS.

THERE are six of these in Ontario and Quebec, all of which have recently been held. Great efforts are being made in the respective dioceses to increase the number of Churches. Earnest appeals are being made for pecuniary assistance. The Bishops of Algoma and Manitoba are real Missionary Bishops. His Lordship from the latter diocese, at a Missionary Meeting, at the Toronto Synod, spoke very eulogistically respecting the labours of the Methodist Missionaries in the North-west. The Synod of Montreal, like the Methodist Conferences of London, Toronto, and Montreal, expressed great sympathy for the Oka Indians, so that when our own church shall memorialize the Government on behalf of those poor down-trodden sons of the forest, they will be sustained by the moral support of sister churches.

The Reformed Episcopal Church reports progress. The hard times