

## METHODISM IN CANADA

afford him any and every support that may be in our power to render.'

In anticipation of Mr. Ryerson visiting Perth, the Rev. John McIntyre wrote, in September, 1839: 'If the day be favorable, the people will assemble from all quarters. Some are coming twenty miles. Methodists, Presbyterians, Roman Catholics and moderate Churchmen consider you, as some have said, "the saviour of Upper Canada."'

These are but samples of acknowledgments freely given in the heat of the fierce conflict which tested and developed the calibre of public men.

The Rev. R. Jones reports for Bytown, £335 for the Centenary Fund, an effort to raise £50 for the Bible Society, with cheering numerical advance.

'The Revs. A. Green and E. Ryerson,' wrote Rev. J. Currie, 'came in a birch canoe from Bytown to Kemptville for our Centenary meeting. £120 was subscribed and £62 at Augusta, with assurance of more.' Prospects encouraged the hope that the offerings might reach £10,000. The people were giving liberally to other purposes also. New churches were being built on the Toronto, Whitby, Bay Quinte, Waterloo, Elizabethtown, Richmond, and many other circuits. At the beginning of the Centenary celebrations in New Brunswick, Charles F. Allison, Esq., of Sackville, offered £4,000, several acres of land, and £100 a year, for ten years, towards founding an Academy.

The American Conferences were arranging for a full share in the grand commemoration.

After Conference the Rev. Thomas Hurlburt left Toronto on his return to his mission north of Lake Superior—a perilous tour of nearly a thousand miles.