

The Conference understands full well that, during all these years, no more important duties have devolved upon the Superintendent of Education than during the year now closed, and appreciates the energy, fidelity, and varied gifts which Dr. Milligan has ever brought to the discharge of his duties, and would cherish the hope that the day is yet distant when he will find it necessary, as the result of increasing years, to retire from the position so long held by him, with advantage to the interests of education, as Superintendent of Methodist day schools.

DR. CARMAN.

As a Conference we would take this opportunity of recording our gratitude to Almighty God for the preservation of the life of Rev. Dr. Carman, the General Superintendent, in his journeyings by sea and land, during the past year, and also express the hope that the Newfoundland Conference may be favoured with a visit from the General Superintendent at an early date.

HALIFAX BOOK ROOM.

The annual statement of our Book Room at Halifax, and Connexional organ the 'Wesleyan,' having been submitted, it was resolved.—That this Conference rejoices in the growing prosperity of our book and publishing interests, and trusts that the shrinkage in the circulation of the "Wesleyan" and the loss entailed thereby, may be only temporary.

The Conference further expresses its appreciation of the services of Rev. S. F. Huestis as Book Steward, and Rev. Dr. Lathern as Editor, and regrets very much that the relation of Newfoundland to the Provinces, as regards infrequency and irregularity of postal communication, makes it impossible for us to avail ourselves more fully of those services.

REV. G. P. STORY.

That the thanks of the Conference are due to the Rev. G. P. Story, Editor of the "Greeting," for his able management of the paper during the past year, and expresses its gratification that so soon after the disastrous fire he was enabled to resume publication. The Conference records its grateful appreciation of the disinterested and gratuitous services of the Editor, and rejoices that it has been found possible, out of the profits arising from publication, to make a small contribution towards the Conference Sustentation Fund.

DAY SCHOOLS.

In view of the many small communities which are without day schools, and in which efficient schools are impossible under our present system of Education,—

Resolved,—That this Conference memorialize the Government to make such modification of the present Education Act as will unite the grant in these small communities, and enable them to keep a school on a non-denominational basis.

REV. F. R. DUFFILL.

That the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the Rev. F. R. Duffill on behalf of the Conference, acknowledging his excellent services rendered gratuitously in securing young men for our work, and requesting that we may still be allowed to regard him as our referee.

Also, that in the same communication reference be made to the interest he took in the time of our distress, in endeavouring to direct the stream of British Methodist benevolence towards the rebuilding fund of our destroyed church and college buildings.

CONFERENCE OPENING.

Resolved,—That changes be made in the time and manner of opening Conference in accordance with suggestions of Rev. Dr. Dove, viz.:—That Conference be opened on Tuesday evening, commencing with a prayer-meeting, to which the Methodist public shall be invited, to be followed by the election of officers.