

applicable to all, and in all circumstances. If the blessing of God rests upon my labors, and my business proves successful, I am called upon to dedicate a proportionate part to the service of the sanctuary. If, on the other hand, the cloud of providential depression rests upon me, and my exertions are comparatively abortive, I rejoice in the fact that the requirement is proportionate to my altered circumstances; and that in now giving little, I perform the duty as acceptably as when I gave much. Let, then, this apostolic rule be universally and conscientiously followed, and we are satisfied that not only will the wants of the ministry be abundantly supplied, but the blessing of God will more than ever rest upon the Church, in both the temporal and spiritual welfare of its members. We profess to be believers in the overruling providence of God; but is there not among us too much of that distrust and want of confidence, which amounts to a species of practical infidelity? O let this stain be removed, and let us manifest by our acts of Christian liberality, that we are willing to trust ourselves in the hands of our Father. So shall the blessing of God rest upon us. We shall be blessed in our going out, and our coming in; in our basket and in our store; and no good thing will our heavenly Father withhold from us. And when the great day of final retribution shall arrive, and we listen with astonishment to the recital of our deeds of mercy performed toward the Redeemer, the answer to our question of surprise shall be, "Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Meditations on the works of Creation deferred till our next.

Letters (editorial) from A. E. J. Cunningham, Esq. Rev. A. W. McLeod.

Letters have been received, since our last, from Messrs. J. G. Lavers¹—Lewis Marshall, Esq., with remittance—Rev. W. Crocombe—Rev. W. Webb¹¹—Mr. Isaac Smith, with remittance—Rev. W. E. Shenstone—J. Rathburn, Esq.—Rev. J. McMurray.¹¹¹

¹The article would have appeared this week, but is unavoidably deferred.

¹¹The letter would have been inserted, but it bore such a sameness to the former one, it was laid aside.

¹¹¹The insurance is effected. The balance of half a dollar remains in our hands.

We have received, and published a letter on our last page, respecting the Centenary Fund; which, although thus given, appears to be contrary to the intentions of the Sub-committee in London. We highly respect the zeal of our correspondent; but we did not intend, nor did we express, in our last, a recommendation that a monumental trophy should be erected in these districts, because the Committee in London confine their attention to certain objects, with which we cannot interfere.

We may remark that the names of all new subscribers received lately, have been supposed to apply to the next year, except otherwise stated.

WESLEYAN MISSIONS.—The annual sermons for the Halifax Branch Wesleyan Missionary Society, were preached yesterday by the Rev. Messrs. Crocombe, Crooks and Wilson.

The Annual Meeting will be held to-morrow evening, Jan. 29th.

The chair will be taken at 7 o'clock.

ERRATUM.—In our last number, page 360, in the Prospectus of the new volume of the Wesleyan, second line, for Feb. 11, read, Feb. 25.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY.

Our limited space will prevent us from giving any thing more than the mere outline of the proceedings of the House of Assembly; but we shall endeavour

to give a general summary from time to time.

The House was opened on Monday, January 14th by His Excellency, with an appropriate speech, to which the House replied in an Address, which was presented at Government House on Wednesday.

MESSAGE.

C. CAMPBELL.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the House of Assembly the Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, conveying Her Majesty's reply to their Address relating to the composition of the Legislative and Executive Councils, the Civil List, and other subjects.

The Queen withdraws for the present her offer to furnish to the Legislature the Revenue under her control in this Province; but at the same time declares that whenever the Legislature shall pass a Bill granting to her Majesty the sum of £4,700 Sterling per annum, during the continuance of her Majesty's reign, or for a period not less than ten years, applicable to the salaries of the principal officers of the Government, her Majesty will be ready, in exchange for that sum, to surrender to the Legislature the Revenue at present at her Majesty's disposal, subject only to some inconsiderable temporary deductions. It must be clearly understood, however, that in the event of the passing of such a Bill, the Revenues now at her Majesty's disposal will revert to the Crown at the expiration of that Bill.

The Assembly are further informed that the sum of 4,700/ will not enable her Majesty to continue to pay to the Surveyor General of Nova Scotia Proper and Cape Breton, the Clerk of the Crown, and Harbor Master of Sydney, the salaries which they have hitherto received from the Crown Revenues, and the Lieut. Governor therefore recommends (supposing the Bill to pass) that the House of Assembly will grant to these officers their accustomed remuneration, for which it will then rest with the House of Assembly to make annual provision.

The accompanying Despatch from Lord Glenelg will explain to the House of Assembly that the net proceeds only of the sales of Crown Lands will be made over to the disposal of the Legislature.

The Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court having consented to accept her Majesty's offer (which the Lieutenant Governor was recently authorized to renew to them) of increased Salaries in lieu of fees, and her Majesty in that case having directed that the new arrangement for their remuneration should commence with the year, The Lieutenant Governor acquaints the House that he deemed it expedient, by the advice of the Executive Council, to give previous directions for discontinuing the collection of these fees on the first of the present month, in order that suitors in the Supreme Court (which was to meet on that day at Halifax) might have the immediate benefit of the measure. Government House, 17th January, 1839.

The discussion of these despatches was made the order of the day for Thursday last, but it was postponed till the following day, when Mr. Bell presented a series of resolutions to the House on the subject, recommending a Delegation, followed by Mr. Howe, and replied to by the Hon. J. B. Uniacke.

The discussion was resumed on Saturday.

A number of Bills have already been laid before the Assembly for their consideration and decision.—Mr. Morton; has presented a Bill on the Judiciary of the Province. Mr. Huntingdon, has presented a Civil list Bill. Mr. McHaffey, a Bill to provide funds for the repair and improvement of the streets of Windsor. Mr. Morton, a Bill for amending and consolidating the acts in force for the summary trial of actions for debt. Mr. McKim, a Bill to enable persons indicted for felony to make their defence by counsel. Mr. Upham, a Bill for the appointment of Trustees of School Lands. Mr. Young, two Bills, the one for regulating Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly, and the other for regulating the Trial of Contested Elections. Messrs. Doyle and Uniacke have also presented Bills, the former for limiting the duration of the General Assembly, and the latter for settling to the Myra Grant in Cape-Breton titles. Mr. McKim, has presented a Bill for enforcing the payment of con-