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The Rev. A. Sutherland submitted the report of the Special Committee, to which was referred the Constitution of the Sunday School Union as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

ARTICLE I.
The Title of this Association shall be "THE WESLEYAN METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION."

ARTICLE II.
The object of this Society shall be to promote the cause of Sunday Schools in connection with the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

ARTICLE III.
Any Wesleyan Sunday School within the bounds of the Canada Conference, may become auxiliary to the Union by adopting the annexed Constitution, and by paying into the General Fund not less than two cents per annum for each scholar on the registers of the school, to be raised by collection or otherwise. All funds so raised to be forwarded to the Financial Secretary of the District, to be paid to the General Treasurer of the Union.

ARTICLE IV.
The Union shall consist of all Ministers and Teachers of all Schools connected with the Society.

ARTICLE V.
In order to carry out the object of this Society, a Branch of the Union shall be formed in each District, and shall hold its Anniversary at the time of the Financial District Meeting. The District Branch shall consist of the Ministers and Teachers, (the Chairman of the District being Chairman ex-officio) and one Lay Representative from each Wesleyan Sabbath School, auxiliary to the Society, within the bounds of the District, and shall be entitled to elect its own Secretary and Committee of Management, and one Director of the Union. The Director so elected must be a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

ARTICLE VI.
The Board of Management of the Union, shall consist of the President of Conference and the Co-Delegates, who shall be ex-officio, President and Vice-President of the Union; the Directors appointed by the District Branches, and ten Directors to be appointed by the Conference.

ARTICLE VII.
The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held at the time and place of the meeting of Conference, and on the second evening of the Session of that body, when practicable, when the Secretary shall submit the Annual Report of the Board, and the Treasurer exhibit a certified statement of the accounts.

ARTICLE VIII.
No alteration of, or addition to, this Constitution shall be valid until the same has passed the Board of Directors, and received the sanction of the Conference.

CONSTITUTION FOR A SINGLE SCHOOL.

ARTICLE I.
This School shall be called the Wesleyan Sunday School, Auxiliary to the Wesleyan S. S. Union.

ARTICLE II.
The basis of instruction shall be the doctrines of the Word of God as expounded in the standards of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

ARTICLE III.
The School shall be under the supervision of a Committee, to be composed of the Ministers and Teachers on the circuit, (the Superintendent of the Circuit being President, and his colleagues—where there are any—Vice-Presidents.) The Superintendent, Secretary and Librarian of the School, and, where practicable, not less than six other persons, one-half of whom shall be nominated by the Quarterly Official Meeting, and one-half by the Teachers from among their number. Provided, that no person shall be eligible to serve on the Committee who is not a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. In all cases of Committee meetings, due notice shall be given to all the members.

ARTICLE IV.
At its first meeting, which shall be held as soon as convenient after the Anniversary meeting of the School, the Committee shall appoint the necessary Officers for the School, and no person shall be permitted to retain his situation, as Officer or Teacher, whose moral character, or religious opinions, shall render him, in the opinion of the Committee, or the Quarterly Official Meeting of the Circuit, unfit for such situation.

ARTICLE V.
Regular Teachers' Meetings shall be held, where practicable, on the first—month, for the transaction of such business as may legitimately come before them. Teachers and Absentee Visitors shall be nominated by the Superintendent, with the concurrence of the Pastor, on their entering the School, and elected by the Teachers' meeting one month subsequently.

ARTICLE VI.
The Annual Meeting of this School shall be held, when practicable, in the month of— in each and every year.

The above Constitutions was read Article by Article, and received the assent of the Conference. Rev. I. B. Howard, presented, case of Rev. R. H. Hammond, who left Canada last year, and went to California for benefit of his health. A letter addressed to the President of Conference was read from Mr. Hammond, containing his resignation, as the climate of California is more congenial to his health and that of his wife. His resignation was accepted. The Conference hopes that Bro. H. may be made a blessing to the Conference in California which he has joined.

The President of the Conference stated that the Kirk of Scotland Synod closed its sittings much more speedily than was anticipated, consequently, the address sent from our Conference was not read at the Synod, but he, the President had received a kind of letter from Rev. J. Jenkins, D.D., the Moderator of the Synod, acknowledging the receipt of the said address, and promising that it shall be read at the first session of the Synod of 1870.

Dr. Ryerson read the address to the English Conference.
The President of Conference thought that the Conference had better make a selection of a person for the office of Co-Delegate. The ballots were passed round the Conference and after being collected it was found that Dr. Evans was duly nominated to the office of Co-Delegate.

Dr. Evans acknowledged the nomination in a few choice remarks.

Rev. J. Carroll, addressed the Conference, acknowledging with gratitude the appointment that had been made for him as Editor of Sabbath school publications, and also, Sabbath school Agent. Mr. C. was listened to with great interest, as he always is when he chooses to address his brethren. We beg to congratulate our old friend on the appointment which he has thus received, and trust that he will find his duties pleasant and profitable to the church. We do not think that there is a more important appointment than this. The young are the hope of the Church, and we trust that Mr. C. will have good news to present to his brethren at the next Conference.

Rev. G. H. Davis read the Pastoral Address, which he had prepared. Rev. G. N. A. E. T. Dixon moved its adoption, which was seconded by the Rev. E. B. Harper, M. A. Some verbal alterations were recommended, and the address, which was of a most excellent description, was unanimously adopted.

Dr. Green moved a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Dr. Ryerson, to Rev. W. Jeffers, D.D., for his services as editor during the past 9 years. The Drs. both acknowledged the obligations of the Conference to the retiring editor, for the services he had rendered in explaining and defending the doctrines of our Church; and, also, the zealous manner in which he has defended the privileges of the Church, of which the *GUARDIAN* is the exponent. The resolution was adopted in the most cordial manner by the Conference.

The President presented Dr. Jeffers with this resolution in a few well-timed remarks; which Dr. J. duly acknowledged.

Rev. W. H. Poole moved a vote of thank to the Rev. S. Rose, which was seconded by the Rev. H. F. Bland, for the publication of the *DAILY RECORD* during the Conference; and, also, to the brethren who have assisted him in getting up the paper, inasmuch as it has been a source of great interest to the brethren of the Conference.

Rev. J. Borland moved, and W. S. Griffin seconded, a vote of thanks to the Grand Trunk, and other Railway Companies, for their kindness in allowing Ministers and Lay-gentlemen to travel to and from the Conference at one fare. The Conference cordially adopted this Resolution.

The President of Conference intimated, that as the Conference is to be held in Toronto next year, therefore, the Laymen to be elected to attend the Committee in connection with the Conference, shall be the same as last year, except that Barrie District having been divided into two, therefore, there shall be one Layman from each of those Districts, instead of two from Barrie, as this year.

In consequence of the difficulty in arranging the Stations, the Stationing Committee is to meet again to-night, and therefore the rule requiring the Stations to be read the day previous to the close of the Conference shall be rescinded. Carried unanimously.

THE PULPITS.

RICHMOND STREET CHURCH (COLORED).

According to appointment, the Rev. E. BARBES supplied the pulpit of the Coloured Church, Richmond Street West, on Sunday evening last. Every seat was full; and the singing was of the most delightful description. Our colored friends are not afraid to open their mouths in the praises of the sanctuary.

TEXT.—*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and shall be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.*—Rev. xxi. 4.

The preacher, in discoursing on this text, said that some considered the passage to refer to the millennial state of the Church; but he was of opinion that the description given referred to heaven. Several expressions in the text, as well as the context, supported this view. There are no tears. The solemnities of the last judgment have passed away, and men go to their final abode. (See ch. xx. 11-15.) A better world follows this tragic scene. Heaven is presented to our view under the most vivid and glowing imagery. A city of the most glorious description appears before us, with its foundations of precious stones, its jasper walls, pearly gates, and streets of gold. So brilliant is the light which beams forth from God the Father, that there is no need of the sun or of the moon. So glorious and magnificent is this future abode of the saints, that it is called "New." How appropriate the description! All will be new! The saints will have "new" bodies like unto Christ's glorious body. They will neither marry nor give in marriage, but will be as the angels of God. They there dwell in unity: no murmur is felt in their bosom—no anger corrodes their conscience—no discord disturbs their circle—and no death invades their abode. This will be heaven. Who would not wish to be there?

Notice I. THE SOURCES whence the HAPPINESS of HEAVEN IS DERIVED.—We can only know in part. Now we see through a glass dimly.

1. There will be increased and perfected knowledge.—It is foolish to say that "ignorance is bliss." Other things being equal, those are the most happy who are the most intelligent. Solomon says that the ways of wisdom are pleasant. See how the disciples expressed themselves as they held converse with Christ. Luke xxiv. 33.

In this world, however, we can know but little. Those who have acquired the most learning are the most ready to acknowledge the smallness of their attainments, and the infinite resources which are still unforthcoming. Sir Isaac Newton compared himself to a child playing on the seashore, now and then picking up a beautiful pebble, while the great ocean of truth was before him. Besides, the great ocean of truth was before him. Besides, the great ocean of truth was before him.

2. There will be increased and perfected knowledge in this life is very period of acquiring knowledge in this life is very limited. If a man lives to the age of three score, limited. If a man lives to the age of three score, or three score years and ten, a great deduction has to be made for the time consumed in sleep, necessary employment, and recreation. In this world, too, men are slow to learn.

But in heaven we shall understand even the things of this life much better than we are capable of

doing now. Many things which are perfectly inexplicable now, will then be as clear as noon-day. We shall then understand the cause of all our bereavements and afflictions.

"Above the rest this note shall swell,
My Jesus hath done all things well."
2. Holiness of character. Holiness is essential to happiness, 1 Cor. 6: 9; Heb. 12: 14; Rev. 21: 27. No unholiness person can enter heaven. Sin has no existence in that holy city. Its pure atmosphere is never polluted by such corruption. Sinners would not be happy in heaven. They could not enjoy any of its services. All these are holy. The pure in heart see God. "As for me, I shall be satisfied when I wake up in Thy likeness." Who would not wish to be there! There, there will be neither corruption, nor temptation, nor infirmities. These all belong to the present state of being.

"O glorious hour, O blest abode,
I shall be near and like my God;
And flesh and blood no more control
The sacred pleasures of my soul."

3. There will be the society of Angels and the redeemed. Angels have always been interested in the work of man's salvation, and with them the saints mingle in heaven. They will also hold intercourse with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and confessors of every age. In this life we feel the most hallowed enjoyment in social meetings with Christians, but what are these compared with heaven?

4. There will also be the presence and friendship of Jesus Christ. He it is who sits upon the throne. His presence constitutes Paradise, Psalm 16: 11. To meditate on Christ now is sweet, and often leads the believer to say, "Whom have I in heaven but Thee, &c., 1 Peter 1: 8. On earth, Christians are often heard to say, "Master it is good for us to be here." How much more will this be the case in heaven! When men behold the "King of kings, and Lord of Lords"—see Him who is the Alpha and Omega, the Conqueror from Beulah, the Immanuel, the God-man, no wonder that they fall down and adore Him, saying, "Unto Him that loved us, &c.,"

5. Dignified employment. There are no idlers in heaven. All are not only employed, but they are unceasingly employed. They worship God day and night. There will be no need to deliver exhortations to diligence. The saints will there labor with alacrity, enjoy the presence of God, bask in His sunbeams, and behold Him with rapture. They will feel like children in their father's house, sitting around their father's table, exulting in glory, honor, immortality, and eternal life.

II. THE PECULIARITIES OF THE HAPPINESS OF HEAVEN.
1. It will be perfect in its nature.
2. It will be various in its degrees.
3. It will be progressive and external.

ALICE STREET CHURCH.

The pulpit of the Alice Street Primitive Methodist Church was occupied on Sabbath evening by the Rev. Edward MORROW, M.A., who selected for his subject, Job 21: 15, "What is the Almighty that we should serve Him, and what profit should we have, if we pray unto Him." The circumstances connected with the utterance of these words were briefly referred to, in which it was shown that the patriarch was then but expressing the sentiments of the prosperous wicked man. And yet the questions were of vital importance to all. The existence of an Almighty Being was shown to be, necessarily, both from Reason and Nature; and some severe thrusts were aimed at the Atheism of the age.

Then followed a general outline of the character of the Almighty, as gleaned from the Sacred Scriptures, from which, alone, it was shown that we can obtain correct information on this point. The speaker next considered the nature of the service which the Lord requires, embodying as it does, knowledge, conviction, repentance, faith, and obedience, or works. Then the grounds upon which are founded the claims of God to man's obedience; and lastly the personal profitableness, or rewards resulting from an obedience to those claims, were earnestly discussed, and the subject of practical piety enforced upon the attention of the audience. The services were characterized by marked attention.

Correspondence.

"JUNIOR" CORRECTED.

To the Editor of the Recorder.

DEAR SIR, I see, in this morning's issue, a man who is saturated of his name attempting a criticism on the *Goderich District*. "Junior" did not put on his spectacles when he read my review. If he had, he would have seen that I did not pretend to give the returns of this year (1869), but of the ten years preceding. My "important facts," as he calls them, were mailed some days before the District Meeting assembled, and were based upon our printed Minutes. I did ask in the District Meeting for the complete returns of this year, that I might add a postscript, giving honour to those Circuits that are in advance on members and funds. Why don't "Junior" carry out his motto, and give "honor to whom honor is due," by naming those Circuits that have given the District increase, and thus saved its credit? It is evident that "Junior" is anxious to have his District credited with the idea of progress, while his own field of labor gives no evidence of such advancement. Won't "Junior" give us his name, and try again?

Conference Room, W. H. POOLE,
June 10th, 1869.

LITERARY NOTICES.

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