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ALMOST DISCOURAGED.

BY AMELIA E. DALEY.

"I'm almost discouraged with teaching! I think I must give it up! The blessings I've long been seeking Fall into another's cup! The teachers that work around me

Speak oft of the souls they win: The gates of the kingdom stand open. The children are entering in; And yet I have never given A soul to the Master's hand. Though, often, with earnest crying,

I've prayed for my little band. I'm tired;" is the cry of the teacher, "I'm tired and full of pain: My praying is all unheeded-My labour is all in vain "

"Dear mother," a child is saving. Come nearer, and take my hand: I'm going before the morning, To dwell in the heavenly land. I'm going, but 'tis not lonely, For Jesus is very near;

His voice to my soul is speaking; He keeps me from every fear. O mother! in his dear kingdom There never is pain nor care, And sometime you'll come to meet me And dwell in the glory there. Oh, say to my gentle teacher That there we shall surely meet; For she was the first that led me

To rest at my Saviour's feet.' You're tired and almost discouraged ? Yet, teacher, with patience wait, And deem not the seed you're sowing Is lost, though it blossom late. Beside you the Master standeth. He heedeth the words you speak.

He waiteth with store of blessing To give when your heart is weak; He heareth your earnest praying; When hope in your heart is dim. He calleth the little children. And draweth their hearts to him Not here may you see your harvest, But into the kingdom fair It all shall be safely gathered. To wait for your entrance there.

CHRIST AT THE DOOR.

-National Sunday School Teacher.

The efforts which the Saviour makes to secure the personal attention of men to the important matters connected with salvation, strike the selfish heart with astonishment. What has he to gain by our acquiescence to divine commands? What has he to lose by our failure to obey? Thus selfishness, in its surprise, might inquire, and what answer could be given which should satisfy a soul that never looks beyond the narrow limits of its own being? The love of Jesus Christ for lost men is indeed a matter of wonder. Not content with making full provision for their salvation, he makes constant efforts to induce them to comply with the terms Not for his own advantage does he seek men Many knock at our doors daily for the promotion of their own interests. They have merchandise to sell or alms to ask : if we grant their request, they will be the gainers, and we may lose. But Jesus comes to men especially to do servants to God, and proffers his grace to help them. When in the flesh it was said of him that " he went about doing good." For this he endured suffering, privation, pain, and for this he now intercedes on high. It is love -divine

disinterested, incomprehensible love — that ask no more of Him, if He, from this night, prompts him to these continuous efforts for our will ask ao more from you?" the less to seek after the greater. We find men awoke, his whole soul stirred within him." seeking for office, honors, and wealth at the doors of those who have these at their disposal. ing?" he exclaimed. "Take all, take everyknown his wishes and earnestly pressing his done for me?" suit. But here the Sovereign applies to the subject, and beseeches him to accept what is freely offered and what he greatly needs. We ought to be seeking at his door instead of waiting for him to seek at ours. We should feel honoured if one occupying a high positiou-

admission Do we appreciate the honor? caprices. If refused admission once, he does had adhered to the Pope, and had harmonized save men in spite of themselves. They are solute master is the best means of attaining proclaims him ruler over all. unconcerned and cold, though the matter at liberty. We are informed that the prime mov-

do not, They never think of Christ, in their me to the door, I said, "I am a Protestant,

Thus many have had occasion to bless God for The Count Frederick de Stolberg, at the be- Christ is perilous, because of the goal of Sa- tion with it would greatly promote the interests of the Rev. James Tidyman. Mr. Tidyman in a very telling plea that special consideration

"SO MANY CALLS FOR MONEY"

"This is your subscription to the Tract So not feel called upon to add something to it?" Mr. A ---- was very uneasy about this appeal. but there was something in the still, mild man-

of its well-known claims, and again requested tures is the only source of our faith.—D' Au- and the Holy Spirit shall unshackle you, and him by Conference were prefaced. Scarcely sustained a close and at length successful conhim to add something to his donation. Mr. bigne on the Council.

A---- become impatient. "Have I not said," he replied, "that I can do nothing more for any charity than I did last year? There seems to be no end to the calls these days. At first there were only three or and call upon us for money; and all, after we All sins shall be forgiven unt, the sons of have given once, want us to double and treble men and blasphemies, wherewith soever they and quadruple our subscriptions. There is no shall blaspheme; but he that shall blaspheme end to the thing. We may as well stop in one against the Holy Ghost, hath never forgiveness place as another."

that thrilled his soul:

agony-upon whom did you call that night?"

face and made no reply. you prayed? Who saved you then?"

that time you felt yourself so lost, so helpless,

O ves. it was He."

And has He ever complained of being called upon too often?" inquired the stranger in a voice of reproachful sweetness. "Say," added he, "are you willing to begin to-night and

"O never, never," said the merchant, throw

THE BIBLE IN ROME.

The celebrated French ecclesiastic, the Abb heard in public either from the Bible or through their divine writings give light, salvation, and Spirit of grace. the preaching of the truth. In that word is peace to the soul." "We have these besides," Jesus, its soul, its life giving it power and ma- be said. "Yes, in Latin, in the booksellers' there is no danger of my committing it. There ing the wants of their friends.

THE UNPARDONABLE SIN.

BY REV. J. D. FULTON.

The unpardonable sin is not understood b four objects presented, the sums required the mass of Christians. Christ said, as recordmoderate; now, the objects increase every day, ed in Mark iii. 28-31, "Verily I say unto you, but is in danger of eternal damnation: be-The stranger took back the paper, rose, and, cause he said, He hath an unclean spirit." The fixing his eye on his companion, said, in a voice shadow projected by this utterance of the Son of God, darkens the sky of a sin-stricken hu "One year ago to-night, you thought your manity. The interpretations given to this dedaughter lay dying-you could not rest for claration found in Matthew, Mark, and Luke have been varied, if not conflicting. A dis The merchant started and looked up, there tinguished evangelist has a sermon, entitled. seemed a change to have passed over the whole "The Unpardonable Sin." It is a valuable form of his visitor, whose eye was fixed on him production. He claims that through its inwith a calm, intense, penetrating expression, strumentality five thousand souls have been led contains many declarations calculated to pro-"Five years ago," said the stranger, "when duce the desired result. But it has a title that you lay at the brink of the grave, and thought does not belong to it. Had he chosen the text, except the metropolis, in which the presence of that if you had died then, you would leave a "Grieve not the Spirit," or "Quench not the the Wesleyan Conference does not produce family unprovided for, do you remember how Spirit," or "Resist not the Spirit," and spoken upon the community at large a distinct impres-The stranger drew yet nearer, and said, in a quite as effective and more truthful. He chester. No wonder, therefore, that the gathclear tone, "Do you remember fifteen years ago, claims that "the sin against the Holy Ghost is ering for the first time in the Potteries of the so hopeless, when you thought you would give the Holy Spirit, until you are a sinner let alone has occasioned no small excitement. One eviwere forgiven you? Who listened to you left, conscience no longer exercises its func | the people of Burslem crowd to witness the dis-"It was my God and Saviour," said the mer- the truth." That this result is reached by day's session. The sight is one we shall not ourthem good; he urges them to yield themselves chant with a sudden burst of remorseful feeling; quenching the Spirit, and grieving the Spirit, selves soon forget. Many preachers linger at the ing himself at His feet; but as he spoke the my against the Holy Spirit with sin against the castle-under-Lyme and for Leek. The two for worthy of notice. The usual method is for words, the figure seemed to vanish, and he Holy Spirit. The Scriptures speak of various the latter town, which is nine miles away, have "O God and Savior! what have I been do- ing, grieving, or resisting the Spirit, all of friends, from Birmingham for the occasion. The subject applies to the sovereign, making thing-what is all that I have to what Thou hast phemy against the Holy Spirit is the unparabout these perhaps the less said the better) the one to come (the Christian). Though the chapel are crowded. emperor, king, president, general—should Gerbet, was then at the court of Gregory XVI., law should be abrogated which puts every The fact that the Conference homes are so comes in infinite condescension, and asks for had at first followed the liberal party, at the head of which was M. de Montalembert; then, Ghost to eternal perdition. The attributing to and upwards every day in travelling, and though ministers attending the Conference. Large property.

selfish enjoyments of his blessings. Judgments, fierce and terrible, will open the ears of
ments, fierce and terrible, will open the ears of
some who are deaf when only mercy knocks.

The door, I said, "I am a Protestant, rity of God is universal. From this root grows and vestries, are also well suited to Conference closes in the death of from the Contribution required from the contribution require

viour will bring benefits of the richest possible third chapter of St. John's Gospel, down to the bury, and their horrors, been put into a procharacter—peace and joy here, and heaven hereafter.—The Methodist.

sixteenth verse, God so loved the world that he phecy twenty years ago, there is not a man in the south who would not have cried out, "Is of two or three strange words, to an English Conference has shown that it so thinks. not this year conveniently add to any of his his latter days. Christ visited him, and gave vinced in spite of itself, and yet maddened by ber of the ministers were much impressed. him the hope that maketh not ashamed. With conviction, until man declares it is all of the The official sermon preached on Sunday sions had reference in part to Scotland. Meall boldness and freedom, then, we de- Devil, there is as natural a connection. Be- morning by the ex-President, and his charge thodism in Edinburgh and Glasgow needs the out any reply, but immediately presented in its clare to the Council and before all, that Christ ware then, sinner, how you give way to Satan. delivered to the young ministers ordained yes services of very able and energetic men, and place the subscription to the Bible Society, and is the only head of the Church, the sole source You are in the meshes of sin, in the prison- terday at Hanley, our readers will find describ- has done much to deserve the appointment of in a few clear and forcible words reminded him of our life and peace, and that the Holy Scrip- house of the soul. Cry unto Jesus for help ed in the speeches by which the thanks tendered such men. The representative of these circuits

this sin? We reply, all. Do we seek the inthe sinner. Such are left alone to believe a lie his charge. that they may be damned.

'There is a line by us unseen, That crosses every path; The hidden boundary between God's patience and his wrath; To pass that limit is to dic-To die as if by stealth: It does not quench the beaming eye, Nor pale the glow of health. He feels perchance that all is well. And every fear is calmed; He lives; be dies; be wakes in hell Not only doomed but damned

THE ENGLISH CONFERENCE. (From the Watchman.)

BURSLEM, Thursday. There is, we suppose, no town in England, of the peril of so doing, it would have been sion. This is felt even in Liverpool and Mantions, and the Holy Spirit no longer applies persion of the preachers at the close of each pardonable sin. Christ has shown that blas- for years, perhaps last met in distant parts of interest felt there in the missionary cause, and phemy against the Holy Ghost is impious the world. Some hurry off on foot to find hosspeaking against the Holy Ghost. It is attri- pitable entertainment in Burslem or Tunstall. buting those works to the devil which can only Private carriages are waiting to convey others year. Hence we were not surprised to notice be wrought by the Spirit of God. That, and to pleasant villas at Port-hill or elsewhere. The that among the ministers appointed to stay nothing else, is blasphemy against the Holy huge tramway omnibus to Hanley is quickly there were many returned missionaries, and that Spirit. It is unscriptural to identify blasphe- crowded; so too, are the omnibuses for Newsins against the Holy Spirit, such as quench- been brought, through the kind enterprise of evening, when the Rev. Gervase Smith, M.A. which are within the reach of pardon. Blas- Such conveyances as Burslem can supply (and represented the Conference. Missionaries from donable sin. Blasphemy against God was pun- are in requisition to convey other ministers to parts of the mission field addressed a crowded ishable with death, as shown in verse 24, the railway station for Longton, Stoke, Crewe Clark, in his Commentary, believes that the Congleton, Macclesfield, Bollington, Uttoxeter' passage in Matthew xii. 32, "Neither in this Stafford and other places. What with preachworld, nor in the world to come," means nei- ers, conveyances, and the crowd of lookers on, ther in this (the Jewish) dispensation, nor in the broad road and open market in front of the

This gentle Saviour actually bears with men's Rome having condemned these opinions, he Satan the power of the Holy Ghost, presumes it must be a relief to escape far away on the open air services were held in Burslem, Tunsupon the non-existence of the Holy Spirit. It outside of an omnibus from the black dust of tall, Leek, and Newcastle-under-Lyme. Thus upon the non-existence of the Holy Spirit. It outside of an omnibus from the black dust of this cindery region, and from the thick fumes the pevil omnipotent and omnipoten but he tries again and again, as if he desired to strange idea, that to submit one's-self to an abtremely sultry weather of the past week most forth much fruit! It implies a wilful rejection of the truth as it trying, yet it is a relief purchased at the expense issue is one of vital importance to themselves; er of the Syllabus,—document, in fact, ready is in Jesus. A man who commits this sin of hurry and fatigue. These, and other minor he is burning with anxious desire, as if it were long before its publication,—M. Gerbet, after- knows the truth, and knowing it rejects it. He inconveniences, find compensation in the hearty his interests, and not theirs, which are at stake. wards left Rome to occupy the see of Monthis interests, and not theirs, which are at stake.

With long suffering, he waits for men, bearing with their failures, their delays, their coldness with their failures, their delays, their coldness to the studying the pretanded defies God or treats His mercy with scorn and defies God or treats Hi with their failures, their delays, their coldness from a friend product as access to and and want of concern. In all this waiting and bet was at that time studying the pretended and want of concern. In all this waiting and bet was at that time studying the pretended contempt. The horror of the sin is as indescribable as is the nadness and folly of the sin-only do Wesleyans vie with one another in gen-only do Wesleyans vie with one a suing for admission, there is an acknowledgment monuments of St. Tever, and St. T force his way into the heart. He asks, he told him I knew of other remains of the apostles the concentration of malignity. Before the cluding clergymen of the Established Church. seeks, he pleads, expostulates, he presents much finer, much more edifying, and above all, soul commits the deed, the fierce antagonisms Nor does the kindness of their hosts confine itmotives, he gives warnings, but he will not more authentic than those of which he spoke. of the human heart must be combined or melt- self to making provision for the preachers at motives, he gives warnings, but he will not a continue of the numan heart must be freely force. The heart that is his must be freely offered, or it will never be taken. The means offered, or it will never be taken. The means offered that I was about to present him with forth with open eye and scoffing lip, and heart ence are continued from half-past nine in the request that they would publish them. If they which Christ at the door uses for obtaining an some archæological treasure. "Their letters," boiling with rage, into the face of the Eternal morning to half-past three in the afternoon, and entrance are numerous and varied. The word I replied; "the Epistles of Paul, of Peter, the God. It is daring the consequences. It is as after this so many have to undertake a long can be induced to do so, and it the two charges God. It is daring the consequences. It is entrance are numerous and varied. The word of God is sometimes applied to the sinner's con
Gospels of Matthew and John. While the old trampling upon the covenant and counting it journey, luncheon is almost essential. This is Simpson and Dr. Foster, the whole will form a of God is sometimes applied to the sinner's conscience. That word may be read in secret, or
walls they inhabited can barely satisfy curiosity,
an unholy thing. It is doing despite to the
provided in the large school-room behind the
memorial of this Conference which many will chapel, where a number of ladies and gentlemen highly value.

Do sinners reply, if this is the sin, then attend daily, and are most assiduous in supplyking its influence felt. In like manner, the shops; but are they in the hands of the Chriscan be no greater mistake. It is the sin of Nor must we omit to mention the improvets influence felt. In like manner, the shops; but are they in the hands of the Chrisch Spirit convicts men of sin. Sometimes tian people?" Our conversation lasted a good sins which Satan prompts you to commit. This subject. The Conference desires that the century of the Spirit convicts men of sin. Sometimes to the conversation lasted a good sins which Satan prompts you to commit. This subject. The Conference desires that the century of the conversation lasted a good sins which Satan prompts you to commit. This subject. the convictions of the Spirit are faint, like a while; you can easily imagine its tenor; and I deed done, and you are lost to God, and fore-sought to make their chapel worthy of the dissus should be taken much in the same way as gentle tapping at the door; at other times they need not add, that our interview was quite vermore a sure inhabitant of the realm in which tinction it enjoys of being the "Conference that of 1851. seize hold of the man with most violent agitacourteous. On rising to take my leave, "Sir," he shall find a prison. There is no sin to which Chapel." £3,000, we understand have been exseize hold of the man with most violent agitation, as though some giant fist were smiting at the gate. In either case, the design is unmistakably the same—Christ would enter.

In the daily gifts of Providence, men ought to recognize the efforts of Christ to gain possessi- recollections of Geneva. The Abbe soon re- tural expression of that hate. The impious lencies is easy to speak and hear in. The large on of their affections; yet there are many who covered himself; and as he kindly accompanied irreverence and taking away from the autho- chapel yard, and the commodious school-rooms rity of God is universal. From this root grows and vestries, are also well suited to Conference

losses and bereavements which have softened ginning of this century, was one of the most tan standing open in the sinner's path. It is of Methodism and of true piety in the district. who began his ministrial career by two years should be shown in the appointment of ministhe heart, showing the uncertainty of all things amiable and enlightened men in Germany. difficult to imagine the powers of evil lying laearthly, and directing the mind to Christ as Surrounded by rationalists, not comprehendtent within the human soul, given up to the doobject has been realised. Perhaps the public man, having travelled only twelve years. His thodism has so bright and beautiful a history, ing the all-sufficiency of God's Word, he sought minion and rule of the Prince of the power of services have scarcely been so crowded as often end was very peaceful. If the sinner would reflect but a moment, he another prop to lean upon, and became a Cathothe air. These two antagonistic forces are in when the Conference has been held in the midst

The suggestion that Mr. Gervase Smith emigrants to all parts of the world, should alwould see strong reasons for giving heed to lic, still retaining his former piety. About the world, should all should be appointed Secretary of the Metropo- ways have a sprinkling of ministers of Conthese attempts of the Saviour to enter his heart. 1826, he took ill, and on the approach of death, Sin has dominion over him. Evil influences very numerously attended, and in many in- litan Chapel Building Fund was adopted by the He would see that refusal is rebellion, because betook himself to the rites of the Roman control him. The Holy Spirit offers to deliver stances characterised by special spiritual uner Conference most eagerly. Mr. Smith's duties Christ as Sovereign has a right. This rebel- Church. But all was without effect. The all who will call upon Him. Opposition to tion. Undoubtedly the greatest attention this will be, not only to collect funds, to secure sitts lion unrepented of, must surely be punished. doctrine of purgatory threw him into a parox- Christ increases every day. Satan drives the year, as thirteen years ago, has been excited by for the chapels, and toguide in the erection. Injury is inflicted by delay, and this self-inflicted by delay, and this self-inflicted by delay. The heart is all edition to the sharp edge of a razor.

Our standard of the sermons and addresses of the deputation the time growing worse; every day of procras- and uttered the most doleful exclamations. In are familiar. Who ever thought that such a Bishop Simpson's services we have endeavored as that contemplated by the Committee, and inthe time growing worse; every day of procras-tination lessens the probabilities of salvation. a moment of respite, he said, "Read me the war as was waged in America was a possibil-laready to characterize. In the sermon Dr. augurated by the noble proposals of Sir Francis labour, the last alteration was

gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have ever-thy servant a dog that he should do this thing?" ear far from pleasing, was that of a man accuslasting life." That passage wrought upon the Antagonism begets opposition, and hostility tomed to clothe his own thoughts in the most many eager inquires about the stations. Nor inner life of the dying man, it revived the di- and invention in wickedness. Evil necessitates exact expression he can find. His exposition have these inquiries been confined to the minvine life nearly extinct; it discovered to him evil. Between the humanity that robbed a mo- of his text and of other passages was careful, isters. Good circuit stewards, some of them giety; have you anything to add to it? You a God full of mercy. "That is enough," cried ther of her child or sold a human being into critical and suggestive. He showed himself a coming from distant parts of the country, have know how much more it now desires to do, if Stolberg; "that word satisfies me. God has so bondage, and the malignity that starved and master of doctrinal theology. He is gifted with been seen congregating in the precincts of the Christians would ealy furnish means. Do you loved me as to give me his Son. I have not a tortured our brothers, there was a vital conneccimaginative and descriptive powers of a high chapel, and seeking interviews with the represingle fear; he loves me, and will love me for tion. Andersonville was but the flower grown order, and in speaking upon the glory of the sentatives or other influential ministers and the ever." Stolberg survived some days longer; on the stem which found its seed in slavery. Lord Jesus, and the invincible proofs which at telegraph clerks have been busy transmitting he spent them in the peace inspired by the Between the hatred of Christ, laughing at re- test his divinity, he rose to a high strain of messages to and fro. This morning the ner of the stranger that restrained him; but he words of Christ; he died a Christian, an evan- ligious experience, opposition to revivals, call- passionate eloquence. The Conference Chapel "Second Draft" was read. It contained seveanswered that though he regretted it exceeding- gelical Christian. The pope and his officials ing religion a delusion and the disposition was crowded at the delivery of the sermon, and ral alterations, but perhaps fewer than had been ly, his circumstances were such that he could could do nothing for this man in his misery of roused into hate, disturbed by argument, con-

> permit you, like Peter of old to escape from any minister in Methodism is more widely test to secure ministers they desired. bondage and to come into the liberty of Christ. known as an eloquent, faithful, and powerful Do we ask who are in danger of committing preacher of the Gospel than Dr. Jobson. On lay. 31,222 members have been received into both occasions he did justice to his high reputa dications of it? They are hatred to Christ, tion. Many will rejoice that he promised to ac- received on trial at the March quarterly visitaindifference to truth, and the tearlessness of cede to the request of Conference, and to print tion. Certainly this is a result for which we

Upon Mr. Hall, as the ex-President next to duty of conducting the ordination service at less than 3,000. 5,861 members of Society great deal of business has been done, and the Tunstall. The charge he delivered was singu- have died during the year, and 1,057 have been day has been a hard and trying one, but generto end, an old Methodist preacher talking wise- 885, and no fewer than 18,268 are reported as branches of departmental work in the Prepara-

give the young ministers to be ordained opportunity to speak of their conversion and of their call to the ministry. We were privileged to be among the congregation which filled the Burslem Chapel. The President presided, and the ministers who were called upon to speak did so with much simplicity and earnestness. Never did we hear testimonies more clear to the converting grace of God or to the direct operations committed by those who say No, No, No, to great annual assembly of Methodist preachers of his Spirit upon the mind. From report we believethe services of the same kind at Longthe world for an hour's assurance that your sins or given up by the Holy Spirit. When thus dence of this is seen in the eagerness with which interesting. At the former the Rev. W. Shaw, Dr. Scott, and M. C. Osborn represented the Conterence: at the latter the Rev. E. Nve. L. H. Wiseman, M.A., and H. W. Williams. there can be no doubt, but this is not the unchapel doors to greet friends perhaps not seen Leek has long been favourably known for the

sionary meetings on the Good Friday of each the service for the recognition of missionaries Luke H. Wiseman, M.A., and other ministers India, from the West Indies, and from other thodism. congregation, and the service was one of the most successful hitherto held.

Some curious brother has taken the trouble to

The session of Conference to-day has been brief. After the opening exercises a long and very interesting letter, addressed to the Conference by the much venerated Thomas Jacksion meeting in the larger societies, often great-

request that they would publish them. If they ous Census was presented, and it was unani-

Cases of discipline in the mission field having presented to Mr. M'AULAY.

It seldom occurs that the Conference closes ferred to the deduction of fifteen per cent. inquiry shall be made as to the advisability of

and from which are now going forth so many

nexional name and power. third reading of the Stations. A much larger of circuits and ministers. At length, after Compliance with the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God." One of his sons read him the converse that the lawful demand of the Sa- word of God."

The statistics were brought up by Mr. M'Aumay well be thankful, yet this addition of new members, after meeting what is termed the wear Dr. Jobson, nearest to the chair, devolved the and tear of the Connexion, leaves a surplus of larly practical and impressive. It was well des- lost through emigration. The net loss as re- erally the work has been of a routine character. cribed by Mr. Arthur as being, from beginning ported through removals in the country is 14,ly and affectionately to young Methodist prea- having "ceased to meet in class." Mr. M'Au- tory Committees forestalls much of the interest chers about Methodist work. The deep emo- lay, while acknowledging that our statistics are during the earnest prayer offered at the close other Church, yet complained of some inaccur-Among other services of which we have not not be placed upon the account of removals. at Longton, and at Newcastle-under-Lyme, to M'Aulay be instructed to gather from the statistics, and to lay before the Confe

> practical suggestions as they offer. After the opening devotions, and the record of yesterday's proceedings, Dr. Osborn read to Stuttgart, telling of the disastrous effects of the

many sympathising friends. The reply to the address of the Eastern British American Conference was read by Mr. Coley. It was somewhat longer that these presses his fear as to the result of the war on well as local interest, that our readers, when New York, announcing the postponement, in they obtain their copies of the Minutes of Conference, will be glad to have had their attention of Protestant divines it had been proposed to specially directed to it. The result of the bal- hold in that city during this autumn. Probably lot for the election of chairmen of districts was it will be deferred till next year. Pascho Hoskins, having been elected for the first time, acknowledged the honour done them be continued beyond the present year to the

The affairs of the Chapel Committee were its midst so invaluable a man. ntroduced by the Secretaries, but their interest had been largely anticipated by the proceedings of the Committee of Review. Some cases in count the appointments on the Conference plan which trustees had failed to fulfil the conditions for last Sunday, and finds that they number on which permission to build had been granted Jobson happily characterised the address as cavery nearly 250. Ten circuits were favored with were considered; thanks were voted for sevethese appointments, and the pulpits of very ral noble gifts of changls, schools, and houses many of the various Nonconformist chapels and a Committee was appointed to consider the throughout the district were also occupied by question of the Connexional insurance of chape! Rigg spoke of the freshness with which it seem-

efficient, and after some conversation the sub meeting, that "pearl of Methodist discipline;

terday by Mr. G. S. Rowe, was agreed to after conversation introduced by Mr. H. W. osed to be made by that Conference.

Mr. M'AULAY then brought forward his mos nteresting report of his late official visit to the Zetland Isles District. He stated that in those islands, which contain a population of 30,000 people, one-third of the population attend Methodist preaching. During the three weeks he had spent amongst them he had not seen a drunken man, nor had he heard an oath. The report described the hardships and dangers to which the people are exposed, their extreme poverty, and the unfavourable conditions of labour among them. It entered also into de On the motion of Mr. LOUTIT, so long the faithful friend of Zetland, seconded by Mr HOLLAND, the thanks of the Conference were other, it was urged as the wiser course that Me-

tion of the Secretary, the Stations were con-The remainder of the morning's session was devoted to the affairs of the Book-room, and the same subject was resumed in an evening session. The Conference heard with pleasure, from

The Conference next addressed itself to the

Mr. Woolmer and Dr. Jobson, of the increase of many thousands which has taken place in the yearly sale of Hymn-books, and of progress in other respects. It also welcomed the proposal for new periodicals, one to take the place of the Sixpenny Magazine," the other to be a penny llustrated magazine, capable of adaptation to the localities in which it may be circulated. It was announced that new arrangements were accepted by which authors shall have further facilities for publishing their own books through the Conference-office. During a lengthened conversation which followed, it appeared that an

arrangement will probably be made for the issue of "The Methodist Family" in connection with the Book-room, also that a Wesleyan Register, or companion to the Minutes, is likely to be published. The subject was closed by the precentation of thanks to the Book Steward and

It is difficult, sitting down at the close of today's session, to recall the various subjects which have been before the Conference. A The serious attention given to the various

connected with their consideration during Con. tion with which it was heard was intensified more elaborate and reliable than those of any ference. To accept as read reports presented to the Committees of Review, to pass the resoacies, and especially urged that reliance could lutions discussed before such Committees, to name various deputations, to thank officers who yet had opportunity to speak were those held It was resolved to take means to secure greater have served in different departments during the on Monday evening in the Conference Chapel, accuracy, and a suggestion was made that Mr. year, and to reappoint them, or to appoint their successors-such chiefly has been the business

> A few points, however, we may note. While the newspapers every day are running over with war news, and while in many circles the war is the only topic of conversation, it cannot the Conference a letter he had received from but be that reference should be made to it in war upon our mission in Germany. Already of peace in our land, and the restoration of have several of the agents of the society been peace on the Continent, the frequent subject of removed from their work, and yet more severe player, but one day a proposal is made to emlosses and difficulties are apprehended. This power the President of the Conference to take lately very successful but now afflicted misssion steps to secure that a Wesleyan minister shall will, we feel sure, be aided by the prayers of accompany any English troops that may possibly be sent to Belgium; another day a message is read containing sad tidings from the mission at Stuggart, or the French representative exmmunications usually are, but was so full of the societies of France. This morning the Presententious wisdom upon subjects of general as sident read a telegram addressed to him from consequence of the war, of the great gathering

> A request presented on behalf of the Irish Conference, that Mr. Arthur's services might by expressing their continued devotion to Me- Belfast College was affectionately declined. The Conference cannot any longer spare from

> A welcome relief from the tedium of the session was afforded by the reading of the Pastoral Address by Mr. Jenkins, to whom the Ex-President had entrusted its preparation. Dr. tholic in tone, yet thoroughly Methodistic. couched in concise, clear, ringing terms; in a word, all the Conference could desire : and Dr. ed to come from the Conference itself, as a In connection with the affairs of the Theolo- great feature of excellence. Almost every subgical Institution, which next occupied the at- ject usually referred to in such an address was tention of the Conference, a conversation arose touched upon, and always with originality and as to what is known as the "July examination" Power. Purity of doctrine; co-operation of of candidates for the ministry. Suggestions ministers and laymen; the duty of seeking the were made to render this examination more conversion of the young; the value of the classect was remitted to a Committee to meet during the hearty efforts Methodists should make to drive ignorance out of the land, as one means of spreading Christian holiness over it; the question of Sabbath observance; the need of effort to resist the crying intemperance of the land; WILLIAMS, on the constitutional changes pro- the visit of the American deputation, reminding us that we are but one member of the great Methodist body; the state of the work of God at home and on the mission-field; the need of more voluntary home missionary effort; and the aspects of the war towards the kingdom of Christ -all these were alleded to, or dwe:t on in impressive terms. We trust the hope expressed that the address may be very widely circulated and read, and may prove a great blessing throughout the Connexion, will be realised.

> During the consideration of educational affairs the Conference was gradually d awn into a lengthened discussion as to the course Methodists should take in the practical working of the Education Bill. On the one hand, it was contended that efforts should be made to multiply Methodist denominational schools; on the thodists should seek to promote the formation of school-board schools. It was seen however, that the two proposals do not necessarily clash, The first hour after the assembling of Con- and ultimately a resolution, moved by Mr. Arference this morning was occupied with the thur, and approved by Dr. Rigg, was almost affairs of the Children's Fund. The only point unanimously agreed to-directing that at the of interest in connection with this subject re- forthcoming September district meetings special