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objects of his Mission. OUR BOARD ADMITTED OUR INABILITY TO SUPPLY THE RELIGIOUS WANTS OF THE COUNTRY, but stated at length to Mr. Alder, and in writing to the Committee in London, the evils likely to arise from the existence of two bodies of Methodists in this Province—its infringement of the hitherto universally-acknowledged principle, that the Wesleyan Methodists were one body throughout the world—and the desirableness of uniting the means and energies of the two Connexions to promote the religious improvement of the ABORIGINAL TRIBES AND NEW SETTLEMENTS of the Country."

CAUSES OF THE DISSOLUTION OF THE UNION.

It is asserted by the Messrs. Ryerson, in their "Report," that having laid, as far as circumstances would permit, the several subjects committed to them before the British Wesleyan Conference, the result was that that Conference "refused to abide any longer by the Articles of Union into which it entered in 1833, with the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada." The obvious design of this remark is to throw the entire *onus* of the dissolution of the Union on the English Conference, as the aggressive and offending party. Whether this imputation is deserved or calumnious, will be best seen by a comprehensive exposition of the proceedings of that venerable body, on the various matters of complaint brought under its consideration. As the basis of the observations which, in reply to such a charge, we feel ourselves called upon to make, in vindication of the rectitude of the whole conduct of our Fathers and Brethren in connection with this affair, we present the reader with the outline of the proceedings of the Conference in reference to it, inserted in its printed Minutes:

"The Conference last year appointed a special Committee to decide finally in all matters relating to the Union existing between the British Conference and the Upper Canada Conference, and to our Indian Missions in Upper Canada. A large Committee was