of the churches are on our German Mission which tation on Mrs. Sutherland's part that it would be that death may come at any unexpected moment, and

This year the District reports a slight decrease in the number of members, notwithstanding that Consequently this appeal is made to endeavour to of the Poet seem to be there have been some cheering revivals. This is owing, in part, to numerous removals, chiefly to the United States, and partly to other causes which are not likely to occur again to the same District meeting, on May 20th, 1869:—

All the connexional funds are in advance. * Sun-

On the whole our prospects are encouraging.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Recorder.

DEAR BROTHE, -- "Honor to whom honor is due," as a safe principle of Christian conduct, should surely obtain in the communications relative to the state of know what I have passed through, since I wrote you our work on the several Districts. Some important last, you will not think it so strange. I left Placer-facts have been laid before your readers touching the ville about the last of September, and came to San history and present position of Goderich District. Francisco with the intention of learning the millin- Thomas Cleghorn, Chairman of the Whitby It is, sir, matter of surprise to some that your able correspondent should have omitted to state a fact of I had such a good home there? I would not have which he was well aware, viz., that the increase in done it if I could supported myself and family there. of St. Paul's second Epistle to the Thessalonians. membership this year is much above the average in- Placerville has been one of the mining towns in the -After an appropriate introduction, the crease on the whole work, being between 300 and 400. State, but the mines have failed, and, consequently, the town has completely run down. There is no of Christian hope. There is also a handsome financial improvement. the town has completely run down. There is also a handsome financial improvement. Exercise, then, a little parental tenderness towards some of our more needy fields. Suffer not the stepmother's breath to chill our youthful limbs; and soon the youth will become a man eager to run the race his fathers ran in the glorious field of Missionary and Christian toil and triumph.

Instrument the methodist Society there has decreased more than one half by removals. You have no idea of the utter desolation of a run-down mining town in California. Property is of no value. I could not give my house away now, no person would take it and pay the taxes on it. It seems so sad, it is such Yours, &c.,

A JUNIOR.

THE VICTORIA MISSION.

The following is extracted from a letter received by the Rev. John Carroll from the Rev. P. Campbell, dated "Victoria Mission, March 29, 1869," and will no doubt be found interesting to our readers :-

DEAR BRO. CARROLL,—An unexpected and hasty opportunity of writing to you has been presented. I have not time to say much; but thinking you would city. I hired a place and went to some considerable attend to that and have my babe under my care. This may seem, to you, a strange business for me, but a great many ladies are engaged in it in this city. I hired a place and went to some considerable like to hear from us, and to know something about expense to have it fitted up, but the business did not the work we are doing. I just drop you these few large and I found I had not a good location for it, and, after losing over two hundred dollars, was obliged to

the enjoyment of the best of health. My health is at the same time baby was, and coughed very hard, better than it has been for years. Mrs. Campbell and in January, Maggie was taken with lung fever, better than it has been for years. Mrs. Campbell flever had better health, and the children are robust and growing fast. We find this country to be all and more than we expected. The past winter was mildest I have ever seen: the snow at any time was not more than four inches deep. Cattle would do well on the Plains at any time during winter. For the weeks I have been engaged getting out timber for a house. The way I had to do it would make some of the Canadian brethren, stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the find the confidence of the Canadian brethren, stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the Canadian brethren, stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the Canadian brethren, stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the Canadian brethren stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the Canadian brethren stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the canadian brethren stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the canadian brethren stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the case of the canadian brethren and in January, Maggie was taken with lung fever, and, for a time, we thought she could not live. In meantime my baby was so sick with the cough and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants stores, where everythings to the meantime my baby was so sick with the cough and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants stores, where everythings to the meantime my baby was so sick with the cough and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants stores, where everythings to the meantime my baby was so sick with the cough and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants and lay, will have many attractions to the merchants and lay, will have many attractions to the methan feething the cough and la make some of the Canadian brethren stare. I left live. But about the middle of January he began to the sitting of Conference. home in the morning early, walked five miles, chopped hard until sunset, then turned homewards, arrived scribe what I suffered during all those long and there about half-past seven, got supper, and then dreary days and nights, in this strange city, where conducted public worship, at which nearly all the officers and men in the fort attended; got to bed about ten o'clock, arose to broakfast by candle-light, and off again to the woods, and so on every day until the timber was squared, hauled to the river, and then there were but few who knew, and fewer who cared, anything about me. I could not get time to write to any of my old friends, and none of them wrote to me, though you and Mrs.—fwere excusable, because I had not answered your letters. I could not the hearts of those dear creatures, the ministers wives, by embellishing the to the place on which I intend to build. Now we are own work, tended my shop, and took care of my sick parsonage parlour with a good picture.

Children, without any assistance, excepting that two Books! Books! Salaries paid, or sala-

I preach twice on Sundays, and have a Bible-class minister's wife, Mrs. Briggs, being one of them. every Sunday afternoon. I arrived at this place last evening, intending to accompany Bro. McDougall to learn the millinery, so I gave my poor sick below. evening, intending to accompany Bro. McDougall to White Fish Lake Mission, to attend their Quarterly Meeting. We were two days in coming down from Edmonton. We camped one night on the way. The manner in which we camp is this: We build our fire, boil our kettle, eat our supper, spread our blankets, lie down and wrap ourselves in them with our suppers and home! But it was all I could do for them. You are fire, boil our kettle, eat our supper, spread our blankets, lie down and wrap ourselves in them with our it, those children of whom their father was so proud and hoped to do so much for, inmates of a charitable home! But it was all I could do for them. You are feet towards the fire, and then seek "tired nature's a wife and a mother, you can imagine my feelings sweet restorer-balmy sleep." Once during winter, better than I can describe them; I will not attempt when thus camping in the woods, I awoke and found to do it, for I cannot. But my misfortunes did not about an inch of snow on my face, and snow still end here. The person who had charge of my babe was taken sick in about a month after she took him.

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done all that it could, but it is a new Conference and done all that it could, but it is a new Conference and live to complete his voluminous work. least 10,000 Indians, and most of them still in their pagan state; buffalo are getting scarce, and starvadian friends, and when I meet with disappointments tion will soon stare them in the face—in fact many have actually starved to death during the past winter. They look with a jealous eye upon the movements of the pale-faces, and many of them attribute their that I should have to go through all that I have, and endure and do all that I have since I have present hard times to the presence of the white man; been here, I should have asked them, if they thought and if an ever kind Providence does not over rule I had the strength and courage of a giant. And my coming events, dark and bloody times will be witnessed in the fertile and beautiful valley of the SasBut with what divine wisdom and love is it hidden katchewan. I am not an alarmist, neither do I think from us. Tell my friends not to forget me; for if myself a coward, yet my convictions, and the opin- God spares me, and I can do it, I am coming back ions of the best informed go to sustain these convic- sometime to claim their love. I only stay here betions—are, that lest the Dominion Government make tions—are, that lest the Dominion Government make But if I can't do better than I have done, I want to a treaty with them, securing to the natives their go back for I am home-sick, and yet I cannot bear lands, vengeance will be meditated and executed.

> Yours sincerely, P. CAMBELL.

From the Christian Guardiau. Afflictive Circumstances of a Minister's Widow.

family have no claims payable by our Conference.

The charge on which he had toiled presented a house to his widow, and in other ways generously assisted her. Mrs. Sutherland commenced school

Will our saviour college, and death cease to tale?

But, I believe, I realize the truth of Solomon's saving, "Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better."

For as the the things of carth lose their value, in teaching in Placerville, but ill health compelled her my estimation, heaven seems more desirable. burg Mission without, it is evident, the least expec- see a happy home and family but the thought comes, commentaries upon Holy Scripture.

obtain means to relieve her in her time of need, and furnish funds sufficient to bring her back to this,

her native land.

"Resolved that this District Meeting, having lisday schools are receiving more attention and the late Rev. D. Sutherland, now in California, and of an entrance into that better world, where better methods of conducting them are finding in destitute circumstances, requests the Revs. Wm. I know he is now enjoying the society of angels and Scales and S. Jackson, to receive our contributions, erty of the owner of the letter, to publish it in connection with this Resolution, in the Christian Guardian, as far as the end of the paragraph commencing,

> MRS. SUTHERLAND'S LETTER. San Francisco, March 15th, 1869.

DEAR SISTER SMITH. I am sure you will think it very strange that you do not hear from me, but when you a beautiful town. The people nave been very wealthy and have built fine residences, but most of them are without occupants now. The owners just go away

and leave them standing. When I left Placerville I left my girls there, but brought my babe with me, expecting to have him cough, and I was obliged to give up learning my business and take care of him. Then friends advised me to go into the confectionary business, as I could attend to that and have my babe under my care.

ines.

I would say, in the first place, that we are all in give it up. After I got settled I had my girls sent to me. They were taken with the hooping.cough, setting to work to put the house up, and trying to get it finished as soon as possible.

Children, without any assistance, excepting that two or three of my neighbours, who knew my circumstances, assisted me in taking care of the children. The books. How can be keep up with the times

about an inch of snow on my face, and snow still falling. I wrapped a cloth over my face, and again sunk into the arms of sleep. Such is the hardhood of many in this country, that they do not mind anything of that kind. Canadians would think it a tough piece of business.

This is destined to be a graph and snow still was taken sick in about a month after she took him. In the case of him, the is so delicate I do not know of any other person I dare trust him with. So here I am, among strangers, my family broken up with no prospect of ever getting them together, again, my means just gone, my habe. In the case of t tough piece of business.

This is destined to be a great country. We are all glad the Dominion have taken action in reference to it. We limit of friends for I have a large from the properties of the properties the thought of leaving my dear husband's grave. O,

if it was only in Canada, but God's will, not mine, be would scarcely realize that you had ever known me of the Canada Wesleyan Conference. not that I have changed so much in looks as thoughts and feelings, and that has changed my appearance. A lady aked me the other day if I ever laughed, she said, "I have seen you smile, but it was such a sad smile it made my heart ache." There is nothing in the world that affords me any satisfaction. I only Three years ago the Rev. Donald Sutherland, live for my poor, little, fatherless children. If it one of our promising and efficient ministers, finding were not for them, it would be so sweet to lie down his health failing, left this country for California, and die; and I believe I could doit, but the thought hoping that the change of climate would be con- that I must live for them keeps me up. It is a ducive to his recovery. He was received as a laborer dreadful thing when death comes and takes the befor about sixteen months, and then fell asleep in persons. He severs the dearest ties, and without re-Jesus, leaving his wife and three young children to-tally unprovided for. Before leaving Canada, Bro. Sutherland received a commutation allowance from the Superannuated Preacher's Fund, therefore his will our Saviour come, and death cease to rule?

to abandon it. Since then her circumstances have seem as it were, to see the end of all things here, I been truly deplorable. The accompanying letter cannot look at a thing of beauty, no matter what it

was commenced eight years ago, and after passing published. So distressing, however, is her condition, separate those loved ones, and make that home a through periods of depression and success, numbers that our last District meeting, held at Stanstead, not only subscribed forty-nine dollars to assist her, are one's feelings, of how little value everything here but considered that her case ought to be known, appears to be. At such times, how true the words

" Nothing is worth a thought beneath."

O, dear Sister S., how long the days seem to be The following is a Resolution passed at Stanstead | that I am separated from my dear husband. The troubles and hardships thai I have had to pass through have made my time very dreary, but my desire is so tened to the reading of a letter from the widow of to live, that in the end I may be counted worthy spirits of just men made perfect. Pray for me, that I and those of any other persons prompted to aid in may suffer all God's righteous will concerning me, in her distress, and send the same to her in the most that way that my light afflictions here may work out safe and expeditious manner. And that we ask lib- for me, a far more exceeding and eternal weight of

N. S. SUTHERL AND.

THE PULPITS.

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The evening service in Berkeley Street church on Sunday, May 40, was conducted by the Rev. District. The text chosen for the occasion, was a part of the 16th verse of the second chapter

of Christian hope. 1. Its object, "The glory of God."

2. Its motive. 3. The immoveability of its foundation.

4. Its effects.

5. The strength of its evidence. 6. The fullness of enjoyment with which it

In conclusion it was urged upon those who possess this "good hope," to attain their privilege: abounding in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost, and become entirely pure; and taken care of here. I had not been here more than upon such as have it not, the pressing necessity two weeks when he was taken with the hooping of seeking its possession, as that which alone can prepare for the approaching day of trial, when heart and flesh shall fail.

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