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THE REV. GEORGE R. SANDERSON, D.D.

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It cannot be said that we have been too eager or hasty in presenting some account to our readers of the highly respectable and presentable elderly clergyman whose name and portrait stand connected with this article—a minister who, during the forty-three years of his public life, has filled every position in the ministry, from that of Chairman's supply on a circuit, probationary preacher, and superintendent, up to Chairman of District, Editor of the *Guardian*, Secretary of Conference, Book-Steward, President's Co-delegate, President of an Annual Conference, and Senior Representative to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States.

Dr. Sanderson is, we believe, of English parents, as he is of English build, born in the town of Kingston, somewhere about 1817, religiously trained in the British Wesleyan congregation and Sunday-school, and converted in the same place under the ministry of Rev. Dr. Stinson, a gentleman whom he somewhat resembled in complexion, physical make, voice, and style of preaching. This event took place soon after the union of the British Missions with the Canada Conference, to which latter body Mr. Sanderson has steadfastly clung through all the changes that have since taken place.

His early opportunities for home education were good. To these he added the benefits of academic training about the time he began to labour as a local preacher. He was one of the first