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EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

CENTENARY CHURCH, HAMILTON, ONT., Sept. 15.

It is well that readers of the WESLEYAN are not wholly dependent upon the editor's pencil for information upon General Conference movements.

Hamilton, the seat of the Conference, is a busy city, on Burlington Bay, Lake Ontario. Its population is about the same as that of Halifax, but its growth has been far more rapid.

One looks upon the delegates now assembled in Centenary Church with much satisfaction. Our Western brethren are strong men, with a will of their own, and a disposition to enforce it—within proper limits.

Those who have been proclaiming the decadence of British Methodism, because it has no circuits for the scores of young men offering for the ministry, may have their fears allayed by the following note from President Garret to the Methodist.

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great satisfaction. On the topic of Methodist union, Dr. Stone, who is Editor of the Advocate, uttered some stirring words, which called forth much applause.

The public services have been well sustained. A meeting for the promotion of holiness, held in the first Methodist Church on Saturday evening, and conducted by Rev. L. N. Beaudry, was one of the best of the kind, and prepared those who attended it for Sabbath pleasure.

If General Wolsely ever uttered the words attributed to him that the war in Egypt would be terminated by the 15th of Sept., it only proves the remarkable foresight of that now renowned general.

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MISSIONARY SERMON. (Continued from 1st page.) description given in the text. There is also the impotency of superstition, to which could be applied without reservation the language that another has applied to religion.

embrace the population of the globe at times. There is a danger of forgetting the regions beyond the seas if this is not done; this is a danger of forgetting the duty which Christians owe from a missionary point of view.

God has tethered the Church to scholarship from the bare fact that He has given His word in a book which can only be unravelled by the scholar. He did not believe that every preacher should be a scholar, but still throughout all churches scholars would always have to exist.

The above are the omissions referred to. Pursuant to resolution the Conference assembled at 5 o'clock this afternoon to receive the Fraternal Delegates from other churches.

GENERAL CONFERENCE. From the full reports of General Conference proceedings, published in the "Toronto Globe," which have lately come to hand we give the most important omissions in our last report.

The President's address is given on the first page of this paper. SUPERANNUATION FUND. Rev. S. F. Huestis, Nova Scotia Conference, asked if it would not be better to have a Committee on Superannuation for the whole work.

Rev. James Gray, London Conference, moved that the report be recommended to the Nominating Committee with instructions to appoint two members from the eastern sections in order that they might consider the whole case of the superannuation fund.

Dr. Sutherland said the speakers were confounding the proposed committee with the committee to whom was committed the management of the fund. The Eastern Management Committee would have to report to the General Conference, and the Western Committee would do so in like manner.

Mr. John Macdonald, Toronto Conference, said there were a large number of the members who were not aware of the arrangement by which there were two committees for this work. At the time of the union it was claimed by the eastern section that their endowment was larger than that of the west, and there were many points of difference as to payment, etc.

Numerous memorials were presented from the various Annual Conferences, and were assigned to the various committees.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION. NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. John Macdonald gave notice of motion that in the next edition of the Hymn Book the hymns which have been altered in the present edition be restored so that they may be read as in the last edition.

By Mr. John Macdonald—That the Missionary Board of the Church be so enlarged as to bring within it an equal number of lay and clerical representatives.

By the Rev. John Hunter—That a Committee be appointed by this General Conference for the purpose of preparing for publication during the next quadrennial a hymn tune book adapted to and corresponding in the order and numbering with our connexional hymn book.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to resolution the Conference assembled at 5 o'clock this afternoon to receive the Fraternal Delegates from other churches.

Dr. Studley, on his introduction, said he was happy to meet with this General Conference as the representative of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, but deferred any formal address for the present.

Dr. Stone thought it almost unnecessary for him to be introduced to a body, with so many of whose members he was acquainted. He might be tempted to say more did he not anticipate another opportunity of addressing the Conference at a time not very distant, but would follow the example of his brother, Dr. Studley, and merely hand in his credentials.

The evening service was held in the Centenary Church for the purpose of receiving the addresses of the fraternal delegates. The devotional services were opened by the President of the Conference, announcing the 537th hymn.

After a hymn had been sung, the Rev. Dr. Stone was introduced as the delegate of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada. Dr. Stone, in speaking of Methodist union, said there was a question which had been hinted at by Dr. Studley upon which he felt very warmly, and which he had endeavored to prove; this was the question of Methodist union.

The meeting closed with the doxology.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION. Hamilton, Sept. 9th.

This morning's session of the proceedings of the General Conference opened with reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer. The President was in the chair, but there were very few members in the pews, connexional questions being of such absorbing interest, at present, that persons become engrossed with the private discussion of them and forget the time for opening formal proceedings.

The Nominating Committee submitted a further installment of their report.

Kingston Lay Delegate. The report of the Committee on Credentials was read, stating that after considering all the facts of the case, the Committee recommended that the Conference confirm the election of Dr. Lavell as lay delegate from the Kingston District.

Some discussion ensued, it being thought that the Conference should have the full facts of the case presented before voting on the report. The memorial of Mr. Anglin was accordingly read, claiming that Dr. Lavell was not legally appointed, but elected on a casting vote of the Chairman of the District.

Judge Dean clearly showed that the legal principal of estoppel applied here. The memorialist had admitted the election of Dr. Lavell, by allowing himself to be appointed alternate delegate, and had no right to memorialize the Conference at all.

Dr. Allison held that there had legally been an election of delegates for Kingston District. The Discipline line said: "Laymen shall elect." Dr. Ryckman said that Dr. Elliott had not given a casting vote. He had merely decided that Mr. Anglin as a voter had no vote.

Dr. Douglas moved that a committee be appointed for the consideration and formulation of a scheme of transfer. This would be in fact a most difficult problem to solve, and one that he should judge worthy of the wisest committee that the Conference could supply.

After a little discussion the motion was put and lost.

Dr. Young complained of an incorrect statement in the report of one of the Hamilton papers, representing him as having been sharply reproved by the chair. The President said that the reporter had attributed the occurrence to the wrong person. It was not Dr. Young that he had reproved. Conference then adjourned till Monday, at 10 a.m.

SUNDAY SERVICES. The services at Hamilton were of unusual interest. The sermons in the various churches were eloquent and instructive. At the Centenary Church, in the morning, Rev. Dr. Studley preached a very able sermon to the largest congregation of the day, from the text: "So they shall fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun."

were conducted by Rev. Dr. Rice, who based his remarks on Rev. xii. 11. He made an eloquent appeal on behalf of the missions of the Church. Rev. Dr. Jeffers preached in the evening, when the church was crowded to the doors, and the service was marked by deep interest.

FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY, Sept. 11.—The Conference opened this morning at 10 o'clock, the President, Dr. Rice in the chair. After the usual devotional exercises, which were led by Rev. A. Langford, the Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were adopted.

This motion has been the cause of a great deal of discussion, and the question was again brought up this morning by Mr. J. Macdonald, who said the procedure as regarded the motion was irregular.

Several memorials were at this stage presented to the Conference, among them one from the Newfoundland Conference in reference to the term of the pastorate and also in reference to printing the names of one dollar salaries.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Dr. Harper—That he would move for the prevention of all changes in the present order of worship by individual ministers until such changes were ordered by the General Conference.

By Rev. Mr. Matthews—That the Conference elect by ballot a man to manage the Sunday school periodicals, as editing, etc. That if any legislation is necessary that a committee be appointed to conduct such business, and that the General Conference shall elect the treasurer of each connexional fund.

By Rev. W. C. Brown—To give accused members of the Church the right to appeal to Annual District Meetings.

By Rev. Dr. Dewar—That the Conference recommend the adoption and publication of the revised Wesleyan Catechism.

By Rev. Mr. Adams—To alter and amend the discipline as regards the composition of quarterly official meetings.

By Rev. Dr. McMurray—Concerning ex-officio members of the General Conference.

By Rev. D. Savage—That all the Conferences be requested to join with the minister in an audible voice in the repetition of the Lord's Prayer.

By Rev. D. V. Lucas—That the marriage service be so altered as to remove from the question proposed to the woman the words "obey and serve," so that what is required of her shall be precisely the same as that which is required of the man.

Great laughter was created over this resolution, and the Conference did not seem to wish to have the words expunged.

FRATERNAL RESOLUTION.

Rev. Dr. Sanderson moved, seconded by Rev. Dr. Sutherland. That we welcome with great cordiality and affection the Rev. Dr. Studley, fraternal delegate from the General Conference of the M. E. Church in the United States to this body.

Dr. Sanderson was sure that they had all been delighted to receive the fraternal greetings of this great body on the other side of the lakes, especially since the greetings were conveyed by one whose heart and head alike fitted him to be the bearer of the greetings.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

OCTOBER 1.

THE ANOINTING AT BETHANY.

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