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Poetry.

THE TWO CHURCH-BUILDERS.

BY JOHN G. SAXE.

famous king would build a church, A temple vast and grand;
And that the praise might be his own,
He gave a strict command.
That none should add the smallest gift
To aid the work he planned.

And when the mighty dome was done, Within the noble frame Upon a tablet, broad and fare, In letters all aflame With burnished gold, the people read The royal builder's name.

Now when the king, elate with pride. That night had sought his bed, He dreamed he saw an angel come (A halo round his head) Erase the royal name, and write Another in its stead.

What could it be? Three times that night That wondrous vision came; Three times he saw that angel-hand Erase the royal name, And write a woman's in its stead In letters all aflame.

Whose could it be ? He gave command To all about his throne To seek the owner of the name That on the tablet shone; And so it was the courtiers found A widow poor and lone.

The king enraged at what he heard, Oried, "Bring the culprit here!"
And to the woman trembling sore He said, "'Tis very clear hat thou hast broken my command; Now let the truth appear!"

"Your Majesty," the widow said, "I can't deny the truth;

I love the Lord—my Lord and yours—
And so, in simple sooth,

I broke your Majesty's command
(I crave your royal ruth).

And since I had no money, Sire, Why, I could only pray That God would bless your Majesty; And when along the way To one a wisp of hay !"

"Ah! now I see," the king exclaimed. "Self-glory was my aim:
The woman gave for love of God,
And not for worldly fame. Tis my command the tablet bear The pious widow's name.

Miscellanu.

MEMORABLE CONFERENCES IN CANADA.

BY JOHN CARROLL.

THE DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE, 1832.

This Conference may be so called, because it was attended by the Rev. Robert Alder, an Agent of the British Conference, and negotiations took place between him and the Canada Conference, with a view to the union of the passions, profoundly interested in this distwo bodies. In 1820 a convention, or arrange- in a less serious aspect. The Rev. Alexander ment took place between the British Confer- Irvine, a Scotchman of some cducation and ence and the delegate of the American General eloquence, who, if he did not poseess poetic Conference, by which all the American preach- genious was certainly a clever rhymer, turned ers should be withdrawn from Lower Canada, amuse some of us younger ones for the time. and that Province left to the missionaries sent It will surprise some with modern ideas to out by the British Conference; and the British learn, that the plenipotentiary sent over to Missionaries should be withdrawn from Upper England to resume this business, was a Canada. This arrangement had been thoroughly carried out on both sides, excepting oughly carried out on both sides, excepting Ryerson. In view of the division that grew that a British missionary was left at Kingston, out of this Union, it is impossible to say, and that the Upper Canada Conference retain. whether the measures then taken were the ed the Societies along the Lower Canada side wisest things that could have been done in the of the Ottawa river. The presence of a garrithat any who claimed to be Methodists son of British soldiers was pleaded as an excuse would have made a Union with the body for the former; and geographical proximity to of which was the parent of the American other U. C. work for the latter.

come independent of the States, and the British Conference having been urged by influen- most of the evil, Some of this evil might have tial parties in Canada, "on public grounds," to been forestalled and prevented had there been take up positious in the Province, Mr. Alder perhaps a little more care and prudence on the had been sent out to explore the country, to But "to err is human." Central Methodism see what places were most eligible for that pur- assumed something of new type from the time pose, and a mission among the Indians had al- of the "Diplomatic Conference." ready been taken upon the St. Clair. Being in York, Mr. Alder was requested by the Missionary Board of the Canada Conference, which was to meet on the 8th of August of the year If we should address any earthly king as mentality that is considered, have the faithful turn to the right hand, or to the left." prevent rivalry.

made his appearance, accompanied by the Bri-doubt it.

old Episcopalians scrupled about this, he inquired, "Where is your Episcopos?" The remark was very just; for, as an independent Canadian Church, we never had been Episcopal except in name, and by mere provision. Besides all that, the discipline provided for "doing away" with Episcopacy, if it even had existed, de facto, "upon the joint recommendation of three-fourths of the annual Conference, or Conferences, then the majority of three-fourths of the General Conference could alter the restrictions in the Constitution of its being done ings-but I must not anticipate.)

younger and lesser men, Atwood, Allison, No one likes long meetings. We unanimously to the scheme of Uuion; but the Ryersons, the be allowed in heaven. Not long ago we heard Green, Healy, Ferguson, Heyland, G. Poole, addition of another which she unconsciously Norris, Davidson, Beatty, Griffis, and Patrick, parodied. "Bring us at lastwere for it from the first, as far as my memory serves. But a comparison of views, at length, produced so much harmony of opinion as led to the appointment of a Committee, consisting of the Messrs. Ryerson—the three brothers,— Case, Madden, Richardson, and Green. Their Report constituted the basis of the "Preliminaries," which afterwards formed, substantially, the Articles of Union as ratified at the Conference of 1833, and to be found in the first volume of the General Minutes, page 63.

While some had their feelings, not to say the whole into tolerable verse, which served to at the dedication of the Temple, and the ing all to join with him in fresh endeavors for claims to the astonished and joyful disciples on Methodist Churches, the occasion of dissatis-But the Upper Canada Church having be- faction and strife. A desire for orders on the

above indicated, at the village of Hollowell, we do the Deity it would-well, it would as church members done nothing worth mention? with a view to some arrangement that would tonish the king, to say the least. And yet it Perhaps the "stars" would object to being would not begin to be such a piece of curious divided so as to do justice to the separate in-The probability of his presence, and that down upon his knees, shut his eyes, and pro. may prefer to wear starry crowns of their questions of such high import were to be con- ceed to tell the Almighty a set of news items, own to, being conspicuous ornaments in sidered, not only ensured a full attendance of or for him to announce, in the same way, a travelling preachers, but a large gathering of moral or religious preposition, and then go on local preachers and of members of the Church to prove it. Yet this is what many people uninister's crown be studded so heavily. If this business had been completed, to change the scandal should be removed; such proceedings generally, from all parts of the country around, derstand by prayer. Go into any prayer meet"star" theory were S riptural we would do it Board meeting to a class-meeting, and to kindly may have been expedient when the practice

P. Hetherington. They contrasted strongly, of mercy who so forget their place as sinful pretty theory, set forth in that charming book, secration to the work of the Lord. as to their garb and appearance, with the great majority of the not over paid and motley dress- Scriptures their especial study, and are competated as similar precty sheet, secration to the work of the Lora.

The Sabbath-school is close at hand, and here the field is already "white to harvest." be adopted. At St. Alban's, Holborn, the here the field is already "white to harvest." ed Canadian preachers of that day. There were tent to instruct others in theology, adopt the us very little about the unseen world. God Here, above all other places, the first blow tells. pear to give satisfaction; why, then, should not both then middle-aged and middling-sized, but same irreverent practice, and repeat their bits has seen fit to veil its secrets from our curious It will be well understood in a few weeks this example be followed, so that the sacrament

has nearly lost its absurdity. You have all At the opening of the deliberations, Case, heard it, "Gather us at last 'where congrega- short work also, so I lay down my pen at once. phets pass over "dry shod." Once at the bid-Whitehead, Metcalf, Richardson, Wright, tions ne'er break up." It is a line of poetry, Mesmore, P. Smith, and, to come down to but that does not make it sensible or agreeable M. Smith, R. Jones, and others, were opposed vote them a bore. We don't believe they will Evans', and Maddens', if I remember right, a young sister quote this poetical line, with the

'Where congregations ne'er break up,

They had weighty matters of interest to present before the Lord, and they did it with a simple directness and unction. The reverent labor for, early results. It is an artful temp in whom I am well pleased." Surely, then, humility of their utterances is well worthy a tation of the devil that causes one to look upon

There is an idea often expressed in exhortation as well as prayer that is a puzzle to the persuading their friends to be reconciled to God. No personal effort is neglected that can be used as a means to bring the sinner to such a one as this. the glory of our salvation

contingent funds, alluringly; but I am bound to say, as the former were not all exacted, so also very little came of the latter. He said at once, that our Episcopacy would have to give place to an "annual Presidency." When some old Episcopalians scrupled about this, he inquired, "Where is your Episcopos?" The reduced that it is not meant for prayer and closed eyes, it is the audience that is addressed. No one ever prays in that way in his closet. When alone with God, we accept our position as sinners deserving punishment. We find that we occupy the time of the meetings. A Quaker meeting in a Methodist chapel is certainly not desirable. Yet it seems a pity to ignore the true meaning of prayer in order to lengthen the exercise. Solomon's prayer, on so momentum as sinners deserving punishment. We find that we occupy the time of the meetings. A Quaker meeting in a Methodist chapel is certainly not desirable. Yet it seems a pity to ignore the true meaning of prayer in order to lengthen the exercise. Solomon's prayer, on so momentum as sinners deserving punishment. There was no effort meeting in a Methodist chapel is certainly not desirable. Yet it seems a pity to ignore the true meaning of prayer in order to lengthen the exercise. Solomon's prayer, on so momentum as sinners deserving punishment. There was no effort meeting in a Methodist chapel is certainly not desirable. Yet it seems a pity to ignore the true meaning of prayer in order to lengthen the exercise. Solomon's prayer, on so momentum as sinners deserving punishment. tous an occasion as the great dedication, was dan; none so wonderful in its historic memo-

strictions in the Constitution of its being done away." (It was afterwards abundantly proven in courts of law, that all these necessary steps of the requests that are real petitions. At first

This reminds me that croaking should be a -Zion's Herald.

THE HOUR FOR IMPRESSION.

proverb teaches, for good as well as for evil. better than all the waters of Israel?" Greater he enters upon a new field of labor is ordinarily the evangelists have grouped thickly on and the most impressive. He brings with him the around the central lake of the Jordan. There charm of novelty-his style, his manner, his did the storm-tossed billows hear and obey the It was a dreadful prayer. It was entirely voice—are all fresh, and awaken the liveliest voice of their Creator; there did the incarnate uncalled for and unprovoked. None of us had interest of the hearer. He has the whole field God walk upon the face of the deep; there, ever injured that young lady. We were ready of Gospel truth before him. He can select obedient to his will, the fishes filled the disto admit that we were sinners, but did we the most striking lines of thought and illustra- ciples' nets; along those shores the lame walked, deserve so severe a punishment? It had a tion which have been gathered during his pre- the deaf heard, the blind saw, the sick were smack of endless torment, and we were trusting vious years of study and experience. No member of his congregation is hardened against raised to life again. But the most glorious This is the only one of many phrases that him, or has become so familiar with his modes event the Jordan ever witnessed was Christ's are constantly repeated, which, taken literally, of dispensing truth as to remain unaffected by baptism; for when he was baptized "the are only absurdities. And it is the use of them. His first visits among his people, from heavens were opened unto him, and he saw these hackneyed expressions which draws out the nature of things, will be especially pastoral. the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and many prayers to such an interminable length. His social relations with them have not become lighting upon him;" and when the Divine Son A real prayer does not weary either saint or so familiar as to considerably weaken, if not was perfectly equipped for his great work of sinner. It is only the "vain repetitions" that supersede, his spiritual. He knows nothing of redeeming love, when just about to set out on are forbidden by Scripture that so tire us. It the previous life and habits of the members to his glorious mission, the voice of the Divine is refreshing to read over the prayer of Solomon disturb the earnestness of his purpose in invit-

these early services as simply introductory, and to say, "There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest." So far as human laws hearer. When or how it originated is not are considered, there is no hour when a man can

Christ. The pastor preaches with a power The providential call to all who have, withunknown before. His words have a depth in a few weeks, entered upon new fields of laof meaning that surprises himself. The great bor is, to do with their might whatsoever their feet. The whole valley of the Jordan is thus a burning words that fall from his lips. A counted as the most precious of the limited peThough it is not much over a hundred miles burning words that fall from his hips. A counted as the most precious of the limited pegoodly barvest of souls is garnered. Now
ried of ministerial service in a local church.
While the great general truths of the Bible
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ones universally spoken of as "stars in the opening of that mysterious lake, we have the climate
and products of the tropics, while at its northern praise of their salvation to be his, instead of the immediate question upon the unconverted, being rendered unto Him who hath redeemed and entreat them, in scriptural language, "Now them and washed them in His own blood? if ye will deal kindly and truly with my Mas-Or, if it is the credit due to human instru- ter, tell me; and if not, tell me; that I may

The great effort of the new pastor at first must be to become acquainted with his fellowpresumption as it is for a puny mortal to get fluences brought to bear upon them, and they with himself. We were struck with the sug- country. We quote a paragraph: gestion of an experienced and successful minis- At the majority of London churches but closely scrutinize the religious experience was more uncommon, but now, as thousands

strongly marked countenance. The first had a hald head, the second a massive one, surmounted by a profusion of curly hair, not unlike the Rev. Dr. Ormston, now of this country. Hetherington was a next, clear, terse, phosphoreseent preacher as his twenty-five minutes sermon on the Talents indicated. Alder was stately, towering and masterly. His sermon (preached on Sunday) was on the Genius, History, Progress and Prospects of Methodism, or something to that effect. The text employed by him was the following: "Look upon established to the country of the most ignorant is not revealed, and all our speculations thereupon, are necessarily vague and uncertain. The fanciful pictures of the aforementioned book, are very delightful; far more so than most of the anticipations under the left of the Lord. The good old man meant no irreverence, but his news item had a queer est and peace, of fullness of joy and pleasures forevermore." But the nature of our pleasures forevermore." But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore." But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore." But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our pleasures forevermore. But the nature of our series forevermore." But the nature of our pleasures or employment is not revealed, and all our speculations thereupon, are necessarily vague and uncertain. The fanciful pictures of the most devoted assistants a Pastor has in his opening prayer at the evening service, told the most devoted assistants of the most d

History, Frogress and Projects of Methodism, to something to that effect. The text employed by him was the following: "Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities; thine eyes shall see Jerusulem a quiet habitation, a taber shall see Jerusulem a quiet habitation, a taber shall see Jerusulem a quiet habitation, a taber nacle that shall not be taken down; not ore of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, reither shall any of the cords thereof be broken: But there the glorious Lord will be unto us as a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gall and the cord, where everything is changed and place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gall and the cord, where everything is changed ence, and certainly Mr. Alder was a consummate diplomatist. Finding there was an eager desire on the part of the majority of the Camada Conference for a union with the British Conference, he multiplied the points to be surrendered, and put them strongly at the first to gain all he could, while he held out the performance of the cords thereof be broken. Now this is all true, but it isn't prayer, contingent funds, alluringly; but I am bound to saw, as the former were not all everything such as a consummate diplomatist. Finding there was an eager of the church to grow up like for the method of the cords thereof the broken of the cords thereof the cords thereof the broken of the method of the cords will soon mature and lay us low. There are the cord of the cords will soon mature and lay us low. There are the conference for a union with the British Conference, he multiplied the points to be surrendered, and put then strongly at the first to gain all he could, while he held dout the performent was not an experimental proportion if he will, and hold it to the end of the their prayers and extending the their prayers and extending the cord will be unto us as a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go to get the cords will be unto us as a place o

THE JORDAN.

swollen torrent of that river staved, and its channel divided to let God's people and proding of the man of God, the iron ax rose buoyant from its deep channel, and floated on its surface. Once its waters gave forth healing virtue, as if to prove to the proud Syrian chief the fallacy of his sneering exclamation-"Are "It is the first step that costs," as the French not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, The first blow that the minister strikes when still were those miracles of our Lord, which Jordan's banks the Divine approval of both This is the hour to expect, to pray, and to work and worker—"This is my beloved Son we may say that every spot along this stream is "holy ground," and that the name Jordan is not only emblazoned on the page of history.

but is enshrined in the Christian's heart. It would almost seem as if nature or nature's known. You hear it almost constantly in hope to make a stronger impression upon his God had from the first prepared this river to times of revival. The church members labor audience; and as God works by his Spirit in be the scene of wondrous events, by giving to earnestly. They go from house to house, accordance with the natural laws which he has its physical geography some wondrous characestablished, there is no hour when the Divine teristics. Its principal fountain, bursting from Presence may be more hopefully expected than the base of Hermon, is like the mouths of other rivers, on the level of the ocean. It descends rapidly through its whole course, and at length empties into the Dead Sea, whose of meaning that surprises himsen. The great bot is, to do with state of the limited per left. The whole valley of the Jordan is thus a congregation is swayed as one man by the hands find to do. Let these early hours be huge rent or fissure in the earth's crust. end we have a region of perpetual snow.

WHAT THE "HIGH CHURCH" RITU-ALISTS ARE COMING TO.

The London Church Review publishes a letter giving some noteworthy facts which we commend to the attention of Ritualists in this

ter at a ministers' meeting some time since. confession is preached, the penitents have to tish missionary from Kingston, the Rev. John It is not alone the lay delegates to the altar Some people object very strongly to the to unite with himself in a hearty personal conclergy are engaged for whole days and nights of his leading men, and to seek to inspire them habitually make their confession, and the compact men, Hetherington was the handsom- of information to the Lord, and exhibit their eyes, and it will take something more than whether the new pastor is interested in the of penance may be administered in the only er man, but Alder the one with the more ability to present and argue questions of inter-mortal curiosity to find them out. We have lambs of the flock or not. The children will place consecrated for such purposes?

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THE "RECORDER"

Will be issued daily till the close of Conference and will contain ample reports of all the proceed ings. Price 50 cents. Orders to be addressed to S. ROSE,

EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

The principal part of the business transacted in the Conference yesterday afternoon was the final examination of the young men about to be received in to full connexion and ordained. The examination, as usual, took a pretty ample range, and was conducted with the distinguished ability which usually characterizes the performances of the able President of the Conference. The young men gave, as they had already given to their respective Boards of Examiners and District Meetings, satisfactory proof of their knowledge of the doctrines and discipline of our Church; but it is only fair to them to say that the embarassment inseparable from such an occasion often prevents some of the ablest young men from doing themselves anything like justice in their replies. Indeed so deeply have some of the most thoughtful of our ministers been impressed with this aspect of the subject that they entertain doubts in respect to the propriety of continuing these Conference examinations at all. It is alteged by such as hold this view that inasmuch as these brethren have been already subjected to a protracted and searching examination both by the Board of Examiners and also in the District Meeting each year during the four years of the probation, this last examination is a mere matter of form which might be safely dispensed with. But on the other hand it is argued will be received at the Book Room, or by the Revs. by those who take the conservative side of the quest E. B. Harper, E. H. Dewart, or W. H. Withrow. tion that this is the only instance in which they come before the supreme court of the Church, and as the enquiryinto their fitness for the work of the ministry commences in the classes, from which they went up to the Quarterly Official Meeting and thence to the District Meeting, fitness of things required that the inquisition should end with the Conference. Besides, it is felt that it is no time at present to even appear to relax the vigilance with which the admission of men into the ministry is watched, and doctrinal correctness of those who serve at the altar

CONFERENCE FREACHERS.

A brief discussion ensued yesterday afternoon in the Conference, with regard to the importance of the ministers appointed to preach during the Conference filling their appointments without failure. It often happens that after the appointments are made and published, the preacher ap Educational Fund be instructed to pay no more Through the mercy of God I have been spared until of the Circuit has much trouble in procuring a attending the examinations, and that the rule of greatly indebted to pious parents. At the early age suitable supply; and the people are disappointed Conference be enforced. by not hearing the minister announced to preach. On the other side of the question, it was said that brethren from a distance, who had seldom any from the several Districts :- Revs. A Sutherland, W when I first felt that I was a sinner—that I did need rest, or opportunity of hearing our prominent W. Ross, W. Savage, A. Andrews, D. C. Clappison, G. a change of heart. Had I then made known preachers, are compelled to go and preach in the T. Richardson, Geo. A. Mitchell, M. Swan, C. Bris- to the Church My feelings and wants, I might country, while the preachers on these Circuits have tol, J. Anderson, J. Woodsworth, J. Goodwin, A. C. to heaven. Through the strivings of the Holy the privilege of attending the Conference services. One brother, appointed to preach out of the city, said that for twenty-nine years he had never had a Sunday's rest; preaching almost invariably three times every Sabbath. Except in cases where some special cause justifies a minister in seeking to be relieved, every man should faithfully take the work assigned him by the Committee appointed by the Discipline to make the arrangements. A resolution was ultimately adopted expressing the obligation of each minister to all his appointment according to the Conference plan, but limiting this obligation to the town or city where the Conference is held.

continuance in company and public business, even if Rivet. that business pertains to ecclesiastical or religious matters, will have a distracting and dissipating of a District had the power to send a young man effect on the mind. In view of that, those who home from his work, who had been appointed by would keep their souls alive to God, should not add the Conference to labor on a Circuit; and the ruling to these drawbacks by running unnecessarily into of the President was to the effect that no Chairman company. Nay, the Christian man will feel it his had such authority; and that, in cases where obduty, under such circumstances, to seize on every jection was made to a young man on the ground of and prayer. John Wesley and the founders of our | be had with the President. Church showed their spiritual discernments and care in the following injunctions relative to spending of time during the Session of Conference, which we are sure the brethren will pardon us for re-producing here: -1. "While we are conversing, let us have an especial care to set God always before us. 2. In the intermediate hours, let us redeem all the time we can for private exercises. 3. Therein let us give ourselves to prayer for one another, and for a blessing on our labor." Judging from the unusual good temper and quietness with which business goes on, and the life and power in the public services, we would be inclined to believe the members present at this Conference are acting on these maxims.

AT the last Quarterly Meeting of the Orillia Circuit, the Rev. R. Mark was cordially invited to return a third year.

ERRATUM.—By some unaccountable mistake of the printer in correcting, a transposition of twentyone lines in yesterday's Recorder, at the end of the first column in the first page, in Mr. Carroll's article on the "FIRST YORK CONFERENCE," should have been placed after the twenty-first line from the head of the second column. By making this transposition the sense of the article will be found complete.

THE great want of the Church and the world of the present day is a Spirit-baptised ministry. The chief desire is for an intellectual and popular ministry. The danger, both to ministers and teachers, is that the satisfying of this desire should be regarded as paramount, and supplying the want as subordinate. The only safety is in combining both. Let the one as well as the other be earnestly sought after. A ministry with a sanctified intellect, a heart filled with holy love, sustained by the prayers of a people full of faith and the Holy Ghost, will not fail to be

In looking at the Text-books and the manifest requirements as to expenditure, both of time and labour, in order to be prepared to pass a satisfactory the Secretaries of Districts shall prepare a list of examination in the preliminary course of study, it strikes us that this course is far too beavy. But the Conference, and in order to ascertain who are few young men engaged in secular business, as everyone proposing to enter our ministry is supposed to be, can command either the money to procure the books or time to study them. Moreover, their early education will not permit young men having a proper degree of self respect, to go before a Committee of grave ministers, thoroughly prepared to examine them in the various branches indicated in the preliminary course. We hope this will secure due attention during the present Session of Confer-

THE METHODIST QUARTERLY REVIEW .- The present is a favorable opportunity for subscribing to this excellent Review. Those who wish to keep up with the religious thought of the times would find it greatly to their advantage to read some first class Review. Our young ministers who take no theological review, would be benefitted ten times the value of the subscription money by taking it. The department of the Review under the editor's personal management—the Foreign, Religious and Literary Intelligence, and the Synopsis of the Quarterlies, and review of current literature, will be found very valuable. The low price \$2 50, and its general excellence make it the cheapest theoogical review we know of. We are surprised that so few of our ministers take it? Subscriptions

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 3rd. The President gave out the 446th hymn; the Secre-

The minutes of the last session were read and A very courteous letter was read from the Rev.

John McCaul, LL.D., President of the Toronto Uniference to the University buildings and grounds. The official letter writers were instructed to return a suitable reply. Moved by Rev. John Carroll, seconded by Rev.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

who have travelled two years:—Thomas Hadden, God and to his cause than ever. Robert Lee, Benjamin Longley, Thomas Crosby.

WHO HAVE TRAVELLED ONE YEAR ? James Montgomery, Edward H. Taylor, Joseph nolds, William Mills, Wm. Henry Fife, Henry M. Knight, Edwin S. Washington, B.A., James Awde, DISSIPATION OF MIND.-Long and unremitting Rilance, Robert F. Oliver, George C. Madden, Xavier

The question was raised, whether the Chairman

WHO ARE RECOMMENDED TO BE RECEIVED ON TRIAL? James F. Metcalfe (to be employed under the direction of a Chairman), Wm. Johnston, James Allen, Henry Tuckley, George Ashwell Schram, William C. Bury, Thomas R. Reid, Edward Charlton, B.A., John Arthur Jewell, B.A., John W. Clipsham, Robt. Reynolds, William Walsh, John Ferguson, John H. Ruttan, Christopher Locker Thompson, Robert S. Hare, James Simpson, Thomas Johnson, John Todd, M.A. (to be employed under the direction of a Chairman).

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, June 3.

The President announced the 360th hymn The Rev. Wm. S. Rlackstock engaged in prayer. The minutes of the previous Session were read and

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Jones, Dr. Rice, G. R. Sanderson, and Wm. Pollard. It was resolved, That the Report from the Committee on the Revision of Discipline be read without discussion on the morrow, at 9 o'clock a. m.

It was resolved, That in the judgment of this Conference, every brother appointed by the Committee authorized to make arrangements for the religious seevices connected with the Conference, is required to take his appointments, if within the bounds of the town in which the Conference is held, unless excused by the said Committee.

The Rev. A. Raynor, A. M., read the Report of the Examination of Candidates in the German

The candidates for Ordination underwent a very searching and satisfactory examination by the Pro-sident of Conference on Evangelical and Practical Theology; at the close of which, by a una vote of the Conference, they were received into Full Connexion. The President addressed to them words of kind counsel and advice. During the examina-tion, and indeed throughout the whole day, large numbers of the laity, both from the city and coun-try, were interested, and we trust edified spectators.

Moved by Rev. S. Rose, seconded by Rev. C. Lavell, M.A.,

Resolved—That in order to facilitate the business of Conference and to avoid delay in its organization ministers appointed to Conference and forward it to the Secretary of Conference for use in the opening of

Names of Candidates for the Ministry continued John Walton, Charles Edward McIntyre.

sacred. Its answer was fittingly prefaced by singing part of a hymn, and prayer by the Rev. Richard Jones. The District Records reported the death of Revs. James H. Bishop, Robert Cooney, D.D., James Fear, William H. Schofield, M.A., Cyrus R. Allison, Samuel Connor, William T. Hewitt, and Robert Watson Ferrier, M.A.—eight in all. Most of them comparatively young men, in the midst of their work, and apparently romising a lengthened life of usefulness. Obituary notices are to be presented to the Confer ence of these lamented brethr

The Conference closed with the Benediction

In the evening Adelaide Street Church was crowded audience. After singing the hymn the Rev. A.
Sutherland read the 4th chapter of the Epistle to the and marking his godly spirit and example, I was convinced of sin. In 1854 I was converted to God, and have ever since enjoyed the favor of God, and of Ephesians. The Rev. James Elliott then led the my brethren, who have always shown the greatest kindness. I was sent into the Mission field alone,

The President of the Conference then briefly addressed the Conference and the audience. He spoke of the object of the great gathering of the evening, being according to the immemorial usage of the Church to extend a formal recognition to those who had fulfilled their period of trial with acceptance. After four years of labor, trial and struggle, they appeared on that occasion with the assurance of the Div endurance, and the inspiration of all true Christian ceases to make personal conversion an essenfor the office of the ministry. He felt that he spoke to a people who knew too well what personal religion was, to tolerate the want of it in those who came to them as messengers of God. He showed that no one is quali-The President gave out the 446th hymn; the Secretary read the 2nd chap. of the 1st epistle to Timothy; prayer was offered by the Rev. Wm. Price.

fied to point others to the cross, who has not himself felt its healing power; nor to guide others in a way of which he himself is ignorant. He stated also, as an important fact in regard to the young men to be received into full connection by the Conference, that they came to them with the recommendation of those among whom they had exercised their early ministry; and that the Conference might the better judge of their fitness he would call upon versity, offering free access to the members of Con- them to relate their Christian experience, and call to the work of the ministry.

JOHN H. ROBINSON said-Mr. President, fathers and brethren, for some time past, with prayerful feelings and great anxiety, I have looked forward to this crisis of my life. I now feel the solemnity of this cocasion, and to this period to meet the responsibility.

And yet another, anke indifferent to the aspects of nature, the discoveries of science, or the prize in a gambling house, and after they consented to stop gambling, I did so. As I went on preaching, some occasion, and to this period to meet the responsibility.

And yet another, anke indifferent to the aspects of nature, the discoveries of science, or the prize that honor yields, desires wealth. To attain it, no sacrifice is too great, no endurance too severe. Americans cheered me, for which I reproved them, He would have gold: "A dust dug from the John Bredin, and resolved. That the Treasurer of the occasion, and to this period to meet the responsibility. pointed declines to preach, and the Superintendent claims to probationers, for expenses incurred in have now the love of Christ in my heart. I am of 9 years I can distinctly remember being influenced by the Holy Spirit of God. The Sabbath School was made very beneficial to me; I cannot forget the the Pacific coast. But I went to preach for others too puerile to be either the one or the lessons learned there. I cannot distinctly remember souls, and God showed his power in converting other. Yet amid the numerous desires agitating The following clerical members were reported lessons learned there. I cannot distinctly remember have been very far advanced in the way Wilson, J. A. Williams, J. Kines, J. Walton, E. S. Rupert, W. Magill, B. Rose, W. C. Washington, Joseph
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Kilcon, Geo Meschem, Inc. Starragt, W. F. Farlich Kilgour, Geo. Meacham, Jno. Stewart, Wm. English. ing to keep a conscience void of offence toward God The following additional names are among these and man. My heart hungers and thirsts more and more after righteousness. I have a greater love to away. But on comming too, his first words were, my call to the Christian ministry, I may say, previous to my conversion to God, I had felt that if ever I arrived at manhood I would preach the gospel; and when converted these convictions returned very power-Galloway, Isaac Tovell, Daniel W. Thompson, Wm. | When converted these conviction, and some Thos. Turner, Coverdale Watson, Nathan Austin, of my brethren spoke to me about preaching the gos-Joseph Deacon, J. P. Wass, B.A., Francis C. Rey- pel. I was soon on the exhorter's list, and then on the local preacher's plan, and afterwards put into have we. Let us win it for Christ, and give the extending population his gospel. I am glad to have Manning, Newton Hill, Wm. J. Joliff, Adolphus G. deavoring to consecrate my all to the service of God. All I possess of spiritual life I owe it to Weslevan David Winter, John C. Garret, B. B. Dundas, Wm. Methodism; and I believe that it it had not been longer living in sin. I love the doctrines and the discipline of our Church, and I trust that I may be enabled to preach the doctrines as long as I live. My highest ambition is to be a faithful Methodist preacher.

ALBERT WILSON said, There are two facts in my Christian experience of which I have not and doubt. and whatever success Satan has had in other things, he has never had any success in this -- my conversion opportunity for private meditation, Bible-reading deficient abilities, communication and counsel should the early age of eleven years God spoke peace to that the seed sown was not unfruitful. I came with after which I determined that I would either serve joy that I cannot describe to you. There are soemnities about this occasion which remind me of former times when I consecrated myself to God. I owe everything under God to my godly parents. The regularity and fidelity with which they kept up family prayer, left many salutary blessings on my heart. It is said of the Duke of Wellington while at Eton, and witnessing some young students at play that he mentally fought the battle of Waterloo and gained the victory; and I can look back to the family altar, and say that there many of my battles

my experience, and in my call to the ministry. have found that the more of God's love I have in my heart the stronger are my convictions of duty. feel that if I do dot preach, woels me! I thank God for the measure of success that he has given me. I believe that there are souls now before the throne of the Lamb through my feeble instrumentality; to God be all the praise! I feel impressed that my success in the ninistry depends largely on my holiness of hear. The highest am-

NATHANIEL SMITH, said, In God's superintending rovidence I was brought early in life to this country. months I sought the Lord sorrowing; but blessed be soul. I have passed from death unto life, and I thank God for the enjoyments which I share from time to time. I have a ways been afraid of running before I was sent; and I did not fully yield to the calls of God and of his Church until the Meetings recommended me as a candidate for the Christian ministry. That which, in my ministeria experience, gives me most pleasure in con-templation is, that there are now some souls before the throne of God and of the Lamb, which were converted through my feeble instrumentality. I want to live only to the glory of God, and publish with my latest breath that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Fathers and Brethreu, will you aid meby your continued prayers and sympathies?
May God bless me!

The Fresident, in a few appropriate words, referring to the interest of the Church in mission work, introduced the Rev. Arthur Browning, who had spent eleven years of his life as a missionary in British Columbia. Mr. Browning spoke substantially as

Fathers, brethren and christian friends, Eleven years ago, on the altar of this Church, I was set apart to the work of a missionary of the Cross of Christ. I was sent out untried to a distant land, but kind christian friends sent me forth with earnest sympathy and fervent prayer to God for my success. I have never entertained any doubt of my conversion and I can well remember when sitting on my old grandfather's knee that he would often ask me RECEPTION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE if I would like to be a missionary. I grew up a very wild, thoughtless boy. I read all kinds of infidel books, filled my mind with In the evening Adelaide Street Church was crowded their false notions, and strengthened myself against long before the hour of service with an expectant the truth. But while listening to a Local Preacher, yet Christ was with me. I remember after going out to British Columbia, Dr. Evans said to me. "You must go to Nanaimo and preach the gospel there." I went trusting in God, and found the people steeped in the deepest moral degradaon. It was an oppressive feeling to realize that was alone amid a community wholly given to drunkenness and every form of wickedness. vour. This consoiousness of the life of God within the soul he regarded as the great source of patient endurance, and the inspiration of all true Christian with God "as a man talks with his friend." My effort. He believed the Church would be shorn of darkness was turned to light by the Divine pre- and cold sternness of an ancient despot. Or he ence, and I rejoiced over all my fears in confident hope of success. A darker trial soon befel me. After some degree of succes had crowned my labors, and the Hudsons, Bay people had treated me kindly, an Indian was accused of theft, and was terribly and cruelly punished by the Company's servants. I was told that if I spoke in favor of the despised Indian my congregation would leave me and the Company would be against me, and so it happened. My congregation was scattered, but the Lord revived His work; sinners were converted, land obtained, a class was formed, and the blessed cause proceeded in spite of the wrath of man. It has been one of my greatest privileges, that in that far-off country, I have been permitted to preach and minister to Canadian boys, far neglected the greatest privileges at home, yielded and but they afterward told me, that after not having heard the Gospel for fourteen years my words brought vividly to mind, they could not repress their feelings. When I was going out to California people said it was vain to expect any spiritual results on

> "All hail the power of Jesus name, Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth their royal diadems, And crown him Lord of all.

the most hardened sinners. The Gospel was mighty

through God, to save men there as well as here.

During the last year of my stay there the number of

converts was nearly doubled. A young man, from

Canada, who had been brought up in Spiritualism, and despised Christ, became concerned about his soul,

and asked what he must do to be saved? I told him to believe on Christ. He said he could not believe.

told him that he must believe. I kneeled and

prayed in agony of soul with him, He swooned

bring you then a good word from the Pacific Coast They have the same Methodism out there that you have here. If the Americans have a great West, so tending population his gospel. I am glad to have the privilege of looking in your faces, after so long a sojourn in a distant land. I have come back with the purpose to work for Christ in Canada in the same spirit as in British Columbia.

JOHN S. FISHER spoke as follows :- I feel grateful to Almighty God as I remember all the way in which family; and as such till life's course was run. the Lord has led me. At an early period of my life the Spirit of God impressed my mind with a sense of my need of salvation. One of my earliest recollec-tions is that of being led by a kind mother to a Weslevan Sabbath School. There I frequently felt the softening influences of the truth, but concealed my Yet I owe a debt of gratitude to the important to begin aright, and I thank God that he teachers of that school, which I desire to acknowledge has enabled me to make a correct beginning. At to night. The far removed from them now, I feel my heart-it was on the 4th of April-I could never | my parents to Canada in 1853, and at a camp meeting forget the fact. My first year after my conversion in the Peel Circuit, held the next year, was convicted was one of great joy; I began at once to pray and of sin, and found peace through believing in Christ. wrestle with God. The two years succeeding I After holding the office of class-leader and local rather relaxed in my duty to God and to the Church, preacher, I was convinced it was my duty to give myself to God's work fully, yet delayed to do so. God or not; and I was enabled to set apart a por- Soon I fully surrendered myself to Christ's work, tion of each day in wrestling with God. My father's and when urged by some brethren in Hamilton to barn was my closet. I determined to obtain per- give myself to the work of the ministry, I yielded

"Take my soul and body's powers; Take my memory, mind and will!'

was my mother, and I am that son. God heard her prayer. At the age of thirteen I sought the Lord for onths, and found him. I was not familiar with the terms of theology, but knew their import by ex-Dr. Ogden, A. W. Lauder, Thos. Nixon, Richard Woodsworth, Alfred Dredge, and Revs. Dr. Nelles, there that my chains fell off, and my heart College I was greatly helped by the kind advice of stand before his cold;" while another current

was free, and that my sins were all forgiven. Rev. R. Jones; and by pouring out my soul to God Let me say to you, my dear friends, rot to for light the witness of my call to preach was renewneglect the salvation of your children.

I can trace the hand of God all the way through but also many tokens of success that have encouraged I me to persevere in this holy work.

ANSLEM SCHUSTER (German) had not, like the other brethren, been favored with a christian parental training, having been brought up in the Jewish faith.

Never heard of the "faithful saying," In the pro-Never heard of the "lantagua saying, vidence of God he came to this country, and was vidence of God he came to this country, and was preaching of Bible-Christian ministers; and at length after various painful struggles which he detailed, h largely on my holiness of hear. The higness and bition of my life is to lead sinners to the Lamb of bition of my life is to lead sinners to the Lamb of there was an opening in the Wesleyan Church among those speaking his native German. He went first to the Ottawa, then to Preston, St. George, and received the peace of God. He entered and remaine in the Bible Christian Church, till he hear Paris. Next he was returned to the lower part of the country again, where God made him instrumental in the conversion and upbuilding of German souls. He professed great happiness in God, and in the work of God, in which he intended to spend his days. He spoke with great feeling and interested the sympathies of the congregation, whose prayers he besaught. beast, tection over spirent gadistant fragram slowly of within with a sage of time wise; b stroyed, the depate with glory as 3. Inc.

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GEORGE CLARKE was under great obligation to seven years' training in a Sabbath School. Twelve years ago, under the labors of Rev. S. Rose, in Dundas, he was converted to God. For some time he had it on his mind to offer himself for the ministry, but kept it to himself. Taking the advice of brethren began to preach, but was not satisfied with himself or his performances. Yet he was resolved to renew-edly dovote himself to God and His work; and hoped to preach Christ to all, and cry in death

"Behold, behold the Lamb!"

We are compelled to defer till Monday the publica. tion of the addresses of Drs. Evans, Lindsay, and

THE CHURCHES ON SUNDAY.

ADELAIDE STREET.

The pulpit in the evening was occupied by the Rev. G. R. Sanderson, of Belleville, who took as his text Psalm xxvii. 4-6. We merely give the outlines of the Rev. Mr. Sanderson' very able dis

course: Desire is natural to man. It is as natural for him to desire as it is for him to breathe, to walk, or to love. The same Mighty Power that placed the stars in the vaulted heavens, planted desires in the heart of man. But the objects of desire were the pure, the lovely, and the good. After these his desires instinctively and perpetually went out. But sin diverted the direction of the heart's desires, and they now stretch out to obtain the impure and the unworthy. Instead of the exalted, the low; instead of the elevating, the degrading; and instead of the satisfactory and substantial, the unsatisfying and unreal. The desires of each man are manifold; but in almost every case there is one which overshadows all others-" head and shoulders above its feilows"-a giant amidst dwarfs. The all-absorbing desire of one man may be to view nature in her varied moods and aspects. It becomes his passion; and at the peril of life he would gain some Alpine peak where he might look upon nature arrayed in her robes of purity like a spotless virgin queen, yet in the rugged grandeur would cross a continent and traverse mighty seas to stand beside a peerless cataract, and hear nature speak as no where else she lifts up her voice proclaiming the Majesty of God.

Another desires a profounder acquaintance with science, and would make new discoveries in fields unexplored, would mount to the heavens on wings science has already furnished, and pass, from star to star, measuring their magnitude, calculating their velocity, and, like another Columbus, searching for some new undiscovered world. Or he would dive down into the bowels of the earth and bring up some new theory with which to astonish mortals. A third's desire may be for honor. He would "seek the bubble from home and friends. Sometimes those who had reputation even at the cannon's mouth;" risk everything to gratify the desire of writing his were saved. Once I was called to pray with a dying man. He died soon after, and I preached to And yet another, alike indifferent to the aspects And yet another, alike indifferent to the aspects He would have gold: "A dust dug from the bowels of the earth, which from the fire comes out a shining thing, that fools admire and call a

> And so the catalogue might be extended, embracing the commendable, the reprehensible, and the heart of man, there is one, as superior to all others as the ancient Pharos lifting its light on high, to be seen afar, was to the multitudes of lesser and lower lights around.

> This lofty desire was in the heart of the Psalmist. "One thing have I desired or the Lord, that

will I seek after." Notice:
I. The object of Desire and Search. He desired and sought the favor of God. This "one thing" is everything. Call it conversion, pardon, religion, or what you will. It is the salvation secured through faith in Jesus Christ: the "one thing needful" of which he himself spake. It implies and comprehends everything to an immortal being !

As flowing from the possession of the favor of God, three conditions are distinctly specified : , DWELLING; 2, BEHOLDING, AND 3, INQUIRING. 1. Dwelling in the house of the Lord. "That

may dwell in the house of the Lord.' (1.) The Sanctuary. This is God's house. "Here will I dwell, saith the Lord." The Psalmist would dwell with God, in God's own house. (2) With God's people. (3.) Perpetually. Not as a transient visitor; but as a member of the 2. Beholding the beauty of the Lord. (1.) In his preached word. (2.) In his disclosed Providence. (3.) In his exhibited law. (4.) In his portrayed goodness. (5.) In his revealed holiness. The holiness of God is declared in the Bible to be his beauty. And it is exquisitely de-lightful to the child of God to behold, and to discover in the contemplation, new and increased beauties in the holiness of his heavenly Father, till overpowered with the burden of his rapture, he, like the cherubim, bows adoringly, exclaiming, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy

But for an additional purpose would the child of God "behold the beauty of the Lord," It is an almost uniform law of nature, of mind, and of morals, that we conform to that with which we fect holiness, and after years of struggle, the great blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon me, and I thank God blessing was bestowed upon morals, that we conform to that with which was morals.

The little insect reposing upon the blessing was bestowed upon morals, that we conform to that with which was morals. which it rests. The tiny bird, seeking its morning meal in the sweetened cup of the unfolding rose, is bathed with the golden beams of a glori-ous summer's sun; and bird and flower partake Thos. Campbell said, Rev. fathers and bretnern, it is generally a pleasure to me to speak of God's ous summer's sun; and bird and flower particles dealings with my soul. To-night it is a cross. Twendealings with my soul. To-night it is a cross. Twendealings with my soul. To-night it is a cross. Twendealings with my soul. To-night it is a cross. Twendealings with my soul. The winds which, alike in purity and both. The winds which, alike in purity and both. temperature, come forth from the treasure-house of Jehovah, are changed by that which they gather as they go. Sweeping over the cold frozen regions of the north, one current becomes deathly cold as it advances, till penetrating the

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"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise; but the companion of fools shall be distroyed." Would you be victious? herd with the deprayed! Would you be virtuous? associate with the pure! "We beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed from glory to glory as by the Spirit of the Lord."

3. Inquiring.—And to inquire in His temple.

Too many assemble in the house of the Lord, not as scholars but as teachers: not to inquire, but to

as scholars but as teachers; not to inquire, but to ing those improvements on the edifice in which they pronounce with authority. It is the duty of the devout worshipper to inquire what is (1) The will of God. (2) The mind of God. (3) The purpose II. The motives to desire and search. These

1. Temporary Safety.—Trouble will come. Friends are numerous when kindly offices are not necessity; but ofttimes when the storm-cloud gathers and settles down on man's darkened destiny, a friend may be sought for in vain! Like birds of passage, hollow-hearted friends flee away before the wintry winds of adversity. Enemies assail: man needs a safe retreat, though it be but a temporary one. The pavilion—the tent of royalty, though frail in structure, will afford a shelterwill become a hiding place "till these calamities be past." "In the secret of his tabernacle will he hide me." (1) In the secret place where foes can-not find. (2) In the holy place where foes dare not come!

2. Permanent Security.—The rock is the symbol of strength. "Up upon a rock." Upon its ofty crest where the eagle may have her eyrie, where foeman's eye may see, but where foeman's haft cannot reach. There is a Rock which affords ermanent security to all who are lifted upon it he rock of ages. "While I draw this fleeting

8. Exalted Honor .- " Now shall my head b lifted up above." &c. (1) In life's battle. (2) Indeath's struggle. (3) In eternity's award. And this in the presence of prinicipalities and powers III. Demanded returns. Sacrificial offerings.

1) Joyful. (2) In the tabernacle. (3) In the "Let the inhabitants of the rock sing." Would you live a safe life? dwell with God! He alone is safe who dwells under the shadow of the Almighty. 2. Would you be honored? dwell with God! He honors them that honor Him.

May this God be our God for ever and ever; may He be our guide, even unto death; and after death may we be of those who return and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads and with them eternally sing, "Unto Him that hath loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and the Father; unto HIM be glory and dominion for ever and ever!"

Correspondence.

AYLMER CIRCUIT.

To the Editor of the "Recorder." The following resolution was passed unanimously

at the last quarterly meeting on the Aylmer Circuit: Moved by Henry Lisdale, seconded by J. Van Wagoner, That this being the last quarterly meting at which we will have the pleasure of meeting the Rev. D. C. Clappison, our esteemed pastor, we take this opportunity of expressing our entire satisfaction with him during the past three years he has been with us. The good that has resulted from his faithful ministration is shown in the invessed membership. ful ministration is shown in the increased membership of the Church, and the finances of the circuit placed

in advance of any former period.

We would also express our high esteem of his worthy colleague, the Rev. J. S. Ross, who has assisted materially in placing the circuit in so prosperous a position.

And we would pray that the blessing of God may be vouchsafed to them, and to the family of the Superintendent, into whatever field of labor they may be

J. McCausland, R. Steward.

Aylmer, May 20, 1870.

ANOTHER ATTACK To the Editor of the "Recorder."

On Friday evening, May 20, 1870, the Wesleyan Mission House, Beaverton, was attacked and entered without ceremony, and after making prisoners of the missionary and the partner of his joys and sorrows, the party sacked the house. The first seizure being the tea-kettle, which was soon arranged; and tea, with the endless variety provided by the ladies being over, our much-esteemed Leader being called to the chair, order being restored, the choir was called upon, who discovered appearance to viscous who discoursed appropriate pieces.

After addresses, and presentations to the amount of \$50 with appropriate replies, prayer by the Rev. J. C. Wilson, doxology by the company, the meeting broke up, feeling that we could not sing.

"Subsist as in us all one soul, No power can make us twain; And mountains rise and oceans roll To sever us in vain."

MOUNT HURST-ALBION CIRCUIT.

The little sanctuary at this place has recently undergone considerable alterations. All the seats have been removed. Pews have been erected in the centre and on each side. A platform pulpit has taken the place of the former concern, that was large enough for half a dozen occupants. A neat communion-commonly called the altar-has been built, and fitted up with chairs and table. The aisles have been covered with matting, and the pulpit and com-munion with carpet. The Church has been thoroughly painted both inside and outside. A porch has been built at the entrance, and the appearance of the Church is both neat and comfortable.

The re-opening services took place on Sabbath, May 22nd, when Rev. E. Wood, D.D., who preached the dedicatory Sermon fourteen years ago, preached in the forenoon with his usual pathetic eloquence. Rev. G. Cochran preached in the afternoon with great power. The people who crowded the Church to its utmost capacity, were delighted with the ser-

vices.
On Monday evening, notwithstanding the heavy rain, more than 100 persons paid 25 cents each to hear Rev. Dr. Taylor's celebrated Lecture on the "Footsteps of the Apostles on the shores of the Levant," &c. It has often been our pleasure to hear Dr. Taylor, but we never heard him to greater advantage than on this accession. than on this occasion. For two hours and a half the people were enraptured, and not a few expressed themselves in the most eulogistic terms.

Tuesday Open Victorial Link down

Tuesday, Queen Victoria's birth-day, was celebrated by a Tea-meeting, which was numerously attended, but all the speakers who had been invited

ntensity of heat, exhausting alike to man and Brown, from Lloydtown, who favored us with a good

discourse.

MARRIED.

On the 15th instant, at the residence of the brides's mother, by the Rev. George Douglas, LL.D., John J. Maclaren, Esq., LL.B., Advocate, to Mar-garet Graham, eldest daughter of the late James L. Mathewson, Esq., all of Montreal.

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WILL DELIVER, BY SPECIAL REQUEST. HIS CELEBRATED LECTURE ON

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REV. E. BARRASS.

THIS Volume has just been issued, and has already had a good sale. The Author has received several very favorable opinions from Ministers of the Conference, and of other Denominations. The Editors of the Globe, the Telegraph, Hamilton Spectator, Brampton Times, the Sunday School Banner, and the CHRISTIAN GUARDIAN, have cordially recommended the work, which may be had at the

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Wesley Church Re-opening

and beloved senior Missionary Secretary, said, "We never heard Dr. Wood, to greater advantage," it seems ed as if a special baptism of the Holy Ghost rested

The deservedly loved class-leader, Rev. Wm. Lawson.

Camp Meeting in Lower Canada.

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DEAR MR. EDITOR, -I lately undertook to address through you a few words to the Wesleyans of Lower letter was left open and sent as "printer's manu-beript." I have now tobeg you to accept my hearty thanks for your editorial note, referring to the mat-ter, and will add a few words to what you have said, hoping they may meet the eyes of ministers and people, who I trust are already thinking about making arrangements for meetings. No doubt, one cause (under God) of the great success of Methodism in Upper Canada, is the frequency and penitence with which camp meetings are held. Has there ever yet been one, altogether barren of spiritual results? Few such meetings have ever been held in Lower Canada, yet there are no insuperable difficulties in the way of holding them; and the few that have been held have been eminently successful. The only one held for more than ten years past, was held last summer at Compton, in the Stanstead District. The immediate results were considerable, and a train of influences was set at work which is still deepening and widening. These hands full of corn planting and widening. These hands full of corn planted here and there will yet bear fruit which "shall shake like Lebanon." What say the ministers and people of Stanstead, Compton, Eaton, Melbourne, Danville, Clarenceville, Huntingdon, Hemmingford, Lachute and other circuits and missions to these things? Great results are not attainable without great afforts. great efforts. Heavy responsibilities and severe labor must fall on some, indeed on many, where camp meetings are held, but it is a blessed toil and June 5th, at half-past Ten o'clock, A. M. Sermon by

Sister McCallum a widow lady of St. John, N. B. gives herself entirely to the work of the Lord, she was providentially led to visit this section of country last summer, and was made the honored instrument of much good at the Compton camp meeting, and subsequently on the Compton and Eaton Circuits. She is now gaining strength after a severe itlness, and early application to her would probably secure, as much of her help as her strength would admit of. Shall we not have one, two, three or more camp meetings in Lower Canada in 1870. If

we do God's blessing will doubtless attend them, anp many souls be "Gathered into his fold, with his people enrolled With his people to live and to die."

Paisley Mission.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,-Please allow me to give the readers of the GUARDIAN a brief statement of matters on the Paisley Mission. It is a very compact field of ministerial labor, having the village of Paisley for its centre, where there is preaching six times in the month. It has besides three other Sabbath appointments, where there is preaching once a fortnight. Three years ago it had but one preaching place that could be called a church. Since that two churches have been erected; one at what is called Perduc's appointment. It is a neat little frame building, 36x26 feet, finished in good style. It cost between six and seven hundred dollars, the greater part of which was borne by five persons. The church Seaton—Sunday, June 5, at 6 30 p.m., Joel Briggs, Seaton—Sunday, June 5, at 2 30 p.m., A. B. Chambers; very few dollars. And here I wish gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of \$26 from a few friends in Chinguacousy, to assist in liquidating the debt on

the above church. The other church referred to is a brick building in the village of Paisley. It is erected on one of the most eligible sites in the village. The building is in an unfinished state, but is occupied for Divine service. The committee are purposing to have it completed before long, which will no doubt add greatly to the interest of our cause in the village. Great praise is due to the Rev. Mr. Hanna for his indefatigable exertion in this matter.

Wesleyan Methodism has had some up hill work in this place, and will in all probability for some time to come, but we think there is still a bright future before us. The majority of the inhabitants are those whose predilections are unfavorable to us, and besides there are three branches of Methodism struggling for an existence. The village of Paisley though not very large has no less than five churches in it. Methodism has been rather feeble in the village heretofore, but has of late been greatly strengthened. As the result of special services held here by our beloved paster during the last winter, between thirty and forty have been added to the Church, which, notwithstanding the falling off by

up and worked to advantage with the assistance of another man, if the Missionary Committee could meet the expenses, at least in part.

Goderich District.

The members of this District assembled for the transaction of business in the town of Goderich on Tuesday, May 17th, at 9 a.m. All the members on the District were present, and the chairman, Mr. Lavell, presided with his usual grace and ability. The opening services were more than ordinarily impressive, and were accompanied by a gracious influence from on high. The first by siness, the election of officers, resulted in the appointment of the Rev. T. Cleworth as District Secretary; and the Rev. W. H. Poole as our representative on the Stationing Committee. The examination of character was faithfully attended to, and resulted in the discovery of a very painful case of wrong doing on the

could hardly fail to have a good influence on all

no member of the District had been removed by the

hand of death. An increase of more than one hun- BOOKS AT THE BOOK ROOM. dred members was felt to be an incentive to the exercise of more earnest and prayerful effort in the

On Wednesday at 10 a.m. the lay representatives from the various circuits and missions were all Among other improvements recently made at the Book Room, by the Book Steward, are two Book accuracy and dispatch. We regretted to observe one or two cases of lamentable deficiency, but on the whole, the financial returns were very satisfactory. An excellent spirit prevailed, and a lively interest was manifest, such as we truet and a lively interest can be read with the same of the books. An excellent spirit prevailed, and a lively interest was manifest, such as we trust will bear abundant The above church, on the Yonge St. North Circuit, was re-opened for Divine worship on Sabbath, the 15th inst.

Lucid and impressive sermons were preached by the Rev. E. Wood, D.D., and James Gooderham Esq., of Streetsville.

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The church was filled to its utmost capacity, while many stood cutside, listening at the open windows to the word of life. It appeared as if the lips of God's honoured servants had been touched afresh with a live coal from off the altar, for the word was indeed with power, with the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance. At both services, we had visible tokens of the Divine presence and power to save. The old friends and admirers of the widely esteemed and beloved senior Missionary Secretary, said, "We specific to be a very difficult and delicate business, but the tact and gravity of the chairman, aided by a very wise address from the Rev. A. Huriburt, were successful in bringing to a final issue that very desirable and necessary arrangement. Clinton will henceforth be a station, and the circuit part will be worked by a married and cloth, 362 pages. Pri Lilutariant on hand 12 volumes of the Wonders of Glass-M Wonders of Heat, works and in the correction of the way. An excellent plan was laid before the meeting by the Rev. W. Price, and it is sincerely to be hoped that it may be carried into operation. Space will not permit us to give a full detail of all Space will not permit us to give a full detail of all that was done with regard to the work of God on this District. Suffice it to say that a very warm in-

In the town of Stratford, and in Seaforth, cause is prospering, and the enlargement of our churches, in both these places, is already on the way. Canada, on the subject of Camp meetings, but my In the town of Goderich Wesleyan Methodism has communication having arrived at your office in an imperfect state, owing I suppose to the fact that the ment of our church last year was thought by some

> ference is universally regretted. PLAN OF THE PUBLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE WESLEYAN METHO-DIST CONFERENCE.-Toronto, 1870.

Wednesday, June 1st, at Twelve o'clock. Conference Sacramental Service,-Elm Street Church.

7ednesday, June 1st, at half-past Seven, P. M. Reception of Delegates from other Conferences.—Richmond Street Church, Thursday, June 2, at half-past Seven, P. M.

Public Reception of Candidates into full Congexion .-Adelaide Street Church, Friday, June 3rd, at Seven o'clock, P. M. Their Reception to be Moved by Rev. E. Evans, D.D., seconded by Rev. W. Jeffers, D.D. Addresses to the Congregation by Rev. J. W. Lindsay, D.D., and others.

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6 80 p.m., D. E. F. Gee.

And at the following places on Sunday, June 5. Davenport, 11 a.m., John Smiley, B.A.; 630 p. m., E. Robson. Leslieville-10 30 a. m., George Robron: 6 30

Wesley Casson. Eglington—10 30 a.m., and 6 30 p.m., J. W. McCallum. Newton—10 30 a.m., and 6 30 p.m., John Burwash, M.A. York Church-10 30 a.m., and 5 p.m., James Graham. Weston-10 30 a. m., N. F. English; 6 p. m., E. A Ward.

Burwick-10 80 a.m., E. A. Ward. Claremont-2 30 p.m., N. F. English. Open Air Services-Sunday, June 5, Queen's Park 8 p. m., Peter Addison. Bethel Service-8 p. m.,

Robert Mark, M. D. inday, June 5, Zion Church, Toronto, (Congregational) 11 a. m., H. F. Bland; 630 p. m., James Brock.

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