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FROM THE PAPERS.

Mr. Jackson, sister to Mr. Spurgeon, in a recent Sunday preached the anniversary sermon of Bethel Chapel, Pontypool.
The editor of the Interior writes to the paper from the Presbyterian General Assembly, Buffalo: "The fact is, we do not doubt that we are in an age of comparison with the past."

Richard Wagner, the famous composer, has written to a number of physicians in London suggesting the introduction of music in the hospitals as a good thing for the sick and suffering. It is said that an eccentric and wealthy Englishman intends to make the experiment.

Mr. Geo. I. Seney, President of the Metropolitan Bank of New York, has just given Dr. J. O. A. Clark \$50,000 as an additional subscription for the completion of the building of the Wesleyan Female College of Macon, Ga.

The California Advocate speaks in glowing terms of the success of the Methodist Missions among the Chinese and Japanese in that country. The missions seem to be doing a good and great work.

The Christian Herald, replying to the remark of the Picoayune, of New Orleans, that sinners, converted under canvas, do not make good workers in the Church, says a capital hit, when it says: "Of course true; but the trouble is not in the work so much as in the foundation."

Gov. Evans, President of the Board of Trustees of the Northwestern University (Methodist) at Evanston, Ill., proposed to pay \$25,000 of the first \$100,000 as much of the second \$100,000 as might be needed to lift the debt resting upon the institution. It is thought that the money can be secured.

Dr. Talmage's Tabernacle on Sunday last, an enraptured hearer cried out, "Glory to you!" We have a decided reference for the Methodist, "Glory to God!" It may be that the reporter did not hear straight; but he evidently caught the meaning—"the sense of the meeting."—N. Y. Methodist.

Dr. Joseph Parker, of London, has been by cable to L. K. Funk & Co., publishers, of New York, a dispatch denouncing as "utterly false" the charge now going through the press in America that in one of the sermons in his new book, "The Sayings of Mine," he disparaged from Dr. Lorimer of Chicago.

The Presbyterian Synod of Kansas may be called the Polygot Synod, for within its bounds, which extend over Indian Territory, the gospel is preached by members of the Synod in no less than nine different languages—English, German, French, Bohemian, Welsh, Cherokee, Choctaw, and Nez Perce.

The United Presbyterians (of America), in their last General Assembly submitted a proposal to be acted upon by the various Presbyteries, striking from the regulations for divine worship the provision prohibiting the use of musical instruments in the churches. The over-vote was adopted by the very large vote of 131 to 22. Is this another sign of the democracy of the times?—Christian Intelligencer.

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A Turkish translation of Mr. Smiles's "Self Help" has appeared. The work is now published in the language of every European nation.

Work on the excavation of a cellar for the new Methodist church at Florence, N. J., received a pleasant start at the hands of the ladies. Twenty-five of the youngest, attired in graceful and appropriate costume, dug out the first cart-load of earth. The occasion was one of great interest, a large crowd being present, and applauding the helpful ladies.—N. Y. Sun.

Will not a day come in the not very dim or distant future when young Englishmen will read in their histories with incredulity that so late as A. D. 1881 the British House of Commons, though engaged in the consideration of one of the most important Bills ever brought before it, decided by a vote of 246 to 110 to lose a day's sitting in order that some of its members might attend a horse race?—Toronto Globe.

The Rev. Dr. Alexander MacLaren, of Manchester, has felt himself compelled to place his resignation of his pastorate in the hands of the church under his charge. For five months he has been laid aside from active work and his physicians still advise further rest. His congregation have declined to accept Dr. MacLaren's resignation, and recommend him to take all the rest he needs.

The venerable Father Gavazzi, who is visiting this country as the representative of the Italian Free Church, to secure aid for the seventy Protestant parishes and the Protestant Theological Seminary in Rome, preached at the Mount Vernon Church in Boston recently. Though seventy-two years of age, the speaker seems to have lost none of the intellectual power and vigor of statement which characterized his addresses a decade ago.—Zion's Herald.

A terrible earthquake has happened at Clay-ville-the-Sea, in Norfolk. A Disaster has been buried in the parish churchyard by her own minister. Having had due notice of the coming calamity, the rector on the previous evening, Whit-Sunday, denounced from his pulpit the Burials Act, the Liberation Society, and the Government. On the morning of the funeral he sent a protest to the officiating minister which he would have read at the church-yard gates but for his desire not to create a painful scene.—The Echo.

"Cyrus McCormick nor George Seney can write a hymn nor charm by eloquence. They are by their consecrated wealth potent factors in the kingdom of God and in the betterment of mankind. They have genius. It is the skill of Midas turning all things touched to gold. They may have but a stammering tongue, but their gifts by endowments to theological schools, teach, tune, and loose hundreds of tongues to tell the old, old story. They preach Jesus. Their dollars, devoted to God, find and foster the persuasive speech of holy eloquence."—Richmond Advocate.

The city of Lagos, on a lagoon west of the Bight of Benin, on the coast of Africa, was formerly a synonym of all the horrors of the slave trade, by and for which it was built. It is now the great emporium of the coast trade; exporting yearly \$2,000,000, and is called the "Liverpool of Africa." The clue to the change is found in the fact that the landmark which now guides the going vessels into the opening of the lagoon is the spire of a Christian church rising gracefully over the city.—Christian Intelligencer.

Congregational singing is attracting great attention in the Welsh Methodist chapels in Liverpool. On the 6th ult. a public meeting was held in Shaw Street Chapel to practise sacred music by singing selections from our tune-books. It was a kind of sacred concert, ably conducted by Mr. Vaughan, of Penmachno. The choir of the whole circuit were present, and the grand old chapel was packed from wall to wall. A gentleman from Wales took the chair. Short addresses were delivered by the ministers of the circuit and others during intervals, and the whole thing passed off in a way that is sure to promote a lively, cheerful, and joyful singing throughout the circuit.—Methodist.

"H. M. S. Pinafore"—whatever that may be—has been introduced to Wales under the auspices of the State Church. The papers report that this piece was performed recently at Bethesda, in the county of Carmarvon, in a full house, with great success. The scenic representations were prepared by an amateur, the dramatic persons consisted chiefly of natives, and all the pageantry, the music, and the "acting" were the productions of the loyal sons and daughters of the true Apostolic Church. The proceeds were given in aid of the Tan-y-bwlch Mission and Llanlleucl National School. It is to be devoutly wished that the "mission" will counteract the baneful effects of the means employed to pay its expenses.—Methodist.

A CONGREGATION OF ONE.

The early Methodist preachers were a curious combination of zeal, earnestness, devotion and eccentricity. They were constantly before the public, often preaching two or three times a day in barns, school-houses, private dwellings, and in the open air. They mingled with the people, accepted their hospitalities, knew their wants and their weaknesses, and were always ready to seize upon any vantage ground to gain an audience and build up in the minds of their hearers their own then peculiar doctrine. And these strange and eccentric Methodists often produced wonderful changes in their laborious and sacrificing work. In the early days of the denomination there was a presiding elder famed for his energy, and knowledge of human nature, and zeal, who found congenial work on the "South Shore," a district of country extending along the coast from Boston to Plymouth, the landing-place of the pilgrims. It happened in one of his long circuit rides that he visited the town of H—, a place long noted for spiritual apathy, and which extended, unfortunately, he thought, to the little band that had been gathered into the first Methodist class.

He reached his destination after a long ride on horse-back, in a pouring rain, to find that he had a still further pilgrimage to make to find a home for the night with a "local preacher" and the acknowledged leader of the church. Brother S. was a quiet, inert, weak man, who was a much better follower than leader. He trembled a little as the knowledge dawned upon him that a great official of the church was his guest, but he made him welcome, hurried off his dripping garments, cared for his tired beast, and soon seated him at a table groaning with good things, but in exceedingly primitive style. The repeat over, inquiry was made as to the spiritual condition of the church, which was any thing but encouraging, and then came the startling proposal to walk two miles to the church and hold service.

Bro. S. expostulated and protested as much as his weak nature would permit. He urged the fierce storm, the rain falling in torrents, the fact that the Methodists had no place of worship, that no one would be there, and that they were dependent upon the Baptists for a huge barnlike structure for their meetings. He might as well have talked to the raging storm; and so, in a few moments, equipped with a tin lantern, they were on their way through mud and storm; the presiding elder expatiating on the duty of Christians to keep inviolate all the rules and appointments of the church and especially the quarterly meetings that he had come to attend.

Reaching the old gray church, Bro. S. remembered that in his trepidation and confusion at the strange freak of the presiding elder, he had forgotten the key to the edifice, and a ray of light came to him as to how he could apologize for the eccentricity of his official friend. But he reckoned without his host, for the next question, in an authoritative tone, was: "Cannot we raise the window?" No sooner said than done, and then the passive brother, now thoroughly crestfallen, at the word of command proceeded to light up the church. This done, he was gravely invited to a seat in the pulpit, and the regular exercises went on of singing, prayer, reading Scriptures, and an earnest sermon. Bro. S. was beginning to rather enjoy the novel exercises, notwithstanding his wet garments and the chill consequent, when the minister with an earnest and eloquent peroration that brought tears to his eyes, ended his address with the startling announcement, "Now, Bro. S., you will follow with an exhortation." This was the unkindest cut of all, but there was no way of escape, and from a stammering and halting beginning he became almost as eloquent as his official leader. The benediction was pronounced, the lights extinguished, and egress found through the window into the storm, with the remark from the shrewd preacher: "When next I come here I shall have a congregation," and surely he was a prophet in this, for his next quarterly

conversion found every seat full, and crowds in the aisles, and scores standing on wagons and peeping in at the windows to see a man who could preach to a congregation of one, and the interest continued until the well-filled churches took the place of the feeble class, and the old local preacher in his old age was never tired of repeating the most marvellous sermon he had ever heard.—Hon. G. W. Frost, in N. W. Advocate.

A PROMPT APPLICATION.

"Brotherly kindness" is one of the eight cardinal Christian graces. The softening power of the Divine Spirit can create it between hearts that mutually hate.

The scene of such a melting—a scene full of holy and tender inspiration for all who witnessed it—is described by a clergyman who was preaching at the time in a town in Virginia.

It was a region of small reputation for sobriety and godliness. So far from "following peace," and copying the mind of the Master, many of the professed Christians were not on speaking terms with each other.

The minister was a stranger and knew nothing of these personal differences, but his theme on this occasion was "The duty of a forgiving spirit." He was faithful, speaking the truth in love. He showed them how necessary it was, if they wanted the blessing from heaven, that all old hostilities should be swept away, and that they should have united hearts. He pictured what the certain effect would be if they yielded up every selfish feeling for Christ's sake and for the due wish that he might come to them; and he told such apt instances to bring it, and pleaded with such moving words, that his congregation listened with evident emotion.

Suddenly a woman past middle life rose from her seat, crossed the aisle-room directly in front of the minister, and gave her hand to another woman, who grasped it, and burst into tears.

"God bless you!" she sobbed. "We are too old to quarrel any more."

That ended the sermon. The application had begun sooner than the preacher expected. A wave of audible feeling passed through the assembly that was like the sound of wings. Many who themselves had sins of resentment and unkindness to repent of, looked on and trembled, and some of them wept.

One stern-faced elder reached his arm over three benches and said, in a broken voice, "Neighbor Aikin, here's my hand!" and a feud of several years' standing was settled forever. Then another, a gray-haired man, made his way to a distant part of the house, where sat his old enemy with face already bathed in tears. He returned the greeting with eager joy. "O!" he exclaimed, "I have long been wishing for just this—just this!"

Unworthy worshippers who had come to the house of prayer with hearts and minds at variance, parted with acts of forgiveness and affection.

A great reformation began in the community, and over all that once wicked neighborhood there came a change that honored God's grace and made the people glad.—Nashville Advocate.

CONCERNING JOY.

There is a mere animal joy, which flows from the healthful condition of the body. The animal spirits overflow in their exuberance. The lamb frisks on the sunny hill-sides, and the horse, in the very fulness of life, prances through the pasture with arched neck and nimble foot. So men may be joyful by reason of their good physical condition. There may be not only "no rebellion when the stomach is full," but there may be an overflowing stream of animal joy. Higher than this is the gladness of worldly success, when the corn and the wine increase, the joy of a sorrid gain, the joy of the miser, the joy of the harvest. Above this is the intellectual triumph of the student, the gladness incident to the victories of mind, the solution of a mathematical problem, or the discoveries of the missing truth which was needed in order to

convert a hypothesis into a science. Still higher is ethical joy, the approval of a good conscience pronouncing on a good action. This is no small joy. It is all that many have to cheer their sojourn in this vale of tears. More excellent still is the gladness of beneficence, the joy of awaking gladness in another heart, or of mitigating another's sorrows. Many who are not Christians have learned the secret of this semi-Christian joy, and by a charitable use of money have opened fountains of felicity for themselves along their early path. All these kinds of joy are natural; they lie on the dead level of the plain of nature. They are transient and limited to this world. At the disparity of an infinite distance, is the joy of the Holy Ghost. It is supernatural—an out-gushing fountain from a rock stricken by the rod of a greater than Moses. It is a joy not springing up in the course of nature but handed down from heaven, and implanted in the believing soul. It is really a miraculous spring opened by the Holy Spirit in the Sahara of the human heart.—Love Enthroned

POWERLESSNESS.

There are to-day more churches in the land, more church-members, more preachers, than at any previous period since the United States has been a nation. More sermons are preached, more prayers are offered, more money is given in the interest of religion, than ever at any date of our country's history. There are more religious assemblies of various kinds, more special convocations of Christians, more so-called "revival" meetings held than at any time in the past. There are more running to and fro of professedly Christian people, more busy talking and doing in the interest of the churches, more noise and clatter and bustle in connection with our latter-day "working-for-Jesus" Christianity than has ever been known.

Despite all this active and busy bustle in religious affairs, it is a fact which the police and criminal statistics of the country abundantly prove, that there is more irreligion and godlessness, more vice and sin, more prevalent and high-handed crimes against God and society in our country to-day than have ever been known in the land before. There is more letting down of old truths, more letting go of old and trusted beliefs, more laxness of religious opinion, more free-thinking, more caviling at the Bible and Christianity, more general drift toward infidelity, than were ever before known in Christendom. There is more lying, more theft, more Sab. bath-breaking, more divorce, more obscenity and profanity on the streets, more selfishness, more cruelty, more gambling, more licentiousness; in short, more heaven-daring wickedness, than perhaps has been known on earth since the days of the flood. And with a constantly increasing momentum the dismal tide runs on year after year.

What can be the matter? What can be the explanation of the striking and perilous depression of public morals at the very time when religion, or rather, religionists, seem to be most at work, and when the churches are filled and running over with busy and bustling doers as never before since the days of the reformation?

Without presuming to canvass in any particular manner the causes that are operating to produce this palpable degeneration of our public life, one thing may be said that carries with it all the conclusiveness of a self-evident statement. That is this: The churches with all their restless and busy bustle, with all their untoward activity and zeal, with all their showy demonstration of giving and doing for Christ, are not curbing and keeping back the wickedness of men. They are not restraining wicked doers in any effectual way whatever. They are not saving society.

Doubtless it would be found, if the case were probed clear down, that the failure of the churches to arrest the dominant wickedness, and reform and save our communities, is owing to a real want of power in themselves, to an inherent impotency that reveals at one

and the same time the weakness of the churches and their sin. The type of religion that churches are incalculating is too tame, too ritual, too formal—it is hindered by mannerism. It is cramped by style. It is overawed by the spirit of the world. It is in fetters to man-mong. It is too much the slave of semi-infernal public opinion. The religion of the churches of late years shows a sad and grievous departure from the older evangelical ideas. In their teachings and in their practice there is manifest too little dependence upon divine grace, and too much dependence upon human sufficiency, if not human smartness. Human speculations largely take the place of plain gospel truth, and for salvation human sympathy is mostly substituted for the working, transforming grace of the Holy Ghost. Thus the religion of the churches fails to convict men of sin, to separate them from the world, to save them from hell.—Banner of Holiness.

STREET PREACHING IN CALCUTTA.

Rev. J. A. D. Macdonald writes: We are getting up a magic lantern entertainment, "The Prodigal Son," to bring the people together. An old Babu is going to let us have his courtyard, and Mr. Leslie, a Calcutta lawyer, will work the lamp. To-day I have been in the Police-court. Nearly all the missionaries of Calcutta were present. Five missionaries have been taken up for preaching in the squares, and the case was adjourned until Saturday next, on the promise that there should be no preaching in the squares in the meantime. One of the five made a decided stand, promising not to preach in the squares if allowed to preach outside. This little addition seemed very unwelcome to the magistrate, and as the good brother refused to alter it, we thought the case would have to proceed. But the counsel for the prosecution urged that the magistrate should overlook the latter clause and adjourn the case, which was done. This brother is somewhat eccentric. He took H— out one day to see a spot which he had chosen for quiet meditation. The way became more and more jungly, and H— did not like the aspect of things, when, all of a sudden, a noise was heard in the thicket. He seized H—'s hand, saying in a hoarse voice, "Hush! There they are!" "What?" said H—. "Tigers" was the reply. "They are all about here." "Them," said H—. "I vote we go back at once, and do not tempt Providence further." He turned round and said with an indescribable intonation of voice, "O thou of little faith!" Since then he has lost an arm in shooting a tiger. We are wondering what will be the issue of this preaching case. The Commissioner is a Roman Catholic, and he has clearly gone beyond the mark in prohibiting, without any proper notice or consultation, all preaching in Calcutta. I have no doubt at all but the case will ultimately be decided in our favour, but there is a very strong element of officialdom to battle with here. On the other hand, it is to be feared that one or two missionaries may take up a position of unnecessary martyrdom, which will be ridiculous, for supposing some of us were to spend a week or so in prison what would there be dreadful in that? Consequently anything about our readiness to suffer, to go to gaol, &c., ought to be kept in the back-ground. In the north-end of the town they have not stopped me preaching, although they took our names the other night. So I have concluded to go on as before; and I do not think any one will take any notice.

An ordinance made necessary by the licensed saloons in Sacramento, Cal., makes it a misdemeanor for minors under sixteen years of age to be on the street after a certain hour of the evening, unless accompanied by guardians or provided with a pass. When this appears in history a century hence, the boys and girls who sit studying by the evening lamp will laugh at our staidity and say, "Why shut up the boys and girls and leave open the saloons?"

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OUR HOME CIRCLE.

ENDURANCE. How much the heart may bear, and yet not break! How much the flesh may suffer, and not die!

We shrink and shudder at the surgeon's knife— Each nerve recoiling from the cruel steel

We see a sorrow rising in our way, And try to flee from the approaching ill;

We hold it closer, dearer than our own; When it faints and falls in deathly strife,

Behold, we live through all things—famine, thirst, bereavement, pain; all grief and misery;

TOUCH-ME-NOTS.

Returning from a trip down town this morning after our church festival, I met my neighbor and sister in the church, Mrs. Jones; and after the first salutations I remarked with probably an interrogation point in my voice:

"But, sister Jones, didn't you hear the announcement from the pulpit, on Sabbath, when the minister invited all to attend?"

"Well, I am sure I don't know. I was not on the committee of arrangements, but if I had been I would have as soon thought of sending an invitation to myself as to you."

"How could I tell husband about it? I knew he would only smile as usual, and say, 'Of course, such affairs always offend somebody.'"

"Oh yes, I know it, but she makes the fact of her having been in the church so long the very reason why she should have received special attention."

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has not solicited them to take a class. "Perhaps that is the reason Bro. Jones doesn't come to class, because you didn't appoint him leader."

"Oh dear! what does all this mean anyway? It's enough to provoke a saint," and I groaned in desperation.

"Yes, I know that, and sister Jones counts every call I make at Mrs. B's, just opposite the Joneses."

Husband said soothingly, "I wouldn't let it provoke me, if I were you. It's just their nature, I guess."

Of course it worried him. Didn't I remember how awfully solemn he always looked on his return from a visit to the Joneses or Greens?

"I suppose the committee did not think," "Ch, it didn't matter at all; if they can live without our help it's all right."

"I went home 'blee' and out of sorts, for I had considered our festival a success, at least as much so as hard work, late supper, and late hours could make it."

"Well, I wish there were more earnest workers in the church and fewer touch-me-nots."

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office of the Free Press, a weekly paper then published by William Lloyd Garrison, in Newburyport. Garrison had just attained his majority, and this paper was his first venture in journalism.

One day he was at work with his Uncle Moses repairing the stone fence by the highway, he going along on the outside, replacing the stones knocked from the wall by sheep that had scrambled over it.

Garrison was so impressed with his new contributor's work that he sought him out, coming up to Marble Hill on horseback to interview him.

He was told a gentleman was at the house inquiring for him. Nobody had ever called for him before, and he felt like running away.

Says a man in California: "We find here that a wine-making community is a community of drunkards."

Another friend says: "I know a man whose house is a perfect paradise for outward beauty."

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new, tiny, chased ring. The sharp points caused such pain that I involuntarily exclaimed "Oh, mercy!"

There were so many Thompsons in the city that Mrs. Somerville was at a loss which way to go.

There was sorrow in Mrs. Thompson's home that night. Her boy was lost. Where was he—what had become of him—was he dead or alive—would she ever see him or hear his pleasant voice again?

Next morning Mrs. Thompson had made enquiry of all the Thompsons she knew, but with no success.

HERE AND THERE. We sit beside the lower feast to-day, She at the higher.

We break the bread of patience, and the wine Of tears we share;

Content the cold and wintry day to bear, And know them in immortal summer there,

Content to give thee to the Love that gave.

VAMPIRES. In speaking of Shylocks, money-mongers, monopolists, etc., the term is frequently used.

The meeting between the mother and the child we need not, we cannot describe. Did you ever lose a child, and, after despairing to find him, did you receive intelligence of his being alive and kindly cared for?

THE LITTLE WANDERER. BY REV. A. W. M'LEOD, D. D. A lively boy, six years old, wandered one afternoon from his home in one of our large cities, looking as he went on into the windows of the beautiful stores, and gazing at the pretty things so temptingly displayed.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS. CURED BY KINDNESS. "You oughtn't to do so," shouted Willie, as the butcher dashed past in his wagon, giving the whip unmercifully to his poor, half-starved horse.

He looked about and was startled at finding himself in a strange place. How many corners he had turned, or through what streets he had passed, he knew not.

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The wagon was broken to pieces and the man thrown out and bruised. Next day the vicious brute was offered for sale.

There was sorrow in Mrs. Thompson's home that night. Her boy was lost. Where was he—what had become of him—was he dead or alive—would she ever see him or hear his pleasant voice again?

Next morning Mrs. Thompson had made enquiry of all the Thompsons she knew, but with no success.

HERE AND THERE. We sit beside the lower feast to-day, She at the higher.

We break the bread of patience, and the wine Of tears we share;

Content the cold and wintry day to bear, And know them in immortal summer there,

Content to give thee to the Love that gave.

VAMPIRES. In speaking of Shylocks, money-mongers, monopolists, etc., the term is frequently used.

The meeting between the mother and the child we need not, we cannot describe. Did you ever lose a child, and, after despairing to find him, did you receive intelligence of his being alive and kindly cared for?

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I hope that Richie went and prayed to the Saviour to give him a new heart. I hope that all of you, dear children, though you may be kind and loving and obedient, will see that you need to ask God to make your hearts fit for the Saviour.

1. Moses' mother's love. A mother's love is the highest and noblest of all loves.

2. There is a great difference between a mother's love and a father's love.

3. Stephen was a man of great faith and courage.

4. The first step in the Christian life is to confess our sins.

5. We should always be ready to do good.

6. We should always be kind to all men.

7. We should always be patient with our neighbors.

8. We should always be diligent in our work.

9. We should always be cheerful in our hearts.

10. We should always be true to our friends.

11. We should always be honest in our dealings.

12. We should always be pure in our lives.

13. We should always be meek and lowly in our tempers.

14. We should always be gentle and kind in our words.

15. We should always be full of love to all men.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

JULY 10, 1881.

THE COMING DELIVERER.—Exod. ii. 1-15.

Moses' mother thought her new born infant a goodly child. when she gazed upon it with all a mother's love.

That there was more than motherly fondness in Jochebed's discernment of her babe as a goodly child, is evident from the fact that the Apostle, in the passage already referred to, attributes her anxiety to preserve his life, not to motherly solicitude, but to faith.

The first plan of this mother for escaping the cruel decree was to hide her infant, and bring him up in secrecy. But she soon found that to be an impracticable task, and then she took steps with which every child is familiar.

The over-ruling Providence in all these incidents is very plainly marked. This child was to be the future deliverer of the Israelites. Two things were especially needed for this high vocation—a thorough familiarity with the Egyptian court and government, with strong faith in the promise of God.

The incident which led to the retirement of Moses into Midian must not be misunderstood. Moses interfered between one of the taskmasters and the victim of his oppression, probably not with any intention of killing him, but the affray ended fatally to the Egyptian officer.

Often those who seem most successful in the eyes of men, are the greatest fools in the sight of God.

UNDER WATER.

Mr. Fleuss has recently given at Portsmouth before officers of the Admiralty, an exhibition of his new diving dress and apparatus for enabling persons to live and work in noxious gases.

LEMONS IN HOT WEATHER.

It will draw the sting of the hot weather, not only for this time, but for months to come, to understand the right use of lemons. Most people know the benefit of a lemonade before breakfast, but few know how it is more than doubled by taking another at night also.

USEFUL HINTS.

If you invest your money in strong drink, it is the same as turning hungry hogs into a corn field—rum will follow in both cases.

If you invest your money in fine clothes and do not wear them with dignity and ease, it is as if a ploughman were to sit at a jeweler's table to adjust hairsprings.

An economical and excellent baked Indian pudding may be made in this way. Boil a quart of sweet milk, thickened with four tablespoonsful sifted oatmeal. Add three tablespoonfuls molasses or brown sugar, a tablespoonful of butter, or egg, a saltspoonful of salt, nutmeg or cinnamon to taste.

In broiling shad, split and wash the shad and afterward dry in a cloth; season with salt and pepper; have ready a bed of clear, bright coals; grease the grid-iron well, and as soon as it is hot lay the shad upon it; broil quarter of an hour or more, according to the thickness; butter well and send to table; it can be served with melted butter.

INFORMATION.

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St. John, N.B., January 6th, 1880. DEAR SIR: In regard to your favor of a few days ago, I would say: About one year ago a horse owned by me contracted a large Bone Spavin of the cure of which I tried a number of the liniments and ointments advertised to cure the same, without any effect, and he became very lame.

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gon was broken to pieces, man thrown out and broken, next day the vicious brute, bred for sale. Willie's father bought the horse to please his wife whose tender heart was full for the poor animal. "We'll follow Willie's plan," said long Mr. Ely and Willie drove the horse. People were surprised at the change in the would go as slow as desired. Instantly at "Whoa," the master, come at his call, and head on his shoulder. Poor horse had been beaten, and starved before, and growl more stubborn. Now he was over-driven or over-loaded, whipped, kicked, or scolded, and words were given him, and then an apple or a sugar. No gentler, kinder, faithful horse went on the night Mr. Ely was away. He had taken Ben the afternoon, but when came he had not returned. He would not be home, the family closed the door. About midnight heard Ben's neigh. Jumped he ran to the window, Ben was at the door, with father. In a few moments were aroused, and Willie hurriedly opened the door. Ben had done so than Ben around and trotted off to the road. He followed him. Ben led him a quarter of and then stopped. They lay on the ground in a When he was taken home recovered, and told that he was riding through the struck his head against hanging branch of a tree, from the horse. He was by the blow, and did not anything more. After Ben was the hero of the And a good many of Willie's friends began to practice of treating their dogs and They found that the smart manage them was by kind- fected.

AM I A SINNER?

"I said Richie one day, 'sinner?' said the father. 'my son,'" said the father. "I don't know," said the boy. "I never steal or lie; I never kill; I study hard; I love church and to Sunday. Why am I a sinner? You must remember looks at the heart. He what your companions or even cannot. The Bible that our hearts are naked to the eyes of Him who have to do." When anyone being a sinner, we sing of the way in which at him. Now, my dear love God best and first at is the question. God's is a very high one. He only that you must not that you must not even that which belongs to all only that you must not that you must not hate And so all the way and obedience of every great, and if you do Him that love and obeys are not giving him what right to ask, and that is against him. To say that sinner is not to say that he can be. The latter, is worse than the one obeys the laws; the boy profane and filthy language worse than the boy who art, and he says that no after heaven whose heart at in his sight. Do you what I mean? You sir, I think I do. You I must ask how I look to not to you, or my school that is it. And then, my find, as you will, that is not as God wants to must ask the Saviour to When you feel that you take yourself better, but, and then just ask Him possession of your heart, change it from a hard, art that does not love good heart in which he that Richie went and he Saviour to give him a I hope that all of you, en, though you may be ving and obedient, will you need to ask God to hearts fit for the Saviour's hearts that, first of of love to him, and then lead you to try every hour, to do what is God. —Child's Paper.

THE WESLEYAN
FRIDAY, JULY 1, 1881.

THE MONCTON CONFERENCE.

Only committees were in session on Friday afternoon when we visited the Conference church at Moncton. On entering we were impressed with its appearance. Its galleries, on three sides, add to its attractiveness; and the frescoing, its completed, is most chaste in style and delicate in coloring; and the building is in all respects worthy of our Church in a town which has grown more rapidly within the last quarter of a century than any other in the Maritime Provinces.

Among small groups of ministers we soon recognized familiar faces, whose presence reminded us of years of active service in New Brunswick circuits. Time had dealt leniently with some who seemed to have grown no older with the lapse of years; the grey heads of others implied the rush of numerous years, while low and sad tones revealed the depths of the trials through which some had passed since we last had met them.

"A good Conference" was the expression applied to the business sessions and religious services already held. We soon gathered that the speakers at the anniversary services had earnestly addressed themselves to their work, and had been cheered by good and attentive audiences. The Sunday-school meeting on Friday evening was no exception to the rule as to quality of addresses or character of audience.

One mark in our Conference churches of late years the absence of the large platform on which in other years the President was not only supported by the recently elected officials but by a choice company of ex-Presidents and visitors of importance. Now barely room is afforded for the officials of the session, ex-Presidents slip quietly back into the ranks, and since the old Conference of Eastern British America was merged into the Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada official visitors are few. They touch the Conference at other points and we seldom see their faces.

On Saturday morning we found Rev. Douglas Chapman in the chair. Though comparatively young, he has well merited this mark of distinction from the ministers of a Church whose work he has done in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Bermuda, and during some years in much weakness. His genial, loving spirit and straight-forward Christian life have won him warm friends everywhere, the Conference included. Near him sat the Secretary and Journal Secretary, Messrs H. P. Cowperthwaite and Weddall, chosen by their brethren for important work. A glance at the Assistant Secretaries, whose position is the highest we have enjoyed in relation to the platform, carried us back to days when work similar to this, and continued often into early morning hours, made us think of a story which frequently suggested the relation between the Secretary and his assistants—the story of the emigrant who sought to entice a friend to America by assuring him that in our favored land he would only have to carry bricks in a three-cornered box to the top of a four story house, where the man at the top would do all the work! Let us remark in passing that no President ever made work so easy for the scribes as did the late Dr. Punahon, who having trodden the lower steps, knew how to lighten the labors of those who still occupied them.

It was our good fortune to arrive at Moncton as at Grandville Ferry—just in time to hear the eloquent addresses given in behalf of our Collegiate Institutions. Rev. John Latham, President of the Nova Scotia Conference, and James K. Inch, Esq., LL.D., were present by request of the managers. Rev. John McMurray would have been there, but as our readers know, he has been serving of late by patient suffering rather than by active work. Mr. Latham's address was a fine chain of argument in favor of denominational colleges. In the course of his remarks he repeated Dr. Forrester's statement that during his visit, years ago, to noted educational institutions abroad, he had not found one so well equipped and doing such excellent work as the Wesleyan Training College at Westminster. We have never heard Dr. Inch speak so effectively as on that morning. Although circumstances are not calculated to arouse the same deep feeling in the sister Province as in Nova Scotia, he awakened much enthusiasm. Brief addresses were then given by Revs. Dr. Pickard and Pope, and Howard Sprague, A.M., and the meeting was adjourned. On Tuesday morning the consideration of the topic was to be resumed.

We have scarcely left ourselves space to speak of Sunday services. The President's sermon was a forcible statement of the truth that "power from on high" must ever be the secret of the preacher's success. With more vigorous health, enabling him to dispense altogether with the manuscript, Mr. Chapman's sermon would have won for him even higher regard. The Conference Love-feast, presided over by Rev. Henry Daniel, was a season of hallowed interest. Time passed rapidly away, in ready, clear and fervent testimonies to the power of the grace that saves. In the evening the pulpit was occupied by Rev. John Read, the popular pastor of the Queen St. Church, St. John, N. B. A glance at the congregation showed the interest with which they listened to him on this occasion. To meet with the brethren in the sacramental service was a pleasure indeed, and heightened by the number of those who enjoyed it with us. As at Grandville Ferry, the lively singing of old, familiar tunes, in which all might join, added much to the interest of the several services. Monday brought us little opportunity, save to look in at the Conference, brethren having left on Saturday to fill appointments, it seemed to us, over half the Province. In response to a cordial invitation from the President we talked briefly to those present about the Wesleyan, and soon taking our leave we bade farewell to the friends whose kindness had made our visit most pleasant, and in a little while were moving rapidly homeward.

THE LATE W. O. SIMPSON.

Frequent reference is still made in our English and American exchanges to the sudden decease of this lamented minister. An English correspondent of the Christian Advocate says of his foreign service; "He took as much delight in his work as the people showed toward himself and his ministrations. A sturdy and true man of God, he remained at his post during all those thrilling scenes and excitements of the Indian mutiny, and no man better understood those days of darkness and suffering, or was better able to describe to an English audience the outline of those terrible days, and the trials of both the missionaries and their flocks. By hard study, and careful, constant observation he made himself a master of the details of mission life in India, and just when his services were becoming all but invaluable, the health of Mrs. Simpson so utterly broke down, return to England became an urgent necessity. India that day lost one of its most able and devoted missionaries, but England gained what has since proved to be a very prince of pleaders for the cause of missions; a powerful preacher, a platform orator, a charming lecturer, with an attractiveness in addressing children peculiarly his own, but wonderfully winning."

The family of Mr. Simpson are placed in circumstances of peculiar sadness by his removal. Mrs. Simpson has been in an asylum for several years, and of their four sons and two daughters three are yet quite young. The eldest son is about to follow his father into the ministry. Some English Methodists are endeavoring to raise a fund of \$15,000, the annual income from which shall be devoted to the support of the family. The effort, we are glad to say, promises to be successful.

N. B. & P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

The Conference opened at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, the 22nd of June, in the Methodist Church at Moncton, the President, Rev. E. Evans, in the chair. After the 735th hymn was sung and the 12th chapter of Romans read, Revs. F. Smallwood and Dr. Pickard offered prayer. Upon vote for President being taken Rev. D. Chapman was elected first time by a majority of twenty-two over the next highest. Being welcomed by the retiring President, he thanked him cordially for his kind words. He said that there was no man he should esteem it higher honor to follow, though in view of the ability displayed by him while in the chair of the Conference, he did so with trepidation. He thanked his brethren for the spontaneousness with which they had raised him to this position. He had not sought it and last year, when his name was brought forward in connection with the Presidency, he would not have been more surprised if he had been offered the Governor Generalship of this Dominion. He would endeavor to discharge the duties of the office to their satisfaction, and claimed their kind consideration in view of the bodily weakness from which he was not entirely recovered. He prayed that we might realize the presence of God in all our meetings. Rev. H. P. Cowperthwaite, A.M., was re-elected Secretary, and Rev. R. W. Weddall, A.M., re-elected Journal Secretary. The following appointments were then made:

Assistant Secretaries.—Revs. H. R. Baker, A.M., and Wm. Harrison, Assistant Journal Secretary.—Rev. Geo. W. Fisher. Letter-writers, Revs. John

A. Clark, A.M., and B. Chappell, A. B. Reporter for Wesleyan.—Rev. M. R. Knight, A. B.

On motion of the Rev. R. Duncan, it was resolved that if any question should arise necessitating closed doors, its consideration should be postponed to the beginning of a subsequent session. A communication being received from the Moncton Y. M. C. Association, inviting the members of Conference to their reading-room, the Letter-writers were instructed to reply, expressing the conference's appreciation of the courtesy. The consideration of character was then entered upon with closed doors. The following brethren were announced as members of the Stationing Committee: Revs. John Read, F. W. Harrison, I. N. Parker, Wm. Dobson, E. Slackford and S. R. Ackman. The Nominating Committee was then chosen: Revs. Chas. Comben, R. Wilson, H. Sprague, A. M., S. R. Ackman and W. W. Percival. The following brethren were reported as District representatives on the Sabbath School Committee: Revs. C. Comben, W. Harrison, George W. Fisher, D. H. Lodge, S. E. Colwell and John C. Berrie. The laymen appointed to the Missionary Committee were Messrs. Jas. A. White, Dennis Sullivan, A. Rowley, Wm. Lemont, J. J. Anslow, Josiah Wood, A. M., J. McLaughlin, J. Veasey, W. E. Dawson and Athelstee Hood. The following compose the Congregational Fund Committee: Ministers—The President, F. Smallwood, Dr. Pickard, R. Duncan, John Read, W. W. Colpitts, John Prince and Isaac Howie; laymen, Messrs. Andrew Anderson, Tobias Addy, Martin Trueman, Josiah Wood, A. M., S. W. Layton, W. B. Knight, and D. J. McLaughlin. A telegram expressing cordial greetings was received from the Nova Scotia Conference, and then the Secretary was instructed to reply. Adjourned with benediction.

CONFERENCE PRAYER MEETING.

At noon the Conference prayer meeting was held, the President conducting the service. Revs. H. Daniel, John Read, J. V. Jost, E. Evans, and S. T. Teed offered prayer. The hour was one of power and blessing.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY MEETING.

This was held on Wednesday evening, the President in the chair. The 707th hymn was sung, and prayer was offered by Dr. Pope. The chairman before introducing the speakers remarked that he was glad to see in so large an audience a manifestation of interest in the missionary work. "We believe in an on-throne Messiah. Though the world is full of prophets we see no signs of the end. We have been playing at missions. We have a great work to do, and have the stimulus both of patriotism and of converting other nations. Rev. R. Duncan read the report.

REPORT.

When John Wesley uttered the well known words, "The world is my parish," he gave evidence that he possessed the missionary spirit; actuated by the same spirit his followers seek to reduce to practice the command of the Lord and Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." To some extent, if not to the full measure of her ability, the Methodist Church of Canada is trying to prove that she is true to the convictions of her sainted ancestry, and without respect to country or race, is seeking to bring men from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God.

The field occupied by our Church in her missionary operations is extensive, embracing as it does, not only the Dominion of Canada, but Newfoundland, Bermuda and Japan. The annual reports from the mission stations show evidences of spiritual growth and prosperity. Of our Indian missions, the last report states: In the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario, British Columbia, the N. West territory, and Keewatin, Church organizations are formed, where the services, as conducted in the most favored cities are regularly maintained and the praises of multitudes in different languages are offered to the triune God of Holiness with a simplicity and earnestness not often approached by more cultured and refined congregations. J. W. Powell, Esq., Indian Superintendent, reports to the Dominion Government as follows:

"The next day being Sunday, in company with several of the officers and most of the ship's crew, we attended service at the Methodist church, and heard a sermon by Mr. Crosby, wonderfully well repeated in Impresbian by a native woman. The church seats fully 500 people, and was well filled by a most attentive congregation. With the exception of one or two employees of the Hudson Bay Company, all were Indians, and their cleanly and well-dressed appearance, their deep and solemn devotion, and their apparent desire not to lose a word which fell from the preacher's lips struck me as one of the most impressive scenes I had ever experienced. The whole village, so full of life yesterday, afforded a great contrast to-day in the universal respect shown to the Sabbath."

Japan.—This is the only Foreign Mission within the bounds of our Society's work. The present position of Missions in Japan is summed up by the Rev. Dr. Clark of the American Board of Foreign Missions as follows: "Ten years ago there were less than ten converts to Christianity. There was no Church organized; no native agency; no missionary devoted to preaching; only the scantiest Christian literature, and that derived from China. To-day there are over two thousand five hundred professed believers in Christ; a recognized evangelical community ten times larger; a fine body of earnest native preachers; Christian schools for the preparation of a native ministry; a Christian literature, including more than one hundred thousand copies of portions of the New Testament."

French Mission Work, the last Report states, has been attended throughout the year, and in every field we are occupying, by cheering and increasing fruit as the result of the Divine blessing on the labors bestowed upon it.

From the Missionary Districts and from the Mission Circuits of the annual Conference, tidings of the most cheerful character in regard to the salvation of souls have come from time to time during the year. The Spiritual Reports of the missions within our own Conference show conclusively that the hand of the Lord has been made bare and many converted during the past year.

The following is a recapitulation of the amounts raised in our Conference for the past year:

Table with 2 columns: Location, Amount. Total: \$5,334.90

The expenses of collecting this gross amount was \$132.79, leaving a net amount \$5202.20, a net increase of \$261.61 as compared with the previous year.

The first speaker was the Rev. Wm. Dobson. He refuted the assertion made in Washington by a noted infidel that Christian missions are a failure. A day of unprecedented splendour, of universal empire, awaits the Church. It will be reached by missionary enterprise. The Divine and human must advance together, they are so connected that one cannot advance without the other. Sacrifice is the foundation stone of Christianity. Can we not imagine something of the wonderful self-denial of the Son of God. The work begun in sacrifice will be carried on in sacrifice until its completion. Paul, Luther, Knox—how much these men sacrificed for religion. We in our work have much reason to thank God and take courage. We have different orders of minds to deal with. The Indians are a wild ideal people. It is hard to make them believe in a real personal God, in a man—Redeemer—Christ. The German very different. He wants to know the length, breadth and thickness of everything. There is much to be overcome, but there is much to encourage us.

Rev. Joseph Seller spoke next, seconding the first resolution which expressed gratitude for past blessing and success. What are the tidings, he asked, from the north and from the west? We hear not only of success but of triumph. The evidences of the power of the Gospel have been signal, palpable, and glorious. Virtue has suppressed vice, cruelty given place to charity. The liar has become truthful—the thief honest. The wilderness rejoices—the desert blossoms as the rose. He spoke eloquently of Fiji, lifted from its degradation and, like the healed demoniac, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. Japan like Fiji is being revolutionized. We must meet the tide of immigration into our Dominion with truth and grace. Christianity will promote every interest of the country. The patriot is on its side. True patriotism has its root in piety. We have reason to be grateful that when noble men have died others have risen to carry on the work. Joshua took the place of Moses—Elezeez of Aaron—David of Solomon. George McDougall dies—his son John takes up his work where he left it. The spirit of the father lives in that of the son. Beneath the desolate wilderness of waters the coral insects are working and there will soon appear a beautiful coral world. There is much to do. Voices are speaking to us—no longer whispering—but calling loudly, "Come over and help us."

Rev. H. Sprague A.M. moved the second resolution, which expressed the need of a larger outpouring of grace and of increased contributions. Christianity is a Divine fact. And it is a development of the history of the past—but the more marked the development the more evident the existence of a controlling power behind it. It is a movement of divine providence and grace in the world. It has solved problems that had long vexed the minds of the wisest men, and that were never answered till Christianity came with truth and light. It may not always have solved them to the satisfaction of the speculating and sceptical mind, but to the peace of the human conscience and heart. It won to itself those earnest inquiring minds that could find rest nowhere else. One larger mind sought the quieting of his doubts in Alexandria among the schools of philosophy there. One teacher told him the questions that troubled him were insignificant. Another said he must learn geometry before he could be qualified for further investigation. A third was more anxious about his pay than his pupil. The disappointed man sought comfort in Plato, but found none. At last a humble man met him upon the sea shore and told him of Christ. The love of Christ met his want—he became a Christian—and is now known in history as Justin the Martyr! A prominent bishop in the English Church among his reasons why Christianity is divine has included this—its successful propagation by moral means alone against all the culture and power of the Roman empire. Its success has been unparalleled. The nearest to a parallel is Mohammedanism. But it was spread by sword and violence. It made captives, not converts—subjects, not saints. Christianity by moral force alone, the world against it, the power of the empire against it, prevailed over all, and ere long the day came when the imperial legions had the cross pictured on their banners with the words, "In this we conquer." The power of Christianity was shown by the fact that three millions of copies of the Revised New Testament were sold over the counter in London and New York within one week after its publication. The

indefinity of the day is but a phase of an infidelity that has always been. Sceptical thought and criticism will vanish like the morning cloud, and revisors will meet again at no distant date to bring the translated Word in nearer accord with the changed conditions of the English tongue.

Mayor Dawson, of Charlottetown, in a brief speech, seconded the resolution. After the collection was taken up, a third resolution, voting the thanks of the Church to all who had aided in procuring contributions, was moved by Mr. James A. White, of St. John. The doxology was sung and Rev. Dr. Pope pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY.

The Conference opened at 9 a.m. with singing, reading of Scripture, and prayer by Revs. Isaac Howie and W. W. Colpitts. The report of the Nominating Committee was received and adopted, appointing the following committees: To prepare the Pastoral Address for next year, Revs. H. Daniel and D. D. Currie. Committee on Memorials: Revs. H. Pope, D.D., H. Daniel, F. W. Harrison, C. W. Hamilton.

Committee on Statistics: Revs. H. R. Baker, A.B., Wm. Harrison, and Geo. W. Fisher. Educational Committee: The President, Revs. C. Stewart D. D., Dr. Kennedy, C. H. Paisley, A.M., John Burwash, A.M., Thos. J. Deinstadt, and H. Sprague, A.M., James R. Inch, L.L.D., Hon. Judge King, Alfred Smith, Esq., A.M., R. Weldon, Esq., Ph. D., A. A. Stockton, Esq., L.L.B., and Josiah Wood, Esq., A.M. Superintendent Committee: Revs. H. Daniel, Dr. Pickard, F. Smallwood, S. W. Sprague, H. McKeown, John S. Phinney, and H. P. Cowperthwaite, A.M., Hon. W. G. Strong, W. E. Dawson, Esq., Jos. L. Black, Esq., M. P.P., Z. Chipman, Esq., Jos. Prichard, Jos. Bullock, and S. D. McPherson, Esq.

Examiners of Theological Students: Revs. Dr. Pickard and Job Shenton. Visitors to Sackville Institutions: Rev. H. McKeown, Wm. Tweedie, Thomas Marshall, and John F. Betta. Parsonage Aid Fund Committee: The President and Secretary of Conference, Revs. Dr. Pickard, Robert Wilson, J. S. Allen, H. R. Baker, A. B., Jos. Seller, A.M., and Elias Slackford, and J. Irvine, A. Rowley, John D. Chipman, Thomas Pickard, and William Lemont, Esqs.

A telegram was received from the Nova Scotia Conference requesting the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee of that Conference on matters relative to the Supernumerary Fund. On motion of the Rev. W. W. Percival the President was asked to nominate a committee of five. Memorials were received from Ed. J. Russell, the Chatham Quarterly meeting, Amos Hicks, and the Fredericton District meeting, and were referred to the Memorial Committee. Rev. Geo. H. Cornish, of the London Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference on the subject of his Cyclopaedia of Methodism, asking the brethren to aid him by purchasing a copy each. Revs. W. W. Lodge and A. Lucas were appointed a committee to disburse the Conference collections. The following names were for ordination, subject to the usual examinations: John F. Estey, Cyrus S. Wells, Wm. E. Johnson, A. B. Continued on trial: D. D. Moore, A. B., and John W. Wadman, A. B., who have travelled two years; S. B. Gregg, A. B., Artemas Bell, and Thos. Pierce, who have travelled one year; Wallace B. Thomas, three years, and A. D. McCully, A. B., two years, who return to Mount Allison College. Received on trial: Clement Williams, Jas. W. Tait, Frederick Black, and Samuel Howard. There has been no death in the ministry during the year. Rev. R. W. Weddall, A. B., was granted three months leave of absence to enable him to cross the Atlantic. Revs. Edwin Mills, and C. W. Dutcher, on account of loss of health, were added to the list of supernumeraries, and Rev. J. J. Colter, we notice with pleasure, returns to the active work. It was announced that Rev. Job Shenton is transferred from Newfoundland Conference to this, and Rev. W. W. Percival from this to that, the transfer to take effect at the close of the present Conference. Adjourned with benediction.

CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL MEETING.

This meeting was held on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. It opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. H. McKeown. The chairman of the meeting, Rev. Dr. Pickard, made a few remarks touching the importance of the Educational Fund and explanatory of its objects. He said when the Fund was established it was hoped that \$15,000 at least would be contributed annually, but that in no year so far had half of this amount been realized.

A brief report was read by the Secretary, Rev. Thomas J. Deinstadt. The first speaker was Rev. John Burwash, A.M. He maintained that it was the business of the Church to help in forming a man's opinions, because his character, his peace and success in life, depend very largely upon his opinions, his mental attitude. There are three ways in which the Church may control the higher thought,—by educating the ministry, and the people through them, by giving a liberal training to the sons and daughters of the laity, and by establishing centres of thought and investigation. They who studied in the schools of the prophets, they who listened to the wisdom of Christ, the reformers and great preachers of the last century, were not ignorant men. Denominational Colleges are the safest and best. Science and philosophy, to be taught well, must be taught by christian men, and even in mathematics scholars are influenced by the opinions of their teachers.

Rev. Job Shenton spoke next. He said the school system in Newfoundland was so different from that in these Provinces that he had grown almost out of accord with the system here. As superintendent in St. John's, he had the oversight

of several schools, and several hundred scholars. In St. John's they are intensely English, and think you are Yankees up here. He showed what had been done in the United States in Great Britain to promote the education, and hoped there would be many found in these Provinces to undertake such noble deeds and to erect such noble monuments. We must have religious oversight, and we must train men for the Church as well as for the world.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

There is much force in these remarks from a leading American paper, in relation to the Revised New Testament. "But what if you don't like it? The difference does that make? The Bible was not written to please you but to instruct you. The business of the translators was not to bring out a translation that should be accommodated to your feelings, but that should be accommodated to God's Greek text. If it suitably translates the Greek text, their work is properly done and that is an end of it. It may suit you; but why should it? Paul's beautiful hymn in praise of charity, given in our old English version, may seem to you much more beautiful than Paul's Greek hymn in praise of love: but that question was not before the revisers. Their business was to select the most beautiful ideas, but to cover Paul's ideas and put them in English. There is just one question for you to ask, and that is not, Do the new translation please my taste or my theology? but, is it correct? Do it represent God's word in the Greek?"

Missionary societies have sometimes been charged with a wasteful expenditure of money in the publication of the results of missionary effort. Sometimes their managers have listened too readily to such complaints, to the serious loss of their department of Church work. The announcement of a legacy lately left by a lady to our Missionary Society did not surprise us, because we had seen at her residence a copy of the Missionary Outlook. These words from Zion's Herald are to the point: "Get the people light. Let them see what the Lord is doing in the home and foreign field, and they will wake up to duty in sustaining the noble cause. Place a good missionary periodical in their hands, full of stirring thoughts and notices of the triumphs of missionary work, and it will bring more money to the cause than any amount of denunciation. The people need to be educated on the subject, and when this is done, there will be no lack of funds."

Have we not here an instance of the last being first? An exchange, in announcing the arrival of letters from Liberia respecting the election of President and Vice-President of that African Republic, has the following remarks:—"The contest is said to have been independent of party lines, and the successful candidates are pledged to the education of the masses, the incorporation of the native tribes into the body politic, the prohibition of liquors, the honest settlement of foreign indebtedness, and the frugal administration of the government." Would the above be true of the political contests of our own more highly favored Dominion in whole or only in part?

The Resolutions of the Nova Scotia Conference in relation to the future of our Educational Institutions will be found on the sixth page. In consequence of the editor's absence they occupy a less prominent place than they merit. It will be seen that the opinions of the ministers of the Conference are in harmony with the action of the majority of the members, clerical and lay, of the Board of Governors. These opinions are stated in a way not to be misunderstood, as is certainly necessary at a time when effort is being made to lay the axe at the root of these and other institutions.

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In response to a despatch from our Mission Rooms, Toronto, asking the Maritime Conferences to furnish an ordained unmarried man for the Nicola Valley Mission, British Columbia...

Elsewhere will be found an announcement of the second annual meeting of the Provincial Educational Association, which is to be commenced at Truro on the 13th inst.

The annual picnic of the Sunday-school of the South Brunswick Street Mission Church is to take place on Wednesday, July 6th.

This advice, from an exchange is worthy of being passed on: "You are getting ready for your summer vacation from business. This may be very well if you can afford it."

The Kaye St. Sunday-school picnic comes off on the 26th inst at Hosterman's grounds. Do not forget it.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. E. B. Moore and children arrived on Sunday morning per Beta from Bermuda.

R. Luttrell, Esq., formerly Superintendent of the I. C. R., has been appointed Grand Truck Station Agent at Hamilton.

The Methodist Recorder reports a decided improvement in the health of Rev. Marmaduke C. Osborn, Secretary of the English Conference.

We were glad to meet Mr. J. J. Anslow, of the Union Advocate, at Moncton, as one of the lay representatives to the N. B. and P. E. I. Conference.

It was resolved: "That this Conference gratefully recognizes the valuable services of A. M. Oudney, Esq., in recent legislation in Bermuda, which this Conference regards as having given a better status to our Church in those islands."

LITERARY NOTES.

The American Sunday School Union, Philadelphia, has added to its list The Oath Keeper of Ferraro, an illustrated and prettily bound volume of more than 400 pages.

Messrs. I. K. Funk & Co., N. Y., have just issued two new numbers of their celebrated Standard Series. The Person Queen and other Pictures of Truth, by Rev. E. P. Thwing, is an admirable work for circulation in school or parish.

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THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

(Continued from 8th page.)

The following petition presented by the Temperance Committee was received and ordered to be forwarded to the proper authorities. To His Honor the Speaker and members of the Dominion House of Commons of Canada...

The following report was read by the Temperance Committee, viz: "This Committee views with pleasure the events of the past year. The strong expression of temperance sentiment which has been given in many parts of this Province by our own people in conjunction with others, the prominence given to this important question by our connexional organ, and the adoption by our Conference of rules suggested for the government of temperance and juvenile temperance societies, wherever it may be deemed expedient to organize them, are all sources of gratitude to the Head of the Church."

It was resolved "That the Conference expresses its hearty and unqualified approval of the new hymn book, published under the direction of the General Conference during the past year. That the Conference records its grateful recognition of the faithful and judicious manner in which the members of the Hymn Book Committee have discharged their responsible duties in successfully compiling for the use of the members of the Methodist Church of Canada, a book of praise unsurpassed by that of any other denomination."

The Children's Fund Committee presented its report, which was adopted. Several memorials of local interest, merely, were read and disposed of. The final station list was laid upon the table. It was resolved: "That this Conference gratefully recognizes the valuable services of A. M. Oudney, Esq., in recent legislation in Bermuda, which this Conference regards as having given a better status to our Church in those islands."

Various resolutions were passed embodying votes of thanks to the people of Annapolis and Graville Ferry who have so hospitably entertained the members of the Conference during the present session; to the Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway; to the Windsor and Annapolis, and the Western Counties Railways, and the steamship companies, for their kindness in granting reduced rates of travel to ministers and lay delegates attending Conference.

The Pastoral Address was read by the Rev. S. B. Dunn, and adopted. It was decided to hold the next annual Conference at Windsor, on the third Wednesday in June, 1882.

PROTECTING CHILDREN.

Superintendent Jenkins, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, announced last week that the law lately passed by the Legislature, making pool-playing, rag-picking, and cigar-stump collecting by children a misdemeanor, would be put in force on Monday of this week.

N. B. AND P. E. I. STATION SHEET.

I.—St. John District.

- 1. St. John, Queen Square—John Read; Geo. B. Payne, Supy.
2. St. John (Cathedral)—Duncan D. Currie; Henry Daniel, Jas. R. Narraway, A. M., John Prince, Supy.
3. St. John, Exmouth St.—Hezekiah McKeown.
4. St. John, Portland—Wm. Johnson.
5. St. John, Carleton—Wilson W. Lodge; J. A. Clarke, A. M., Supy.
6. St. John, Carmarthen St.—To be supplied; Henry Pope, A. M., Sup.
7. St. John, Courtney Bay—S. Busby; Gregg, A. A.
8. Fairville—Joseph Seller, A. M.
9. Sussex—John F. Betts.
10. Apohaqui—Silas James.
11. Upham—Charles Coburn; S. W. Sprague, Supy.
12. St. Martin—John J. Colter.
13. Grand Lake—Wm. Tweedy.
14. Jerusalem—Richard Opie.
15. Welsford—J. T. Baxendale.
16. Kingston—James A. Duke.
D. D. CURRIE, Chairman, H. McKEOWN, Fin. Secretary.

II.—Fredericton District.

- 17. Fredericton—Edwin Evans, J. W. Wadman, B. A.
18. Kingsclear—Henry J. Clarke.
19. Marysville—Waldron W. Brewer.
20. Gibson—John S. Allen.
21. Nashwaak—John Goldsmith.
22. Stanley—Frederic Black.
23. Boiestown—John K. King.
24. Keswick—James Crisp.
25. Sheffield—Robert S. Crisp.
26. Gagetown—Wm. Harrison.
27. Woodstock—Wm. Colpitts.
28. Canterbury—Wm. R. Pepper.
29. Jacksonville—Matthew R. Knight, A. B.; Fred. W. Harrison, Supy.
30. Richmond—Edwin C. Turner.
31. Florenceville—Alfred E. LePage; Edwin Mills, Supy.
32. Andover—Thomas Allen.
33. Upper Kent—Henry Penna.
34. Arthurette—A. R. B. Shrewsbury.
E. EVANS, Chairman, W. W. COLPITTS, Fin. Sec'y.

III.—Miramichi District.

- 34. Chatham—Stephen T. Teed.
35. Newcastle—Benj. Chappell, A. B.
36. Millerton—Isaac N. Parker.
37. Richibouctou—Isaac Howie.
38. Gaspareaux—One to be sent.
39. Baie du Vin—Samuel Howard.
40. Tabusintac—Clement Williams.
41. Bathurst—Richd. W. Weddall, A. B.
42. Campbellton—Cyrus S. Wells.
S. T. TEED, Chairman, I. N. PARKER, Fin. Sec'y.

IV.—Sackville District.

- 43. Sackville—Job Shenton; H. Pickard, D. B., Supy.
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS: Charles Stewart, D. D., Theological Professor and Chaplain; John Burwash, A. M., Prof. of Natural Science; David Kennedy, S. T. D., Principal of Ladies Academy; Charles H. Paisley, A. M., Principal of Male Academy.

V.—St. Stephen District.

- 45. Point de Bute—Geo. W. Fisher.
46. Baie Verte—Robert Wilson.
47. Bayfield—Wm. J. Kirby.
48. Moncton—Robert Duncan.
49. Coverdale—Charles Manaton.
50. Shediac—Thomas Hicks.
51. Dorchester—Thomas Marshall.
52. Hopewell—Levi S. Johnson.
53. Alma—Thomas Pierce.
54. Hillsboro—Charles W. Hamilton.
55. Petticoatic—Wm. Lawson.
56. Salisbury—Wm. Penna.
57. Elgin—Theo. L. Williams.
R. DUNCAN, Chairman, T. MARSHALL, Fin. Sec'y.

VI.—P. E. Island District.

- 58. St. Stephen—Howard Sprague, A. M.; C. W. Dutcher, Supy.
59. Milltown—Aquila Lucas.
60. St. Andrew's—Douglas Chapman.
61. St. David's—Elias Slackford.
62. St. James—Septimus E. Colwell.
63. Bocabeac—Wm. Wass.
64. Deer Island—John F. Estey.
PRESIDENT, Chairman, C. W. DUTCHER, Fin. Sec'y.

VII.—P. E. Island District.

- 65. Charlottetown—H. P. Cowperthwaite, A. M., Wm. Tippett; J. V. Jost, F. Smallwood, Supy's.
66. Cornwall—Samuel B. Ackman.
67. Little York—George Steal.
68. Pownal—George M. Campbell.
69. Bedeque—George Harrison.
70. Tryon—John S. Phinney.
71. Margate—W. Maggs, Jas. W. Tait.
72. Summerside—Thos. J. Deinastad.
73. Bideford—Wm. E. Johnson, A. B.
74. Murray Harbor—Edward Bell.
75. Montague—John O. Berrie.
76. Souris—Thos. Stebbings.
77. Mt. Stewart—Douglas H. Lodge.
78. Alberton—Hilbert R. Baker, A. B.; D. D. Moore, A. B.
JOHN S. PHINNEY, Chairman, THOS. J. DEINASTAD, Fin. Sec'y.

A FEARFUL ACCIDENT.

A despatch from the City of Mexico, dated June 27th, says: "Particulars of the accident on the Morelos Railway have been received. Recent heavy rains caused freshets which undermined the supports to the bridge over the San Antonio River, near Mailpois, and when the train carrying a battalion of soldiers attempted to cross the structure gave way and the entire train was precipitated down a steep embankment. Part of the train consisted of freight cars loaded with alcohol. This set fire to the entire mass of wreckage, and everything was consumed. One hundred and ninety-two privates and thirteen officers are known to have been either killed outright or slowly roasted to death; fifty other persons were either fatally or seriously injured. The bridge was known to be unsafe, but was nevertheless continued in use. The road is a narrow gauge, built entirely by Mexican capitalists, and was first opened to the public on the 18th inst. Never in the history of the Republic has so frightful a casualty been chronicled, and its occurrence, it is feared, may still further prejudice the popular mind against railway enterprises. However 'Los Gringos,' as the natives term all outside barbarians, can come in for to share of the blame in this connection. In addition to the loss of life already reported, the engineer and fireman were both scalded to death."

SECULAR GLEANINGS.

THE DOMINION.

The recent census returns give the population of Victoria, B. C., at 6,346. It is said that the liquor business has been completely driven out of Pughwash. A few citizens of St. John, N. B., have sent \$300 to Quebec, for sufferers by the late fire.

Last week five Norwegian barques were at Pughwash, loading deals for the United Kingdom. It is said that Mr. Mackintosh will offer again for Mayor of Ottawa, and if so, will doubtless be returned.

Six thousand hams have already been cured this season at Mr. Robert Bridges' establishment at Charlottetown. Mr. Nutt, who is opening an establishment at Charlottetown for canning corn, tomatoes, etc., expects to put up this season 80,000 cans.

A severe thunder storm passed over Oxford on the 23rd inst. One clap was very loud, and the lightning damaged J. L. Oxley's house a good deal. James F. Elliott of Halifax, has obtained an interim copyright of a genealogical and chronological chart of British history for use in public schools.

A Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada will be in Charlottetown on the 21st inst. to try the cases for damages caused by the disaster on the Island railroad in August last. The ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the St. Croix cotton mill at St. Stephen was performed by the Masonic Grand Master, Hon. B. R. Stevenson, on Friday.

The Victoria, which sailed on Saturday for New York, took 24 men, who were engaged to work for the Cui-huairchic Silver Mining Company, of Chihuahua, Mexico.

The Dominion Alliance for the suppression of the Liquor Traffic, assembled at St. John, Friday, July 15th. Every temperance organization is asked to send delegates. The gardens and orchards in Windsor and vicinity are alive with caterpillars. Fruit trees and even willows have been stripped of their foliage, and appear as if they had been burned.

A despatch from Weymouth, Digby Co., announced the sudden death, on Saturday, of Hon. Colin Campbell, shipbuilder, and formerly a member of the House of Assembly for Digby. The Sackville Post says that a branch of the Intercolonial Railroad will be extended to Oxford, and that there is a prospect of Pughwash getting a branch, by arrangements with coal capitalists.

A trim little brigantine was lately launched at Avondale. She was built by Mr. James Mosher, to the order of Mr. R. I. Hart, of Halifax, her owner. She is called the Brazil. The Orange demonstration, to be held at Toronto on the 12th inst., is expected to surpass any celebration ever held on this continent under the auspices of the same Order.

Iron ore is being mined at Jacksonville, N. B., at the rate of twenty tons per day. It is hauled to the works, a distance of three miles, for forty cents a ton by the farmers.

The St. John Sun reports an unpleasant collision between a fishery officer and James DeW. Spurr, Esq., who attempted to fish off his own lands, without license, which he applied for in vain. Messrs. Batty have purchased Capt. Grant's property at Wallace and opened a new quarry beside the Wallace-Huestis quarry. The latter company are getting out some fine stone, and there are one or two vessels at their wharf.

The Charlottetown Examiner says: "The potato farina made at the St. Peter's Starch Factory is beautifully clean and bright, and we believe that for culinary purposes will do quite as well, and at half the price, as any of the expensive preparations of the same kind. An eleven-year-old boy, named Fred Chipman, on Saturday saved from a watery grave a companion named Gaul, who had fallen from Howell's wharf. This is the third time within six weeks that he has distinguished himself in this way."

A suit in behalf of the owners of the Italian bark Barin, has been begun in the Vice-Admiralty Court, St. John, against O. Emery & Co., of that city, owners of the bark Arklow, claiming \$24,000 damages. The two vessels were in collision off the Banks of Newfoundland, and the Barin was afterward abandoned. Rev. Mr. Hickson, of Carleton, his brother and another gentleman, have formed a company to open up a silver and lead mine in the vicinity of Bathurst. An assay has been taken of the ore, and it has been found to contain one-third lead of the entire bulk and thirty-one ounces of silver to the ton of lead.

The new comet has been observed at many points, and is attracting great attention. The elements show a marked agreement with those of the great comet of 1867, making it probable that the two are identical. The comet is about 27,000,000 miles from the earth, and is rapidly receding from it and approaching the sun; the perihelion passage occurring about July 1st.

OUR OWN CHURCH.

The contemplated alterations on the church at Fredericton have already been commenced.

A despatch to a daily paper says that the sum of \$20,000 has been subscribed for the erection of a Wesleyan Theological College at Montreal, and that the funds will be raised to \$30,000. The Bermuda census returns are now in. The number of Methodists reported in connexion with the Methodist Church of Canada is 1672, about 600 more than were reported ten years ago. The returns at that time were believed to be incorrect.

The Wesleyans of Oxford have ordered a pipe organ for their church from Bolton and Smith, Montreal, to be delivered and put up in the church about August 1st. They have just put in a new bell at a cost of \$115, from Henry McShaan & Co., Baltimore.—Chronicle.

The treasurers of the Irish Thanksgiving Fund announce that over \$3,939 has been paid on account of promised subscriptions. It is hoped that a still larger amount may be reported at the coming Conference. The contributions to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the year amounted to \$106,934, exceeding the contributions of the previous year by \$31,650. Of the total amount \$12,156 were contributed by the Philadelphia branch.

Despatches from Melbourne confirm the rumoured loss of the Australian mail steamer Tararua, together with over one hundred lives including four New Zealand delegates to the Wesleyan General Conference which meets at Adelaide. The names of these four ministers are Connolly, Armitage, Mitchell, and Richardson. The steamer was making her regular voyage from Dunedin to Melbourne when the disaster took place.

The Rev. E. W. Parker, presiding elder of the Rohiland District, North India, reports to the secretaries: "Our work is everywhere spreading and growing. I used to say I hope to see 10,000 Christians in the Rohiland District before I give up the work, but now I say 100,000. Our present openings look to such a result. Our native preachers are growing. We placed Brother McHenry's work under a native preacher, and the work has lost none of its efficiency but has rather taken a new start all over this large circuit of 700,000 souls. Every native preacher's circuit is showing fruit well indeed." Mr. Parker also writes in a private letter: "My district never was so good as now; openings in every direction."—N. Y. Advocate.

ABROAD.

The outgoing steamships from New York for Europe are still crowded.

New Orleans is not only now the second port of import in the country, but is far ahead of all others except New York. At Riverhead, L. I., a six year boy, watching a storm with his mother from a window, was instantly killed by lightning.

The Army and Navy Club by ballot has decided by a vote of 359 to 38, to readmit Colonel Valentine Baker (Baker Pasha) to membership. The Times says the attitude of the Parnellites threatens indirect, if not direct, obstruction which obstruction is aimed at the defeat of the Land Bill.

Sir John Glover, Governor of Newfoundland, has been appointed Governor of Antigua. He leaves St. John's about the 12th of July for his new station. There has been an Indian outbreak in Western Utah, and in a raid and skirmish several Indians, six soldiers and over twenty cattle-men were killed. Troops are pursuing the Indians.

The Chinese Government has established a school of telegraphy at Hartford, Conn., where forty young Celestials will be instructed in the construction and operation of lines. The London Standard says the entire population of the Kingdom will be shown by the coming census to be above thirty-five millions, an increase in the decade of a little over four millions.

A thunder storm of unprecedented fury swept over Washington on Monday night, lasting about an hour. Ford's opera house, the city hall building and a large number of residences were unroofed. Among the causes that brought about the unprecedented stampede from Germany to America this season are high taxes, low wages, military service, and Jewish competition in trade.

The Bey of Tunis has issued decrees fully acknowledging the Protectorate of France over the Regency, and charging M. Roustan with the conduct of all relations between his government and the foreign representatives in Tunis. The steamer Photon, while racing with the steamer Handy, exploded its boilers and the boat was torn to pieces. The chimneys of the Handy were blown off. Both boats were filled with passengers. Five lives were lost and a number of persons injured.

A London despatch says in the House of Commons to-day (Wednesday) the bill abolishing capital punishment was rejected by 175 to 89. During the debate the general feeling expressed was in favor of a classification of the various degrees of murder as in America. The tricycle has been adopted by the Birmingham police force for the purpose of facilitating the work of the summoning officers. Should the experiment prove successful, the use of the tricycle may be more generally adopted in connection with the force.

The News, commenting on Gladstone's notice of the motion to give the Land Bill precedence over the other orders, says: "We cannot close our eyes to the immense strain and burden about to be placed upon Gladstone's strength, and the danger not only to the bill, but to the nation and the minister, of its being overtaxed."

The Observer understands that it was decided at a Cabinet meeting on Saturday, to ask the House of Commons to concede the whole of Wednesday and Friday's sessions every week to committee on the Land Bill. The contingency was discussed of even taking further steps in the event of this additional time not being sufficient to get the bill out of the House of Commons before the 16th of July.

At a bazaar lately held to raise a fund for the repair of Bagshot Church, Princess Christian, the Duchess of Connaught, Princess Louise and the Duchesse de Teck were among the ladies presiding at stalls, and they were actively aided by the Duke of Connaught and Prince Leopold, who did a considerable business in the sale of American and other light beverages, and photographs and walking-sticks.

The Victoria Cross, the coveted mark of distinction in the British army, has been conferred upon Corporal John Farmer, for conspicuous bravery during the late war in the Transvaal. He held a white flag over a number of wounded men, and when his right arm received a flying bullet, continued to wave his signal, until that too was shattered.

The Inman steamer City of Rome, 8,826 tons burthen, was launched recently from the yard of the Barrow Shipbuilding Company, in the presence of from 50,000 to 60,000 persons. An accident completely marred the pleasure of the day. A d. m. key engine on the deck exploded a few minutes before she was launched, killing three men and injuring ten others.

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NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

On Saturday evening a "Praise and Holiness meeting" was held at Granville Ferry, when addresses were given by several of the ministers.

On Monday, at 9 a. m., the Conference resumed business, spending a little time discussing several matters of business.

The report of the Book Steward and the Editor of the WESLEYAN occupied with discussion nearly the whole of the morning session.

The Editor referred to the WESLEYAN, its increased circulation, and the immense influence it should wield in Methodist families by moulding largely the character of our youth.

The following resolution passed unanimously: Whereas, the Conference has been favored with the financial statement of the Eastern Book Room, located at Halifax, and has listened to addresses from the Book Steward—Rev. S. F. Huestis, and the Editor—Rev. T. W. Smith, therefore,

Resolved, That the Conference records its high appreciation of the laborious and successful efforts of these brethren, and joins in expressing its continued confidence in their administration of the affairs of the Book Room and Connexional organ and hereby recommends these important interests of our Church to the patronage of the friends of our cause.

A resolution was also passed unanimously, expressive of satisfaction with the publication of the "Missionary Outlook" by the Mission Rooms at Toronto, and recommending that excellent publication to the patronage of our people.

After arranging for the Ordination Service the Conference adjourned till 2:30 when the congregation poured in till the handsome church at the Ferry was densely crowded.

The President then called the Rev. D. Hickey to the platform and in a few well chosen words publicly recognized him and extended to him the right hand of fellowship.

The candidates for ordination stated their experience as follows: J. L. Dawson stated that he was 13 years of age when he first received religious impressions at a revival service.

I. M. Mellich said: I stand here a monument of saving grace and abounding mercy. I was blessed with pious parents, who knew how to pray.

VII. Our Theological school at Sackville, being supported by the Church and under its control, has not received one dollar of aid from the government.

VIII. That a respectful application be made by the Conference to the Provincial Parliament at its next session, praying that the grant recently with-

drawn from Mount Allison may be restored for the reasons set forth in these resolutions.

IX. That any effort made by the Board of Governors of Mount Allison to provide an augmentation of the endowment fund with a view to replace the public grant which has been withdrawn shall receive the cordial concurrence of the Conference.

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TUESDAY. The Conference proceedings for Tuesday were mainly routine in character. The various Committees handed in their reports. That of the local missionary committee was read and adjusted.

The Secretary was directed to prepare credentials for Rev. A. W. Nicolson, in view of his attendance at the Ecumenical Conference.

The Rev. R. A. Daniel and J. R. Hart were directed to prepare a synopsis of the spiritual reports for publication in the Annual Missionary Reports.

A discussion in relation to the "General Conference Sabbath School Fund" resulted in a resolution that—in view of the want of uniformity on many of our circuits in connection with the "General Conference Sabbath School Fund," the Conference requests the ministers to attend to the annual collection for the said fund.

The report of the Committee on Education was read clause by clause and adopted as follows: I. That the Conference fully concurs in the resolutions of the Board of Governors of Mt. Allison College.

II. That the thanks of the Conference are due to Rev. C. Stewart D. D., and the Rev. Prof. Burwash A. M. for their addresses before the Conference and they are hereby assured that our Educational Institutions at Sackville possess our unabated confidence and sympathy.

III. That whereas Mt. Allison has been committed to our connexion by the providence of God we would be recreant to our trust did we not maintain it in full efficiency, or did we connive at any change that would deprive our people of the guarantee that the higher education of their children shall be conducted on strictly Christian principles.

IV. That even could it be shown that the interests of higher education lie in the direction of such a scheme of consolidation as have been proposed, an insuperable difficulty meets the measure in the impossibility of alienating the funds of our institutions from the specific object for which they were constituted.

V. The Conference re-affirms the sentiment expressed in the Resolutions of the Conference of Eastern British America in 1864 respecting denominational education, and the necessity of granting equal justice to all denominations in the distributing of state patronage and therefore regards the recent withdrawal of the legislative grant from Mt. Allison (in violation of the principle of equal rights) as a preceeding which calls for earnest remonstrance on the part of the Methodist people of this Province.

VI. This Conference has never asked and does not desire government aid for the performance of distinctively denominational work.

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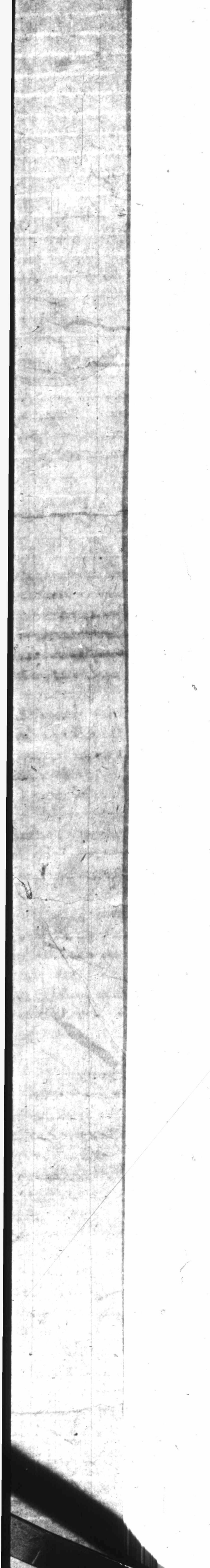
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