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Paetry.

GOD'S ANVIL.

God's breath upon the flame doth blow;
And all my hearf in anguish shivers,
And trembles at the fiery glow;
And yet I whisper. As God will!
And in his hottest fire hold still.

He comes and lays my heart, all neated, On the hard anvil, minded so Into his own fair shape to beat it With his great hammer, blow on blow; And yet I whisper, As God will! And at his heaviest blows hold still.

He takes my softened heart and beats it, The sparks fly off at every blow; He turns it o'er and o'er and heats it. He lets it cool and makes it glow:
And yet I whisper, As God will!
And in his mighty hand hold still.

Why should I murmur? for the sorrow, Thus only longer lived would be; Its end may come, and will, to-morrow When God has done his work in me : So I say, trusting, As God will!

And, trusting to the end, hold still.

He kindles for my profit purely Affliction's glowing fiery brand, And all his heaviest blows are surely Inflicted by a master hand: So I say praying, As God will! And hope in Him and suffer still

TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

To-day we gather bright and beautiful flowers-to-morrow they are faded and dead. To-day a wealth of leaves shaded us-to-To-day a wealth of leaves shaded us—to-morrow, sere and fallen, they crumble beneath had better be disturbed here than damned here-

To-day the earth is covered with a carpet of green—to-morrow it is brown with the withered grass.

To-day the vigorous stalk only bends before child may break the brittle stem.

To-day we hear sweet songsters of meadows was below.

and surrounding, attracts the passer by-tomorrow a heap of ruin marks the site. To-day there are cattle upon the thousand

hills-to-morrow they fall in slaughter. The fashion of the world passeth away. But let Christ dwell within us, and though we may pass away like the faded leaf and the

sapless stalk, we shall "arise to newness of life." "Where everlasting spring abides, And never withering flowers.

SANDERSON AND LITTLE ALICE.

FROM ASHWORTH'S STRANGE TALES.

King Street, or Packer Meadow, is considered by the inhabitants of Rochdale as anything but to allow parson, or professor of religion, by any a respectable section of the town. One or two means to enter the room. She knew his temper evening, he was walking to and fro. He, as of the residents in the lower part are in moder- and when the second Primitive minister came, usual, put out his hand to bid me good night. circumstances, but at the upper end the houses she told him of her peremptory orders. are of the most wretched description. Sanderson, the subject of this narrative, occupied one tend to see him," was the answer; "and if you with a trembling voice,—"Mr. Ashworth, how of the better houses, and my acquaintance with dare not ask permission, I will go up at once, is it that you never speak to me about my soul?" him began through the howling of his dog,—a red, bushy-tailed animal, so like a fox, that he Fortunately, her husband heard all the conhad got that marauder's name.

Fox came underneath the window, and set up a better understand the morce, untamed character the inward workings of his mind. With his sure to follow; it never misses when he howls Britton's "softness." in the night."

"Does the dog belong to some one in the neighborhood ?" I asked.

hell, God or devil; and never is any person republican notions: his collection of books was do?" about to die in the street but Fox howls, as the sure sign of death. He howled when Moss and sure sign of death sure sign of death. He howled when Moss and sure sign of death sure sign of death

severe coughing set in, and he was in the opin-ion of many, a marked man. In misty or cold in a full, clear voice, began: weather he kept his room, and ultimately became unable to walk up and down the stairs. An old shoemaker, named Philip Powles, a Primitive Methodist, became much concerned about the spiritual state of his dying infidel neighbour; he, however, durst not go to see him himself, but earnestly entreated Mr. Britton a zealous Primitive Methodist minister, to un-

dertake the hazardous task. Mr. Britton went to see Sanderson, at the request of the anxious shoemaker. On entering the house he informed Mrs. Sanderson of his wish to see her husband, adding, that he was informed he was an infidel, but he had come to talk with him about his soul, for he was sure he had one.

" I am very sorry you have called on such an crrand, for I am sure my husband will not see you, and it would very much vex and disturb him if he knew you were in the house. I am pained that it is so," observed Mrs. Sanderson.

after. If God, in His mercy, does not disturb him, he will be lost for ever! Just go up stairs, if you please, and ask if I may see him."

he gale—to-morrow, leafless and sapless, a minister; but Mr. Britton persisted, and at last company for the present. To-day the ripening fruit and waving grain—to-morrow "the land is taking its rest after—to tell her real errand; but Sanderson had heard to tell her real errand t a strange voice in the house, and inquired who and I think he cried."

know." He spoke these words so sharply that nected with the death of a man in the same street Mrs. Sanderson quickly left the room, and closed were such, that it had been thought advisable to house of God, and no man in Rochdale more the door after her. "Well, what does he say?" asked Mr. B.

"That he will not see you or any other minister," was her reply.
"I have a good mind to kneel down at the

fore it be too late!" Mr. Britton's colleague, hearing of the matter,

charged him with being "soft," and determined the tract in my room?" he asked. to go himself and see the infidel, whatever consequences might follow. Sanderson had strictly ordered his wife not you."

wersation, and called from the top of the stairs, He let go my hand, and began again to pace

Now Sanderson was one of those characters choking voice,whom circumvention would most readily over- "O, Mr. Ashworth! Mr. Ashworth! I am where.

niture and the howling of dogs indicating death, Sunday-school child to open the way. The on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be belong to a day when Sunday-schools were un- little girl often went to see Sanderson, and I saved. belong to a day when Sunday-schools were unknown, when books were few, and witches and fortune-tellers plentiful.

The old lady's description of Sanderson's a short hymn, and afterwards go up to Mr. creed, or, rather no creed, I found to be correct.

Sanderson's room and say to him. She attended well to the direction I are born with him.

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"When life's tempesteuous storms are o'er, How calm he meets the friendly shore, Who died on earth to sin! Such peace on piety attends,
That where the sinner's pleasure ends,
The good man's joys begin.

"See smiling patience smooths his brow, See the kind angels waiting now To waft his soul on high; While, eager for the blest abode, He joins with them to praise the God That taught him how to die.

"The horrors of the grave and hell, Those sorrows which the wicked feel, In vain their gloom display; For He who bids the comets burn, And makes the night descend, can turn His darknes into day

· No sorrows drown his lifted eyes, No horror wrests his struggling sighs, As from the sinner's breast; His God, the God of peace and love, Pours sweetest comforts from above, Then takes his soul to rest."

When the child had finished the hymn, Sanderson handed her back the book, and

"Tell him that I shall not see him, and when need him or any other parson I will let him narrated he was acquainted. Some events con-I need him or any other parson, I will let him narrated he was acquainted. Some events conpublish them. Sanderson knew the man, had enjoyed the means of grace. The songs and heard much about him, and was anxious to prayers of the sanctuary, and the glad tidings know more. He called his wife upstairs, and asked her how the tract had got into his room. She answered that Mr. Ashworth had been bottom of the stairs and pray so loud that he given them out amongst the neighbours, that will hear. The Lord have mercy upon him be- she had read it, and thought it would interest

"Did John Ashworth request you to place

" He did; he often asks about you, and says he should like to come and talk politics with

On taking up my hat to leave, on the sixth but the grasp was firmer and much longer than "Well, but I have come to see him, and I in- before. He looked me full in the face, and said, "Why, Sanderson, have you got a soul?" I

In one part of the street a poor man lay that "if any person dared to enter his room, the room. I still stood with my hat in my hand, dying. I was called in to read and pray with he would smash his brains out with the poker." but under the most intense excitement. Now, I him, and had sat by his bed some time, when I give his own words, that the reader may thought, the next words he speaks will reveal most dismal howl. Jane Moorehouse, a relative of the man. He also ordered his wife to fetch a finger he pointed to the chair from which I had piece, of the dying man, sprang up from her seat, exclaiming,—"It is all over with Richard. Fox is shouting, and when that dog shouts, death is treat, and rather altered his opinion of Mr. room, he took out his handkerchief, and putting it to his face, he groaned out at last with a

come. He was an intelligent reader of one a miserable man. That child's hymn, and 'Poor "Yes," was her answer, "it belongs to San- class of books, and always ready for an argu- Joseph,' have crushed me to the dust! I have at Littleborough." derson, a man that neither believes in heaven or ment: he was extreme in politics, entertaining held out as long as I can; whatever must I

howled under my window I should expect to die king-craft or priest-craft. Cobbet's "Legacy to I could not speak a word for several minutes." This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all in twelve hours. O, how I tremble!" On leavstreet, Fox was walking quickly up and down, these names I learned respecting anderson, and late! there is an answer, and there is but one. This was dying Sanderson's choice, and he still making his really fearful noise; but a touch the question was,—How shall this man be O, my dear friend, if scepticism, if infidelity specially wished me not to leave out the last from my walking-stick sent him speedily home.

It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the

The question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the see his deplorable condition?

When the deer-stalker ascends the wild mounhappy at one period of my life; but it never line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves of the line question was,—It is no easy matter to divest ourselves our was a line of the line question was a line of the line question was a line of the line of superstitious, tormenting traditions imbibed in tains with the object of shooting the timid roe, did; it never can. It is a gloomy, blighting, ners, saved by grace, took its flight across the early years. The howling of dogs is considered he finds the greatest caution necessary to ac-blasting, withering curse, and makes its dupe a border land, to join a Magdelene and a Saul of the moon is rising on a clear, calm night,— movable as the stamp of the tree, to allay all bespangled with ten thousand cints of beauty, baying the moon," as Shakespeare calls it. suspicion on the part of his jutended victim and the deep solemn ocean, speak with a voice On hot, sultry nights they often howl to each May there not also be benevolent stratagem? that would almost impress the solid rock. The other; and that some dogs can scent decaying animal matter at a great distance, and, smelling cases.

And is not this the only possible plan in some very dust under the infidel's feet mocks his credulity: every atom has its model. credulity: every atom has its purpose. The bouses of the dying. But this does not apply scholars, a nice reader for her age, and could regovernment. God's revealed Word unfolds His seven dollars and some odd cents. lieved it did, and it is a pity that the sick should lieved it did, and it is a pity be frightened by any such foolish superstition. Sanderson. He told me how he had treated the of man. Man forsaking God lost peace; man you've a mind to." The shooting of cinders from the fire foretelling ministers, but earnestly besought that I would must return to God or remain miserable. Our "Well I hav'nt the money by me." said dicate its non-identity with electricity.

and made him how almost as loud as his own old Fox. Sanderson was a machine card-maker friend," observed Sanderson.

"Well, Alice, you are come to see your sick soul's workings; emotions too deep for words choke the utterance. Such was the moment cuted, and Jones having deliberately looked over by trade. He had several acquaintances of his "Yes, I have learned a new piece, and am when Sanderson and I knelt down to pray. his friend's writing, and dried it before the open often found together, rambling through the Sanderson was quietly rocking himself in his prayed; if it be the simplest form of speech, "Now, brother, you keep the note, so for to often found together, rambling through the fields, or reading their favorite books and newspapers, and hardening each other in their gloomy principles. He was about thirty-five years of age, when his neighbours began to talk of his careful and say it well; mind you do not miss blood of a crucified Saviour as sufficient to save are odd dollars and cents."

Sanderson was quietly rocking himself in his prayed; if it be the simplest form of speech, we prayed; —prayed for the stricken, sorrowing, agonizing, groaning sinner, pleading the shed invitations and promises, pleading the shed blood of a crucified Saviour as sufficient to save are odd dollars and cents." a million worlds. The arrow of conviction was So Smith kept his own note, and when he deep in the penitent's soul, but his new-born faith was yet too feeble to reach the only hand ed it over with the money, saying.

For several days Sanderson remained under for to show you've got your pay." his knees: the earnest cry,—O God, for Christ's noble men, or fail to honor such nobility when-sake, blot out mine iniquities, and save my ever or wherever found. poor, guilty soul," burst from a heart of anguish. Those words were the sublime strain that reached the Majesty on High; the swift-winged, messenger of reconciliation, with the still small voice, whispered,—"Thy sins, which are many portance in the moral improvement of all our are all forgiven. Thy faith hath saved thee; go people. When the body, the lungs and the

acquaintances reported that he was wrong in force by which we are developed. his head; and, if they were right, he was wrong, for now they were wide as the poles asunder. He sent an apology to the two ministers he had insulted, shook hands with old Philip the shoemaker, and for several months tried to undo in- ing over the wide sea, or sweet fields, wafting to Poor woman! she knew not what to do. She was afraid to offend her husband or the she was afraid to offend her husband or the company for the present."

Sanderson nanded her back the book, and quietly said,—"That will do, you may go down and take fox with you; I want to have no Bible was his delight, and many passages in Again, flee dirt as you would pestilence. Let the New Testament he committed to memory. the floor be spotless. Dirt is infidel and blas-

Sanderson's change of heart had such fluence on his health, that great hopes were en- and pictures and texts of Scripture. Bring tertained he would entirely recover. He often flowers and crown the desks, and hang them in The following day, while the sick man was pacing his room, he found a tract on one of the give a sick man a chance of being restored to in heliotrope or branch of pine. Make it the and forest, the buzz and hum of myriad insects

to-morrow—breathe softly—all nature is hushed and silent.

"A gentleman of the name of Britton, whom Philip Powles requested to call and see you; I thushed and silent.

"A gentleman of the name of Britton, whom Philip Powles requested to call and see you; I think he is the minister of Philip's church."

The knew a great part of the health, peace with God through Jesus Christ brightest room on earth if you would entice the would: for a happy soul would do much children in and profit them. recovered strength enabled him to attend the of salvation through a preached gospel, filled says:—Rothschild who was supposed to be the ker. The Bible was his constant companion, going to dinner, you have a letter placed in might have had the pleasures and labours of a der your pillow? No, indeed, I am not have godly life. All fear of death was gone, and he Py."

> ness. Early one fine Sabbath morning, just woman who lived in one small room, and earnbefore leaving the town to fulfil my engagements at Littleborough, I called to make what I telieved would be a farewell visit. He was others. I asked her the same question: "Lydia, raised high in bed, with several pillows behind are you happy?" "Happy!" she answered. feebly, reached out his thin clammy hand, and, can be. I do not believe I could hold another in a whisper, quoted three lines from the child's drop of joy." "But why?" I asked : "you

"See smiling patience smooths my brow, See the kind angels waiting now, To waft my soul on high.

and then asked if I was going to preach some-"Yes," I answered, "morning and afternoon

"Will you let me find you a text, and, if you do not preach from it to day, preach from it as

HONEST.

a coffin,—bad luck from light-haired persons make an effort. After reflecting for a day or redemption through Christ opens the way, and Smith, "but I'll tell you what, I'll give you my Professor Donders, of Utrecht, has recently a coffin,—bad luck from light-haired persons make an enote. Also, redesting of fur-two on the best plan to adopt, I fixed on the this is the answer to your question,—'Believe note, and that will fix it all straight and sure.' been making some interesting experiments in

"I wint a mite afraid to trust you without a

The following poem, from the German, was published at the request of several persons who heard it read at the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre lectures:

| Creed, or, rather no creed, I found to be correct. His hatred to "parsons" (as he called ministers) tended well to the directions I gave her, and about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclided in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclined in the conclusion of one of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclined in the conclusion of the Boston Theatre about three in the afternoon went up to the sick inclined in the conclusion of the Boston Theatre are periods when the most element of the conclusion of the conclu choke the utterance. Such was the moment cuted, and Jones having deliberately looked over But if prayer be the soul's sincere desire, we fire, handed the note back to the singer, saying,

"And now, brother, you keep the note so as

the lashings of a terrified, guilty conscience, still wrestling for pardon and peace. But the moment of deliverance came. Sanderson was on would not resist the conviction, that these were

VENTILATION.

We call attention to a subject of the first imblood are deprived of the requisite quantum of Sanderson rose from his knees a new man; oxygen it is about as hard to enlighten a human he was now unspeakably happy. Heaven had being, as when he starves with hunger or perishsupplanted hell; his enraptured soul burst es with cold. Clear, light, pure air, and pure forth in praises and thanksgiving. The change made a noise in the neighbourhood; his old are used by him, as the food of our life and the

phemous. Broom and mop have a religious mis-

ARE YOU HAPPY.

A correspondent of the British Workman, his soul with deep emotion. He sought the richest man in the world, was once asked this company of religious men, and spent many simple question : "Are you happy?" "Happleasant hours with the old Christian shoema- py!" he answered, "when just as you are and he committed to memory the hymn he first heard repeated by little Alice. He often wished he had been converted when young, that he Happy when you have to sleep with pistols un-

felt a desire to live chiefly that he might do some good in the cause of God and the Church.

Astor, another very rich man, was once asked the same question. "Ah!" he answered, "I But it was otherwise determined; for, being caught in a heavy shower of rain, he took a must leave it all when I die. It won't put off sickness; it won't buy off sorrow; it won't buy severe cold, and soon became unable to leave off death." And so it was plain to see he was not happy.

I was much with him during his last sick- But I went once to see a poor, lame and aged to support his now sinking frame. He smiled with a beaming face, "I am just as full as I are sick and alone, and have almost nothing to live upon." "But have you never read," said she, pointing to the Bible, "all things are yours, and ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's?" And again, "Ask, and receive, that your joy may be full."

RAPIDITY OF SENSATION.

If a needle be stuck into one of the fingers, the sensory fibres take the impression through the nerve and the posterior root to the Spinal Hear, ye ministers of the cross, what sort of cord and thence to the brain. The command Sampson died, and hastened their end; if he maintained that all civil evils sprang from either broken-hearted infidel, was music to me; yet, texts dying men wish us to preach from:

| Goes out to 'draw the finger away.' The mandate travels down the spinal cord to the anterior root and thence through the metor fibres of the ing the sick man's chamber, and reaching the Common Sense," were his text books. All God, Sanderson, that question has not come too world to save sinners; of whom I am chief." and the finger is at once removed. All this takes place with great rapidity, but yet with nothing like the celerity once imagined. The researches of Helmholtz, a distinguished German physiologist, have shown with great exactitude the rate of speed with which the nervous fluid a prelude of death by thousands. We know ing the prairie buffalo, will lean on his gun, imdeal of time and patience to this and kindred questions. As the result of the many deliberations, it was ascertained that the nervous fluid moves at the rate of 971 feet in a second. Now, electricity travels a speed exceeding 1,200,000,it, will give a howl indicating the discovery, is

A child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery, is wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the physics and the discovery is a child was made the means of opening the wonderful harmony and adaptation of the physics and the physics a well known. Many contend that this is the way which the two Primitive Methodists could sical universe strikes the observer with awe.

| A child was made the medication of the physical universe strikes the observer with a well known. Many contend that this is the way which the two Primitive Methodists could sical universe strikes the observer with awe. tered Christian men met to settle accounts, and 200,000 feet in a second, and the earth in its true philosophy of their shouting when near the not force. She was one of our Baillie-street God's material world displays His physical Mr. Smith found himself owing Mr. Jones fifty- orbit round the sun, 100,000. A cannon ball in all cases, and, perhaps, in none; it cannot apply to the healthy, though Mr. Moorhouse beply to the health fact which, among many others, deserves to in-

regard to the rapidity of thought, which is like which it deserves, and have they failed to make annum, and having yielded \$29,998—say be prudent; nor would any plan which might Were he to set himself for it, he could compose noematachometer, he promises some important that by means of these instruments we may obtain definite indications relative to the mental calibre of our friends. What invaluable instruments they would be for nominating caucuses having appointments of any kind to make!

For the eye to receive an impression requires .077 of a second, and for the ear to appreciate a sound .149 of a second are necessary .-The eye therefore, acts with nearly twice the circuits lack. rapidity of the ear.

The Baily Recorder.

TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1869.

We beg to call the attention of our than from either inability or unwillingness to readers to the following notice of the change sustain the fund well. These remarks will in the time of holding the lovefeast and the apply with even greater force to the Pembroke commencement of the ordination service :-

NOTICE!

1. The Ministers' entrance to the Conference will be from Temperance Street, in the rear of from the 900 members last year, viz., \$10. Rich mond Street Church. 2. The Lovefeast will be held in the Richmond

HALF-PAST TEN o'clock a.m.

W. M. PUNSHON, M.A., President.

THE SERVICE LAST NIGHT.

The Rev. Wm. Tomblin preached last evening in place of the Rev. E. B. Harper, in the Richmond Street Church. His text was ances. A sum so small as not to be felt, even Allow, in this case, for an addition of twenty I Cor., xc., 12th v. From it he preached an by the poorest circuit, yet in the aggregate and ministers annually, (this will also be much instructive and impressive sermon, indicating with careful management, would produce a below the average,) and we will have the following thirty-nine years of ministerial toil. Strong first, several classes of over confident persons, fund that to our aged brethren would be of lowing result :to whom the caution of the text is specially applicable. Secondly, the danger of falling—and younger brethren could look forward to, should here the preacher traced religious declension they be spared to old age. As an instance of from its almost imperceptible beginnings. how lightly this would bear upon the circuits, And Thirdly, he urged the necessity of taking heed— we will show what the contributions would be not running into danger, keeping up a spirit of from a few of them, taking the membership watchfulness, using the authorized means of from the Minutes of 1868. self-strengthening.

We would call attention to the announce ment of services during the present week. Old Richmond will of course be crowded on Thursday and Friday evenings, but we hope to be able to chronicle the attendance of large congregations at the preaching services.

THE ADVERTISEMENTS of A. & S. Nordheimer relative to Pianos, Cabinet Organs, and Melodeons, are worthy of notice. The instruments they refer to are of the highest excellence, and as their establishment is the largest and most complete in the Dominion, a visit to their warerooms would be enjoyed by all who take an interest in musical matters. Our friend Mr. Mason, of the establishment, we are sure would take a pleasure in showing some of the novelties on exhibition there, and should any one be contemplating the purchase either of a Melodeon, Cabinet Organ or Piano, they may rely on honorable and liberal treatment.

ARRIVAL OF THE MINISTERS.

Yesterday's trains, east and west, brought a large number of brethren to the city. The neither principal nor interest, for five years, "Book Room" was, of course, the great ren- commencing, however, in the sixth year to use dervous, and there a goodly number congrethe interest. gated, while earnest, brotherly greetings brought back pleasant memories of other days. The ship of 5 per cent. per annum, which, taking Conference will assemble for business at 9 the past history of the church, is much less o'clock to-day. We shall try and keep our than may be looked for, the result would be readers posted with regard to the proceedings. somewhat as below:

THEIR CLAIMS ON THE CHURCH.

How can this fund be so increased as to the church at the above rate, make better and more certain provision for our aged and worn out preachers?

In many ways. 1st. The claims of these brethren should be brought more preminently and frequently before our people. No body of Christians, we believe, sustain the various schemes of the church with more cheerful liberality than do the Weslevan Methodists of Canada. Their missionary contributions increase from year to year. Each year throughout every district churches and parsonages are built, appeals made for Victoria College, and other schemes are heartily met, and we are not forgetful of these noble efforts when we advocate the claims of this fund. A glance at the contributions from districts, for example, will

details. For the present, he announces that a re persuaded that a hearty, vigorous, untiring So far for the members of the church Now on all. time required is not the same for all brains, and Let us aim at an average of 20c. per member, been careful to err on the side of caution.

for vestries, for trustees of colleges, for mer- per member. The friends there have hearts no interest to be drawn, as in the other case, will object to any increase of their contribu- will do, he went from house to house during chants in want of book-keepers; in short, for all large enough, and many of them means abun- for five years. dant enough, to make the average of their

scriptions of ministers.

Chatham, and Stanstead give but 21c., and would have \$8,062 96. without knowing anything of the condition of these districts, we are persuaded that these small contributions are the result more of want of investigation and information on the subject, District, which contributes but 1c. per member. Surely there are many members in the district that could give and would give the sum realized We will look for such a result next year.

20c, per member would produce from the

Annual contribution of 2c. per member from There was a very fair congregation present at circuits for Sinking Fund for superannuated

Circuits.	Members.	A mounts.
Toronto East	313	\$6 26
Hamilton Centre		5 18
St. Catharines		3 76
Brantford		4 62
London	417	8 34
Chatham		3 44
Guelph	267	5 24
Goderich	156	9 10
Owen Sound	93	1 86
Barrie	160	3 20
Whitby and Oshawa	457	9 14
Cobourg	219	4 38
Peterboro	280	5 60
Belleville	442	8 84
Kingston	370	7 40
Brockville	180	3 60
Perth	126	9 59
Pembroke	150	2 00
Ottawa	250	5 00
Montreal Centre	298	5 96
Quebec		4 64
Stanstead	100	9 00
Norway House	200	4 00
Victoria		1 00
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We have here selected one circuit from each district, simply to show with what ease a small amount might annually be set aside, this entirely apart from the annual contributions, and what an influence this very Sinking Fund might, with careful management, exert upon our entire work.

We would propose to invest it, touching

Allowing merely for an increase of member-

Starting with a membership of, say 60,000 And for the widows of ministers, three-fourths SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS AND 2c. each would produce \$1,200. Interest at of the allowances of their husbands. And 6 per cent., \$72; thus we would have for the further, so to amend the scale of allowances

end of five years-

	Year.		Amount.		Interest.
	6		\$8,593		\$515
	7		10,124		607
	. 8		11,732		703
	9		13,420	ā	805
	10		15,192		911
	11		17,053		1,023
	12		19,007		1,140
	13		21,059		1,263
ř	14		23,213		1,392
	15		25,475		1,528
	16	,	27,850		1,671
	17		30,344		1,820
	18		32,969		1,977
	19		35,713	********	2,142
	20		38,600		2,316
	21		41,635		2,497
	22		44,815		2,688

With a membership of 160,000.

show that while the receipts from some additions are to be made to a church only by greatly add to the comfort of a class who have The pious Entwisle, writing to his son, then in districts are very fair, those from other dis- arithmetical rule. It is necessary in presenting the very strongest possible claims upon us. the ministry, and speaking of his colleague, the Wesleyan Sunday School Union, in Richmond tricts are very trifling. What is the reason? any plan, to have some basis, and that we Others may say, "Why not make a vigorous devoted David Stoner, says, "My worthy Street Church, at 7 o'clock. Rev. Wm. Morley

district \$1 per member, if needed, and thus have \$1,160, which, with interest at six per proposed alteration in the scale of allowances personal appeal and devotional power, reclaim sustain the average by making up what poorer cent., would produce \$66 the first year, making (to be made as soon as the fund will admit,) the erring, confirm the wavering, and stimulate \$1,166. For each year allow for 12 additional would more than compensate them for any ad- the godly. During one of Stoner's pastoral Toronto District gives 20c., and could with ministers (which will be much below the ditional sum they might pay annually. And tours, a girl connected with a certain house, ease make it 50c., or even more. Owen Scund, average,) and at the end of the fifth year you should they never draw a sixpence from the perceiving him approach, with child like

Year.	Amount.		Interest.	
6	\$8,662		\$483	
7	9,306		558	
8	10,574	**********	634	
9	11,866	Carrier.	712	
10	13,182		790	
11	14,522		871	
12	15,886		953	
13	17,274	*******	1,036	
14	18,676		1,120	
15	20,113		1,206	
16	21,572	*********	1,294	\sim
17	23,056		1,383	
18	24,564		1,473	
19	26,096		1,565	
20	27,652		1,659	
21	29,232		1,753	
22	30,836		1,850	

Sinking Fund, to supplement the present allow- years ago, with less than half the means. of all, God will be glorified, Commercing with \$550 at \$3 each\$1650

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7		14,495		869	
8		16,565		993	
9		18,695		1,121	
10		20,895		1,253	
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12		25,475		1,528	
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Producing a capital of nearly \$52,000, and an allowances in something like the following

who have travelled—

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first year, \$1,272, allowing for the growth of that ministers who may not have travelled be two heavens to me, and the salvation of ed, until they produce in his hands results 15 years, yet have become disabled in the each of you as two salvations unto me." How equally couspicuous? The 2c. per member would produce, at the work, should have some more certain provision needful, while fully alive to the necessities of than at present made for them. And we should the age, in all its phases of action and outgoing, SERVICES FOR THE WEEK. aim at repaying to those brethren, or to their that the soul of the ambassador for Christ, both widows, who were compelled to submit to a in the closet and the pulpit, should burn with deduction of 15 or 20 per cent. from their al an unquenchable and over-mastering desire. lowances, those deducted amounts as speedily "to save poor souls out of the fire, to snatch as possible.

Some are ready to say, "This looks all very Nothing can supply the lack of this ceaseless

Does it arise from indifference among the might be very safe, we have taken one below effort, and largely improve the fund at once?" colleague is an example to all young men; he Punshon, A. M. in the chair. Addresses expeople? We cannot think it does. Does the the past history of the church, and we see that We reply,—The church has many schemes on gives himself 'continually unto prayer, and pected from Dr. Nelles, A. W. Lauder, Esq. ault lie with the ministers, and have they from this small sum we have a capital, in the hand, all of which are important; and such the ministry of the world; he ministry of the world;

to its superannuated brethren, there is this good." throughout the church, exclusive of the sub- 1st. We would propose, in addition to his additional advantage, that every year their conannual subscription of \$5, each minister should dition will be improved. Then, it may be did not exhaust itself in pulpit fervour. He Montreal District, it will be seen, gives 40 c. subscribe \$2 per annum, to a Sinking Fund, said, some of the younger men in the ministry did, what every minister similarly impulsed tions. We hope not; for if they were disposed the week, not to gossip religiously, or cultivate Starting then with 550 ministers, we should to view it even from a selfish standpoint, the a small species of social popularity, but by fund, the consciousness of having aided in its timidity, secreted herself within the porch improvement and enlargement, would be an leading to the door. The minister knocked abundant recompense.

> feel that if they leave widows they will be reminiscences of her early life. cared for at least better than the church has Again, the importunate and believing prayer done heretofore; and while the plan we here of a holy heart is a compound element of minispropose will not do all we should like, yet it terial success of inconceivable value. Not will be a move in the right direction.

view of the increased number who must \$19,940 from interest. To supplement the fund, hands of our ministers; let them set the eximportunate and believing prayer of a holy 3. The Ordination Service will commence at naturally soon become claimants, absolutely another, and we think a better plan is, to let ample themselves; let them bring before our heart. What a trinity of power! "Delight necessary, entirely apart from the question each preacher, in addition to his subscription people the great importance of sustaing this thyself in the Lord, and he shall give thee the of increasing the allowances, to which we in- of \$5, contribute \$3 per annum for a sinking fund, either in the manner we have laid down desires of thine heart." If ye abide in me and tend to refer. In addition, we propose that fund,-making \$8 annually. (Some do more or in some better way, and we are satisfied my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye when the returns from districts are made for now.) If they should say they could not afford that ministers and people will be happier and will, and it shall be done unto you." the Children's Fund, a sum equal to 2c. per that amount, let them remember that in 1836 better, and the hearts of our esteemed supermember be added, from each circuit, to form a the ministers subscribed \$4 each annually, 33 annuated brethren will be made glad, and, best sepecially noticeable in the pulpit, but deeply

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profound and ceaseless longing for the conversion tunity in the silence of his closet. The God of souls. Profoundly and ceaselessly to long of Abraham listened to his servant; and withfor anything is any element of power; deep out any instrumentality save the ordinary, a conviction of the desirableness of anything, is remarkable work of grace commenced, which not only impulsive and controlling, so far as extended over two years, and in which 400 i the individual himself is concerned, but is dividuals at least, professed a change of heart. influential and commanding to an extent, in With this and similar facts before us, the some instances, almost irresistible. This is method of attaining ministerial success being so emphatically the case in ministerial yearning simple and direct,—is it not amazing, that its acfor souls. A firm, powerful, ever-present con- complishment should be so partial? We someviction of the value of souls, and the necessity times almost tremble when we think how much. of their immediate salvation, will not only give in this transcendantly important work, condioneness and directness to a preacher's aim, but tionally depends upon the human agent. surround him with an element of influence. Holiness, so clearly promised, and so distinctly which cannot fail of success.

annual income of over \$3000, in addition to himself surrounded by temptations so strong. Importunate believing prayer, so omnipotent having yielded \$32,263 to supplement the to diffuse and exhaust himself in multifarious in the counsels of heaven, and so divine in its fund; and which \$52,000, when added to the engagements, how necessary that profound achievments on earth! How is it, that the accumulated sum from the membership, would sympathy with Jesus, in the great object of minister whose grand business it is to turn man amount to, say, \$100,000, with an income of the ministry, should be kept in view with an from his iniquity, should find within himself \$6,000 per annum. While asking the minis- earnest and holy pre-eminence. There are the disposition, sedulously to cultivate minor ters to subscribe \$3 annually towards a sink- literary, moral and benevolent societies, with sources of power, and yet neglect the one which ing fund, we propose to increase the scale of their demands upon the pulpit for lectures and invests all who avail themselves of it with the co-operation. To this must be added the "demonstration of the Spirit and of power?" advancement of the body of the people in how is it that he who has inspired precent and Proposed scale of allowances for members intelligence and refinement, with the consequent demand for superior and finished "Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek. sermons, if not for showy and meretricious and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened

> sympathizing with everything good and true, swayed by infirmity and harrassed by temptation that tenderness for the perishing should well equally with himself, but whose holy and bethat his whole life should say to his hearers, into a succession of achievments, such as angels in the affecting language of holy Rutherford, eagerly delight to chronicle; how is it, that them from the verge of hell."

well on paper, but like many other schemes, longing, this heart-hunger, this soul-thirst. It apparently as feasible, cannot be carried out cannot be substituted. It cannot be simulated. when you come totry it." Well, we don't believe Without it, the most brilliant ministry is a that. We don't pretend to say that these are "dry light," a Christless exhibition, a cloud the best methods of improving the condition of without rain, a well without water. With it. this important fund, and thus adding to the the plainest sermon is instinct with power, the comfort of our Superannuated brethren; but simplest alphabet of the cross blazes with lifethese plans, we contend, are reasonable, can be giving light, and even the look of the humblest Of course we do not presume to say tha carried out without difficulty, and would legate of the skies is convincingly winning. neglected to give the prominence to this matter time stated, of \$44,815, producing \$2,688 per an effort would not, under the circumstances, else; and his 'profiting appears unto all.' aid of the funds of the Union.

wise interesting. By means of two instruments, it in their own circuits what it ought to be? \$30,000 inround numbers—to supplement the which he calls the noematacograph and the In some instances we fear they have; and we superannuated allowance. to succeed as one which would press lightly composition, and surprise people by torrents of eloquence. But his mind is above that, he simple idea requires the brain to act for .067 of effort on the part of the ministers would secure for the ministers. We present two schemes; And while we see in this plan the certainty preaches to save souls just now, and the Lord a second for its elaboration. Doubtless the greatly increased contributions from the people. and here again we must have a basis, and have of gradually educating the church in its duty is pleased to make him an instrument of great

> and while waiting for some one to answer his We talk of having the best men we can get summons, altogether unconscious of any human in our ministry; but if so we must do more listener, soliloquized, "Jesus Christ, the same than talk! We must afford them some gua- yesterday, to-day and forever." These words rantee that we will not only care for them went arrow-like to the heart of the girl, and when in the active work, but will care for them when a mature christian, we had the incident in age and infirmity. We must give them to from her lips, as one of the most cherished

Street Church, on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at present membership, \$15,111. An amount, in Producing a capital of nearly \$31,000, and The matter is, we may say, entirely in the believing prayer; and not that merely, but the

picus. He was on what his growing infirmities told him was his last circuit. He had seen was his desire to have some special token of Divine loving-kindness on his last sphere of labour. Retiring in his habits, gentle in his dis-Another element of ministerial success is a position, he wept and prayed with holy impor-

expected by a holy God of every christian, and And in these days, when a minister finds particularly of a minister of the sanctuary! unto you." and in the very next verse, the same How needful, that while the minister of thought duplicated, "for every one that asketh Christ adapts himself with apostolic expedi- receiveth," &c.; how is it, that he who has such ency, and shall we say, true Wesleyan discern- a luminous gallery of conclusive example. ment, to the "signs of the times," that he Abraham, Jacob, Elijah, Daniel, the Master. should also adopt as his excelsior, "God forbid the Disciples of the Primitive Church, each that I should glory, save in the cross of our name surrounded by the halo of suggestive as-Lord Jesus Christ!" How needful, while sociates; how is it, when he thinks of men up within him with undiminished fulness, and lieving intercession, transformed the ministry "My witness is above, that your heaven would holiness and faith and prayer are not cultivat-

PRAYER MEETING.

Conference Prayer Meeting to-day (Wednesday.) from 12 to 1 o'clock, in Richmond Street Church. Open to all.

PREACHING.

WEDNESDAY EVENING. - Richmond Street Church, W. Hay; Adelaide Street, H. Johnston, M. A.; Elm Street, C. Fish; Queen Street, N. R. Willoughby, M. A.; Berkeley Street, R. Wilson; Yorkville, J. Shaw.

ANNIVERSARY S. S. UNION.

THURSDAY EVENING .- Anniversary of the

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· FRIDAY EVENING. - Public Reception of Young Men into full connection with the Conference. Addresses by the President, Rev. E. B. Harper, A. M., and Dr. Ryerson. Admis sion by ticket. Friends from the country may

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REVIEW OF THE DISTRICTS.

WHITBY DISTRICT.

As you have expressed a desire to receive some statement concerning the condition of Whitby District, I venture the following remarks for insertion in your new "Daily."

We had a very agreeable session at Newcastle. where the usual kindness of our Methodist people was manifested in our entertainment. After the election of Brother McDonagh as District Secretary, Brother Stobbs was chosen as representative to the Stationing Committee, Brother J. C. Wilson was appointed to the Sabbath School Committee, and Brother MacCann for the Church Relief. With slight exceptions, the District is financially and spiritually in a prospereus contion. There is an increase in the aggregate of all the Connexional Funds, though there are certainly some circuits that might raise more for these purposes than they do. On this matter the usual enquiries and conversation took place, with a view to future improvement.

The entire deficiency due to ministers on the District amounted to \$553, 80, which, though heavy enough for the few brethren who have to bear it, is yet small indeed when compared with the large deficiencies of former years.

Stouffville, under the care of Brother Gee, disowns any further claims on the Missionary Fund, and takes rank among the self-sustaining circuits. Manvers, too, though not independant of the Missionary grant, has for the last two years reported no net deficiency—an encouraging fact in the history of that Mission. A good church and shed, worth \$1,000, have been erected there by Brother MacCann

With a view to the improvement of the work, Whitby and Bowmanville have during the year sustained each a third preacher, and now Bowmanville becomes a station for one man, leaving the Darlington Circuit to be supplied by a marri- taken from the London District, was divided and the best hopes and humanity depended on the ed and single man. A good Church has been into two parts. The one to be called the rected at Tyron on this circuit. Oshawa, with its almost unrivalled Church (for such a place) becomes a very desirable station, leaving the eincreas of members, and freedom from Church- other the Bradford District. debt embarrassments, to make one of the best country circuits in our work.

The Beaverton Mission is making rapid progress. Of course, in laying the foundation of our work, and making a begin ning to everything ecclesiastical, difficulties must be encountered. But let us help the Missionary there in the erection of his new churches, and with the attention now being turned by railway men in that direction and consequent influx of popula-

tion, we shall soon reap an abundant barvest. We have on the whole District a net increase

Five young men who had been employed during the winter under the Chairman, are recommended, after due examination, as candidates for trial in our ministry, and it is said two others are coming forward, for next year, in the same

For the Missionary Committee, our well-tried friend, W. H. Gibbs, Esq., who has rendered such valued aid to our Mission work in this District, has been elected representative. Major Stephen Washington and R. Campbell attend the Contingent Fund Committee, and Messrs. Bradlev and Ross that of the Church Relief Fund.

The brethren have reason to be thankful for the preservation of their health during the year, my beloved colleague, Saunders, especially, havveteran, in the ranks of the superannuated ministers, Rev. John Law, has fallen, but died well. The other, Rev. C. Vandusen, is again ready for the active work.

welcome to them, from

Yours truly, J. C. SLATER.

NIAGARA DISTRICT MEETING

The meeting of the Niagara District was held the present year in the rising town of Welland, com mencing on Wednesday, the 19th instant, at ten a.m., and closing the following day. All the ministers were present except Brother M. Baxter, who through illness was detained at home; and on Thursday there was a large attendance of lay brethren, who by many wise and sudicious observations, added not a little to the interest of the meeting. Brother Briggs was elected Secretary, and Brother Laird appointed to the Stationing Committee. Brother Berry represents the District in the Committee of the Church Relief Fund, and Brother Blanchard in the Sabbath School Committee.

In the Church Relief Fund and Contingent Fund collections there is a slight decrease, and also in the receipts of the Superanmuated Fund; but an advance in the Victoria College collection (formerly the Educational Fund) of more than fifty per cent., makes the total of District finances more than last or basement, has passed through so many changes

Some circuits presented very encouraging reports town, and to keep pace with other religious bodies, of church building and enlargement, Grimsby alone a new church is very much needed, and we are having expended the present year \$6,100, making pleased to know the trustees and other friends are for the past few years a total for Parsonage and talking of the ways and means for building. Church improvemt of more than \$10,000.

s that Church debts in this District are rapidly taking a place among the things of the past.

our dear brother that so early in his ministerial furnished residence. work he should be laid aside, if only, as is hoped,

was held on Thursday evening. There was among nexional Funds, \$95 25; Missionary, \$394. the brethren a feeling that the details of the new | Our Sabbath School interest is one of the best scheme are too cumbersome for thorough and effec- in the Province. We have 395 scholars on the tive operation. But time may oil the wheels and roll, with a corresponding staff of excellent officers make the different parts of the machinery work and teachers, who are regular, attentive and enter-

ed to better college speeches. It would be a wise meet in class. movement if the services of Brother Casey could | The past year has been a comfortable year in be secured to canvass the country in behalf of the every respect. We were favored with the services College. He has studied the whole question of Rev. Dr. Butler at our Missionary Meeting, and throughout, and has a way of putting it so as to with a Lecture from the President of the Concarry conviction to the minds of his hearers. -The ference, under the auspices of the Young Men's subscriptions were good.

Circuit; and the official meetings of St Catherines peace, and enjoying prosperity, rejoicing in the and Port Dalhousie brought in resolutions for a conversion of sinners, and the accession of memunion of the two Circuits, which was referred to the bers to the fellowship of saints. Stationing Committee and Conference.

The meeting was very harmonious, It would have been strange had their been no diversity of opinion, but a thorough ventilation of

each subject under discussion resulted in most of the resolutions passing unanimously.

of the District at the close.

DIVISION OF DISTRICTS.

The Chatham District with several circuits

The Barrie District also was divided in two Whitby Circuit with its five appointments, an parts. The one to be called the Barrie, the

> A new Wesleyan Methodist Church was dedicated at Gregory's Corners, in the county of Lincoln, on the 23rd ult., by the Revs. J. S. Clark and duct of nations." T. C. Wilkinson. The sum of \$115 was received from the services and the social, towards the liquidation of the debt.

The Rev. John Gemley, paster of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Brantford, for the last three years, being about to be removed by Conference to another sphere of labour, his friends, as a token Maden Holt, member for North-East Lancashire, of respect, have presented him with a farewell made, and Lord Elche, member for Haddingtonshire, address and a purse of \$150.

PORT HOPE CIRCUIT.

Port Hope is pleasantly situated on the shore of Lake Ontario, has a fine harbour, and is the outlet for the trade of the fine section of country lying to from the Ministerial benches. The House then adthe North of it. It is the terminus of the Port journed. Hope and Peterboro, and Lindsay and Beaverton Railway; and contains a population of some five thousand inhabitants. It is not easy to tell when Methodism was introduced into this place, for it is beyond the recollection of the oldest inhabitart, when a ew people began to assemble in the old school house on Protestant hill, to hear the word from the lips of a Methodist minister. Smith's ing much improved in that respect. An aged Creek was formerly the name of this place, and in the Minutes of Conference for 1808, we find the following entry: "Smith's Creek, Elias Patie;" and for 1812, "Smith's Creek, Thomas Whitehead." From the year 1808, with more or less frequency, I have no time for making any general re- the gospel has been preached in this vicinity. In marks, but if these facts are of service you are a grove, not three minutes walk from where I now write, and which is now standing, a friend informme that he had heard Elder Ryan preach a number of times to the teamsters and their escort, during the war of 1812, as this was one of the stopping places between Kingston and York. In the Minutes of 1824 it is still the head of the circuit, embracing the large tract of country lying between Murray on the East and Whitby on the West, numbering 425 members. In 1825 the name of the circuit was changed for the euphonious Cobourg. with which the interests of Smith's Creek were identified till the year 1840, when Port Hope appears as a circuit, under the superintendency of the Rev. Wm. Haw; who returned at the end of the year 178 members, and \$13 connexional col-

In 1833 a site was secured for a church and parsonage house, mainly through the exertions of the late Alex. Davidson and Wm. Barret: and a right of way, now Brown street, from Walton was bought, "principally for the benefit of those attending upon the preaching of the word in the Methodist Chapel," so runs the deed. This old building has been enlarged and altered, lengthened and widened, is longer in the middle than either at roof that it would puzzle any one to tell to what order The increase of membership is sixty-six. Doubt. of architecture it belongs, and no doubt would less the operation of the Children's Fund has the make Mr. Ruskin nervous; yet it is a very comeffect of making circuit membership returns "hon- fortable church, capable of holding some nine or est," in the most strict and rigid sense of that exthe growing wants of the congregation, and the true.'

During the twenty years of the existence of Port But notwithstanding the rapid growth of the Dis- Hope as a circuit, it increased in membership trict in church building, there was not a single ap- from 178 to 525. In 1861 it was separated from obtain tickets from Rev. G. Cochran, 142 Bay plication to the Church Relief Fund. The inference the country and formed into a station, under the superintendency of the Rev. John Hunt, with a membership of 216. During the incumbency of Brother Field was compelled to ask a recom the Rev. G. R. Sanderson, the parsonage was mendation to Conference for a superannnated rela- greatly enlarged, and otherwise improved, so tion for one year. There was much sympathy for that at the present time it is a comfortable, well

> In the eighth year of its existance as a station, CABINET the increase in its membership has not been very Brother B. B. Krufor, who, under the Chairman, large, being only the difference between 217 and has labored with great acceptance on the Thorold 260, but in other respects there has been a com Circuit the present year, was unanimously recom- mendable advancement. At the Conference in mended to the Conference to be received on trial. 1862, the collection for the Connexional Funds The Sabbath School Anniversary for the District were \$50 45; Missionary, \$188; in 1869, Con-

prising. A Band of Hope, of 250 members, under An interesting College meeting was held on the direction of the Superintendent of the Sabbath Thursday evening, in which the indefatigable Chair- School, meets twice a month; to which may be man of the District and Brother Casey from Napa added a library of nine hundred volumes of very to offer them on liberal terms, and at prices as favour nee, each took a prominent part. We never listen- choice works. Not less than 25 of the scholars

(hristian Association. Our congregations are 10 per cent. DISCOUNT TO MINISTERS. A resolution was carried to divide the Grimsby large, respectable, and intelligent; the Society in

LATEST NEWS.

EUROPE. LIVERPOOL, May 31 .- Mr. Motley the new Minister of the United States, received the addresses of the The Welland people were prodigial in their hospi- Chambers of Commerce, at his hotel this morning. tality and kindness, and richly deserved the thanks In reply, to that of the American Board of Commerce, he returned thanks for the welcome he had received as the representative of the United States. He said it was the earnest hope, and chief wish of President Grant's Administration, and of America, to cultivate faithfully friendly and equitable relations with the Government and people of Great Britain, The happiness of the world, the advancement of civilization concord of all branches of the human family, more specially on that of the leading nations co by public and personal interest, allied by blood, addicted to commerce, and the condition of the arts of peace. Mr. Motley concluded as follows :- "My most strenuous efforts shall be devoted to further a good understanding on the basis of enduring friendship and kindly relations in accordance with the principles of justice and honour, which are the immutable and only safe unerring guides in the con

> TRISH CHURCH BILL. LONDON. May 31.-In the House of Commons, to

night, Mr. Gladstone moved the third reading of the Bill for the disestablishment of the Irish Church. A large number of petitions against the passage of the Bill was then presented, after which Mr. James

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