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REV. JOSEPH McLeod, D.D., EDITOR. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 19TH, 1900

We need to hear at once from every one whose subscription is due. Send it along this week.

Rev. Mr. Lane (Methodist) who went to South Africa as Chaplain with the Second Canadian Contingent which sends forth iced water. Perhaps is expected home soon. The circuits Parrsboro, N. S., which he left, is behis town is the erection of a building ing held for him, and he will find his home work awaiting him on his arrival. younger and less hardened offenders

The work of Mrs. Spurgeon may avoid contact with the other prisin supplying books to pastors whose salaries do not permit them to purchase | contamination. Whatever difference the literature they need has been a of opinion there may be as to the pracgreat help to many faithful ministers. I ticability of some of Mr. Sheldon's In two years over ten thousand volumes ideas, he has amply proved himself a have been supplied.

Ministers who have been asked as to their willingness to engage with pastorates should give prompt answers. Delay is not fair to the tendance was larger, more ministers churches that have addressed them, nor to other ministers who may be of a higher order than ever. The open to engagement.

We had expected to have a report of the Nova Scotia Conference for publication two weeks ago. It is due to our readers in that Province, as well as to the Intelligencer, to say that we do not know the reason for the

Dr. Lorimer, pastor of Tre mont Temple, (Baptist) Boston, ha just refused an addition of \$1000 to his salary. The church voted the increase while Dr. Lorimer was on his vacation. When the action was communicated to him, he wrote the church that he was getting enough, and declined their generous offer. His salary is \$7,000.

Dr. Clark, the Christian Endeavor President, who recently visited Spain did not get a very cordial welcome, except from the few Christian Endeavorers met in convention there. The Roman Catholic opposition to him was very strong, and the influence of the government was, also, set against him. Wherever Rome rules, Protestants are sure to feel the bitter opposition of the priests and their

Every progressive movement begins with a minority-a minority o'clock each day. with convictions and courage to stand for them at any cost. When the triumph comes, it is usual for some of those who most strongly opposed the movement when it was weak to pretend to have always been in sympathy in Christian Work. Men and women with it. Those who suffered in the who have been successful in different minority have their comfort in the lines of soul winning work will tell fact that the cause they believed was how they do it, and answer questions right has succeeded.

Dr. Warden, the missionary Secretary of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, says the Presbyterian ministers are preaching the Gospel in Canada in sixteen different languages. Work in new and needy places in our own land is called home mission, but there is evidently a good stroke of foreign mission work being done within our own borders by our Presbyterian | people of Hampstead, who are to enbrethren. The same is true in a degree of the other denominations that are getting ready to do their part most doing aggressive christian work in our own country.

there is, also, let us hope, seeking Here is something which, as spiritual preparation for the coming of the season of pastoral changes ap- the Lord's servants and the represent proaches may suggest to some people atives of the churches - that their meet how they should feel and talk and ing and the fellowship they shall hav act. A good woman, and very con- during the session, in the public ser siderate as well as good-for all good vices as well as in the homes, may b people are not quite as considerate as mutually advantageous, and be blessed they might be - said : "We are going of God to the furtherance of His cause to have a new minister here. Some But not alone by those who are to of you may not like him; you did not receive and entertain is preparation like the one we have had. I may not necessary. Those who go require to like him as well, but if I do not, I am get ready. Dull and unprofitable ses

going to keep still about it. I am not sions of Conference have, probably, been due to lack of thoughtful preparation oftener than to any other cause.

> Every member should plan to be CHINA. present - to be there at the beginning and remain to the end. The ministers columns of contradictory statements Christian Science. the day preceding the opening of General Conference. At that, as at the whole Conference, every minister who can will, of course, be present.

The lay members of Conference are uch laymen as are officers of Confernce, members of the Board of Mangers, the Clerks and Treasurers of District Meetings, and delegates apngs. All these should be present if into a heart. It lets ny a bow at a lit is at all possible. There has been drawal proposal, but is, also, said to noticed in late years a growing carelessness about attendance on the part of the lay delegates and District officers. And of those who have attended, too unguent, a pungent, a stimulus, and many seemed unable to remain to the inspiration, a help over many a hard close of the session. Brethren have place, a comfort to saints, and a rebuke | no right to accept appointment as delegates unless they intend (D. V.) to do what they are appointed to do-attend Conference and take their part in the work of the session, no matter how many days it may require.

ishes wholesome reading for the Sab-

bath. What with Sunday-school helps,

Most of those who flocked

to hear Rev. Mr. Sheldon, of "In His

Steps" fame, when in England, were

disappointed from the oratorical point

of view; but they were impressed with

the practical sincerity of the man.

This all-important quality has been

shown by Mr. Sheldon very clearly in

his relation to his own city, Topeka.

Among other ways of helping his fel-

them with a bronze drinking fountain,

Mr. Sheldon's most important gift to

in connection with the jail, where

oners, and thus escape unnecessary

man of resourceful public spirit.

The Christian Workers' Con

ference at Northfield this year was the

most successful ever held. The at

were present, and the preaching was

whole tone of the Conference was one

of triumph, notwithstanding the ab-

sence of the great leader. As one ex-

pressed it "We miss Mr. Moody of

course, but there is no conspicuous

gap. Everything moves along with

the old time vigor and smoothness.'

The object of the National Convention,

which convenes in Chicago, September

19-26, is to do for the West what the

Northfield Conference has done for

the East. The average church is well

equipped with machinery, and the

ministers are earnest and able men.

There is an immense amount of preach-

ing and teaching, but the results are

pitifully small. Power, power, is the

one thing lacking. The main object

of this gathering is to bring together a

large body of spiritual men and women

to wait on God for power, to search

their hearts for hidden sin, and th

Word of God for its hidden strength,

The first hour of each day will be de

voted to united prayer for God's bless-

ing on all Churches and Christian

Workers. Requests for prayer are in-

vited from all pastors, teachers o

Christians of any name who are bur

dened for their churches or friends

These requests will be read and remem

bered before God. It is hoped also

that those who send requests will unite

with us in prayer from nine to ter

Leading Bible expositors will open

the Word and show how to promote

an interest in Bible study in any church

or community. There will, also, b

a free exchange of ideas and methods

as to their methods and results. The

meetings will be held at the Moody

Bible Institute and the Chicago

GET READY.

Ready for what? For the General

Conference. The session of 1900 is

near-less than three weeks off. The

tertain the Conference, are, doubtless

worthily, as they have frequently done

in the history of the body. The church

Avenue Church.

ow townspeople, he has presented

to sinners."

Many churches are not quite ready for Conference. They have not yet made any contributions to any of the funds which support the several so far as possible, whatever Engbranches of work which the Conference seeks to carry on. It is sought to have the churches attend to these matters so that they may be reported to their respective District Meetings. The minister of churches observing this rule is increasing. In the course of a few years it is hoped that all may see few churches, which would feel hurt more quickly fall into line. Just try it, brethren, one year - say next year, and see how much better you will feel, and how much good you will do.

Have they neglected raising their share | Pekin." of Conference Fund, and their contributions to Home and Foreign Missions, to Aged and Sick Ministers' Fund and the Students' Fund? If any of these have been neglected, there is time yet before Conference to do something, tions to the funds named. And in the name of the Conference, and because of the strong claims of these interests upon all our people, we earnestly ap-

INTELLIGENCER? We trust our brethe subscribers in nearly every pastorate are some whose renewals are duesome of them considerably past due. We will be glad if the pastors will say to their people that they would like have their renewals to take to Conference. subscribers the paper for the balance tion, went, as usual, Democratic. of this year free-i. e. for one year's subscription (\$1.50) the paper will be sent from Conference to Dec. 31st

should get ready by seeking in prayer of a change of government. that preparation of heart which God alone can give. And, also, in all the Going Back. churches and homes of the denomination much prayer should be offered that God will graciously be present make the session one of unusual bless-

NOTES ON CURRENT

It is still difficult to winnow the

are all members of Conference. They which every day come from China, and A more dangerous phase of "Chriswill, perhaps, be the extent of her re- them to police supervision. pointed by the several District Meet- tirement. The United States has been said to agree with Russia in the with- The World's Letters. only so agree if the other powers consent. Germany is said to be utterly opposed to withdrawing, and then is declared to be acting in concert with Russia, both of them being accused of having been bribed by concessions of Chinese territory. Great Britain is against the dismemberment of China, and wants to make sure of the stability of the country before withdrawing from it. The United States, nothwithstanding its expressed readiness to act with Russia in withdrawal, is understood to sympathize with Great Britain's policy of preserving China from being carved France will want to do

be found in sympathy, in the main, with the British-United States policy. The latest London despatch (Monday) says: "In connection with the prediction by Sir Robert Hart that there will be further hostilities in China in November, the Associated the desirability of observing it. If a Press understands that the British g vernment is already considering the if it were suggested that they are not transfer of troops from South Africa to ensamples to the younger and weaker, India, in order to make it practicable would have done with their careless- to send more British troops to China. ness in this matter, the others would The military authorities consider the war in South Africa so far ended that troops may be safely moved.

and does not want done. Japan will

legation has already been removed All those who have been delinquent from Pekin to Tien Tsin, but there is this year should now bestir themselves | no definite news as yet as to whether to do their port before Conference. Li Hung Chang will after all go to

DISEASE GERMS. A physician connected with the Health Department of Chicago has been frightening the people by a state-May we venture to suggest that an- would carry the dreaded germs away. Conference is to look a little after the the wise man that to stop drinking the gard this as not unimportant. Amongst | Then, he might have intimated that however deadly the germs he enumerates, none of them can equal for deadliness the beer and whiskey.

INDICATIONS.

Then, there is not a church in the States, State elections are watched Conference in which there ought not closely because they indicate somewhat to be an increase in the number of In- the feeling of the country towards the TELLIGENCER subscribers; in many of parties. Vermont and Maine are the churches the list would bear strong Republican states. They had doubling. Is not it possible to get new | their elections last week. Both went subscribers in all these places? We Republican with large majorities, but hope the brethren will endeavour to in both there was a shrinkage of Reget lists of new names to bring to Con- publican strength, which, naturally, and Messenger regards as one of ex- and won the battles of freedom, just ference. To help them in their can- makes the Democrats glad and more ceeding danger. It points out that and reform. Such are needed, he vass they are authorized to offer new hopeful. Arkansas, also, had its elec-

BRITISH ELECTIONS.

are likely to take place in October or early November. In the present state The Russian people do not possess the from the humble and obscure ranks Especially all who attend Conference of feeling there is not much likelihood

The Polish Jews who emigrated from Russia to the Argentine Republic have not prospered as well as they had with His people in Conference, and hoped. They did not find there the opportunity for the trade which they had carried on, and they do not take readily to farming because ready money is not made quickly enough by farmers. Some of them are returning to Russia. They would have gone back sooner, but the laws of Russia made this impossible, in consequence of an ukase that Jews who emigrate to other countries lose their citizenship. The Russian government, however, being convinced that the leaving of these trading Jews has caused a serious loss s to the revenues of the country, has id recently revoked said law, and resolved as that, as long as these Jewish citizens have not been naturalized in other countries, they shall again be restored

to their full rights as Russian citizens.

have, besides, a meeting of their own concerning China from the capitals of tian Science" teaching is now threatthe countries interested. There are ening the public. Several instances some facts somewhere in the mass, have been recently reported where the the foreign community was but only time will make clear what followers of this "fad" have declared I with horror at the news of the mas the facts are. Russia has been going their disbelief in infectious and conto withdraw from China, but keeps tagious diseases. Their open disregard sending more soldiers into the country. of the usual precautions taken at such The latest about her retirement is that times is bringing them into further she has retired from Pekin which disrepute, and in time must subject

One of the Berlin reviews publishes a calculation on the number of letters distributed annually throughout the world. It gives the total as twelve thousand millions. Of these, it says, 8,000 millions are in English, 1,200 millions in German, 1,000 millions in French, 220 millions in Italian, 120 millions in Spanish, 100 millions in Dutch, 80 millions in Russian and 24 millions in Portuguese. The Anglo-Saxon is for the present very well in

A GREAT PEOPLE.

That the United States, in the China affair, is working in harmony with Russia, is, probably, because the Republican party thinks it will get more votes by being friendly with Russia than by co-operating with Great Britain. The United States is a great nation, and its rulers are influenced only by large and grave considerations.

WANT THEIR MEN.

The Australian colonies do not like rain and sleet, through blazing s it that inducements are being offered and icy blast, they go to the house one says, ". their South African volunteers to re- God just the same as in the fr main in that country. The news- weather. We all know them. The french ki papers are commenting severely on it, | are the tried and true ones, the paste and say they want their men homethat the kind of men who were willing every good work, the care of It is probable that the Russian to go to the help of the mother-land is the kind of men they need at home only in the matter of weather, h when their South African service is ended. The Premier of New Zealand church. They stand by when mor is said to have declared that no volunteer from the colony will get his dis charge till he reaches home.

THE TEXAS STORM.

We hesitated to publish the figures | Would the church furnish martyrs in the news item of last week as to the in the old times if persecution should ment concerning the awful risks the number of deaths caused by the Texas | arise? And they that ask the questi and it should be done without delay. drinkers of beer and other liquors take storm, lest they might turn out to be The Conference desires that every in drinking from glasses washed in much exaggerated. But the fact is seeking, duty-dodging, excuse-making church be represented in the contribu- water in which many other glasses much more appalling than the first hosts of professed Christians, a sland petrole have been washed. He says the germs statement. The Mayor of Galveston mournfully shake their heads as of diseases of all sorts are left on the places the deaths at five thousand; negative answer. But it is well betteeming was glasses by the hands and lips of the there are, however, those who says his remember that in every time of person to the riverse and the riverse are the riverse and lips of the there are, however, those who says his remember that in every time of person to the riverse are the riverse a users, and these germs are collected in estimate is low, while others claim it is cution, while there have been ren elds, fisheries peal to every church that has not yet the water and are spread over all the high. It will never be known accur- gades, there have been faithful one done so to at once endeavour to raise glasses that are washed in it. He sug- ately how many were sent suddenly to too, steadfast even unto death. At an soon set gests as a preventative that the glasses death by the awful storm that burst it would be so again. But if the que moblem if you be washed in running water, which upon the city with such pitiless fury. Ition were put in this form : Would the The destruction of property is, also, so proportion of faithful to unfaithful other item in the getting ready for It does not seem to have occurred to great that it cannot easily be estimated, as great as in the earlier days? the but it is several millions. With one- may well be a shaking of the hear fixedus, the beer and whiskey is a surer way, and third of the residence portion of the Still, the martyrs would appear, and the lakes, and thren, especially the ministers, will remuch more profitable to the drinkers. city swept away, thousands of people they would come from among the rank mairies. Fo were homeless and destitute. Provis- of the stormproof. For the Lor ions and help of every kind poured himself has said it : "He that is fait out, and flus into the stricken city so soon as the ful in that which is least, is faithful condition was known. The description also in much." of the city, condensed from the Chicago Journal, on another page, will need more than this: In parliamen In a Presidential year in the United | help the reader understand how such | and pulpits, in courts and councils, a catastrophe could occur.

TEE RUSSIAN LOAN.

The proposition now understood to be under consideration by a syndicate and life, the man who cannot be bough of United States Insurance companies nor scared. To such men, under Go to lend Russia \$200,000,000 - which we owe all the real progress of we mentioned last week, the Journal past. These are they who have fough the reserves of the Insurance Com- sorely! to-day. They will duly prese panies are held for the security of themselves. At present the pla numerous policy holders, and such a seeker, the time-server, the mone loan might create a panic. Russia has grabber seem to be in the fore; b The English Parliamentary elections been not only a persistent borrewer when the next moral crisis comes at but a persistent repudiator. the great decision is to be made, the skill in finance and commerce of the the stormproof men will arise tho English, Americans and Germans, and who will take leadership in suffering the success of her ministers of finance and in triumph. has always been no more than success in negotiating further loans. Russia has never known an annual surplus. Even in peace her expenditures have exceeded her income since the days of Peter the Great. German bankers long ago refused to handle her loans, and while it was given out that this was due to the Jews, it was really due to the fear that the loans would not be paid. It is now well understood that Russia's principal object in the French alliance was the possibility of borrowing money, and she has nearly drained France dry. Finding it impossible to borrow extensively in any country in Europe, she now attacks the great insurance reserves in the United States. If the managers of these great trust funds piled up in in surance companies should risk the money of their policy holders in a Russian loan it would be a cause for Alaska included; and only 145,000 alarm.

SLAUGHTER OF MISSIONARIES.

The London Times, of the 12th has advices from its Pekin corres ent, Dr. Morrison, telling massacre of native christians a sionaries in China. Dr. Morrison

"The censorship, which is under ms and citie Alfred Gaselee's control, m ces of pearl difficult to convey a true picture present situation in Pekin. e should ha of the missionaries at Paotingfu were under the protection of the perial troops. Children were butch before the eyes of their parents. women were ravished and carried captivity. Parents were murde Massacres by red Indians never e vain for vengeance. Yet the t remain here inactive. "Their thought and wish is to be given or to be recalled from Pekin. 8 the civilized. world will not suffer cruel massacre to pemain unreven and make no effort to ascertain fate of the poor martyred Chris and white women."

The American Consul General Shanghai reports that, after me inquiries in every direction, held that the number of British and An can missionaries murdered is nin three, while one hundred and seve others are unaccounted for and h probably, met the same fate. number of native converts massac is not accurately known, but is, do less, many thousands.

STORMPROOF" CHRISTIAN

"Stormproof" is the word wh Dr. Cuyler uses to describe the Christians whose attendance at meetings of the church is not preve ed by atmospheric conditions. Through prized yoke-fellows, the sustainers church. They are stormproof, also, as respects all the interests of is to be raised, when schisms divide when pastoral changes occur, wh congregations dwindle-proof again all kinds of storms.

Sometimes the question is raise glance over the easy-going, convenien

What kind of men does the Lo executive offices, in world-wide con merce and conquest, the man who stormproof is waited for- the m who counts principle above fortun

CANADA.

In an address to the British Meth dist Conference, a few weeks ago, Re Dr. Carman, the General Superintene ent of the Canadian Methodist Church gave the British brethren the followin sketch of the area and capabilities Canada. Doubtless they opened theu eyes in wonder:

Let me say a word of Canada. There are likely some people in these islands who have scarcely realized what the British Empire has in the extent and resources of our Dominion. Think of a country of 3,600,000 square miles, thirty times as large as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; 600,000 square miles larger than the United States of America, leaving Alaska out, and 18,000 larger with square miles less than Continenta

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