five places, and I visited the most of

them with him, and talked for him in

all the places. The people esteem him

highly. He has a nice little farm just

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there was a well organized and active Y. M. C. Association in this city. interest in it, and contributed very much to its success. For a few years after, avoid it." it has been dormant. It has just been revived. Officers have been appointed, and regulars meetings are being held. There is room and work for such an association, and we hope it may have a long and useful life.

-GUILTY. In the first trial of the rum-sellers charged with the murder of Rev. Geo. A. Haddock in Iowa, there was a disagreement of the jury. But a second trial has resulted in one of the fellows, Munchrath, being convicted of man-slaughter. This legally puts the responsibility of the murder of a Christian minister on the rum men where everybody believes it belongs. They slew him because he was an honest outspoken enemy to their murderous traffic. Who can tell the number of murders for which they are responsible.

-Gone to California. Rev. Dr. Penney, whose contributions to these columns have always been so good and helpful, has gone to Oakland, Ca'ifornia to take charge of a church there. Of his health he writes: "I think I am better now than any time since my illness in June 84. I have promised nothing to the church in Oakland beyond supplying them for the Fall and Winter. I hope, however, it may seem best to remain longer, and that I will find myself equal to the work demanded, and my general health be much improved.

We hope, with a host of friends, that the genial clime of California may contribute to restore him fully to

-TARDINESS. To be tardy in anything is bad. Tardiness in religious service is as bad or worse than in anything else. It is a great hindrance to interesting and profitable worship. The Religious Telescope says: "In general meetings for prayer and testimony, often Christians who expect to think of a preacher on Sabbath morning who, after singing and prayer, would sit and wait and wait till he would feel like getting up and preaching? This would have the element of novelty, at least for a time; but this waiting and allowing the precious moments of a service to pass is without one redeeming feature. Let people everywhere be quick. It will add one half to our strength in the work of God.

-A Suggestion. A writer in the N. Y. Evangelist makes a suggestion concerning funeral sermons. He says that "in most cases another time than the funeral, and when space has been given for due preparation, may be to c'aim that Butler teaches instantaneavailed of with advantage to pay seemly tribute to those who have fallen Destroyer, within the limits of their stood him.

ference should be made by name, or mation. culcated. Wisdom and discretion seat in the Elder's Conference. New subscriptions may begin at any time an occasion, but these are to be had Jos. Noble and A. H. Trafton exfor the asking. The entire population | plaining their absence. would be interested in such service, In the evening there was preaching careful to give the correct address of the and the hearts of some usually beyond by Licentiate W. H. Perry. It was parts, such a memorial service or congregation.

> -Judged by Effects. A recent article in the Christian Advocate of Michigan closed with these words, words that are worthy of being remembered:

"The Bible is all right, but you need a little common sense, and some proper idea of the nature of the gospel with it. The effects of a doctrine are to be considered as well as the supposed Bible proof for it. We must be very cautious how we accept some unreasonable, useless and impracticable theory, just because some sharp person can construe and color the Scriptures to favor it. If a doctrine is not in harmony with the general tone of the gospel, if it turns upon mere technicalities; if the plain simple statements of the New Testament have to be explained away, to harmonize with it; if it leads you to tithing mint and rue and straining at gnats; if it does not lead you to more love | Second The great opposition which for your fellow men. to more bene- Jesus of Nazareth had to encounter. volent deeds in your own community, -Y. M. C. A. For several years leads you to become more contentious, more narrow, bigoted and sectarian, if it leads you to think of anything The late Mr. Thos. Logan took a great more than of Jesus, then as you value your peace here, and your soul here-

## The Conference.

far has been fine enough to satisfy any- from it derived its significance.

and reading of minutes, Rev. T.S. dependent province of the Roman

the following' which was adopted:

Your committee appointed to conder the matter of disagreement amongst our ministers in the teaching of sanctification, recommend for adfollowing which is Prof. Butler's interpretation of his teachings on the subjects of Justification and Sanctification in his Theology, which is the

pel justification is the pardon of sin, and acceptance with God. The sinner The sinner is unholy. In justification he is made pure and holy. Through the atonement of Christ and the operaeffected, justification obtained. Sanctification is the full consecration of the change from sin to holiness. But the participate wait, and wait, and wait child of God is not infallible. He is ance and faith may be cleansed and restored. If we confess our sins, he privilege of all to grow in grace and in knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. with the whole heart, mind, and strength, and consecrate our all on his forward. Believers know that there in full of corruption. are special anointings and baptisms of the spirit, which give us great exaltation in christian experience, and ad-

vancement in the divine life.

many neighborhoods, when some re- the General Conference for its infor- doctrine corresponded to the religious the Power behind phenomena; and I visited Rev. M. Nowlan. He attends

otherwise, to all the worthy depart- Rev. W. M. Knollin, the delegate sphere of his work was entirely lost in of influence that makes for righteoused, whether enrolled upon the church from the Nova Scotia F. B. Confer- the crude, and low ideal of the nation. ness. records or not, and proper lessons in- ence was welcomed and voted to a In this condition and prejudiced by

would need to be vouchsafed for such Letters were received from Revs. nation, at the time of our Saviour.

held. It was a fine morning, and the a few things are necessary. good deal of interest.

### Midland, K. Co., Oct. 1st. ----Messinic Expectation.

It does not require a very extensive knowledge of the Gospels of the New Testament, in order to observe two things. First The apparent universal desire for, and expectation of a Messiah, on the part of the people

As the S. S. Lessons are at present to a sweeter and lovelier life; if it in the Gospels, it may be of interest to the reader, to discuss briefly the above

I. The Messianic Expectation. The coming of a great deliverer, the Messiah was fact closely interwoven with the history of the Jewish nation. The Old Testament dispensation was full of it. The religious ceremonial There is some advantage in having pointed to it, and the prophets repeatthe time of Conference regulated by edly declared it. At first only a vague the moon. The bye-law fixing the hint of his coming was given, but this time says "the annual session shall in time was followed by statements commence on the Saturday of or pre- more and more definite until, in the ceding the full moon nearest the first | time of the later prophets, his charactday in October in each year." This er and work were set forth in detail. year the full moon occurred on the In fact, the whole religious life of the first day of October. The weather so nation was based on this doctrine, and

body, and the nights are beautiful and The circumstances of the nation tended to intensify this longing and Friday morning at 10 a. m., found expectation. Vastly different was its the ministers, with the exception of a condition, from that of the palmy very few, assembled in the Midland days of David and Solomon. Then it church, Rev. Wm. Downey presiding. | was a powerful independent kingdom After the opening exercises, roll-call at the time of our Saviour, it was a VanWart was elected chairman for the | Empire, ruled by a race of tyrants, the Herods. The oppression of the natters of belief and teaching effect- tended to bring the expectation of the

recognized standard of this denomina- Messianic work, we must examine the Christianity invites revolution, anarchy among the German-speaking people Justification. Sanctification.—Gos- this time. To one who looked merely tive atheism is insincere to itself; it churches, and 32,451 members; 1,289 is at enmity with God. In justification seemed very zealous in religious mat- "Unknown God." The intellect may baptized last year, 2,530; contributions tion of the Holy Spirit on the one of the worship of one God. The Sometimes Infidelity is but the wretch- gary, four in Switzerland, one in Holence on the other, reconciliation is attended. In the synagogues—an in- a depraved life and sear an uneasy Roumania, one in Bulgaria, twentysoul to God. It is to be holy as God after the return from exile and which just and holy God, the Judge of all, is There are 248 preachers, pastors, is holy. It accompanies regeneration, existed wherever there were Jews- one of the best securities of the order missionaries, and colporteurs, and which is not a partial but an entire the people assembled each Sabbath, of human society. It would be well 454 other helpers. till the time—much of it at least—is still exposed to temptation and sin. If expounded by the scribes. Thus no life beyond the present. But sionary work in Japan for the year Elijah's prayer was a short one; Paul

able in the state of religion. will forgive them, and cleanse us from | searching investigation, to discover a | God is infinitely precious. all unrighteousness. Sanctification is very unsatisfactory condition of affairs. a progressive work. It is the duty and The form of religion was there, but faith? Why should they seek to rob We are to be overcomers, to triumph they were careful to obey the cere- sion? If the christian religion were over both inward and outward beset- monial law, they overlooked the fact demonstrably false, we would at once ments, so as to love the Lord our God that religion is of the heart, and thus acknowledge that it should be swept altar. We shall never attain a fixed and became truly whited sepulchres, is no God, No Christ, no Heaven, no limit, but shall be constantly pressing fair in outward appearance, but with- Hell, no Judgment to come, no Im-

This action was taken because earthly comfort and enjoyment. The wrong. Let us eat and drink for tosome brethren have been understood | Messiah they expected, but he was morrow we die. But not even the ous entire sanctification and that Free al but a temporal kingdom. Thus can prove there is no God, or that he I wish to say a few words now to let Baptist ministers were therefore justifi. their miseries, instead of making can demonstrate the falsity of Chrisasleep. It is a fair question whether ed in teaching it. It will be seen by the them more humble, and bringing them tianity. John Stuart Mill admitted pastors habitually gather up, as they foregoing interpretation that Butler nearer to God had the opposite effect. the possibility of the divine existence. that I remember. In March I left St. might, the lessons scattered often as never intended to be so understood, and Believing themselves to be the special He admitted also in a memorable pas- John for Nova Scotia; I arrived safely the leaves of autumn by the great that the Conference has not so under- favorites of God, since they were the sage that if you grant the existence of and remained three Sabbaths. The

H. C.

#### 0---Increase the Salaries.

of the Midland Church, presided over | this subject, as taught in the Old and | Bradlaughites in England. the meeting. A great many took part | New Testaments. Show the people | What have our great and our little in the meeting, which was one of a plainly and lovingly what God requires Infidels done for the world? Where at their hands. This will give them are the savages they have civilized port of the corresponding secretary, sentiment on the subject, and open races they have redeemed—the vicious and reports from corresponding dele- the way for the officers of the church they have reformed—the tyrannies gates from other bodies will be re- to work. This much all pastors they have overthrown—the hospitals ceived. A large number of preaching shoulddo, and they cannot be true to they have erected—the asylums they appointments have been made for the | themselves and the cause of Christ | have endowed—the charities they have without doing so.

be unable to serve the Church.

could use the envelope and pay once a terian Witness. month at least. This would make the pastor happy and save a world of trouble. This plan requires a cash credit as they pay.

Surely we should have faithful, good oreaching on this subject, and then an ncrease of liberality toward [the laborers whom the Master says are worthy of their hire." We need broad, liberal preaching, and large, liberal giving. Let each pastor and church work together for the improvement of the local finances, then the people will better support the general interests also, and the work of the Lord will greatly prosper in our hands. Brethren, raisethe salaries all along the line for the coming year. So deermine before going to Conference. -In Old Steward.

# Infidels.

The experiment has been tried over and over again by nations as well as There was some discussion touching people, by different conquerors, had individuals of living without God, of fighting against Christ and His Church, ng the harmony of the body. A com- coming Messiah into prominence, and of destroying the "faith once denittee appointed to report action on the There was to them a time of redemp- livered to the saints." We do not question of sanctification submitted | tion in the future, and this enabled | think that the success attending the them to bear up under their greatest experiment has in any case been such oppressions and kept alive their na- as to make anyone who loves mankind | were in 1880 10,000,000 members of a prominent one, and a faith in his man or a young woman who is an the United States who, from 1870 to option by the Elders' Conference the speedy advent was very common and Atheist, or an Infidel, or an Agnostic, 1880, gave annually for missions, home widespread, at the time of his coming. is usually found to be on the broad and foreign, \$5,500,000 an average of In order to fully understand what and sure road to ruin even as regards 55 cents for each church member. conception the people had of the this life. A nation that relinquishes on the outside, the people would have covers a deep and genuine faith in the stations and out stations' 157 chapels: henceforth they became the champions | Heaven. This happens-not often. | es, 101 are in Germany, five in Hunstitution which had been organized conscience. Faith deep and real in a two in Denmark, three in South Africa. when the Scriptures were read and worth cherishing even if there were cries aloud through all her works," But it does not require a very and on this account a genuine faith in

Why then should Infidels assail this alas! its spirit was not present. While | us of the best treasure in our possesthey degraded their service to God, away. If it could be proved that there mortality,-then of course let us dis-They looked, indeed, for a glorious miss as best we may and as soon as Missions. future for their nation, but it was a possible every thought of the futurefuture that would minister to their of obligation-of duty-of right and one who would establish, not a spiritu- | boldest Infidel will maintain that he seed of Abraham, and "heirs of the God you have no ground of quarrel own parishes. A special Sabbath This action of the Elder's Conference promise," they became proud, self-left as to the supernatural element in cellent man, and a good preacher. I and there was good done. He bap-

state of the nation. The spiritual Matthew Arnold preaches of the stream

The man who risks all upon the wild out of Yarm outh; he attends to his such opinions, do we find the Jewish peradventure of prejudiced ignorance farm and to all his appointments Sabbath might often prove the be- Saturday at 9.30 a. m. a social embarrassment, stinted libraries, lack ing of small boys of the basest sort. munity. He is the stuff that Nihilists attendance was large; the house was 1. The pastor should faithfully are made of in Russia, and Anarchpacked. Rev. Wm. DeWare, pastor preach the whole Gospel, bearing on ists in New York and Chicago, and

originated or administered?

2. The church should at once en- No! Infidelity cannot point to large its contributions, and raise the one nation, one little island, one vilsalaries until every pastor is paid an lage, one hamlet, one industrial man adequate support, one that will enable or woman elevated, reformed or rehim by proper economy to educate his deemed by its influence. It is a something for the period when he may in newspapers, in books, in lectures! A wise man would as readily go about 3. Let the very best plan of finance | from place to place setting fire to peobe adopted. In stations, by all means | ple's houses because of some blemish and take their subscription for what about to destroy their faith because they will each pay per week; have of some possible imperfection in it.

### MISSION NEWS AND NOTES.

-"There are more than 500 Baptist book, faithfully kept, giving each one | churches in Burmah, with over 25,000 communicants."

> -The missionary work of the Religious Tract Society of London is carried on in 186 different languages."

-Since 1852, 75 Sandwich Islanders have gone as foreign missionaries."

-One hundred thousand Jews are now professed Christians. There are only 250 missionaries to the Jews."

ing Nov. 31 at 1,447,270 volumes, of which 521,356 were distributed in foreign lands.

-In Greece the Government permits the free distribution of the Scriptures, and protects the colporteurs. The gosused as a reading book in the higher classes of the primary schools."

gelical foreign missions was much less than \$250,000. In 1880 the anual receipts have advanced from \$6,000,000 to \$6,250,000.

-According to Dr. Derchester, there

-The American Baptist mission

baptized, making a total membership of, 14,815. There are now 193 organized churches, sixty-four of them selfsupporting; ninety-three native ministers and one hundred and sixty-nine theological students; £5,377 were contributed by the native converts. It should be remembered that the average wages of a day laborer does not exceed twenty cents. One man gave £2,000 to found a school under the care of the American Board of

## DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

FROM REV. R. FRENCH.-It has been a long time since the INTELLI-GENCER's readers have heard from me. year than any other year of my life first Sabbath I spent in Yarmouth with Rev. E. Crowell. He is an ex- last month. He held some meetings, might well be set apart each year in was ordered to be communicated to righteous, intolerant. The Messianic Christianity. Even Spencer admits talked for him on the Sabbath. Then tized two converts.

is morally a fool. He has said in his regularly. Mrs. Nowlan is very discreet in her way. They both treatheart that there is no God, and then ed me with christian kindness. he goes about lecturing others into his visited many places in Yarmouth, inown foolish belief or unbelief. Often cluding nearly all the factories. The It is a well-known fact, that many the Psalmist's "Fool" lurks in our I was. There are so many different the preacher's influence would be a good sermon and an enjoyable ser of our pastors are not receiving a suf- villages and thinks himself very wise denominations that it makes all the touched. If rightly ordered in all its vice throughout. There was a good figient salary to make their families because with his blasphemy he can congregations small, but they are all comfortable. The result is, financial scare very old women and win a follow- working away. Rev. Mr. Crowell is highly esteemed. I stopped the most of my time at Deacon Cook's. He is on the address label shows the time to which ginning of better things in many a meeting, such as is held at the be- of fresh literature, lame preaching, This village "Fool" is ordinarily a good brother. His wife is a fine ginning of every Annual Session, was etc. To remedy this trouble, at least person without any stake in the com- woman, the family are all industrious; I felt entirely at home with them. Leaving Nova Scotia, I spent two months in the Hampstead churches. I helped them all I could, and then returned home. Then I travelled eastward as far as Moncton, then to the back settlements to the west of Moncton. It is a good farming country. The farmers all have neat This (Saturday) afternoon the re- intelligence and create a proper public the abuses they have corrected—the and snug buildings, and the people will, this year certainly reap a great harvest. How kind is Providence; he sends his showers and sunshine to cause the abundant growth, a man's heart is filled with joy and gladness. Oh that the children of men would praise the Lord for his wondrous works. In all these places I talked to the people, sometimes three times on the Sabbath. I enjoy a great deal of peace in these days, although not happy all the time, I am peaceful. There are causes why a christian is not happy all the time-natural causes, children if he has any, and lay by pretty thing to commend to the people but a christian that does right wil never be condemned. I feel wonderfully glad that I got a right start, laid all on the altar that sanctifieth the gift. This seems to be necessary, and then as we receive the Lord Jesus use envelopes. But first see the people, in their form or structure, as to go so to walk in Him, rooted and grounded in faith. This is Bible holiness, every day holiness. Perhaps it would not be out of place to give a word or them agree to use the envelope and None but fools have said even in their two of advice, as there are different pay every Sabbath. Even circuits hearts "There is no God."-Presby- ideas abroad now. Some think what would do forty years ago will not do at all now. Jehovah has never changed, christianity is the same. Some times the Lord lets Israel have their way, and then there will be leanness among them. Sometimes we look more for popularity. How well it is not to seek for great things, but to condescend to men of low estate. Has not God taken weak things to confound the mighty, and things that are not to bring things that are. How timely is the caution of the Apostle, "if any would be wise let him become a fool, that he may be wise." There is no reason for any real christian to be discouraged, their labour will not be in vain in the Lord. Some won't do as they ought to do, some ministers -The American Bible society reports even won't do as they ought. Some the entire circulation for the year end- churches are not exactly in the light, yet taking a view of the whole, there is ground for encouragement. There are good preachers, that labor well. there are some good well doing churches; the work goes forward. all stand in their places, ministers and churches of all denominations, the work will go on; the leaven is in the pels in the original (old) Greek are meal. In the days of these Kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, diverse from all others kingdoms, shall be given to the saints of -In 1800 the entire income for avan- the Most High, they shall possess it forever, even forever and ever. The stone cut out of the mountain without hands will smite the image and shall grind it to powder, and shall fill the whole earth." I feel anxious for all our young brethren to show themselves approved unto God, workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly tional spirit. This belief had become anxious to see it repeated. A young Evangelical Protestant Churches in dividing the word of truth. I do not think it is the best way for young men that believe they are called of God to preach the gospel to fall too much in the practise of using manuscripts in the pulpit, as it tends to weaken the memory and cramp the mind, and is somewhat exposed to become formal, to lose the light. I tried it once and religious condition of the people at and destruction. Sometimes specula- now reports thirteen associations, 168 it cramped me so when I came to speak, that I wanted to say something I had not written; so I threw it all away and have never practised it he obtains reconciliation and peace. ters. The punishment of exile had be bewildered and astray while the for religious objects, \$98,900, which is give offence to any, as I have learned completely cured them of idolatry, and heart beats true to the Father in nearly \$3 per member. Of the church- something in half a century. Some times I fall in with men that are very learned, and they all seem to agree hand, and repentance, faith and obeditemple services and feasts were well ed covering assumed in order to screen land, twenty-nine in Russia, two in There is something so suitable in christianity that we can be entirely at home in talking about the blessings of salvation. I shall say no more brethren, lest I should weary you, as I do not believe in long speaking or long praying. Jonah's sermon was a —The statistics of missions and mis- believed it and it did them good short one at Ninevah, but the people gone to waste. What would they we sin, we have an advocate with the there was much apparently commend- that there is an 'hereafter, all nature 1886 contain many cheering facts. Enjan's prayer was a snort one; Paul's explanation of what pure and undefiled During the year 3,640 adults were religion is short, only to visit the fatherless in their affliction and to keep ourselves unspotted from the

The time of our yearly meeting is drawing near and I hope and pray we may have harmony and good feeling there. I am very thankful to the author and giver of all my mercies for what I feel in my heart.

R. FRENCH.

FAREWELL. - On Tuesday evening of last week the friends of Rev. J. E. Reud in Marysville held a meeting of Farewell. There was a large attendance. Mr. Rowley presided. There was good singing, and speeches were made by Rev. J. McLeod, Wm. Wilson M. P. P. and Rev. C. T. Phillips. A present of \$48.00 was made Bro. Reud. The Sunday evenmy friends know I am still trying to ing before his friends in Keswick gave live. I have travelled more miles this him \$32.00. There is general regret that he is leaving the circuit.

> ARTHURETTE, V. Co.-Rev. J. H. Erb spent about ten days in Arthurette