

Methodist Mission Forward Movement.

General Conference Takes Decisive Action.

ESPECIALLY WITH REFERENCE TO CARRYING ON WORK IN THE WEST.

Winnipeg, Sept. 8.—The Canadian Methodist church through its general conference today set its hand to the mission problem of the developing west and solved it on a generous scale amid great enthusiasm. Apparently nearly every delegate was seized of the importance of the subject before it was presented, and half the recommendations of the committee were adopted before any one asked for explanations. On a question being asked, Mr. N. W. Rowell, K. C., of Toronto, on behalf of the committee, rose and delivered an eloquent address in which he pictured the increasing tide of immigration and upspringing of scores of new communities, which should be reached by the Methodist church throughout the Canadian west. Mr. Rowell was primed with first-hand facts gathered in a recent tour, and when he sat down there was great enthusiasm.

The conference then adopted unanimously recommendations which provide for the appointment of four superintendents for home mission work in the west, one for New Ontario, two for Manitoba and the Northwest and one for British Columbia. These men shall give their whole time to the supervision of the work of the missionaries in their respective fields, and shall have associated with them one corresponding secretary, and there shall also be established a special fund for the extension of the work, in order to keep up the average allowance for the workers and their special needs. The adoption of the plan was consummated in a dramatic moment when the delegates rose and sang the doxology and then adjourned the session.

A very considerable increase in income was shown by the financial statement of the General Board of Missions. In 1897-8 it was \$243,051; for 1901-2 it was \$306,429, and increase of \$63,376. This does not include \$48,352 received from the 20th Century Fund. The total income during the quadrennium was \$1,118,210. The report of the work was very encouraging.

A special revival swept over Japan, resulting in the conversion of between 5,000 and 6,000 people. All the missions joined in the work. Of the converts 300 came to the Methodists.

In China the work, interrupted by the recent troubles had been resumed with little or no loss of property. In the Province of Se Chuan, where the missions were located, there is a population of 50,000. The churches have divided the territory, and in that allotted to the Methodists there is a population of 28,000,000.

The work among the Chinese and Japanese in British Columbia has been prosecuted with diligence and success.

The work of Christianizing the Indians presents a problem which in the report is thus stated:—"That good has been done in moral and religious directions as the result of missionary effort among the Indians, all who know the facts will admit; that progress along material and social lines has been slow none can deny. It is evident that the Indian occupies a much higher place as a Christian today than he did as a pagan yesterday, but how to raise him still higher from indigence to independence is a problem which we have yet to solve.

A great deal of missionary effort may not only be minimized, but entirely neutralized, by the pauperizing system under which so many of our Indians are yet to be found. Thus, the church finds itself face to face with a phase of missionary operation to which the attention of the General Conference and General Board in their coming sessions might wisely be called."

A new impetus, the board stated, had been given to the French mission work in Quebec by the erection of a new mission house in Montreal.

Meeting at the portals of the great west, it was not unnatural that the Conference should receive without surprise the following statement regarding

home missions: "As a whole, Methodism seems to grow with the growth of the communities, in the midst of which, by the Providence of God, it has been placed; but it is clear that it is just entering upon an era that will tax its energies and resources to a degree that has been unknown in the past. The first division of a mighty army has entered the great Northwest, but it is only the advance guard of 'millions yet to be.' In new Ontario, Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia, the incoming tide of population will swell in vaster billows as the years go by, and problems will confront the church which were it not for the Divine presence and promise, would be absolutely appalling. But with faith in God and in 'the people called Methodists,' the captains of the host must face their responsibilities with unflinching courage, remembering that 'the things impossible with men are possible with God.'"

The report referred hopefully to the Young People's Forward Movement for Missions among the Epworth Leagues.

The report of the Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and the Northwest showed that the church was making very satisfactory progress in the Dominion of the plains. During the decade preceding the last census the population of Manitoba increased 67 per cent., and the increase in the membership of the Methodist Church was 75 per cent. So in the Territories the increase in population was 138 per cent., and of Methodism was 178 per cent. The membership at the beginning of the quadrennium was 17,692; now it is 22,392, an increase in the four years of 26 per cent. Contributions for all purposes aggregated during that time \$1,058,432.

The Woman's Missionary Society ended the quadrennium with 729 auxiliaries and 17,276 members, an increase of 49 auxiliaries and 2,205 members during the four years. There are 277 circles and bands, with a membership of 7,696, an increase of 220. During the period the total receipts from all sources have been \$177,662, of which \$3,903 obtained from the twentieth century fund has been set aside for the benefit of invalided missionaries. In November the society will complete its twenty-first year, and during twenty years its collections have aggregated \$555,041. The value of the society's property in Japan, China and British Columbia amounts to \$56,383.

The preliminary report of the Mission Committee was presented by Rev. W. R. Young of St. Thomas. "The committee has had before them," the report said, "a number of memorials regarding a forward movement; also for more effective supervision of home missions. The committee therefore recommend (1) that the General Conference affirm the principle of increase and most effective supervision over our home mission work, especially in new Ontario, Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia; (2) that the General Conference provide for the appointment of four local superintendents of missions, one for Ontario, two for Manitoba and the Northwest, and one for British Columbia; (3) that as the development of population, especially in the above-named parts of the Dominion, promises to be very rapid, we recommend the General Conference to authorize the Board of missions to increase the number of local superintendents of missions as the urgent needs of the work may require; (4) in view of the fact that the time of the local superintendents will be fully equipped with the multitudinous details of their work in their own districts, we recommend the appointment of a corresponding secretary for the Manitoba, Northwest, and British Columbia Conferences, to whom local superintendents shall report at frequent intervals concerning the progress and needs of the work, and that he shall have the authority and powers of a local secretary in that part of the field he may visit, be a medium of communication with the mission rooms on all matters pertaining to mission work within his jurisdiction, secure men for the work in Manitoba, the Northwest and British Columbia Conferences, act as treasurer for the said Conference, and discharge such other duties as the Board of Missions may from time to time direct. It may be impracticable to provide for the necessary expense of mission superintendents out

of the ordinary income of the Missionary Society, without reducing still further the grants to home missionaries. We urge the General Conference to recommend a special fund for the purpose mentioned, and also to serve as an emergency fund for the immediate extension of the work.

The report was adopted.

A GRATEFUL TRIBUTE

From a Man Who Looked Up on His Case as Hopeless.

Doctors Diagnosed His Case as Catarrh of the Stomach, but Failed to Help Him—Many Remedies Were Tried Before a Cure Was Found.

From the Bulletin, Bridgewater, N. S.

We suppose there is not a corner in this wide Dominion in which will not be found people who have been restored to health and strength through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. There are many such cases here in Bridgewater and its vicinity, and we are this week given permission to record one for the benefit of similar sufferers. The case is well known in this vicinity and the tenacity of the disorder was remarkable. For six years Alfred Veniot, a surveyor of lumber for the great lumber firm of Davison & Sons, was a victim of a serious disorder of the stomach. His sufferings were excruciating and he had wasted to a shadow. Doctors prescribed for him, yet the agonizing pains remained. Many remedies were tried but to no avail. The case was diagnosed as catarrh of the stomach, food became distasteful, life a burden. The trouble went on for nearly six years, then a good Samaritan advised the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The pills were given a fair, patient trial, Mr. Veniot being about a dozen boxes, and before they were all gone a permanent cure was effected. Mr. Veniot is now able to attend to his business when it looked as if he was doomed to die. He is grateful to this great medicine for his cure and has no hesitation in saying so. Because of their thorough and prompt action on the blood and nerves these pills speedily cure anaemia, rheumatism, sciatica, partial paralysis, St. Vitus, dance, scrofula and eruptions of the skin, erysipelas, kidney and liver troubles and the functional ailments which makes the lives of so many women a source of constant misery. Get the genuine with the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around each box. Sold by medicine dealers or sent post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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IT ISN'T TALKING THAT COUNTS

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"I suppose you are quite a city man now, Uncle Si?" Well since I moved in from the farm I've been burglarized and arrested for picking flowers in the park, but I haven't been run over by an automobile yet."—Detroit Free Press.

The Surest Cure for Warts.

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HORSE STARTLES AN ACTOR

New York, Sept. 11.—W. H. MacDonald, who is playing the part of Little John in "Robin Hood" at the Academy, saw a vision last night which made him think for a moment that he was going insane.

He was in his dressing room shortly before 8 o'clock, making up for his part, when suddenly he looked up and saw in his mirror a horse's head, apparently looking over his shoulder. For a moment he was dumfounded. Was there in the old Academy a horse ghost, or was he on

the verge of madness? He closed his eyes and looked again. Yes, there was still in the mirror a horse's head, its gaze directed appealingly to him. With an effort Mr. MacDonald drew himself together and started to run out. As he turned he collided with a horse. Then he saw that it was a real live horse which had somehow made its way to his dressing room.

He called, and a doorkeeper and two policemen came to the door. They explained the presence of the horse. They said that they had seen the horse galloping down Fourteenth Street, and thinking it was astray had started after it when it disappeared in the side entrance of the Academy. Following it, they saw it trot across the stage toward Mr. MacDonald's door. The doorkeeper remembered the horse as one belonging to a near-by livery man that had been used last spring in the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" performance. One of the members of the company, who formerly occupied Mr. MacDonald's room, had had a habit of feeding it sugar daily at this door. The horse had in some way got loose and returned for its sugar.

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Poetry at Home.

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"If it does," replied his wife, who was all tired out because they couldn't afford to keep a girl, "it will probably regret any time it wasted in doing so."

Children sweeten labor, but they make misfortune more bitter. They increase the cares of life, but they mitigate the remembrance of death.

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BABY'S OWN TABLETS.

For Weak, Sickly and Fretful Children of All Ages.

If the children's digestive organs are all right, the children are all right. They will be hearty, rosy, happy—and hungry. Get the little ones right, and keep them right by the use of Baby's Own Tablets. This medicine cures all stomach and bowel troubles, nervousness, irritation while teething, etc. These Tablets contain no opiate or poisonous drugs and mothers who try them once will not be without them while they have little ones. Mrs. D. E. Badgley, Woodmore, Man., says: "When our little girl was about six months old she caught a bad cold and was much troubled with indigestion and constipation, and very restless both day and night. One of my neighbours brought me some baby's Own Tablets and in a few days my little one was regular in her bowels and rested well. I found the Tablets so satisfactory that I now always keep them in the house and have since found them valuable when she was teething. I can truly recommend them for the ills of little ones."

Children take these Tablets readily, and crushed to a powder they can be given with absolute safety to the smallest infant. The Tablets can be obtained at all drug stores, or you can get them post paid at 25 cents a box by writing direct to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N. Y.

Beetem—"Pshaw! I must have \$20 by noon to-day, and I left all my money at home in my other clothes. Can't you help me out?" Wiseman—"Sure! I'll lend you car fare to go home for it."

"The blood is the life." Science has never gone beyond that simple statement of scripture. But it has illuminated that statement and given it a meaning ever broadening with the increasing breadth of knowledge. When the blood is "bad" or impure it is not alone the body which suffers through disease. [The brain is also clouded, the mind and judgment are affected, and many an evil deed or impure thought may be directly traced to the impurity of the blood. No one can be well balanced in mind and body whose blood is impure. No one can have a wholesome and pure life unless the blood is pure. Foul blood can be made pure by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. When the blood is pure, body and brain are alike healthy and life becomes a daily happiness.

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Paine's Celery Compound is the one great and never-failing agent for making pure, fresh blood, for nourishing the dominant organs of the body, for recruiting the strength of young and old. Often very often, a delay of one day proves fatal. Foul and poisoned blood carries death at every beat of the heart. Mr. D. McMahon, Peterborough, Ont., writes thus:

"I have great pleasure in testifying to the fact that Paine's Celery Compound has caused a remarkable change in my condition. I was troubled with a bad type of eczema on my face and in patches on my body for four years. I was under treatment of three doctors, and tried many remedies, but all proved useless. At last I bought a bottle of Paine's Celery Compound and, put in Iodide of Potassium as recommended on the label. The one bottle did me so much good that I bought five bottles more, and now am happy to say I am perfectly cured and free from the troublesome disease."

"Kape alive, Mike; we're rescuin' ye!" Voice from the debris—"Is big Clancy up there wid ye?" Sure he is." Ast him ud he be so kind as to step aff the rooins. I've enough on top av me without him"—Tid Bits.

Myrtle daughter of Mr. Martin Shire of Enterprise, Ontario was struck by lightning in her father's house her clothing torn off, and it is thought her injuries will prove fatal.

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