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Excitement in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The presiding eldership in the Methodist Episcopal Church is likely to prove as troublesome as did lay representation. After discussing it for a year in all its aspects, it came before the last General Conference, in Baltimore, for action thereon. One party in the church, large but still a minority, asks that the annual conferences shall have the right to say how many districts they will have and who shall be their presiding elders. The other party, comprising a small majority, don't want any change. The districts are now fixed by the bishops in annual conferences and the elders are appointed by them also. The General Conference found itself unable to change this form of the constitutional rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It therefore sent a proposition to the eighty-nine annual conferences to change the restrictive rule. If three-fourths of the conferences vote for the change then two-thirds of the next General Conference must do the same or it can become a law. Drs. Cummings, James and Curry, representing the reformers, seeing the hopelessness of their cause, have issued an address to their brethren in the ministry to lay the proposition on the table or to vote solidly against it, by correspondence, the sentiment of the itinerancy shall be brought to the reform point. They think the Episcopacy has too much power already, and the bishops, in their address to the General Conference, concede, says this committee, that appointments to the presiding eldership are sometimes made of men who are not called for in the regular pastorate and for their own (the appointees) personal accommodation. The committee and the minority which they represent ask that the districts shall be greatly enlarged in size, so as to reduce the expense of maintaining an array of sub-bishops looking after quarterly conferences and asking a formal set of questions every time; or that the number of districts shall be increased and their size considerably reduced and the elders be regular pastors, who shall if occasion requires have the oversight of the districts nearest their charge. The editor of the Christian Advocate evidently has no sympathy whatever with this address and a half editorial. He divides it into two heads as the colored preacher did in sermon and tells first "what de text oes mean," and second, "what de text oes mean." There is, says Dr. Fowler, a bird of some kind in this egg—it may be an eagle or it may be a buzzard. But the way to get the bird out is to keep the egg warm and not to crack it, as he thinks this committee have done. The fall conferences are now, and for the next few months, to convene and this subject is to come before them and be discussed in all its bearings so that the wave of excitement will roll over the church for the next year.—N. Y. Herald.

Mr. Pierpont's Name.

Mr. Pierpont, U. S. Minister to England, has written the following letter to the New York Herald:

In journals which reach me from New York I see what purports to be questions from me, sent some years ago to a "professed medium" touching family genealogy. As the matter happened long ago, I cannot state whether the report is accurate or not; but several years since I and several well known gentlemen of New York were together making investigations and applying tests to a number of so-called mediums. We were making them, not publicly but privately, and trying to find out how much truth there was in what seemed difficult to explain. Whether it was pure deception, mesmerism, jugglery or mere delusion, we could not discover, but we concluded that it was worthless at any rate, and dropped it entirely. I have never taken the slightest interest in it since.

I was quite surprised (as would the other gentlemen be) to find my private and harmless investigations made the subject of public discussion. I never tried to influence any one; I only tried to find out how the phenomena were produced, but could not, and gave it up, thinking that there was some kind of a delusion in the matter. This seems to have been the basis of an attack about my Christian name. The "John" spoken of was a simple falsehood. In my youth, my college days, and in my father's will, my name was written Munson Edwards Pierpont. I think it is now thirty-seven years since I dropped the first name. Surely no one was injured or aggrieved or cared about it. I am a direct descendant of Joseph, the third son of the Rev. James Pierpont, of New Haven. I leave the truth, in its slow way, to overcome the lie, and the good reputation in public and private life I have sought to earn, I leave to the just judgment of my fellow men. I venture to suggest some doubt whether even the bitter strife for Presidential power, now violent in our country, will justify such wanton attacks upon men in the public service from personal malice or for political effect.

Unless it be a crime to seek the reward of honor by the faithful discharge of public duties, it cannot be well for the government, nor for the best interests of the people, to make the holding of public office or the aspiration for public place the pretext for personal calumny.

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