

ASCENSION PARISH HOUSE,
12 WEST ELEVENTH STREET,
NEW YORK.

October 25, 1892.

Mr. Ernest D. North,
Charles Scribner's Sons,
743 Broadway, New York City.

My dear North:

I can readily understand why a member of that church which is struggling for existence in New England should be glad that a minister so feeble as myself should henceforth be over the stronghold of Episcopalianism in Massachusetts. Dr. Brooks has made the rapid growth of Methodism in New England impossible, but now that I am going to take his place no doubt you expect to see a mighty return of wanderers to the true fold. It is so I

interpret your kind congratulations.

Well, North, if the Methodists come to Trinity Church you may be sure that I shall not say anything from the pulpit which will make them sorry, ecclesiastically, that they ever entered in.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Michael Donald