

namely : The Nova Scotia Conference, the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference, the Newfoundland Conference. In the Western Section—seven, namely : The Toronto Conference, the London Conference, the Guelph Conference, the Niagara Conference, the Bay of Quinte Conference, the Montreal Conference, and the Manitoba and North-West Conference. Two more Annual Conferences have since been organized, namely : The British Columbia Conference, in May, 1887, and The Japan Conference, in June, 1889, thus giving a total of 12 Annual Conferences, 99 districts and 1,329 circuits and missions.

We now pass over the encouraging report of the first three years of United Methodism, as given in the Journals of the Second General Conference, in 1886, and proceed to the reports of the several Annual Conferences as tabulated for the Third General Conference, in 1890. We shall thus more readily see how wonderful has been the increase during the seven years of Union—from 1883 to 1890.

	1883.	1890.	Increase.
Ministers and Probationers for ministry	1,003	1,748	85
Members (including those on trial)	169,803	233,868	64,065
Sunday-schools	2,707	3,173	466
Sunday-school Teachers	22,434	28,411	5,977
Sunday-school Scholars	175,052	226,050	50,998
Churches*	3,159	3,092	. . .
Parsonages	877	967	90
Value of Church Property	\$9,130,807	\$11,597,491	\$2,466,684

* Note.—At the General Conference of 1886, a decrease of 216 churches was reported ; this was owing to the fact, that after the union of 1883, a large number of the churches were closed, and subsequently sold ; hence the total reported in 1886 was 2,943, but in the ensuing four years there was an increase of 149, showing a present total of 3,092.