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Canada Conference, Iv. Association,

1985.

FIRST DAY.

Opening Session.

The members of the Canada Conference of the Evangelical Association convened April 18, 1895, in our neat church at South Cayuga, Ont., to hold their thirty-first annual session.

Bishop J. J. Esher opened the conference by reading Ephesians 1. After singing by the congregation, the Bishop led in earnest prayer, after which he gave an earnest, inspiring address, holding forth the exalted station of a child of God, and of a servant of Christ and worker for God; the necessity of full assurance of our high calling; the danger of being deceived in our calling and how to avoid deception, and in conclusion pointing out the tendency of our day to superficiality in doctrine and practical, experimental religion. Bro. S. L. Umbach then led in earnest prayer, after which the business of conference was taken up.

Brother J. P. Hauch was again appointed secretary, who appointed J. G. Litt, W. J. Yaeger and A. Y. Haist as assistants.

The secretary read the Conference Rules of Order, which were adopted for this session also.

The time of the daily sessions was fixed as follows: From 8.30 to 11.30 A. M. and from 2.00 to 5.00 P. M. Every morning at least one-half hour shall be spent in devotional exercises.

The fourth pew down from the altar was chosen as Conference boundary.

The examination of the preachers in regard to their moral and official conduct was taken into consideration,

The following brethren were received as advisory members: T. C. Meckel, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, H. Mattill, Junior Publisher, J. C. Hörnberger, Editor of the *Living Epistle* and English S. S. Literature, and Rev. R. Yeakel, Historian of our Church, all of Cleveland, Ohio.