

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—This shall be known as the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, and shall be composed of all persons who shall pay one dollar annually to its funds.

ART. II.—The Board of Management shall consist of a President, who shall be the officiating Bishop, three Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, a Secretary, and three laymen, who shall be appointed by the General Conference: one Presiding Elder and one Minister, who shall be appointed by each Annual Conference.*

ART. III.—The Board shall print and publish the General Report of the Society annually, together with the names of those who have paid one dollar and upward.

ART. IV.—Whenever the Board shall determine to establish Missions beyond the bounds of an Annual Conference, it shall pay the expenses of such Mission or Missions, provided the appropriations already made to the Annual Conferences shall not be interfered with.

ART. V.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to present a report to each Annual Conference of the state of the funds and the amount appropriated to the Conference for the ensuing year, and also an estimate on the amount expected for the funds of the Society from the Conference.

ART. VI.—The Board shall meet annually in March, or a month preceding the session of the first Annual Conference of the year, the place of meeting being decided by the Board.

ART. VII.—It shall be the duty of each Annual Conference to form, within its bounds, a Conference Missionary Society, which shall appoint its own officers, fix the term of membership, and otherwise regulate its own administration; but it shall pay all its funds to the Treasurer of the Society, excepting the Niagara Conference, which may retain eighteen per cent. of its actual income to pay its existing debentures, and as soon as they shall have been fully paid, that Conference shall likewise pay all its funds to the Society.

ART. VIII.—It shall be the duty of every Secretary of a Conference Auxiliary Society to forward annually to the Secretary of the Society a list of all subscribers.

ART. IX.—The Board shall require regular Quarterly communications to be made by each of the Missionaries on the respective Missions to the Secretary of the Society, giving information of the state and prospects of the various Missions in which they are employed.

ART. X.—Every person paying Five Dollars annually shall be entitled to an Annual Report, and any one presenting a donation of Twenty-five Dollars shall be a life member.

* NOTE.—By the act of incorporation the members of the Board of Trustees were added.

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