

the remaining two-thirds, less expenses of conducting the Conference examinations and general management of the Fund. Last year the Fund amounted to something less than \$20,000. One-third of that amount would give us between \$6,000 and \$7,000 for the aid of students and payment of their fees, a sum fully \$3,000 less than is required to meet the necessities of the case. In view of this, the Conference has further directed that all increase of the Fund above \$21,000 be devoted exclusively to this aid fund up to \$25,000. The entire additional contributions, therefore, of our friends this year will be available for this special object, and we sincerely hope that such enlarged liberality as will meet the necessities of the case will be forthcoming in response to this appeal.

During the present quadrennium six colleges receive assistance from the Fund, and the students attending them loans, while the income of the Society in Newfoundland is utilized for the purpose of helping candidates for the ministry in that island at Mount Allison University.

The growth of the Educational Society has been encouraging, but we must make a great advance all along the line if we are to do the barest approach to justice to the young men who are preparing for the work of the ministry and the colleges that train them. This advance can be realized only by the securing of subscriptions, in addition to collections on all our circuits and missions. The attention of superintendents is respectfully and earnestly called to this important matter. The General Conference recommends that a collection be taken up annually in all our Sunday-schools for the benefit of the Fund. The importance of this can hardly be overestimated educationally or financially. The presentation of this claim to the Sunday-schools of the Connexion will lead