THE WESLEYAN, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1882.

METHODIST UNION. FOURTH DAY.

The report of the Committee on General Superintendency was adopted as amended.

of which the Church is not responsi-

university powers can be consolida-

and the advantage of their educa-

tional work. The committee recom-

Church to the traditional policy of

Methodism as to higher education,

and that it should be in the hands of

The Committee on Annual Confer-

ences gave report No 2:-1. "It shall

be the duty of each Annual Confer-

ence, at its session next preceding

the session of each General

Conference, to divide into minis-

terial and lay electoral Conferences,

for the purpose of electing delegates

inside the bounds of their respective

the Church. Report received.

The report of the Committee on am elected to the General Confer- met. Educational Interests was read. The ence I represent laymen as well as ministers, and I believe that the following extracts are made :- Two bodies here represented have a num-We had better leave the Conference ber of educational interests in successful operation. The Primitive to make the Methodist and the Bible Christian Conference.

to make their selection in the united Churches are not represented by Rev. Dr. Rice entirely concurred such institutions. There are several institutions under the control of the General Conference of the Methodist throwing the Conference into one for Chu ch of Canada. The University that purpose. of Victoria College has a property

Rev. Dr. Stewart moved that the worth \$241,000; annual income, election of the ministerial and lay re-\$15,000; apnual expenditure, \$14 500; professors, 8. Mount Allison Wesleence shall be made by the Annual yan College-Amount of property, Conference. arts, \$110,000; theology, \$15 000;

well and work in harmony. As a

matter of fact the laymen are usual-

ly helped by those who do not belong

to their meeting. It seems to me

that we had better leave these dis-

Rev. D. D. warts moved that an the report. male academy, \$40,000; ladnes' acaelection shall be by a ballot vote. demy, \$35 000; total income, \$17 500, Rev. Dr. Piekard moved that in and expenditure the same. Wesleyan the electron of representatives to the Theological College, Montreal-pro-General Conference the vote shall be perty, \$64,090; annual income, \$3,-500, expenditure the same. Of insti- taken oy the Conference, but if deutions under the patronage of the manded by one-third of eitner order it shall be taken by orders. Annual Conference, for the finances Bishop Carman explained that the laity of the Methodist Epise pal resolution.

ble, there are the Wesleyan Ladies' College, Hamilton; the Ontario Li-Chu ch had now a veto power with dies' College, Whitby; the Stanstead respect to matters affecting the latty Wesleyan College; Methodist Academy, St. John's, Newf undland. in connection with the temporal Under the centrol of the Methodist Episcopal Church there is Albert amendment of Roy. Dr. Pickard College and University, Belleville; would provide a means of inducbuildings and premises worth \$40,- ing the 0.00; endowments, \$55,000; of the power.

latter sum \$25,000 being cash in band. Alexandia Ladies' College is located amendment were adopted the Quar. "now in use and not needed." at Belleville. Alma has an endowterly Boards would certainly veto ment of \$60,000, which is so far prothe resolution. vided for as to be virtually free from

Mr. Milne moved, "On the last debt. The committee find that the day of the session of the Annual institutions in the East present no Conference preceding each General diffinity to union, and they believe Conference, a special session shall be the Western institutions exercising held by the lay and clerical members separately, at which sitting each ted to the honor of their graduates body shall elect its chairman and proceed to choose its representatives to the General Conference." mends that we adhere as a united

The amendments were all put and ing adopted without alteration.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Clause two of the report on Annual Conferences was taken up.

Rev. Dr. Dewart moved that the clause relating to the General Superintendent being a member of the Stationing Committee be omitted. Rev. Dr. Sutheriand proposed to the General Conference, each body that the General Superintendent electing its own representives. The should be present, but not take any delegates to be elected shall reside | part in the work of stationing.

Rev. Dr. Aylesworth moved as a sub-Conferences. 2 Each Annual Con- stitute, that the Stationing Commitference shall have a Stationing Com- tee be composed of the General Supermittee composed as follows :- The intendent or General Superintend

tion to be by joint vote of ministers

port as amended was adopted.

Annual Conference.

Dr. Allison opposed the term

District Superintendent." It would

lead to embarrassment in reference to the General Superintendent. Was

there no word in the 50,000 of the

English language that would express

the idea without the cumbrous phra-

Clause 3 was taken up.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland thought the

one was taken up.

and laymen.

adupted.

The sixth clause was :- "All preaonly let us alone we should do very or any connexion al officer from being chers who have received ordination chairman of the district. He had been, while book-steward, chairman in any of the uniting bodies, and are of the district, and might be again. in good standing at the time of the Rev. James Gray said if they left union, shall retain all the rights and the word "superintendent" out of privileges conferred by such ordinatinctions alone. I claim that when I the clause the difficulty would be tion." Carried.

The Committee on Church Funds

1. We have found difficulties and

The committee on Publishing Interests gave a list of the journals Rev. W. C. Brown moved that published by the different denomina-"He shall be elected in the Annual tions of the Methodist Church, and same is true as regards the laymen. Conference, by ballot, from among some statistics about the various the ministers of the Conference within the district." This amendment book-rooms. They recommended the continuance of the Halifax bookwas adopted. room, and stated that they appre-

Clause 3 was taken up, and on mohended no difficulty in amalgamating with the report. He could not con- tion by Rev. F. B. Stratton, "temthe various interests. ceive a more revolutionary idea than poral and spiritual interests" was substituted for "business" in the After some discussion the word clause, and adopted as thus amended. consolidation" was put for "amal-The report was adopted as amended. gamation.' The report was referred back to

The report of the Committee on presentatives to the General Confer- Church Property was taken up. the committee to make some ref-Some discussion ensued in general errore to the financial aspect of the terms on the expediency of receiving question.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland suggested reported as follows :-that the report be sent back to the Committee, with the recommendacomplications arising from the varition that the proceeds of the salls of ous usages and regulations of the surplus property be applied to the different bodies, but do not think. Church and Parsonage Aid Society. them incapable of solution: we have This recommendation was condemned on all hands, and he withdrew the

Church to deal with the details. Rev. Thomas Griffish said this was a difficult matter. No one liked to as to the matters of raising supplies ' pay other people's debts, and those who had paid for the chuiches would economy. He could see that the be very jealous as to the manner in \$153.55 for men engaged in the effecwhich the surplus was appropriated. He suggested that it should go for ing the laity to give up the veto purely mission churches.

Rev. Dr. Rice said that if an clause should be altered so as to read

the report 20 back to the committee with the following resolution :-- "That the surplus property of the uniting Churches be vested in the united Charch, and any portion not needed for connexional purposes be sold, and the proceeds, after paying all legetimate claims, be applied to such connexional purposes as the General

The report and resolution were re-

having paid their men about the same amount as the Methodist Church of Canada, they shall be claimants the General Conference was considfor the same amount out of the new fund.

union.

5. The principles in the above resolutions shall be applied to adjust the case of the ministers of the Methodist Episcopal and Bible Chris. tian Churches who may be included in the said Conferences.

The Committee on Church Pro-

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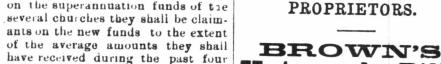
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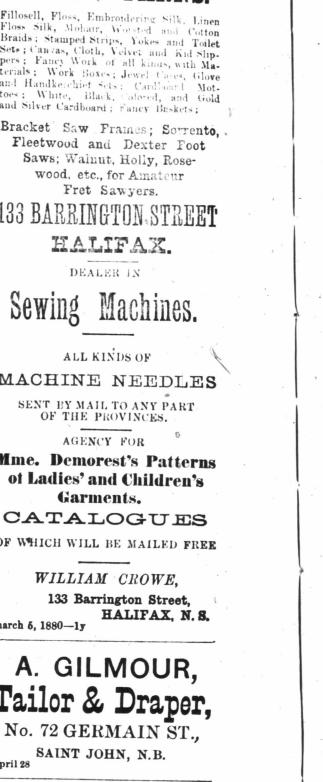


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tive work, amounting in the aggregate to \$124,843. It is desirable It was suggested that the first newfund coming from other Chuiches | ons Rev. Dr. Sutherland proposed that into the new fund an amount that would be equal per capita with the Canada. 3. In regard to the present claims on the superannuation funds of the

Conference may direct."

lost, the report of the Committee be- ferred to the Committee for consideration.

4. The Primitive Methodist Church

ered clause by clause. The first clause was as follows :--The first General Conference of the united body shall consist of one in every twelve of the ordained ministers in the united Churches, and an equal number of laymen."

Rev. Dr. Rice pointed out that this would bring the number on the The report was received. General Conference up to 250, or about forty more than composed the perty reported, recommending (1) last General Conference of the Meth- | That such legislation be obtained

FIFTH DAY The report of the Committee on

General Superintendent, each Chairman of a District, and one representative elected from among the ministerial delegates, by a joint vote of both lay and clerical representatives. The laymen at the District Meeting shall form themselves into an electoral Conference to elect delegates to attend the sessions of the Annual Conference. Report received.

The Committee on Church Property reported :- " From the partial investigation possible the committee found that a large amount of Church property now in use will, in the event of union, become useless for its present purpose. The committee recommended-(1) That the proceeds of surplus property shall be appropriated to liquidate the debts of lo cal trust estates; (2) in aid of immediate improvements or erections necessarily arising out of amalgamation: (3) any sum still remaining shall constitute a fund to be under the control of the Annual Conferences in such a way as the several Annual Conferences holding jurisdiction shall determine."

Rev. J. J. Rice said so far as the committee could trace, the properties coming in conflict (part of which would likely fall into disuse and be come an estate for connexional purposes) from Prince Edward Island to the eastern boundary of the Ontario Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada were 55 churches and 14 parsonages. At a very low estimate they had valued the property at \$57-

Mr. John Macdonald took it for granted that union was going to be established; and, therefore moved " That the basis of union found by this committee be prepared and signed by the Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the presiding . fficer of this committee, and the Secretary of t e committee, the President of the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, the Primitive Methodist Church, and the Bible Christian Courch; that the said basis of union be affecti nately commended to the considera- seology in the report being used ? tion, harmonious and united adoption of the membership of all the idea a happy one. He would go in Churches : and that the said oas- for carrying the word Superintendis of union be published in the ent right through the connexion. various Church organs as the They had Superintendents of Disfindings of this committee on this tricts, he would have Superintendent all-important question." The reso- of Conference, and lastly General lution simply provided for the need Superintendent. The clause was of action when the basis was found. adopted. Mr. Macdonald asked leave for it to be given as a notice of motion.

Report No. 2 of the report on Aunot allow the present policy of the nual Conferences was taken up, and Methodist Church of Canada being out discussion. clause 1 considered. continued. He had known cases The question of electing the dele- when the chairman of the district

gates to the General Conference by a was not the superintendent of a cirseparate lay and ministerial vote was cuit. denated at some length.

Rev. S. F. Huestis said he was glad Rev. Dr. Sutherland said :- If the point had been raised. It would sities of the work require it." This cranks, ministerial and lay, would prevent an editor, a book-steward, passed without opposition.

odist Church of Canada. the President of the Annual Confer-

Rev. Mr. Williamson moved that ence, and the Superintendent of District Conferences, who shall be the proportion of representation be left without pastoral charge and tra- one in ten. There was room for a vel through the District. There belarger representation. ing no seconder this fell through.

Dr. Sutherland pointed out that Rev. Dr. Dewart moved as a subwherever the Conference was held stitute to the motion and all the there would be some difficulty in billetting the delegates. To increase amendments, including his own, That the Stationing Committee be the total number beyond the 250 composed of the President of the would, he thought, be unwise. A Annual Conference, who shall preside small deliberative body was, more over, more manageable than a large in the Committee, the Chairman of one, and would be more expeditious Districts, and one minister elected from each district meeting, such elecin the transaction of business.

Rev. Dr. Gardiner suggested the following amendment :-- " Neverthe-

Rev. Dr. Dewart's amendment was less, when the several Churches arranging for the union shall have ap proved of the basis by their Annual Clause 3 was now taken up. Rev. Dr. Sutherland moved in amendment Conference and Church courts, they may severally elect to the number of that in the election of lay representone in ten of their Annual Conferatives to the Annual Conference the ences and an equal number of lay laymen of the District Conference men as delegates to the special Genshall meet separately for the purpose, eral Conference of the Methodist and the election shall be by ballot. Church of Canada after they shall The motion was adopted, and the rehave decided to proceed with the assembling of such united Conference." The Committee on District Super-The amendment of the Rev. Mr intendents reported as follows :--(1)

Williamson was carried. That each district shall be under the

supervision of a presiding officer to The second clause was as follows : be called the District Super intendent. -"No layman shall be eligible to (2) That he shall be elected in the election to the General Confer-Annual Conference by bailot among ence who is under twenty-five years the superintendent ministers of the of age, and who has not been a mem-Conference stations on said district. ber f the Church for five consecu-(3) His duties shall be to preside in tive years next preceeding his elecdistrict meetings and in all district tion." Carried.

committees to oversee the business of The third clause was as follows the church, and, with the ministers That the united General Conference and preachers, administer and enbe convened on the first Wednesday force the discipline on his district, in September, in the year 1884, in the being responsible therefore to his Metropolitan Church, Toronto, the The report was received and clause of Methodism on this continent."

Mr. Maclean did not see how the new Conference could be appointed except by a new election. Any other meeting must be an adjourned one. He made this emark in reply to the suggestion that the Conference meet in 1883.

It was pointed out that the expense of having the Conferences of the various Churches as usual in 1883 in 1884 would be considerable. The clause was re-committed, with a view of airanging for a meeting of the united Conference in 1883

The fourth clause was :-- " All probationers shall be eligible for ordination as ministers who have travelled four years, and have been received D: All son said the report would into full connexion by the vote of an Annual Conference." Carried with-

The fifth clause was as follows :--"Provided always that an Annual Conterence shall have power to elect and ordain probationers of less than

the various provinces, Newfoundland, and Bermuda, as shall be needed to vest the property of the Churches. now held in trusts for the several Churches, in the united Churches. (2) That a committee of five be appointed to assist the district superintendent to administer the surplus property. (3) In all cases where Chu. ca or parsonage property is sold the surplus proceeds, after providing for the indebtedness, shall be supplied to the Church and Parsonage

Aid Society, in the bounds of such Annual Conference where the property may have been situated. The report was received.



Many a man owes his success in life to the hisses of his enemies instead of the plaudits of his friends

Behind the snowy loaf is the millwheel, behind the mill the wheatfield, on the wheat-field falls the sunlight, above the sun is God.

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who his father was. The French Academy is more than

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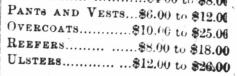
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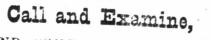
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