

with this Conference, of which five are self-sustaining ; forty-six missions to the white settlers and seventeen to the Indians. Our Missionaries traverse an area of 175,000 square miles, containing 269 preaching stations, where regular services are maintained ; forty-eight churches, thirty-two parsonages, and twelve rented houses.

The services are attended by 13,875 hearers. There are 2,883 members, and 1,767 families in connection with our Church.

For Ministerial support, there was raised last year \$13,085, which amount will be largely increased during the current year. The Society Classes number eighty-two, the Sunday Schools sixty-eight.

Your Committee beg leave to recommend the Conference to instruct the brethren to procure a fuller account of the number of members and adherents, so that a more exact record can be made.

JOHN W. BELL, B. D., *Chairman.*
S. E. COLWILL, *Secretary.*

4.—REPORT OF CHILDREN'S FUND COMMITTEE.

Your Committee met, and after carefully considering this subject begs to report as follows :—

On the understanding that the receipts and disbursements of this fund are to be managed by the Toronto Conference Children's Fund Committee for the present year, no action was deemed necessary. The *per capita* tax upon the rateable membership being fixed at forty-four cents.

Your Committee presents the following figures, which, though not exact, are as nearly so as could be ascertained : number of church members, 1,977 ; number of claimants fifty-five, which at \$30 each would require a tax of eighty-four cents. *per caput* of the membership. This is exclusive of our Indian work.

Whereas the Manitoba and North West Conference is composed almost entirely of mission fields where the population is at present limited, and whereas the number of claimants on the Children's Fund is largely out of proportion to the membership, your Committee there-