

labour to endure, and much self-denial to practice. Nor were their wants to be supplied from Missionary Funds, as none existed in connection with our Church in those days. The result could scarcely have been otherwise than a short stay in Canada, and a speedy return to their native country, or a location in this, and a return to secular life. Had they even received their full disciplinary allowance, which, up to the General Conference of 1800, was only \$64, we are at a loss to understand how they could have furnished themselves with horse, saddle, saddlebags, books and clothing,—as for marrying, it, of course, was followed immediately by location. Dr. Stevens says, at the New England Conference in 1800, “Hardly one more than half of the members present had received the pittance of \$64; George Pickering’s receipts amounted to \$47, Joseph Snelling’s \$38; Joshua Soule’s, \$55; John Merricks’, \$42; John Jones’, \$31. And yet if we are to judge by the position subsequently occupied by many of those honoured servants of the church, who continued any considerable time in the Itinerancy, they must have been men of superior rank and talent. But premature location prevailed to a great extent in our Province as well as in the United States, thus depriving the church of more matured talent, piety, and experience. We give now our first table, collected from the printed Minutes :

YEAR.	PREACHERS.	CIRCUITS.	MEMBERS.
1792.....	2.....	2.....	165
1793.....	2.....	2.....	349
1794.....	3.....	2.....	332
1795.....	4.....	3.....	443
1796.....	4.....	3.....	474
1797.....	4.....	3.....	795
1798.....	5.....	3.....	899
1799.....	4.....	3.....	866
1800.....	7.....	4.....	936
1801.....	11.....	5.....	1159
1802.....	10.....	6.....	1493
1803.....	9.....	5.....	1600
1804.....	10.....	8.....	1649
1805.....	10.....	7.....	1787
1806.....	15.....	10.....	2085
1807.....	17.....	10.....	2375
1808.....	17.....	12.....	2360
1809.....	18.....	14.....	2540
1810.....	19.....	15.....	2795
1811.....	18.....	12.....	2792
1812.....	19.....	12.....	2845