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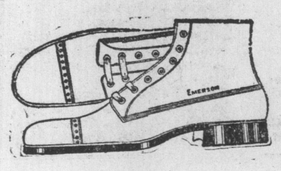

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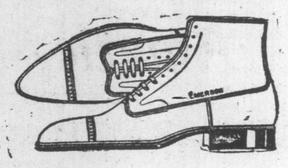

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Methodist Conference.

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staff are not in the interest of the College, and it is to be hoped that something will be done to prevent withdrawals occuring so frequently.

The following extracts are taken from the report of Rev. T. B. Darby, M.A., Guardian of the Home:—

"I beg to report that we have had in attendance at the residence during the year a total of fifty students; of that number thirty-one were females, and nineteen males. Three of these withdrew through ill-health, others were here for a part of the year only. All our work during the year has been much interrupted by sickness, especially was this true of the epidemic of influenza last fall. Owing to the hospitals being full we had to treat our patients in the residence. It is gratifying to know that of the sixteen sufferers all recovered, and all are still at work. We are rather proud of this record considering the fatalities in the hospitals; and attribute it under the blessing of God, to the splendid attendance given by Dr. Cowperthwaite, and the careful nursing of the ladies of our staff.

Three weeks of the five, during which the college was closed, owing to the epidemic, the students at the residence received instruction for the part of the day in some classes. Mr. Harrington, Mr. Whiteway and Miss Fraser kindly undertook this task, to whom the pupils and their parents are indebted.

Under instructions from the Board, I visited a number of outports in the interests of the new residence, and our work generally and found among our people quite a considerable interest in the project, and assurance of help when the time came to solicit subscriptions. We are all gratified, I am sure, at the splendid response of the people of this city as shown a few days ago, and when the appeal is made later to the outports, the response, I believe, will be equally gratifying.

Financially the year has been a hard one, as the prices of things which we buy are much higher than they have been at any time during the war. Our books are not quite finalized, and I am not quite sure whether we shall pay our way or not.

In closing our report we venture to express the hope that the interruption to the work of the college due to the epidemic will not seriously effect the results of the coming exams, and that our report next year will be still more encouraging.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN LEAMON, Secretary.

Newfoundland Methodist College.
Treasurer's Statement, June 27th, 1919.

EXPENDITURE.

To Salaries		$14,317 56
Interest paid Bank of Nova Scotia		267 27
Interest paid Depositors..		613 55
C.H. E. Education Fees ..		301 35
Scholarships.		
Macpherson	250 00	
Pitts..	18 00	
Boyd	12 00	
Milligan..	40 00	
		320 00
Heating—90 tons coal		1350 00
Lighting—		
Electric Light Co. ..	55 37	
Gas Co...	27 66	
		83 03
Fire Insur. Premiums.. ..		482 15
Adv. for Teachers ..	85 96	
Travl. Exp. for Teachers....	343 17	
		429 13
Repairs to Building..		1358 23
Laboratory Supplies		217 43
Ayre & Sons—New Desks ..		495 94
Cleaning and Incidentals ..		203 60
		$20,449 24

INCOME.

By Fees .. ..s..s..		69.
By Fees—		
1st Term.... ..	$2606 39	
2nd Term	2254 22	
3rd Term (Est.)	3000 00	
		7860 61
Government Grant to date..		8371 97
Hire of Hall		225 00
Ladies' College Aid Society		1200 00
Meth. Literary Ins. 2 yrs...		35 00
		$17,692 58
Balance		2756 66
		$20,449 24

In addition to the above from the Ladies' College Aid Society they also raised and expended on the interior of the building, painting, etc., the sum of $4,000.00.

Report of the Department of Finance.

Not until March 1st was the Secretary of this department permitted to give full time to its work.

Much of the work assigned to the department is not spectacular but nevertheless it is of great value. Those familiar with the various functions assigned to it will have no question as to its activities. To those who do not recall these we beg only to remind you that they include the following:—

(1) The cultivation of Christian Stewardship.

(2) The administration of the General Conference Fund.

(3) The Church and Parsonage Aid Fund.

(4) The General Conference Statisticians work.

(5) The registration of church property.

(6) The execution of all property documents pertaining to the church at large.

(7) The standardizing of church and parsonage plans.

(8) Assistance to embarrassed churches.

(9) Co-operation and advisory relations with other church departments regarding financial support of their work.

(10) The undertaking, if found advisable, of an Insurance Department for the church.

With such varied responsibilities of such limitless scope the church can scarcely be hypocritical if all functions are not immediately and uniformly developed. The future undoubtedly will prove the wisdom of organizing such a department. Already there is a tendency to regard it as a clearing house for other departments.

Last November a temporary executive of the Board of Directors was appointed by correspondence and met to discharge business the same month. In April our Board met. The Directors were well represented. Much business was transacted. A few words as to various items pertaining to the work of the department may be of interest.

-.—Nothing is of greater importance in making the work of our church effective than that the principles of Christian Stewardship should be generally accepted by our people. We think not of their administration of their income only, but of a becoming sense of glad responsibility to Almighty God for the right use of every power, entrusted by God to His people. What tremendous spiritual resources are ours if only we were to employ to the full our powers in prayer, soul winning, etc. And what vast contributions would we now make to the progress of the Kingdom if our people were revived of their stewardship in matters of money. Improved methods of Finance would no doubt produce better results than we get, but even then improved methods would be this true appreciation of our obligations to God for the right use of our income and property.

The General Conference Committee thereon has recommended (1) Steps be taken to secure treatment of stewardship themes in S. S. Lessons and Epworth League topics. (2) Supplying matter on stewardship for publication in our connexional papers. (3) Study classes in our colleges and summer schools. Already communications received from Heads of Departments, editors of periodicals, and principals of colleges, indicates that these doors are all open to us and heartiest co-operation is assured. (4) A campaign throughout the entire church next autumn, stirring stewardship or prayer, soul winnin~ 'ife vacation and stewardship of possessions. This will probably be merged with and become part of the great United National Campaign. Sympathetically participated in, it has in it the germs of a gracious spiritual uplift for the whole church.

2.—In relation to the General Conference Fund many will be interested in knowing that the expense of the last General Conference amounted to $31,589. The preceding General Conference cost $19,533.67. The difference was due to the greatly increased cost of travelling and everything required for the Conference.

Much increased expense for this department has been caused by the General Conference itself adding to its charges, the expense of the department of Finance, the Archives Department, Christian Stewardship and by legislating that each member of each annual conference is to receive a copy of the Year Book at the expense of the General Conference Fund. This last item alone will probably cost $25,000 to $26,000 for the Quadrennium. It is yet to be seen whether the present rate of assessment will cover all these charges.

The Church and Parsonage Aid Fund is worthy of a much heartier appreciation than it has received in the past. There are at present 138 loans outstanding amounting to $98,000. Eight more were authorized by the Board of Directors, totalling about $12,000.

A new type of service is possible for this Fund. Many churches of unquestioned security are paying 7 and 8 p.c. for mortgages which the Fund might care for at 6 or 6 1-2 p.c. if its scope were widened somewhat and greater care in its investment. The Board of Directors have a committee appointed to study this and report later.

The existence in the Maritime Conferences of separate church and parsonage aid funds, suggests the wisdom of enquiring whether or not it would be mutually advantageous to associate all in one fund. We invite the attention of those interested in these various Conferences to consider whether it is better to continue as at present or to bring about a change.

4. Registration of Church Property. The brethren who have been filling up the Property Registration Schedules will know the Department is taking quite seriously the task assigned in this regard. We have already realized how great is the need for this in handling the transfer of certain church properties. For many of these it is impossible to find title papers or surviving trustees.

It would have been wise had instructions been issued to make the Department of Finance custodian of all titles not in the hands of mortgagees. We are prepared to take care of any of these which may be committed to us.

5. Our Board has approved of the proposition to collect suitable publications containing church and parsonage plans and securing from well known architects copies of plans of churches designed and built under their supervision.

It would help in this greatly if we could have from all of our Conferences copies of plans of their best designed and most useful and attractive buildings. We make an appeal now to the representatives of any charge having attractive buildings, to forward us their plan, if such remains in their possession, or to report to us the striking characteristics of their property.

6. Financial Co-operation. How largely or how little this department will be permitted to co-operate or advise with other departments of the church "in regard to the financial support of their work," remains to be seen. Should it never be privileged constitutionally or practically to serve the other departments, it can at least sound this warning note, that the multiplication of insistent appeals which are being thrust before our people from the pulpit, representing both connexional and outside objectives, are tending much to irritate and weaken our influence with a large class of people whom we are seeking to interest and save. It is not that the people have given too much but that they are appealed to, too often.

Our Board has appointed a committee to study this matter and devise some method which shall harmonize as far as possible the views of all departments and point the way to a saner system than now used in most of our churches.

7. Insurance. It is a fact generally conceded in insurance circles that churches are not high-class amongst preferred risks. Such things as inefficiency of certain janitors, absence of persons about the property when fires may break out, forced heating at week-ends, lack of careful inspection of heating and electrical wiring systems, high spires, etc., make them hazardous. Notwithstanding these difficulties, the Wesleyans and Primitives in England, the National Church Mutual of the United States and other church insurance concerns have made a success of carrying church risks. We do not doubt that we can do the same.

It is important that the church should do this for several reasons. The hope of ultimately cheapening insurance for our weaker congregations, and the prospect of making some money for the church are not the only reasons. The educational propaganda which would thus result in reducing the hazards of fire in our churches and the development within the church of the spirit and practices of co-operation are additional reasons.

We might begin by one of several methods. (1) Form a joint stock company of our own, all profits to go to the connexion. (2) Organize a mutual of our own. (3) Adopt an assessment system covering all church property in the connexion (in other words carry our own insurance) or (4) begin by accepting an agency for the stock companies.

Readers of the Guardian of May 7, will have found it was pointed out there that if the church were to undertake insurance, it would seem wise to begin by accepting an agency for existing companies. This would (1) permit the accumulation of business necessary whilst awaiting the time that a church mutual or company would safely carry its own risks. (2) It would provide considerable profit on the business; (3) it would give the maximum of security; (4) also variety to meet the demands of mortgages; (5) it would have for its management the most expert type of insurance people and the most scientifically correct insurance ratings.

Current Needs of Various Departments of the Methodist Church for the Conference Year, 1919-20.—Statement Issued by the Department of Finance, according to Discipline, Par. 355.

With the exception of the amount named for Missions, the following amounts have been reported by the General Secretaries of the respective Dpartments named below, as their current requirements for the Conference Year 1919-20. The amount stated for Missions is the amount now being reported to the Conferences in connection with the United National Campaign.

	Required for Year 1919-20.
Missionary	$1,125,000
Educational	125,000
Evangelism and Social Reform	65,000
Sunday Schools and Y. P. Societies	35,000
	$1,350,000
Superanuation (Assessable)	350,000
	$1,700,000

In addition to the Budget reported above the following funds authorized by the General Conference have requirements as here stated:

General Conference Fund (Assessable)	$ 30,000
Church and Parsonage Aid Fund	6,000
Army and Navy Board	25,000
Total	$1,761,000

Personal Mention.

Mr. Isaac Wakeley, J.P., of Harbor Buffett, arrived yesterday and is registered at the Crosbie.

Mr. John Carroll, formerly of King's Cove, B.B., who had been visiting friends at his home town, left by the s.s. Sable I. on Tuesday, for Halifax.

Sergt. P. J. O'Neil and bride are among the passengers on the incoming express.

Rev. P. W. Browne, who was at Carbonear, attending the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Catherine Browne, left by the Sable I. en route to New York.

Capt. Harris, R.A.M.C., who arrived by the s.s. Cassandra, is a son of Mr. Samuel Harris, of Grand Bank. He gave considerable service in France, and after the armistice was, by request, transferred to the Royal Nfld. Regiment, in order to expedite his return home.

Ice Blockade.

A massage to the Fisheries Department from Blanc Sablon, reads as follows:

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