

In conclusion, we beg to thank the Conference for excellent appointments made in preceding years to our Board of Management, and to ask that a Conference representative be selected for the current year.

B. F. AUSTIN, *Principal*.

R. J. WARNER, *Secretary*.

St. Thomas, May 28th, 1897.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

To the President, Clerical and Lay Members of the Bay of Quinte Conference of the Methodist Church, now assembled in the town of Bowmanville:

We, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the town of Bowmanville, beg to tender to the Conference, one and all, a warm and hearty welcome. We recognize the place of Methodism in the world, and the power of Methodism for good. The Methodist Church is emphatically a "live" Church—the historical opposite of the Asian Church, which had a name that she lived, but was dead. Like the soul of John Brown, Wesley and his teaching still go marching on. We also offer to the Conference our best hospitality, in the sincere belief that in not a few cases we shall make the happy discovery that we have "entertained angels unawares." Trusting that your deliberations will be of profit to your own immediate communion, and also to society at large,

Yours sincerely,

R. R. LOSCOMBE, *Mayor*,

and the Municipal Council of Bowmanville.

RESPONSE OF CONFERENCE.

Moved by Mr. W. W. Johnston, seconded by Mr. W. F. Hall, that the members of this Conference have listened with pleasure to the brief, pithy and original address of welcome just read to us by his Worship the Mayor of Bowmanville, tendered to the Conference on behalf of the Town Council and the citizens of this pretty town; that we have admired the individuality of the address, our gratitude for the expression of admiration for the mission and work of Methodism which it contains, and in the most cordial manner thank the Mayor and citizens for their welcome.

THANKS TO THE DEPARTMENTS.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Moved by Rev. J. Macfarlane, seconded by Rev. S. J. Shorey, and *Resolved*,—Having listened to the address of Mrs. Gibson, of Napanee, the representative of the Bay of Quinte Branch of the W.M.S., we gratefully express our appreciation of the work done by this society, and of the manner in which the ladies are spreading literature and giving missionary information, thus educating the people for future usefulness. We also agree heartily to co-operate with the W.M.S. on all our fields of labor and help them all we can in their work.