by holding up his hands, endeavor to advance the cause of our common Redeemer.

And now brethren, we commend you to the blessing and care of our Almighty Redeemer, and remain your affectionate pastors in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PHILANDER SMITH.

WM. BROWN, SEC.

CLERGY RESERVES.

Resolutions on the subject of the Clergy Reserves passed by the Bay Quinte Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, at its Session in Brockville, on Friday, 9th Sept. 1853.

1st. That the question of the Clergy Reserves in Upper Canada, having been re-opened and referred to the Canadian Parliament for settlement, and being closely identified with the future prosperity of the country, this Conference feels itself called upon to express an opinion in reference to the final disposition of the matter.

2nd. That the Methodist Episcopal Church, is now, and ever has been, opposed, both in principle and practice, to the receipt of all and any pecuniary support from the state.

3rd. That the voluntary principle of sustaining the ministry, and the Church in all her operations—leaving it for individuals to give according to their ability, as directed by a sense of duty—is that on which Christ taught his people to rely; a proposition which is not only well established in the New Testament, but confirmed by the history of the Church.

4th. That, entertaining these sentiments, this Conference would urge upon the Legislature the necessity of passing as speedily as practicable an Act for the entire alineation of these Reserves from every religious, and their devotion to some secular purpose.

5th. That while this Conference would rejoice to see the Clergy Reserves applied to the purposes of general education, it would view with regret appropriation to any purpose having a tendency to build up sectarian