

to the Lord during the approaching year, the princely amount of £150,000 sterling.

It was also remarked, that not only has the Canadian Society sustained its own Missions—both Indian and Domestic, without any aid whatever from the Parent Society during the last three or four years; but has also taken upon itself the responsibility of meeting the requirements of the expensive Missions in the Hudson's Bay Territory.

The Rev. ENOCH WOOD, President of the Conference, and General Superintendent of Missions, proceeded to read the Financial and Statistical Report, together with some extracts from the General Report.

For the year 1855-56 total Income £11,230 3s. 3d. Total Payments £11,259 2s. 1½d. The expenditure exceeded the income of the year by £29.

At the commencement of the year, the Treasurer had a balance in hand of £3,165 15s. 3½d., with which to meet the demands of missionaries to the present time; and, to some extent, to the end of the year, June '57, as the greater part of the annual income is not received before the month of Conference; this balance must, therefore, have been expended ere this. * * * *

The following items from the statistical data of the Report is worthy of a perusal, and will account for the increased expenditure of the present year as compared with last year:—

"THE WESLEYAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CANADA has this year supported 21 Indian Missions, 82 Domestic Missions, numerous Sabbath Schools, 19 Day Schools, 2 Industrial Institutions, 26 Missionaries to Indians, 116 Missionaries to the Whites, 20 Teachers, and 10 Interpreters, besides providing for the contingent expenses of management, of outfits and travelling, and of printing and publications. There are on the Indian Missions 1,312 members of the Church, and on the Domestic Missions 11,099 members. The total number of Missions last year was 91, and of salaried Labourers 152; this year there is an increase of 12 Missions, and of 20 Labourers, making 103 Missions, and 172 Labourers; and there is a gratifying accession of churches and parsonages, and of congregations and christian So-

cieties, and Sabbath Schools. In all places the Missionaries are thankfully received; and many new and needy localities are making earnest applications for augmented ministerial assistance. Thus has it been from the first, and will continue to be, so long as the Society's sole aim is to extend and perpetuate the Kingdom of Christ. * * * *

Mr. BISHOP in moving the first Resolution, gave utterance to the convictions of his heart that the information furnished in the excellent Report, was cause of devout thanksgiving to Almighty God. He spoke of the interesting and valuable character of the periodical literature furnished in the Missionary Report, Missionary Notices, &c. &c. He referred to the happiness afforded him in being able to recognize that he felt himself connected by interesting ties, to almost every portion of the great Wesleyan Missionary field. I remark that Mr. B. has been a student in the Wesleyan Theological School, Didsbury, in which many of the Missionaries now in the field have been educated; and to the associations there formed he no doubt referred. Among other expressions of thanksgiving, he said "I am very thankful that I am in Canada." I am sure I may state, that we are all thankful to have him in Canada, and hope that he will be long spared to labour for Christ in this great country.

Mr. BERRY, who has been labouring on the Bayfield Mission during the last eighteen months, and has been obliged to desist from his toilsome duties for a short time in order to regain health, stated, in seconding the Resolution, that he did not expect to be called to speak, but would make a few remarks relative to the destitute condition of many of the new settlers on the eastern shore of Lake Huron. He stated that he had the satisfaction of having been the first Missionary to preach the Gospel in some of these settlements: and that there were many other places where great anxiety was felt to obtain even the occasional services of a Missionary. Mr. Berry's remarks re-affirmed a fact, which has been truthfully reiterated for 30 years, that to the Wesleyan Missionary the new settler is chiefly indebted for the ordinances of our Holy Religion.

Mr. BORLAND, in moving the 2nd Re-