

greatly pleased with their visit to the Northwest. Dr. Briggs went to British Columbia and was gratified by his visit.

Nova Scotia Conference met at Amherst. The ministerial session was first held, when six probationers were received into full connection with the Conference and ordained, nineteen were continued on trial, and four candidates were received. Drs. Carman, Sutherland, and Withrow were present. It was gratifying to learn that there was an increase in the Missionary receipts of \$590, and also an increase in church members of 428, after losing 970. Rev. W. H. Evans was elected President, and Rev. D. W. Johnson, Secretary. Ten probationers were appointed to attend college, and two others obtained leave of absence for one year to continue their studies abroad.

The price of the *Wesleyan* was reduced some years ago from \$2.00 to \$1.50 in the hope of an increase of one thousand subscribers, but, alas! as in some other similar cases, the hope was not realized.

Three ministers died during the year, Revs. Messrs. Botterell, Daniel and Alcorn, of whom honorable mention was made.

The Conference pledged itself to join in the effort to increase the endowment of the Supernumerary Fund to \$100,000. There are thirty-six ministerial claimants and twenty-four widows on this fund, but the income could only pay ninety per cent of their claims for the past year.

The visitors from the West addressed the Conference, greatly to the delight of the brethren. Dr. Sutherland called attention to the fact that \$200,000 of the Missionary income was spent in the Dominion, leaving \$35,000 to be expended abroad. He thought more should be spent abroad and that the income should be increased. If members would set apart one cent per day and the Sunday-school scholars one cent per week, there would soon be a great augmentation of income.

Recommendations of changes in the Discipline were numerous. 1. That women have equal priv-

ilege with men as delegates to Conference. 2. That ordained and unordained married men should have an equality of salary.

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference met at Sackville, when seventy-five ministers and twenty-five laymen answered to their names. Rev. J. A. Clark was chosen President, and Rev. Jas. Crisp, Secretary. There is an increase of 244 members. The brethren ask for two persons to be elected from each district to compose the Stationing Committee: they also ask that there be two missionary funds, one Home and another Foreign, instead of one for both, as at present, and thus do away with the Sustentation Fund. The brethren were very liberal in their gifts towards furnishing rooms at the college residence. About \$1,000 was promised.

Concerning Newfoundland Conference we learn that Dr. Milligan was elected President, and Rev. A. D. Morton, Secretary. Drs. Carman and Withrow were present. Their visit was greatly enjoyed by the Conference. Dr. Withrow writes us expressing great delight with his visit. He thinks the ministers are an earnest, devoted class of men, who are performing a great amount of self-denying labour. One brother travels 150 miles along the coast, chiefly on foot.

The Conference recommends the formation of a Connexional Fire Insurance Company. Also that transfers of ministers between the Conferences be more easily effected. There is a small decrease in the membership, but a large increase in the connexional funds.

The Conference publishes a monthly organ, of which Rev. W. T. Dunn was appointed editor.

Four young men were ordained to the full work of the ministry. Dr. Carman delivered the ordination charge, for which he received the thanks of the Conference.

There were several public meetings, at most of which the General Superintendent and Dr. Withrow spoke.

Rev. Dr. Cornish, General Conference Statistician, states that the