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MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA,

BEING THE SIXTH YEAR FROM THE UNION OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST
CHURCH OF CANADA,—THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF
EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,—AND THE METHODIST
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I.—THE CENTRAL BOARD

THE REV. GEORGE DOUGLAS, LL.D., *President of the General Conference.*
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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY,

Held on Wednesday, October 20th, 1880,

IN THE DOMINION SQUARE CHURCH, MONTREAL.

JAMES PATERSON, Esq., OF TORONTO, IN THE CHAIR.

The Meeting was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. ROBERT DUNCAN, *Chairman of the Sackville District.*

An Abstract of the Report was read by the Rev. ALEX. SUTHERLAND, D.D., *General Secretary*, and the Financial Statement made by JOHN MACDONALD, Esq., *Treasurer*; after which the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Meeting:—

I.—Moved by the Rev. HOWARD SPRAGUE, M.A., of St. Stephen, N.B., seconded by the Hon. SENATOR FERRIER, of Montreal:—

That this Meeting receives with much satisfaction the Annual Report, an abstract of which has just been read, and directs that it be printed for general circulation among the members and friends of the Society.

II.—Moved by the Rev. JOHN WAKEFIELD, *President of the London Conference*, seconded by JOHN MACDONALD, Esq., of Toronto:—

That we acknowledge with devout gratitude the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, which has so manifestly attended the work of the Society during the past year, resulting in the conversion of many souls to God, and in a spirit of increased liberality among the people, as manifested by their noble contributions for the payment of the Society's debt, and we recognize in these results a loud call to increased faith and zeal in the work of God.

III.—Moved by the Rev. HENRY B. STEINHAUER, *Missionary from White Fish Lake, Saskatchewan District*, seconded by the Rev. ALEX. SUTHERLAND, D.D., of Toronto:—

That the rapid advance of colonization in the North-West shows the importance of devoting special attention to that field, in order that a sure foundation may be laid for the civilization of the future; while the good work accomplished among the Indian tribes of that land should encourage the Church to renewed effort for their social elevation and spiritual enlightenment.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, 1878.

I.—NAME.

THIS Society shall be known as "The Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada."

II.—OBJECT.

The Object of the Society is the support and enlargement of the Indian, French, Domestic, Foreign, and other Missions which are carried on under the direction of the Conferences of the Methodist Church of Canada.

III.—MEMBERS.

Every person paying annually the sum of four dollars and upwards, and every person collecting annually ten dollars and upwards, for this Society, shall be deemed a member, and entitled to a copy of the Annual Conference Report. And every person paying annually twenty-five dollars, or collecting for the Society thirty dollars or upwards, shall also be entitled to a copy of the General Report.

IV.—AUXILIARY AND BRANCH SOCIETIES.

The Methodist Missionary Societies within the bounds of any Annual Conference shall collectively be entitled "The Auxiliary Missionary Society" for that Conference; and severally shall be entitled "Branch Societies" of such Auxiliary. Missionary Societies formed in our Sunday-schools shall be entitled "Juvenile Branches" of the Conference Auxiliary.

V.—TREASURERS.

1. Each Annual Conference may appoint a Treasurer, through whom all remittances to or from the head office shall be sent. In case any Annual Conference does not make such an appointment, then all remittances to and from the head office shall be made through the Chairmen of Districts in such Conference.

2 The Superintendent of a Circuit or Mission shall be Treasurer of the Branch Societies on his Circuit or Mission.

VI.—REMITTANCES.

The money raised on any Circuit or Mission shall be transmitted as soon as collected to the Chairman of the District, deducting only what has been disbursed for incidental and local expenses; and the Chairman shall, in turn, remit promptly to the General Treasurer, through the Conference Treasurer (or directly if there be no Conference Treasurer), all moneys received, deducting only necessary incidental expenses. All moneys from the General Treasurer to a District shall also pass through the Chairman's hands.

VII.—CIRCUIT LISTS.

The Superintendent of each Circuit or Mission shall prepare annually, not later than the first day of the Annual District Meeting, a list of all subscribers of two dollars and upwards, also the aggregate of all collections and sums under two dollars; such lists to be sent without delay to the Conference Treasurer or Chairman, who shall forward them to the Mission Rooms for insertion in the Annual Report, together with a statement of the gross receipts, local disbursements and remittances.

VIII.—CENTRAL BOARD.

1. There shall be a Central Missionary Board for the management of the Missionary Fund, which shall meet annually at such time and place as it may appoint.

2. This Board shall be composed of the President of the General Conference, the Officers of the Missionary Society, one minister to be chosen annually by each Annual Conference, one layman to be chosen annually by the laymen of each Conference Missionary Committee, and six other persons—one-half of whom shall be laymen—to be appointed by the General Conference, and to continue in office for four years.

3. The duties of this Board shall be to review the Missionary work, and apportion the funds committed to it, to the respective Conferences according to the necessities of the various depart-

ments of the work. Also to make the necessary appropriations to the various Mission Districts.

4. When an appropriation is made by the Central Board to any particular department of the work, the Annual Conference Committee shall not be at liberty to divert any part of the grant to any other department.

5. Vacancies occurring among Conference representatives may be filled by the Executive Committee of the Conference affected; and vacancies occurring among those appointed by the General Conference may be filled by the Committee of Consultation and Finance.

6. In the event of the death or disability of any of the Officers of the Society, the Committee of Consultation and Finance shall appoint a suitable person to fill the vacancy till the next meeting of the Central Board, when such appointment may be confirmed or changed, pending the meeting of the next General Conference.

7. The Committee of Consultation and Finance shall also have authority to suspend any Officer of the Missionary Society for incompetency or for culpable neglect of the duties of his office, and supply his place till the next meeting of the Central Board, which shall have authority to fill the vacancy till the next General Conference.

IX.—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

A Committee, to be called the Committee of Consultation and Finance, shall be annually appointed by the Central Board, consisting of the President of the General Conference, the Officers of the Missionary Society, and twelve other members—six ministers and six laymen—the majority of whom shall be members of the Central Board, who shall provide during the interval of the sessions of said Board for any exigencies that may arise. All the proceedings of said Committee shall be entered in a minute book, and reported to the Central Board at its next annual meeting.

X.—ANNUAL MEETING.

An Annual Public Meeting of the members and friends of this Society

shall be held at the time and place appointed by the Central Board, connected with such religious services as may be deemed expedient.

XI.—GENERAL OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

1. The General Conference shall appoint the General Secretaries and Treasurers of the Missionary Society, who shall be *ex-officio* members of the Central Board.

2. The General Secretaries shall, previous to each Financial District Meeting, furnish each Chairman of a District with a schedule to be filled up by said Chairman at the Financial District Meeting, showing the estimated income and expenditure of each Mission for the support of the ministers and preachers, the amount of Missionary grant recommended by the Financial District Meetings, &c., &c., which schedule shall be forwarded to the General Secretaries without delay. From these schedules the General Secretaries shall prepare a tabular statement for the information of the Central Board, in order that its members may intelligently and justly apportion the funds of the Society to the several Conferences.

3. It shall be the duty of the General Secretaries to make themselves acquainted with the entire Mission field, by official correspondence and personal visitation when practicable. It shall also be the duty of the Secretaries to publish the Annual General Report of the Society, and the Reports of the several Annual Conferences, with a statement of their income and expenditure.

4. In the discharge of their duties, the Officers of the Society shall act in harmony with the legally appointed courts and officers of the General and Annual Conferences. Provided always, that in case of any emergency arising that may require prompt action in the matter of supplying any remote Mission, it shall be competent for them, on the recommendation of the Committee of Consultation and Finance, to request the proper authorities of any Annual Conference to aid them in meeting such emergency, by appointing one of its ministers or preachers to such Mission.

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STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

SPECIAL CLAIMS.

SUPPLY IN CASE OF SICKNESS.—In case a Missionary is laid aside during the year by illness which incapacitates him for work, the President of Conference, and Chairman of the District, may, if they judge it necessary, procure a suitable supply; and the Treasurers, on being duly certified of the facts, accompanied by a Physician's certificate as to the health of the Missionary, are authorized to pay towards the cost of such supply an amount not exceeding the proportion of a single unordained man's salary, for the period during which his services are necessary, within the current Conference year.

SUPPLY IN CASE OF DEATH.—In case of the death of a Missionary, his family shall be privileged to remain on the Mission and receive the allowances for the rest of the year; and an amount for a supply, similar to that mentioned in the preceding regulation, may be allowed.

SUPPLY PENDING THE REMOVAL OF A MISSIONARY.—In case a Missionary is removed from a distant station, and it is found necessary to supply his new field of labor, until such time as he can reach it, a grant for such supply may be made, similar in amount to that mentioned in the preceding cases.

AFFLICTION.

These grants are intended to HELP in cases where expenses incurred by sickness are exceptionally great, or the salary unusually small. It is to be understood, therefore, that only cases of this exceptional character will hereafter be entertained, and the Board reserves the right of granting either the whole, or part of such claim, as it may judge expedient.—*Adopted by General Conference.*

In order to prevent unnecessary delay in the settlement of Special Claims, it is recommended that they be presented at the next District Meeting—Financial or Annual—and, if recommended by such meeting, forwarded at once, with the physician's (or other) bill duly receipted, to the General Secretaries.

ERECTION AND REPAIRS OF MISSION PREMISES, &c.

1. No application for a grant for new Mission premises, or buildings, will be entertained, unless a description of the proposed buildings, with their estimated cost, has first been submitted to, and the expenditure distinctly authorized by, the Central Board, or the Committee of Consultation and Finance.

2. The same rule will be observed in regard to the repairing of Mission Buildings, and the purchase of Furniture.

CLAIMS OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Central Board, experiencing great embarrassment in providing for the really destitute portions of the Domestic Work, and finding great difficulty in responding to the calls made upon it from

the Heathen World, and this difficulty and embarrassment arising, to a large extent, from the demands made by Domestic Missions of long standing and of large membership, and in old and well-settled districts, this Board is strongly of the opinion that grants to such Missions should either be greatly modified or absolutely cease; and appeals to the devotedness and loyalty of the members of the Church on such Missions, generously to relinquish Missionary aid, and thus enable the Board to meet its responsibilities, in making more equitable appropriations for the more destitute portions of its extending work.

TIME FOR THE BRANCH SOCIETIES' RETURNS.

The Treasurers' Report shall be closed from year to year on the last day of June, and the Superintendents of Circuits are required to use all practical effort to have the subscriptions on their respective Circuits collected, and paid to the Treasurers, at or before the May District Meeting.

REPORTS OF MISSIONS.

A Report of the Religious State of the Missions shall be prepared by the Superintendent of each Mission, and read in the May District Meeting, subject to the revision of that Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Chairmen shall require regular quarterly Communications to be made by each of the Missionaries on their respective Districts, to the Secretaries of the Society, giving information of the state and prospects of the several Missions in which they are employed.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS.

After the present year the following method shall be adopted:— Let the Secretaries publish an Annual Report for each Conference, containing a brief religious summary of our whole Mission work, the names of Subscribers of \$2 00 and upwards, and the Disbursements of each Conference; also a General Report, containing the religious summary, the aggregate of income from each Circuit and Mission, and a statement of all expenditure.—*Resolution of General Conference.* (For distribution of Reports, see Art. III. of "Constitution.")

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

The publication of the *Missionary Notices* is hereby discontinued, and instead thereof the editors of the *Guardian* and *Wesleyan* are directed to place at the disposal of the Missionary Secretaries sufficient space in their columns for the publication of such matter as is usually published in the *Missionary Notices*. All communications from the Mission Districts, intended for publication in the organs of the Church, shall be first examined and approved by the Missionary Secretaries.—*Resolution of General Conference.*

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REPORT.

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AN accumulating debt, from 1875 to 1879, embarrassed the Central Board in its operations; not only preventing any extension of the work committed to its management, but painfully interfering with appropriations to the Missionaries already engaged in this branch of service in the Methodist Church of Canada. It became evident that a hindrance so formidable could not be endured any longer, consistent with the Christian zeal and spirit of sacrifice, always presumed to be prepared for active exercise when the emergencies of the cause of Christ call for their manifestation. In accordance with this conviction a large gathering of influential friends in Toronto resolved upon the adoption of a plan to liquidate this debt, and raise an additional sum for the extension of Missions and to assist in the enlargement of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund. The various Conferences throughout the Dominion, and that in Newfoundland, have most liberally sanctioned the movement, so that, with devout gratitude to Almighty God, this Fifty Sixth Report of the Methodist Missionary Society will be distinguished amongst all others in recording the free-will offerings of our devoted people, who have so generously and willingly contributed to free the Treasurers from their weighty obligations.

The Annual Reports from the Mission Stations show evidences of spiritual growth and prosperity. Whilst in some instances financial temporary inconvenience has been endured, personal toil for the perpetuity of the means of grace and the material welfare of the Missions has been rewarded with sound conversions, fruitful enjoyments, and the improvement and erection of sanctuaries and parsonages throughout the whole field of Christian work.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

IN this department of Missionary work the Society's representatives cover a large surface of this Dominion, and present encouraging evidences of success. In the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario, British Columbia, the North-West Territory, and Keewatin, church organizations are formed, where the services, as conducted in our churches in the most favoured cities, are regularly maintained, and the praises of multitudes in different languages are offered to the Triune God of Holiness with a simplicity and earnestness not often approached by more cultured and refined mixed congregations. In the formation of new Missions it has always been the object of the Missionaries to commence with those ordinances, which we believe to be essential to the maintenance of religious life in the soul; hence, in addition to public worship, which commands, amongst Indian communities, a general and punctual attendance, the sacrament commemorative of our blessed Lord's death, class and prayer-meetings are means of grace greatly prized and conscientiously attended. From their earliest adoption of Christianity and abandonment of Pagan rites, the Indians' observance of the Law of the Sabbath has been most exemplary; extending to those who may not have placed themselves in immediate fellowship with the Church of Christ, unless a too close approximation to the corrupting example of ungodly wanderers on Sabbath-days, to some extent may neutralize the Missionaries' labours.

Our national Government, in their management of the Indians' claims, has always been distinguished by principles of equity and uprightness, whilst our history has been free from slaughter and oppression in all our intercourse and treaties with the different tribes now settled amongst us. Our settlements around them have never been invaded. The savage cry of the war-whoop has never terrified our white families, but all have dwelt in peace and security.

Politicians are not slack in proclaiming the success of their schemes, founded upon a humane and generous polity; but are too prone to forget the religious element which has contributed so much to the accomplishment of their well-designed efforts. Loyalty to the State, as well as the fear of God, is a prominent part of Christian instruction imparted to the mind of the Indian. Being assured that the

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policy which governs the authorities of the Church of Christ and the administrators of human laws is not to destroy them, but to save them, soul and body, they are disarmed of all hostile plans and intentions, feeling themselves a part of the great brotherhood of a Christian nation. However slowly they may follow in the footsteps of civilization, yet once brought under the transforming influences of the Cross, by their dress, manners, and mode of life, they give undeniable evidence of being "new creatures." The testimonies found in the reports for the past year satisfactorily show that, living or dying, the Indian grasps the glorious plan of salvation as revealed in the Word of God, and preached by His ministers to this class of fallen man.

In addition to the ordinary means for the elevation of the Indian races which have been used by the Methodist Church, several of our brethren are anxious for the establishment of two Orphanages, one at Fort Simpson and another at Morleyville. The Committee would hesitate in the appropriation of means placed at their disposal for the preaching of the Gospel to the perishing; and yet here is an agency which might be employed in saving hundreds from suffering and degradation. In two or three places in Ontario a movement has been made by the ladies of our Church to combine their influence to promote the interests of the Society in some special form of Christian benevolence. Would it not be a noble monument of their love to Christ and His suffering children were they to adopt these much-desired homes for the helpless, upon which to expend a part of their time and means as workers together in these portions of the Lord's vineyard?

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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

<i>Victoria—Indian and Chinese</i>	
<i>Missions</i>	William Pollard.
<i>Nanaimo</i>	Joseph Cushman, Native Assistant.
<i>Burrard Inlet</i>	Cornelius Bryant.
<i>Indian Tribes</i>	Charles M. Tate.
<i>Fort Simpson</i>	Thomas Crosby.
<i>Naas River</i>	Alfred E. Green; under the Superintendent of Fort Simpson.
<i>Skeena River</i>	One wanted.

VICTORIA.

The continued blessing of the Head of the Church on this Mission awakens in our minds new emotions of gratitude for His

goodness. The Lord has favoured us with a good degree of prosperity. We have had an unusual number of removals from the congregation and membership, but these vacancies have been filled by strangers coming in from different pagan tribes, many of whom have been hopefully converted to God, so that our losses have been more than made up by these accessions to the Church. Sixty-one have been received during the year.

The Sabbath-school, which is managed by a staff of devoted teachers, has been well attended and productive of much good. The average attendance, taking the whole year, has been about seventy. Upwards of thirty can read the Scriptures.

The day-school, which is composed of children and young people, is a great help to the work. In addition to the English branches, they are taught music, both vocal and instrumental. The average attendance through the year has been fifteen.

A sewing society has been organized, at which the women are taught to make every kind of garment that they need.

Thus they are making encouraging progress in civilization and industry. Besides paying the insurance and current expenses of the church and Sabbath-school, they have reduced the debt fifty dollars, and contributed sixty dollars to the mission fund. The report shows thirty-one members, and forty on trial.

WM. POLLARD.

CHINESE MISSION.

Since the Mission-school was closed we have had no place where we could meet for prayer and religious instruction. The only way in which we can reach them at present is by visiting them at their homes and places of employment, where we find it very difficult to converse with them on religious subjects. They are very desirous to learn the English language; hence the school gave us a favourable opportunity to instil into their minds religious truth.

While the Christian Churches are at great cost in sending Missionaries to China, we have thousands of Chinese in Victoria, and on the Pacific coast, who might be brought under the influence of the Gospel at comparatively little expense, had we a suitable agent.

WM. POLLARD.

NANAIMO.

This part of our work has been favoured with marked tokens of the Divine presence and power. No less than thirty persons gave evidence of a change of heart, and were received on trial. Bro. Cushman has also maintained a regular service every Sabbath among the Ucletahs, the most of whom attend. One or two have professed conversion, and we trust that soon all will yield themselves in earnest consecration to the Saviour of sinners. Indian membership, 39.

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BURREARD INLET.

Our native work has not recovered from the unsatisfactory state reported last year, so that while we have no class, we preach to the Indians in Chinook whenever we can.

C. BRYANT.

INDIAN TRIBES.

We are grateful to God for the mercies of the past year. We have gone forth at the Master's command, offering all our works to Him, and have ever found Him present with His aid. Our hearts have been very much tried in having to bury some of the oldest of our members; yet we believe the Lord doeth all things well, and will raise up others to fill their places.

At Chilliwack we have received several members, and have also sent out several to other Circuits through the instrumentality of our annual camp-meeting. Yet, through deaths and inconsistencies, we are sorry to report a decrease of four. Our people, however, are growing wiser and better, and heathenism seems to have entirely disappeared. Instead of a life of indolence, they now devote their time entirely to farming, and send a great quantity of produce into the market of New Westminster and Yale, besides supplying themselves with an excellent quality of beef, flour, and other table necessaries.

We have replaced the old church at Skowkale by a neat gothic structure, costing about \$500. The Indians have subscribed sufficient to purchase all the lumber, besides doing the work themselves. Of course, in such cases, the greater part of the work falls to the lot of the Missionary. Our white friends have given us a little assistance in procuring windows, etc.

We have endeavoured to keep up a day-school throughout the winter; but after giving it a fair trial are forced to the conclusion that it is impracticable. The Indians are scattered over the country in small bands of from two to ten families, and at distances too great for the children to come to school at any central point; therefore, unless they can be brought together on one reserve, or we can establish a boarding-school, we will have to confine our labours to the few children of the village where we are living.

Nanaimo is doing well, and has doubled its membership in the past year. Bro. Cushan keeps up the service in the Indian village, and also preaches to a camp of Ucietahs every Sabbath.

At New Westminster a church is needed very much, as from 1,000 to 2,000 Indians congregate at that place every year from all parts of British Columbia, and many of our own people are lost to us, as they have no place to spend their Sabbaths, and are continually exposed to evil influences. We expect to make arrangements for a place of worship, and have it built before fall.

We also visit the Indians at Musquiem, who are very anxious to build a church this summer.

The Indians at Burrard Inlet are exposed to a great many temptations, and we feel sorry to report that our little church at that place has been almost swept away during the winter. However, we expect to see the little cause built up again shortly. Members, 122.

CHARLES M. TATE.

FORT SIMPSON.

The year just closed has been one of great mercy. We had to part with the youngest member of our family, our little daughter of eighteen months, which tried us much. Yet I trust our hearts have been drawn nearer to the "sympathising Jesus" and to His blessed work. A number of Indians have died, some of them very happy.

There is a marked improvement in all departments of our work here; and we labour on with the hope that these poor people will be further built up in the faith of the Gospel.

Our schools, both day and Sunday-school, have been well attended, the latter becoming more and more interesting. Besides the meeting in church for the grown people, the children have been taught in the school-house by Mrs. Crosby and our teacher, with a staff of assistants. Also, at the close of the Sunday-school proper, we have a staff of teachers, ten in number, who go to different houses in the village, where they gather together the old people and give them simple instruction; so that if there has been any very old or sick who cannot get to church, the Word is taken to them on the Lord's day; thus every one in the village attends Sunday-school at one time or another.

Our zealous teacher, Miss Knott, was taken from us to another sphere of usefulness; and a young man, Mr. Robinson, has filled her place well during the winter. And now we welcome Miss Lawrance, from Ontario, to that work.

We have had of late tokens of good—indeed, times of refreshing, especially at the outposts—but we long for spiritual showers.

All the means of grace are well attended when the people are at home—notably the class and prayer-meetings are blessed means of grace to the people. My visits to the outposts were never accompanied by so much apparent danger as they have been during the past winter, and yet a loving Father's care has been over us, and we have been much blessed in those efforts to take the bread of life to others.

We are doing what we can at the building of a new school-house, but as our people are poor, and their little means about exhausted in building their new houses, they find it difficult to give much just now. We hope, however, to have another subscription towards this object in the fall.

Our little church at Kit-a-mat has been completed, and a bell put in it, to the great joy of the people there. The work there is doing well under a native teacher. Several of the heathen have been brought to Christ. Thirty members are enrolled, mostly on trial.

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by our Kit-see-lass people. It was opened on the 29th day of February, and at the first services twelve souls professed conversion. We hope to complete the building in the fall. I have a native teacher there now. Members, 35; nearly all on probation.

The Bella-Bella Indians still call loudly for a Missionary or Teacher, and the Skeena work is still without a man.

The poor Tongass people across the border ask the Gospel at our hands, and I intend to do what we can for them.

The Hydahs, on the south end of Queen Charlotte Island, have repeatedly asked us for a teacher. Nineteen chiefs in a body came at one time, but I have said, no; that the Church Missionary Society had a man at Massett, on the north end of the Island, and that we hoped they would do something for them, but if not we should try.

Our "Girls' Home."—This was commenced a year ago, by adding a wing to the Mission House. As soon as the building was fit for use, we began to take the girls in, and we have had twelve of them under our care most of the winter. We hope thus to save many of those poor girls from ruin. The aid we have received towards this by subscription from friends has amounted to about half the cost of the building. We have thus been ill-provided for this work, but immediate danger calls for immediate action, and we trust we shall soon see the institution on a better footing. A young woman who, three years ago, came to us from the streets of "Wrangel," renounced her wicked course, lived in the Mission House two years, became a good Christian, married a member of our Church here, and, while on a visit to her friends in Alaska this winter, was taken ill; and although she was amongst her own relatives, she told them if she died there to be sure and have her body taken to the Mission burial ground at Fort Simpson, and as she died in the arms of her husband while on their way home, she said, "Tell Mr. and Mrs. Crosby that I am not afraid to die; and thank them for me, for it was by their kindness I was saved from sin, and now I am going to be with Jesus," and she urged her husband and friends who were with him to sing and pray and thus passed away to the better land.

By careful management, fifty dollars might support one girl for a year.

I have baptized 164 persons during the year, viz.: adults, 77; children, 87; and have had 30 marriages. Present membership, 307. Increase, 49.

THOS. CROSBY.

Respecting a visit to Fort Simpson by J. W. Powell, Esq., Indian Superintendent, he reports to the Dominion Government,—“The next day being Sabbath, in company with several of the officers and most of the ship's crew, we attended service at the Methodist Church, and heard the sermon delivered by Mr. Crosby, wonderfully well repeated in Tsmipsheean by a native woman.

“The church seats fully 500 people, and was well filled by a most

“attentive congregation. With the exception of ourselves, and one or two employees of the Hudson Bay Company, all were Indians, and their cleanly and well-dressed appearance, their deep and solemn devotion, and their apparent desire not to lose a word which fell from the preacher’s lips, struck me as one of the most impressive scenes I had ever experienced.

“The whole village, so full of life yesterday, afforded a great contrast to-day in the universal respect shown to the Sabbath. There were no idlers about, and those not actually engaged in some devotional exercise at the Church generally confined themselves to their houses, and far more than ordinary quietude and solemnity prevailed over the whole place.”—*Vide* “Report of Indian Affairs, 1879,” pp. 120, 121.

NAAS RIVER.

With grateful and hopeful hearts we present our Annual Report. God hath blessed the simple Gospel of His Son to the hearts of the people, and we are encouraged as we see how much they appreciate all the means of grace, and how earnestly they seek to read the Scriptures. Here are old men and women, who grew old in heathen darkness, before they heard the Gospel, now sitting, clothed and in their right minds, at the feet of Jesus. I have been amazed to hear the clear, scriptural testimony of these aged ones, whom God hath snatched as brands from the burning. Last Monday night one of these said, “My hands were red with blood, and my heart was black with sin. Then Jesus came to the river. I heard His Word. I prayed to Him. He washed my hands and my heart. He gave me peace, and I have a home in heaven.”

I am glad to report that our work is progressing. Several heathen families have joined us, and have left their old pagan villages. One family came 150 miles to seek for the “light of the world.” *Nag-ah-oon*, the greatest chieftess on the Naas, with her family, has embraced the Gospel, and moved to the Mission village. This family has great influence. When I first visited them, two and a-half years ago, she said, “I will never leave the old way; I will never become a Christian.” Praise the Lord, the whole family are consistently following Jesus.

One pleasing feature of our work is, that the children attend the prayer and class-meetings, and speak of Jesus’ love with such simple, earnest power. Their tremulous voices, their tearful eyes, all bespeak their Saviour’s praise; and as we watch over them, we have great hope of the future, for “He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.”

We have not been without perplexing seasons during the year. At the middle village, fifteen miles north of this place, we have kept up school and services. Our native agent is faithful. I have visited

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as often as possible. The heathen there are alarmed at the power of God's Word. They say, "The young men who go to school won't help us (in the pagan rites), and they won't dance." Enraged at this, they have taken their drums to the door of the house used for service, and by beating and singing tried to drown the voice of the preacher. Fathers have turned their children out of doors without clothes and without food, because the children would not join in the vile heathen practices, but choose rather to go and hear the Gospel preached.

At the upper village, twenty-five miles north, in like manner we have had violent opposition, caused by a degraded white man, who misled the Indians as to our object in visiting them, and influenced some to refuse us admittance to their houses, and persecuted those who were friendly to our cause. On my last visit, two weeks ago, a young chief opened his house to us. I remained five days, visiting from house to house, preaching each night, and thrice on the Sabbath. The old conjurers, dancers, &c., &c., met, and sent for me, and asked me to explain "Why I came? and what I wanted to do?" This gave me an admirable opportunity to preach Jesus to them. The young chief permitted me to leave a young native in his house to teach school and preach. The young people are tired of heathenism, and wish to attend school and become Christians, but greatly fear the old doctors. Will the friends of Missions pray for this work, that "God may be merciful unto us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us, that His way may be known upon the earth, His saving health among all nations?"

Our day-school has improved greatly the last year, and is very interesting. Fifty-three in attendance.

I am grateful for the generous grant of Bibles and Testaments, for the use of the Indians, obtained from the Upper Canada Bible Society. A fine-toned bell was received during the year; this was sent out from England, and presented to the Mission by G. A. Calder, Esq., of London. It is a great convenience in calling our people to service. Three have died happy in the Lord. Baptisms: adults, 18; children, 16. Marriages, 10. Present membership: full members, 35; on trial, 97; total, 132.

A. E. GREEN.

NORTH-WEST TERRITORY.

SASKATCHEWAN DISTRICT.

<i>Edmonton House</i>	Arthur Whiteside.
<i>Woodville</i>	One wanted.
<i>Victoria</i>	James A. McLachlen.
<i>White Fish Lake</i>	Henry Steinhauer.
<i>Slave Lake</i>	To be visited.
<i>Morley</i>	John McDougall, <i>Chairman</i> .
<i>Blackfeet Indians</i>	To be visited.
<i>Fort McLeod</i>	Henry M. Manning.

COMMUNICATIONS from most of the stations occupied by the Society's Missionaries throughout the Territory have been very few during the year; and the Chairman being in Ontario, no returns of the religious state of the Missions have been received in time for the publication of the Report, excepting that for Fort McLeod, which has been sent in since the Rev. H. M. Manning went to Eglington, Yonge Street South.

FORT McLEOD.

THE past year has been one of success. Our labours during the last six months have been more encouraging and happy than usual. An exceedingly favourable seed-time has been granted us. Considering the class of people among whom our lot has been cast, the general prevalence of vice, and the lack of the restraining influences of civilization, not to say of Christian mothers, and sisters, and wives, I am constrained to believe that nothing less than a gracious Divine influence could have brought so many to hear the Word of God preached during the past winter. Several have spoken of the Spirit's strivings with them, and it is our hope that the seed not seldom sown in tears will be reaped in joy.

A new appointment has been taken up, twenty-five miles from the Fort, which promises well. We had much hope for a time that the white work on this Mission would rapidly increase, but the prospect is at present cut off. Settlers are leaving for the States, and others are prevented from coming in, owing to depredations committed by Pagan Indians, and the failure of those whose cattle have been killed to get any satisfaction from the authorities.

The school has been kept open during the year, and is an important branch of our work.

We look forward to the opening up of a very important field for Missionary effort, at an early day, among the Blood Indians, the largest tribe of the Blackfoot nation, numbering two thousand or more. These Indians have not yet settled, but it is believed that their reserve will be about eight miles from Fort McLeod. Here is a life-work for an earnest man who has learned both to labour and to wait.

HENRY M. MANNING.

WINNIPEG DISTRICT.

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<i>Norway House, Rossville..</i>	Orrin German.
<i>Oxford House.....</i>	Enos Langford.
<i>Berens River</i>	Andrew W. Ross.
<i>Fisher River</i>	Native Assistant; under the Superintendent of Berens River.
<i>Nelson River</i>	Native Assistant.

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AMIDST the changes which are taking place in these northern regions, affecting the temporal interests of Indian communities, the most sensitive feeling is manifested by them for the continuance of the ordinances of religion in the older stations; and when the people have been compelled to seek new homes at a distance from the localities of their birth and social enjoyments, their importunities for religious ordinances have been earnest and persevering, declining offers from other ministerial assistance, preferring minor privileges maintained by local labourers and class-leaders, until the crippled means of the Society being ended, they were sure then to share in the advantages the Committee were enabled to bestow by the establishment in their midst of a permanent ministry.

It will doubtless be ultimately advantageous to the families who have left Rossville for Fisher River, in temporal matters, and give greater opportunities for those who remain there to improve in social comforts; but the change throws greater responsibility and cost upon the Missionary Society, which it is hoped an enlarged spirit of benevolence on the part of the Methodist Church in other sections of the Dominion, more highly favoured with nature's bounties, will enable the Committee to meet without future embarrassment.

Since the commencement of the Rossville Mission, vast numbers of Indians "have passed through death triumphant home," who are mingling their songs of praise with Evans, and Hurlburt, and McDougall, who toiled at Rossville, and amongst adjacent bands; and won many from Paganism and degradation; leading them to the Cross, whose transforming influences made them "new creatures in Christ Jesus." In seeking a distant and permanent home, the remembrance of those who "through faith and patience are now inheriting the promises" would greatly contribute to awaken prayerful aspirations, that with the sorrow incident to their leaving the homes and graves of their fathers, they might not lose the consolation and help always found by sincere worshippers in the means of grace.

After some five or six years of successful labour at Rossville, Mr. Ruttan and his devoted wife returned to Ontario, and Mr. O. German, from Oxford House, assumed the duties and care of this important Mission, much lessened in numbers, but still affording ample room to occupy the time of the most devoted and diligent labourer. We are hopeful that Mr. O. German's successful study of the Cree language may be found useful in translations, and be some compensation for the lonely years he spent at Oxford House; years, however, not only distinguished by seed-time, but attended with an ingathered harvest, as shown by his last report of that Mission.

OXFORD HOUSE.

Coming to this Mission late in the summer, a little before the Indians left for the winter, we could not accomplish much. We found the old Mission-house so dilapidated that we could not live in it, and

being sixteen miles from the Fort, where the Indians were encamped and where the church is built, we formed the church into a dwelling-house, held service in the open air, and proceeded at once with the erection of the new parsonage—the timber of which was on the ground—into which we moved a few days before Christmas.

Miss Parkinson, the teacher, seeing so many children wandering about (some of them half-naked) for the want of a school, resolved to gather them into a group in the open air, and teach them; but the weather was too severe for such an undertaking, and I at once erected a rough shed, without a window or a door, into which she gathered about seventy children, whom she reports as apt scholars as any she ever taught in Ontario.

The prayer-meeting organized and conducted by Mrs. Langford, for the women, was well attended, and many were the manifest tokens of the Divine presence.

The Sabbath services, also, were well attended, and spiritually profitable. Providence favoured us every Sabbath (on which day the services were held in the open air) with pleasant weather. The future looks hopeful. Oh for a knowledge of the language, to converse freely and plainly with this people! Pray for us.

Members on trial, 20; removed, 3; died, 1; total membership, 161.

E. LANGFORD.

BERENS AND FISHER RIVERS.

We are endeavouring to do what we can on the field committed to our care here. Some success, we humbly trust, is given to us by the great Head of the Church. The field is very large, and a great deal of time is taken up travelling.

During the past year we have visited Grand Rapid, on the Berens River, once—distance about one hundred miles—and spent several days with the band there. We met some two hundred in all, baptized twenty-six, and married eight couples. I have seen a goodly number of them in their wanderings since. Poplar River, once—distance about seventy miles—married four couples, baptized seven. At both of the above places they are largely pagan yet. Fisher River and Dog-Head, four times—round trip about two hundred miles. A large number of our people have come there from Norway House during the past year. They need a Missionary among them very much. May they soon get one.

At Berens River the services are very well attended. We have, as a rule, two services on the Sabbath; one prayer-meeting, Bible-class, and, since September last, Sunday-school. Two prayer-meetings—and sometimes three—during the week.

We organized the Sabbath school last fall. Since then we have had it twenty-three Sabbaths. There are four teachers and sixty-two scholars on the roll. Average attendance, twenty-six. Reading in Testament, twenty. Learning Catechism, seventeen. Several of these have gone through Part I. twice, and are in Part II. Verses recited, 2,026. We feel encouraged with the Sabbath-school.

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Present membership for both Missions : on trial, 23 ; members, 164 ; total, 187. A. W. Ross.

NELSON RIVER.

At this very remote and lonely post, where much time is lost to a Teacher by the long enforced absence of the Indians in their hunting expeditions, a Native Assistant, of competent abilities and established Christian reputation, has been sent to reside, ministering to the spiritual wants of the people whenever they return to the Fort for a season. Their pleadings for an instructor in Divine things could not be heard with indifference, for if we turned a deaf ear to their supplications, "No man cared for their souls." The success of the past both justified and encouraged the employment of a Native Assistant to keep up religious ordinances at this northern station.

The Indian membership in the District is estimated to be 650.

ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

<i>New Credit</i>	William Cross.
<i>Grand River</i>	James White; Erastus Hurlburt, Sup'd.
<i>Muncey</i>	Thomas Cosford, who has charge of Mount Elgin Industrial School; Abel Edwards; Charles Halfmoon, Native Assistant.
<i>Oneida</i>	Benjamin Sherlock; Abraham Sickles, Superannuated.
<i>Moraviantown</i>	Supplied by the Bothwell minister.
<i>Snake Island</i>	Supplied by the Sutton minister.
<i>Georgina</i>	Supplied as Snake Island.
<i>Rama</i>	Kennedy Creighton.
<i>Scugog</i>	George T. Richardson.
<i>Alderville</i>	Robert Brooking.
<i>Hiawatha, Rice Lake</i>	Thomas Woolsey.
<i>Mud Lake</i>	Supplied from Lakefield.
<i>St. Clair</i>	Francis G. Weaver.
<i>Kettle Point</i>	Supplied from Ravenswood.
<i>Walpole Island</i>	Thomas Hanna.
<i>Saugeen</i>	George Jacques.
<i>Cape Croker</i>	Henry Bawtenheimer.
<i>Christian and Beausoliel Islands</i> ..	Allen Salt.
<i>Parry Island, Shawanaga, and French River</i>	Native Assistant.
<i>Bachewana, Michipicoton & Nipigon</i>	To be visited.
<i>Lake of the Two Mountains, Oka</i> ..	J. A. D'arion.
<i>Caughnawaga and St. Regis</i>	Joseph Ouesakenrat.
<i>Mount Elgin Industrial School</i> ...	Thos. Cosford, Governor.

NEW CREDIT.

The Delaware Indians have been for years deceived and cursed by Universalism. The Spirit of God is now awakening them from the delusion. They are anxious to escape the damnation of hell, and are learning the old Methodist doctrine that gives no uncertain sound. The "Baptism of fire" has disabused many minds of the so-called need of dipping or plunging in water.

We have found the week evening prayer-meetings, from house to house, to be a good feeder to spiritual life. The Delawares have, from their own resources, subscribed \$350 toward the building of a church. They need aid from the Society to complete the work. By deaths, removals, and dropping we have lost 22 names, and received on trial, during the year, 35. Our present membership, 77.

WILLIAM CROSS.

GRAND RIVER.

On coming to this Mission I found the congregations small, and the attendance on class irregular. I reorganized the classes. The congregations have greatly improved, and the classes are better attended. We have two Sabbath-schools. Some of our Indians died through the year, and they died well. My predecessor did a good work in repairing and painting the church. There was a debt of \$70.00 on it, which we have partially reduced. I intend making an effort this year to clear off the debt. We have had an addition of ten members; still, owing to removals and other causes, I have to report a decrease. We have two day-schools in operation, but it is hard to get the Indian children to attend regularly. Members, 64. Appointments, 3. I am hoping for good times this year.

J. WHITE.

MUNCEY.

There are seven appointments on this Mission at which divine service has been regularly conducted through the year. The class-meetings are well attended, and have been seasons of refreshing and great profit to the Church. At two of these a gracious revival has prevailed among the white portion of the community living near this reserve, resulting in the formation of two classes, numbering nearly forty members. We have an increase in our membership, in the amount raised for the General Mission Fund, and also in the Quarterage raised for the support of the Missionary. The work among the Indians is also much improved, in which we greatly rejoice. Members, 141.

THOMAS COSFORD.

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racter. Notwithstanding this disadvantage, improvement has been made in a few matters. A porch has been built to the school-house, and the whole building painted. The grave-yard has been fenced, the congregation has somewhat improved, and the average attendance on class-meeting increased by a few conversions, and the return of some backsliders to our fold. We have had peace among our members, and a healthy spiritual tone prevails. As a step towards self-support, our people have provided an interpreter at their own expense. A Sabbath-school has been established and furnished with Bibles and Hymn-books, which is attended by both old and young. The day-school is fairly attended, and is very much needed, for the general ignorance of the English language is perhaps the greatest hindrance to the moral and social progress of this band of Indians, who possess native powers of mind and muscle not to be despised. We report the same total in membership as last year, 55. B. SHERLOCK.

MORAVIANTOWN.

The services have been regularly kept up, and the congregations have increased very much. Their regular attendance and earnestness indicate their strong desire to hear and receive the word of life. A number of Indian children have been baptized, and eleven adults added to the membership. The besetting sin, "drink," has been almost totally abandoned; and not only amongst the young, but the grown up portion, a desire increased for intellectual knowledge. As a proof of this, one of the class-leaders requested me to send to our Book-room for Barnes' Notes on the Gospels, Hebrews, Philippians, Ephesians, and Revelations. The money was paid in with the order. To use their own expression, three members "have gone to the other side," washed in the blood of the Lamb. Present membership, 55.

T. H. PATCHELL.

SNAKE AND GEORGINA ISLANDS.

But few of the band remain on what was twenty-five years ago a good-sized community on Snake Island; those who have not gone to the grave have removed to Georgina Island, at the north end of Lake Simcoe, where a neat and commodious sanctuary has been erected and paid for by the Indians themselves. This building was dedicated to the worship of Almighty God by the Chairman of the District, the Rev. J. Bredin, on New Year's Day, 1880. Through personal affliction, the services of the minister, whose duty it is to look after the spiritual interests of this Indian Church have been often interrupted. Our good and devoted teacher, Mr. Chas. Grylls, has faithfully visited the sick and the dying, being the happy instrument of conveying comfort to those who were gradually approaching the grave, at times when access to the Island was often dangerous, if not impossible. The "treasure in earthen vessels" is not confined to any special order of men, but "the excellency of the power of God" maketh the otherwise feeble testimony successful in banishing

fear, and inspiring courage and joyous anticipation of eternal rest, when such testimony comes from a heart inspired with love divine. Members, 27.

RAMA.

The past year, on the whole, has been one of prosperity. Considerable repairs and improvements on the church, the parsonage, and the surrounding premises of both. Revival influences have come down upon the people, and about twenty have professed conversion during the year. In the Sunday-school we have not only the usual number of children, but large numbers of the adult population attend, seemingly desirous of studying God's Word.

Through the kindness of the Upper Canada Bible Society, and that of an unknown friend who sent me a remittance of one dollar in cash, we have a good supply of Bibles and Testaments, which greatly aids us in our Sunday-school work.

We purchased a first-class reed organ for the church and paid for it, with the exception of fifty dollars, which we hope to raise before the next report. The day school has been well kept up by a capable and diligent teacher, and is fairly prosperous. We are thankful to God for the past, and, depending upon Him, hopeful as to the future. Present membership, 90.

KENNEDY CREIGHTON.

SCUGOG.

The Gospel has done much for this small band of Indians; some of them are truly converted to God, others are careless about the "things which make for their peace." Every Sabbath through the year our people have had the usual means of grace, except one, when the road was impassable.

God has given us "times of refreshing;" the class-meeting, which had fallen into disuse, has been recuscitated and entered upon with new vigour. Two families are cultivating their own land; I am trying to induce others to follow their example, but find it difficult to move them in that direction. The fire-water is the great curse of the Indian. Members, 25.

G. T. RICHARDSON.

ALDERVILLE.

Our members, for the most part, have attended well the means of grace, and we have experienced "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." One of our very aged members, a widow, died quite suddenly last fall, and we have no doubt whatever that to her sudden death was sudden glory. Less than a month since two of our young men were taken from us after a lingering illness—one about twenty-nine years of age, and the other nineteen—both of whom died very happy in the Lord; one of them, indeed, triumphantly.

Both day and Sabbath-schools have been attended very well, although, in this respect, there is room for improvement. Both

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It has been a very hard time for our Indians during the past winter. The increased expense of living, and the scarcity of work, have led to a great deal of suffering and actual want of the necessaries of life; and, in consequence of this, the removal of some of our liberal white friends, subscribers to our Mission Fund, and the giving up of the Ebenezer appointment to Fenella, our subscriptions to the Mission Fund have fallen short this year. Present membership: Whites, 10; Indians, 36; and 3 on trial; total, 49.

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The interests of this Mission have, we trust, been carefully guarded and prayerfully watched over during the year, though signs of prosperity have only recently appeared. The Sabbath and day schools have had marked attention bestowed upon them, giving encouragement to the parties engaged therein. Two of our members have entered into rest. Others are still heavily afflicted, calling forth no small amount of attention and sympathy. Members: Indians, 28; whites, 10; total, 38.

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The state of this field is slowly improving. The regular services have been well attended. The special services were a blessing to the membership, and to some who had lost ground. Two names have been added. Two have died—one, especially, was triumphantly victorious. She spoke with deepest gratitude of the "precious Jesus" and of being "happy" in Him. Her life previously was in harmony with such dying consolations. The Annual Missionary Meeting was the great enthusiastic event of the year. They evidently appreciate what God and His Church is doing for them. The same vigorous efforts referred to in the last report, on the part of Miss Roberts, in the Band of Hope, have been kept up, and your agents have aided once or twice in the work. Members, 30.

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ST. CLAIR.

The year has been one of prayer and earnest labour, resulting in some conversions. The congregations are good. The public means of grace are much enjoyed. We expect, soon, this band will all give their hearts to the Saviour. Twelve have died happy in the love of Jesus. Fourteen have removed. The Sabbath-school is not as well attended as we could wish. The day-school has been prospering during the past year. The Mission-house and surroundings are being improved. Total membership, 167.

F. G. WEAVER.

KETTLE POINT, ETC.

The work is in a prosperous state. A new church, capable of seating over 100, has been completed and dedicated. A Sabbath-school has also been established, and is flourishing.

A series of special services resulted in a general spiritual awakening of the membership, and in 15 being received on trial. Membership, 61.

JASPER WILSON.

WALPOLE ISLAND.

I am happy to be able to report some progress in the past year. There have been a few conversions, so that after filling up the loss of the year—those who have been dropped and died, eight in all—I return 120, an increase of 7. The day-school is also doing well; there is at present about 40 average. The Sabbath-school has not done so well this year, as the roads on the Island have been mostly under water the past winter and spring, so that the school had to be closed. The same cause made very much against our day-school in the winter. I return an increase in Missionary money, but it ought at least to be as much more. To this point I intend it shall come. THOS. HANNA.

SAUGEEN.

At the close of another year, in reporting of the spiritual condition of this Indian Mission, I have nothing very special to state.

The public means of grace are usually well attended, and by many very much appreciated, as manifested by their earnest and devout attention during divine service. There has been a great amount of sickness among the Indians, and several have passed away from the trials and privations of earth. Some of them manifested the most extraordinary patience and resignation during their long and painful illness. What a blessing has the gospel of Jesus Christ been to many of the poor aborigines in life, but more especially in death! And we must continue to supply them with the only means to prepare them for a happy futurity. The day and Sunday-schools have been kept regularly during the year, but the great difficulty with the day-school is to get the children to attend with any degree of regularity. The parents are too often quite indifferent as to whether their children attend school or not, even when at home; and they often go off camping for months, and take their children with them. After deducting for removals, deaths, &c., we return a membership of 95.

GEORGE JACQUES.

CAPE CROKER.

Since coming to this Mission in November last, we have done what we could to better its spiritual state. The Mission was suffering from troubles of old and long standing. We began visiting and holding meetings at the best posts, and by continued effort we now have

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complete peace and harmony. We are forced to largely reduce the number of members returned last year. But having cleared the Church of many who were a drawback, and having peace and harmony, we now look for the blessed Spirit and for true prosperity. Members, 76 ; on trial, 4 ; total, 80. Baptized, 7 ; buried, 9. We shall wait and watch for help from Heaven.

H. BAWTINHIMER.

CHRISTIAN AND BEAUSOLIEL ISLANDS.

During three weeks' sickness the Sabbath services were kept up by the native exhorters. Some of these Indians are often heard in class and prayer-meetings expressing gratitude to the Lord for the favour of hearing God's Word. Last Sunday being Quarterly services, every seat in our church was occupied, and it was a season of refreshing. A class-meeting is now also held on Sundays on the Potawatamic part of the settlement. A young woman was baptized this spring whose guardians are pagans. A Sabbath-school scholar, just before he breathed his last, said to his parents, "I am going away. I am going to God's rest." The day and Sabbath-schools have been kept up. The unsettled state of the past winter prevented us from attending Beausoliel Island. However, an early visit in the spring was appreciated by the 14 members on that Island. A new dwelling-house is much needed on this Mission. We dropped 2 ; removed, 1 ; members, 92 ; on trial, 3 ; total, 95.

ALLEN SALT.

PARRY ISLAND, SHAWANAGA, AND FRENCH RIVER

The various points on this extensive Mission have been regularly visited by the native assistant, Brother Elias. We are thankful to be able to report a small increase of membership. A Sabbath-school has been organized at Shawanaga, which, as well as the other schools on the Mission, has been kept open during the winter as well as during the summer months. Two of our Indian brethren have passed away happy in the Lord. Members, 98.

JAS. WOODSWORTH.

INDIAN WORK IN THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

Our Indian work is still a work of life and salvation. This is witnessed at Oka, at the Cornwall Island, and at Caughnawaga, despite the influences of Satan and his emissaries employed persistently against it. Recent revival services at Oka resulted in the conversion of some twenty-five Indians, while at the Island, also, several have been brought to a knowledge of salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. At Caughnawaga a steady advance is observable. Joseph has completed there his translation of the Gospels into the Iroquois language, and the Bible Society is having them printed for the benefit of the Indians, generally, who speak that language. The history of this work is a remarkable illustration of how God can "make the wrath of man to praise Him."

Joseph was imprisoned some time ago, at the instance of the Seminary, for adding a piece of waste land to his garden. While in prison he conceived the idea of translating a copy of the Gospels he had in French, into the Iroquois language; and at once set to work to do it. While in the prison he completed the translation of two of the Gospels, and since then of the other two. An application made to the Bible Society to get them printed was most promptly responded to; and now in a short time the work will be accomplished, and the book be ready for circulation. The priests little thought that in thus persecuting Joseph they were, in a remarkable way, furthering a work against themselves, and which, perhaps, would be the most potent of any they had yet to meet.

The Indians of Caughnawaga hold Joseph in great reputation, and his influence is such that upon any emergency they come to him for advice and direction. In another and not less striking way they evinced this by going to the priest who had taken upon him to denounce Joseph from the pulpit as a heretic of whom they must be on their guard, and telling him that they considered Joseph a better man than either they or he the priest himself was, and that they would not allow such language to be used towards him. The priest, taken aback by such a reproof, stammered out an excuse, and has desisted from any reference to Joseph since—at least in public.

Our Sabbath and day-schools are doing a good work among the Indians; but ere long the day-schools, particularly, must be increased in number to meet the wants of a number of children who cannot, from distance, attend those now employed in the village.

JOHN BORLAND.

LAKE OF THE TWO MOUNTAINS—OKA.

We have great reason for thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for the blessings granted us during the past year on this Mission. In the latter part of the winter we held a series of revival meetings, running through a period of seven weeks, which resulted in the conversion of over twenty-five persons, fourteen of whom have joined our Church. In the autumn of the year the measles broke out among the people, and many died of them. Our Sabbath-school continues to be a blessing to many, and is well attended. An appeal was responded to by some kind friends for a supply of Sabbath-school papers, which have proved a benefit to the school. The day-school has been well attended, and some of the scholars have shown very marked improvement. Repairs urgently called for, and provided for by a grant from the Missionary Committee, were effected on the School-house. It has to be used now for a school for the young, and for public worship by the

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people ; and for both these objects the much-needed improvements and repairs have been of great service. An examination of the school was made last March, in the presence of the Rev. Mr. Borland, the Superintendent of our French and Indian Missions, and of other ministers and friends, and was declared by all to be most satisfactory, both as showing the progress of the children, and the zeal and success of the teachers. There are, it should be known, children, quite a number, living too far away to benefit by the school in the village, for whom it is important some provision should be made. The people in the neighbourhood are so impressed with this fact that they purpose the erection of a School-house this coming season, that a school may be held among them. During the year there have been on this Mission 19 baptisms and 14 burials. We have 167 members, with 14 on trial, showing a decrease of 51. This decrease is to be accounted for by the removals, mainly occasioned by a desire to get away from the trials consequent upon the persecutions they are almost constantly called to endure.

J. A. DORION.

CAUGHNAWAGA AND ST. REGIS.

Notwithstanding the obstacles that I have had to encounter in the course of the year—some from sickness in myself and family, and others from the priest of the Church of Rome, &c.—my labours in the cause of the Saviour have not been without fruit. By the blessing of God, evangelical truth has made considerable progress among the Indians of Caughnawaga village. This was seen in a remarkable way, as the following instance will show :—Shortly after commencing my mission in the village, the priest denounced me to his people from the pulpit on several occasions as a heretic, and that they were to be on their guard against me. After indulging in this course of invective for some time, four of the chiefs went to the priest and demanded of him what he meant by his denunciations. They insisted that he should refrain from any such language in future, for that they knew to whom he referred, and they believed he was a better man than were they, or even the priest himself. I have been told by a number of persons that since then the priest has not again made any reference to me in public. The moral state of these Indians is very deplorable—a thing not at all surprising to me, seeing they have been to the present Romanists ; and that the education of their children is neglected by the priest is clear from the schoolmaster's report to the Government on this subject. He says: "Their (the children's) ignorance is remarkable ; they rarely go to school, consequently they scarcely know how to read or write." This, many of the Indians attribute to the priest's neglect, and they say if they had a Protestant school to which they could send their children, they would receive a good education. In a short time now, I hope to see in the hands of the Indians the gospel, which I have translated into the Iroquois language. It is being printed by the Bible Society in Montreal, and will soon be ready for circulation. Then will they learn from God's own Word the true way of life and salvation. During the year I have visited as often as

I could the Indians of Cornwall Island. Here there are about forty Indian families. Up to within a couple of years they were all Roman Catholics; now about seven of these families have left the Church of Rome, a number of whom have been truly converted to God. On this island a day school has been held by Timothy Arirhen, of Oka, and has made good progress during the year.

C. JOSEPH ONESAKENRAT.

MOUNT ELGIN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

This Institution continues in a state of prosperity. The school has been well attended throughout the year; a good work has been done; its moral state has been commendable, and the scholars have acquired a good degree of proficiency. The farm is in a much better state of productiveness than formerly. We raise all the farm produce required for this establishment, the flour and meat for four other families, and also, in part, for three others. The shops are likewise in a state of creditable efficiency. We make first-class work, and can make a large quantity of it—shoes and boots of all kinds, cabinet work and carpenter work—and could make the shops give a nice net profit if we could get sale at moderate prices for our productions. We now have fifty pupils in the Institution, which is the least number we ought to have, instead of thirty as hitherto. The prospect of this Institution is now very fair for greatly benefiting and elevating the Indian youth of our country, and that with very moderate aid from the Missionary Fund, if it is not entirely self-supporting. A very delightful and subduing religious influence rests upon the scholars, which greatly disposes and readily inclines them to receive instruction, and apply themselves in the acquisition of useful knowledge.

THOMAS COSFORD.

JAPAN.

THIS is the only Foreign Mission within the bounds of the Society's work. The vastness of the field, the dark and idolatrous character of its teeming population, the changes in the polity of its Government, and the very marked success already attendant upon the labours of our Missionaries, unite in commending it to the sympathies and prayers of the Church. Immediate fruitfulness has not always cheered the hearts of Christian Missionaries. History records the exercise of vigorous faith, in conjunction with patient toil, for years, before any indications of the coming harvest gladdened the hearts of the sowers of the seed of the Word; but here are fields already "white unto the harvest." Our estimable brethren only require their hands to be upheld that the victories of the cross may continue triumphantly

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to increase. In the "land of the rising sun," at least thirty-two millions of souls purchased by the Saviour's death are worshipping dumb idols, requiring the light of the Gospel to instruct them, and the living voice of hundreds of ambassadors of Christ to awaken them to a knowledge of their want of spiritual life.

The present position of Missions in Japan is summed up by the Rev. Dr. Clark, of the American Board of Foreign Missions, as follows:—"Ten years ago there were less than ten converts to Christianity. There was no Church organized; no native agency; no schools for the raising of such an agency; no Missionary devoted to preaching; only the scantiest Christian literature, and that derived from China. To-day there are more than two thousand five hundred professed believers in Christ; a recognized evangelical community ten times larger; a fine body of earnest native preachers; Christian schools for the preparation of a native ministry; a Christian literature, including more than one hundred thousand copies of portions of the New Testament." To assist in this great and blessed work the Society occupies the following stations, supplied by Canadian and native ministers:—

<i>Tokio</i>	Davidson McDonald, M.D., <i>Chairman</i> ; George M. Meacham, M.A.; Tsuneyasu Hiraiwa, Hiroku Sugiyama, Japanese Ministers.
<i>Shidzuoka</i>	Yemu Yamanaka, Japanese Minister, under the Superintendent of Tokio.
<i>Numadzu</i>	Asagawa Koko, Japanese Minister, to alternate with Mr. Yamanaka once a month, under the Superintendent of Tokio.
<i>Kofu</i>	Charles S. Eby, M.A.; Toshimi Hosoi, Japanese Minister. One to be sent

TOKIO.

This has not been a year of marked ingathering. Our congregations, owing to various causes, have not been large; but there has been on the part of our membership an evident growth in grace and in the knowledge of the truth. About Christmas, in Shitaya, a division of the city, we dedicated a new church to the worship of Almighty God. The interest there has been slowly growing. Of the nine persons received on trial during the year, seven are the fruits of our labour in connection with that congregation. We have two Sabbath-schools—one at Ushigome, under the care of Miss Moulton; the other at Shitaya, under the care of Mrs. McDonald. We report a decrease of membership, not owing to a declension this year, but to the fact that we have not, as heretofore, counted baptized persons who have ceased to attend the services of the sanctuary. Our present membership is: on trial, 3; adults, 36; children under 12 years of age, 10. Total, 49.

D. McDONALD.

G. M. MEACHAM.

SHIDZUOKA.

The spiritual state of the membership is evidently in progress. Some amongst them are very earnest, and their lives prove that they are true Methodists. I am thankful to report that the female class-meeting, which I begun here last September, is very prosperous. They, old and young, are nice and quiet, but strong in the Lord. They trust in Jesus, all pray earnestly, help mutually from their falling, push themselves towards perfect holiness, comfort each other, and talk of their love of God with tear and cheer. Their husbands or their parents often expressed their joy, learning the great change in the hearts and lives of their wives or their daughters. During the year past I have held three services every week in the chapel, and have also conducted a Bible-class every Friday evening. On Thursday evening I have delivered regularly a lecture on the evidences of Christianity. Monday and half of Tuesday I spent in visiting the members of our church for instruction and devotion; and I come now to the end of this ecclesiastical year, but find very small fruit—six souls' conversion. Five of them were the families of our brethren. With regard to the situation and the building of our present chapel, it is unfavourable for the spread of the gospel. It is in the midst of rude working people, who dislike the religion, never come to our services, and often disturb them by their noisy laughter and scoff. Though the people from distant places stood sometimes outside the door, they generally did not stop long, and went away because the house was not built for the purpose to make people easy to get in. I pray the Lord, who knows what is needful, and could accomplish His purpose, will send "showers of blessings," and provide the means for building a suitable new chapel.

ASAGAWA KOKO.

NUMADZU.

When I came to this Mission last year our membership was twenty-seven. During the year nine persons received baptism. One came from Shidzuoka Church; ten have gone to other parts, some of whom have dropped. Our present membership is thirty-six, six of whom are on trial. We have a Sunday-school; though the children are very few, yet the work is encouraging. Service is well attended; generally, evening is larger. We have two preaching places beside the church. One is in Hirai, about seven miles distant; the other in the city, in a member's house. The latter is very hopeful, because those who attend the service seem deeply in desire to be saved from their sins. After all, there are good indications of spiritual growth.

YEMU YAMANAKA.

KOFU.

The prevalence of the cholera last summer, and its continuance far into the autumn, prevented our carrying out our plans for the work in the country for a considerable length of time. The failure, on account of sickness, of my receiving adequate help from expected colleagues,

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made it impossible to do the work I had hoped to do, even when the opportunity for work at length arrived. In addition to this, the growing feeling of the futility of my work without a perfect use of the language, made me greedy of every opportunity for study, and to that one thing I have given every inch of available strength during the year. With a blessing on my work, I am now thankful to say that in that respect, at least, my labour has not been in vain, for I can now preach the truth to the natives in their own tongue with considerable comfort and ease, though of course my use of the language is still far from perfect. Still the work of an itinerant has not been neglected. With the help of my faithful horse, my colleagues and myself have made some seventy-five excursions into the country, travelling by horse, jinrikisha, and on foot some 1,800 miles, and preaching to many hundreds of people. Our little society has been going through a time of trial. Some of our members, who for a short time seemed to run well, yielded to temptation, and grew tired of the moral restraints of the gospel, and the rules of the Methodist Church, while they wished to retain the name of Christ, and to have the pre-eminence in Church affairs. For a length of time their presence and influence was a great strain on our little cause, and a hindrance to our influence for good. After bearing with them almost longer than was wise, I gave them to understand that they must either follow the laws of God and the rules of the Church, or sever their connection with us. They went, and for a time did us all the harm they could, but eventually injured themselves the most, and did us good, for we now have unity and peace, and I believe no small moral influence among the people. We have had nothing striking during the year in the way of success. Several precious souls have been brought in—scarcely enough to make up our losses by removals and withdrawals. In fact I have often felt discouraged, and inclined to think that my imperfect work had been more of a hindrance than a furtherance to the triumphs of the gospel. But when I take into consideration the year's work, the state of affairs a year ago in the province and the Church, I find abundant cause to thank God and take courage. At our Love-feast last Sunday, I took occasion to speak of the apparent lack of growth during the year, and to speak words of encouragement to the members. The universal testimony of the brethren was a strong corroboration of my own more cheerful and hopeful thoughts, while the Love-feast altogether was an evidence of the spiritual growth of the Church. Two young men, the first fruits of my labour in this Kew, gave testimonies which will serve as specimens of the drift of the conversation at that Love-feast. One, Mr. Kabayoshi, has for some time been helping me as a preacher, and will this year be received into the regular work. He is a choice spirit, humble, teachable, intelligent and clear-headed for a young man, and has made most remarkable progress in every quarter since he started. He says that when he was baptized, he comprehended very little more than the first A B C of the gospel. But now his views constantly widen, the wealth of peace contained in the Word grows more rich, and the way of duty becomes more plain and pleasant. He says he is

growing happier all the time ; don't know exactly why, but nevertheless everything seems happier and brighter. Some little time ago he gave up smoking (here an absolutely universal habit among men and women, young and old) because he thought it did not glorify God. He also spoke very strongly of the growth of brotherly love and confidence in the Church, and thought the year was one of great advance. The other, Mr. Kuwahara, a doctor, who is now employed by the Provincial Government as some sort of an official. He is a man of great natural eloquence, and whenever possible he officiates as local preacher. He has repeatedly tried to get rid of public duties and practice privately, so as to do more for the Church ; but the authorities have such confidence in him above all others that they will not let him go. They repeatedly raised his salary, but cannot hear of his leaving. However he is instant in season and out of season disputing with other officials and preaching Christ as he has opportunity. Some little time ago he spoke of a story in the newspaper about the immoral conduct of some professing Christians, and said that what struck him was that if anyone else had done the same thing the newspapers would have taken no notice of it, and their making such capital of the fault of a Christian was a strong argument of the high moral standing of Christianity. He spoke in Love-feast about his own advance and that apparent in the Church, but what struck him most was the great change in the tone of public opinion in the whole Kew. There was no place where we had preached the gospel in which evil reports of Christianity had not been removed. No one now said that Christianity was a bad thing. Though the people did not understand it, yet what had been seen and heard had convinced them that the way of Christ was a good way. The curiosity to see the foreigner had about died away, and when people come to preaching now, they usually come to hear. But the pride of heart natural to sinful man, the prejudice of ages, the routine of custom, and a thousand other obstacles prevent the hearty reception of the gospel in the love of it. If the gospel blessings could be obtained without the moral restraints of the gospel and the yoke of Church duties, hosts would flock to the standard. What we want here above all things is the power and demonstration of that promised Spirit who shall convince the world of *sin*. There are hosts of young men in this Kew, and all through Japan, who reject the old religions, believe in the God of the Bible and in Christ as a teacher, but who cannot accept the divinity of our Lord, the need of the atonement, the fact of personal depravity, or the use of the ordinances of the Church. They have certainly made a wonderful step in advance, and I do believe that, in answer to faithful prayer, the power of the Spirit along with the preached and printed word will yet bring many, very many, to a knowledge of Christ as Saviour and Lord. The state of affairs in this Kew is a transcript of that in all Japan. The hosts of the mass of the people are holding off, waiting, looking to see what Christianity is before they enter. The Church will go through a trying, sifting time. If kept pure and healthy, there will come a break in the ranks of sin, and Christ will triumph. Our work is the

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CHAS. S. EBY.

GERMAN MISSIONS.

<i>Hamilton</i>	Stephen Kappelé.
<i>Preston and Paris</i>	Supplied from Hamilton.
<i>Eganville</i>	Carl Allum.

HAMILTON.

The past year seems to have been the day of the smallest things on this Mission. As the Roseville appointment was supplied from the Washington Circuit, I had only Paris and Hamilton, with occasional visits to Preston, as my field of labour. By removals, the Paris class has been still more reduced; and, in view of the heavy travelling expenses, the smallness of the congregation, and no other material to work upon, I preached only once in three weeks.

In Hamilton, too, the congregation is very small, yet the few struggled hard to keep up the church. Our meetings were always good, and times of refreshing.

During the year one of our members passed away from earth's trials and sorrows to the rest of God's people: saved, and resting on the atonement of Jesus, he fell asleep in heavenly peace, gathered home as a ripe fruit of this Mission. His happy and composed departure glorified the Gospel, and inspired those who were left behind. An interesting Sabbath-school is kept up, and is the joy of the few faithful members.

I am now fully convinced that after all that has been done for this Mission, unless we receive an influx of a German population there is no prospect of a numerical increase. May God take care of the few souls who are still depending on the Gospel in their mother-tongue, and who are very thankful to God and the Methodist Church for the tender kindness they have received in the past! Members, 28.

S. KAPPELE.

EGANVILLE.

When I submitted my last report, I considered it to be my valedictory, as a transfer recommendation had been accepted by the Montreal Conference, and our German Mission would have been transferred to the Evangelical Association, but for some inaccuracy in the proceedings. The transfer will undoubtedly take place during the present Conference year. Our entrance, nineteen years ago, on this field was a moral necessity, and our efforts were crowned with abundant success. We should, without a doubt, have to-day a flourishing, growing work

had we been able to supply the field with German missionaries, three being the least possible number required to do the work justice.

The Evangelical Association entered the field some years later, and I must admit that its genius is better adapted to draw the lower classes than ours. The sensation created by the annual exchange of preachers, semi-annual visits of presiding elders, and even an episcopal visit, have given them prestige, and the absence of which has a chilling effect on our work—supplied by one lonely missionary. Many of the people who at first received him gladly, would now hail his departure, being blinded by unrighteous views and proselytising influences, through which they are becoming unconsciously demoralized. Our loyal people love our church devotedly, need no ecclesiastical sensations to promote their growth in grace, love their Missionary, and cannot be convinced of the propriety of being transferred, and it is painful to witness their grief in consequence thereof. I can report no conversions during the past year. This is the saddest fact I ever penned, for I glory in soul-saving; yet I have laboured faithfully, have taken up a new appointment, have the approval of a good conscience, and have been unswervingly loyal to my trust. "Here I stand; I can do no more; God help me." Members, 142.

CARL ALLUM.

FRENCH MISSIONS.

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<i>Montreal Centre and Mile End</i>	Louis N. Beaudry, Gideon Aubin.
<i>Montreal East</i>	W. C. Grenier.
<i>Montreal West and Tanneries</i>	One to be sent.
<i>Hull</i>	John Syvret.
<i>Sherbrooke and Brompton</i>	Thomas Charbonnel.
<i>Kingsey Siding</i>	Antoine Geoffroy.
<i>Roxton Falls and Acton</i>	Edward De Gruchy.
<i>Waterloo and Canaan</i>	Joseph A. Dorion.

JOHN BORLAND, *Chairman.*

GENERAL REVIEW.

OUR French work has been attended throughout the year, and in every part of the field we are occupying, by cheering and encouraging fruit, as the result of the divine blessing on the labours bestowed upon it. The desire to learn from the Holy Scriptures the way of life and salvation is daily becoming more general and strong by the French Romanists, and, as a consequence from this and other causes, less confidence in, or deference for, the priests of their Church is felt and manifested. The hierarchy of Rome and their devotees were never more earnest in their work than now to hold the people under their

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control, and to use them for their ambitious ends. Yet to those who closely watch the signs of the times "a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees" is heard, and to them it is strikingly indicative that the Lord is moving in behalf of His people, and "against the hosts of the Philistines."

This is especially visible in a large section of the country from Sherbrooke to the Lakes of Megantic, and in Montreal and several of the surrounding towns and villages. In the former field, we are informed that quite a number of farmers, of more than the ordinary grade for position and property, have been led to read the Word of God, and that they are doing so with much interest and diligence; while a considerable number of others have distinctly and courageously put themselves under the pastoral care of our Missionary, Mr. Charbonnel, who entertains strong hope that they will be steadfast and faithful in the cause of Christ and His Word. A work of revival attended our brother's labours in a comparatively English settlement, where the greater proportion of the whole population were converted to God. To minister the Word of Life to the scattered and isolated Protestants throughout various portions of this Province is a work of not less importance than that to the French Romanists, for, otherwise, they would either be lost in the Romanism that is surrounding them, or in the heedlessness of a practical infidelity.

Our work in Montreal and places adjacent has, throughout the year, been crowned by the Divine presence and blessing. Numbers of the French have come from time to time to hear the Word preached in our church in Craig Street; while to other places our missionaries have been urgently invited to visit, that they might minister the water of life to souls thirsting to drink of it. In the public services of the church; in the more social gatherings for class and prayer-meetings; in the Sabbath and day-schools, and in the homes where pastoral visitations are made—in each and in all of these places is the power of God more or less realized, and present to bless and to save.

In Hull, in Ottawa, and several places near by, our Missionary has been encouraged to labour, especially during the latter portion of the year. The want of a suitable place for public worship has been much felt; but now, having been able to rent and prepare a hall capable of holding a hundred and fifty persons, that evil has been removed; and tokens of success are ever and anon rising up around our brother Syvret.

Our whole field, in every direction, is ripening for a glorious harvest; and although additional labourers are being raised up to

serve our Church in this important work, yet the number is by no means adequate to the demands of the hour. That the Lord may raise us up many more, and with them give us the means necessary for their support, should be the constant and believing prayer of the people of God of all classes and in all conditions.

JOHN BORLAND.

MONTREAL.

The year has been one of intense anxiety, of unremitting toil, and of some prosperity; and it closes in the midst of a storm of persecution. But our experience in the past gives us great confidence in the old, well-tried promise: "He shall deliver thee in six troubles; yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee." (Job v. 19.)

The results of the year's labours have fully justified the wisdom of those who advised the purchase of the First French Methodist (Mission) Church of Montreal. This has given character and permanence to our position and labours. During the year, the debt on the premises has been reduced about \$2,000. The congregation, the Sunday-school, and the day-school have gone on gradually increasing in numbers, improving in quality, and assuming more permanent organization.

Our Band of Hope, *La Fraternité d'Espérance*, is attracting unusual attention and exerting a wide-spreading influence. It is the only society of this kind, known to us, among the French-speaking people of the province. Its meetings are held fortnightly. The lectures on Primitive Christianity, delivered on the same evening (Friday) of the alternate week are well attended and highly beneficial.

The social meetings of the church are among its most encouraging elements. Though numerous, the attendance is very large and the exercises lively. On Monday evening is held a general class-meeting; Wednesday, prayer-meeting; Saturday, teachers' meeting; Sunday morning, at 10.15, a class-meeting, conducted mostly in English. Love-feasts and watchnight services have been introduced with excellent effect. A Ladies' Aid Society has met every Saturday during the winter months, and has done a great work of charity. Visitations from house to house and tract distributions have been kept up without intermission.

Since last October one of our young men has kept up regular appointments for preaching at St. Leonard's, assisted by three of our young men of the Pointe-aux-Trembles Institute, as well as by its honoured Principal, Rev. J. Bourgoïn. A deep interest has been awakened in all the country round about, necessitating the appointment of a Missionary.

Several visits have been made by myself and by the students above-mentioned at Boucherville, where an extraordinary awakening has taken place. A Missionary is also asked for at that place. Visits have also been made at Ste. Scholastique, where the field is "white already to harvest."

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Three of our young men have been studying at Pointe-aux-Trembles and one at Stanstead, with the ministry in view. Two of our young men have just entered as colporteurs in the employ of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, and another stands knocking at the door of the Conference.

The conversion of a lad sixteen years of age, named Louis Gaudiose Gagnon, a printer, has been the occasion for a furious attack of persecution upon us. He is now secreting himself from the fury of an irate father, infuriated by his spiritual (?) advisers, and from a police force mostly in sympathy with the persecutors. Another Paul might describe the Christian experience of this society in almost the same language of the elder Paul: "And others had trial of *cruel mockings*," etc.

But all these shocks only serve to confirm our own faith, and to shake the sandy foundations of our opponents. More young men of Romish families attend our services now than ever.

The evangelistic meetings of Rev. Mr. Hammond in this city during the spring-time, in which we laboured incessantly, contributed something to our prosperity.

We have sustained four preaching appointments in the city during the year.

After the loss of several by removals and expulsions, we remain with an aggregate membership of 153; baptisms of adults 23, of children, 12; marriages, 9; burials, 5; contributions for the year, \$1,000.

"Looking unto Jesus" for spiritual strength, and to His people, our brethren, for human sympathy and assistance, "we thank God and take courage."

LOUIS N. BEAUDRY.

HULL

It is with heartfelt gratitude to God that we review the mercies of the past year. Though, in consequence of the great depression in the lumber trade, our Mission has suffered numerically and financially, very severely, yet the Lord has upheld us to fight our way through, and we now sing of mercy as formerly we did of judgment. A trying discouragement to us has been the want of a suitable place for worship. This spring we have secured a convenient hall, capable of accommodating one hundred and fifty hearers. As a consequence, our meetings have since considerably increased in numbers attending them; and our Sabbath-schools have prospered as well. The revival of business in this town and vicinity has not only improved our financial condition, but our numbers are seen, as well, to steadily increase. Four of our families were burnt out of their homes in the dreadful fire which lately devastated our town. Ninety-six dollars have been raised and applied to the furnishing and fixing our hall and the parsonage; 31 members have removed, 7 withdrawn, 1 dead, and 36 remain.

JOHN SYVRET.

SHERBROOKE AND BROMPTON.

I return thanks to God for the good health I have enjoyed during the past year. Deprived of the use of a horse, owing to the great reduction of my salary, I have taken the apostolical method of travelling on foot with a good stick, the gift of a brother Irishman. Yet, God helping me, I have enlarged the field of my labour by the addition of two stations to those previously cultivated.

My field begins at Windsor, 12 miles west, and extends as far as Lake Megantic. It is 82 miles long, and is composed of the following stations: Windsor, Sherbrooke, Oxford, Compton, Clifton, Scottstown, and Megantic. We reported last year 32 families under our care; we this year report 51, although we have lost by emigration 6 families and dropped 2. The number of our adherents is 176; members are 69, of whom 24 are English; and 32 are lost through emigration.

Twenty-three persons have been converted during the year, and now profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and several others are seeking the truth in a daily reading of the Word of God. In one station, I have reason for believing, from information recently received, that fifteen families, now Romanists, are reading the Bible, and, as my informant said, he doubted not that soon they would renounce Rome and her priests. It is much to be desired that such will be the case, as they are a wealthier class of persons than any we have received as yet. I am thankful to say that, notwithstanding the discouragements which a very limited income has occasioned, yet my heart has been cheered by the blessing of the Lord upon my labours; so that during the year the number has been considerably increased of those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the only Teacher, King, Mediator, and Saviour.

THOMAS CHARBONNEL.

KINGSEY SIDING.

This Mission comprehends Wotton, Tingwick, St. Paul-de-Chester, Ham, and Kingsey Falls. These are, each of them, important fields of labour; and to which I have added—and go to as often as practicable—LeGrand Kingsey, Kingsey Siding, and Warwick. In Wotton we have six families connected with us; in St. Paul-de-Chester, three; in Ham, three; in Tingwick, three; in Kingsey Falls, five; which make in all twenty-three families—seven more than last year; or, thirty-five persons in addition to those of last year; in all making one hundred and fifteen individuals. Of these I count twenty-three who are members of our Church, and three on trial. All the above, with the exception of three English Protestant families, are the fruit of Missionary labour. They are industrious and intelligent farmers, one only excepted, who is a tradesman, and who owns a grist and sawmill. The priest makes strong and earnest efforts to bring this man back to his Church; but he reads the Scriptures regularly both in the English and French languages, and he now knows too much to be inveigled back to Rome.

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One appointment—an English one, at Trout Brook—in which we had some twenty-three families, I gave up last fall, to take up neighbourhoods entirely French, and where my labours were more required. Here I have a good and encouraging prospect for the fruit of my labours.

We have organized a Sabbath-school for the French children at Wotton, of which Mrs. Geoffroy has the charge. The work generally is very encouraging, and my heart is full of gratitude to God for the blessings He has conferred upon me and my work.

ANTOINE GEOFFROY.

ROXTON FALLS AND ACTON.

Extending from Acton and Ely, through Roxton Falls, South Roxton, and Roxton Pond, to Canaan, this Mission I have endeavoured to cultivate to the best of my ability during the year. We have been much embarrassed at the, now, head of our Mission, for want of a proper place to preach in, and as well for the preacher's residence. This evil, however, is now being remedied, as we are fitting up a portion of our own church for regular service, and another portion with an outside addition for the preacher's residence. During the winter we held revival services in South Roxton and Berea, assisted by Bro. Parent and others. The services were a blessing to many of our members, and some sinners were converted.

The removal of a number of families to the States has told against our day and Sabbath-schools, as also against our Sabbath congregations. We have had four Sabbath-schools and two day-schools on this Mission. Three of the Sabbath-schools we were obliged to discontinue, but the fourth one held out and is prospering. During the year the Canaan appointment was added to this Mission, but I could only give it preaching once a month. By a local preacher, however, it latterly had preaching more frequently. We have had 13 removals, 27 have been dropped, and 89 members remain.

EDWARD DE GRUCHY.

WATERLOO AND CANAAN.

Our Sunday services here have been attended with much interest of late, insomuch so that we have removed them from our school-room to the lecture-room of the church in the village. We have three preaching places in which we have regular appointments each Sabbath, while to distant places, in Ely and Brome, I have paid occasional visits. I have found quite a number in these places prepared to receive the Word of God. We have, as members, 28, and on trial 7. The restlessness of the French population throughout the townships very painfully interferes with anything like an encouraging return of membership. Yet those affected by our ministry, though lost to us in a certain sense, are not lost to the great cause of truth and righteousness. They carry a seed of truth in their hearts which does not fail to bring forth some fruit. Our day-school has been sustained throughout the year, yet has not been attended by so large a number of the French children as we could desire. The priest steadily watches and warns his people against such.

A. PARENT.

MISSIONARY DISTRICTS.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

<i>Victoria</i>	Robert H. Smith, <i>Chairman</i> .
<i>Maple Bay</i>	One wanted.
<i>Nanaimo and Wellington</i>	Joseph Hall.
<i>New Westminster</i>	Thomas Derrick.
<i>Maple Ridge and Langley</i>	Thomas H. Gilbert.
<i>Burrard Inlet</i>	Cornelius Bryant.
<i>Sumas and Chilliwack</i>	Christopher L. Thompson.
<i>Cariboo</i>	William V. Sexsmith.
<i>Nicola Valley and Kamloops</i>	James Turner.

VICTORIA.

No Report. Members, 210.

NANAIMO AND WELLINGTON.

This unromantic Mission is one which nevertheless involves incessant labour and peculiar difficulties. All the interests of the Church are sustained by the comparatively few who constitute our membership in this place, and hence an unusually large proportion of our people are actively enlisted in some department or other of church work. It is among the most encouraging features of our cause here that the Missionary finds himself surrounded by a faithful, though small, band of earnest helpers. Among the discouragements is the great spiritual indifference which prevails, and which all efforts heretofore used have failed in any important measure to remove. Our congregations are generally large, and the respectful, and oftentimes manifestly earnest attention which they give, afford us the strongest visible ground of hope that the seed sown will sooner or later, by the Divine blessing, yield an abundant harvest.

The Sabbath-school is sustained with a growing interest on the part of the young, and we believe a deepening solicitude on the part of the teachers for the salvation of the children. We report an increase of nine in the membership. Present membership, 42.

WELLINGTON.—We have given regular services to Wellington, and such pastoral visitation through the week as we have been able to afford. The Sabbath-school, which was conducted under great discouragements at the time of our last report, has been discontinued for a time, on account of a want of suitable helpers; but an effort is just now being made to resuscitate it, which we believe will be successful. The public services have of late been much more largely attended. The great need of Wellington is a resident pastor, whose whole time may be devoted to this interesting and increasing population.

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NEW WESTMINSTER.

The departure of the Rev. T. Derrick, early in November last, on account of failure of health, left this Mission without a regular minister. The Rev. C. Bryant, of Burrard Inlet, at great personal inconvenience and some detriment to his own Mission, did his best to supply the lack. These efforts, and those of the local brethren, prevented the church from being entirely closed. Deprived of its pastor, the congregation was, however, to a great extent scattered. On February 27th, the appointed supply from the east arrived and met with a very hearty welcome. Everything possible has been done to render the minister and his family comfortable and happy. The congregation has rallied to the old standard, and is now larger than ever before in the history of the place. It will take some time to recover from the effects of the severe and continued financial depression and a heavy church debt, but we are encouraged to grapple with the difficulties, and hope, with God's blessing, to succeed. What we need most of all is the baptism of fire, with the accompanying gift of power, that we may be faithful witnesses for God. Members, 30; decrease, 5.

EBENEZER ROBSON.

MAPLE RIDGE.

In presenting our annual report we have great reason for thankfulness, notwithstanding the past year has been one of severe hardship. A late spring, an overflowing river, a wet harvest, and a severe winter, have been the cause of great depression throughout the district, on account of which your Missionary has had to suffer financially. The settlers on this Mission generally are still very poor, which, taken into consideration with the hard times of the past year, will account for the smallness of our receipts. But we are hoping the worst is past, and that the future will be more encouraging in every respect. As the Canadian Pacific Railway is about to be built, and some day is expected to run through this immediate neighbourhood, there is greater reason now than ever for holding this field, notwithstanding the discouragements of the past. Although we have not realized such gracious outpourings of the Spirit as we could have wished for, yet we have at times felt the presence of the Master, and believe some good has been accomplished. Members, 25.

T. H. GILBERT.

BURRARD INLET.

Our work has been trying physically, especially in the winter months, when we partially supplied the vacant pulpit at New Westminster. Financially, our circuit receipts are behind, owing to commercial depression during part of the year. But, on the other hand, we report an encouraging increase of above fifty per cent. in subscriptions to the general Mission Fund, making a larger total than that of any previous year. For this we are largely indebted to our

efficient Missionary deputation, Rev. E. Robson. Spiritually, we have sowed the seed, but have not been among the favoured reapers in the gospel field. Yet we can testify to good and attentive congregations, composed partly, at times, of mariners, who visit us and return to distant parts of the world. Our North Arm appointment becomes increasingly important, the congregation being larger, and the receipts of Missionary subscriptions are about 75 per cent. in advance of last year. Members, 13.

C. BRYANT.

SUMAS AND CHILLIWHACK.

With thanksgiving to God we are able to report a measure of spiritual prosperity. Financially, we have felt the general depression, as well as having suffered from a heavy flood which devastated Sumas. Our camp-meeting was a season of rich spiritual joy and soul-saving power. Eighteen persons sought the pardon of sin and peace with God. During the winter we held a special service in which our Church was greatly revived, and three souls were gathered into the fold of Christ. The work is heavy, necessitating a great amount of travelling, specially in pastoral visitations, but we have felt the presence of Him who hath said, "Lo, I am with you always." Members, 99.

C. L. THOMPSON.

CARIBOO.

The toils and labours of another year are over, and we thank God for whatever good has been accomplished during the year. Our services have been fairly attended, and our prayer and class-meetings, which are ever highly appreciated, have been very precious to our faithful few. Our two Sabbath-schools are working well and are in a flourishing condition. Frequently we have in attendance every child in town who is at all able to come. The Barkerville school, especially, is well supplied with Sunday-school papers. Besides our own papers, G. Ferguson, M.P.P., the Superintendent of the school, has furnished, gratuitously, a number of others. Our finances are low; we have reported a very large deficiency. This is owing to the hard times. Membership: Received, 2; total membership, 10.

W. V. SEXSMITH.

NICOLA VALLEY.

After taking a retrospective glance at the year now gone, your Missionary sees abundant cause for deep gratitude. Through the tender care of an all-wise Providence, we have passed safely through one of the most trying winters ever known in this country. It set in early in November, and from then till the middle of April ice and snow held us in their chilling embrace without intermission. To carry out our usual programme in the way of visiting the different settlements, preaching regularly, etc., was out of the question. Some places that we used to visit two or three times during the winter we have not this year been able to visit once. The length and

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severity of the winter have led to a death rate among stock generally, which is severely felt; indeed in many instances financial embarrassment bordering on bankruptcy is the result. This necessarily affects our finances; but we must not be discouraged, as this may not occur for a number of years again.

The religious aspects of the work are not so encouraging as we earnestly wish to see. The members and adherents of the Church, being so scattered, is against us; but this arises from the nature of the country, and will remain, most likely, for all time. Whoever may be appointed to this field must not be expected to build up churches and establish classes and Sabbath-schools as they do in a thickly settled country. With settlers, in a great many instances, from five to ten miles apart, and in some from twenty to thirty, there is not much chance of accomplishing such things, however anxious the toilers in the Mission may be. The fact of not having built churches is not a want of will on the part of either minister or people, but simply because it has been considered inexpedient, as in most instances we would have no larger congregations than we now have in private houses, and would only be bringing on ourselves financial responsibility without any corresponding advantages.

I wish very much that a second man could be sent to assist in the work on this extensive field, for the following reason: The long-promised railway is to start this summer, and as the line runs right through my Mission field we expect a large increase to the present population. It is expected that some three thousand men may be employed on the different sections, so that there would be abundance of work for two men, with most likely very little additional expense to the Society; but if you send any, it is essential they be strong and healthy, who can endure hardness, and, above all, possess the true Missionary spirit, "full of faith and the Holy Ghost."

JAMES TURNER.

WINNIPEG DISTRICT, MANITOBA.

<i>Winnipeg</i>	John F. German, M.A.; Edward Morrow, M.A., Superannuated.
<i>Point Douglas</i>	John A. McCamus.
<i>Prairie Grove</i>	Wilbur W. Andrews.
<i>Selkirk</i>	Wesley Casson.
<i>Rockwood</i>	William T. Dyer.
<i>Meadow Lea</i>	George W. Hewitt, B.A.
<i>High Bluff and Poplar Point</i>	James M. Harrison.
<i>Nelsonville</i>	John W. Bell, B.D., Charles E. Blakeley.
<i>Rock Lake</i>	Andrew Stewart, B.D.
<i>Morris</i>	Arthur B. Hames.
<i>Rosseau Crossing</i>	Charles E. Mearing.
<i>Portage la Prairie</i>	William Halstead.

<i>Palestine</i>	William R. Morrison.
<i>Salisbury</i>	John Walton.
<i>Little Saskatchewan</i>	Thomas Lawson.
<i>Shoal Lake</i>	One wanted.

WINNIPEG.

No Report. Members, 150.

POINT DOUGLAS.

The year just closed has been eventful in the history of this Mission. An attempt was made by my predecessor to build a larger church, but sufficient encouragement was not given to warrant procedure; consequently, we found ourselves at the beginning of the year with a church that would seat from 75 to 100 people, on a lot with only 50 feet frontage, situated in what was just becoming the most populous part of the city, with a congregation of about 50; no class-meeting; only one service on the Sabbath; more than half the Missionary's time; and, as the result of this arrangement, about the same proportion of the legitimate revenue of the Mission going into Grace Church. The people were discouraged, and almost hopeless with regard to the Mission's future, as progress under the circumstances seemed impossible. But with an earnest attempt to bring about a change, hope revived, and, by united and persevering effort, the following results have been achieved:—

Regular morning and evening Sabbath services have been established; a class has been organized; the membership increased from 25 to 39; the congregation nearly doubled; the old church and site sold for \$1,000, and a new site, 132 feet by 108 feet, purchased for \$800; a very neat church, capable of seating about 350 people, with school-room, vestry, infant class-room, orchestra and tower, erected and furnished at a cost of about \$5,000; about two-thirds of the entire cost of church and site are provided for, and the balance covered by mortgage on satisfactory terms. A large increase has also been realized in all the funds of the Mission. The brethren are now encouraged, hopeful, and zealous. There is a flourishing Sunday-school. Prayer-meetings and class-meetings are well attended.

JOHN A. McCAMUS.

PRAIRIE GROVE.

No Report. Members, 43.

SELKIRK.

The work of this Mission, especially in West Selkirk, has been carried on amidst great discouragement, arising from the depressed condition of business and a decreasing population. Morning and evening services have been regularly conducted, and the class-meeting, with rare intermissions, held after morning service.

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Owing to the Presbyterians establishing a Sunday-school after their new church was opened, our school has diminished in number, but is still efficiently carried on, and numbers 40 scholars. Financially we have accomplished more than might have been expected. The appropriation to the pastor was more than met. The church, with organ and fence, cost \$2,100. Of this amount I am glad to say \$1,600 has been paid, in addition to the ordinary expenses of management, leaving the debt about \$500; so that our church there, one of the best in the province, is now free from embarrassment. To place the church in this position has been a constant strain, but it is done. In East Selkirk the prospect is more encouraging. Railway requirements have created employment. The population is increasing. We have a larger congregation than in West Selkirk, but until recently had no place of our own, service being conducted in various places.

To secure a permanent footing in this rising place we have erected a plain church, 24 feet square, capable of enlargement, and which has been opened for service since I left. Having a building of our own, our cause there will be in a much better position. The work on both sides of the river must still be carried on in patience and hope. The growth of the two Selkirks is only a matter of time. We have a good position in the community, and with increased population, and a more settled state of things, our Church will grow and exert a powerful influence for good in these interesting localities.

Members, 19.

WESLEY CASSON.

ROCKWOOD.

The prospects of a rich harvest, spiritually and temporally, are exceedingly bright. Let there be more labourers sent into this harvest field. During the past year a small house has been built in Stonewall, which serves at present for a parsonage. The debt on our Stonewall church has been reduced nearly \$100. On account of the very severe winter, there is a slight decrease in the financial returns of the Mission. The field is too large, 24 by 15 miles, or 360 square miles, to be worked by one man. Members, 36.

W. T. DYER.

MEADOW LEA.

The unfortunate removal of my predecessor, Brother Hewitt, through ill-health, proved somewhat unfavourable for the prosperity of this Mission. During the few months I have travelled since my arrival, there has not been wanting many encouraging features. The services have been well attended, not only in the central parts, but also at the outposts of our work, and manifest proofs of the Divine presence have been vouchsafed to us.

Our people have been long convinced of the pressing need for a suitable church, as also a minister's home in their midst. A building committee has been formed, a site definitely agreed upon, and sub-

scriptions promised to well-nigh the amount needed for the erection of the former.

During the winter a series of tea-meetings and socials have been held, which has resulted in placing the sum of \$150 in the hands of the ladies towards the erection of the parsonage. It has been agreed upon to have both buildings put up during the present summer, when our position and prospects in this locality, as a church, will be more becoming our numbers and influence. Members, 51.

CHARLES MEARING.

HIGH BLUFF AND POPLAR POINT.

In reporting another year's work we have no very flattering record to present. While this truth forces itself upon us very keenly, we have much to encourage and strengthen our hands. On the whole, our congregations have shown a marked increase, and our classes, which were totally disorganized, are now meeting regularly. Our finance is in a healthy condition, though we have not received that support we would have done had not a very oppressive debt rested on our parsonage. This is a heavy burden, and one that will keep us considerably behind for some time. Our work is in a small compass, and we have nothing like the heavy driving formerly experienced. I would here desire to record the high esteem in which my predecessor is held. Rev. Mr. Halstead still lives in the hearts of all with whom he came in contact. We are looking for greater results of our work next year, and our faith is greatly strengthened. Our members, 60.

J. M. HARRISON.

NELSONVILLE.

Our work on this Mission this year has been extensive and laborious. The Mission covers 19 townships, or in all 684 square miles, in addition to which we make occasional visits to four other townships. We have taken up four new appointments in the regular work, where, when roads and weather permit, we give regular fortnightly preaching. Owing to a variety of circumstances, we have not been able to hold any special services, but are thankful to report some conversions in the regular services. When we came here we found 36 members. We have received 19 on trial, and 50 from other circuits. Our present membership is 95; increase, 59. The Mission will raise this year over \$400 for all purposes. The parsonage has been greatly improved, and we hope soon to build a new church in Nelsonville. May the Head of the Church pour out His spirit upon us, and give us His blessing.

JOHN W. BELL.

CHAS. E. BLAKELEY.

ROCK LAKE.

A few months previous to my appointment here there was not a Methodist in what is now known as Rock Lake Mission. We have, at the present time, one church built, another commenced, five regular

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appointments at which societies are formed, one Sabbath-school, and a membership of sixty. Greater devotion and increased power of adaptation to the necessities of the work would have secured larger results. The Mission enters on the second year of its existence with fair prospects of a prosperous future. May the richest blessings of Divine Providence be with the people in their new homes!

A. STEWART.

MORRIS.

This Mission embraces, at present, parts of six townships. Other settlements, containing several members of our church, and destitute of the means of grace, must be visited as soon as ministerial help can be obtained. It is absolutely impossible for one man to meet the urgent demands of this rapidly extending field of labour. In view of this, our Quarterly Board have unanimously requested the appointment of an additional preacher, on condition of an increase in the Missionary grant. Our discouragements during the past year have been very many, owing, mainly, to the embarrassing debt on our church in Morris. Sabbath services have been regularly sustained, also prayer and class-meetings at some of the appointments. Members, 55.

A. B. HAMES.

ROSSEAU CROSSING.

No Report.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

The year now closing has been, on this Mission, one of harmony and some degree of success. Although the past winter was unusually severe, our appointments were regularly attended, and our congregations good. The word preached has been received with much serious attention, and we hope has resulted in much good. Our fellowship and class-meetings have been seasons of much encouragement and profit. The Sabbath-school and Bible-class at the Portage have been well attended during the whole year, and have been of much benefit to the children and young people. In material matters there has been much uncertainty, owing to the fact that the line of the C. P. Railway has not yet been definitely located. There is every prospect that the line will be located very shortly. Then we shall know where our churches should be located, and all material matters will then take definite shape. The prospect for the future is encouraging. Members, 65.

W. HALSTEAD.

PALESTINE.

In submitting our report for the past year, we feel thankful to the Lord for special tokens of His providential care over us. We have passed through a very hard year in every respect, having many difficulties to contend with. The very wet season last summer, and

the unusually cold winter through which we have passed, have seriously interfered with the gathering of God's people together, and this has resulted in defeat and spiritual death in our ranks. We have been compelled to drop 19 of our membership for entire neglect of the means of grace.

A new appointment has been opened at Maitland (25 miles northwest of Gladstone), so our Mission is now 40 miles in length—too much for one man to attend to properly, considering the bad roads upon which we have to travel. A parsonage property has been secured in Gladstone, at a cost of about \$350. We feel grateful to the kind friends who have contributed their mite to help us in this matter. Membership, 63; baptisms, 20. W. R. MORRISON.

SALISBURY.

On account of your Missionary not being able to reach Salisbury, from Edmonton, until the middle of September, three months of the best time of the year were lost, and the winter overtook us before we were able to organize a Quarterly Board. It being found impossible to secure a house before the latter end of December, I built a log house and stable, which we have occupied since the beginning of the year. I purpose handing over the buildings to the Quarterly Board for parsonage premises as soon as arrangements can be made, the situation being good, and there being five acres of excellent land connected with the buildings. Our services extend over eight townships, and yet one-half of the pressing calls for the Gospel cannot be attended to, whole townships, well settled, and largely Methodistic, being without any services whatever. Members, 30.

JOHN WALTON.

LITTLE SASKATCHEWAN.

The division of this Mission last year has been productive of much good, but still, for the efficient prosecution of our work and permanency of our Church in the future, we must have additional help. We have eight appointments, and as many more might be taken if we were in a position to do so. "Come over and help us," is the cry that comes in from every quarter; but surely the Relief and Extension Fund will tend to turn supplication into thanksgiving. This coming year we must do something in church building, especially at Rapid City and Minnedosa, the two most important centres in the Saskatchewan District; but unless we receive some financial aid from the Society our difficulties will be great. The exercise of a liberal policy on the part of the Missionary Society just now will be felt and appreciated both by the Missionary and people, and will tend in a very short time to develop this Mission into several desirable and self-supporting stations. Our Church membership now numbers, after deducting our loss from the alteration in boundary of Mission and other causes, 57. The total amount raised for Connexional and

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Mission purposes is over \$400. A review of our spiritual and financial condition as a Mission causes us to be thankful to our Heavenly Father for the encouragement of the past, and hopeful for the future.

THOS. LAWSON.

SHOAL LAKE.

This vast Mission of the West, which comprises an extent of several townships, is but of late organization. Until May, 1879, the so-called Birtle Mission only had one solitary settler on the fertile valley of Bird Tail Creek, and three or four in the vicinity of Shoal Lake. Since that time the tide of immigration has been turned in this direction, and in October last, when I commenced Mission work in this section of country, I was enabled to establish five appointments, all of which were more or less interesting, and were of such a nature (as to location, attendance, &c.) as would indicate them to be places worthy of working for the Master. This spring some slight alterations are being made, and new work taken up, and the prospects of the Mission tend toward its being a productive field of labour in connection with the Methodist Church of Canada. Truly, God has been good to us, and we trust that the seed sown this Conference year on this Mission will bear fruit an hundredfold. Members, 14.

HENRY ROSE.

ALGOMA DISTRICT.

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| <i>Sault Ste. Marie</i> | Alex. R. Campbell ; Erastus S. Curry,
Superannuated. |
| <i>Garden River and Korah</i> | Joseph R. Gibson. |
| <i>Gore Bay and Shegwaondah</i> .. | Richard G. James. One wanted. |
| <i>Manitowaning</i> | James Baskerville, James C. Speer. |
| <i>Bruce Mines and St. Joseph</i> | |
| <i>Island</i> | John Semmens. One wanted. |
| <i>Michipicoton</i> | To be visited by Native Agent. |
| <i>Prince Arthur's Landing</i> | John W. Cathcart. |

SAULT STE. MARIE.

In closing my third year on this Mission, while I cannot record that progress which I could desire, I nevertheless find much cause for gratitude to the Great Giver of every good and perfect gift for the favour with which He has been pleas-d to crown our efforts in His cause. Where we found division and strife and enmity, we leave union and love and confidence. Our membership, though small in consequence of the unsettled state of the population, is considerably larger than when we came to the Mission, there being now on the same ground where we found ninety-five reported, upwards of one hundred and thirty. The parsonage has been plastered, painted, partly

supplied with double windows, and furnished, at a cost of more than three hundred dollars. The Sabbath-school has been successfully worked and furnished, and the church painted on the outside at a cost of some eighty dollars. The last year, owing to the great financial depression, and the failure and losses of some of our members, our finances have fallen below the amount of either of the previous two years; yet our Missionary and Relief and Extension Funds, taken together, have more than doubled the Missionary income of any one of the preceding years; and we have great confidence that when times improve, the liberality of our people will rise in proportion to their ability. I think many of them have done more than they were able, while, perhaps, others have done less. The District, though rough and difficult to travel, is gradually rising, and I think will ultimately repay the toil and treasure expended by the Society.

A. R. CAMPBELL.

GARDEN RIVER AND KORAH.

We have succeeded in the erection of two new churches, and have also part of the timber on the ground for a third one. Our work is so extensive here that we are only able to supply the appointments with preaching once every three weeks. With service so seldom we are not satisfied, and our people are constantly asking for more of the Word of Life. A deep interest is manifested in sustaining class and prayer-meetings. Sabbath-schools are established, in which both old and young are learning lessons of Divine truth. A number of our most able families have moved to other circuits; this with a few who have been dropped, leaves us unable to report an increase. And during the year God has very signally blessed our labours, and the influence of Methodism is felt by all classes of the community, as may be seen by their attendance at our services. We are still encouraged, and, trusting in God, ask an interest in your prayers for the cause of the Master in this place. Members, 77.

JOSEPH R. GIBSON.

GORE BAY AND SHEGWAONDAH.

Our third year now closes on this very toilsome Mission. Regular appointments have been kept up within an area of more than sixty miles. The want of an assistant during the year was very severely felt. A church has been started at Little Current, and a subscription circulated. A subscription list has also been circulated, and a social held at Gore Bay, for the purpose of building a church there. Classes have been organized at most of our appointments. Twelve Sabbath appointments have been kept up during the year. The Mission will imperatively require the services of two during the coming year. Present membership, 60; increase, 16.

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MANITOWANING

Is now to be divided, the one part to be called Manitowaning, the other Sanfield, to be worked by two ordained ministers. At all our appointments the interests of our beloved Methodism grow evidently. Churches and meeting-houses are going up in several places. Spiritually our people are moving forward, growing in grace and in numbers. Financially our people are improving, yet the funds are very low. We raised this year \$100 for the Mission Fund, and \$40 for the Relief and Extension Fund. Last year the return of members was large; some have fallen off, yet we return this year 139; on trial, 12; total, 151.

J. BASKERVILLE.

BRUCE MINES.

In writing a report of this old Mission for the past year, your Missionary feels it his duty to say that his labours have been spread over too large a field to accomplish very much visible good in any one place; and in future, to meet the wants of the people and secure success, it is absolutely necessary that it should be worked as three separate Missions, called Bruce Mines, St. Joseph Island, and Lefroy. For a distance of forty-five miles eastward along the north shore, and to the head of St. Joseph Island on the west of Bruce Mines, your Missionary has travelled on ministerial duty; and this strip of territory, as far as he knows, is not occupied by any other resident Missionary, up to the North Pole. Last fall the Missionary had an invitation to visit Cockburn Island, a distance of forty-five miles by water from Bruce Mines, where a number of people, he was told, had settled on excellent land; but to the present, for want of time, he has not been able to comply with that request.

Taking away one-half of the Sabbath-day services from Bruce Mines church has caused a great deal of dissatisfaction, proved injurious to our interests, and should be resumed immediately. The old Bruce mining location was surveyed last year, and will immediately be all offered for sale, and it is said the Government will spend fourteen thousand dollars here this summer on harbour improvement; so, it must be evident that with the very rapid settlement of the surrounding country, Bruce Mines must become a business place of some importance, and should have particular attention. The services of the sanctuary have been well attended, and a growing interest manifested in our social means of grace, especially the week evening prayer-meetings, which are more numerous attended than at the beginning of the year. The people have contributed liberally to all the Connexional funds, but especially have the Relief and Extension and Missionary Funds been well supported. After pruning closely, we return an increase of members for Bruce Mines and the North Shore; and St. Joseph Island will this year, for the first time, present a report showing gratifying and permanent improvement also. Members 54.

ST. JOSEPH ISLAND.—During the past year, God has favoured us on St. Joseph Island with His presence and blessing in the conversion of precious souls, and the field is white unto harvest. One new class has been formed, two small Sabbath-schools have been organized, and six appointments have been regularly kept up. A bond for a deed securing to the Connexion two acres of land as a church site has been obtained, nearly one hundred dollars have been subscribed by the people towards the support of a minister for next year, and we believe our work on the Island imperatively demands the appointment of a preacher or minister by the Stationing Committee at the coming Conference. Bro. Vanhorn has been faithful to us as a church labouring to spread Scriptural holiness; and whoever may be appointed to this field, will find him a brother in whom he can place confidence. Members, 32.

JOHN HODGSON.

PRINCE ARTHUR'S LANDING.

Although we have fallen short of our fondly cherished hopes, yet for what we have seen we thank God and take courage. During the year our church has been lathed and plastered, and otherwise improved to the amount of \$550, of which there remains but a small balance to pay. Our congregations are good, and frequently we have been refreshed and encouraged by gracious manifestations of the Divine presence and power. Yet there are discouragements. One great drawback in town is the unsettled state of the people. There is a constant coming and going, so that we cannot correctly estimate either our financial or numerical strength. The country west of us is being settled and ought to be attended to, but one man can only give them occasional services. If the condition of the Mission Fund will allow it, there ought to be an additional labourer sent here next year. Members, 25.

JOHN W. CATHCART.

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BRAMPTON DISTRICT.

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Alton and Amaranth..... Henry Thomas.

CHINGUACOUSY.—Your Missionary has laboured, and not in vain, to keep alive the spirituality of our Church, and bring the unregenerate to Christ; but there is not much chance for this Mission to make aggression upon the world, as most of the people within its limits are fixed as to church relation. It is in advance of last year in its contributions to Connexional funds, notwithstanding removals, &c.,

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having paid to these funds \$221 more than it has received, so that it is not a Connexional burden. Members, 107. S. BLANSHARD.

ALTON AND AMARANTH.—At the last Conference, the respective Missions, Alton and Amaranth, were joined under the title, "Alton and Amaranth." To this arrangement the people on the Amaranth Mission were generally prejudiced, and many withdrew when they found that services could not be held at each appointment on every Sabbath. But, notwithstanding the difficulties connected with this arrangement, the people are growing in grace and true manhood. I cannot claim more than two clear conversions, although a good spiritual influence is pervading the societies. Membership, 107.

HENRY THOMAS.

BELLEVILLE DISTRICT.

<i>Marmora</i>	Samuel McCauley.
<i>Flinton & Addington Road</i>	William E. Smith.
<i>Bannockburn</i>	Thomas B. Wilson; Philip J. Roblin, Sup'y.
<i>Maynooth and York River</i>	One to be sent.
<i>Brudenell and Bangor</i>	Andrew Wilson.

MARMORA.—The past year has been the most laborious, and yet, with the benediction of God upon life and work, the happiest of our ministry. Our congregations during the year were full, earnest and appreciative; the attendance on the class-meeting satisfactory, and the spiritual condition encouraging. In connection with the ordinary services, some few have, through the enlightening and regenerating agency of the Holy Ghost, been rescued from the degradation of sin, and raised into the life of God. We have six Sabbath-schools largely attended and successfully conducted. The loyalty and liberality of this people will at once be apparent when we remember the noble manner in which they have contributed to the various Conference funds, especially the Missionary, and the large increase for ministerial support. The debt on the church, which was the cause of serious apprehension in the past, has been largely reduced, and the friends are hopeful of removing the entire indebtedness at an early date. The congregation in the village, with characteristic energy and liberality, have put a new and magnificent organ into their church. The Quarterly Board, grateful for the long and liberal assistance afforded them by the Missionary Committee, now unanimously request the Conference to change their relation to that of a Circuit. Membership, 140. S. McCAULEY.

FLINTON AND ADDINGTON ROAD.—The spiritual aspect of the work on this Mission is encouraging. There is a good attendance on all the services; several have been won from a life of sin. Old dissensions of three or four years' standing have been amicably settled,

the parties now meeting in class, and uniting their prayers for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Some who, during the year, have been won to Christ, and others who have "borne the burden and heat of the day," have passed triumphantly home to heaven. Financially, the people are in a most lamentable condition. Never before has your Missionary looked upon such absolute want. Through the almost complete failure of the crops, and the low wages received in the lumber shanties, the people have been reduced to a deplorable state of destitution. Very many have lost their farms. Notwithstanding all this, with a liberality unprecedented, the work of the Lord has been well sustained. Members, 82.

W. E. SMITH.

BANNOCKBURN.—In our past trials and toils we have endeavoured to rest upon the promise of the Great Head of the Church, "Lo, I am with you always." We gratefully exclaim, "Out of all the Lord hath brought us by His love." We regret the apparently small success of the year; and, owing to the almost entire failure in crops last season, the financial state of affairs is far from being encouraging, but spiritually the Mission is in a healthy state. While we are convinced that in a pecuniary sense the field will never be self-sustaining, yet we believe that in this place many sheaves will be gathered from the field of sin. Membership, 112.

T. B. WILSON.

MAYNOOTH AND YORK RIVER.—We are thankful to God that we can report considerable progress on York River Mission, and rejoice that it is an acknowledged fact that York River appointment is now in a better state spiritually, than ever before; but, at the same time, regret that we cannot report as favourably of Maynooth, where we have met with much discouragement. It is impossible for one man, and especially a young man, to do the work that is to be done on this Mission and the surrounding country. We have three preaching appointments each Sabbath, which are well attended. Our classes and prayer-meetings are doing well. Although we have received twenty-five new members as the result of six weeks' revival services, still we have to report a decrease, as we have dropped all who would neither pay, pray, nor witness for God. Members, 95.

JAMES A. WOOD.

BRUDENELL AND BANGOR.—Numerically there has been but a slight increase through the year, but we hope there has been much permanent good accomplished. Our great difficulty on this Mission field is the want of suitable places to hold revival services in, besides the detrimental influences of the lumbering business. Our Connexion funds have increased, but still I regret there has not been more of an increase in our membership—31.

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<i>Ballyduff</i>	William G. Howson.
<i>Warsaw</i>	Charles W. Watch.
<i>Blairton</i>	Thomas Fox.
<i>Chandos</i>	George Washington.

BALLYDUFF.—The work of the past year has, by the grace of God, been crowned with success. The finances are in advance in almost every department of the Church's work. Owing to a large number of removals, however, we have to report a decrease in membership, although a few have been brought into the Church. But we do not believe that the work of God can be correctly estimated by figures, and should not lay too much stress upon increase or decrease of membership. Our churches have been full of earnest seekers after the truth; and a spirit of inquiry has been awakened in minds that only a short time ago scarcely knew how to ask themselves a question of importance. We take courage. The seed may in some instances have fallen among the thorns and by the wayside, but more by far, we think, has fallen into good ground. The fields are white already. The harvest is nigh. May God speed it! Amen. Members, 113.

W. G. HOWSON.

WARSAW.—There has been much for which we are thankful, and from which we take courage. We have had trying experiences during the year, but the rich enjoyment of God's presence and favour has been delightful to many. One new class has been organized and promises well; 15 were received on trial. Membership, 69.

CHARLES W. WATCH.

BLAIRTON.—We regret to have to report 23 removals, and a decrease to the Mission Fund. Yet, notwithstanding these embarrassments, we are thankful to the Great Head of the Church for the spiritual success experienced during the past year. Some remarkable conversions have been witnessed, which enable us to report a slight increase. Members, 110.

THOS. FOX.

CHANDOS.—By its necessities this field still demands the sympathy of the Church. The extent is great, the settlers scattered, the soil (except in a few places) poor, the lumbering operations unfavourable to regular attendance on the means of grace; yet quite a number who value the Gospel and its privileges, and who are attached to our Church, gather to hear the Word. During the first half of the year no supply was available, but Rev. S. C. Edmunds and myself visited it from Lakefield Circuit. Several neighbourhoods were for a time without any preaching. Opportunity was thus given for the dissemination of a kind of illiterate Unitarianism. No harm was done to our people; but it is easier to excite prejudices against creeds, churches, ministers and holy truths, than to answer and allay

them, as it is easier to set in the forest a running fire than to trace its course, quench its flame, or restore the losses. The people appreciate the kindness of the Missionary Society, although from want of means, and perhaps want of fuller information in some cases, the amount raised for your supply was very small. We hope for growth in ability and liberality. The supply, Bro. J. W. Reid, of Omeme, laboured faithfully and with great acceptance. One new appointment was taken up. There is another neighbourhood which should be visited. Members, 45. GEO. WASHINGTON.

LINDSAY DISTRICT.

<i>Fenelon Falls</i>	Webster W. Leech.
<i>Dunsford</i>	Robert C. Wilkinson.
<i>Minden</i>	Thomas W. Glover.
<i>Haliburton</i>	Richard Strachan ; Geo. H. Kenny, Sup'd.
<i>Monmouth, &c</i>	To be supplied.
<i>Coboconk</i>	John H. Ruttan.
<i>Beaverton</i>	Thos. Williams ; Saml. Down, Sup'd.
<i>Atherley</i>	Francis Johnson.
<i>Victoria Road</i>	Henry Wilson.
<i>Dalrymple</i>	William P. Brown.

FENELON FALLS.—At the last Conference, Peniel appointment was transferred from Coboconk to this Mission, making in all five preaching places. Preaching has, with local assistance, been given every Sabbath to each of them, and at all, with one exception, our congregations have been encouragingly large. At four of the appointments Sunday-schools have been maintained, and are doing well. It is matter of regret that, owing to the illness of your Missionary, nothing has been done in special work, and having an unusual amount of removals a decrease in membership will be reported. The usual Connexional Funds have, notwithstanding, been well sustained. In consideration of the heavy debt of \$2,000 upon the village church, the Mission having to pay rent for parsonage, and the embarrassed circumstances of the people, arising from the decline of the lumber trade, and the failure of the wheat crop last year and this, it will be necessary for the Missionary Committee to give this Mission their generous consideration for some time to come. Members, 142.

W. W. LEECH.

DUNSFORD.—We are thankful to the Head of the Church that we can report some progress on this Mission during the past year. When we came here at the beginning of the year we found but one class held once in two weeks, where about twenty members met; they now meet every Sabbath, and there are over forty, all meeting in class. At the other three appointments there was no class held; we now have a class at each place, over fifty members meeting with us

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more or less regularly, while there are quite a number meeting with us who are not yet members, especially at Dunsford. We have also made provision for most of the debt resting upon the parsonage. Some of our Connexional Funds are somewhat behind last year, but the difference is small; while we raised near as much for the Relief and Extension Fund as was raised last year for the regular Fund, and raised much more for the regular Fund besides. Spiritually the work is prospering. Though the people are divided by the different sections of the Church, our Church is much the strongest and is advancing; yet it will be some time before this Mission can support itself without some aid from the Missionary Fund, as there are few families who do not now belong to some branch of the Church, and our only hope is in securing the hearts as well as the names of all the Methodist families, and even then they are not wealthy. We have received 50 names, dropped 13, 5 have removed, and 1 died. There are 30 on trial, 60 in full membership, in all 90 members, all of whom attend class. An increase of 30 over last year.

R. C. WILKINSON.

MINDEN.—We have five preaching places on this Mission, where regular Sabbath services have been held during the whole year. The public means of grace have been largely attended, and have been times of much spiritual profit. Cottage prayer-meetings are being held (weekly) in different parts of this Mission, and are sources of blessing to our people. Our regular weekly prayer and class-meetings have been well sustained, and are truly seasons of grace. Many of our members evince a hungering and thirsting after righteousness, and are progressing in holiness. During the year six pious and intelligent brethren have received license to preach the Gospel of Christ, and are labouring successfully on this Mission. Two Sabbath-schools have been organized and are doing much good. Debts on church property have been liquidated. The parsonage has been improved, and the expenses met in full. Financially we are progressing. About 65 persons have been converted to God. After deducting removals, and those dropped, our membership stands 130. Increase, 40.

T. W. GLOVER.

HALIBURTON.—This is an extensive and laborious Mission; one which requires a strong rugged young man, able to endure the fatiguing journeys which the work of this Mission involves. The country is sparsely settled, the appointments are far apart, and during much of the year the roads are very bad. Methodism here is in a very low state and has never attained prestige, but has lost ground, principally on account of heavy encumbrances upon our church in the village, and numerous removals. Your Missionary has had severe personal and family affliction, accompanied with bereavement; yet, amidst all our trials and labours we have been cheered and strengthened by the presence of the Master. We have been enabled to keep up seven appointments, and have held special services at one appointment. Our people generally are poor, and have been unable to do

much towards the support of the Gospel; yet many of them have done what they could, whilst some who might have done something have been negligent. During the year we have lost 8 members by removals; 1 died. Membership, 33. R. STRACHAN.

COBOCONK.—Reviewing the year's labour gives us encouragement. The field is large, nine appointments, and the country rough. The people are kind, but not rich. There have been 16 conversions, and the work is prospering at each of the appointments. The Sabbath-schools are doing a good work for the young. Our congregations are good, especially in Coboconk. Members, 128.

JOHN H. RUTTAN.

BEAVERTON.—In the beginning of the year we had two preaching places; at one we held afternoon services in a private house, about four miles distant from Beaverton. The family finding it an inconvenience, and having no other place, it is dropped for a while at least. There is an intention to build a small church in the neighbourhood. Some families, under pressure of hard times, have removed, diminishing our membership. During the latter part of the year our weekly prayer-meetings have become increasingly interesting and spiritual. We have given special attention to the Sunday-school with encouraging success. Our membership is 45.

THOMAS WILLIAMS.

ATHERLEY.—The last year has been one of incessant toil, but not without fruit; for while we have dropped some for unfaithfulness, and lost heavily by removals, we have been cheered by increased attendance on the preaching of the Word, and witnessing the power of God in the conversion of sinners; and notwithstanding the financial depression, which is especially felt in this vicinity, we have made considerable improvement and extension in our church property. We have built a neat, comfortable frame church, 36 by 24, 10th con. of Mara (where we formerly preached in a private house), and have it out of debt, and are cheered by a fair congregation. At Atherley we have improved the parsonage property by making a good new cellar and kitchen, and additional bedroom; also built a good new stable and drive house, all of which are well-nigh paid for. We have paid over \$50 on the parsonage debt, and \$10 on the organ, and are blessed with peace on all our borders. Received 23 members during the year; membership, 89.

FRANCIS JOHNSON.

VICTORIA ROAD.—Through the presence and blessing of the Great Head of the Church, the efforts of your Missionary and his local coadjutors during the year now closing have not been wholly unproductive of good. No special services have been attempted at any of the stations occupied; but the regular work at all of them has been vigorously sustained—hence the attendance on the ordinary means has been more regular throughout, and the membership somewhat increased. And although the year has been a very trying one on the farming part of the community here, still some old debts have

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been cancelled, and the several funds of the Church have been more liberally supported than in other years. For these tokens of the Divine favour we are thankful, and take courage for the future. Members, 73.

H. WILKINSON.

DALRYMPLE.—With gratitude to God we report our year's work on this Mission. Financially we have had good success. Spiritually, we have been revived, and the attendance on the means of grace increased. Present membership, 104. A new and commodious church has been erected at Sebright, and another is in contemplation at the Dalrymple appointment. One new appointment has been taken up, and on the whole we thank God and take courage.

W. P. BROWN.

BRADFORD DISTRICT.

Adjala..... George Walker.

Sutton Hamilton Leith.

ADJALA.—Our work has been that of sowing rather than reaping. Notwithstanding the many obstacles in the way, we have proof that work done for God is never lost, and our labour will have its harvest. Our people are taking a greater interest in the work, and three Sabbath-schools have been established. On the whole, there is reason for gratitude to God, and encouragement to greater effort. Members, 71.

GEORGE WALKER.

SUTTON.—This has been a year of varied exercises; my health has not been adequate to all my numerous duties, interfering especially with expected visits to the Indians on Georgina Island; still, we have had tokens for good as manifested in a slight increase of membership, and most favourable aspects of efficiency in the general work of the Missions. Erected our church at the cost of \$1,600; congregations improving. Members, 56.

H. LEITH.

BARRIE DISTRICT.

Angus..... John Pepper, B.A.

Penetanguishene Isaac Baker.

Rugby..... Thomas Grandy.

Coldwater William Tucker.

ANGUS.—I am about to complete my third year on this Mission, having had somewhat trying circumstances to contend with. These years have been times of great depression, especially in the village of Angus. Nevertheless, we have done something in finances, having

reduced our Grenfell church debt from \$390 to \$200, and kept the interest paid up. There has not been so much spiritual advancement as desirable, yet there have been a few conversions every year. Our Missionary Fund this year is greater than last, the Relief and Extension Fund equal to the ordinary fund of last year, but the other Connexional funds unfortunately are smaller. Members, 96.

JOHN PEPPER.

PENETANGUISHENE.—We have been labouring under many disadvantages on this Mission. There is no parsonage, only one church, no local preachers or exhorters, and only a few leaders. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, through the goodness of God, we are able to report an increase in the membership, and quite an advance in the finances. Indeed, so extensive has the work become that our last official meeting deemed it advisable to ask the Conference to send an additional labourer to this Mission next year. It is hoped, with the blessing of God on the labours of two men, that the Mission will rapidly progress, and will soon become, if not divided, a self-supporting circuit. Members, 98; on trial, 4; total, 102; increase, 22.

ISAAC BAKER.

RUGBY.—We are thankful to be able to report some progress on this Mission, where confessions and creeds have been so thickly sown. Nevertheless, through the presence and blessing of the Master, accompanying the humble efforts of your Missionary, our cause has been strengthened. A series of special services was held with encouraging results, and the spirituality of our people assumes a more permanent character. We have had a shed rebuilt and paid for, which was blown down two years ago, and two of our churches cleared of debt. Our people are kind, generous in proportion to their means; and our prayer is, "Let thy work appear unto thy servants and thy children, and let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish thou the work of our hands; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it." Members, 78.

THOMAS GRANDY.

COLDWATER.—This Mission is very extensive, there being seven appointments; long distances to travel, very bad roads, and the labour in working it severe; yet, by the blessing of God, we have been able to keep up a regular supply of the ordinances. We are able to report advancement in all branches of the work. A few souls have been added to the Church, so that we are able to report a small increase, although we have lost a good many by removals. We have done something for the Relief and Extension Fund, and over twenty per cent. in advance in the ordinary Missionary contributions, and all the other Connexional Funds in advance. We have reduced the debt on the parsonage, and raised more for the minister than heretofore. Although the labour in working this Mission has been severe and trying, we have greatly enjoyed the work in our intercourse with the people. Members, 54.

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<i>Severn Bridge</i>	John Hart.
<i>Utterson</i>	George K. B. Adams, under the Superintendent of Bracebridge.
<i>Uffington</i>	Thomas S. McKee, under the Superintendent of Bracebridge.
<i>Port Carling</i>	George S. Reynolds.
<i>Huntsville</i>	Thomas W. Hall ; R. N. Hill, Sup'y.
<i>Perry and Armour</i>	George Wesley Marvin, under the Superintendent of Huntsville.
<i>Maganetawan</i>	William H. Emsley.
<i>Rosseau</i>	One to be sent.
<i>McKellar</i>	William Torrance ; Reuben Toye, Superannuated ; J. Crawford, Sup'y.
<i>Lorne</i>	One to be sent.
<i>Nipissing and Stony Lake</i>	One to be sent under the Superintendent of Maganetawan.

SEVERN BRIDGE.—This Mission is prospering. During the past year we built a church in the village of Washago, and repaired the parsonage. We also secured a lot in the township of Rama, and have commenced operations in building a church. There is still a heavy debt on our parsonage, which we hope to provide for next year. The most of the people are poor, but willing to do what they can for their minister, and the Connexion at large. All our congregations are on the increase, and our members appear to be growing in grace. We are earnestly looking for a revival of God's work. Present membership, 88.

JOHN HART.

UTTERSON.—We had one successful revival ; but, owing to the small number of inhabitants, we did not receive a very large addition to our membership. Financially we have not fared very well, as the people, owing to the failure of crops, have been poorer this than any preceding year since the settlement of the country. We have made some improvement on our church in Stisted ; have received 18 members during the year, but, as a large number have removed, we have to report a small decrease. Members, 65. GEO. K. B. ADAMS.

UFFINGTON.—Much of this field is new. My main object has been to lay a good foundation. The Mission promises well. The people are poor, but have done nobly this year, having raised over \$700 for church purposes. We have seven preaching places. The congregations average about 30. Three Sabbath-schools are just organized. At Uffington, the church begun last year is progressing. Estimated cost up to date, \$600 ; amount needed to finish, \$200 ; amount provided for, \$450 ; seating capacity, 200. On the 28th December our worthy chairman, Rev. W. J. Hewitt, conducted the

dedicatory service, and on New Year's night delivered his popular lecture, "A trip through the British Isles," to a crowded house. We have material on the ground for a church at Stamp's appointment. We expect it will be completed this season. The year has been one of hard but pleasant toil. Membership, 72; increase, 50.

T. S. MCKEE.

PORT CARLING.—Owing to the removal of Bro. Langford from Port Carling to the North-West, this Mission was without a supply for a length of time, which proved somewhat detrimental to our work. However, during the other part of the year, the Lord has blessed His word to the conversion of a few persons, and to the spiritual quickening of members. Attendance good; members, 86.

G. S. REYNOLDS.

HUNTSVILLE.—Through the tender mercy of God we are brought to the close of another year. The Lord has been pleased to own His word in the conversion of sinners, and in the building up of believers. We have received over 40 on trial for membership; but, owing to quite a number being dropped, and several removals, our increase is not large. Our Sabbath-school in Huntsville is in a very flourishing condition. Owing to hard times we are compelled to report a large deficiency in salary. The people here are praying for the continued outpouring of the Spirit. We praise God for what is past, and trust Him for what is to come. Members, 133.

T. W. HALL.

PERRY AND ARMOUR.—It is with feelings of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church that we close our second year on this Mission. About thirty have professed conversion. We have organized another Sabbath-school, under the superintendence of Bro. Hoover, to whom the Sabbath-schools on this Mission are greatly indebted. At Katrine, Bro. McDonald has presented the Mission with two lots for a church. We have the logs cut to make lumber for one, but were not able to build this year on account of the very hard times, caused by the severe frosts of last summer. Our Connexional Funds, although small, are in advance of last year. We now have classes organized at six appointments, two Sabbath-schools in operation, and a membership of 70; increase, 25.

GEORGE W. MARVIN.

MAGANETAWAN.—We are thankful to be able to report progress on this Mission. Our people have proved themselves to have the real Connexional spirit, as, notwithstanding the hard times so severely experienced, our funds have not been allowed to decline. We have held protracted services at the Chapman Valley appointment, and in Maganetawan village, which were owned by the Great Head of the Church in the conversion of sinners, and the increased spirituality of the members of the Church. Our ordinary services have been well sustained, the congregations being deeply attentive to the Word. One Sabbath-school commenced, which, although in its infancy, promises brightly for the future, ten of the scholars having been converted to God, and each one regularly attending class. The

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WILLIAM H. EMSLEY.

ROSSEAU.—With gratitude to the Giver of all good we review the work of this year. Thirty-four have been received as members during the year, and the attendance at service is increasing. The people are taking a more lively interest in the financial necessities of the Church. The property at Seguin Falls has been improved by clearing, and the church on the same has been plastered and otherwise repaired. Membership, 61.

H. W. MCTAVISH.

MCKELLAR.—Special services held at Mount Pleasant and Dunchurch were blessed of God in the conversion of sinners and in the quickening of God's people. Financially, our people have done well, when their circumstances are considered. The society in the village is burdened with a heavy debt on their church and parsonage, which they are endeavouring to liquidate by semi-annual instalments. We trust this Mission will continue to receive the favourable consideration of the Missionary Committee, until the people are able to support themselves. Members, 129.

WM. TORRANCE.

LORNE.—As this is the first year of the existence of Lorne Mission we have been engaged chiefly in organizing. On account of having to hold all our services in private houses we have been unable to hold any special services. Notwithstanding, our labour has not been altogether in vain. Four have made a start for the kingdom, while many have been greatly quickened. As there are a great many non-members in sympathy with us, we think much good may be done in the coming year. Membership, 34.

JAMES MCALISTER.

NIPISSING AND STONY LAKE.—The past year has been one of heavy, continuous toil. Your Missionary has walked about 45 miles from point to point of this Mission, and regularly preached to the scattered settlers, in this newly-settled country, in shanties and school-houses, and has been uniformly received with kindness. God has blessed the work in stirring up a spirit of earnest resolve in the hearts of this people—who are as yet unable to sustain the funds of the church—to abide by the old landmarks; and, as God helps them, repay their debt of gratitude they owe to those who assist them in the days of their trial and difficulty. Members, 17.

JOHN MEARS.

COLLINGWOOD DISTRICT.

- Maxwell..... Thomas J. Snowdon.
- Stayner George Edwards.

MAXWELL.—This is one of the old Missions; yet, owing to financial embarrassment consequent upon purchasing a parsonage (a model

both in regard to structure and surroundings), will for a few years yet require a little help ere coming to its majority. We have been saddened by learning that the love of many had become cold, and we were compelled to use the pruning knife upon our list of members, because of persistent neglect of religious ordinances. Yet, on the other hand, we notice a deepening interest on the part of many in the work of God. Members, 160. THOS. J. SNOWDON.

STAYNER.—(No Report.) Members, 140.

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OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

<i>Brookholm</i>	Charles R. Smith.
<i>Woodford</i>	William B. Danard.
<i>Eugenia Falls</i>	William H. Madden.
<i>Dundalk</i>	David Willams.
<i>Priceville</i>	Thomas Haddon.
<i>Wiar-ton</i>	William Hall.
<i>Lion's Head</i>	Thomas Legate.
<i>Hepworth</i>	Robert Johnston.

BROOKHOLM.—The appointments have been attended with all regularity, and many of the religious services have been fraught with much spiritual blessing. Many of our members cherish an ardent love to the Methodist Church and her institutions, and though literally struggling to provide for themselves and their families “things honest in the sight of all men,” they nevertheless give according to their means (with few exceptions) towards the sustenance of the Church of their preferential love. During the year death has made incursion amongst us; removals have taken place, and dead branches have been pruned away. Membership, 80.

CHARLES R. SMITH.

WOODFORD MISSION.—We are thankful to be able to report some progress on this Mission during the past year. A shed has been erected at Shiloh Church, costing \$100, which has been met. A brick parsonage has been built in Woodford, worth \$700, \$400 of which has been paid. Sunday-schools are being worked with greater efficiency. Our various services are more largely attended; and though we report the same membership as last year, yet there are encouraging tokens that soon we are likely to gather in sheaves. Members, 82.

W. B. DANARD.

EUGENIA FALLS.—Upon this Mission the year has been one of prosperity. A new church has been built and opened at the Hodgson's appointment, the cost of which has been provided for. A shed in connection with the Mount Zion Church has been built and paid for. Parsonage furniture to the amount of \$60 has been secured, and \$50 paid upon it. The Connexional funds have been

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W. H. MADDEN.

DUNDALK.—We are thankful to be able to report some little progress since we came here. Last November we moved our neat little church from the Gravel Road into the village, where it was reopened and dedicated to the worship of Almighty God by our esteemed chairman, Rev. C. Fish. There is a considerable deficiency in the salary, notwithstanding they have done all they are able for the sustaining of all the Church funds. Owing to Bro. Williams' health giving way directly after the great revival held by him, many of the young converts fell away for want of looking after. The majority of our members attend class, and are alive to God. Members, 161.

A. GLAZIER.

PRICEVILLE.—This Mission was never in a better state, financially and spiritually, than it is at present. We have spent three happy and, we think, successful years here. The people have been kind and have done what they could for their minister, nevertheless the deficiency in salary is quite large. During the year a nice little church at Priceville appointment was erected and dedicated, and at Preston steps are being taken to build a church. Special services were held, resulting in the conversion of a few souls. Hence, we report a membership of 107.

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WIARTON.—No special manifestation of saving power has visited the Mission. However, a few have professed to "turn their feet to the keeping of God's testimonies." There is an encouraging advancement in nearly all our appointments. We have peace in all our borders. Our people become more deeply interested in their own salvation and the salvation of others. This is especially evinced in the prayer-meeting and Sabbath-school. Our class-meetings are generally well attended, nearly all our people attending class. We are praying and looking for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us. Members, 92.

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LION'S HEAD.—This Mission is so large that it is impossible, as it now exists, to work it to advantage. It is 30 miles in length and from 8 to 10 in breadth. We have had some success, but not all for which we hoped. A few souls have been converted, and are now happy in the love of God. Our Connexional and Circuit funds have almost doubled those of the previous year. Membership, 43.

THOMAS LEGATE.

HEPWORTH.—In giving a report of this Mission there are many things to encourage us. While it has been a year of toil, it has also been a season of blessings. We held some thirteen weeks of special

meetings, at which many precious souls were brought to God. We took 47 members into the Church; but, on account of removals, death, and other hindrances, our net increase is but small. However, the Mission is in a healthy state. I believe its spiritual standard is higher than last year, and its success as a Circuit is looked forward to by the officials of the Mission with hope and confidence. The finances have been very low this year, and your Missionary has suffered more or less on that account; but still we raise our Ebenezer and say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Members, 91.

R. JOHNSTON.

WALKERTON DISTRICT.

- Mildmay..... David D. Rolston.
- Durham..... Nathaniel S. Burwash, William Watson;
John H. Holmes, Sup'y.
- Tiverton..... Almon P. Lyons.

MILDMAY.—This Mission, the second year of its existence, has not changed much in its general aspects. The cause in the village of Mildmay goes on steadily improving. The congregation is growing larger. The members are living in peace, and evidently growing in grace. The officials are active and enterprising. The Sabbath-school is constantly improving. Above \$70 was raised here for the Relief and Extension Fund, while the regular Missionary money has actually increased during the present year. Otter Creek is just about what it was ten years ago. But even there, a few active young people exist and work. After many removals, we report a small increase. Members, 89.

D. DERMOTT ROLSTON.

DURHAM MISSION.—In reviewing the work of God on this Mission during the past three years, we have much cause for thankfulness. Three years ago we found only a small class in the town of Durham. We leave two large classes well attended. We found only one very feeble Sabbath-school on the entire Mission, now there are five. The congregations are good; and we think the time is at hand when Durham, with only one man, should take its place among the self-sustaining Circuits. Members, 170.

R. GODFREY.

TIVERTON.—On our arrival here we found the church at Tiverton sadly out of repair, but we thought it not wise to attempt to repair it until we first paid the debt on the organ. With the faithful few and other well-wishers, we paid the debt and repaired the church. There were 23 members on the Circuit register for Tiverton; 12 of them soon left the place, and from the majority of them we got nothing. The congregation has more than doubled at this appointment. We started a prayer-meeting and a Sabbath-school, which are very well

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attended. The congregations at Wesley and Underwood are better than when we first came. We are hopeful for an ingathering of souls during the coming year, if returned to this field of labour. Our Connexional funds are in advance of last year; but while the brethren have done nobly in sustaining the cause, beside making large payments on the churches, it is to be regretted that the Missionary Committee did not, with a larger grant to this Mission, encourage them to continue in this course. The appropriations were small, and the amount laid upon each appointment was as much as thought to be possible to raise, and proved to be more than was raised at nearly all of them; therefore, with the small grant, it causes the Missionary to have about \$240 deficiency. Members, 77. A. P. LYONS.

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The following Reports from Winnipeg and White Fish Lake were received too late for insertion in their proper places on pages xlv. and xviii.

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When I took charge of Grace Church in 1876, there were less than 100 members in Winnipeg and in the adjacent settlements. During 1876-7, assisted by Rev. T. E. Morden, B.A., Point Douglas and Prairie Grove were regularly supplied, and other outposts were occasionally visited. The debt on Grace Church was paid during the year; and the church, becoming too small for the increasing congregation, was enlarged during the spring of 1877, so as to give double the former sittings. At the May Official Meeting of this year the congregation declared itself self-sustaining.

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During the next two years the Rev. J. W. Bell, B.D., rendered very valuable assistance in the extension of the work. Selkirk, twenty miles north of Winnipeg, became a separate Mission, and took from Grace Church the members that lived in that settlement. The Rev. Wesley Casson was appointed the first pastor.

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Prairie Grove was also constituted a Mission, with Rev. W. W. Andrews as a Missionary. Services were established at Morris, forty miles south of Winnipeg, and also at intermediate settlements. In 1878 these appointments were formed into a Mission, with Rev. A. B. Hames in charge.

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Point Douglas (Zion Church) also became a separate Mission. The congregations of Grace and Zion churches steadily increased until additional accommodation was necessary.

During the past year, under the superintendency of Rev. J. A. McCamus, the congregation of Zion Church erected a very comfortable and suitable church; and the trustees of Grace Church have purchased a central and very desirable site upon which they purpose, very shortly, to erect a church suitable to the demands of the growing congregation.

The work is extending very rapidly in Manitoba and the North-West Territories. The original Red River District is now divided into three districts, and in its extension embraces twenty-four Missions and twenty-three Missionaries. In 1876 there were 315 white members on this District; this year there are 818. In 1876 this District raised, for Missionary Fund, \$538 41; in 1880, \$2109 16.

Considering the efficient staff of ministerial labourers we have in the field, the intelligent and loyal members of our Church who are already settled in that most promising land, and the large numbers of our members and adherents who are yearly emigrating thither, our cause presents a most hopeful aspect, and makes most strong demands upon the sympathy and liberality of our Church at large.

JOHN F. GERMAN.

WHITE FISH LAKE—SASKATCHEWAN DISTRICT.

Concerning the State of this Mission a little may be said. During the year that is past all has been peace and quietness, while from every direction beyond the Mission, we heard of trouble, trial and want. "They that trust in the Lord Jehovah shall not want." The godliness which is professed by the people of this Mission, in its promises has been proven by them to be true, temporally and spiritually. By their exertions, and God's blessing, they have had a sufficiency to supply the need of their families, while their heathen brethren were reduced to extremities of want. Many of the latter would, perhaps, have perished had not the Government provided them food during the past winter. It is the prophecy of many that the Indian race is doomed to dwindle and become extinct altogether. Without disputing it may be said that those who have truly embraced the Gospel, and have felt its power converting them from their former depraved condition, show a marked difference, even in this respect. In the two scourges which came and passed through our country, when thousands of its inhabitants were taken away by the scarlet fever and small-pox, comparatively few of this charge suffered; and they think, and are thankful in knowing, that the great Spirit they are now endeavouring to serve heard their prayer, hence their suffering from these diseases were comparatively lighter than in other bands.

During the past year no sickness has come within our borders. There have been sixteen births and only two deaths. Very little complaining has been heard among them. It may again be reported that the members of the Society in this charge still adhere to the usages of our Church. The public ministrations of the Word, the class and prayer-meetings are appreciated. The day-school and Sabbath-school have also been attended to. We have had no increase in our membership, nor have there been many falling away. Hitherto the Lord has helped with His blessing the efforts made to

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promote His glory. By the past blessings thus vouchsafed we thank God and take courage. May the Church remember this Mission station in their prayers that it may retain and hold the position it has attained among the Missions of the various denominations of the Christian Church in the North-West.

H. B. STEINHAEUER.

LONDON CONFERENCE.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

<i>Queenston</i>	Robert H. Balmer.
<i>Niagara</i>	James Masson.
<i>Crowland</i>	James J. A. Lever.
<i>Rainham</i>	Aaron D. Miller.
<i>Port Colborne</i>	George Daniel.

QUEENSTON.—During the year prosperity spiritually was manifested, and a number were received into Church connection. But Queenston will always be a mission while left in its present position, as independent of surrounding circuits. Members, 62.

R. H. BALMER.

NIAGARA.—Some success has attended our labours on this mission, although, owing to deaths and removals, we have to report a slight decrease of members. We have been cheered by some very interesting conversions. Congregations have been good and attentive, and the various funds, both circuit and connexional, have been well sustained. Members, 61.

JAMES MASSON.

CROWLAND.—We have been compelled to drop quite a number of names of those returned as members, in consequence of their non-attendance on the means of grace. What members we have left are doing well, "growing in grace" and righteousness. We have peace in all our borders. Financially not able to do much. Membership, 60.

J. J. A. LEVER.

RAINHAM.—The religious state of this mission is encouraging. We have a fair attendance at class-meeting. The Sabbath-schools are doing a good work. A few, during the year, were brought to Christ, and remain with the Church. There are eighty members on this mission.

A. D. MILLER.

PORT COLBORNE.—Our new church has been completed and formally dedicated. Though we have suffered heavily by removals, yet we rejoice to say the year has not been without some prosperity. We have had several conversions, and our members have been quickened. Our Sabbath-school is in a very prosperous condition, and we report a gratifying advance in finances. While there is much to perplex there is very much to cheer. Members, 32.

GEO. DANIEL.

SIMCOE DISTRICT.

- Delhi*..... Joseph Guest ; C. W. M. Gilbert, Sup'd.
- Lynedoch* Robert Burns.
- Port Rowan* Joseph Rawson.

DELHI.—The Delhi Church was destroyed by fire, and everything a total loss, save insurance to the amount of \$1,000. The pastor has been totally incapacitated through illness from attending to any circuit work during the last four months. These things have injured our connexional funds. We have erected a new brick church at our Lynnville appointment, valued at \$1,400. Debt largely provided for. Our classes generally are in a healthy spiritual condition. Members, 131. JOSEPH GUEST.

LYNEDOCH.—God has blessed us with some spiritual growth. We have to some degree experienced the Apostolic benediction. By a unanimous vote of the August Quarterly Board it was resolved that we become a self-sustaining circuit. Members, 165. ROBT. BURNS.

PORT ROWAN.—We think Port Rowan Mission is materially improved. One new church has been built ; debts in connection with churches and parsonage have been paid in part, and so arranged as to make it more agreeable for the future. Members, 117. J. RAWSON.

LONDON DISTRICT.

- London East*..... Thos. B. Leith ; John H. Keppel, Sup'd.
- Ingersoll North*..... William W. Sparling.
- Thorndale* Daniel W. Thompson ; Wm. H. Spence.

LONDON EAST.—Last year the Lord gave us a great blessing ; this year we have had a greater one. We returned sixty-eight members last year ; this year we return one hundred and one. Last year our church was enlarged and improved to the extent of \$550 ; this year our congregations have increased so rapidly that the trustees deemed it necessary to make it larger. Our improvements will cost, when completed, about \$525, which is almost covered by subscription. Seating capacity about 400 ; and God has promised to do "greater things" if we believe. T. B. LEITH.

INGERSOLL NORTH.—There has been a continual tide of removals, consequently our congregations are not as large as the previous year, and we have to report a small decrease in the membership. But, taking everything into account, the year has been successful ; some have been converted, the means of grace have been well attended, and at both appointments the Sabbath-schools are flourishing. Our great drawback is the poverty of our people. Members, 75.

W. W. SPARLING.

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THORNDALE.—God has been with us on this Mission in great power. Special efforts for the salvation of souls were engaged in heartily, and as a result seventy-five persons were received on trial, forty-five of whom have been received into full connection, after the manner prescribed in our Discipline, and nineteen remain on trial. Two new brick churches have been built and furnished, at a cost of \$3,500, for which provision has been made, and about \$2,000 of it collected. For this prosperity, spiritual and material, we give God thanks, and take courage. After deducting thirty-one for removals, we report an increase of thirty members. Membership, 140. D. W. THOMPSON.

ST. THOMAS DISTRICT.

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| <i>Tyrconnell</i> | William McCann. |
| <i>Bismarck</i> | John G. Fallis; one wanted. |
| <i>Alvinston</i> | William L. Hackett. |
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TYRCONNELL.—We have three appointments on this Mission. Tyrconnell is our best, both in numbers and finances; but we have been greatly divided as the result of evangelistic labours, one saying, "I am of Paul," &c. We held a special meeting at this place for six weeks, which resulted in more unity among the members, the reclaiming of backsliders and the conversion of sinners. Our people are warm in their attachment to our cause, and energetic in sustaining the means of grace—prayer-meeting, class-meeting, Sabbath-school and public services. We held a special service here for five weeks, which was greatly blessed to the Church. They are faithfully struggling to get their comfortable little church out of debt, which will, I think, be accomplished in another year. Dutton is a rising village on the Canada Southern. Here we have a very good frame church, but considerably burdened with debt—*i.e.*, in proportion to the strength of the society, which is not very strong. But there are encouraging features in this place. Our congregation is increasing, and the class-meetings are seasons of great interest. Our last Quarterly Meeting was held here, and it was said by the friends to have been among the best they ever attended. Members, 94; churches, 3; Sabbath-schools, 3.

WM. MCCANN.

BISMARCK.—Considerable progress has been made on this Mission during the year. Two new Sabbath appointments have been taken up; formed two new classes and two Sabbath-schools. Two churches have been erected at a cost of about \$1,000. Congregations good. We thank God and take courage. Members, 164, including 40 on trial.

J. G. FALLIS.

ALVINSTON.—We close up our first year's labors on this Mission with thanks to God for the measure of success which he has given us. There has been a slight increase in the membership. The public

and social means of grace are all well attended, and our Connexional interests have been liberally sustained. A Sabbath-school has been organized in the village, which is being successfully worked. At McKenne's appointment the contract is let for the erection of a new church, for which they intend to pay cash when completed. Members, 79. W. L. HACKETT.

CHATHAM DISTRICT.

- Tilbury*..... William M. Bielby.
- Bothwell* Thomas H. Patchell.
- Thamesville* William W. Edwards, John H. Howard.

TILBURY.—On coming to this Mission, I found the people anxious regarding the future development of our work. They have, however, sustained all the religious and financial interests of the Church, hopefully anticipating such changes as will make them either self-sustaining, or nearly so. Members, 41. W. M. BIELBY.

BOTHWELL.—Our congregations are encouraging. We have endeavored to reduce the church debt. The Quarterly occasions were well attended, and seasons of refreshing. Our people are not, in general, well-to-do. Some are poor, and others are struggling with financial difficulties, yet they have done nobly. They pay me nearly \$70 in advance of what they promised, reducing by so much the anticipated deficiency. \$21.90 was contributed for Relief and Extension Fund, and the Missionary money is \$15 in advance of last year. What our people specially need is the baptism from on high. Members, 90. T. H. PATCHELL.

THAMESVILLE.—The year has been filled with blessings. We have advanced encouragingly in both the spiritual and temporal interests of the Church. Our increase of members for the year is sixty-six; and we have raised for the various temporalities \$500 more than we did last year. The means of grace have been largely attended; and nearly all our meetings have been seasons of special power and profit. We report a total membership of 233. WM. W. EDWARDS.

SARNIA DISTRICT.

- Point Edward* James E. Ford.
- Glencoe* Coleman Bristol, M.A.
- Camlachie*..... Thomas H. Orme.
- Oil Springs* Joshua R. Kay.
- Marthaville* Elwin J. Clarke, under the Superintendent of Petrolia; J. Tyler, Sup'd.

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<i>Grand Bend</i>	George J. Kerr.
<i>Ravenswood</i>	Jasper Wilson.
<i>Sombra and Courtwright</i>	James Gundy.
<i>Port Lambton</i>	Joseph Hill.

POINT EDWARD.—We have not laboured during the year without encouragement. There was a membership at the beginning of the year of 102 ; and although losing from different causes 22, we are enabled to report 100. The congregations are good. Among the discouraging things which are met with on entrance upon this field of labour is a very heavy debt on the church at Point Edward, which hinders not a little the progress of the cause. We hope for a better financial position for the society, although there is no prospect (unless aided by generous friends in other places) of the debt being speedily removed.

JAS. E. FORD.

GLENCOE is a promising business centre at the junction of the Great Western and the Loop line from St. Thomas, thirty miles west of London. It had been twice taken up and abandoned ; our people had either removed or united with other Churches. We succeeded in gathering a congregation and Sabbath-school for a time in the Town Hall ; then, by the courtesy of our Presbyterian brethren, in Burns Church. Our congregation has averaged about fifty, and our Sabbath-school has at times reached one hundred, though the average is much less. We have a class of twenty-one members, met regularly by the minister ; and a Ladies' Aid Society, which, by persevering zeal, has purchased an organ, and made a start towards a new church. We have also a regular week-night appointment four miles out of the village, which promises to become permanent, and to result in much good. In relation to the north end of the Circuit, we can only say, through grace we have "held the fort." We received 35 members ; we return 53.

COLEMAN BRISTOL.

CAMLACHIE.—Throughout the whole year the blessing of God has given constant encouragement to our labours on this Mission. The effort to erect a parsonage, commenced under the pastorate of Bro. Turner, has been vigorously supplemented, and shortly after the commencement of the Conference year your missionary will occupy a house which will do credit both to the Circuit and District. In our special services, both at Irwin's and McCay's the saving power of the Holy Spirit was strikingly manifest. In all, upwards of one hundred souls sought the Lord on this Mission this year. Our congregations are increasingly good, and the interest in Church prosperity very encouraging. After a loss by removals, deaths, etc., of twenty-eight, we are able to report an increase of twenty-eight. Members, 145.

T. H. ORME.

OIL SPRINGS.—Our congregations are good. The presence of the Lord has been with us during the year. Our Sabbath-school is in a prosperous condition. After having deducted 19 removals, we report a membership of 38.

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MARTHAVILLE.—At present our work presents many encouraging aspects. We succeeded in building a very beautiful church at Marthaville and making provision for the indebtedness. Our congregations at Marthaville number from 200 to 250. At two of the appointments we have prosperous Sabbath-schools. We held nineteen weeks of special meetings, which were attended with blessed results. Sinners were converted and believers quickened. Though every one was crying, "hard times," we succeeded in raising upwards of \$880 for all purposes. Present membership, 50. E. J. CLARKE.

GRAND BEND.—On arriving on this field of labour in July last, we found it in a good state spiritually, the members appearing to be anxious to work harmoniously with their pastor in the Master's vineyard. The year, on the whole, has been a prosperous one. Two special services have been conducted with good results. Of those who experienced a change of heart were a number of Sunday-school scholars, who give great promise of usefulness. One little boy who was converted gave his mother no rest until she accompanied him to the afternoon prayer-meeting, at which she was convicted of sin and began to seek the Lord. She and her husband are both happy in a Saviour's love, a direct result of the little boy's zeal for Christ. We have lost three by death, and six by removals to other circuits. Eight have been received by letter, and forty are on trial. The present membership is 138; increase, 21. All our members, excepting a few who are ill, are regular attendants at class. G. J. KERR.

RAVENSWOOD.—There are many discouraging features in connection with this charge. The place being small, other denominations having their claim, and the near approach of other circuits of our own work, cause the sphere of labour here to be greatly circumscribed. The Sabbath-school has been well attended, and is somewhat encouraging. Members, 21. JASPER WILSON.

SOMBRA AND COURTWRIGHT.—Our influence as a Church on this Mission has been for the last three years steadily increasing, and we are thankful to God for some degree of prosperity. We have taken into the Church a number of young people who are among our best and most faithful members. Our congregations are good. In Courtwright we have a large congregation. The debt on the church has been largely reduced, not leaving, after the subscriptions which are good, over \$400 unpaid. We have raised over \$50 for the Relief and Extension Fund. Our class and prayer-meetings are truly means of grace. Membership, 69; increase, 12. JAMES GUNDY.

PORT LAMBTON.—The removal of twenty-one members during the year, and the want of sleighing in winter, militated against the prosperity of this Mission, spiritually and financially. We received ten members during the year, some of whom are promising. Our congregation in the village is usually good and attentive. Two prayer-meetings each week are seasons of refreshing. The Sabbath-school has been kept up all the year, with a fair attendance. The prospect for the future is brighter, and would, I think, warrant a longer trial of this field in its present shape. Members, 38. JOSEPH HILL.

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GUELPH DISTRICT.

<i>Elmira</i>	John W. Cooley.
<i>Rockwood</i>	John W. Freeman, B. D.
<i>Erin</i>	David Rogers, John Henry Bennett.
<i>Garafraxa</i>	James Laird.

ELMIRA.—On this field the prospects for either rapid or extensive growth are necessarily limited by the preponderance of the German population. Yet the year's work furnishes some considerable encouragement on every line. In the majority of the appointments the Church is peaceful, united, and earnest. Special services resulted in the accession of eighteen members, and the quickening of the spiritual life of the Church in Elmira. The Elmira sanctuary has been improved. Members, 102.

JOHN W. COOLEY.

ROCKWOOD.—This year's labours on the Rockwood Mission have not resulted in that apparent good for which we hoped and prayed. The state of the roads during the winter, and the arrangement of Connexional work, made the holding of special services almost an impossibility. We believe, however, that some good has been done, and that with the blessing of God upon the seed sown it will yet yield a plentiful harvest. Members, 121.

J. W. FREEMAN.

ERIN.—The interest in the cause of God on this Mission has not abated any during the year now closed. Great interest is being taken in Sabbath-school work. We regret, however, that after holding two series of special services, we are not able to report a number of conversions, but some two or three have united with us under the ordinary means of grace. This Mission, as a whole, has been spiritually low for a number of years, and what we most need now is a baptism of the Holy Ghost. A change in the boundaries of the Mission has been discussed, and, if effected, will somewhat relieve the Missionary Society. Members, 102.

DAVID ROGERS.

GARAFRAXA.—During a considerable portion of the year circumstances were very unfavorable for the gathering together of the scattered Methodist families for public worship. Nevertheless, your missionary has faithfully endeavored to hold forth the word of life, and preach a free and full salvation from sin and hell. Some have died in the faith—some rejoice in it to-day—but of the masses we may say, "Who hath believed our report, and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?" During the year we have paid for the Douglas Church organ, and raised upwards of \$60 wherewith to begin repairs on Tranquillity Church, at or near Marsville. Among those removed by death were two old and highly respected Church officers. Our loss we deeply feel; their gain we dimly see by faith. Members, 80.

JAS. LAIRD.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

<i>Kenilworth</i>	Ebenezer Teskey.
<i>Arthur</i>	William Mills.
<i>Holstein</i>	Joseph Deacon, Richard Redmond.
<i>Luther</i>	William Willimott.

KENILWORTH.—We have found this Mission in its present shape somewhat hard to work, and particularly so owing to the open winter. Yet we rejoice over tokens of improvement spiritually, financially, and numerically. Members, 111.

E. TESKEY.

ARTHUR.—The year's work on this field has been progressing quietly. Our people deserve a great deal of credit for their contributions to the several Connexional funds, but especially for their spirit and liberality in the Relief and Extension movement. We have five appointments, of which Arthur, Cumnock, and Alma are the three principal. Considering what Methodism was here a short time ago, it must be admitted to have made marvellous and rapid advancement. Members, 181.

WILLIAM MILLS.

HOLSTEIN.—Our congregations, on the whole, have been good. Most of the class-meetings have been well attended. We have had a year of peace, and some degree of success. Members, 250. J. DEACON.

LUTHER—In reviewing our labours on this Mission, we feel deeply humbled on account of the comparatively little apparent success resulting therefrom. We trust, however, that our feeble efforts to promote the interests of the cause of Christ have not been altogether in vain. Our congregations have been generally good, and much interest has been manifested in the word preached. We have received thirteen additional members, yet for various causes we can only report an increase of one. Owing to the fact that many of our people are comparatively poor, the Mission cannot boast of its financial strength, and in order to support its minister it will require help from the Missionary Society for some little time to come. Members, 90.

W. WILLIMOTT.

STRATFORD DISTRICT.

<i>New Hamburg</i>	Cecil Harper, B.A.
<i>Wellesley</i>	Walton Preston.

NEW HAMBURG.—The members on this Mission are generous, kind, and willing to co-operate with their minister in church work. A new Sunday-school has been established and the old one sustained. Circuit finances are liberally supported according to the ability of the people.

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In consequence of removals, our congregations in the village fluctuate, and the population floats. People are here a few months and then gone. Our membership is only thirty-seven, and beyond the membership we have little hold on the people and little prospect of increase. It is to be hoped that such a re-arrangement of the work will be effected as will no longer necessitate a missionary grant.

CECIL HARPER.

WELLESLEY.—(*No Report.*) Members, 66.

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Teeswater.....Charles E. Stafford.
Ulster.....Richard C. Henders.

TEESWATER.—We have succeeded with God's blessing in getting up a beautiful brick church, which is an ornament to the village and an honour to Methodism. The church cost \$4,100, towards which \$1,900 have been paid during the year. We have also subscriptions amounting to about \$700, which will be paid within the next two years. Our congregation has wonderfully increased, and the membership of the church, after making up for 21 removals, is 12 more than last year. The Quarterly Board, thankful for the assistance given by the Missionary Committee, decided at its last meeting to ask no further grant from the Mission Fund. Members, 85.

C. E. STAFFORD.

ULSTER.—The work of God is encouragingly progressing among us. All our Connexional interests have been well sustained, while considerable has been done in the way of church improvement at home. In reviewing the spiritual aspect of the work there is cause for thankfulness. While the results are not all that could be desired, yet there has been decided progress. Our congregations average considerably more than last year, and two of the churches are not large enough to afford the necessary accommodation. The principal drawback to this Mission is that the appointments are so far apart from each other that it is almost impossible to work them satisfactorily. Members, 154.

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MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

<i>Montreal Ninth, (Lachine and Cote St. Paul)</i>	William J. Jolliffe.
<i>St. Lambert and Chambly</i>	W. H. Sparling, B.A.
<i>St. Johns</i>	W. J. Crothers, M.A.
<i>Ormstown</i>	John Holmes.
<i>Valleyfield</i>	John Webster.
<i>Hudson</i>	Thomas C. Carson.
<i>North Gore</i>	William Smith.
<i>New Glasgow</i>	Isaac Wheatley.
<i>Rawdon</i>	Francis Delong.

MONTREAL NINTH.—(*No Report.*) Members, 30.

ST. LAMBERT AND CHAMBLY.—Owing to removals and death we have to report a decrease of eight in the membership. The services during the year have been well attended, considering the smallness of the Protestant population. All the Connexional interests have been liberally sustained, and the sum of \$140 contributed to the Relief and Extension Fund. Two old and much respected members passed away during the year, in the triumphs of faith. In St. Lambert our class-meeting is well attended, and our Church is in a prosperous condition spiritually. In Chambly our membership is gradually diminishing through removals, but the few who remain are struggling nobly to sustain our cause. Members, 25.

W. H. SPARLING.

ST. JOHNS.—Though surrounded by circumstances of a disheartening character, we have reason to thank God and take courage. The faith of our people has been severely tried by the depression, which closely followed the fire, by which this town was devastated. Our services have been well attended during the year. We have realized the presence of the Master, and the people of God have been quickened. There has been considerable advance in Connexional funds, and we have repaired and beautified our church. We hope in time to become a self-supporting Circuit. Members, 54.

W. J. CROTHERS.

ORMSTOWN.—We are thankful to be able to report some progress on this charge during the year. Forty new members have been received, and the spiritual tone of the Church has improved. We have good congregations, and peace in all our borders. Ormstown takes its place among our independent circuits, raising last year fully \$700 for the minister's salary. Members, 112. JOHN HOLMES.

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VALLEYFIELD.—Success has attended the labours of your Missionary in this place. The people have received, with one exception, two sermons each Sabbath. Souls have been converted to God, regular services established, a class instituted, and a fair congregation gathered. Members, 18.

JOHN WEBSTER.

HUDSON.—We have not been wanting in tokens of God's favour on this field. With some degree of sincerity we can say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." As the result of God's blessing upon our united efforts, 32 have been received on trial. After deducting 1 death, 3 removals, and 1 dropped, we report an increase of 27. Earnestness and regular attendance on class have been unusually cheering. Our business meetings have been well and cheerfully attended, and we are happy to report no deficit in the sum they agreed to raise towards the support of your Missionary. Our people seem determined to support the cause as their means allow. Members, 65.

T. C. CARSON.

NORTH GORE.—The congregations on this Mission have been very good, especially at the Mille Isles appointment. The prayer-meeting on Thursday evening at this appointment has been well attended, there being frequently over a hundred persons present. God has granted us a measure of success; we return 141 members. Financially, the people have done considerably better than last year.

W. SMITH.

NEW GLASGOW.—The size of this Mission as now constituted has not prevented your Missionary from keeping his appointments with fidelity. The dissatisfaction felt in the earlier portion of the year on what was Shawbridge Mission has, to some extent, disappeared. We rejoice that the presence of the Master has been felt in our assemblies, and some conversions have taken place, several have renounced the errors of Romanism, and are now regularly meeting in class. The importance of this Mission is not to be estimated by the size of its congregations, the number of its members, or the amount of its contributions. It is a light in a dark place, and some of our members are earnest and devoted labourers among the Catholics. It is very desirable that a minister should be appointed to this field of labour who can speak both the English and French languages. Our church at Morin has been destroyed by fire, but the people are making arrangements for building a larger and more comfortable one. Members, 120.

ISAAC WHEATLEY.

RAWDON.—We regret that we cannot report an increase of members. Our accessions just equal the removals. Nor need we expect much of an increase, as our congregations are now nearly all members of the Church, including children; and here nearly everybody belongs to some church. Our prayer and class-meetings have been well attended, and our people have been faithful to all the means of grace. We have paid for an organ for the Rawdon church, and \$18 for repairing the well at the parsonage. There is an advance in all the Connexional funds, and in ministerial support. Members, 100.

F. DELONG.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

<i>Roblin</i>	William Pyke.
<i>Amherst Island</i>	James E. Werden.
<i>Battersea</i>	Joseph Follick.
<i>Harrowsmith</i>	Richard N. Adams.
<i>Arden</i>	Nassau B. Topping.
<i>Seeley's Bay</i>	George H. Squire, B.A.
<i>Vennacher</i>	One to be sent.

ROBLIN.—A beautiful country church has been erected at the village of Roblin, the head of this Mission. For about thirty years our people here have worshipped in a school-house, which has tended largely towards disheartening them and paralyzing our efforts for good. Since the erection of this place of worship a great improvement has taken place, both in the increased congregations and the spiritual condition of many of the people. For some time past scarcely a week has elapsed without the reception of one or more persons into the Church, in connection with the regular means of grace. We enjoy peace in our borders, but "the best of all is, God is with us." With a view to saving Missionary money, the Quarterly Board recommended the stationing of a young man on this Mission for the coming year. Our membership is 115. W. PYKE.

AMHERST ISLAND.—On behalf of the Mission I will say we commenced this year under rather melancholy circumstances. Bro. Werden being quite ill when he came to the Island, continued to sink until November 6th, when the Master called His servant to his reward. Yet, the work has gone on, and the Lord has blessed us. The Sabbath-school was kept open the whole year. The Tuesday evening Bible-class we started in September was well attended during the winter, and is doing well yet. Prayer-meetings are well sustained, and all other services are improving. We found 49 members; and now leave 52. J. W. MILLS

BATTERSEA.—Some good has been accomplished by pastoral visits, and by the preaching of the Word. Our Sabbath-school has prospered during the year. Owing to removals and the depression of the times, our Connexional funds are not equal to last year's returns. Members, 53. J. FOLLICK.

HARROWSMITH.—The general religious aspect of this Mission has been fair. Special religious services held during the year had a beneficial effect upon the members of the Church. Congregations have been good; class-meetings and prayer meetings interestingly maintained; and Sabbath-schools very efficiently carried on throughout the year. Our loss in members, by death and removals, in proportion to the extent of the Mission, has been severe, and we have been reminded not only of the uncertainty of life, but also of the consolation afforded by the Gospel of our blessed Lord. Members, 117. S. TEESON.

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ARDEN.—In the village of Arden we have a neat and commodious church, a flourishing Sabbath-school, and preaching every Sabbath. In Olden we have four appointments, with many encouraging features; whilst our Mountain Vale appointment has been weakened by removals. Times have been somewhat dull through this section of country. Yet, financially, we are in advance of last year. In special services souls have been won for Christ, whilst in our regular congregations we have felt that "God was with us." Our class-meetings have been times of refreshing, whilst one of our number, we trust, is safe in heaven. Members, 61.

N. B. TOPPING.

SEELEY'S BAY.—The work on this Mission has been one of consolidation rather than of extension. In the hearts of many the Word has been the savour of life unto life. The liberality of the people, on the whole, is not largely developed, and heavy church debts remain to be met. It ought to be enlarged by the addition of other appointments, if it were possible. Members, 70.

G. H. SQUIRE.

VENNACHAR.—God has blessed us with spiritual peace and prosperity. Our labours have been extended to people who have hitherto been without the Gospel. The preaching services, class-meetings, and prayer-meetings have been well attended, and God has blessed our labours in the salvation of souls. Members, 60.

STEPHEN WILSON.

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BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

Oxford.....	Robert Robinson.
Cornwall.....	Richard Whiting.
Avonmore.....	James Lawson.
Lancaster.....	Samuel D. Chown.

OXFORD.—(*No Report.*) Members, 162.

CORNWALL.—The past year has been one of peace and prosperity. Congregations large and attentive. Many souls saved. A new class, formed of Sabbath-school scholars, placed under a kind and judicious leader. The Sabbath-school is doing well. The pastor's Bible-class, numbering about fifty interesting young persons, is very encouraging. There is hope in reference to the future for our cause in Cornwall; and though we are often led to feel the force of the Saviour's words, "How hardly shall they that have riches enter the kingdom," thank God "the poor have the Gospel preached unto them." Financially, we struggle along, trying to put a cheerful courage on. Members, 105.

R. WHITING.

AVONMORE.—The work here still prospers. We have held special services at two appointments, for several weeks each, at which about sixty professed a change of heart. Many of the mem-

bers give evidence of much more spiritual life than formerly ; and after supplying vacancies caused by deaths, &c., we have a net increase of 23 members, with good prospects for the future. We have organized another Sabbath-school, and have introduced the "Bereah Lessons" into all. A good new bell (weighing 409 lbs.) and a nice new organ have been put in the church at Avonmore, and are almost clear of debt, \$100 having been donated toward the former by a member of the congregation, O. Fulton, Esq., M.P., of Avonmore. Connexional funds are still on the increase, being about 25 per cent. in advance of last year, exclusive of the Relief and Extension Fund. All members who are able meet in class. Congregations good, with no signs of falling off. Members, 100.

JAMES LAWSON.

LANCASTER.—Considering all our circumstances, we have to report a year of satisfactory progress. The number of our members has not increased, but their spiritual power and love for Methodism have been largely developed. Though we have held no special services, our members have had the revival fire burning in their hearts for months, and the vacancies occasioned by those who have removed, or have been dropped, have been filled by sound conversions in the ordinary means. Some have been saved who have not united with us ; and we trust special impressions for good have been made upon many minds. Our cause is much stronger and more buoyant than a year ago. The opportunities for usefulness on this charge are greatly multiplied. Members, 25.

S. D. CHOWN.

PERTH DISTRICT.

<i>Fitzroy Harbour</i>	William Knox.
<i>Franktown</i>	One to be sent.
<i>Lombardy</i>	William W. Miller.
<i>Glen Tay and Maberly</i>	John Fowkes, W. H. Summers.
<i>Playfair</i>	Cornelius A. Jones.

FITZROY HARBOUR.—Quite a goodly number have been led to the Saviour, while others have gone to the better land praising God for the religion of Jesus. We have had many losses through removals and deaths, but our gains more than balance. In each year the contributions to our funds and our membership have increased. The present prospects of this Mission are good. Members, 105.

W. KNOX.

FRANKTOWN.—In making a report of this Mission there is not much to encourage. A few of the people are really devoted ; but, on the whole, the spiritual state is low. Quite a number, returned last year, we have never seen in God's house ; these, of course, we drop from our returns, and several have removed. Congregations in the three churches are good and attentive. Financial returns better than last year. Members, 90.

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W. W. MILLER.

GLEN TAY AND MABERLY.—Part of our work on this Mission is in a rough, stony section of country, while the other part is good, but in it the membership is small, and composed chiefly of a few families ; and the reduction in the grant, which this year is some three hundred dollars less than three years ago, makes the working of the Mission (by two men) a matter of no small difficulty. Our friends would like to see their ministers better provided for in this work ; but they are, generally speaking, too poor to do much, but we have reason to think that they love Methodism, and are anxious to enjoy its ordinances. The appointments are now few in number, the journeys are long, and some of the roads bad ; but we are thankful for good health, and we have been blest in our labours. We have had to suffer seriously by the general emigration to the west, while death has removed to the better land some of our earnest and best members and supporters. We have to return a decrease, but have reason to think Methodism has as good an outlook on the Glen Tay and Maberly Mission as in any time past. Members, 181.

JOHN FOWKES.

WM. H. SUMMERS.

PLAYFAIR.—We report for this Mission good congregations, with times of refreshing in prayer and class-meetings. We have occupied two new appointments during the year, with prospects of spiritual results in the salvation of the people. The hard times have pressed sorely upon our people, resulting in a small declension in our finances ; but, upon the whole, there is room for encouragement. Members, 88.
C. A. JONES.

PEMBROKE DISTRICT.

<i>Beachburg</i>	William Peck.
<i>Portage du Fort</i>	Nathan Austin.
<i>Renfrew</i>	William Craig.
<i>Alice</i>	Samuel Ellery.
<i>Onslow</i>	Robert Mark, M. D.
<i>Bryson</i>	Henry Krupp.
<i>Mattawa</i>	Thomas Craig.

BEACHBURG.—During my sojourn on this Mission I have found the people to be kind and liberal, according to their circumstances. During the year we have had some refreshing seasons of revival. Although we have received quite a number into the Church, yet, on account of 23 removals, 1 death, and 8 dropped, we cannot report an increase. Members, 135.
WILLIAM PECK.

PORTAGE DU FORT.—By uniting two small country congregations, this Mission has been put in shape to be worked very pleasantly and advantageously. The past year has been one of fair spiritual prosperity. The ordinary means of grace have been well and regularly attended. Special services were also held at each appointment, upon which God graciously bestowed His blessing. Most of the members have been built up in the enjoyment and practice of religion, and are seeking to still improve. A number of souls have been converted to God. One new class has been organized. Members, 64.

N. AUSTIN.

RENFREW.—We have not a large membership on this field, but we have a few good earnest souls who are ready for every good work. During this Conference year we have raised \$450 for parsonage debt. Our church in the village has been renovated and re-seated at a cost of over \$100. Relief and Extension and all our Connexional Funds have also received attention. Members, 52.

WILLIAM CRAIG.

ALICE.—There are five appointments on this Mission; and, with one exception, the services are well attended. Many of the membership are alive to their spiritual interests, and strongly attached to our Church. The Mission is far from wealthy, but those who are able contribute liberally to the support of the minister, and are not forgetful of the other claims of the Church. Members, 131.

SAMUEL ELLERY.

ONSLow.—Our camp field-meetings and special services at each of the appointments have resulted in the quickening of believers and the conversion of sinners. We have waited day and night by the bedside of the sick and dying, and have been cheered by the dying praising God for using us as the instruments of their salvation; and our people have gone as praying bands into the homes of the poorest when sick and dying, and have rejoiced to see the grace of God displayed in hearts, a little while before, hard as rock, cold as ice, and dark as night; but, in answer to prayer, these hearts of stone have been made flesh, warmed by a Saviour's love, and radiant with the Divine favour. Since the camp-meeting our people have attended and well sustained our week-night prayer-meetings, in both front and back. Onslow has paid its church debt. South Onslow has provided for the comfortable seating of their church. Members, 94.

ROBERT MARK.

BRYSON.—We have enjoyed a measure of prosperity on this Mission. The meetings at the seven appointments are mostly well attended. The people are very kind. The Missionary money is thirty per cent. in advance of the previous year. Fifteen members were received on trial. Members, 86.

H. KRUPP.

MATTAWA.—There being no Church organization, and the members being scattered over a distance of eighty miles, the labours of the Missionary have been attended with a deal of difficulty. Instead

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THOMAS CRAIG.

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

<i>Ottawa West (Wellington Street)</i> ..	J. Tallman Pitcher.
<i>Billings' Bridge</i>	Gorham A. Gifford.
<i>Bearbrook</i>	J. Joseph Haylock.
<i>Plantagenet</i>	William Norton; Richard Shier, Sup'y.
<i>Arundel</i>	Joseph Earl.
<i>Thurso</i>	Samuel Shibley.
<i>North Wakefield</i>	James O'Hara.
<i>Chelsea</i>	Joseph Carr.
<i>Aylwin</i>	Job Roadhouse.

OTTAWA WEST.—We are able to report growth in our congregation, Sunday-school, and finances, with a small increase of members. Our greatest difficulty is with the heavy debt which rests on the church, and which, we fear, must for some time continue to cripple this young cause. Members, 140.
J. T. PITCHER.

BILLINGS' BRIDGE.—(No Report.) Members, 140.

BEARBROOK.—We are closing a term of three years on this station, and desire to record our heartfelt gratitude to God for manifold mercies. With several of our people, we have been called to pass through deep waters, but hitherto by Divine help we come. Our services have been well attended, and the word preached has been followed by the gracious influence of the Holy Spirit. Our church debt has been very much lessened, and our funds are improved. Members, 60.
J. J. HAYLOCK.

PLANTAGENET.—We have much cause for gratitude to the Giver of all good for the prosperity, harmony, and happiness enjoyed during the year. This Mission, having only two regular appointments, at one of which we have service both morning and evening, and at the other in the afternoon of each Sabbath, with a small membership, whose means are, in most cases, very limited, cannot be expected to do much more in the future than they have done in the past. This year they have put up a shed at the church, and completed the sinking of a well at the parsonage. Class-meeting is regularly kept up; public worship is well attended, and the future of the Mission is quite hopeful. Members, 30.
W. NORTON.

ARUNDEL.—At the commencement of the year two revival meetings were held—one in Arundel and the other in DeSalaberry. About 25 persons professed faith in Christ, 15 of whom have united with the Methodist Church, and have continued to meet regularly with us in class. We have had seven appointments, and have preached three times each Sabbath. A weekly prayer-meeting has

been held at two of the appointments, and a weekly Bible-reading from house to house. These have been instrumental in advancing the people in piety and Christian intelligence. In DeSalaberry the people have contributed liberally of labour and lumber toward the building of a church. The foundation has been laid, and \$94 have been collected in Montreal and Lachine to assist them. They purpose erecting it as soon as spring's work closes. The Methodist Church is at present the main church on the Mission. We report 58 members.

J. EARL.

THURSO.—The means of grace have been well attended; the Church considerably revived, and 15 added to the membership. A new church is in process of erection at Thurso Village. Members, 56.

SAMUEL SHIBLEY.

NORTH WAKEFIELD.—We are glad to be able to report something of progress on this Mission during the past year. Congregations are large, and we have peace in all our borders. A few members have been received on trial, and a few have come to us from other Circuits; but owing to a number of removals, and the dropping of some, we have to report a small decrease. We have organized two promising Sabbath-schools; paid \$400 of church debt, and raised over 40 per cent. more Missionary money than was raised the previous year. Members, 71.

JAMES O'HARA.

CHELSEA.—The work on this field has been favoured with the Master's blessing during the year. Special services were held, resulting in the conversion of many and the quickening of believers to a wider circle in Christian experience. One new appointment has been added to the field where Arminian doctrine was regarded a heresy, but now held by many to be the doctrine of the Bible. Prayer and class-meetings are well attended, in which is felt respectively the Divine power. Our Sabbath-schools, too, are increasing in attendance, and deepening in interest. Increase, 33; members, 73.

J. CARR.

AYLWIN.—This field of labour will, doubtless, for some time to come, continue to try the patience and physical strength of your Missionary, such is its scattered condition, both respecting appointments, families, and the state of the roads. On going there first we looked upon it as quite beyond the power of one man to work round in two weeks. But, notwithstanding, we have been enabled to work the whole somewhat successfully. Have gathered in and consolidated; have held special services; raised some long-standing church debts; started Sabbath-schools, &c. Your Missionary also spent between three and four weeks in the lumbering shanties of Gilmore & Co., Hamilton Bros., and others, in the neighbourhoods of Caston, Baskertory, La Pene, Tomaseen, Ingeneas, and Redan. Preached fifteen times. Gave many tracts, papers, Bibles, &c., away, which many of the men gladly received. The services were attended usually by a gracious Divine influence, and we believe good was done. The men, on different occasions, donated us a small subscription by

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J. ROADHOUSE.

QUEBEC DISTRICT.

<i>Point Levis</i>	John B. Trimble.
<i>Three Rivers</i>	William W. Ryan.
<i>Melbourne</i> ..	William D. Brown, Herbert W. Howard.
<i>Windsor Mills</i>	Isaac Wilkinson.
<i>Lennoxville</i>	George H. Porter, B.A.
<i>Cookshire and Island Brook</i>	Wm. T. Smith. One wanted. Thomas W. Constable, Superannuated.
<i>Marbleton</i>	George Stenning.
<i>Robinson</i>	John H. Fowler, M.A.
<i>Leeds</i>	William Austin.
<i>Inverness</i>	John Lawrence.
<i>Bourg Louis</i>	Samuel E. Maudsley.
<i>Metis, Riviere du Loup and Rimouski</i>	Alexander Drennan.
<i>Gaspe Basin, Barachois and Anticosti</i>	John G. Brick. One to be sent. Joseph Pinel.

POINT LEVIS.—(No Report.)

THREE RIVERS.—The cloud mentioned last year, which faith saw rising out of the sea of God's mercy, has this year descended upon us, reviving the Church, reclaiming the backslidden, and converting eighteen of our young people. About seventy attend our church; and, through the blessing of God, we are hoping to see them all saved during the coming year.

W. W. RYAN.

MELBOURNE.—Ordinary and special services have been without the results desired and desirable. Ten removals and four deaths have been suffered. We return 130 members. Money stringency has been felt more than ever; the members on public works have been on short time, a number obliged to leave, and the funds have suffered loss.

W. D. BROWN.

WINDSOR MILLS.—We have received several into connection with the Church during the year, but owing to removals we report a decrease of four. We have succeeded in reducing in a great measure the debt on the church, and all our finances are in a favourable condition. Members, 63.

I. WILKINSON.

LENNOXVILLE.—(No Report.) Members, 106.

COOKSHIRE AND ISLAND BROOK.—The union of these two Missions has not worked so well as was hoped for, yet during the year we have

not been without tokens of the Divine favour. Two series of special services resulted in some addition to our membership, and an increase of spiritual life in the Church. What was formerly the Cookshire part of the Mission has done well financially. Members, 97.

W. T. SMITH.

MARBLETON.—The usurper has brought on his detachments, and done all he could to take several of our smaller forts. The sharp attacks have, as a natural consequence, injured the weak, while others have been strengthened and have learned more fully the force of those words, "Put on the whole armour of God." This part of the field, like every other part, needs standard bearers and detachments wholly consecrated to God, and to the work of snatching souls as brands from eternal burning. We hope yet that great victories will be won in the translation of captives from darkness to light. Members, 60.

GEORGE STENNING.

ROBINSON.—We are thankful to say that on this Mission we have a few who are faithful to God and loyal to the Methodist Church; yet, generally speaking, the spiritual state of the people is low. The finances are in advance of any preceding year. Our congregations, with one exception, are very good. Two new appointments have been taken up during the year, one of which is largely attended, and promises well for the future. Members, 57.

J. H. FOWLER.

LEEDS.—(*No Report*) Members, 130.

INVERNESS.—This Mission has done well, numerically and financially, during the past year. We have received fifteen members, one of whom is a young man of much intelligence and promise, from the Church of Rome. Owing to removals, our present membership stands as follows: Members, 108.

JOHN LAWRENCE.

BOURG LOUIS.—About sixty English-speaking families represent the Protestant phalanx in this borough, sixteen of which form the Methodist congregation. For years sowing rather than reaping has been the labourer's lot among them, yet a compensation has in some sort been awarded, inasmuch as not an individual of the Methodist portion has gone Romeward. Nevertheless, there are failures among us that impoverish; the fellowship of the class has fallen into disuse, followed in some instances by continuous absence from the Lord's table. A portion of the membership has co-operated with the pastor in fellowship and prayer; some have promised to do better, while those who keep aloof are held as entitled to pastoral visitation. A small Sabbath school has been carried on under the superintendence of Bro. Marchom, and a Bible-class has been conducted by myself. Members, 24.

S. E. MAUDSLEY.

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A. DRENNAN.

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STANSTEAD DISTRICT.

<i>Dixville</i>	Barry Pierce.
<i>Magog</i>	Allen Patterson.
<i>East Bolton</i>	Hiram Fowler.
<i>Mansonville</i>	One to be sent.
<i>West Shefford</i>	Simon Crookshanks.
<i>Lawrenceville</i>	Henry Meyers.
<i>Cowansville</i>	Samuel G. Phillips, M.A.
<i>West Brome</i>	Albert Delong.
<i>West Farnham</i>	Thomas Bell.
<i>Sutton</i>	William Adams.
<i>Bedford</i>	Hugh Cairns.

DIXVILLE.—Notwithstanding many discouragements, we are thankful to Almighty God to be able to report an improvement. One week-night appointment has been taken up. Our Missionary subscription is nearly three times the amount raised last year. Many of the people have been very kind to your Missionary. May the Lord reward them at His coming! Membership, 45.

BARRY PIERCE.

MAGOG.—(No Report.) Members, 45.

EAST BOLTON.—In giving a report of this Mission, I would say our congregations are good and attentive to the Word. Class-meetings are not as well attended as I should wish. Our Sabbath-schools are prosperous. The Connexional Funds are in advance of the past year. Spiritual improvement is devoutly hoped for. Members, 92.

HIRAM FOWLER.

MANSONVILLE.—The prospects on this Mission are, on the whole, encouraging. The community are in general favourably disposed towards Methodism, and we have some bright examples of devotion and liberality among our members. The prevalence of epidemic disease has, at times, diminished our congregations. We have not, however, been without tokens of spiritual blessing, and trust that many more faithful witnesses will be raised up here. Members, 99.

W. K. SHORTT.

WEST SHEFFORD.—In closing our three years' term on this Mission we would express our thankfulness to God for his favour and blessings. The people are kind and warm-hearted, and most of them are, without doubt, loyal to our Church, but, owing to their state of finances, will still require aid from the Mission Fund. We

have endeavoured to supply the appointments of our charge with the means of grace; yet we regret that we have not seen more fruit, although a few sheaves have been gathered in. Members, 83.

S. CROOKSHANKS.

LAWRENCEVILLE.—Our Sabbath-school work is increasing in interest. There are four schools on the Mission, all of which are kept open through the whole year. At Lawrenceville school the Catechism has been introduced, and is being studied with considerable zeal—perhaps in view of the special prize connected with it. The finances are ahead of last year. Altogether, matters appear to us more encouraging than they were a year ago. Members, 94.

HENRY MEYERS.

COWANSVILLE.—On this Mission we have received into the Church, on trial, twenty-five members, and five from other circuits. We have lost by removals, five; and by death, two. We now return 115 full members. Financially, we have raised, for all purposes, during the year, \$766.62. The Mission is yet new, but if assisted for a few years from the Missionary Fund, bids fair to become an important Circuit.

S. G. PHILLIPS.

WEST BROME.—The Lord has mercifully shown us his favour during the year, and enabled us to rejoice in the influence which we, as a Church, have been able to exert in the interest of the Redeemer's kingdom. By the blessing of God upon our labours, a few souls have been added unto the Lord, and some have united with the Methodist Church. Our Sabbath-schools have been sustained during the year with more than usual interest. Financially we are considerably better than last year, and altogether the prospect is more hopeful. Members, 83.

A. M. DELONG.

WEST FARNHAM.—This Mission becomes feebler, financially and numerically, from year to year, in consequence of the English population moving off to other parts which offer more inducements to industry, and their place is taken by a community wholly French. Our town congregation is now a mere handful. From it, already so small, we have lost eleven members by removal, and two by death, and there are none coming in to supply their place. At some of the country appointments we are suffering in a similar manner, and should this continue much longer those places will be filled up by the French. An appointment in the centre of the township, once having a large membership, is now, for want of push in its leading men, reduced to a few old people, the youth of the place being gathered into other Churches, and there is at present no apparent hope of ever recovering our loss. There is, in fact, but one hopeful place on the Mission. A heavy debt has been resting on the parsonage since its erection, which is very depressing to the Mission. The year has been one of peace, and, we hope, of good to the Mission. Members, 57.

THOS. BELL.

SUTTON.—The past year on this Mission has been one of much spiritual awakening and religious interest. Many of the members of

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the Church have been greatly blessed and quickened. Some thirty persons have been converted to God and have united with the Church, thirteen of whom are heads of families. Although the year, to your Missionary, has been one of great trial and sorrow, owing to bereavement, yet, spiritually, it has been one of the best of his life. To God be all the glory. Members, 95. WILLIAM ADAMS.

BEDFORD.—(*No Report.*) Members, 109.

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

HALIFAX DISTRICT.

<i>Lawrencetown</i>	John Wier.
<i>Chester Road</i>	To be supplied from Windsor.
<i>Hantsport</i>	A. D. Morton, A.M.
<i>Kentville</i>	Paul Prestwood.
<i>Newport</i>	F. H. W. Pickles.
<i>St. Margaret's Bay and Sambro</i> ..	J. H. Davis.
<i>Bermuda (Hamilton and Somerset)</i>	E. B. Moore, Chaplain to Wesleyans in Army and Navy, B. C. Borden, A. B.
<i>Bermuda (St. George's & Bailey's Bay)</i>	Wm. Ryan, Chaplain to Wesleyans in the Army, G. F. Johnson, A. B.

LAWRENCETOWN.—A good degree of prosperity has been realized. Congregations large and attentive. A growing interest in Methodism manifest. Special attention has been given to pastoral work, and not without encouraging results. Members, 18. JOHN WIER.

CHESTER ROAD.—This comparatively new Mission has had the pastoral oversight and diligent labours of a local preacher, whose ministrations have been acceptable and useful. This sparsely-populated region would be almost wholly without religious privileges were it not for our agents. Members, 24.

HANTSPORT.—Four distinct congregations are found on this Station. Though often cheered by tokens of the Divine presence in ministering to them, no remarkable outpouring of the Holy Spirit has been realized. The work of the year has been prosecuted amid some discouragements and perplexity, yet we have been assured that our toil has not been in vain. The classes are led chiefly by the preacher, as suitable leaders are not available. Members, 86.

A. D. MORTON.

KENTVILLE.—At the head of the Station the congregation has increased, especially since January; and the finances have nearly doubled as compared with the year previous. A new preaching-place has been added to this Mission during the year, which has some features of encouragement. On the whole, the outlook is encouraging. Members, 85.

PAUL PRESTWOOD.

NEWPORT.—In some parts of this Mission our members have been greatly quickened and refreshed in their religious experience.

Awakening and saving influences have also been vouchsafed to the unconverted, so that not a few have been turned to the Lord. As a result of the spiritual prosperity realized, finances have largely increased. It has been a prosperous year. Members, 120.

ST. MARGARET'S BAY AND SAMBRO.—(No Report.) Members, 50.

BERMUDA (HAMILTON AND SOMERSET).—(No Report.) Members, 274.

BERMUDA, (ST. GEORGE'S AND BAILEY'S BAY).—In consequence of removals, business depression, and the antipathy of the races, the cause of God has not prospered greatly during the year, yet there are many very devoted persons among us who are working and praying for Zion's prosperity. Members, 208. W.M. RYAN.

TRURO DISTRICT.

<i>Onslow</i>	F. H. Wright, A. B.
<i>Acadia Mines</i>	R. B. Mack.
<i>Pictou</i>	Joseph G. Angwin.
<i>Stellarton</i>	A. F. Weldon.
<i>River John</i>	John Astbury.
<i>Maitland</i>	Thomas D. Hart.
<i>Shubenacadie</i>	George F. Day.
<i>Middle Musquodoboit</i>	W. G. Lane.
<i>Musquodoboit Harbour</i>	Joseph M. Fisher.
<i>Sheet Harbour</i>	G. O. Robinson, A. B.

ONSLow.—There are few features of satisfaction or encouragement. Personal animosities among the members of the Church have brought us much harm; and the religious interest of the people is feeble. Members, 118. F. WRIGHT.

ACADIA MINES.—We have been moving steadily forward; and as we review the way the Lord has led us, we have reason to thank Him and take courage. Our services have been well attended, and the means of grace fully sustained. Members, 50. R. B. MACK.

PICTOU.—We have suffered from the removal of families attached to our congregation. Our services have been regularly sustained, and the Sabbath-school has increased in efficiency and interest. A new parsonage has been erected and occupied. Members, 54. J. G. ANGWIN.

STELLARTON.—Our services have been attended with special manifestations of God's presence. Many of our members are striving after full conformity to the will of God. There is a manifest interest in the cause of Missions. Church debts have been reduced. Members, 44. A. F. WELDON.

RIVER JOHN.—We have been cheered by the assurance that our work for God and to save souls has not been in vain. Religiously and financially there are signs of improvement. Members, 117. J. ASTBURY.

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MAITLAND—Officers of the Church are more interested in Church work. Backsliders have returned to God, and sinners have been converted. There is a gain in membership. Members, 152.

T. D. HART.

SHUBENACADIE.—In some parts of the Circuit the Lord has greatly revived His work. Religiously and financially we are enabled to report advancement. Members, 80.

G. F. DAY.

MIDDLE MUSQUODOBOIT.—A year of blessings. Our Church still bravely struggles on amid adverse circumstances. A cottage prayer-meeting has been attended with good results. Members, 84.

W. G. LANE.

MUSQUODOBOIT HARBOUR.—God has been merciful to us and has blessed us. In some of its features our work has been strengthened in each part of the Mission. Members, 64.

J. FISHER.

SHEET HARBOUR.—By the blessing of God this new Mission has been established, obstacles have been removed, and the congregations have steadily increased. A new church is a necessity, and steps are being taken to build a suitable one. There is good material here for Methodism.

G. O. ROBINSON.

CUMBERLAND DISTRICT.

<i>Warren</i>	Wm. Purvis.
<i>Pugwash</i>	I. E. Thurlow.
<i>River Philip</i>	G. W. Tuttle.
<i>Wentworth</i>	James Sharp.
<i>Parrsboro'</i>	J. B. Hemmeon.
<i>Southampton</i>	John Craig.
<i>Athol</i>	William Alcorn.
<i>Advocate Harbour</i>	C. W. Swallow, A.B.

WARREN.—The cause of God has been well sustained, and the prospects of Methodism are encouraging. We lament a want of self-denial and entire consecration to God on the part of too many Church members. Members, 100.

W. PURVIS.

PUGWASH.—Congregations good. A new church has been opened in one part of the Mission, with a large congregation. We grieve over a lack of religious spirit in some, and an unwillingness to attend class-meetings. This Mission embraces in its bounds about three hundred families, so that our labours are greatly scattered. Members, 168.

I. E. THURLOW.

RIVER PHILIP.—Spiritual interest growing; good congregations, and the influence of the Divine Spirit vouchsafed, rendering the Word efficacious to salvation. Many old members have been quickened, a few have been saved by grace, several have died happy in the Lord. The field is too large to be properly cultivated by one man. Members, 70.

G. W. TUTTLE.

WENTWORTH.—No increase, owing to removals. Our people are growing in grace. The social means of grace are well sustained. There is a readiness to work and speak for God. Times of refreshing have been enjoyed during the year. Members, 69. JAMES SHARP.

PARRSBORO'.—The failure of the health of the Missionary has interfered with the proper working of the Mission; but there are many features of encouragement. Old troubles have passed away. Social means well attended, and the cause of God in a hopeful state. Members, 130. J. B. HEMMEON.

SOUTHAMPTON.—Success has been realized; congregations good and attentive, and a manifest growing attachment to our doctrines and polity. Bible-class recently commenced. Several hopeful conversions. Members, 121. JOHN CRAIG.

ATHOL.—Owing to the stringency of the times, and the removal of several of our most liberal supporters, various departments of our work have suffered. There are, however, signs of promise and encouragement. Our people highly appreciate the class-meeting. Members, 47. WM. ALCORN.

ADVOCATE HARBOUR.—Good spiritual progress. Regular public services. Some have been brought to God. Prayer-meetings have been established in three places with gracious results. Special attention has been given to Sabbath-schools. Members, 85. C. W. SWALLOW.

GUYSBORO' AND CAPE BRETON DISTRICT.

<i>Guysboro'</i>	James Tweedy; James Buckley, Sup'd.
<i>Canso</i>	J. W. Howie.
<i>Country Harbour</i>	W. H. Langille.
<i>Manchester</i>	E. E. England.
<i>Sydney North</i>	David Hickey.
<i>Gabarus</i>	R. O. Johnson.
<i>Port Hawkesbury</i>	J. A. Mosher.
<i>Port Hood</i>	George Johnson, (B).
<i>Ingonish</i>	Robert Williams.

GUYSBORO'.—Here the attendance upon the public means of grace has been encouraging, and a deep solemnity has rested upon the congregations. Still, the results have not been equal to our hopes. Many of our members are striving to make their calling and election sure. Members, 122. J. TWEEDY.

CANSO.—The public services have been blessed; a few have professed faith in Christ, and others are seeking a like blessing. Members, 45. J. W. HOWIE.

COUNTRY HARBOUR.—The isolated condition of this place has somewhat hindered its efficient working; but we trust our labour has not

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W. H. LANGILLE.

MANCHESTER.—On this station special services have been held, resulting in a glorious outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Sinners have been converted and believers quickened. Members, 128.
E. ENGLAND.

SYDNEY NORTH.—The year just closing has been one of great commercial depression. Small-pox has been in our midst most of the winter. Yet God has blessed us abundantly; we have doubled our membership and quadrupled our finances. Members, 53. D. HICKEY.

GABARUS.—This mission has been without ministerial labour for a great part of the year; yet the public means of grace have been regularly maintained. Some of our members seem indifferent, while not a few are standing fast in the Lord. Members, 200.
R. O. B. JOHNSON.

PORT HAWKESBURY.—Our congregations have been large and attentive. Peace and harmony have been in our midst, but we have not had much prosperity. Members, 69.
J. MOSHER.

PORT HOOD.—Our work has been hindered by the opposition of some, yet we have not been without tokens of the Divine favour. At Margaree a gracious outpouring of the Spirit has been realized. A minister is desired on this part of the Mission. Members, 35.
G. JOHNSON.

INGONISH.—A revival has been experienced at this place; sinners were awakened, backsliders reclaimed, and believers quickened. The class and prayer-meeting have been well sustained. Members, 38.
R. WILLIAMS.

ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

<i>Annapolis</i>	A. W. Nicolson.
<i>Mountain Mission</i>	One wanted.
<i>Berwick</i>	John Cassidy.
<i>Scott's Bay</i>	One wanted.
<i>Hillsburg</i>	Cranswick Jost, A.M.
<i>Digby</i>	Robert Wasson.
<i>Weymouth</i>	William Ainley.
<i>Digby Neck and Westport</i>	P. A. Robinson, under the superintendence of Bro. Wasson.

ANNAPOLIS.—(No Report.) Members, 101.

MOUNTAIN MISSION.—The standard of piety is not what it ought to be. The seed sown has not all fallen on stony ground. A gracious influence pervaded special services, but results not very manifest.

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Much fallow ground needs to be broken up, which we hope will be accomplished by the Divine Spirit. Members, 19. W. H. ALLEN.

BERWICK.—(No Report.) Members, 159.

SCOTT'S BAY.—This place, not being supplied with a preacher, has not been efficiently worked. The presidential supply was not very effective. The Superintendent of Canning Circuit has devoted as much attention to the Mission as possible, but the cause here has not prospered, nor will it without an efficient man. Members, 42.

S. STROTHARD, of Canning.

HILLSBURG.—Prayer and liberality characterize some of our people; others are very defective in those duties. On the whole, our Church is making progress. Obstacles which long have retarded prosperity are being overcome. Members, 114. C. JOST.

DIGBY.—Evidences of spiritual good have been graciously afforded. The Holy Spirit has honoured the word. Between forty and fifty persons have given evidence of a work of grace, and have mostly all united with us in Church fellowship. After filling the place of removals, deaths, &c., the increase of members for the year is thirty-three. Members, 117. R. WASSON.

WEYMOUTH.—God has graciously visited some parts of this Mission, so that the work has been revived, and sinners have been converted. In consequence of removals and deaths we are obliged to report a decrease in Church membership, but those on trial will more than make up the loss. Members, 95. WM. AINLEY.

DIGBY NECK.—A few have been converted in connection with special services. Those who united with us last year are still holding on their way. Much attention has been given to Sabbath-schools. Our church at Sandy Cove, which was in a dilapidated state, is being repaired. Members, 90. P. A. ROBINSON.

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

<i>Caledonia</i>	John G. Bigney.
<i>Port Moulton</i>	J. W. Shepherdson.
<i>Mill Village</i>	D. B. Scott.
<i>Petite Riviere</i>	John Johnson.
<i>New Germany</i>	John Gee.
<i>Bridgewater</i>	Godfrey Shore.

CALEDONIA.—Amid financial drawbacks, we have been encouraged in our work by seeing a number brought to God in connection with special services. During the year a new church has been completed and dedicated at Maitland. Members, 69. J. BIGNEY.

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PORT MOUTON.—There has been a gracious work on one part of this Mission. A considerable number have been added to the Church. Members, 132. J. SHEPHERDSON.

MILL VILLAGE.—The cause in this place is in a prosperous state. New ground has been broken, with fair prospects of success. Members, 91. D. B. SCOTT.

PETITE RIVIÈRE.—(*No Report.*) Members, 172.

NEW GERMANY.—The spiritual condition of this Mission is healthy. Special services held in various parts of the Circuit have resulted in the quickening of believers, and the conversion of sinners. Members, 162. J. GEE.

BRIDGEWATER.—Congregations good. Field for operation in the village not large, but several good openings appear in the surrounding country. Members, 40. G. SHORE.

YARMOUTH DISTRICT.

<i>Arcadia</i>	James Taylor.
<i>Hebron</i>	G. F. Johnson.
<i>North-East Harbour</i>	James Scott.
<i>Shelburne</i>	J. R. Borden.
<i>Lockeport</i>	William Brown.

ARCADIA.—The results of the year have not been encouraging. There are some faithful souls, who show by their lives that they love God; but lukewarmness abounds. Church debts are crippling our energies to advance the interests of this Mission. Members, 55. J. TAYLOR.

HEBRON.—A prosperous year. The people appreciate the word, which is manifest by their attendance and attention. Special services have resulted in good throughout the Mission. There is much Christian activity among our people. The outlook is full of promise. Members, 106. G. F. JOHNSON.

NORTH-EAST HARBOUR.—No special revival during the year, yet much good has been done. Death has been busy among us. Thirty-one funeral sermons in a year. Our people die in the Lord. Members, 86. JAMES SCOTT.

SHELBURNE.—(*No Report.*) Members, 96.

LOCKEPORT.—(*No Report.*) Members, 105.

NEW BRUNSWICK & P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

<i>St John County</i>	D. Davies Moore, A.B.
<i>Fairville</i>	W. W. Lodge.
<i>Sussex</i>	J. F. Betts.
<i>Apohaqui</i>	William Tweedie.
<i>Upham</i>	Chas. Comben ; S. W. Sprague, Su-
<i>St. Martin's</i>	William J. Kirby. [pernumeryary.]
<i>Grand Lake</i>	Silas James.
<i>Jerusalem</i>	A. R. B. Shrewsbury.
<i>Welsford</i>	Alfred E. LePage.
<i>Kingston</i>	George B. Payson.

ST. JOHN COUNTY.—This Mission, opened in the beginning of the Conference year of 1879, has received many marks of the Divine approval. The greater part of this field had previously been worked by the St. John local preachers ; and although no Society existed at the opening of the Mission, there had been faithful sowing from the hands of these brethren. During the winter months God's Spirit was poured out upon several parts of the Mission, and as a result a good Society and classes, with Sunday-schools, have been formed. Members, 67.

D. D. MOORE.

FAIRVILLE.—(No Report.) Members, 80.

SUSSEX.—(No Report.) Members, 118.

APOHAQUI.—The past year has been one of constant labour. Our appointments have been regularly met, and the attendance on the means of grace has been good. As the result of some special services, we received several into the church ; but, notwithstanding this, we have had so many removals and deaths that we are compelled to report a small decrease as compared with last year. As our connection with this Mission is about to cease, we would gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God in the past, and hope to be guided in the future. Members, 152.

WILLIAM TWEEDIE.

UPHAM.—Though we cannot report any general awakening in our congregations, yet we have not been without tokens of the Divine presence and blessing in connection with the work of the year. The public services have been well attended, and the preaching of the word of God has been listened to with interest, and, we trust, with some profit. But owing, in part, to the fact that our people live so widely apart, the more social means of grace have not been regularly held. Many of our members are very devoted to God, and by their general department recommend to others the religion which they profess. Our sacramental seasons have been times of refreshing from the

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CHARLES COMBEN.

ST. MARTIN'S.—Discouragements have been found on every hand; yet as we review the year's labours and results, we still feel it our duty to express sincere gratitude to our Great Master. Truly the Lord has been with us and bountifully blessed us. During the first part of the year our classes and prayer-meetings were well attended, and were times of refreshing power. But consequent upon the removal of some of our most earnest workers and prayer leaders, our congregations and weekly meetings have very much suffered. A Sabbath-school was organized, and commenced with very favourable prospects; but, for the same reason given above, it now barely exists. We believe, however, brighter days are in store for St. Martin's Methodism, and that the clouds are "big with mercies." We earnestly pray for the shower. After accounting for several removals, our membership remains almost as last year, 46.

W. J. KIRBY.

GRAND LAKE.—We are enabled to praise God for the abundance of grace manifested in different parts of this extensive and laborious Mission. During the autumn and winter we were engaged in special services for nearly three months, which resulted in the quickening of the Church, the reorganization of the classes, and in bringing a number—old and young—to decide for Christ, whom we duly received into Church-membership. We have also conducted a very large Bible class, which has resulted in much good. Three of our members have passed away to the better world. Members, 104.

S. JAMES.

JERUSALEM.—In carrying on the work of God in connection with the Methodist Church on this circuit, there are, I think, unusual difficulties to be encountered, such as the distances and difficult drives from place to place, the smallness in number of the members of the Society, the isolated position of these, and their distance, in most cases, from the places of public worship. Still, we have had large and attentive congregations; but a great deal of effort seems to be wasted on the desert air, owing chiefly, I think, to the almost utter impossibility of holding regular class-meetings. And since that is the only means we have of gathering members into the Methodist Church, the absence of the class-meeting naturally results in the decay of spiritual life among those who are members, as well as in shutting the door of entry into our Church to others. Members, 74.

A. R. B. SHREWSBURY.

WELSFORD.—We have faithfully attended to our regular appointments all the year, not being absent from the circuit one Sabbath. The congregations have been large and attentive. For over one month we were engaged in special services, with what results we leave the annals of eternity to reveal; we thank God for the results that are visible. Notwithstanding all our labour, there has been a falling off in the receipts of this Mission. This is accounted for in the exceed-

ingly low prices offered for produce, the poverty of some, and the unwillingness of others who are able to give. We have five Sabbath-schools in successful operation, some of which are conducted on Union principles. The people are very kind and hospitable all over the circuit, and always glad to see their minister in their houses. Members, 111. A. E. LEPAGE.

KINGSTON. --It is with deep humiliation we review the past year's labour on this Mission. We have endeavoured to work for Christ with all the fidelity and energy that our health and strength would permit, yet we have witnessed but little spiritual prosperity, and have to mourn over the low state of true religion. The people, by their punctual attendance upon the public services, have appeared to appreciate the proclamation of God's word, and our pastoral visitations have been kindly received, and have, in many instances, been profitable to ourselves and we believe a blessing to some, especially in the hour of affliction and trouble. We have a few who are evidently growing in grace daily. Death has removed some from us, who, in their last moments of earthly life, gave the happy assurance that for them "to die was gain." Members, 64. GEORGE B. PAYSON.

FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

<i>Kingsclear</i>	Henry J. Clarke.
<i>Gibson</i>	Matthew R. Knight, A.B.
<i>Nashwaak and Stanley</i>	Levi S. Johnson.
<i>Boiestown</i>	John K. King.
<i>Keswick</i>	James Crisp.
<i>Gagetown</i>	James A. Duke.
<i>Woodstock</i>	W. W. Colpitts, B.S.
<i>Northampton and Canterbury</i>	Edwin C. Turner, Theophilus L. Williams,
<i>Jacksonville</i>	Robert S. Crisp.
<i>Richmond</i>	William Harrison.
<i>Florenceville</i>	Edwin Mills.
<i>Andover</i>	Thomas Allen.
<i>Upper Kent</i>	William Penna.
<i>Arthurette</i>	Richard Opie.

KINGSCLEAR.—The labours of the past year have not been so fruitful of spiritual success as we could have desired. Forces antagonistic to vital godliness have manifested themselves on this Mission, and exerted an influence adverse to the growth of pure and undefiled religion. There are, however, hopeful indications of improvement in some respects. We held special services during the winter in two places, and much good was accomplished. The Divine Spirit quickened into newness of life some who had grown weary and faint in their minds, and brought from darkness to light others who had never made a profession of religion before. The new church which was

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commenced this spring at Lincoln, has inspired fresh confidence in the hearts of the Methodist families in this place, and will no doubt strengthen the cause of Methodism in the future. We have suffered numerically and financially through removals, yet we are glad to report an increase in the past year. Members, 59. H. J. CLARKE.

GIBSON.—At Robinson we were blessed during the winter with many proofs that the Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation. There, and at Douglas, I have been much encouraged in my ministry, but Gibson itself is rocky ground, and is in sad need of a spiritual earthquake. May the next pastor and his people be given wisdom from above! Members, 77. M. R. KNIGHT.

NASHWAAK AND STANLEY.—The congregations for the most part have been good, never better, and a few souls have been led to Jesus; but no special revival has been experienced on any part of the circuit. Some five or six weeks during the winter were spent in the Lumber Mission. About fifty camps were visited, religious papers and tracts distributed, and the Gospel preached to about one thousand of the hardy sons of toil, in their homes amid the "forest primeval." Labour here has not been in vain. The Stanley part of the Circuit, I am sorry to say, has not been successfully worked during the past year. The Brother appointed by last Conference to labour there did not succeed, and the cause of Methodism is not as prosperous as it was. With the blessing of God, however, on faithful labour in the future, we trust the cause of Christ and Methodism shall yet revive and prosper. Members, 130. L. S. JOHNSON.

BOIESTOWN.—On this Mission we have nine preaching places, one having been added this year. At each of these the attendance is all that could be desired, and our services have generally been seasons of profit. Two new classes have been organized, and are meeting regularly with increasing interest. Eighteen persons have been received into full connection, seven of whom received the ordinance of Christian baptism. Members, 78. J. K. KING.

KESWICK.—The public services on this Mission have been well attended, and we trust the word preached has been made a blessing to the people. Some were brought to a knowledge of the truth during a series of special services that were held in the winter months. In the ministration of the ordinances of our Church the Master's presence has been felt by us; and although there have been some difficulties and trials in connection with our work, yet the Lord has sustained His Church and people. Our great want is a better attendance in the classes and week-night services. The missionary spirit has been sustained, and while a goodly sum was raised toward the Relief and Extension Fund, yet the ordinary Missionary receipts are slightly in advance of last year. Members, 140. JAMES CRISP.

GAGETOWN.—Special services in the early part of the year resulted in the reviving of many of our members, and in the conversion of a few sinners to God. It was our intention to hold such services on

each part of our Mission, but a severe illness prevented us. Two aged members of our Church have died during the year. When suffering from weakness and pain, they both experienced much of the sustaining and comforting influence of Divine grace. Members, 64.

JAMES A. DUKE.

WOODSTOCK.—(*No Report.*) Members, 80.

NORTHAMPTON AND CANTERBURY.—The past year has been one of moderate success. The people have listened to the word preached with deep interest and attention. The class-meeting at Northampton has been well attended, and has proved to be of great spiritual good. At Lower Woodstock we had special services, which resulted in much good. Quite a number of young people were drawn to give their hearts to God, while some, who for years have been in a backslidden condition were quickened into newness of life. At Skif Lake we have felt greatly the need of a suitable place of worship. To remove this difficulty, the people last fall commenced to build a church, which will soon be fitted for their use. Though we had, in entering on the year, the hope of accomplishing much more for Christ, yet we feel thankful for that measure of grace He has vouchsafed unto us. Members, 77.

E. C. TURNER.

JACKSONVILLE.—We have had great cause to praise God for His continued favour. Although not blessed with any extensive revival of religion, we have nevertheless had the pleasure of seeing the stout-hearted sinner turning from the error of his ways, and then penitently declaring his intention to serve and love God. Our class-meetings have often been attended with a very blessed influence, and though we have had many removals from the Mission, we have not to report a decrease. A much-needed church has been erected at one of our preaching places, and is in course of completion; and it is hoped, by the securing to the Connexion a neat and commodious place of worship, our interests there will be greatly strengthened and revived. Members, 138.

ROBERT S. CRISP.

RICHMOND.—The past year's labour on this Mission, though attended in some respects with unusual difficulty, has presented from time to time features of encouragement which call for our devout and earnest thanksgiving to Almighty God. During the winter months special services were held at each of the four preaching places on the Mission, which proved beneficial to the Church. The class and prayer-meetings have been sustained as far as possible, and have been channels of blessing and of grace to those who have availed themselves of these institutions of the Church. The new church at McKenzie's Corner, which was commenced about a year ago, is nearing completion, and we are glad to state that both the temporal and spiritual prospects on this part of the Mission are of the most cheering and substantial character. Though it is not ours to lament over a year of fruitless toil, the growing indifference of some, has been to us a source of deep anxiety, as we have beheld them wandering from the

path of righteousness, but prayer is, thank God, back again. Members, 1

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FLORENCEVILLE.—God has been with us, sustaining us in affliction, and giving success to the preaching of the word. The prayer-meetings have been sustained, and three weekly class-meetings. At the love-feasts and Lord's Supper much of the Divine power was felt. The year has been one of toil, but not without some success. On this Mission the families are scattered, and half of our Sabbath congregations are connected with other Churches. Thankful to our Heavenly Father for the blessings of the year, we would take courage and go on. Members, 137.

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ANDOVER.—We have nothing special to report as to the work of God on this Mission. Our public services are generally well attended, and the people attentive to the word preached. Our social services, though not so numerous as we have desired, have been seasons of grace. Our membership is small, and the people but few who take an active interest in the cause of God. But while our cause is small, and there are many disheartening circumstances, we cannot but speak well of the few who exert themselves to make the services of the sanctuary profitable—to make the minister and his family comfortable, and to sustain the general interests of our Church. Members, 37.

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UPPER KENT.—We recall with feelings of sincere gratitude to God the comfort and success of the past year. In many of our public services, as well as in our social meetings, we have realized the comforting presence of the Saviour, and have had assurance that our "labour is not in vain in the Lord." Sinners have been awakened, and some who had wandered away from the fold have been brought back. Since the year began four of our members have been called from the Church militant to the Church triumphant; and we have lost seven by removals, but their places have been filled, and we are happy to report an increase. Members, 77.

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ARTHURETTE.—This Mission, in many respects, is difficult to work. The inhabitants are widely separated, which renders it somewhat laborious to attend to pastoral duties. Then, almost all Christian denominations are represented, which necessitates constant vigilance to maintain an interest. But the greatest apparent difficulty is the general indifference to religion. Notwithstanding all this, after dropping the names of three who have removed, and one who has died, we have fully maintained our numbers and interest. We are making efforts to finish two churches, which, when finished, will afford improved facilities for concentrated and continued efforts in Church work. Members, 39.

RICHARD OPIE.

MIRAMICHI DISTRICT.

<i>Baie du Vin</i>	Septimus E. Colville.
<i>Tabusintac</i>	Henry Penna, under the superintendency of Brother Tweed.
<i>Bathurst</i>	Isaac Howie.
<i>Derby</i>	Douglas H. Lodge.

BAIE DU VIN.—(No Report,) Members, 22.

TABUSINTAC.—We have had to combat the difficulties connected with all new Missions, where the utmost caution has been necessary in introducing our forms and usages. As we had no members, our commencement was that of prayer and humility before God, that He would sanctify the means which were put forth to the salvation of souls; and herein have we experienced that God is able to do for us “exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think.” With the assistance of our Chairman, a class was first formed, which has been a blessing to all who have been enabled to attend. Our cause is yet feeble, and our people poor; but they have contributed of their substance to the best of their ability. In consequence of our being disappointed in securing the piece of land which we wanted, our church has not progressed so rapidly as we could wish; but a piece of land has been given. The frame is up, and a part of the boards to cover it are promised. Members, 20. HENRY PENNA.

BATHURST.—We still mourn the absence of any general awakening among the people, but we are not without some tokens of the Divine approval. There are many who are punctual and interested hearers of God’s word, and who would be useful in the Church if they could be persuaded to exercise their gifts for Christ. Several of our members have removed from us to seek homes elsewhere, and some have removed from earth. It has been our mournful pleasure to hear these testify to the power of grace to sustain them in the trying hour. We think we are fully warranted in taking courage from the fact that our people die well. And this may be said not only of those who were members of the Church, but of some who were not united in Church membership, but who found Christ in their last illness. We are still praying, “O, Lord, revive Thy work.” Members, 86.

ISAAC HOWIE.

DERBY.—Although this Mission has suffered for the want of labour, owing to the sickness of the pastor, the little that was done was blessed to the conversion of souls. The class and prayer-meetings have been very well attended; the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper has been a special season of grace to all. Our people are active in the cause, and great praise is due to them for their efforts in building a new parsonage on this Mission, which, when the existing debt against it is paid, will be a valuable addition to our Connexional property.

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SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

<i>Tintramar</i>	William R. Pepper.
<i>Point de Bute</i>	George W. Fisher.
<i>Coverdale</i>	W. E. Johnson, under the superintendency of Bro. Duncan.
<i>Shediac</i>	William B. Thomas, under the superintendency of Bro. Duncan.
<i>Dorchester</i>	Thomas Marshall.
<i>Hopewell and Alma</i>	Robert Wilson, Cyrus C. Wells.
<i>Hillsboro'</i>	Charles W. Hamilton.
<i>Havelock</i>	Aquila Lucas.
<i>Salisbury</i>	John J. Colter.
<i>Elgin</i>	Charles H. Manaton.

TINTRAMAR.—The congregations on this Mission have been good, and attentive to the word preached. Souls have been saved, backsliders reclaimed, and believers built up in their most holy faith. Special services—owing to my illness during the winter—were only held at one appointment, but with good results. We are thankful to report an increase over last year. Our ordinary Connexional funds show a slight advance, while the Relief and Extension Fund was well supported, but the ordinary Circuit receipts are much smaller than last year. Members, 72. W. R. PEPPER.

POINT DE BUTE.—We have not laboured in vain. The word has taken root in the hearts of some, and is bearing fruit to the glory of God. Leaders' meetings and special services held during the year have been means of grace to those attending. Our Sabbath-schools have been well officered and attended, and a growing interest in this important department of our work is being evinced. A decrease in members is reported, in consequence of deaths, removals, and some whose names have been erased for non-attendance. Members, 111.

GEORGE W. FISHER.

COVERDALE.—Owing chiefly to the want of harmony among the people, our labour on this Mission has been attended by much to discourage. With a view to secure the much-needed quickening of believers, and the conversion of the unsaved in our congregations, special services were held during the winter, but with no very gracious results. Yet we confidently hope to see the seed sown spring up and bear fruit to the glory of God. Despite all difficulties, the close of the year finds us sincerely grateful for the sustaining grace of God. Members, 81.

W. E. JOHNSON.

SHEDIAC.—We have endeavoured to fill all our appointments, and preach Christ and Him crucified. We have been at times discouraged for lack of earnestness on the part of the hearers, yet we have reason to believe that our labour has not altogether been in vain in the Lord. In our pastoral work our heart has been cheered, and we trust, the people profited. The week of prayer was observed, which was a time of refreshing; but not having a building of our own wherein to continue these services, we were compelled to close our meetings. We have finished our church at Lakeville, which will add very greatly to our interest in that place. Our church at Shediak is almost completed, which, when finished, will be worth \$3,000, so that now we are in a position to do work for God which we were unable to accomplish before. Members, 30. W. B. THOMAS.

DORCHESTER.—The past year has been one of steady progressive work. Our public services have been well attended. The prayer and class-meetings during the latter half of the year have been well maintained, and have proved themselves, as in the past, indispensable in the building up of our Church—in deepening and strengthening the piety of our members. The theological students from Sackville have rendered us valuable assistance in our Circuit work. The labour expended has been encouragingly rewarded by increased liberality on the part of the people, by the ingathering of precious souls into the Church, and by many evidences of quickened spiritual lives. By improvements in the parsonage, adding much to the comfort of the minister's family; by preparation for the building of a new church at Dorchester, as well as by the felt need, expressed by resolution of the Quarterly Meeting, of placing themselves in an independent financial position for the next year, the people on this Mission give "an earnest" of future success. There have been received into the Church 36 full members and 10 on trial, 19 adults receiving the ordinance of baptism. Members 81, being a net increase of 35 on the year. THOMAS MARSHALL.

HOPEWELL AND ALMA.—While in labours more abundant, we have cheering proofs of the Divine presence and approval, and our membership has been considerably increased. Our services have been largely attended, and many of them have been seasons of rich religious interest. Not only during special revival services, but also in the ordinary means of grace, we have had the unspeakable pleasure of welcoming candidates to our fold. Last Sabbath evening witnessed our latest admission. Death has taken away an unusually large number, but they died well. After deducting 14 for deaths and 6 removals, we are pleased to report a net increase of 50. Members, 250.

ROBERT WILSON.

HILLSBORO'.—(No Report.) Members, 155.

HAVELOCK.—The pastor desires heartily to acknowledge God's goodness in strength, physical and spiritual, given for and during the year now closing. It has been one of considerable discouragement,

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AQUILA LUCAS.

SALISBURY.—Efforts that were put forth to extend Christ's kingdom did not meet with the apparent success that was anticipated. Lukewarmness and worldliness characterize many of our people. Yet in reviewing the year we find occasion for devout thanksgiving. The congregations have for the most part been large and attentive. Sinners have been converted to God, backsliders were restored to the Divine favour, and some of our members give evidence of increased spirituality. Members, 108.

J. J. COLTER.

ELGIN.—We are thankful to God for the success which has attended our labours on this Circuit. The special services held during the year proved to be not only times of refreshing to the members of the Church, but have resulted in the conversion of souls. Ten have been added to the Church. Two new classes have been organized. Members, 117.

C. H. MANATON.

ST. STEPHEN DISTRICT.

<i>St. Andrew's</i>	Frederick W. Harrison.
<i>St. David's</i>	George Harrison.
<i>St. James'</i>	John T. Baxendale.
<i>Bocabec</i>	William Wass.
<i>Deer Island</i>	Thomas Hicks.
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ST. ANDREW'S.—Although we are unable to report any marked religious change in connection with this church, we are not without tokens of encouragement. Most of our people seem to be in earnest in the cause of the Master. We sincerely trust that ere long there may be a "reaping in joy," such as has been realized in this place in days gone by. Considerable more has been contributed towards the minister's salary than for some years past. We believe that our labour in this place has not been in vain in the Lord. Members, 30.

F. W. HARRISON.

ST. DAVID'S.—The members generally on this Mission have given evidence that they were walking in the fear of God. The attendance upon the public means of grace has in some places been quite good, and I trust the Word has not been preached in vain. The want of class-leaders has been much felt, as the classes have to be met by the minister after the public service on the Sabbath. Owing to the numbers who have from time to time left their homes on this Mission for situations in other lands, there are few to take the places of those who, through the infirmities of age, are prevented from taking the active part in the church they once did. Members, 91.

GEO. HARRISON.

ST. JAMES'.—The year now closed has not been marked by such an advance of God's cause as we looked for and desired at the close of last year. It has caused sadness, humiliation, and great searchings of heart. But, nevertheless, God has not left us without cause of gladness and thankfulness. Through house-to-house visitation seven have been converted to God—one man above 90 years of age. Members, 35.

JOHN THOMAS BAXENDALE.

BOCABEC.—The work of God on this very wide field of labour is increasing in interest. The friends of Methodism are numerous, warmly attached to the cause, and anxious to see it advance. There has been quite an exodus from the Circuit, and some of the preaching stations have suffered severely from diphtheria. Our funds have been greatly reduced thereby. We have made special endeavours to win souls to Christ, and many have cast in their lot amongst us, and a desire for salvation is expressed by many others. Sunday-schools and class-meetings are well sustained. Members, 89. WILLIAM WASS.

DEER ISLAND.—We are thankful to be able to report a decided improvement in the condition of this Mission. Our labours have been attended with a marked degree of success. Our Sabbath services are attended with large and attentive congregations, who eagerly listen to the preaching of the Word. The members of the Church are fully alive to a sense of their responsibilities, and regularly and faithfully attend the means of grace. Without having recourse to any special efforts, our ordinary services have been made seasons of spiritual blessing, in which souls have been converted to God and believers quickened. We are able to report a small increase in our membership. Members, 20.

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<i>Little York</i>	H. R. Baker, A.B.
<i>Pownal</i>	William Maggs.
<i>Margate</i>	Elias Slackford, John W. Wadman.
<i>Bideford</i>	John Goldsmith.
<i>Murray Harbour</i>	John C. Berrie.
<i>Montague</i>	Edward Bell.
<i>Mount Stewart</i>	William Lawson.
<i>Alberton</i>	Joseph Sellar, A.M.

LITTLE YORK.—The usual interest has been maintained in the religious services on this Mission. In one or two of the preaching places there has been a manifest increase in the congregations, and earnest attention has been given to the preaching of the Word; but still the cry has not been heard, "What must I do to be saved?" At Stanhope, a series of services held during the months of February and March have resulted in greatly quickening the Church, and in convincing about fifteen persons of sin and danger. From these the anxious cry of the sin-burdened soul longing for deliverance has been heard, and in most cases that cry has been turned into joy. So far, the new converts have displayed great firmness and zeal for the cause of Christ. The new parsonage, begun in May, 1879, was completed in October last. We find it very comfortable and convenient. Members, 119. H. R. BAKER.

POWNAL.—The Sabbath congregations during the year have been large and attentive. Our hopes in reference to the conversion of sinners have frequently been raised, but as yet they have not been realized. Special services were held during the winter at three of the preaching places, which resulted in the quickening of the members of the Church, and in their renewed consecration to the service of God. For these signs of the Divine approval we are thankful, and we trust that further fruits will yet be seen. We have lost some of our best people by death this year. These evidenced the reality of their faith in the atonement of Christ, and finished their course with joy. In consequence of the above, we have to report a small decrease in the membership. Members, 99. WILLIAM MAGGS.

MARGATE.—The ordinary and special means of grace have been owned of God. At Margate, Stanley, and Granville gracious revivals have been experienced, resulting in the quickening of the Church and in the conversion of a goodly number of persons to Christ; so that now we have six classes meeting where we had but two, while several additional prayer-meetings have been established and are well attended. My colleague and myself have been greatly cheered through the year in witnessing these displays of Divine grace, and rejoice in view of the earnest piety of many of those who have been brought to God, and in the quickened zeal of others who have been long in the way. Members, 140. ELIAS SLACKFORD.

BIDEFORD.—Our congregations for public worship have been much larger and more regular than last year, while the private means of grace have been more fully appreciated, and have attained a higher degree of efficiency than ever before on this Mission. We joyfully note the steadfastness of those who, during seasons of special effort, gave themselves to God and entered heartily into the work in the Master's vineyard, thus rendering invaluable assistance to the preacher in charge of this very extensive Mission. Aided by these brethren, we have been enabled to keep three of our ten preaching stations open every Sunday, and once during the week either for preaching or prayer-meeting. We have three Sunday-schools in operation, and hope soon to establish two new ones. We have had renewed indications of the Master's presence in the descent of the soul-converting power which attended special efforts put forth, and in four particular instances accompanied the ordinary preaching of that gospel which is the power of God unto salvation. Two of our brethren have been gathered home—one an aged saint, a sheaf fully ripe for the garner of the Lord; the other a strong man, in the prime of life, who but eighteen months before had entered the Lord's service. But we feel the blessed consolation of knowing that they are not lost, but gone before. The end in each case was gloriously triumphant, and exerted a very important influence on the respective classes to which they belonged. Members, 70.

JOHN GOLDSMITH.

MURRAY HARBOUR.—This year has been one of blessing from the hands of our Heavenly Father, whose smile has lightened our labours and made them successful in the conversion of some souls. Peace and good-will prevail in our borders, whilst we wait and pray for "power from on high." Members, 53.

JOHN C. BERRIE.

MONTAGUE.—During the year our congregations have been very good, and in our public services the presence of our Master has been felt. Though we have not seen the results of our labours that we wished, yet still we have met with encouragement. Members, 39.

E. BELL.

MOUNT STEWART.—By the favour of God, the year past has improved in all respects upon the previous one. In each appointment the congregations have increased in numbers, attention, and interest, and we have had corresponding largeness of joy in dispensing the word of life. Our rejoicing has been much in the sight of aged persons bending before God in deep penitence, sincerely seeking His mercy, which, bless His name, He did not refuse them. So, though old in years, they are young in grace. In pastoral visitation, while urging the necessity of immediate decision for Christ, nine persons have felt the importance of such a step, and have resolved on a new life and Church membership. May such largely increase! Our Sunday-school has in several ways made progress. Order and system now prevail in its exercises and teachers' meetings. More funds have been raised and expended on catechisms, hymn-books, and Sunday-school papers. Besides, we have a promising Band of Hope in active

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operation. Death has made some havoc among us. We have sustained serious loss by the removal of many of our adherents, and some members, even families in some cases, have gone from us. After equally with last year sustaining the Connexional funds, and giving \$50 to the Relief and Extension Fund, we have advanced our Circuit receipts to quite a pleasing, if not a satisfactory degree. Members, 52.

WILLIAM LAWSON.

ALBERTON.—We have had many seasons of refreshing, not, however, as large an increase in Church membership as last year ; still we have had satisfactory evidence that not only older members, but those who joined a year ago, are endeavouring to walk in the light, even the "Light of God." Eleven have been duly received by the right hand of fellowship, and three on trial. The time, we think, has fully arrived when an assistant minister should be sent. Where special meetings were held, the fruit is seen in the regularity with which prayer and class-meetings are sustained, one class having an average attendance of about twenty-five. Other places need a general spiritual quickening. Our congregations for the most part are very good. We are not alone on this field ; five Protestant clergymen are on the same ground, two additional ones this year. We have the satisfaction of knowing that we are provoking others to good work, if not in all cases to love. We think there is on this western part of the Island a fine harvest to be reaped for God by the Methodist Church, if she will supply the demand for labour. Members, 155.

J. SELLAR.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE.

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

<i>Pouch Cove</i>	William Kendall.
<i>Burin</i>	Solomon Matthews.
<i>Grand Bank</i>	Thomas Harris.
<i>Fortune</i>	Jabez Hill.
<i>Petites</i>	James Pincock.
<i>Channel</i>	Jesse Heyfield.
<i>Flat Island and Sound Island</i> ..	James Wilson.
<i>Flower Cove</i>	One to be sent.
<i>St. Anthony</i>	William R. Tratt.
<i>Bonne Bay & Bay of Islands</i> ..	John Peters.
<i>Labrador</i>	John P. Bowell.

POUCH COVE.—We have striven to set forth the truth faithfully on this Mission during the past year. God's people have been often blessed, and a few wanderers brought back to the fold of Christ. Our congregations are not so good as they might be. Several families

who call themselves Methodists, never attend Church—some for want of clothing, but others because they have no relish for Divine things. We hope to see an improvement in this respect, as the result of personal appeals to them on the matter. Members, 117.

W. KENDALL.

BURIN.—About one-half of the converts reported last year are steadfast in the faith. Some there are who, though not meeting in class, have taken up family prayer, thus showing the secret movings of the Spirit. Three of the converts have died very peacefully. According to the decision of Conference last year, I visited Flat Island and Sound Island Missions, and was thankful for what I saw and heard, but felt the necessity of more Mission work being done for the Bay. Members, 300.

S. MATTHEWS.

GRAND BANK.—Our expectations have not been realized in witnessing a copious outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and large accessions to the Church of Christ. That these desirable objects might be attained, earnest labour has been expended, fervent prayer offered, and intense longing cherished; but the fertilizing showers have been withheld. Apathy and indifference characterize numbers who regularly hear the gospel of salvation. The ordinances of religion have been uninterruptedly sustained, and have frequently proved seasons of hallowed delight and blessing. Many of our members afford much encouragement by their consecration to Christ, and the deep interest they manifest in the Redeemer's cause. Their cry continually ascends to Him who is faithful to His promises, that He would make bare His holy arm in the sight of the people. Members, 96.

THOMAS HARRIS.

FORTUNE.—In presenting the annual report of this Circuit, we rejoice over those who still contend for the faith once delivered to the saints, while we mourn over others who have grown "weary in well-doing." The Covenant Service held on the first Sabbath of the year resulted in the reconsecration of many to God. This was followed by the week of prayer; and later, by special services, when believers were quickened, and one backslider reclaimed. In September last we visited Great Harbour, Conaigre Bay, and held service, when the greater part of the people attended. We hope that the word spoken may be as "bread cast upon the waters, to be found after many days." Members, 110.

JABEZ HILL.

PETITES.—We cannot report great progress from this Mission, yet we have been encouraged by some manifestations of the quickening and saving power of the Holy Ghost. A few have been added to the Church at Westom Point and Gadia. The Society at Petites has suffered very materially of late years through removals, leaving us twenty-one families only. Our prospects are brightening at Burges—"the field is white unto the harvest." There is a strong desire to build a house of worship, and to have among them a resident minister. Intolerance is rife, with intent to injure, but this only tends to the furtherance of the work. Methodism has, doubtless, a mission to accomplish here. Members, 54.

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CHANNEL.—The past year has been to us one of anxious solicitude, earnest prayer, and unceasing toil for the destruction of evil, and the establishment of truth, righteousness, and peace. The various means of grace have been kept up; and we can report improvement in the attendance upon the class and prayer-meetings. The "Watch-night" and "Covenant Services" proved very solemn and profitable occasions. Early in the new year greater seriousness was manifested in both the congregation and Sabbath-school; and in February some of the scholars began to meet in class. Since then we have had the joy of seeing backsliders restored, and penitent sinners of various ages seeking salvation. The "special services" held during eight weeks proved a great blessing to many. We have had fresh illustration of the truth, that "the carnal mind is enmity against God:" for when peace was established, and a deep religious feeling prevailed among our people, certain persons set themselves to the work of provoking strife, and sowing the seeds of discord among us. Various stratagems were resorted to by these servants of the enemy, in order to mar and neutralize the work of grace. While we are compelled to mourn the sad results of such conduct, we can truly say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Bay St. George has been visited twice; and a class of twelve has been formed at Fox Roost, about six miles from Channel, where the people have put up the frame of a building. Some other settlements are looking favourably towards Methodism. Members, 83.

JESSE HEYFIELD.

FLAT ISLAND AND SOUND ISLAND.—Our efforts here to scatter the good seed of the kingdom have not been in vain. Where once we were despised and our message rejected, we are now received with such a welcome that we are led to exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" We are convinced that if we could more frequently visit our people, a larger harvest of precious souls would be gathered, we pray that "the Lord may send forth more labourers into His harvest." Methodism has taken root—it has grown, and although storms assail, they only do so for its good. We have spent sixteen weeks on the Sound Island Mission, and were cheered to find our members in a healthier state than last spring. Our teacher there has the affections of the people, and is doing good service. On both these Missions death has thinned our ranks, but our faith has been strengthened thereby. We are able still to say, "Our people die well." Members, 218.

JAMES WILSON.

FLOWER COVE.—(*No Report.*) Members, 38.

ST. ANTHONY.—There is among our people an ardent desire to attend upon the ministry of the Word, and the burden of the Lord's work is felt by our members. Some who had left their first love have openly resumed their former profession of godliness, while with some others the reading of certain modern publications has tended to abate their love and undermine our work. The extent of our Mission, and want of lay agents, necessitate many places being at long intervals

without religious services. The removal of many families from their summer homes, during the winter months compelled us to close two of our Sabbath-schools for a time. Four have been continued. The attendance is good, considering the sparse population. Members, 111.

W. R. TRATT.

BONNE BAY.—The year has been one of much anxiety to our people. The herring fishery, which is the chief support of this place, has been a failure. We are glad, however, to report that, through help received in St. John's and other places, our new church has been framed, sheeted up, roofed, and shingled. We are sorry to have to report a decrease in membership. Several have removed, and others have been dropped. Members, 43.

JOHN PETERS.

LABRADOR.—It is cause for gratitude that in Red Bay more than two-thirds of the adult population are members of our Church, and hold fast the beginning of their confidence. The people of this place, also, manifest a deep interest in whatever concerns the establishment and growth of the Mission, and show a readiness to bear their part of the responsibility of sustaining it. But we cannot speak so favourably of the other settlements connected with the Mission. Not that I have any reason to complain of the manner in which I am received, or of the congregations I get in any place, for nearly every Protestant family welcomes me, and attends the preaching of the gospel. But at this point their interest stops. Few appear willing to help the Mission, and nearly all hear as by the wayside, or at best as on stony ground. Our hope was that we would see a soul-saving work of God among these scattered families; but we have gone forth from time to time bearing and scattering precious seed, and have returned sorrowful, bringing no sheaves with us. The people in general are lamentably ignorant of Bible truths, and it is not easy, in a brief hour, spent about once a month, so to fasten these truths upon them as that they will immediately yield to be saved, or be permanently impressed. Though there be line upon line, and precept upon precept, yet in the unavoidable intervals the line is erased and the precept forgotten. These remarks apply specially to residents, and to the winter work. In summer our congregations increase, our work expands, and the Mission assumes nearly four times its normal proportions. Having the assistance of Bro. Bartlett for about six weeks, I was able to extend our work along a coast line of 150 miles, from Blanc Sablon to Indian Tickle, with twenty-seven settlements. In every place a few will be found during the summer; but in the fishing season the majority of the fishermen go to a Labrador that is beyond the reach, though not, we hope, beyond the sympathies of the Methodist Missionary. But, limited as the extent of the Mission necessarily is, all of these places could not be visited last summer. While this was partly from want of time, it was mainly from loss of time, occasioned by the difficulty of getting from place to place. Here is, and probably will be, a grand hindrance to the successful working of the Labrador Mission. The fishermen are kind-

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J. P. BOWELL.

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

<i>Harbour Grace</i>	John Godison.
<i>Brigus</i>	Joseph Pascoe.
<i>Cupids</i>	John Reay.
<i>Bay Roberts</i>	F. G. Willey.
<i>Blackhead</i>	James Dove.
<i>Western Bay</i>	R. W. Freeman.
<i>Island Cove</i>	T. H. James.
<i>Old Perlican</i>	William Swann.
<i>Hant's Harbour</i>	Charles Myers.
<i>Port-de-Grave</i>	Thomas John.
<i>Heart's Content</i>	George Paine.
<i>Trinity</i>	Anthony Hill.
<i>Random North</i>	T. L. Eland.
<i>Random South</i>	Edgar Taylor.
<i>Green's Harbour</i>	H. C. Hatcher.

HARBOUR GRACE.—The present religious state of the Circuit is one in which we have no reason for despair. We believe there is a bright future for this old Mission, and we live in hope that by labouring on at God's command, and sowing beside all waters, we shall eventually reap an abundant harvest of precious and immortal souls. Members, 125.

JOHN GOODISON.

BRIGUS.—In reviewing the labours of the past year, we feel grateful to God for His mercy vouchsafed to us in the performance of our various duties. We held cottage prayer-meetings during the winter months, which were well attended, and proved to be a season of grace to many. Members, 146.

J. PASCOE.

CUPIDS.—The regular means of grace have been kept up during the year, and have been generally well attended; and although there has been no special outpouring of the Holy Spirit, a few have professed conversion and have begun to meet in class. Members, 153.

JOHN REAY.

BAY ROBERTS.—Our means of grace have been seasons of delight and profit to the people of God, and a few sheaves have been gathered for the garner of God. Members, 74.

F. G. WILLEY.

BLACKHEAD.—In proclaiming the truth we have given special prominence to the importance of a constantly developing Christian life, and we believe the Spirit has in some cases applied the truth to the individual heart. Members, 506. JAMES DOVE.

WESTERN BAY.—In reviewing the year we have reason to feel encouraged that our labours have been owned of God in the salvation of a few souls. Many of our people love the means of grace, and are devoted in their attachment to the doctrines and duties of Christianity. Members, 350. R. W. FREEMAN.

ISLAND COVE.—The prayers of God's people have been answered, and the ministry of His Word has been blessed to the salvation of souls. Scores have joined the Church; many of them being able clearly to testify to sins forgiven and peace with Heaven. Members, 352. T. H. JAMES.

OLD PERLICAN.—At the early part of the year we conducted special services for about a month with encouraging results. Many of the members were much blessed. Several backsliders were restored, and a few others professed conversion. Members, 267. WILLIAM SWANN.

HANT'S HARBOUR.—For some time a weekly meeting was held with a special aim at the attainment of holiness. Several are growing in grace, and a few have passed from death unto life, while others, deeply convinced of sin, have not yet given themselves to God. Members, 150. CHARLES MYERS.

PORT-DE-GRAVE.—The past connexional year has been spent in anxious sowing and watering. At times hopes have been entertained of a gracious ingathering being received, but as yet the harvest has proved to be far less than was anticipated. Members, 44. THOMAS C. JOHN.

HEART'S CONTENT.—During the past year we anxiously endeavoured to preach and labour for the salvation of souls; and although not without success, yet it was not to the extent we wished and longed for. However we have increasing congregations, and we trust that ere long the word preached may save them. Members, 48. GEORGE PAINE.

TRINITY.—The converting and soul-saving power of God has been displayed in our midst, and amid opposition arising from bigotry and prejudice, we believe there has been progress through the year. Members, 99. ANTHONY HILL.

RANDOM NORTH.—Our endeavour has been humbly and prayerfully to lift up before the people a crucified Saviour, and we have been cheered to find a few drawn to Him. The piety of many has been kept alive this season by a faithful use of the means of grace. Members, 115. THOS. L. ELAND.

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RANDOM SOUTH.—No special out-pouring of the Spirit has been experienced, but in a few places the power of the Lord has been felt, and the Word has not been preached in vain. Members, 227.

EDGAR TAYLOR.

GREEN'S HARBOUR.—Although we cannot report a revival, yet we can rejoice in not having altogether laboured in vain. In the two distant places of the Mission we have also had evidences of the reception of the truth as it is in Jesus. Members, 84.

H. C. HATCHER.

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

<i>Bonavista</i>	Jeremiah Embree.
<i>Catalina</i>	Joseph Parkins.
<i>Greenspond</i>	Jos. Lister, Geo. Vater.
<i>Twillingate</i>	Thos. Whitfield Atkinson.
<i>Exploits</i>	John Pratt.
<i>Musgrave Town</i>	Samuel Snowdon.
<i>Musgrave Harbour</i>	Robert Bramfitt.
<i>Fogo</i>	Geo. J. Bond, B. A.
<i>Herring Neck</i>	Wm. H. Edyvean.
<i>Moreton's Harbour</i>	James Nurse.
<i>Little Bay Islands</i>	Wm. Jennings.
<i>Betts Cove</i>	Jas. B. Heal.
<i>Tilt Cove</i>	Geo. Bullen.

BONAVISTA.—The cause of God has greatly prospered in all its departments on this Mission. It has been a year of reaping as well as sowing. It would be impossible to give a statement of the work to its fullest extent: only eternity will disclose all the good that has been done. After the New Year commenced the work showed itself in real progress. The months preceding were spent in hope, often increased by cheering seasons of grace. When the work advanced it was really wonderful; scores of all classes of sinners came forward to the communion rail to seek God. Every night, for a number of nights, seventy and upwards came at the moment permission was given, and many found peace. All the settlements on the Circuit shared, to some extent, in the gracious visitation. The good work continued until the busy season made it necessary to hold services less frequently. Many were then, and still are, seekers. Not only was there an awakening among the ungodly, but also among the members, and many could witness as clearly to the work of entire sanctification having been done in them, as they could to the work of regeneration. We are able to speak very hopefully for the future. We know it is with God, and His purposes are grand and glorious. We trust we have had but the earnest of the work yet to be accomplished. Members, 568.

JEREMIAH EMBREE.

CATALINA.—Although our work has not been marked by that degree of prosperity which the Gospel warrants, and for which the Holy Spirit of God is promised and given, yet we have reason to rejoice over the signs of the times. At Little Catalina over *forty* have been converted to God, and continue to meet in class. Of these, many were backsliders. Some of the old members have been revived, and impelled to seek a yet higher state of grace. Members, 105. JOSEPH PARKINS.

GREENSPOND.—The message of salvation, we have reason to believe, has been acceptable to our people, and gratitude has been universal for the privilege of a preached Gospel. Our prayer and class-meetings have been well-attended, and great zeal displayed by many in these God-honoured services. We have had a few conversions to God during the year. Though many have declined in religion, yet we are glad to report a slight increase in the total membership. Members, 369. JOSEPH LISTER.

TWILLINGATE.—Our congregations have been remarkably good throughout the year. The presence of the Lord has been powerfully felt in many of our meetings. Our class-meetings and prayer-meetings have been seasons of refreshing. In the early part of the year we held special services to which many were drawn, and some sought and found the pearl of great price. We hope for brighter and better days, and are led to say, "How long, O Lord?" For Zion's sake we will not hold our peace, and for Jerusalem's sake we will not rest until we are again baptized with the Spirit of our Master, and are permitted to see the arm of the Lord made bare in a wonderful manner. Members, 172. THOS. W. ATKINSON.

EXPLOITS.—The Lord has been with us during the past year. We have had no large ingathering, but most of those saved during the two previous years are still holding on their way, though a few have gone back, and some others have not the same zeal they had when converted. The last service we had will long be remembered, because of the presence and power of our Master, specially when at the Lord's Table. Members, 279. JOHN PRATT.

MUSGRAVE TOWN.—The spiritual condition of some of our people is by no means satisfactory. We are sorry not to be able to report progress in every branch of the Lord's work. We never laboured more arduously, but our work and influence have been retarded. In all parts (except Musgrave Town) of this Mission our work is flourishing, and Methodism was never on a firmer basis. We have gone from place to place unfurling the flag of our Church with its inscription of "Free Grace," and we rejoice to report victory engraven on our banners. Members, 82. SAMUEL SNOWDEN.

MUSGRAVE HABBOUR.—In reviewing our labours during the past year, we feel that, while there is much cause for humiliation before God, there is also cause for joy and thanksgiving. Some who professed to receive a saving change in the remarkable revival of last

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year, have gone back ; but many are still standing fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made them free. Visits have been made to the Wadham Lighthouse and to Rocky, with encouraging results. On every hand the people manifest a strong desire to participate in the means of grace. Members, 152. ROBERT BRAMFITT.

FOGO.—In meeting the classes for the May quarter we had more encouraging and hopeful impressions than at any previous time. We have gathered a few precious souls to Christ, and some have gone to rest from their labours, and their works are following them. Members, 219. JAS. B. HEAL.

MORETON'S HARBOUR.—The year having been so strongly marked by circumstances of a saddening nature, the strength of Christian character has been strikingly tested. Scarcely a home throughout the Mission that has not been shadowed with sickness, and very many have been overcast with the deeper shades of death. But the consolations of religion abounded unto many, and we trust the pruning of the vine, will result in an increase of fruit. Our visit to Burnt Bay gave us much satisfaction and pleasure. Three services are held regularly on the Sabbath, and two classes efficiently maintained. Members, 100. JAMES NURSE.

HERRING NECK.—Our congregations have increased during the past year, and the work of grace has evidently deepened in the hearts of some of our people. A few have professed conversion, and gracious influences are still with us in our services. There are good indications of brighter days ahead. At Friday's Bay we have experienced gracious revival influences, many have been converted and profess great attachment to our cause. Members, 118.

WILLIAM H. EDYVEAN.

LITTLE BAY ISLANDS.—In reviewing the year's labours on this Mission, we recognize cause for some degree of encouragement. Though we cannot report remarkable manifestations of Divine power, we rejoice in the assurance of God's presence and blessing. In the public means of grace many of God's people have borne their evidence to the power of the Gospel message. Some have sought and found the Saviour, whilst others have made shipwreck of faith and a good conscience toward God. The spiritual state of the society is low. The class and prayer-meetings are not so highly prized nor so well attended by our people as we desire, but we have the promises of God. We trust in Jesus, therefore amid discouragements we look up, and, with child-like confidence, say, "His word shall not return unto Him void." WILLIAM JENNINGS.

BETT'S COVE AND TILT COVE.—In reviewing the past year we have cause to rejoice and be thankful ; there is reason also for close heart-searching and deep humility. Although we cannot share very plentifully in the joy of the reaper, yet we believe the toil of the

sower has not been altogether in vain. While we have noticed with sorrow the decline of some, our hearts have been made glad by others who have given themselves to the Saviour. We report about eighteen conversions during the year. But we have to state that there has been a decrease of membership. This is owing very largely to the mining depression, which has necessitated many of our people to leave. Some have taken their exit from the Island, others have settled in different parts of the Bay, but outside of this Mission. The unsettled state of affairs, caused by almost the continuous incoming and outgoing of the population, makes it difficult to tabulate success. Members, 123.

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GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

DEPARTMENTS.	Missions.	Missionaries.	Native. Assistants.	Teachers.	Interpreters.	Total paid Agents.	Members.
Domestic Missions:—							
Toronto Conference	51	51	..	..	..	51	4550
London "	38	38	..	..	..	38	3771
Montreal "	65	69	..	..	..	69	5188
Nova Scotia "	52	52	..	..	..	52	4521
New Brunswick & P. E. I. Conference	54	57	..	..	..	57	4711
Newfoundland Conference	37	39	..	..	..	39	5520
Missionary Districts:—							
Brit. Columbia, Winnipeg, Algoma	32	32	..	..	..	32	1781
	329	338	..	..	..	338	30042
Indian Missions:—							
British Columbia District	7	4	6	3	..	13	671
Saskatchewan "	8	5	..	3	1	9	335
Winnipeg "	5	3	2	3	2	10	650
Toronto Conference	10	8	1	6	3	18	623
London "	8	8	3	7	5	23	740
Montreal "	2	2	..	2	..	4	205
	40	30	12	24	11	77	3224
French Missions:—							
Montreal Conference	9	10	..	4	..	14	408
German Missions:—							
London Conference	1	1	..	..	..	1	23
Montreal "	1	1	..	..	..	1	142
	2	2	..	..	..	2	170
Foreign Missions:—							
Japan	4	*8	5	..	..	13	170
Bermuda	2	4	..	..	..	4	482
	6	12	5	..	..	17	652
Total	386	392	17	28	11	448	34496

* Including 5 Japanese Ministers.

SPECIAL REPORT

OF A

TOUR OF INSPECTION AMONG THE MISSIONS IN THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORY AND MANITOBA,

During the Summer of 1880.

BY THE REV. A. SUTHERLAND, D.D., GENERAL SECRETARY.

AT a meeting of the Committee of Consultation and Finance, held on the 20th of April, 1880, it was ordered that if the General Secretary can find time to visit any part of the Mission field during the present summer, he be recommended to visit the North-West, in view of the probable rapid development of our work in that country.

For some time previous, various circumstances had indicated the desirableness of a personal inspection of the work in that region by an officer of the Society; and as the Chairman of the Saskatchewan District was about returning from Ontario with a Missionary for Fort McLeod, and several Teachers for other points in the district, it occurred to me that this would afford a good opportunity of carrying out the recommendation of the Committee. Accordingly arrangements were made for visiting first the Missions in the Saskatchewan District, and afterwards, as far as time would permit, those in the Province of Manitoba, and among the advancing settlements beyond her western frontier.

I left Toronto on the 21st of June, and proceeded by rail to Bismarck, on the Missouri river, having joined the mission party on the way. From Bismarck our course was by river steamer 1,200 miles to Fort Benton in Montana; from which point the journey was made by means of horses and waggons. Desiring to know by experience as well as observation how the brethren lived and travelled in these western wilds, I purposely avoided engaging any assistance for the journey, but endeavoured to do my share of camp-work in common with the rest of the party. By this means I obtained an inside view of certain aspects of Missionary toil that could not have been gained in any other way; and was enabled to enter more fully into sympathy with the labourers than would have been possible on mere reports from

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The journey from Fort Benton to Fort McLeod—the first Mission visited—occupied seven travelling days. The heat while crossing the treeless plains of Montana was so intense, that even those long accustomed to camp-life were almost overcome; while to those who were passing through the experience for the first time, the suffering was great; and the discomfort was greatly aggravated by the fact that the water along the route was more or less impregnated with alkali. Several deep and rapid rivers had to be crossed, which involved severe labour and no small risk; but by God's blessing the journey was made without serious accident.

FORT McLEOD.

Fort McLeod is the most southerly Mission in the Saskatchewan District, as well as the most recently established. It is situated at the confluence of Willow Creek and Old Man's river, about fifty miles north of the international boundary line, and is one of the principal stations of the mounted police. A number of temporary buildings have sprung up around the police barracks, and the place has become a kind of centre for a few whites and half-breeds, and a considerable number of Indians, chiefly of tribes belonging to the Blackfoot nation. The zeal of the missionaries who first made their way to this point is worthy of all commendation; but the wisdom of occupying it as a permanent mission station is not so apparent. Almost as soon as the police occupied the site of McLeod, the Chairman wisely made provision for visiting them at intervals, and holding service; but in consenting to the appointment of a resident Missionary he seems to have yielded to the persistent representations of others rather than to the dictates of his own judgment. From what has come under my own observation, I am convinced that it is unwise to establish mission headquarters at any of these police stations. The officers, with rare exceptions, are opposed to our work, and the men are hindered from attending the services, while not unfrequently the Missionary is treated with a marked disrespect, which seriously impairs his influence and retards his work. Besides this, the task of evangelizing the Indians in the vicinity of these posts is attempted at an immense disadvantage, from causes which I need not specify here. Although many Indians are constantly coming and going at McLeod, they are, for the most part, of a class very difficult to reach, and the nearest Indian Reserve is sixteen miles away. I am informed, moreover, that it is the intention of the

police authorities to remove the station to the mountains early next spring, in which event the buildings at McLeod will soon be deserted, and the last remnant of a congregation disappear. I think it very desirable that the Missionary at McLeod should transfer the centre of his operations to one of the Indian Reserves at an early day.

MORLEY.

Five days additional travelling brought me to Morley, located on the north bank of Bow River, among the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. This mission was begun by the Rev. John McDougall, in 1873, and although intended chiefly for the benefit of the Mountain Stoneys, seemed, at the same time, to form a good base from which to reach the Crees and Blackfeet of the plains. The undertaking was fraught with great danger, as the tribes were then at war, and no white man had, up to that time, risked a permanent sojourn in the region, although it had been visited by both Rundle and Woolsey on their evangelistic tours; but the Providence of God shielded his servants, and though at times they were exposed to great peril, no evil was permitted to befall them. On this mission there is now a comfortable mission-house, a cottage for the teacher, a neat and commodious church, and a well-built school-house. The only cost to the Society for these buildings was a single grant of \$900. Had all the material and labour been paid for by the Society, they would have cost at least \$6,000, even at present rates, and a good deal more at the time the buildings were erected. On the Reserve connected with the mission there are some 600 Stoneys. Many of these are members of the Church, and all have been brought more or less under the influence of the Gospel. Some have begun to cultivate the soil, and more are preparing to follow their example, so that we may expect to find, at no distant day, a civilized and Christian community occupying the reserve. Altogether I consider Morley one of the most promising Indian Missions in the whole North-West Territory.

There are two matters in connection with this mission that should receive the careful attention of the Board. The first is our title to the Mission property. In a survey of the Reserve, which was made during Mr. McDougall's absence in Canada, the Mission premises were included in the survey. This makes it Indian property, and prevents us from having any other title than mere right of occupancy. In view of what has been expended by the Society, and the personal labour of the Missionary, in the erection of buildings, the fencing and cultivation of fields, &c., it seems to me we have a fair claim to a title

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The second point is connected with the establishment of an Indian Orphanage. As the facts bearing upon this question will be laid before the Board in a separate memorandum, I will here call attention to but one circumstance, viz., the necessity, in case the orphanage is established, of securing a section of land for a Supply and Industrial Farm ; and should the Board favour the project, I would recommend that application be made to the Indian Department for a grant of land for the purpose named.

During my stay of Morley, several services were held. On Sabbath morning Bro. McDougall preached in Cree, to a crowded and attentive congregation. In the afternoon we crossed the river and conducted service in an Indian camp. First, some five or six marriages were solemnized, and upwards of a dozen children baptized, after which I addressed the people, Bro. McDougall translating into Cree, and James Dixon, a native local preacher, into Stoney. In the evening another service was held in the school-house, when several additional marriages were solemnized, and a number of children baptized, after which I preached a brief discourse, Bro. McDougall interpreting as before. On the following Wednesday a Council was held, which was largely attended. A number of leading Indians spoke, referring both to their temporal and spiritual concerns ; and it would have cheered the friends of the Society could they have heard the heartfelt testimonies of these men to the power and blessedness of the religion of Christ Jesus. Bro. McDougall addressed them briefly, and I followed, giving such counsel as the circumstances of the people seemed to call for. I also visited the school, and marked the progress of the children, under the diligent instructions of the teacher, Mr. Sibbald.

WOODVILLE.

After a week's sojourn at Morley, I proceeded northward 200 miles to Edmonton, purposing to visit Woodville on the way. I was accompanied by the Chairman of the District, and made the journey in seven days, exclusive of the Sabbath. When we reached a point some 50 miles from Edmonton, and were about turning westward to Woodville, we met some of the Indians from that mission, who informed us that the people had all gone to Edmonton to receive their treaty payments, that not a single person remained at the mission, and that the trail leading thither was all but impassable, owing to

the continued and heavy rains. Under these circumstances it was considered advisable not to visit Woodville; but arrangements were made for the Teacher, who had been engaged for that place, to go in as soon as the people returned, which would be in a few days. For some time past Woodville has not been occupied by a Missionary except during the few months that Brother Manning spent there; and as the people are somewhat unsettled in regard to their Reserve, it does not seem advisable that a Missionary should be sent there at present. The newly-appointed Teacher will conduct religious services as well as teach the school, and in this way the spiritual needs of the people will be met till such time as a permanent Reserve is fixed upon.

EDMONTON.

We reached Edmonton on Thursday afternoon, August 12th, and were courteously entertained at the hospitable home of R. Hardisty, Esq., Chief Factor of the H. B. Company's posts in the Upper Saskatchewan District. This post occupies a beautiful and commanding site on the North Saskatchewan river, about 200 miles east of the mountains. Though not doing the enormous business it once did, it is still a place of importance, and is destined, I think, to be one of the great centres when the far North-West becomes peopled. The soil in the neighborhood is of excellent quality, and large crops can be raised. There is quite a little settlement along the river, and two mills are in course of erection within a mile of the Fort.

Although Edmonton has long appeared on the Minutes of Conference, it was, for many years, merely a kind of headquarters for the Missionaries, to which they resorted at intervals for letters and supplies, while traversing a vast extent of country. It was not till 1871 that buildings were erected, and the place became a mission in fact as well as name. This work was accomplished by the indefatigable labors of the late George McDougall, who succeeded in enlisting the co-operation of many residents of the place. In the Circuit book I saw a list of contributions that would do credit to many a wealthy neighborhood in Ontario. Only \$400 were given by the Missionary Society to clear off a final balance. The premises occupy a beautiful site on the north bank of the river, half a mile from the Fort, and consist of a neat church and Mission house, surrounded by an extensive garden.

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of another, weary months have sometimes elapsed ; while the short stay of those who have been on the ground since Brother McDougall left it has prevented any sustained attempt to evangelize the numerous Indian bands who for at least a part of each year are to be found not far from the Fort. For years past our record in this last respect has not been creditable, and has done much to alienate the sympathies of both whites and half-breeds. Missionary subscriptions, which in 1873-4 amounted to over \$450, dwindled down to \$89 in 1878-9, while of late years no local contributions have been made for the support of the Missionary.

As to the future, I do not think Edmonton will be a permanent *Indian Mission*. Many Indians are within reach now ; but as they settle on their Reserves this will no longer be the case, as those Reserves will not be in the neighbourhood of the Fort. It is likely, however, to be an important English centre in days to come ; and even now would be a good point at which to locate an Educational Institution.

On Sabbath three services were held in the church. I preached, morning and evening, to congregations numbering over fifty persons. In the afternoon Brother McDougall preached in Cree to a good audience of Indians and half-breeds, all of whom seemed attentive to the Word.

During our stay at Edmonton I had repeated consultations with the Chairman concerning our work in that region, and it became clear that some modification was demanded. It had been our intention to send Brother Glass, one of the teachers, to Saddle Lake, to organize an Indian school and conduct Sabbath services ; but we found that before our arrival the place had been occupied by an agent of the Church of England. At the same time there was a demand for more men in the direction of Manitoba, which the Church had not been able to supply ; and we finally concluded that by leaving Brother Glass at Edmonton the present needs of the work there would be met, and a school established, which the people very much desired, while the Missionary in charge would be set free to go where help was more needed. Arrangements were accordingly made for Brother Whiteside to go down the river by the Company's steamer, with instructions as to his future movements, which will be referred to in another connection.

Our work at Edmonton was now done, and preparations were made for another stage of the journey. We were informed that the roads for some distance were in a very bad condition, and that some of the streams we would have to cross were very high and dangerous.

Moreover, our horses were beginning to show signs of fatigue, which made the necessity for some change in the programme the more apparent. After some consultation I decided to send my horses and waggon down to Fort Carlton by the Company's steamer, and to follow them a day or two later in an open boat. A large skiff was obtained, in which our other effects were placed; and bidding goodbye to our kind friends we pushed off, and began our long journey down the Saskatchewan.

WHITEFISH LAKE.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, August 17th, we reached Victoria, and received a cordial welcome from Brother McLachlen and his estimable wife. On the following afternoon, in company with Brothers McDougall and McLachlen, I set out for Whitefish Lake, about 60 miles to the north-east of Victoria. The season having been extremely wet, the roads were bad, and travelling somewhat unpleasant. Heavy showers fell at intervals, and in one place we had to drive for over half a mile with the water up to the bottom of the buckboard all the way, and sometimes over it. We reached our destination on Thursday afternoon, and received kindly greeting from our faithful Missionary, Brother Steinhauer.

Whitefish Lake is, next to Pigeon Lake, the oldest established Methodist Mission in the Saskatchewan, having been organized by Brother Steinhauer in 1857. Here he has laboured with exemplary fidelity for three-and-twenty years, and has succeeded in gathering around him a civilized and Christian community, known and respected through all the North-West. The settlement stretches from Whitefish Lake to Goodfish Lake, and all along may be seen comfortable cabins with fruitful fields and gardens, while near the Mission House I saw a herd of as fine cattle, belonging to the Indians, as one need wish to look upon. Whitefish Lake is especially interesting as a Mission begun and carried on entirely by a native Missionary, and is a sufficient answer to any doubts that may arise as to the power of the Gospel to civilize and elevate the native tribes. In spiritual results it has richly repaid the labour and money expended upon it.

On the day following our arrival a Council was held in the School House, which took very much the character of a love-feast. Complaints there were few or none, but everywhere expressions of thankfulness for the blessing which the Gospel had brought to them. At the close of the meeting I addressed them, Brother McDougall kindly acting as interpreter, giving such counsel and encouragement as the

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The Mission house at Whitefish Lake is comfortable, and there is a fruitful garden and fields around it; but the School House, which has also served as a church, is somewhat dilapidated, and needs to be renewed. A year or two ago the people made an effort and got up the walls of a new building designed for a church, but help is needed to finish it; and I would recommend that Brother Steinhauer be allowed, during his stay in Ontario, to receive special contributions for that purpose.

I left Whitefish Lake on Friday afternoon, in company with Brother Steinhauer, he having permission from the Committee to visit Ontario, and on Saturday evening we again reached

VICTORIA.

This Mission, like Edmonton, is a creation of the McDougalls. When George McDougall first visited the country in 1862, he found Mr. Woolsey at Smoking Lake, some 30 miles north of the river, where he had just erected a little cabin, and proposed to locate a Mission. Mr. McDougall was convinced that a spot on the banks of the river was a much better location, though strongly dissuaded by others on the ground that it was right in the war-path of the Blackfeet. Here he left his son John to aid Mr. Woolsey in erecting buildings, while he himself went down to Norway House, at the north end of Lake Winnipeg, for the rest of his family. Returning the following summer, he found a Mission House well on toward completion, and a good deal of material ready for a church.

From this period Victoria has continued on the list of Missions, and for a number of years flourished apace. At one time there were six classes—two of Indians and four of whites and half-breeds; but since then, owing to frequent changes, long vacancies, unsuitable appointments, and the migratory habits of the people, the cause has languished and almost died. I am glad to say, however, that under the faithful labours of Brother McLachlen and his devoted wife, there are signs of revival. They are getting a firm hold upon the people, who were greatly alarmed when a rumour somehow got abroad that their Missionary was likely to be removed.

The Mission premises, which consist of a Mission house and out-buildings, and a small church, occupy a beautiful site on the north bank of the Saskatchewan, overlooking the river. The buildings have of late years got a good deal out of repair, and fences have almost

entirely disappeared; but I have every confidence that under Brother McLachlen's administration things will soon assume a better appearance. In the garden surrounding the Mission House are the graves of the wife and two sisters of Brother John McDougall, who fell victims to the ravages of small-pox when last that pestilence swept through the country.

Victoria will be a good centre for Indian work for some time to come. Across the river, 12 miles away, is Egg Lake, a Reserve on which are already located some 20 families. About 12 miles up the river, on the north side, is Wah-sah-te-now, with about 12 families, while 40 miles down the river is Saddle Lake, at present occupied by an Episcopalian Missionary, where are a number of families of our people from Whitefish Lake; and these various settlements are *neuclei* around which many Indians will gather. Besides, Victoria itself has a considerable half-breed population who understand both English and Cree, and it is by no means improbable that a considerable white population may yet gather around the place.

Two services were held on Sunday. I preached in the morning to an attentive congregation, and Bro. McDougall conducted a Cree service in the afternoon.

On Monday we prepared to start on our long journey down the river. As Bro. McDougall could not accompany us any farther, and the rest of us were quite unacquainted with the country, I engaged an old H. B. Co.'s freighter and steersman to go with us to Winnipeg. The selection was fortunate, as he proved a faithful servant and helper. Our effects were again put on board the boat, and at half-past 2 p.m. we were ready to start. Bro. McDougall and Bro. and Sister McLachlen accompanied us to the bank of the river, where we commended each other "to God and to the word of His grace," and then pushing out from shore, resumed our solitary voyage.

As I have published elsewhere a detailed account of the entire journey, I need not refer here to the various incidents which occurred as we rowed or floated down the river; suffice it to say, that about noon on Saturday, the 28th of August, I reached

BATTLEFORD,

the Capital of the North-West Territory, where I decided to remain over the Sabbath. The tent was pitched accordingly, and all necessary arrangements made for the day of rest. As no attempt has yet been made by the Methodist Church to establish a cause here, I was the more desirous of examining into the real state of

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affairs, that I might the better judge what course we should pursue in the future. In prosecuting my enquiries I received much kind assistance from C. G. Lawrie, Esq., the publisher of the *Saskatchewan Herald*.

Battleford is located on the south bank of Battle River, about two miles above its confluence with the Saskatchewan. The business part occupies the level bottom near the river, while on the hill farther back are the residences of the Governor, the Stipendiary Magistrate, and several government officials. The population is about 300, one-half of whom are Roman Catholics. There is no resident Protestant minister in Battleford at present, but a lay agent of the Church of England has charge of a school, and conducts service on the Sabbath. A most determined effort is being made by the Roman Catholics to obtain a controlling influence in the place, and with no small success. The Governor's Secretary, the Registrar, and several other prominent officials, are Roman Catholics; and only a short time before my arrival, two Protestant Farm Instructors were dismissed, and their places filled with Catholics. At the very time of my visit the R. C. Bishop and two priests were in the place in close and earnest consultation.

The use of the school-house having been obtained, I preached on Sunday evening to a most attentive congregation. During Monday forenoon I made a careful examination of the place with the view of securing, if possible, what would be a suitable site for a church in the future. I found, however, that although Battleford has been the capital of the Territory for several years past, *the town plot is not yet surveyed*; and that the most that could be done would be to buy out some squatter's claim. The Roman Catholics have put up a log shanty to serve as a chapel, and on the ground of occupancy lay claim to *thirty acres* in the town; and as their friends are in power there is little doubt but they will get it. There are no outlying settlements as yet, and as the soil in this region is somewhat inferior to that in other parts of the territory, it is not likely that settlement will be rapid; but if Battleford continues to be the seat of government, as is most probable, a town of considerable importance may soon spring up, and we should be prepared, on short notice, to send in a man and establish a cause.

On Monday afternoon I left Battleford, and early on the following Thursday morning reached Fort Carlton, and was courteously received and entertained by L. Clarke, Esq., Chief Factor of the H. B. Company's posts in the Lower Saskatchewan District. Here

I resumed possession of my horses and waggon, and leaving Bro. Steinhauer and the guide to take the boat farther down the river, I drove across the country, and at noon on Friday reached

PRINCE ALBERT.

This is a settlement of considerable extent, occupying the point of land between the North and South branches of the Saskatchewan River. For years the impression had been general among us that this was almost exclusively a Presbyterian settlement, where our services were neither needed nor desired; but information reached me at Edmonton which greatly modified that impression. I there learned that within two or three years past quite a number of Methodist families had moved into the settlement, who greatly desired the services of a Missionary. It was on this account that instructions were given to Bro. Whiteside, when leaving Edmonton, to proceed down the river as far as Prince Albert, visit among the people, and ascertain the real facts in the case; that if he found a legitimate opening for a Methodist Missionary, he should remain until I joined him, but if not he might proceed at once to Manitoba. On reaching Prince Albert I found the desire for a minister of our church even stronger than I supposed. Bro. Whiteside had visited among the people, found a number who had been members of our Church in Ontario, and ascertained that three appointments could be taken up at once, where there would be an aggregate of at least 100 hearers of Methodist proclivities. During Saturday I visited a number of families through the settlement, being kindly accompanied by a Mr. Deacon, who has two brothers in the ministry of our Church. On Saturday evening I met a number of gentlemen who had formed themselves into a committee for the purpose of erecting a place of worship at an early day, and found them enthusiastic in their desire for a Missionary. On Sabbath morning I preached in an empty store, the use of which had been secured for the purpose, and in the evening I preached, by invitation, in the Presbyterian Church to a crowded congregation. As the result of my enquiries among the people it was decided that, with the consent of the proper authorities, Bro. Whiteside should be permitted to remain at Prince Albert to organize a Mission and establish a cause.

Of the journey from Prince Albert to the crossing of the Assinaboine river, a distance of some 350 miles, it is unnecessary now to speak, as there are no settlements, as yet, between these two points, and therefore nothing that calls for the immediate attention of the Missionary Society. Soon after crossing the Assinaboine,

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BIRTLE,

and after a short interview with some of the inhabitants, resolved to camp over the Sabbath. At this place a town plot has been laid out by parties connected with the Hamilton Colonization Company, and up and down the stream on which the village is situated, there is an almost continuous settlement for a distance of five and twenty miles. In the village itself there are perhaps 20 houses; but some 80 lots have been sold, all but three on condition of being built upon within a year. Last year a hired local preacher was sent to Shoal Lake, but it was afterwards decided to transfer the headquarters of the Mission to Birtle, as being a more important centre, and in June last an ordained Missionary was appointed to the field. When he reached Manitoba it was decided by the authorities that a supply was more urgently demanded at Grand Valley than at Birtle, and the Brother was sent there. During the past summer, services have been conducted at Birtle, with great acceptance, by Bro. Burritt, a local preacher resident in the neighborhood; but to reach all the places calling for service was simply impossible, and hence it was evident that a laborer should be sent into the field who could devote all his time to the work. As no ordained man, or even probationer, was available, a hired local preacher has been sent, who will be able to meet the needs of the Mission, so far as preaching is concerned; but I am decidedly of opinion that an ordained Missionary should be sent to Birtle at next Conference.

On the Saturday, accompanied by Mr. Wood, one of the chief men of the place, I made a careful inspection of the town plot, and selected two lots as a site for church and parsonage. Among the people who have settled here, are a number of Methodist families from Ontario, who are minded to provide a comfortable place of worship at an early day. On the Sabbath I conducted two services; and although an equinoctial storm was raging, had large congregations. During my brief stay I received much kind attention from Mr. Wood and his estimable family, and on Monday took my departure with pleasant memories of my visit to the place.

RAPID CITY,

the next point touched, is situated on the Little Saskatchewan river, about 40 miles from Birtle, and is the centre of a fine country

which is being rapidly settled. Here I received a cordial welcome from Bro. Lawson, our faithful and energetic Missionary, who, for the past five years, has been doing noble service among the advancing settlements of the North-West. His field is extensive, and the people are widely scattered, but they gladly receive the visits of the Missionary, and the prospects are that we shall have here a strong, self-sustaining circuit at no distant day.

From the Little Saskatchewan, two trails lead to Manitoba, known as the North and South trails. We first decided to go by the North trail, as that would lead us through Salisbury and Palestine Missions, both of which I desired to visit, while on the line of the South trail there are no Missions between Rapid City and Portage la Prairie. As our horses were becoming travel-worn, and the roads ahead were reported very bad, Bro. Lawson kindly offered to accompany us with a fresh pair as far as the Portage; but, on the first afternoon, one of his horses—which he had hired for the journey—gave out, and he had no alternative but to return home. This necessarily changed our plans, as no one in our party knew anything of the North trail. We accordingly took the southerly track, and on the morning after leaving Rapid City reached

BIG PLAIN,

a beautiful tract of country, over twenty miles across, and rapidly filling up with settlers, chiefly from the older Provinces. No effort has yet been made to reach the people, beyond occasional visits from Bro. Lawson; but it is important that a man be sent at the earliest possible date. The Chairman of the Portage la Prairie District has his eye on the ground, and will endeavor to provide for occasional visits in the meantime, until a Missionary can be sent.

Between Big Plain and Rat Creek we passed through some of the worst country we had yet seen. The roads were in a frightful condition, and much of the country seemed to be under water; but after passing Rat Creek there was a manifest improvement, which continued all the way to Portage la Prairie. Beautiful homesteads were now continually in sight, and on every side were evidences of thrift and prosperity. After dark on Saturday evening I reached

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE,

and found pleasant quarters with Bro. Hewitt, the Chairman of the District. I can hardly express the delight I experienced at once more finding myself fairly within the bounds of civilization. To drive along roads with fences and fields on either side was inexpressibly delightful, and enabled me to sympathize more fully with

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the brethren who occupy the more isolated positions in our Mission fields. Portage la Prairie is now a thriving village of considerable extent, and the Mission, under Bro. Hewitt's energetic administration, is making rapid strides towards independence. Moreover, as it has been decided to deflect the line of the Pacific Railway so as to touch the Portage, the commercial future of the place may be regarded as assured. On the Sabbath I had the pleasure of preaching in the little log church (which I hope will soon be replaced by a better building) to a full congregation; and on Monday evening took part in a meeting in the Town Hall, in favor of the Scott Act,—the chief speakers being the Rev. James Scott, of Owen Sound, and the Hon. J. W. Sifton, of Winnipeg.

It was now near the end of September, and as the Central Board of Missions was to meet by the middle of October, it was needful that I should hurry homeward. To visit any more of the Missions in Manitoba was a simple impossibility, and I must therefore content myself with a few general observations in regard to the work as a whole.

In the first place, I would say that the division of the District has proved most beneficial. In its old shape it was simply impossible for any one man to give the work efficient oversight; and if there is one place in our entire work where efficient oversight is more needed than in another, that place is the North-West. At

WINNIPEG

I found our work in a condition that proved the wisdom of the choice that sent Dr. Rice to that important field. The people are more than pleased with the appointment, which is saying a good deal of any one who follows a man as popular as Bro. German. Arrangements are being perfected for the erection of a new church, and I have every confidence that by the close of 1881 a building worthy of the denomination will be completed in Winnipeg. The one in contemplation will probably cost not less than \$30,000.

I was able to spend but a single day in Winnipeg; but in the forenoon the Chairmen of the three Districts met, and we spent a couple of hours in consultation about the state of the work, and the duties of the hour. These honored brethren fully understood the situation, and the interests of our Church in that great and growing country could not be in better hands.

On a careful review of all that I saw and heard during my three months' sojourn in the North-West, I am fully convinced—

1. That God has given to the people of Canada a glorious

heritage east of the Rocky Mountains, the value of which few of them understand as yet.

2. That our Church has, in common with others, a great work to do in the future, in providing for the spiritual needs of the millions who will yet find a home on the prairies of the West—a work that will tax our energies and resources to the utmost.

3. That as a Church, while perhaps we have not done all we might have done, we have nevertheless done our full share,—as compared with other denominations,—of Missionary work in that land. The statements sometimes made that other denominations are outstripping us, and taking the ground from under our feet, has no foundation in fact.

4. That we have, on the whole, as faithful, laborious and self-denying a band of Missionaries in the North-West as the Church ever produced, even in her heroic age.

5. That it will be necessary, in the near future, to reinforce the staff now in the field if the needs of the white and Indian population are to be met. So far as the white population is concerned, there is not as yet much ground for complaint. I am not aware of any settlement, two years old, that has not been supplied, to some extent, with gospel ordinances. There are three localities, however, for which something should be done as quickly as possible, namely—the Carrot River country, south-east of the Saskatchewan; the Souris River country, west from Pembina Mountains; and Big Plain, south-east of the Little Saskatchewan.

On the morning of September 30th I took the train at St. Boniface, opposite Winnipeg, at 8 o'clock, and was soon speeding in the direction of home. Dr. Young was with us as far as Emerson, where he is doing a good work for Christ and Methodism. I regretted my inability to remain even for a day, but other duties were now too pressing to allow it. The rest of the journey was quickly and pleasantly passed, and at daylight on the morning of the 3rd of October I reached home, thankful to Him who had guided and defended me through many thousands of miles of continuous and sometimes dangerous travel. In fifteen weeks I had completed the longest, most laborious, and yet interesting tour I had hitherto undertaken in the discharge of my official duties,—a tour that has given me enlarged experience of Missionary work, a more ample acquaintance with the field and its needs, and that has furnished me with many a fact, argument, and illustration, to be used hereafter in pleading the cause of Missions before our people.

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STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the year ending June 30th, 1880.

TORONTO CONFERENCE.

Toronto District.		Duffin's Creek	\$118 09
Metropolitan	\$3098 28	Markham	335 81
Richmond Street.....	648 39	Stouffville.....	143 50
Elm "	973 89	Uxbridge	242 00
Berkeley "	236 41	Prince Albert and Port Perry	138 36
Queen "	580 06	Scugog	29 83
Sherbourne "	1061 21	Reach	144 58
Spadina Avenue	25 50	Cartwright	102 39
Dundas Street	190 99	Sunderland	124 96
Don Mount	14 50	Vroomanton.....	100 42
Yorkville, Bloor Street	1033 46	Total	\$3409 97
Yorkville, Yonge "	974 36	Cobourg District.	
Davenport	106 61	Cobourg	\$910 91
Seaton	41 84	Port Hope	516 15
Parkdale	49 41	Canton	182 36
Scarboro'	379 27	Baltimore	91 72
Yonge St. South.....	698 60	Plainville	122 03
" Centre	255 67	Grafton	28 00
" North	454 95	Colborne	309 08
Total	\$10823 41	Castleton	202 64
Brampton District.		Brighton	211 50
Brampton	\$714 75	Smithfield.....	188 51
Weston	376 33	Campbellford ..	124 27
Streetsville	702 80	Hastings	110 00
Cooksville.....	468 46	Percy.....	150 85
Chinguacousy	99 82	Fenella	75 80
Orangeville	101 20	Alderville.....	96 90
Alton and Amaranth.....	59 01	Total	\$3320 72
Albion West	285 50	Belleville District.	
Albion East	85 67	Belleville Centre	\$677 23
Kleinburg.....	170 05	" North	90 25
Total	\$3063 59	" West	191 45
Whitby District.		Sidney	224 41
Whitby	\$209 54	Thurlow	176 19
Oshawa	342 85	Marmora	166 13
Bowmanville	237 94	Stirling	203 33
Newcastle.....	380 38	Frankford.....	178 00
Newtonville	170 89	Trenton	331 28
Brooklin	121 49	Wooler	80 91
Darlington	301 31	Shannonville	161 29
Pickering	165 63	Thomasburg.....	157 34

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 Bobcaygeor
 Woodville ..
 Beaverton .

Tweed	\$174 87
Bridgewater	40 31
Flinton and Addington Road	16 47
Madoc	171 62
Bannockburn	18 00
Mavnooth and York River ...	20 00
Brudenell and Bangor	39 39

Total

Picton District.

Picton	\$466 26
Consecon	180 90
Wellington	205 90
Melville	71 00
Ameliasburg.....	118 53
Rednerville	178 84
Bloomfield ...	134 34
Cherry Valley.....	83 00
Milford	162 35
Cressy	74 38
Demorestville	88 63
Northport.....	110 42

Total

Peterboro' District.

Peterboro'.....	\$549 71
Millbrook	214 26
Cavanville	245 00
South Monaghan.....	82 45
Keene	196 00
Norwood	312 00
Lakefield	273 03
Mud Lake.....	11 18
Hiawatha	51 72
Bethary	108 50
Ballyduff	100 00
Warsaw	82 33
Blairton	57 46
Chandos	10 92

Total

Lindsay District.

Lindsay.....	\$156 23
Lindsay East	11 47
Omeme	239 11
Oakwood	153 30
Cannington	339 48
Fenelon Falls	80 89
Dunsford	55 88
Minden	46 46
Haliburton	23 35
Monmouth	5 25
Coboconk	129 23
Bobcaygeon.....	169 29
Woodville	38 73
Beaverton	58 06

Atherley	\$35 00
Victoria Road	50 15
Dalrymple	34 82

Total

Bradford District.

Bradford	\$278 00
Newmarket	194 86
Aurora	134 89
Pond Head	263 53
Lloydtown	83 26
Schomberg	128 83
Cookstown	260 91
Innisfil	229 95
Alliston	305 05
West Essa	156 08
Mount Albert	141 39
Rosemont.....	280 83
Mono	82 74
Adjala	38 68
Sutton	51 51
Georgina Island	4 05

Total

Barrie District.

Barrie	\$289 60
Allandale	69 92
Angus	79 61
Vespra	183 75
Hillsdale	179 51
Pen-tanguishene	79 05
Rugby	72 52
Orillia	141 05
Coldwater	132 70
Rama.....	58 62

Total

Bracebridge District.

Bracebridge	\$81 45
Gravenhurst.....	52 84
Severn Bridge	100 85
Utterson	35 35
Uffington	47 30
Port Carling.....	30 00
Huntsville	47 09
Perry and Armour	14 13
Maganetawan	50 54
Rosseau	45 77
McKellar	43 19
Lorne.....	4 00
Nipissing and Stoney Lake ..	5 00

Total

Collingwood District.

Collingwood.....	\$201 14
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Thornbury	\$263 24
Meaford	63 25
St. Vincent	105 56
Maxwell	88 07
Horning's Mills	311 74
Avening	180 68
Stayner	47 00
Parry Sound	40 00
Parry Island, &c.....	47 15
Christian & Beausoliel Islands	35 24
Total	\$1383 07

Owen Sound.

Owen Sound	\$137 18
Brookholm	44 26
Woodford	40 27
Walter's Falls.....	71 67
Chatsworth	66 62
Holland Centre	97 03
Markdale	86 31
Flesherton	63 64
Eugenia Falls	44 97
Dundalk	82 79

Priceville	\$64 25
Warton	77 26
Lion's Head	53 00
Hepworth	46 77
Allenford	64 92
Cape Croker	14 85
Total	\$1060 79

Walkerton District.

Walkerton	\$103 23
Mildmay	93 78
Hanover	110 03
Durham	99 65
Chesley	75 57
Invermay	293 07
Arkwright	177 66
Paisley	78 22
Elen Grove	90 09
Tiverton	91 31
Port Elgin	82 61
Saugeen	43 13
Total	\$1338 35

RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE TORONTO CONFERENCE.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Toronto	\$10823 41	.....	\$1188 67
Brampton	3063 59	.....	252 93
Whitby	3409 97	.....	201 90
Cobourg	3320 72	\$177 60	.....
Belleville	3118 47	.....	365 07
Picton	1814 55	104 04	.....
Peterboro'	2294 56	237 18	.....
Lindsay	1626 70	236 52	.....
Bradford	2633 86	45 45	.....
Barrie	1286 33	159 21	.....
Bracebridge	557 51	62 07	.....
Collingwood	1383 07	81 32	.....
Owen Sound	1060 79	.....	.....
Walkerton	1338 35	.....	38 91
Conference Missionary Meeting Coll...	31 75	48 97
Total	\$37763 63
Net Decrease	\$906 23

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MISSIONARY DISTRICTS.

Algoma District.

Saulte Ste. Marie	\$47 39
Garden River	44 60
Gore Bay	56 23
Manitowaning	100 00
Bruce Mines.....	108 04
St. Joseph Island	4 15
Prince Arthur's Landing	37 00
Total	\$397 41

Winnipeg District.

Winnipeg	\$403 12
Point Douglas	104 65
Prairie Grove	60 47
Selkirk	45 75
Rockwood	87 95
Meadow Lea	104 40
High Bluff and Poplar Point...	140 52
Nelsonville	175 25
Morris	70 25
Portage la Prairie	155 96
Palestine	61 15
Salisbury	21 50
Little Saskatchewan	89 53

Shoal Lake	\$8 00
Emerson	10 00
Berens River	56 50
Norway House..	243 33
Oxford House	270 83
Total	\$2109 16

Saskatchewan District.

Edmonton.....	\$18 95
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British Columbia District.

Victoria... ..	\$319 65
Chinese and Indian Mission...	60 00
Nanaimo and Wellington	86 12
New Westminster	102 00
Maple Ridge and Langley.....	6 00
Burrard Inlet	101 35
Sumas and Chilliwack.....	172 95
Indian Tribes	17 00
Nicola Valley and Kamloops...	80 00
Fort Simpson	53 00
Naas	31 50
Total	\$1029 57

RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Algoma	\$397 41	.....	\$35 77
Winnipeg	2109 16	.....	23 60
Saskatchewan	18 95	276 30
British Columbia	1029 57	295 28
Total	\$3555 09
Net Decrease	\$640 95

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LONDON CONFERENCE.

Hamilton District.

Centenary	\$2057 12
Wesley	435 82
First Methodist	290 60
Zion Tabernacle	186 25
Simcoe Street	63 00
Hannah Street	58 53
German Mission	74 70
Dundas	473 52
Wate down	354 30
Burlington	310 82
Oakville	505 73
Milton	553 21
Lowville and Kilbride	135 57
Zimmerman	53 86
Carlisle	169 05
Lynden	286 79
Jerseyville	260 72
Caledonia	195 61
Glanford	346 65
Bartonville	110 45
Stoney Creek	283 83
Total	\$7206 13

Niagara District.

St. Catharines First	\$376 43
" Second	69 43
" Third	96 77
Merritton	87 45
Thorold	678 27
Drummondville	136 58
Clifton	74 84
Queenston	37 00
Niagara	65 15
Beamsville	190 91
Grimsby	196 66
Smithville	102 55
Fenwick	64 14
Fonthill	87 05
Welland	196 75
Crowland	32 32
Caistorville	85 32
Dunnville	96 04
Rainham	27 34
Ridgeway	132 85
Port Colborne	48 03
Total	\$2811 88

Brantford District.

Wellington Street	\$284 15
Brant Avenue	403 06
Oxford Street	3 00
Woodstock	310 75

Mount Pleasant	\$78 22
Oakland	125 83
Fairfield	125 11
Kel in	125 47
Norwich	74 06
Paris	222 33
Richwood	107 96
Princeton	91 49
Oxford Centre	208 24
East Zorra	165 10
St. George	318 70
Cainsville	228 71
Grand River	36 78
Total	\$2908 96

Simcoe District.

Simcoe	\$300 85
Waterford	100 00
Port Dover	183 05
Townsend	113 65
Windham	75 79
Teeterville	97 74
St. Williams	101 38
Jarvis	714 70
Hagersville	312 59
New Credit	67 70
Cayuga	71 15
Delhi	26 35
Lynedoch	115 70
Port Rowan	40 88
Total	\$2411 53

London District.

Queen's Avenue	\$923 57
Dundas Street	403 12
Wellington Street	145 13
Pall Mall	89 84
Dundas Street East	122 79
London East	44 66
Petersville	184 94
New Brighton	109 33
London South	344 90
London North	231 56
Ingersoll	117 80
Ingersoll North	41 48
Salford	233 74
Belmont	247 51
Dorchester	179 38
Westminster	351 57
Exeter	193 30
Centralia	161 81
Thorndale	173 16

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Port Stanley ..
Straffordville ..
Otterville ..
Tryconnell ..
Bismarck ..
Alvinston ..
Muncey ..
Oneida ..

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Chatham First
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Blenheim ..
Kingsville ..
Woodslee ..
Essex Centre ..
Amherstburg ..
Harrow ..
Romney ..
Leamington ..
Tilbury ..
Ridgetown ..
Wardsville and
Bothwell ..
Moraviantown ..
Thamesville ..
Florence ..
Dresden ..
Wallaceburg ..

Total

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Sarnia ..
Point Edward ..
Strathroy ..
Ade'aide ..
Kerwod ..
Glencoe ..
Watford ..

Mount Brydges	\$64 25
Appin	106 65
Total	\$4470 49

St. Thomas District.

St. Thomas First	\$342 35
" Second	129 22
Aylmer	122 60
Tilsonburg	276 06
Brownsville	227 79
Springfield	235 52
Vienna	113 69
Sparta	81 32
Talbotville	99 80
Fingal	278 94
Port Stanley	166 15
Straffordville	95 69
Otterville	166 75
Tryrconnell	96 27
Bismarck	73 27
Alvinston	54 61
Muncey	115 54
Oneida	21 32
Total	\$2696 89

Chatham District.

Chatham First	\$296 16
" Second	66 90
Windsor	35 40
Blenheim	240 35
Kingsville	149 27
Woodslee	126 72
Essex Centre	108 98
Amherstburg	105 17
Harrow	41 88
Romney	124 40
Leamington	200 85
Tilbury	50 00
Ridgetown	171 38
Wardsville and Newbury	75 96
Bothwell	57 03
Moraviantown	6 45
Thamesville	156 95
Florence	80 32
Dresden	110 03
Wallaceburg	102 36
Total	\$2306 59

Sarnia District.

Sarnia	\$364 82
Point Edward	38 07
Strathroy	138 96
Ade'aide	58 54
Kerwood	93 00
Glencoe	42 55
Watford	232 35

Wyoming	\$53 96
Camlachie	91 51
Petrolia	75 14
Brigden	63 65
Oil Springs	25 00
Marthaville	6 00
Park Hill	80 00
Grand Bend	65 89
Arkona	60 76
Forest	91 57
Ravenswood	17 74
Stoney and Kettle Points	22 77
Corunna	52 66
Sombra and Courtwright	58 50
Port Lambton	35 20
St. Clair	36 48
Walpole Island	21 10
Total	\$1826 22

Guelph District.

Guelph, Norfolk Street	\$208 53
" Dublin Street	129 39
Elora	69 75
Ponsonby	87 67
Fergus	74 86
Galt	156 39
Hespeler	183 88
Georgetown	128 92
Washington	145 26
Plattsville	91 66
Berlin	110 76
Elmira	93 22
Nassagaweya	112 73
Acton	184 05
Rockwood	70 96
Erin	86 01
Garafraxa	55 60
Total	\$1989 64

Wellington District.

Drayton	\$272 00
Peel	223 25
Gorrie	78 10
Belmore	48 62
Fordwich	71 17
Mount Forest	50 00
Kenilworth	92 00
Listowel	97 71
Harriston	116 30
Palmerston	163 73
Clifford	55 77
Arthur	154 73
Holstein	55 16
Trowbridge	146 48
Moorefield	77 16
Wallace	152 90

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173 16

Luther	\$52 92	Wellesley	\$66 38
Total	\$1908 10	Total	\$2563 97

Stratford District.

Stratford	\$159 80
Mitchell	191 18
Harmony	128 23
Fullarton	254 85
Monkton	110 13
Brussels	219 15
Walton	93 38
Seaforth	145 38
St. Mary's	266 95
Kirkton	281 25
Granton	173 40
Lucan	115 69
Ailsa Craig	103 85
Kintore	126 14
New Hamburg	40 00
Millbank	88 21

Goderich District.

Goderich	\$151 13
Clinton	268 31
Holmesville	164 55
Bayfield	225 56
Kippen	54 43
Londesboro'	231 55
Blyth	153 34
Belgrave	121 11
Wingham	92 73
Lucknow	103 93
Ashfield	103 98
Teeswater	35 14
Ulster	87 54
Dungannon	293 07
Kincardine	160 94
Bervie	184 12
Total	\$2431 43

RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE LONDON CONFERENCE.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Hamilton	\$7206 13	.....	\$486 96
Niagara	2811 88	.....	93 07
Brantford	2908 96	.....	294 72
Simcoe	2411 53	.....	223 64
London	4470 49	\$79 10	.....
St. Thomas	2696 89	118 53	.....
Chatham	2306 59	43 19	.....
Sarnia	1826 22	.....	168 83
Guelph	1989 64	116 84	.....
Wellington	1908 10	.....	76 53
Stratford	2563 97	118 29	.....
Goderich	2431 43	92 18	.....
Conference Missionary Meeting Collection	26 75	45 25
Total	\$35558 58
Net Decrease	\$820 87

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" Ninth
St. Lambert and
St. Johns
Lacolle
Odelltown
Hemmingford
Franklin Centre
Huntingdon
Ormsdown
Valleyfield
Hudson
Lachute
Brownsburg
North Gore
New Glasgow
Rawdon

Total

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Kingston First.
" Second
Napanee
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Roblin
Newburgh
Wilton
Odessa
Bath
Amherst Island
Cataraqui
Elginburg
Battersea
Gananoque
Lansdowne
Pittsburg
Harrowsmith,
Tamworth
Arden
Seeley's Bay
Vennacher

Total

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Brockville.....

MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

Montreal District.

Montreal First.....	\$3259 22
“ Second.....	900 18
“ Third.....	228 88
“ Fourth.....	1074 45
“ Fifth.....	352 99
“ Sixth.....	256 24
“ Seventh.....	369 71
“ Eighth.....	417 05
“ Ninth.....	75 77
St. Lambert and Chambly ..	116 04
St. Johns.....	139 20
Lacolle.....	107 77
Odelltown.....	106 00
Hemmingford.....	100 50
Franklin Centre.....	37 38
Huntingdon.....	250 87
Orms town.....	69 00
Valleyfield.....	19 92
Hudson.....	57 67
Lachute.....	105 90
Brownsburg.....	76 25
North Gore.....	55 00
New Glasgow.....	147 49
Rawdon.....	48 54
Total.....	\$8372 02

Kingston District.

Kingston First.....	\$1294 63
“ Second.....	360 65
Napanee.....	279 70
Morven and Gosport.....	100 00
Selby.....	84 13
Robin.....	49 95
Newburgh.....	322 16
Wilton.....	281 17
Odessa.....	193 75
Bath.....	367 90
Amherst Island.....	91 48
Cataraqui.....	133 26
Elginburg.....	74 52
Battersea.....	56 21
Gananoque.....	195 11
Lansdowne.....	77 55
Pittsburg.....	146 27
Harrowsmith.....	45 23
Tamworth.....	62 74
Arden.....	39 00
Seeley's Bay.....	27 75
Vennacher.....	15 17
Total.....	\$4298 33

Brockville District.

Brockville.....	\$387 01
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Prescott.....	\$179 74
Lyn.....	207 41
Farmersville.....	352 77
Frankville.....	85 77
Maitland.....	225 02
North Augusta.....	111 30
Oxford.....	60 23
Spencerville.....	185 54
Kemptville.....	164 93
South Mountain.....	264 05
Edwardsburg.....	87 66
Matilda.....	188 98
Morrisburg.....	104 90
Winchester.....	177 80
West Winchester.....	164 04
Aultsville.....	162 04
Cornwall.....	104 80
Moulinette.....	94 50
Avonmore.....	85 57
Lancaster.....	8 17
Total.....	\$3402 23

Perth District.

Perth.....	\$151 21
Smith's Falls.....	59 32
Carleton Place.....	155 20
Almonte.....	49 41
Pakenham.....	151 74
Arnprior.....	62 12
Fitzroy Harbor.....	62 09
Franktown.....	46 73
Merrickville.....	136 29
Wolford.....	93 78
Lombardy.....	49 59
Delta.....	40 50
Newboro'.....	216 35
Glen Tay and Maberly.....	68 54
Playfair.....	94 80
Total.....	\$1437 67

Pembroke District.

Pembroke.....	\$200 24
Westmeath.....	116 50
Beachburg.....	43 29
Clarendon.....	65 36
Portage du Fort.....	50 05
Renfrew.....	20 00
Alice.....	49 22
Onslow.....	16 35
Bryson.....	79 56
Eganville.....	61 50
Total.....	\$702 07

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\$486 96
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Ottawa District.

Ottawa Centre	\$697 98
“ East	280 19
“ West	140 23
Aylmer, Que.	97 36
Carp	173 41
Richmond	152 45
North Gower	140 02
Manotick	114 17
Billing's Bridge	83 88
Metcalfe	87 02
Bearbrook	52 80
Vankleek Hill	137 54
Plantagenet	39 03
Arundel	42 80
Thurso	57 60
North Wakefield	80 00
Chelsea	100 00
Aylwin	82 25
Total	\$2558 73

Quebec District.

Quebec	\$479 37
Three Rivers	100 00
Melbourne	63 72
Danville	84 05
Windsor Mills	42 83
Sherbrooke	157 83
Lennoxville	71 55
Sawyerville	95 84
Cookshire and Island Brook..	74 01
Marbleton	39 44
Robinson	53 39
Leeds	62 81
Inverness	148 21
Ulverton	41 05
Bourg Louis	6 35
Metis, &c	28 54

Gaspe Basin, &c	\$28 95
Total	\$1577 94
Quebec, 1878-9	415 79
Total	\$1993 73

Stanstead District.

Stanstead	\$151 31
Compton	20 00
Hartley and Cassville.	80 97
Beebe Plain	56 90
Coaticook	86 68
Barnston Corner	9 69
Dixville	16 61
Magog	30 43
East Bolton	50 37
Mansonville	29 77
Knowlton	82 45
Waterloo	124 92
South Stukely	26 59
West Shefford	49 64
Lawrenceville	66 92
Granby	85 81
Dunham	35 15
Cowansville	42 44
West Brome	34 23
Frelighsburg	107 57
West Farnham	54 14
Sutton	25 40
St. Armand	67 22
Bedford	43 06
Clarenceville	115 49
Total	\$1493 76

French District.

Montreal—French	\$306 28
Roxton	18 05
Waterloo	10 00
Oka	9 58
Total	\$343 91

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Montreal
Kingston
Brockville
Perth
Pembroke
Ottawa
Quebec
Stanstead
French

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Halifax

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Dartmouth
Lawrencetown
Windsor
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Kentville
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Burlington
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Total

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Pictou
Stellarton
River John
Maitland
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RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Montreal	\$8372 02	\$186 26	.....
Kingston	4298 33	.....	\$401 00
Brockville	3402 23	60 00	.....
Perth	1437 67	.....	73 20
Pembroke	702 07	.....	8 20
Ottawa	2558 73	321 23	.....
Quebec	*1993 73	933 45	.....
Stanstead	1493 76	.....	73 79
French	343 91	75 91	.....
Total	\$24602 45	.....	.....
Net Increase .....	.....	\$989 02	.....

* Of this amount, \$115.79 should have been returned in 1878-9.

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

Halifax District.

Halifax North	\$1473 47
" South	2259 93
Dartmouth	13 00
Lawrencetown	11 16
Windsor	454 32
Hants ort	43 85
Horton	82 41
Kentville	26 38
Newport	53 84
Avondale	141 02
Burlington	40 50
Margaret's Bay and Sambro..	15 35
Bermuda, Hamilton	498 97
Bermuda, St. George's	330 00
Total	\$5444 20

Truro District.

Truro	\$121 80
Onslow	28 38
Acadia Mines	20 00
Pictou	40 50
Stellarton	44 11
River John	70 00
Maitland	52 50
Shubenacadie	38 05

Middle Musquodoboit	\$53 35
Musquodoboit Harbor	73 00
Sheet Harbor	5 37
Total	\$556 06

Cumberland District.

Amherst	\$44 70
Warren	54 02
Nappan	23 00
Wallace	20 00
Pugwash	43 64
River Philip	17 25
Oxford	29 00
Wentworth	18 15
Parrsboro'	18 50
Southampton	23 00
Athol	28 18
Advocate Harbor	24 57
Total	\$344 01

Guysboro' and C. B. District.

Guysboro'	\$63 41
Canso	20 14
Manchester	30 65
Country Harbor	33 65

\$28 95
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ct.
\$151 31
20 00
80 97
56 90
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16 61
30 43
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82 45
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26 59
49 64
66 92
85 81
35 15
42 44
34 23
107 57
54 14
25 40
67 22
43 06
115 49

\$1493 76
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9 58
\$343 91

Sydney	\$74 78
Sydney North	25 25
Gabarus	64 27
Port Hawkesbury	36 30
Port Hood	24 30
Ingonish	15 01
Total	\$387 76

Annapolis District.

Annapolis	\$67 21
Granville Ferry	53 81
Bridgetown	118 99
Middleton	112 65
Aylesford	77 75
Berwick	54 58
Canning	89 75
Scott's Bay	9 74
Hillsburg	60 81
Digby	22 04
Weymouth	19 74
Digby Neck	10 00
Total	\$697 07

Liverpool District.

Liverpool	\$30 50
Caledonia	14 01
Port Mouton	44 17
Mill Village	38 66
Petite Riviere	43 19
Lunenburg	147 82
Ritcey's Cove	115 00
New Germany	60 42
Bridgewater	20 61
Total	\$514 38

Yarmouth District.

Yarmouth South	\$230 00
" North	393 42
Arcadia	34 42
Hebron	36 82
Barrington	60 37
Port La Tour	84 88
North East Harbor	18 57
Shelburne	23 09
Lockeport	40 76
Total	\$922 33

RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Halifax	\$5444 20	.....	\$373 52
Truro	556 06	.....	108 33
Cumberland	344 01	.....	35 82
Guysboro' and Cape Breton	387 76	20 11	.....
Annapolis	697 07	.....	109 03
Liverpool	514 38	.....	292 18
Yarmouth	922 33	.....	219 93
Conference Missionary Meeting Collection ..	12 00	.....	28 25
Total	\$8877 81	.....	.....
Net Decrease .....	.....	.....	\$1146 95

NEW BRUNSWICK

St. John	St. John, Queen
" Centre	" Exmo
" Portl	" Carlet
" Carna	" Carna
St John County	St John County
Fairville	Fairville
Sussex	Sussex
Apohaqui	Apohaqui
Upham	Upham
St. Martin's	St. Martin's
Grand Lake	Grand Lake
Jerusalem	Jerusalem
Welsford	Welsford
Kingston	Kingston
Total	Total

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Northampton an
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Richmond
Florenceville
Andover
Upper Kent
Arthurette

Total

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NEW BRUNSWICK AND P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

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St. John District.

St. John, Queen Square.....	\$232 03
“ Centenary	274 76
“ Exmouth Street ...	70 00
“ Portland.....	30 17
“ Carleton	72 40
“ Carmarthen St	18 55
St John County	11 53
Fairville	17 20
Sussex	43 88
Apohaqui	28 00
Upham	20 75
St. Martin's	19 67
Grand Lake	33 93
Jerusalem	5 20
Welsford	37 00
Kingston	10 30
Total.....	\$925 37

Fredericton District.

Fredericton	\$107 60
Kingsclear	10 00
Marysville	262 80
Gibson	20 00
Nashwaak and Stanley	63 00
Boiestown.....	13 82
Keswick	31 39
Sheffield	31 00
Gagetown	9 92
Woodstock	18 00
Northampton and Canterbury	26 00
Jacksonville	37 00
Richmond.....	44 25
Florenceville	33 87
Andover	10 68
Upper Kent	14 00
Arthurette	4 29
Total	\$737 62

Miramichi District.

Chatham	\$71 00
Newcastle.....	30 59
Richibucto	17 42
Baie du Vin	10 00
Tabusintac	2 00
Bathurst	14 60

Campbellton	\$2 00
Derby	59 05
Total	\$206 66

Sackville District.

Sackville.....	\$383 61
Tintramar.....	8 61
Point de Bute	25 18
Baie Verte	55 34
Moncton	57 45
Shediac	2 70
Dorchester	19 00
Hopewell	24 77
Hillsboro'	28 76
Havelock	15 64
Salisbury	6 15
Elgin	9 00
Total.....	\$636 21

St. Stephen District.

St. Stephen	\$123 76
Milltown	57 30
St. Andrew's	34 00
St. David's	32 17
St. James'	31 77
Bocabec	30 00
Deer Island	13 86
Total	\$322 86

P. E. Island District.

Charlottetown	\$1584 90
Cornwall	61 92
Little York	72 11
Pownal	19 91
Bedeque	148 90
Tryon	107 10
Margate	59 89
Summerside	43 50
Bideford	7 50
Murray Harbor	53 19
Montague.....	5 50
Souris	3 03
Mount Stewart	7 90
Alberton	37 11
Total	\$2213 09

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RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK AND P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
St John	\$925 37	\$16 83	.....
Fredericton	727 62	.....	\$30 97
Miramichi	206 66	14 62	.....
Sackville	636 21	.....	194 62
St. Stephen.....	322 86	22 69	.....
Prince Edward Island	2213 09	.....	491 55
Conference Missionary Meeting Collection ...	29 15	.....	4 85
Total	\$5070 96	.....	.....
Net Decrease .....	.....	.....	\$667 85

NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE.

St. John's District.		Old Perlican	\$94 52
St. John's	\$1239 72	Hants Harbor	34 77
Pouch Cove	15 90	Heart's Content	47 23
Burin	49 00	Trinity	14 33
Grand Bank	108 00	Random North	46 00
Fortune	50 60	Random South.....	32 00
Petites	30 23	Green's Harbor	21 00
Channel.....	26 60	Total	\$1438 68
Flat and Sound Islands... ..	40 72		
St. Anthony	61 52	Bonavista District.	
Bonne Bay, &c.....	5 95	Bonavista	\$113 75
Labrador	15 00	Catalina	15 50
Total	\$1643 24	Greenspond	91 47
		I'willingate	109 55
Carbonear District.		Exploits	47 07
Carbonear.....	\$333 19	Musgrave Town	46 45
Harbor Grace	250 85	Musgrave Harbor ..	23 03
Brigus	82 41	Fogo	92 40
Cupids	53 51	Herring Neck, &c	21 30
Bay Roberts.....	132 25	Moreton's Harbor	85 15
Port de Grave	34 42	Little Bay Islands	57 40
Blackhead	101 20	Betts' Cove and Tilt Cove.....	81 82
Western Bay	93 00	Total	\$784 89
Island Cove.....	68 00		

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St. John's	Total
Carbonear	Net I
Bonavista	
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The late Rev. V

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RECAPITULATION AND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF
THE NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE.

DECREASE.

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DISTRICTS.	INCOME.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
St. John's	\$1643 24	\$346 55
Carbonear	1438 68	\$301 15	
Bonavista	784 89	.....	199 55
Conference Missionary Meeting Collection ...	13 56	.....	40 86
Total	\$3880 37	.....
Net Decrease .....	.....	.....	\$285 81

MISSION ROOMS LIST.

Wesleyan Missionary Society, Grant in aid of the Missions in the
E. B. A. Conferences £1000 Stg. \$4870 90

\$94 52
34 77
47 23
14 33
46 00
32 00
21 00

\$1438 68

LEGACIES.

The late Mrs. Johnston, *Ottawa*, per H. McElroy, Executor, (in part) 300 00
The late Rev. William Shaw..... 21 00
Total \$321 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

John Ware, *Allanburg*, on Annuity 300 00
Mrs. Eliza Cowin, *Waterdown*, on Annuity 700 00
Mrs. Martha Brandon, *Cunnington*, on Annuity 505 40
A Friend to the Mission Cause, per the Rev. Dr. Rose, for Japan.. \$75
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Union Woman's Board of Missions, *Sherbrooke, Que.*, per Miss
Cybella D. Wilkes, for Japan..... 17 50
Hon. Judge Marshall, *Halifax*, for Indian Missions..... 10 00
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The "James" property, *Thorold*, Rents..... \$188 62
Do. Property sold..... 900 00 1088 62
Proceeds from sale of Indian Hymn Books 19 95
The Indian Department, towards the maintenance of pupils in the
Mount Elgin Industrial Institution 2100 00
The Indian Department, towards the support of Day Schools in
Ontario, the North-West, and British Columbia..... 1857 00
Total \$6703 47

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Total Receipts..... \$131,204 26

EXPENDITURE.

(For further details, see Annual Conference Reports.)

TORONTO CONFERENCE.

Ten Indian Missions, employing 8 Missionaries, 10 Native Assistants, Teachers and Interpreters.....	\$5701 20
Appropriations to 51 Domestic Missions.....	7122 00
Rent and Removal Expenses	2049 00
Special Grants,—Affliction and Supply.....	349 33
“ “ Mission Property	135 00
Chairmen's District Expenses	67 14
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c.....	656 95
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	\$16080 62

LONDON CONFERENCE.

Eight Indian Missions, employing 8 Missionaries, 15 Native Assistants, Teachers and Interpreters.....	\$5327 65
Appropriation to 1 German Mission.....	580 00
Appropriations to 38 Domestic Missions	5380 00
Rent and Removal Expenses.....	2176 00
President's Assistant.....	150 00
Special Grants,—Affliction and Supply.....	70 00
“ “ Mission Property	41 00
Chairmen's District Expenses.....	55 06
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c	815 04
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	\$14594 75

MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

Nine French Missions, employing 10 Missionaries, and 4 Teachers...	\$4725 00
Two Indian Missions, employing 2 Missionaries and 2 Teachers.....	1132 73
Appropriation to 1 German Mission	397 15
Appropriations to 65 Domestic Missions	8787 85
Rent and Removal Expenses	2676 00
Special Grants,—Affliction and Supply	334 67
“ “ Mission Property	75 00
Chairmen's District Expenses	114 44
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c.....	683 28
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	\$18926 12

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

Bermuda,—2 Missions and 4 Missionaries.....	\$500 00
Appropriations to 52 Domestic Missions.....	5892 80
Rent and Removal Expenses	1948 20
Special Grants,—Affliction	83 00
Chairmen's District Expenses	16 50
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c.....	136 25
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NEW BRUNSWICK AND P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

Appropriations to 54 Domestic Missions	\$6636 00
Rent and Removal Expenses.....	723 00
Special Grants,—Affliction	140 00
Chairmen's District Expenses	66 04
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c	96 46
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	\$7661 50

NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE.

Appropriations to 36 Domestic Missions.....	\$4541 00
Rent and Removal Expenses.....	1353 00
Labrador	375 00
Special Grants,—Affliction and Supply	266 00
Chairmen's District Expenses.....	60 00
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c.....	88 71
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	\$6683 71

MISSIONARY DISTRICTS.

ALGOMA DISTRICT.

Appropriations to 9 Missions.....	\$2650 00
Rent and Removal Expenses	581 00
Special Grant,—Affliction	30 00
“ “ Mission Property	40 00
Chairman's District Expenses.....	50 00
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c.....	1 95
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	\$3352 95

WINNIPEG DISTRICT.

Five Indian Missions, employing 3 Missionaries, 7 Native Assistants, Teachers and Interpreters	\$4640 02
Appropriations to 15 Domestic Missions	425 00
Rent and Removal Expenses	1836 00
Special Grant,—Affliction	36 00
“ “ Mission Property	10 00
Chairman's District Expenses.....	45 02
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c	27 46
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	\$10844 50

SASKATCHEWAN DISTRICT.

Six Missions, employing 5 Missionaries, 4 Teachers and Interpreters	\$5920 00
Removal Expenses	320 00
Special Grant,—Mission Property	32 00
Chairman's Expenses to Ontario	300 00
Circuit Expenses,—Charges on Reports, &c	1 78
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	\$6573 78

BRITISH COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Seven Indian Missions, employing 4 Missionaries, 9 Native Assistants and Teachers ..	\$4976 87
Appropriations to 7 Domestic Missions	2275 00
Removal Expenses.....	700 00
Special Grant,—Mission Property	500 00
Chairman's District Expenses.....	95 00
Circuit Expenses of Anniversary Meetings, &c	30 20
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JAPAN DISTRICT.

Four Missions, employing 8 Missionaries, and 5 Japanese Assistants	\$5301 68
Rent and Removal Expenses	676 00
Special Grants,—Mission Property	423 00
Chairman's District Expenses.....	22 36
Circuit Expenses,—Charges on Reports, &c.	0 50
	<u>\$6423 54</u>

MOUNT ELGIN INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTION.

Appropriation by the Central Board	\$1800 00
Special Grant to Mrs. Cosford	200 00
	<u>\$2000 00</u>

N.B. The detailed accounts of this Institution are not to hand at the time of closing the Books, they must therefore appear in next year's Report. The accounts for 1878-9 were received after the date of closing the Society's accounts last year, and an abstract of the same is now appended, as follows:—

Stock, Implements, Furniture, Crop, &c., on hand, per Inventory, July 1st, 1878

\$7993 83

Expenditure during the year ending June 30th, 1879:—

Rev. T. Cosford, Governor	\$600 00
One Child, \$30 00; Teacher, 325 00.....	355 00
Domestic Servants.....	312 00
Farm labor, \$900 85; Blacksmithing, 71 02	971 87
Books, Stationery, and Medical Expenses ...	52 16
House Furnishings, \$300; Live Stock, 82 00	382 00
Farming Implements and Tools	186 62
Repairs and Improvements to Premises.....	910 00
Travelling Expenses, Postage, Freight, &c...	110 11
Clothing and Materials for Pupils	388 90
Groceries, Provisions, Seed, &c	472 64
Shoemaker's Wages	463 50
Leather and Findings for Shoe Shop.....	382 98
Carpenter's Wages and Board... ..	603 12
Lumber, Hardware, &c., for Carpenter Shop	266 12
	<u>6457 02</u>

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By amount realized by Sale of Produce from Farm and Dairy.....	765 58
By Board of Carpenter in House	108 75
By Proceeds of Work from Shoe Shop.....	890 36
By " " Carpenter Shop...	785 42
By present estimated Cash Value of Stock, Implements, Furniture, Crop, &c., per Inventory, June 30th, 1879.....	9271 14
	<u>11821 25</u>
	<u>\$2629 60</u>

SUNDRIES.

Superannuation Fund, Appropriation towards the claims of Superannuated Missionaries and Missionaries' Widows.....	\$4200 00
Supernumerary Fund, E. B. A. do. do. do.	700 00

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\$5301 68	Proportion of amount authorized by General Conference for President's Expenses, 2 Years.	600 00
676 00	Annuities in consideration of Donations to the Society	777 50
423 00	Interest on Deposits, Bank Discounts, Discount on Drafts, Transmission of Money, Bill Stamps, &c.	5624 28
22 36	Publication and Contingent Charges,—Cost of 14,750 Copies of General and Conference Reports, Juvenile Missionary Presents, S. S. Periodicals, Missionary Boxes, Collecting Cards, Schedules, &c., and distributing the same	2784 58
0 50	Legal Expenses, Conveyancing, Taxes, &c., in connection with the Mission Property, Thorold	283 99
\$6423 54		<u>\$14970 35</u>
\$2000 00		

COST OF MANAGEMENT.

	Salaries.—General Secretary, (including Children's Allowances, Rent, Taxes, &c.) Assistance and Accountant	\$3626 34
	Postage, Telegrams, Stationery, Rent, Fuel, Caretaker, Furniture, Audit, &c	652 62
	Travelling Expenses,—Central Board, Committee of Consultation and Finance, Conference Missionary Committees, Secretary-Treasurer's Travelling Expenses, Accountant's Conference Expenses, and Rev. J. McDougall's Expenses in Ontario	1490 49
		<u>\$5769 45</u>
	Total Expenditure.....	\$131,035 09

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1879-80

COMPARED WITH THAT FOR 1878-79.

BY CONFERENCES.

INCOME.

		<i>Increase.</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Toronto Conference	\$37763 63	.....	\$906 23
London "	35558 58	.....	1096 19
Montreal "	24602 45	\$989 02	.....
Nova Scotia "	8877 81	.....	1146 95
New Brunswick and P. E. I. Conference	5070 96	.....	667 85
Newfoundland Conference	3880 37	.....	285 81
Missionary Districts	3555 09	.....	640 95
Wesleyan Missionary Society	4870 90	37 57	.....
Legacies	321 00	.....	236 00
Miscellaneous	6703 47	.....	76 43
Total	\$131204 26	.....	\$4029 82

EXPENDITURE.

Toronto Conference	\$16698 09	.....	\$969 68
London "	15104 07	.....	196 54
Montreal "	19261 34	.....	604 20
Nova Scotia "	8761 18	.....	269 30
New Brunswick and P. E. I. Conference	7779 20	936 14	.....
Newfoundland Conference	6812 03	783 68	.....
Missionary Districts	35969 05	.....	3688 48
Mount Elgin Industrial Institution	2000 00	.....	1000 00
Sundry Appropriations	5575 00	625 00	.....
Miscellaneous	13075 13	.....	4671 33
Total	\$131035 09	.....	\$9054 71

RELIEF AND EXTENSION FUND.

Amount subscribed, per Circuit Lists received	\$87700 00
Amount subscribed by Ministers and their Families	28400 00
Total Amount Subscribed	\$116,100 00
Cash received on Account of Subscriptions to 30th June, 1880	74817 54
Interest on Bank Deposits	165 60
Total received ..	\$74,983 14

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1879-80. COMPARED WITH THAT FOR 1878-79.

BY DEPARTMENTS.

INCOME.

	<i>Increase.</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Subscriptions and Coll. from Circuits and Missions...	\$103399 10	\$3497 75
Juvenile Offerings	15823 46	270 54
Legacies	407 33	222 67
Grant from England	4870 90	\$37 57
Donations on Annuity	1505 40	344 60
From the Indian Department, for Indian Schools...	3957 00	90 00
From other sources	1241 07	178 17
Total	\$131204 26	\$4029 82

EXPENDITURE.

Domestic Work, including Missions to <i>Settlers</i> in Missionary Districts	\$61191	\$436
Indian Work, including the Mount Elgin Industrial Institution	29977	81
French Work, in the Province of Quebec	5299	\$162
German Work	1207	50
Chinese Work, in British Columbia	400	150
Foreign Work (Japan and Bermuda)	6625	3240
Special Grants, for purchase, erection, and repair of Mission Property, Furniture, etc	1256	1126
Special Grants, on account of Affliction and Supply	1309	1015
Appropriation towards Allowances of Superannuated Missionaries and Widows of Missionaries	4900	.....
General Conference, President's Expenses (2 years).....	600	600
Chairmen's District Expenses	493	144
Circuit Expenses (Deputations, Advertising, etc).....	2539	264
Annuities in consideration of Donations to the Society	778	126
Interest, Discount on Bills of Exchange, etc	5624	1719
Publishing and Contingent charges	3068	726
Cost of Management.....	5769	1091
Total	\$131035	\$9055

The undersigned have examined the Books of the Methodist Missionary Society for the year ending the 30th day of June, 1880, and compared the receipts and vouchers therewith, and find the same correct; the Books are kept in a very clear and satisfactory manner. We have also examined the Cash Book and Vouchers of the Relief and Extension Fund, and find them correct, and that by carrying to the Income Account of the General Missionary Society, the sum of \$67780 37, the debt of the Society is cancelled and the Books exactly balanced.

(Signed)

JOHN N. LAKE, }
WM. ANDERSON, } AUDITORS.

TORONTO, 27th September, 1880.

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FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY, AND THE LAW GOVERNING SAME

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FORM.

I give and bequeath to THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA the sum of \$ _____ out of my pure personality, to be paid, expended, and applied by said Society in the aid and support of the Missionaries upon the different Mission Stations of said Society, and the receipt or receipts of the Treasurer or Treasurers of said Society for the time being shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors. And the published journals of the GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA shall be sufficient evidence of authority upon which the said Treasurer or Treasurers may demand and receive payment of said bequest.

N.B.—In the Province of Ontario a devise of lands or tenements or interest therein may be made to any religious Society or Corporation of Christians *if made at least six months before the death of the testator*, so that, however, the annual value of the lands of said Society shall not at any one time exceed one thousand dollars. This may possibly give the Missionary Society power to take land by devise, and if so, the devise may be in the following form:—

FORM.

I give and devise unto THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA all and singular, [*describe the lands as accurately as possible*], to be held by the said Society upon the trusts set out in its Act of Incorporation.

[It will be advisable, however, where possible, that any gift to the Society shall be in money—not payable out of land, or in any way charged upon land—thus preventing any doubt or trouble. ALL WILLS must be in writing, signed by the testator at the foot or end, or by some other person in his presence and by his direction, and such signature must be made or acknowledged by the testator in the presence of two or more witnesses present at the same time, who shall attest and subscribe the will in the presence of the testator.]

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