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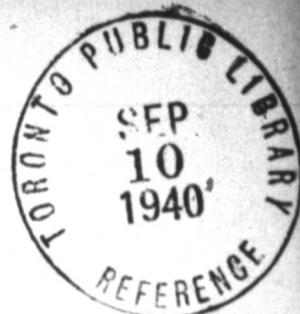
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RESIDENCES OF MINISTERS

ALPHABETICAL LIST —OF— MINISTERS AND THEIR RESIDENCES,

WITH THE YEAR IN WHICH EACH MINISTER COMMENCED TRAVELLING, THE
PERIOD OF HIS APPOINTMENT TO THE CIRCUIT IN WHICH HE NOW LABORS,
AND ALSO HIS POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

Years on Circuit.	When he began to travel	MINISTERS AND THEIR RESIDENCES.
	1850	Adkins, T. O., superannuated, Lansdown.
2	1870	Andrews, J., Holstein.
7	1855	Auld, D., Erin.
		Bain, J., supernumerary, Gananoque.
3	1866	Baritrop, C., Northport.
	1834	Bell, Jas., supernumerary, London.
1	1850	Baskerville, J., Flesherton.
2	1855	Birks, W., Ingersoll.
	1844	Bothwell, W., supernumerary, Grovesend.
1	1856	Brown, G., Milton.
3	1860	Buggin, G., Waterford.
2	1844	Caswell, J., Lynden.
2	1870	Cathcart, J. W., Frankville.
1	1872	Clarke, A., Lavender.
		Cole, T., Local Elder, Cannington.
	1850	Crawford, J., supernumerary, Creamora.
	1848	Curry, C., supernumerary, Belmore.
1	1872	Davis, P. W., Oxford Mills.
1	1861	Danard, W. B., Arkwright.
1	1871	Delong, A. M., East Dunham, Q.
1	1872	Delong, F., East Bolton, Q.
	1861	Demill, A. B. Sunderland.
1	1861	Depew, S. F., Walkerton.
3	1862	Elliott, J., Aylmer.
1	1870	Elliott, R. J., Toronto.
2	1855	Follick, J., Newboro.
1	1872	Follis, J., St. Mary's.
1	1872	Fowkes, J., St. Catharines.
1	1863	Fowler, J. H., Knowlton, Quebec.
1	1860	Fox, T., Wilfred.
	1852	Gaddis, J., Bervie.
	1834	Garry, R., Local Elder, Brockville.
		Gier, J., supernumerary, Dunham.
1	1871	Glazier, A., Norland.
3	1866	Goodspeed, J. B., Straffordville.
2	1871	Graham, W., Hillier.
1	1872	Grandy, T., Birr.
1	1853	Gundy, S. B., Toronto.
3	1860	Gundy, J. R., Tilsonburg.
1	1859	Gundy, J., Dingle.
2	1867	Hall, W., North Augusta.
1	1871	Hall, T., Aurora.
	1858	Hall, H., supernumerary, Arkwright.
1	1859	Hamilton, T., Meaford.
	1854	Haney, T., Local Elder, Ayimer.

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1	1843	Haynes, F., Bartonville.
1	1864	Henderson, W., Talbotville.
3	1855	Hill, R. W., Huntsville.
	1844	Histon, J., superannuated, Copetown.
	1860	Hocking, J., supernumerary, Wiarion.
3	1857	Holmes, E., Lifford.
1	1872	Hughes, H., Hamilton.
1	1872	Husband, R. J., Berkeley.
1	1860	Jackson, Thomas, Kirkwood.
1	1866	Jackson, G., St. Mary's.
2	1847	Jeffries, T. M., Durham.
	1867	Johnson, R., supernumerary, Millbrook.
3	1862	Kay, J., Waterdown.
1	1869	Kay, J. R., Goderich.
	1849	Kimball, H. N., Local Elder.
1	1855	Kershaw, E., Mt. Forest.
1	1861	Leith, H., East Bolton.
3	1861	Lever, J. J. A., Fenwick.
	1872	Livingston, J., Ida.
	1852	Maguire, J., Walter's Falls.
2	1850	McAllister, J., Kilbride.
2	1864	McCann, W., Appin.
1	1866	McDiarmid, N. A., Chatsworth.
1	1872	McDiarmid, Kenneth.
3	1861	McKenzie, D. M., Gorrie.
2	1861	Moss, W. H., Otterville.
2	1867	Nugent, F. E., Milford.
1	1872	Nugent, H., Omemee.
	1842	Ogden, T., superannuated, Frankville.
1	1861	O'Hara, J., Kendall.
3	1860	Orme, J. H., Delhi.
1	1859	Orr, J. S., Drumquin.
1	1872	Philp, W., Lifford.
1	1869	Philp, J., Lynden.
3	1863	Pitcher, J. T., Montreal (Box 646).
1	1872	Pollard, A., Ingersoll.
2	1847	Preston, W., Seneca.
	1858	Rawson, J., Thamesville.
1	1870	Rennie, T., Porter's Hill.
3	1859	Richardson, G., London.
2	1864	Robinson, G., Lansdown.
3	1846	Rolston, D. D., Outram.
	1837	Rump, T., supernumerary, St. Catharines.
	1850	Savage, D., Connexional Editor, London.
	1852	Scott, J., supernumerary, Owen Sound.
	1830	Seymour, J., supernumerary, Stratfordville.
3	1857	Seymour, J. C., Nassagaweya.
1	1872	Sharp, D., Huntsville.
	1850	Shaw, J., supernumerary, Hamilton.
2	1857	Shaw, C., Ida.
4	1848	Shuttleworth, J., Sweetsburg (Quebec).
1	1869	Smylie, R., Waterford.
2	1861	Smyth, D., Galt.

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1	1872	Topping, N. B., Lansdown.
1	1858	Tyler, R. J., Belgrave.
1	1854	Walker, J., Lucknow.
2	1861	Walker, R., Birr.
2	1833	Warren, J. C., superannuated, Gananoque.
2	1843	Weaver, F. G., Dunnville.
1	1853	Webb, W., Ridgtown.
1	1860	White, J., Omemee.
1	1850	Whitcomb, O., Cayuga.
3	1834	Wilkinson, J., superannuated, Springford.
5	1848	Wilkinson, H., Schomberg.
5	1862	Wilkinson, J. A., Simcoe.
1	1862	Wilkinson, T. L., Aurora.
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 FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
 OF THE
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 OF CANADA,
 HELD AT
 HESPELER, ONT., MAY 22, 1872.



According to appointment of the Annual Conference held at Owen Sound, June 7th, 1871, the Conference met at Hespeler, May 22nd, 1872.

QUESTION I.

Who compose the present Conference?

ANSWER.

CAVAN DISTRICT.

<i>Cavan</i>	Rev. C. Shaw, John Swain.
<i>Manvers</i>	E. Holmes, Wm. Philp.
<i>Clark</i>	W. Willimott, Jas. McLean.
<i>Omemece</i>	Geo. Jackson, John Storey.
<i>Laxton</i>	N. A. McDiarmid.

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CAYUGA DISTRICT.

Cayuga..... Rev. R. J. Tyler, W. E. Decew.
Dunnville..... E. Williams.
Haldimand..... F. G. Weaver, R. A. Havell.
Caledonia..... Walton Preston, J. Senn.
St. Catharines.... E. Kershaw, W. D. Smith.
Pelham..... J. J. A. Lever, L. Loucks.

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Goderich Rev. W. Smyth.
Goderich South.. H. Leith, E. McLean.
Ainleyville..... A. Clark, A. Gourley.
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Harriston..... J. W. Dochstader, L. Follis.
Howick..... D. M. McKenzie, Geo. Strong.
Ashfield Thos. Jackson.

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Hamilton Rev. Geo. Brown, Wm. Horning.
Ancaster Jas. Caswell, Geo. Jones.
Waterdown John Kay, Chas. Harris.
Barton T. L. Wilkinson, T. Lottridge.
Galt D. Smyth, Thos. Grills.
Hespeler W. Williams, A. J. Brewster.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Lansdown..... Rev. G. Robinson, A. Glendinning.
North Augusta... Wm. Hall, B. Marshall.
Crosby S. Pool.
Kitley..... J. W. Cathcart.

LONDON DISTRICT.

<i>London</i>	Rev. Geo. Richardson, J. Tanton.
<i>London North</i>	Robt. Walker, A. Langford.
<i>Melbourne</i>	Wm. McCann, John Corneil.
<i>Howard</i>	J. Rawson.
<i>Talbotville</i>	J. White, Thos. Calcott.
<i>St. Mary's</i>	R. Smylie, J. Armstrong.
<i>Adelaide</i>	John Walker, Thos. Lightfoot.
<i>Ingersoll</i>	Wm. Birks, D. Dundas.

MILTON DISTRICT.

<i>Milton</i>	Rev. W. Tindall, Logan McCann.
<i>Erin</i>	Jas. O'Hara, John Near.
<i>Trafalgar</i>	Thos. Fox, A. Hall.
<i>Nassagaweya</i>	J. C. Seymour, W. Husband.
<i>Nelson</i>	J. McAlister, D. McLeod.

MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.

<i>Mount Forest</i>	Rev. S. F. Depew.
<i>Durham</i>	T. M. Jefferies, John Carson.
<i>Walkerton</i>	W. Henderson, H. W. Todd.
<i>Artemesia and Osprey</i>	A. Glazier.
<i>Vesta</i>	D. D. Rolston, Thos. Tindall.
<i>Lavender</i>	
<i>Egremont</i>	J. Andrew, W. Philp.
<i>Stayner</i>	

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

<i>Montreal</i>	Rev. J. T. Pitcher, R. Irwin.
<i>Dunham</i>	By Letter.
<i>Bolton</i>	J. H. Fowler.
<i>Brome</i>	J. Shuttleworth, D. Brimner.
<i>Knowlton</i>	J. S. Orr, A. Bullard.

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OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

<i>Owen Sound</i>	Rev. James Scott.
<i>Holland</i>	W. B. Danard, R. P. Williams.
<i>Holland East</i>	Thos. Hamilton, A. Delong.
<i>Arran</i>	T. Rennie, Jno. Livingstone.
<i>Meaford</i>	J. Baskerville.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

<i>Milford</i>	Rev. F. E. Nugent, Nelson Rose.
<i>Bay of Quinte</i> ...	C. Barltrop.
<i>Hillier</i>	W. W. Graham, Jas. Gibson.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

<i>Toronto</i>	Rev. D. Savage, Robt. Wilkes.
<i>Aurora</i>	S. B. Gundy, W. Cane.
<i>Pennville</i>	H. Wilkinson, D. M. Williams.
<i>Brock</i>	F. Haynes, Geo. St. John.

WATERFORD DISTRICT.

<i>Waterford</i>	Rev. Geo. Buggin, R. A. Clement.
<i>Malahide</i>	J. Elliott, J. S. Clendinning.
<i>Middleton</i>	J. H. Orme, W. C. Doyle.
<i>Bayham</i>	J. B. Goodspeed, R. J. Husband.
<i>Dereham</i>	J. R. Gundy, R. J. Pattrick.
<i>Norwich</i>	W. H. Moss, P. Johnson.
<i>Simcoe</i>	J. A. Wilkinson.

CONNEXIONAL OFFICERS.

REV. WM. COCKER, D. D., *General Superintendent,*
Editor of Evangelical Witness, and Connexional
Treasurer.

ROBERT WILKES, ESQ., *Secretary of Conference.*

REV. WM. TINDALL, *Secretary of Publishing Committee.*

WM. LATIMER, ESQ., *Financial Secretary.*

QUESTION 2.—*Have the characters of our ministers been examined?*

ANSWER—They have, according to rule.

QUESTION 3.—*What preachers have been received into full Connexion?*

ANSWER—None.

QUESTION 4.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER—Joshua R. Kay, Joseph Philp, R. Smylie, who have travelled three years; R. J. Elliott, C. Teeter, Thomas Rennie, Joseph Andrew, who have travelled two years; J. G. Follis, W. Graham, Adam Delong, Thomas Hall, John B. Williams, who have travelled one year.

QUESTION 5.—*Who have been received on trial?*

ANSWER—James Livingston, John W. Cathcart, Henry Nugent, Kenneth McDiarmid, William Philp, Thomas Grandy, Dixon Sharp, Joseph Pollard, John Fowkes, Albert Delong, Robert J. Husband, Peter W. Davis, Henry Hughes.

QUESTION 6.—*Who have resigned?*

ANSWER—J. W. Dochstader, J. Wallace, W. J. Smith, W. Jackson.

QUESTION 7.—*Who are allowed to rest during the year?*

ANSWER—A. B. Demill, R. Johnston, W. Webb, J. Rawson, J. Scott.

QUESTION 8.—*Who have died during the year?*

ANSWER—James B. Kershaw.

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J. B. KERSHAW.

Our dear brother Kershaw was born at the Temple, near Littleboro', Lancashire, England, in the year 1824. He was blessed with a praying mother, whose earnest supplications were often presented to God on his behalf. In the 21st year of his age, under the labors of the Rev. Geo. Hallett, the prayers of that pious mother were answered in the conversion of her son. Immediately after his conversion he commenced to work for Jesus, and was made a great blessing to many of his former associates. He filled with much acceptance the offices of S. S. Superintendent, Class leader, and Local preacher on the Rochdale Circuit. In the year 1849 he received an invitation to come to Canada, and was waited on by the Rev. Dr. Cooke and Rev. J. Ramsden, who had been appointed to determine as to his fitness for the Canadian work. These brethren decided in favor of his coming, and, without delay he left his home and friends to proclaim the gospel in a strange land. On arriving in Canada he was cordially received by Rev. Dr. Crofts, and was appointed to the London Circuit. At first he was blessed of God in his work and also in his subsequent appointments, viz. : London North, Ancaster, St. Thomas, Aurora, St. Mary's, Manvers, Mt. Forest, Nelson, Egremont, and a year ago he received a second appointment to St. Mary's Circuit, where he closed his earthly career.

Our brother was a sound, faithful preacher, an earnest Christian, and a true friend. At the Aurora Conference in 1867 he filled the Presidential chair. His last illness was comparatively brief. About twelve days before his death he was seized with inflammation and enlargement of the liver, followed by typhus fever, and despite medical skill, he was to remain no longer on earth. He died as he had lived, in possession of a calm, settled trust in Jesus. The testimonies borne in our recent Conference to his worth as a Christian, and a minister, gave evidence of the position he held in the hearts of his brethren. May God comfort the bereaved family and friends. Amen.

QUESTION 9.—*How are the ministers stationed this year?*

ANSWER—As follows:

CAVAN DISTRICT.

Cavan..... Calvin Shaw, James Livingston.
Manvers..... Edwin Holmes, W. Philp.
Clarke..... J. O'Hara.
Omeme..... James White, Henry Nugent.
Laxton..... Adam Glazier, to be ordained for
special purposes. Robt. Johnston, supernumerary.
Calvin Shaw, Chairman.

CAYUGA DISTRICT.

Cayuga..... O. Whitcombe.
Dunnville..... Elias Williams.
Haldimand..... F. G. Weaver.
Caledonia..... Walton Preston.
St. Catharines..... John Fowkes, under J. J. A. Lever,
T. Rump, superannuated.
Pelham..... J. J. A. Lever.
E. Williams, Chairman.

GODERICH DISTRICT.

Goderich..... Joshua R. Kay, to be ordained for
special purposes.
Goderich South..... Thomas Rennie, under General
Superintendent.
Ainleyville..... James Gundy.
Bodmin..... R. J. Tyler.
Harriston..... William Willimott.
Howick..... Daniel M. McKenzie.
Ashfield..... John Walker ; C. Curry, supernumerary.
D. M. McKenzie, Chairman.

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HAMILTON DISTRICT:

- Hamilton* W. Smyth, Henry Hughes ; J. Shaw,
supernumerary.
Ancaster James Caswell, Joseph Philp ; J. Histon,
superannuated.
Waterdown John Kay.
Barton Frederick Haynes
Galt David Smyth.
Hespeler William Williams.
James Caswell, Chairman.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

- Lansdown* Geo. Robinson, N. B. Topping ; J. C.
Warren superannuated ; T. O. Adkins,
W. Peck, supernumeraries.
North Augusta Wm. Hall, R. Garry, L. E.
Oxford P. W. Davis, under W. Hall.
Crosby J. Follick.
Kitley J. W. Cathcart to be ordained for special
purposes ; T. Ogden, supernumerary.
J. Follick, Chairman.

LONDON DISTRICT.

- London* Geo. Richardson ; J. Medcraft, General
Superintendent ; David Savage, Editor ;
James Bell, supernumerary.
London North Robt. Walker, Thomas Grandy.
Melbourne Wm. McCann.
Howard Kenneth McDiarmid, under General Super-
intendent ; W. Webb, supernumerary.
Talbotville W. Henderson.

St. Mary's..... Geo. Jackson, J. Follis.
Adelaide..... Thomas Jackson.
Ingersoll..... Wm. Birks, J. Pollard
Colchester..... To be supplied by J. Rawson, super-
 numerary.
 Geo. Richardson, Chairman.

MILTON DISTRICT.

Milton..... Geo. Brown.
Erin..... David Auld.
Trafalgar..... J. S. Orr.
Nassagaweya..... James C. Seymour.
Nelson..... Jas. McAllister, J. B. Williams.
 James McAllister, Chairman.
Durham..... Thos. M. Jefferies.
Walkerton..... S. F. Depew.
Artemesia and Osprey..... Jas. Baskerville.
Vesta..... D. D. Rolston, with leave of absence for
 six months.
Lavender..... A. Clarke, J. Crawford, supernumerary.
Egremont..... Joseph Andrews, under E. Kershaw.
 D. D. Rolston, Chairman.

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

Montreal..... Joel T. Pitcher.
Dunham.. Albert M. Delong, under J. Shuttleworth;
 H. N. Kimball, L. E.
Bolton..... Hamilton Leith, F. Delong.
Biome..... John Shuttleworth.
Knowlton..... J. H. Fowler.
 John Shuttleworth, Chairman.

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- Owen Sound* Wm. Tindall ; J. Hocking, J. Scott, supernumeraries.
- Holland* N. A. McDiarmid ; J. McGuire, supernumerary.
- Holland East* R. J. Husband, under N. A. McDiarmid.
- Arran* W. B. Danard ; H. Hall, supernumerary.
- Meaford* T. Hamilton ; J. Gaddis, supernumerary.
Wm. Tindall, Chairman.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.

- Milford* F. E. Nugent.
- Bay of Quinte* C. Barltrop.
- Hillier* W. W. Graham, to be ordained for special purposes.
C. Barltrop, Chairman.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

- Toronto* Samuel B. Gundy, R. J. Elliott.
- Aurora* T. L. Wilkinson, Thos. Hall.
- Penville* Henry Wilkinson
- Brock* Thomas Fox, C. Teeter, T. Cole, L. E. ;
A. B. Demill, supernumerary.
- Vernon Mission* R. N. Hill, Dixon Sharpe.
Henry Wilkinson, Chairman.

WATERFORD DISTRICT.

- Waterford* Geo. Buggin, R. Smylie.
- Aylmer* John Elliott ; W. Bothwell, supernumerary.
- Middleton* J. H. Orme.

Bayham J. B. Goodspeed ; J. Seymour, superannuated.
Dereham J. R. Gundy.
Norwich W. H. Moss ; J. Wilkinson, superannuated.
Simcoe J. A. Wilkinson.
 Geo. Buggin, Chairman.

CONNEXIONAL OFFICERS.

REV. WM. WILLIAMS, President of Conference.

“ JOHN KAY, Secretary of Conference.

“ J. MEDICRAFT, General Superintendent of Missions.

“ DAVID SAVAGE, Editor of *Evangelical Witness*.

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Statistics of the Connexion, 1872.

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RESOLUTIONS OF CONFERENCE.

1. That the Rev. William Williams be the President of Conference.
2. That the Rev. John Kay be the Secretary of Conference.
3. That the Rev. William Smyth be the Recording Secretary of Conference.
4. That the cordial and earnest thanks of this Conference are hereby accorded to the Rev. Wm. Cocker, D.D., retiring President, for his able and efficient services during the past year.
6. That the Revs. J. B. Goodspeed and J. W. Dochstader be a committee to receive and report on the Ministerial Testimonials, Probationers' Testimonials, Circuit Testimonials, and Lists of Members.
7. That the committee on General Resolutions and Replies to Letters be the Revs. S. B. Gundy, J. White, and Bro. R. J. Husband.
8. That the committee on Applications from Candidates for the Ministry, be the Revs. James Caswell and Wilkinson, and Bro. D. McLeod.
9. That the Rev. C. Barltrop be the Conference Reporter for the *Witness*.
10. That the Rev. R. J. Tyler and Bro. Cane be the Committee on Statistics.
11. That we enter upon the discussion of the Union Resolutions proposed by Dr. Cocker on Friday morning.
12. That 150 copies of the Resolutions on Union, proposed by Dr. Cocker, be printed for the use of the Conference.
13. That Revs. D. D. Rolston, Jas. Caswell and W. Cane, be a committee to examine and report on the case of the Stayner Church property.

resolved that this Conference accept the reasons assigned by Bro. Follick for his absence as satisfactory, and we express our deep sympathy with him in his affliction.

21. That the request of the Simcoe Circuit, for the return of the Rev. J. A. Wilkinson to their Circuit for the fifth year, having sufficient specialities in it, the Stationing Committee be recommended to entertain the request favorably.

22. That the Rev. S. B. Gundy and Bro. Cane be the Auditing Committee.

23. That the Financial Report of the Publishing Committee be accepted and adopted.

24. That the Rev. W. Webb's request to remain located for another year be granted.

25. That the Rev. R. Johnston be permitted to rest for another year, with the hope that he may then be able to resume the active duties of the ministry.

26. That the matter of the Marriage Law of Quebec be referred to the authorities of that Province, this Conference not feeling at liberty to take any action on it.

27. That the printed resolutions of Dr. Cocker, on Union, be freely circulated through the Conference, and the amount charged to the Contingent Fund.

28. That whereas, in the management of the *Evangelical Witness* during the past year, the editor has taken a position in suppressing certain articles on Union, which course, to himself, has seemed to accord with his power as editor, and to the brethren who sent those articles, has seemed to partake of unfairness, and whereas, mutual explanations and acknowledgments have led to a better understanding on this unfortunate occurrence: Resolved, that this Conference would record its gratification that this better understanding between the parties differing in opinion has been arrived at.

29. That the earnest and hearty thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the Rev. Wm. Cocker, D.D., for his able and efficient services during the past year.

30. That the Rev. D. Savage be appointed Editor of the *Evangelical Witness*.

31. That Dr. Cocker, Bro. Caswell, Bro. Richardson with Brethren Tanton and Irwin, be a Committee to consider as to the amount of Salary to be paid the Editor of the *Witness*, and the best means of raising it, and report to the Conference at their earliest convenience.

32. That the Stationing Committee consist of the following: Revs. G. Brown, H. Wilkinson and S. B. Gundy, with Messrs, D. McLeod and R. Irwin.

33. That the Rev. W. Peck's request to have his name placed on the minutes as a located minister, be granted.

34. Whereas we meet, for the first time in our history in our Annual Conference, on the natal day of our most Gracious Queen, we cannot allow the opportunity to pass without expressing our strong and unwavering attachment to the British Throne and Constitution. It is therefore,

Resolved: That at no period of our history as British subjects have we ever felt so deep a love for the person of our Beloved Sovereign, and so high an admiration of the British Constitution as we do at present, and we earnestly pray that our Beloved Queen may long live to sway her sceptre over that mighty empire on which the sun never sets, and to enjoy as she now does the love and confidence of her numerous subjects, and the esteem of the civilized world.

35. That having again considered the subject of Methodist Union, this Conference would renew its

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expressions as to the desirableness of an organized Union of the various Methodist bodies in Canada, and while adhering to the action of our last Conference in regard to the basis recommended to the united committee, this Conference feels bound to say, that we could not accept any scheme of Union by which restrictions would be imposed upon the legislative powers of a General Conference, or upon the right of the laity to co-operate with the ministry in such Conference in all acts of legislation and discipline.

36. This Conference having received the resolution of the Missionary Committee in England on the subject of a Union of the Methodist Churches in this country, we heartily reciprocate the kindly feeling expressed, assure the committee of an unwavering attachment to the polity for which our body has ever been distinguished; and that any action that may be taken by us shall be with due regard to those principles and to the many obligations we owe to the parent body.

37. That the following brethren be a committee to confer with a committee of any of the other Methodist bodies on the subject of Union, or on the preparation of a basis of Union should the other bodies appoint such committee or committees :

The PRESIDENT,
 " GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,
 REV. GEORGE BROWN,
 " JAMES CASWELL,
 " WM. TINDALL,
 " JAMES McALLISTER,
 " J. SHUTTLEWORTH.

HON. O. BLAKE,
 ROBERT IRVINE,
 D. McLEOD,
 WM. CANE,
 W. LATIMER,
 ROBERT WILKES.

38. That Brother James Livingston be received as a probationer into our ministry.

39. That Brother John Cathcart be received as a married probationer into our ministry.

40. That Brother Henry Nugent be received as a probationer into our ministry.

41. That Brother William Philp be received as a married probationer into our ministry.

42. That Brother Thomas Grandy be received as a probationer into our ministry.

43. That Brother Dickson Sharp be received as a probationer into our ministry.

44. That Brother Joseph Pollard be received as a probationer into our ministry.

45. That Brother John Fowkes be received as a married probationer of one year's standing.

46. That Brother Albert Delong be received as a married probationer.

47. That the Rev. A. Clarke be received as a minister, in full standing, amongst us.

48. That the Rev. O. Whitcombe be placed in the hands of the Stationing Committee, to be employed for the present year as a minister among us, if necessary.

49. That the resignation of the Rev. J. W. Dochstader be received, and the proper credentials be accorded him.

50. That this Conference desires to express grateful appreciation of the very cordial manner in which it has been received by the friends in Hespeler, and of the generous hospitality with which it has been entertained by members of our own and other churches.

51. That Brother Henry Hughes be received into our ministry, as a married probationer.

52. That we have heard with pleasure from Brother Hill that there is a desire for an assistant on his Mission; that this Conference appoint that assistant; and we recommend the Missionary Committee to make a suitable grant for that purpose.

53. That we recommend the Conference to permit the Hillier Circuit to apply the proceeds realized by sale of the Wellington church, to the liquidation of debt on said circuit.

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54. That the President and Secretary of Conference be authorized to give their certificate of indebtedness, in the name of the Conference, for such actual debts as are owed by the Connexion, and which are now in the name of the General Superintendent.

55. That the wish of the Quarterly meeting of the Malahide Circuit, to change its name to that of Aylmer, be granted.

56. That the Rev. J. Rawson, on account of ill health, be allowed to locate for one year.

57. That the Rev. J. Wallace's resignation be accepted, and the usual papers be granted him.

58. That the Minister to be appointed to the St. Catharines Circuit, and the Lay delegates at this Conference, together with the Trustees of the Church, be a committee to attend to the sale of the church in the village of Jordan.

59. That, having heard Brother Auld's explanations, we accept them, and consider that he is entitled to his standing up to last June.

60. That the Special Committee appointed to consider the request of Brother Demill, beg to report that they recommend that his request to locate for another year be granted.

61. That after a careful consideration of the facts in regard to the Stayner Chapel case, the committee recommend the Conference to dispose of the property, so that the Trustees may be relieved, and the claims of Bro. Rawson upon them may be met. The report was adopted.

62. That we respectfully request the Rev. Dr. Cooke to furnish the MS. of the deeply interesting discourse delivered by him on Sabbath morning, for publication, believing as we do, that its extensive circulation in the community would do immense good.

63. That we respectfully request the Revs. Dr. Cocker and J. Shuttleworth to furnish the MSS. of the sermons preached by them on Sabbath last.

64. That the MS. of Dr. Cooke's sermon be placed in the hands of the Publishing Committee for its publication.

65. That this Conference has heard with much pleasure the fact that Montreal Circuit now resolves to support its Minister without aid from the Mission Fund, while it proposes to pay over to that Fund all moneys raised by them for this purpose, and the Conference cherishes the hope that this noble example will be soon followed by many more of our Circuits.

66. That this Conference has learned with pleasure of the reconstruction of the Board of Trustees of the Toronto Temperance Street Church Trust, under the Act of Parliament provided in such cases, and in accordance with the views of the majority of the members of the Church and Congregation worshipping in said Church.

This Conference further believes that as soon as possible, Connexional steps should be taken to place this property on the same basis as all our other Church property according to the provision of our Model Deed.

67. That a Special Committee be appointed to receive and report upon all the claims made upon the Mission Fund in aid of Chapels and Parsonages, and that the Rev. D. M. McKenzie, Bro Geo. Stone and Rev. W. Tindall be that committee.

68. That the Report of the Executive Committee be received and adopted.

69. That the request of the Caledonia Circuit to receive \$100.00 towards rebuilding a Church in the place of the one destroyed by fire is granted.

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70. That the name of the Rev. J. R. Gundy be added to the Committee on General Resolutions.

71. That the Rev. W. B. Danard be a committee to collect and arrange the addresses of the Ministers for the Ministry, and also to ascertain the number of copies of Minutes required by the Circuits.

72. That this Conference bows in humble submission to the inscrutable dispensation of an all-wise Providence in the unexpected removal from our ranks of our dearly beloved brother, the Rev. James B. Kershaw.

We shall ever cherish in precious memory his manly independence of character, his fidelity to his ministerial brethren, his unaffected piety, and his laborious devotion to the gospel ministry, for a period of more than twenty-three years, in the land of his adoption.

We earnestly pray that the bereaved relatives may be sustained and comforted by the grace of God in this their affliction, and that we as a Christian Church may be admonished by this event to "work while it is called day, ere the night cometh wherein no man can work."

73. That the Rev. E. Kershaw be appointed to write an obituary notice of the late Rev. J. B. Kershaw's death, for the Minutes.

74. That the Report of the Committee on the *Witness* be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of improvement in the amount of salary.

75. That the following Report be adopted: "That in the opinion of this Committee it would be advisable to change the form of the *Witness* from being a four page paper to that of an eight page, with a new heading, and other improvements, thereby making it a good, respectable and attractive paper. Also, that the price be changed from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per annum, the same to commence on and after the first day of January next, 1873."

That the Rev. David Savage, the appointed editor, receive a salary of \$700, together with a suitable house and such furniture as is usually provided for city parsonages, this sum to be paid from Connexional Funds, including grant from England, and profits of *Witness*.

76. The Rev. David Savage having consented to take charge of the *Witness*, on the conditions stated in the Report of the Committee,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee be received and adopted, and that the Superintendent of London Circuit, with Brethren John Plummer and Geo. G. McGee, be a committee to procure a suitable place and the necessary furniture for the use of the Editor of the *Evangelical Witness*, such furniture to be the property of Conference.

77. Provided the Ministers and official members of our Church take sufficient and active interest in the proposed change, we have no doubt the necessary funds will be forthcoming, and eventually, the *Witness* prove a source of profit and not loss to this Conference. Therefore it is

Resolved, That an appeal be made throughout the Connexion for new subscribers, and continuation of old subscribers, by the Ministers and all others interested in the welfare of the *Witness*, whereby the list may be augmented to 1,500 at least, which will give seven hundred and fifty dollars together with the grant from England, two hundred and fifty dollars, making one thousand dollars, quite sufficient to meet all demands.

78. That the Revs. Dr. Cooke, J. T. Pitcher and Robert Wilkes, Esq., be a deputation to visit the Wesleyan Methodist Conference at Montreal, on behalf of this Conference.

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presence of the Rev. Dr. Cooke amongst us, and the very acceptable services rendered in connection with our religious services. We rejoice at the opportunity afforded us of seeing and hearing one whose praise is in all the churches; and we express the hope that his visit to this country may conduce to his physical welfare, and we pray that he may be permitted to return to his home again in the enjoyment of heaven's richest blessings.

80. That the following brethren be the Publishing Committee for the present year, viz.:

Rev. Geo. Richardson, John Tanton, John Plummer and the Editor.

81. That the Report of the Board of Examiners be adopted, and that the thanks of this Conference be accorded to them for their valuable and efficient services.

82. That the Board of Examiners be reappointed, with the authority to call the young men together at any time they may deem fit, and that the same pecuniary arrangements as last year be made.

83. That in future no one taken out as a supply shall be considered as eligible to membership in this Conference till he has been received as a Minister amongst us by the Conference, and that no candidate shall be received on probation without securing a two-thirds vote of Conference.

84. That the Rev. J. Medicraft be appointed Treasurer of the Conference, and Robt. Wilkes, Esq., the Financial Secretary.

85. That the Library of the late Rev. W. McClure, bequeathed by him to the Theological Institute, be left in the hands of the Educational Board, in fulfilment of the trust thus committed to us as a Connexion.

86. That the Board of Education be allowed to appoint one of their number to represent them in the Conference.

87. That Bro. John Corneil be appointed Auditor in place of Bro. Cane, who has gone home.

88. That Omemee be allowed to keep the Missionary money raised on the Circuit, on the ground of their having employed a second preacher.

89. That Pelham be allowed to retain 90 per cent. of their Missionary Money.

90. That Bro. P. W. Davis be received into our Ministry as a married probationer.

91. That Bro. R. J. Husband be received into our Ministry as a married probationer.

92. That Brother K. McDiarmid be received into our ministry as a married probationer.

93. That we adopt the following report, viz: We would earnestly desire to recommend the Conference to assist our brethren in paying off debts on their chapels and parsonages; but we regret to find that there is no money whatever in the chapel fund; and in justice to our Missionaries, many of whom are this year sadly deficient in their salaries, we could not recommend any appropriations of Missionary money to pay Chapel and Parsonage debts, until we learn that there will be a surplus on hand.

94. That memorials and resolutions having been presented to this Conference from some of our Circuits and Districts, requesting the Conference to increase the salaries of our Ministers in full Connexion, this Conference, in view of these memorials, and also of the very great increase in the cost of living, and the value of all kinds of labor, we believe that the time has come when those salaries should be increased by at least \$100, and that this resolution be submitted to the quarterly meetings for their adoption.

95. That the time having come when our respected Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. Cocker, is about to leave Canada for his native land, we feel it a privilege to

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96. That the Rev. S. B. Gundy be appointed Connexional Treasurer *pro tem*, until the General Superintendent arrives in the country.

97. That the interest on the mortgage on the Ingersoll church be paid from the first available proceeds of the Contingent Fund. Amount, \$32.00.

98. That after this year, all sums contributed to our Mission Fund, under one dollar, be returned as small sums.

99. That we express our hearty thanks to the Rev. David Savage for producing a memoir of the late Rev. W. McClure, which is, in every way, so worthy of the noble man whose memory is so precious to us ; and we wish also to express our pleasure at finding that the financial results are so satisfactory to Mr. Savage.

100. That we express our regret that the health of the Rev. James Scott is such as requires him to ask for a year's rest ; and that this Conference grant his request, with the hope that Brother Scott may soon be restored to health and strength, and be able to enter the active work again.

101. That the freight on the hymn books be charged to the Book Committee ; the express on small parcels to the Brethren, to be paid by those receiving them.

102. That the Rev. D. D. Rolston be allowed to have six months' leave of absence, with the understanding that he find an acceptable supply for the Circuit.

103. That Brother W. E. Decew take the place of W. D. Smith on the Missionary Committee.

104. That the Rev. W. Tindall write the address to the English Conference for next year.

105. That the Rev. John Kay write the address to the Canadian Conference for next year.

106. That the report on Circuit Testimonials be received.

107. That the attention of the Publishing Committee be called to the imperfect blank forms of Circuit testimonials, and that proper forms, in accordance with our former action be prepared for the future; also, that the schedules be improved, so as to furnish more complete information. viz :

What proportion of the salary has come from Circuit sources?

How much from the Mission Fund?

How much has been allowed for expenses?

Is the Garden in proper cultivation?

Are the House and Furniture in proper order?

108. That the Hespeler Circuit be permitted to retain the Missionary collection received on Monday evening.

109. That in the case of Circuits which have not sent returns, the returns of last year be allowed to stand.

110. The report of the Committee on Statistics be taken up, District by District.

111. That the hearty thanks of this Conference be tendered to the Great Western Railway, Grand Trunk R. R., Northern R. R., and Canadian Navigation Companies, for the favors granted to members of this Conference, in allowing them to travel to and from Conference at reduced fare.

112. That the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to send a copy of our union resolution to the Secretary of the Wesleyan Conference.

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113. That application be made to the Legislature, in connection with the application of the Superannuated Ministers' Society, for an Act to free the Connexion from the disability under which we are placed, in the sale of our Church and Parsonage property, and that the Executive committee have charge of this matter.

114. That we instruct the President and Secretary to sign a receipt, in the name of the Conference, acknowledging the sum of \$6249.00, loaned from the Super. P. A. S. to the Connexion.

115. That this Conference reiterates its former sentiments on the subject of Intemperance. We regard the use of intoxicating drinks as the fruitful source of much of the poverty, wretchedness and crime with which our country is afflicted; and we would urge upon all our Ministers and Members, the absolute necessity of total abstinence as the only course of safety; and, also, that every possible means be employed to secure the entire abolition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks.

116. That this Conference express its high appreciation of the work of the French Canadian Missionary Society, and recommend our friends to assist, so far as lies in their power, the operations of this Society.

117. That in future, the Committee on Statistics be required to report any deficiencies or important advances in the case of Circuits, in order to facilitate the business of the Conference.

118. That the place of meeting of the next Conference be left in the hands of the President to decide.

119. That the time of Conference be the usual time, viz., the first Wednesday in June.

120. That we reaffirm our former sentiments in regard to the observance of the Sabbath. We would urge upon all our Ministers the necessity of strictly

respecting the sanctity of the Lord's Day; and upon our Ministers, the desirability of frequently urging this claim upon our congregations.

121. That the first week in September be set apart as a week of prayer, for the out-pouring of the Spirit on all our Ministers, churches and Sabbath-schools, and for the conversion of souls; and that all our churches and Circuits be requested to unite in this effort, for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom.

122. That Brother McCutcheon's application to enter the ministry be referred back to the Lucknow Circuit, that it may come through the proper channel for Connexional action.

123. That the memorial of the Montreal church be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee, and that we recommend it to their favorable consideration.

124. That the following be the Executive Committee, viz. :—The General Superintendent, the President of Conference, Rev. S. B. Gundy and W. Tindall, with Brethren R. Wilkes, Hon. O. Blake and R. Irwin.

125. That the Treasurer of the Connexion be authorised to pay to the Galt Parsonage Trustees the sum of \$100.00 as soon as the balance of the debt be subscribed and paid by the friends of the Galt Church.

126. That the Report of the Stationing Committee be received and adopted.

127. That the President instruct the Chairman of Districts concerned to make early arrangements for the ordination for special purposes of the young men so appointed.

WM. WILLIAMS, President.

JOHN KAY, Secretary.

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REPORT

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BOARD OF EXAMINERS

FOR THE YEAR 1872.

Your Committee for the examination of Probationers having brought their labors to a close for the year that is past, have pleasure in now presenting their Report to the Conference. On their re-appointment to this work at the last Conference, the Committee met at once to arrange definitely the course of study in detail for the year. This was necessary as a preliminary measure, as it was discovered that the printed course itself, authorized by the Conference some years ago, was found by the late venerable Tutor, to be, in some respects, defective, and in consequence had not been adhered to except in the main. The Committee have not ventured to make any great changes, the principal being the placing of Horne's Introduction as an essential part of the course rather than merely as a book of reference as formerly. Your Committee would here take the liberty of calling the attention of Conference to the importance of having the course revised, and settled on a more thoroughly satisfactory basis, as soon as it can conveniently be done.

In order to facilitate the labors of the Brethren, the precise limits within which the examination was to be conducted, were defined early in the year, so that each Brother could see at a glance the subjects or part subjects in which he was to be examined, and also the text-books appertaining to each. Outside these limits, no questions have been asked, and within those limits, we have aimed at being as thorough as was possible under the circumstances. And here, we, perhaps, ought to observe, that so far as can be ascertained,

the present examination is probably the most severe that has yet taken place. We wish that this fact should be kept in mind, in judging of the results we now present to the Conference. The failures which in some cases have been reported, will be in some measure mitigated by this circumstance, and certainly, on the same account, the marked success which in several instances it is our great pleasure to report, is all the more honorable to the Brethren concerned.

Fifteen Probationers have been at this Conference examined in the several subjects belonging to the three first years of the course; there being no Brethren in the fourth year. These subjects include, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, Scripture Chronology History and Biography, Discipline, Ecclesiastical History, Natural Philosophy, Evidences of Christianity, Methodist History, Ancient and Modern History, Mental and Moral Philosophy, Horne's Introduction to Theology, a Written Sermon, together with inquiry respecting mode of Study, of conducting Pastoral Work, &c. As already intimated, several have in some departments failed to pass the examination,—that is, have failed to answer the proportion of questions required for passing. In regard to these cases, which have occurred from various causes, the committee suggest the propriety of the Conference requiring in such case, that as a rule, the subject in which such a failure has taken place be added to the next year's studies, and the Brother concerned be required to undergo examination again in that subject the following year. We cannot but call the attention of the Conference to the fact that in more than one instance, there has been marked proficiency evinced, so much so as to justify the bestowment of honors. This has occurred in each year, and largely in the third year—a gratifying fact, since it clearly shows that Brethren are laboring for proficiency in the more advanced and difficult portions of their studies.

In conclusion, your committee, while realising that the labors involved in this work have been somewhat arduous and have demanded considerable time and attention through the year, as well as at the Conference, yet they feel much pleasure on the whole, in presenting the statistical results of these examinations. We believe a healthy spirit of emulation and laudable ambition to excel in intelligence and knowledge

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is decidedly on the increase, a fact, together with a corresponding increase in piety and zeal for the glory of God—which we trust may never be wanting—we regard as among the most hopeful indications for future prosperity.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. SAVAGE,
J. C. SEYMOUR,
J. R. GUNDY.

HESPELER, May 28, 1872.

MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE S. P. A. S.,

Held in Hespeler, May 29, 1872.

RESOLVED, 1. That the Rev. J. McAllister be Chairman.

2. That the Rev. E. Holmes be Secretary.

The Minutes of the Director's Meeting, held in the City of Hamilton, April 21, were then read, and an interesting conversation followed, concerning the incorporation of the Society, and finally resolved as follows:

3. That the Act of Incorporation as now read, be left in the hands of the Directors, instructing them to consult some skilful lawyer, and to pass said Act through the next Provincial Parliament.

4. That the thanks of this meeting are hereby tendered to the Rev. W. Tyndal for the very complete Bill he has drafted, a copy of which has just now been read.

5. That after a Minister has travelled twenty years, his time shall be reckoned in this Society by the year, and that he be paid according to the scale of four dollars per annum for each year he has travelled, above the said term of twenty years. This rule does not apply to any who have been superannuated previous to this date.

6. That we respectfully request the Conference to give the Manager of the S. P. A. S. a receipt for former loans to

the Connexion, such receipt to be signed by the President and Secretary of the Conference, and renewed year by year.

7. That the Rev. George Buggin be permitted to enter this Society, by paying all back accounts, with compound interest, he having offered himself as a member before he had reached the age of thirty-two years.

8. That all cases of disputed accounts be placed before the Manager and Directors by the persons concerned, and that they make such a settlement as shall appear to the Manager and Directors honorable to both parties.

9. That the Rev. Geo. Richardson be re-appointed Manager, with an allowance of fifty dollars for the coming year.

10. That the Revs. W. Tyndal and E. Holmes, be re-appointed Directors of this Society.

11. That the thanks of this meeting are hereby tendered to the Manager.

12. That the thanks of this meeting are hereby tendered to the Directors.

13. That the application of the Rev. James Gundy for the past year's standing in this Society cannot be entertained, as he was not employed as a Circuit Preacher during said year, and therefore according to clause 17 of the constitution, could not in future claim payment for the past year's annuity.

14. That we request the Conference to enter into a joint application with this Society to the Legislature, for a Bill to free the Connexion from the disabilities under which we are placed in the sale of our Church property.

15. That on examination of the various matters in connection with the S. P. A. S., the Manager and Directors note with pleasure that many of the Circuits have raised the extra \$2.50 for the funds of this Society, and hope that during the coming year *every Circuit* will do so.

16. That payments be made to the claimants as follows :

Rev. John Wilkinson (25 years), \$100; Rev. J. Seymour (25 years), \$100; Rev. J. Bell (25 years), \$100; Rev. J. Histon (20 years), \$80; Rev. T. Ogden (20 years), \$80; Rev. J. C. Warren (15 years), \$60; Rev. T. Rump (20 years and Widower), \$48; Mrs. Hales (20 years and a Widow), \$40; Mrs. Gundy (20 years and a Widow), \$42; Funeral expenses of the late Rev. J. B. Kershaw, \$20.

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NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. The Rev. J. R. Gundy gave notice that a year hence he will move for an amendment of clause 13 of the constitution of this Society.

2. The Rev. D. D. Rolston gave notice that a year hence he will move for a repeal of clause 4 of the constitution, and for the Manager to be appointed for a period of six years.

EDWIN HOLMES, *Secretary.*

Address to the Canadian Connexion.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,—We rejoice in being permitted once more in the good providence of God to forward to you our annual greetings. "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord." We came to this Conference with anxious forebodings. The exciting discussions on the question of Methodist Union, which had occupied so large a place in the columns of the *Witness* during the year, had unsettled the minds of many and filled all our hearts with fear lest the effect should be to hinder the work and dishonor the cause of God. We rejoice, however, to state that under the influence of that Spirit, the fruit of which is long-suffering and love, there have been mutual explanations which have led to decision on the question of Methodist Union in which we all have been able to unite with the most gratifying harmony and perfect unanimity.

The religious services of our Conference have been marked in an unusual manner by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. We have been greatly refreshed and strengthened by the presence and counsels of the Rev. Dr. Wm. Cooke, a much esteemed and venerated brother, who occupies a very distinguished place in our Connexion at home as an able writer, an eloquent preacher and a sincere and spiritually-minded servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. His sermon on Sabbath morning on the work of the Holy Spirit produced the most gracious results—results which we trust will be felt in the work of all our circuits during the year.

We have been called upon to say farewell to our late General Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Wm. Cocker. For six years he has discharged the duties of his important office amongst us with a zeal, a faithfulness and an ability which have been alike creditable to his head and heart, and which, under the blessing of God, have been the means of accomplishing much good. We parted from him with a feeling of deep sadness; and although he was turning his face towards the friends of his youth and the land of his birth, he had become so much attached to our church and to our country, that it was not without manifest emotion that he bade us farewell. Our best wishes and prayers will follow him and his family that they may be conducted safely to their purposed destination.

Rev. John Medicraft has been appointed to succeed Dr. Cocker. He will come to us with the highest recommendations and we doubt not he will come amongst us "in the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ." His time will be chiefly occupied in visiting the circuits and in the general oversight of the Mission work. The reports received from our several circuits are on the whole of a cheering character. The number of deaths and removals has been unusually large; still, our statistics shew a small increase in membership.

In this we find cause for thankfulness to God. But considering the agents employed, the Divine helps placed at their disposal, the magnitude and importance of the work, we regard it as cause for humiliation that so little has been accomplished. We therefore earnestly and affectionately urge upon you, dear brethren, the importance of more frequent and earnest prayer, of increased faithfulness in the use of the means of grace, and of entire dependence on the power of the Holy Spirit for the success of our work.

Your ministers will return to their work carrying with them a cheering recollection of the seasons of spiritual refreshing enjoyed by us during our present Conference; receive them as the ministers of Christ and fellow-workers with you in the vineyard of the Lord. "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake."

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A resolution of Conference, recommending that the salary of our ministers in full Connexion be increased to \$500, will be laid before you, to which we hope you will return a favorable answer.

In your own interests you should place your ministers above want. Such a course will encourage their hearts, reflect honor on yourselves and secure to you the blessing of Him who has said, "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things."

A series of resolutions have been passed by which some changes have been made in the management of the *Witness*. Our much loved brother, Rev. D. Savage, has been by the unanimous wish of Conference appointed to the office of Editor. This appointment will, we are sure, give entire satisfaction to the readers of the *Witness* and to the members of our church. With your sympathy and coöperation we believe he will do a great deal toward increasing the usefulness and popularity of our Connexional organ.

An arrangement has been made to take effect on the first of January, 1873, by which the *Witness* will be enlarged to an eight-page paper, the cost of which will be \$2.

And now, dear brethren, let us pledge ourselves in the name of the Lord that by the aid of His Holy Spirit we will make this year one of the most prosperous we have ever enjoyed. Amen.

WM. WILLIAMS, President.

JOHN KAY, Secretary.

Address to the English Conference.

BELoved FATHERS AND BRETHREN IN THE LORD,—Once again we greet you fraternally in the name of our Divine Master, and from this the forty-fourth annual Conference of the Canadian Methodist New Connexion Church, we hail you as the "Beloved of the Lord." Most gladly we embrace the opportunity thus afforded us of assuring you of our unabated love and increasing attachment. Our souls are refreshed when we call to mind your existence and well-being in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We devoutly render thanks and praise to Almighty God, the Father of mercies, for the high privileges which in our individual, official and corporate capacity have been conferred upon us—the privilege of communion with honored brethren of our faith and order. We rejoice in greeting you as earnest laborers in the vineyard of the Lord. We joy in finding the unity of our faith preserved amid such variety of character and numbers.

With great sorrow of heart we have to inform you of the recent demise of our beloved brother in Christ, the Rev. J. B. Kershaw, long known as one of God's diligent ministers—faithful in all the relations of life, zealous in all his connections and efforts on behalf of our beloved Zion, yet full of catholicity of sentiment and fraternal sympathy for the whole church. "He is not, for God took him;" he died as he lived—in the faith of the Gospel—and with you, honored fathers, we hope to join him in celebrating the song of Moses and the Lamb before the eternal throne.

The year that has elapsed since we last addressed you has been one of great material progress in this new Dominion. The God of providence hath blessed us with bread enough, and to spare; His gracious eye hath watched over us for good, both temporally and spiritually. Animated by past favors and blessings, we gird on the armor afresh for renewed assaults upon the strongholds of sin and Satan, feeling confident that "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but spiritual;" whilst the shouts of triumph arise from the myriad voices of our valiant Israel, "The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge."

Our beloved brother, the Rev. William Cocker, D.D., who has so kindly, so faithfully and so efficiently labored in our midst for the past six years in the worthy position of Superintendent of Missions, and for two years of that time as Editor of our Conference organ, the *Evangelical Witness*, is now about to return to the land of his nativity, bearing with him our warmest expressions of love and attachment for his many excellencies of character, so widely known and esteemed. We sorrow most of all to say farewell. We may never see his manly face again; but part we must. He goes to meet early and old friends again, to reciprocate their gladsome greetings, to join in all the sweet inspiring services

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and labors of the beloved church of his choice that he loves dear as life itself. We return to our work and labors in this happy and prosperous land much the better for having known this eminent minister of Jesus Christ, and honestly as we take the parting hand, we can say, well done. May the passage homeward for thee and thine be swift and smooth. The Lord be thy Shepherd and Guide until we meet above to enjoy the glorious mansions of our Father's house and never part again.

Our *Evangelical Witness* still shares in the confidence of our growing Connexion, proving itself a witness for the truth. To many of you, dear brethren, it is sent as the weekly herald of our progress.

The great question of interest with us, during the past year especially, was that of Methodist Union among the various branches of the great Methodist family in this beloved Canada of ours. When the unity of Methodism shall take place is not known—it is a question of the future; and however desirable, it cannot be consummated without a distinct recognition of the principle of lay-delegation. When the other branches of Methodism make room for our rights both as ministers and laymen, we shall then propose the basis of such union for the consideration of our people, who are strongly attached to our polity and scriptural form of church government. In this relation we ever retain a lively sense of our obligations to you as our helpers in the Lord's work, feeling also that the fraternal bonds that bind us are strong and true.

It is our happy privilege to record the glowing fact that many souls during the year now closing have been converted to God and are now rejoicing in a newly-found Saviour. The Lord graciously bestowed the power to build up His believing people in their most holy faith, and wandering ones have been led back to the Shepherd and Bishop of souls. Thus, dear fathers and brethren, we rejoice to say that the word of the Lord has had free course and been glorified in this highly favored land.

We cannot express the high satisfaction we have had in welcoming in your name that highly esteemed and faithful minister of Jesus Christ, the Rev. William Cooke, D.D., to our Conference, our homes and hearts. We cherish grate-

fully before God the remembrance of his great ability as a theologian and an author, of world-wide renown, whose praise is in all the churches. We have, therefore, great pleasure in beholding the man, as our brother in Christ, whose system of theology we have read with pleasure and is now the text book in this department of our theological course for all probationers. We hail his presence amongst us with joy, and devoutly render praise to the God of providence for His watchful care over this honored minister of your Conference. To say that we have enjoyed his visit to our Conference is but to express the least part of our gratification; and earnestly lifting our hearts to the God of all grace, we devoutly pray that he may return to your midst in safety, to live many years in the laud of his nativity, the home of his youth, and the scene of long years of toil and successful service in the cause of our Divine Master. And when the time of his departure has fully come, may the sun of his existence be like the "morning star which goes not down behind the darkened west, but melts away into the brightness of heaven."

It gives us inexpressible pleasure to state that the present Conference has been one of great interest. Subjects which have deeply engrossed our attention during the year past have been most amicably adjusted. Our religious services have been to us in a very high sense, "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord."

It is comforting to our hearts to say that our Sunday School operations are in an improved condition. Our Connexional interests in every department are in a healthy state, which inspires us with pleasing confidence. The report from our Educational Board, just presented, gives evidence of advancement in the right direction, several of our probationers having attained honors in the various subjects of study.

And now, dear fathers and brethren, we would assure you of our regard and esteem, and humbly pray that our relationships may be strengthened. We most thankfully remember your kindness in the past, and hope that the fraternal bonds that bind us may ever remain; and we pray that God's rich and choicest blessings may ever rest upon you.

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Cayuga, 1 30; Dunnville, 1 30; Haldimand, 1 52; Caledonia, 1 45; St. Catharines, 1 10; Pelham, 1 47	8 14	Interest thereon..... 138 38
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London, 10 14; Melbourne, 6 17; Howard, 1 80; Talbotville, 2 00; London North, 3 95; Adelaide, 2 00; Ingersoll, 3 87....	29 93	Metropolitan Building Society on Dunnville and Caledonia Chapels..... 252 00
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Mount Forest, 1 80; Durham, 90c.; Walkerton, 1 11; Artemesia, 1 40; Vesta, 75c.; Lavender, 1 08; Egremont, 1 00..	8 04	Interest on Loan from Preacher's Fund..... 156 36
Montreal, 8 89; Dunham, 1 00; Bolton, 1 53; Brome 2 20; Knowlton, 55c. ..	14 77	Financial Agent..... 25 00
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Toronto, 2 30; Aurora, 3 00; Penville, 2 50; Brock, 4 73.....	12 53	
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Total Collections.....	\$183 62	
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S. B. GUNDY,
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Total from Circuits.....	211 22
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EXPENDITURES.	
Balance due to Treasurer..	\$78 58
Travelling Expenses.	
Rev W. Preston.....	15 00
J. Caswell.....	15 00
F. G. Weaver.....	15 00
W. McCann.....	15 00
W. Birks.....	25 00
T. Fox.....	5 00
G. Robinson.....	15 00
Wm. Latimer, ex. to Owen	
Sound Conference.....	15 50
Grant to Parsonages for fur-	
niture.	
Mount Forest.....	20 00
Norwich.....	15 00
Ingersoll.....	15 00
Durham.....	15 00
Copies of Conference reso-	
lutions.....	3 25
Forms of Notes.....	1 75
Financial Agent.....	25 00

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Cavan, \$21
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RECEIPTS.	
Cavan, \$21 10; Manvers, 18 28; Clark 2 80; Omemee 3 20; Laxton, 3 26.....	\$48 64
Cayuga, 4 58; Dunnville, 4 00; Haldimand, 4 30; Caledonia, 4 20; St. Catharines, 5 05; Pelham, 1 80	23 93
Goderich, 2 23; Goderich South, 2 49; Ainleyville, 3 13; Harriston, 3 54; Howick, 3 91; Ashfield, 2 50.....	17 80
Hamilton, 4 00; Ancaster, 12 26; Waterdown, 5 50; Barton, 8 72; Galt, 3 00; Hespeler, 4 74.....	38 22
Lansdown, 4 09; North Augusta, 6 00; Crosby, 4 05; Kitley, 2 10.....	16 24
London, 75 48; Melbourne, 7 52; Howard & Colchester, 4 00; Talbotville, 3 25; London North, 8 60; Adelaide, 8 90; Ingersoll, 5 40.....	53 15
Milton, 5 54; Erin, 9 40; Trafalgar, 7 30; Nassagaweya, 7 75; Nelson, 11 02.	41 01
Mount Forest, 1 72; Durham 6 30; Walkerton, 4 50; Artemesia, 3 34; Vesta, 2 08; Lavender, 2 49; Egremont, 2 50....	22 93
Montreal, 10 00; Dunham, 2 00; Bolton, 12 80; Brome 3 60; Knowlton, 6 07....	34 47
Owen Sound, 1 70; Holland 3 21; Holland East, 1 08; Arran, 2 29; Meaford, 2 20.....	10 43
Milford, 2 45; Bay of Quinte 2 72; Hillier, 1 26.....	6 43
Toronto, 9 20; Aurora, 15 60; Pr. A. Ne, 2 00; Brock, 5 82.....	32 62
Waterford, 10 5; Malahide, 4 80; Middleton, 5 69; Bayhan 6 19; Dereham, 19 04; Norwich, 1 60; Simcoe, 5 95.	53 82
Total Collections.....	\$399 69
Balance from last year.....	25 81
Grant from Mission Fund...	120 00
	\$545 50

EXPENDITURE.	
Rev. G. Brown.....	6 87
F. Haynes.....	12 37
J. O. Hara.....	3 75
T. Fox.....	10 81
J. Kay.....	8 25
W. Birks.....	12 35
J. McAllister.....	12 37
J. Caswell.....	24 74
R. J. Tyler.....	2 75
J. H. Fowler.....	15 44
J. Rawson.....	15 12
D. Savage.....	15 45
W. Willimott.....	9 62
R. Walker.....	12 36
T. M. Jefferis.....	15 12
W. McCann.....	2 75
Thos. Jackson.....	8 25
C. Shaw.....	18 53
J. Follick.....	10 99
J. Walker.....	19 04
W. Williams.....	16 49
C. Barltrop.....	2 75
J. Elliott.....	10 81
W. Preston.....	15 45
E. Kershaw.....	20 08
J. B. Kershaw.....	15 02
G. Richardson.....	6 87
J. R. Gundy.....	5 50
J. C. Seymour.....	8 25
E. Holmes.....	11 09
W. H. Moss.....	5 50
A. A. McDiarmid.....	2 75
J. J. A. Leaver.....	2 75
F. E. Nugent.....	2 75
G. Jackson.....	5 50
W. B. Danard.....	8 25
J. H. Orme.....	5 50
D. Smith.....	5 50
J. T. Pitcher.....	3 09
T. L. Wilkinson.....	8 25
J. S. Orr.....	9 62
G. Buggin.....	17 86
D. D. Rolston.....	21 99
J. Scott.....	15 12
S. B. Gundy.....	27 80
J. Baskerville.....	17 87
S. F. Depew.....	2 75
W. W. Graham.....	2 75
F. G. Weaver.....	18 53
	\$533 27
Balance on hand.....	12 23
	\$545 50

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CIRCUIT COLLECTIONS.			
Cavan, 11 60; Manvers, 5 39; Clarke, 3 41; Ome-mee, 3 25; Laxton, 2 29	\$26 23	Rev. John Wilkinson.....	\$100 00
Cayuga, 1 50; Duanville, 4 12; Haldimand, 2 00; Caledonia, 1 25; St. Catharines, 1 30; Pelham, 1 25.....	11 42	J. Seymour.....	100 00
Goderich, 2 34; Goderich South, 1 65; Harriston, 1 97; Howick, 4 41; Ashfield, 2 00.....	12 37	J. Bell.....	100 00
Hamilton, 2 75; Ancaster, 8 50; Waterdown, 9 48; Barton, 5 48; Galt, 3 00; Hespeler, 4 47.....	33 63	J. Histon.....	80 00
Lansdown, 4 00; North Augusta, 2 30; Kitley, 1 40; Crosby, 3 05.....	10 75	T. Ogden.....	80 00
London, 9 09; London North, 6 18; Melbourne, 8 73; Howard, 4 00; Talbotville, 3 50; Adelaide, 1 60; Ingersoll, 6 05.....	39 10	J. C. Warren.....	60 00
Milton, 5 61; Erin, 2 50; Trafalgar, 2 50; Nassagaweya, 8 00; Nelson, 10 00	28 61	T. Rump.....	48 00
Durham, 3 30; Walkerton, 3 20; Artemesia and Osprey, 2 75; Vesta, 7 00; Lavender, 1 00; Egremont, 2 55; Mount Forest, 1 48.....	21 28	Mrs. Hales.....	40 00
Montreal, 11 14; Dunham, 45 cents.; Bolton, 1 90; Brome, 4 00; Knowlton, 75 cts.....	18 24	Mrs. Gundy.....	42 00
Owen Sound, 1 30; Holland 2 67; Holland East, 1 37; Arran, 1 54; Meaford, 1 90.....	8 78	Rev. J. Rawson, on over-paid account.....	68
Milford, 1 00; Bay of Quinte, 2 55; Hillier, 1 00.....	4 55	Funeral of Rev. J. B. Ker-shaw.....	20 00
Toronto, 9 00; Aurora, 10 93; Penville, 2 31; Brock, 5 27.....	27 51	Rev. W. Tindall's expenses to Toronto on the Bill of Incorporation.....	8 50
Waterford, 6 45; Aylmer, 1 31; Middleton, 3 30; Bayham, 4 00; Dereham, 4 20; Norwich, 2 67; Simcoe, 2 75.....	24 68	Directors' expenses to Ham-ilton.....	6 30
	\$267 15	Cash Box.....	2 00
		Circulars.....	1 00
		Stamps for Circulars.....	85
		Blank Note Book.....	40
		Mrs. Griffith's children.....	24 00
		Manager's salary.....	40 00
		Another Loan to the Con-nexion.....	800 00
		Paid on Rev. J. R. Gundy's account of last year.....	5 00
		Loss on American Silver...	1 00
		Bad Coin.....	25
		Cash on hand.....	736 85
		Carried forward.....	\$2297 43

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List of Circuits that contributed towards increase of capital: — London city, 2 50; Lansdown, 2 00; London North, 2 50; Milford, 2 50; Aurora, 2 50; Erin, 2 50; Cavan, 2 50; Crosby (for two years), 5 00; Hamilton, 2 50; Dereham, 2 50; Manvers, 2 50; Cayuga, 2 50; Dunville, 2 50; St. Catharines, 1 50; Melbourne, 3 00.. 39 00

LAYMEN'S SUBSCRIPTIONS.

London City.
 Plummer & Pacey, 2 00;
 A. Westman, 1 00; Mr. Bradshaw, 1 00 4 00
Welson Circuit.
 H. Foster, Esq., 4 00.... 4 00
Massagaweya Circuit.
 Mr. Stranger, 2 00..... 2 00
Wilton Circuit.
 J. Brownridge, 1 25; W. Tremble, 1 00; Small sums, 50 cts. 2 75
Melbourne Circuit.
 C. Corneil, 1 00; G. Corneil, 1 00..... 2 0
Howard Circuit.
 Small sums, 50 cts; Rev. W. Webb, 1 00..... 1 50
Montreal City.
 G. P. Rogers, 4 00; B. R. Deacon, 4 00; R. Wright, 1 00, R. Green, 1 00; E. Rennick, 1 00; Mrs. Rennick, 1 00; Mrs. Dunbar, 1 00; J. Emerson, 1 00; J. Tuss, 1 00; D. Tuss, 1 00; D. T. Tuss, 1 00; R. Irwin, 1 00; J. D. Barnett, 1 00; R. Stanley, 1 00; J. Phillips, 1 00; Small sums, 1 50..... 22 50
Lansdown Circuit.
 A. Clendenning, 1 00.... 1 00

\$39 75

MINISTERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Rev. J. R. Gundy, omitted in Mr. Latimer's list last year..... \$ 5 00
 J. O'Hara..... 5 00
 do on back account.... 19 57
 W. McCann..... 5 00
 do on back account... 1 02

Brought forward.....\$2297 43

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		Brought forward,.....	\$2297 48
D. Savage	5 00		
do on Interest	7 45		
C. Teeter	12 98		
James McAlister	5 00		
S. B. Gundy	5 00		
do on back account...	1 35		
W. Birks	5 00		
do Interest	5 85		
C. Shaw	5 00		
do on back account...	3 53		
J. Follick	10 00		
Geo. Brown	5 00		
Geo. Richardson	5 00		
do on back account...	1 65		
W. Tindall	5 00		
do Interest	1 00		
Geo. Robinson	5 82		
do Interest	2 42		
W. Williams	10 40		
James Gundy, Interest..	1 56		
N. A. McDiarmid	20 91		
R. Walker	5 00		
J. C. Seymour	5 00		
J. R. Gundy	5 00		
do Interest	1 82		
E. Holmes	5 00		
do on back account...	1 21		
W. Willimott	5 00		
do back account and Interest	5 14		
Elias Williams	5 00		
John Walker	5 00		
do Interest and part of account	13 37		
E. Kershaw	5 00		
do Interest	2 56		
W. H. Moss, Interest	2 07		
Thos. Jackson	5 00		
J. W. Cathcart	8 32		
J. G. Fallis	8 32		
D. D. Rolston	5 00		
do Interest	8 48		
J. B. Williams	8 32		
T. M. Jeffries	5 00		
N. B. Topping	8 32		
Albert M. Delong	5 00		
F. Delong	8 32		
W. Preston	5 00		
H. Wilkinson	5 00		
do Interest	1 60		
J. Shuttleworth	5 00		
J. Kay	5 00		
do Interest and part account	4 14		
J. H. Fowler	5 00		
do on account and Interest	4 85		
J. S. Orr	5 00	Carried forward.....	\$2297 48

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J. S. Orr, Interest.....	3 69	Brought forward.....	\$2297 43
J. Baskerville.....	5 00		
do Interest.....	1 60		
J. Caswell.....	5 00		
do Interest and back			
Interest.....	6 35		

\$358 99

OTHER SOURCES.

Balance from last year.....	\$147 52
Retained on Mr. Griffith's	
Claim.....	24 00
Interest on Connexional	
Loan.....	120 00
do from Chapel Fund..	156 00
do from Office.....	88 00
do Southampton Church	29 00
do Mortgage on Lon-	
don Church.....	96 00
do Fresh Connexional	
Loan.....	44 00
Burley's Mortgage.....	806 00
Interest on above for part	
of year.....	30 00
Interest on deposits.....	32 02
From Mr. Kershaw on back	
account.....	20 00

\$1592 54

RECAPITULATION.

Circuit Collections.....	\$267 15
Contributions to increase of	
Capital.....	39 00
Laymen's Subscriptions....	39 75
Minister's Subscriptions ...	358 99
Other Sources.....	1592 54

Total.....\$2297 43

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 GEORGE RICHARDSON, Manager.

STATEMENT OF THE CHINA MISSION FUND.
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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.
Cavan, 14 55; Manvers, 7 77; Clark, 1 50; Omemee, 3 00; Laxton, 3 57.....	\$30 39	Paid to the English Treas- urer.....
Cayuga, 4 00; Dunville, 3 00; Haldimand, 2 25; Caledonia, 2 00; Pelham, 1 35.....	12 60	\$383 35
Goderich, 3 47; Goderich South, 3 00; Bodmin, 4 00; Harriston, 4 63; Howick, 6 15; Ashfield, 3 00.....	24 25	
Hamilton, 10 00; Ancaster, 7 50; Waterdown, 7 39; Barton, 8 50; Galt, 3 00; Hespeler, 9 00.....	45 39	
Lansdown, 8 50; North Au- gusta, 5 37; Crosby, 5 00; Kitley, 3 25.....	22 12	
London, 30 20; Melbourne, 7 17; Howard and Col- chester, 5 01; Talbotville, 5 00; St. Mary's, 5 89; London North, 5 31; In- gersoll, 6 25.....	64 83	
Milton, 4 41; Erin, 4 00; Trafalgar, 2 50; Nassaga- weya, 12 00; Nelson, 17 00.....	39 91	
Mount Forest, 2 66; Dur- ham, 4 50; Walkerton, 5 00; Vesta, 4 00; Laven- der, 2 95; Egremont, 6 00.....	25 11	
Montreal, 25 10; Bolton, 1 73.....	26 83	
Owen Sound District—Hol- land, 3 00; Holland East, 1 50; Meaford, 2 50.....	7 00	
Prince Edward, 2 75; Bay of Quinte, 2 00; Hillier, 1 80.....	6 55	
Toronto, 13 00; Aurora, 10 00; Penville, 4 00; Brock, 6 30.....	33 30	
Waterford, 6 00; Middleton, 4 55; Bayham, 4 00; Dere- ham, 5 84; Norwich, 2 24; Simcoe, 3 44.....	26 07	
	364 35	
R. Burt, Esq.....	4 00	
W. T.....	5 00	
M. S., Newmarket.....	10 00	
	\$383 35	

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Cavan.....
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CAVAN DISTRICT.		PAYMENTS	
RECEIPTS.			
Cavan.....	\$163 58	Rev. C. Shaw.....	
Manver.....	298 52	E. Holmes.....	\$104 48
Clark.....	112 00	W. Willmott.....	100 80
Omemee.....	96 57	G. Jackson.....	96 57
Laxton.....	110 43	N. A. McDermaid.....	199 39
	\$781 10		\$501 24
CAYUGA DISTRICT.			
Cayuga.....	\$78 00	Rev. R. J. Tyler.....	\$74 60
Dunnville.....	107 49	E. Williams.....	196 75
Haldimand.....	74 00	F. G. Weaver.....	166 60
Caledonia.....	56 60	W. Preston.....	109 94
St. Catharines.....	70 70	E. Kershaw.....	103 63
Pelham.....	65 98	J. J. A. Lever.....	59 38
	\$462 77		\$710 90
GODERICH DISTRICT.			
Goderich.....	\$130 48	Rev. W. Smyth.....	\$232 44
Goderich South.....	109 05	H. Leith.....	128 15
Ainleyville.....	34 64	A. Clark.....	91 18
Bodmin.....	89 71	W. J. Smyth.....	54 63
Harriston.....	66 95	J. W. Dochstader.....	53 56
Howick.....	108 36	D. M. McKenzie.....	64 61
Ashfield.....	94 71	T. Jackson.....	145 24
	\$633 90		\$769 82
HAMILTON DISTRICT.			
Hamilton.....	\$126 00	Rev. G. Brown.....	\$419 70
Ancaster.....	156 50	J. Casweil.....	46 95
Waterdown.....	87 46	J. Kay.....	30 55
Barton.....	105 80	T. L. Wilkinson.....	
Galt.....	62 00	D. Smyth.....	162 00
Hespeler.....	100 12	W. Williams.....	99 12
	\$637 88		\$758 32
LEEDS DISTRICT.			
Lansdown.....	\$143 00	Rev. G. Robinson.....	\$100 10
North Augusta.....	129 30	W. Hall.....	122 84
Crosby.....	133 04	J. Follick.....	80 33
Kitley.....	83 31	J. Cathcart.....	57 99
	\$488 65		\$361 26
LONDON DISTRICT.			
London.....	\$306 56	Rev. G. Richardson.....	\$153 28
Melbourne.....	149 55	W. McCann.....	104 68
Howard and Colchester.....	73 19	J. Rawson.....	73 27
Talbotville.....	104 00	J. White.....	83 20
St. Mary's.....	198 66	R. Smylee.....	105 33
London North.....	136 00	R. Walker.....	81 60
Adelaide.....	123 41	J. Walker.....	117 24
Ingersoll.....	125 00	W. Birks.....	212 50
	\$1216 36		\$981 10

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MILTON DISTRICT.		
Milton	192 00	Rev. W. Tindall..... 124 80
Erin	94 00	J. O'Hara..... 47 05
Trafalgar	102 36	T. Fox..... 132 13
Nassagaweya	137 50	J. C. Seymour.....
Nelson	148 34	J. McAllister.....
	\$674 30	\$303 98
MOUNT FOREST DISTRICT.		
Mount Forest	76 35	Rev. J. F. Depew..... 96 45
Durham	83 06	T. M. Jefferies..... 86 46
Walkerton	150 00	W. Henderson..... 242 50
Artemesia	65 98	A. Glazier..... 95 98
Vesta	107 08	D. D. Rolston..... 151 73
Lavender	39 97	W. Jackson..... 59 97
Egremont.....	33 22	J. Andrews..... 129 90
	\$558 66	\$862 98
MONTREAL DISTRICT.		
Montreal	419 62	Rev. J. T. Pitcher..... 498 66
Dunham	80 02	J. Wallace..... 72 02
Bolton	130 80	J. H. Fowler..... 130 62
Brome	95 10	J. Shuttleworth..... 100 59
Knowlton.....	45 90	J. S. Orr..... 181 31
	\$771 32	\$983 20
OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.		
Owen Sound	51 54	Rev. J. Scott..... 146 39
Holland	110 58	W. B. Danard..... 149 53
Holland East.....	79 12	T. Hamilton..... 131 21
Arran	85 23	T. Rennie..... 76 71
Meaford	81 00	J. Baskerville..... 182 90
	\$407 47	\$686 74
PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT.		
Milford	82 42	Rev. F. E. Nugent..... 104 18
Bay of Quinte.....	97 79	C. Bartrop..... 116 02
Hillier	70 45	W. Graham..... 113 41
	\$250 66	\$333 61
TORONTO DISTRICT.		
Toronto	313 65	Rev. D. Savage..... 413 65
Aurora	174 00	S. B. Gundy..... 174 00
Penville	90 64	H. Wilkinson..... 160 64
Brock	161 38	F. Heynes..... 145 05
Vernon	12 76	R. N. Hill..... 101 49
	\$752 43	\$994 83
WATERFORD DISTRICT.		
Waterford	155 00	Rev. G. Buggin..... 38 75
Malahide.....	39 00	J. Elliott..... 81 20
Middleton.....	130 00	J. H. Orme..... 130 00
Bayham.....	50 66	J. B. Goodspeed.....
Dereham	196 78	J. R. Gundy..... 98 39
Norwich	92 32	W. H. Moss..... 133 09
Sincoe	53 20	J. A. Wilkinson..... 157 88
	\$716 96	\$619 31

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RECAPITULATION.

	RECEIPTS.	PAYMENTS.
124 80	Cavan District..... \$781 10	Cavan District..... \$504 24
47 05	Cayuga "..... 462 77	Cayuga "..... 710 90
132 15	Goderich "..... 633 90	Goderich "..... 769 82
	Hamilton "..... 637 88	Hamilton "..... 758 32
	Leeds "..... 488 65	Leeds "..... 361 26
	London "..... 1216 36	London "..... 931 10
\$303 98	Milton "..... 674 30	Milton "..... 303 98
96 45	Mt. Forest "..... 556 66	Mt. Forest "..... 862 98
86 45	Montreal "..... 771 32	Montreal "..... 983 20
242 50	OwenSound "..... 407 47	OwenSound "..... 686 74
95 98	P. Edward "..... 250 66	P. Edward "..... 333 61
151 73	Toronto "..... 752 43	Toronto "..... 994 83
59 97	Waterford "..... 716 96	Waterford "..... 619 31
129 90	Total rec'pts from Districts 8350 46	Total payments to Districts 8817 29
\$862 98	Share of English Grant to this Fund..... 2310 44	Balance due to Connexional account..... 1400 81
493 66	From Connexional account \$10660 90	Interest on above..... 112 06
72 02	as last year..... 1400 81	Interest on loan from Super-annuated Preachers' Fund 120 00
130 62	Hespeler Circuit Conference	Balance of last year on Mission Fund..... 134 06
100 59	Missionary Meeting..... 21 43	Executive Com. Meeting.. 21 00
181 31		Financial Agent..... 100 00
\$933 20		General Interest account.. 262 37
146 39		300 Ct. Testimonials..... 2 00
149 53		150 copies of Mission arrangement..... 4 50
131 21		Missionary report, 1871.... 218 00
76 71		Binding do..... 7 00
182 90		Sending do by post and express to circuits..... 22 40
\$686 74		Stationery, postage, parcels and telegrams..... 32 50
104 18		Interest on Mr. Branson's legacy..... 20 00
116 02		Interest on temporary loan 25 00
113 41		Grant to Paternal Fund... 120 00
\$333 61		do to Chapel Fund... 120 00
413 65		Examining Committee.... 121 66
174 00		Deficiency in last year's general interest account.... 14 00
160 64		Member's tickets from 1870 to '71, see minutes for '71 16 00
145 05		do from 1871 to '72..... 14 25
101 49		By error in Mr. Shuttleworth's account..... 6 85
\$994 83		Special grants to circuits.. 226 03
38 75		11937 78
81 20		Balance in hand..... 145 36
130 09		Total expenditures..... \$12083 14
98 39	Total..... \$12083 14	
133 09		
157 88		
\$619 31		

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CHAPELS AND PARSONAGES.

All Deeds and Bonds of Chapels and Parsonages for which claims are made on the Chapel and Parsonage Fund, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of that Fund, for his inspection, previous to any appropriation being made to said estates, and no application for relief in favor of embarrassed trust estates shall be entertained, unless that before engaging in the matter, the whole expense, amount of land, nature of title, size and character of building, be first submitted to the Chapel and Parsonage Fund Committee for their approval.