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# Niagara Annual Conference.

THE Niagara Annual Conference commenced its Twenty-Second Session in the Village of Strathroy, County of Middlesex, C. W., at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the 19th of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, being the Thirty-Seventh year of the separate existence of the M. E. Church in Canada.

F<sup>r</sup> BISHOP SMITH presiding, read the 21st chapter of St. John's Gospel, and the 206th Hymn.

After singing, by the Conference, prayer was offered by D. Culp, D. Griffin and S. Stewart.

M. BENSON was elected *Secretary*.

J. N. ELLIOTT was chosen *Assistant Secretary*.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

NOMINATIONS—T. Webster, W. Graham, J. McLean, W. S. Wright.

ADVISORY—Niagara District: G. Abbs, E. Bristol.

“ Oxford “ M. Benson, E. Lounsbury.

“ London “ W. D. Hughson, J. Gilray.

“ St. Clair “ W. S. Wright, C. Burdett.

DIVINE SERVICES—J. McLean, H. J. Kilty.

MISSIONS—E. Lounsbury, P. Smith, jun., W. D. Hughson, I. B. Richardson, J. Gilray.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—J. C. Tufford, E. Draper.

OBITUARIES—J. M. Collins, S. Stewart, S. L. Kerr.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—J. T. Davis, F. M. Smith, H. Locke.

TEMPERANCE—A. E. Griffith, J. W. Yokom, J. R. Phillips.

CHURCH PROPERTY—E. Bartram, S. Short, G. Lawrence.

PASTORAL ADDRESS—J. C. Burnell, C. S. Eastman.

EDUCATION—E. Bristol, S. Card, S. Terwilligar, M. Benson, J. N. Elliott.

PRINTING—T. Webster, J. Wood; A. Jones, G. Hunt, M. Benson.

WAYS AND MEANS—I. B. Richardson, J. McLean, W. Graham, T. Webster.

CONTINGENT FUND—A. Hunsburger, G. Hunt.

SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS' FUND—D. Gulp, D. Griffin, W. Yokom.

EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES—T. Webster, Chairman. 1st Year: B. Bristol, J. P. Morden. 2nd Year: W. S. Wright, W. Graham. 3rd Year: E. Lounsbury, J. McLean. 4th Year: I. B. Richardson, W. D. Hughson.

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

CENTENARY OF AMERICAN METHODISM—A. Hunsburger, J. Gilray, S. Card, P. Smith, S. Terwilligar.

CONDOLENCE WITH THE UNITED STATES—I. B. Richardson, T. Webster, S. Stewart, M. Benson.

#### CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE BISHOPS—Philander Smith, D. D., Brooklyn, C.W. James Richardson, D. D., Yorkville, C. W.

SECRETARY'S ADDRESS—M. Benson, Ingersoll, C. W.

NIAGARA ANNUAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE BELLEVILLE SEMINARY BOARD—M. Benson, E. Lounsbury. VISITOR—P. Smith, junr.

BOOK COMMITTEE MEMBERS—E. Bristol, T. Webster.

TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY—J. Draper, Hannon, C.W.

SECRETARY “ “ S. Card, Springfield, C.W.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISTS—S. Card, Springfield, C.W.

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND—J. McLean, Lambeth P.O.

#### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER—J. W. Emerick, John Reynolds, Joseph W. Jordan, Fredrick Smith, Sprague Williamson, Bobj. Moore, Dustan Misner, Edward Heglar, Lewis Randall, Joseph Brown, Abiathar Beemer. = 11-9 = 2 JK v J.S. P.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—D. Barker, M. D. Terwilligar, J. W. B. Johnson, D. Williams, R. C. Parsons, M. Dimmie, J. Hubbell.

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

A.—W. G. Brown, T. Rouston, J. F. Fairchild, J. A. Livingston.

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

A.—J. W. Yokom, B. B. Rogers, M. A. Wright, H. Locke, W. Fansher, S. Short, W. G. Brown,\* T. Rouston,\* J. F. Fairchild,\* J. A. Livingston.

Q. 5.—*Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—P. Smith, D. D., J. Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who have located this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 8.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—C. Sweazy.

Q. 9.—*Who are the Superannuated or worn out preachers?*

A.—D. Culp, E. Bristol, S. Stewart, J. Hayward, R. B. Cook.

Q. 10.—*Who have been expelled from the Connexion this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 11.—*Who have withdrawn from the Connexion this year?*

A.—G. Crossfield, granted a letter of removal. William Cope has renounced his connection with the Church and Conference, under circumstances very disreputable to his moral and ministerial character.

Q. 12.—*Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

A.—They are, as far as could be ascertained by strict individual examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—*Who have died this year?*

A.—George Turner, Silas C. McNames.

Q. 14.—*What are the numbers in Society?*

A.—

#### NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland Ct. ....	148	Beverly .....	263
Pelham .....	179	Ancaster .....	100
Dunnville .....	95	Brant .....	310
St. Davids .....	52	Eramosa .....	140
Smithville .....	175	Canboro' .....	139
Saltfleet .....	285		
Barton & Hamilton .....	146		
Flamboro' .....	140	Total on Dist. ....	2172

\* Ordained this year.

## OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford Ct. ....	347	Tuscarora .....	45
Blenheim .....	179	Hartford .....	60
Oakland .....	190	Rainham .....	105
Norwich .....	365	Nanticoke .....	48
Embro .....	62	Vienna .....	146
St. Marys .....	250		
Walsingham .....	63	Total on Dist. ....	1860

## LONDON DISTRICT.

Southwold .....	143	Seaforth .....	85
Strathroy .....	75	London Station .....	75
McGillivray .....	128	London Circuit .....	258
Malahide .....	299	Bosanquet .....	130
Dorchester .....	290	Arkona .....	81
Goderich .....	36		
Maitland .....	75	Total on Dist. ....	1755
Stanley .....	80		

## ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.

Florence .....	160	Enniskillen .....	44
Howard .....	340	Oil Springs .....	22
Sandwich .....	66	Newbury .....	95
Dover .....	93	Blythewood .....	80
Sydenham .....	180		
St. Clair .....	70	Total on Dist. ....	1275
Brooke .....	125		

## RECAPITULATION.

Niagara District .....	2172	
Oxford " .....	1860	76
London " .....	1755	74
St. Clair " .....	1275	216
Total No. of Traveling Preachers in Niagara Con.	76	
Total No. Members .....	7138	
Decrease of Members .....	2	
Increase of Preachers .....	4	

Q. 15.— *What is the amount of Fifth Collection?*

A.—

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NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland Ct.....	\$4 90	Beverly.....	\$30 00
Pelham.....	5 10	Ancaster.....	20 00
Dunnville.....	4 00	Brant.....	30 00
St. Davids.....	3 00	Eramosa.....	8 00
Smithville.....	3 00	Canboro'.....	5 00
Saltfleet.....	40 00		
Barton & Hamilton.....	20 50		
Flamboro'.....	20 60		
		Total on Dist.....	\$193 60

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford Ct.....	\$11 25	Tuscarora.....	\$ 0 00
Blenheim.....	8 00	Hartford.....	2 68
Oakland.....	14 05	Rainham.....	4 00
Norwich.....	11 08	Nanticoke.....	5 00
Embro.....	2 25	Vienna.....	5 00
St. Marys.....	12 00		
Walsingham.....	2 63		
		Total on Dist.....	\$77 94

LONDON DISTRICT.

Southwold.....	\$20 00	Seaforth.....	\$ 3 00
Strathroy.....	2 00	London Station.....	5 68
McGillivray.....	6 00	London Circuit.....	19 16
Malahide.....	5 00	Busanquet.....	7 50
Dorchester.....	7 50	Arkona.....	6 55
Goderich.....	6 00		
Maitland.....	5 00		
Stanley.....	4 17		
		Total on Dist.....	\$97 56

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.

Florence Ct.....	\$10 00	Oil Springs.....	\$ 2 50
Howard.....	30 00	Brooke.....	5 11
Sandwich.....	2 25	Blythewood.....	10 00
Dover.....	3 53	Newbury.....	7 05
Sydenham.....	20 50		
St. Clair.....	3 00		
Enniskillen.....	5 00		
		Total on Dist.....	\$98 94

RECAPITULATION.

Niagara District.....	\$193 60
Oxford.....	77 94
London.....	97 56
St. Clair.....	98 94
Conference Collection.....	9 00
Total.....	\$477 04

## Q. 16.—How was the Fifth Collection expended?

A.—

Paid D. Culp.....	\$85 92
" S. Stewart.....	85 92
" E. Bristol.....	85 92
" G. Turner.....	42 96
" Widow Huston.....	42 96
" Widow Pickett.....	42 96
" Widow Mitchell.....	42 96
" Widow Bailey.....	42 96
" Conference Stationery.....	2 40
Balance in Treasury.....	2 08
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## Q. 17.—Where are the Preachers stationed?

A.—

## NIAGARA DISTRICT: T: WEBSTER, P. E.

WELLAND CIRCUIT—~~F. M. Smith, L. Randall.~~PELHAM—~~J. C. Burnell, C. Swagzey, Superannuery; J. Hayward~~  
Superannuated.DENNVILLE—~~W. G. Brown.~~ST. DAVIDS—~~J. W. R. Johnson.~~SMITHVILLE—~~D. Williams.~~SALT FLEET—~~P. Smith, jun., A. Beamer.~~BARTON AND HAMILTON—~~J. Draper, G. Abbs, Editor and Book~~  
Agent.FLAMBORO'—~~E. Bartram.~~BEVERLY—~~A. Humberger, S. Stewart, Superannuated.~~ANCASTER—~~G. Hunt, E. Bristol, Superannuated.~~BRANT—~~W. Benson.~~ERAMOSA—~~R. Service.~~CANBORO.—~~R. C. Parsons, R. B. Cook, Superannuated.~~

## OXFORD DISTRICT. W. GRAHAM, P. E.

OXFORD CIRCUIT.—~~M. Benson, S. Williamson, S. Short, left without~~  
an appointment at his own request.BLENHEIM—~~J. N. Elliott.~~OAKLAND.—~~B. Bristol, D. Culp, Superannuated.~~NORWICH.—~~E. Lounsbury, J. Brown.~~EMBRO.—~~J. Wood.~~ST. MARYS.—~~S. Terwilligar, B. Moore.~~WALSINGHAM.—~~D. Griffin.~~HARTFORD.—~~E. Draper.~~

RAINHAM.—G. Smith.\*  
 NANTICOKE.—J. C. Tufford.\* (\* To change as the P. E. may direct.  
 VIENNA.—J. A. Livingston.  
 LONDON STATION.—J. Gray.

### LONDON DISTRICT. J. McNEAN, P. E.

LONDON CIRCUIT.—W. D. Hughson, H. J. Kilty.  
 STRATHROY.—C. S. Bestman, W. Fansher.  
 DORCHESTER.—A. Jones.  
 SPRINGFIELD.—S. Card.  
 MALAHIDE.—A. E. Griffith.  
 YARMOUTH.—E. A. Tevilligar.  
 SOUTHWOLD.—J. R. Phillips.  
 ARKONA.—H. Locke.  
 BOSANQUET.—J. M. Collins.  
 MCGILLIVRAY.—G. Hartley.  
 EXETER.—E. Hoelar.  
 STANLEY.—W. Yokom.  
 SEAFORTH.—J. W. Yokom.  
 GODERICH.—B. B. Rogers. S. L. Kerr, left without an appointment  
 at his own request.  
 MAITLAND.—M. Dimmick.

### St. CLAIR DISTRICT. I. B. RICHARDSON, P. E.

FLORENCE CIRCUIT.—J. W. Jordan.  
 HOWARD.—F. Smith.  
 HARWICH.—D. Baker.  
 SANDWICH.—T. Roaston.  
 BLYTHEWOOD.—C. Burdett.  
 DOVER.—W. S. Wright.  
 SYDENHAM.—M. A. Wright.  
 WALLACEBURG.—J. T. Davis.  
 St. CLAIR.—J. Reynolds.  
 BROOKE.—G. Lawrence, M. D. Tevilligar.  
 ENNISKILLEN.—J. Habbell.  
 OIL SPRINGS.—J. P. Morden.  
 NEWBURY.—J. F. Fairchilds.  
 TILBURY.—To be supplied.  
 RESERVES.—J. W. Emerick, Dustin Manner.

Q. 18.—Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

A.—At Troy, County of Wentworth, C. W., to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the fourth Wednesday in April, 1866.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS.

*To the Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, in connection with the Niagara Annual Conference.*

DEAR BRETHREN,—After twelve months' more anxiety, toil and care, we are again together in our Annual Conference. We acknowledge a benign Providence, fatherly care and unmerited mercy in our preservation. Our hearts are the more touched in this, from the fact that *two* of our number, during that time, have passed away.

While we thank God for the belief that "we have pitched our tents" a year's "march nearer home," we rejoice in the thought that they have exchanged theirs for "a mansion built without hands, eternal in the heavens." Our loss is their gain. While we miss them here and drop a tear over their graves, we bow in submission and resolve to greet them in happier climes. We have now nearly closed our session. Its associations have been pleasant; its business harmonious; its duties cheerfully performed, and its burdens and cares willingly borne. Our wish and prayer is that every circuit in the Conference—for the good of which we have unitedly labored—may receive the blessing of God through those agencies which we here devise and perpetuate.

We shall soon part; we do not, cannot do so, without much trembling and many misgivings. Were it otherwise, we should be less than christian or more than human. Some of us part, perhaps for the last time on earth. This thought will give pressure to the hand, and feeling in the heart. Some will be re-assigned to fields just left. Others will be sent as strangers among a strange people. We all need grace, and we feel it. May God be with us in our parting, go with us to our homes, remain with us on our circuits

In this connection we wish to ask Episcopal Methodists everywhere, as they regard the connection, as they love the cause of Christ, receive the minister sent to you in love. Pray much for him, labor with him, stand by him. Much of success, or want of it, for the year, depends upon the warm and hearty, or cold and formal reception given when he first, as a stranger, comes to you. The one prompts criticism and expression of doubt as to future usefulness; the other, closet prayer and co-operation of effort. The latter encourages; the former disheartens. And who does not know that to discourage an agent in matters pertaining to business of this world—by distrusting ability or doubting efficiency—would be almost certain to bring about the evils dreaded. A man would be a man indeed, and *one* among many, who could override such influences, and write success upon defeated schemes of combination. If these things, such distrusts and doubts, would have such an influence upon worldly matters, how much more would they effect the dependent Methodist itinerant, and paralyze his

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efforts? Hence we cannot too strongly urge upon our friends and adherents a contrary policy. Receive your ministers in love. Give them a welcome—give them your prayers, your co-operation, your support.

Remember too, beloved, that our ministers are supposed to live by and be supported in their work. God has given us, as a Conference, to provide the *men*. He has given you to provide the *means*. If the obligation rest upon us to provide the men to administer for your spiritual wants, it equally rests upon you to provide the means necessary for the relief of their temporal wants.

While we acknowledge the obligation and endeavor to discharge it, we urge upon you an acknowledgement, a feeling, a *doing*. We have confidence in you brethren; though we thus speak. You have sustained us in the past, you will not forsake us in the future.

Amid all our discouragements we can say "God is with us." Our cause, *our* Methodism is advancing.

While two have sheathed their swords during the year and gone home for crowning, *eleven* have entered the ranks, received their commissions, drawn their swords and are ready for battle. To God be all the praise. Our prayer is, let yours be, "may God help them to do valiantly." Let your prayers and your efforts go together, and "victory will turn on Israel's side."

Many of our men will go to missionary fields. We regret to say, such are not adequately supported. Our missionary treasury is low. Hence we cannot, as we wish, relieve the wants of the missionary. This fund, you are aware, is created and kept replenished by the voluntary contributions of our people.

The past year has been one of drouth and scantiness. While we know this, and acknowledge that we were somewhat prepared for diminished supplies, we feel nevertheless that it is wrong that it should be so. It argues distrust in Him who clouds and clears the sun, and withholds and gives the early and latter rain. To retrench from God's treasury is to retrench where we should not, and give cause—just and deserved—for God to withhold the more, and make our necessities the sterner. Let us all profit by His recorded dealings with His people of olden time. To be so trustful in God as to be willing to appropriate of His means in our hands, willingly and without stint, for him and His cause in unpropitious times, is to evidence faith. This pleases Him and insures a blessing.

Efforts put forth in any direction, for the glory of God, the prosperity of Christ's cause and the improving our race, should always receive your sympathy, support and effort.

Let us enumerate. The Bible and the Tract cause and Societies should be encouraged and supported. Help, all possible, in their circulation. They have one object—the spread of truth, the uprooting of error, and the evangelisation of the world. Every true christian will rejoice in their prosperity.

Again, do not forget that the exclusion of the drunkard from

Heaven is unequivocally declared. Unhallowed associations and influence mark them; habit keeps them, and the world of woe gets them. Hallowed associations and influence will prevent the youth and those who seek for pleasure but in worldly associations, from becoming such; efforts and organization will often reform, and encouragement to labors with the inebriate, will tend to keep him in the path of rectitude and sobriety, and lead to joys on high.

We wish to enjoin upon you the necessity, as christians, of keeping "holy the Sabbath day." Our example should be such as would lead our families and neighborhood to respect and honor the Lord's day. Sabbath visitings, for its own sake, especially such as would take us from the house of God, encouraging or even allowing it in others, whereby our attendance upon the means of grace is prevented, would surely result in leanness to yourselves, injury to your families, and detriment to Zion. Practicing it, or allowing it so as to prevent our attendance upon the means of grace, is plainly a violation of the spirit and letter of our Discipline. Page 17.

Sabbath Schools have a strong claim upon our time, our efforts, our means. We cannot overrate their importance. They bear the same relation to the future church as the nursery to the orchard—the time of seed-sowing to in-gathering. We cannot, time will not allow us, to say what we would wish on this matter, or what its importance to our future as a church would demand. But why is it necessary, dear brethren, that your pastors should thus, collectively, urge it upon your consideration? You know, acknowledge, feel its importance. Then act, that the future may rise up and call you blessed! As you love the church, as you love your country, as you love your own, use your influence in every way feasible, to commence, build up, and perpetuate a Sabbath School in your neighborhood.

Allow us to say a word or two about our class-meetings. You are Methodists. Class-meetings are Methodist. They are bands strong for Methodism. They have been owned and blessed of God; hence, are Christian. Do you doubt it? Revert to the time of your conversion. Was there a sweeter place on earth to you than the class-room? Nay, verily! When were they neglected? When your heart grew worldly, and love waxed cold. Is this not proof of affinity between the warm, glowing, christian heart and these means? And that what is worldly has no affinity for such associations. Then as you regard your vitality in religion, your connection with its Author, and your hope of Heaven, neglect not the class-meeting! We feel to say much more upon this important question, but cannot. May God impress what is said, that you may grow in grace until you become perfect men and women in Christ Jesus!

We come now to speak of two matters of local, connexional

interest. As Methodists, and Episcopal Methodists, you cannot feel indifferent to any thing in which is bound up any portion of our church interests, and be consistent. You cannot neglect in that direction, without damaging to some extent, the interests of the connexion. Our whole is made up of parts; our membership of individuals. For any individual in connection with the M. E. Church in Canada to be indifferent to, or neglect any of its interests is, so far as such negative influence can go, to add weight to the machinery, which tends to retard its operations, and would, unless counteracted, stop it altogether. We have now prepared the way to speak of our Seminary at Belleville. We say "our!" By this we mean that it belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church of Canada. We would not only have you accept this, but *feel* it. It is yours; built by you, and for you. It was, and is demanded by the age. Our position *before* the world, in the world, and in the church, demand it. To sustain and uphold it now; to carry it successfully through its embarrassments, and place it on a firm footing, we acquire a position which will make us known and respected; which will make us a blessing to our country and to our race. Shall we falter? No, brethren and friends. "Failure" is not yet written upon our escutcheon. It must not be. Another effort, *united*, but not *long*, and we place upon a sure basis a religious and literary Institution, from which, in future time, shall go out christianized and talented men and women, ministers and missionaries to bless the world. We live to the present, *in* it; to the future, *through* it. Our ministers and agents will, during the year, again present its claims before you. May the Spirit of the Lord show you its importance, and prompt you to its aid.

You are all aware that we have a news and religious paper at Hamilton. *Do you all take it?* And do all that take it pay for it, either "in advance," according to its terms, or during, or by, at least, the close of every year? Now beloved, as with the Seminary, so with the *Canada Christian Advocate*, it is *ours*, Yours! Sustain it. Consistency, christianity, connexionalism call upon you to sustain it. It is wading in deep waters, and needs help,—must have it. Out upon a rough sea, and must ride to harbor or sink. With Episcopal Methodists in Canada rests the question, whether it shall ride safely in to shore or founder. Every Methodist should take it; every Methodist should read it; should take it to help the church; should read it to help themselves. When taken, it should be made a matter of conscience to pay for it with the least possible delay.

The exhibit of the "Book Committee," and the representations of our Editor before Conference are startling, and show a moral obtusity in this direction, which reflects very discreditably upon a large share of our membership. We are sorry to find this so. We are much embarrassed in consequence. To allow the paper to come to our address week after week, and in some instances, year

after year, without being paid for, is evidently wrong; it is taking another's time, and strength, and property without rendering an equivalent. Now, brethren, do your duty in this respect, and we shall be relieved from embarrassment. Without it we cannot be. How one can be a consistent Episcopal Methodist and take a political newspaper and pay for it, to the neglect of his own connexional journal, for whose interests it was established and is continued, it puzzles us to comprehend. Our ministers on every Circuit and Mission are the agents, and the only agents to whom money may be paid, and through whom the paper may be ordered.

Our cause, as a whole, is prospering. "Progress" is written upon our banners. Our bounds are enlarging, and sinners are coming home to God.

In conclusion, allow us to urge upon you to frequent your closets. Without it you cannot live. You will be dead while you seem to live. "Watch and pray," is the Divine injunction. Watch against sin, its inroads and possession; watch for opportunities to do something for God. Aim for holiness; strive for usefulness; pray for grace; live for heaven. We are soon to separate, and each one go to, and in the name of the Lord and the church, occupy the field assigned him. Pray for us, that we may come in the fullness of the gospel of peace, and that utterance may be given us, that we may be bold and successful messengers of the Lord Jesus. And now, brethren, "may the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting Covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen."

P. SMITH, *Presiding Bishop.*

M. BENSON, *Sec'y of Con.*

*Strathroy, April, 1865.*

#### OBITUARIES.

REV. GEORGE TURNER, the subject of this brief memoir, was born in Lincolnshire, England, October 17th, 1792. He came to the Province of Canada, a British soldier, connected with the band, in 1821; and after his discharge he entered the employ of a farmer in West Oxford, where he was brought in contact with religious influence in the family circle, through the instrumentality of which he was awakened to a sense of his condition as a sinner, and was savingly converted to God in the year 1824. Bro. Turner connected himself with the M. E. Church, and at the time of the unfortunate division (or inaptly termed union) with the British Conference; he strongly opposed it, believing it unconstitutional;

and being firm to the church of his choice, and having received license to preach, he was admitted on trial at the Conference held in Cummer's Chapel, Yonge street, in 1834, and was appointed by the Conference to the London Circuit, on which he labored successfully for two years. In the year 1836-1837, he was appointed by the Conference to the Yonge Street Circuit. In 1838, in consequence of personal and domestic affliction the Conference granted Bro. Turner a superannuated relation, which relation he sustained until called to his reward. As a citizen, Bro. Turner was very highly esteemed by all who made his acquaintance; as a christian he was exemplary in all his deportment; as a minister of the gospel of Christ, practical, energetic and pointed; a faithful friend, an excellent counsellor, a kind and affectionate husband and parent.

He was visited during his last illness by his pastor, Rev. M. Benson and others of his ministerial brethren. His faith appeared strong, and his confidence unshaken. Just prior to his death he exclaimed with the poet, "Heaven's my home, I expect soon to be there." Bro. Turner departed this life, April 12th, 1865, in great peace, in the 73rd year of his age.

REV. SILAS CURTIS McNAMES was born in the Township of Westminster, County of Middlesex, C. W., May 12th, 1825—converted to God under the labors of Rev. G. P. Harris, and J. W. Jacobs, in 1849; commenced exhorting shortly subsequent to his conversion, and in 1851 received license as a Local Preacher, in which capacity he labored acceptably up to the year 1858, at which period he was employed by the P. E. on the Florence Circuit, under the superintendence of Rev. W. D. Hughson.

The two succeeding years he labored on the Sandwich Mission still employed by the P. E., on which he labored to general accept, ability and usefulness.

He was received on trial at the Conference held in Lynden, 1862, and appointed to the Sandwich Mission, making three years labor on that field. By the Conference held in Ingersol, 1863, he was appointed to the St. Clair Circuit, where his labors were blessed of God, and souls brought to the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

At the Conference held in St. Mary's, April, 1864, he was admitted into full connection, and appointed to St. Clair, where he labored on at God's command until October following. When returning from the Ministerial Association held at Dresden, he took a severe cold, producing inflammation, which ultimated in fever of typhoid form. As a man and a christian, Bro. McNames was highly esteemed, and where best known was most appreciated. He was an affectionate husband; a kind parent; a faithful pastor, and a zealous energetic

minister of the gospel, being obedient to the scriptural injunction—*preach the word.*

During his illness he enjoyed much of the divine favor, and was perfectly resigned to his heavenly Master's will, manifesting no desire to live, only for his family's sake, at the same time expressing a willingness to confide them to God. About two weeks previous to his decease, the christian friends were assembled for their prayer meeting in the chapel adjoining the parsonage, his companion being assembled with the worshippers; on hearing the voice of prayer he arose, dressed himself, and slipping away from his mother who was left with him, he entered the chapel and joined in prayer, after which he arose, saying to those assembled that he could not rest until he came among them to give in his testimony in favor of the consolations of that salvation he had been proclaiming to them. While speaking a peculiar unction from on high attended his words, producing a deep and powerful sensation on all present. From this period he failed rapidly; and as he drew near the closing scene, while his colleague was administering prescribed stimulants, he requested him to desist, as it was only keeping him the longer from his blessed Saviour.

Thus died in great peace and triumph, our Bro. S. C. McNames, at the parsonage in Sombra, November 30th, 1864. His labor is done, his reward received. Ours the loss, his the gain. He has preceded us to the heavenly home. May we all meet him there.

#### CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by Thomas Wester, seconded by James Gilray, and resolved—

1st. That in the opinion of this Conference it is the duty of Protestants in every part of the land to unite more closely than they have ever yet done, to uphold and perpetuate the sacred principles of Protestantism, and especially should the Protestants of British America and those of the United States labor to cultivate a spirit of friendship for each other, bound together as they are by the ties of kindred and religion.

2nd. That as ministers of the Gospel of Peace we heartily approve of the efforts made by our Provincial government to maintain and perpetuate the good understanding now so happily prevailing between this country and the neighboring republic—as a war between Great Britain and the United States—the two great Protestant nations of the world—would be a fearful source of evil to mankind in general, and to this Province in particular; and would no doubt give strength and encouragement to Infidelity and Popery in Europe and America.

3rd. That we have deeply sympathized with our fathers and

brethren in the United States throughout their day of sore trial. The ordeal through which their church and nation have just passed, in consequence of the slaveholder's insurrection and the assassination of President Lincoln, has been one of fire and blood, accompanied with weeping, lamentation and woe. But as the slave power is now broken, and the Southern rebellion suppressed, we trust that the sun of peace, prosperity and liberty will ere long shine with greater effulgence than ever upon the churches of the neighboring country, and that the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States will be able, in the South as in the North, to fulfil her great and glorious mission among the teeming multitudes of people from all nations, who are now dwelling, or may yet seek a home in the American republic.

#### CENTENARY OF AMERICAN METHODISM.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the centenary of American Methodism, beg leave to report,—That your Committee have been informed that the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada has been invited, through its delegates attending the General Conference of the M. E. Church in the United States, assembled at Philadelphia, to unite with the parent body in some suitable manner to celebrate the one hundredth year of Methodism on this continent, and we think it a proper period for thanksgiving to Almighty God, and a desirable time to raise funds for replenishing the Treasury of the Church of Christ.

Your Committee do not, however, deem it necessary in this brief report to give the history of the commencement of Methodism in New York, but simply to state that the church in the neighboring country has arranged to celebrate the centenary of American Methodism, in the month of October, 1866, by holding religious service in all their places of worship, and taking up collections, subscriptions and donations, these to be applied as the donors may request. As the legitimate branch of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, your committee recommend that our body co-operate with the parent connexion in the aforesaid celebration.

As it will be too late to make suitable preparations after the meeting of our next General Conference, your Committee suggest the following plan :

1. Each preacher having charge of a Circuit, Station or Mission shall call a public meeting of all the members on his charge, as soon as the 14th of June next, and said meeting of each charge shall be solicited to choose two of its number—one a local preacher, or official, if possible, and the other a private member—who, with the preacher in charge, shall attend the District Association for the

purpose of appointing the district representatives, who shall consist of the Presiding Elder of the district, a local preacher, and layman; said delegates, with the Bishops, shall constitute a central or conference committee for the purpose of arranging all matters in connection with the above-named celebration.

Your committee recommend the following resolutions:

*Resolved 1st*,—That the Ontario and Bay of Quinte Annual Conferences be respectfully solicited to unite with us in this celebration.

*Resolved 2nd*,—That they likewise be invited to unite with us in constituting a central committee, which shall have full power to make all general arrangements.

*Resolved 3rd*,—Should the sister Conferences strike out some other plan for the accomplishment of the purpose contemplated, which should appear more feasible to the Bishops, we do hereby pledge ourselves to concur with them, and to co-operate in preparing for the great, and we trust beneficial celebration.

*Resolved 4th*,—That the Presiding Elder of each District shall appoint the time and place of the District Convention.

A. HUNSBERGER,	} Com.
J. GILRAY,	
P. SMITH, JUN.,	
S. TERWILLIGAR,	
S. CARD.	

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

In view of the large amount due the *Advocate* office, we recommend that in cases of arrearages where the debtors cannot pay their indebtedness, and are unwilling to give their obligations or other satisfaction, that they shall be dealt with as the Discipline directs in cases of non-payment of debts. Nevertheless, the preacher in charge shall have the discretionary power in such cases.

Your committee also recommend that each preacher procure new subscribers, and collect all outstanding debts with the least possible delay; and also endorse the action of the Book Committee dispensing with special agents; and that the preachers be required to collect, and allowed ten per cent. for collecting, excepting in cases where the *C. C. Advocate* is stopped, when twenty per cent. shall be allowed. And further recommend that each preacher be held responsible for an effort to collect from each subscriber on his respective charge; and that we approve of the Bishop making inquiry into this matter at the time of passing of character at the Annual Conference. And also recommend that those preachers who have failed to meet notes given to liquidate the N. Y.

debt, be required to immediately settle the same with interest; and a further neglect shall require the Presiding Elder of such delinquent or delinquents to deal with them as Discipline directs.

In view of the loss sustained in the recent fall of gold, it is hereby recommended that those preachers who have not aided in the above matter, be now invited to do so.

T. WEBSTER,  
Chairman of Com.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg to present the following report: Education is the handmaid of religion. Unite them we stand, divide them we fall. If we appeal to England she points with proved satisfaction to her colleges and subordinate institutions of learning. Scotland echoes, educate, educate. Turn to the American Republic, behold the noble band of Pilgrims laying the foundation of future greatness in the intelligence of its people. As Canadians, we too have caught the inspiration. And taking up the watch-word repeat—educate. We have a common school system, second to none on the globe. In its freeness we have the keys of knowledge and power in the hands of the people. We are not ashamed of our institutions. For a young country, but just becoming a candidate for nationality, they speak well.

As a denomination our duty is plain, viz.: To assist in establishing and cherishing the interests of education.

In view of the imperative necessity of a higher institution of learning, in which the children and members of the M. E. Church may be educated (and especially young men for the ministry,) free from the bias naturally resulting from their being introduced into educational institutions under the patronage of other forms of church government, and in other lands, the church resolved to erect a suitable edifice, properly furnished and supplied with an official staff of instruction, which fact evinced by past results, will compare favorably with any of the higher schools of the same class in our Province.

This work was speedily effected. The building was erected; the school commenced with flattering prospects of success. But reverses ensued. Wave after wave of financial depression rolled over this and other lands. Many subscribers failed—contingencies must be met. Money was borrowed, in full expectancy that times would soon change for the better, and Providence open the way for future success.

The Board of Managers estimated the amount necessary to meet the liabilities. Dividends to respective Conferences and Circuits

were struck. The church rallied to the rescue. Subscriptions were obtained—supposed enough—to liquidate the debt. Some were paid, but much remained unpaid. The accumulating interest added much to the indebtedness; the hopes of some began to fail, yet others were strong and determined in rescuing the institution. They did what they could, yet the monetary stringency stood like an impenetrable wall against full success. And still we find about \$16,890 calling loudly for liquidation. What shall we do? Two ways are open. Rally to the rescue and secure the relief, or allow the institution to go out of our hands.

If we were alone in this difficulty we might despair. All beginnings of this kind have had their difficulties. Look at Asbury College, and Middletown University. The latter was twenty years hanging between life and death. All things taken into consideration, we have done better perhaps than many similar institutions in this Province, as well as elsewhere.

The church, by God's grace, is adequate for the task. Only assure her that the institution will live and succeed, and the funds will be supplied. Success is apparent. The exhibit of the Board of Managers shows only about \$4,000 liabilities unprovided for.

To meet the present pressing demand, your Committee recommend the following:—

That there be a convention of all the preachers on each district, on the first Wednesday in July next, at which ways and means shall be devised to raise the amount requisite on each district.

The meetings on each district to be held in the following places: Niagara, Taplestown; Oxford, Ingersoll; London, Lambeth; St. Clair, Dresden.

We respectfully request the District Convention on the Centenary of American Methodism to meet at the same time and place.

That in the interval each preacher shall see each subscriber on his circuit, and urge the payment of all subscriptions due, and bring the amount so collected to the convention. And the next Annual Conference shall examine each preacher on this point.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. BRISTOL.  
S. CARD.  
S. TERWILLIGAR.  
M. BENSON.  
J. N. ELLIOTT.

*Strathroy, April 24, 1865.*

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sabbath Observance, beg to submit the following thoughts:

## INSTITUTION.

1st. That the Sabbath Day as an institution has been ordained by the Supreme Lawgiver of heaven and earth. "In six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day and hallowed it."

As an institution it is purely benevolent in its designs and tendencies; and in order of time before all institutions of every kind ordained for the government of human conduct. Being one of the Ten Commandments, the obligation to observe it as God directs, must continue in full force to all time.

## OBSERVANCE.

As to the manner in which it should be observed, the Scripture saith: "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt not do any work; thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates." From what is here said of the Sabbath, it is very evident that not only all kinds of manual labor are strictly forbidden on this day, but everything which is inconsistent with the designs of this holy institution. Hence, laying aside all worldly cares, it should be employed as a day of sacred rest, and religious improvement.

## DESECRATION.

It is to be feared that this day is violated by many who refrain from manual labor, and observe it only as a day of recreation and pleasure, which is probably as bad as working. St. Augustin says: "It is better to plow on the Sabbath day than to dance."

It is somewhat alarming to contemplate the various ways in which this holy day is desecrated—especially when it is viewed in relation to the young and rising generation. Too many christian parents we have reason to fear do not fully realize their responsibility to Almighty God to train their children—instructing them in the nature, design, and obligations of this holy institution.

## IMPROVEMENT.

We are fully aware of the improvement made in the observance of this day, on the great thoroughfares and business marts of the land; yet more remains to be done of a reformatory character, as there is still much disregard of this holy institution both in low and "high places."

Your Committee do not depreciate societies for moral reform; much good, we presume, has been done by these agencies. Yet the Sabbath being one of the great doctrines of the Bible, it therefore

becomes the imperative duty of the ministers of the Lord Jesus to faithfully instruct their people with regard to this institution, and the manner in which it should be observed.

J. C. TUFFORD. } Committee.  
E. DRAPER. }

Strathroy, April 24, 1865.

### COURSE OF STUDY.

**1ST YEAR.**—Bible, as to doctrine—questions based upon the Articles of Faith in Discipline. Watson's Institutes, first part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Apology; Wesley's Plain account of Christian Perfection; Discipline (Baker's Notes); Stevens' History of Methodism (1st volume); English Grammar; Lovell's Geography; Kitto's Biblical Geography, Wesley's Sermons (1st vol.); Reading before Committee; Writing from dictation, and a written Essay or Sermon to be produced.

**2ND YEAR.**—Bible, as to Sacraments; also a review of the first year on doctrines; Watson's Institutes (2nd part); or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Steven's History of Methodism, 2nd vol; Ruter's Church History to 12th century; Hibbard on Baptism; Luckey's Lord's Supper; Peek's Central Idea of Christianity; Tytler's General History; Bangs' Original Church of Christ; Parker's Natural Philosophy; English Grammar; Newman's Rhetoric; Hedge's Logic; Reading before Committee; Dictation; A written Sermon or Essay to be produced.

**3RD YEAR.**—Bible, History and Chronology; also a review of the 1st and 2nd years on doctrines and sacraments; Watson's Institutes, 3rd part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Mellvaine's Evidences of Christianity; Stevens' History of Methodism, (3rd vol.); Horne's Introduction; Tytler's General History; Upham's Mental Philosophy; Logic; Rhetoric; A written Essay or Sermon.

**4TH YEAR.**—Review of the whole course—Watson's Institutes, 4th part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Upham's Mental Philosophy; Wayland's Moral Philosophy; Rhetoric; Logic; Additional Books of Reference; Stevens' Church Polity, D'Aubigne's Reformation; Claude's Essay on Composition; A written Essay or Sermon.

Your Committee recommend that the candidates for examination meet the Committee on the Tuesday next preceeding the opening of Conference, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the seat of next Conference.

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## STATISTICAL REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

CHARGES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars.	Conversions.	Bible Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Expenses.	Papers.	Union Schools.
NIAGARA DIST.									
Ancaster.....	1	9	25	2	2	300	4.00	2	
Pelham.....	3	18	130			200			
Barton.....	1	11	55		2	250	26.00	22	
Saltfleet.....	4	48	155	10	6	700		50	
Smithville.....	3	37	130		4	500			
Canboro'.....	3	31	114		2	475			
Welland.....	1	12	35			150	10.00		
Dunnville.....	1	11	70		2	275		25	
Beverly.....	2	33	150		4	900	54.68		
Brant.....	4	40	200	20	4	800	30.00	20	1
Flamboro'.....	2	20	100		4	400	59.00		
	25	270	1164	32	30	4950	174.68	117	3
OXFORD DIST.									
St. Mary's.....	6	60	400		6	1200			
Oxford.....	2	27	155		6	615	40.00	112	
Embro.....	1	9	54		1	250	40.00		
Vienna.....	5	65	296		5	408	52.00	28	
Norwich.....	6	60	360	5	4	500	25.00	100	
	20	222	1365	5	22	2973	157.00	238	
LONDON DIST.									
London Station..	1	10	72	10	1	260	16.00		
Southwold.....	1	6	50		1	100			
Malahide.....	7	98	500	18	3	840	22.00		
Dorchester.....	3	38	250	12	6	550	65.00	20	
Goderich.....	1	8	30			100			
McGillivray.....	2	12	85	7	1	100			
Arkona.....	1	18	90	4	4	200			2
Seaforth.....	1	4	70			100		24	
	17	194	1147	51	16	2490	103.00	44	2
ST. CLAIR DIST.									
Howard.....	1	6	75		1	100			
Dover.....	1	9	40	2	1	108	30.00	12	
Sandwich.....	1	8	60	1	2	100			
St. Clair.....	3	10	100		6	150			
Florence.....	2	20	100		4	300	16.00	12	
Sydenham.....	3	15	100		3	100			
Brooke.....	2	19	120		1	260	24.00		
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## RECAPITULATION.

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Niagara District.	25	270	1164	32	30	4950	\$		
Oxford " ....	20	222	1365	5	22	2973	174.68	117	3
London " ....	17	194	1147	51	16	2490	157.00	238	
St. Clair " ....	13	87	595	3	18	1118	103.00	44	2
Grand Total...	75	773	4271	91	86	11531	70.00	12	5
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Your Committee in making their report, are happy to note that quite an increase has taken place during the past year in this department of our works—an increase in the number of schools, scholars, and also of conversions; but there yet remains much to be done, brethren; let us gird ourselves to the work, and while God has said, "Feed my lambs," let us obey His behest.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. T. DAVIS.  
F. M. SMITH.  
H. LOCKE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
Strathroy, April 22, 1865. }

## APPORTIONMENTS OF THE SUPERANNAUTED FUND.

## \* NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland Ct.....	\$22 20	Saltfleet.....	\$29 50
Pelham.....	22 60	Dunnville.....	11 30
Smithville.....	20 00	Flamboro'.....	13 60
Barton and Hamilton...	13 00	Beverly.....	28 80
Eramosa.....	15 00	Brant.....	31 10
Ancaster.....	12 60		
St. Davids.....	4 50		
Canboro'.....	16 70		
		Total on Dist..	\$240 50

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford Ct. ....	\$34 10	St. Marys .....	\$21 10
Vienna .....	10 00	London Station .....	10 10
Blenheim .....	17 80	Rainham .....	12 50
Oakland .....	23 30	Hartford .....	9 10
Norwich .....	37 20	Nanticoke .....	5 00
Walsingham .....	5 90		
Embro .....	9 40	Total on Dist. ....	\$195 50

LONDON DISTRICT.

London Circuit .....	\$23 00	Seaforth .....	\$6 00
Southwold .....	13 00	Busanquet .....	11 20
Malahide .....	28 50	Arkona .....	6 60
Dorchester .....	31 70	McGillivray .....	8 80
Goderich .....	4 00	Strathroy .....	6 50
Maitland .....	7 00		
Stanley .....	6 50	Total on Dist. ....	\$152 80

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.

Howard Ct. ....	\$33 00	Enniskillen .....	\$3 30
Florence .....	17 50	Oil Springs .....	3 90
Sandwich .....	4 20	Newbury .....	8 90
Blythwood .....	8 70		
Dover .....	29 00		\$129 20
St. Clair .....	9 70		
Brooke .....	11 00	Grand Total. ....	\$718 00

AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR CONTINGENT FUND.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

St. Davids .....	\$1 00	Ancaster .....	\$ 2 70
Welland .....	0 00	Eramosa .....	2 00
Pelham .....	2 05	Flamboro' .....	3 00
Canboro' .....	2 00	Beverly .....	3 92
Smithville .....	1 00	Brant .....	4 00
Dunnville .....	1 40		
Saltfleet .....	7 24	Total on Dist. ....	\$33 91
Barton .....	3 60		

OXFORD DISTRICT.

St. Marys .....	\$3 55	Tuscarora .....	\$0 00
Oxford .....	3 23	Hartford .....	2 11
Blenheim .....	2 67	Rainham .....	1 05
Oakland .....	6 84	Nanticoke .....	1 79
Norwich .....	5 00	Vienna .....	1 00
Embro .....	1 50		
Walsingham .....	1 43	Total on Dist. ....	\$30 16

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Strathroy .....	2 00	London Station .....	1 00
McGillivray .....	2 90	Bosanquet .....	3 00
Malahide .....	2 25	Arkona .....	3 93
Dorchester .....	4 00	London Circuit .....	7 50
Goderich .....	1 00		
Maitland .....	2 00		
Stanley .....	1 00		
		Total on Dist. ....	\$33 08

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.

Florence .....	\$2 00	Brooke .....	2 02
Howard .....	6 00	Enniskillen .....	0 75
Sandwich .....	1 70	Newbury .....	1 25
Blythwood .....	1 12	Oil Springs .....	0 00
Dover .....	0 72		
Sydenham .....	3 80		
St. Clair .....	2 92		
		Total on Dist. ....	\$22 29

RECAPITULATION.

Niagara District .....	\$33 91
Oxford " .....	30 16
London " .....	33 08
St. Clair " .....	22 29
Grand Total .....	\$119

DISBURSEMENTS.

Bishop Richardson, traveling expenses .....	\$ 7 00
G. Smith .....	12 00
H. J. Kilty .....	25 00
E. A. Terwilligar .....	37 00
J. C. Tufford .....	30 30
R. Service .....	8 60
Total .....	\$119 90

## STATISTICS OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Niagara District</i> .....	T. Webster, P. E.	500 00	500 00	-----
Welland.....	R. B. Cook & Ph'rs	466 00	266 31	19 69
Pelham.....	J. C. Burnell.....	400 00	355 00	45 00
Dunnville.....	R. C. Parsons.....	375 00	375 00	-----
St. Davids.....	J. W. B. Johnson.....	350 00	293 50	56 50
Smithville.....	F. M. Smith.....	300 00	234 00	66 00
Saltfleet.....	P. Smith, Jr.....	425 00	425 00	-----
".....	W. G. Brown.....	200 00	200 00	-----
Barton & Hamilton	J. Draper.....	400 00	368 00	32 00
Flamboro'.....	E. Bartram.....	400 00	400 00	-----
Beverly.....	A. Hunsburger.....	400 00	352 34	47 66
Ancaster.....	G. Hunt.....	386 00	386 00	-----
Brant.....	W. Benson.....	-----	-----	-----
".....	S. Williamson.....	-----	-----	-----
Eramosa.....	G. Smith.....	326 00	280 00	46 00
Canboro'.....	R. Service.....	350 00	300 00	50 00
<i>Oxford District</i> .....	W. Graham, P. E.	500 00	480 00	20 00
Oxford.....	M. Benson.....	500 00	500 00	-----
".....	S. Short.....	200 00	200 00	-----
Blenheim.....	C. S. Eastman.....	-----	-----	-----
Oakland.....	S. Terwilligar.....	500 00	475 00	25 00
Norwich.....	E. Leunsbury.....	500 00	465 00	35 00
".....	J. Brown.....	200 00	185 00	15 00
Embro.....	J. Wood.....	400 00	320 00	80 00
St. Marys.....	J. N. Elliott.....	410 00	-----	-----
".....	A. Beemer.....	100 00	-----	-----
Walsingham.....	J. C. Tafford.....	350 00	243 58	106 42
Tuscarora.....	R. Book.....	-----	-----	-----
Hartford.....	E. Draper.....	400 00	334 00	66 00
Rainham.....	A. E. Griffiths.....	400 00	400 00	-----
Nanticoke.....	D. Williams.....	400 00	375 60	25 00
Vienna.....	J. A. Livingston.....	450 00	450 00	-----
<i>London District</i> .....	J. McLean, P. E.	500 00	460 00	20 00
Southwold.....	A. Jones.....	320 00	263 00	57 00
".....	M. Dimmick.....	160 00	131 50	28 50
Strathroy.....	H. J. Kilty.....	400 00	376 72	23 28
McGillivray.....	G. Hartley.....	250 00	187 13	62 57
".....	Killogg & Randall.....	50 00	37 56	12 44
Malahide.....	J. B. Phillips.....	-----	-----	-----
".....	E. A. Terwilligar.....	-----	-----	-----
Dorchester.....	B. Bristol.....	450 00	450 00	-----
Goderich.....	S. L. Kerr.....	425 00	348 00	77 00
Maitland.....	H. Locke.....	275 00	261 00	14 00
Stanly.....	W. Yokom.....	250 00	190 00	60 00
Seaforth.....	S. Card.....	400 00	375 00	25 00
London Station.....	J. Gilray.....	550 00	550 00	-----
London Circuit.....	W. D. Hughson.....	-----	-----	-----
".....	W. Fansher.....	-----	-----	-----
Bosanquet.....	J. M. Collins.....	400 00	353 04	46 96
Arkona.....	J. T. Davis.....	325 00	205 00	120 00

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STATISTICS OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.—Continued.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.
St. Clair District	I. B. Richardson	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Florence	J. W. Yokom	372 00	372 00	
"	"	342 00	200 00	62 00
Howard	W. S. Wright	409 00	400 00	
Sandwich	M. D. Terwilligar	170 00	170 00	
Rlytwood	T. Houston	300 00	277 00	23 00
Dove	J. F. Fairchild	500 00	342 00	158 00
Sydenham & Wal'bg	M. A. Wright	350 00	340 00	10 00
Et. Clair	S. C. McNames	409 00	155 00	245 00
Brook	D. Barker	100 00	54 00	46 00
Eaniskillen	G. Lawrence	350 00	315 00	35 00
Oil Springs	J. Hubbell	3 50 00	139 00	180 00
Newbury	R. Beal	650 50	480 00	180 00
	C. Burdett	350 00	300 00	50 00

ALPHABETICAL LIST

Of Ministers and Preachers on Trial, Post Office Address and No. of years in the Connection, in the Conference, and effective in the Work.

NAMES OF PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	No. of years in the Ministry.			
		No. of years in the Ministry.	No. of years in the Niagara Annual Con.	No. of years Effective.	No. of times stationed on the present charge
Abbs, G.	Hamilton	16	15	16	2
Bristol, E.	Ancaster	26	21	24	2
Bristol, B.	Oakland	9	9	9	1
Bartman, E.	Fiamboro	13	13	12	3
Benson, M.	Ingersoll	10	10	10	2
Benson, W.	Jerseyville	8	7	7	2
Burnell, J. C.	Fonthill	1	1	1	1
Burdett, C.	Blythwood	9	9	9	1
Brown, W. G.	Dunville	2	2	2	1
Barker, D.	"	1	1	1	1
Beemer, A.	Taplestown	1	1	1	1
Brown, J.	Newark	1	1	1	1
Cook, R. B.	Canboro'	16	16	15	1
Culp, D.	Oakland	53	21	23	1
Collins, J. M.	Widder	11	11	11	2
Card, S.	Springfield	7	7	6	1
Draper, E.	Seneca	15	15	13	2
Draper, J.	Hannon	10	10	10	2
Davis, J. T.	Wal'aceburg	7	7	7	1
Dimmick, M.	Manchester	2	2	2	1
Eastman, C. S.	Strathroy	6	6	6	1
Elliott, J. N.	Princeton	7	7	7	1

ORT.—Continued.

ALPHABETICAL LIST.—Continued.

Receipts.	Deficit.
\$ cts.	\$ cts.
372 00	62 40
280 00	"
"	"
400 00	"
170 00	"
277 00	23 00
342 00	158 00
340 00	10 00
155 00	245 00
54 00	46 00
315 00	35 00
139 00	180 00
460 00	190 00
300 00	50 00

Address and No. of  
in the Work.

No. of years Effective.	No. of times stationed on the present charge
16	2
24	2
9	1
13	3
10	1
7	2
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1	1
15	1
23	1
11	2
6	1
13	2
10	2
7	1
2	1
6	1
7	1

NAMES OF PREACHERS.	POST OFFICES.	No. of years in the Ministry.	No. of years in the Niagara Annual Con.	No. of years Effective.	No. of times stationed on the present charge
Fansher, W.	Strathroy	2	2	2	1
Fairchilds, J. F.	Newbury	2	2	2	1
Griffin, D.	Straffordville	31	16	9	1
Graham, W.	Emburo	16	9	16	2
Griffith, A. E.	Luton	13	13	13	1
Gilray, J.	London	11	11	11	3
Hughson, W. D.	Delaware	24	21	23	2
Hunsberger, A.	Lynden	10	10	10	2
Hunt, G.	Ancaster	10	10	10	2
Hayward, J.	Hartford	19	19	12	2
Hartley, G.	Sylvan	7	7	7	1
Hubble, J.	Wyoming	2	2	2	1
Jones, A.	Bellmont	26	16	16	1
Jordan, W.	Florence				1
Johnson, J. W. B.	St. Davids	1	1	1	2
Kilty, H. J.	Byron	10	10	10	1
Kerr, S. L.	Goderich	18	17	16	2
Lounsbury, E.	Mount Elgin	16	16	16	2
Lawrence, G.	Watford	21	21	15	2
Loeke, H.	Arkora	3	3	3	1
Livingstone, J. A.	Vienna	2	2	2	2
McLean, J.	Lambeth	17	17	17	2
Morden, J. P.	Oil Springs	7	7	6	1
Moore, B.	St. Mary's				1
Phillips, J. E.	Fingal	1	2	1	1
Parsons, E. C.	Canboro'	1	1	1	1
Richardson, D. D., J., Bishop	{ Toronto	{ 40	{	{ 35	{
Rogers, B. B.	Goderich	6	6	4	1
Rouston, T.	Sandwich	2	2	2	1
Randal, L.	Crowland				1
Smith, D. D., P., Bp	Brooklin	45		36	1
Stewart, Dr. S.	Lynden	21	21		
Sweazy, C.	Ft. Hill	28	21	4	
Smith, G.	Rainham Conve.	12	12	12	1
Service, R.	Rockwood	9	9	9	1
Smith, E. M.	Crowland	8	8	8	1
Smith, Jun., P.	Tapleystown	7	7	7	2
Short, S.	Ingersoll	3	3	3	
Smith, F.	Ridgtown				1
Tufford, J. C.	Nanticoke	20	20	20	1
Terwilliger, S.	St. Mary's	18	7	13	1
Terwilliger, E. A.	St. Thomas	6	6	6	1
Terwilliger, M. D.	Watford	1	1	1	1
Webster, T.	Hamilton	27	21	15	4
Wood, J.	Emburo	15	15	15	2
Wright, W. S.	Chatham	10	10	10	1
Wright, M. A.	Sydenham	3	3	3	2
Williamson, J. S.	Ingersoll	1			1
Williams, D.	Smithville	1	1	1	1
Yckom, W.	Bayfield	7	7	7	3
Yokom, J. W.	Seaforth	5	5	5	1

## NAMES AND STANDING

*Of Local Preachers in the Niagara Annual Conference.*

## NIAGARA DISTRICT.

- Welland*.—J. M. House; J. W. Gould, Deacon.  
*St. Davids*.—D. Collard, Elder.  
*Pelham*.—Jacob Patterson, Elder; R. Farr; R. Daudy; J. Goodwillie.  
*Dunnville*.—A. Rodgers; J. L. Ricker; A. Stringer; Wm. Stringer, Deacon.  
*Smithville*.—J. Upper, Deacon; J. B. Cutler; W. Griffin; B. Lane;  
*N. Patterson*; A. Gee.  
*Saltfleet*.—R. Scott.  
*Eramosa*.—A. Warner.  
*Ancaster*.—S. Stone.  
*Flamboro'*.—M. S. Dimmick, Elder; T. Pickett, Deacon elect;  
*S. Griffin*.  
*Beverly*.—W. M. Clement; J. Clement; D. M. Misener; B. Moore.  
*Brant*.—W. Bautinheimer, Deacon; R. Carson; J. Vanderlip; Z. Elliott; S. Williamson; G. Bradshaw; W. H. Teeple.

## OXFORD DISTRICT.

- Oxford Circuit*.—A. Burzee, Elder; A. Abbott; A. H. Cogswell; M. Gray; J. Davy, Deacon.  
*Norwich Ct.*—H. Tuttle; D. W. Kelly; Wm. Charlesworth.  
*Vienna*.—F. Headly, Deacon; R. Yokom; P. Yokom; C. Garrett; M. Hunsberger; E. Petite; D. F. Martin.  
*Walsingham*.—A. Robinson.  
*St. Marys*.—J. B. Brown, Elder; A. Beamer.  
*Embro*.—G. C. Grout.  
*Blenheim*.—D. Epps; J. Harley.  
*Oakland*.—O. Olmsted; Wm. Ansemb.  
*Tuscarora*.—J. Miller.  
*Rainham*.—J. Decaw, Deacon.  
*Nanticoke*.—H. Ward.

## LONDON DISTRICT.

- Malahide*.—R. Dixter, Elder; O. F. Tyrrel, Deacon; J. Norton; J. S. Clendening; W. L. Brown.  
*Dorchester*.—J. H. Hughes; F. M. Wiltsie.  
*Maitland*.—W. Swimmington.  
*London Station*.—J. Bailey, Deacon; W. Meyers; J. W. Pickerell.  
*London Circuit*.—R. Warden, Deacon; P. H. Kenedy; J. McNeill;  
*J. Morden*.  
*Southwold*.—J. Wilson; J. Frazer, Deacon; J. Bently.  
*Strathroy*.—J. Jefferson, Deacon; W. J. Clement.  
*McGillivray*.—G. Thompson, Deacon; G. S. Kellog.  
*Bosancquet*.—R. Lyman, Elder; N. Roy, Elder; R. Virtue.

## ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.

*Howard*.—H. Ogletree, Deacon; L. P. Toft, Deacon.

*Florence*.—A. Scarlett, Deacon; J. Bobier; J. W. Morley, Deacon.

*Sandwich*.—J. Greaves, Deacon elect.

*Enniskillen*.—J. Dupee, Deacon; S. J. Lancaster, Deacon.

*St. Clair*.—J. Dolsen, Elder.

*Brooke*.—J. Coke.

*Newburgh*.—J. Walker, Deacon; E. Sutton.

*Oil Springs*.—R. Beal, Elder.

*Sydenham*.—J. G. Shaw; M. Pickard.

CONFERENCE ORDERED 500 Copies of Minutes.

“ “ 500 “ Missionary Report.

“ “ That the Preachers bring the Confer-

ence moneys in as large coin or bills as practicable.

Closing Religious Services—conducted by Bro. E. Bristol—  
consisted of singing and prayer.

After which Bishop Smith read the stations of the Preachers,  
and pronounced the benediction.

Thus closed the Conference, in which prevailed peace and good  
will, on the 25th April, 1865.

M. BENSON,  
Secretary.

ference.

J. Goodwillie.  
Wm. Stringer,

iffin; B. Lane;

Deacon elect;

r; B. Moore.  
Vanderlip; Z.

H. Cogswell;

orth.

C. Garrett;

Norton; J.

Pickerell.  
J. McNeill;



## Ontario Annual Conference.

MINUTES of the Third Session of the Ontario Annual Conference, held in Willowdale, Yonge street, York county, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the 3rd of May, 1865.

BISHOP SMITH presiding, opened the Conference by reading the 28th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, and giving out 707th Hymn, commencing "And are we yet alive?" After the singing of which, the following brethren offered prayer, viz.: S. Morrison, G. Bennett, and S. W. LaDu: after which the Conference joined with the Bishop in repeating the Lord's prayer.

SECRETARY—James Curts. Assistant Secretaries—J. C. Pomeroy and Amos Campbell.

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON NOMINATIONS—S. W. LaDu, S. Morrison, and G. Bennett.

DIVINE SERVICE—S. Morrison, T. P. Bradshaw.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS—J. Foster, J. M. Simpson, J. Wilson.

MISSIONS—G. Jones, J. H. Watts, D. Pomeroy, R. Sanderson, T. Argue.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—C. W. Fraser, J. Hiscocks.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—W. A. Sills, P. E. Knox, C. V. Lake.

TEMPERANCE—J. C. Pomeroy, A. L. Thurston.

CHURCH PROPERTY—D. Crouter, D. Carscadden, G. Wilson.

PASTORAL ADDRESS—H. Doekham, J. H. Hilts.

EDUCATION—R. Earl, G. Bennett, F. M. Fine, G. Shepard, S. Morrison.

PRINTING—O. G. Collamore, A. Wright, J. Curts, J. P. Sparrow, G. Clark.

WAYS AND MEANS—S. W. LaDu, S. Morrison, G. Bennett.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE—S. Morrison, Chairman. 1st Year: R. Sanderson, J. Curts. 2nd Year: S. W. LaDu, T. P. Bradshaw. 3rd Year: J. C. Pomeroy, O. G. Collamore. 4th Year: W. Pirritte, H. Doekham.

CENTENARY OF METHODISM—G. Shepard, S. Morrison, A. Carman, G. Bennett, G. Jones.

COURSE OF STUDY—G. Shepard, S. Morrison, S. W. LaDu.

SUPERANNATED PREACHERS' FUND—W. Pirritte, S. W. LaDu, S. Morrison, G. Bennett.

CONTINGENT FUND—J. Q. Adams, C. Taylor, J. B. Fisher.

CONDOLENCE—W. Pirritte, J. C. Pomeroy, W. H. Shaw.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—*Colborne District*: G. Shepard, W. A. Sills. *Toronto District*: W. Pirritte, O. G. Collamore.—*Durham District*: J. Foster, W. H. Shaw.

### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—Wibler, F. Harnden.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—C. Newson, M. Danby, D. Perry, G. S. Thompson, S. Thompson, J. Wild, T. W. Glover, A. V. Hulin, E. Will, J. Egan, E. G. Waite.

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

A.—W. J. Massey,\* T. C. Brown,\* A. Campbell,\* P. L. Sparrow,\* T. Myers,\* S. S. Grove.\*

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

A.—P. E. Knox, A. Maybee, J. B. Fisher, J. Wilson, W. J. Massey,\* T. C. Brown,\* A. Campbell,\* P. L. Sparrow,\* T. Meyers.\*

Q. 5.—*Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

A.—Thomas Argue.\*

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—P. Smith, D. D., J. Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who have located this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 8.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—C. W. Fraser, M. D. Archer, E. J. Fulford, G. Miller, L. B. Caldwell.

Q. 9.—*Who are the Superannuated or worn out preachers?*

A.—J. W. Byam, H. H. Johnson, L. P. Smith, J. Owen, B. Lawrence, W. E. Norman.

\* Ordained this year.

S. Morrison, A.

S. W. LaDu.  
ritte, S. W. LaDu.J. B. Fisher.  
H. Shaw.G. Shepard, W.  
G. Collamore.—

Q. 10.—*Who have been expelled from the Connexion this year?*  
A.—None.

Q. 11.—*Who have withdrawn from the Connexion this year?*  
A.—W. B. Rowe.—H. P. Shepard, S. S. Grove, J. Cook and J. W. McKay received letters of removal.

Q. 12.—*Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*  
A.—They are as far as could be ascertained by strict examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—*Who have died this year?*  
A.—None.

Q. 14.—*What are the numbers in Society?*  
A.—

## COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville .....	72	Seymour and Norwood.....	127
Sidney .....	423	Colborne .....	300
Stirling .....	320	Percy .....	250
Madoc and Hastings.....	340	Hope .....	207
Cobourg .....	85	Oakwood .....	144
Omeme .....	59		
Minden .....	48		
Brighton .....	290	Total on District.....	2655

## TORONTO DISTRICT.

Orono .....	101	Muskoka .....	40
Clark .....	99	Orangeville .....	76
Whitby .....	340	Melancthon .....	57
Yonge Street .....	204	Newmarket .....	165
Toronto .....	95	Brooklin .....	215
Georgetown .....	157	Oshawa .....	140
Brampton .....	303		
Nelson .....	126	Total on Dist.....	2278
Markham .....	160		

## DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey .....	52	Elms .....	67
St. Vincent .....	206	Garafraxa .....	121
Teeswater .....	50	Creemore .....	84
Hanover .....	125	Mount Forest .....	130
Maryboro' .....	67	Bluevale .....	28
Invermay .....	55		
Collingwood .....	40	Total on Dist.....	1107
Kincardine .....	82		

RECAPITULATION.

Colborne District.....	2655
Toronto ".....	2278
Durham ".....	1107
<b>Total number.....</b>	<b>6040</b>
<b>Total number of traveling preachers.....</b>	<b>74</b>
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6114</b>

Q. 15.—*What is the amount of Fifth Collection?*  
 A.—

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville.....	\$1 89	Seymour and Norwood..	\$9 90
Sidney.....	26 62	Colborne.....	4 50
Stirling.....	3 50	Percy.....	4 63
Madoc and Hastings.....	20 08	Hope.....	13 33
Cobourg.....	5 76	Oakwood.....	10 00
Omecea.....	2 00		
Minden.....	1 00		
Brighton.....	3 00		
		<b>Total on Dist....</b>	<b>\$97 12</b>

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Orono.....	\$22 00	Muskoka.....	\$2 00
Clerk.....	15 73	Orangeville.....	5 50
Whitby, no returns.....		Melancthon.....	2 10
Yonge Street.....	22 50	Newmarket.....	8 00
Toronto.....	4 77	Brocklin.....	15 00
Georgetown.....	3 00	Oshawa.....	1 40
Brampton.....	23 47		
Nelson.....	17 00		
Markham.....	31 50		
		<b>Total on Dist....</b>	<b>\$173 77</b>

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey.....	\$2 50	Elma.....	2 20
St. Vincent.....	5 00	Garafraza.....	10 60
Teeswater.....	2 50	Creemore.....	5 00
Hanover.....	2 15	Mount Forest.....	1 90
Maryboro.....	3 25	Bluevale.....	1 40
Invermay.....	1 50		
Collingwood.....	2 50		
Kincardine.....	2 15		
		<b>Total on Dist....</b>	<b>\$42 65</b>

RECAPITULATION.

Colborne District.....	\$ 97 12
Toronto ".....	173 77
Durham ".....	42 65
Sabbath Collection.....	22 17
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$335 71</b>

Q. 16.—How was this expended?

A.—

J. W. Byam .....	\$60 60
H. H. Johnson .....	60 60
L. P. Smith .....	60 60
E. Lawrence .....	60 60
J. Owen, half claim .....	30 30
W. E. Norman .....	60 60
Stationery, &c. ....	2 41
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$335 71</b>

Q. 17.—What is the amount of Contingent Collection?

A.—

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville .....	\$1 31	Seymour and Norwood .....	\$0 30
Sidney .....	3 15	Colborne .....	1 50
Stirling .....	1 25	Percy .....	2 00
Madoc and Hastings .....	3 10	Hope .....	5 40
Cobourg .....	2 51	Oakwood .....	2 50
Memee .....	0 68		
Minden .....	0 50	<b>Total on Dist. ....</b>	<b>\$24 20</b>
Brighton .....	0 00		

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Orono .....	\$3 00	Muskoka .....	\$0 00
Clark .....	1 08	Orangeville .....	3 00
Whitby .....	0 00	Melancthon .....	1 00
Yonge Street .....	5 50	Newmarket .....	4 00
Toronto .....	2 00	Brooklin .....	5 00
Georgetown .....	2 00	Oshawa .....	0 00
Brampton .....	6 64		
Nelson .....	3 00	<b>Total on Dist. ....</b>	<b>\$41 10</b>
Markham .....	4 86		

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey .....	\$1 00	Elms .....	1 00
St. Vincent .....	1 25	Garrick .....	3 00
Teeswater .....	1 10	Oreomora .....	4 67
Hanover .....	1 00	Mount Forest .....	0 00
Maryboro' .....	1 50	Bluevale .....	0 00
Invermay .....	1 00		
Collingwood .....	0 75	<b>Total on Dist. ....</b>	<b>\$24 96</b>
Kincardine .....	1 05		

## RECAPITULATION.

Colborne District.....	\$24 20
Toronto ".....	41 10
Durham ".....	18 96
Total.....	\$18 96

## DISBURSEMENT.

Bishop Richardson.....	\$ 7 00
W. Pirritte.....	25 00
A. L. Thurston.....	20 00
L. B. Caldwell.....	20 00
S. W. LaDu.....	14 14
Total.....	\$86 14

Q. 18.—Where are the Preachers stationed ?

## COLBORNE DISTRICT.—S. W. LADU, P. E.

BELLEVILLE—J. Wild, G. Shephard, Treasurer of Belleville Seminary ;  
 A. Carman, M. A., Principal of Belleville Seminary.  
 SIDNEY.—W. A. Sills, C. Newson, H. H. Johnson, Superannuated.  
 STIRLING.—W. J. Massey, W. F. Harnden.  
 MADOC AND TUDOR.—A. Campbell, G. S. Thompson.  
 COBOURG.—R. Sanderson.  
 OMEMEE AND MINDEN.—D. Carscadden, A. C. Maybee.  
 BRIGHTON.—G. Jones.  
 COLBORNE.—J. C. Pomeroy, S. Thompson, W. E. Norman, Superannuated.  
 SEYMOUR.—T. Myers.  
 PERCY.—A. Wright, P. L. Sparrow, left without an appointment at his own request.  
 HOPE.—R. Earl, J. Egan.  
 OAKWOOD.—J. M. Simpson.  
 CLARK.—D. Crouter.

## TORONTO DISTRICT.—S. MORRISON, P. E.

ORONO.—H. Dockham, M. D. Archer, Supernumerary.  
 OSHAWA.—J. P. Sparrow, T. W. Glever, C. W. Fraser, Supernumerary.  
 BROOKLYN AND WHITBY TOWN.—O. G. Collamore.  
 WHITBY.—J. Q. Adams, E. Will, J. W. Byam, Superannuated ; G. Miller, L. B. Caldwell, Supernumerary.  
 MARKHAM.—J. Wilson, E. G. Wait.  
 MUSKOKA.—J. Hiscocks, G. Wilson, left without an appointment at his own request.  
 QUEENSVILLE.—C. V. Lake.  
 KING.—J. Curtis.  
 YONGE STREET.—T. P. Bradshaw.

BRAMPTON.—G. Bennet, T. C. Brown.  
 GEORGETOWN.—J. Ormerod.  
 NELSON.—W. Pirritte, L. P. Smith, Superannuated.  
 TORONTO.—A. L. Thurstan, J. Owen, Superannuated.  
 TORONTO CITY.—D. Pomeroy.

DURHAM DISTRICT.—W. H. SHAW, P. E.

COLLINGWOOD AND OSPREY.—C. Taylor, A. V. Hullin.  
 ST. VINCENT.—J. Hilts, M. Danby.  
 TEESWATER AND BLUEVALE.—J. W. Emerick, one to be sent, E. J. Fulford, Superannuated.  
 HANOVER.—J. H. Watts.  
 INVERMAY.—G. Clark.  
 KINCARDINE.—R. L. Tindall.  
 ELMA.—D. Perry.  
 GARAFRAXA.—F. M. Finn.  
 CREAMORE.—J. Foster.  
 MT. FOREST.—P. E. KING.  
 ORANGEVILLE.—T. Argue, B. Lawrence, Superannuated.  
 MELANCTHON.—J. B. Fisher.  
 N. H. Howard transferred to the Bay Quinte Conference.

19.—*Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*  
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At Palermo, Halton county, C. W., to commence the Second Wednesday in May, 1866, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

*To the Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church within the bounds of the Ontario Annual Conference.*

DEAR BRETHREN,—Through the abounding goodness and mercy of God, we are again permitted to send you our Annual epistle. With devout gratitude we record our earnest thanksgiving to God, our Father, for the preservation of the lives of His servants during the past year. Death has not been permitted to invade our ranks.

Though the past year has been one of peculiar trial to most of us, in consequence of the unusual financial pressure of the country, yet we feel to say in the deepest sincerity of our hearts, "none of these things move us;" for being filled with love to God, and zeal for your welfare, we can cry out in the impassioned language of holy writ, "In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that hath loved us." "For we are persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Religion, as taught in the word of God, is purely a personal mat-

ter, regulating the heart, and controlling the life of its possessor. We see then, that the crowning glory of the church consists not in the riches and honors of this world, but in the purity of heart and consistent lives of its members; hence Jesus says, "Let your light so shine before men that others seeing your good works may glorify your father which is in heaven." God has permitted you to become co-laborers with us in spreading scriptural holiness over these lands. This you can do, by carefully guarding your own hearts. See to it, dear brethren, that the fire of divine love be kept constantly burning. Press steadily, perseveringly onward, and strive so to run that you may at last obtain the prize.

In order to this the means of grace are a necessity. To accommodate us in this respect, God has mercifully given the Holy Sabbath. In it we may not only find rest from toils, but enjoy, in an especial manner, communion with God, and fellowship with our blessed Saviour who has said for our encouragement, "Lo, I am with you always." Let not trifling excuses keep you from the house of God. Attend the preaching of the word, and thereby "grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth."

The Prayer and Class-meetings cannot be carelessly or wilfully neglected without incurring serious spiritual loss, and bringing coldness, formality, and indifference to our own spirits. If you would be successful laborers in the vineyard of Christ, improve every opportunity of getting good, and of doing good.

Foster and encourage the great principle of religion in your families. Talk with your households on the subject of religion as you do, on other subjects, of a less weighty character. We fear this is too often neglected. Strive by every power within you to lead your families to God.

Sabbath Schools, those nurseries of the church, are worthy your prayerful and zealous support. Let the youth be taught to believe the Bible, to understand its teachings, and to love and obey its precepts, and they will be secured against the poison of infidelity, the false doctrines of errorists, and the icy coldness of formalism. We would also recommend that all your schools be supplied, as far as possible, with books from the S. S. Union of the M. E. Church.

The cause of Temperance also demands your attention, as being nearly allied to the cause of religion. It is matter of doubt to us whether any man can be a real christian, at the present day, and at the same time indulge in ardent spirits as a beverage. May we not urge you, then, to do all in your power to drive the withering, wasting scourge of intemperance from our land by every legitimate means in your power.

In resuming our pastoral work for another year—some of us on new and untried fields of labor, and others again among former acquaintances—we cast ourselves, as heretofore, on God's good providence, and your cheerful and zealous co-operation,

for our temporal support.—The former we know cannot fail us, and we trust you will not.

We still hear the Macedonian cry, "come over and help us," from many quarters of our land; but are unable to respond to many of them for want of means. Our Missionary Treasury is still embarrassed. How long shall it be so? From you must the answer come. You have but to will it, and our Treasury is free!

Our Seminary at Belleville is doing a great and good work, in the education of the youth of our land. But it, too, is struggling with embarrassments of no ordinary character. Let all promptly do their duty, by paying up their subscriptions, and patronizing the school to the extent of their ability.

We are sorry to be compelled to say that our connexional paper, though in the twenty-first year of its existence, is still embarrassed. This arises more from a want of promptness on the part of our subscribers, than from any other source. It seems strange that so many of our subscribers are apparently unwilling to comply with our published terms for paying for their paper in advance. Let each and every one think of this, and act as their enlightened judgment may direct. Another thing which to us is a source of grief, too many of our members deprive themselves and their families of the weekly visits of a religious paper.

Another source of sorrow is the fact that our statistics show a small decrease in the number of our members. We ask ourselves, how is this? Has the Word of our God lost its power? Certainly not, for is it not written, "The Word of the Lord shall stand forever?" By every power of your redeemed spirits try to second the efforts of your ministers in the glorious work of revivals.

The session of our Conference just closed has been one of great interest to us. Though we may have differed in judgment on matters of importance, and warmly debated different subjects, yet we have learned to differ in love.

We are now about to come to you for the sole purpose of laboring for your good. We seek not the honor of men, nor fame for ourselves, but the salvation of immortal souls, for whom Christ died. Receive us in the name of the Lord as his servants. We trust we are coming to you in the "fullness of the gospel of peace." May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

P. SMITH.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PARENT MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—H. Dookham, W. Pirritte.

TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—W. H. Shaw.

SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—A. L. Thurston.

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.—Rev. G. Jones.

SECRETARY TO REGISTER BAPTISMS.—Rev. A. Sills.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE BELLEVILLE SEMINARY.

- REV. S. W. LADU,..... Colborne.
- “ W. PIRRITE..... Palermo.
- L. FOSTER, ESQ..... Raglan.
- J. L. TUCKER, ESQ..... Orono.
- C. MALLORY, ESQ..... Cobourg.

VISITOR TO BELLEVILLE SEMINARY.—J. C. Pomeroy.

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

That there be 500 Copies of Minutes; also 500 Missionary Reports.

THE Examining Committee will meet the Candidates for Examination at the M. E. Chapel, Palermo, on Tuesday, immediately preceding the sitting of Conference, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Resolved,—That each preacher in charge of a Circuit or Mission, be required to appropriate the amount due the Superannuated preachers from his Circuit or Mission to the several classes in his charge at the commencement of the year.

2nd. That the Circuit where a claimant on the fund may reside, shall have the privilege of paying the amount assessed upon it

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The Conference ordered the following appropriations to meet the claims of the Superannuated or worn-out preachers. The amounts to each charge to be appropriated by the preachers in charge to the several classes on his work at the commencement of the year:

## COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Sidney.....	\$40 00	Seymour.....	\$13 00
Belleville.....	15 00	Colborne.....	37 50
Stirling.....	22 50	Percy.....	30 00
Madoc.....	30 00	Hope.....	30 00
Cobourg.....	30 00	Oakwood.....	30 00
Omamee and Minden....	7 50		
Brighton.....	30 00	Total on Dist. . .	\$317 50

## TORONTO DISTRICT.

Clark.....	\$30 00	Yonge Street.....	\$30 00
Orono.....	45 00	Brampton.....	40 00
Oshawa.....	45 00	Nelson.....	25 00
Brooklin.....	30 00	Toronto.....	20 00
Whitby.....	30 00	Georgetown.....	30 00
Markham.....	30 00	Muskoka.....	7 50
Queensville.....	15 00		
King.....	22 50	Total on Dist. . .	\$400 00

## DURHAM DISTRICT.

Orangeville.....	\$30 00	Kincardine.....	18 00
Melancthon.....	10 00	Elma.....	18 00
Garafraza.....	20 00	Creemore.....	25 00
St. Vincent.....	25 00	Mount Forest.....	25 00
Teeswater.....	22 00	Collingwood.....	30 00
Hanover.....	20 00		
Invermay.....	15 00	Total on Dist. . .	\$258 00

RECAPITULATION TOTAL.....\$975 50

## STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Colborne District</i>	S. W. LaDu.....	500 00	452 20	62 74
Belleville.....	S. S. Grove.....	300 00	309 00	-----
Sidney.....	W. A. Sills.....	450 00	446 00	4 00
".....	C. Newson.....	424 00	369 00	55 00
Stirling.....	N. H. Howard.....	450 00	221 26	238 74
".....	W. J. Massey.....	175 00	91 84	83 16
Madoc.....	A. Campbell.....	400 00	340 00	60 00
".....	T. Meyers.....	150 00	130 00	20 00
Cobourg.....	R. Sanderson.....	400 00	155 16	44 84
Onemee.....	J. M. Simpson.....	150 00	67 38	82 62
Minden.....	A. Mabee.....	100 00	89 00	11 00
Brighton.....	G. Jones.....	500 00	390 00	110 00
".....	M. Danby.....	-----	75 00	-----
Seymour&Norwood	D. Crouter.....	-----	-----	-----
".....	P. L. Sparrow.....	-----	-----	-----
Colborne.....	J. C. Pomeroy.....	-----	350 00	-----
Percy.....	A. Wright.....	440 00	440 00	-----
Hope.....	R. Earl.....	440 00	352 00	88 00
".....	S. Thompson.....	150 00	122 00	28 00
Oakwood.....	J. P. Sparrow.....	400 00	350 00	50 00
<i>Toronto District</i>	S. Morrison.....	500 00	500 00	-----
Orono.....	J. Wild.....	500 00	500 00	-----
Clark.....	M. D. Archer.....	300 00	300 00	-----
Whithy.....	L. B. Caldwell.....	400 00	169 00	231 00
".....	E. Will.....	200 00	164 66	35 34
Yonge Street.....	T. P. Bradshaw.....	-----	-----	-----
".....	J. Wilson.....	-----	-----	-----
Toronto.....	E. G. Wait.....	180 00	170 00	10 00
Georgetown.....	A. L. Thurston.....	450 00	380 00	70 00
Brampton.....	J. Ormerod.....	500 00	465 00	35 00
".....	T. C. Brown.....	200 00	186 00	14 00
Nelson.....	W. Pirritte.....	450 00	381 00	69 00
Markham.....	C. V. Lake.....	150 00	129 00	21 00
".....	M. Danby.....	50 00	36 00	14 00
".....	T. W. Glover.....	200 00	158 00	42 00
Muskoka.....	G. Wilson.....	-----	-----	-----
Orangeville.....	T. Argue.....	-----	129 00	-----
Melancthon.....	J. Hiscocks.....	100 00	74 00	26 00
Newmarket.....	J. Curtis.....	400 00	328 00	72 00
Brooklin.....	J. Q. Adams.....	416 00	389 00	27 00
".....	G. S. Thompson.....	170 00	159 00	11 00
Oshawa.....	D. Pomeroy.....	-----	-----	-----
<i>Durham District</i>	G. Bennett, P. E.	450 00	391 23	58 77
Osprey.....	J. Foster.....	360 00	194 85	165 15
St. Vincent.....	W. H. Shaw.....	450 00	373 17	76 83
".....	A. V. Hul'n.....	200 00	192 48	7 57
Teeswater.....	R. L. Tindall.....	250 00	200 00	50 00
Hanover.....	D. Carsadden.....	350 00	315 00	35 00
Maryboro.....	F. M. Finn.....	350 00	280 62	69 38
Invermay.....	J. H. Hilts.....	390 00	351 56	38 44
Collingwood.....	J. W. McKay.....	380 00	321 00	59 00
Kincardine.....	G. Clark.....	375 00	340 68	34 32
Elma.....	J. H. Watts.....	400 00	336 00	64 00
Garafaxa.....	D. Perry.....	350 00	248 00	102 00
Creemore.....	P. E. Knox.....	400 00	388 86	11 14
Mount Forest.....	W. B. Rowe.....	350 00	251 00	99 00
Bluevale.....	E. Adams.....	310 00	232 00	78 00

REPORT OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

COLBORNE DISTRICT.--	Churches.....	34	Value.....	\$26,630
"	"	Parsonages....	9	" ..... 4,400
TORONTO	"	Churches.....	47	" ..... 43,950
"	"	Parsonages....	10	" ..... 3,825
DURHAM	"	Chapels.....	24½	" ..... 8,625
"	"	Parsonages...	6	" ..... 1,830
Belleville College.....				35,000
Total.....				\$126,260

Receipts.	Deficit.
\$ cts.	\$ cts.
452 20	62 74
309 00	-----
446 00	4 00
369 00	55 00
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REPORT ON CENTENARY.

Resolved, 1st,—That a Committee of three be appointed to be composed of the Presiding Elders, who shall appoint a meeting on each of the circuits in their respective districts, to be held on the fifth of July.

2nd. That each Circuit-meeting appoint one minister and layman—so appointed shall constitute a District-meeting, and that the District-meeting so composed shall be called by the P. E., to be held on the sixteenth day of August, 1865.

3rd. These District-meetings shall each appoint a layman, to be associated with the Presiding Elder to represent the subject at the next ensuing Annual Conference.

4th. Your Committee recommend that the occasion be improved by renewed consecration of life and liberal donations to the cause of God.

5th. That an endowment to the Belleville Seminary be made a prominent object of the centennial celebration.

6th. Also, That the Missionary cause, Printing Establishment, Preachers' Relief Fund receive a due share of the proceeds of the occasion.

G. SHEPARD.  
S. MORRISON.  
G. BENNETT.

SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

Schools, 56; Officers and Teachers, 420; Scholars, 2,180; Conversions, 45; Bible Classes, 34; Volumes in Library, 6,829; Expenses, \$110.

## REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath, was the answer given by Him who is Lord even of the Sabbath day. Every pious and Christian person hails it as an unspeakable privilege after the toils of the week are over, to enter on its blessed privileges and welcome its approach, not only as an imperative command of God, but as a gracious boon to remember the Sabbath by keeping it holy, knowing that the blessings promised by its great Author will assuredly be fulfilled in the experience of his people, and that temporal as well as spiritual blessings will follow in their train. We are assured from God's word that nations as well as individuals prosper temporally by a sacred regard of the Sabbath day. "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable, and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord, and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy Father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

But as a Christian body we cannot be indifferent to the wilful neglect and open violation of the command of God—"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," and exhibited by many of the rich as well as by the poor by whom we are surrounded, and by public conveyencing companies, exposing us as a community to the just displeasure of the Almighty, which should urge us as ministers of the Gospel, to preach especially against Sabbath desecration in all its varied forms, in all our congregations, and prayerfully and earnestly to impress upon the public mind the indispensable necessity of attending the public ministry of God's word on the Lord's day. That God, even our own God, may give us his blessing.

C. W. FRASER.  
JOHN HISCOCKS.

## COURSE OF STUDY.

1st YEAR.—*Divinity*—BIBLE; Watson's Institutes, 1st and 2nd parts; Watson's Apology; Wesley's Plain account of Christian Perfection; Binney's Theological Compendium. *Discipline*—Baker's Notes. *Church History*—Stevens' History of Methodism, 1st volume. *Eng. Grammar*. *Geography*—Lovell's. Reading before the Committee, and written Essay to be produced.

2nd. YEAR.—*Divinity*—BIBLE; Review of 1st year; Watson's Institutes, 3rd and 4th parts; Wesley's Sermons; Hibbard on Baptism; Luckey's Lord's Supper. *Discipline*—Baker's Notes. *Church History*—Bangs' Original Church; Stevens' 2nd volume; Ruter's Church History.

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*Natural Philosophy*—Parker's. *Grammar. Rhetoric*—Newman's;  
*Logic*—Hedge's. Written Sermon to be produced.

3rd. YEAR.—*Divinity*—BIBLE; Review of 1st and 2nd year; History,  
 Chronology, and Evidences of the Bible; Fletcher's Checks; McIlvaine's  
 Evidences of Christianity; Horne's Introduction. *Church History*—  
 Stevens' 3rd volume. *Mental Philosophy*—Upham; Tytler's History;  
 Written Sermon or Essay.

4th YEAR.—*Divinity*—Review of the whole course; Additional  
 Books of References; Stevens' Church Polity; Hallam's Middle Ages;  
 D'Aubignes Reformation; Townley's Biblical Literature; Claude's Essay  
 on Composition; A written Essay or Sermon to be produced.

G. SHEPARD.  
 S. MORRISON.  
 S. W. LADU.

COMMITTEE ROOM, }  
 Willowdale, 5th April, 1865. }

ALPHABETICAL LIST

*Of the Preachers of Ontario Conference, with their Post Office Address.*

NAMES.	CHARGES.	POST OFFICE.
Adams, J. Q.	Whitby	Myrtle.
Archer, M. D.	Orono	Orono.
Argue, T.	Orangeville.	Orangeville.
Byam, J. W.	Superannuated.	Myrtle.
Bennett, G.	Brampton	GlenWilliams.
Bradshaw, T. P.	Yonge Street.	Willowdale.
Brown, T. C.	Brampton	GlenWilliams.
Collamore O. G.	Brooklin.	Brooklin.
Curts, J.	King	King.
Carscadden, D.	Omeme and Minden.	
Caldwell, L. B.	Supernumerary.	Myrtle.
Clark, G.	Invermay	
Carman, A., M. A.	Belleville Seminary.	Belleville.
Crouter, D.	Oakwood	Oakwood.
Campbell, A.	Madoc and Tudor	
Dockham, W.	Orono.	Orono.
Danby, M.	St. Vincent	Meaford.
Earl, R.	Hope	Baltimore
Emerick, J. W.	Teeswater & Bluevale.	Teeswater.
Egan, J.	Hope	
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Fraser, C. W.	.....	Oshawa.
Fisher, J. B.	.....	Melancthon ..... Horning's Mills.
Glover, F. W.	.....	Oshawa ..... Bowmanville.
Hiscocks, J.	.....	Muskoka ..... Muskoka Falls.
Hilts, J.	.....	St. Vincent ..... Meaford.
Hulin, A. V.	.....	Collingwood & Osprey
Harnden, W. F.	.....	Stirling..... Stirling.
Jones, G.	.....	Brighton..... Hilton.
Johnson, H. H.	.....	Superannuated ..... Frankford
Knox, P. E.	.....	Mount Forest ..... Mount Forest.
Lawrence, B.	.....	Superannuated ..... Newbury.
Lake, C. V.	.....	Queensville ..... Queensville.
LaDu, S. W.	.....	Colborne District ..... Colborne.
Morrison, S.	.....	Toronto District ..... Glen Williams.
Maybee, A.	.....	Omeme & Minden.....
Massey, W. J.	.....	Stirling..... Stirling.
Meyers, T.	.....	Seymour ..... West Seymour.
Miller, G.	.....	Supernumerary ..... Myrtle.
Norman, E.	.....	Brighton ..... Brighton.
Newson, C.	.....	Sidney ..... Frankford.
Ormerod, J.	.....	Georgetown..... Ballinafad.
Owen, J.	.....	Superannuated ..... Gun Marsh, Michigan.
Pomeroy, D.	.....	Toronto City..... Toronto.
Pomeroy, J. C.	.....	Colborne ..... Colborne.
Pirritte, W.	.....	Nelson ..... Palermo.
Perry, D.	.....	Elma ..... Listowell.
Richardson, J., D. D.	.....	Bishop ..... Yorkville.
Smith, P., D. D.	.....	Bishop ..... Brooklin.
Smith, L. P.	.....	Superannuated ..... Sylvania, Ohio.
Shaw, W. H.	.....	Durham District.....
Simpson, J. M.	.....	Clark ..... Kirby.
Sanderson, R.	.....	Cobourg ..... Cobourg.
Sparrow, J. P.	.....	Oshawa ..... Oshawa.
Sparrow, P. L.	.....	.....
Sills, W. A.	.....	Sidney ..... Belleville.
Shepard, G.	.....	Belleville ..... Belleville.
Thurston, A. L.	.....	Toronto ..... Oakville.
Taylor, C.	.....	Collingwood & Osprey. Heathcote.
Tindall, R. L.	.....	Kincardine ..... Kincardine.
Thompson, G. S.	.....	Madoc & Tudor..... Madoc.
Thompson, S.	.....	Colborne ..... Colborne.
Wilson, G.	.....	Muskoka ..... Muskoka Falls.
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## NAMES AND STANDING

*Of Local Preachers in the Ontario Annual Conference.*

### COLBORNE DISTRICT.

*Hope Circuit.*—J. Lent, Deacon; S. Thompson, C. Wilton, J. S. Sweet, Deacon.

*Colborne.*—W. F. Harnden, J. Egan, P. Holmes, W. Higgins, C. Underhill.

*Seymour.*—L. Stephens.

*Brighton.*—J. Webster, Elder; C. P. Werden, Malcolm McPhail, Deacons; H. McPhail, D. McPhail, J. Wright, J. B. Newcomb, Edw. Clark, W. R. Carr, Deacon.

*Percy.*—C. Cryderman, J. Stone, Deacon; J. Black.

*Stirling.*—L. Johnson, G. Andrews.

*Sudney.*—W. Dafoe, W. Vermilger, W. J. Rixon.

*Omemece.*—C. W. Dies.

*Belleville.*—A. A. Shepard.

### TORONTO DISTRICT.

*Clark.*—James Carscadden, Deacon.

*Orono.*—N. E. Scott, B. Palmer, S. H. Smale, H. Stephens.

*Oshawa.*—E. L. Steeger, J. Bradshaw, Elder.

*Brooklin.*—J. Campbell, Deacon elect; A. W. Chapman.

*Whitby.*—G. Fisher, Elder; G. Wells, Elder; E. Harnden, Elder; J. Gordon, C. Rose, W. Ranous, Deacon.

*Markham.*—J. M. Forysth, T. Jobbett, J. C. Cummer.

*Queensville.*—Wright Fogg, D. Perregrine.

*Brampton.*—A. Hutton.

*Georgetown.*—M. Kennedy, Elder; F. Warren.

*Toronto.*—J. Cronkwright.

*Nelson.*—L. Hagar, Elder.

*Melancthon.*—E. Hardy, E. Hurlburt, J. Bell, J. F. Halstead.

### DURHAM DISTRICT.

*St. Vincent.*—R. Gilray, J. Raymond, A. V. Hulin, J. D. Kergan.

*Garafraza.*—E. W. Whittle, Deacon; Thomas Moore.

*Elma.*—R. Vines, Elder elect; J. Vines, Deacon elect.

*Invermay.*—J. Andrews, R. Carson.

*Kincardine.*—J. Coleman.

*Bluevale.*—W. Etkins, E. Adams.

*Mt. Forest.*—J. P. Bissell.

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## Bay Quinte Annual Conference.

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THE BAY QUINTE ANNUAL CONFERENCE commenced its Twenty-First Session in Sydenham, County of Frontenac, on Wednesday, May 31st, 1865, at ten o'clock, A. M.

REV. P. SMITH, D. D., Sr., Bishop, in the chair. The opening services were conducted by the Bishop reading 1. Cor. 12th. chapter, and singing 721st Hymn, when Revs. W. Brown and J. A. Rogers offered prayer, the Conference joining with the Bishop in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

J. Gardiner was chosen Secretary; A. Hunt Assistant Secretary; A. Martin, Journal Secretary. Hours of Session fixed from 9½ to 12 A. M., and from 2 to 4:30 P. M.

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON COURSE OF STUDY—J. Gardiner, D. Wilson, W. Brown.

STEWARDS—M. Davy, A. Youker, A. Anderson.

MISSIONS—D. Wilson, W. H. Graham, W. E. Johnson, W. H. Snider, James Smith.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—A. Brown, F. Chisholm.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—J. Ferguson, E. S. Howard.

TEMPERANCE—I. B. Aylsworth, Z. B. Hitchcock, G. S. White.

CHURCH PROPERTY—P. Empy, T. McAmmond.

PASTORAL ADDRESS—J. A. Rogers, F. B. Stratton.

EDUCATION—J. G. Bull, W. Brown, A. Hunt, D. W. Aylsworth, J. W. Sills.

PRINTING—J. D. Bell, S. Young, J. Halin, W. Bird, E. Woodcock.

WAYS AND MEANS—B. Smith, J. H. Andrews, J. F. Wilson.

OBITUARY—J. W. Sills, L. A. Betts.

SUPERANNUATED FUND—J. Hill, and Presiding Elders.

CONTINGENT FUND—I. N. D. West, D. Smith.

ADMINISTRATION—J. F. Wilson, W. Bird, N. H. Howard, D. Wilson, A. Hunt.

CONDOLENCE—W. Brown, T. Lewis, S. G. Stone.

CELEBRATION OF CENTENARY—J. Gardiner, J. W. Sills, A. A. Brown.

EXAMINATION FOR 1866—J. H. Andrews, Chairman. 1st Year: D. W. Aylsworth, E. S. Howard. 2nd Year: J. A. Rogers, A. Martin. 3rd Year: A. A. Brown, F. B. Stratton. 4th Year: W. Brown, D. Wilson.

### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—Alex. Short, John Brill.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—J. Wicher, B. Lane, H. Hesselgrave, F. B. Knowlton.

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

A.—Abraham Traveller, D. Brill, Ephraim Sherwood.

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

A.—J. Graham, A. Andrews, H. Seymour, J. Hulin, J. B. Smith, F. Chisholm, John Halliwell, Thomas McAmmond, Alexander Youker, Zina B. Hitchcock, David Brill,\* Abraham Traveller,\* Ephraim Sherwood.\*

Q. 5.—*Who are the Elders?*

A.—B. Smith, T. Lewis, W. Bird, D. Perry, H. Lane, M. Davy, J. McNally, I. N. D. West, J. Gardiner, J. F. Wilson, J. Hill, W. Brown, H. Williams, D. Wilson, E. Orser, J. A. Rogers, S. Young, J. H. Andrews, J. G. Bull, D. Brown, J. W. Sills, J. D. Bell, E. Woodcock, W. H. Graham, I. B. Aylsworth, A. Hunt, D. Smith, J. Smith, D. W. Aylsworth, W. H. Snider, J. Ferguson, A. J. Wait, A. A. Brown, L. A. Betts, P. Empy, Gilbert French, Erastus S. Howard, W. G. Hudgins, F. B. Stratton, G. S. White, W. E. Johnson,\* A. Martin,\* S. G. Stone.\*—43.

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—Philander Smith, D. D., James Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—H. Lane, A. J. Waite, J. McNally, R. Beal.

Q. 8.—*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

A.—D. Perry, D. Brown, I. N. D. West, T. Lewis, H. Seymour, James Smith.

\* Ordained this year.

N. H. Howard, D.

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J. W. Sills, A. A.

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D. D.

Q. 9.—Who have been expelled from the Connexion this year?

A.—None.

Q. 10.—Who have withdrawn from the Connexion this year?

A.—C. Manson, "irregularly." A. McLaren, "irregularly removed."

Q. 11.—Who have died this year?

A.—John Tooke. (See Obituary.)

Q. 12.—Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

A.—They are, as far as could be ascertained by strict individual examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—Who have located this year?

A.—None.

Q. 14.—What are the numbers in Society?

A.—

#### NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Mellville.....	177	Mississippi and Denbigh.....	82
Hallowell.....	201	Kennebec.....	225
Milford.....	169	Camden.....	325
Canifton.....	305	Bay Quintee.....	348
Hungerford.....	162	Waterloo.....	290
Shannonville.....	259	Hinchinbrook.....	83
Napanee.....	418		
Tamworth.....	182	Total on Dist.....	3232

#### AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Kingston.....	22	Matilda.....	322
Wolfe Island.....	60	Williamsburg.....	100
Pittsburg.....	106	Winchester.....	258
Mallorytown.....	87	Osnabruk.....	107
Lynn.....	159	Roxboro'.....	117
Brockville.....	65		
Augusta.....	223	Total on Dist.....	1712
Edwardsburg.....	86		

#### OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Elgin.....	320	Westmeath.....	78
Lyndhurst.....	172	Eganville.....	68
Farmersville.....	208	Clarendon.....	50
Rideau.....	157	Ottawa.....	179
Marlboro'.....	42	Riceville.....	50
Arnprior.....	60		
Renfrew.....	96	Total on Dist.....	1480

## RECAPITULATION.

Number of Members last year .....	6720
"    "    this year .....	6424
Decrease .....	296
Number of Traveling Preachers this year .....	66
"    "    "    last year .....	63
Increase .....	3
Total Decrease of the year .....	293

Q. 15.—What is the amount of Contingent Collection?

## NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Melleville .....	\$1 05	Kennebec .....	\$0 50
Hallowell .....	2 70	Camden .....	0 60
Canifton .....	3 20	Bay Quinte .....	2 25
Milford .....	0 60	Waterloo .....	2 50
Shannonville .....	2 00		
Hungerford .....	1 00		
Napanee .....	2 92		
		Total on Dist. ....	\$19 32

## AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Kingston .....	\$1 78	Matilda .....	\$0 75
Wolf Island .....	1 10	Williamsburg .....	1 05
Pittsburgh .....	3 65	Winchester .....	1 00
Lynn .....	2 21	Osnabrock .....	0 85
Brockville .....	1 07	Roxboro' .....	0 50
Augusta .....	1 00		
Edwardsburgh .....	1 93		
		Total on Dist. ....	\$17 79

## OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Elgin .....	\$1 70	Eganville .....	0 50
Farmersville .....	1 45	Clarendon .....	0 50
Rideau .....	1 55	Ottawa .....	5 00
Arnprior .....	1 00	Riceville .....	1 00
Westmeath .....	1 00		
Renfrew .....	0 50		
		Total on Dist. ....	\$14 20

RECAPITULATION TOTAL .....

\$51 31

The following Circuits have not reported:—Tamworth, Mississippi and Denbigh, Hinchinbrook, Mallorytown, Lyndhurst, Marlborough.

Q. 16.—How was this expended?

A.—

Bishop Richardson, traveling expenses.....	\$ 7 00
Bishop Smith, (Special).....	4 90
Stationery.....	2 42
E. S. Howard.....	20 34
J. D. Bell.....	8 33
F. Chisholm.....	8 33
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Q. 17.—What is the amount of Fifth Collection?

A.—

## NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Melville.....	\$ 8 00	Shannonville.....	\$11 00
Hallowell, Col.....	7 50	Bay of Quinte.....	11 80
M. A. Oakett.....	1 00	Hungerford.....	5 00
W. Orser.....	1 00	Hinchinbrook.....	3 00
R. Ketchpaw.....	1 00	Mississippi and Denbigh.....	9 22
D. Moran.....	1 00	Waterloo.....	25 00
B. Badgley.....	1 00	Canifton Col.....	19 96
Rev. M. Baxter.....	0 50	Miss E. Clapp.....	1 00
P. Wood.....	1 00	Rev. W. Sills.....	1 00
A. Vanblaricom.....	1 00	J. Hazlitt.....	1 00
Napanee Col.....	16 05	Miss M. E. Hazlitt.....	1 00
R. Dennison.....	2 00	J. Young.....	1 00
J. Dunmore.....	1 00	Miss J. Sheffield.....	1 00
Wm. Scott.....	1 00	C. Badgley.....	1 00
M. Parks.....	1 00	D. L. Bradshaw.....	1 00
J. Gibbard.....	1 00	J. Caniff.....	1 00
Rev. D. Unger.....	1 00	Tamworth.....	1 50
J. Huffman.....	1 00	Camden.....	7 00
Solomon.....	1 25	Kennebec.....	3 00
J. Lake.....	1 50		<hr/>
J. Fritt.....	1 00	Total on Dist.....	\$161 28
Milford.....	5 00		

## AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Kingston.....	\$ 8 00	Edwardsburgh.....	\$ 6 00
Wolfe Island, Col.....	5 00	Matilda.....	9 00
Wm. Randall.....	1 00	Williamsburgh.....	4 00
Mrs. Randall.....	1 00	Osnebruck.....	5 00
Pittsburg.....	6 20	Winchester.....	6 40
Mallorytown.....	2 00	Roxboro.....	3 72
Lynn.....	3 72		<hr/>
Brockville.....	7 34	Total on Dist.....	\$71 38
Augusta.....	10 00		

## OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Ottawa.....	\$18 00	Eganville.....	\$ 1 00
Arnprior.....	3 00	Glarendon.....	1 00
Lyndhurst.....	2 00	Riceville.....	3 14
Elgin.....	9 00	Westmeath, no return...	0 00
Farmersville.....	5 00	Marlboro', no return....	0 00
Rideau.....	7 24		
Renfrew.....	4 00	Total on Dist .....	\$53 38

## PREACHERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS.

J. Gardiner.....	\$2 00	D. Brown.....	\$2 00
J. H. Andrews.....	2 00	Mrs. Powley.....	2 00
J. A. Rodgers.....	2 00	I. N. D. West.....	2 00
J. Hill.....	2 00	A. Hunt.....	2 00
B. Smith.....	2 00	J. Ferguson.....	2 00
D. Wilson.....	2 00	W. H. Graham.....	2 00
J. B. Smith.....	2 00	J. D. Bell.....	2 00
G. S. White.....	2 00	S. G. Stone.....	2 00
D. W. Aylsworth.....	2 00	James Hulin.....	2 00
E. S. Howard.....	2 00	E. Orser.....	2 00
A. A. Brown.....	2 00	Z. B. Hitchcock.....	2 00
B. Lane.....	2 00	Daniel Smith.....	2 00
A. Youker.....	2 00	John Graham.....	2 00
W. E. Johnson.....	2 00	David Brill.....	2 00
H. Hesselgrave.....	2 00	J. F. Wilson.....	2 00
T. Lewis.....	2 00	F. B. Knowlton.....	2 00
W. Brown.....	2 00	L. A. Betts.....	2 00
H. Williams.....	2 00	F. B. Stratton.....	2 00
J. G. Bull.....	2 00	F. Chisholm.....	2 00
E. Sherwood.....	2 00	Mrs. I. N. D. West.....	2 00
Eli Woodcock.....	2 00	Mrs. John Tooke.....	2 00
J. W. Sills.....	2 00	Mrs. T. Lewis.....	2 00
A. Martin.....	2 00	Mrs. D. Brown.....	2 00
A. D. Traveller.....	2 00	Mrs. Davy.....	2 00
W. G. Hudgins.....	2 00		
W. H. Snider.....	2 00	Total Preacher's Sub....	\$102 00
M. Davy.....	2 00		

PREACHER'S SUBSCRIPTIONS NOT PAID.—S. Young, T. McAmmond,  
P. Empey, J. Wicher, G. French, W. Bird, J. Halliwell, A. Dawson.

## RECAPITULATION.

Napanee District.....	\$161 28
Augusta ".....	71 38
Ottawa ".....	53 38
Conference Collection.....	19 00
Preachers' Subscriptions.....	102 00
Total.....	\$407 04

## Q. 18.—How was this expended?

A.—

To Rev T. Lewis.....	\$90 65
“ D. Brown.....	90 65
“ I. N. D. West.....	90 65
“ J. Tooke.....	90 65
Widow Powley.....	44 44

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## Q. 19.—Where are the Preachers stationed?

A.—

## NAPANEE DISTRICT.—B. SMITH, P. E.

MELVILLE CIRCUIT—J. Hill, T. Lewis, Superannuated.  
 HALLOWELL—N. H. Howard.  
 MILFORD—A. Anderson.  
 CANIFTON—J. Gardiner, A. Traveller, R. Beal, Supernumerary, I. B.  
 Aylsworth, G. French, B. Lane, allowed to attend Belleville Seminary.  
 SHANNONVILLE—W. Bird.  
 HUNGERFORD—P. Empey, J. Hulin.  
 NAPANEE—D. Wilson.  
 LONSDALE—J. Ferguson.  
 TAMWORTH—E. Orser.  
 MISSISSIPPI & DENBIGH—D. Brill, J. Wisner, D. Brown, Superannuated.  
 KENNEBEC—F. B. Knowlton.  
 BAY QUINTE—H. Williams.  
 CAMDEN—W. H. Snider, G. S. White.  
 ODESSA—J. G. Bull, I. N. D. West, Superannuated.

## AUGUSTA DISTRICT.—A. HUNT, P. E.

KINGSTON CIRCUIT—J. Halliwell.  
 WOLF ISLAND—W. H. Graham.  
 GANANOQUE—A. Martin.  
 MALLORYTOWN—J. B. Smith.  
 LYN—F. B. Stratton.  
 BROCKVILLE—S. G. Stone.  
 FARMERSVILLE—S. Young.  
 AUGUSTA—J. H. Andrews, H. Lane, J. W. Sills, Supernumeraries.  
 EDWARDSBURG—J. D. Bell.  
 MATILDA—W. Brown.  
 WINCHESTER—E. Woodcock, J. Smith, Superannuated.  
 WILLIAMSBURG—W. G. Hudgins.  
 OSNABRUCK—J. A. Rogers.  
 ROXBORO'—Alexander Shorts.

## OTTAWA DISTRICT.—J. F. WILSON, P. E.

OTTAWA, East—A. A. Brown.  
 OTTAWA, West—E. S. Howard.

RICEVILLE—E. Sherwood, J. McNally, Supernumerary.  
 MARLBORO'—M. Davy.  
 RIDEAU—W. E. Johnson.  
 ARNPRIOR—A. Youker, Z. B. Hitchcock.  
 RENFREW—H. Hesselgrave, H. Seymour, Superannuated.  
 WESTMEATH—D. Smith.  
 CLARENDON—John Brill.  
 EGANVILLE & RADCLIFFE—T. McAmmond.  
 ELGIN—L. A. Betts.  
 LYNHURST—J. Graham.  
 WATERLOC—D. W. Aylsworth, F. Chisholm, D. Perry, Superannuated.  
 HINCHINBROOKE—Abraham Dawson.

20.—*Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*

At Nananee, United Counties of Lennox and Addington, on the Fifth Wednesday in May, 1866, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

#### PASTORAL ADDRESS.

*To the Members and Friends of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, within the bounds of the Bay of Quinte Annual Conference.*

DEARLY BELOVED BROTHERS AND FRIENDS.—We, your servants for Jesus' sake, desire to approach you in our Annual Epistle with a feeling sense of gratitude to the kind Disposer of all events for the evidences of his mercy that have been exhibited in the preservation of so many of us through the varied scenes of another year. Death has been permitted to invade our ranks in but a single instance during the past year. Brother Tooke has fallen, but he died like a Christian, as you will learn by the Obituary on an adjoining page.

Our session of Conference has been agreeable, and we trust profitable to our own souls, and to those who have been permitted to attend its various sittings; and although a variety of opinions may be expected in regard to the several subjects brought before us, yet all feel that the main object is to glorify God, and advance the interest of his cause on earth. And in order that you may be prepared to join us in carrying out this glorious object, we would embrace this opportunity of urging upon you a consideration of your obligations to God as the creatures of his formation, and the objects of his peculiar love. He has designed that you should enjoy happiness, but only in the paths of obedience—be determined then to secure all that it is your privilege to enjoy, by living a life of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Be not satisfied with partial attainments in the Divine Life. God has called you to holiness—live for it, and all its blessings shall be yours. Under the teaching

and influences of Methodism, the world looks for, and has a right to expect continued and increasing evidences of piety. Do not disappoint expectation, and thereby bring leanness into your own souls and a stain upon the Holy name whereby you should be called.

Our excellent Discipline, (which should be in every house, and studied more than it is) enjoins that we should do good in every possible manner to the bodies and souls of our fellow men; withhold not then the hand of mercy and charity from the suffering around you, but remember that you are designed to be the almoners of God's bounty; and while He has intrusted you with a portion of his earthly possessions, it is in order that you may dispense it among the needy, failing in which, He may take it from you and give to a more faithful steward. The Church has peremptory claims upon you which cannot be disregarded with safety. Your ministers, who are sent to you from time to time, are not men of the world, they have laid aside all the means whereby they might have secured for themselves a competency of this world's goods, and cast themselves and their families on the promises of God, that "they that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel." Support them generously, and thereby relieve their minds from the burden of their temporal affairs, and you will receive the benefit in not only having obeyed the divine command, but in securing for yourselves the more effectual services of the preachers in spiritual things.

The Superannuated preachers have claims upon you that cannot be overlooked. They have given to the Church the best of their days, when other men in the strength of their manhood were securing for themselves a home and a competency for old age, these men of God, entering the service of the Church in her poverty, not only gave themselves, but the property they then possessed, their all, and now in their old age are left in a state of destitution, or cast upon the cold charities of the world. Shall they thus be left with their helpless dependants? Heaven forbids it, christianity forbids it, our common sense of justice forbids it, and we believe you will not allow it; but when your ministers call upon you from time to time for your annual subscription to the Superannuated fund we trust you will not send them away empty.

The Missionary cause is of the greatest importance; much has been done, the exertions you have made in the past have been owned and blessed of God; some of our old missions are now among our best circuits, not only supporting their own institutions but extending their aid to the regions still beyond; but there is much yet to be done, the Macedonian cry is heard all along our extended borders. God is calling and qualifying men for this important work. The Church is sending them out, and it rests with you to sustain them in their work of faith and labor of love. The severity of the drouth during the past two or three years has been peculiarly oppressive on our mission fields, in many instances causing our

missionaries to suffer the severest privations in common with those among whom they labored—this calls for renewed liberality on your part, which we trust will be cheerfully responded to.

The *C. C. Advocate* is also an important institution of the Church and should be in every family; it is acknowledged by men of judgment of all classes to be an excellent paper, and how Methodists can decline to subscribe, and pay for, and read their own paper we cannot conceive. Your families need it, its welcome weekly visits enliven the social circle, and lead the youthful mind in a safe course. Political partisans and their friends desire to read and sustain the paper considered the organ of their party. Should not we be equally solicitous to sustain the organ of our Church? We think we should, especially while so much religion and morality is taught therein.

The Bible and Tract Society are worthy of your support, and while you are in the enjoyment of any blessings, either of a temporal or spiritual nature remember, that under God you are indebted to the Bible, scattered through your land by the means of this Society; and remember that many of your fellow-creatures are yet destitute of these advantages. If you would pay a debt of gratitude, do so by sending the Bible onward on its message of mercy.

The Temperance Society should also find you ranked among its supporters. The demon of Intemperance is still abroad in the earth, destroying its thousands every year. Whoever yields to its seductive influences—Methodists should always be found arrayed against it. Religion can never prosper in connection with the intoxicating cup, even when used in what is called moderation. "Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils."

The proper observance of the Sabbath demands your influence. The desecration of God's Holy Day is the crying sin of the age, and of our land. We cannot expect the blessing of a righteous God to rest upon us, while systematically violating His holy law.

We would further urge a constant attendance upon all the means of Grace, public or private. Without the advantages attendant upon private and family prayer, class and prayer-meetings, reading and meditating upon the Word of God, hearing the Word preached, and an attendance upon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper whenever practicable, it is impossible to retain the enjoyment of personal piety.

And last, though not least, we would recommend to your consideration and support the excellent College in Belleville. It is the Institution we have long needed; for the want of it many of our young people who have been sent abroad for an education, have been forever lost to our church and country. You now have an opportunity of securing the advantages of a superior education for both sons and daughters, without the danger of having their religious principles tampered with. The Institution is your own when released from its present embarrassment, which may be done if you

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will only take a sufficient interest in its success to be willing to make a small sacrifice for the payment of its debts, and then support it by sending your children there for education instead of to foreign schools or colleges. You have every inducement to do this, as the staff of Professors is not surpassed by any in this or any other country, or any terms more liberal.

And now Brethren, we commend you to God, and the word of His Grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you a place among them that are sanctified.

J. GARDINER, *Secretary.*  
 SYDENHAM, June 3, 1865.

PHILANDER SMITH,  
*Presiding Bishop.*

#### OBITUARY.

REV. JOHN TOOKE, fourth son of MICHAEL TOOKE, was born at Castle McCade, Co. of Wicklow, Ireland, June 4th, 1795, and departed this life August 25th, 1864, being in the seventieth year of his age. In the year A. D., 1810, at the age of fifteen he, with his Father's family, removed to Madison County, State of New York. His heart, in the morning of life, yielded to the Divine influence of the Holy Spirit. He early adopted the practice of retiring to his closet to hold communion with his Heavenly Father. His early religious training was not lost upon him. He commenced to itinerate as a Methodist Preacher in the Genesee Conference when but a boy of 17, at which period he was received on trial in the aforesaid Conference.

During his connection with the M. E. Church in the United States, he traveled in various parts of the States of New York and Pennsylvania.

In the year 1817, he was sent to Canada. He landed at Kingston and immediately entered upon his ministerial labors. In 1820 he united in marriage with Miss Nancy Davidson, of the Township of Sidney.

At the time of the organization of the Wesleyan Conference in Canada, in 1833, he went with that body until the reunion of "47," when he became dissatisfied with the proceedings of the Wesleyan Church at that time, and left them with the intention of returning again to the United States, but seems to have been persuaded by his friends to rejoin the M. E. Church in Canada, having satisfied himself that they were the same body to which he originally belonged. At the Conference held in Mallorytown in 1847, he was appointed to the Brighton Circuit, and continued to travel until June, 1863, when he was granted a Superannuated relation.

During his palmyest days in the ministry his abilities in the pulpit as an expositor of the Scriptures, and gravity of demeanor, were not easily excelled; and it may be truly said of him that he was a Christian gentleman.

His end was peace. Brother Betts was with him in his last sickness, to whom he expressed his confidence that all was well.— May we meet our Brother in heaven.

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TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.—A. A. Brown.

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MEMBERS OF BOOK COMMITTEE.—J. Gardiner, S. W. LaDu.

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VISITOR.—D. W. Aylsworth.

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REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS.—S. G. Stone.

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## STATISTICAL REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

CHARGES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Bible Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Expenses.	Papers.	Union Schools.
<b>NAPANEE DIST.</b>									
Napanee .....	3	22	107			322	\$		
Camden .....	4	16	150			160			
Bay of Quinte .....	2	18	110		2	254			
Canifton .....	5	52	307	3	9	650	29.78		
Shannonville .....	3	15	75			300	7.00		
Hallowell .....	2	10	50			300			4
Melford .....	1	10	22		2	40			
Melville .....	1	8	50		1				
Waterloo .....	3	12	125						2
Tamworth .....									1
Hinchinbrook .....									1
Hungerford .....									
Kennebec .....	4	18	100		1	200			
Denbigh .....	5	23	82	2		9	1.50	15	
Mississippi .....	1	4	14						
<b>AUGUSTA DIST.</b>	34	208	1192	5	15	2075	38.28	15	7
Kingston .....	1	9	135						
Wolf Island .....	3	13	80		1	120	12.17		
Pittsburgh .....	1	4	20			100	12.00	12	
Mallorytown .....						120			
Matilda .....									
Lynn .....									1
Augusta .....	2	15	70						3
Edwardsburgh .....					1	160			
Brockville .....	1	4	20			50			
Winchester .....	1	6	40						
Roxboro .....									
Williamsburgh .....	4	20	200						3
Osabruck .....	1	8	80			200			
<b>OTTAWA DIST.</b>	14	79	605		3	790	24.17	12	7
Ottawa .....	2	20	130		2	150			
Elgin .....	3	25	100		3	350	20.00	4	
Farmersville .....	4	20	200	1	4	600	20.00	4	
Rideau .....	1	14	80			160	22.00	40	
Renfrew .....	1	4	40			145			
Riceville .....	1	7	25						
Eganville .....	1	3	25						
Westmeath .....	2	10	60						
Lyndhurst .....	3					75			
Marlborough .....									
Arnprior .....									
Clarendon .....									1
<b>RECAPITULATION.</b>	18	103	660	1	9	1380	62.00	44	1
Napanee Dist. ....	34	208	1192	5	15	2075	38.28	15	7
Augusta " .....	13	75	585		3	670	24.17	12	7
Ottawa " .....	18	103	660	1	9	1380	62.00	44	1
<b>Grand Total...</b>	65	386	2437	6	27	4125	124.45	71	15

It is highly gratifying to your S. S. Committee to find an improvement in this department of our work. There is a decrease of thirteen Union Schools, but an increase of twenty-four Denominational Schools, and naturally an increase of officials, scholars, &c.

We find four Charges destitute of Schools of any kind, but trust they will no longer be thus reported. As a whole, the contrast with last year is favorable; yet we are sensible that greater efforts might and ought to be made, that greater results may be secured.

It is the opinion of your Committee that Denominational Schools should be established and maintained where practicable; yet, where not practicable, by all means engage in Union Schools, that the education of our children and youth be not neglected.

We furthermore recommend that sermons be preached, lectures delivered, and instructions given whenever and wherever practicable, that Sabbath Schools may continue to be nurseries for the church and a blessing to the world; and the more effectually to secure every desirable good we ought to procure our own catechisms and literature. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. FERGUSON.  
E. S. HOWARD.

Sydenham, June 5, 1865.

### REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sabbath Observance, beg leave to report as follows:

We regard the observance of the Sabbath as promotive of the highest interests of man, and feel thankful to God that in His wisdom He has given us an institution so well calculated to promote our development in a physical and mental, as well as a moral point of view, by affording stated seasons for cessation from manual labor and mental application, as well as stated seasons for spiritual recreation. The high importance of a strict observance of the Sabbath is established by the fact that the Great Head of the Church has commanded us to "remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy," not only to hallow it by abstaining from labor therein, but to hallow it with the fragrance of devotion. Your Committee sincerely regret that after all that has been done to secure the sanctity of the Sabbath, it is still so often and so wantonly desecrated, not only by individuals but by companies and corporations; for your Committee regard any employment of the Sabbath other than God's Word doth allow a violation of its sanctity.

*Resolved First*,—That as a Conference we will, as heretofore, do all in our power by precept and example to discourage all violations of the sacredness of God's holy day.

*Resolved Second*,—That we, as a Conference, deprecate the practice of Sabbath visiting of whatever form, except in administration to the wants of the sick and destitute.

*Resolved Third*,—That we are in sympathy with all efforts for securing a proper observance of the Sabbath; and that in order to more fully secure this great end, each preacher stationed by this Conference shall be required to preach on the subject of Sabbath Observance, at least once in all his appointments during the year.

*Resolved Fourth*,—That this Annual Conference disapproves of Sabbath funerals—except when necessary—also, that we disapprove of ministers neglecting to go to their appointments on Saturday, thus necessitating an unnecessary amount of travel on Sabbath, as also ministers returning home on Sabbath evening when their last appointment is at a distance from home; and especially Presiding Elders riding fifteen, twenty or twenty-five miles on Sabbath afternoon, in order to get home on Sunday night.

A. A. BROWN. } *Committee.*  
F. CHISHOLM. }

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report that, having carefully examined the Exhibit of the Belleville Seminary, they are enabled to present the following facts and recommendations:

1. That the present indebtedness is \$16890.56. This compared with last year's report shows the debt has been reduced more than three thousand dollars during the year. This, when taken in consideration with the extreme financial depression of the country, affords grounds of encouragement to the friends of the Institution: for if so much has been accomplished during this hard year, may we not reasonably expect much more to be done upon the return of financial prosperity to the country?

2. That the number of students is not sufficient to make the School self-sustaining. Although the balance against the School is not large, yet any balance is too large to be allowed, if there is any possibility of preventing it. Impressed with the conviction that the number of students might be increased by the use of proper means, your Committee would recommend that it be enjoined upon the members of the Conference to devote special attention to the subject of procuring new students. We believe many more might be secured if the matter was generally agitated among our people, and the advantages which it affords were fully set before them. Much can be done in this direction if suitable efforts are made. It seems that the average attendance during the past year has been less than one student to two-and-a-half circuits and stations

embraced in our work. It would be derogatory to the intelligence and christian enterprise of our people to suppose that this state of things cannot be improved. But to accomplish this our preachers must interest themselves—must make the matter the subject of conversation every where—talk about it, preach upon it, and in this way wake up an interest among the people.

3. With respect to the Seminary Boxes, your Committee believe that if the measure were once thoroughly introduced it would afford an annual revenue of from one thousand to three thousand dollars. It will doubtless require time and much patient effort to get the scheme into full operation among our people, but there can be little doubt it would prove highly remunerative when once established. We would therefore recommend that every means within our power be employed to get the boxes introduced into as many families as possible, and to encourage those who consent to receive them.

4. As the employment of special agents to collect subscriptions has been dispensed with, and as this work will henceforth devolve upon the preachers, we recommend that it be made their special duty to attend to it in their respective charges, sparing no pains to secure all there is at as early a period as possible. The pressure upon the Treasurer is so great, and the means at his command so extremely limited, it will require the active effort and co-operation of all to carry the Institution through this present emergency. But if all do their best we believe with the blessing of God success will crown our efforts.

Believing that this Conference has not changed its often professed views of the great importance of education, but that, if any thing, those views are more than ever confirmed, your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, 1st. That the duty of providing the means of superior education to the youth of the land, particularly the children of the church—on whom her future prosperity so entirely depends—is a very grave question which may well engage our most serious attention, and that the present is not a time to shrink from our responsibility in this matter.

*Resolved*, 2nd. That the establishment of the Belleville Seminary was designed to supply this great want of the church, and is eminently adapted to the purpose ; and as it is the property of the church, under its control and devoted to its interests we pledge ourselves to its support by every means in our power.

*Resolved*, 3rd. That as the Seminary has been erected by the church, belongs to the church, and is closely identified with her interests, therefore we cannot abandon the enterprise in which we have embarked without forfeiting, as a people, our honor, our moral character, our solemn pledges, and the confidence and respect of our fellow men.

*Resolved*, 4th. That as the Seminary debts are the debts of the

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church—honest debts contracted by the church—therefore, the church is bound by the sacred principles of justice, honor and integrity to see that those debts are paid, and that those brethren who, at the invitation of the church, have assumed its responsibilities, are not left to suffer in consequence.

J. G. BULL.  
D. W. AYLSWORTH.  
WM. BROWN.

*Conference Rooms, June 2, 1865.*

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing beg leave to report. It is with great pleasure that we acknowledge the kind providence of God manifest toward us in this department of our church institutions. We are more than ever convinced of the benefits secured to the church and country by the sound doctrine and wholesome literature that is circulated in the *Canada Christian Advocate*, and rejoice in its regular weekly visits to our families and friends. We are gratified to learn that it has realized a profit of over \$550 during the current year.

The heavy liabilities arise from unpaid subscriptions, some of which are of long standing, together with those who have discontinued the paper. We think that there are two reasons to be assigned why these accounts have not been collected and paid. First, the financial crisis of the country. Second, a want of earnest, proper and efficient effort upon the part of the preachers. Therefore your Committee would recommend the following course to be adopted, viz: First, that this Annual Conference make it an obligation upon every Preacher stationed or traveling anywhere within their bounds to procure a list of *Advocate* accounts from the office, and collect at least once each quarter from all of the subscribers in arrears upon the charge; and that a failure so to do shall be held detrimental to the passage of character at the Annual Conference. Second, that the Presiding Elder be instructed to enforce this obligation, and to call up this business in each Quarterly Meeting Conference, by requiring the state of the *Advocate* accounts to be read over there immediately after the calls for appeals. Third, that the Bishop be requested to enquire respecting this subject at the passage of character before the Annual Conference. Fourth, that the editor be requested to take immediate steps to collect the amount due from those who have discontinued the paper; and also by the first of September to place all unpaid notes of subscribers still taking the paper in court for collection. Your Committee find that less than 20 per cent. has been procured on the current volume, consequently the difficulties are still increasing.

To prevent this accumulation of debt, we would recommend that

the editor be requested not to send more than four papers to any subscriber after his term of subscription expires, unless he renews his subscription by paying for it in advance. We find that a small proportion of our membership are subscribers to the *Advocate*, consequently we recommend that a united effort be put forth by all of the Preachers in connection with this Conference, and that the Presiding Elders urge upon the official brethren of the Quarterly Meeting Conferences to become subscribers to the *Advocate*, and that agents be allowed 10 per cent. on moneys forwarded to the office. We recommend that the editor be requested to furnish every member of this Conference having charge of a Circuit or Station with blank receipts. All of which we respectfully submit.

J. D. BELL, *Chairman.*

JAS. HULIN, *Secretary.*

#### CENTENARY OF AMERICAN METHODISM.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Centenary of American Methodism, beg leave to report as follows: Your Committee are of opinion that said Centenary is a proper event for a general celebration throughout our entire connexion, and that this Annual Conference should take measures to secure uniformity in such celebration.

*Resolved*, therefore, that this Annual Conference appoint the Presiding Elders, and two laymen from each District to meet in a general convention, together with delegates appointed by the Niagara and Ontario Conferences to make suitable arrangements, and that the following laymen be appointed:

NAPANEE DISTRICT—Thomas Anderson, Esq.; John Gibbard, Esq. AUGUSTA DISTRICT—Charles Lane, Esq.; Phillip Carman, Esq. OTTAWA DISTRICT—Wm. Minore, Esq.; Asa Phillips, Esq., and request the Bishops to meet the Convention.

Your Committee are farther of the opinion that not less than one hundred thousand dollars should be raised within the connexion, to be applied to the several connexional funds. Your Committee would not forestall the General Conference, but would recommend the month of October, 1866, as the time for such celebration. Your Committee also suggest the importance of contributions being made for furnishing a complete memorial of American Methodism.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. GARDINER.

JOHN WESLEY SILLS.

A. A. BROWN.

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## REPORT OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Your Committee on Church Property beg leave to report. After a careful examination of the reports as received from the several Circuits within the bounds of this Conference, your Committee are of opinion, that the subject of church building for the accommodation of those who wait on our administration has become one of exceeding importance, and as such is receiving, at the hands of the members of this Conference, and of the lovers of Zion generally, that amount of consideration which the importance of the subject demands.

But past and present engagedness in this important work will not secure future prosperity, increased and unremitting exertions in order to a successful prosecution of our religious enterprises are still called for. This age is a progressive one, and this country one of enterprize. Churches of other denominations are towering their lofty spires toward the heavens, pointing to the habitation of the Great Eternal, and calling within their pales the surrounding public to worship; and shall we relax our energies with regard to this important and commendable work?

Your Committee do not for a moment insinuate that the erection of buildings for chapel accommodations, or any thing short of an application of the blood of the covenant by the agency of the Holy Spirit is able to save sinners; yet in all civilized communities the disposition to worship God in houses erected and dedicated especially for that purpose is so general, that few that have houses fail to have worshippers. Your Committee, therefore, are of the opinion that if we intend to increase our numbers rapidly, and keep pace with the rest of society, and prove a blessing to ourselves and our country we must prosecute the work so well begun—increasing our zeal and contributions in extending our chapel accommodations.

The following table will show the number of Chapels and Parsonages within the bounds of this Conference, and what they are worth:

DISTRICTS.	No. Chapels.	Value.	No. Parsonages.	Value.	Total Church Property.
		\$		\$	\$
Napanee . . .	28	41,300	13	6,870	48,170.00
Augusta . . .	16	29,900	8	3,700	33,600.00
Ottawa . . . .	12	15,550	9	4,050	19,600.00
Total . . . .	56	86,750	30	14,620	101,370.00

Being an increase for this year of seventeen thousand seven hundred dollars. All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. EMPY.

T. McAMMOND.

A. A. BROWN.

## REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report that they consider the principles of Temperance to be of the utmost importance to christianity and to the happiness and prosperity of any community. We understand Temperance to mean total abstinence from all that can intoxicate; and we are convinced that this is the only safe rule that can be adopted by individuals.

We recommend continued agitation throughout the Province in favor of legal enactments prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks.

*First*, because of the injurious results of the liquor traffic. The use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage is of no advantage whatever to an individual or to society, but is a positive injury to both, whether indulged in moderately or to excess. Intemperance is an *evil*, only evil, and that continually. It weakens and destroys the body, it corrupts and damns the soul. It produces poverty, sickness and death. It is an evil in the church and in the state; in society and in the family. The physician proclaims it an evil, and the lawyer will witness to the same fact. Science proves it, reason teaches it, stubborn facts of every day life exemplify it, and the Bible denounces it as a dangerous, deadly, prevailing evil.

Licensed taverns afford facilities and temptations to the youth, by which an unnatural, growing and unconquerable appetite is formed for strong drink. The stuff sold at these places is poisonous. Alcohol is known to produce the same effects and symptoms as poison, and it is a notorious and bare-faced fact that other cheaper but more destructive poisons are introduced into these drinks. It is therefore a matter of astonishment that an enlightened people will tolerate, protect and sanction such a traffic.

In the second place, we regard the traffic in strong drink as existing in our midst as a sin. It is a sin to buy and drink it. Drunkenness is classed in the Bible with the vilest sins. It is a sin to sell it. The seller defrauds and injures his victim, and the Bible says woe unto him. It is a sin to make it, for it is turning God's blessings into curses. And while we thus insult heaven, we need not wonder if drouths, mildew and blasting afflict us. This is our national sin, and the guilt and responsibility thereof recoils upon the people, for they are the source of the government. We believe it is the people's duty to purge themselves from this sin, and if they neglect to use their power to do it, we believe the righteous Judge of the universe will do it for them; and facts, modern and ancient prove that whether for a nation or an individual, it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

The Temperance enterprise has accomplished a great deal, but much remains to be done. The foe has been driven within his entrenchments. And now the final assault is to be made. The complete triumph of this cause will never be achieved until we have the manufacture, importation, and sale of strong drink prohibited by provincial enactment. Any attempt short of this, to

modify or curtail this traffic—will fail. So long as it is made it will be used.

Mr. Dunkin's Bill, known as the Temperance Act of 1864, although insufficient, should be regarded with favor—inasmuch as it is a recognition of the fundamental principles of the Temperance cause. It places the responsibility of the acts of the drunkard upon the drunkard maker—even if it be murder. If this be just, how tremendous is the guilt of those who license men to make murderers!

The right and justice of prohibition is also recognized in this bill, and let us hope that our legislators will see the consistency of giving us a free, unstinted, thorough provincial prohibitory liquor law. In the meantime, great and immediate benefits might be secured by enforcing the provisions of Dunkin's Bill in the different municipalities.

We believe the drinking customs exercise a very baneful influence upon the Church of Christ. These customs are weakening the piety of some, hindering the prayers of others, neutralizing the influence and crippling the liberality of many, and causing very many to backslide—and thus the church suffers grievously in all her interests. Not only her private members but her office-bearers, and ministers have suffered through strong drink, and thousands have fallen to rise no more. It is computed from documents of an official character that *seven-eighths* of all the offences requiring discipline in the American Church—for the last thirty years—have originated directly or indirectly in the use of strong drink. It is also calculated that at least 45,000 members are excluded from the churches of Great Britain from the same cause.

The drinking customs are a fearful barrier to the spread of christianity. The seed of the word is sown with no sparing hand in this land, but intemperance chokes the word, and in the missionary field it is the most powerful antagonist to the onward march of the Gospel.

We, therefore, recommend every man of God to equip and arm himself for this war, and every christian to stand firm in the temperance ranks, until this monster enemy of God and man be overthrown, and the flag of total abstinence floats triumphantly over every land. All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. B. AYLSWORTH. }  
G. S. WHITE. } Committee.  
Z. B. HITCHCOCK. }

## ALPHABETICAL LIST

*Of the Preachers of Bay Quinte Conference, with their Post Office.*

NAMES.	CHARGES.	POST OFFICE.
Andrews, J. H.	Augusta	Prescott.
Anderson, A.	Milford	Milford
Aylsworth, I. B.	Canifton	Belleville.
Aylsworth, D. W.	Waterloo	Loborough
Bell, J. D.	Edwardsburg	Edwardsburg
Betts, L. A.	Elgin	Philipsville
Beal, R.	Supernumary	Oil Springs.
Bird, W.	Shannonville	Belleville.
Brill, D.	Mississippi	Hardinge.
Brill, John	Clarendon	Clarendon Centre, C. E.
Brown, W.	Matilda	Iroquois
Brown, A. A.	Ottawa East	Ottawa.
Brown D.	Mississippi	Mountain Grove.
Bull, J. G.	Odessa	Odessa.
Chisholm, F.	Waterloo	Inverary.
Dawson, A.	Hinchinbrooke	Denison.
Davy, M.	Marlboro'	Burritt's Rapids.
Empey, P.	Hungertord	Tweed.
Ferguson, J.	Lonsdale	Lonsdale.
French, G.	Canifton	Belleville.
Gardiner, J.	Canifton	Canifton.
Graham, W. H.	Wolfe Island	Wolfe Island.
Graham, John	Lyndhurst	Lyndhurst.
Halliwell, John	Kingston	Kingston.
Hill, J.	Melville	Melville.
Hitchcock, Z. B.	Arnprior	Huntley.
Howard, N. H.	Hallowell	Demorestville.
Howard, E. S.	Ottawa West	Ottawa.
Hunt, A.	Augusta District	Iroquois.
Hudgins, W. G.	Williamsburg	North Williamsburgh.
Hulin, J.	Hungerfordj.	Bridgewater.
Hesselgrave, H.	Renfrew	Renfrew.
Johnson, W. E.	Rideau	Easton's Corners.
Knowlton, F. B.	Kennebec	Mountain Grove.
Lane, H.	Augusta	Morris Hill, Ill.
Lane, B.	Cnifton	Belleville.
Lewis, T.	Melville	Melville.
Martin, A.	Gananoque	Gananoque.
McAmmond, T.	Eganville	Eganville.

McNally, T.	Riceville	Vankleek Hill
Orser, E.	Tamworth	Tamworth
Perry, D.	Waterloo	Loboro
Rogers, J. A.	Osnabruck	Aultsville
Seymour, H.	Renfrew	White Lake
Sills, J. W.	Augusta	Prescott
Smith, B.	Napanee District	Wilton
Smith, J. B.	Mallorytown	Mallorytown
Smith, D.	Westmeath	Beachburgh
Smith, J.	Winchester	Winchester
Snider, W. H.	Camden	Centerville
Stone, S. G.	Brockville	Brockville
S'ratton, F. B.	Lynn	Lynn
Sherwood, E.	Riceville	Riceville
Shorts, Alex.	Roxboro'	Newington
West, I. N. D.	Odessa	Verona
Waite, A. J.	Canifton	
Wicher, James.	Mississippi & Denbigh	Mountain Grove
Woodcock, E.	Winchester	Winchester
White, G. S.	Camden	Colebrook
Williams, H.	Bay Quinto	Morven
Wilson, J. F.	Ottawa District	Easton's Corners
Wilson, D.	Napanee	Napanee
Young, S.	Farmersville	Farmersville
Youker, A.	Arnprior	Arnprior
Bishop Smith,		Brooklin
Bishop Richardson		Yorkville

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT FOR SUPERANNUATED AND CONTINGENT FUND.

*Resolved*,—That any member of this Conference or preacher in charge, who shall fail to secure the amount of Superannuated Claim assessed the Circuit, Station, or Mission upon which he may be stationed during the assessed year, shall be held personally responsible for such amount, to be recorded against him on the journals of the Conference, when he or they shall become claimants upon said fund.

To secure these funds we recommend that the plan of last year be adopted, viz.:

1st. That each Minister and Probationer, and also claimants, shall contribute to this fund annually not less than \$2.00.

2nd. That a certain sum be apportioned and collected upon each charge annually for the same purpose.

3rd. That subscriptions and collections be taken up in all our work in August, 1865, and march, 1866, by the Preachers, and handed over to the Presiding Elders of the District.

4th. That the names of all subscribers of \$1, and upwards, be printed in the Minutes.

The following sums are assessed to the Preachers and Charges respectively—by order of the Conference:

1st. That each Preacher collect and pay to the Episcopacy four dollars, payable to the Presiding Elder, one dollar at each Quarterly Meeting:

	Con. Fund.	S. Fund.		Con. Fund.	S. Fund.
Melville	\$4 00	\$8 00	Farmersville	\$6 00	\$12 00
Halliwell	5 00	15 00	Edwardsburg	4 00	6 00
Milford	4 00	6 00	Matilda	8 00	12 00
Canifton	8 00	25 00	Williamsburg	4 00	5 00
Shannonville	6 00	15 00	Winchester	6 00	12 00
Lonsdale	5 00	10 00	Osnabruck	4 00	6 00
Napanee	8 00	18 00	Roxboro'	3 00	4 00
Bay Quinte	7 00	16 00	Ottawa East	5 00	10 00
Odessa	4 00	10 00	Ottawa West	4 00	8 00
Camden	5 00	10 00	Riceville	3 00	4 00
Tamworth	3 00	5 00	Marlboro	1 00	2 00
Hungerford	3 00	5 00	Rideau	4 00	8 00
Kennebec	2 00	4 00	Arnprior	2 00	4 00
Mississippi	1 00	3 00	Renfrew	2 00	5 00
Kingston	3 00	5 00	Westmeath	2 00	4 00
Wolfe Island	4 00	8 00	Eganville	2 00	3 00
Gananoque	4 00	6 00	Clarendon	1 00	2 00
Mallorytown	3 00	4 00	Elgin	6 00	12 00
Lynn	6 00	12 00	Lyndhurst	2 00	4 00
Brockville	4 00	6 00	Waterloo	8 00	25 00
Augusta	8 00	16 00	Hinchinbrook	1 00	2 00

The Contingent Collection to be taken in all the appointments in September and October.

J. HILL, Chairman.

### COURSE OF STUDY.

1ST YEAR.—Bible, as to doctrines—questions based upon the Articles of Faith in Discipline. Books of Reference—Watson's Institutes, (1st and 2nd parts); Wesley's Plain Account of Christian Perfection; Stevens' History of Methodism (1st and 2nd vols.); English Grammar; Geography, (Lovell's); Biblical Geography, (Kitto's); Exercise in reading before the Committee, and a written Essay to be produced.

2ND YEAR.—Watson's Institutes, (3rd and 4th parts); Wesley's Sermons; Hibbard on Baptism; Discipline; Bangs' Original Church; Stevens' History of Methodism, (3rd vol.); or Bangs' History;

Parker's Natural Philosophy; English Grammar; Rhetoric, (Blair's); Logic, (Hedge's); A skeleton of a Sermon to be produced.

3RD YEAR.—A review of 1st and 2nd years, as to Bible and Church History; Fletcher's Checks; McIlvaine's Evidences of Christianity; Horne's Introduction (abridged); General History; Upham's Mental Philosophy; a written Essay or Sermon.

4TH YEAR.—Review of the whole course—Stevens' Church Polity; Hallam's Middle Ages; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Townley's Biblical Literature; Claude's Essay on Composition; A written Essay or Sermon.

### NAMES AND STANDING

*Of Local Preachers in the Bay Quinte Annual Conference.*

#### NAPANEE DISTRICT.

*Melville.*—A. Wood, Deacon; G. F. Byam, Deacon; John Lewis.  
*Milford.*—Wm. Williams.  
*Canifon.*—Wm. Sills, Elder; A. Parks.  
*Hungerford.*—J. Wright, Deacon; J. Border.  
*Shannonville.*—F. Williams, E. Werden, W. Carman, G. Goldsmith, F. Cole.  
*Napanee.*—S. D. Short, Elder; D. Unger, Deacon; C. Pringle.  
*Bay Quinte.*—D. David, Deacon; J. Galloway.  
*Camden.*—B. Lewis, T. Furs, B. Aylsworth.  
*Tamworth.*—C. Thompson, Elder; J. Sanderson.  
*Kennebec.*—H. Parks.  
*Waterloo.*—J. Freeman, W. Caverly, J. McMullen, A. Babcock, H. Hunt.

#### AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

*Kingston.*—B. Atkinson, Deacon; J. D. Powley.  
*Wolfe Island.*—J. Ranous.  
*Augusta.*—A. B. Pardee, Wm. Service.  
*Mallorytown.*—James Avery.  
*Winchester.*—B. Meacher, J. S. Johnson, Deacons; U. Manhard, E. Cross.  
*Matilda.*—E. Tuttle, Deacon, B. Woolery.

#### OTTAWA DISTRICT.

*Ottawa.*—J. Cross.  
*Riceville.*—J. Pickering.  
*Eganville.*—F. Ailward.  
*Westmeath.*—G. Campbell.  
*Rideau.*—T. Edmonds.  
*Elgin.*—W. Brown, Sen., Elder; E. Ash, Elder; A. Wiltse.  
*Lyndhurst.*—L. Hurlbert, Elder; N. White, George Halliday and J. Wing.

## STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims, Receipts, Deficit.		
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Napanea District.....	B. Smith.....	400 00	331 03	9 00
Melville.....	J. Hill.....	400 00	323 36	77 70
Hallowell.....	J. A. Rogers.....	500 00	352 00	148 00
Milford.....	A. A. Anderson.....	300 00	175 00	125 00
Canifton.....	J. Gardner.....	550 00	414 00	100 00
".....	I. B. Aylsworth.....	100 00	100 00	.....
Shannonville.....	J. Ferguson.....	400 00	336 25	63 75
Hungerford.....	P. Empey.....	300 00	134 00	160 00
".....	J. Wisner.....	400 00	139 00	261 00
Napanea.....	D. Wilson.....	450 00	397 00	53 00
".....	G. French.....	400 00	324 00	76 00
Mississippi & Den'g.....	G. S. White.....	200 00	124 66	175 94
".....	D. Brill.....	.....	150 00	.....
Bay of Quinte.....	H. Williams.....	500 00	472 00	28 00
".....	J. G. Bull.....	450 00	394 57	85 43
Camden.....	W. A. Snider.....	410 00	310 00	100 00
Tamworth.....	J. Halliwell.....	.....	161 00	.....
".....	J. Hulia.....	.....	68 89	.....
Kennebec.....	F. B. Knowlton.....	325 00	235 00	90 00
Hinchinbrook.....	J. B. Smith.....	330 00	195 21	194 79
Waterloo.....	D. W. Aylsworth.....	400 00	370 00	30 00
".....	W. H. Graham.....	.....	304 00	96 00
Augusta District.....	J. H. Andrews.....	373 00	350 00	23 00
Kingston.....	E. S. Howard.....	231 00	231 00	.....
Wolfe Island.....	A. Martin.....	350 00	225 00	25 00
Pittsburg.....	E. Orser.....	400 00	280 94	119 06
Mallorytown.....	A. McLaren.....	.....	.....	.....
Lynn.....	A. J. Waite.....	500 00	300 00	.....
Brockville.....	S. G. Stone.....	400 00	352 00	48 00
Augusta.....	W. Brown.....	500 00	500 00	.....
Edwardsburg.....	J. D. Bell.....	325 00	171 00	154 00
Matilda.....	A. Hunt.....	450 00	407 50	42 50
".....	A. Traveller.....	150 00	135 50	14 50
Winchester.....	E. Woodcock.....	440 00	418 00	22 00
Williamsburg.....	W. G. Hudgins.....	325 00	303 00	22 00
Osnabrock.....	F. B. Straton.....	365 00	250 00	115 00
Roxboro'.....	.....	390 00	345 00	45 00
Ottawa District.....	J. F. Wilson.....	415 00	395 00	50 00
Elgin.....	L. A. Betts.....	400 00	400 00	.....
Lyndhurst.....	F. Chisholm.....	400 00	213 00	187 00
Farmersville.....	E. Young.....	500 00	489 00	11 00
Rideau.....	W. E. Johnson.....	400 00	400 00	.....
Ottawa.....	A. A. Brown.....	550 00	446 47	113 53
".....	R. Lane.....	175 00	176 96	.....
Riesville.....	E. Sherwood.....	300 00	219 24	80 76
Amprior.....	A. Yonker.....	380 00	380 00	60 00
Renfrew.....	H. Heesselgrave.....	280 00	224 50	55 50
Westmeath.....	D. Smith.....	345 00	305 00	40 00
Eganville.....	P. McAmmond.....	270 00	208 00	62 00
Marboro.....	M. Davy.....	325 00	180 00	145 00
Clarendon.....	J. Graham.....	225 00	215 00	80 00