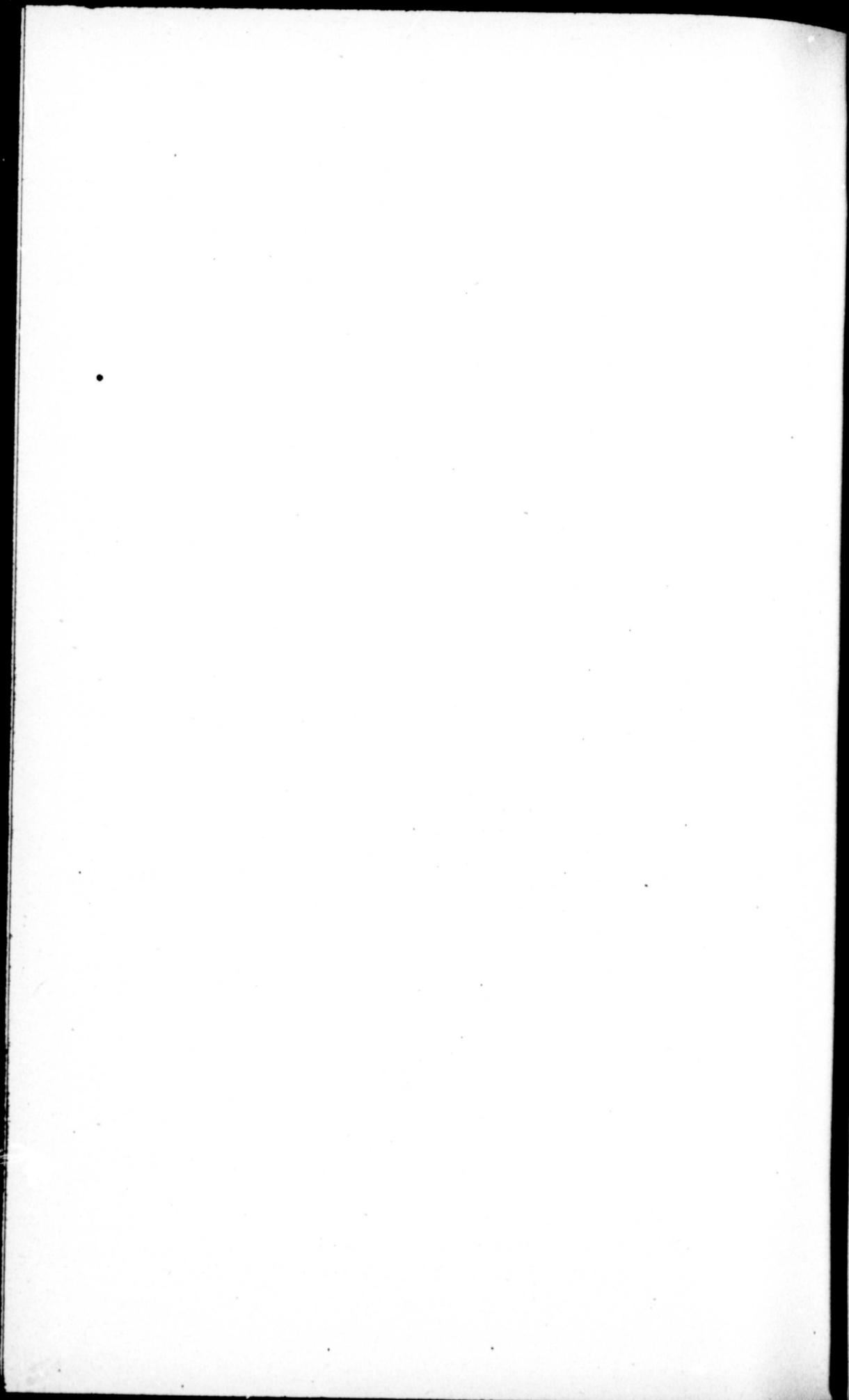


MINUTES
OF THE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE TENTH SESSION
OF THE
NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE
OF
THE METHODIST CHURCH,

*Held in the COCHRANE STREET METHODIST CHURCH;
St. John's, June 28th, 1893.*



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1893.

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REVS. J. T. NEWMAN, Wm. H. BROWNING,
MARK FENWICK.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE

OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA,

WAS ORGANIZED IN THE GEORGE STREET CHURCH,
ST. JOHN'S, AUGUST 5, 1874.



SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

YEAR.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
1874	St. John's.	G. S. Milligan, M.A.	Thomas Harris.
1875	St. John's.	Thomas Harris.	James Dove.
1876	St. John's.	James Dove.	John Goodison.
1877	Carbonear.	John Goodison.	Joseph Pascoe.
1878	St. John's.	G. S. Milligan, M.A.	James Dove.
1879	St. John's.	James Dove.	Charles Ladner.
1880	Carbonear.	Thomas Harris.	Charles Ladner.
1881	St. John's.	Charles Ladner.	George Boyd.
1882	St. John's.	John S. Peach.	W. W. Percival.
1883	Carbonear.	James Dove.	Geo. J. Bond, B.A.

*The Newfoundland Conference of the Methodist Church was organized
in Gower Street Church, St. John's, July 1st, 1884.*

YEAR.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
1884	St. John's.	G. S. Milligan, LL.D.	Geo. J. Bond, B.A.
1885	St. John's.	Geo. J. Bond, B.A.	George Boyd.
1886	Harbor Grace	George Boyd.	F. G. Willey.
1887	St. John's.	Jeremiah Embree.	William Swann.
1888	St. John's.	Geo. J. Bond, B.A.	William Swann.
1889	Carbonear.	Thomas H. James.	William Swann.
1890	St. John's.	William Swann.	James Nurse.
1891	St. John's.	James Nurse.	George P. Story.
1892	Grand Bank.	Thos. W. Atkinson.	A. D. Morton, M.A.
1893	St. John's.	George P. Story.	A. D. Morton, M.A.

MINUTES
OF THE
NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE
OF
THE METHODIST CHURCH,
HELD IN ST. JOHN'S.

The TENTH SESSION of the NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE was opened in the Cochrane Street Church, St. John's, on Wednesday, June 28th, 1893, at 9.30 a.m., the President, Rev. T. W. Atkinson, in the chair.

After singing 753rd hymn, the Secretary, Rev. A. D. Morton, M.A., read the Scriptures, Isaiah 58th Chapter, and the Rev. J. Reay and Mr. John Steer engaged in prayer.

QUESTION I.—What Members of Conference are now present ?

The Secretary called the roll, and thirty-eight ministers and eight laymen answered to their names.

Following are the names of the lay members as reported by the District Secretaries :

I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

W. F. Burns, D.D.S.,
Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
John Angel,
Charles R. Steer,
John Steer,
Hon. James Angel,

Hon. H. J. B. Woods,
Arthur Mews,
George Mews,
Arthur W. Martin,
A. F. Shirran,
S. R. March.

II.—CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

John Trapnell,
T. B. LeGrow,
E. H. Parsons,
Stephen Cramm,
Allan Hudson,
Alfred Penney,

A. A. Thompson,
Nath. Pike,
J. C. Moores,
Bernard Parsons,
Andrew Black.

III.—BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

George Allen,
William Garland,
Samuel Small,
George Jones,
James Bowers,
John B. Wheeler,
Simon Manuel,

Solomon Roberts,
James Brown,
Luke Manuel,
Andrew Roberts,
Titus Linfield,
George House,
Joseph Butler.

IV.—BURIN DISTRICT.

Daniel Bishop,
George A. Buffett,
Samuel Harris,

Charles Curtis,
John E. Lake,

ELECTIONS.

The Rev. George P. Story was elected President

The Rev. A. D. Morton, M.A., was re-elected Secretary.

The Revs. J. T. Newman, Wm. H. Browning and Mark Fenwick were re-appointed Assistant Secretaries.

REPORTERS.

The Revs. Charles Lench and W. J. Hutcheson to Local Papers and *Methodist Monthly Greeting*; the Rev. Herbert Hooper to *Methodist Recorder*, and the Rev. W. T. D. Dunn to the *Wesleyan* and *Guardian*.

HOURS OF SESSION.

The hours of Session were fixed as follows :

From 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 ; and from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

STATIONS.

The first draft of Stations was laid on the table by the Secretary of the Stationing Committee, at the close of the morning session of the first day, and read.

MINISTERIAL SESSION.

The minutes of the Ministerial Session, held in accordance with Sec. V., par. 137, of the Discipline, were read for record, as follows :

The Ministerial Session of the TENTH NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE was held in the Cochrane St. Church, St. John's, on Tuesday, June 27th, 1893, at 9:30 o'clock, a.m., the President, Rev. T. W. Atkinson, in the chair.

After singing the 747th hymn, the Secretary, Rev. A. D. Morton, M. A., read the 38th Chapter in the book of Job, and Revs. Doctors Milligan and Dove led in prayer.

The roll being called, 25 ministers answered to their names.

QUESTION II.—What Ministers have been transferred to or from this Conference ?

ANSWER :

From this Conference : Rev. James Lumsden to the Conference of Nova Scotia.

QUESTION III.—Are there any objections to any of our Ministers or Probationers for the Ministry ?

ANSWER :

They were examined one by one.

QUESTION IV.—Who have resigned from the Ministry of our Church, and are entitled to credentials of standing ?

ANSWER :

F. R. Duffill, who has connected himself with the British Conference.
Henry Abraham, who has connected himself with the M. E. Church in the United States.

QUESTION V.—Who are dropped in silence for irregular withdrawal from our work ?

ANSWER : None.

QUESTION VI.—Who are suspended from the Ministry ?

ANSWER : None.

QUESTION VII.—Who are deposed from the Ministry and expelled from the Church ?

ANSWER : None.

QUESTION VIII.—What probationers for the Ministry are now received into full connexion with the Conference, and ordained ?

ANSWER :

William J. Hutcheson, S. J. Russell, W. H. Dotchon.

QUESTION IX.—What probationers for the Ministry remain on trial.

ANSWER I :

Probationer of four years : J. E. Peters, who is now at College.

ANSWER II :

Probationers of three years : Selby Jefferson, Charles Flemington, William Patterson, William Seely. Also H. J. Indoe, James Smith, J. K. Kelly, A. C. Skinner, who are at College.

ANSWER III.

Probationers of two years : J. J. Durrant, William E. Ambrose, George Stoney, Edwin Moore, Herbert Clegg, Arthur Antle.

ANSWER IV :

Probationer of one year : Charles W. Follett.

QUESTION X.—What Candidates for the Ministry are now received on trial?

ANSWER :

- (a) Bramwell Peck, Thomas E. Roberts, John J. Blythe, Francis G. Drake, George E. Heal, who are to be regarded as having travelled one year.
- (b) Charles W. Squires, Charles Howse, Thomas W. Harwood, Eugene Forsey.

QUESTION XI.—What probationers for the Ministry are now permitted to attend College?

ANSWER :

- (a) J. E. Peters, who has travelled four years, and been one year at College.
- (b) H. J. Indoe, James Smith, who have travelled three years, and been three years at College.
- (c) James K. Kelly, who has travelled three years, and been one year at College.
- (d) Selby Jefferson, Charles Flemington, Wm. Patterson, who have travelled three years, and are now permitted to attend College.
- (e) A. C. Skinner, Wm. Seeley, who have travelled three years, and are permitted to attend Boston School of Theology.

QUESTION XII.—Who are on the List of Reserve?

ANSWER: None.

QUESTION XIII.—Who are the Supernumeraries?

James Dove, D.D., Edgar Taylor, who has permission to reside in Manitoba.

QUESTION XIV.—What Supernumeraries return to the full work of the Ministry?

ANSWER: None.

QUESTION XV.—What persons who were in full connexion with the Conference now cease to be recognized as Ministers among us?

ANSWER: None.

QUESTION XVI.—Who has been received into the Conference as a Minister in full connexion?

ANSWER: None.

QUESTION XVII.—What Ministers and Probationers for the Ministry have died during the year?

ANSWER: None.

Newfoundland Conference Necrology,

SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1874.

*" These all died in faith. They rest from their labors,
and their works do follow them."*

ENTERED MINISTRY.	NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	DIED.		AGE.	NO. YEARS IN MINISTRY.
			PLACE.	DATE.		
1873	John Dixon.....	.....	Jackson Cove	Aug. 4, 1876	26	4
1871	John G. Currie.....	.....	Carbonear...	May 8, 1878	27	7
1873	George H. Bryant..	Cornwall, England.	Old Perlican.	Sept. 17, 1879	37	7
1828	W. E. Shenston....	.....	Brigus	Dec. 11, 1880	77	52
1884	Theo. B. G. Howe..	St. Kitts, W. I....	Sel-Come-By	Feb. 4, 1888	31	4
1856	Thomas Fox.....	Devonshire, Engla'd	Topsail	Mar. 31, 1889	7	33
1860	John Goodison....	Manchester, Engla'd	Carbonear...	Feb. 21, 1890	53	29
1840	John S. Peach.....	Woodford, England	Blackhead...	Sept. 18, 1891	81	52

QUESTION XVIII.—Who compose the several Conference Committees?

ANSWER:

I. COMMITTEES FOR THE SESSION.

STATIONING COMMITTEE.

<i>Districts.</i>	<i>Chairmen.</i>	<i>Representatives</i>
St. John's.....	James Dove, D.D.....	John Pratt.
Carbonear.....	Thos. W. Atkinson.....	Anthony Hill.
Bonavista.....	James Nurse.....	Jabez Hill.
Burin.....	Wm. Swann.....	Levi Curtis, B.A.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
John Pratt.	Hon. J. J. Rogerson.
Wm. Kendall.	George Mews.
George C. Frazer.	C. R. Steer.
Levi Curtis, B.A.	

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
George Paine.	Samuel Harris.
Levi Curtis, B.A.	John Angel.
F. George Willey.	Alfred Penney.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Wm. Swann.	T. W. Atkinson.	J. J. Wheatley.
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CONTINGENT FUND COMMITTEE.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
A. D. Morton, M.A.	George Mews.
James Nurse.	John C. Moores.
George C. Frazer.	C. R. Steer.
William Swann.	S. R. March.
Thomas H. James.	Hon. H. J. B. Woods.
John T. Newman.	Hon. James Angel.
	J. E. P. Peters.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
H. P. Cowperthwaite, M.A.	Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
Levi Curtis, B.A.	“ James Angel,
Mark Fenwick,	Arthur W. Martin,
William Kendall,	John Steer,
James Wilson,	Arthur Mews,
Solomon Matthews.	William J. Scott,
Samuel Snowden,	John Trapnell,
Henry Scott,	A. F. Shirran.

SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
James Pincock,	C. P. Ayre,
R. W. Freeman,	Alfred Penney,
Charles Iench,	W. J. Scott,
Thomas B. Darby, B.A.	Daniel Bishop.

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AGE.	NO. YEARS IN MINISTRY.
6	4
7	7
7	7
7	52
1	4
7	33
3	29
1	52

EPWORTH LEAGUE COMMITTEE.

Ministers.

G. P. Story, President.
William Kendall,
William H. Browning,
John T. Newman,

Laymen.

Charles Bulley,
B. Parsons,
Joseph Butler,
C. Curtis.

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Ministers.

James Dove, D.D.,
T. W. Atkinson,
George C. Frazer,
William Kendall,
William Swann,
F. G. Willey,
W. T. D. Dunn,
Jabez Hill,

Laymen.

Dr. Burns,
John B. Ayre,
C. Macpherson,
Alex. Scott,
Alex. Robinson,
A. Black,
James Brown,
C. Curtis.

NEWFOUNDLAND DAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Ministers.

Solomon Matthews,
James Pincock,
R. W. Freeman,
William Swann,
Levi Curtis, B.A.,
Mark Fenwick,
George C. Frazer,

Laymen.

George Mews,
Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
A. Black,
D. Bishop,
C. Curtis,
J. P. Thompson, M.H.A.,
W. J. Scott.

EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE.

Ministers.

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Levi Curtis, B.A.,
T. B. Darby, B.A.,
R. W. Freeman,
James Nurse,

Laymen.

Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
Hon. H. J. B. Woods,
C. P. Ayre,
C. Curtis,
John Steer,
Joseph Pippy,
I. C. Morris.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND COMMITTEE.

James Dove, D.D.,
James Pincock,
John Pratt,

J. E. P. Peters,
John Angel,
Dr. Burns.

CHILDREN'S FUND COMMITTEE.

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James Nurse,
William Swann,

A. D. Morton,
William Kendall,
Jabez Hill,
John T. Newman,

F. G. Willey, Secretary-Treasurer.

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<i>Ministers</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
A. D. Morton, M.A., H. C. Hatcher, B.D., George G. Frazer, William Swann,	S. R. March, J. C. Moore, J. P. Thompson, John Trapnell,
Jabez Hill, Secretary-Treasurer.	

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John Pratt, James Wilson, J. J. Wheatley, Levi Curtis, B.A.

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CONFERENCE LETTER WRITERS.

<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Layman.</i>
John Pye,	C. R. Steer.

II. STANDING COMMITTEES.

CONFERENCE SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

President and Secretary of Conference and Chairman of Districts.
Dr. Milligan, H. P. Cowperthwaite,
Dr. Dove, John Pratt,
James Nurse.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The President of Conference ; the Chairman of Districts ; representatives to the General Board, and the following laymen elected by the District Meetings :

Hon. J. J. Rogerson, Alfred Penney,	J. P. Thompson, M.H.A. Samuel Harris,
J. Dove, D.D., Secretary-Treasurer.	

PARSONAGE AID FUND COMMITTEE.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
President of Conference, Secretary of Conference, T. W. Atkinson, Wm. Kendall, Wm. J. Bartlett, A. A. Holmes, Solomon Matthews, Charles Lench,	C. P. Ayre, Wm. Withycombe, Hon. J. J. Rogerson, John Steer, R. K. Bishop, A. Lindsay, Henry Gallop, Charles Bulley.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

The Secretaries of Districts, | The Asst. Secretaries of Conference
James Wilson, Convener.

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The President and Secretary of Conference.

Ministers.

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 W. R. Tratt,

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Secretary of Conference in absence of President to be Convener.

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 Jabez Hill,
 F. G. Willey,
 George C. Frazer,
 William Kendall,
 A. Hill.

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 William Swann,
 John Pratt,
 James Nurse,

Laymen.

Alfred Penney,
 S. R. March,
 Dr. Burns,
 B. Parsons,
 John Trapnell,
 George Mews,
 A. F. Shirran,
 John Angel,

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

James Nurse.

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Rev. G. P. Story, and Hon. J. J. Rogerson.

II. Central Sabbath School Board.

Rev. R. W. Freeman and A. W. Martin.

III. Corresponding Member of Sabbath School Board.

Rev. R. W. Freeman.

IV. Transfer Committee.

Rev. George P. Story.

V. Supernumerary Fund.

Rev. G. P. Story and Hon. J. J. Rogerson.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

Ministers.

William Swann,
T. H. James,
R. W. Freeman,
James Nurse,
T. W. Atkinson,

Laymen.

Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
Hon. H. J. B. Woods,
Alfred Penney,
J. E. P. Peters,
A. W. Martin.

ALTERNATES.

G. S. Milligan, LL.D.,
John Pratt,

R. K. Bishop,
John Steer.

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Contingent Fund.....	Rev. George C. Frazer.
Union Church Relief Fund.....	Rev. R. W. Freeman.
Supernumerary and Missionary Fund.....	Rev. James Dove, D.D.
Educational Fund.....	Rev. G. P. Story.
Sunday School Aid Fund.....	Rev. R. W. Freeman.

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Destitute Localities.

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Dr. Milligan,
William Swann,

Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
Hon. H. J. B. Woods.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

To consider recommendation Ed. Com. re making provision for Theological training of Candidates for Ministry.

Geo. P. Story, President,
A. D. Morton, M.A., Sec.,
Dr. Dove,
Dr. Milligan,

J. Pratt,
Hon. J. J. Rogerson,
Hon. H. J. B. Woods,
G. W. Mews,

A. J. Robinson.

QUESTION XIX.—How are the Ministers and probationers for the Ministry stationed for the ensuing year?

ANSWER:

G. P. STORY, President.

A. D. MORTON, M.A., Secretary.

I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

1. St. John's (Gower Street)—A. D. Morton, M.A., Sec. of Conference.
2. St. John's West—H. P. Cowperthwaite, M.A., J. J. Blythe, James Dove, D.D., Supernumerary; G. S. Milligan, LL.D., Superintendent of Methodist Schools, by permission of Conference.
3. St. John's East—John Pratt.
4. Pouch Cove—H. C. Hatcher, B.D.
5. Topsail—John Reay.

6. Brigus—W. T. D. Dunn.
7. Cupids—S. Matthews, T. E. Roberts.
8. Bay Roberts and Spaniard's Bay—F. G. Willey.
Whitbourne—George P. Story, Guardian of Home; President of Conference.
9. Flower's Cove—Supply.
10. St. Anthony—Herbert Clegg.
11. Red Bay—A. N. Antle.
12. Hamilton Inlet—Supply.
13. Chapel Arm—Supply, under direction of President of Conference.
14. Sound Island—W. B. Ambrose.
15. Labrador (Summer months) to be supplied under the direction of the President of Conference.

STUDENTS AT SACKVILLE.

Sackville—H. J. Indoe, J. Smith, J. E. Peters, J. K. Kelly, C. Flemington, J. J. Durrant, W. Patterson, Selby Jefferson.

Boston School of Theology—A. C. Skinner, W. Seeley.

John C. Sidey is left without an appointment for one year, at his own request.

GEO. P. STORY, Chairman,

A. D. MORTON, M.A., Fin. Sec.

II—CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

16. Carbonear—James Nurse, F. G. Drake, Edgar Taylor, Supernumerary, 14 Thirty-fifth street, South Winnipeg.
17. Harbor Grace—William Swann.
18. Freshwater—A. Hill.
19. Blackhead—R. W. Freeman.
20. Western Bay—W. Kendall.
21. Lower Island Cove—W. R. Tratt.
22. Old Perlican—S. Snowden.
23. Hants Harbor—James Wilson.
24. Heart's Content—J. Pincock.
25. Green's Harbor—W. J. Bartlett.
26. Shoal Harbor—John Pye.
27. Northern Bight—Bramwell Peck.
28. Britannia Cove—R. K. P., under the direction of the Chairman of District.

Jesse Heyfield is left without an appointment for one year, at his own request.

W. SWANN, Chairman.

W. KENDALL, Fin. Sec.

III—BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

29. Bonavista—T. W. Atkinson.
 30. Bird Island Cove—Edwin Moore.
 31. Catalina—Mark Fenwick.
 32. Trinity—G. C. Frazer.
 33. Musgrave Town—W. H. Dotchon.
 34. Glover Town—One to be sent.
 35. Greenspond—Charles Lench.
 36. Wesleyville—William Harris.
 37. Musgrave Harbor—A. A. Holmes.
 38. Indian Islands and Seldom-Come-By—George Stoney.
 39. Fogo—J. J. Wheatley.
 40. Herring Neck and Change Islands—A. Stoney.
 41. Twillingate—Jabez Hill, T. W. Harwood.
 42. Moreton's Harbor—S. J. Russell.
 43. Exploits—Henry Scott.
 44. Laureceton and Marshallville—One to be sent.
 45. Little Bay Islands and Pilley's Island--W. J. Hutcheson, E. J.
 46. Little Bay—William H. Browning.
 47. Nipper's Harbor and Tilt Cove—One to be sent.
 48. White Bay—S. I. M., under direction of the Chairman of District.
- H. Hooper and W. Rex are left without appointments for one year, at their own request.

JABEZ HILL, Chairman.

GEO. C. FRAZER, Fin. Sec.

IV—BURIN DISTRICT.

49. Burin—T. H. James.
50. Spoon Cove—Charles Howse.
51. Flat Island—Charles Squires.
52. St. Pierre—One Wanted.
53. Fortune—George Paine.
54. Grand Bank—Levi Curtis, B. A.
55. Garnish and Fortune Bay—C. W. Follett.
56. Burgeo—Supply.
57. Petites—E. Forsey.
58. Channel—John T. Newman.
59. St. George's Bay—T. B. Darby, B. A.
60. Bay of Islands—One to be sent.
61. Bonne Bay—G. E. Heal.
62. French Shore—Supply.

T. H. JAMES, Chairman.

J. T. NEWMAN, Fin. Sec.

QUESTION XX.—What is the number of our church members? What is the number of baptisms administered, and of marriages solemnized by each Minister?

I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	PRESENT MEMBERS.			Number Published last Year.	RESULTS.		Catechumens not counted in Total.	BAPTISMS.			Marriages.	Burials.	Copies of "Guardian" or "Wesleyan" taken.
	Full Membership.	On Trial.	Total.		Increase.	Decrease.		Infants.	Adult.	Total.			
St. John's, Gower....	360	40	400	450	...	50	25	65	..	65	32	20	
St. John's, West.....	381	41	422	385	37	...	20	90	..	90	42	45	
St. John's, East.....	119	26	145	244	...	99	30	33	..	33	16	20	
Pouch Cove.....	107	6	113	101	12	...	...	17	..	17	8	11	3
Topsail.....	28	6	34	25	9	...	...	3	..	3	6	1	1
Brigus.....	116	17	133	144	...	11	...	35	..	35	8	23	
Cupids, Port-de-Grave	254	19	273	227	46	...	73	53	..	53	19	36	5
Bay Roberts, Spaniards													
Bay & Whitbourne.	243	70	313	378	...	65	...	34	..	34	11	22	6
Flower's Cove.....	59	1	60	69	...	9	...	11	..	11	5	11	
St. Anthony.....	99	...	99	103	...	4	...	31	..	31	5	8	
Red Bay.....	54	31	85	74	11	...	...	6	..	6	1	2	
*Hamilton Inlet.....													
Railway Mission.....	45	5	50	57	...	7	...	16	..	16	....	3	
Total for District...	1865	262	2127	2257	115	245	148	394	..	394	153	202	15

*Hamilton Inlet—No returns.

II.—CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

Carbonear.....	503	83	586	443	143	...	33	77	..	77	16	57	
Harbor Grace.....	151	23	174	159	15	...	...	37	..	37	16	31	6
Freshwater.....	332	132	464	365	99	...	...	57	..	57	24	41	1
Blackhead.....	629	81	710	701	9	...	...	67	..	67	15	23	4
Western Bay.....	217	11	228	249	...	21	...	36	..	36	11	11	1
Island Cove.....	277	4	281	332	...	51	...	59	..	59	5	33	2
Old Perlican.....	297	20	317	317	...	...	...	30	..	30	3	30	4
Hant's Harbor.....	226	5	231	291	...	60	...	52	..	52	13	18	3
Heart's Content.....	123	27	150	150	...	...	...	18	..	18	9	9	4
Green's Harbor.....	76	15	91	75	16	...	...	17	..	17	9	8	
Random, North.....	89	...	89	132	...	43	...	37	..	37	6	10	4
Random, South.....	140	6	146	180	...	34	...	31	..	31	5	2	
Britannia Cove.....	171	6	177	174	3	...	...	24	1	25	15	2	
Total for District...	3231	413	3644	3599	285	209	33	542	1	543	147	275	30

III.—BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	PRESENT MEMBERS.			Number Published last Year.	RESULTS.		Catechumens not counted in Total.	BAPTISMS.			Copies of "Guardian" or "Wesleyan" taken.	
	Full Membership.	On Trial.	Total.		Increase.	Decrease.		Infants.	Adult.	Total.		Marriages.	Burials.
Bonavista	230	.....	230	345	.....	115	.....	72	72	23	49	3
Bird Island Cove.....	94	.....	94	101	.....	7	.....	26	26	4	11	1
Catalina.....	118	.....	118	116	2	.....	.....	39	39	7	18	3
Trinity	119	7	126	152	.....	26	.....	23	23	4	10	1
Musgrave Town.....	92	94	186	91	95	.....	.....	41	41	5	18	2
Glover Town	228	.....	228	217	11	.....	.....	22	22	8	.....	.....
Greenspond.....	200	6	206	223	.....	17	.....	39	39	8	11	3
Wesleyville.....	214	4	218	271	.....	53	.....	64	64	19	21	3
Musgrave Harbor....	163	29	192	153	39	.....	.....	32	32	15	12	2
Indian Islands and Seldom-Come-By...	158	1	159	150	9	.....	.....	31	31	12	8	2
Fogo	77	17	94	78	16	.....	.....	14	14	3	4	.....
Herring Neck.....	212	17	229	227	2	.....	.....	22	22	12	14	.....
Twillingate.....	314	22	336	355	.....	19	.....	83	83	27	47	1
Moreton's Harbor	139	.....	139	142	.....	3	.....	46	46	9	12	.....
Exploits	289	33	322	335	.....	13	.....	42	42	13	27	2
Laurenceton, etc.....	207	2	209	224	.....	15	.....	32	32	10	9	1
Little Bay Islands....	180	33	213	200	13	.....	11	95	95	20	28	1
Little Bay.....	100	53	153	146	7	.....	.....	33	33	6	14	1
Nipper's Harbor and Tilt Cove.....	240	19	259	222	37	.....	10	52	52	21	20	.....
White Bay	62	21	83	73	10	.....	.....	16	16	4	2	.....
Total for District...	3436	358	3794	3821	241	268	21	824	824	230	335	26

IV.—BURIN DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	PRESENT MEMBERS.			Number Published last Year.	RESULTS.			BAPTISMS.			Marriages.	Burials.	Copies of "Guardian" or "Wesleyan" taken.
	Full Membership.	On Trial.	Total.		Increase.	Decrease.	Catechumens not counted in Total.	Infants.	Adult.	Total.			
Burin.....	212	3	215	304	....	89	....	54	..	54	19	19	4
Spoon Cove.....	86	....	86	....	86	....	....	21	..	21	2	7	....
Flat Islands.....	108	12	120	144	....	24	....	27	..	27	7	18	3
Sound Island.....	86	15	101	102	....	1	....	35	..	35	12	8	1
Fortune.....	93	70	163	98	65	....	25	..	27	15	8	8	4
Grand Bank.....	201	6	207	209	....	2	7	45	..	45	22	41	10
Garnish.....	50	2	52	47	5	....	....	7	..	7	2	1	1
Burgeo.....	37	2	39	38	1	....	12	2	..	2	1	1	....
Petites.....	106	4	110	117	....	7	....	25	..	25	2	2	1
Channel.....	32	5	37	40	....	3	....	7	..	7	10	8	2
Bay St. George and Bay of Islands.....	45	9	54	44	10	....	4	14	..	14	1	3	2
Bonne Bay.....	75	10	85	91	....	6	....	19	..	19	6	3	2
Total for District...	1131	138	1269	1234	167	132	48	283	..	283	99	119	30

RECAPITULATION.

St. John's.....	1865	262	2127	2257	115	245	148	394	..	394	153	202	15
Carbonear.....	3231	413	3644	3599	285	209	33	542	1	543	147	275	30
Bonavista.....	3436	358	3794	3821	241	268	21	824	..	824	230	335	26
Burin.....	1131	138	1269	1234	167	132	48	283	..	283	99	119	30
Total for Conference	9663	1171	10834	10911	808	854	250	2043	1	2044	629	931	101

Net Decrease.....77

QUESTION XXI.—What is the number of ministers and probationers for the ministry, and laymen, in the Quarterly Official Boards?

SYNOPSIS.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	MINISTERS.					LEADERS AND ASSISTANTS.			Stewards.	REPRESENTATIVES.			S. School Superintendents.	Epworth League Presidents.	Net Total.
	Effective.	Supernumerary.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Exhorters.	Male.	Female.	Total.		Society.	Trustee Board.	Total.			
St. John's	11	1	4	12	51	70	40	110	45	41	12	53	26	5	192
Carbonear	11	1	3	11	90	146	95	241	34	34	13	47	58	5	367
Bonavista	14	..	7	21	107	152	75	227	60	22	34	56	60	4	379
Burin	5	..	6	7	38	42	45	87	42	20	10	30	28	3	196
Total for Confr'nce	41	2	20	51	286	410	255	665	181	117	69	186	172	12	1134

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QUESTION XXII.—What is the number of Sabbath Schools ?

Names of Districts.	No. of Preaching appointments.		OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.								
	No. of Schools.	Members of the Methodist Church.	Non-Members.	Total.	Average Attendance.	In Primary Class.	Intermediate Classes.	Adult Classes.	Total.	Average Attendance.	Conversions for year.	Members of Church.	Learning Catechism.	No. have taken Total Abstinence Pledge.	
St. John's	67	33	246	45	291	243	924	1111	466	2501	1720	186	275	1398	665
Carbonear	67	55	374	67	441	364	1237	1206	1283	3801	2855	202	598	1364	927
Bonavista	133	59	313	91	404	300	1365	1509	891	3840	2761	124	267	1502	647
Burin....	71	29	171	18	189	161	488	666	243	1397	1161	84	116	776	469
	338	176	1104	221	1325	1068	4014	4492	2883	11539	8497	596	1256	5540	2708
Increase..	....	11	73	....	55	42	208	....	262	462	315	....	....	263	....
Decrease .	2	....	....	18	....	....	....	121	....	....	....	343	205	....	225

Epworth League Presidents.	
5	192
4	367
3	379
3	196
Net Total.	
12	1134

LITERATURE.							MONEYS RAISED BY SCHOOLS.					EPWORTH LEAGUE.		
Volumes in Library.	Copies of Onward.	Pleasant Hours.	Happy Days.	Sunbeam.	Berean Leaf and Quarterly.	Sunday School Banner	Copies of other papers, not published in our Book Room.	For Missions.	For School Purpose.	For Sunday School Aid and Extension Fund.	Schools that hold Regular Meetings for Study of Lessons.	Schools kept open whole year.	No. Epworth Leagues.	Membership Epworth Leagues.
2152	212	410	225	205	1030	132	506	\$1035 88	\$717 65	\$37 90	3	14	5	280
1793	215	439	287	239	1245	121	37	239 03	506 54	19 17	3	46	1	25
1075	328	587	447	455	1118	158	56	377 89	413 52	40 41	....	41	4	102
511	157	223	140	165	622	94	....	237 24	119 35	14 08	1	24	3	441
										*20 00				
5531	912	1659	1099	1064	4015	505	599	1890 04	1757 06	131 56	7	125	13	848
....	120	418	55	6	375	82	....	23 19	....	33 86	....	....	....	49
265	....	....	....	....	....	....	255	....	143 67	....	4	....	1	....

* Collection at Conference.

QUESTION XXIII.—What has been collected for the various Connexional Funds?
I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	Missionary.	Supernumerary.	Educational.	Contingent.	General Conference.	Union Church Relief.	Sunday School Aid.	Sustentation.	Annual Conference.	Children's Fund.	Women's Missionary.	Total Connexional Funds.
St. John's, Gower.....	\$ 545 26	\$ 35 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 50 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 817 26	
" West.....	1303 90	40 00	40 00	30 00	12 00	19 60	430 00	20 00	90 00	59 76	2150 26	
" East.....	473 67	20 00	26 00	30 00	11 50	3 75	32 84	10 00	60 00	671 26		
Pouch Cove.....	96 14	2 18	2 47	1 14	1 00	0 79	4 03	1 00	60 00	169 75		
Topsail.....	29 04	1 30	1 00	0 70	1 00	0 50	1 00	0 60	60 00	95 94		
Brigus.....	109 68	8 50	4 00	6 00	4 00	2 00	8 00	2 25	60 00	207 43		
Cupids and Port-de-Grave.....	118 89	6 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	1 50	8 00	2 00	90 00	240 39		
Bay Roberts, Spaniard's Bay, Whitbourne.	99 54	1 50	1 20	1 50	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	120 00	229 74		
Flower's Cove.....	2 29	1 00	3 29	
St. Anthony.....	78 22	1 00	0 50	0 50	30 00	110 22	
Red Bay.....	27 50	1 02	0 92	0 77	0 56	30 77	
Total for District.....	2884 13	116 50	118 59	125 61	38 50	20 54	38 90	546 93	46 85	630 00	159 76	4726 31

Hamilton Inlet and Railway Mission—No returns.

II.—CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	Missionary.	Superannumerary.	Educational.	Contingent.	General Conference.	Union Church Relief.	Sunday School Aid.	Sustentation.	Annual Conference.	Children's Fund.	Women's Missionary.	Total Connexional Funds.
Carbonear	\$ 183 02	\$ 8 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 5 78	\$ 5 00	\$ 90 00	\$	\$ 314 80
Harbor Grace.....	193 70	8 00	26 50	4 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	7 55	2 00	60 00	.....	306 25
Freshwater	62 17	3 00	2 00	2 30	1 00	0 90	1 29	2 60	1 00	60 00	.....	136 26
Blackhead	182 16	9 25	7 10	3 20	2 60	1 00	3 25	7 36	2 10	60 00	.....	278 02
Western Bay.....	108 50	4 00	1 60	1 50	1 10	1 00	1 00	3 00	1 30	60 00	.....	183 00
Island Cove	70 44	3 00	1 50	1 20	1 00	0 50	2 30	2 50	1 00	60 00	.....	143 44
Old Perlican.....	99 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	0 50	1 00	8 00	1 00	60 00	.....	174 50
Hant's Harbor.....	97 24	2 00	2 00	1 20	1 15	0 57	2 33	2 15	2 15	60 00	.....	170 79
Heart's Content	53 32	1 75	1 65	1 50	1 20	0 90	1 10	2 20	1 20	60 00	.....	124 82
Green's Harbor	49 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	60 00	.....	116 00
Random, North	96 84	1 50	1 00	1 10	0 80	0 50	2 40	1 00	0 86	60 00	.....	166 00
Random, South	80 13	1 00	0 50	0 50	0 50	0 50	0 50	1 00	.....	60 00	.....	144 63
Britannia Cove.....	113 30	1 60	0 50	1 40	1 25	1 00	0 50	2 00	0 50	30 00	.....	152 05
Total for District.....	1388 82	46 10	53 35	25 90	21 60	10 37	19 17	46 14	19 11	780 00	.....	2410 56

III—BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	Missionary.	Superannuar.	Educational.	Contingent.	General Conference.	Union Church Relief.	Sunday School Aid.	Sustentation.	Annual Conference.	Children's Fund.	Women's Missionary.	Total Connexional Funds.
Bonavista	\$ 88 24	\$ 16 50	\$ 4 00	\$ 9 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 4 27	\$ 60 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 220 01
Bird Island Cove.....	18 25	1 00	0 95	0 50	0 60	0 80	0 95	1 00	0 90	30 00	.....	54 95
Catalina.....	36 65	3 00	1 40	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 50	4 50	2 95	60 00	.....	115 00
Trinity.....	39 80	1 20	3 00	0 60	0 48	0 40	2 93	2 70	2 10	60 00	.....	113 61
Musgrave Town.....	33 82	1 00	1 00	1 20	1 00	0 60	1 50	2 00	1 00	60 00	0 40	104 12
Glover Town	50 00	1 00	0 50	0 50	0 50	0 40	.....	0 60	.....	30 00	1 00	83 50
Greenspond.....	161 88	7 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 50	5 00	3 00	60 00	.....	248 38
Wesleyville.....	190 13	8 00	4 00	7 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	3 00	60 00	.....	290 13
Musgrave Harbor	76 37	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	0 80	2 50	1 50	0 80	60 00	.....	146 97
Indian Islands and Seldom-Come-By	76 30	0 70	0 50	0 50	0 40	0 30	1 00	0 60	0 50	30 00	.....	110 80
Fogo	99 10	6 00	8 00	6 00	2 00	1 60	4 00	6 00	5 00	60 00	.....	197 70
Herring Neck.....	70 77	3 50	2 00	1 50	1 50	1 00	1 00	3 50	1 50	60 00	.....	146 27
Twillingate	225 65	15 00	6 35	9 00	4 00	2 00	5 10	11 00	8 00	90 00	.....	376 10
Moreton's Harbor.....	50 00	4 00	2 38	2 55	.....	.....	4 10	2 83	1 10	60 00	.....	126 96
Exploits.....	73 70	5 00	2 00	1 50	1 70	1 00	1 50	4 00	1 40	60 00	.....	151 80
Laurenceton, etc	57 00	3 50	1 00	2 50	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	30 00	.....	100 50
Little Bay Islands.....	154 60	8 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	1 00	60 00	.....	236 60
Little Bay.....	81 85	2 00	1 20	2 00	1 00	0 80	1 70	4 60	3 00	60 00	.....	158 15
Nipper's Harbor and Tilt Cove	190 00	5 00	2 25	2 09	1 64	1 40	2 75	5 00	2 66	60 00	1 36	274 15
White Bay	8 35	1 00	1 00	0 50	0 30	0 30	1 00	1 00	0 50	30 00	.....	43 94
Total for District.....	1791 46	94 40	47 53	54 94	26 12	17 40	40 53	75 83	42 68	1080 00	27 76	3299 65

IV.—BURIN DISTRICT.

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Burin.....	\$ 172 76	\$ 7 00	\$ 4 75	\$ 3 80	\$ 4 10	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 90	\$ 4 80	\$ 4 20	\$ 30 00	\$	\$ 234 31
Spoon Cove.....	38 87	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	0 70	1 00	1 00	30 00	77 57
Flat Islands.....	46 00	1 30	1 00	0 90	0 50	0 50	1 00	1 50	1 00	30 00	.....	83 60
Sound Islands.....	59 01	2 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 00	2 00	30 00	1 00	103 01
Fortune.....	85 09	2 15	1 94	2 03	1 50	1 06	1 28	1 10	1 00	60 00	.....	157 15
Grand Bank.....	369 74	13 27	7 26	6 08	6 00	3 04	1 25	6 00	5 83	60 00	.....	478 47
Garnish.....	14 60	0 60	0 60	0 80	0 50	0 50	0 70	1 00	0 50	30 00	.....	49 20
Burgeo.....	26 00	2 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	0 50	1 00	1 00	0 50	.....	.....	34 50
Petites.....	42 30	2 00	1 00	0 25	0 25	0 25	0 25	1 00	0 50	30 00	.....	77 80
Channel.....	97 10	3 80	2 40	3 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	60 00	.....	180 30
Bay St. George and Bay of Islands.....	62 65	5 30	1 00	1 35	1 00	0 80	1 00	1 70	1 00	30 00	.....	105 80
Bonne Bay.....	42 61	3 09	1 28	0 80	0 75	0 57	0 53	1 73	0 95	30 00	.....	82 31
Collected at District Meeting.....	.....	.....	35 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 24
Total for District.....	1056 13	45 01	60 97	21 91	18 60	12 22	14 11	26 83	22 48	420 00	1 00	1699 26

RECAPITULATION.

St. John's.....	\$ 2884 13	\$ 116 50	\$ 118 59	\$ 125 61	\$ 38 50	\$ 20 54	\$ 38 90	\$ 546 93	\$ 46 85	\$ 630 159	\$ 76 4726 31
Carbonear.....	1388 82	46 10	53 35	25 90	21 60	10 37	19 17	46 14	19 11	780	.....2410 56
Bonavista.....	1791 46	94 40	47 53	54 94	26 12	17 40	40 53	75 83	42 68	1080	27 76 3299 65
Burin.....	1056 13	45 01	60 97	21 91	18 60	12 22	14 11	26 83	22 48	420	1 00 1699 26
Total for Conference.....	7120 54	302 01	280 44	228 36	104 82	60 53	112 71	695 73	131 12	2910 188 52	12135 78

QUESTION XXIV.—What amounts have been raised for the several Conference Funds?

I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Parson- age Aid.	Nfld Day School.	College.	Orphan- age.	Colport- age.	Total.
St. John's, Gower.....	\$30 00	\$50 00				\$80 00
St. John's, West.....	40 00	50 00			21 44	111 44
St. John's, East.....	25 00	30 00				55 00
Pouch Cove.....	2 00	1 50	13 35	3 61		20 46
Topsail.....	2 00	1 00				3 00
Brigus.....	9 50	4 00			7 00	20 50
Cupids and Port-de-Grave..	10 00	1 00	5 00			16 00
Bay Roberts, Spaniards Bay	3 00	1 00		1 00		5 00
Whitbourne.....						
Flower's Cove.....						
St. Anthony.....						
Red Bay.....						
Hamilton Inlet.....						
Railway Mission.....						
Collected at D. M.....					14 00	14 00
Sundry Subs.....					50 00	50 00
	121 50	138 50	18 35	4 61	92 44	375 40

N.B.—The contribution from the St. John's Circuits for College and Orphanage purposes, do not appear in this list.

II.—CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

Carbonear.....	\$16 00	\$2 00	\$6 07	\$4 00		\$28 07
Harbor Grace.....	16 00	2 00		11 00		29 00
Freshwater.....	7 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		10 00
Blackhead.....	10 00	2 30		1 40		13 70
Western Bay.....	8 00	1 00		1 00		10 00
Island Cove.....	5 00	1 00				6 00
Old Perlican.....	7 00	1 00	2 00	1 00		11 00
Hant's Harbor.....	5 00	1 20				6 20
Heart's Content.....	7 00	1 50	1 20	2 00		11 70
Green's Harbor.....	5 00	1 00		1 00		7 00
Random, North.....	5 00	1 00		1 00		7 00
Random, South.....						
Britannia.....	5 00	1 00				6 00
District.....	96 00	16 00	10 27	23 40	7 00	145 67
						7 00
						152 67

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Little Bay
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III.—BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

Bonavista.....	\$13 00	\$3 00				\$16 00
Bird Island Cove.....	2 40	0 60				3 00
Catalina.....	4 00	1 00				5 00
Trinity.....	2 90	1 52		1 50		5 92
Musgrave Town.....	6 00	0 50	1 00	1 00		8 50
Glover Town.....						
Greenspond.....	7 00	1 00	2 00	3 00		13 00
Wesleyville.....	8 00	1 45	2 00	2 00		13 45
Musgrave Harbor.....	1 50	1 00				2 50
Indian Islands, etc.....	2 40	1 60	0 50	0 75		5 25
Fogo.....	8 00	4 00	4 00	3 00		19 00
Herring Neck, etc.....	4 00	0 41				4 41
Twillingate.....	12 00	4 00	12 00	14 00		42 00
Moreton's Harbor.....	3 00	0 75		2 00		5 75
Exploits.....	6 00	2 00		1 50		9 50
Laureceton, etc.....	2 00			1 00		3 00
Little B. Island and Pilley..	3 00	2 00		3 60		8 60
Little Bay.....	7 00	1 10		4 20		12 30
Nipper's Harbor, etc.....	9 25	3 95	5 00	6 15		24 35
White Bay.....	2 50	1 00				3 50
District.....	103 95	30 88	26 50	43 70	5 90	205 03
						5 90
						210 93

IV.—BURIN DISTRICT.

Burin.....	\$10 30	\$2 20	\$3 75	\$4 00		\$20 25
Spoon Cove.....	1 10	1 00	1 10	0 82		4 02
Flat Island.....	2 50	1 00	1 00	0 70		5 20
Sound Island.....	3 00	1 50	1 00	1 35		6 85
Fortune.....	1 20	1 50	1 00	1 00		4 70
Grand Bank.....	12 00	5 52	12 01			29 53
Garnish and Fortune Bay..	0 50	0 60	2 00			3 10
Burgeo.....		1 00				1 00
Petites.....	0 61	1 00				1 61
Channel.....	4 00	3 00	1 00	1 00		9 00
St. George's Bay.....	1 30	1 00				2 30
Bay of Islands.....	1 25	1 41				2 66
Coll. at District.....	37 76	20 73	22 86	8 87	5 91	90 22
						5 91
						96 13

St. Pierre, Bonne Bay and French Shore—No returns.

RECAPITULATION.

St. John's.....	\$121 50	\$138 50	\$18 35	\$4 61	\$92 44	\$375 40
Carbonear.....	96 00	16 00	10 27	23 40	7 00	152 67
Bonavista.....	103 95	30 88	26 50	43 70	5 90	210 93
Burin.....	37 76	20 73	22 86	8 87	5 91	96 13
	359 21	206 11	77 98	80 58	111 25	835 13

N.B.—Large contributions for the Orphanage in the form of vegetables, received from several of the Outports, are not included in the above returns.

QUESTION XXV.—What amounts have been raised for Ministerial support?
I.—ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS.	Ministers in the Active Work.	Probationers in the Active Work.	Officers of the General Conference.	Ministerial Professors in College.	Ministerial Evangelists.	Sup. Ministers.	Paid by Circuit or Mission.	Paid by Children's Fund.	MISSIONARY FUND.		Total Received.	Net Deficiency.	Grand total for all Purposes.
										Salary.	Removal.			
St. John's, Gower	H. P. Cowperthwaite,	1						\$ 1000	\$ 25		\$ 1025		\$ 7152	
" West	A. D. Morton							1000	80		1080		6139	
	W. J. Hutcheson	2					1	450			450			
" East	James Dove												3677	
	G. S. Milligan	1						1000	120		1120			
Pouch Cove	John Pratt	1						145	210		389	56	535	
Topsail	Solomon Matthews	1						62	90		621	179	226	
Brigus	John Reay	1						419			508	292	897	
	W. T. D. Dunn	1						370	210		749	51		
Cupids and Port-de-Grave	James Pincock	1						85			279	121	1199	
	Thomas E. Roberts	1						260	150		679	121		
Bay Roberts, Spaniard's Bay,	F. G. Willey	1						100	180		370		759	
Whitbourne	Geo. P. Story	1						23			113		27	
Flower's Cove	An agent							86			184	30	196	
St. Anthony	B. Peck							52			727	73	83	
Red Bay	J. C. Sidey	1						50			400		50	
Hamilton Inlet	S. Jefferson							35			115		35	
Railway Mission	An agent													
Total for District		11	4				15137	1065		3048	659250	923	20979	

received
\$ 535
\$ 96
\$ 31
\$ 93
\$ 21
\$ 97
\$ 40
\$ 375

II—CARBONAR DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS.	Ministers in the Active Work.	Probationers in the Active Work.	Officers of the General Conference.	Ministerial Professors in College.	Ministerial Evangelists.	Sup. Ministers.	Paid by Circuit or Mission.	Paid by Children's Fund.	MISSIONARY FUND.		Total Received.	Net Deficiency.	Grand total for all Purposes.
										Salary.	Removal.			
Carbonear.....	T. H. James, George Stoney	1	1				1	\$ 1012	\$ 20	\$	\$ 1032	\$	\$ 2314	
Harbor Grace.....	George Paine	1						750	60	.....	810	.....	1932
Freshwater.....	Anthony Hill	1						205	210	.....	739	61	634
Blackhead.....	R. W. Freeman	1						750		.....	750	.....	1476
Western Bay.....	H. C. Hatcher	1						420	150	.....	679	121	1026
Island Cove.....	J. Heyfield	1						260		.....	525	271	699
Old Perlican.....	S. Snowden	1						270	60	.....	589	211	657
Hant's Harbour.....	James Wilson	1						220	120	.....	679	121	513
Heart's Content.....	T. W. Atkinson	1						160	120	.....	652	148	720
Green's Harbour.....	Wm. Kendall	1						87	150	.....	696	104	293
Random North.....	John Pye	1						120		.....	549	251	523
Random South.....	T. W. Harwood	1	1					55		.....	194	155	199
Britannia Cove.....	W. Seeley	1	1					160		.....	330	70	389
Total for District.....	.....	11	3				1	\$ 543	\$ 890	\$ 2856	\$ 1513	\$ 11380	

IV.—BURIN DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	NAMES OF MINISTERS.	Ministers in the Active	Probationers in the Active	Officers of the General	Ministerial Professors in	College.	Ministerial Evangelists.	Sup. Ministers.	Paid by Circuit or	Paid by Children's	MISSIONARY FUND.		Total Received.	Net Deficiency.	Grand total for all
		Work.	Work.	Conference.	Conference.	Ministerial Professors in	College.	Ministerial Evangelists.	Sup. Ministers.	Paid by Circuit or	Paid by Children's	Salary.	Removal.	Purposes.	
Burin	William Swann	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 585	\$	.....	.....	\$ 585	\$ 165	\$ 1000
Spoon Cove	W. H. Dotchon .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	182	.....	104	.....	286	114	292
Flat Islands	Wm. J. Bartlett	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	.....	209	.....	303	147	306
Sound Island	W. B. Ambrose .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110	.....	144	.....	254	146	223
Fortune	J. T. Newman	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	272	.....	.....	9	272	178	1102
Grand Bank	Levi Curtis	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	750	20	.....	.....	770	.....	2508
Garnish	C. W. Follett .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	.....	224	.....	267	133	98
Burgeo	Supply .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	200	.....	240	.....	85
Petites	W. J. Patterson .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71	.....	164	20	235	165	134
Channel	J. J. Durrant .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130	.....	114	20	244	156	355
Bay St. George, etc	T. B. Darby .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	209	12	309	154	.....
Bay of Islands	Supply	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	153	.....	178	.....	381
Bonne Bay	G. E. Heal .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	164	20	244	156	232
French Shore .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	80	.....	.....
Total for District .....	.....	5	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2482	20	1765	89,4267	1514	6720	.....

QUESTION XXVI.—What amounts have been raised for Circuit purposes?

NAMES ON DISTRICTS.	Total.										
	Circuit Incidentals.	House Rent.	Horse Keep or Hire.	Removal Expenses.	Travelling Expenses.	Sunday School.	Epworth Leagues.	Ladies' Aids.	Trustee Boards.	All other purposes.	Total.
St. John's	\$ 8 00	\$ 740 00	\$ 20 00	\$ 33 45	\$ 4 50	\$ 874 19	\$ 35 60	\$ 100 00	\$ 7411 58	\$ 973 17	\$ 10200 49
Carbonear	\$ 8 90	\$ 28 75	.....	.....	.....	\$ 507 62	.....	\$ 207 00	\$ 2668 50	\$ 606 26	\$ 4027 03
Bonavista	\$ 9 00	\$ 40 00	.....	.....	.....	\$ 393 35	\$ 7 37	\$ 242 00	\$ 1896 46	\$ 488 77	\$ 3038 45
Burin	\$ 12 00	\$ 113 25	\$ 5 84	\$ 151 46	\$ 1627 69	\$ 594 73	\$ 2503 97
	\$ 25. 90	\$ 808 75	\$ 20 00	\$ 33 45	\$ 16 50	\$ 1888 41	\$ 48 81	\$ 700 46	\$ 13604 23	\$ 2662 93	\$ 19769 94

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QUESTION XXVII.—What are the arrangements for the examination of Candidates for the Ministry in the Course of Study?

INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS.

Resolved,—That the time allowed for a single paper in the candidate's and first year's course do not exceed an hour.

N.B.—(1) Papers are to be marked according to an estimate of the value of the answers required; but the aggregate must reach 100, viz.: 90 for matter, and 10 for writing, spelling, grammar and style.

(2.) Questions are to be prepared in sections; two questions in each section of equal value, only one of which shall be answered, thus giving the probationer a choice of questions.

(3.)—That each examiner *mark* the time required by his paper, said time not to exceed one hour and a half.

(4.) The papers, when examined, shall be returned to the chairman of districts, to be forwarded to the candidates and probationers.

(5.) Four copies of the questions shall be prepared by each examiner (one copy for each district) and sent to the Rev. Jabez Hill by the 1st of April, 1894.

(6.) All subjects omitted by candidates and probationers are required by Conference to be taken up before ordination.

(7.) That we recommend that the committee meet as early as possible after the opening of the Conference, so as to be able to present to each chairman, in a tabulated report the result of the examination of written papers on or before the third day of Conference, who shall present the same to a special session of his district for the purpose of completing their recommendations of probationers and candidates.

(8.) That a report of marks received be given to each probationer or candidate, signed by the secretary of committee, which shall be regarded as the certificate of his standing.

COURSE OF STUDY.

I.—ORDINARY COURSE—PRELIMINARY.

1—*English Branches*:

English Grammar.....	} W. T. D. Dunn W. J. Hutcheson W. T. D. Dunn W. J. Hutcheson
Composition, including Essay on subject designated by Examiners at the time of examination..	
Arithmetic.....	
Geography	

2—*English Literature* :—

Brooke's Outlines of English Literature, and Selections from Macauley's Essays, Warren Hastings (Ontario series) <i>one paper</i>	} J. T. Newman

3--History :—

Smith's Shorter Histories of Greece and Rome (one paper); Ontario Public School History of England and of Canada.....	}	W. H. Browning
Smith's New Testament History.....		

4--Greek Grammar :—

Harkness' First Greek Book, or Goodwin, with White's exercises, as far as syntax, as may be determined by each Examining Board...	}	A. D. Morton, M.A

5--Theology :—

Wesley's Sermons, I to XX (Burwash).....	}	A. D. Morton, M.A
Methodist Catechism, No. II.....		

FIRST YEAR'S COURSE.

1--Biblical Introduction :—

Barrow's Introduction, Parts I and IIT. B. Darby, B.A

2--Biblical History :—

Smith's Old Testament History Anthony Hill

3--Theology :—

Wesley's Sermons, XX to LII, (Burwash).....	}	Thos. H. James
Wesley on Christian Perfection.....		
Fletcher's Check's v, and Steele's Antinomianism Revised (one paper)	}	John Pye

4--Greek Grammar :—

Harkness' First Greek Book, or Goodwin, with White's exercises, syntax to end, as may be determined by the Examining Board	}	T. B. Darby, B.A

5--English Literature :—

Spencer on Style, and Gray's Elegy ; Longfellow's Psalm of Life and Resignation (one paper).....	}	H. P. Cowperthwaite, M.A

6--The English Bible :—

Sermon on the Mount..... H. P. Cowperthwaite, M.A

7--Homiletic Exercise

H. P. Cowperthwaite, M.A

SECOND YEAR'S COURSE.

1--Hermeneutics :—

Barrow's Introduction, Part IV.....T. B. Darby, B.A

2--Exegesis :—

Gospel of St. John, in Greek, chapter I to X.....Levi Curtis, B.A

3—*Church History* :—

Blackburn's History of the Christian Church F. G. Willey

4—*Theology* :—

Pope's Theology, volume I..... Dr. Dove

5—*Rhetoric* :—

Hart..... Levi Curtis, B.A

6—*The English Bible* :—

Genesis and Exodus..... F. G. Willey

7—*Homiletic Exercise*..... Dr. Milligan

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE.

1—*Exegesis* :—The Epistle to the Romans, in Greek, chapter I to IX, }
inclusive, with Burwash's Commentary..... } Dr. Milligan2—*Homiletics* :—Broadus's Preparation and Delivery of Sermons..... }
Homiletic Exercise..... } Jabez Hill3—*Church History* :—Steven's History of Methodism (to death of Wesley). }
History of Methodism in Eastern British } Geo. C. Fraser
America (T. Watson Smith) volume I..... }4—*Theology* :—

Pope's Theology, volume II..... Dr. Dove

5—*Logic* :—

Fowler's Logic, deductive and inductive..... H. C. Hatcher

9—*The English Bible* :—

Acts of the Apostles..... H. C. Hatcher

FOURTH YEAR'S COURSE.

1—*Theology* :

Pope's Theology, volume III..... Dr. Dove

2—*Apologetics* :—Browne's Philosophy of Theism..... }
Beet's Credentials of the Gospel, and Temples' Re- } Wm. Kendall
lation between Science and Religion (*one paper*) }3—*Moral Philosophy* :—

Janet's Theory of Morals..... Jno. T. Newman

4—*Mental Philosophy* :—

Dewey's Psychology..... J. Nurse

- 5—*Discipline of the Methodist Church*, including Model Deed and Statutes published in the Discipline... } J. Nurse
- 6—*The English Bible*:—
1st and 2nd Samuel, and 1st and 2nd Kings..... Wm. Swann
- 7—*Homiletic Exercise* Wm. Swann

JABEZ HILL, Secretary.

QUESTION XXVIII.—What are the Reports of the several Committees?

I.—REPORT OF STATISTICAL COMMITTEE.

The Statistical Committee presents the following report of returns, compiled from the District Schedules:—

- 1—The present total membership is 10,834; Decrease 77.
- 2—The nett total of Members of Quarterly Official Boards is 1,134.
- 3—The total amount raised for Ministerial support is \$16,909; Decrease \$237.
- 4—The total amount raised for Circuit purposes, as reported, is \$32,147; Increase \$13,163.
- 5—Connexional Funds are as follows:—

Missionary	\$7120 00	Increase	\$ 17 00
Supernumerary	302 01	Increase	27 52
Educational.....	245 20	Increase	15 62
Contingent.....	228 36	Increase	5 32
General Conference	104 82	Increase	2 04
Union Church Relief.....	60 53	Decrease	0 93
Sunday School Aid.	132 71	Increase	31 99
Sustentation	732 29	Increase	177 34
Annual Conference.....	131 12	Decrease	5 07
Children's Fund	2910 00	Decrease	120 00
Woman's Missionary.....	288 61	Increase	23 26
Parsonage Aid	359 84	Decrease	13 56
Newfoundland Day School	206 44	Increase	23 34
College	77 98	Decrease	30 41
Orphanage.....	80 58	Increase	8 78
Colportage.....	47 30		

(Signed,) JAMES WILSON, Chairman.
SAMUEL J. RUSSELL, Secretary.

II.—SUSTENTATION FUND.

For Constitution, see printed Minutes (1892) page 36, with clause 3 amended, as follows:—"That the salaries of single ordained men be \$350; unordained men \$330, and married men \$600, as before.

St. John's
Carbonea
Bonavista
Burin ...
Donation
" "
Amount of

Pouch Cove
Topsail...
Brigus ...
Cupids ...
Bay Robe

Freshwater
Western B
Lower Isla
Old Perlic
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Bonavista.
Bird Island
Catalina...
Trinity ...
Glover Tow
Greenspond
Wesleyville
Musgrave I
Indian Isla
Fogo....

Burin
Spoon Cove
Flat Islands
Sound Islar
Garnish and
Fortune .

TREASURER'S REPORT.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
St. John's District	\$563 43	St. John's District	169 65
Carbonear	46 14	Carbonear "	174 62
Bonavista	75 83	Bonavista "	286 92
Burin	26 83	Burin "	108 30
Donation from "Greeting"	10 00	Special grant to Bro. Willey ...	8 00
" Sidney Woods, Esq	10 00		
Amount due Treasurer	15 26		
			747 49
	\$747 49		

APPROPRIATIONS—1893.

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

Pouch Cove	22 00	St. Anthony	10 00
Topsail	23 00	Flowers Cove	10 00
Brigus	23 66	Chapel Arm	30 00
Cupids	27 33		
Bay Roberts	23 66		169 65

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

Freshwater	23 66	Green's Harbor	18 00
Western Bay	23 66	Shoal Harbor	17 00
Lower Island Cove	23 66	Northern Bight	8 66
Old Perlican	23 66		
Hant's Harbor	13 66		174 62
Heart's Content	22 66		

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

Bonavista	23 66	Twillingate	32 33
Bird Island Cove	8 66	Morton's Harbor	23 66
Catalina	13 33	Exploits	22 00
Trinity	23 66	Little Bay Islands	14 00
Glover Town	8 66	Little Bay	23 66
Greenspond	11 33	Nipper's Harbor	17 33
Wesleyville	11 66	White Bay	8 66
Musgrave Harbor	23 66		
Indian Island, Seldom-come-by .	8 66		286 92
Fogo	12 00		

BURIN DISTRICT.

Burin	5 00	Petites	8 66
Spoon Cove	4 66	Channel	8 66
Flat Islands	17 00	St. George's Bay	11 00
Sound Islands	8 66	Bonne Bay	8 66
Garnish and Fortune Bay	8 00		
Fortune	28 00		108 30

JABEZ HILL, Secretary-Treasurer.

III.—CHILDREN'S FUND.

INCOME.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance from 1892.....\$ 129 25	St. John's District.....\$1205 00
St. John's District 720 00	Carbonear District..... 1150 00
Carbonear District 780 00	Bonavista District 720 00
Bonavista District 1080 00	Burin District..... 20 00
Burin District 420 00	Balance on hand 34 25
<u>\$3129 25</u>	<u>\$3129 25</u>

RESOLVED,—That the rate of claim, per child, shall be \$19.00 for independent, and \$29.00 for dependent Circuits.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1894.

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

\$120—St. John's West. \$90—Cupids. \$80—St. John's, Gower Street. \$80—St. John's East. \$60—Pouch Cove, Topsail, Brigus, Bay Roberts, Whitbourne, Red Bay. \$30—St. Anthony, Hamilton Inlet, Sound Island.

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

\$90—Carbonear. \$60—Harbor Grace, Freshwater, Blackhead, Old Perlican, Western Bay, Lower Island Cove, Hant's Harbor, Heart's Content, Creen's Harbor, Shoal Harbor, Northern Bight, Britannia Cove.

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

\$90—Twillingate, Little Bay Islands. \$60—Bonavista, Catalina, Trinity, Musgrave Town, Greenspond, Wesleyville, Musgrave Harbor, Fogo, Herring Neck, Moreton's Harbor, Exploits, Little Bay, Nipper's Harbor. \$30—Bird Island Cove, Glover Town, Indian Islands, etc., Laurenceton, etc., White Bay.

BURIN DISTRICT.

\$60—Grand Bank, Channel, Fortune. \$30—Burin, Spoon Cove, Flat Islands, Garnish, Petites, St. George's Bay, Bay of Islands, Bonne Bay.

IV. CONTINGENT FUND.

INCOME.	EXPENDITURE.
By balance\$ 7 83	Ex-President's Expenses.....\$ 30 00
St. John's District.. 125 61	Due on Minutes, 1892 35 20
Carbonear District 25 90	Telegrams, 1892 19 90
Bonavista District 54 94	Land Surveying..... 6 00
Burin District..... 21 91	Schedules and Box for Deeds ... 5 00
Sale of Minutes 10 51	President's Expenses..... 40 00
	Secretary's Expenses..... 6 00
	Halifax Book Room..... 45 60
	Secretary of Exam. Com..... 1 00
	Conference Stationery..... 8 00
	Printing Minutes, 1893..... 50 00
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RESOLVED,—That in view of the fact that the Random Mission received \$1000 from the Missionary Fund towards the loss by fire, this Committee cannot entertain the claim for \$6.20 for books burnt.

RESOLVED,—That \$45.60 towards Halifax Book Room Account be paid, and that \$10.00 be paid ex-President Atkinson for extra travelling expenses.

GEO. C. FRAZER, Secretary-Treasurer.

V.—EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Your Committee recommend that the following young brethren be permitted to attend College at Sackville as beneficiaries of the Educational Fund, viz.—Messrs. Peters, Kelly, Jefferson, Flemington, and Patterson.

Considering the claims of other young brethren, and the importance of their being allowed to go to College as soon as possible, it is urged that all possible means be adopted to increase the efficiency of the Fund.

Following is the Treasurer's statement:—

INCOME.	
To balance on hand.....	\$156 29
Receipts from St. John's District.....	118 59
Receipts from Carbonear District.....	53 35
Receipts from Bonavista District.....	56 53
Receipts from Burin District.....	62 97
Conference Collection and Subscriptions.....	104 00
Balance due Treasurer..	48 27

\$600 00

EXPENDITURE.	
Appropriation to five Students at Sackville, at \$100 each.....	\$500 00
Travelling expenses of four Students at \$25 each.....	100 00

\$600 00

A. D. MORTON, Secretary.

GEORGE P. STORY, Treasurer.

VI.—PARSONAGE AID FUND.

CONSTITUTION.

For Constitution, see Minutes (1892), page 39.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

May 15—To paid order per Rev. T. W. Atkinson.....	\$ 52 00
July 3—To balance.....	233 71
	<u>285 71</u>

	CR.	
By balance account rendered		\$184 71
Mar. 1—By cash per Rev. J. Heyfield.....		75 00
April 5—By cash per Rev. J. Heyfield.....		16 00
July 1—By cash per Rev. Flemington, interest on money loaned Trustees Nipper's Harbor parsonage.....		10 00

\$285 71

T. W. Atkinson, Secy. John Steer, Treasurer.

VII.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

The Committee of this Fund are thankful to report an increase in receipts towards the same, and would still urge upon the Conference the necessity of sustaining it by seeking a continued advance on all circuits and Missions, and awakening in its behalf an interest in the Casses wherever practicable, as well as in the public congregations.

The Committee recommends that the Conference express its continued confidence in Dr. Evans, Clerical Treasurer of this Fund, and trust that it will continue to prosper under his efficient management.

The following are amounts received from Districts :—

St. John's District	\$116 50	Carbonear District	46 10
Bonavista District	94 40	Burin District	45 01
Ministerial Subscriptions.....	847 20		
		Total.....	\$1149 21

MINISTERS SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID UP TO JULY, 1893.

Ambrose, Willam	\$12 00	Matthews, Solomon.....	12 00
Atkinson, T. W.....	12 00	Milligan, G.S., LL.D.....	12 00
Bartlett, William J.....	12 00	Morton, A.D., M.A.....	12 00
Browning, W.H.....	12 00	Moore, Edwin.....	12 00
Cowperthwaite, H.P., M.A.....	12 00	Newman, J.T.....	12 00
Clegg, Herbert.....	12 00	Nurse, James.....	12 00
Curtis, Levi, B.A.....	12 00	Paine, George.....	12 00
Darby, T.B., B.A.....	12 00	Patterson, Wm.....	12 00
Dotchon, W.H.....	12 00	Pincock, James.....	12 00
Dunn, W.T.D.....	12 00	Pratt, John.....	12 00
Durrant, J.J.....	12 00	Pye, John.....	12 00
Fenwick, Mark.....	12 00	Reay, John.....	12 00
Flemington, C.....	12 00	Russel, S.J.....	12 00
Frazer, G.C.....	12 00	Rex, William.....	12 00
Freeman, R.W.....	12 00	Scott, Henry.....	12 00
Harris, William.....	12 00	Seeley, William.....	12 00
Hatcher, H.C., B.D.....	12 00	Sidey, J.C.....	12 00
Heyfield, Jesse.....	12 00	Snowden, J.....	12 00
Hill, Jabez.....	12 00	Stoney, Aykroyd.....	12 00
Hill, Anthony.....	12 00	Stoney, George.....	12 00
Holmes, A.A.....	12 00	Story, G.P.....	12 00
Hooper, Herbert.....	12 00	Swann, Wm.....	12 00
Hutcheson, W.J.....	12 00	Tratt, W.R.....	12 00
James, T.H.....	12 00	Wheatley, J.J.....	12 00
Jefferson, Selby.....	12 00	Willey, F.G.....	12 00
Kendall, Wm.....	12 00	Wilson, James.....	12 00
Lench, Charles.....	12 00		

NEW MEMBERS.

Antle, A. N.	38 16	Blythe, J. J.	24 72
Drake, F. G.	24 72	Follett, C. W.	24 72
Harwood, T. W.	24 72	Heal, G. E.	24 72
Peck, J. C. B.	24 72	Roberts, T. E.	24 72
		Total amount	847 20

THE SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS'
FUND, 1891 AND 1892.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

1892.	DR.		
July 1—To claims Nova Scotia Conference.....		\$5987 50	
To claims New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island		4830 00	
To claims Newfoundland.....		652 50	
To claims other Conferences.....		50 00	
		<u>11520 00</u>	
To payments 90 per cent on above.....			\$10368 00
To Mrs. Buckley for 1891.....			32 40
To Mrs. Thomas' annuity.....			28 00
To expenses.....			119 94
To Treasurer's salary.....			350 00
			<u>10898 34</u>
1892.	CR.		
July 1—By Nova Scotia Conference.....		2216 07	
By New Brunswick & Prince Ed. Island Conference.		2149 68	
By Newfoundland Conference.....		928 09	
		<u>5293 84</u>	
By Missionary Society.....			700 00
By Interest.....			4904 50
			<u>\$10898 34</u>

(Sgd), E. EVANS, }
J. E. IRVINE, } General Treasurers.

Examined and found correct, (Sgd), F. S. THOMPSON, Accountant and Auditor.
St. John, 20th Sept., 1892.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

1892.	DR.		
To Balance due Treasurer's General Cash.....		\$20 88	
" " " " on Ledger.....		04	
		<u>\$20 92</u>	
" Subscriptions repaid with interest, Rev. A. McCausland. ..		59 00	
" " J. M. Stephens.....		39 00	
" " F. R. Duffill.....		135 00	
" " Jabez Moore.....		48 12	
		<u>281 12</u>	

To Commutation Rev. Leo. Gaetz.....		300 00
“ Suspense Account.....		1359 03
“ Profit and Loss		2465 08
“ Investments as per Schedule		
Real Estate Securities.....	56440 87	
Bonds, Shares, Debentures .	17240 76	
Promissory Notes.....	2943 45	
		<u>76625 08</u>
		81051 23
1892.	Cr.	
By Investments as per Balance Sheet, 1891.....	80021 86	
“ “ additional per Ledger.....	14 06	
		<u>80035 92</u>
“ Nova Scotia Conf. Centennial Memorial Fund.....		400 00
“ “ “ 1-6 of Preacher’s Subscriptions.....	168 00	
“ N. B. and P. E. I. Conf. “ “	158 00	
“ Newfoundland “ “ “	130 00	
		<u>456 00</u>
“ Rev J. Ogden, 2nd Marriage Fee.....		70 00
“ Jubilee Fund		3 63
“ Balance due Treasurer		85 68
		<u>81051 23</u>

(Sgd.), E. EVANS, { General Treasurers.
J. E. IRVINE,

Examined and found correct,
(Sgd.), F. S. THOMPSON, Accountant and Auditor.
September 20, 1892.

VIII.—SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

The schedules of the four districts were read and compared with the returns of the previous year, and in a number of particulars showed a gratifying increase, notably in the increase of eleven schools, 583 scholars. Your committee were also pleased to note a large increase in lesson helps, as well as our general Sabbath school literature. At the same time they regret there is a large decrease of scholars meeting in classes as well as a decrease in the number who have taken the total abstinence pledge. It was resolved that we urge the necessity of adopting more effective measures for the training of Sabbath school workers, especially by weekly meetings of teachers for study of lesson, and that we strive by every means in our power to create a more vital connection between the Church and Sabbath school.

R. W. FREEMAN, Secretary.

IX.—STATE OF THE WORK OF GOD.

In reviewing the work of the past year we are profoundly thankful to Almighty God for the evidence of His continued presence with us as

a Church. Even where numbers have not been increased there has not been wanting the manifestation of His favor. Among our people there has been evidenced a greater reverence for the house of God, together with a spirit of inquiry into the word of truth, and an earnest desire for a deeper spiritual experience. We are, however, convinced that the old methods of house to house visitation, tract distribution, and open-air preaching should be maintained as in former days. We also believe that there is great need of a more hearty co-operation of parents and teachers in the important work of instructing the children in the catechism, in order that they may become more thoroughly acquainted with the doctrines of the Holy Scriptures. We, therefore, pledge ourselves to full consecration for the baptism of the Holy Spirit and the endowment of power essential to the successful carrying on of the work of God.

H. P. COWPERTHWAITÉ.

X.—EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Your Committee rejoices in the fact that on several Circuits and Missions the work in connection with the League has been prosecuted with much vigour during the past year. The members have vied with each other in endeavouring to reach those outside the Church, and by visitation and loving words of counsel have in many cases been successful. The results of the League in other Conferences have exceeded the most sanguine expectations. The little one has become a thousand in our Israel. We still commend the formation of chapters of the League where they are practicable and have not been already organized.

Number of Leagues.....13 | Membership.....848

GEORGE P. STORY, Chairman.

GEORGE PAINE, Secretary.

XI.—REPORT OF THEOLOGICAL UNION—1893.

The Theological Union of our Conference becomes increasingly important year by year. It has a high mission to accomplish in the dissemination of theological learning among its members, and efforts to secure facilities to this end are encouragingly successful. The circulating library will, next year, be a realized fact. Several choice works have been purchased from T. & T. Clark, of Edinburgh, and a small balance still remains on hand which, with the annual collection, may be appropriated in placing other valuable books at the disposal of the Union.

The *Methodist Quarterly* keeps abreast of the times in its scholarly treatment of important subjects ; and the annual sermon and lecture form some of the most attractive features in connection with our confederal gatherings.

OFFICERS—1893-4.

- REV. JAMES DOVE, D.D., President and Librarian.
 " WILLIAM SWANN, Vice-President.
 " LEVI CURTIS, B.A., Secretary-Treasurer.
 " H. C. HATCHER, B.D., Lecturer, 1894.
 " M. FENWICK, Preacher, 1894.

XII.—CHURCH PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

Resolved (re the selling of a piece of land in Fortune,)—That the Conference approves of the action of the Fortune Trustee Board in selling said piece of land.

Resolved (re Petites Parsonage,)—That the Conference grant the request of the Burin district to appropriate \$12 towards repairing parsonage, and that the school teacher be permitted to occupy the parsonage for two years—rent free.

Resolved (re Harbor Briton Church,)—That Rev. W. J. Bartlett take up subscriptions in the Conference to help to complete said church.

Resolved (re the selling of the Fortune Bay Mission Boat,)—That the Conference approve of the sale of said boat.

Owing to the absence of certain members of the committee—the committee begs to express its regret at not being able to present a fuller report.

WILLIAM KENDALL, Chairman.
 GEO. C. FRAZER, Secretary.

XIII.—TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Resolved (1),—That chairmen and secretaries of districts be instructed to see that temperance statistics be furnished from all our circuits and missions for insertion in the Minutes of the District and Conference.

Resolved (2),—That we regret, owing to a misunderstanding in making out the returns, that we have such a small proportion of Sunday school children reported who have taken the total abstinence pledge, and urge upon our Sunday schools the necessity of having all our boys and girls pledged abstainers from strong drink and tobacco.

Resolved (3),—That we record our gratitude that a majority vote of the electors will secure Local Option, and that the recent action of the Legislature has restored the privilege that had been inadvertently taken away by the Temperance Act of 1889, so that those districts enjoying Local Option previous to the passing of the said act, are Local Option districts still.

Resolved (4),—That in view of the approaching General Election this Conference would press upon every Methodist to do his duty at the polls for the securing of the Prohibition of the liquor traffic throughout this colony. To this end the Conference desires most strongly to urge our people to use their utmost endeavours to bring *out* and *support* as far as possible, only *those* whom they have reason to believe will give their influence and votes in favour of prohibitory legislation.

Resolved (5),—That this Conference while expressing its confidence in individual members of the police force, we yet record its entire dissatisfaction with the action of our constabulary force in its relation to the enforcement of Liquor Laws. That we would recommend the Conference to urge the proper authorities to appoint as magistrates and police officers men who will faithfully discharge their duty to secure the enforcement of the laws of the land relating to temperance.

Resolved (6),—That we deeply deplore the manifold evils arising from the manufacture and sale of tobacco, and strongly urge upon all our people the necessity of *total abstinence* from its use and sale, and would recommend Conference to instruct all our ministers, Sabbath-school superintendents and class leaders to speak out emphatically against this evil to those who are under their charge.

Resolved (7),—That we recommend Conference to appoint the *third* Sunday in December for the preaching of a Temperance Sermon, and that the Secretary be authorized to give notice of this appointment through the *Monthly Greeting*.

SAMUEL SNOWDEN, Secretary.

XIV.—COLPORTAGE FUND.

Your committee is pleased to report that, notwithstanding exceptional difficulties, the colportage work has been carried on during the past year with a measure of success. Sales to the extent of nearly \$200 have been effected, and the prospect is that very soon this work will be put upon a healthy basis. There is but one agent employed at the present time, Mr. John Leawood, of whose devotion and energy we cannot speak too highly. The receipts for the Current year have been largely in advance of last year. Instead of little more than twenty dollars, they

amount from all sources to over one hundred at the present time, and this sum it is hoped will be largely augmented. In exact figures the receipts are as follows —

Collection George Street Church—Good Friday	\$21 44
“ District Meeting—St. John’s	14 00
“ District Meeting—Carbonear	7 00
“ District Meeting—Bonavista	5 90
“ District Meeting—Burin	5 91
Contributions from friends in St. John’s	51 00
	\$105 25

The recommendations of the committee are as follows —

1—That the agent be allowed \$160 for salary for the season, and \$40 for travelling expenses, if needed.

2—That the following be associated with the Secretary as a committee of management, viz. :—Messrs. R. K. Bishop, Alfred Peters, A. F. Shirran, Arthur Mews and Walter Miller.

3—That Mr. R. K. Bishop be appointed co-Treasurer, and Mr. Alfred Peters assistant-Secretary.

4—That Rev. G. P. Story be re-appointed Editor of *The Monthly Greeting*.

5—That the proposal to enlarge the *Greeting* be referred to the above committee for consideration.

A. D. MORTON, Secretary-Treasurer.

XV.—CONFERENCE TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

Total expenses.....	\$276 50
INCOME FROM DISTRICTS.	
St. John’s	46 85
Carbonear	19 11
Bonavista	42 68
Burin.	22 48
	\$131 12
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Claims in excess of \$4.80	\$131 12

GEO. PAINE, Secretary-Treasurer

XVI.—NEWFOUNDLAND DAY SCHOOL SOCIETY.

The committee met in Cochrane Street Church, St. John’s, July 3rd, 1893.

On motion, Rev. S. Matthews was elected Chairman, and Rev. W. Swann, Secretary.

INCOME.

Balances.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$1 43
Government Grants ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	1067 36

COLLECTIONS ON CIRCUITS.

St. John's District....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138 83
Carbonear District ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00
Bonavista District....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 88
Burin District .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 73

\$1275 23

The recommendations of the districts were considered, and the following appropriations made:—

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

Pouch Cove for Portugal Cove...	20 00
Topsail.....	52 00
Brigus.....	13 00
Cupids for North River.....	13 00
Port-de-Grave for Bareneed	17 00
Bay Roberts for Spaniards Bay..	26 00
Whitbourne.....	34 00
Chapel Arm	34 00
Flower's Cove.	43 00
St. Anthony	34 00
Red Bay.....	60 00

\$346 00

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

Harbor Grace.....	20 00
Heart's Content.....	34 00
Green's Harbor.....	52 00
Random, North.....	47 00
Random, South.....	60 00
Britannia Cove.....	43 00
Hant's Harbor.....	30 00

\$286 00

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

Trinity	50 00
Glover Town.....	26 00
Musgrave Harbor.....	17 00
Fogo.....	20 00
Exploits	40 00
Laureceton.....	26 00
Little Bay.....	13 00
Nipper's Harbor.....	40 00
White Bay.....	40 00

\$272 00

BURIN DISTRICT.

Burin for Pardy's Island.....	26 00
Spoon Cove for Burin Bay Arm..	26 00
Flat Islands for Hay Cove and Paradise Sound.....	30 00
Sound Islands for Come-by- Chance and Woody Islands....	18 00
Garnish and Grand Beach.....	73 00
Burgeo	30 00
Petites	50 00
Channel	30 00
Bay St. George.....	40 00
Bonne Bay.....	40 00

\$363 00

RECAPITULATION.

St. John's District.....	346 00
Carbonear District.....	286 00
Bonavista District.....	272 00
Burin District.....	363 00
Expenses.....	8 23

\$1275 23

Resolved, (on motion),—That we recommend the Conference to appoint Rev. James Dove, Treasurer, and the Rev. Wm. Swann, Secretary, of the Society for the coming year.

Chairmen of Boards of Education are requested to be careful to insert in their financial statements the amounts which they receive from this Society.

Resolved,—That the thanks of the committee be presented to the officers of the society and the Rev. Dr. Milligan for their faithful services.

A resolution from the Burin district recommending the Conference to memorialize the Government for an increase of the grant to destitute localities was referred to a committee on day school education.

WM. SWANN, Secretary.

XVII.—LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.

Whereas this Conference believes that the proper observance of the Lord's Day is essential to the material and spiritual prosperity of a people ;

Therefore Resolved,—1 That we use our utmost endeavors among all our people to illustrate and enforce the Divine law of the Sabbath, and also to bring the legislation of the colony into harmony with that law.

2 That we record our profound gratitude to God for the victory gained for the preservation of the sanctity of the Sabbath, by the passing of the Sunday sealing bill through the Legislature of last session ; and we call upon all our people to avail themselves in full of the privileges thus secured, and shall hail with delight the day when the rights of the Sabbath shall be fully recognized during the sealing voyage.

3 That we regret the frequent departure of steamers and other vessels from our ports on the Sabbath, and would especially direct attention (1) to the fact that the managers of the Allan line of steamers have so arranged the sailing of their boats from the American port of departure that they arrive at and depart from the port of St. John's (if on time) on the Sabbath, thus making it a necessity for passengers to embark on that day against their conscientious convictions, or else subjecting them to the inconvenience and expense of seeking other and less favorable routes. (2) That with the view of securing to the employees on our Coastal steamers the benefits and privileges of the Christian Sabbath to which they are entitled, and to avoid as far as possible the discharge of freight on the sacred day of rest, we strongly urge the managers of the steamship companies to arrange the days of sailing so as to promote the matters above referred to ; and in this connection would recommend that the steamers calling at Western ports leave St. John's on Monday, instead of Saturday.

4 That the running of Sunday trains is at variance with the Christian sentiment of thousands in this land, and an outrage on public morality that calls for the severest censure from our pulpits, and for the promotion of such legal enactments as shall speedily put an end to this evil. That as "righteousness exalteth a nation and sin is a reproach to any people," we urge our people in the selection of proper persons to represent them in the Legislature of the colony, to look more closely at the moral and Christian character of those who seek their votes, than at the particular political party to which they belong.

XVIII.—METHODIST COLLEGE.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD—1892-3.

The annual report of the Executive has, hitherto, been one of progress and continuous development in the work of higher education, inspiring gratitude for the past and hope for the future. At the end of last collegiate year we stood as it were upon an eminence, looking *back* over the rugged pathway *around*, upon the pleasing prospect spread before us, and *upward* to the heights yet to be attained. To-day we stand in the valley, humbled and sad, uncertain of the future, and almost afraid to lift our eyes to the hills that are shrouded in cloud and mist.

In the disastrous fire of July 8th, 1892, were swept away our beloved college, with its splendid appointments, its spacious hall and magnificent organ; the Home and Training School—institutions which were the result of years of patient toil and generous contribution. They were also the pardonable pride and glory of the Methodism of Newfoundland, and their vacant site and shattered foundations are a challenge to our faith in the wisdom of the mysterious Providence which has thus arrested a work so important and beneficent. It may be understood in years to come but certainly not at present. Immediately after the fire communication was opened with England and Canada to solicit aid in rebuilding. Rev. G. P. Story was sent to the latter country, and through the active sympathy and invaluable assistance of Rev. Dr. Carman and other leaders of Methodism, met with gratifying success in his mission. We shall never feel too thankful for the prompt and liberal contributions that have been offered in response to the appeal of the General Superintendent. Up to the present moment the sum of \$12,000 has been acknowledged for the College Relief Fund. The restoration of the College and Home is now possible, and we trust it will soon become an accomplished fact.

The financial statement, as submitted by the Treasurer, shows a sum of \$47,447 available for rebuilding, as follows:—Nett amount of insurance and subscriptions, \$28,947; amount held on loan, \$18,500. Plans for the new College Home and residence have been accepted, also

a tender received for the construction of the same. The prices are high in consequence of the increased cost of labor at the present time, and may necessitate a modification of the plans before accepting the tender now under consideration.

As soon as the confusion and distraction into which the whole community was thrown by the common disaster had somewhat subsided, steps were taken to find the most suitable place for resuming work, and Centenary hall was secured for the senior and intermediate departments, and through the kindness of the Trustees, the basement of George St. Church for the primary department, and the classes were re-opened at the usual time after the vacation. The number of pupils on the roll is as follows:—Primary—boys and girls, 132; College—boys, 114; College—girls' 78; total, 324. This is very satisfactory under the circumstances, and is an evidence of well-merited confidence in the principal, Mr. Holloway, and his efficient staff, who have been working under great disadvantage throughout the year.

In conclusion, we trust that the incoming Executive, upon whom will devolve the great and responsible work of rebuilding, may be guided by Divine Providence, and sustained by the substantial sympathy and co-operation of every Methodist in the Island. It should never be forgotten that the social and political as well as the religious status of our denomination depends upon our success in this enterprize. It will be more difficult to regain our educational standing than it was to maintain it. We shall be met by keener competition on the part of other institutions for the proud position this College once occupied in the forefront of higher education. Respectfully submitted,

H. J. B. WOODS, Secretary.

XIX.—THE ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage Committee begs to report that the institution is in good working order. The total number of inmates at 10th March last, (the date of the Managing Committee's last report), being 23; 14 withdrawals having taken place; the total number of admissions since the opening of the institution being 37. The expenditure for the two quarters ending 10th March last amounted to \$2901.19; the receipts from all sources for the same period being \$3384.95; of this sum \$809.82 was contributed by the Women's Missionary Society; \$720.50 was collected in St. John's, and \$143.28 was contributed by the outport circuits, while the last named rendered material aid by donations of vegetables, the quantities in excess of the actual requirements of the inmates being sold and the proceeds applied to the general fund of the charity. For

further detailed information, members of the Conference are referred to the Managing Committee's report, copies of which have already been placed in their hands.

Definite steps have been taken towards the erection of the Orphanage building, and your committee has had under consideration projected plans for the same, which have been prepared under the direction of a sub-committee appointed for that purpose, and it is intended that active measures shall at once be taken for its erection.

For contributions towards current expenses, *vide* tables under Conference funds.

A. D. MORTON, Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

REV. T. W. ATKINSON.

That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Ex-President—Rev. T. W. Atkinson—for his very faithful services as the President of the Conference, during the past year.

REV. A. D. MORTON, M.A.

That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Secretary of the Conference, the Rev. A. D. Morton, M.A., and the Assistant Secretaries, for their faithful and efficient services.

CONFERENCE DEEDS.

The best thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby presented, to the Rev. James Dove, D.D., for his services as Registrar during the past year, and that he be re-appointed to receive the deeds of property belonging to the Conference, and register the same in a book kept for the purpose.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE FUND COLLECTION.

That the Annual Conference Fund Collection shall be taken up on all circuits and missions throughout the Conference.

DR. MILLIGAN.

The Conference having listened to the very interesting statement of Rev. Doctor Milligan, with respect to the Educational work under his direction, would gratefully recognize that kind Providence which has watched over him, and brought him safely through the arduous toils, and peculiar perils the past year.

The Conference rejoices that, as the result of the 18 years' administration of this department by Dr. Milligan, the Methodist school system of this colony has been placed upon a most healthy and hopeful basis, and is now very fully realizing the aims of its promotion, both as regards the interests of the Methodist Church and the colony at large.

The Conference understands full well that, during all these years, no more important duties have devolved upon the Superintendent of Education than during the year now closed, and appreciates the energy, fidelity, and varied gifts which Dr. Milligan has ever brought to the discharge of his duties, and would cherish the hope that the day is yet distant when he will find it necessary, as the result of increasing years, to retire from the position so long held by him, with advantage to the interests of education, as Superintendent of Methodist day schools.

DR. CARMAN.

As a Conference we would take this opportunity of recording our gratitude to Almighty God for the preservation of the life of Rev. Dr. Carman, the General Superintendent, in his journeyings by sea and land, during the past year, and also express the hope that the Newfoundland Conference may be favoured with a visit from the General Superintendent at an early date.

HALIFAX BOOK ROOM.

The annual statement of our Book Room at Halifax, and Connexional organ the 'Wesleyan,' having been submitted, it was resolved.—That this Conference rejoices in the growing prosperity of our book and publishing interests, and trusts that the shrinkage in the circulation of the "Wesleyan and the loss entailed thereby, may be only temporary.

The Conference further expresses its appreciation of the services of Rev. S. F. Huestis as Book Steward, and Rev. Dr. Lathern as Editor, and regrets very much that the relation of Newfoundland to the Provinces, as regards infrequency and irregularity of postal communication, makes it impossible for us to avail ourselves more fully of those services.

REV. G. P. STORY.

That the thanks of the Conference are due to the Rev. G. P. Story, Editor of the "Greeting," for his able management of the paper during the past year, and expresses its gratification that so soon after the disastrous fire he was enabled to resume publication. The Conference records its grateful appreciation of the disinterested and gratuitous services of the Editor, and rejoices that it has been found possible, out of the profits arising from publication, to make a small contribution towards the Conference Sustentation Fund.

DAY SCHOOLS.

In view of the many small communities which are without day schools, and in which efficient schools are impossible under our present system of Education,—

Resolved,—That this Conference memorialize the Government to make such modification of the present Education Act as will unite the grant in these small communities, and enable them to keep a school on a non-denominational basis.

REV. F. R. DUFFILL.

That the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the Rev. F. R. Duffill on behalf of the Conference, acknowledging his excellent services rendered gratuitously in securing young men for our work, and requesting that we may still be allowed to regard him as our referee.

Also, that in the same communication reference be made to the interest he took in the time of our distress, in endeavouring to direct the stream of British Methodist benevolence towards the rebuilding fund of our destroyed church and college buildings.

CONFERENCE OPENING.

Resolved,—That changes be made in the time and manner of opening Conference in accordance with suggestions of Rev. Dr. Dove, viz.:—That Conference be opened on Tuesday evening, commencing with a prayer-meeting, to which the Methodist public shall be invited, to be followed by the election of officers.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. S. R. March gave notice of motion as follows.—

At the next annual Conference I will move, That it be a recommendation to the next General Conference to amend Section 364 of the Discipline, so far at least as the Newfoundland Conference is concerned, providing for the election of a Lay-Representative to the General Mission Board.

QUESTION XXIX.—When and where shall the next Conference be held?

ANSWER.

In St. John's, at George Street church, on the third or fourth Tuesday in June, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

TUESDAY :—Stationing Committee, 2.30 p.m. ; Children's Fund Committee, 4 p.m. ; Conference Prayer Meeting, 7.30 p.m.

The Conference was closed with appropriate and earnest words from the President and the usual devotional exercises.

GEO. P. STORY, President.

A. D. MORTON, M.A., Secretary.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the Members of the Methodist Church within the bounds of the Newfoundland Conference :

BELoved BRETHREN,—Of the privileges connected with our Annual Conference we esteem that of addressing ourselves to our people to be one of the greatest. At this time our relation to you comes solemnly before us, and hopes and fears, joys and sorrows alternately occupy our minds, while we ponder the responsibilities which rest upon us, the obligations which are binding upon you. "God is our record how greatly we long after you in Christ Jesus, and this we pray that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God."

We salute you as "brethren in Christ," who enjoy with us the "common salvation," share the same faith and partake with us of the same ever-enlarging and deepening joy :

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love ;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

The sympathies which unite us will have their full gratification only when we stand with you before the throne in our Father's Home above. The acknowledgment of one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, we gladly bear in mind, is the pledge of our union hereafter in one undivided and eternal brotherhood in "a city which hath foundations." To this we again point you, for the mutual encouragement of our faith and hope, beseeching you, dear brethren, to receive our salutation as of those who in prospect of that day watch for your souls.

As we review the year we are devoutly thankful to Almighty God that our ranks have not been broken by death, in some of our homes affliction has been no stranger, whilst in others domestic bereavement has caused sorrow.

The year past has been a memorable one; scarcely had it commenced when the great fire at St. John's took place, which has indelibly placed itself on the pages of history, and the now old story of that fearful night and succeeding days will be associated with the loss of old Gower St. Church and Parsonage, as well as the total destruction of our well-equipped College and Home, together with the heavy personal losses sustained by some of our ministers and many of our people. But out of darkness comes the light, and one of the pleasant memories of the past year was the noble generosity displayed by our brethren of the Dominion who, in response to our appeal, have given upwards of ten thousand dollars to help to rebuild the College and Home. These gifts have been greatly appreciated, and have helped to weld more closely the link that bound us together. In referring to the loss of our College, we need scarcely remind you how much our work has been retarded for want of room, and whilst temporary provision has been made, yet not until the new college is built shall we regain our former position and hold upon the rising intelligence of our Church. To bring to completion an end so desirable will require the strenuous efforts of our people throughout the land. We are thankful to record the good work of education led on by the Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., is making progress in every part of the island.

You will be glad to know that upon several of our Circuits and Missions after years of earnest and patient toil the joy of gathering precious fruit has been realized. While throughout the bounds of our Conference there have been manifest tokens of the presence of "Him who always causes His people to triumph." Still we are sad as we contemplate that upon many of our Stations the pruning knife has had to be used, and many names have been taken from our rolls who once bid fair to live, but alas are now spiritually dead.

The review of our Sabbath school work inspires us with hope. Never were our schools better equipped with devoted laborers, and never better filled with attentive learners than at present. The returns show an increase of eleven schools and 461 scholars, also an increase in the number learning our catechism, whilst 596 conversions have cheered the hearts of the toilers in this department of Christian service. Strongly do we urge all our teachers to retain their hold upon the senior scholars, they are the men and women of the near future, and the hope of the church and the country. Watch and foster their religious connections, and with the cords of love draw them to Christ and to His people. A constant accession of young life will invigorate the whole body of the Church.

The Epworth League movement is steadily gaining ground and offering facilities for mental and spiritual culture to our rising youth.

We hail with joy the desire of our people for a Holy Sabbath, and thankfully note the success of any effort in the way of Legislative enactment for the better observance of the Lord's Day. We beseech you on behalf of the Lord of the Sabbath to discountenance by the strongest expression of your disapproval any attempts by whomsoever sanctioned to tamper with the universal sanctification of the Lord's day. Your ability to promote the maintenance of Sabbath rights and the religious observance of them, will be in proportion to the consistency of your own practice and the example of your own home.

We rejoice to report a good increase in the circulation of our periodicals, but regret so few subscribe to our excellent connexional paper, "The Wesleyan," in view of the reduced rates of postage, we hope for a much wider circulation. Let our own "Methodist Greeting" have a place in every home; from its pages you will learn not only of

the work in our own land, but of what is being done across the sea. Above all we pray you to prize the sacred scriptures: "The Bible is among books what God is among beings—without comparison." Feed upon it; make it your daily companion; study it closely; pray to become mighty in the scriptures. To the Bible we owe all that is pure and good, noble and elevating.

The signs of the times suggest that we, as a church, do our part in the use of our influence to secure legislative suppression of intoxicating liquor throughout our land. Do not rest in what you have done, raise yourselves to still greater effort. The bitter and determined opposition which confronts the good work of temperance in some of the high places of the land should only nerve us to a more determined fight, side by side with the brotherhood and sisterhood of Christian workers in this noble crusade. Seek to establish a Band of Hope in your locality, and if possible an adult society, that the evils of rum and tobacco may speedily have a burial from which there shall be no resurrection.

We are also thankful to note a growing Christian liberality, and that many of our funds show an excess of contributions over former years. Whilst we exhort you still to go forward and to "give as the Lord hath prospered you." We would in particular commend to your notice and practical sympathy the Supernumerary and Ministers' Widows' Fund. You no doubt will be surprised to know that for several years only a proportion of their allowance provided by the constitution of the fund has been paid. We hope, and would fain believe, that the mention of this evil will lead to its removal, and that in the future larger and more generous contributions will be made.

We are thankful to know the Orphanage has had a place in your memory and affection, and we pray it may still receive your practical support.

Another sign of the times is the legislative measure of extending the franchise, which has devolved new and great responsibilities upon many of our people. We urge you to maintain the law of peace—this law requires that each possessing the power may vote for the individual he may deem most worthy, leaving others to do the same. Avoid the bitterness of party spirit, and shun the manifold temptation incident to political strife. While shaking your "hands from holding of bribes," exemplify in your individual action as citizens—"Whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report.

Our Conference sittings have been marked by the spirit of brotherly love. Questions of the utmost gravity have been considered, and while our judgments have at times differed, our mutual confidence in each other has not been disturbed.

Young men who have completed a satisfactory course of probation and given full proof of their call to the Holy Ministry, have been received into full connexion and ordained. Several candidates have presented themselves, and have by the Conference been accepted as probationers for our Ministry.

The various public services in connection with the Conference have been "seasons of grace and sweet delight," and upon many of our hearts has come the Divine blessing. Yet in the midst of our enjoyments we have ever had you with us, and daily our prayers have ascended to the Great Father God that upon you and yours may abundantly rest the favour of God. As Ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ, we on this solemn day, renew our vows of fidelity to God and His cause. With regard to the great subject of our ministry, it is as it ever was—we have nothing new. The preaching of "Christ crucified." Pray for us that "the Word of the Lord may have full course and be glorified." Suffer the word of exhortation. "The kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost," and it is even in these things that Christ is to be served. Give diligence, therefore, to live in the enjoyment of the power of godliness, having in your hearts "the spirit of adoption," and looking for that "perfect love which casteth out fear." Walk "in all the commandments of the Lord blameless," and maintain that love of Christian fellowship, on the importance of which we have so often addressed you, and which was so well exemplified in the lives of the early Methodists. Neglect not the call to the Lord's table, and forsake not the assembling of yourselves together either by absence from the week-day means of grace, or by a partial attendance on Sabbath services. Ever keep the family altar fire burning brightly, and commend to your children and households the Church of

your choice, and strive to draw them in true decision for Christ—within its fold, and in all things present in active consecration “your bodies a living sacrifice holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.”

We need scarcely remind you that upon the prosperity of our personal and church life depends our spiritual success. In the work of grace it had its origin, and must ever have its principal support. The object of its existence is to spread Scriptural Holiness through the land, and that this may be accomplished the constant out-pouring of the Holy Ghost is necessary. Vital religion, even more than written standards of doctrines, however clear and well-defined is the surest defence of orthodoxy.

We exhort you, beloved in the Lord, to work for Christ individually. The inaction of too many who call themselves Christians is a great hindrance to the Gospel. The work of Christ is too often the work of the few. Let there be a personal consecration to His service. Give, work, pray and live for the glory of God and the salvation of precious and immortal souls—so that you may be “blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

And now once more (and to some of us it may be the last time) we go forth to our several appointed spheres of labor. We invite your sympathy and co-operation. The outlook was never brighter; the Holy Ghost is with us; even now the cloud of blessing is gathering; now may faith exclaim:—

Lo! the promise of a shower
Drops already from above;
But the Lord will shortly pour
All the spirit of His love.

Let us as pastors and people take hold of God, and the coming year shall be as one of “the years of the right hand of the Most High;” we shall enjoy a “plentiful rain,” and our spiritual history will afford a beautiful illustration of that scripture—“And I will make them and the place round about My hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.”

Signed for and on behalf of the Conference,

GEORGE P. STORY, President.

A. D. MORTON, M.A., Secretary.

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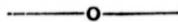
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The figures at the beginning of the lines show the year in which the Minister commenced his Ministry; and those at the end of the lines denote the first, second, etc., annual appointment to present Circuit.



1891—Ambrose, William B.....	Nipper's Harbor and Tilt Cove.....	1
1872—Atkinson, Thos. W.....	Bonavista.....	1
1891—Antle Arthur N.....	Red Bay.....	1
1886—Bartlett, William J.....	Green's Harbor.....	1
1883—Browning, William H.....	Little Bay.....	2
1892—Blythe, John J.....	St. John's, West.....	1
1891—Clegg, Herbert.....	St. Anthony.....	1
1861—Cowperthwaite, H. P., M.A.....	St. John's, West.....	1
1883—Curtis, Levi, B.A.....	Grand Bank.....	3
1886—Darby, Thos. B., B.A.....	Bay St. George.....	2
1855—Dove, Ja.s, D.D., Supernumerary.....	St. John's.....	6
1889—Dotchon, Wm. Hy.....	Musgrave Town.....	1
1882—Dunn, W. T. D.....	Brigus.....	2
1890—Durrant, J, J.....	Student.....	1
1892—Drake, F. G.....	Carbonear.....	1
1883—Fenwick, Mark.....	Catalina.....	2
1890—Flemington, Charles.....	Student at Sackville.....	1
1883—Frazer, George C.....	Trinity.....	1
1892—Follett, C. W.....	Garnish.....	1
1873—Freeman, R. W.....	Blackhead.....	3
1893—Forsey, Eugene.....	Petites.....	1
1893—Harwood, T. W.....	Twillingate.....	1
1886—Harris, William.....	Wesleyville.....	3
1874—Hatcher, Henry C.....	Pouch Cove.....	1
1874—Heyfield, Jesse.....	Leave of absence.....	1
1874—Hill, Anthony.....	Freshwater.....	3

1873—Hill, Jabez	Twillingate.....	3
1886—Holmes, A. A.....	Musgrave Harbor.....	3
1883—Hooper, Herbert	Leave of absence.....	
1893—Howse, Charles	Spoon Cove.....	1
1889—Hutcheson, Wm. J.....	Little Bay Islands.....	1
1892—Heal, Geo. E.....	Bonne Bay.....	2
1887—Indoe, Henry J.....	Student at Sackville.....	4
1871—James, Thos. H	Burin.....	1
1890—Jefferson, Selby.....	Student at Sackville.....	1
1889—Kelly, James K	Student at Sackville.....	2
1875—Kendall, Wm	Western Bay.....	1
1883—Lench, Charles.....	Greenspond.....	2
1870—Matthews, Solomon.....	Cupids.....	1
1854—Milligan, Geo. S., LL.D....	St. John's, West.....	18
1866—Morton, A. D., M.A	St. John's, Gower Street.....	1
1891—Moore, Edwin.....	Bird Island Cove	1
1883—Newman, John T	Channel	1
1872—Nurse, James.....	Carbonear	1
1874—Paine, George.....	Fortune	1
1890—Patterson, Wm. J.....	Student at Sackville.....	1
1888—Peters, John E	Student at Sackville	2
1874—Pincock, James.....	Heart's Content	1
1873—Pratt, John	St. John's, East.....	2
1887—Pye, John.....	Shoal Harbor	2
1892—Peck, Bramwell	Northern Bight.....	1
1866—Reay, John	Topsail.....	3
1883—Rex, William	Leave of absence	
1889—Russell, S. J	Moreton's Harbor.....	1
1892—Roberts, Thos. E	Cupids and Clark's Beach.....	2
1884—Scott, Henry.....	Exploits	1
1890—Seeley, Wm.....	Student at College.....	1
1885—Sidey, John C.	Leave of absence.....	
1888—Skinner, Alfred C.....	Student.....	3
1887—Smith, James	Student at Sackville.....	4
1873—Snowden, Samuel.....	Old Perlican	3
1887—Stoney, Aykroyd	Herring Neck and Change Islands	2
1891—Stoney, George.....	Indian Islands and Seldom-Come-By... 1	
1876—Story, Geo. P	Guardian of Home	6
1871—Swann, Wm	Harbor Grace.....	1
1893—Squires, Charles.....	Flat Islands.....	1
1875—Taylor, Edgar, Supernumerary....	Winnipeg, Manitoba	2
1877—Tratt, Wm. R.....	Lower Island Cove.....	1
1886—Wheatley, J. J	Fogo.....	2
1872—Willey, F. Geo.....	Bay Roberts and Spaniards Bay	2
1878—Wilson, James	Hant's Harbor.....	2

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