

MINUTES

OF THE

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA,

HELD IN

WESLEY CHURCH, YARMOUTH, NORTH,

BEGINNING THURSDAY, JUNE 21st, and CONCLUDED ON THURSDAY, JUNE 28th, 1883.

(TENTH SESSION.)

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The Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, was inaugurated at Charlottetown, P.E.I., July 3rd, 1874.

YEAR	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
1876 1877 1878 1879 1880 1881	Windsor Yarmouth Amherst Halifax Truro Granville Ferry. Windsor	John McMurray A. W. Nicolson R. Alder Temple Elias Brettle James Taylor. Stephen F. Huestis. Richard Smith John Lathern. William C. Brown W. H. Heartz	R. Alder Temple Stephen F. Huestis. Stephen F. Huestis. Stephen F. Huestis. Jabez A. Rogers Jabez A. Rogers Jabez A. Rogers

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE 1883.

PRESIDENT. REV. WILLIAM H. HEARTZ,

YARMOUTH.

SECRETARY.

REV. JABEZ A. ROGERS, YARMOUTH.



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From the 21st to 28th June, 1883.

The Tenth Annual Session of the Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, began in Yarmouth, N. S., Thursday, June 21st, 1883.

The Rev. W. C. Brown, President of the Conference, took the Chair at 9 a.m.

After singing and reading the Scriptures, prayer was offered by Revs. Dr. McMurray, and Paul Prestwood.

The Conference proceeded to elect, by ballot, its chief officers, with the following results:

Rev. W. H. Heartz, President.

Rev. J. A. Rogers, Secretary.

Rev. C. Jost, A.M., Journal Secretary.

The Revs. E. E. England and D. W. Johnson, A.B., and B. C. Borden, A.B., were appointed Assistant Secretaries; the Rev. J. M. Fisher, Assistant Journal Secretary.

Revs. J. Cassidy and S. B. Dunn were appointed Letter Writers, the Rev. D. W. Johnson, A.B, Conference Reporter to the Wesleyau.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

Question 1.—Are there any objections to any of our Ministers or Preachers?

ANSWER,

They were examined one by one.

Question 2—Who compose the several Conference Committees?

Answer 1—COMMITTEES FOR THE SESSION, 1883.

STATIONING COMMITTEE.

DISTRICTS.	CHAIRMEN.	REPRESENTATIVES.
Halifax, Truro, Cumberland, Guysboro & C. B., Annapolis, Liverpool,	John Lathern, W. C. Brown, John Cassidy, W. H. Evans, Thos. Rogers, C. Jost, A.M.,	S. F. Huestis, S. B. Dunn, J. Gaetz, Wm. Purvis, Wm. Ryan, Wm. Brown, W. H. Heartz.
Yarmouth,	Richard Smith,	W. II. Heartz.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Halifax District,	R. McArthur,
Truro "	P. H. Robinson, J. A. Mosher,
Cumberland "Guysboro & C. B. District,	William Purvis,
Annapolis	James Strothard,
Liverpool "	J. G. Bigney,
Yarmouth "	R. Barry Mack.

Corresponding Member of Sabbath School Board— R. B. Mack.

CONTINGENT FUND.

MINISTERS.

F. H. W. Pickles, Benjamin Hills, A. D. Morton, J. B. Giles, D. W. Johnson See

D. W. Johnson, Secy. & Treas.

J. M. Fisher, I. M. Mellish. LAYMEN.

Charles Cahan, E. D. Trefry, H. F. Stoneman, N. B. Lewis, Joseph Burrill, S. A. Crowell, Bowman Corning.

MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

Paul Prestwood, R. Brecken, J. A. Mosher,

W. Alcorn, F. H. Wright, William Purvis.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.

J. C. Ogden,

R. Barry Mack.

PUBLIC WORSHIP.

Dr. McMurray, J. A. Rogers, J. S. Coffin, F. H. W. Pickles, C. Lockhart, J. G. Bigney.

Answer 2.—STANDING COMMITTEES.

CONFERENCE SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

President and Secretary of Conference, Chairmen of Districts, and

W. C. Brown, R. Smith,

Dr. McMurray, S. F. Huestis,

R. A. Temple.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The President of the Conference, the Chairmen of District, S. F. Huestis, J. Wesley Smith, and George H. Starr, members of the General Board of Missions.

Dr. McMuray, R. A. Temple, James Taylor, W. C. Brown, A. S. Tuttle,

S. F. Huestis, Secy.-Treas.

J. W. Allison, Isaac Gaetz, William Oxley, Stewart Burns, Hennigar Neilly, J. D. Sperry, A. F. Stoneman,

Geo. H. Starr, Treasurer,

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

The President of Conference;

A. W. Nicolson, J. L. Sponagle. J. R. Borden, R. A. Daniel, William Ainley,

E. B. Moore, Sec'y., C. Jost, Treasurer.

J. W. Webb, A. M. Bell,

S. M. Brookfield, A. F. Stoneman.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

J. J. Teasdale, James Tweedy, J. R. Borden,

J. Hale. A. D. Morton, Secretary, William Ainley, J. G. Bigney, J. A. Rogers.

C. Jost, Treasurer.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

John Cassidy and George H. Starr, members of the

General Committee, J. A. Rogers,

Joseph Gaetz, Thos, Rogers, Secy.-Treas. N. B. Lewis.

Bowman Corning, Joseph Burrill,

PARSONAGE AID AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND. The President and Secretary of the Conference,

Joseph Gaetz, R. Brecken, A.M., J. G. Angwin, Secy. Treas. S. A. Crowell, Thomas Rogers, A.M., D. W. Johnson, A.B., W. C. Brown,

Jairus Hart, W. B. McNutt, W. H. Webb, R. T. Braine, J. Wesley Smith, Treas.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

G. O. Huestis, James Tweedy, R. McArthur, S. B. Dunn, W. G. Lane, E. E. England, J. M. Fisher,

J. Craig, John Astbury, J. Sharp, H. P. Doane, D. Hickey, W. Brown.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

R. A. Temple,

J. J. Teasdale.

EXAMINATION OF THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS. The President of the Conference; John Cassidy, C. Jost, A.M.

VISITORS TO SACKVILLE INSTITUTIONS.

Joseph Gaetz, J. R. Borden, B. C. Borden,

S. B. Dunn. A. D. Morton.

TREASURER OF GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND. J. A. Rogers.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

The District Secretaries and the Secretaries of the Several Funds.

COMMITTEE ON TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS.

The Superintendent of Halifax Centre, Kentville, Yarmouth North, Pictou and Port Hawkesbury Circuits.

TRANSFER COMMITTEE.

President of Conference and Joseph Gaetz.

MEMBERS OF GENERAL MISSIONARY BOARD.

S. F. Huestis and J. W. Smith, Esq., elected by the General Conference; W. H. Heartz, George H. Starr.

Question 3—What Preachers are this year admitted into full connection with the Conference and ordained?

ANSWER.

J. E. Donkin. John Wier, who last year was ordained for special reasons, is admitted into full connection.

Question 4—What Preachers remain on Trial?

ANSWER.

These have travelled three years: Lamert Stevens, J. W. Prestwood.

> Two years: G. W. Whitman.

> > One Year:

J. B. Buttrick,

R. W. Hudgill.

Question 5-What Preachers are now received on Trial?

ANSWER.

James L. Batty, Thomas C. Hooper, Thomas Wootton,

Richard D. Beals, Wm. Nightingale.

2.—What Students are Allowed to attend the Institution at Sackville?

G. W. F. Glendinning, Cumberland District, who has travelled two years and been two years at the Institution.

Alban Daniel, Annapolis District, who has travelled one year, and been one year at the Institution.

Leander Daniel, Liverpool District, who has travelled one year and been one year at the Institution.

Question 6-What Ministers or Preachers have died?

ANSWER,

The Rev. Robert Tweedy, who was born at Miramichi, N. B., in the year 1824. His parents were members of the Methodist Church, in Ireland before they came to this country. Previous to the visits of our preachers to their new home they kept up the social religious services which had been helpful to the strength of their christian life in their native land. They honored the Lord, and were honored by Him. Three of their sons entered the ministry of our Church in these provinces. Robert was converted at the age of fifteen, during a revival of the work of God under the ministry of the Rev. A. McNutt, and H. Pickard, D.D.

His conversion was real and manifest. The young converts, chiefly his brothers, sisters and cousins, held young people's prayer-

meetings. At some of these youthful gatherings the power of the Lord was wonderfully manifested in the conviction and conversion of From that time to the end of his life he was mighty in souls. His Jacob-like wrestling being often crowned with the sucprayer. cess of the prevailer. He was received as a candidate for our ministry in the year 1853, and for 25 years was a devoted, active and useful minister of the Church. He had great love for souls; a burning zeal for the glory of the Redeemer as the Divine Teacher, Savi-His pulpit talents were of no mean our, and Lord of mankind. order-endowed with a clear understanding, ready utterance, and argumentative force, which were consecrated to the faithful and fearless declaration of the whole counsel of God, -his word was with power. His sermons were not "singular co-He was a Bible student. incidents" in sentiment and phraseology with the published discourses of the masters of oratory and eloquence, but clear, forceful expositions of the Word of God,-the result of much deep thought, much secret prayer, and personal experience of the Truth in his own soul. They were delivered in an emphatic manner, and with heart emotion, often accor panied with divine unction, and often followed by immediate soul-saving results.

On his circuits he did the work of the Lord faithfully, preaching and teaching, both publicly and from house to house,—guiding, guarding, and feeding the flock,—nor were the lambs neglected. He had frequent revivals. The most extensive in Shelburne, where he found Methodism in a depressed and discouraging state. From that scene of his indefatigable toil, and great supplication, he will have many stars to his crown. Imbued with the spirit of the Master—declared concerning his own personal work and ministry—"I must work the work of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work." Robert Tweedy went about doing good,—ever seeming to live under the practical influence of the sentiment of one of his favorite hymns:

Though of robust frame and form, his constant efforts to secure the grand aim of ministerial work, overtaxed his strength. At the Conference of 1878 he was obliged to take a supernumerary relation. At the end of four years' retirement he applied for a mission, and was appointed to Hillsburg—but after a few months, during which he was favored with the growing confidence and affection of the people, and

[&]quot;A charge to keep I have."

cheered with promises of success, his health utterly failed. He retired from his loved work to Hampton, N. B., there to wait patiently for the call of the Master, to the promised reward. It came on 30th January, 1883. He departed this life in the 59th year of his age. His last words were: "I am on the rock! I am on the rock!"

INGHAM SUTCLIFFE was born in Yorkshire, England, in the year 1812. Early in life he experienced converting grace, and united with the Methodist Church. At the age of seventeen his name was placed on the local preacher's plan. In 1831 he offered himself to the British Wesleyan Methodist Conference as a candidate for the Christian Ministry, and was accepted. He was sent by the Missionary Committee to Canada, where he labored both on the Montreal and the York (now Toronto) Circuits. In 1834 he was appointed to Newfoundland, where he remained ten years, laboring with marked success on the Grand Bank and Fortune Bay, the Island Cove and Perlican, the Brigus, Port de Grave, Black Head and St. John's Circuits. In 1844 he commenced his work in the Maritime Provinces, and occupied the following charges: Fredericton, St. John, Mill Town, St. Stephen, Liverpool, Charlottetown, Yarmouth, Portland, Amherst and Miramichi. Large congregations waited upon his ministry, charmed by his eloquence and blest by his clear and earnest expositions of Gospel truth. For several years he filled the position of chairman of District; and in 1867 was appointed co-Delegate of the Conference of E. B. America. His retirement from the active work of the ministry began in 1874; but up to the time of his death he was always willing to preach and labor when strength permitted and opportunity offered.

Father Sutcliffe commenced his work in this Dominion while the country was yet new, when the circuits were large, the accommodation poor and the remuneration comparatively small; and before the Church had outlived the disparagement with which it was treated on its inception. But he lived to behold and rejoice over its great expansion in numbers, wealth and influence. As a preacher he was clear, pathetic, practical. Few men equalled him in pulpit power. His trumpet gave no uncertain sound. The grand old doctrines of Methodism were presented by him in all their fulness, freshness and firmness; and he was eminently useful. No starless crown is his in his eternal home.

Naturally of a buoyant disposition, and cultivating the spirit of unwavering confidence in the infinite wisdom and unchanging love of God, he was generally cheerful. To the last he retained his sympathy with his younger brethren. He marked, with gratitude, their devotion and zeal, and often expressed his bright hopes concerning the future history of the Church he loved, and which for over half a century he had striven to serve. The tidings of his brother's death. which occurred about the first of this year, made a deep impression on his mind. He was heard to say that he felt his course was nearly run, that the end was very near. During the last few weeks of his life, he appeared to be greatly blessed in connection with special services held in Wesley Church. His addresses and prayers gave evidence of a ripening Christian experience. It may be said he died in the harness. On Sunday, April 1st, he preached twice on the Arcadia Circuit. At the close of the evening service he was seized with paralysis from which he never rallied. He soon lost his power of speech. He retained his consciousness, however, for several days, and by signs gave expression to his faith and hope. As stanzas of familiar hymns were sung and precious promises repeated to him by those who stood beside his dying bed, he showed by the raised hand and uplifted eyes, that he felt their preciousness and power. On the evening of April 6th, 1883, the struggle ended, and he entered into rest in the 71st year of his age, and the 52nd year of his ministry.

Question 7—Who are the Supernumerary Ministers?

Angwin, Thomas
Addy, John S.
Bent, Joseph F.
Botterell, Edmund
Bird, Richey
Buckley, James
Day, George F.
Hart, J. R.
Hennigar, J. G.
Johnson, George (A.)

Lockhart, Chistopher

McMurray, John, D.D.
Morton, Roland
Nicolson, Alex.
Richey, Matthew, D. D.
Smith, T. Watson
Taylor, James
Temple, R. A.
Tuttle, Geo. W.
Wasson, Robert
Weldon, A. F.

Question 8—Who are deposed from the office of the Ministry?

ANSWER.

None.

Question 9-Who have withdrawn from our Ministry?

ANSWER.

George Johnson, (B) who is located at his own request.

John M. Pike, who has connected himself with the M. E. Church, South.

Question 10 - How are the Ministers and Preachers stationed for the ensuing year?

ANSWER.

WILLIAM H. HEARTZ, PRESIDENT. JABEZ A. ROGERS, SECRETARY.

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

Halifax Centre—(Brunswick St.) Byron C. Borden, A. B. Sup'ys: Edmund Botterell, who has permission to reside in Montreal, and R. Alder Temple.

Halifax South--(Grafton St.) John J. Teasdale, J. L.

Batty.

Halifax West-(Charles Street). F. H. W Pickles. One 3. wanted.

4. Halifax North—(Kaye Street.) William G. Lane, Chaplain to Wesleyans in the Army. BOOK ROOM AND | Stephen F. Huestis, Book Steward. WESLEYAN OFFICE. J T. Watson Smith, Editor.

Dartmouth-John L. Sponagle. Sup'y., Thos. Angwin. 5.

6. Lawrencetown—One to be sent.

7. Windsor - John Lathern. Sup'ys., Matthew Richey, D.D., John McMurray, D.D., Roland Morton,

8. Chester Road—To be supplied. Hantsport.—Geo. O. Huestis. 9.

Horton.-W. C. Brown, J. B. Buttrick. Sup'ys., Geo. 10. Johnson, [A]; J. B. Hemmeon.

Kentville-W. G. Langille. 11. 12. Newport.—A. S. Tuttle.

- 13. Avondale-Robt. McArthur.
- Burlington—Thos. D. Hart. 14.
- Walton—William Nightingale. Sambro—One to be sent. 15.

16.

- Bermuda (Hamilton & Somerset.) Jos. S. Coffin, Chaplain to Wesleyans in Army and Navy; John 17. Wier.
- Bermuda (St. George's & Bailey's Bay.) Jessie B. Giles, 18. Chaplain, to Wesleyans in Army. One to be sent.

JOHN LATHERN, Chairman. F. H. W. PICKLES, Fin. Sec'y.

II.—TRURO DISTRICT.

- 19. Truro.—Simeon B. Dunn.
- 20. Onslow-Howard P. Doane.
- 21. Acadian Mines-John A. Mosher.
- 22. Pictou-Thomas Rogers, A.M.
- 23. Stellarton-Joseph Hale.
- 24. River John F. A. Buckley, A.B.
- 25. Maitland-Paul Prestwood.
- 26. Shubenacadie-John W. Shepherdson.
- 27 Middle Musquodoboit-J. Hiram Davis.
- 28 Musquodoboit Harbor—Richard D. Beals; Sup'y., George F. Day.
- 29. Sheet Harbor.—Thos. C. Hooper, under the superintendency of J. H. Davis.

Thos. Rogers, A.M., Chairman. Joseph Hale, Fin. Secretary.

III.—CUMBERLAND DISTRICT.

- 30 Amherst—Joseph Gaetz. (Warren and Nappan ministers, to exchange with Amherst mineach once in six weeks).
- 31 Warren-John Gee.
- 32 Nappan and Minudie—J. R. Borden; R. W. Hudgell, to reside in River Hebert.
- 33 Wallace-James Tweedy.
- 34 Pugwash-A. D. Morton, A.M. Sup'y., G. W. Tuttle.
- 35 River Philip-John Craig.
- 36 Oxford-John Cassidy.
- 37 Wentworth—G. W. Whitman, under Superintendency of J. Cassidy; Sup'y., R. Bird.
- 38 Parrsboro'-D. Hickey. One wanted.
- 39 Southampton-Benj. Hills, A.M.
- 40 Athol-E. E. England.
- 41 Advocate Harbor-John W. Howie.

JOHN CASSIDY, Chairman. A. D. MORTON, Fin. Sect'y.

IV.—GUYSBORO' AND C. B. DISTRICT.

- 42. Guysboro'.-William Purvis. Sup'y., James Buckley.
- 43. Canso.—John Astbury.
- 44. Manchester-William Alcorn.
- 45. Country Harbor-One to be sent.
- 46. Sydney-Wm. H. Evans.
- 47. North Sydney-Fred. H. Wright, A.B.
- 48. Gabarus-Wm. A. Outerbridge.
- 49. Port Hawkesbury-Chas. W. Swallow, A.B.
- 50. Port Hood—Thomas Wooten, under the superintendency of Bro. C. Swallow, A.B.
- 51. Ingonish-One to be sent.

W. H. EVANS, Chairman.

F. H. WRIGHT, A.B., Fin. Sec'y.

V.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

- 52. Annapolis-Ezra B. Moore. Sup'y., A. W. Nicolson.
- 53. Granville Ferry-Jas. Strothard. Sup'y., A. F. Weldon,
- 54. Bridgetown—Cranswick Jost, A.M. Sup'ys. J. F. Bent, J. R. Hart.
- 55. Mountain Mission-One to be sent.
- 56. Middleton-Geo. F. Johnson, A.B., Lamert Stevens.
- 57. Aylesford—William Ryan. One to be sent. Sup'y., Jas. Taylor.
- 58. Berwick-John Johnson.
- 59. Canning-Robert A. Daniel. Sup'y., Jas. G. Hennigar.
- 60. Hillsburg-D. W. Johnson, A.B.
- 61. Digby-William Ainley.
- 62. Weymouth—J. W. Prestwood, A.B., under superintendency of Wm. Ainley.
- 63. Digby Neck and Westport-R. O. B. Johnson.

C. Jost, A.M., Chairman.

D. W. Johnson, A.B., Fin. Sec'y.

VI.-LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

- 64. Liverpool-J. G. Angwin. Sup'y., C. Lockhart.
- 65. Caledonia- Robert Williams.
- 66. Port Mouton-John G. Bigney.
- 67. Mill Village-Joseph M. Fisher.
- 68. Petite Riviere-Chas. M. Tyler.
- 69. Lunenburg-William Brown.
- 70. Mahone Bay.—One to be sent, under superintendency of Bro. Brown.
- 71. Ritcey's Cove-David B. Scott.
- 72. New Germany-James Sharp.
- 73. Bridgewater-J. C. Ogden.
- J. G. Angwin, Chairman.
- J. M. FISHER, Fin. Sec'y.

VII.-YARMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 74. Yarmouth South-Wm. H. Heartz. Sup'y, John S. Addy.
- 75. "North—Jabez A. Rogers. Sup'y., R. Wasson.
- 76. Arcadia-P. H. Robinson
- 77. Hebron-Isaac M. Mellish.
- 78. Barrington-Richard Smith.
- 79. Port La Tour-Arthur Hockin.
- 80. N. E. Harbor-J. E. Donkin.
- 81. Shelburne-Robt. B. Mack.
- 82. Lockeport-John L. Dawson, A.B.

W. H. HEARTZ, Chairman. JABEZ A. ROGERS, Fin. Sec'y.

George O. Robinson has leave of absence for one year.

Ralph Brecken, A.M. is left one year without a circuit at his own request on account of his health.

Question 11.—What is the number of Ministers,
Probationers for the Ministry and
Laymen in the Quarterly Official
Meeting? What is the number of
Church Members, Churches, and
sttendance on worship on each
Circuit and Mission; of Baptisms
administered and marriages solemnized by each minister, and
what is the value of our Connexional Property?

ANSWER. (See Schedule I.)

Question 12.—What has been collected on each District for the various Connexional; Funds!?

ANSWER. (See Schedule II.)

Question 18.—What are the Statistics of our Sabbath Schools?

ANSWER. (See Schedule III.)

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[SCHEDULE II.]

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Missionary Society.	Contingent Fund.	Supernumerary Fund.	Educational Fund.	General Confer- ence Collection.	Sunday School Fund.	Conference Collection.
Halifax (North) Halifax (South) Halifax (West) Dartmouth Lawrencetown Windsor Chester Road. Hantsport Horton! Kentville Newport Avondale Burlington Walton Sambro Bermuda—Hamilton. 4 St. Georges	2407 40 694 56 68 03 22 07 638 26 45 45 120 65	\$27 50 30 0° 3 35 2 00 60 20 00 2 21 6 53 2 00 1 75 6 19 5 17 83 1 75 12 16 10 00	\$93 80 72 50 21 56 4 00 66 37 00 20 38 5 00 3 25 18 41 8 57 75 2 50 17 03 16 00	111 35 68 00 4 27 2 00 2 00 37 70 3 00 14 10 1 10 1 2 00 5 44 73 2 00 8 00	\$12 00 10 00 3 64 1 57 5 00 1 00 2 14 2 67	\$6 00 50 50 1 00 2 00 40 25 76 1 30	\$14 05 12 00 2 86 1 50 5 00 5 00 1 25 1 40 1 75 2 14 83 75 4 87 2 50
Expenses Minister's Subscriptions. Total	72 02	32 04	325 71 2 160 00 485 71 2	15 70 .		17 71	56 50

II.—TRURO DISTRICT.

Expenses	Truro Onslow Acadia Mines Fictou Stellarton River John Maitland Shubenacadie Mid. Musquodoboit Musquodoboit Harbor Sheet Harbor	\$115 58 28 90 32 08 59 08 23 95 65 81 79 82 49 49 58 10 64 00 13 25	1 21 3 00 2 40 1 50	1 00	1 26	1 00 1 50 4 00 1 31 1 00 1 12 1 02 1 00 1 00	1 50 20 2 00	1 00 2 44 1 50 2 04
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III.—CUMBERLAND DISTRICT,

CIRCUITS.	Missionary Society.	Contingent Fund.	Supernumerary Fund.	Educational Fund	General Conference ence Collection.	Sunday School Fund	Conference
Amherst Warren Nappan Wallace Pugwash River Philip Oxford Wentworth Parrsboro' Southampton Athol Advocate Harbor	\$68 85 65 06 69 51 36 07 87 42 65 20 28 23 20 88 27 00 42 93 79 59 29 01	\$6 75 1 81 2 10 1 50 3 50 3 00 1 52 1 25 1 60 1 50 2 90 1 30	\$13 10 4 00 3 50 3 25 5 00 4 50 5 21 3 05 4 70 3 25 4 58 2 62	\$20 00 2 60 5 00 3 00 7 50 4 50 3 37 3 85 6 60 4 00 5 60 3 22	\$3 25 2 93 1 28 2 00 6 50 3 15 1 05 1 25 95 1 52 60	\$ 50 2 00 50 60 60 1 05 50	\$3 25 1 00 1 50 2 00 1 70 4 85 3 32 90 3 00 1 25 3 50 3 48
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IV.—GUYSBORO' AND CAPE BRETON DISTRICT.

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Expenses	481	10		16	46		38 2	39	14	56	8	37	18	46
Total	478	70	21	16	126	77	36	39	14	56	8	37	18	46

V.--ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Missionary Society.	Contingent Fund.	Supernumerary Fund.	Educational Fund	General Confer- ence Collection.	Sunday School Fund.	Conference Collection.
Annapolis. Granville Ferry. Bridgetown. Mountain Mission Middleton. Aylesford Berwick Canning. Hillsburg Digby Weymouth. Digby Neck.	\$39 41 61 12 193 60 76 76 73 65 97 93 35 80 64 26 40 74 30 48	4 74 3 85 4 00 3 00 2 00 5 00 2 98	\$4 50 5 52 7 68 \$ 50 11 00 7 50 14 00 6 91 9 60 2 87 4 50	2 50	5 00 5 00 3 00 1 85 1 50 1 33 1 30 2 00	50 50 60 44 80 50 50 1 00	\$1 00 2 78 4 49 3 00 3 50
Expenses Minister's Subscription	813 75 13 10	30 75	82 58 110 00	41 69 75	21 48	5 91	25 96
Total	800 65	30 75	192 58	40 94	21 48	5 91	25 96

VI.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

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Liverpool. Caledonia. Port Mouton Mill Village Petite Reviere. Lunenburg Chester Ritcey's Cove New Germany Bridgewater	38 8 40 0 67 5 73 4 141 2 15 1	4 2.25	2 50 2 35 5 08 6 00 14 75	1 25 50	20 1 00
Expenses	689 94 8 50		49 43 80 00	32 19 13 42	5 04 15 08
Total	681 44	23 12	129 43	32 19 13 42	5 04 15 08

VII.—YARMOUTH DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Missionary Society.	Contingent Fund.	Supernumerary Fund.	Educational Fund	General Confer- ence Collection.	Sunday School Fund.	Conference Collection.
Yarmouth (South) Yarmouth (North) Arcadia	\$200 50 378 64 30 33 45 70 79 15 241 15 90 07 25 00 59 11	\$16 00 25 00 3 18 1 64 1 25 4 20 1 75 1 50 2 36	\$24 00 30 00 3 00 3 80 6 00 5 00 6 00 4 15	2 80 2 20 6 48 2 15 2 20	\$4 00 5 80 2 33 1 20 3 25 1 00 50 2 00	\$1 50 1 00 75 1 80 30 2 75 50 50	\$10 50 19 00 1 69 1 24 1 50 1 75 2 00 1 76
Expenses	1149-65 16 00	56 88	86 35 90 00		20 08	9 10	40 44
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RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary Society.	Contingent Fund.	Supernumerary Fund.	Educational Fund	General Confer- ence Collection.	Sunday School Fund.	Conference Collection.
Halifax Truro Cumberland Guys.' & C. B. Annapolis Liverpool Yarmouth Collection at ? Conference	\$6017 79 590 07 619 75 481 10 813 75 689 94 1149 65	\$132 04 25 19 28 73 21 16 30 75 23 12 56 88	\$325 71 60 97 56 76 46 77 82 58 49 43 86 35	\$282 66 39 37 69 24 38 39 41 69 32 19 53 02 13 02	36 62 16 73 24 48 14 54 21 48 13 42 20 08	\$17 71 7 57 6 25 8 37 5 91 5 04 9 10	\$56 50 20 12 29 75 18 43 25 96 15 08 40 44
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SABBATH SCHOOL SCHEDULE.-No. 4.

STATISTICAL REPORT of Methodist Sabbath Schools in the Nova Scotia Conference for the year ending April 30th, 1883.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

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Membership.	Members.	9284 9670	386
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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The grant made by the General Board of Missions, to aid the Domestic Missions of the Nova Scotia Conference for the past year was \$9,800.00.

This sum was divided among the Districts as fellows:-

Halifax Truro	District	\$1991 00
Cumberland		2145 60
Guysboro' &		719 20
Annapolis	С.В. "	1243 50
Liverpool		832 20
Yarmouth		1744 50
	"	1124 00
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The net receipts for the year now ended are as follows:—

Halifax	District			\$5945	77
Truro Cumberland				575	
Guysboro' & C.	R "			610	
Annapolis	ь. "		•	478	70
Liverpool	"		••••	800	
Yarmouth	"		•	681	
Conference	Collection		• • • • •	1133	
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These figures show a net increase of \$1,004.32.

W. H. HEARTZ, Secretary.

CONTINGENT FUND.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR 1882.

The Treasurer in account with the Contingent Fund.

1882.	Dr.				
To balance from last year.		\$ 36	53		
Receipts from Circuits		315	32		
Total		\$351	85		
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Balance d	ue Treasurer			20	11
				\$371	96
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Appropriations made by Confer					
President's expenses .		. \$89	76		
Special Committee to N.		13	55		
Secretary of Conference's		. 7	00		
Book Room Account		69	55		
Appropriations for Printed	l Minutes	. 75	00		
I. E. Thurlow's expenses		4	00		
Thomas Rogers'		5	10		
Funeral Expenses of Mrs.	Ryan	40	00		
Rev.	R. Tweedy	40	00		
Grant to Sexton of Milto					
Removal expenses J. R.	Hart	18	00	\$371	96

E. & O. E.,

D. W. Johnson, Secretary.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

Your Committee are sorry that from the review of the years' work there has been a decrease in the collections and donations to this fund. There has been an average per member of nearly $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

The totals from the Districts are as follows:

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\$325 71
60 97
56 76
46 77
82 58
49 43
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\$708 57

The members of this committee desire to direct the attention of the superintendents of circuits and all our friends to the necessity of carefulness in bringing the claims of this Fund before our classes and congregations. The sympathy and financial help of our people is invoked in behalf of those veterans who have worn themselves out in our work. Your committee would most earnestly reiterate the recommendations of last year, viz.:

That the Conference direct the Chairmen of the Districts to ask each Superintendent at the annual District meeting, if he has taken the collections required by rule in the classes as well as in the congregation for this Fund; and if there are any delinquents to report them to the Conference.

That appeals be made to all our friends in the different Circuits for donations and subscriptions to this Fund; and the names of all annual subscribers of one dollar and upwards be printed in the Conference minutes with the sums given.

3. That for the information of our people respecting the requirements of this Fund the following extracts from the Constitution be printed in the Minutes :-

"Each Circuit shall be considered as responsible for a yearly sum, equal at least, on a general average of all the societies, included within that Circuit, to ten cents per member: the number of the members to be taken in all cases as returned at the preceding Conference, and published in the Minutes.

5. "Every Minister shall, at the renewal of the Society Tickets, during the September visitation, fully explain to the members the nature and reasonableness of the claims of this Fund upon the justice and liberality of our Church. He shall then enter in the Class Book the individual annual subscriptions, which are to be paid before the ensuing District Meeting.

- 6. "An annual public collection in aid of this Fund shall be made in all churches and other preaching places in the month of December.
- 7. "Applications shall be made to our friends in each Circuit for subscriptions and Donations in aid of this Fund."

SUBSCRIPTIONS, 1883.

HALIPAX NORTH.	HALIFAX SOUTH.
Black, M. P 5 00	Brookfield, S. M \$ 5 00
Black, Miss 5 00	McCoy, W. F 5 00
Northup, Mrs 10 00	
Wilmot, Mrs. L. A 5 00	
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A Friend	\$15 00
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Quarterly Board	

THOMAS ROGERS, Sec'y. & Treas.

\$37 00

EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

The Educational Committee in presenting their Annual Report, congratulate the Society on the uniform progress which has attended every branch of our educational interests during the past year. The new academy, which replaces that destroyed by fire, has been found well adapted to the purposes for which it was erected. The work in every department of the Institution has been well sustained, and the general sympathy of the Church is apparent in the larger benevolence with which

appeals for educational enterprises are met. The foundation stones of the Centennial Memorial Buildings have been laid, the structure of which will be proceeded with immediately, illustrating at once our gratitude to God for his wonderful goodness and mercy manifested in the history of Methodism in these Provinces during the last hundred years, and our faith in the continued vitality of our principles.

Amounts collected from Circuits during the year:-

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The increase in the facilities of education throughout our country, together with the corresponding advance in intelligence, renders an advance in the education of young men for the ministry an imperative necessity.

The importance which education has assumed in the present day may be measured by the vast sums of money which are set apart for this purpose. Nor does our own infant empire drag on behind the rest of the world in this respect. To keep pace with this progress in intellectual acquirement is the manifest duty of the Church; for the Ministry which is not in advance of the people in intelligence and general elevation must fall into disrepute, and ultimately into contempt. It has been said that the country which allows itself to be out-educated is not safe. The same remark is true of the Christian Ministry. Divine power in the heart accompanied by a well balanced and thoroughly cultured mind is the only safeguard for the pulpit of the future. Young men well stocked with brains, but of slender means, should be helped onward; it is a privilege to help them. They will repay a thousand fold all that may be invested in them. For this purpose a liberal spirit on the part of the Church

must be cultivated. Scholarships must be provided, chairs of arts and science endowed, that young men who are moved by the Divine Spirit to the work of God, and whose position in life prevents them from obtaining the necessary training, may be assisted to secure the best education that can be obtained. The necessity for this assistance will at once appear when we reflect that while all the learned professions hold out the strong lures of profit and distinction, while they appeal to the ambition, the love of gain, the desire of rising in the world; while they hold out the prospect of adequate returns for all moneys thus invested, the Ministry has no such motives, or should have none. It appeals to feelings which are indeed higher, but which are less urgent in enforcing their demands.

In common with all the institutions of learning throughout the Dominion our Institutions at Sackville have to report inadequate resources and heavy financial burdens. Awakening to the necessities of the case most of these institutions are putting forth vigorous efforts to obtain larger endowments; and we are persuaded that this Methodist Church of Canada, second to none as she is in Christian enterprise, will not vacate her position in this important matter. The work done in the past speaks volumes of encouragement for the future. In our pulpits, at the bar, as well as in other positions of trust, are found worthy graduates from our seat of learning; and under its generally efficient management, with the assistance of the whole body of Methodists in these Provinces, our educational work cannot fail to become powerful in directing the current of public thought. The growing demands of our Missionary and Pastoral work, the increasing urgency for a well-trained ministry, make the enlargement and improvement of our work in this respect an inevitable consequence. Simply to keep pace with the world around us demands a great revival of zeal and liberality. In no better way can wealth be consecrated to the Master's service than is found in this branch of Christian enterprise. Nor does the Scripture furnish. any more illustrious example of consecrated wealth than in this very line; for the Queen of Sheba, impelled by the desire to acquire knowledge, makes her way to King Solomon—the embodiment of the wisdom of his day—laying at the feet of learning the rich resources of her mighty empire; a conspicuous illustration of wealth consecrated to the diffusion of knowledge. When such large hearted munificence shall be found amongst us as a people as moved the heart of this heathen queen, our colleges—no longer hopelessly struggling under crushing burdens of bebt—shall be able to fill up to the full measure of the work to which they are called.

E. B. Moore, Secretary.

TREASURER'S STATEMEN FOR THE YEAR.

DISTRICTS.	Total.	Expenses.	Net.
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CRANSWICK JOST, Treasurer.

Yarmouth, June 1883.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

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Question 11.-What are the arrangements for Examination of Candidates in the course of Study?

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The Examinations shall take place on the first Wednesday in May, at 9 a.m., and in four Sections, as follows, viz :--

SECTION I .- The Halifax and Annapolis Districts. In Wolfville under the charge of Wm. C. Brown and R. A. Daniel.

Section II.—The Truro and Cumberland Districts. In Truro under the charge of S. B. Dunn and Thomas Rogers, A.M.

SECTION III.—The Guysboro' and Cape Breton District. In Port Hawkesbury under the charge of C. W. Swallow and William H. Evans.

Section IV .- The Liverpool and Yarmouth Districts. In Liverpool, under the charge of J. G. Angwin and J. G. Bigney.

2.—COURSE OF STUDY.

PRELIMINARY COURSE.

The Standard of admission to the ministry of our Church is a Certificate of Matriculation in any accredited University, or, what may be regarded as an equivalent by the Board of Examiners.

Examiner in English......John Cassidy. in Classics......A. D. Morton, A.M. in Mathematics......R. Brecken, A.M.

Candidates will also be examined in-1.—The Catechism of the Wesleyan Metho- \ Examiner, dists, No. II., Revised Edition........... J. R. Borden. 2.—Burwash's Edition of Wesley's Sermons, \ Examiner,

·I. to XX..... J. R. Borden. N.B.-1. Certificates of Matriculation may be forwarded to the Secretary of the Ex. Board at any time not later than

the time of the March Quarterly Meeting.

2. Candidates who desire to present equivalents are expected to communicate with the Secretary not later than the time of the March Quarterly Meeting.

3. To accommodate Candidates attending the Mount Allison Institutions, a Matriculation examination will be held annually in the Spring, under the direction of the

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4. Superintendents of Circuits are required, immediately after the March Quarterly Meeting, to forward to the Secretary the names of Candidates recommended to be received on trial.

FIRST YEAR'S COURSE.

1. Biblical Introduction.—Angus' Hand Book, Pt. I., Chaps. I. to III., inclusiveThos. D. Har	1.	Biblical Introduction.—Angus' Pt. I., Chaps. 1. to III., inclu	Hand isive	Book,Thos.	D. Hart	
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Smith's New Test. Hist......Robt. A. Daniel. Smith's Old Test. Hist.....Robt. A. Daniel.

3. Theology.—Burwash's Edition of Wesley's Sermons, I. to LVI................................J. R. Borden.

SECOND YEAR'S COURSE.

1. Hermeneutics.—Angus' Hand Book, Pt. I., Chaps. Iv. and v......Thos. D. Hart.

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE.

2. Rhetoric.—Bain'sJ. A. Rogers.

3. Church History.—Steven's History of Methodism to the death of Wesley......Thos. Rogers, A.M.

*In cases where the Candidate has been admitted without a knowledge of Greek, the examinations in Exegesis will be based upon the Text of the Revised Edition of the New Testament. Examiner, C. JOST, A.M. re

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4.	Theology.
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	FOURTH YEAR'S COURSE.
1.	TheologyPope's Theology, Vol. IIIWm. C. Brown
2.	Agologetics.
	Wright's Logic of Christ'n EvidencesJ. L. Dawson, A.B. Diman's Theistic ArgumentJ. L. Dawson, A.B.
3.	Logic.
	Milne's Elementary Notions of LogicJ. A. Rogers. Day's Logical PraxisJ. A. Rogers.
4.	Metaphysics.—Murray's HamiltonR. McArthur.
5.	Discipline of the Meth. Church of CanadaJos. Gaetz.
3	-FOR COURSE OF STUDY FOR GRADUATES,
	VIDE DISCIPLINE,
	CRANSWICK JOST.

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CHILDREN'S FUND.

THE CHILDREN'S FUND IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER.

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To Bal. due Treasurer June 1882. "Addit. to meet last Year's claims. "Expenses,—Interest	94	20 55
"Treasurer's and Secretary's Expenses \$16 50	19	00
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CRANSWICK JOST, Treasurer

Yarmouth, June 28th, 1883,

RESOLUTIONS RESPECTING THE CHILDRENS' FUND.

- 1. That the basis of appropriation for current year be \$30.00 per claimant.
 - 2. That the assessment for the year be as follows, viz.:

Halifax		 \$1,940	00
Truro		745	00
Cumberland		 1,055	00
Guysboro and C. B	 	570	00
Annapolis			
Liverpool	 	825	00
Yarmouth		 835	00
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CHURCH EXTENSION & PARSONAGE AID FUND.

The Treasurer submitted his report which shows that the balance in hand including the Interest now due on Invested Funds is \$318.

The following properties were secured to the Church:

Halifax West, Church			\$1500	00
Burlington, a Cemetery.			200	00
Onslow, a Church			900	00
Acadia Mines Church			250	00
Middle Muspuodoboit Parsonage			1100	00
Stellarton, a Church Site			50	00
Warren Land for Parsonage			90	00
Athol, Land for Church			300	00
Clam Harbor Church				
Boylston Church Site				
Boylston Church Site Margaretville New Church			2500	00
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Roseway N. E. H. Church			3000	00
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SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

A review of our Sunday School work for the past year furnishes ground for encouragement and thanksgiving. The faithful laborers in this field of christian toil have not laboured in vain nor spent their strength for naught.

Fifteen new schools have been added to the list. There has been a marked improvement in the amount of money raised for missions, and for the General Sunday School Fund. And we note with special gratification the increase of over one hundred in the number of scholars converted to God during the year.

We would again call attention to the propriety of organizing schools, as far as practicable in every preaching place—of adopting the Uniform Lessons—of paying increased attention to the Catechisms, of carefully selecting all Libraries and introducing our own unsurpassed Sabbath School Periodicals.

We enter hopefully upon the coming year, devoutly praying that pastors and people may unite in an untiring endeavor to lead our dear young people unto Him who hath said, "They that seek me early shall find me."

R. B. MACK, Secretary.

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee in presenting their report, rejoice that there is cause for gratitude in the substantial progress, made during the year, by the confirmation of the "Canada Temperance Act," on the part of the Privy Council; thus removing difficulties previously caused by the unsatisfactory condition of Parliamentary legislation.

The committee regret that the Juvenile department of our work in connection with temperance, has not received the attention its importance demands. As the children are the hope of the church; we urge the members of the Conference, to use all due influence to form societies in accordance with the constitution as printed

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in the minutes of 1882; or where this is impracticable to administer the pledge as embolied in the "Scholars

Quarterly" or otherwise as they shall see fit.

We are convinced that public opinion needs further training in the direction of total abstinence; and that all legislation, no matter how favorable it may be to temperance interests, is utterly worthless, unless it receives the support of the Church, her members, and the general public; We therefore recommend this Conference to encourage and endorse every legitimate movement, for the furtherance of this great moral reform; and that sermons be preached during the year to all the congregations within the bounds of this Conference.

We would call especial attention to the question on page 90 par. 305 in our discipline; viz: "Do you use only that kind of drink which is best both for body and soul," believing it to be imperative that ministers and probationers alike should give a decided affirmative

answer thereto.

And further, would remind the members of the Church that the buying, selling or drinking of intoxicants as a beverage is a violation of our rules and principles.

W. G. LANE, Secretary.

CENTENNIAL FUND COMMITTEE.

The following amounts have been subscribed throughout the Districts towards the Centennial Fund:

Halifax \$2500	00			
Truro 79		 \$ 79	43	paid
Cumberland 426				
Guysboro' and C. B 89				66
Annapolis 232	16	 68	31	66
Liverpool 123			17	66
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It is recommended that an appeal on behalf of this Fund be made to our Sunday Schools as soon as possible, say 1st Sabbath in September.

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by er large Neve It is also recommended that an engraving of the Memorial Hall be provided for the several schools in order to set forth to the eye the object of this appeal.

It is recommended that the following brethren be appointed delegates to canvass the respective Districts on behalf of the Fund.

Halifax District
Truro

Thomas Rogers, A.M., and R. Brecken.
Cumberland
Guysboro' and C.B.
Annapolis
Liverpool
Yarmouth

Dr. McMurray, John Lathern, S. F. Huestis.

A. D. Morton and R. Brecken.

Chairman and Bros. Purvis and Swallow.

James Taylor and A. W. Nicolson.

C. Lockhart and J. M. Fisher.

President, J. A. Rogers and J. L. Dawson, A. B.

That the present officers of the Society be continued with the addition of S. F. Huestis as Treasurer.

Also that the Special Committee of Conference be the Centennial Fund Committee for the ensuing year.

J. A. Rogers, Secretary.

SPIRITUAL REPORT.

HALIFAX DISTRICT .- Throughout the District, and especially within the city circuits, the past year has been one of more than usual spiritual blessing. United efforts between the various ministers of the Halifax circuits at the beginning of the year resulted in a deep and widespread revival of the work. By the Divine blessing a mighty movement was inaugurated which has not even yet ceased its beneficial influences. The result has been numerous conversions and corresponding additions to the church. The country circuits have been similarly blessed. With a devoted zeal the ministry of the Word has been faithfully prosecuted, the Lord alone has been exalted, and under the gracious influences of the Spirit scores have been born of God and led into the kingdom. Losses by emigration, etc., still seriously interfere with the large numerical increase that would otherwise appear. Nevertheless the net gain is encouraging.

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his ble, True District.—Several circuits report a very encouraging attendance at, and interest in the services of the sanctuary. He who promises to bless abundantly the provision of Zion through the labours of His servants builds up the living stones in the spiritual temple; apart from the general edification of the hearers other circuits have witnessed the ingathering of immortal souls to the Redeemer's fold. Both in the consolidation and strengthening of work already accomplished and in the further extension of Christ's Kingdom there is matter for abundant joy. We regret that one brother, through complete physical prostration during a part of the year was unable to overtake fully the demands of the work. Sheet Harbour though cultivated faithfully has not yet yielded the expected fruit.

Cumberland District.—The year has been one of both temporal and spiritual prosperity. Especially do we rejoice with the joy of harvest over the large increase of membership, and the quickening of the spiritual life on so many of the circuits. Very gracious outpourings of the Spirit and numerous accessions to the Church are reported from Amherst, Southampton and Wentworth. Other circuits record similar tidings though in less degree as far as numbers are concerned. The necessary deductions occasioned by death and removals are very considerable but still leave a total net gain on the District

of 156.°

Guysboro' and Cape Breton District.—Although we have to deplore a slight decrease we find no ground for discouragement. The drain by emigration on the District is large. On all circuits some have been converted, in a few instances the minister has been cheered by large ingatherings as at Port Hood, but the cause already stated—losses by emigration—effectually prevents numerical increase. The Sabbath Schools on the District present quite encouraging features and are conducted with increasing efficiency. We alse rejoice in the prospect of an extension of the Lord's work as foreshadowed in a memorial for the division of a certain

circuit coupled with a request for additional help. In fine, the prospects for Methodism here at the present time are unusually bright.

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Annapolis District.—The presence of the Lord Jesus and approval of the work of His servants have been apparent in almost every circuit, while on several quite extensive revivals have taken place. The death roll has been large, but now as hitherto "our people die well." The services of God's house have been well attended, and the attention marked; not infrequently the gospel-seed has fallen upon good ground—even prepared hearts, and faithful lives have demonstrated the thoroughness of the Divine change wrought. In some quarters troubles of long standing have been adjusted, and the Church presents a united front to the enemics of the gospel.

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.—Almost every field on this District has been the scene of special evangelistic effort during the year resulting in gratifying success. Lunenburg and Mill Village have been particularly blessed in this direction, conversions have been numerous and piety has been deepened and intensified. A new Sabbath School has been started at Denmark, and a preaching appointment averaging an attendance of 100 established at Middleton. Methodism is a tender plant on the Chester Mission, but through the Master's blessing on the wise and discriminating care bestowed, good has been accomplished here also. The brethren generally rejoice in the degree of blessing that has attended their labors, while longing for a fuller display of convincing and converting grace among those committed to their charge. hopeful feature applying to this District is that the tide of emigration seems to have reached its lowest point, and the outlook is now encouraging.

YARMOUTH DISTRICT.—In the enlargement and erection of churches, the liquidation of long-standing and oppressive debts, the occupation of new fields of labour, the salvation of souls and the general increase of piety this District gratefully acknowledges the Divine goodness throughout another year. Still it is matter of regret

that in some congregations there are those who, though their outward life is correct, have not yet been led to make any public profession of religion. The superintendent of the Hebron Mission reports the existence of an inviting field of labour in the midst of a people hitherto much neglected evangelically, but who now look to us for the Word of Life. Peace and harmony prevail at Barrington, and the classes are met regularly by active and pious leaders. Lockeport has been visited by an extensive revival and more than fifty profess conversion. Spiritual blessing and financial improvement are also noted in connection with the Shelburne and North East Harbour circuits.

Reviewing the work for the year it is happily evident that our whole Conference field has been blessed of God. The servants of the Master and the Church have laboured faithfully in the word and doctrine. Philosophical refinements can never impart spiritual regenera tion; the speculations of mere carnal wisdom offer no food to the soul; the negations of a cold materialism are powerless to speak peace to the troubled conscience Thank God our ministers and people have no delight in such spiritually barren themes. Christ crucified ha been preached; the Redeemer aud the Redeemer's work have been exalted. The possession of the "exceeding great and precious promises," the experiences of the past, and the quickened zeal of the ministry of the Church to-day harmoniously concur in affording a pledge of still greater and more glorious achievements in time to come Amen.

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MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

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That the cordial thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the Rev. W. C. Brown, Ex-President, for the very able and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the various and important duties of his office during the past year.

SECRETARIES AND ASST.-SECRETARIES.

It was moved seconded and Resolved:

That the thanks of this Conference are hereby presented to the Rev. J. A. Rogers, Secretary of Conference; to the Rev. C. Jost, A.M., Journal Secretary, and to the Asst.-Secretaries for their valuable servces during the Conference.

BOOK STEWARD AND EDITOR.

Whereas, This Conference has had submitted to it the Financial Statement of the Eastern Book Room and Wesleyan Office for 1882 and having been favored with an eloquent address from the Book Steward

Resolved

That this Conference records its high appreciation of the laborious and successful effort of these beloved brethren Rev. S. F. Huestis, (Book Steward) and T. Watson Smith (Editor) and would hereby express its continued confidence in their administration of the affairs of the Book Room and Connexional Organ and recommend these important interests of our Church to the patronage of our people.

DONOR OF THE LIFE OF DR. DUFF.

Resolved_

That the cordial thanks of this Conference be presented through the Rev. William Briggs, Book Steward to the generous donor of the Life of Dr. Duff to the Ministers of the Methodist Church of Canada.

" WESLEYAN."

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We learn from our Book Steward that a gentleman of Halifax has been yearly showing substantial sympathy with us in the "Wesleyan" and other religious literature, therefore—

Resolved; that we as a Conference hereby express our grateful thanks to this gentleman for that substantial interest.

MR. JOSEPH LAWRENCE.

As this Conference has asked for the aid and assistance of Mr. Joseph Lawrence of East Keswick in procuring young men for our Conference and as Mr. Lawrence has rendered us valuable aid in this matter.

Therefore, Resolved, that the earnest thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby expressed to Mr. Lawrence for his valuable services and many communications.

YARMOUTH SUPERINTENDENTS.

Resolved :-

That this Conference offers its sincere and cordial thank to the brethren Revs. J. A. Rogers and W. H. Heartz of Yarmout circuits for their perfectly satisfactory arrangements for the meeting of this Conference.

RAILWAYS AND STEAMBOATS.

Resolved:

That this Conference offers its sincere thanks to the Western Counties, Windsor & Annapolis, and I. C. Railways and the Steam Boat Companies, for their liberality in granting reduced fares to Ministers and lay delegates and others attending Conference.

YARMOUTH FRIENDS.

Resolved :

That this Conference expresses its deep and sincere thanks to the friends in Yarmouth for their marked kindness in entertaining the Ministers attending the Sessions of the present Conference in such hospital manner and orders that the Resolutions of thanks be made by the Pastors of Wesley and Providence Churches from their pulpus next Lord's Day.

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CONFERENCE PLAN.

That in preparing the plan of Conference Services, in the future, the Superintendent of the Circuit provide only for the services in the town in which the Conference is held.

That a Committee on public worship be appointed annually make all other arrangements necessary for the supply of the pulpits contiguous circuits.

UNLICENSED MINISTERS.

Whereas from time to time, persons who are strangers to a Conference come amongst us, requesting access to our pulpits and sliciting letters of recommendation from our ministers.

Resolved:—

That this Conference hereby urges upon the several circuits, the all such applications be refused, except to those who produce unmittakable credentials.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COLLECTION.

Resolved :-

That the General Conference Collection shall be made up on the Second Sunday in August.

THE NEXT CONFERENCE.

Resolved :-

That every Minister who shall be unable to attend Conference is peremptorily required to give information of the fact to the Superindent of the circuit in which the Conference shall be held, not later than three weeks before the Conference is appointed to meet.

WHEN AND WHERE SHALL OUR NEXT CONFERENCE BE HELD?

Answer :-

The Third Wednesday in June, 1884, at Grafton Street Church, Halifax South.

Signed by order

and on behalf of the Conference,

W. H. HEARTZ, President. J. A. ROGERS, Secretary.

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STANDING ORDERS.

I.—COLLECTIONS FOR CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

Contingent Fund.—In the months of September and March.

Supernumerary Ministers' Fund.—In the menths of November and December.

Educational Fund and Missionary Society, as arranged by the Financial District Meeting.

Conference General Fund .- In the month of August.

See Discipline—page 83, paragraphs 8 and 9.

Conference Collection .- In the month of May.

MISSIONARY LISTS.

2. Each Superintendent is required to present at the Annual District Meeting, prepared on foolscap paper and made up in Canadian currency a perfect list of all subscribers of one dollar and upwards; all amounts under one dollar to be entered under small sums; and each Chairman is required to present such list to the Missionary Secretary in a state ready for publication—on the day previous to the Meeting of the Missionary Committee.

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EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

3. Each Superintendent is required to present at the District Meeting, in a form for publication, a perfect list of the benefactors and subscribers to this Society, and the Chairmen of the Districts shall present such lists to the Secretary of the Educational Fund Committee on the day previous to the meeting of said Committee.

CONTINGENT AND SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' FUND.

Superintendents are requested to see that the annual public collections are taken for these funds at the time appointed. For the latter fund subscriptions and donations shall be taken in the classes and among the lay friends of the church, and the names of all annual subscribers of five dollars or more shall be forwarded to the Treasurer for publication in the Minutes of Conference.—(Dis. paragraph 534.)

CHILDREN'S FUND.

5. The Financial Secretaries of the various Districts are required to send to the Secretary of the Children's Fund immediately after the Annual District Meeting, the names of all ministers in their respective Districts who are claimants upon the Children's Fund for the current year; and to state the number of children for whom allowance is claimed; and as far as possible, the name and date of

II.—FINANCIAL DISTRICT MEETING.

6. The attention of the Chairmen of Districts is called to page 146, paragraph 339 of the Discipline. The Conference direct that the greatest care shall be exercised in preparing the estimates of Receipts and Expenditure on Missions. The expenditure shall in no case exceed \$750, exclusive of the Children's Fund claims and house rent.

III.—SABBATH SCHOOL REPORTS.

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7. Each Superintendent is directed to see that an Annual Report of the state of Sabbath-schools in his circuit is prepared in tabular form (Schedules Nos 1 and 2, issued by the Board of Management), and presented to the Quarterly Official, and District Meeting.

IV.—REPORTS OF RELIGIOUS STATE.

8. Each Superintendent is directed to prepare a Report of the religious state on his circuit or mission, to be read at the Annual District Meeting; at which meeting a summary of such Reports shall be prepared and entered in the District Minutes for the information of the Conference. The condensed Reports of Missions shall also be prepared in a form to be transmitted to the General Secretaries.

V.-BOOK ROOM ACCOUNTS.

9. Every minister or preacher is peremptorily required to settle his book account for the preceding year at each Annual Conference, and also regularly to transmit the money in his hands without any reservation or reduction whatever, to the Book Steward whenever it shall amount to ten dollars.

VI.-THE WESLEYAN.

10. Chairmen of Districts are directed to institute enquiry at the Annual District as to the diligence and fidelity of each Minister and Preacher responsible for the collection of subscriptions due for the Wesleyan.

VII.—DISTRICT MINUTES.

11. Chairmen of Districts are required to take to Conference three complete copies of the Minutes of the Annual and Financial One copy inserted in the District Book for his own use; one for the Secretary of the Conference; and one for the Members of the District and of the Conference.

PASTORAL ADDRESS

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God we are again assembled in our Annual Conference, and as is our wont we turn to you "the flock over which the Holy Ghost has made us overseers" with words of Christian greeting. "Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of everyone of you all toward each other abcundeth: so that we curselves glory in labours we seek your good. Your christian steadfastness and increase is our highest aim and our chief joy. "For what is our hope or joy, or crown of rejoicng? are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? Ye are our glory and joy."

The Conference has been to us a time of refreshing. The devotional services have been characterized by the presence and power of the Holy Ghost. We rejoice to testify that the God of our Fathers is with us still. The spirit of forbearance and brotherly kindness has prevailed throughout all our deliberations; and for these tokens of divine favour we ask you to join us in ascriptions of praise.

The review of our work awakens in us emotions both of fervent gratitude and deep humility. The year just closed has been one of grave importance to us as a church. Since our last Conference services have been held in most of our circuits to celebrate the close of the first century of Provincial Methodism. In these services we were favored with the presence and aid of the Rev. S. D. Rice, D.D., the President of the General Conference, who, by his eloquent and forcible addresses, did much towards making our Centennial a success.

During the Session of General Conference held last Septemder steps were taken and a Committee formed for the purpose of securing an organic union with the other Methodist Bodies in the Dominion. Despite the fact that the most diverse opinions exist among us respecting the Basis of Union presented for our acceptance the discussion of this grave matter has been conducted with great moderation. Our beloved people have endeavored to keep "the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace." We would urge you to join us in unceasing prayers that the Spirit of wisdom may be given to us, and that we may be guided to right conclusions.

You will rejoice to learn that the Divine Master still smiles approval of our labours in His vineyard; that the grand old truths proclaimed by us are yet instinct with life and freshness. The gospel has come during the year not "in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance." On many of the Circuits "showers of blessings" have descended, many have embraced the truth, and are now exulting in the power of Christ to save. "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of

God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe."

Notwithstanding the strong tide of emigration flowing westward and the fact that death has made great inroads into our ranks, we are able to report an increase of 386 in the membership of the Church.

Since we last addressed you we have been admonished to "work while it is day" by the removal of two of our beloved brethren from the toil of earth to the rest and blessedness of heaven. INGHAM SUTCHIFEF, after a lengthened and eminently successful ministry in Canada, wewfoundland, and the Lower Provinces, where he occupied some of the most important stations and accomplished much for God passed somewhat suddenly and unexpectedly to his reward. ROBERT TWEEDY, a faithful and earnest servant of Jesus Christ, wise in winning souls, genial and kind as a pastor and friend was called away from us in the midst of his cays. A year ago he assumed the responsibility of a circuit, hoping for a longer period of active service, but the Master ordained otherwise. By these removals, dear brethren, we are forcibly reminded of the approach of night, therefore let us be "always abounding in the work of the Lord."

Into many of our parsonages the dark shadows of affliction and death have entered during the year. Two of our dear brethren have been bereaved, and several have been called to part with children. These afflicted and sorrowing ones have been graciously sustained by those "exceeding great and precious promises" which they have so confidently commended to you in seasons of trial.

While offering our fervent thanks to the Great Head of the Caurch for the measure of prosperity enjoyed by us in the past, we reel the importance of again reminding you, beloved, of the need of unremitting diligence in the high and holy calling wherewith ye are called. Remember we "are laborers together with God" in the great enterprise of personal salvation: therefore "be diligent that ye may be found without spot and blameless." The dangers to a life of piety are as manifold and great as ever. The world is yet opposed to Christ. The spirit of the age is adverse to "pure and undefiled religion." It is still incumbent on all the disciples of Christ to give earnest heed to His words. "I have chosen you out of the world," and to the apostolic injunction. Be not conformed to this world.

In your efforts to live for God use all possible aids to devotion. Prize very highly the public and social means of grace. Be diligent in your study of the divine word. This is the best antidote to the poison and vileness of much of our modern literature. Forsake not the fountain of truth for the polluted streams of error. Keep yourselves in the love of God by prayerful consideration of the weighty truths revealed in the Holy Scriptures. God's word is not only a light, but a shield; therefore, strive to say with the Psalmist, "Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee." "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly." Covet earnestly the blessedness of those whose delight is in the "Law of the Lord." A just appreciation of the divine

word will result in a character adorned by purity and faithfulness.

Neglect not the duty and privilege of private prayer. When there is neglect in this particular the soul must languish. If we would conquer our difficulties and temptations, like the Master, we must secure seasons for meditation and communion with the Divine. "In fellowship with the Father and His Son Jesus Christ" you will obtain strength to meet daily trials, and wage war against sin. The hurry and tumult of the present age is not helpful to the christian; therefore be watchful lest the world rob you of "the hour of prayer."

In this age of speculation, when men rush blindly after every novel theory of religious doctrine be careful to maintain the simplicity of the "Stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle." The truths proclaimed from our pulpits have been fully tested. They come to you bearing the impress of heaven. Do not exchange these sacred verities for the empty and destructive theories, and "damnable heresies" which are so industriously propagated by men who wrest the Scriptures. "Beware of false brethren." "Let no man deceive you with vain words." "Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines for it is a good thing

that the heart be established with grace."

These great saving doctrines which God committed to our Fathers; which they so fervently loved and firmly held, and fearlessly proclaimed, and which have ever been the glory and strength of Methodism are still cherished and taught by us. We confidently look for your cooperation in making known these truths to the world. Let nothing move you to surrender the great verities of justification by faith, the witness of the Spirit, and present holiness. In proportion to our fidelity in maintaining and setting forth these foundation truths will be our success. While there is so much of vagueness in modern speech respecting present holiness we would urge you to hold fast the distinctively Wesleyan doctrine of entire sanctification. Seek to become familiar with the teaching of our own theologians on this vital matter. Permit us to remind you, in this connection, dear brethren, that the most efficient mode of "spreading scriptual holiness through the land" is by presenting to men a manifestation of God's sanctifying grace in your own lives. Be not content to have the doctrine of holiness as an article of your creed, but earnestly seek to realize in yourselves the blessednes of those to whom "The Lord imputeth not iniquity, and in whose Spirit there is no guile." To succeed in your mission you must yourselves be holy. "Thou must thyself be true,

If thou the truth wouldst teach; Thy soul must overflow if thou Another's soul wouldst reach! It needs the overflow of heart To give the lips full speech."

We would furthermore urge you to be diligent in your attendence on the social means of grace. Do your utmost to sustain the Class and Prayer-meeting. These have been peculiar features in our Church life from the beginning. The vitality and power of our Church is to be

measured by her love of Christian fellowship. A neglect of the Classmeeting must inevitably result in disaster to us. Let nothing lead you to undervalue this blessed means of grace. While you cherish an ardent love for these spiritual exercises you will be kept from worldly frivolities. Nothing tends so much to eat the soul out of our piety, and to weaken our church as worldly entertainments. Convinced of the injury sustained by the church of late years from modern forms of gaiety such as fashionable parties, skating carnivals and the like, we would affectionately but earnestly beseech you to bear in mind our general rule against "taking such diversions as cannot be used in the name of the Lord Jesus." Now that so much is said about amusements we would take this occasion of expressing our conviction that to conquer the temptation to levity and worldly conformity you must realize the "expulsive power of a new affection." Drive out the love of the world by an all constraining love for Christ. If your souls are aglow with divine love you will have no relish for the empty pageantries and silly amusements of the world.

Yield not to the tendency of the age in its neglect and desecration of the holy Sabbath, but diligently reserve for the special service of God this seventh part of your time. Maintain this barrier against the flood of ungodliness which is ever ready to flow in wherever the Sabbath is dishonored. Do not allow the hours of the holy day to pass away in sleep or needless self-indulgence. Be careful not to endanger your own souls or the souls of others by the pernicious habit of Sunday visiting. Set your faces resolutely against everything calculated to rob us of the tranquility and profit of the Lord's day. "Call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord honourable; honour Him, not doing thine own way, nor finding thine own pleasure. . . . Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord."

We would also impress upon you the vast importance of family Let your children and households behold in you a spirit of devotion to the Lord Jesus. There is no point upon which we have addressed you of greater moment than this. Nothing can adequately supply the lack of thorough religious training at home. Bring up your children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord." See that they are early instructed in the doctrine of our church. Guard jealously against everything likely to weaken the respect and love of our children for the christian ministry. Great injury has been done to the cause of truth by ill advised remarks upon the preaching of the gospel made in the presence of young persons. Let no words of harsh criticism fall from your lips before your children. "We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord. and admonish you: and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake." Maintain your fidelity with respect to family worship. Never permit the sacred fire to go out on the domestic altar. Honour God before your children, and you shall find your reward in their filial affection and christian deportment.

With strong abiding faith in the power of Christ to save from all sin, and a blessed experience of the love of God, give yourselves fully

to the work of leading men to Jesus. While giving diligence to make your own "calling and election sure" let all the various enterprises of

the church claim your hearty sympathy and generous support.

We avail ourselves of this opportunity of again calling your attention to the importance and demands of our Educational Institution at Sackville. We have had a year of successful toil in this department of our work. The foundation of the new College edifice has been laid under very cheering auspices. The work done in these institutions it is impossible to overrate whether viewed in reference to the extension of our own Church or to the progress of the country at large. While recognizing all the advantages of our free school system we cannot overlook the fact that upon the church is devolved the solemn responsibility of religiously educating the youth. Let us be true to our ecclesiastical traditions in respect of education, and the result will be seen in an efficient ministry and a progressive church.

Our Sunday School work grows in mag: itude and importance year by year. In this nursery of the church in these Provinces we have under christian teaching an army of 10,037 children. During the year just closed 381 have been converted to God, and have united with His people.

We rejoice also to inform you that our official organ, the Wesleyan, and the Book Room are both in a prosperous condition. Both these agencies of our church rightly claim a place in the regards and prayers of God's people. In this day of cheap publications, when the best books may be obtained for a trifle, the vile and poisonous trash sown broadcast over the land should be superseded by the healthy and saving issues of our own press. We commend to you our excellent paper, and the standard writings of our own theologians. Great good might be accomplished by the dissemination of sound scriptural literature. We confidently anticipate the time when every family shall be blessed with the regular visits of the Wesleyan.

Brethren, "We exhort you by the Lord Jesus that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and please God, so ye would abound more and more." Let us keep steadfastly before us, as a church, the solemn fact that without an interest in the redeeming work and death of the Lord Jesus men must perish everlastingly, and that it is our mission to direct them to the cross, and to cry in the ears of all, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world."

We cannot escape the solemn responsibility which God has devolved "No man liveth to himself," therefore, let us prayerfully and resolutely address ourselves afresh to the glorious work of turning

the world to Christ.

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen!

W. H. HEARTZ, President. J. A. ROGERS, Secretary.

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