# MINUTES

OF

# SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN

#### THE MINISTERS

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Church or Connexion

OF

EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.

AT THEIR BLEVENTH CONFERENCE, BEGUN IN VARMOUTH, N. S., ON JUNE 2878, 1865.

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TAKEN AT YARMOUTH. N.S., FROM THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF JUNE TO THE FIFTH DAY OF JULY, 1865.

REVEREND JOHN McMURRAY, President.

EDMUND BOTTERELL, Co-Delegate.

R. ALDER TEMPLE, Secretary.

# QUESTION I. A MOL

Who are now admitted as Ministers into Full Connexion with the Conference?

#### ANSWER.

George Harrison, R. Mitchell Smith, John Johnson.

John G. Bigney,
Joseph S. Coffin,
Leonard Gaetz,
Joseph Gaetz,
Loseph Pascoe,
Los Frederick Harrison, Elias Slackford.

# QUESTION II.

What Preachers now remain on Trial?

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Samuel B. Martin, who has travelled four years, is allowed to attend the Institution.

Chas. W. T. Dutcher,
Andrew Gray,
William H. Heartz,
W. W. Percival,
Jabez A. Rogers,
Howard Sprague, A.B.

John S. Allen, Cranswick Jost, A.B., Joseph G. Angwin, Isaac N. Parker, Wesley Colpits, Charles B. Pitblado,

Robert Taylor.

These have travelled Three years.

Thomas J. Deinstadt, R. O'Brien Johnson, adguord and disk agent La David W. LeLacheur. 

These have travelled One year.

#### QUESTION III.

What Preachers are now received on Trial?

ANSWER.

John A. Clark, A.B., William Sargent.

Students allowed to attend the Theological Institution.

S. B. Martin, who has travelled four years,

H. P. Cowperthwaite, J. B. Hemmeon, who have travelled three years.

John M. Pike, who has travelled two years.

Thomas Rogers, Wilson W. Lodge, who are now received on trial.

#### QUESTION IV.

What Ministers have died since last Conference?

#### ANSWER

JOHN MARSHALL, who died in Lunenburg on the 12th of July, 1864, aged 77 years. He was born in Peterborough, England, on the 3rd of May, 1787, and commenced his Ministry in 1818, when he was ordained, and sent as a Missionary to Tortola, in the West Indies, his papers being signed by the Rev. R. Watson, and the Rev. Jabez Bunting. After some years his health failed in that inhospitable clime, and he was by the Missionary Committee sent to Nova Scotia. He was in the active work of the Ministry for thirty-three years, and a Supernumerary thirteen, making his ministerial life forty-six. As a christian, his manner was modest and retiring, his piety uniform and consistent, and his affectionate attachment to his brethren in the ministry ardent and constant. He highly esteemed the members of our Church, and t hought it an honor to labour for their edification. He "rejoiced with them that did rejoice, and wept with them that wept." As a Minister, his talents were respectable. By

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diligent reading and study, anxious and prayerful preparation for the pulpit, he was a "workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." The Divine Head of the Church gave him seals to his Ministry, and made him useful in the edification and establishment of the Church. And now his "witness is heaven, and his record is on high." He "rests from his labours and his works do follow him." For some years previously to his death, paralysis greatly enfeebled his mental and physical nature, so that he could not get to the house of God, but the Bible was his chosen companion, and he was generally found cheerful and confident, resting with unyielding faith upon Christ and the truth. Some days before he died he had a fresh attack of paralysis, under which he rapidly sank, and which produced a stupor that disinclined him to say much; but when spoken to about his religious state, his confidence in God was strong-Christ was to him always precious. On the evening of the 12th of July, his end approaching, his friends knelt around his bed and committed him to the care of his Heavenly Father; and while upon their knees the struggle ended, and his redeemed spirit passed away to be forever with the Lord.

# QUESTION V.

What Ministers become Supernumeraries at the present Conference?

#### Answer.

Thomas Angwin, James Buckley, Wm. Smithson, Richard Johnson.

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### QUESTION VI.

Who have now ceased to be recognized as Ministers among us?

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# QUESTION VII.

Are there any objections to any of our Ministers and Preachers on Trial?

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dyid John McMurray, President, will won back Elmund Botterell, Co-Delegate. R. Alder Temple Secretary.

## HALIFAX DISTRICT.

1. Halifax. E. Botterell, R. Alder Temple; H. Pope (A) Supernumerary.

Conference Office, John McMurray, Editor and Book which he rapidly

- 2. Dartmouth, Jos. G. Angwin; Thos. Angwin, Supernumerary. religious state, his contidence in God was stro
  - 3. Musquodoboit Harbor, R. O. B. Johnson.
  - 4. Middle Musquodoboit, Leonard Gaetz.
- 5. Sambro.
- 6. Margaret's Bay, To be supplied.
  - 7. Lunenburg, John J. Teasdale; one wanted.
  - 8. New Germany, John Johnson.
  - 9. Windsor, J. England; F. Smallwood, Supernumerary.
- 10. Falmouth, Andrew Gray. 11. Meander (Newport), James Taylor.
- 12. Avondale ( " ), H. McKeown. (The Brethren in Newport will exchange once a month.) Thomas Angwin
  - 13. Kempt, William Tweedy.

14. Maitland, G. M. Barratt.

JOHN McMURRAY, Chairman. JAS. TAYLOR, Fin. Secretary.

James Buckley

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#### II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

- 15. St. John, South, John S. Addy, Jas. R. Narraway, A.M., J. L. Sponagle; W. Temple, M. Pickles, W. T. Cardy, Supernumeraries.
  - 16. St. John North; (Portland), Ingham Sutcliffe.
- 17. St. John West, (Carleton), G. O. Huestis.
  - 18. Fairville, Job Shenton.
  - 19. St. Andrew's, G. W. Tuttle?
  - 20. St. David's, Isaac Thurlow, bearings onew yed'l

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22. Mill Town, William Wilson. 23. Sussex Vale, G. B. Payson.

24. Grand Lake and Canaan, Geo. Harrison.

25. Havelock, D. W. LeLacheur, under the superintendence of Bro. Payson.

26. Greenwich, D. B. Scott.

27. Kingston, J. J. Colter. 28. Upham, W. C. Brown.

INGHAM SUTCLIFFE Chairman. G. O. Huestis, Fin. Secretary.

#### III.—TRURO DISTRICT.

29. Truro, Alexander B. Black.

30. River Philip, Jas R. Hart.

31. Wallace and Pugwash, Geo. Johnson, C. Jost, A B.

32. River John, J. V. Jost.

33. Albion Mines; Douglas Chapman.

34. Guysboro and Canso, James Buras, T. Deinstadt; Jas. Buckley, Supernumr'y.

35. Manchester, John G. Bigney.

36. Sydney, R. Morton, R. H. Taylor.

37. Blockhouse Mines, J. Winterbotham.

38. Ship Harbor, Elias Slackford.

39. Margaree, One wanted.

J. V. JOST, Fin. Secretary.

### IV.—P. E. ISLAND DISTRICT.

40. Charlottetown, M. Richey, D.D., H. Sprague, A.B. R. Johnson, M.D., Supernumerary.

41. Cornwall and Little York, H. Pope, (B).

42. Pownall, Wm. Ryan.

43. Bedeque, Richard Smith; J. B. Strong, Super'ry.

44. Margate, W. Evans.

45. Souris, &c., One wanted. 46. Marray Harbor, J. A. Mosher.

47. Cape West, Richard Pratt; one wanted.

M. Richer, D.D., Chairman. H. Pope 2nd, Fin. Secretary.

#### V.-FREDERICTON DISTRICT:

49. Fredericton, John Lathern; Wm. Smithson, Supernumerary.

50. Sheffield, Jas. Tweedy.

 Kingsclear, John A. Clark, A.B., under the superintendance of Bro. Lathern, with whom he will interchange once in three weeks.

52. Woodstock, Geo. S. Milligan, A.M.

53. Jacksonville, F. Harrison.

54. Florenceville, John W. Howie.

55. Andover, Benj. J. Johnston.

56 Nashwaak, Joseph Sutcliffe.

57. Gagetown and Burton, A. S. Tuttle.

58. Miramichi, F. W. Moore, C. B. Pitblado.

59. Bathurst, Robert Tweedy.

60. Dalhousie, I. N. Parker.

G. S. MILLIGAN, A.M., Chairman, John Lathern, Fin. Secretary.

### VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

61. Sackville, Alexr. W. Micolson; John Snowball, Supernumerary.

MOUNT ALLISON WESLEYAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

H. Pickard, D.D., President of the College, &c.

C. DeWolfe, D.D., Professor of Theology, &c. Students in Theology, H. P. Cowperthwaite, Saml. B.

Students in Theology, H. P. Cowperthwaite, Saml. B. Martin, Jos. B. Hemmeon, J. M. Pike, Thos. Rogers, W. W. Lodge.

62. Point de Bute, Geo. Butcher. The Brethren on the Sackville and Point de Bute circuits will interchange once a month.

63. Baie de Verte, Wm. Alcorn.

64. Moncton, Wm. McCarty; Wm. Allen, Stephen Humphrey, A.B., Supernumeraries.

65. Dorchester, F. H. W. Pickles.

66. Hopewell, Robt. Wilson, Asa B. Watters.

67. Coverdale, R. Mitchell Smith.

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69. Amherst, Chas. Stewart, Wm. Sargent.

70. Parrsboro, John Read, Wes. C. Colpitts.

CHARLES STEWART, Chairman, GEORGE BUTCHER, Fin. Secretary.

## VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

71. Annapolis, Jos. Hart, W. H. Heartz.

Bridgetown, H. Daniel; G. Miller, Supernumerary.
 Wilmot, R. Weddall; J. F. Bent, Supernumerary.

74. Aylesford, R. E. Crane.

75. Horton, S. W. Sprague, A. S. DesBrisay.

76. Cornwallis East, (Canning,) J. G. Hennigar. N. Cornwallis West, (Berwick,) Thos. H. Davies.

78. Hillsburg, Jos. S. Coffin.

79. Digby, Stephen F. Huestis. 80. Digby Neck, Alfred E. LePage, who will interchange occasionally with Bro. Huestis.

T. H. DAVIES, Chairman. S. F. Huestis, Fin. Secretary.

# VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

81. Liverpool, D. D. Cufrie, E. B. Moore.

82. Yarmouth South, John Prince.

83. Yarmouth North, W. W. Perkins. The brethren in Yarmouth will interchange each Lord's day.

84. Barrington, E. Brettle, C. W. T. Dutcher.

85. Shelburne, T. Watsen Smith.

86. N. E. Harbor, &c., Thos. D. Hart.

87. Port Mouton, Robert Wasson. 88. Mill Village, Thomas Smith.

89. Petite Reviere, C. Lockhart.

JOHN PRINCE, Chairman, W. W. Perkins, Fin. Secretary.

# IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

90. St. John's, P. Prestwood, A. W. Turner, Jos. Gaetz.

91. Harbor Grace, James Dove.

92. Carbonear, John S. Peach, John S. Allen. 93. Brigus, W. E. Shenstone.

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94. Port de Grave. One to be sent.

95. Black Head, John Waterhouse.

96. Island Cove. Thomas Fox.

97. Old Perlican, Thomas Harris.

98. Hants Harbor, H. L. Cranford.

99. Trinity, To be supplied.

100. Bonavista, Chas. Comben. 101. Catalina, John Goodison.

102. Twillingate, Jas. A. Duke. 103. Burin, S. T. Teed.

104. Grand Bank, John S. Phinney.

JOHN S. PEACH, Chairman. JAMES DOVE, Fin. Secretary.

#### MISSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

105. Labrador, (summer months) J. S. Allen.

106. Petites, Jos. Pascoe.

- 107. Channel, Isaac Howie.
- 108. Exploits, Jabez A. Rogers.

109. Fogo, Chas. Ladner.

110. Little Bay Island, To be supplied.

111. Greenspond, Jos. Todhunter.

112. Bermuda, (In connection with Halifax District)-Robert Duncan, W. W. Percival, J. McC. Fulton, A.B. (Bro. Fulton to reside at Hamilton.)

N. B.-John Brewster,, by permission of the Conference, returns to England. John Allison, A.M., by permission of the Conference, is transferred to the Genesee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

# QUESTION IX.

What is the number of Members in our Society, and of those on trial?

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New Germany, 57	Charlottetown, 306 129
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Newport, 236	Pownall, 123
Kempt, 180	Bedeque, 284 7
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St. David's, 122 3	Kingsclear, 67
St. Stephen, 134	Woodstock, 80 8
Mill Town, 78	Jacksonville, 180 2
Sussex Vale, 220 12	Florenceville, 171 2
Grand Lake and Ca-	Andover, 61
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Havelock, 95 18	Gagetown, 40
Greenwich, 124 13	Burton,, 44 1
Kingston, 90 6	Miramichi, 148 8
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Bridgetown, 125 4	Port DeGrave, 60
Wilmot, 208 15	Black Head, 338
Aylesford, 155	Island Cove, 112
Horton, 160 50	Perlican, 283 50
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# GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

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## QUESTION X.

What has been collected upon the several Circuits for the Missionary Society, and for the Contingent and Home Mission Fund, the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund, and the Educational Fund for Ministers' children?

#### Answer.

# As follows:

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CIRCUITS.	Miss. Society.	Con. Fund.	Sup. Fund.	Ed. Fund
Halifax,	\$2142.81	\$159.60	\$116.10	\$37.49
Dartmouth,	90.50	9.04	3.39	
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Lunenburg.	85.58	9.72	6.00	2.00
New Germany,	81.97	1.10	1.00	2.46
Windsor,	226.56	12.00	15.55	5.00
Falmouth,	39.28	5.00	8.33	1.17
Newport,	213.45	26.00	12,00	4.00
Kempt,	180.25	12.05	4.25	2.00
Maitland,	90.30	5.00	3.40	2.04
Bermuda,	1244.56	30.89	50.00	14.35
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St. John, West,	71.25	5.50	5.50	3.50 1.50
Fairville,	44.53	5.25	7.45	1.28
St. Andrews,	25.00	3.23	3.07	1.06
St. Davids,	22.65	7.48	3.60	2.05
St. Stephen,	50.19	13.79	10.26	3.07
Mill Town,	11.66	5.20	3.92	1.00
Sussex Vale, &c.,	120.00	7.50	14.50	2.20
Grand Lake and Cans	an, coli	5.00	2.00	nel Designation
Greenwich,	30.96	8.80	3.70	1.00
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#### CONTINGENT AND HOME MISSION FUND.

#### QUESTION X.

What is the amount of the Contingent and Home Mission Fund, and how has it been appropriated?

#### Answer.

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What are the resolutions of Conference with regard to the Contingent and Home Mission Fund? ANSWER. THE PROPERTY AND AND

1. The Conference records its deep regret that on the dependent Circuits there are large unpaid deficiencies, after the grants from this Fund to aid them have been appropriated. The amount of remaining balances which there are no funds to meet, is nearly five thousand dollars this year.

2. The Conference deeply sympathizes with its Ministers in the distressing position in which they are placed by the yearly losses they are called to bear. It feels itself called upon to make an earnest and effectual appeal to its friends generally who desire to conform to the spiritual obligations of Christianity in the disposal of their worldly substance, and fervently hopes that something in the way of special donations from its wealthier friends, or "surplus receipts" from self-sustaining Circuits may be received in aid of this important fund the ensuing year, to enable it to relieve, at least to some extent, the pecuniary embarrassment in which many of its ministers are involved.

3. The Conference also trusts that greater attention will be given onthe part of its ministers, on all the Circuits, to secure the uniform and effective observance of the rules for securing the current income of the fund from the ordinary sources.

#### SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

#### QUESTION XIII.

What are the resolutions of Conference respecting the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund?

#### ANSWER.

1. The Conference receives with satisfaction the Report of the Committee of this Fund, which shows that its strong claims on the liberality of our people are acknowledged by the Societies in every part of our work.

2. But as the payments from the Fund must be immediately and largely increased, the Conference earnestly hopes that the contributions of the members of our Church will soon be brought to at least an equal amount with the subscription of the Ministers.

3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to C. H. M. Black and D. McN. Parker, M.D., Esqrs., Executors of the Hon. W. A. Black, of Halifax, for their prompt payment of his legacy of One Thousand dollars.

4. That the thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the Rev. E. Botterell, for the thorough and very satisfactory attention which he continues to give to his duties as Secretary of this Fund.

5. That the thanks of the Conference are due and are bereby presented to the Rev. H. Pickard, D. D., and A. Raton, Esq., for their faithful and advantageous services another year.

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# BOOK ROOM AND PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.

# QUESTION XIV.

What are the resolutions of the Conference in reference to the affairs of the Book Room and the Provincial Wesleyan?

#### Answer.

1. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are tendered to the Rev. John McMurray, for his faithful and successful attention to the arduous duties of his office as Book Steward and Editor during the past year.

2. That the Conference, having an increasingly deepened conviction of the value and importance of our connexional organ, the *Provincial Wesleyan*, would urge upon the brethren the desirableness of seeking to extend its circulation, and promptly to collect all subscriptions due on its account.

3. The Conference would press upon the minds of the brethren the absolute necessity of every minister in our Connexion rendering his active aid and support in sustaining our Book Room in its efficient and useful operation, by seeking to circulate the publications of our own Church more extensively among the members of our Society and Congregations. The Conference would remind our brethren of our standing rule, that "no minister shall sell any books but such as are obtained from our Book Room."

# PARSONAGE APD FUND.

## QUESTION XV.

What are the Resolutions of Conference with regard to the Parsonage Aid Fund?

#### Answer.

1. The Conference recommends that the rules for the formation and Constitution of this Fund, as printed in the Minutes of 1862, continue in force

Minutes of 1862, continue in force.

2. In order to accomplish the intention of Conference in the formation of this Fund, and to insure more uniformity in the applications to this Fund, and in the distribution of its grants, the following regulations are adopted, viz:—

1st. In regard to applications for grants in the erection of new Parsonages—

In every case where it is proposed to seek for a grant in aid of a new Parsonage, the parties about to build shall communicate with the Secretary of this Fund, and procure from him a copy of the model plans; and shall also lay before the Committee of this Fund full particulars in regard to the size, socation, tenure, and value of the land upon which it is proposed to build; the plans of the building; details of size, height, materials, and estimated cost; amount of reliable subscriptions in aid of the purchase of land and erection of the building, and also the amount of the anticipated grant.

2nd. In regard to applications for grants in aid of purchase of Land and building.

(1.) In every case where it is proposed to purchase land and buildings for a parsonage, it shall be necessary, in order to obtain a grant in aid of such a purchase from the Parsonage Aid Fund, for the parties to communicate with the Secretary of the Fund, and furnish all the required particulars; and until the permission of the Committee of the Fund is given, the purchase of the property is not to be completed.

(2.) That in every case when a grant is sought to be obtained from this Fund, it must appear that with the assistance of the grant, the property shall be entirely free

from the burden of any debt.

3rd. In regard to applications for grants to liquidate debts

on Parsonages-

(1.) Applications for grants can only be received from Circuits where there has been a distinct charge upon the Circuit accounts, and a claim upon the Contingent Fund for rent. as interest.

(2.) Satisfactory evidence must be presented to the Committee that with the assistance of the grant sought to be obtained, and the local effort, the debt shall be liquidated,

and all charges for rent or interest shall cease.

4th. No grants can be made from this Fund to assist in defraying the expenses incurred in repairs and alterations to Parsonages, or for the purpose of assisting in the erection of gr rec

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5th. Every application for aid from this Fund, must receive the sanction of the District meetings, either Financial or Regular, before it can be considered by the Committee.

6th. The Treasurer of this Fund shall not pay the amounts which may be granted in aid of local efforts, until he shall have received satisfactory evidence upon the following points, viz:—

(1.) That the title of the property is valid, and that the deed is executed upon the connexional plan. (2.) That the whole of the sums subscribed on the Circuit are available and secured, so as to relieve the Circuit account from any charge for rent or interest. (3.) A Certificate from the Registrar of Deeds must be forwarded, stating that the Connexional Deed is recorded, and that the property is free from all encumbrance, whether by way of mortgage, judgment, widow's thirds, or otherwise.

### EDUCATIONAL FUND.

### QUESTION XVI.

What are the resolutions of the Conference respecting the Educational Fund for Ministers' Children?

#### ANSWER.

1. The Conference regrets to have to call the attention of our ministers and members to the fact that the receipts on behalf of this Fund, as realized from the various Circuits of the Conference, are considerably less than those of last year; and in view of the arranged disbursement of this Fund to several claimants this year, feels called upon to say, that the slender resources of this institution not only render it the imperative duty of our ministers to diligently and zealously use their best endeavours to secure an augmentation of the amount raised in its behalf, but also call for the enlightened sympathy and generous aid of the more affluent friends of Methodism in these Provinces.

2. That the Conference re-affirms the Resolutions of last

(1.) That those senior members of the Conference who do

not expect to derive benefit from this Fund in the education of their children, shall pay \$2.00 annually. That all other members of the Fund shall pay an annual subscription of \$3.00, except those who are actually receiving from the Fund, who shall pay \$4.00 per annum.

(2.) That the attention of our people be especially called to this Fund, and that its claims upon their generous support be affectionately and strongly urged in all our Congregations.

3. That the Chairmen of the respective Districts be authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Fund for the amounts due to the claimants within their charge.

## MOUNT ALLISON INSTITUTIONS.

QUESTION XVII. What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting the Mount Allison Educational Institutions?

#### ANSWER.

#### I .- THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

1. That the Conference, having carefully and calmly considered the condition and management of the Male Academy. records anew the expression of its high appreciation of the continued educational efficiency of this truly excellent Institution, and cherishes the belief that the changes about to be inaugurated in the management thereof by the Board of Trustees, at the suggestion of Dr. Pickard, will tend to enhance still further the reputation which, through the valued services of its able instructors, and the tact and judgment of its trusted Principal, it long since, deservedly won.

2. That the Conference learns with an unusual degree of pleasure, that while the interior economy of the Ladies' Academy, during the past year, has been characterized by the effective provision made for the literary training of its pupils, and a studied and delicate attention to their personal comfort, to the perfect satisfaction of all concerned, the most gratifying improvement has taken place in its general financial condition, entirely justifying the expectations last year entertained of the benefit likely to be derived from placing this Branch under the wise and experienced supervision of the Rev. Dr. nex its c 3 both and thro

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3. The Conference cordially and conscientiously commends both branches of the Mount Allison Academy to the generous and unbesitating patronage of the Christian public at large, throughout the Lower Provinces.

# II .- THE COLLEGIATE DEPARTMENT.

1. That the Conference is much gratified at learning that during the year, so respectable a number of students has been in attendance on the classes at Mount Allison College, who, by praiseworthy diligence in their studies, under the care of gifted Professors, have made solid advances in the acquisition of sound learning and healthful mental culture.

2. That the Conference, considering the priceless benefits Mount Allison College is calculated to confer upon the Metho dist Church of the Lower Provinces, and the urgent demand on behalf of the truest and weightiest interests of that Church, that the College should be raised to the highest possible state of efficiency, and established upon the most enduring basis, enjoins upon all its Ministers, that on suitable occasions they shall publicly and solemnly invoke upon the College, as well as the other Institutions at Sackville, the Divine benediction; and also suggests to the wealthy members and adherents of the Methodist Connexion, capable of the exercise of a patriotic and far-seeing munificence, that no object within the range of their benevolence would be fraught with richer advantages to their Church and country, than the efficient and permanent endowment of the various professional chairs of Mount Allison College.

## III .- THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

1. That the report of the Theological Professor for the past year of the department and studies of the Theological Students is highly satisfactory, and that the Conference is thereby more than ever confirmed in the conviction of the propriety, importance, and necessity of this department.

2. That the Conference regrets that there is still a large balance of unpaid subscriptions to the C. F. Allison Profesforship, and deeming it necessary for the comfortable working

of the Theological Institution, that these be collected without delay, expresses the hope that all possible efforts will be made before the next Conference by the Superintendents of Circuits to accomplish this most desirable result, so that the income of this Fund may be more proportionate to its needful expenditure.

3. That the Conference fully recognizing the prerogative of Almighty God to call whomsoever it may please Him to the work of the Christian Ministry, is of opinion that arrangements should be made as soon as possible, for the establishment of a Fund for affording needful aid to pious, but indigent young men, regarded as called of God to the rank of the ministry, and in need of prosecuting a course of study, preparatory to such work, and requests the Theological Committee meantime, to consider and report by next Conference, some suitable plan for carrying into effect this important object.

4. That the Conference has much pleasure in recording its high appreciation of the past services of the Rev. C. DeWolf, D.D., in the training of Candidates for our Ministry, and earnestly commends him, and the students to be placed under his care for the next year, to the continued sympathy and prayers of our people, that the Theological Institution may be

rendered increasingly a blessing to the Church.

5. The Chairman of each District is required at the time of the Financial District Meeting, to make suitable arrangements for the examination of the young men at the ensuing District Meeting, and in order to direct more fully the studies of the young Ministers, as well as to provide for more thorough annual Examination during the four years of their probation, the Conference adopts the following course of reading and study:-

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Works upon which Examination | Books suggested for Reading and Study.

FIRST YEAR. Wesley's Notes, Matt.—Mark Wesley's Sermons, 1 to 40. Fietcher's Appeal. Locke's Theology, chapters 1—8. Watson's Life of Wesley, &c. Wayland's Moral Philosophy, 1st Ripley's Sacred Rhetoric.

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# MISSIONARY JUBILEE.

# QUESTION XVIII.

What are the resolutions of the Conference respecting the Jubilee of the Wesleyan Missionary Society?

#### ANSWER.

1. That the Conference having ascertained that our people have so generally throughout the Connexion entered heartily into the Jubilee services, which in a great majority of instances have been seasons of abundant grace, and followed by an encouraging liberality, desires to record its humble and

fervent thanks to Almighty God for this token of his favour and blessing. The Conference recognises herein the call of God's Providence and grace to walk by the same rule and to mind the same thing, as did the fathers and founders of the Wesleyan Missionary Society.

2. That the Conference directs that particular inquiry be made at the next Financial District Meetings, as to whether the order of Conference in the holding of Jubilee Meetings, has been carried out, and where not, that it shall be attended

to at an early period.

3. That the Chairmen of those Districts from which full and correct lists of Jubilee subscriptions have not been received, be requested to furnish those lists for their respective Districts, with the least possible delay, that the amount subscribed to this Fund, may as soon as possible be known and recorded.

4. That the Ministers be desired to collect the first instalment of the Jubilee subscriptions yet due, before the next Financial District Meetings; forward the same to the General Treasurers of the Fund, and also see that the entire amount of subscriptions to the Fund be paid prior to the Conference of 1866.

5. That the consideration of the plan of apportionment to be adopted in regard to the Jubilee Fund of this Conference, be referred to a special Committee, to meet at an early day

at the call of the President, consisting of:-

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of Conference, Revds. Jas. England, H. Pickard, D.D., C. DeWolfe, D.D., Thos. H. Davies, H. Daniel, I. Sutcliffe, Jno. S. Addy, J. R. Narraway, A.M., Chas. Stewart, Alex. B. Black, and the following lay gentlemen, D. H. Starr, Jos. Prichard, A. Eaton, W. K. Dudman, David Scott, T. C. Humbert, E. E. Lockhart, B. Lingley, M. Wood, Z. Chipman, W. Heard, C. W. Wetmore, T. M. Lewis, and John McMorran, Esqrs.

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

# QUESTION XIX.

What are the Standing and other Committees for the year, and of whom are they composed?

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#### Answer.

### I .- MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Conference, the Chairmen of the respective Districts, and Rev. W. McCarty, Rev. J. Lathern, Sec'y. G. H. Starr, Esq., Treas'rs. R. E. Crane,

Hon. J. H. Anderson, Halifax, Richard Smith, Esq., Maitland, Aaron Eaton, Esq., St. John, Geo. P. Sancton, Esq., " S. Rettie, Esq., Truro, R. Brecken, Esq., Charlottetown, Hon. C. Young, L. L. D., " Hon. Judge Wilmot, Fredericton, M. Wood, Esq., Sackville, W. K. Dudman, Esq., Yarmouth, A. Henderson, Esq., Annapolis, Z. Chipman, Esq., St. Stephen, J. J. Rogerson, Esq., St. John's, N. F., Hon. E. White, Thomas S. Tuzo, Esq., Bermuda,

#### II .- BOOK COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Conference.

Rev. James England, Sec'y., Rev. T. H. Davies, William Wilson, J. G. Hennigar.

Ingham Sutcliffe, J. Prince,
H. Pope, (B), H. Pickard, D.D., C. Lockhart,

Jas. Taylor, H. McKeown, Pone, (B)

T. W. Smith.

# EXECUTIVE BOOK COMMITTEE.

The Superintendents of the Halifax, Windsor and Meander Circuits. audit committee.

Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., Rev. R. Alder Temple.

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#### III .- SUPERNUMERARY FUND COMMITTEE.

The President and Secretary of the Conference.

Rev. E. Botterell, Sec'y. Rev. C. Lockhart, H. Pickard, D.D., Treas.

Aaron Eaton, Esq., Rev. J. S. Peach,

R. Weddall,

Jas. G. Hennigar,

G. S Milligan, A.M. Geo. W. Tuttle, E. Brettle.

> Jos Hart, S. F. Huestis, omorei

Geo. H. Starr, Esq., Halifax, Hon. J. H. Anderson, E. E. Lockhart, Esq., St. John, Joseph Prichard, Esq., R. Brecken, Esq., Charlottetown.

#### IV .- CONTINGENT FUND COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Conference, the Chairmen and Financial Secretaries of the respective Districts, the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Children's Fund, with two gentlemen, members of our Church, from each District, to be chosen at the annual meeting in May.

> Hon. J. H. Anderson, Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., Treasurers. Rev. J. Taylor, Secretary.

#### V .- CHURCH PROPERTY AND PARSONAGE AID FUND COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate and Secretary of the Conference,

Rev. G. Butcher, Sec'y. H. Pickard, D.D.,

A. W. Nicolson, Jas. Dixon, Esq., John Humphrey, Esq., James George, Esq., Martin Trueman, Esq., A. P. Bradley, Esq.

Rev. Geo. Johnson, W. McCarty,

VI .- EDUCATIONAL FUND FOR MINISTERS' CHILDREN.

Rev. H. Pope (B), Sec'y. Rev. R. Alder Temple, Rev. Chas. Stewart, } Treas. W. B. McNutt, Esq. 5 17743.

D. D. Currie,
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#### VII.—SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. E. Brettle, Rev. J. V. Jost,
R. Weddall, J. L. Sponagle,
R. Smith, C. Lockhart,
Jas. Tweedy,

Rev. G. M. Barratt.

VIII.—BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SACKVILLE INSTITUTION.

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Con-

ference.

Rev. H. Pickard, D.D.,
C. DeWolfe, D.D.,
M. Richey, D.D.,
J. R. Narraway, A.M.,
J. Snowball,
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IX.—THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of Conference.
Rev. C. Stewart,
G.R. Anderson, Esq. Treas.

Rev. J. Prince,
G.S. Milliam, S. C.

G.R. Anderson, Esq. \( \) \( \

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A. W. Nicolson,
J. B. Morrow, Esq.,
T. C. Humbert, Esq.,
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J. N. Freeman, Esq.,
Martin, Trueman, Esq.,
Hon. Judge Wilmot.

X.—THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The President, Rev. Dr. Pickard, Rev. C. Stewart, Rev. A. W. Nicolson, Rev. G. Butcher.

XL—COMMITTEE FOR EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES RECOMMENDED BY THE DISTRICT MEETINGS.

The President and Co-Delegate of the Conference, Rev. R. A. Temple, Sec. y. Rev. S. W. Sprague,

H. Pickard, D.D., Wm. Wilson,
C. Dewolfe, D.D., H. Daniel,
M. Richey, D.D., G. Johnson,
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#### XII.—COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

The Financial Secretary of the Conference, the Financial Secretaries of the several Districts, and the Secretaries of the several Connexional Funds.

XIII.—COMMITTEE FOR CONFERENCE TRAVELLING
ARRANGEMENTS.

Revs. A. Temple, G. O. Huestis, H. Pope (B), A. B. Black.

#### MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

REV. W. L. THORNTON, M.A.

1. Resolved, That this Conference regards it as incumbent on them to place upon their records the following notice of William L. Thornton, M.A., who at the time of his decease was our President. He had been favourably known to us for several years as the learned and successful Editor of the Parent Connexion, whose labours in that capacity had secured for its periodicals in general, and especially for the Wesleyan Methodist Magazine, a wide and well deserved popularity. At the Conference of the Parent Body in 1863, he was appointed Representative to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and President of the Conference in Canada. These responsible appointments demonstrated the high estimation of his gifts and graces held by our fathers and brethren in England. It is our delight to be able to record that his toils, his spirit, his influence among ourselves, fully confirmed the judgment of his rare ability, ardent devotion, and wise zeal, which those who knew him best, had entertained. His public services in St. John and Sackville, New Brunswick, and in Halifax, Nova Scotia, will be long and gratefully remembered for the proof which they afforded of his elevated piety, and ministerial earnestness, and for the unction which attended his ample and most felicitous use of the Word of God in his sermons and prayers. He presided in our Conference with the utmost grace, urbanity and acceptance. He spoke wisely on the

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# THANKS, ETC.

2. That the very respectful and cordial thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Rev. Thomas H. Davies, for his very valuable services as Co-Delegate, during the past year, and especially for the vigorous, faithful, and Christian discharge of his official duties, since the lamented decease of our late President, the Rev. W. L. Thornton, A.M.

3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. R. Alder Temple, Secretary of the Conference; also to the Rev. D. D. Currie, Journal Secretary; and the Revs. T. W. Smith and S. F. Huestis, Sub-Secretaries; to the Conference Letter Writers, the Rev. Geo. Butcher, assistant Financial Secretary, and the writers of the Conference documents, for their valuable official services during the Conference.

4. That the thanks of the Conference be and are hereby presented to Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., for his very able and satisfactory presentation to the Parent Committee of the pressing necessity and legitimate claims of this Conference upon that Committee.

5. That the respectful thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby presented, to the Rev. Jas. Taylor for his very valuable and acceptable services as the Secretary of the Con-

tingent Fund Committee, and the Treasurer of the Children's Fund.

6. That the thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby presented, to the Rev. John Prince, Superintendent of the Yarmouth Circuit, for the very suitable and satisfactory arrangements made by him for the comfort of the Ministers, and the personal attention of himself and his colleague, the Rev. James R. Hart, during the sitting of the Conference,

to contribute to their happiness.

7. That the cordial and affectionate thanks of the Conference are due to the members of our Church and other friends in Yarmouth, and it hereby affectionately assures them that their christian hospitality and kindness will not soon be forgotten, but will, among other remembrances of their first Conference session in this prosperous town, furnish a distinct feature of pleasing and grateful recollection. The Conference requests the Rev. Mr. Prince to express its respectful acknowledgement of the kindness of our friends, in the Congregations that he may address in our churches on next Sabbath.

8. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Railroad Superintendents in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and to the Proprietors of Steamboats and Stage Coaches for their kind consideration in reducing the fares of

the ministers travelling to and from the Conference.

9. That the thanks of the Conference be given to John B. Gaynor, Esq., for the very acceptable gift of \$800 to the Trustees of the Wesleyan Church in Portland, St. John, by which they have been enabled to free that church from debt.

#### THE REV. JOHN BREWSTER.

10. The Conference having learned that our esteemed Brother, the Rev. John Brewster, by permission of the Missionary Committee in London, is about to return to his native land, to labour in connection with the British Conference, would most sincerely express its regret that we are to be deprived of the services of one who has been so highly honoured in the Ministry among us, and would pray that he and his family may be conducted home in safety, and that his future labours in the Lord's vineyard, may be increasingly owned and blessed by the Great Head of the Church.

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11. That the days upon which the Quarterly Fasts are to be observed through the Connexion, for the following year, shall be Fridays, Oct. 4th, Jan. 3rd, March 28th, and June 27th. The Ministers are desired to hold special religious services in their principal Churches, on the Fast days, and to preach on each preceding Sabbath, a sermon on the revival of the work of God. The Conference directs that at the ensuing Financial District Meetings, very special attention be devoted to a consideration of the spiritual state of the Church, with a view to the adoption of such measures as may be best adapted to promote religious prosperity.

# SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCUITS.

In regard to a classification of the Circuits embraced in the Conference, the following regulations are adopted, viz:—

- 1. That the Circuits which receive at least one married preacher each, and meet the full expenditure, including the claims of the Children's Fund, shall be considered as constituting the First Class.
- 2. That the Circuits which receive at least one married preacher each, and meet all the claims for Circuit expenses, except that for the Children's Fund, shall be considered as constituting the Second Class.
- 3. That the Third Class shall include all other Circuits which are occupied each by a married preacher, and raise annually towards meeting Circuit expenses not less than \$400; and also all Circuits to which unmarried men only are appointed, and which meet all the claims for Circuit expenses, including that for the Children's Fund.

Note.—Every Circuit in the above class having had the ervices of an unmarried preacher four years, must be prepared then to receive a married man.

4. All other Circuits shall be considered as constituting Home Missions.

Note.—The foregoing classification is one which regards the financial concerns of the Circuits, and not at all the standing of the ministers employed on those Circuits.

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The Chairman of the respective Districts are directed to call the attention of the approaching Financial District Meetings to these regulations.

#### CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

The Chairmen of Districts are requested to bring before the notice of their respective Financial District Meetings the subjoined Schedules, and to see that they be carefully filled up at the next Annual District Meetings.

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#### STANDING ORDERS.

#### I .- DISTRICT MINUTES.

The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procurethree complete copies of the Minutes of the several annual and other meetings of the District Committees, financial and ordinary, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary; one of these copies shall be inserted in the District Records, the second shall be reserved for the use of the Conference, and the third shall be delivered to the Secretary for preservation in the archives of the Connexion. Furthermore, it is required that the last-mentioned copies shall be handed in on the forenoon of the day preceding that on which our first preparatory Committee meeting may be appointed to be held, that the Secretaries may prepare classified lists of all matters which are to come before the Conference, and thereby expedite business.

#### II .- PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.

In consequence of the annual increasing arrearages of the subscriptions for the *Provincial Wesleyan*, enquiry be instituted in the District Committees respectively, as to the fidelity of each brother responsible for the collection of such monies—the accounts previously being sent to the Chairmen, and distributed at the Financial District Meetings.

#### III .- CANDIDATES RECOMMENDED.

Each District Chairman is required to instruct young men recommended by his District Meeting as probationers for our work, to attend the Meeting of the Committee for the examin ation of Candidates.

#### IV .- MISSIONARY LISTS.

Each Superintendent shall be required to present at the Annual District Meeting, prepared on foolscap paper, and made up in Nova Scotia decimal currency, a perfect list of all Missionary Monies collected on his circuit; and each Chairman is required to present such lists, in a state ready for publication in the Missionary Report, to the Missionary Secretary, on the day previous to the meeting of the Missionary Committee.

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#### ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1866.

The Committees preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in St John, N. B., as follows, (subject, however, to any changes of the particular order, days, or hours, here specified, which the President, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may make,) viz:—

1. Committee for Examination of Candidates—Thursday, June 21, at 9 o'clock, a. m.

2. Stationing Committee—Thursday, June 21, at 21, p. m.

3. Book Committee-Friday, June 22, at 9, a. m.

4. Educational Fund for Ministers' Children - Friday, June 22, at 7, p. m.

5. Theological Institution Committee—Saturday, June 28, at 9, a. m.

6. Missionary Committee—Saturday, June 23, at 3, p.m. 7. Supernumerary Fund Committee—Monday, June

25, at 9, a. m.
8. Parsonage Aid Committee—Monday, June 25, at

9. Contingent Fund Committee—Tuesday, June 26, at 9, a. m.

10. Commi tee on Conference Statistics—Tuesday, June 26, at 3, p. m.

N. B —1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in St. John on Thursday, June 21, for the

purpose of preparing for their several Committees the accounts of their several departments.

- 2. The Assistant Secretaries are requested to attend at the same time for the purpose of compiling from the District Minutes, various lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees and of the subsequent Conference.
- 3. Special Notice to Chai men of Districts .- They are particularly required to bring, in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds, on Thursday, June 21, the necessary copies of the District Minutes, the Circuit Accounts of each Circuit, in their respective Districts, and the Minutes of the Financial District Meetings.

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Assembled in our Annual Conference, we have undiminished pleasure in addressing to you our accustomed christian salutations. Endeared as you are to us, your united Pastorate, by associations most sacred and endearing—for "ye are our epistle written in our hearts,"—we have joyed before God in view of the peace and prosperity of our beloved Church, and the assurance afforded that our people are found "walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost;" exhibiting in their lives the loveliness of true religion, and the energy of the Gospel to bless, and elevate and save.

Our sojourn in this rapidly improving town, where the prosperity, intelligence, enterprise and piety of the community, under various interesting forms, arrest the observant eye, has been both pleasing and profitable;—while our intercourse with the many with whom we have been privileged to mingle, whether amid the hospitalities of their happy homes, or in the impressive services of the sanctuary, will, we trust, be long and gratefully remembered, both by them and us.

The joy derived from our hallowed and refreshing reunion with each other, after the toils and trials of another year, has been severely chastened by the ever-present memory of the unexpected decease of our honored and beloved President, the Rev. William Lockwood Thornton, A. M. Presiding over our last Conference with the grace and dignity of true greatness, he won our unqualified admiration and love,—and as we listened to his wise and holy counsels, and observed the transparent purity and intense devotedness of his spirit, we were constrained to "glorify God in him," and stimulated to a more earnest life-consecration to the work of the Lord. He was called on the morning of a Christian Sabbath to the enjoyment of the eternal Sabbath in heaven. Your; souls have sympathised with ours in the loss therein sustained throughout our extensive connexion; but contemplating the rest into which he is gathered—the glorious destiny which he has achieved—his translation from a suffering to a reigning church, you will unite with us in thanks unto God, who giveth his saints the victory.

"Join we then with one accord
In the new and joyful song,
Absent from our loving Lord
We shall not continue long.
We shall quit the house of clay,
We a better lot shall share,
We shall see the realms of day,
Meet our happy brother there."

On a prayerful review of the work of God amongst us, we are thankful to report that in its various departments there are encouraging signs of its growth and prosperity. "Tis true the success realised has not been proportionate to the multiplied means and agencies employed, or the largeness of the Divine promise; yet the number of souls brought into communion with us, together with the measure of liberality by which our various financial interests have been sustained during another year of great pecuniary embarrassment, consequent upon the unhappy war in the United States, affords unmistakeable proof that the Lord of Hosts is with His people, and encourage us still to pursue our "work of faith and labor of love,"—looking to Him who has declared that we shall reap in due season if we faint not.

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It is cause of heartfelt gratitude to the "God of peace" that our Societies have been undisturbed by strife or discord, and that the grace of brotherly love, as the dew of Hermon, continues to refresh and beautify every hill of our Sion. Mindful of the powerful and affecting pleadings of our great Advocate for the unity of His redeemed people, "Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one as we are, that they all may be one, as thou Father art in me and I in thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that thou has sent me," let us unite our prayers and endeavors to secure an increase of that Christian oneness which is at the same time the strength and glory of His mystical body.

Under the deep conviction that all the Ordinances of religion are the Divinely appointed channels for the communication of the living waters of grace, we pray you, suffer the word of exhortation by which we would commend them to your intelligent, devout and conscientious observance. In harmony with the spirit of the Psalmist when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord," ever cherish a jealous and devoted respect for the Lord's day and the services of His house. Vigilantly guard against the ever recurring temptations to infringe upon the sanctity of the holy Sabbath, arising either from the pressure of domestic duties, or the not less potent demands of social life. Let the more or less frequent opportunities to wait upon the Lord in His sanctuary that occur amidst the toils and cares of every day life be sacredly recognized and observed, that you may prove them to be springs of spiritual refreshment, whence, in the quiet and holy joy of Christian communion you will find a recreation and elasticity of spirit which those alone possess who meet together in the name of Christ. As Wesleyan Methodists forsake not the assembling of yourselves together in the weekly Class Meetings, where the disciples of the Saviour may build themselves up in their most holy faith, and strengthen each other's hands in the Lord. As an incitement, we would affectionately remind you that the truly pious of every name have confessed the desirableness and obligation of such sacred, and open-hearted communion with their believing brethren as may be enjoyed in this means of grace; while the history of our church will show that a diligent use of this privilege has ever been identified with everything marked, powerful and happy in our experience and example as a Christian people.

We trust dearly beloved brethren, that in the use of the Ordinances of the sanctuary, and in your domestic and private intercourse with God, this one great object will be kept in view,-the purification of your souls from sin, and your entire consecration to the will and service of God. As a people, in the providence of God we exist for the purpose of spreading Scriptural holiness throughout the land; rejoicing in the belief that this is the will of God even our sanctification. He who hath redeemed us from the wrath to come, hath died to save us from our sins, and to deliver us from the lusts and vanities of this present evil world. Having made atonement for us by his death upon the Cross, and ascended up "far above all principality and power," He now sheds forth the Holy Ghost to purify unto Himself a peculiar people zealous of good works. He hath promised and encouraged us to pray for the Spirit of Truth, the Comforter. Are you seeking after this blessing by fervent, believing prayer? Have your minds been guided into all truth? Are you led by the Spirit out of yourselves to the Cross of Christ? Do you daily walk under the power of His sanctifying grace? Are you seeking to exterminate every bosom sin, and to "mortify the deeds of the body that you may live?"

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you, we, for ourselves, pursue this inquiry and seek with more fervid diligence that precious earnest of all spiritual and eternal blessings, the Spirit of holiness, to be within us as the witness of our adoption into the family of God, to mould our souls into the image of the Saviour, to fill us with the light of truth and the fire of love, to arm us for the conflicts of life, to sustain us as we pass through the shadow of death, and bring us with songs of triumph to the heavenly Sion.

Some of you have been called to pass through, or at this time may be suffering affliction. The dispensations of Divine Providence may have been dark and mysterious. His footsteps we may not trace, whose path is not on the sand, but in the great waters, and unbelief; prone always to interpret the wrong way, has suggested, "All these things are against me." Having committed our way unto the Lord, it is our privilege to believe amid all the tears and trials, the sufferings and the sorrows of our pilgrimage, that "all the ways of the Lord are good," yea, "all the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep His covenant and His testimonies." There is an High Priest before the mercy seat who is touched with a feeling of our infirmties. There is no want, no sorrow, no circumstance of life that he is not acquainted with, and with which he does not sympathise. Draw near with your burdens, your tried and wounded hearts. By virtue of your spiritual relationship to Him, you are entitled to enter into the holy place, in the full assurance of faith, through His shed blood and resurrection life,—the "new and living way." It pleased our Heavenly Father that the Captain of our Salvation should be made perfect through suffering—through suffering He entered into His glory-and the cheering note thrills upon our ears as we writhe amidst the fiery trials, "If we suffer we shall also reign with Him."

We have to mingle our tears with yours over the departure

of many of our dear people from earth. They have died well, and do rest in Jesus. To those of our holy dead we have to add the name of the Rev. John Marshall, who though for some years sustaining a supernumerary relation to our miniscarial work, was known in the West Indies, but more especially to many within the bounds of our Conference as a devoted and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ. His end was characterised by the calm peace and trust which so eminently distinguished his impressively meek and holy life. We would gird up our loins, and so follow those who "through faith and patience inherit the promises" that we also with them may stand in our lot in the end of the days.

It is with regret that we refer to the failing strength of some of our fathers and brethren in the Ministry, three of whom this year are obliged to retire from the active work. We confidently ask for them a prominent place in your sympathies and prayers; and as they have been in labors more abundant, you will be in prayer for them more importunate.

It is a matter of great thankfulness that thirteen young men, having with honor and usefulness completed their term of probation, have been solemnly set apart, by the laying on of hands, to the office and work of the holy Ministry; and that three others, of whose conversion to God, and call to the duties of that sacred office satisfactory proof has been afforded, have been received on trial for our work.

You will be gratified to learn that our Educational Institutions in the Collegiate, Theological, and Academic departments, continue to command the support of the Provincial public, the confidence of our own people, and the blessing of God; and we would affectionately request your prayers on behalf of this important branch of our work, that its prosperity and usefulness may be increasingly promoted. The value of this Establishment to our Connexion, is more and

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more realized every year, in the stronger and more general demand for an educated and intelligent, as well as earnest ministry. We deeply regret that owing to the rapidly multiplying fields for evangelical effort which call for additional labourers, unless there shall be a proportionate increase of duly qualified young men placed at the disposal of the Stationing Committee, there is room to fear we shall be obliged to send out annually into the active work, some who have not been able to avail themselves of the higher educational advantages, so much to be desired. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he will send out labourers into His harvest.

With renewed confidence we would cordially recommend to your continued patronage our Conference Organ, the *Provincial Wesleyan*, which has maintained through the past year, its long approved character, as a most desirable and essential adjunct of our Connexional organization.

We are happy to inform you that our Book Room in Halifax, still under the prudent management of our worthy Book Steward, is successfully struggling with the many difficulties resulting from its earlier operations; and we would be peak on its behalf the liberal co-operation of our friends with our ministers in their efforts to circulate more extensively throughout the Conference our unrivalled Wesleyan literature. We would respectfully urge upon Christian parents and Sabbath School officials to obtain whatever books they may require from our own Book Room, where they may be had at as reasonable rates as elsewhere.

The celebration of the Jubilee of the Wesleyan Missionary Society throughout our Conference during the year, has been marked by cheering indications of the approbation of the great Head of the Church, rendering it a season of spiritual invigoration to many thousands of our people; and we hope that the amount already laid by them upon the alter of

Christian Missions, in connection with this movement, will continue to be swollen by the yet more costly offerings of those who have not hitherto identified themselves with this

noble object.

We feel it to be our duty to inform you that there has been a small decrease in the ordinary Missionary receipts for the past year; and also in the support rendered to some other of our Connexional Funds; and in consideration of the importance of these various interests to ministerial comfort and usefulness, as well as the desirable expansion of our work, are compelled to appeal to your deepened sympathy and more enlarged liberality in their behalf.

In conclusion, dearly beloved brethren, we affectionately solicit your prayers for us, "that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified." Pray for the gift of the Holy Ghost upon the entire Conference, baptizing afresh with His hallowing fire all who minister at our holy altars, and crowning all their ministrations with soul-saving effects. This great gift is our largest need—its full realization will prove our highest glory.

"And now, Brethren, we commend you to God, and to the Word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sancti-

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Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference.

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REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN,

The safe return of your President, now ours also,—the cordial welcome which he received among you,—and the knowledge which we have gained through his communications, and your own most welcome address, of your continued peace and prosperity, have been to us the occasion of unfeigned joy, and of devout thanksgiving to God. We are glad to find that God raises up Ministers of the gospel of Christ from among your own converts; and that, under the care of Dr. De Wolfe, you are able so efficiently to provide for their ministerial training. We are ourselves more than ever anxious to provide means whereby all who enter our Ministry may receive that complete preparation for it which the circumstances of these times so urgently demand.

We are happy, also, to observe that you attach due importance to the godly training of your youth, and to the diffusion of a truly Christian literature throughout the sphere of your labours. We are impressed with the conviction, which you doubtless share, that upon the zeal and fidelity with which you use every available means, to spread the gospel of Christ, must depend the religious and political character of the whole future of the populations among whom you labour. Every true conversion now witnessed by you will probably reproduce itself in thousands of instances, during ages to come; and the godliness which you by God's blessing promote, can alone give stability and peace to the nations which are to fill your land.

We are thankful to inform you that throughout our own beloved country we have enjoyed great peace in all the churches of our Communion, and have had great joy in the celebration of our Missionary Jubilee. We are bound to give thanks always to God that the fruit of the Spirit has been made manifest in the abundant liberality of His servants who have willingly offered of their substance for the furtherance of the gospel of Christ. Already a sum exceeding £190,000 has been furnished for Missionary objects, whilst the ordinary income of the Missionary Society, has not suffered. Our gratitude for this grace bestowed on the Churches has been deepened by witnessing the cheerfulness, the humility, the love, the brotherly kindness, by which these free-will offerings have been accompanied. We have said constantly, and will ever say, "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake."

Your own willing and hearty participation in this Jubilee gives us special joy. Remembering as we do that some of our first Missionaries were employed in your provinces, we rejoice with you that you are able now to commemorate so large and blessed a result of those early labours.

We regret that we cannot report to you the same measure of spiritual prosperity that has marked some former years of our history. We have had large additions to our churches, and have ascertained that nearly 50,000 persons have been received as members on trial during the past year; but this large number has been more than counterbalanced by deaths, emigrations, and especially by the withdrawal of those who, for a longer or shorter time, had been joined with us in Christian fellowship: so that we have to record a net decrease on the year of 36 members.

These facts have caused us deep sorrow of heart, and unfeigned humiliation before God. But, though humbled, we are not discouraged. We do not for a moment ask, "Is the Lord among us or not?" We should be very blame-worthy did we not thankfully acknowledge the many tokens which we have had of the Lord's presence and power in the midst of His people. We encourage ourselves, and would, dear Brethren, encourage you, by the recollection, that whatever the hindrances which obstruct our work, the sources of our prosperity are always near and

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accessible. We know that the inspired Scriptures have lost not a tittle of their precious treasure of saving truth, and in our eyes at least, nothing of their authority or sacredness. We know that the sacrifice of our Saviour Christ is as efficacious, and His intercession as prevailing, as when He at the first "sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;" and that the Divine Spirit retains all that fullness of convincing and renewing power which He possessed on the day of the first Christian Pentecost. We are not straitened in God, but we have been straitened by the littleness of our own faith. But now, beloved brethren, we invite you to join us in drawing nigh to the throne of grace with boldness. Let us humbly and believingly claim all that we need,-for it is already ours in Christ. Who can doubt the conclusion of the Apostle? "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him, also, freely give us all things?" All things are ours, in the merciful provision of them, because we ourselves are Christ's: and all are ours in actual possession, when the strength of our faith accords with the exceeding greatness of the promises. May the God of all grace grant to you and to us, for the sake of His well-beloved Son, all the fullness of the Spirit! So shall God "cause us always to triumph in Christ, and make manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place."

In accordance with your own nomination, we have appointed the Rev'd. John McMurray, as your President, and the Rev'd. Edmund Botterell, as Co-Delegate. From the Rev'd. John Lathern, whom we have been glad to see among us, as well as from our printed Minutes, you will receive further information relative to the various departments of the work of God carried on by us in this country.

With deep and growing interest in your work, and with sincere brotherly affection, we commend you to the care and blessing of "Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy."

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JOHN FARRAR, Secretary.

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#### ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE

OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN B. AMERICA
TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

REVEREND AND BELOVED FATHERS AND BRETHREN,-

It becomes again our delightful duty, to convey to you an expression of the respect and love we ever feel towards the Parent Conference.

Your very welcome address contained references which awaken our deepest sympathies, and confirm our hopes for the future of the Methodist Connexion. To hear of the peace which your Churches enjoy; the blessed results of your Jubilee celebration; and the unimpaired state of the funds of the Missionary Society is to us a subject of devout gratification. We are truly glad to learn that your people feel an increasing interest in your noble institutions, and in the great Providential work which has been assigned you among the thousands of God's Israel.

Your success in the foreign field; the preservation of the lives of those who have gone from your shores to preach the Word in inhospitable climes; the Missionary spirit which, amongst you, is evinced by the readiness with which men and money, learning, genius and piety are laid upon the altar of Home and Foreign Missions, convince us that the Lord is at your right hand, leading you on to glorious victory; and we fervently pray that the time may never come when either in Britain or in her Colonies our Church shall cease to feel a profound interest in the wants and woes of human-kind.

While we share in your joys, permit us as a part of the great Connexion bereaved by the lamented decease of your late President—yours and ours—to mingle our tears with yours, while we recall an event so dark in mystery, so sad in its results, by which at one stroke three Conferences were deprived His all, feign We sing

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of their President, their accomplished, pious Counsellor and Head. His short sojourn with us was not too brief to endear him to us all. His quenchless zeal, his consummate abilities, his unfeigned affection and urbanity will long be remembered by us. We bow to the will of God, but we bow in sorrow while we sing in faith,—

"God is his own interpreter, And He will make it plain."

Amidst the prevailing errors of the day, we rejoice to find Methodism everywhere the uncompromising witness to the "faith once delivered to the Saints," and still maintaining an unhesitating testimony to the most thorough faith in Revelation, with the utmost Catholicity of spirit to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. The efforts made to disparage the truths which our Founder considered the glory of the New Testament, have not made us falter for a moment in our attachment to the old soul-saving doctrines of Methodism. We are "not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ."

We have been favoured with outpourings of the Spirit in many places during the past year, and signs and wonders have followed. From the promising appearances during the greater part of the year, we were led to entertain hopes of an increase to our numbers, but we are constrained before God to report a decrease of ninety-seven members. A prayerful and searching inquiry has been instituted into the cause of this unhappy result; and we are more than ever determined, with God's help, to lay ourselves out for usefulness in winning souls, and endeavouring to spread Scriptural holiness throughout the land.

The Jubilee Celebration amongst us has been an occasion of hallowed joy and thanksgiving. Owing to a general commercial depression the time seemed inauspicious, but when the movement was once inaugurated many felt their hearts moved to share in the privileges and responsibilities of this auspicious event. The amount of contributions, as promised, has reached the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, (£3200 sterling) of which a small part has been received. This, although a small sum when

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Our Educational Institutions, under the care of the Rev. Dr. Pickard, continue to prosper, and to command a large share of public patronage. The College promises well, and we are pleased to observe that it has already furnished a small supply of undergraduates for the ministry. We feel more than ever that the future of Methodism is closely connected with these places of learning, which the good providence of God has given to us, and which, with his blessing, we are determined to sustain. With yourselves we see the necessity of not only a converted but also an educated ministry.

One of our aged Supernumeraries, the Rev. John Marshall, a man eminent for piety and usefulness, has passed away during the year. A gracious end crowned a holy life.

We regret that the Rev. John Brewster leaves Eastern British America, and returns to his native land. We rejoice that his ministry has been the savour of life to hundreds in this country. His disposition, talents, and zeal have made him greatly beloved and respected. We are glad he came amongst us, and now that he must leave the Conference we commend him and his family to your Christian sympathy, hoping that he may have before him a course of increasing usefulness and happiness in the Church of God.

For the first time we have met in Conference in this town. Under the able presidency of the Rev. John McMurray, assisted by the Co-Delegate, the Rev. E. Botterell, our Session has been one of unbroken harmony. A deep spiritual influence has pervaded our assemblies, and we will return to our different spheres of labor under the happy conviction that, best of all, the Lord was with us.

We request the Revs. W. B. Boyce and John Brewster to act as our representatives in the British Conference. With much we same We the

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cordiality we recommend the Rev. Jas. England as our President, and the Rev. Ingham Sutcliffe as Co-Delegate for the next year.

Thirteen young men, who have honourably passed through their probation, have been solemnly set apart to the work of the ministry, and the solemnity of their ordination was a season of grace never to be forgotten, giving good promise that the Lord the Spirit had set to the seal of his approval in this act of holy designation.

We now separate to enter again on the work the Great Master has assigned us, and in the name of the Lord we will set up our banners. The Lord reigneth—He maketh wars to cease—His blessing is upon his people—"Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, the crooked shall bemade straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

Signed on behalf, and by order of the Conference,

R. ALDER TEMPLE, Secretary.

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Yarmouth, N. S., July 5th, 1865.

#### AN ALPHABETICAL LIST

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#### PREACHERS ON TRIAL, MINISTERS

IN CONNEXION WITH

### THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH IN EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.

\*\* The figures at the beginning of the lines show the year in which each Minister commenced his ministry, and those at the end of the lines denote his first, second, &c., annual appointment to his present Circuit.

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1836 Addy, J. S., St. John, N. B., 2	1824 Davies, T. H., Berwick, N.S. 2
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1834 Botterell, Edm., Halifax, N.S., 2	1856 Fox. Thos., Island Cove, N.F. 1
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1857 Chapman, Doug., Albion Mines,	1861 Harrison, F., Jacksonville, N.B. 1
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1861 Mesher, J. A., Murray Harbor, P. E. L.
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1861 Nesher, J. A., Murray Harbor, 1
1861 Nesher, J. A., Murray Harbor, 1 P. E. I.

1841 Narraway, J. R., A.M., St., John,
South, N. B.

1856 Nicolson, A. W., Sackville, N. B. 2

1862 Parker, I. N., Dalhousie, N. B. 3

1861 Pascoe, Jos., Pétites, N. F. 1

1843 Payson, G. B., Susseav Vale, N. B. 1

1840 Peach, J. S., Carbonear, N. B. 1

1862 Percival, W. W., Bermuda,
1856 Perkins, W. W., Yarmouth, N. S. 1

1851 Phinney, J. B., Grand Bank,
N. F.

1857 Pickard, H. D.D., Principal of N. F.
1837 Pickard, H., D.D., Principal of
Mt. Alltion Institution.
1827 Pickles, M., (Sup'y.) St. John,
N. B.
1859 Pickles, F. H. W., Dorchester,
N. B. N. B. 1
1863 Pike, John M., Institution.
1862 Pitblado, C. B., Miramichi, N. B. 2
1814 Pope, H., (Sup'y.) Halfaz, N. S.
1844 Pope, H., (Sup'y.) Halfaz, N. S.
1852 Pratt, Richd., Cascumpec, P. E. I. 2
1852 Prettwood, P. St. John's, N. F. 3
1857 Read, J., Parrsboro', N. S. 3

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1862 Rogers, Jabez, Exploits, N. F.
1865 Ryan, Wm. Pownal, P. E. I.
1865 Sargent, Wm., Amherst, N. S.
1865 Scott, D. B., Greenwich, N. B.
1860 Shenton, Job, Faivville, N. B.
1828 Shenstone, W. E., Brigus, N. F.
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1828 Shenstone, W. E., Brigus, N. F. 1837 Smallwood, F., (Sup'y.), Wind 1837 Smallwood, F., (Sup y.), Withdoor, N. S.
1861 Slackford, E., Ship Harbor, N.S. 1
1862 Smith, Thos., Mill Village, N. S. 3
1842 Smith, Rd., Beleque, P. E. I.
1857 Smith, T. Watson, Shelburne, N. S. 1859 Smith, T. Berton, St. Stephen, N. B.
N. B. M., Coverdale, N. B.
1861 Smithson, Wm., (Sup'y.) Fredericton, N. B.
1819 Snowball, J., (Sup'y.) Sackville, N. B. 1852 Sponagle, J. L., St. John, N. B. 1 1838 Sprague, S. W., Horton, N. S. 1862 Spragne, H. D., A.B., Charlottetown, P. E. I.
1852 Stewart, Charles, Amherst, N.S. 1
1813 Strong, J. B., (Sup'y.) Bedeque,
P. E. I. 1831 Sutcliffe, Ing., Portland, N. B. 1847 Sutcliffe, Jos., Nashwaak, N. B. 2 1846 Taylor, James, Neoport, N. S. 1862 Taylor, Robert, Gabarus, C. B. 1856 Teed, S. T., Burin, N. F. 1820 Temple, Wm., (Sup'y.) St. John, N. B. 1849 Temple, Robt. A., Halifax, N.S. 1 1858 Teasdale, J. J., Lunenburg, N.S. 1 1864 Todhunter, Jos., Green's Pond, 1860 Turner, A. W., St. John's, N. F. 1850 Tuttle, G. W., St. Andrew's, 1850 Tuttle, G. W., St. Andrew's, N. B.
1858 Tuttle, A. S., Gagetown, N. B.
1858 Tuttle, A. S., Gagetown, N. B.
1851 Tweedy, Wm., Kempt, N. S.
1853 Tweedy, R., Bathurst, N. B.
1855 Tweedy, J., Sheffield, N. B.
1855 Tweedy, J., Sheffield, N. B.
1856 Waterhouse, J. Blackhead, N. F.
1864 Watter, A. B., Hopewell, N. B.
1877 Wasson, R., Port Mouton, N. S.
1820 Wilson, Wm., Mill Town, N. B.
1839 Weddall, R., Wilmot, N. S.
1820 Wilson, Wm., Mill Town, N. B.
1839 Wilson, R., Hopewell, N. B.
1836 Winterbotham, J., Block House
Mincs, C. B.

#### LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

Arranged according to seniority, the figures denoting the commencement of their Itinerancy.

1813 Strong J. B. 1814 Pope, Henry (A). 1817 Miller, George 1819 Snowball, John 1820 Temple, Wm. "Wilson, Wm. 1821 Richey, M., D.D. 1824 Davies, Thos. H. 1825 Smithson, Wm. 1826 Hennigar, J. G. 1827 Pickles, M. 1828 Bent, Jos. F. Shenstone, Wm. E. 1830 Daniel, Henry " Johnson, Geo. 1831 Angwin, Thos. " Sutcliffe, 1. 1834 Botterell, E. Cardy, Wm. T. McMurray, Jno. " McMurray, Jno.
" Smith, Thos.
1836 Addy, John S.
" Buckley, Jas.
1837 Barratt, G. M.
" DeWolfe, C., D.D.
" England, Jas. Jost, J. V " Pickard, H., D.D.
" Smallwood, F.
1838 Sprague, S. W.
1839 Weddall, R. 1840 Allen, Wm. " Peach, J. S. 1841 Morton, R. " Narraway, J.R., A. m. 1842 Smith, Richard 1843 Lochkart, C. 1844 Pope, Henry (B). 1845 McCarty, Wm. 1846 Crane, Robt. E. Huestis, G. O. Prince, John

" Prince, John
" Taylor, Jas.
1848 Brettle, E.
1849 Temple, R. A.
1850 Tuttle, G. W.
1851 Black, A. B.
" Moore, F. W.

1851 Phinney, J. S. "Tweedy, Wm. 1852 Prestwood, P. 1852 Sponagle, J. L.

" Stewart, C.
1853 Burns, Jas.
" Currie, D. D.
" Duncan, R.
" Hart, Joseph
" McKeown, H.
" Payson, G. P.

" Tweedy, R.
1854 Harris, Thos.
" Milligan, G. S., A.M.
1855 Comben, Chas.

" Dove, Jas.
" Lathern, John
" Tweedy, Jas.
1856 Alcorn, Wm.
" Butcher, G.

Cassidy, Jno.
Fox, Themas
Humphrey, S., A.M.
Nicolson, A. W.
Perkins, W. W.
Teed, S. T.

" Winterbotham, J.
1857 Brown, W. C.
" Chapman, D.
" Duke, Jas. A.
" Howie, John W.
" Johnson, Richard
" Read, John

" Read, John
" Smith, T. Watson
" Sutcliffe, Jos.
" Wasson, Robert
1858 Huestis, S. F.
" Ryan, Wm.
" Scott, D. B.

" Teasdale, J. J.
" Thurlow, I.
" Tuttle, A. S.
" Waterhouse, John
1859 Smith, T. Berton

"Pickles, F. H. W.
"Wilson, Robt.
1860 Colter, John J.
"Evans, Edwin
"Goodison, John

" Goodison, John
" Hart, Jas. R.
1860 Hart, Thos. D.
" Pratt, Richard
" Shonton, Job
" Turner, A. W.

1861 Bigney, J. G.

" Coffin, Jos. S.

" Gaetz, Jos.

" Gaetz, L.

" Harrison, F.

" Herrison, G.

" Johnston, B. J.

" Johnson, John

Ladner, Chas.
Mosher, J. A.
Pascoe, Jos.
Slackford, E.
Smith, R. M.
PROBATIONERS.

1862 Allen, John S.

Angwin, Jos. G.
Colpitts, W.g.
Dutcher, C-W. T.
Gray, Andw.
Heartz, Wm. H.
Jost, Cranswk., A.B.
Percival, W. W.
Parker, I. N.

Pitblado, C. B.
Rogers, J. A.
Sprague, How., A.B.
Taylor, Robt.
1863 Deinstadt, Thos. J.
Johnson, R. O'B.
LeLacheur, D. W.

1864 Cranford, H. L.

"DesBrisay, Albert

Fulton, J. McC.

Howie, Isaac

Moore, Ezra B.

"Todhunter, Jos.

" Watters, A. B. 1865 Clark, J. A. A.B. " LePage, A. E. " Sargent, Wm.

STUDENTS.
Cowperthwaite, H.P.
Martin, S. B.
Hemmeon, J. B.
Pike, J. M.
Lodge, W. W.
Rogers, Thos.