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## Nineteenth Annual Conference.

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*Question 1. What Ministers are received into full Connexion?*

*Answer.* Thomas G. Scott, Jas. Thompson, Reuben Toye, and George Nixon.

*2. What Preachers remain on trial, and how long have they travelled?*

Dunning, Idle, who has travelled five years; Robt. McKee, John Ockley, Benjamin J. Brown, John W. Robinson, Geo. H. Thompson, and Goram A. Gifford—these have travelled three years; Wm. J. Tarrant, John S. Corcoran, Thomas F. Boyd, Robert Thompson, Chas. Mattingly, Andw. Wilson, Joshua Dyke, and James Ferguson—these have travelled two years; John Dennis, Charles O. Johnson, Edward H. Sawers, Wm. Nixon, Nathaniel Wellwood, Henry Parrish, Thomas Sims, George J. Reeve, and Benjamin Reeve—these have travelled one year.

*3. What Preachers are received on trial?*

James E. Moore, and William H. Dean.

*4. What Preacher is placed on the Reserve List?*

John Jefferies.

*5. What Preachers are Superannuated this year?*

Thomas Crompton and James S. Boyes.

6. *What Preachers have resigned this year?*

Thos. Auger, James Campbell, and Job Roadhouse.

7. *How are the Preachers Stationed for the year?*

TORONTO.—Wm. Rowe, Editor of the *Christian Journal*; William Bee, General Missionary Secretary and Book Steward.

**TORONTO DISTRICT.**

TORONTO FIRST.—Thomas Guttery; John Davison, sup.

“ SECOND.—James Edgar; William Lyle, sup.

“ THIRD.—Thomas Griffith

“ FOURTH.—Henry Harris, John Ockley; Goram A. Gifford, Agent of the Ontario S. S. Union, by permission of Conference.

MARKHAM.—James Smith, Edward Sawers.

PICKERING.—Charles Roffe.

BOWMANVILLE.—Robert Boyle.

SCARBORO.—Joseph Markham, Andrew Wilson, Reuben Toye.

REACH.—Thomas Amy, Hugh Wallace.

SANDFORD.—William Newton.

BRUCE MINES.—Edward Whitworth.

**BRAMPTON DISTRICT.**

BRAMPTON.—William Herridge, Nathaniel Wellwood, Robert McKee.

ETOBICOKE.—John Garner, John W. Robinson.

MALTON.—John Goodman.

ALBION.—John Wesley Gilpin, John Dennis, Matthew Nicols; Matthew Henry Matthews, sup.

LASKAY.—Walter Keed, Thomas Sims.

ORANGEVILLE.—William Lomas; Joseph Simpson, sup.

ROSEMONT.—James Walker.

AMARANTH.—Benjamin J. Brown.

**HAMILTON DISTRICT.**

HAMILTON.—Robert Cade.

“ WEST.—George H. Thompson.

GRAND RIVER.—Luke Hall.

WALPOLE.—James Thompson.

BLENNHEIM.—Richard Hassard.

BRANTFORD.—Thomas W. Jolliffe; John Towler, sup.

PARIS.—Timothy Natrass.

WALSINGHAM.—Jesse Burdge.

WOODSTOCK.—James P. Bell; James Cheetham, sup.

**GUELPH DISTRICT.**

GUELPH.—George Wood, Charles O. Johnson; Thos. Adams, sup.

PEEL.—Eli Middleton.

HAWKSVILLE.—Abraham Heyworth; Isaac Ryder, sup.

MINTO.—George Watson.

BRANT.—Richard Auger.

CLIFFORD.—Robt. Thompson. Bro. Augershall attend Quarterly Meetings.

KINCARDINE.—Thomas G. Scott.

JUBILEE.—William Thornley, Dunning Idle.

ARTHUR.—William J. Tarrant.

**LONDON DISTRICT.**

LONDON.—Wm. S. Hughan, Jas. Fergusson; John Natrass, sup.  
 BOSANQUET.—William Cook, George Day.  
 MACGILLIVRAY.—Richard Paul; one to be obtained.  
 " WEST BRANCH.—John S. Coreoran.  
 STRATFORD.—George Clark, Henry Parrish.  
 MITCHEL.—One to be obtained.  
 PLYMPTON.—William Huggins.  
 CHATHAM.—John F. Porter, Geo. J. Reeve; James S. Boyes, sup.  
 CARADOC.—Thomas Dudley.  
 KIRKTON.—William Pyke.  
 DOVER.—Thomas F. Boyd. Bro. Porter shall attend Dover Quarterly Meetings.

**KINGSTON DISTRICT.**

KINGSTON.—George Lewis, B.A.  
 PORTLAND.—Charles S. Willis, Edward J. Moore, J. Lacy (sup. 1865).  
 NAPANEE.—George Nixon.  
 COLLINSBY.—Joseph E. Lidstone.  
 HINCHINBROOK.—William H. Dean. Bro. Willis shall attend Quarterly Meetings.

**BARRIE DISTRICT.**

BARRIE.—Jonathan Milner; Thomas Crompton, sup.  
 ORO.—Wm. Nixon; Bro. Milner shall attend the Quarterly Meetings.  
 BRADFORD.—Joseph J. Haylock, Joshua Dyke.  
 RAVENSHOE.—Charles Mattingly.  
 OSPREY.—David Simpson; Thos. Foster, sup.; R. Stephenson, sup.  
 COLLINGWOOD.—Thomas Bryant.  
 ARTEMESIA.—George F. Lee.  
 MUSKOKA.—Rounding Pattison, Benjamin Reeve.  
 DURHAM.—Amos Knapp.

8. *What is the Numerical State of the Church?*

Number of Ministers .....	97	increase,	5
Local Preachers .....	266	"	9
Class Leaders .....	317	"	10
Connexional Churches .....	204	"	2
Other Preaching places .....	128	decrease,	23
Parsonages .....	29	increase,	5
Sabbath Schools .....	135	"	7
Sabbath School Teachers .....	1203	"	67
Sabbath School Scholars .....	\$351	"	403
Church Members .....	6710	"	217
Value of Church Property .....	\$221,943	"	\$22,135
Number of Members who have died.....	64		

9. *When and where shall the next Conference be held?*

In Toronto, on Friday, 6th June, 1873.

10. *When and where shall the District Meetings be held, and who shall be the General Committee Delegates ?*

District.	Where held.	Date.	G. C. D.
TORONTO .....	Toronto 4th Circuit,	May 14th,	R. Boyle
BRAMPTON .....	Orangeville	" "	J. Walker
HAMILTON .....	Hamilton	" "	J. P. Bell
GUELPH .....	Ebenezer, Peel	" "	W. Thornley
LONDON .....	London	" "	W. S. Hughan
KINGSTON .....	Kingston	" "	G. Lewis, B.A.
BARRIE .....	Maxwell, Osprey	" "	D. Simpson

11. *What Committees shall be held before the Conference ?*

The Ministerial Association, on Wednesday, 4th June, at 9 A.M.; the Primitive Methodist Itinerant Preachers' Friendly Society, at 3 P.M.; and the Preparatory Committee, at 7 P.M. The Finance and Stationing Committees shall meet on Thursday, June 5th, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

12. *What Connerxional Officers shall attend next Conference ?*

The President by virtue of office; William Newton, as General Committee Delegate; Wm. Rowe, as Editor; Wm. Bee, as General Secretary and Book Steward; R. Walker, as General Treasurer; and Chas. S. Willis, as Friendly Society's Representative.

13. *Who compose the Committees ?*

(1.) GENERAL COMMITTEE.

President and Secretary of Conference

J. Davidson	W. Lomas	R. Walker	D. Parks
T. Crompton	R. Cade	D. McLean	W. Strutridge
W. Rowe	G. Lewis	W. Daniels	S. Nicklin
R. Boyle	W. Thornley	D. Fitzpatrick	W. P. Lacy
T. Guttery	C. S. Willis	J. Higginbotham	J. Gardner
H. Harris	J. Milner	L. Walker	W. Lake
J. Smith	W. S. Hughan	I. Wilson	E. Crompton
J. Garner	R. Paul	R. Ward	C. D. Maginn
J. Walker	G. F. Lee	W. Lund	
W. Herridge	T. Natrass		
J. Goodman	D. Simpson		
W. Reid	W. Pyke		

Wm. Bee shall be Secretary.

(2.) THE GENERAL MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Shall be composed of the same persons as the General Committee; Wm. Bee shall be their Secretary; and both Committees shall meet at the same time and place.



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The Quarterly Meeting of these Committees shall be held in Toronto, on Thursday, the 9th of August; Thursday, the 8th of November, 1872; Thursday, the 13th February; and Thursday, the 8th of May, 1873.

(3.) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

President and Secretary of Conference, J. Davison, W. Rowe, Thos. Guttery, H. Harris, R. Walker, and D. McLean; Wm. Bee, Secretary, who shall be Convener.

(4.) BOOK COMMITTEE.

President & Secretary of Conference, W. Rowe, H. Harris, R. Walker, D. McLean, and Wm. Bee, who shall be the Secretary.

(5.) DISTRICT COMMITTEES.

TORONTO DISTRICT—T. Guttery, J. Edgar, R. Walker, and J. Bugg.  
BRAMPTON “ W. Herridge, R. Ward, and L. Walker.  
HAMILTON “ R. Cade, D. Parks, and J. Johnson.  
GUELPH “ G. Wood, A. Heyworth, and J. Ryan.  
LONDON “ W. S. Hughan, J. Nattrass, W. Treblecock, and E. R. Robinson.  
KINGSTON “ C. S. Willis, G. Lewis, L. Purdy, & B.A.H. Bennett.  
BARRIE “ J. Milner, T. Crompton, E. Crompton, & J. Garner.

The first named person to be Secretary.

(6.) CENTRAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

T. Guttery, J. Markham, W. Herridge, W. S. Hughan, W. Reid, and H. Harris, who shall be the Secretary.

(7.) DISTRICT BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

TORONTO—T. Guttery, H. Harris, J. Markham, and J. Smith.  
BRAMPTON—W. Reid, W. Lomas, W. Herridge, and J. Goodman.  
HAMILTON—R. Cade, T. Nattrass, and T. W. Jolliffe.  
GUELPH—G. Wood, A. Heyworth, and W. Thornley.  
LONDON—W. S. Hughan, R. Paul, and W. Pyke.  
KINGSTON—G. Lewis and C. S. Willis.  
BARRIE—J. Milner, T. Bryant, and D. Simpson.

The first named Brother to be Secretary.

(8.) CHURCH EXTENSION FUND COMMITTEE.

This Committee shall be Brothers J. Markham, T. Crompton, W. Bee, R. Walker, and W. Herridge, who shall be the Convener.

14. *What New Rules are now made?*

1. *On Ministers' Salaries.*

The Salaries of our Ministers shall be: for Towns and Cities \$650; for Country Circuits, \$550; and for Back Mission Stations, \$450, with fuel. In all cases where the

funds are sufficient to pay the Superintendent Minister to the amount of \$450, the young men shall be paid their salary in full.

2. *In what way shall we, as an integral part of the Primitive Methodist Church, discharge our obligations to the Beneficent Fund?*

(a) One Collection shall be taken up each year, at every appointment in Canada, in behalf of this Fund.

(b) The amount collected for this Fund shall be certified on the Annual Report to District Meeting.

3. *What shall be done to secure greater efficiency in the Examination of Probationary Ministers, and Candidates for the Ministry?*

The following course of study and system of examination shall be adopted:—

YOUNG MEN'S COURSE OF STUDY—CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

Each Candidate, recommended according to rule, shall, before being called to enter upon the work of the Ministry, undergo an examination before the Board of Examiners for his District, upon the following subjects:—

(1.) On the Canonical Books of the Old and New Testaments, in the present authorized version.

(2.) On the Fundamental Doctrines of these Testaments, as stated in the Discipline of the Church, and as explained by Wesley, Cooke, Garner, and other Methodist writers.

(3.) On Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic, Reading, and Writing—the Candidate to read a chapter of the Bible, and write from Dictation any passage that may be given him.

(4.) On his Call to the Ministry; on Pastoral Work; and on Sermonizing. The Candidate to produce a written Sermon for the satisfaction of the Board.

The Board shall report said Examination, with recommendation, or non-recommendation, of the Candidate to the ensuing District Meeting, General Committee, or General Missionary Committee, as the case may require.

PROBATIONARY MINISTERS.

Each Probationary Minister shall be required to pass a satisfactory examination before the duly authorized Board of Examiners, in order to be eligible for ordination.

## COURSE OF STUDY.

*1st Year.*—Analytical and Practical Grammar; Collier's British History; Petty's Connexional History;\* Petty's Tract on the Polity of the Primitive Methodist Church;\* Angus' Hand-Book to the Bible;† and Garner's Theology.\*

*2nd Year.*—Analytical and Practical Grammar; Murray's Logic; Wayland's Moral Science;† Cooke's Theology;\* and Wesley's Sermons.

*3rd Year.*—White's Universal History; Whately's Rhetoric;‡ Kidder's Homiletics; Kirk's Bible and Modern Thought; and Watson's Institutes, vols. 1 and 2.

*4th Year.*—White's Eighteen Centuries; Upham's Mental Science;‡ Horne's Introduction; Watson's Institutes, vols. 3 and 4; and Ulster Prize Essays, or Gold and the Gospel.\*\*

The following works are recommended for consultation, which it is hoped will be secured and studied:—

*1st Year.*—Quackenbos' Composition; Todd's Manual; Clark's Letter; Clowes' Life; and Bastow's Dictionary.

*2nd Year.*—Angus' Hand-Book to the English Tongue; Paley's Evidences; James' Earnest Ministry; and Crompton's Agency of the Church.

*3rd Year.*—Angus' Handbook of English Literature; Pinnock's Catechism of Church History; Dunn's Science and Christian Thought; and Stephen's Methodism.

*4th Year.*—Paley's Hore o Pauline; Birk's Exodus; Ilhibert or Mill, on Baptism; Pearson on the Creed; and Loeke on the Understanding.

EXAMINATION OF PROBATIONARY MINISTERS AND CANDIDATES  
FOR THE MINISTRY—CENTRAL BOARD.

(1.) A Central Examining Committee shall be appointed by the Conference, consisting of six Ministers, one of whom shall be the Secretary of the Board, who shall send to the District Secretaries a sufficient number of examination papers for all the Probationary Ministers in the Work, not later than two weeks previous to each examination. He shall also conduct the correspondence of the Board, and be the Convener thereof.

\* Primitive Methodist Book-Room. † London Tract Society's Edition. ‡ Harper's New York Edition. § Warne & Co., London. \*\* Nisbitt's Edition.

(2.) This Committee shall prepare the questions on the books of study for the Probationary Ministers and Candidates for the Ministry. They shall also examine the written answers to questions sent to them by the Secretaries of District Boards, and report to the District Meetings and Conference the result of their examination.

(3.) The Committee shall meet on the Tuesday previous to the fourth meeting of the General Committee, to prepare the Report, and at such other times during each year as may be necessary for the proper discharge of its duties.

(4.) The necessary expenses of this Committee shall be paid from the Ministerial Examiners' Fund, which shall be sustained by the Stations taking up collections for it annually, in the proportion of one collection to each Minister labouring on a Station.

#### DISTRICT COMMITTEES.

(1.) A Committee shall be appointed by Conference for each District, consisting of three or four Ministers, of whom one shall be the Secretary, who shall take charge of the printed questions sent to him by the Secretary of the Central Board; lay them before the Probationers, or Candidates, at the time of Examination; and when the time marked on them has expired, again take charge of them and the written answers, both of which he shall send to the Examiner of the Central Board whose name the printed paper bears.

(2.) They shall meet, 1st., on the 1st Tuesday in September, to conduct the examination on that part of the course of study which the Central Board has directed to be taken up for the first half of the year; 2nd. on the first Tuesday in April, to conduct the examination on the remainder of the studies; also to examine Candidates for the Ministry who have been recommended by the February Quarterly Meetings; and 3rd., the day previous to District Meeting to examine and report upon the Journals of Probationers.

(3.) At the September Meeting, they shall examine Probationers verbally on the Discipline of the Church; on cases of Discipline; on the Management of Church Affairs, Revival Efforts, Pastoral Duties, and other matters of a kindred practical character. They shall send a report of said Examination to the Central Board of Examiners.

If a District is geographically too large for all to meet conveniently in one place, the Central Committee may divide it into two sections, and appoint another Secretary.

4. That the *Church Discipline, and Church Services, as now read, be adopted.*

5. *Christian Journal.*

(a) That this Conference believes the Editor of the *Christian Journal* has done faithfully what he believed to be his duty; and that we appreciate his earnest efforts to improve the Journal, and rejoice in the success secured.

(b) That \$250 be allowed from the Journal Fund towards the Editor's salary, the ensuing year.

(c) That it shall be an instruction to the Editor, for the ensuing year, that the Journal shall be open to a respectful and temperate discussion of Methodist Union.

(d) That Brother W. Rowe be elected Editor, for the ensuing year.

(e) That Brother Thos. Guttery be Assistant Editor for three months; and if at the end of that time the health of the Editor should not be restored, the appointment of Editor shall be referred to the General Committee.

6. *Book Steward and General Secretary.*

(a) That immediately after the election of a Book Steward and Missionary Secretary, this and future Conferences shall elect a Vice to this office. The brother so appointed shall be a member of the Book Committee, and shall be informed when any important meeting of this Committee is about to be held; he shall also be present and take part in the annual stock taking; shall assist in auditing the accounts; and shall have afforded him, by the principal officer, every reasonable facility for becoming acquainted with the duties of the office.

(b) That the salary of the Executive Officer shall be \$650 for the ensuing year, to be equally divided between the Missionary Society and the Book Room.

(c) That Brother W. Bee shall be Book Steward and General Missionary Secretary.

(d) That Brother H. Harris shall be Vice-General Missionary Secretary and Book Steward.

### 7. *Division of Stations.*

(a) That the application of Pickering to become a Mission Circuit, be granted.

(b) That the application of Orangeville Circuit to be divided, be granted; and that all the Amaranth appointments constitute a separate Station.

(c) That Etobicoke Circuit be divided; that the north part of it constitute a Circuit; and that the south part be a Mission Circuit, to be called Malton.

(d) That Brant Station be divided; Clifford and surrounding appointments to be made a separate Station.

(e) That Macgillivray Station be divided; the west portion of the Circuit, separated, to be called Macgillivray West Branch.

(f) That Barrie Station be divided, and the east portion of it made into a Branch, called Oro.

(g) That Chatham Station be divided; the portion struck off to be called Dover Station.

(h) That Bradford Station be divided; the part taken off to be known as Ravenshoe Mission.

### 8. *Sale of Church Property.*

(a) That the trustees of Stratford Church property be hereby authorized to give to Mr. Richard Pengilly a proper deed of the church property he purchased of them some years ago.

(b) That the application of Orangeville Circuit to sell Bethel Church be confirmed.

### 9. *New Missions.*

That the matter of opening new Missions in Manitoba, Montreal, Orillia, and Muskoka be referred to the General Missionary Committee.

### 10. *Missionary Reports.*

That the annual Missionary Reports, for all the Stations, be made up by the May Quarterly Meetings, and sent immediately, with the Missionary money, to the General Secretary.

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11. *Camp Meetings.*

That as a Conference we have heard with pleasure of the successful Camp Meeting held in Pickering Circuit during the past year; and recommend our officials and friends on the different Districts, at an early date, to arrange and announce for such efforts during the approaching season.

12. *Superannuation of Ministers.*

(a) That Brother Crompton's application for Superannuation be granted.

(b) That being compelled by the impaired health of the Rev. Thos. Crompton to entertain his application for Superannuation, this Conference desires to place on record its high appreciation of the efficiency and faithfulness with which he has sustained the important duties of our Ministry for a period of thirty-seven years, on some of the most important Stations, both in England and Canada; as well as the ability with which he has filled the offices of Book Steward, General Missionary Secretary, Tutor of the Ministers' Training Institute, and editor of the *Christian Journal*.

(c) That we regret the health of our Brother, the Rev. J. Boyes, has become such as to constrain him to ask for Superannuation; and we trust he will long be spared to serve the Church.

13. *Retiring Book Steward and General Missionary Secretary.*

That this Conference begs to acknowledge the general ability and efficiency with which the Rev. W. Rowe has discharged the duties of the offices he has sustained, as Book Steward and Missionary Secretary; and hopes, by the blessing of God, he will soon recover his usual health, by cessation from labour for a season.

14. *Methodist Union.*

That the following persons be a Committee, to draw up a basis of Union acceptable to this Conference: The President, R. Walker, D. McLean, R. Boyle, W. Bee, T. Guttery, and T. Crompton—said Committee to report to next Conference.

15. *Day of Thanksgiving.*

That the 14th of November be appointed as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for His multiplied mercies conferred upon us.

16. *Fraternal Deputations.*

(a) That the Conference welcomes with the greatest delight the Rev. Dr. Cooke, a gentleman whose praise is in all the churches, and whose writings have contributed so much to the spirituality of the Church of Christ; and offers him our warmest thanks for the godly counsel just addressed to us.

(b) That the Conference, having listened to the addresses of our brethren, Rev. Mr. Hewitt and Rev. Mr. Lees, representatives of the Primitive Methodist Conference in the United States, we do hereby accord our hearty welcome to these brethren, and express our appreciation of their addresses; and assure them of our sympathy with them in their work; also, we do earnestly pray that the work they represent may continue to prosper.

17. *Representatives to the English Conference.*

That the Rev. Robert Smith, Captain McCullough, and Mr. Richard Brasier, be our Representatives to the English Conference; and that the Rev. T. Dearlove, Mr. H. Hodge, and Mr. G. Charlton be their Vices.

18. *Votes of Thanks.*

(a) That the thanks of Conference be given to all the Railway Companies, and the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company, for their kindness in reducing the fares of Delegates attending the Conference.

(b) That the thanks of the Conference be given to the President and Vice-President of Conference, for their efficient services in presiding over the Conference.

(c) That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Secretary and his assistants, for the satisfactory manner in which they have performed their laborious duties.

(d) That the thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby given to Rev. R. Boyle, for his excellent Charge delivered to the young brethren who were ordained to the work of the Ministry.

(e) That the thanks of the Conference be given to the inhabitants of London, for their liberality, manifested in entertaining the Ministers and Delegates attending Conference; and also to Brother Hughan, for his efforts in this matter.

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## REPORTS.

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### Report of the General Committee.

*To the Conference of 1872.*

Immediately on the close of the Conference last year, Sandford and Woodstock Stations being dissatisfied with the appointments made to them, made strong representations to your Committee to make other arrangements for them, but the Committee not having the power to interfere with Conferential appointments refused to interfere, and requested the brethren appointed to go to their Stations, which they did. At the first regular quarterly meeting of the Committee, the condition of the Orangeville Station was brought under the notice of the Committee. The very heavy deficiency of the preachers, and the injury sustained by the fires of last season were pressed upon the Committee, and assigned as a reason why something special should be done for the Station. After considerable discussion it was resolved to request the Conference to allow the station to be placed in the first year of its probation as a Mission Circuit, and \$75 were loaned to Bro. Campbell on condition that the money should be refunded when their Missionary revenue was collected, a condition that up to this date has not been complied with. One or two of the brethren having failed to serve on the Educational Committee, your Committee appointed others to supply their places, and it was decided to call your Committee to the necessity of appointing brethren who could act on Committee. The condition of the Beneficent Fund, from which several of our preachers derive assistance, rendered it necessary for some action to be taken in its behalf, and your Committee requested all our Stations to liberally assist, a request that was complied with by several. As no provision was made by the last Conference to pay the expenses incurred by the Central Board of Examiners, the Committee appointed a collection to be taken up by our different Stations at one half of their appointments for the purpose. The Committee also decided to instruct the Secretary to bring once more under the notice of the English Conference, the application of Bro. Harris for the time which he travelled in England to be allowed him, with an earnest request that the application if possible, should be granted. The Secretary has complied with the instructions. The centenary birth day of the venerable Hugh Bourne falling on 3rd of April, it was resolved to celebrate the event, and the Stations were requested to hold public Meetings on that day, and

to take up subscriptions and collections on behalf of the proposed Church Extension Fund. The revision of the Discipline having been intrusted to the Committee, a Sub-Committee was appointed to attend to the matter. On meeting, that Committee found the work would occupy more time than they could give to it, and the Secretary being unable to do anything towards it, owing to illness, it was decided to employ Bro. Crompton to attend to the matter on his return from England. Bro. Crompton complied with the request of the Committee, and his work was examined by them in two sessions, and the work is now presented to you for confirmation. Bro. Bell's health, having failed, and there being no prospect of its restoration, he resigned his ministry, and the resignation was accepted. Bro. Campbell having resigned, the matter of his indebtedness to the Book Room was brought before your Committee, and it was decided that if he gave to the Book Steward three properly endorsed notes, with interest at six per cent., promising to pay his indebtedness in three annual instalments, to recommend the Conference to accept the terms. McGillivray Circuit applied for permission to make Parkhill into a Branch, but the Committee could not decide upon the application, as they were not in possession of sufficient information. The Committee confirmed the action of the Toronto Circuit in making its Branches into Circuits, subject, of course, to your confirmation. Bro. Boyes applied for the allowance granted from the Children's Fund to be paid him for the last year, and it was decided to refer the application to you. Bro. Natrass having informed the Committee that his health was sufficiently restored to enable him to take a Station, the Committee decided that he should submit to an examination by two medical men—one in the neighbourhood in which he lived, and the other in London, before the Conference assembled. It was also decided to bring before you the discrepancies in the Missionary money returns as made in the printed Minutes of Conference and the published Missionary Report, for the purpose of securing greater uniformity in such returns for the future. The Committee recommend the Conference to petition the local legislature to adopt means by which the fearful evils of intemperance in our land may be lessened.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. ROWE, *Secretary.*

### Report of the General Missionary Committee.

*To the Conference of 1872.*

Very soon after the commencement of the Conferential year, Chatham authorities brought under the notice of your Committee the necessity of enlarging the boundaries of their station, and asking for an additional preacher, they, pledging themselves to raise \$100 of his salary. The

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Committee after due deliberation granted their request, but informed them it was only for one year, and the continuance of the additional help would be matter for further consideration. It was not however until January the Committee could send them a preacher.

Brant Mission being left without a second preacher by the last Conference, in consequence of not being a suitable person to send, the Committee at its first regular Meeting employed a young Brother recently from England, and sent him to Brant, an act that appears to have given satisfaction to that Station. In November it became necessary to permit Bro. Waits, who had been stationed in London, to return to England, and he was permitted to do so on paying his own expenses, the Secretary being authorized to advance the money, and collect it from persons owing Bro. Waits. The English Missionary Committee having promised to send out two young men, and Bro. Ferguson, one of them, having reached Toronto in December, was sent to London to supply Bro. Wait's place. Previously to Bro. Ferguson's arrival, Bro. Davison supplied London.

T. Gavin, who left Arthur Mission last year, retaining certain money paid him for Connexional purposes, applied for a credential, and was informed when he paid his indebtedness to the Connexional funds, the matter of giving him a credential would be taken into consideration.

The dispute between Bro. Lomas and the Hawksville Mission officials touching the parsonage, was taken into consideration by your Committee, and they requested that the matter should be left to arbitration—one arbitrator to be chosen by the Station, one by Bro. Lomas, and a third was to be chosen if the two could not agree, and Hawksville Station was to pay the amount the arbitrators might decide of being the value of the improvements made in the parsonage by Bro. Lomas. The Committee regrets this request has not been complied with by the Hawksville Station. The health of the Secretary having failed through overwork, the Committee in November was compelled to relieve him, and Bro. Davison for two months supplied his place. At the November Quarterly Meeting, Stratford authorities applied for increased help as their work was enlarging, but as the Committee had no person they could send, the authorities were permitted to employ a preacher, and a small sum was voted as remuneration.

Bro. Reeve, one of the young brethren sent out by the English Committee being taken ill on the passage, was compelled to remain in Portland for a season, subject to medical treatment; on his recovery he was sent to Chatham Mission. The agents of the Messrs. Allan, in one of whose vessels he came out, applied to the Committee to pay a bill of \$100 United States currency, being the bills charged by the Medical attendant and the Portland City authorities, for hospital expenses. The Committee considering the amount asked for extravagantly high, after correspondence with them offered them \$50 as full settlement of all their claims. No reply has been yet received to this offer.

Several applications having been made by Missions for assistance towards procuring furniture, sums have been voted to them on condition that they raised certain sums specified by the Committee. Brantford and Woodstock Stations having, owing to incorrect data supplied to the Finance Committee last Conference, applied for additional pecuniary help, the Committee not having it in their power to amend the grants made by Conference, directed them to send their cases to the Finance Committee for consideration. The grants made by last conference to the Missions have been paid in full each quarter by the Committee. At each quarterly meeting the Committee have carefully examined the Mission Reports, and have given such instructions to the brethren labouring on the Missions as circumstances required. The state of some of the Missions is such as to afford great encouragement, while that of others is not what the Committee could desire.

WM. ROWE, *Secretary.*

#### Book Room Report.

The business of the Book Room, though not such as it would have been, had not the Book Steward, through illness, and the performance of other duties, been prevented from giving more of his attention and time to it, yet is such as to afford satisfaction. Very nearly, if not all, our Sabbath Schools purchase their books at our own Establishment, and find they can do so with as much benefit to themselves as if they purchased elsewhere. This branch of our business is one of importance, and, if properly looked after, will be alike profitable to the Schools and the Book Room. Presents of books have been made to some poor Schools; and a large parcel has been made up for a settlement in Manitoba, where a pious and energetic Brother from the Markham Circuit had, with the assistance of other friends, decided to organise a Sabbath School, there being none in the Settlement. The price of books having risen, your Book Steward took advantage of the market, and purchased a number of books before the price was raised. It is very desirable that larger premises were occupied by the Establishment, as a larger general business might be done; and certainly the health of the employees would be materially benefited. Our present premises are too contracted, and do not present a sufficiently attractive appearance. If the Connexion could purchase suitable premises, it would be a decided advantage, and would give permanence to the Establishment. It is to be hoped this matter will yet receive the serious attention of the Body, and such measures decided upon as will secure so desirable an object.

WM. ROWE, *Book Steward.*

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## Report of the Temperance Committee.

DEAR BRETHREN :

Your Committee have carefully examined the Reports of the Stations throughout our work, and beg to submit the following Resolutions for your adoption :—

According to the Station Reports, there are 587 total abstainers amongst our official brethren, and 233 who are not total abstainers ; there have been held 100 temperance meetings ; and several ministers have preached and lectured on the subject.

That while we acknowledge the importance of occasionally preaching temperance sermons, we submit that temperance meetings should be held, and that at least four temperance meetings be held on each Station during the year.

It is our opinion that the liquor traffic is the greatest external barrier to the progress of the Church of Christ ; that it robs the Church of ministers and members ; and neutralizes, to a great extent, the influence of our Sabbath School work. We would therefore urge upon all our members and officials the practice of total abstinence, and the adoption of right measures for the lessening of the fearful evils of intemperance.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of a communication from the Ontario and Quebec Temperance and Prohibitory League ; and we assure this Society of our hearty sympathy and co-operation in their efforts to secure the suppression of the liquor traffic by legislative enactment.

We recommend that a deputation be appointed to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, Ontario Temperance League, and Grand Temple of the Order of Good Templars.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WALTER REID.            H. DICEMAN.  
J. GOODMAN.            JOHN BARRON.

## Report of the Finance Committee.

DEAR BRETHREN :

Your Committee beg leave most respectfully to report that we have carefully examined the state of our various Connexional Funds, and find them to be in a prosperous condition. The foot note appended to the report of last year stating that eight hundred dollars would be required over the income of the preceding year in order to place the Missionary Fund in a safe position, has nearly, if not entirely, been realized, there being an increase

now reported of seven hundred and seventy dollars and seventy-seven cents, and the reports from some of the stations are yet incomplete, so that your Committee believe the sum before mentioned will be fully realized. This increase in the Mission Fund for the past year is very gratifying.

The *Christian Journal* Fund accounts are very satisfactory, showing a balance in its favour for the past year of four hundred and ninety-two dollars, up to date.

The Book Room account submitted by Bro. Rowe is quite satisfactory, and shows that the business of the Book Room is in a prosperous condition.

### Report of Ordination Committee.

Having examined the journals of Bros. R. Toye, J. Thompson, and G. Nixon, we find them characterized for correctness, fullness of fact, and solicitude for success in the work of God. Also, having had conversation with these brethren on several subjects pertaining to the duties of the Ministry, we cordially recommend them for admission into full Ministerial Connexion.

We beg to inform the Conference that Bro. D. Idle is not applying for Ordination this year, his journal not being present for examination. Bro. Idle states that his journal was sent, but it failed to arrive; and there being no journal in his case at Conference, he therefore concluded it would be useless applying for Ordination.

(Signed,)

THOS. CROMPTON,  
ROBERT BOYLE.

### Report of Sabbath School and Sabbath Observance Committee.

Your Committee having examined the position of our Sabbath Schools, are gratified to find a favorable increase in this department of our work. The increase for this year is as follows:—Schools, 7; Teachers, 67; Scholars, 503. While this progress is gratifying, we still regret that there are three Stations without any Sabbath Schools.

We would recommend increased earnest effort in this interesting department of our work, and would call attention to teaching the Commandments in our Schools, believing that in many instances this part of Biblical teaching is neglected.

Your Committee deeply deplore the continued desecration of the Christian Sabbath by the authorities of our Railroads; and do most

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earnestly desire that there may be such a pressure of moral influence—either by petitioning, or otherwise—brought to bear upon the Legislature, as to lead it to enact such measures as will suppress railroad travel and traffic on the Sabbath.

We do also strongly recommend all our members and adherents to refrain from all unnecessary travelling on the Sabbath, whether by railroad or otherwise; also from visiting, and worldly conversation, and endeavour, by precept and example, to cherish a reverence for the sanctity of the Sabbath day.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT WALKER.  
WILLIAM HERRIDGE.  
JAMES SMITH.

The following Recommendations, touching our different Funds, are presented for your consideration and adoption:—

1. That though there is a balance in favour of the Children's Fund \$68 68, we would not recommend any reduction of the assessment, in consequence of the number of children to be provided for next year.
2. That the request of Brother Lomas, to allow his two eldest children to draw from the Children's Fund the amount to which they are entitled, in consequence of not being allowed anything for some time after the eldest was two years old, be granted.
3. That we suggest the appointment of a Committee, to be composed of Brothers Robert Walker, Daniel McLean, Revs. W. Rowe, W. Bee, and H. Harris, to decide in the matter of the Book Room, as to whether the increased accommodation offered shall be taken in connection with the present Book Room, or another place taken sufficiently large to continue the business as at present. Also, that the case of the Assistant, now employed in the Book Room, be decided by said Committee.
4. That, for the future, all moneys raised for Missionary purposes shall be exclusively employed for that purpose; and no person be allowed to draw from that fund for the benefit of any other fund.

W. S. HUGHAN, *Chairman.*  
W. J. FITZPATRICK, *Secretary.*

## Names and Ages of P. M. Ministers in Canada.

Name.	Age.	Years Travelled.	Time on Station.	Where Stationed.
Adams, T. ....	63	36	..	Galt, Sup'd 1865
Anger, R. ....	34	9	2	Brant
Amey, T. ....	32	7	1	Reach
Boyle, R. ....	47	27	3	Bowmanville
Boyes, J. S. ....	31	9	..	Chatham, Sup'y 1871
Bee, W. ....	44	16	1	Toronto, Book Store, etc.
Bell, J. P. ....	28	7	2	Woodstock
Brown, B. J. ....	24	3	1	Amaranth
Burdge, J. ....	28	6	2	Walsingham
Boyd, T. F. ....	22	2	1	Dover
Bryant, T. ....	40	16	1	Collingwood
Crompton, T. ....	55	36	..	Barrie, Sup'y 1870
Cheetham, J. ....	58	12	1	Woodstock, Sup'd 1871
Cook, W. ....	36	15	2	Bosanquet
Clark, R. ....	43	1	1	Hamilton
Corcoran, J. S. ....	26	4	1	Stratford
Deavin, J. ....	26	2	1	West MacGillivray
Dudley, T. ....	73	44	..	Toronto, Sup'd 1866
Day, G. ....	..	21	2	Hinchinbrook
Dennis, J. ....	38	1	1	Caradoc
Dyke, J. ....	22	2	1	Bosanquet
Edgar, J. ....	47	2	1	Albion
Ferguson, J. ....	27	16	2	Bradford
Foster, T. ....	60	28	2	Toronto, Second
Garner, J. ....	49	3	2	Toronto, Sup'd 1865
Gifford, G. A. ....	23	6	..	Osprey, Sup'd 1865
Gilpin, J. W. ....	34	6	1	Etobicoke
Goodman, J. ....	39	11	3	Toronto, M. S. S. W.
Griffith, T. ....	28	8	2	Albion
Guttry, T. ....	34	15	2	Malton
Hassard, R. ....	30	10	2	Toronto, Third
Hall, L. ....	27	9	2	Toronto, First
Haylock, J. J. ....	40	5	1	Blenheim
Harris, H. ....	49	14	2	Grand River
Herridge, W. ....	33	12	4	Bradford
Hughan, W. S. ....	38	13	3	Toronto, Fourth
Huggins, W. ....	34	6	3	Brampton
Idle, D. ....	27	5	2	Hawksville
Jolliffe, T. W. ....	30	5	2	London
Johnson, C. O. ....	20	1	1	Plympton
Knapp, A. ....	47	8	2	Jubilee
Lacey, J. ....	72	26	..	Brantford
Lee, G. F. ....	36	12	2	Durham
Lewis, G., B. A. ....	29	6	3	Portland, Sup'd 1865
Lomas, W. ....	44	22	1	Artemesia
Lyle, W. ....	75	32	2	Kingston
Morkham, J. ....	41	18	2	Orangeville
Matthews, M. H. ....	31	13	..	Yorkville, Sup'd 1865
McKee, R. ....	27	3	2	Scarborough
Milner, J. ....	42	18	4	Albion, Sup'd 1871
Middleton, E. ....	30	5	2	Brampton
Mattlingly, C. ....	28	2	1	Barrie
Moore, J. E. ....	..	..	1	Peel
Natras, J. ....	43	20	2	Ravenshoe
Natras, T. ....	40	17	1	Portland
Newton, W. ....	52	21	2	London, Sup'd 1869
Nixon, G. ....	28	4	1	Paris
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Nixon, W. ....	23	1	1	Oro
Nichols, M. ....	21	..	1	Albion
Ockley, J. F. ....	22	3	1	Toronto. Fourth
Paul, R. ....	44	21	2	MacGillivray
Pattison, R. ....	33	9	1	Muskoka
Pyke, W. ....	32	11	3	Kirkton
Parrish, H. ....	24	1	1	Stratford
Porter, J. F. ....	26	5	3	Chatham
Reeve, J. J. ....	21	1	2	Chatham
Reeve, B. ....	22	1	1	Muskoka
Rowe, W. ....	46	28	..	Toronto, Editor
Roffe, C. ....	53	14	1	Pickering
Reid, W. ....	30	10	2	Laskay
Robinson, J. W. ....	29	3	..	Etobicoke
Ryder, J. ....	66	14	1	Hawksville, Sup'd 1865
Scott, T. G. ....	32	4	..	Kincardine
Simpson, D. ....	36	9	2	Osprey, Sup'd.
Simpson, J. ....	48	10	..	Orangeville, Sup'd 1863
Smith, J. ....	38	16	3	Markham
Stephenson, R. ....	49	1	..	Osprey, Sup'd.
Sims, T. ....	22	1	1	Laskay
Tarrant, W. J. ....	27	2	2	Arthur
Thornely, W. ....	32	2	2	Jubilee
Thompson, G. H. ....	24	3	1	Hamilton West
Thompson, R. ....	25	2	1	Clifford
Thompson, J. ....	26	4	..	Walpole
Towier, J. ....	56	16	..	Brantford, Sup'd 1853
Toye, R. ....	27	4	..	Scarborough
Walker, J. ....	25	9	2	Rosemont
Watson, G. ....	50	15	3	Minto
Whitworth, E. ....	37	9	2	Bruce Mines
Willis, C. S. ....	35	14	3	Portland
Wood, G. T. ....	46	20	2	Guelph
Wellwood, N. ....	24	1	1	Brampton
Wilson, A. ....	27	2	1	Scarborough
Wallace, H. ....	..	1	1	Reach

## Missionary Deputations for 1872-73.

Stations.	Dates.	Deputations.
Toronto, First.....	Feb. 19, 1873	*Rev. R. Boyle
do Second.....	Dec. 1, 1872	" *J. Goodman and T. Sims
do Third.....	Dec. 1, "	" *J. Goodman and T. Sims
do Fourth.....	Feb. 19, "	" *R. Boyle
Markham.....	Dec. 16, "	" T. Griffith and A. Wilson
do.....	Jan. 6, 1873	" J. Edgar and H. Wallace
Pickering.....	Jan. 14, "	" J. Markham and T. Amy
Bowmanville.....	Jan. 13, "	" T. Guttery and *J. Smith
Scarboro.....	Oct. 14, 1872	" J. Edgar and C. Roffe
do.....	Jan. 5, 1873	" J. Milner and W. Reid
Reach.....	Oct. 7, 1872	" R. Boyle and A. Wilson
do.....	Jan. 21, 1872	" C. Roffe and E. Sawers
Sandford.....	Jan. 14, 1873	" T. Griffith and T. Amy.
Bruce Mines.....	Sept. 15, 1872	" *T. Guttery
Brampton.....	Jan. 6, 1873	" T. Guttery and *T. Sims
do.....	Jan. 13, "	" J. Edgar and B. J. Brown

## Missionary Deputations—Continued.

Stations.	Dates.	Where Stationed.
<i>Etobicoke</i> .....	Oct. 14, 1872	Rev. W. Herridge and J. W. Gilpin
<i>do</i> .....	Oct. 21, "	" J. W. Gilpin and J. Dennis
<i>Malton</i> .....	Oct. 7, "	" J. Garner and M. Nichols
<i>Albion</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" J. Smith and J. F. Ockley
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" J. Garner and N. Wellwood
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 20, "	" *W. Herridge and H. Harris
<i>Laskay</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" J. Milner and J. Markham
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 20, "	" W. Lomas and J. F. Ockley
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 27, "	" J. Goodman and N. Wellwood
<i>Orangeville</i> .....	Dec. 2, 1873	" J. W. Gilpin and B. J. Brown
<i>Amaranth</i> .....	Dec. 9, "	" W. Lomas and J. Walker
<i>Rosemont</i> .....	Jan. 13, 1873	" W. Lomas and M. Nichols
<i>Hamilton</i> .....	Nov. 5, 1872	" *W. S. Hughan and H. Harris
<i>Hamilton, West</i> .....	Nov. 3, "	" *W. S. Hughan and H. Harris
<i>Grand River</i> .....	Oct. 7, "	" J. Burdge and J. Thompson
<i>Walpole</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" L. Hall and G. H. Thompson
<i>Blenheim</i> .....	Oct. 1, 1872	" T. W. Jolliffe and J. P. Bell
<i>Brantford</i> .....	Oct. 13, "	" R. Cade and *E. Middleton
<i>Paris</i> .....	Oct. 15, "	" R. Hassard and G. H. Thompson
<i>Walsingham</i> .....	Oct. 14, "	" J. Thompson and L. Hall
<i>Woodstock</i> .....	Oct. 28, "	" *R. Cade and T. Natrass
<i>Guelph</i> .....	Dec. 15, "	" *A. Heyworth and E. Middleton
<i>Peel</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" *T. W. Jolliffe and W. J. Tarrant
<i>Harksville</i> .....	Oct. 14, 1872	" G. Wood and E. Middleton
<i>Minto</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" R. Auger and R. Thompson
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" W. Thornely and F. G. Scott
<i>Brant</i> .....	Jan. 21, "	" G. Watson and R. Thompson
<i>Clifford</i> .....	Jan. 28, "	" G. Wood and D. Idle
<i>Jubilee</i> .....	Jan. 28, "	" G. Watson and W. J. Tarrant
<i>do</i> .....	Feb. 3, "	" R. Auger and T. G. Scott
<i>Kincardine</i> .....	Jan. 6, "	" W. Thornely and R. Thompson
<i>do</i> .....	Feb. 10, "	" R. Auger and D. Idle
<i>Arthur</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" G. Wood and A. Heyworth
<i>London</i> .....	Oct. 6, 1872	" *R. Cade and G. Clark
<i>Bosanquet</i> .....	Oct. 14, "	" T. Dudley and J. Parrish
<i>do</i> .....	Oct. 21, "	" R. Paul
<i>Mac Gillivray</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" W. Cook and J. Ferguson
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 3, "	" W. Pyke and G. Day
<i>Stratford</i> .....	Oct. 13, 1873	" W. Pyke and Mitchel Minister
<i>Chatham</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" *J. Natrass and J. Ferguson
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" W. Huggins and *J. Ferguson
<i>Dover</i> .....	Jan. 20, "	" J. F. Porter and G. J. Reeve
<i>Caradoc</i> .....	Dec. 29, 1872	" W. Cook and W. Huggins
<i>Plympton</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" R. Paul and G. Day
<i>do</i> .....	Jan. 13, "	" W. Cook and J. S. Corcoran
<i>Kirkton</i> .....	Oct. 6, 1872	" W. S. Hughan and J. Parrish
<i>Mitchell</i> .....	Oct. 13, "	" G. Clark and *J. Parrish
<i>Kingston</i> .....	Dec. 15, "	" C. S. Willis and *J. Lidstone
<i>Portland</i> .....	Oct. 7, "	" G. Lewis, B.A.
<i>do</i> .....	Oct. 14, "	" J. Lidstone
<i>Napauce</i> .....	Oct. 28, "	" Lidstone
<i>do</i> .....	Nov. 4, "	" J. E. Moore and W. H. Dean
<i>Callinsby</i> .....	Sept. 30, "	" C. S. Willis and G. Lewis, B.A.
<i>Hinchinbrook</i> .....	Jan. 6, 1873	" C. S. Willis
<i>Barrie</i> .....	Oct. 20, "	" W. Reid and J. J. Haylock
<i>Oro</i> .....	Oct. 20, "	" W. Reid and J. J. Haylock
<i>Bradford</i> .....	Jan. 13, 1873	" J. Smith and J. W. Gilpin
<i>Ravenshoe</i> .....	Jan. 29, "	" W. Newton and J. Dyke
<i>Osprey</i> .....	Sept. 16, 1872	" G. F. Lee and A. Knapp
<i>Collingwood</i> .....	Oct. 6, "	" D. Simpson and G. F. Lee
<i>Artemesia</i> .....	Sept. 23, "	" T. Bryant and D. Simpson
<i>Muskoka</i> .....	Sept. 30, "	" J. Milner
<i>Durham</i> .....	Dec. 9, "	" T. Bryant and R. Auger



### TABULAR VIEW OF THE

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	Members.						
	Approved	on Trial	Total	Increase	Decrease	From other Stations	From Absent
<b>TORONTO DISTRICT.</b>							
Toronto, 1st	196	13	209	11	4	4	6
Toronto 2nd	90	29	119	11	1	1	1
Toronto 3rd	112	29	141	4	4	5	1
Toronto 4th	129	5	134	23	1	1	1
Markham	319	22	342	35	2	2	1
Pickering	100	18	118	12	2	2	1
Bowmanville	100	34	134	30	1	1	1
Scarboro	150	33	183	30	1	1	1
Reich	200	47	247	43	1	1	1
Sandford	125	29	154	6	1	1	1
Bruce Mines	25	12	38	6	1	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1538</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>BRAMPTON DISTRICT.</b>							
Brampton	210	8	218	3	1	1	2
Etobicoke	263	37	300	10	2	1	5
Albion	280	75	355	24	2	2	1
Laskay	207	66	273	4	5	1	4
Orangeville	259	1	260	4	1	1	1
Rosemont	43	16	59	24	1	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1262</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1465</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>HAMILTON DISTRICT.</b>							
HAMILTON	52	21	73	18	1	2	2
HAMILTON WEST	10	25	35	14	1	1	1
Grand River	90	27	117	3	1	1	1
Walpole	60	8	68	7	2	2	3
Blenheim	50	3	53	7	1	1	1
Branford	60	18	78	2	1	1	1
Paris	38	5	43	17	1	1	2
Walsingham	90	15	105	10	1	1	1
Woodstock	31	1	32	3	1	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>GUELPH DISTRICT.</b>							
Guelph	49	3	52	7	1	1	1
Peel	126	12	138	15	1	1	1
Hawkesville	90	19	109	8	1	1	1
Minto	60	9	69	4	1	1	1
Brant	64	29	93	1	1	1	1
Kincardine	64	31	95	38	11	2	2
Jubilee	12	17	29	9	1	1	1
Arthur	50	14	64	31	1	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>LONDON DISTRICT.</b>							
LONDON	90	11	101	6	1	2	2
Bosanquet	152	21	173	10	2	2	3
McGillivray	145	23	169	11	4	2	1
Stratford	80	33	113	25	1	1	2
Plymouth	75	12	87	18	2	1	2
Chatham	136	1	137	31	1	1	1
Carleton	41	6	47	4	2	2	2
Kinston	44	32	76	1	4	2	10
Mitchell	27	1	28	1	1	1	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>930</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>KINGSTON DISTRICT.</b>							
KINGSTON	69	12	81	5	1	1	4
Portland	128	42	170	20	1	1	4
Napanee	38	60	98	1	1	1	1
Collinsby	80	6	86	1	4	1	1
Hinchinbrooke	52	30	82	12	1	1	10
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>BARRIE DISTRICT.</b>							
BARRIE	81	59	140	36	1	1	1
Bradford	87	10	97	3	4	2	1
Osprey	60	20	80	3	2	1	1
Collingwood	54	14	68	4	2	1	1
Artemesia	50	23	73	3	1	1	1
Muskoka	79	18	97	4	1	1	1
Durham	23	18	41	21	1	1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>

### PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA.

For the Year ending June, 1872.

Remarks.	In Church.	Ministers.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Catechists.	Other Branching Places.	Parsonages.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conference Fund.		Relief Fund.	Children's Fund.	Mission Fund.	Value of Church Property.		Church Debt.	Ordinary Income.	Minister's Salary.	
											\$	c.				\$	c.				\$
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5	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	20	108	4	50	5	26	00	1000	00	1000	00	441	79
28	7	1	1	5	6	4	3	1	32	346	5	60	5	26	00	157	27	8000	00	758	07
24	4	2	15	14	10	1	1	1	8	428	6	45	6	25	00	421	47	10000	00	838	93
3	1	1	6	4	3	1	1	1	6	650	15	50	15	80	00	134	80	19000	00	318	28
7	1	1	5	4	3	1	1	1	3	182	7	30	5	51	00	216	36	4800	00	630	85
10	1	1	4	5	4	1	1	1	3	200	7	30	7	32	00	313	17	5500	00	577	20
8	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	300	10	30	10	32	00	230	00	2350	00	477	12
14	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	3	170	6	25	6	28	00	130	00	1500	00	138	10
6	4	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	8	139	1	30	1	36	00	37	00	17919	00	7321	54
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35	16	3	12	12	13	1	1	1	9	549	13	15	13	121	00	500	00	8000	00	35	00
31	1	3	11	13	10	1	1	1	9	76	10	11	11	84	00	345	00	6200	00	892	41
23	2	2	16	9	8	1	1	1	6	38	21	12	12	80	00	281	2	7500	00	170	85
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17	3	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	11	3	30	3	36	00	67	00	1103	00	80	00
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Grand 1862 86070.00 <sup>34 men</sup> (29 men)

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## Children's Fund Apportionments.

Book Room	\$ 29 00	Hamilton	59 00	Stratford	48 00
Toronto 1st	122 00	West	14 00	Mitchel	22 00
" 2nd	30 00	Walpole	50 00	Plympton	26 00
" 3rd	30 00	Blenheim	52 00	Chatham	43 00
" 4th	30 00	Brantford	55 00	Caradoc	50 00
Markham	124 00	Paris	55 00	Kirkton	40 00
Pickering	58 00	Walsingham	44 00	Dover	23 00
Boysanville	76 00	Woodstock	52 00	Kingston	56 00
Scarborough	63 00	Guelph	51 00	Portland	62 00
Reach	32 00	Peel	52 00	Napanee	48 00
Sandford	49 00	Hawksville	48 00	Collinsby	28 00
Bruce Mines	116 00	Minto	41 00	Hinchinbrook	28 00
Brampton	90 00	Brant	35 00	Barrie	50 00
Etobicoke	45 00	Clifford	19 00	Oro	40 00
Malton	88 00	Kincardine	46 00	Bradford	40 00
Albion	84 00	Jubilee	56 00	Ravenshoe	16 00
Laskay	38 00	Arthur	18 00	Osprey	49 00
Orangeville	38 00	London	66 00	Collingwood	32 00
Rosemount	28 00	Bosmanet	53 00	Artemesia	40 00
Amaranth	53 00	MacGillivray	58 00	Muskoka	49 00
Grand River		West Branch		Durham	21 00

## Grants to Mission Stations.

Bruce Mines	252 00	Kincardine	202 00	Hinchinbrook	72 00
Rosemount	212 00	Jubilee	287 00	Barrie	347 00
Hamilton West	122 00	Arthur	87 00	Bradford	242 00
Walpole	227 00	London	402 00	Osprey	252 00
Blenheim	232 00	Stratford	392 00	Collingwood	252 00
Brantford	302 00	Plympton	292 00	Artemesia	252 00
Paris	300 00	Chatham	254 00	Muskoka	427 00
Walsingham	232 00	Caradoc	302 00	Durham	52 00
Woodstock	302 00	Kirkton	212 00	Amaranth	42 00
Guelph	302 00	Clifford	302 00	Clifford	
Hawksville	212 00	Kingston	282 00	Dover	
Minto	202 00	Portland	82 00	Oro	
Brant	202 00	Napanee	202 00	Ravenshoe	
		Collinsby			

## Book Room Account, for Year ending 21st May, 1872.

Dr.	\$	c	Cr.	\$	c
To Invoices	4552	59	By Stock	2330	46
" Stock of 1871	2648	41	" Furniture and Fixtures	150	00
" Rent	165	00	" Sales	6194	26
" Taxes	17	00			
" Light and Firing	12	00			
" Insurance	21	90			
" Freightage and Duties	120	05			
" Postage	18	00			
" Benevolence	12	25			
" Fixtures	6	09			
" Miscellaneous Expenses	57	62			
" Rev. J. Davison, for supply	7	50			
" Extra help	15	32			
" Interest	80	00			
" Children's Fund, per order of last Conference	25	00			
" Assistant's Salary	312	00			
" Book Steward's Salary & Rent	330	00			
" Balance	273	96			
	88,674	72		88,674	72

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### Ministerial Examination Fund.

Dr.	\$ c.	Cr.	\$ c.
To Collections from Stations	52 79	By Travelling Expenses of Examiners	23 03
" Donation	20 00	" Printing	62 59
" Balance due Treasurer	12 74		
	<u>\$85 53</u>		<u>\$85 53</u>

### Conference Fund.

Dr.	\$ c.	Cr.	\$ c.
To Balance from last year	14 66	By Rev. T. Crompton attending Conf.	1 80
" Toronto District	76 90	" Printing	18 68
" Hamilton	24 05	" Express Charges	50
" London	39 40	" Goods	65
" Brampton	63 10	" Binding Reports	50
" Kingston	18 35	" Ordination Bibles	10 80
" Guelph	32 75	" Telegrams & Postage at Conf.	2 35
" Barrie	21 70	" Delegates Travelling Expenses	267 04
" Balance due Treasurer	8 41	" Postage for year	1 00
	<u>\$299 32</u>		<u>\$299 32</u>

### Relief Fund.

Dr.	\$ c.	Cr.	\$ c.
To Toronto District	76 90	By Rev. J. S. Boyes	120 00
" Hamilton	24 05	" Rev. J. Davison	32 00
" London	39 40	" Rev. T. Crompton	225 00
" Brampton	63 10	" Rev. R. Paul	4 00
" Kingston	18 35	" Rev. C. Rolfe	4 00
" Guelph	32 75	" Postage	1 00
" Barrie	21 70	" Balance due from last year	35 46
" A Donation	2 00		
" Balance due Treasurer	153 21		
	<u>\$431 46</u>		<u>\$431 46</u>

### Children's Fund.

Dr.	\$ c.	Cr.	\$ c.
To Cash from Circuits, Missions, and Book Room	2552 68	By Claims of Circuits and Missions	2592 16
" Cash from Miss'y Committee, to pay deficiency of Missionary Circuits	125 32	" Balance	194 52
" Balance of last year	18 68		
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## Addresses of the Stations,

For 1872-73.

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	Rev. J. Markham, Wexford.
President of Conference.....	Rev. Wm. Newton, Sandford.
Secretary of Conference.....	Rev. W. Rowe, Toronto
Editor of Christian Journal.....	Rev. W. Bee, Toronto
Missionary Secretary and Book Steward.....	R. Walker, Esq., Toronto,
General Treasurer.....	
Toronto First .. Rev. T. Guttery, Toronto	Minto .. Rev. G. Watson, Newbridge
"    Second .. (Drawer 899).	Brant .. " R. Auger, Walkerton
"    Third .. J. Edgar, Yorkville	Clifford .. " R. Thompson, Clifford
"    Fourth .. T. Griffith, Toronto	Kincardine .. " T. G. Scott, Verdun
Markham .. " H. Harris, Toronto	Jubilee .. " W. Thornely, Bluevale
Pickering .. " J. Smith, Victoria Sq.	Arthur .. " W. J. Tarrant, Arthur
Bowmanville .. " R. Boyle, Clarendon	London .. " W. S. Hughan, London
Scarboro .. " J. Markham, Wexford	Bosanquet .. " W. Cook, Widder
Reach .. " T. Amey, Manchester	Mac Gillivray .. " R. Paul, Falkirk
Sandford .. " W. Newton, Sandford	" West Branch .. " J. S. Corcoran, Parkhill
Bruce Mines .. " E. Whitworth, B. Mines	Stratford .. " G. Clark, Stratford
Brampton .. " W. Herridge, Brampton	Mitchell .. " Mitchel
Elmhurst .. " J. Garner, Humber	Plympton .. " W. Huggins, Wyoming
Malton .. " J. Goodman, Malton	Chatham .. " J. F. Porter, Chatham
Albion .. " J. W. Gilpin, Albion	Caradoc .. " T. Dudley, Strathroy
Laskay .. " W. Reid, Laskay	Kirkton .. " W. Pike, Woodham
Orangeville .. " W. Lomas, Orangeville	Dover .. " T. F. Boyd
Rosemont .. " J. Walker, Rosemont	Kingston .. " G. Lewis, Kingston
Amaranth .. " B. J. Brown	Portland .. " C. S. Willis, Loughboro
Hamilton .. " R. Cade, Hamilton	Napanee .. " G. Nixon, Napanee
"    West .. G.H. Thompson, do.	"    " .. J. E. Lidstone, Collinsby
Grand River .. " Luke Hall, York	"    " .. W. H. Dean, Deniston
Walpole .. " J. Thompson, Selkirk	"    " .. J. Milner, Barrie
Blenheim .. " R. Hassard, Brantford	Oro .. " W. Nixon, Balston
Brantford .. " T. W. Jolliffe, Brantford	Bradford .. " J. J. Haylock, Bradford
Paris .. " T. Natrass, Paris	Ravenshoe .. C. Mattingley, Ravenshoe
Walsingham .. " J. Burdze Pleasant Hill	"    " .. D. Simpson, Faversham
Woodstock .. " J. P. Bell, Woodstock	Osprey .. " G. F. Lee, Markdale
Guelph .. " G. Wood, Guelph	"    " .. R. Pattison, Bracebridge
Ped .. " Eli Middleton, Pentland	Muskoka .. " A. Knapp, Durham
Hawkesville .. A. Heyworth, Hawkesville	Durham .. " A. Knapp, Durham



## Pastoral Address.

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*To the Members of the Primitive Methodist Church, in connection with the Canadian Conference.*

DEARLY BELOVED :

Grace, mercy and peace be multiplied unto you, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

We, your representatives in Conference assembled, haste with pleasure to fulfil our duty, and to enjoy our privilege, in sending you our usual annual greeting.

The Conference just closed was held in London on the third of June and following days, and will be remembered by all present as one of unusual interest ; perhaps at no previous Conference was there ever felt more unanimity of spirit, more of the mind of Christ, or more zeal in the Committee rooms, in the open Conference, or in the public meetings.

We feel sure that the Brethren from the different parts of the work will return to thier various fields of labour, to work more earnestly, to pray more fervently, to give more largely, and to consecrate themselves, and all they have, more fully to the one great object of life—to save souls.

For this to every Christian is the work of paramount importance ; for, drinking into the spirit of his Divine Master, he feels the full force of that striking Scripture " I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

True, 'tis right and proper to labor for the body, for the family, and for the things of this life, but is it not infinitely more important to labor for souls, for the Master, and for eternity.

Many questions of importance were brought up from the Circuit and Mission Boards, which received the consideration their different cases demanded.

A Committee was formed to examine into the state of our Mission work, so that the ensuing Conference might have data on which to act, for there has been a growing conviction that many of our Missions should become self-sustaining, so that we may have funds to extend our borders, for ever and anon the Macedonian cry is heard at the door of the Conference, "Come over and help us," and again and again we are compelled to reply, "wait till the funds will allow, then we will send you a Missionary."

May the time soon come when the Church shall have both men and means, to enter every open door, that the prophecies may be speedily fulfilled, which speak of the universal reign of Christ. The subject of Methodist Union was discussed at some length, and placed in the hands of a Committee for further action.

The Consolidated Minutes—the new Discipline—Society Rules—and the Sabbath School Constitution, were submitted to Conference for confirmation, and will shortly be printed, and in the hands of the friends.

A Church Extension Fund was also formed, which shall be kept up by collections, subscriptions, and donations. The object of this fund shall be to loan money, or to give aid when needed in church building. The increase of the Ministers' salaries, after considerable discussion, was passed. We are sure this needed measure will meet with your approval, for we believe you are both able and willing to minister of your carnal things to those who are spending their lives in ministering to you in spiritual things.

Several letters, conveying fraternal greetings, were received from the Wesleyan Conference, the Congregational Union, and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. These were received in the same Christian spirit in which they were sent, and answers returned.

We are happy to observe that this feeling of brotherly love is largely in the increase in all the churches. May it increase more and more.

Rev. Messrs. Lees and Hewitt, a deputation from our brethren in the Western States, were introduced to the Conference; they spoke at length of the work of God in their midst, of the battles they had fought, and of the

victories they had achieved; the past year had been one of success. May they increase a thousand fold.

The New Connexion Methodist Conference did us the honor of sending the Rev. Dr. Cooke and R. Wilkes, Esq., as a deputation.

Dr. Cooke said he had known the sainted Clowes, one of the founders of our body, and had also known many of the fathers in our Israel, nearly all of whom had passed to their reward. He had watched with deep interest this section of the Church for many years, and could bear his testimony from personal observation to our usefulness in the past. He had seen us pass the age of humiliation and persecution, up to the period of respectability and influence; he would warn us of another more dangerous than either of the former; many churches also fell into it; he hoped we should not,—it was the age of formality and deadness.

Bro. Wilkes was listened to with deep interest while he uttered some large-hearted prophecies, as to the future of the Methodist Church of the Dominion; he hoped, he prayed, he believed, that there would be fewer bodies of Methodism in Canada ere long.

We are happy to inform you that some measure of success has attended our labors during the past year; the state of the different funds is encouraging, through the increase of membership is not what we could have desired, being only 217 for the year; this fact we trust will lead us to humble ourselves before God, and to seek more spiritual power—the power from on high, may it come upon all our Zion.

We cannot allow this letter to come to you, without mentioning that Bro. Rowe having served his term of office as Book Steward and General Missionary Secretary retires, much broken down in health, which he hopes to recruit by a voyage to the land of his birth. May his most sanguine expectations be fully realized.

Bro. Bee succeeds to the office, as book Steward and General Missionary Secretary, for whom we bespeak the hearty co-operation of the Brethren, especially the officers of our Sabbath Schools, in their purchases of libraries, etc.

We trust our friends will continue their assistance to the *Christian Journal*, and to their utmost increase its circulation.

Several of our preachers have died during the year, though many have retired from our ranks, and one name in particular you will miss from the roll, a name we cannot write without the deepest emotion, that of Rev. T. Crompton, who having served the Church well and faithfully for the period of 37 years is now through affliction compelled to seek superannuation; a very complimentary and sympathetic resolution was passed in this case, making particular mention of our Brother's long service, especially that part of it spent as Editor, Theological Tutor, Book Steward, and General Missionary Secretary. May our dear Father have light at eventide.

In conclusion, Dear Brethren, allow us to urge you to greater diligence in the discharge of your various duties, for these are great and many. You owe duties to yourselves, to your families, to the church and to the world.

Give your time and attention to reading the scriptures; to prayer, and to diligent attendance upon the means of grace; to Sabbath observance and to Sabbath School work; to Bible distribution, and to the Temperance reform.

As individual Christians, and as a Church, let us hold fast these well tried and useful means.

Endeavour to live in the light of God's holy word, in the life of constant communion with Jesus, and in the love and power of entire consecration of all to the Master's honor and glory: that you may have grace to do and suffer all His righteous will, to live and die for Christ.

"May the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen."

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