

MINUTES
OF
SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN

THE MINISTERS

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Church or Connexion

OF

EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,

AT THEIR FOURTEENTH CONFERENCE, HELD IN FREDERICTON, N. B.,
ON JUNE 24th, 1868.

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CONFERENCE

THE CONFERENCE of Eastern British America was inaugurated at Halifax, N. S., July 17, 1855.

The Presidents and Co-Delegates of the Conference, from the date of its organization, are as follow, viz :—

PRESIDENTS.		CO-DELEGATES.	
1855.	Rev. John Beecham, D.D.*	Rev.	M. Richey, D.D.
1856.	" M. Richey, D.D.	"	Do.
1857-60.	Do.	"	R. Knight, D.D.
1861.	" W. B. Boyce.*	"	H. Pickard, D.D.
1862.	" H. Pickard, D.D.	"	Chas DeWolfe, D.D.
1863.	" Chas. DeWolfe, D.D.	"	Thos. H. Davies.
1864.	" Win. L. Thornton, A.M.*	"	Thos. H. Davies.
1865.	" John McMurray.	"	Edmund Botterell.
1866.	" George Scott, D.D.*	"	James England.
1867.	" Matthew Richey, D.D.	"	Ingham Sutcliffe.
1868.	" W. Morley Punshon, A.M.*	"	Henry Daniel.

* Members of the British Conference.

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE.

TAKEN AT FREDERICTON, N. B., FROM THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF JUNE, TO THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JUNE, 1868.

REVEREND WILLIAM MORLEY PUNSHON, A.M., *President.*
" HENRY DANIEL, *Co-Delegate.*
" R. ALDER TEMPLE, *Secretary.*

QUESTION I.

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

ANSWER.

John A. Clark, A.M., J. McCully Fulton, A.B.,
Henry Loud Cranford, Isaac Howie,
Albert S. DesBrisay, John M. Pike,
Ezra B. Moore.

QUESTION II.

What Preachers now remain on trial?

ANSWER.

Alfred E. LePage, William Sargent.

These have travelled three years.

Thomas Allen, Robert Barry Mack,
Charles W. Dockrill, Arthur D. Morton, A.B.,
George Forsey, Charles H. Paisley, A.M.,
Wilson W. Lodge, John Reay,
Thomas Rogers, A.B.

These have travelled two years.

William H. Burns, Samuel Ackman
Joseph Seller, A.B.

These have travelled one year.

QUESTION III.

What Preachers are now received on trial ?

ANSWER.

George Day, Francis Scott,
Levi S. Johnson, Fletcher A. Weldon,
Edwin Mills.

QUESTION IV.

What Ministers have died since the last Conference ?

ANSWER.

Joseph Sutcliffe, who was born at Cranshaw, Yorkshire, England, in the year 1812. He was converted to God in early life, through the instrumentality of the Rev. J. Roadhouse. He successively filled the offices of Sabbath School Teacher, Prayer Leader and Local Preacher, with credit to himself and profit to others. For the last ten years he has laboured in various parts of the Conference field with general acceptance. His last illness was painful and protracted ; but God mercifully sustained him throughout the dark and trying period. A short time before he died he expressed himself as happy in the enjoyment of the love of God ; and in the afternoon of the 30th of September, 1867, he fell asleep in Jesus.

QUESTION V.

What Ministers become Supernumeraries at the present Conference ?

ANSWER.

William E. Shenstone, Robert E. Crane,
Thomas Smith, William W. Perkins,
Charles De Wolfe, D.D., Frederick W. Moore.

QUESTION VI.

What Supernumeraries return to the full work of the Ministry?

ANSWER.

None.

QUESTION VII.

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

ANSWER.

They were examined one by one.

QUESTION VIII.

How are the Ministers and Preachers on Trial stationed this year?

ANSWER.

As follows, viz:—

REV. WILLIAM MORLEY PUNSHON, M.A., *President.*

“ HENRY DANIEL, *Co-Delegate.*

“ R. ALDER TEMPLE, *Secretary.*

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

1. *Halifax North*,—George S. Milligan, A.M.; John A. Clark, A.M.; Edmund Botterell, Supernum'y.
2. *Halifax South*,—Alfred W. Turner; Henry Pope, (A), Supernumerary.
Conference Office,—John McMurray, Editor and Book Steward.
3. *Dartmouth*,—Jabez A. Rogers; Thomas Angwin, Supernumerary.
4. *Windsor*,—Elias Brettle; Frederick Smallwood, Supernumerary.
5. *Falmouth*,—Charles B. Pitblado.
6. *Horton*,—Christopher Lockhart, Humphrey P. Cowperthwaite, A.B.
7. *Newport*,—Hezekiah McKeown.

- 8. *Avondale*,—Matthew Richey, D.D.
- 9. *Kempt*,—John A. Mosher.
- 10. *Maitland*,—David B. Scott. One wanted.
- 11. *Musquodoboit Harbor*,—Alfred E. Le Page.
- 12. *Middle Musquodoboit*,—Samuel B. Martin.
- 13. *Shubenacadie*,—Joseph Gaetz.
- 14. *Sambro and Margaret's Bay*,—One wanted.
- 15. *Bermuda*,—(*Hamilton*),—R. Alder Temple.
- 16. (*St. George's*),—William Ryan.
- 17. (*Somerset*),—Thomas Rogers, A.B.
- 18. (*Bailey's Bay*),—One wanted.

N. B.—The work in Bermuda is under the general superintendence of the Minister stationed at Hamilton.

MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., *Chairman.*

GEORGE S. MILLIGAN, A.M., *Financial Secretary.*

II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

- 19. *St. John*,—(*Germain St.*) Charles Stewart ; John B. Strong, William T. Cardy, Supernumeraries.
(*Centenary*.) John Lathern ; William Temple, Supernumerary.
(*Exmouth St.*) William H. Hertz.
- 20. *St. John*,—(*Portland*.) James R. Narraway, A.M.
- 21. *St. John*,—(*Carleton*.) Stephen F. Huestis.
- 22. *Fairville*,—Douglas Chapman.
- 23. *St. Andrew's*,—Robert Wilson.
- 24. *St. David's*,—John L. Sponagle.
- 25. *St. Stephen*,—Alexander B. Black.
- 26. *Mill Town*,—Howard Sprague, A.M.
- 27. *Sussex Vale*,—William McCarty.
- 28. *Grand Lake*,—Joseph B. Hemmeon.
- 29. *Havelock*,—Isaac N. Parker.
- 30. *Greenwich*,—John S. Allen.
- 31. *Kingston*,—Elias Slackford.
- 32. *Upham*,—George Harrison.

ALEXANDER B. BLACK, *Chairman.*

CHARLES STEWART, *Financial Secretary.*

III.—TRURO DISTRICT.

33. *Truro*,—Roland Morton ; Thomas Smith, Supernumerary.
34. *River Philip*,—William Tweedy.
35. *Wallace*,—T. Watson Smith.
36. *Pagwash*,—John J. Colter.
37. *River John*,—George W. Tuttle.
38. *Abian Mines*,—Jeremiah V. Jost.
39. *Pictou*,—Leonard Gaetz.
40. *Guysboro' and Canso*,—George Johnson, Levi Johnson ; James Buckley, Supernumerary.
41. *Manchester*,—Isaac Thurlow.
42. *Sydney, South*,—Paul Prestwood.
43. *Sydney, North*,—One wanted.
44. *Gabarus*,—John W. Howie.
45. *Block House Mines*,—One wanted.
46. *Ship Harbor*,—John G. Bigney.
47. *Margaree*,—One wanted.

GEORGE JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

JEREMIAH V. JOST, *Financial Secretary*.

IV.—P. E. ISLAND DISTRICT.

48. *Charlottetown*,—Henry Pope ; Frederick W. Moore, William W. Perkins, Richard Johnson, M.D., Supernumeraries.
49. *Cornwall and Little York*,—John Winterbotham.
50. *Pownal*,—James Burns. The Brethren on Cornwall and Pownal Circuits to change with Charlottetown, each once in six weeks.
51. *Bedeque and Tryon*,—Richard Weddall, Thomas J. Deinstadt.
52. *Margate*,—Wesley Colpitts.
53. *Summerside*,—Albert S. DesBrisay.
54. *Murray Harbor*,—William W. Percival.
55. *Souris, &c.*,—One wanted.
56. *West Cape*,—Charles W. Dockrill.

HENRY POPE, (B), *Chairman*.

JOHN WINTERBOTHAM, *Financial Secretary*.

V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

57. *Fredericton*,—Duncan D. Currie.
 58. *Marysville*,—Arthur D. Morton, A.B., under the
 superintendence of Brother Currie, with whom
 he will change once in three weeks.
 59. *Kingsclear*,—One wanted.
 60. *Sheffield*,—Job Shenton.
 61. *Woodstock*,—Alexander W. Nicolson.
 62. *Northampton*,—William H. Burns, A.B., under the
 superintendence of Brother Nicolson.
 63. *Knowlesville*,—Edwin Mills, under the superintendence
 of Brother Nicolson, with whom he will change
 once a quarter.
 64. *Jacksonville*,—John Cassidy.
 65. *Florenceville*,—James R. Hart.
 66. *Andover*,—Wilson W. Lodge, under the superinten-
 dence of Brother Hart.
 67. *Nashwaak*,—David W. LeLachour.
 68. *Boiestown*,—One wanted.
 69. *Gagetown*,—George B. Payson.
 70. *Miramichi*,—Edwin Evans, Charles H. Paisley, A.M.
 71. *Bathurst*,—William Algorn.
 72. *Dalhousie*,—One wanted.

DUNCAN D. CURRIE, *Chairman*.

ALEXANDER W. NICOLSON, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

73. *Sackville*,—Samuel W. Sprague; John Snowball,
 Charles DeWolf, D.D., Supernumeraries.
Educational Institutions,—Humphrey Pickard, D.D.,
 President of the College; Cranswick Jost, A.M.,
 Vice-Principal of Male Academy.
 74. *Point de Bute*,—William Wilson, who will change once
 in six weeks with the minis'er at Sackville.
 75. *Baie de Verte*,—Alexander S. Tuttle. One wanted.
 76. *Moncton and Coverdale*,—Robert Duncan.
 77. *Dorchesetr*,—Joseph G. Angwin.
 78. *Hopewell*,—James Tweedy.
 79. *Hillsborough*,—Stephen Humphrey, A.M.

80. *Salisbury and Elgin*.—George Day.
 81. *Richibucto*.—Joseph S. Coffin.
 82. *Amherst*.—Ingham Sutcliffe, R. Barry Mack.
 83. *Parrsboro'*.—Robert Tweedy, Robert O'B. Johnson.
 84. *Advocate Harbour*.—Joseph Sellar, A.B., to change with the ministers at Parrsboro' once a quarter.
 INGHAM SUTCLIFFE, *Chairman*.
 ROBERT DUNCAN, *Financial Secretary*.

VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

85. *Annapolis*.—James England, Jotham McCully Fulton, A.M.
 86. *Bridgetown*.—John S. Addy; George Miller, Thomas H. Davies, Supernumeraries.
 87. *Wilmot*.—George M. Barfat; Joseph F. Bent, Supernumerary.
 88. *Aylesford*.—James Taylor; Robert E. Crane, Supernumerary.
 89. *Cornwallis East*.—Richard Smith.
 90. *Cornwallis West*.—John Read.
 91. *Hillsburgh*.—Frederick W. Harrison.
 92. *Digby*.— } William C. Brown, Ezra B. Moore.
 93. *Weymouth*. }
 94. *Digby Neck*.—Fletcher A. Weldon, under the superintendence of Bro. Brown.
 JOHN S ADDY, *Chairman*.
 JAMES TAYLOR, *Financial Secretary*.

VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

95. *Liverpool*.—Henry Daniel, who shall change with the ministers at Port Mouton and Mill Village each once a quarter.
 96. *Caledonia*.—Charles W. T. Dutcher.
 97. *Farmouth South*.—James G. Hennigar.
 98. *Farmouth North*.—Joseph Hart.
 99. *Barrington*.—Robert Wasson, William Sargent.
 100. *Shelburne*.—Thomas D. Hart.
 101. *North East Harbour*.—Robert H. Taylor.
 102. *Port Mouton*.—John Johnson.

103. *Mill Village*,—Fletcher H. W. Pickles; Michael Pickles, Supernumerary.
 104. *Petite Riviere*,—John J. Teasdale.
 105. *Lusenburg*,—George O. Huestis.
 106. *New Germany*,—Benjamin J. Johnston.
 JAMES G. HENNIGAR, *Chairman*.
 JOSEPH HART, *Financial Secretary*.

IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

107. *St. John's*,—John Prince, Samuel Ackman.
 108. *Harbour Grace*,—John S. Phinney.
 109. *Carbonear*,—Henry L. Cranford, George Forsey.
 110. *Brigus*,—John Waterhouse; William E. Shenstone, Supernumerary.
 111. *Port de Grave*,—John M. Pike.
 112. *Blackhead*,—Charles Comben.
 113. *Island Cove*,—John S. Peach.
 114. *Perlican*,—James A. Duke.
 115. *Hants Harbour*,—Thomas Fox.
 116. *Trinity Bay*,—One wanted.
 117. *Bonavista*,—James Dove.
 118. *Catalina*,—Charles Ladner.
 119. *Twillingate*,—John Goodison.
 120. *Burin*,—Thomas Harris.
 121. *Grand Bank*,—Stephen T. Teed.

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122. *Labrador*,—George Forsey, for the summer months.
 123. *Petites*,—John Reay.
 124. *Channel*,—One wanted.
 125. *Exploits, &c.*—Thomas Allen, Francis Scott.
 126. *Fogo*,—Joseph Pascoe.
 127. *Green's Pond*,—Isaac Howie.
 JOHN S. PEACH, *Chairman*.
 JAMES DOVE, *Financial Secretary*.

QUESTION IX.

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

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ANSWER.

As follows:—

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.		Mem.	On Trial
Halifax, North.....	255	10	
Halifax, South.....	161	11	
Dartmouth.....	30	2	
Windsor.....	106		
Falmouth.....	94		
Horton.....	152		
Newport.....	119		
Avondale.....	153		
Kempton.....	90	31	
Maitland.....	123	20	
Musquodoboit Harbr	38	10	
Mid. Musquodoboit.	103	7	
Shubenacadie.....	50	10	
Sambro and Margaree's Bay.....	40		
Bermuda.....	457	8	
	1971	109	
Increase 26.			
II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.			
St. John, South,			
(Germain Street,)	180	16	
(Centenary,)	186	8	
(Exmouth,)	150	51	
St. John, North.....	117	12	
St. John, West.....	100	40	
Fairville.....	92		
St. Andrews.....	62		
St. David's.....	98	3	
St. Stephen's.....	117		
Mill Town.....	90	48	
Sussex Vale.....	171		
Grand Lake, &c.....	124		
Havelock.....	94	9	
Greenwich.....	107	5	
Kingston.....	92	4	
Upham.....	103	8	
	1884	204	
Increase 8.			
III.—TRURO DISTRICT.			
Truro.....	103	3	
River Philip.....	187		
	1254	102	
Increase 11.			
Wallace & Pugwash	313		
River John.....	100		
Albion Mines.....	33	8	
Guysboro' & Cariso	174	46	
Manchester.....	95	50	
Sydney.....	50		
Gabarus.....	78	16	
Block House Mines.	10		
Ship Harbor.....	100	59	
Margaree.....	20		
	1263	182	
Increase 55.			
IV.—P. E. ISLAND DISTRICT.			
Charlottetown.....	336	100	
Cornwall & Lit. York	193	12	
Pownal.....	115	39	
Bedeque.....	302	18	
Margate.....	67	13	
Summerside.....	70	10	
Murray Harbor.....	44	10	
Souris.....	26		
West Cape, }			
Cascumpee, }	31		
	1184	202	
Increase 4.			
V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT.			
Fredericton.....	213		
Sheffield.....	98	6	
Kingsclear.....	75		
Woodstock.....	90	30	
Jacksonville.....	160	5	
Florenceville.....	116	5	
Andover.....	57		
Nashwaak.....	82	44	
Gagetown.....	73	2	
Miramichi.....	163	3	
Bathurst.....	96	1	
Dalhousie.....	31	6	

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

	Mem.	On Trial.
Sackville.....	131	33
Point de Bute.....	145	15
Baie de Verte.....	220	150
Moncton & Coverdale	95	
Dorchester.....	61	
Hopewell.....	133	3
Hillsborough.....	66	35
Salisbury & Elgin..	90	10
Richibucto.....	65	11
Amherst.....	184	11
Parrsboro'.....	84	23
Advocate Harbor...	300	10
	1574	301
Increase 23.		

VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

Annapolis.....	178	2
Bridgetown.....	137	10
Wilmot.....	175	7
Aylesford.....	165	4
Cornwallis East....	137	
Cornwallis West...	200	
Hillsburgh.....	83	15
Digby.....	159	14
Digby Neck.....	78	6
Decrease 138.	1312	58

VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

Liverpool.....	76	144
Caledonia.....	20	29
Yarmouth, South..	87	14
Yarmouth, North..	82	6

Mem. On Trial.

Barrington.....	260	42
Shelburne.....	86	6
N. E. Harbor.....	70	23
Port Mouton.....	170	22
Mill Village.....	80	50
Petite Riviere.....	142	12
Lunenburg.....	220	25
New Germany.....	88	12
Increase 308.	1381	385

IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT

St. John's.....	328	32
Harbor Grace.....	154	60
Carbonear.....	438	13
Brigus.....	117	
Port de Grave.....	63	6
Black Head.....	384	36
Island Cove.....	86	6
Perlican.....	250	
Hants Harbor.....	167	
Trinity, 1867.....	96	20
Bonavista.....	171	16
Catalina.....	45	30
Twillingate.....	186	10
Burin.....	260	
Grand Bank.....	237	
Petites.....	65	10
Channel.....		
Exploits.....	80	9
Little Bay Island..		
Fogo.....	46	12
Greenspond.....	64	28
Increase 23.	3247	288

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

Districts.	This Year.	On Trial.	Last Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	Net Inci'se.
Halifax.....	1971	109	2068		97	
St. John.....	1884	204	1876	8		
Truro.....	1263	182	1208	55		
P. E. Island.....	1184	202	1180	4		
Fredericton.....	1254	102	1243	11		
Sackville.....	1574	301	1551	23		
Annapolis.....	1312	58	1450		138	
Liverpool.....	1381	385	1073	303		
Newfoundland....	3247	288	3224	23		
	15070	1851	14873	432	235	197

QUESTION X.

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

ANSWER.

As follows:—

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Miss. Soc'y.	Con. Fund.	H. Mis. F'd.	Sup. Ed.	Ed. Fund.
Halifax North,	\$99 67	\$89 00	\$128 50	\$88 73	\$86 40
Halifax South,	609 82	34 37	120 00	45 74	6 00
Dartmouth,	55 00	5 69	2 39	6 99	1 98
Windsor,	215 60	18 14	16 00	15 90	4 18
Falmouth,	28 25	4 00		0 98	0 75
Horton,	88 30	12 50	8 00	9 41	3 60
Newport,	61 70	6 20	2 50	4 50	1 25
Avondale,	113 00	18 00	5 00	9 60	2 25
Kempt,	78 84	5 20		2 75	1 25
Maitland,	66 83	5 62	2 38	4 00	1 18
Musquodoboit Harbour,	33 17	1 89		2 48	0 85
Middle Musquodoboit,	34 04	3 00		2 08	1 20
Shubetaacadie,	34 00	0 62		1 00	0 75
Sambro and Margareta's Bay,					
Bermuda	782 80	24 85	8 27	35 25	16 46
	3100 02	230 00	293 04	228 52	68 32
Local expenses,	78 22½	Ministers subs.,		190 00	52 00
	\$3030 79½			\$408 52	\$120 32

II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

St. John South (Ger-main St.)	204 90	44 22	19 67	31 80	13 84
St. John South (Cen.)	318 87	33 67	9 58	27 95	10 00
St. John South (Ex.St.)	121 16	20 00	19 00	12 59	2 00
St. John North,	108 11	13 28	8 00	15 30	2 00
St. John West,	70 79	10 00	7 03	9 56	2 30
Fairville,	49 50	8 45	4 10	6 29	3 12
St. Andrews,	59 00	6 20	8 23	3 25	1 40
St. Davids,	76 39	6 67	5 97	6 04	4 50
St. Stephens,	126 65	17 00	13 50	14 50	6 35
Milltown,	40 04	8 30	7 20	6 10	2 15
Sussex Vale,	62 80	11 18	6 12	6 20	3 75
Grand Lake,	24 87	2 95	3 47	3 10	2 20
Havelock,	34 87	2 34		1 68	1 41
Greenwich,	30 22	6 80		3 10	1 25
Kilgerton,	18 69	2 25	1 50	1 60	1 05
Upham,	49 90	6 00	7 76	6 46	2 00
	1400 46	202 40	116 07	155 67	59 32
Local expenses,	45 18	Ministers' sub.,		150 00	68 00
	\$1855 28			\$305 67	\$119 32

III.—TRURO DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Miss. Soc'y.	Con. Fund.	H. Mis. F'd.	Sup. F'd.	Ed. Fund.
Truro,	109 50	10 00	2 00	6 25	1 60
River Philip,	41 76	6 00	3 54	6 54	1 69
Wallace and Pugwash,	90 21	7 50	6 00	2 73	2 16
River John,	29 14	7 00	3 00	2 50	1 20
Albion Mines,	16 00	6 00	2 00	3 41	1 20
Graysboro' and Canso,	77 93	10 50	0 40	4 45	1 20
Manchester,	22 00	4 00	1 00	2 25	1 00
Sydney,	82 65	8 00	4 00	4 50	1 85
Gabarus,	20 10	5 00	1 23	1 45	1 00
Block House Mines,	17 50	5 00	2 00	2 10	1 00
Ship Harbour,	26 87	4 00	1 08	5 00	1 00
	<u>533 66</u>	<u>72 00</u>	<u>32 75</u>	<u>41 16</u>	<u>14 90</u>
Local expenses,	5 88			120 00	38 00
	<u>\$327 78</u>			<u>\$161 16</u>	<u>\$52 90</u>

IV.—P. E. ISLAND DISTRICT.

Charlottetown,	844 08	38 32	75 68	46 64	6 66
Cornwall,	244 07	10 00	103 03	8 50	2 51
Pownal,	92 33	4 25	6 40	3 00	1 08
Bedeque,	337 48	29 43	7 03	16 16	1 00
Margate,	32 00	4 25	8 17	3 00	1 20
Summerside,	23 72	1 50	2 25	1 50	1 37
Souris,					
Murray Harbour,	23 00	2 00	6 00	1 50	1 50
WestCape & Cascumpec,		1 00		1 00	1 00
	<u>1618 68</u>	<u>90 75</u>	<u>208 56</u>	<u>81 30</u>	<u>16 22</u>
Local expenses,	16 44			101 23	25 00
	<u>\$1602 24</u>			<u>\$182 53</u>	<u>\$41 32</u>

V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

Fredericton,	135 25	25 00	10 00	21 00	7 51
Sheffield,	28 27	10 20	4 12	5 10	1 60
Kingsclear,	24 75	5 10		1 50	1 50
Woodstock,	61 87	9 90	4 43	9 00	4 00
Jacksonville,	55 26	7 35		7 00	2 00
Florenceville,	53 53	7 40	6 42	6 14	1 66
Andover,	20 12	7 10	3 16	2 80	1 60
Nashwaak,	5 60	7 10		1 65	1 20
Gagetown,	29 07	8 10	1 23	3 73	1 86
Miramichi,	254 37	11 60	2 25	6 00	3 00
Bathurst,	26 00	7 10	1 90	3 20	1 25
Dalhousie,	2 00	5 10		4 25	1 15
	<u>675 54</u>	<u>111 05</u>	<u>33 54</u>	<u>71 42</u>	<u>28 33</u>
Local expenses,	25 06			140 00	33 00
	<u>\$630 48</u>			<u>\$211 42</u>	<u>\$61 33</u>

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

Sackville,	151 71	17 02	22 57	17 79	4 21
Point de Bute,	66 22	13 60		10 08	2 71
Bate de Verte,	115 67	12 25	1 10	5 00	2 00
Moncton & Coverdale,	18 96	9 00	1 00	8 00	1 20
Dorchester,	25 37	3 00		4 83	2 50
Hopewell,	29 85	10 60		5 00	1 50
Hillsboro',	41 08	5 00		2 20	1 50

Circuits.	Miss. Soc'y.	Con. Fund.	H. Miss. Fd.	Sup. Fd.	Ed. Fund.
Sallabury and Elgin,	11 20	5 00		1 10	1 00
Richibucto,	39 46	7 75		5 25	2 00
Amherst,	129 19	10 70	2 25	12 11	2 75
Paraburo'	46 54	9 00		2 46	0 75
Advocate Harbour,	15 75	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 25
Additional,		2 07			
	690 95	113 48	28 23	75 92	23 37
Local expenses,	8 50		Ministers' subs.,	160 00	51 09
	\$692 45			\$235 92	\$74 37

VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

Annapolis,	84 16	12 00	6 14	8 49	3 00
Bridgetown,	103 85	12 00	9 50	9 50	3 61
Wilmot,	77 05	8 50	3 47	7 50	2 00
Aylesford,	115 00	8 50	7 00	12 50	3 00
Cornwallis East,	51 88	12 00	0 50	3 50	1 34
" West,	67 36	7 00	6 00	6 35	1 53
Hillsburgh,	44 16	4 00	2 50	4 75	2 00
Digby,	103 41	6 75	4 00	6 50	1 30
Digby Neck,	5 18	3 25	0 70	1 00	0 21
Additional,		10 00			
	654 03	84 00	41 81	60 09	18 01
Local expenses,	4 25		Ministers' subs.,	90 00	30 00
	\$649 78			\$150 09	\$48 01

VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

Liverpool,	90 85	8 50	22 75	7 70	4 75
Caledonia,	2 00	1 05	1 00	0 75	0 70
Yarmouth, South,	65 00	10 33	4 50	9 20	1 60
Yarmouth, North,	113 88	16 00	6 75	15 50	2 80
Barrington,	68 37	4 10	10 00	7 52	1 45
Shelburne,	41 20	4 20	3 63	1 70	1 90
N. E. Harbour,	35 37	4 67	9 39	2 02	1 09
Port Mouton,	16 33	2 33	3 00	2 11	1 00
Mill Village,	58 44	5 00	3 57	2 75	1 16
Petite Riviere,	96 90	7 00	5 00	6 87	1 75
Lunenburg,	115 61	10 00	5 00	4 60	2 23
New Germany,	19 08	0 35	1 00	0 35	0 30
Additional,		21 97			
	721 64	96 00	72 64	61 07	20 48
Local expenses,	7 00		Ministers' subs.,	120 00	36 00
	\$684 64			\$181 07	\$6 48

IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Miss'y Subs.	Con. Fund.	Sup'y Fund.	Ed'n Fund.
St. John's	512 23	54 90	71 45	36 70
Harbour Grace,	24 68	16 00	19 00	9 00
Carbonear,	171 43	18 00	19 00	11 00
Brigus,	109 57	11 00	9 37	5 80
Port de Grave,	46 68	3 55	4 68	0 50
Blackhead,	104 13	6 00	31 18	6 15
Island Cove,	30 42	3 22	3 00	0 80
Perlican,	34 00	4 00	1 00	1 00
Hants Harbour,	64 40	3 20	2 40	2 15
Trinity,				
Bonavista,	75 45	6 00	4 15	3 15

Circuits.	Miss. Soc'y.	Con. Fund.	H. Mis. F'd.	Sup. F'd.	Ed. Fund.
Catalina,	86 00	4 00		2 45	1 80
Twillingate,	15 00	5 00		3 80	
Burin,	29 85	5 00		4 60	2 00
Grand Bank,	353 75	20 00		15 00	6 50
Petitea,	28 68	3 00		1 00	1 00
Channel,	34 50				
Exploits,		3 00		4 40	1 65
Little Bay Islands,					
Fogo,	22 60	2 00		1 40	
Greenspond,	6 00	2 00		1 40	1 45
Additional		3 13			
	1919 37	173 00		199 26	90 85
Local expenses,	54 60	Ministers' subs.		210 00	47 00
	\$1864 77			\$409 26	\$137 65

RECAPITULATION.

Districts.					
Halifax,	3109 02	230 00	293 04	228 52	68 32
St. John,	1400 46	202 40	116 07	155 67	59 32
Truro,	583 66½	72 00	32 25	41 17	14 90
P. E. Island,	1618 66	90 75	208 56	81 30	16 32
Fredericton,	675 54	111 65	33 54	71 42	28 33
Sackville,	690 95	113 48	28 22	75 92	23 37
Annapolis,	654 08	84 00	41 81	60 09	18 01
Liverpool,	721 64	96 00	72 64	61 07	20 48
Newfoundland,	1919 37	173 00		199 26	70 65
	11323 35½	1172 68	826 13	974 42	339 70
Local expenses,	275 13½	Ministers' subs.		1271 23	265 00
	\$11048 22			\$2245 65	\$704 70

HOME MISSION AND CONTINGENT FUND.

QUESTION XI.

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

ANSWER.

As follows, viz:—

1. Grant from the Parent Conference.....	\$13,315 62
2. Interest on Monies vested.....	452 00
3. Amount received from Circuits.....	1,998 81
	<u>\$15,766 43</u>

APPROPRIATIONS.

To Districts for Removals, and towards meeting the deficiencies in Circuit Receipts on dependent Circuits, and Home Mission Stations, viz:—

Halifax District.....	\$1076 51
St. John ".....	1271 02

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Fund.	Truro	"	1566	42
1 80	P. E. Island	"	736	38
	Fredericton	"	1148	13
2 00	Sackville	"	1678	52
6 50	Annapolis	"	878	70
1 00	Liverpool	"	1331	02
1 65	Newfoundl'd	"	4095	00
	Bermuda	"	965	00
1 45				<u>\$14,746 70</u>

SPECIAL GRANTS, AS FOLLOWS, viz. :-

Dr. Richey's removal	\$ 60 00
Expenses of Dr. Richey in attending General Conference in U. S.	100 00
Conference Seal	27 00
" Printing	55 00
" Stationery	65 73
Secretary's incidental expenses, travelling, &c.	20 00
	<u>327 73</u>

Special Grants for funeral expenses, personal and domestic affliction, and other claims not chargeable to Circuits, recommended by the several Districts, viz. :-

St. John District	\$190 00
P. E. Island	47 00
Truro	135 00
Fredericton	15 00
Sackville	95 00
Liverpool	110 00
Annapolis	10 00
Newfoundland	90 00
	<u>692 00</u>

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QUESTION XII.

What are the Resolutions of Conference with regard to the Home Mission and Contingent Fund ?

ANSWER.

The Conference gratefully records that there has been an encouraging increase to the Fund from some of the Circuits, as the result of the Home Mission Meetings, especially in the Halifax, St. John, and P. E. Island Districts; but it deplores the inadequacy of the whole increase for carrying out, to any great extent, the important objects contemplated in its

formation, and aimed at in its management. It expresses its deep regret that, after the appropriation of the whole amount at its disposal, the brethren on the dependent Circuits and Mission Stations have to bear the loss of *nine thousand dollars* deficiency on the Circuits and Stations occupied by them during the year.

The Conference, believing that some action in relation to this Fund is necessary for removing misapprehension of its real nature, which the association of the term "Contingent" may have suggested, hiding, it is feared, from its friends its vital importance to the interests of our Connexion, the prosperity of the cause of God, and the welfare of souls, has adopted the following Resolutions, viz:—

1. That the Fund known as the "Home Mission and Contingent Fund," and so designated in the printed Minutes, shall no longer exist as one Fund, but be divided into two separate and distinct Funds; one to be named *The Home Mission Fund*, and the other *The Contingent Fund*.

2. That the sources of income of the Contingent Fund shall be—(1.) A yearly Subscription to be taken in the classes, in the several Circuits, in the March Quarter. (2.) A Public Collection in all our Churches, to be made in the month of August.

3. That the income of the Home Mission Fund shall consist of—(1.) The Grant from the Committee in England. (2.) The Interest on Monies vested. (3.) A Public Collection to be made at the Home Missionary Meetings, which shall be held in all the principal preaching places in the Circuit. (4.) Such special donations as may be made to it for the special objects contemplated by the Fund.

4. That suitable arrangements for holding the Home Missionary Meetings shall be made at the September Financial District Meetings.

5. The Conference trusts that by this arrangement the Home Mission department may become increasingly popular with our people, and its income greatly augmented by their enlightened and cheerful liberality, and their zealous co-operation in securing its increasing prosperity; and that the Contingent department will also continue to receive its share of their support.

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6. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Treasurers of the Home Mission and Contingent Fund, the Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., and the Hon. John H. Anderson; and also to the Rev. James Taylor, the Secretary, for the very valuable services rendered by them severally to this department of our Connexional Finance during the year.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

QUESTION XIII.

What does the Conference resolve respecting the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund?

ANSWER.

1. The Conference observes with satisfaction that this Fund is supported in every part of our extended work. Nevertheless it appears that the amount of contributions this year is not equal to the sum raised last year; which may readily be accounted for by the depression of trade in some places, and the failure of the fishery in others.

2. The Conference directs the earnest attention of the Superintendents of Circuits to the 5th, 6th, and 7th Rules of this Fund; (which is—

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

“ VI. Our annual public collection shall be made in our Chapels and other preaching places, in the month of December.

“ VII. Applications shall be made to our friends, in each Circuit, for subscriptions and donations to this Fund.”) and that they endeavour so to explain and apply these Rules on their respective Circuits, that the yearly income to this indispensable institution of our Church may enable it fully to accomplish its benevolent design.

3. The Conference presents its best thanks to the respected Treasurers of this Fund, the Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., and Matiner Wood, Esq., for their faithful and successful attention to its interests.

4. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the Secretary of the Fund, the Rev. E. Botterell, for his very acceptable and satisfactory services.

PARSONAGE AID FUND.

QUESTION XIV.

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

ANSWER.

1. The Conference would again call the attention of our Members and Congregations to the importance of securing, on every Circuit, a suitable Parsonage free from debt.

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

3. In order to accomplish the intention of Conference in the formation of this Fund, and to insure greater 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, location, 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 purchase of land and erection of the building, and also the amount of the anticipated grant.

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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, or 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 the erection of outbuildings in connection with Parsonages for which no grant is obtained.

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.

BOOK ROOM AND PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.

QUESTION XV.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the *Provincial Wesleyan* and the Book Room?

ANSWER.

1. That the Conference deems it of great importance for the welfare of our Connexion that our official organ, the *Provincial Wesleyan*, receive a more liberal patronage than hitherto from the Methodists of the lower Provinces, believing that thereby the work of God would be greatly promoted; while the present much embarrassed state of the office would be greatly relieved by an enlarged and prepaid subscription list, and therefore most earnestly enjoins the hearty co-operation of ministers, and most earnestly, as well as respectfully, solicits that of our people generally, in aiding to bring about so desirable a result.

2. The Conference is gratified to learn that some progress has been made in the collection of former years' arrears in the *Provincial Wesleyan* accounts, but regrets to find that the amount of unpaid subscriptions is still so large, while the liabilities are so heavy and pressing, and therefore urges upon the agents the necessity of all possible effort to collect these, without unnecessary delay.

3. The Conference approves of the action of the Book Steward in respect to the payment of postage on papers; and though suffering large loss thereby, which in its present financial condition it cannot well afford, it authorizes for another year the offer of pre-payment of postage to be made to all subscribers who pay strictly in advance, in hope that this generous arrangement may be serviceable in maintaining and extending our list of good subscribers.

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4. That the Conference is still deeply impressed with the necessity of supporting, and rendering more efficient, our Book Room, as a means of diffusing our religious literature; and grateful that, in a year of considerable commercial depression, our liabilities have not been increased, it encourages the hope that the Book Room will yet relieve itself from all present embarrassment.

5. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. J. McMurray for his continued diligence and fidelity in the difficult, onerous and important duties of Book Steward and Editor, during the past year; and that he be assured of the unabated confidence of his brethren, in his constant efforts to promote the good of the Connexion, and of their appreciation of his services; and that he be appointed to the office of Book Steward and Editor for another year.

MOUNT ALLISON INSTITUTIONS.

QUESTION XVI.

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

ANSWER.

I.—THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

1. That the Conference, in reviewing the work of the Mount Allison Academies, regrets that the past year has been one of unprecedented trial and difficulty, chiefly arising from the great and very general depression in business circles, which has prevented the enrollment in its classes of so large a number of pupils as may be reasonably anticipated in future years.

2. That the Conference gratefully acknowledges the favour of Divine Providence, whereby the indefatigable Principal has been enabled to complete the erection of the new Academy, whose opening services and subsequent management have evinced the abiding determination of its conductors to impart to all their pupils a careful and christian education; and cherishes the hope that, with increased accommodation, a

much larger number of students, from the recently improved common schools of our country, and from the families of our people, will be found within its halls, seeking a suitable training for the marts of commerce, or the professional pursuits of the land.

3. The Conference, having carefully considered the condition and management of both branches of the Academy, again records the expression of its high appreciation of the educational efficiency of this truly excellent Institution, which it cordially and earnestly commends to the generous and intelligent patronage of the christian public throughout the Lower Provinces ; and it now tenders to the Rev. Dr. Pickard, the Principal, and to the entire staff of Professors and Teachers, its thanks for the very faithful discharge of their high and important duties during another year.

4. The Conference observes with pleasure, that many of the subscribers towards the erection of the new Academy have, in the course of the year, honourably redeemed their obligations ; and it now ventures to hope that those friends who have not yet fulfilled their pledges will do so at the earliest possible period, and thus prevent the diversion of the funds of this useful Institution from other and more legitimate channels, by the payment of interest on the debt which still remains.

II.—THE COLLEGIATE DEPARTMENT.

1. That the Conference learns with pleasure that the year has been one of success in this department,—that the Students have pursued their work with considerable assiduity, and that a promising class of young men has graduated ; and it hopes that, in the new positions which they shall severally occupy, they may justify the reasonable anticipations founded on the high intellectual and moral training they have enjoyed, and thus induce in others a laudable effort to secure similar advantages.

2. That the Conference gladly learns that the influence of the Holy Spirit has been largely vouchsafed during the past year, and that several young persons in the different departments have experienced converting grace ; and while it enjoins upon its ministers that they shall publicly and

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solemnly, in their pulpits, invoke the Divine blessing both upon the College and the other branches of the Institution; it recommends also to the families of our people generally, that, in approaching to God, they shall make earnest prayer that those sent forth from the halls of the Institution may, in their several spheres, become new centres of light and influence.

3. The Conference approves of the plans proposed by the Board of Trustees, for the partial endowment of professional chairs, and the establishment of Scholarships; and it pledges its members to cordial co-operation with the Board in this important movement.

III.—THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

1. The Conference adopts the Reports of the Theological Professor, Examining Committee and Treasurer, and duly appreciates their valuable services during the past year.

2. It occasions much regret that the impaired health of Rev. C. DeWolfe, D.D., requires him to obtain a Supernumerary relation, and the Conference cannot allow him to retire from the Theological Chair without an assurance of great fraternal regard and prayerful sympathy in his affliction, and an expression of our earnest hope that by means of rest his health may be restored, and his pre-eminent gifts yet rendered highly subservient to the interests of our Church.

3. The Conference expresses its solicitude and regret that the number of suitable candidates for our ministry should be this year unusually small, being little more than sufficient to meet the imperative exigencies of Circuit work; and again commends to our Churches the duty of beseeching Him whose sole prerogative it is, to thrust forth labourers into his harvest.

4. The Conference resolves that the Theological Students be placed under the direction of the President of the College for the present year, who shall make such arrangement as is necessary to provide for the prosecution of their studies.

5. The following shall be the course of study appointed for probationers for our ministry, and they are required to be examined particularly upon it at the Annual District Meetings, viz :

Works upon which Examination will be based.

Books suggested for Reading and Study.

FIRST YEAR.

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

Benson's Commentary (N. Test.)
 Todd's Student's Manual.
 Dr. Hannah's Let'r to Junior P's.
 Smith's Patriarchal Age.
 Kurtz's Sacred History.
 Jackson's Lives of early Methodist Preachers.
 Watson's, Benson's and Clarke's Sermons.

SECOND YEAR.

Wesley's Notes,—Luke, John, Acts.
 Wesley's Sermons.
 Fletcher's Checks.
 Locke's Theology, to the end.
 Grindrod's Compendium, 1st part.
 Watson's Institutes, 1st part.
 Wayland's, 2nd part.

Mosheim's Church History.
 Benson's Com. on Old Test.
 Baxter's Reformed Pastor.
 Kidder's Homiletics.
 Pearson on Infidelity.
 Russell's Pulpit Elocution.
 Burnett on Thirty-nine Articles.
 Smith's Hebrew People.
 Rollin's Ancient History.
 Newton on the Prophecies.
 Harris' Great Commission.

THIRD YEAR.

Wesley's Notes,—Romans to Galatians.
 Wesley's Appeals.
 Bunting's Sermon on Justification.
 Watson's Inst., 2nd part.
 Grindrod's Compend., to the end.
 Smith's History of Methodism, vol. 1.

Watson's Exposition,
 Paley's Natural Theology, Evidences and Hora Paulinae.
 Angus' Bible Hand Book.
 Powell's Apostolical Succession.
 Stevens' History of Methodism.
 Smith's Gentile Nations.
 Hibbard on Baptism.
 Angus' Hand Book of English Language.
 Whedon on the Will.

FOURTH YEAR.

Wesley's Notes,—Eph. to Rev.
 Wesley on Original Sin and Christian Perfection.
 Watson's Institutes, parts 3 & 4.
 Pearson on the Creed.
 Butler's Analogy.
 Smith's History of Methodism, to the end.

Smith's Harm'y of Dispensations
 Smith's Book of Prophecy.
 Trench on Miracles.
 " on the Parables.
 Howe's Works.
 Gold and the Gospel.
 Treffry's Eternal Sonship.
 Josephus' Works.
 Thomas Jackson's Works.
 Biographical—Clarke, Coke, Entwisle, Stoner, Smith, Hunt.

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EDUCATIONAL FUND.

QUESTION XVII.]

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

ANSWER.

1. The Conference regret to observe that the collections on behalf of this Fund for the present year, fall very far short of the amount they had reason to expect, and which is absolutely necessary to the fulfilment of the purposes of this branch of our economy. While believing that the impoverished state of many portions of this country may account in no small degree for this deficiency, the Conference confidently hopes that, with the improved condition of our people, their support of this Institution will more fully consist with its claims upon their liberal consideration.

2. That the Conference re-affirms the following Resolutions of the past year, viz :—

(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 *two dollars* annually. That all other members of the Fund shall pay an annual subscription of *three dollars*, except those who are actually receiving from the Fund, who shall pay *four dollars* 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.

3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby presented to the Rev. Charles Stewart, and William B. McNutt, Esq., the Treasurers, and to the Rev. Henry Pope, (B), the Secretary of this Fund, for their faithful discharge of the duties of their respective offices for the past year.

THE CHILDREN'S FUND.

QUESTION XVIII.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Children's Fund ?

ANSWER.

1. That John Starr, Esq., and Rev. James Taylor are requested to act as General Treasurers of this Fund for the ensuing year, and the Rev. Duncan D. Currie as General Secretary.

2. In accordance with the standing rule for making provision towards the support of the children of our ministers, sixty members shall provide the allowance for one child. The following statement shows the number of children to be allotted, at the Financial District Meetings, to the Circuits:—

Districts.	Members.	Children.
Halifax	1514	25 1/2
Bermuda	457	7 1/2
St. John	1884	31 1/2
Truro	1263	21
P. B. Island	1184	19 3/4
Fredericton	1254	21 1/2
Sackville	1574	26 1/2
Annapolis	1312	21 3/4
Liverpool	1381	23
Newfoundland	3247	54
	15070	251

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

QUESTION XIX.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting our Sabbath Schools ?

ANSWER.

The Conference, feeling the great importance, especially in these times, when so much erroneous and corrupting literature is diffusing its soul-destroying influence broad-cast, of establishing Sabbath Schools everywhere throughout the

bounds of our Conference, for the purpose of giving to the children of our people a sound, thorough, evangelical knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus, to the end that, knowing the Scriptures from childhood, they may be rooted and grounded in the truth, and especially made wise unto salvation, through faith in Christ Jesus, do most earnestly and affectionately recommend the continuance of every available effort to accomplish so desirable and essential an object as the salvation of the lambs of our fold.

DISTRICTS.	SCHOOLS.		TEACHERS.		SCHOLARS.	
	Last year.	This year.	Last year.	This year.	Last year.	This year.
Halifax.....	37	33	294	320	2284	2242
St. John.....	32	31	311	308	2188	2184
Truro.....	28	23	148	107	1087	892
P. E. Island.....	28	31	190	196	1501	1615
Fredericton.....	20	18	152	155	997	1023
Sackville.....	37	40	235	220	1548	1521
Annapolis.....	25	21	175	148	1337	1142
Liverpool.....	26	32	191	207	1241	1375
Newfoundland.....	48	39	293	304	2838	2745
	281	268	1987	1965	14971	14679

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

QUESTION XX.

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

ANSWER.

I.—THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The President and Co-Delegate of the Conference, the Chairmen of the respective Districts, and—

Rev. Geo. S. Milligan, A.M., Secretary.

Chas. Stewart,

George H. Starr, Esq., } *Treasurers,*

Rev. C. Lockhart,

G. M. Barratt,

Hon. J. H. Anderson, *Halifax, North*,
 Hon. S. L. Shannon, *Halifax, South*,
 Joseph Prichard, Esq., *St. John*,
 Geo. P. Sancton, Esq., "
 R. Brecken, Esq., *Charlottetown*,
 Hon. C. Young, LL.D., "
 Hon. Judge Wilmot, *Fredericton*,
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II.—BOOK COMMITTEE.

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

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M. Richey, D.D.,	D. D. Currie,
Wm. Wilson,	H. McKeown,
H. Pickard, D.D.,	G. S. Milligan, A.M.,
James Dove,	A. W. Nicolson,

Rev. S. F. Huestis.

EXECUTIVE BOOK COMMITTEE.

The Superintendents of the Halifax, North and South, the Windsor and Meander Circuits, the Book Steward, and H. Pickard, D.D.

AUDIT COMMITTEE.

Rev. Jas. Taylor,	Rev. D. D. Currie.
Rev. Jos. Hart.	

III.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND COMMITTEE.

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

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M. Wood, Esq.,	J. L. Spongale,
Rev. J. V. Jost,	S. Humphrey, A.M.,
R. Weddall,	T. W. Smith,
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R. Brecken, Esq., <i>Charlottetown.</i>	
J. J. Rogerson, Esq., <i>St. John's, N. F.</i>	

IV.—CONTINGENT FUND AND HOME MISSION FUND COMMITTEE.

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

Rev. James Taylor, <i>Secretary.</i>	
H. Pickard, D.D.,	} <i>Treasurers.</i>
Hon. J. H. Anderson,	

V.—CHURCH PROPERTY AND PARSONAGE AID FUND COMMITTEE.

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

Rev. Robert Duncan, <i>Sec'y.</i>	John Humphrey, Esq.,
H. Pickard, D.D., <i>Treas.</i>	Martin Trueman, Esq.,
S. W. Sprague,	James Dixon, Esq.,
James Taylor,	James George, Esq.,
J. G. Angwin,	A. P. Bradley, Esq.

VI.—EDUCATIONAL FUND FOR MINISTERS' CHILDREN.

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

Rev. H. Pope, (B), <i>Sec'y.</i>	Rev. P. Prestwood,
Chas. Stewart,	A. W. Nicolson,
Wm. B. McNutt, Esq.,	Thos. Harris,
Rev. G. O. Huestis,	Job Shenton.

VII.—SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. J. V. Jost, <i>Sec'y.</i> ,	Rev. R. Smith,
G. M. Barratt,	R. Weddall,
E. Brettle,	Jas. R. Hart.

VIII.—BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SACKVILLE INSTITUTIONS.

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

Rev. J. McMurray,	H. B. Allison, Esq.,
H. Pickard, D.D.,	M. Wood, Esq.,
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J. Snowball,	B. Lingley, Esq.,
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Chas. Stewart,	Jas Dixon, Esq.,
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IX.—THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION COMMITTEE.

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

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C. Stewart,	T. C. Humbert, Esq.
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J. Sutcliffe,	Rev. S. W. Sprague.

X.—THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The President,	
Rev. H. Pickard, D.D.,	Rev. S. W. Sprague,
I. Sutcliffe,	C. Jost, A.M.,
Jas. Taylor.	

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

The President and Co-delegate of Conference.

Rev. R. Alder Temple, <i>Sec'y.</i> ,	Rev. H. Pickard, D.D.,
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Rev. M. Richey, D.D., G. Johnson,
 W. Wilson, J. S. Peach,
 J. McMurray, E. Brettle,
 S. W. Sprague, A. B. Black,
 Rev. C. Stewart.

XII.—COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE STATISTICS.
 The Financial Secretary of the Conference, the Secretaries and Financial Secretaries of the several Districts, and the Secretaries of the several Connexional Funds.

XIII.—COMMITTEE ON PLAN FOR CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY.
 The President,

Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., Rev. Robt. Duncan,
 H. Pope (B), Jos. Hart,
 D. D. Currie, G. S. Milligan,
 J. Lathern, H. McKdown,
 Rev. F. H. W. Pickles.

XIV.—COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS.

The Book Steward, the Superintendents of the St. John, Charlottetown, Pictou and Truro Districts.

XVI.—SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO REVISE THE ORDER OF DISTRICT BUSINESS.

The Secretary of the Conference, the Journal Secretaries, the Assistant Secretaries, and Revs. J. Taylor, A. W. Nicolson and S. F. Huestis.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. Matthew Richey, D.D., for the able, judicious and faithful discharge of the duties of his office, as President of the Conference during the past year.

2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. Ingham Sutcliffe, Co-Delegate, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office during the past year.

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. Watson Smith and F. H. W. Pickles, Sub-Secretaries, for the valuable official services rendered by them during the year.

4. That the Conference present its grateful acknowledgement to the Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., our Financial Agent, for his faithful attention to the duties connected with that office, and request him to continue his services another year.

5. That the thanks of the Conference are due to the Rev. John Lathern for the satisfactory arrangements made by him to accommodate comfortably the ministers attending the Conference.

6. That the Rev. J. Lathern be requested to express from his pulpit next Lord's day, the thanks of the Conference to the members of our church, and other friends, for their kindness and christian hospitality in entertaining the ministers who have attended the present Conference.

QUESTION XX.

When and where shall our next Conference be held.

ANSWER.

On the fourth Wednesday in June, 1869, at Charlotte-town, P. E. I.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference.

WM. MORLEY PUNSHON, M.A., *President*,
R. ALDER TEMPLE, *Secretary*.

The PRESIDENT'S Address is

The Co-DELEGATE'S is "Charlotte-town, P. E. I."

The SECRETARY'S is "Hamilton, Bermuda."

The BOOK STEWARD'S is "Wesleyan Conference Office and Book Room, 174 Argyle St., Halifax, N. S."

STANDING ORDERS.

I.—DISTRICT MINUTES.

1. The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the several annual and other meetings of the District Committees, financial and ordinary, duly signed by the Chairmen and Secretaries; 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.

2. That as much trouble has been caused at different sessions of Conference in consequence of alterations made in the District Minutes, it is determined, that when the Minutes of the several Districts shall have been signed by their respective Chairmen and Secretaries, they shall not be altered, except by the special permission of the Conference.

II.—PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.

In consequence of the annually increasing arrearages of 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 Chairman, 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 examination 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.

V.—QUARTERLY FASTS.

That the days upon which the Quarterly Fasts are to be observed through the Connexion for the following year, shall be Fridays, Oct. 2nd, Jan. 8th, March 26th, and June 25th. 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.

VI.—CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCUITS.

In regard to the classification of 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 services of an unmarried preacher four years, must be prepared then to receive a married man.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1869.

The Committees preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in Charlottetown, P. E. I., as follow, (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 17, at 9 o'clock, a. m.
2. *Stationing Committee*—Thursday, June 17, at 2½ p.m.
3. *Committee to Revise Order of Business for District Meetings*—Thursday, June 17, at 3, p. m.
4. *Book Committee*—Friday, June 18, at 9, a. m.
5. *Educational Fund for Ministers' Children*—Friday, June 18, at 7, p. m.
6. *Theological Institution Committee*—Saturday, June 19, at 9, a. m.
7. *Missionary Committee*—Saturday, June 19, at 3, p.m.
8. *Supernumerary Fund Committee*—Monday, June 21, at 9, a. m.
9. *Parsonage Aid Committee*—Monday, June 21, at 3 p.m.
10. *Contingent Fund Committee*—Tuesday, June 22, at 9, a. m.
11. *Committee on Conference Statistics*—Tuesday, June 22, at 3, p. m.
12. *Committee on Plan for Conference Education Society*—Tuesday, June 22, at 7, p. m.

N. B.—1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in Charlottetown, on Thursday, June 17, 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 Chairmen of Districts*.—They are particularly required to bring, in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds, on Thursday, June 17, 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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CHURCH	Minist'rs.	Superint'rs.	Local Preachers.	Classes.	Leaders.	Membership.		Attendance on Worship.		Baptisms.		Marriages.	Funerals.	SABBATH SCHOOLS.			
						Members.	On Trial.	No. of families.	No. of individuals.	Adults.	Infants.			Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols in Library.
St. John, North.....	1		1	7	117	12	140	600	37	13	15	1	24	211	250		
St. John, West.....	1		1	6	101	40	120	500	2	8	7	2	25	208	500		
Fairville.....	1		1	3	92		85	300	10	8	8	2	19	102	200		
St. Andrews.....	1		1		62		50	250	3	8	2	3	20	140	365		
St. Davids.....	1		1	1	98	3	110	500	1	9	13	5	37	230	767		
St. Stephens.....	1		1	2	117		130	550	2	26	16	3	27	175	500		
Mt. Hope.....	1		1	2	90	48	160	450	11	6	14	1	8	56	40		
Sussex Vale.....	1		1	2	171		160	640	2	22	21	2	11	65	80		
Grand Lake, &c.....	1		1	4	124		115	200	17		2						
Havelock.....	1		2	7	94	9	89	530	6	45	11	10	1	70	70		
Greenwich.....	1		4	5	107	5	109	400	19	4	4	2	6	56	50		
Kingston.....	1		1	4	92	4	85	400	10	1	3	2	8	45			
Upham.....	1		1	4	103	8	96	500	14	2	3	2	12	78	150		
Total	16	3	18	97	1884	204	1885	8420	33	362	142	169	31	308	2184	5238	
III—TAVAO DISTRICT.																	
Turro.....	1	1	1	5	103	3	90	400	4	3	2	1	12	90	600		
River Philip.....	1		10	187			151	760	1	12	13	3	19	114	157		
Wallace & Pugwash.....	2		2	313			120	900	7	7	16	3	16	135	350		
River John.....	1		1	4	100		100	715	17	1	2	2	5	45	120		
Albion Mines & Pictou.....	1		1	2	83	8	60	115	22	2	4	2	12	85	80		
Guysboro' & Camso.....	2		5	174	46		68	490	4	4	4	4	13	110	100		

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Church	Minist'rs		Superint'rs		Local Teachers		Members		On Trial		Attendance on Worship		Baptisms		Funerals		Marriages		Schools		Officers & Teachers		Sabbath Schools		Vol'rs in Library
	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	No. of Families	No. of In- dividuals	Adulti.	Infants	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	
Manchester	1	1	3	5	95	50	65	320	3	5	35	3	22	2	2	6	58	70			6	6	58	70	
Sydney	1	1	2	5	850	...	60	300	7	16	13	7	6	3	3	11	90	150			11	11	90	150	
Gabarus	1	1	7	16	78	...	70	300	1	...	39	8	5	...	...	...	...	...			...	...	...	...
Block House Mines	1	1	1	10	10	...	8	30	1	...	13	4	5	...	...	...	...	...			...	...	...	...
Ship Harbour	1	1	1	100	59	...	60	300	1	...	2	26	7	...	...	...	...	...			...	...	...	...
Margaree	1	1	1	20	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			...	...	...	...
IV - P. E. I. District	13	1	5	57	1263	182	352	4610	7	200	65	62	23	107	832	2927									
Charlottetown	1	3	13	20	386	100	150	1500	4	39	17	10	1	52	646	3174									
Cornwall & Little York	1	1	5	7	193	12	150	1100	...	23	4	15	10	30	225	520									
Pownal	1	1	1	7	115	39	63	700	3	20	...	8	12	24	150	100									
Bedeque and Tryon	2	5	17	302	18	120	1300	...	27	4	20	11	60	350	...	...							
Margate	1	1	2	67	13	100	600	...	1	30	7	4	1	5	63	101									
Summerside	1	2	5	70	10	50	340	...	5	27	...	3	1	8	50	100									
Murray Harbor	1	1	2	44	10	95	500	...	...	9	1	4	3	9	55	...									
Souris, &c.	1	1	1	1	30	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Cape	1	1	1	1	31	...	68	400	...	4									
Total	9	3	28	70	1184	202	516	6840	13	179	38	55	31	196	1615	2141									

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	Minist'rs	Super'n'ries	Local Prechers	Class Leaders	Members		Membership		Attendance on Worship			BAPTISTS					SABBATH SCHOOLS			
					On Trial	Total	No. of Families	No. of In-dividuals	Adults	Infants	Marriages	Funerals	Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Vols in Library				
V.—FARMINGTON DISTRICT.																				
Fredrickton & Marysville	2		2	6	213	6	130	520	5	25	8	15	1	46	300	.....	40		
Kingsclear	1			6	98	6	70	350	12	6	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	30
Sheffield				1	75		30	150	.....	.....	.....	5	2	24	120	400	250
Woodst'k & N'ampton, &c	3		2	1	90	30	100	400	3	5	7	6	2	22	180	250	125			
Jacksonville	1		4	4	160	5	80	400	.....	5	7	5	1	8	40	125	.....		
Florenceville	1		4	4	116	5	100	400	.....	10	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	140
Andover	1			2	57	.....	35	245	.....	8	5	10	3	10	70	140	.....		
Nashwaak	1			3	82	44	75	400	2	30	5	19	1	4	24	.....	.....	
Gagetown	2			2	73	2	60	350	.....	5	2	5	2	13	81	280	.....		
Miramichi	1		1	6	163	3	130	520	.....	30	6	12	1	11	78	167	.....		
Bathurst	1		1	4	96	1	65	350	.....	22	2	4	4	17	130	110	.....		
Dalhousie	.....		.....	.....	31	6	30	150	.....	11	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL	14		6	43	1254	102	905	4235	22	153	46	92	18	155	1023	1472	.....		

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

Sackville	3	2	1	7	131	33	110	600	12	3	4	5	2	20	109	650	.....
Point de Buys	1		1	11	145	15	88	450	.....	6	3	9	3	21	137	290	.....
Bois de Verre	1		1	14	220	150	170	650	43	41	13	10	5	18	225	150	.....
Moncton and Coverdale	1		3	35	.....	.....	120	600	.....	15	4	17	3	16	150	400	.....
Dorchester	1		61	150	500	2	5	1	9	75	150
Hopewell	1		3	133	3	65	350	8	16	15	4	21	125	200

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Hopewell.....	1	1	3	61	3	150	500	2	8	16	15	4	21	125	200
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CIRCUITS.	Minist'rs.	Super'n't's.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Membership.		Attendance on Worship.		Baptisms.		SABBATH SCHOOLS.			Vols in Library.		
					Members.	On Trial.	No. of Families.	No. of In-dividuals.	Adults.	Infants.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Schools.		Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.
Hillsborough.....	1	..	2	3	66	35	60	280	12	11	2	7	2	11	80	180
Salisbury and Elgin.....	1	..	2	5	90	10	150	500	1	5	2	8	3	20	70	80
Richbcto.....	1	..	2	1	65	11	60	350	..	7	4	3	2	8	40	150
Amherst.....	2	..	1	6	184	11	170	900	1	9	8	11	5	24	201	400
Parrshoro.....	2	..	3	8	23	84	400	1800	14	39	11	20	9	35	239	460
Advocate Harbor.....	1	..	..	2	300	10	50	300	14	5	..	6	1	12	70	100
VII.—ANTARCTIC DOMINION.	16	2	11	63	1574	301	1593	7840	92	149	67	116	40	220	1521	3210
Annapolis.....	2	..	..	6	178	2	195	900	..	9	7	10	3	26	134	..
Bridgetown.....	1	2	1	8	137	10	80	1000	..	8	3	6	2	16	70	..
Wilnot.....	1	1	6	175	7	100	800	..	8	7	10	3	17	120	..	..
Aylesford.....	1	1	1	6	165	4	153	1000	12	6	4	9	3	17	170	..
Cornwallis East.....	1	..	..	4	187	..	100	1000	3	3	4	12	1	6	110	..
Cornwallis West.....	1	..	1	5	200	..	100	1000	..	15	7	20	3	14	150	..
Hillsburgh.....	1	..	..	83	15	50	300	..	2	7	..	5	1	16	168	..
Digby and Weymouth.....	2	..	..	7	139	14	120	600	14	18	7	11	3	20	130	..
Digby Neck.....	1	..	1	..	78	6	45	300	4	6	3	2	2	16	90	..
TOTALS.	11	4	4	42	1312	58	942	6900	33	80	42	85	21	143	1142	..

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Diocesan Circuits	Minist'rs.	Super'n't'rs.	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Membership.		Attendance on Worship.		Baptisms.		Marriages.	Funerals.	BAPTIST SCHOOLS.			Vols in Library.
					Members.	On Trial.	No. of Families.	No. of Individuals.	Adults.	Infants.			Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.																
Liverpool.....	1	1	1	6	176	144	110	806	80	37	6	10	1	20	150	600
Caledonia.....	1	1	2	2	20	29	65	260	1	5	5	8	...	...	...	...
Yarmouth, South.....	1	1	2	5	87	14	75	600	...	6	9	13	1	14	110	350
Yarmouth, North.....	1	1	4	4	82	6	70	600	...	2	5	6	1	23	135	450
Barrington.....	2	1	15	15	260	42	200	1050	...	12	14	22	9	70	350	1280
Shelburne.....	1	1	1	1	86	6	50	480	...	21	5	16	1	30	8	120
N. E. Harbor.....	1	1	7	7	70	28	134	450	...	30	2	9	4	11	74	300
Port-Mouton.....	1	1	7	7	170	22	130	700	...	7	3	5	7	120	170	160
Mill-Village.....	1	1	5	5	80	50	94	450	...	11	14	18	1	18	120	300
Petite Riviere.....	1	1	1	1	142	12	100	620	...	16	9	8	2	8	90	100
Leunenburg.....	1	1	1	1	220	25	175	820	...	1	45	10	11	3	...	...
New-Germany.....	1	1	1	1	88	12	70	...	...	2	7	6	2	15	120	350
TOTAL	13	11	67	1381	385	1273	6840	47	202	67	112	32	207	1375	4010	
IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND.																
St. Johns.....	2	1	9	24	328	32	456	2000	...	68	37	61	5	42	293	400
Harbor Grace.....	1	1	3	14	154	60	200	1000	...	32	12	53	3	21	235	250
Carbonear.....	2	1	3	40	438	13	380	1850	...	90	19	43	3	22	256	200
Brigus.....	1	1	1	7	117	...	130	500	...	31	19	36	2	10	101	...
Port de Grave.....	1	1	2	8	63	6	95	396	...	22	14	24	2	11	120	...
Blackhead.....	1	1	4	394	36	400	1799	...	66	15	73	5	27	231

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CIRCUITS.	Ministers.	Superintendents.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Membership		Attendance on Worship.			Baptisms.		Marriages.	Funerals.	SABBATH SCHOOLS.				
					Members.	On Trial.	No. of Families.	No. of Individuals.	Adults.	Infants.	Schools.			Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Library.		
Island Cove.....	1	..	..	5	86	6	140	800	..	..	..	9	26	1	17	83	..	..
Peticon.....	1	..	..	23	250	..	290	1190	..	..	..	8	45	2	12	156	..	..
Hanis Harbor.....	1	..	..	7	167	..	150	840	..	..	..	5	51	4	14	213	..	..
Trinity..... (1867)	..	..	..	..	96	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bonavista.....	1	..	..	13	171	16	245	1250	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Catalina.....	1	..	..	2	45	30	90	450	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	116	..	..
Willingate.....	1	..	..	14	186	10	150	700	..	..	..	3	17	1	7	59	..	..
Barrin.....	1	..	..	2	15	260	154	800	..	..	..	9	29	1	12	120	..	..
Grand Bank.....	1	..	..	2	18	237	..	1000	..	..	..	2	26	1	18	122	..	..
Petites.....	1	..	..	7	65	10	113	700	..	..	..	8	16	2	32	293	300	..
Exploits.....	2	..	..	3	80	9	200	1050	..	..	..	6	22	3	14	170	..	..
Fogo.....	1	..	..	6	46	123	70	350	..	..	..	3	27	1	13	62	..	..
Greenspond.....	1	..	..	6	64	28	50	270	..	..	..	7	3	1	12	70	..	..
	21	3	23	250	3247	288	3317	16940	2	1820	203	1595	39	304	2745	1150

REVOLUTION, 1867

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DISTRICTS.	Minist'rs.	Superint'rs.	Local Teachers.	Class Leaders.	Membership		Attendance on Worship.		Baptisms.		Marriages.	Funerals.	SABBATH SCHOOLS.			
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Halifax.....	18	4	14	122	1971	109	1680	8080	36	216	59	108	33	320	2242	3750
St. John.....	16	4	18	97	1884	204	1885	8420	33	362	42	169	31	308	2184	5238
Truro.....	13	1	5	57	1263	182	852	4610	7	200	65	62	23	107	832	2227
P. E. Island.....	9	3	28	70	1184	202	846	6840	13	179	33	55	31	196	1615	2141
Fredericton.....	14	2	6	43	1254	102	905	4235	22	158	46	92	18	155	1023	1472
Sackville.....	16	2	11	63	1474	301	1593	7840	82	149	67	116	40	220	1521	3210
Annapolis.....	11	4	4	42	1312	58	942	6900	33	80	42	85	21	148	1142	.....
Liverpool.....	13	1	10	67	1381	385	1273	6840	47	202	67	112	32	207	1375	4010
Newfoundland.....	21	1	23	250	3247	288	3517	16940	2	820	203	595	39	304	2745	1150
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PASTORAL ADDRESS.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF
EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.**

BELoved BRETHREN,—

Under the auspices of a favouring Providence, once more convened in annual Conference, we tender to you our most cordial greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, your Saviour and ours. Many and various are the considerations which by a sweet constraint, as partaking "the love of the Spirit" and the gentleness of Christ, move us in our Pastorate capacity to rejoice over you as fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, and to "beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called."

You will rejoice to know that as another token of the judicious and affectionate regard of the Parent Connexion for our prosperity as an affiliated organization, we have had the honour and happiness during this session, to have our Presidential chair occupied by one of the most gifted sons of English Methodism, in the person of the Rev. Wm. Morley Punshon, A.M. The pre-eminent endowments of genius and of grace, by which this servant of Christ and His Church is so remarkably distinguished, have shown forth in his luminous expositions of Methodist doctrine and polity—both in the course of Conferential deliberations and amid the more purely spiritual associations of the sanctuary, alike enlarging our conceptions of Christian duty and privilege—and inspiring us to purpose for ourselves, and to hope in your behalf, that by the grace of God we shall continue "to walk by the same rule and to mind the same thing."

On a prayerful review of the work of God throughout our bounds, our hearts have been greatly rejoiced by the indubitable evidences afforded that the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life has been with us during the past year—giving testimony to the word of His grace, by more or less copious effusions of His saving influences upon the numerous congregations and societies committed to our care. It is our happiness to record an increase of 320 members to our church, with upwards of 2011 on trial for a similar relationship. You will gladly unite with us in devoutly ascribing all the glory to the God of our salvation—while we gratefully exclaim, “Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place.”

We feel it to be a just occasion for deep thankfulness to God that our ministerial ranks have been unimpaired by death, except in the case of a brother beloved—the Rev. Joseph Sutcliffe—who was enabled to glorify God in the fires—and efficiently equipped and led by the Captain of his salvation—triumphed in the mortal hour, and passed exultant home.

The excessive labours, peculiar in a large degree to our work, have wasted the strength of several of our more highly esteemed fellow workmen in the vineyard of the Lord, and they have been permitted to rest from Circuit work at least for a year. We confidently bespeak your prayerful remembrance of them at the throne of Grace—that by the Divine blessing they may be speedily privileged, with recruited energies, to resume their hallowed and much-loved toil.

The painful concern occasioned by so large a reduction of our effective agency, is, however, much relieved by the provident wisdom and goodness of the Head of the Church, whose prerogative it is to supply His Church with pastors

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after His own heart, as evidenced by the fact that seven young men, of more than ordinary promise, having witnessed a good confession before many witnesses, have been this year solemnly set apart to the full work of the ministry among us, by prayer and the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery—while four others have been received as Candidates for the same sacred office.

The manner in which several material interests of our Church have been sustained and promoted during a year of general depression in the monetary resources of the country, gives pleasing evidence that you deem it not unreasonable that, having participated in our "spiritual things"—ye should of the ability which God giveth contribute of your "carnal things," to the sustentation and extension of the cause of God in these Provinces, and the sending forth of the Word of Life, through the agency of the Parent Missionary Society, to foreign lands. We acknowledge with gratitude the grace of God manifested by many of our beloved people, under circumstances of more than ordinary embarrassment and anxiety, of whom we can testify "How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty, abounded unto the riches of their liberality."

We have had much pleasure in renewing our annual expression of confidence in the operations of those important auxiliaries of our work, namely, the *Provincial Wesleyan* and Book Room, in Halifax, and our Educational Institutions in Sackville, and would earnestly recommend them to your increased sympathy and Patronage.

But now, beloved brethren, recalling your thoughts from the past, permit us to direct your attention to the future, and suggest the objects for which you should live—the principles by which you should be actuated, and the encourage-

ments it is your privilege to command. We sincerely trust that you are all alive to the Apostle's meaning, when he affirms, by the universality of redeeming love and the commensurate fullness of sacrificial merit in the blood of a dying Saviour, that it is the gracious purpose of our Heavenly Father "that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them and rose again." In order to the full realization of a life thus exalted in its pureness and dignity, we pray you "reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Be assured of this, that there is no such thing as doctrinal, sacramental, or denominational holiness. Looking beyond your creed however pure—your ceremonial observances, however scriptural in their character, or just in their performance—your Church organizations, however time-honoured and apostolic they may be—embrace Christ as all your salvation and all your desire. To receive and communicate of the grace of God to others by diligence in prayer, fidelity in instruction, and virtuousness of example is the obligation your profession devolves, and the honourable destiny your privilege bespeaks. In the various relations of life illustrate the high-toned principles of Christian morality, that ye may be proven by your own lives to be the sons of God without rebuke, holding forth under all the aspects of your intercourse with the church and the world "the word of life." By the godly training of your children, and the intelligent and pious government of your household, the sanctified observance of the Christian Sabbath, and a constant use of the more public ordinances of the Lord's House, together with a frequent waiting upon God through the social and private means of grace, seek to advance in personal piety and usefulness,—so shall your lives be admired to the glory of God. "And this we pray that your love may abound

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yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ: being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God." And finally brethren pray for us that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified."

Signed on behalf, and by order of the Conference,

WM. MORLEY PUNSHON M.A., *President.*

R ALDER TEMPLE, *Secretary.*

Fredericton, June 30th, 1868.

THE ANSWER

OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE OF 1867, TO THE ADDRESS OF
THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH
IN EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA, 1867.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN,—

We are much refreshed in our Annual Assembly by the greetings of Conferences in other lands, in the prosperity of which we feel an interest that deepens year by year. We heartily respond to the sentiments of affection expressed in your Address; and we thank God that you continue in unabated attachment to the principles and doctrines of Methodism, and that you still emulate the zeal of our fathers, whose example is among the most precious heritages of our Church. If the Ministers and people of Methodism are faithful to their traditions, the future is full of hope.

We are not surprised to learn that commercial depression and other untoward influences, have combined to render your

review of the year less satisfactory, so far as numbers are concerned, than we have desired. But we congratulate you, with gratitude to God, that in many of your Districts the Lord has been making bare His arm, and encouraging His servants by the conversion of souls and the building up of His Church. The test of success is not always numerical. The "little one," in its "day of small things" may lay up such resources of spiritual wealth, as shall fit it, in due season, to "become a thousand." There can be no fear as to the ultimate success of those who earnestly contend for, and zealously publish, "the faith once delivered to the saints."

The prosperity of your educational institutions is most gratifying. We are glad to learn that your new building at Sackville has been completed, and that you are not likely to be seriously embarrassed by the results of the calamitous fire to which you referred in your Address of last year. The welfare of Methodism in your Province is involved, to a great degree, in the character of your educational efforts. Observing the vigorous and judicious administration with which this department of your work is favoured, we have no misgivings as to the future.

We rejoice that the year has passed without any thinning of your ranks by death. The necessitated retirement of honoured Ministers from active labour is not an unmixed calamity. The example of their ripened piety, and the grace of their declining years, may be as valuable to the Church as the work of their earlier and more vigorous days. Methodism owes much to its living fathers; who, while they link it with a blessed Past, stimulate and direct it to a more glorious Future. It is our earnest prayer that, while God spares to you the venerable men whose day of active toil is over, He will continue to raise up candidates for your ministry, who shall grasp their falling standards, and carry on their work.

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In the midst of religious controversy and political excitement, we are endeavouring to maintain "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life." Standing aloof, as far as fidelity to the truth will permit, from the spheres of strife, we are seeking to fulfil our mission, by spreading scriptural holiness throughout the land. Our services, the glory of which is the presence of the Master, are truly "means of grace." In many places we have been blessed with times of refreshing. Some thousands have been added to our Societies. On every side there is the anticipation of revival. All our departments bear witness to the liberality of our people, and evince the favour of the Head of the Church. We trust that we are on the eve of days of grace, and we pray that we may be found faithful.

We assent to your earnest request, and appoint our valued brother, the Rev. William Morley Punshon, M.A., President of your next Conference. We know that you will accord to him a fitting reception; and we trust that his visit to America will be fruitful of much good to the Churches. We have pleasure in accepting your nomination of the Rev. Henry Daniel, whom we appoint as Co-Delegate. On your recommendation, we have received into full connection with our Conference the Rev. Geo. Butcher, and have appointed him to a Circuit.

We commend you and your work "to Him who is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy," in full confidence of hope that He will create upon every dwelling place of Zion, and upon your assemblies, "a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

J. BEDFORD, *President,*

JOHN FARRAR, *Secretary.*

Bristol, August 9th, 1867.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE

OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH
AMERICA, 1868, TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE OF 1868.

VERY DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—

Your annual Address, which is ever most welcome to us, became doubly so at our present Conference, because it was received by us from the hand of one of your own body, the Rev. Wm. Morley Punshon, M.A. We heartily thank you that he, the President of our choice, has been allowed in your kindness and wise regard to our welfare to come to this part of the colonial possessions of Great Britain; and not only to see how we do, but also to help us forward in our great work of spreading the common salvation. With gratitude to God we inform you that our President arrived in Fredericton in health and peace. Since he landed in America his journeys have been long, and his official and other labours have been incessant; and yet, by his unabated efficiency he exemplifies the inspired promise, "As thy days, so shall thy strength be." We think ourselves most happy, and most honoured to have in the chair of our Conference, a Brother, so widely and justly esteemed, as an eminent preacher of the gospel, an exemplary, successful, and true evangelist. Mr. Punshon is accompanied by the Rev. Dr. Nelles, the gifted Principal of Victoria College, Ontario, who has laid us under obligations by the part he has taken in our public services; and our Confidential deliberations.

We receive with encouragement the expression of your belief that we are holding fast by the principles and doctrines of Methodism. We hope never to forfeit this character, nor expose ourselves even to the suspicion that we have departed

from those clear and well defined views of the " Truth as it is in Jesus," which were held by our fathers. To these doctrines we adhere with unabated tenacity; and we resolve through grace, to give them still greater prominence than hitherto, because that many of whom better things might have been expected are substituting the traditions of uninspired men, for that pure Word of God, which alone can make wise unto salvation.

You will rejoice to know that our labour in preaching the old truth has not been ineffectual. Many delightful dying testimonies from our departed people have been witnessed during the year. " Showers of blessings " have come down on several of our Circuits. God has put his seal to our ministry, by causing numerous additions to the societies, so that the number of our members has been increased by 320, whilst there remain on trial 2011. In the Sabbath Schools there are 270 teachers, and 14,729 scholars. All these, together with the many thousands of others who constantly attend our preaching, constitute our pastoral and missionary charge in Eastern British America one of considerable importance.

The financial position of our Connexion has assumed a grave aspect, particularly in the returns from the eastern portions of our Church. The failure of the fisheries there, and the unusual severity of last winter impoverished the people. Thus is explained the regretted diminution in the sum received for the Missionary Society. Some of our funds, however, exhibit tokens of progress, although the past year has been one of exceptional solicitude. New measures have been enacted in two of the Provinces, intended to confederate them with Canada. To these some have objected. We have learned of you to take no active part in political questions

which are attended by strenuous partizanship. Our daily prayer is that after a brief season, confidence and mutual good feeling will every where prevail; and that general quietness will be attended by wide-spread prosperity in secular things; which God may sanctify to the enlargement and edification of his Church, throughout the spacious territory comprised in our Conference.

Through mercy, we have to inform you that but one of our ministers—the Rev. Joseph Sutcliffe—has died during the year; but several have been compelled to seek (two it is believed only for a year) relief from the charge of a Circuit. Among those who now become Supernumeraries are our greatly beloved Theological Professor, the Rev. C. DeWolfe, D.D., who was formerly a student at your Institution at Hoxton: and the Rev. W. E. Shenstone, who for many years has been labouring in Newfoundland. These honoured Brethren we commend to your undiminished affection; as only infirmity, the inevitable sequence of the rush of years, obliges them to seek the relation of Supernumeraries.

We have been much grieved, beloved Fathers and Brethren, to learn that you have lately sustained the loss, by death, of several honoured ministers. Of these we cannot forbear to mention the names of the Rev. John Hannah, D.D., the Rev. John Scott, the Rev. Robert Spence Hardy, and the Rev. T. H. Squance. Fragrant and precious is their memory. It is impossible that they should be forgotten in our life time. The rich fruit of their lengthened and holy toil is found in every part of the Methodism of our empire, widely as it extends, and even beyond its ample pale. We glorify God for His grace bestowed on these His servants. We trust, and will not fear, that as the residue of the Spirit is with Him, He will take of the spirit that was upon them

and put it upon others of those who serve Him, that as it used to be said, it may still be seen, "God buries His workmen, but carries on His work."

One of the interests of our Connexion to which we have given our best attention, is that of our Educational Institutions. The new Academy, to replace the edifice destroyed by fire, has been opened for the classes during the year. In appearance, no less than in adaptation, it is allowed to be an improvement on the original. Great changes in the laws relating to Education have lately been made in some of these Provinces. It is believed that these have had the effect of lessening the attendance of youths at our Academy. But as our staff of instructors is efficient, and we are determined by adopting the best modes of instruction, and by aiming at the highest ends in our Academy and College, to preserve for them the confidence which they have hitherto obtained. We hope shortly to have our classes for education well filled; for our conviction deepens, that nothing is more important to a family—a church—a country, than to have its youth highly educated upon Christian principles. In our prayerful deliberations on this subject we have derived valuable assistance from the extended experience, and acknowledged success, of the estimable Principal of Victoria College.

We sympathize with you in the anxiety occasioned by the unsettled state of the Laws for Public Instruction in England. We deprecate any changes therein which should impair that noble effort for the good of the nation, which has so greatly prospered by the watchful care of your Committee of Education. Your Home Missionary proceedings command our admiration. We are striving to establish a Home Mission Fund, the operations of which are urgently needed in the sparsely-settled portions of our country. Our progress

herein has been necessarily slow, for there are more demands on our limited resources, than will admit of our accomplishing every object that Christian zeal, the love of Christ, and the love of souls, would prescribe.

At this Session of our Conference we have set apart by ordination to the work of the ministry seven young men, who have passed the usual period of probation with much credit, and usefulness. These brethren have undergone a good examination on those subjects which we deem essential to ministerial reputation and power. In their preparation for our work several of them derived great benefit from the lectures of our Professor of Theology, and the tuition of the other members of the Faculty of Wesley College, Sackville. We have also received on probation four Candidates to our ministry, all of whom have been appointed to Circuits.

The session has been one of earnest and thorough attention to our diversified business. The utmost kindness has been manifested by the Brethren towards each other. We all admire the ability, and courtesy, with which our President so agreeably leads our conversations, and discussions. The religious exercises have been numerously attended. They have been from the beginning times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. We hope soon to enter on the spheres of duty which shall have been allotted to each of us. May we have a large supply of the spirit, not of fear, but of power and of love, and of a sound mind. Soon you will be holding again your annual assembly. May the God of our Fathers endow you with all needful wisdom, that you may know how to act for the advancement of His kingdom in the eventful times which have come upon us, and that, whether or not the boasted theories of men who obey not the Gospel of Christ, shall be suffered more extensively to influence the world, both

you and we may be found not unworthy to be employed by the Master of us all, in doing His work upon earth with ever increasing tokens of His acceptance and sanction.

By a unanimous and hearty vote of the Conference, we beg to nominate the Rev. William Morley Punshon, M.A., for our President next year. We have proved him no less skillful and considerate in the Chair, than able and edifying in the Pulpit. We request therefore his reappointment as our President, which will afford to us great satisfaction, and be in all probability, by God's blessing, highly advantageous to our work. With much cordiality we designate for your approval the Rev. Henry Pope, Jr., for Co-Delegate of our Conference, which is appointed to be held in Charlottetown in 1869.

Receive, dear Fathers and Brethren, our renewed assurance of filial and fraternal love. The bonds which unite us to you are as strong as ever, they are equally permanent and endearing. We acknowledge the trust which we have received from you and from the Lord. To this trust it shall be our endeavour to be faithful. The time with some of us is short. May we all have grace from Him whose we are, and whom we serve, to be "faithful even unto death."

*Signed by order and in behalf of the Conference of Eastern
British America.*

R. ALDER TEMPLE, *Secretary.*

Fredericton, N. B., June 29, 1868.

THE ANSWER

OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CONFERENCE IN THE PROVINCES OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, TO THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CONFERENCE IN THE PROVINCES OF NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, &C.

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN,—

We have listened with delight to your truly fraternal Address. The cordial reception given to the beloved Brother who conveyed to you our greetings, has been highly gratifying to us. We rejoice that your field of labor, in common with the general area of Methodistic ground, has been favoured with religious prosperity in its best and most desirable forms.

The patriotic sentiments which you have uttered, and the interest which, as fellow subjects, you take in the Dominion, have afforded us much pleasure. We cordially co-operate with you in this matter. We are moreover fully persuaded that a truly Evangelical ministry is designed and fitted to give every man a properly enlightened conscience; and thus to provide the best safeguard of the person, the character, the property, the rights and privileges of our fellow-countrymen. We believe that the truth as it is in Jesus can, more than any thing else, promote that delightful union of personal freedom with united submission to law, which is specially exhibited in the loved and honored country that presides over us, and which foreign visitors have looked on with wonder and admiration.

We rejoice still more that your best energies are devoted to the spiritual and eternal interests of men. In these days of ceremonial eccentricity, of unenlighted Rationalism, and other "childish things," it is peculiarly cheering to see the

various branches of Methodist Christianity manifesting the ancient and apostolical zeal for the promotion of the glory of God by the salvation of men ; pointing them to a divine Redeemer, a divine Pardoner, a divine Sanctifier, that they may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. We, too, make the salvation of souls the grand end, and the divine Gospel plan, the grand means.

By the liberality of our members we have been enabled to take up a new Mission in the Red River Settlement, and one to the savage tribe of Blackfeet Indians near the Rocky Mountains. We are giving increased attention to the religious instruction of Juveniles, under the deep and solemn conviction that the Christian Church has, in many places, lost through negligence, from the families of her own members, more than the number of adults gained from the world by revival efforts. We have held several Sabbath School Conventions during the past year, and purpose to hold them in future in connexion with every May District Meeting.

We have 810 Sabbath Schools, an increase of 89 ; 54,034 Scholars, an increase of 5839 ; of these 7518 are over 16 years of age, an increase of 1600 ; and 4310 meet in class, an increase of 704. Our church membership is 60,400, an increase of 1943. Our Ministers and Preachers number 638 ; of these 21 have been ordained at this Conference, and 29 received on trial.

Six Preachers have been favored with permission to avail themselves, for this year, of the advantages of Victoria University. We regret that these do not yet include the tuition of a Theological Professor. We confidently expect, however, that the time is near when such a Chair will be established. We congratulate you, Dear Brethren, on being in advance of us in this important matter.

Our Educational Institutions in other respects are, like yours, highly efficient and influential.

Our brotherly greetings will be borne to you by our highly gifted and greatly beloved President. We wish, and we can scarcely wish you a higher favor, that you may experience blessings similar to those which we felt through the gracious out-pouring of the Holy Spirit, in the Sabbath ministrations, and in the services and Sessions of the present Conference.

“And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you, to the end He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, with all His saints.”

Signed on behalf, and by order of the Conference.

CHAS. LAVELL, *Secretary.*

Kingston, Ontario, June 10, 1868.

THE ANSWER

OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CONFERENCE OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA TO THE ADDRESS OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CONFERENCE IN THE PROVINCES OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN,—

We thank you cordially for the Address in which you have conveyed to us renewed assurances of fraternity and good will, and we greatly rejoice at the measure of spiritual prosperity with which you, as a connexion, have been favoured.—Brought into closer association with you as fellow-subjects, citizens of the same realm, we nevertheless feel that the most

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sacred and cherished tie is found in the deeper relation held by us as members of the great methodistic family, in which, though widely severed, we feel ourselves at the same hearthstone.

Holding with you that righteousness exalteth a nation, and that Christian principles constitute the only solid foundation of empire, we would in occupying the wide area of this northern section of this continent strive to realize the growing responsibilities which devolve upon us, and to cooperate with you in all measures conducive to the common weal.

We gladly mark your loyalty to the truth as it is in Jesus, and your unflinching devotion to the cause of a crucified and enthroned Redeemer. The soundness of Faith, the unity of Doctrine, and the pure and primitive simplicity, by which Methodism in all lands is preëminent, are in these times of recreance and laxity sources of comfort and strength to our hearts.

The genius of Christianity is aggressive, and the true succession in the Church of the Living God is found in the Spirit of Apostolic zeal and of self-sacrificing effort for the salvation of souls. We have watched with an interest not easily expressed, the formation of your Missions to the Red River and the Rocky Mountains, and we trust that many precious souls brought to the Saviour will be the fruit of this new Missionary enterprise of your Church.

We have also much strictly Missionary ground within the limits of our Conference, in the sparsely settled and spiritually destitute districts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland. We are endeavouring by the organization of a Home Mission Fund to make provision for such portions of this wide field; and the employments of agencies upon a Home Mission Basis.

LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS,
*Arranged according to seniority, the figures denoting the
 commencement of their Itinerancy.*

1813 Strong, J. B.	1853 Currie, D. D.	1861 Ladner, Chas.
1814 Pope, Henry (A)	" Duncan, R.	" Mosher, J. A.
1817 Miller, George	" Hart, Joseph	" Pascoe, Jos.
1819 Snowball, John	" McKeown, H.	" Slackford, E.
1820 Temple, Wm.	" Payson, G. B.	1862 Allen, John S.
" Wilson, Wm.	" Tweedy, R.	" Angwin, Jos. G.
1821 Richey, M. D.D.	1854 Harris, Thos.	" Colpitta, W. W.
1821 Davies, Thos. H.	" Milligan, G. S., A.M.	" Dutcher, C. W. T.
1826 Hennigar, J. G.	1855 Comben, Chas.	" Heartz, W. H.
1827 Pickles, M.	" Dove, Jas.	" Jost, Cranswick, A.M.
1828 Bent, Jos. F.	" Lathern, John	" Martin, Saml. B.
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1830 Daniel, Henry	1856 Alcorn, Wm.	" Pfitker, I. N.
" Johnson, George	" Cassidy, John	" Pitblado, C. B.
1831 Angwin, Thos.	" Fox, Thomas	" Rogers, J. A.
" Sutcliffe, I.	" Humphrey, S., A.M.	" Sprague, How., A.M.
1833 Botterell, E.	" Nicolson, A. W.	" Taylor, Robt. H.
" Cardy, Wm. T.	" Perkins, W. W.	1863 Deinstadt, Thos. J.
" McMurray, John	" Teed, S. T.	" Johnson, R. O'B.
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1836 Addy, John S.	1857 Brown, W. C.	" Cowperthwaite, H. P.
" Buckley, Jas.	" Chapman, D.	" Hemmeon, J. B.
1837 Barratt, G. M.	" Duke, Jas. A.	1864 Cranford, H. L.
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" England, Jas.	" Johnson, Richard	" Fulton, J. McC.
" Jost, J. V.	" Read, John	" Howie, Isaac
" Pickard, H., D.D.	" Smith, T. Watson	" Moore, Ezra B.
" Smallwood, F.	" Wasson, Robert	" Pike, John M.
1838 Sprague, S. W.	1858 Huestis, S. F.	" Clark, J. A., A.M.
1839 Weddall, R.	" Ryan, Wm.	
1840 Peach, J. S.	" Scott, D. B.	PROBATIONERS.
1841 Morton, E.	" Tensdale, J. J.	1865 LePage, A. E.
" Narraway, J.R., A.M.	" Thurlow, I.	" Sargent, Wm.
1842 Smith, Richard	" Tuttle, A. S.	" Lodge, W. W.
1843 Lockhart, C.	" Waterhouse, John	1866 Dockrill, Chas. W.
1844 Pope, Henry (B).	" Pickles, P. H. W.	" Forsey, Geo.
1845 McCarty, Wm.	1859 Wilson, Robt.	" Mack, Robt. B.
1846 Crane, Robert E.	1860 Colter, John J.	" Morton, A. D., A.E.
" Huestis, G. O.	" Evans, Edwin	" Paisley, C. H., A.M.
" Prince, John	" Goodison, John	" Allen, Thos.
" Taylor, James	" Hart, Jas. R.	" Rogers, Thos.
1848 Brettie, E.	" Hart, Thos. D.	" Reay, John
1849 Temple, R. A.	" Shenton, Job	1867 Ackman, Saml.
1850 Tuttle, G. W.	" Turner, A. W.	" Burns, W. H.
1851 Black, A. B.	1861 Bigney, J. G.	" Seller, Jos.
" Moore, F. W.	" Coffin, Joseph F.	1868 Mills, Edwin
" Phinney, J. S.	" Gaetz, Joseph	" Day, Geo.
" Tweedy, Wm.	" Gaetz, L.	" Johnson, L. S.
1852 Prestwood, P.	" Harrison, F.	" Scott, Francis
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1846 Huestis, Geo. O., <i>Lunenburg, N. S.</i>	2	1837 Pickard, H., D.D., <i>Principal of Mount Allison Institution, Sackville, N. B.</i>	26
1858 Huestis, S. F., <i>St. John, (Carlton), N. B.</i>	1	1827 Pickles, M., (Sup'y.) <i>Mill Village, N. S.</i>	2
1856 Humphrey, S., A.M., <i>Hillsboro', N. B.</i>	2	1859 Pickles, F. H. W., <i>Mill Village, N. S.</i>	3
1861 Johnson, B. J., <i>New Germany, N. S.</i>	2	1863 Pike, Jno. M., <i>Port de Grave, N.F.</i>	1
1830 Johnson, Geo., <i>Guysboro', etc., N. S.</i>	1	1862 Pitblado, C. B., <i>Falmouth, N. S.</i>	3
1861 Johnson, Jno., <i>Port Mouton, N.S.</i>	1	1814 Pope, Henry, (Sup'y.) <i>Halifax, (South), N. S.</i>	1
1868 Johnson, Levi S., <i>Guysboro', etc., N. S.</i>	1	1844 Pope, H., (n), <i>Charlottetown, P. E. I.</i>	2
1857 Johnson, Richd., M.D., (Sup'y.), <i>Charlottetown, P. E. I.</i>	2	1852 Prestwood, P. Sydney, <i>C. B.</i>	3
1863 Johnson, R. O'B., <i>Farsboro', N.S.</i>	2	1846 Prince, Jno., <i>St. John, N. F.</i>	3
1862 Jost, Crauswick, A.M., <i>Vice-Principal of Mount Allison Academy, Sackville, N. B.</i>	2	1857 Read, Jno., <i>Cornwallis, West, Bernick, N. S.</i>	3
1837 Jost, Jer. V., <i>Albion Mines, N.S.</i>	2	1866 Reay, John, <i>Petites, N. F.</i>	1
1861 Ladner, Chas., <i>Catalina, N. F.</i>	2	1821 Richey, M., D.D., <i>Avondale, N.S.</i>	1
1855 Lathern, John, <i>St. John, N. B.</i>	1	1862 Rogers, J. A., <i>Dartmouth, N. S.</i>	2
1863 Lelacheur, D. W., <i>Nashwaak, N. B.</i>	1	1866 Rogers, Thos., <i>Bernuda,</i>	1
1865 LePage, A. E., <i>Musquodoboit Harbour, N. S.</i>	2	1858 Ryan, William, <i>Bermuda, (St. George's),</i>	3
1843 Lockhart, C., <i>Horton, N. S.</i>	2	1865 Sargent, W., <i>Barrington, N. S.</i>	2
1866 Lodge, W. W., <i>Andover, N. B.</i>	1	1868 Seller, Jos., <i>Advocate, N. S.</i>	1
1866 Mack, E. Barry, <i>Amherst, N. S.</i>	2	1858 Scott, D. B., <i>Maitland, N. S.</i>	3
1845 McCarty, Wm., <i>Sussex Vale, N. B.</i>	1	1868 Scott, Francis, <i>Exploits, N. F.</i>	1
1859 McKeown, H., <i>Newport, N. S.</i>	1	1860 Shenton, Job, <i>Sheffield, N. B.</i>	2
1834 McMurray, Jno., <i>Book Steward and Editor, Halifax, N. S.</i>	7	1829 Shenstone, W.E., (Sup'ry.) <i>Brigus, N. F.</i>	1
1862 Martin, S. B., <i>Middle Musquodoboit, N. S.</i>	1	1837 Smallwood, F., (Sup'y.) <i>Wind- sor, N. S.</i>	1
1854 Milligan, G. S., A.M., <i>Halifax, (North), N. S.</i>	2	1861 Slackford E., <i>Kingston, N. B.</i>	1
1817 Miller, Geo., (Sup'y.) <i>Bridge- town, N. S.</i>	1	1842 Smith, Rich'd., <i>Cornwallis East, (Canning), N. S.</i>	2
1864 Mills, Edwin, <i>Knowlesville, N.B.</i>	1	1834 Smith, Thos., (Sup'ry.) <i>Truro, N. S.</i>	1
1831 Moore, F. W., (Sup'ry.) <i>Char- lottetown, P. E. I.</i>	1	1857 Smith, T. W., <i>Wallace, N. S.</i>	1
1864 Moore, E. B., <i>Weymouth, N. S.</i>	2	1819 Snowball, John, (Sup'ry.) <i>Sack- ville, N. B.</i>	2
1866 Morton, A. D., A. B., <i>Marysville, N. B.</i>	1	1852 Sponagle, J.L., <i>St. David's, N.B.</i>	2
1841 Morton, R., <i>Truro, N. S.</i>	3	1838 Sprague, S. W., <i>Sackville, N. B.</i>	2
1861 Mosher, J. A., <i>Kempt, N. S.</i>	2	1862 Sprague, H. D., A.M., <i>Mill Town, N. B.</i>	2
1841 Narraway, J. R., A.M., <i>St. John, North, (Portland), N. B.</i>	3	1852 Stewart, Chas., <i>St. John, South, (Germain St.), N. B.</i>	2
1856 Nicolson, A. W., <i>Woodstock, N.B.</i>	2	1813 Strong, J. B., (Sup'ry.) <i>St. John, (South), N. B.</i>	1
1866 Paistey, Chas. H., A.M., <i>Mira- michi, N. B.</i>	1	1831 Sutcliffe I., <i>Amherst, N. S.</i>	3
1862 Parker, I. N., <i>Havlock, N. B.</i>	2	1846 Taylor, Jas., <i>Aylesford, N. S.</i>	1
1861 Pascoe, Jos., <i>Fogo, N. F.</i>	1	1862 Taylor, R.H., <i>N. E. Harbor, N.S.</i>	1
1853 Payson, G. B., <i>Gagetown, N. B.</i>	1	1856 Teed, S. T., <i>Grand Bank, N. F.</i>	3
1840 Peach, J. S., <i>Island Cove, N. F.</i>	1	1820 Temple, William, (Sup'ry.) <i>St. John, N. B.</i>	1
1862 Peroival, W. W., <i>Murray Har- bour, P. E. I.</i>	2	1849 Temple, R. Alder, <i>Secretary of the Conference, Bermuda, (Hamilton),</i>	2
1856 Perkins, W. W., (Sup'y.) <i>Char- lottetown, P. E. I.</i>	2	1858 Teasdale, J.J., <i>Petite Riviere, N.S.</i>	2
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1853 Tuttle, A. S., <i>Bate de Verte,</i>		1859 Weddall, R. <i>Bedeque, P. E. I.</i>	2
<i>N. B.</i>	3	1868 Welton, F. A., <i>Digby Neck.</i>	1
1858 Thurlow, I., <i>Manchester, N. S.</i>	1	1820 Wilson, Wm., <i>Point de Bute.</i>	1
1855 Tweedy, Jas., <i>Hogewell, N. B.</i>	3	1859 Wilson, Robt., <i>St. Andrews N.B.</i>	3
1853 Tweedy, Robt., <i>Parrsboro, N.S.</i>	3	1856 Winterbotham, John, <i>Cornwall,</i>	
1851 Tweedy, W., <i>River Philip N. B.</i>	1	<i>P. E. I.</i>	2
1858 Waterhouse, J., <i>Brigus, N. F.</i>	1		