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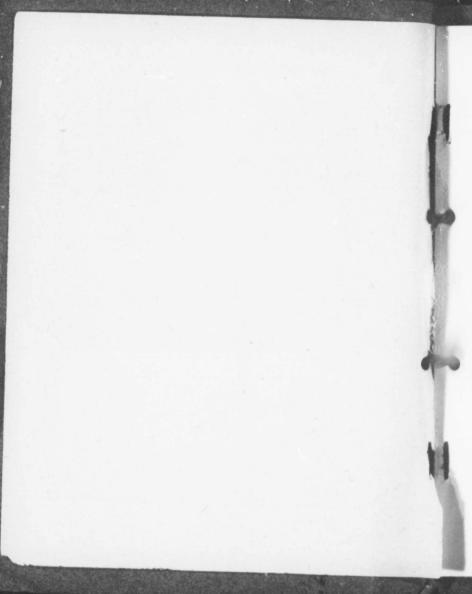
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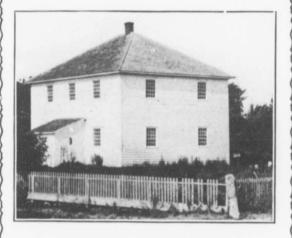


McMASTER UNIVERSITY LIBRARY SOUVENIR OF THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE CONTAINING ACCOUNT OF HISTORIC EVENTS RELATING TO THE RISE AND GROWTH OF METHODISM IN PICTON AND VICINITY; ALSO, PROGRAMME OF SERVICES, LIST OF MEMBERS, BILLETS, ETC.



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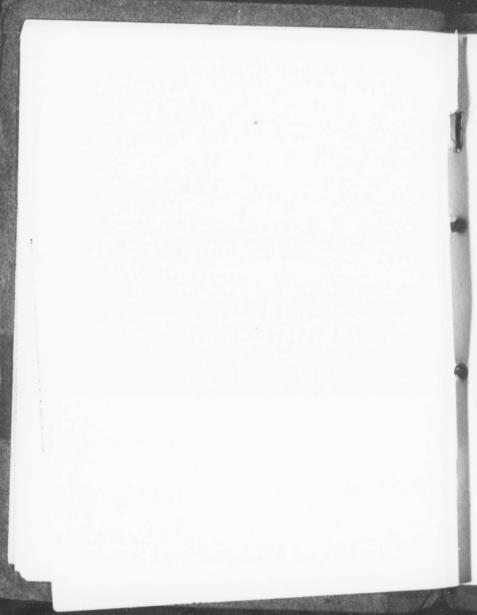


Old Chapel, erected 1809
The Oldest Church now in use in Canada.

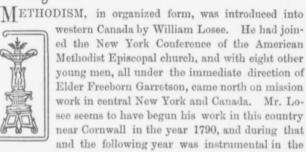




Conference Church, 1824, 1832, 1842.



### HISTORIC.



conversion of a considerable number of people along the upper St. Lawrence and the shores of the Bay of Quinte as far as Adolphustown.

In the summer of 1792 another of these young men, Darius Dunham, who had already been ordained, was sent to assist Losee. The territory was divided into two circuits, Oswegotchie (which included Ogdensburgh) and Cataraqui. Dunham took charge of the latter and Losee the former. Mr. Dunham was apparently the first of these devoted pioneer preachers to visit Prince Edward—especially this particular part of it—as he organized a class at Picton (then known as Hallowell Bridge) on the 27th of January, 1793. This was the very commencement of the cause in this county.

The following persons were members of the class:—Andrew Johnson, Leader; Mary Johnson, Alexander and Mary Peterson, Henry and Elizabeth Johnson, Martha Johnson,

Samuel Wright, Nicholas Peterson, David and Sally Youmans, John and Susannah Low. The original class paper is still in existence, very well preserved, and is signed by Darius Dun-This class has had a continuous existence since its organization and is now led by Herbert M. Johnson, great grand son of the first leader. The following have been leaders:—Andrew Johnson, Henry Johnson a younger brother, John Johnson a son of Henry, Publius V. Elmore, William Johnson son of Andrew, and William Vance. These six were the leaders during the first sixty years, until January, 1853, when the late William H. Johnson, son of William Johnson, became the leader and held the position for over half a century—until his death in March, 1903. His son, Herbert M. the present leader, was then appointed to succeed his father at the request of the class. Is there another Methodist class in Canada that has had a similar continuous preservation for 112 years? It is still our strong, chief class and was the very foundation of this church as a spiritual structure, as well as the organized beginning of Methodism in this county—the strongest foothold of the cause on the continent that we know of. There are nearly three times as many Methodist churches in Prince Edward as there are belonging to all other religious denominations and the proportion of ministers stands about the same.

The circuit or station in which this church is located was called "Cataraqui" in 1792. The next year it was named "Midland," the following year "Upper," in 1795 "Bay of Quinte," in 1817 "Hallowell," in 1850 "Picton," and in 1883

"Picton First."

The "Old Chapel," as it is locally called, situated a couple of miles from Picton was erected in 1809 on property given by Stephen Conger. It was built eleven years before the erection of a chapel on this ground, which did not occur until 1820 Since then the work at the Old Chapel has generally been in charge of the pastors of this congregation. The first chapel here (a frame building) was removed in 1854 and a stone church erected on the site during the pastorate of the Rev. J.

C. Slater. The stone building was remodelled and enlarged in 1870 while the Rev. Mr. Willoughby was pastor, and in 1898 that too was removed and the present edifice erected in the third year of the Rev. W. J. Jolliffe's pastorate. The York street church was erected in 1878 by the late Charles S. Wilson, and by his bequest became the property of this church after his death in Oct. 1900.

As already intimated Methodism was introduced here, by missionaries from the New York Conference of the American M. E. church. After the organization of the Genesee Conterence in 1810 the Canadian work was placed in its care. Two sessions of that conference were held in this country—one at Elizabethtown in 1817 and the other near Lundy's Lane in 1820. But the Canadian cause had been developed to such an extent that the need of a Canadian conference had become urgent. In the early summer of 1824 both Bishop George and Bishop Asbury came into the country, and after visiting the fields of the work both east and west, arrived here in August, and, in the first frame chapel on this ground, organized the first Canadian Methodist Conference.

At that its first session, resolutions were passed asking for a separation from the American church with a view to the formation of an independent Canadian church. These resolutions were presented to the General Conference of the American church soon afterwards but the request was not granted until four years later. In 1829 our church became independentthe Canadian Methodist Episcopal church. In 1832 the conference again met here in the same building. An important movement was also made at that conference, by the passage of resolutions asking for a union with the English Wesleyan Methodists. This request was favorably received by the British conference and the union was consummated the following year. By this connection the Episcopal form was abandoned and the church became the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Upper Can-As the resolutions passed at the two conferences held

here led to other important changes it is proper that they be mentioned now.

1st. The Rev. Henry Ryan and some others who were anxious for separation from the Am. M. E. church were disappointed because the Am. Gen. Conference delayed action in 1824 hence they withdrew from the church in 1826 and organized the "New Connexion" Methodist church.

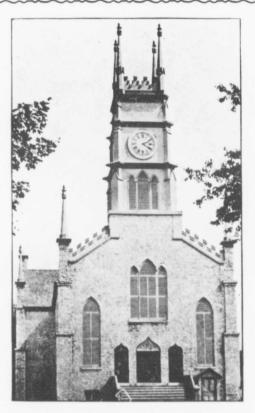
2nd. The union with the English Methodists in 1832 also caused considerable difficulty that led in 1834 to the continuance or re-establishment of the Canadian Methodist Episcopal church. It will be seen that the doings of the two first confer-

ences in Picton led to important later movements.

The third conference on this ground was also held in the frame chapel, in June, 1842. In 1875 the first session of the Toronto Conference of the then newly formed Canada Methodist church was held here in the Stone church. Two sessions of our Bay of Quinte conference were held in the same building, in 1886 and 1895 respectively, making six conferences held here in the first two buildings that occupied this ground. Now we are favored with the seventh, or first in this building. We will express the hope that it may be the place of meeting for

many more.

In 1840 the union with the English Wesleyan church was terminated by that body and the Canadian church again became independent. In 1847 this union was re-established and remained in force until 1874 when the organization of the Canada Methodist Church was completed by the union of the Wesleyan Methodist and the New Connexion Methodist churches as well as the Eastern Methodists of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and New Foundland. This was a momentous event in the history of our Canadian Methodism when all previous conditions and phases of the work are fully considered. A still higher estimate of its importance may be placed upon it if you will think of other results that it led to, a few years afterwards. In fact the good influences that it set in motion seem to be increasing and spreading to other religious



Conference Church, 1875, 1886, 1895.



denominations and it is difficult to predict what future unions may yet be fairly traceable to the change of outlook thus produced.

Missionaries from the Primitive Methodists of England had built up a cause in Canada that resulted in the formation of a Primitive Methodist conference in 1854. Bible Christian Missionaries from the mother-land accomplished a similar result in 1855. But the days for separations and the establishing of new denominations were passing away and those for unifying and consolidating forces in the Master's cause, were at hand. 1883 the four remaining Methodist churches in Canada, had discussed plans and principles for a grand union of all, and this was very successfully carried out the same year. The Canada Methodist, the Methodist Episcopal, the Primitive Methodist, and Bible Christian churches united, forming our present Methodist church, and, we are hopeful of still greater unions with increasing confidence that they will be effected in the near If this church, the Presbyterian church and the Congregational church come together harmoniously, to do God's work more effectively, something more of the unity that we expect to enjoy in Heaven, will be manifested here, and thus the brethren of all persuasions will be better prepared "to dwell together in unity" both in this life and the life beyond.

H. C. M.







Conference Church, 1905.



# \* List of Pastors. \*

	Ministers.	Circuit.	Conference.	
1792	Darius Dunham	Cataraqui	New York, M.E.	
1793	do	Midland	do	
1794	Elijah Woolsey	Upper	do	
1795	Elijah Woolsey and			
	Sylvanus Keeler	Bay of Quinte	do	
1796	Samuel Coate	do	do	
1797	do	do	do	
1798	Darius Dunham	do	do	
1799	Samuel Cote	do	do	
1800	Sylvanus Keeler and			
	William Anson	do	do	
1801	Sylvanus Keeler and			
	Daniel Pickett	do	do	
1802	Joseph Sawyer, Peter Vanest			
	and Nathan Bangs	do	do	
1803	Nathan Bangs, Jos. Sawyer			
	and Thomas Madden	do	do	
1804	Sylvanus Keeler and			
	Reuben Harris	do	do	
1805	Henry Ryan and Wm. Case	do	do	
1806	do	do	do	
1807	Luther Bishop and			
,	Elias Pattie	do	do	
1808	Ninian Holmes and Cephas Hulbur	t do	do	
1809	Chandly Lambert and			
	Jos. Lockwood	do	do	
1810	Thomas Whitehead and			
	Peter Covenhoven	do	Genesee	
1811	Thomas Whitehead and			
	Edward Cooper	do	do	
1812	Isaac B. Smith and Jno. Reynolds	do	do	
1813	Probably, Andrew Prindle	do	do	
1814		do	do	
1815	David Culp and Ezra Adams	do	do	
1816	Thos. Madden and Ezra Adams	do	do	
1817	Wyatt Chamberlayn and			
	É. Adams	Hallowell	do	
1818		do	do	
1819	Thos. Madden and			
	Franklin Metcalf	do	do	
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	Ministers.	Circuit.	Conferen	ce.
1820	James Wilson and			
	Franklin Metcalf	Hallowell	Genesee	
1821	Samuel Belton and Jas, Wilson	do	do	
1822	Calvin N. Flint and			
	Joseph Castle	do	do	
1823	Philander Smith and			
	David Wright	do	do	
1824	Franklin Metcalf and Jacob Poole	do	Canadian and A.	M. E.
1825	F. Metcalf and Anson Green	do	do	
1826	Solomon Waldron	do	do	
1827	W. Chamberlayn and			
	John C. Davidson	do	do	
1828	George Ferguson	do	do	
1820	George Ferguson and			
	Hamilton Biggar	do	Can. Meth. E	
1830	Rowley Heyland and			
	Thomas Bevitt	do	do	
1831	Daniel McMullen and T. Bevitt	do	do	
1832	R. Heyland, Alex. McNab and			
- 4	John Baxter	do	do	
1833	R. Heyland and Edmund Shepherd	do	Wesleyan Meth	Eng.
1834	Richard Jones, Geo. Poole and			
- 54	A. McNab	do	do	
1835	R: Jones and G. Poole	do	do	
1836	Jno. C. Davidson and Wm. Haw	do	do	
1837	do do	do	do	
	John Black and John G Manly	do	do	
1840	Lewis Warner and Wm. Philip	do	do	
1841	Richard Jones and L. Warner	do	do	U.C.
1842	do do Saml, P. LaDow	do do	do	0.01
1843	do do and			
4.5	Isaac B Aylsworth, M.D.	do	do	
1844	Conrad Vandusen and			
	Isaac B Aylsworth, M.D.	do	do	
1845	Conrad Vandusen and			
10	David B. Madden	do	do	
1846	Asahel Hurlburt and			
	John A. Williams	do	do	
1847	Asahel Hurlburt and Thos. Cleghor		do	Eng.
1848	Wm. McCullough and do	do	do	231161
1849	do do Wm. Coleman		do	
1850	do do Robt, Robins		do	
1851	Wm. McFadden and Benj. Jones	do	do	
1852	do do Aaron D. Mill		do	
1853	do do Thos. Woolse	y do	do	
1854	Jas. C. Slater, Wm. Bryers	do	do	
1855	Jas. C. Slater, Wm. Bryers do Wm. Tomblin,			
-55	J. N. Lake	do	do	

Ministers.	Circuit.	Conference.
1856 Jas. C. Slater, Wm. Sande 1857-58 Charles Fish 1859-61 James H. Bishop 1862-64 John Hunt 1865-67 George R. Sanderson 1866-70 Nicholas R. Willoughby 1871 Jonathan E. Betts 1872-74 Edwin Clement 1875 Jos. W. McCallum, Sidney 1877-79 John Learoyd 1887-85 John F. German 1883-85 John F. German 1883-85 John F. Ockley 1889-90 Thomas Griffith, D.D. 1890-90 Wm. J. Jolliffe, B.C.L. 1890-90 Wm. J. Jolliffe, B.C.L. 1890-90 Sidney J. Shorey	erson,  Picton do do do do do do do do do y, M.A. do do do to 1883—Picton, tst Metl do	Wesleyan Meth., Eng. do
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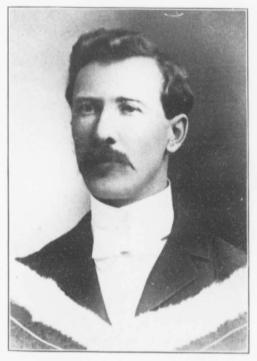




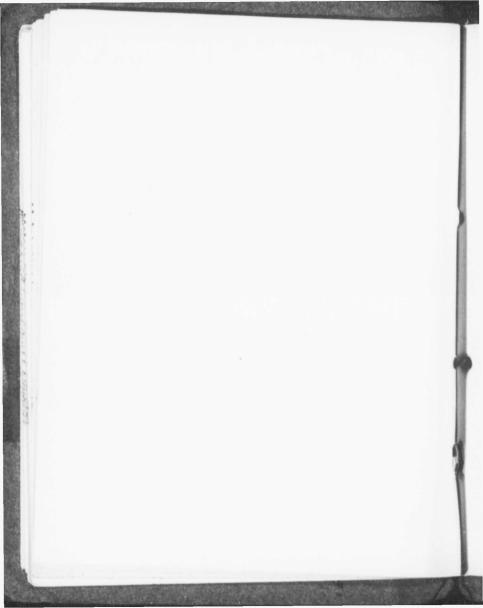


Rev. J. J. Rae.





Rev. S. C. Moore, B.A., B.D.



### Main Street Church.

THE METHODISM of the town was materially supplemented in 1875 by the erection of the present Main St. Church and the organization of the present society under the pastoral supervision of the Rev. William Service, with whom was associated, for one year, the Rev. John Mavety. The work, the beginnings of which were comparatively small, was a direct out-growth of the old Orser Society, which met from an early date in the old Brick Church, three miles west of the town. This Society was originally of the Canadian Methodist Episcopal church, one session of the Annual Conference of which was afterwards held in the present edifice. The history of the cause has since been one of steady and gradual growth until it has now reached a large and influential membership, with every department of modern church work thoroughly organized and in a healthy and prosperous condition.

The original Trustee Board was composed of the following seven men, the first five of whom still remain in office: Abram Arkett, H. J. Vincent, (Sec.-Treas.) S. T. Leavens, H. M. Reddick, Josiah Benson, G. C. Vanblaricom, and Frederick Dodge.

It may be a matter of connexional interest to know that this church has not been behind in its contribution of material for the work of the Christian ministry. The Sunday School enjoys the distinction of having graduated from its religious instruction and spiritual influence no less than nine young men who have since entered the work.

The Revs. G. W. Dewey, S. H. Anderson, F. J. Anderson, Milton Williams, Harry Reddick, and Richard A. Whattam were recommended to Conference by the Quarterly Board as candidates for the ministry of our own church, while Charles Dewey, Dorland Morden, and John McGillivray found their way into the ministry of other churches.

In the Deaconess work the church has two representatives,—Miss Lottie V. Lang, recommended by the Board for ordination in 1904, and Miss Wilberta R. Hart, recently graduated.

From the inception of the work, until the present time the congregation has been privileged with the pastorates of the following ministers:—

Rev.	Wm. Service, 1875-77
66	John Mavety, 1876-77
6.6	Joseph Young, - 1877-79
6.6	C. S. Eastman, - 1877-79
4.6	J. P. Wilson, B A., 1879-82
6.6	R. M. Pope, - 1882-83
6.6	T. W. Pickett, 1883-84
6.6	Wm. Elliott, 1884-85
6.6	H. E. F. Ostrom, - 1885-88
6.6	Joseph Young, 1888-91
44	G. H. Copeland, - 1891-94
6.6	R. M. Pope, 1894-95
66	D. S. Houek, 1895-98
66	J. R. Real, 1898-01
6.6	R. H. Leitch, - 1901-04
66	S.C. Moore, B.A., B.D.1904

A spirit of hopefulness for the future financial and spiritual prosperity of the church prevades every department of the work.





### The Methodist Church

Twenty-second Annual Session
BAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE
First Methodist Church, Picton,
1905

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REV. W. B. TUCKER, B.A., B.D., STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

## The Conference Programme.

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The Stationing Committee will meet in the Main Street Church on Monday, May 29th, at 7:30, p.m.

The Statistical Committee will meet in the parlor of the First Church, Tuesday, May 30, at 2:30, p.m.

The Financial Secretaries will meet the Treasurers of the Connexional Funds on Tuesday, May 30, at 2:30 p.m., in the First Church.

The Ministerial Session will open on Wednesday, May 31, at 10:00, a.m.

The following Conference Committees, viz: Nominating, Sunday School, Epworth League, and State of the Work, will meet for organization Wednesday, May 31, at 7:15 p.m., in the auditorium of the Main Street Church.

The Annual Conference will open on Thursday, June 1, at 10:00 a.m., in the First Church.

#### CONFERENCE ANNIVERSARIES.

Wednesday, May 31, 8 p.m.—Addresses by Rev. V. H. Emory on Sunday School Work; by Rev. John Garbutt on Epworth League Work.

Thursday, June 1, 8 p.m.—Missionary addresses by Revs. G. W. Henderson and W. H. Emsley.

Friday, June 2, 8 p.m.—Reception Service. Addresses by Revs Wm. J. Crothers, M.A., D.D., and G. H Copeland. Saturday, June 3, 8 p.m., in the Main St., Church, Theological Union. Lecture by Rev. James Elliot, B.A., Ph.D., Professor Weslevan Theological College on "The Christian Minister."

The Business Meeting of the Union will be held at the

close of the lecture.

Monday, June 5, 8 p.m.-Educational and Moral Reform addresses by Revs. John F. McLaughlin, M.A., D.D., and S. Dwight Chown, D.D.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES, JUNE 4.

First Methodist Church-9:30 a.m., Love-feast conducted by Rev. Wm. Johnston, Ordination Sermon by Rev. E. I. Badgley, LL.D. This service will be followed by the ordination of candidates for the ministry, conducted by the President of Conference. 3:00 p.m., Sunday-school addresses by Rev. J. N. Clarry, B.A., E. T. Slemon, Esq., B. A., and Rev. C. W. DeMille, B.A. 7:00 p.m., Rev. N. A. McDiarmid. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the evening service, conducted by Rev. W. J. Jolliffe, B.C.L.

Main Street Church—11:00 a.m., Rev. H. T. Lewis, B.A. 7:00 p.m., Rev. S. T. Bartlett. Sunday-school addresses by Rev. John F. Mears, R. W. Clarke, Esq., and Rev. A. J. Terrill, B.A., B.D.

Presbyterian Church-11:00 a.m., Rev. G. W. McColl, B.A., B.D. 7:00 p.m., Rev. S. J. Shorey.

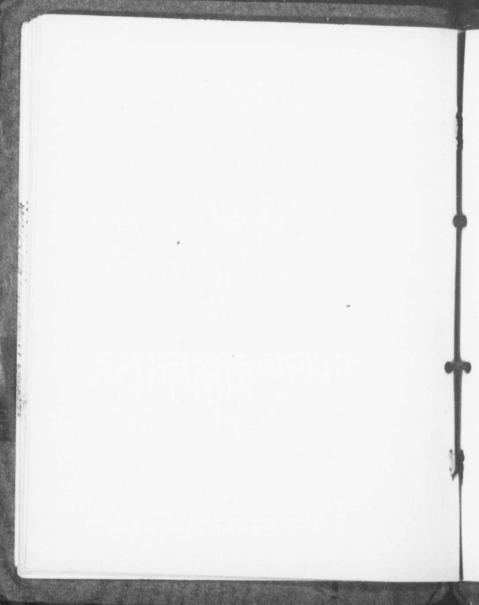
Baptist Mission-11:00 a.m., Rev. F. H. Howard, S.T.L. 7:00 p.m., Rev. M. E. Sexsmith, B.A., LL.B.

Bloomfield—Revs. J. C. Bell and H. B. Kenney.

Cressy Circuit—Revs. Geo. Nickle and Enos Farnsworth.

Milford-Rev. R. Allin.

Cherry Valley-Rev. H. V. Mounteer.



## BILLETS

### Ministers' List.

MINISTERS	HOSTS	STREETS
Adams, W. H	J. W. Whattam.	Ferguson Paul
Balfour, D Bamforth, R Barnes, Jos Bates, M. J Batstone, James Bell, J. C Berry, J. P Boyce, W. S. P Brown, A. L Brown, Geo Brown, Thos Buckler, W. H Bunner, J. W Bunner, J. W Bunner, W. A. Burwash, Dr Barrett, C. W Bowerman, E. Burns, Robt Benn, W Bartlett, S. T, Badgley, E. I.	J. F. Gillespie John LairdJ. B. Hughes A. ClowWm. Garrison W. A. ClarkJ. W. Conger Jas. Ketchum Royal HotelJ. P. Blakely J. W. Conger G. D. PlattW. A. Sayers Mrs. C. S. Wils Jackson House. Mrs. J. Thomps Mrs. C. S. Wils Mrs. M. Hicks J. P. Blakely	
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Chapman, J. F. J. Clare, G. R. F. Clarke, W. G. J. Clarke, W. H. J. Clarry, J. N Gl Connell, J. A A. Coombe, W. A. Coon, C. H Mr. Copeland, G. H. K. Cragg, C. E. Te Cragg, W. J. M. A. Crookshanks, S. G. Crossley, D. O. J. Crothers, W. J. C. Crouter, D. C. Clare, D. R. A. Chapman, J. A. J.	Newman C. Williams D. Gilbert oble Hotel Clow Brewer rs. Ackerman McKenzie McKenzie Coumseth Hotel Davison A. Trumpour Huff B. Allison Arkett Davison	King Ontario Mary W Room 45 Paul Chapel Elizabeth Queen Queen Paul King Centre Main W Washburn Paul
Delve, R. A.       M         DeMille, C. W       M         Dixon, S. F.       G         Down, Wesley       J         Doxsee, E. R.       G         Drew, N. D.       G         Duke, R.       N         Dunkley, G.       G         Dyer, W. P.       S         Edmison, T. J.       J.         Edwards, R. L.       M         Elliott, Wesley       W         Emory, V. H.       R         Emsley, W. H.       S.         Elliott, James       D	Irs. D. Denton Irs. Ross Queen's Hotel C. Williams F. E. Vandusen eo. Martin Sprague eo. Dunkley M. Conger S. Earle Irs. J. O. Clark V. H. Williamson oyal Hotel J. Collier	MainQueenOntarioMain WKingCentreMaple AveKingOntarioMainCentre

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McCanus, J. A.       J.         McColl, Geo. W.       C.         McConnell, Geo.       La         McCulloch, R.       R.         McDiarmid, N.       S.         McMullen, J. S.       Gl         McQuade, H.       I.         McQuade, G. C. R.       A.	H. Widdifield	Main EMary WMainKingKing
Neville, P. HB. Nickle, GeoF.	P. Aylsworth Terwilligar	Mary Main W
Parker, C	S. Miller	Mary
Rae, J. J.       J.         Real, J. R.       S.         Reynar, A. H.       Mr         Robeson, J. E., Sr.       I.         Robeson, J. E., Jr.       Wr         Robins, J. W.       Mr         Rogers, W. P.       R.         Rorke, S. G.       R.         Ross, G. E.       Qu         Rowe, H. B.       R.	W. Pettingillss. C. S. WilsonB. Tubbsulter Tullyss. D. A. ThompsonE. DavisonPineeen's Hotel	King Chapel Mary Hill Bloomfield Rd Paul Centre

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Totten, J. W Tucker, W. B Tucker, S. T	Mrs. J. O. Clark Dr. Heaslip D. A. Kelly R. Hadden Globe Hotel	Main W
Vandusen, J. G	Mrs. John Thomp	sonCentre
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### Laymen's List.

LAYMEN	HOSTS	STREETS
Blakely, J. P Bowerman, J		
Clemens, A. E	E. C. Garbutt W. V. Spencer.	Centre Main W
Davidson, W Davidson A	T. G. Vanblaric Tecumseth Hot	ombeElizabeth
Effington, J. jr., Emmerson, J. M	W. V. SpencerTecumseth Hot	Main W
Foster, J. B	A. Yarwood	Main W
Gould, W	H. B. Bristol	Main E
Harrison, S Heaslip, A. W Hennessy, W. L Hill, P. J.	A. W. Heaslip. Alf. Yarwood	Main E
Jennings, D. G Johnston Thomas		

LAYMEN	HOSTS	STREETS
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Mason, J. J	Mrs. J. Johnsto Martin German	onMain Maple Ave.
McFarlane, Jos McMullen, H. C		
Oakley, C. B	A. Bristol	Main E
Peters, W. A	G. D. Platt	Main W
Staples, W. H Strong, R. J	A. C. Tobey	Main W
Totten, Dr. A. E Thistlethwaite, Wm		
Wickett, T Williams, W. W		