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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Ontario Annual Conference.

MINUTES of the Second Session of the Ontario Annual Conference, held in Georgetown, County of Halton, commencing at 10 o'clock A.M., on the 6th of April, 1864.

Bishop Smith opened the Conference by reading the 14th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, and giving out the 203rd hymn; after which the following brethren offered prayer, viz.: D. Wilson, W. Pirritte, S. W. LaDu, and Bishop Richardson.

BISHOPS PRESIDING.—Philander Smith, D. D., James Richardson, D. D.

SECRETARY—James Curts. *Assistant Secretary*—J. C. Pomeroy.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON NOMINATIONS—S. W. LaDu, S. Morrison, and G. Bennett.

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE—J. C. Pomeroy, M. D. Archer, and P. Empey.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—F. M. Finn, D. Crouter, and J. Q. Adams.

TEMPERANCE—J. Hiscocks, G. Wilson, and J. H. Hilts.

CHURCH PROPERTY—N. H. Howard, J. M. Simpson, G. Clark.

PASTORAL ADDRESS—G. Shepard, R. Earl.

EDUCATION—S. Morrison, L. B. Caldwell, J. Curts, W. H. Shaw, and W. A. Sills.

PRINTING—G. Jones, A. Wright, T. P. Bradshaw, R. Sanderson, and D. Pomeroy.

WAYS AND MEANS—S. W. LaDu, W. Benson, and C. Taylor.

RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS—A. L. Thurstan, R. L. Tindall, and B. W. Blanchard.

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EXAMINING COMMITTEE—G. Shepard, Chairman. 1st Year's Course: W. A. Sills, and T. P. Bradshaw. 2nd Year: O. G. Collamore, and J. C. Pomeroy. 3rd Year—W. Pirritte, L. B. Caldwell. 4th Year: D. Pomeroy, R. Earl.

COURSE OF STUDY—S. W. LaDu, S. Morrison, G. Bennett.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Colborne District: O. G. Collamore, B. Wilson. Toronto District: W. Pirritte, J. Q. Adams. Durham District: W. H. Shaw, J. Foster.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—C. Newson, M. Danby, D. Perry, E. G. Wait, G. S. Thompson, S. Thompson, J. Wild.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—J. W. Massey, T. C. Brown, A. Campbell, S. S. Grove, T. W. Glover, J. Egan, E. Will, P. L. Sparrow, A. V. Hulin, T. Meyers, B. Lyman, E. Adams.

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

A.—W. B. Rowe, P. E. Knox, A. Maybee, J. B. Fisher, J. Wilson.

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

T. Argue, J. W. McKay, W. B. Rowe,* A. Maybee,* P. E. Knox,* J. B. Fisher,* J. Wilson.*

Q. 5.—*Who are elected and ordained Elders?*

A.—C. V. Lake, J. Cook, A. Carman, M. A., H. P. Shepard, M. A., J. M. Stimpson, P. Empey, D. Crouter.

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—P. Smith, D. D., J. Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who have located this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 8.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—C. W. Fraser, M. D. Archer, E. J. Fulford, G. Miller.

Q. 9.—*Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?*

A.—J. W. Byam; H. H. Johnson, L. P. Smith, J. Owen, B. Lawrence, W. E. Norman.

Q. 10.—*Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

A.—None.

* Ordained this year.

Q. 11.—Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

A.—None.

Q. 12.—Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

A.—They are, as far as could be ascertained by strict examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—Who have died this year?

A.—None.

Q. 14.—What are the numbers in Society?

A.—

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville.....	85	Seymour and Norwood....	158
Sidney.....	434	Colborne.....	292
Stirling.....	361	Percy.....	249
Madoc and Hastings.....	350	Hope.....	200
Cobourg.....	135	Orono.....	229
Omeme and Minden.....	123		
Brighton.....	313	Total on District.....	2929

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Whitby.....	410	Newmarket.....	135
Oakwood.....	96	Markam.....	154
Yonge Street.....	229	Muskoka.....	40
Toronto.....	119	Orangeville.....	108
Georgetown.....	175	Garafraxa.....	111
Brooklin.....	147		
Brampton.....	341	Total on District.....	2182
Nelson.....	126		

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey.....	56	Elma.....	98
St. Vincent.....	200	Mount Forest and Durham	158
Teeswater.....	50	Creemore.....	74
Hanover.....	96	Melancthon.....	61
Maryboro.....	98	Bluevale.....	45
Invermay.....	70		
Collingwood.....	31	Total on District.....	1097
Kincardine.....	63		

RECAPITULATION.

Colborne District.....	2929
Toronto ".....	2182
Durham ".....	1097
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Total number.....	6208
Traveling Preachers.....	80
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Total.....	6288

Q. 15.—What is the amount of Fifth Collection?

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville.....	\$1 45	Seymour and Norwood..	\$2 89
Sidney.....	7 79	Colborne.....	3 74
Stirling.....	3 25	Percy.....	3 00
Madoc and Hastings..	2 25	Hope.....	6 97
Cobourg.....	5 50	Orono.....	9 00
Omamee and Minden..	5 50	<hr/>	
Brighton.....	6 00	Total on District..	\$56 84

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Whitby.....	\$15 53	Nelson.....	\$7 30
Oakwood.....	5 00	Newmarket.....	5 00
Yonge Street.....	9 00	Markham.....	17 00
Toronto.....	5 00	Orangeville.....	5 08
Georgetown.....	5 00	Garafraxa.....	3 60
Brooklin.....	2 25	<hr/>	
Brampton.....	16 22	Total on District..	\$95 99

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey.....	\$2 30	Elma.....	\$2 50
St. Vincent.....	5 85	Mt. Forest and Durham	1 22
Teeswater.....	1 50	Creemore.....	7 78
Hanover.....	2 00	Melancthon.....	2 00
Maryboro.....	2 58	Bluevale.....	1 39
Invermay.....	2 50	<hr/>	
Collingwood.....	3 00	Total on District..	\$38 14
Kincardine.....	3 52		

RECAPITULATION.

Colborne District.....	\$56 84
Toronto ".....	95 99
Durham ".....	38 14
Sabbath Collections.....	17 82
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Total.....	\$208 79

Q. 16.—How was this expended?

A.—

J. W. Byam.....	\$45 47
H. H. Johnson.....	45 47
L. P. Smith.....	45 47
B. Lawrence.....	45 47
J. Owen.....	22 73½
Bad money returned.....	1 00
Stationery, &c., &c.....	3 17½
Total.....	\$208 79

Q. 17.—What is the amount of Contingent Collection?

A.—

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Madoc.....	\$2 10	Brighton.....	\$2 79
Cobourg.....	1 00	Percy.....	1 50
Sidney.....	3 13	Orono.....	6 00
Sterling.....	2 10	Norwood.....	0 26
Colborne.....	1 87	Omeme.....	2 50
Belleville.....	1 35	Total.....	\$30 29
Hope.....	5 69		

TORONTO DISTRICT.

Whitby.....	\$6 51	Nelson.....	\$2 50
Oakwood.....	2 33	Newmarket.....	4 00
Yonge Street.....	5 30	Markham.....	4 00
Toronto.....	2 25	Orangeville.....	2 91
Georgetown.....	3 00	Garafaxa.....	1 40
Brooklin.....	2 00	Total.....	\$43 66
Brampton.....	7 46		

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Osprey.....	\$1 00	Kincardine.....	\$1 00
St. Vincent.....	2 00	Elma.....	2 00
Teeswater.....	1 03	Mt. Forest.....	2 94
Hanover.....	1 00	Creemore.....	7 51
Maryboro.....	1 00	Melancthon.....	1 09
Invermay.....	1 10	Total.....	\$22 27
Collingwood.....	0 60		

RECAPITULATION.

Funds on hand from 1863.....	\$ 8 63
Colborne District.....	30 29
Toronto.....	43 66
Durham.....	22 27
Total.....	\$104 95

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rev. W. E. Norman	\$60 00
Bishop Richardson's traveling expenses	3 75
Book for Registry of Baptisms	4 00
J. W. Byam	30 00
Total Amount Disbursed	\$97 75
Balance on hand	\$7 10

Q. 18.—Where are the preachers stationed this year?

A.—

COLBORNE DISTRICT. S. W. LADU, P. E.

BELLEVILLE—S. S. Grove, G. Shepard, Treasurer of Belleville Seminary; A. Carman, M. A., Principal of Belleville Seminary; H. P. Shepard, M. A., Professor of Languages, Belleville Seminary; J. B. Fisher, Student at Belleville Seminary.

SIDNEY—W. A. Sills, C. Newson, H. H. Johnson, superannuated.

STIRLING—N. H. Howard, J. W. Massey.

MADOC AND HASTINGS—A. Campbell, T. Myers.

COBOURG—R. Sanderson.

OMEMEE—J. M. Simpson.

MINDEN—A. Mabee,—To exchange once in three months with J. M. Simpson.

BRIGHTON—G. Jones, M. Danby, W. E. Norman, Superannuated.

SEYMOUR AND NORWOOD—D. Crouter, P. L. Sparrow.

COLBORNE—J. C. Pomeroy, J. Egan.

PERCY—A. Wright.

HOPE—R. Earl, S. Thompson.

OAKWOOD—J. P. Sparrow.

TORONTO DISTRICT. S. MORRISON, P. E.

ORONO—J. Wild.

CLARK—T. Argue.

WHITBY—L. B. Caldwell, E. Will, J. W. Byam, superannuated; G. Miller, supernumerary.

YONGE STREET—T. P. Bradshaw, J. Wilson, J. Cook, agent of U. C. Tract Society.

TORONTO—H. Dockham, J. Owen, superannuated.

GEORGETOWN—B. W. Blanchard, B. Lyman, permitted to attend School.

BRAMPTON—J. Ormerod, T. C. Brown, O. G. Collamore, agent for Belleville Seminary.

NELSON—W. Pirritte, L. P. Smith, superannuated.

MARKHAM—C. V. Lake, T. W. Glover.
 MUSKOKA—G. Wilson.
 ORANGEVILLE—A. L. Thurstan, E. G. Wait.
 MELANCTHON—J. Hiscocks.
 NEWMARKET—J. Curtis.
 BROOKLIN—J. Q. Adams, G. S. Thompson, C. W. Frazer, M. D.
 Archer, supernumeraries.
 OSHAWA—D. Pomeroy.

DURHAM DISTRICT. G. BENNETT, P. E.

OSPREY—J. Foster.
 ST. VINCENT—W. H. Shaw, A. V. Hulin.
 TRESWATER—R. L. Tindall, E. G. Fulford, supernumerary.
 HANOVER—D. Carscadden.
 MAHEYBORO—F. M. Finn.
 INVERMAY—J. H. Hiltz.
 COLLINGWOOD—J. W. McKay.
 KINCARDINE—G. Clark.
 ELMA—J. H. Watts.
 GARAFRAXA—D. Perry, B. Lawrence, superannuated.
 CREEMORE—P. E. Knox.
 MOUNT FOREST—W. B. Rowe.
 BLUEVALE—E. Adams.
 P. Empey and D. Wilson, transferred to Bay Quinte Conference.
 W. Benson, transferred to Niagara Conference.

Q.—19. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*

A.—At Willowdale, York County, C. W., to commence the first Wednesday in May, 1865, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN
CANADA, WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE ONTARIO
ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

*Grace be unto you and peace from God, our Father, and from the Lord
Jesus Christ.*

DEAR BRETHREN,—After another year of labor and conflict we have been permitted to assemble once more in our Annual Conference, in order to confer on those matters connected with the interests of our beloved Zion; and having accomplished the objects of our meeting, and being about to separate, in order to resume our labors in those portions of the field assigned us, we send you this, our Annual Pastoral Address.

The present session has been one of great harmony and love. It has been both pleasant and profitable to us thus to meet, exchange our cordial christian salutations, and renew our pledges of constancy and faithfulness in that holy work to which God in his providence, and by his grace, has called us.

It is with unfeigned gratitude to God that we record his great mercy in preserving our lives through another year, and in crowning our unworthy labors with his blessing. In reviewing the labors and events of the year we find abundant cause for thanksgiving and praise to Him whose we are and whom we serve. "Our labor has not been in vain in the Lord." On many, perhaps most of the Circuits souls have been converted and added to the Church, while on some there have been gracious outpourings of the Holy Spirit, and extensive revivals of religion.

The evidences of growth and improvement, which meet the eye in almost every direction, are of a truly encouraging nature. Our ministry is improving, both in numbers and efficiency; our borders are being enlarged, our membership increased, and our means and facilities for promoting the cause of Christ are becoming more adequate from year to year. Parsonages are being built on many of the Circuits, lessening the yearly expenses, and greatly administering to the convenience and comfort of the preachers and their families; places of public worship—substantial edifices—are being erected all over the land, giving stability to the Church, and promise of extensive usefulness in the future. These evidences of your zeal and liberality are as grateful to us as their results will be conducive to the future prosperity of our Zion.

But while we have these evidences of external prosperity let us not forget that our real strength consists in the depth of our piety, and in the holiness, both of heart and life, which we possess. To be a strong church we must be a holy church. Therefore we would enjoin it upon you, above all things else, to cultivate the

"fruits of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, &c." for after all, these constitute the true foundation of all that is really good and useful in the world.

There are several matters of importance to which we desire more particularly to call your attention, among which we mention,—

1st. *That of providing an adequate support for your ministers.* Your interests, as well as theirs, are closely identified with this matter. Would you have an efficient, devoted ministry, the best way to secure it will be to place them above temporal want. If pressed with temporal embarrassment, if they are harassed and borne down by worldly anxieties and cares, they will be greatly unfitted for their work, whereas if free, so as to give themselves wholly to the work, their "profiting" will more fully "appear to all." Your liberality, already displayed in this department of christian duty, is not forgotten or overlooked by us, and the manifest improvement which every year develops is a guarantee that, so far from becoming weary in this department of "well doing" you "will abound more and more therein." There is room for improvement; many of your ministers are but scantily supplied with the means of subsistence. Christ says "The laborer is worthy of his hire," and the apostle tells us that "the Lord has ordained that they that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel." We trust it will be an object of earnest solicitude with you to make your ministers and their families as comfortable as possible while they are laboring to promote your spiritual well being.

2nd. *Our Mission Work.*—We, as a church, are fully committed to this work, and cannot go back therefrom, even if we would; but we trust there is no disposition to relax our labors, or curtail our offerings in behalf of this cause. The Missionary department has grown into a magnitude little anticipated a few years ago. The field stretches from Lower Canada to Sandwich and thence to Georgian Bay, embracing all the newly settled country between. Our church membership, within these limits, is now numbered by thousands, while three or four times that number look to us to supply them with the means of grace, while new fields are constantly opening out before us. But our Treasury is in debt, while the self-sacrificing men who have devoted themselves to this work, are but in part paid for past services, so that we are not able to respond to all the calls that are made upon us. We therefore appeal to you for help. If possible let your liberality be increased. Must we recal our missionaries, or turn a deaf ear to the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us;" or will you put forth a more earnest effort to replenish our exhausted treasury, and enable us to carry the bread of life to the precious souls famishing in the wilderness. You may be assured, that whatever you bestow upon this cause is so much given to God, to be returned to you again with abundant increase.

3rd. *Our Connecional Paper.*—This subject has strong claims upon your attention, and is worthy of your support. We commend it to your favorable consideration, as one of the most efficient means in connection with our itinerancy, for building up the church and spreading holiness over the land. But the paper is in an embarrassed condition, owing, principally, to the neglect of those who have enjoyed all the advantages which it confers, to pay for it. These just dues, thus withheld, amount to over four thousand dollars. Had these subscriptions been promptly paid the *Advocate* would not now be in its present embarrassed state. We appeal to you, dear brethren, and ask if this is right. Your ministers have of their scanty means, contributed, at different times, several thousand dollars, in order to sustain the paper, that the Church might not be deprived of its valuable services; and they must continue to do so, unless you relieve them by promptly paying these just demands. You cannot fail to see the reasonableness of this, and we affectionately entreat you to apply the remedy.

4th. *Sabbath Reform, Bible, Tract, Sunday School, and Temperance Societies,* have strong claims on your sympathy and support. We have not time to dwell upon them, only to commend them to you as among the best means employed for the suppression of vice and crime, promoting the knowledge of God, and advancing the moral and religious interests of society. What means so efficient for the religious instruction of your children and the rising generation, as the Sunday School? What can be more in accordance with the spirit and precepts of the gospel than to supply the poor and destitute with the word of life? And what is more important to the temporal and eternal well being of mankind than the suppression of the odious vice of intemperance? We exhort you, therefore, to give your hearty co-operation with these christian efforts to bless and save mankind.

5th. *The Belleville Seminary.*—The liberal manner in which you have contributed towards this Institution, both for its erection, and for relieving it of debt and embarrassment, is a clear proof that you feel a deep interest in its behalf. This liberality, we sincerely believe, has not been misdirected; the Institution is worthy of your warmest sympathy and support, and it will ultimately more than repay all the labor and expense bestowed upon it. There are several important considerations connected with this subject which we would not have you overlook. The Institution is your own; it is under the direct control of your own Church; it has a competent staff of Professors and teachers, deeply devoted to its interests; is doing a good work for the church and the country; is pervaded by a healthy moral and religious influence, affording the best guarantee in the world of the safety of those attending it; and is increasing in efficiency and

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public favor continually. Its affiliation to the Toronto University, thereby identifying it with our Provincial System of Education, and securing to its students the advantages of a University Degree, places it in a position superior to that of any similar Institution in the land. But its best recommendation is the opportunity it affords of securing a liberal education for your sons and daughters, under the supervision of your own church, free from the dangers attendant upon schools not so circumstanced.

The Seminary has from the beginning labored under serious embarrassments, from which it is not yet free. But during the past two years great progress has been made in raising means for paying off its indebtedness. A subscription of over twenty-five thousand dollars has been secured for the purpose; but in order to provide for all contingences, and make sure of the object had in view, we deem it advisable to continue the canvass for subscriptions in those places where it has not been thoroughly attended to. We ask your co-operation in this. It is also of great importance that the subscription in hand be paid with as little delay as possible, both to satisfy demands of creditors and to save interest. We hope you will make every exertion in your power to do this. You can also aid the Seminary by sending your sons and daughters to it to be educated. To prevent debt is just as important as to pay debt. An average of one student from each of the Circuits and Stations would not only prevent any accumulation of debt, by the running of the School, but furnish a revenue from this source. And what is to hinder this number being obtained?

And now, dear brethren, in conclusion, permit us to urge upon you the importance of personal religion. You are called unto holiness and are commanded to perfect holiness in the fear of God. Your influence for God in the world does not depend upon the profession you make, or the position you occupy, but upon your holiness, both of heart and life. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Your duty is to "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." This implies a constant progress, a going on from strength to strength, a daily advancement in faith, in purity, and in love. Let this be your constant endeavor; "leaving the things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things that are before, press towards the mark. Be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labor shall not be in vain in the Lord."

Do not neglect the appointed means of grace, such as the public worship of God, prayer and class meetings, private and family prayer, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and fasting. These means have been ordained by God, and they are essential to your prosperity as christians. You cannot neglect them without suffering spiritual loss, and jeopardizing your eternal interests. Here backsliding begins, but where it will end who can tell. You can-

not be too earnest and constant in the use of every means within your reach. Let your daily effort be to secure more holiness, more heavenly mindedness, more of the spirit of your Divine Master. Finally, brethren, "be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

Brethren, pray for us, that we may come to you in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ, and that utterance may be given unto us—that we may open our mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel of which we are ambassadors for Christ.

"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

Signed in behalf of the Conference.

P. SMITH,
JAS. RICHARDSON, } *Bishops*

JAMES CURTS, *Secretary.*

Georgetown, April 12th, 1864.

MEMBERS OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE.—S. W. LaDu; G. Shepard.

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TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.—Rev. G. Jones.

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STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Colborne District	S. W. LaDu, P.E.	436 00	436 00	-----
Belleville	S. S. Grove	390 00	390 00	-----
Sidney	D. Wilson	460 00	442 00	18 00
"	W. R. Carr	150 00	150 00	-----
"	W. E. Norman	-----	36 00	-----
Stirling	N. H. Howard	450 00	400 00	50 00
"	A. V. Hallin	175 00	150 00	25 00
Madoc & Hastings	G. Jones	480 00	411 00	69 00
"	J. W. Massey	160 00	142 00	18 00
Cobourg	J. C. Pomeroy	-----	400 00	-----
Omenee & Minden	-----	-----	-----	-----
Brighton	J. M. Simpson	400 00	360 00	40 00
"	A. Campbell	1-7 50	167 50	20 00
Seymour & Norwood	A. Wright	445 00	277 00	-----
"	-----	384 00	163 00	-----
Colborne	W. A. Sills	400 00	400 00	-----
Percy	R. Earl	500 00	357 00	143 00
Hope	R. Sanderson	400 00	373 00	27 00
"	P. L. Sparrow	150 00	137 00	13 00
Orono	O. G. Collamore	337 50	337 50	-----
"	J. Wild	400 00	400 00	-----
Toronto District	S. Morrison	-----	-----	-----
Whitby	L. B. Caldwell	356 00	328 00	-----
"	J. Wilson	200 00	196 58	3 42
"	P. Empey	360 00	213 35	146 65
Oakwood	H. Dockham	450 00	450 00	-----
Yonge Street	T. C. Brown	160 00	160 00	-----
"	T. F. Bradshaw	425 00	359 00	66 00
Toronto	B. W. Blanchard	450 00	380 00	70 00
Georgetown	J. Q. Adams	450 00	401 39	48 61
Brooklyn	J. Ormerod	560 00	457 92	102 08
Brampton	T. Argue	250 00	201 04	46 96
"	T. W. Glover	250 00	203 04	46 96
Nelson	W. Pirritte	450 00	450 00	-----
Newmarket	J. Curtis	450 00	400 00	50 00
Markham	W. Benson	340 00	292 98	48 02
"	C. V. Lake	220 00	188 05	31 95
Muskoka	G. Wilson	300 00	300 00	-----
Orangeville	A. L. Thurstan	316 67	196 51	120 16
"	J. B. Fisher	179 99	121 28	58 71
Carafraza	Chas. Taylor	400 00	290 00	110 00
Durham District	G. Bennett	450 00	392 63	57 37
Osprey	J. Foster	360 00	241 54	118 46
St. Vincent	W. H. Shaw	400 00	320 00	80 00
"	E. Will	200 00	183 00	17 00
Teeswater	R. L. Tindall	350 00	265 00	85 00
Hanover	D. Carscadden	350 00	301 00	49 00
Maryboro'	E. Adams	300 00	185 32	114 68
Invermay	F. M. Finn	375 00	365 00	10 00
Collingwood	J. W. McKay	-----	228 00	-----
Kincardine	G. Clark	350 00	310 00	40 00
Elma	J. G. Watts	400 00	360 00	100 00
M. Forest & Durham	J. H. Hilde	400 00	281 85	118 15
"	J. Hiscocks	162 00	110 00	52 00
Creemore	P. E. Knox	400 00	400 00	-----
Melancthon	W. B. Rowe	300 00	214 00	86 00
Bluevale	P. Hicks	260 00	212 85	47 15

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OF THE BELLEVILLE SEMINARY.

REV. H. DOCKHAM,.....	Oakville.
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J. L. TUCKER, ESQ.,.....	Orono.
C. MALLORY, ESQ.,.....	Cobourg.

CONFERENCE ORDERED 500 Copies of Minutes.
“ “ 500 Missionary Reports.

Conference ordered that the Contingent Collection be taken up
before the first of March.

*The Conference ordered the following Appropriations to meet the claims
of the Superannuated or Worn-out Preachers.*

Sidney.....	\$40 00	Nelson.....	\$25 00
Belleville.....	20 00	Newmarket.....	25 00
Stirling.....	30 00	Muskoka.....	30 00
Madoc.....	30 00	Orangeville.....	25 00
Cobourg.....	38 00	Garafraza.....	25 00
Omemece.....	10 00	Osprey.....	18 00
Brighton.....	40 00	Teeswater.....	18 00
Seymour.....	11 00	St. Vincent.....	22 00
Colborne.....	42 00	Hanover.....	18 00
Percy.....	40 00	Maryboro'.....	14 00
Hope.....	42 00	Invermay.....	18 00
Orono.....	42 00	Collingwood.....	18 00
Whitby.....	40 00	Kincardine.....	18 00
Oakwood.....	25 00	Elma.....	18 00
Yonge Street.....	35 00	Mt. Forrest.....	19 00
Toronto.....	25 00	Creemore.....	20 00
Georgetown.....	35 00	Melancthon.....	12 00
Brooklin.....	30 00	Bluevale.....	12 00
Brampton.....	45 00		
Fifth Collection.....			\$ 200 00
Total amount required.....			1200 00

Conference Ordered that each Preacher in charge of a Circuit
or Mission, be required to appropriate the amount due the
Superannuated Preachers' Fund to the several classes, at the com-
mencement of the year.

REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

Ninety-one Chapels, valued at.....	\$76,643
Twenty-five Parsonages, valued at.....	9,680
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	\$86,323
Belleville Seminary.....	35,000
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Grand Total.....	\$121,323

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

WE, your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of Sabbath Observance, would respectfully report:

That we regard the proper observance of the Christian Sabbath, as a day of rest and devotion, a law of the Eternal, guarded by the most solemn sanctions, and an invaluable blessing to our race. Hence we hail with pleasure and gratitude the success which has attended the efforts put forth for the suppression of Sabbath desecration throughout our land. As a rule, labor is suspended on our railways, canals, and other public works. Saloons, theatres and other places of amusement and crime are closed. Yet we have need of constant and persevering effort in the education of the people, that in all places and under all circumstances the vice of Sabbath breaking may be uprooted—especially in its most common and unnoticed forms—such as social visiting, worldly conversation, Sabbath evening calls, &c. So that while we ask for reform in public works we, consistent with ourselves, use our influence in our own sphere for the keeping holy of the Sacred Day.

We, therefore respectfully submit the following Resolutions:

1st.—That we regard as inconsistent with the sanctity of the Sabbath, the practice commonly allowed in connection with Camp-meetings, of exposing refreshments for sale.

2nd.—That we preach more frequently and pointedly upon the keeping of the Lord's Day, especially against the more common forms of desecration—by precept and example enforcing the Divine command—"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. POMEBOY.
M. D. ARCHER.

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TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your Committee feel it an imperative duty devolving upon them, to urge with unabated and enlightened zeal the important cause of Temperance on all ranks of society, and to discountenance, both by precept and example, the present debasing usages of drinking and dealing in intoxicating liquors. The Temperance cause at first excited surprise and opposition, because of its novelty in opposing the long public and private usages of drinking and trafficking in those liquors; but since its principles have been tested by wise men, and sanctioned by God's word, it has become one of the greatest blessings of the present age to society; yet we have to deplore the fearful consequences constantly occurring from the use of intoxicating drinks, which should stimulate the friends of Temperance not in the least to relax their efforts, but strenuously and lawfully to oppose the use of them as a beverage; and we have abundant reason to be thankful to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and to take courage from the success of its past operations; it has successfully combated the deep seated habits and inveterate prejudices of its opponents; and like every other benevolent and Christian institution, it solicits but a trial of its merits to increase its supporters, strengthen its advocates and perpetuate its principles.

JOHN HISCOCKS. }
JNO. H. WATTS. } Committee.

Georgetown, April 12, 1864.

ALPHABETICAL LIST

*Of Preachers in connection with the Ontario Annual Conference, and
Post Office Address.*

NAMES.	CHARGES.	POST OFFICE.
Adams, J. Q.	Brooklin.	Brooklin.
Archer, M. D.	Brooklin.	Columbus.
Argue, T.	Clark.	Kirby.
Adams, E.	Bluevale.	Bluevale.
Byam, J. W.	Superannuated.	Myrtle.
Bennett, G.	Durham District.	Mount Forest.
Bradshaw, T. P.	Yonge Street.	Willowdale.
Blanchard, B. W.	Orangeville.	Orangeville.
Brown, T. C.	Brampton.	Brampton.
Collamore, O. G.	Agent Seminary.	Brampton.
Curts, J.	Newmarket.	Queensville.
Carscadden, D.	Hanover.	Hanover.
Caldwell, L. B.	Whitby.	Myrtle.

Cook, J.	Agent Tract Society	Orilla.
Clark, G.	Kincardine	Kincardine.
Carman, A., M. A.	Belleville Seminary	Belleville.
Cronter, D.	Seymore and Norwood	West Seymour.
Campbell, A.	Madoc and Hastings	Madoc.
Dockham, H.	Toronto	Oakville.
Danby, M.	Brighton	Brighton.
Earl, R.	Hope	Baltimore.
Eagan, J.	Colborne	Colborne.
Foster, J.	Osprey	Eugenia.
Finn, F. M.	Maryboro'	Drayton.
Fulford, E. J.	Teeswater	Teeswater.
Fraser, C. W.	Brooklin	Oshawa.
Fisher, J. B.	Student	Belleville.
Grove, S. S.	Belleville	Belleville.
Glover, T. W.	Markham	Markham.
Howard, N. H.	Stirling	Stirling.
Hiscocks, J.	Melancthon	Horning's Mills.
Hilts, J. H.	Invermay	Tara.
Hulin, A. V.	St. Vincent	Meaford.
Jones, G.	Brighton	Hilton.
Johnson, H. H.	Superannuated	Frankford.
Knox, P. E.	Creemore	Creemore.
Lawrence, B.	Superannuated	Newbury.
Lake, C. V.	Markham	Markham.
Lyman, B.	Student	Georgetown.
LaDu, S. W.	Colborne District	Colborne.
Morrison, S.	Toronto District	Glenwilliams.
Maybee, A.	Minden	Minden.
Massey, W. J.	Stirling	Stirling.
Meyers, T.	Madoc and Hastings	Madoc.
Miller, G.	Supernumerary	Borelia.
McKay, J. W.	Collingwood	Thornbury.
Norman, E.	Brighton	Brighton.
Newson, C.	Sidney	Frankford.
Ormerod, J.	Brampton	Brampton.
Owen, J.	Superannuated	Gunmarsh, Illinois.
Pomeroy, D.	Oshawa	Whitby.
Pomeroy, J. C.	Colborne	Colborne.
Pirritte, W.	Nelson	Palermo.
Perry, D.	Garafraxa	Garafraxa.
Richardson, J. D. D.	Bishop	Yorkville.
Rowe, W. B.	Mount Forest	Mount Forest.
Smith, P., D. D.	Bishop	Brooklin.

Smith, L. P.	Superannuated	Sylvania, Ohio.
Shaw, W. H.	St. Vincent	Meaford
Simpson, J. M.	Omemee	Omemee.
Sanderson, R.	Cobourg	Cobourg.
Sparrow, J. P.	Oakwood	Oakwood.
Sparrow, P. L.	Seymore and Norwood	West Seymore.
Sills, W. A.	Sidney	Belleville.
Shepard, G.	Belleville	Belleville.
Shepard, H. P., M. A.	Belleville	Belleville.
Thurston, A. L.	Georgetown	Ballinafad
C. Taylor,		Heathcote.
Tindall, R. L.	Teeswater	Teeswater.
Thompson, G. S.	Brooklin	Brooklin.
Thomson, S. A.	Hope	Baltimore.
Wilson, G.	Muskoka	Muskoka.
Wright, A.	Perry	Norham.
Wilson, J.	Yonge Street	Willowdale.
Will, E.	Whitby	Myrtle.
Waite, E. G.	Orangeville	Orangeville.
Wild, J.	Orono	Orono.

NAMES AND STANDING

Of Local Preachers in the Ontario Annual Conference.

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

- Hope Circuit.*—J. Lent, Deacon; P. L. Sparrow, C. Wilton.
Colborne.—C. Newson, C. Underhill, J. Egan, P. Holmes, W. Higgins, A. Drake.
Seymour.—L. Stephens, G. Andrews.
Brighton.—J. Webster, Elder; C. P. Werden, M. McPhail, Deacon;
 A. Campbell, H. McPhail, D. McPhail, J. Wright, J. B. Newcomb,
 Edward Clark.
Percy.—J. L. Sweet, Deacon; F. Cryderman.
Stirling.—L. Johnson, A. V. Hulin.
Sidney.—W. Dafeo, W. Vermilyer, D. Perry, W. R. Carr, Deacon;
 J. Black, W. J. Rixon.
Omemee.—T. Meyers, C. Dies.
Belleville.—M. Danby, A. A. Shepard.
Madoc.—W. J. Massey.
Orono.—J. Carscadden, Deacon; W. Hill, Deacon; N. C. Scott.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

- Garafraza.*—E. Whittle, Deacon; F. More.
Whitby.—J. Bradshaw, Elder; G. Wells, Elder; R. Harnden, Deacon;
 G. Fisher, Deacon; J. Orser, W. Ranous, C. Rose, J. Gordon.

Nelson.—L. Hager, Deacon.
Markam.—T. Jobbitt, J. M. Forsyth, J. C. Cummer.
Brook'in.—J. Campbell, Deacon elect; G. S. Thompson.
Newmarket.—Wright Fogg, D. Perigrine
Oakwood.—A. Dake, T. C. Brown.
Brampton.—A. Hutton.
Georgetown.—Frances Warren, M. Kennedy, Deacon.
Toronto.—J. Cronkwright.
Orangeville.—W. Hill, T. S. McCormick.

DURHAM DISTRICT.

Elma.—Richard Vines, Elder; James Vines, Deacon elect.
Maryborough.—W. C. Smith.
Bluavale.—P. Hicks, Deacon; D. Quay.
St. Vincent.—Simon Hogg, J. D. Kergan, J. Raymond.
Mc. Forest.—J. P. Bissell, A. Cripps.
Invermay.—J. Anderson.
Teeswater.—J. F. Halstead.
Melancthon.—E. Hardy, E. Hulbert, J. Bell.

COURSE OF STUDY.

1ST YEAR.—Bible, as to doctrine—questions based upon the Articles of Faith in Discipline. Watson's Apology; Watson's Institutes (1st and 2nd parts); Wesley's Plain account of Christian Perfection; Binney's Theoretical Compendium; Discipline (Baker's Notes); Stevens' History of Methodism, (1st volume); English Grammar; Lovell's Geography; Kitto's Biblical Geography; Reading before the Committee, and a written Essay to be produced.

2ND YEAR.—Bible, as to its doctrines—a review of 1st year; Watson's Institutes, (3rd and 4th parts); Wesley's Sermons; Hubbard on Baptism; Luckey's Lord's Supper; Discipline, (Baker's Notes); Bangs' Original Church; Steven's History of Methodism, 2nd vol.; Ruter's Church History; Parker's Natural Philosophy; Grammar; Neuman's Rhetoric; Logie, (Hedge's); A written Sermon to be produced.

3RD YEAR.—Bible, as to its doctrines, (a review of 1st and 2nd years); as also to its History, Chronology and Evidences; Fletcher's Checks; McIlvaine's Evidences of Christianity; Horne's Introduction; Stevens' History of Methodism, (3rd vol.); Upham's Mental Philosophy; Tytlers History; A written Essay or Sermon to be produced.

4TH YEAR.—Review of the whole course—Additional Books of Reference—Stevens' Church Polity; Hallam's Middle Ages; D'Aubigne's Reformation; Townley's Biblical Literature; Claude's Essay on Composition; A written Essay or Sermon to be produced.

The Examining Committee will meet the candidates for Examination, at the M. E. Chapel, Willowdale, on Tuesday, immediately preceding the sitting of Conference, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

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Niagara Annual Conference.

MINUTES of the Twenty-first Session of the Niagara Annual Conference, held in St. Marys, County of Perth, C. W., commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the 20th of April, A. D., 1864, being in the Thirty-sixth year of the separate existence of the M. E. Church in Canada.

BISHOPS PRESIDING.—Philander Smith, D. D., Senior; James Richardson, D. D.

Divine Services, at the opening of Conference, consisted of Bishop Smith reading the 12th chapter 1st Corinthians, and the 205th hymn; after singing, by the Conference, E. Bristol, G. Abbs, and Bishop Richardson, lead in prayer.

M. Benson, by ballot, was elected *Secretary*; J. N. Elliott was chosen *Assistant Secretary*.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON NOMINATIONS—T. Webster, W. D. Hughson, E. Lounsbury.

DIVINE SERVICE—E. Lounsbury, C. S. Eastman, M. Lowry.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS—R. B. Cook, S. Terwilligar, G. Hartley.

ON MISSIONS—J. McLean, A. Jones, J. Gilray, P. Smith, jun., W. S. Wright.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—J. Wood, E. A. Terwilligar.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—E. Bartram, W. Yokom.

TEMPERANCE—J. M. Collins, J. Hayward.

CHURCH PROPERTY—A. E. Griffith, S. L. Kerr, C. Burdett.

PASTORAL ADDRESS—T. Webster, S. Card.

EDUCATION AND BELLEVILLE SEMINARY—E. Bristol, B. B. Rogers, I. B. Richardson, G. Hunt, B. Bristol.

PRINTING—S. Stewart, W. Graham, J. T. Davis.

WAYS AND MEANS—The Presiding Elders.

CONTINGENT FUND—J. C. Tufford, C. Burdett, E. Draper.

SUPERANNUATED FUND—D. Culp, E. Bristol, G. Lawrence.

SLAVERY—G. Smith, M. Lowry, F. M. Smith.

OBITUARIES—H. J. Kilty, C. S. Eastman.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND—J. R. Philips, R. Service.

ADVISORY—NIAGARA DISTRICT—G. Abbs, E. Bristol.

“ Oxford “ W. Graham, J. M. Collins.

“ London “ J. P. Morden, H. J. Kilty.

ON COURSE OF STUDY FOR ENSUING YEAR—Announced by the Bishops: G. Abbs, E. Lounsbury, D. Culp.

EXAMINATION—T. Webster, Chairman. 1st Year: W. Cope, J. P. Morden. 2nd Year: E. Bristol, M. Benson. 3rd Year: A. Haasberger, J. N. Elliott. 4th Year: J. McLean, E. Lounsbury.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—D. Barker, M. D. Terwilligar, J. W. B. Johnson, D. Williams, R. Book, R. C. Parsons.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—W. G. Brown, T. Rouston, D. Watson, M. Dimmick, J. Hubbell, J. F. Fairchilds, J. A. Livingston

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

A.—M. A. Wright, H. Locke, W. Fansher, S. Short, S. C. McNames.

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

A.—J. W. Yokom, B. B. Rogers, E. Harris, S. C. McNames, M. A. Wright,* H. Locke,* W. Fansher,* S. Short.*

Q. 5.—*Who have been elected and ordained Elders this Year?*

A.—J. N. Elliott, C. S. Eastman, E. A. Terwilligar, M. Lowry.

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—P. Smith, D. D., J. Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who have located this year?*

A.—N. R. Ry, J. P. Morden, left without an appointment by his own request, D. Watson, permitted to attend school.

Q. 8.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—E. Harris, C. Sweazy, B. B. Rogers, W. Cope.

Q. 9.—*Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?*

A.—G. Turner, D. Griffin, D. Culp, E. Bristol, S. Stewart.

Q. 10.—*Who have been expelled from the connexion this year?*

A.—None.

* Ordained this year.

Q. 11.—*Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 12.—*Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

A.—They are, as far as could be ascertained by strict individual examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—*Who have died this year?*

A.—C. Pettys.

Q. 14.—*What are the numbers in Society?*

A.—

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland.....	222	Saltfleet.....	295
Pelham.....	226	Dunnville.....	113
Smithville.....	200	Flamboro'.....	136
Barton and Hamilton....	130	Beverly.....	288
Eramosa.....	150	Brant.....	311
Rainham.....	125	Hartford.....	44
Ancaster.....	126	Tuscarora.....	47
St. Davids.....	45		
Canboro'.....	167	Total on District..	2625

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford.....	341	Goderich.....	40
Malahide.....	285	Maitland.....	70
Dorchester.....	317	Stanly.....	65
Vienna.....	100	Seaforth.....	66
Blenheim.....	178	Walsingham.....	59
Oakland.....	233	London Station.....	101
Norwich.....	372		
Embro.....	94	Total on District..	2532
St. Marys.....	211		

LONDON DISTRICT.

London.....	230	Bosanquet.....	112
Southwold.....	130	Arkona.....	66
Florence.....	175	McGilvary.....	88
Howard.....	330	Strathroy.....	65
Sandwich.....	42	Enniskillen.....	33
Blythewood.....	87	Oil Springs.....	39
Dover.....	290	Newbury.....	89
St. Clair.....	97		
Brooke.....	110	Total on District..	1983

RECAPITULATION.

Niagara District.....	2625
Oxford ".....	2532
London ".....	1983
Total No. of Members this year.....	7140
" " last year.....	6985
Increase.....	155
Number of Traveling Preachers this year.....	73
" " last year.....	61
Increase.....	12

Q. 15.—*What is the amount of Fifth Collection?*

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland.....	\$6 51	Canboro'.....	\$2 90
Pelham.....	7 15	Saltfleet.....	10 00
Smithville.....	4 00	Dunnville.....	2 16
Barton and Hamilton..	4 00	Flamboro'.....	11 00
Eramosa.....	5 00	Beverly.....	19 00
Rainham.....	7 00	Brant.....	8 00
Ancaster.....	3 62	Tuscarora.....	2 60
St. Davids.....	1 55		
Hartford.....	2 00	Total on District..	\$95 89

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford.....	\$12 10	Goderich.....	\$2 50
Malahide.....	5 25	Maitland.....	3 00
Dorchester.....	9 70	Stanly.....	2 00
Vienna.....	2 50	Seaforth.....	3 75
Blenheim.....	7 00	Walsingham.....	3 20
Oakland.....	9 05	London Station.....	2 95
Norwich.....	9 50		
Embro.....	6 10	Total on District..	\$91 30
St. Marys.....	12 70		

LONDON DISTRICT.

London Ct.....	\$6 54	Brooke.....	\$4 00
Southwold.....	4 34	Bosanquet.....	5 00
Florence.....	7 00	Arkona.....	7 00
Howard.....	17 00	McGilvary.....	3 06
Sandwich, no return...		Strathroy.....	1 50
Blythewood.....	6 04	Enniskillen.....	3 00
Dover.....	3 40	Oil Springs.....	3 40
Newbury.....	5 19		
St. Clair.....	1 50	Total on District..	\$77 97

RECAPITULATION.

Niagara District.....	\$95 89
Oxford ".....	91 31
London ".....	77 97
Conference Collection.....	15 40
Grand Total.....	\$280 57

Q. 16.—How was the Fifth Collection expended?

A.—			
Paid D. Culp.....	\$55 48	Paid Widow Pickett..	27 74
" S. Stewart.....	55 48	" Widow Michell..	27 74
" G. Turner.....	55 48	" Widow Bailey..	27 74
" Cob. Stationery.	3 17	Total Expenditure....	\$280 57
" Widow Huston.	27 74		

Q. 17.—Where are the preachers stationed?

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NIAGARA DISTRICT. T. WEBSTER, P. E.

WELLAND CIRCUIT—R. B. Cook.
 PELHAM—J. C. Burnell, C. Sweazy, Supernumerary.
 DUNNVILLE—R. C. Parsons.
 ST. DAVIDS—J. W. B. Johnson.
 SMITHVILLE—F. M. Smith, G. Crossfield, left without an appointment at his own request.
 SALTFLLEET—P. Smith, Jr., W. G. Brown.
 BARTON AND HAMILTON—J. Draper, G. Abbs, Editor and Book Ag't.
 FLAMBORO—E. Bartram, W. Cope, Supernumerary.
 BEVERLY—A. Hunsberger, S. Stewart, Superannuated.
 ANCASTER—G. Hunt, E. Bristol, Superannuated.
 BRANT—W. Benson. One to be sent.
 ERANOSA—G. Smith.
 CANBORO—R. Service.

OXFORD DISTRICT. W. GRAHAM, P. E.

OXFORD—M. Benson, S. Short, G. Turner, Superannuated; B. B. Rogers, Supernumerary; D. Watson, left without an appointment to attend school at his own request.
 BLENHEIM—C. S. Eastman.
 OAKLAND—S. Terwillager, D. Culp, Superannuated.
 NORWICH—E. Lounsbury. One to be sent.
 EMBRO—J. Wood.
 ST. MARY'S—M. Lowry, J. N. Elliott.
 WALSINGHAM—J. C. Tufford.
 TUSCARORA—R. Book.
 HARTFORD—E. Draper, J. Hayward, Supernumerary.
 RAINHAM—A. E. Griffith.
 NANTICOKE—D. Williams.
 VIENNA—J. A. Livingston, D. Griffin, Superannuated.

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LONDON DISTRICT. J. McLEAN, P. E.

- SOUTHWOLD—A. Jones, M. Dimmick.
 STRATHROY—H. J. Kilty, J. P. Morden, left without an appointment
 at his own request.
 MCGILLIVRAY—G. Hartley. One to be sent.
 MALAHIDE—J. R. Phillips, E. A. Terwilliger.
 DORCHESTER—B. Bristol.
 GODERICH—S. L. Kerr.
 MAITLAND—H. Locke.
 STANLEY—W. Yokom.
 SEAFORTH—S. Card.
 LONDON STATION—J. Gilray
 LONDON CIRCUIT—W. D. Hughson, W. Fansher.
 BOSANQUET—J. M. Collins.
 ARKONA—S. T. Davis.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT. I. B. RICHARDSON, P. E.

- FLORENCE—J. W. Yokom.
 HOWARD—W. S. Wright, M. D. Terwilliger.
 SANDWICH—To be supplied.
 BLYTHEWOOD—T. Rouston.
 DOVER—J. F. Fairchilds.
 SYDENHAM AND WALLACEBURG—M. A. Wright. One to be sent.
 ST. CLAIR—S. C. McNamee, D. Barker.
 BROOKR—G. Lawrence.
 ENNISKILLEN—J. Hubbell.
 OIL SPRINGS—To be supplied.
 NEWBURY—C. Burdett.

Q.—18. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*

A.—At Strathroy, in the County of Middlesex, C. W., to commence
 at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the third Wednesday in April, A. D., 1865.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE NIAGARA ANNUAL CONFERENCE :

DEAR BRETHREN,—In presenting you this our Annual Address,
 we cannot do better than adopt the uniform salutory of Paul
 in his Epistles, and say—"Grace be to you, and peace from God
 the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ." Another year with its
 seasons of labor and of rest; its joys and its sorrows; its hopes
 and its fears, has passed away, having added its installment of
 history to the past. The Conference, just closed, passed off har-
 moniously. Several difficult questions came up for investigation,
 but difference of opinion was guarded by Christian forbearance

and brotherly love. Allow us to say that the longer we serve in the Gospel, the more we witness of its glorious power, the more we enjoy of its saving influence, the more we love the truth, and its Divine Author, and the more convinced do we become that religion is from God, and leads to God.

The health of your Ministers has been good during the year; with a few exceptions strength to labor has been given. For the grace vouchsafed during the year we also feel thankful; likewise for the degree of prosperity that has attended our feeble labors. The increase in membership in this Conference this year, is 155. To God be all the glory.

It is a matter of thankfulness to God that he is raising up so many young men of character and acquirements, who are ready to grasp the standard of the cross and bear it victoriously forward, until he shall come whose right it is to reign.

In particularising those principles and duties to which we would invite your prayerful attention, allow us to mention the necessity of

CHRISTIAN HOLINESS.

We are convinced more than ever that the great secret of success, individually as well as collectively, lies in our entire devotedness to God and his cause. As a denomination, success does not depend so much upon numbers as character; upon quantity as upon quality. Large accessions to the church are gratifying; yet in our ambition let us not lose sight of the necessity of each member possessing that purity of character and life which alone will qualify us to be what the Saviour has designated us, the "salt of the earth;" and, also, to enter upon that inheritance, where nothing unclean shall enter. "Be ye holy, for I am holy," saith the Lord. Be not contented with mere church connections; but strive daily by watching unto prayer, that you may be Isarelites, indeed, in whom there is no guile.

Allow us, also, dear brethren, to mention the necessity, and urge upon you the importance of sustaining your prayer and class-meetings. Let each member hold it to be his duty—a duty from which there is no relief when it is impossible to be in attendance—to be in their place at each class-meeting and prayer-meeting. As Methodists we think it impossible to retain that vigor and power which ought to characterise us, without a faithful attendance upon these means. It will be a great relief to your minister or ministers, and add greatly to their confidence in you to know that in his absence you are punctual in these means.

For the support kindly contributed to your pastors during the last year, we feel thankful. We would suggest, however, that in some places improvement ought to be made. Your ministers are men of one work, and they are worthy of their hire.

We also would urge upon you the necessity and importance of more liberal contributions to the support of our

SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

We cannot too highly esteem our venerable fathers and worn-out ministers. In the time when days were dark and friends were few, they grasped the falling standard of the denomination, and bore it onward amid persecutions, and sacrifices, and extreme labors. They have come down from the past in the greatness of their strength, and it is an honor to have the privilege of contributing to their support. Their counsels and advice, their spirituality and influence, all are invaluable. For the honor of the church, let the fund be increased to such proportions that our Superannuated Preachers shall be well sustained.

OUR MISSION WORK.

Bear in mind, brethren, that as a branch of the Christian Church, to us is committed a measure of the responsibility, and a part of the work of evangelizing the world. It is bad philosophy and worse policy to think that you lose by liberal contributions. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty." It is a matter of deep regret that our Missionary Treasury is still deeply embarrassed. If Missionaries were to receive the entire appropriation, it would be barely sufficient. What then must be their burden when they receive but thirty or fifty per cent.? A little greater sacrifice than usual, and the desired relief is given.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

You cannot appreciate too highly these nurseries of the church. Remember, dear brethren, that the young must have a moral training. Influences will meet them everywhere, that will lead them from God. If the church neglects this matter, rest assured the world will take it up. No better policy can be adopted in evangelizing the world than to make a part of the programme to consist in Sabbath School instruction, and send them to the world with character and principle. Let Denominational Schools be established wherever it is practicable—amply supply them with teachers and with funds, and many shall rise up to call you blessed.

OUR CONNEXIONAL PAPER.

Our excellent *Christian Advocate* claims your increased support. We are glad to possess a connexional paper that will compare favorably with any other religious journal in the country. It wings its way weekly into thousands of homes—going like a flame of fire

throughout the land, and by its spiritual, pithy, and wisely selected articles, arrests the wandering footsteps of the sinner, and leads him back to God; while at the same time it encourages and builds up believers in the divine life. Can we allow such an all-powerful auxiliary of the gospel—such an advocate of the principles of the denomination—such a defendent of the honor and integrity of the church when assailed—can we allow it to fail and be discontinued, and live without a religious journal in the connexion, while our membership numbers over 20,000, and adherents over 70,000? Is it possible that the paper can be sustained with the present meagre subscription list. It is not possible. There ought to be ten thousand subscribers, and there might be. You want it, your family wants it, your neighbor wants it, the concern wants your help, and the denomination wants it, and God wants it. Send on your money, and lift the *Advocate* out of its consumptive condition.

BELLEVILLE COLLEGE.

With anxious solicitude do we bring to your attention the Belleville College. For the unprecedented manner in which thus far you have stood to the rescue of our noble institution, receive our heartfelt thanks; and this but feebly expresses our appreciation of your liberality. But, brethren, financial embarrassment still rolls its accumulated waves against it, and threatens to engulf it. Are we willing to abandon our undertaking—sound a retreat—and leap from the jaws of Scylla into the mouth of Charybdis? We are committed to the work; there is no alternative; we must go on. Some of their institutions in the church in the United States point to twenty years of financial embarrassment, and yet they succeeded. And why may not we succeed. Are we willing to set a precedent of failure to clog the wheels of progress in the future history of the church? This difficulty overcome and success will infuse strength into our denominational heart, and we shall emerge from this wilderness of difficulties—leaning upon the arm of our beloved—“Fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners.”

Forget not, dear brethren, the importance and claims of the Bible and Tract Societies. They waft holy influences into neighborhoods and families, where the voice of the preacher is seldom or never heard, and bear the seeds of devotedness to God into hearts unaccustomed to think or feel.

The cause of Sabbath Observance received our serious consideration. We mention as prominent among the agencies to promote Sabbath Observance, the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society. And we rejoice that in our own province so much improvement has been made in this direction. “Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.”

TEMPERANCE.

We deplore the ravages of this monster evil, Intemperance. Receiving its commission from the burning throne in pandemonium—sanctioned we are sorry to say by the authority of the land—it continues to sweep its pathway of destruction through the earth; leaving in its wake, withered hopes, blighted destinies, poverty, ignorance, crime and death. The best authority of our lands declare it to be the cause of more than three-fourths of all the crimes, murders, manslaughters, and imprisonments under which the land groans. In the name of God and suffering humanity, let us arise and gird ourselves to the battle. Let no brother stand upon doubtful ground, but be thoroughly committed to the cause of Temperance. Give your support and influence to the Temperance Organizations in the land, and under the blessing of God, we hope in good time to drive this withering curse from the land. Rest not until legal prohibition crown your efforts.

And now brethren we are to receive our appointments. We are of like passions as other men, and need your sympathies and prayers, while we strive to serve you faithfully in the Gospel of Christ. "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly, above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us. Unto him be glory in the church, by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

PHILANDER SMITH, }
JAS. RICHARDSON, } *Bishops.*

M. BENSON, *Secretary, Con.*

St. Marys, April 25, 1864.

OBITUARY.

REV. CHARLES PETTYS was born in New Ashford, State of Mass., May 3rd, 1777. He removed to Canada in the 11th year of his age, and settled with his parents near Prescott. He made a profession of religion under the labors of Rev. James Colman, in January, 1795, and commenced to exhort under the administration of Rev. Sylvanus Keeler, the next conference year. He removed to East Flamboro' in 1809, and continued his labors as an exhorter.

In 1812 he was called out in defence of the Province, but was soon placed in some position in the commissariat department, by means of which he was not exposed to the hardships or dangers of other soldiers. He, however, continued to hold meetings in and about Niagara—being a soldier of the cross as well as a soldier of the King of England. Here Bro. P. was useful. He was a good exhorter, sympathetic and acceptable to the people.

After the war he removed to the North St., in Westminster. This was about the year 1815 or 1816. Here, too, he collected the few scattered settlers together for prayer and exhortation, when there were only six grown up persons in the vicinity, including the subject of this notice and his wife. The people, however, soon commenced to settle in very rapidly, so that in less than two years he had formed two societies containing a total of about seventy members, extending the work along the North St. Some of this number had been Methodists before their arrival in Westminster. Many were, however, new converts,—the fruits of an awakening which commenced in the following manner: On Christmas Eve a dance was to be attended at or near Dingman's Creek, and Mr. P. hearing of the matter went to the place, and succeeded in turning the minds of the people in a religious direction, and stopping the dance.

He is supposed to have been the first Methodist who held religious services where St. Thomas is now situated. He visited the Jacobs settlement, in London, some time in the Summer or Fall of 1818, and held meetings among the people, soon forming a class of twenty-three persons. He also held the first public religious services in the Township of Lobo.

Bro. P. commenced to travel as an itinerant preacher in 1828, under the P. E., and labored on the London Circuit with Mr. Whiting—Oxford with J. Bailey, and they extended their work to Stratford, Goderich and the adjacent places. He next traveled Dumfries, then the Thames, and again he was sent to the Dumfries Circuit. In 1833 the division in the M. E. Church (inaptly termed the Union) was effected. Bro. P. strongly opposed the measure, believing it to be unconstitutional; and he did much toward supplying the word to the societies which refused to submit to the aggressions of the Canada Conference, though he felt keenly the reproaches heaped upon him by his former brethren, lay and clerical,

who took a different view of the case. His attachment to the M. E. Church was as strong in the days of its adversity, under weakness, as in the days of its glory and strength. From 1833, until he became superannuated, he devoted his time to, and was not sparing of his means in endeavouring—in connection with his brethren—to build up the waste places of Zion. He outlived those days of depression and darkness; and by the blessing of God upon the efforts of His ministers our venerable brother lived to see the church which had been the means of his conversion, and to which he had unflinchingly adhered throughout her day of sore conflict, with the breaches in her wall repaired, her courts crowded with earnest worshipers, and by the power of the most High going on from strength to strength.

His house was always a hospitable home for the ministers of Christ; and his pious and benevolent companion—now his aged widow—ably aided his efforts, encouraging him to persevere in his work of faith and labor of love.

Bro. Pettys departed this life on the 29th of August, 1863, in great peace, being in the 87th year of his age.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SLAVERY.

Your Committee on Slavery beg leave to enter their unqualified protest against this unholy traffic in human beings, from many weighty and serious considerations. It is revolting to every principle of humanity, dishonoring to God, and invasive of the rights and liberties of citizenship; a liberty which is the exclusive prerogative of every human being, and the charter-right of every moral agent. We hereby cordially express our sympathies with the efforts now being made in the neighboring Republic to abolish that foul blot which has so long disgraced that otherwise prosperous and noble country, and though sorry that it has required a grievous and afflictive war for its extinction, we trust we shall yet have occasion to rejoice in its complete final overthrow. We believe that God has had a controversy with that very nation, pending for years previously on that very question, and as they have been slow to learn God's implied will, and consequently have not shaken off the cruel yoke of bondage from the neck of the oppressed and captive slave, God has seen fit to make his anger more apparent by signal manifestations of displeasure, and has at length come forth as a mighty man of war to shake the nation and rouse the slumbering energies of every friend of humanity, to take more decisive measures for its complete overthrow. If the rights of man's liberty and freedom are ruthlessly invaded, and oppres-

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sion and tyranny take the place of equity and justice, we believe that Heaven will ultimately come to the rescue, and interpose in behalf of those laws which God has made the birthright of all his rational and intelligent creatures. The modern Pharaohs of op-pression shall be plagued with God's judgments till the notes of the trumpet shall proclaim throughout the length and breadth of the land the jubilee of freedom arrived. Thank God, we live in a land where freedom reigns triumphant, though once her dark foot-prints marked the soil of our beloved Canada. This may appear to many a startling statement, but it is nevertheless true, that in the second session of Parliament in Upper Canada, which commenced on the 31st day of May, 1793, in Newark, now the town of Niagara, thirteen useful bills were passed, the fourth of which was an Act to prevent the further introduction of slaves into Upper Canada. The preamble had the following very significant words: "Whereas it is unjust that a people who enjoy freedom by law should encourage the introduction of slavery," &c. It was then enacted, that "No negro shall hereafter be imported as a slave," and that all colored persons should be free at the age of 25 years. Slavery was abolished in Lower Canada ten years after-ward, that is in 1803. We rejoice to know that the M. E. Church in Canada has always been firm in discountenancing this climax of human evils, and in corroboration of this fact we have only to call attention to the general rules of our society contained in our excellent book of Discipline, wherein "the buying and selling of men, women, and children with an intention to enslave them" is prohibited. This report is not uncalled for by us as a religious body at the present time, as there are many in Canada whose sympathies are with the Southern Confederacy in the struggle now going on in the neighboring Republic. We most unhesitatingly declare our dissent from such views, and are free to confess that our sympathies are with those who are nobly struggling for freedom, and regret to think that there are any advocates for slavery on British soil. May our fair land ever enjoy the right of freedom, and the flag of liberty still wave o'er us and our children to the latest posterity. Our earnest prayer is that peace and liberty may be speedily restored to the United States, and that moral, political and uni-versal emancipation may soon gain its final and complete ascendancy.

GEORGE SMITH, }
 M. LOWRY, } Committee.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

CHARGES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Bible Classes	Volumes in Library.	Expenses.	Papers.	Union Schools.
							\$		
NIAGARA DIST.									
Welland	3	21	121			170			
Pelham	1	12	40						
Dunneville	2	23	149			200	2.00		
Saltfleet	4	48	155		3	350	17.87		
Barton	1	15	80	4	6	700		1	
Flamboro'	1	14	50		2	300	2.00		
Beverly	4	55	215	2	2	200	25.00		
Brant	6	35	250	5	7	1155	56.80		
Hartford	2	11	80		7	800	75.00		
Cauboro'	2	24	110	1	7	50			
Smithville	3	37	150	2	4	425	8.00		
	28	293	1400	29	40	5450	221.67		
OXFORD DIST.									
Oxford	2	25	310			400	5.00		
Embro	3	23	115		1	500			
Seaforth	1	6	40	1	1	75			
Godersich	1	7	25	3					
London St.	1	7	33		2	100	5.00		
Blenham	3	36	190	10	3	648	60.00		
Norwich	4	34	210		2	650	65.00		
Malahide	5	24	300			400			5
	20	142	1223	16	8	2773	135.00		5
LONDON DIST.									
Dover	3	22	130			200			
Arkona	1	8	80			250	2.70	70	
Southwold	1	6	45			100			
Bosanquet									
St. Clair	2	12	40		2	150			5
Howard	1	9	60		1	120			
Florence	1	10	50		1	150	16.00		
	9	63	405		4	970	18.70	70	5

RECAPITULATION.

CHARGES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Bible Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Expenses.	Papers.	Union Schools.
Niagara District.	28	293	1400	29	40	5450	\$ 221.67	1	
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London "	9	63	405		4	970	18.70	70	5
Total in Con...	57	498	3028	45	52	9193	375.37	71	10

SCHOOLS.

Your Committee exceedingly regret that there are so few Denominational Schools in this Conference, and that there is a large number of Circuits that have none whatever. We would therefore recommend that each preacher or minister in charge be required to preach on the subject once a year, on each appointment, and put forth special efforts as far as is practicable to establish said Schools.

All of which we respectfully submit,

ELI BARTRAM.
W. YOKOM.
J. W. YOKOM.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
St. Mary's, April 22nd, 1864.

REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

DISTRICTS.	No. Chapels.	Value.	No. Parsonages.	Value.	Total Church Property.
		\$		\$	\$
Niagara ...	50	42445 00	10	6900 00	49145 00
Oxford ...	41	46500 00	10	7100 00	53600 00
London ...	32	20800 00	11	3325 00	24125 00
Total Value.....					\$126,870

COURSE OF STUDY.

1ST YEAR.—Bible, as to doctrine—questions based upon the Articles of Faith in Discipline. Watson's Institutes, first part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Apology; Wesley's Plain account of Christian Perfection; Discipline (Baker's Notes); Stevens' History of Methodism, (1st volume); English Grammar; Lovell's Geography; Kitto's Biblical Geography; Wesley's Sermons (1st vol.); Reading before the Committee; Writing from dictation, and a written Essay or Sermon to be produced.

2ND YEAR.—Bible, as to Sacraments; also a review of the first year on doctrines. Watson's Institutes, second part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity. Steven's History of Methodism, (2nd vol.); Ruter's Church History to the 12th century. Hibbard on Baptism; Luckey's Lord's Supper; Peck's Central Idea of Christianity; Tytler's General History; Bangs' Original Church

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of Christ; Parker's Natural Philosophy; English Grammar; Newman's Rhetoric; Hedge's Logic; Reading before the Committee; Dictation. A written Sermon or Essay to be produced.

3RD YEAR.—Bible, History and Chronology; also a review of the first and second years on doctrines and sacraments; Watson's Institutes, 3rd part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; McIlvaine's Evidences of Christianity; Stevens' History of Methodism, (3rd vol.); Horne's Introduction; Tytler's General History; Upham's Mental Philosophy; Logic; Rhetoric; A written Essay or Sermon.

4TH YEAR.—Review of the whole course—Watson's Institutes, 4th part, or Rolston's Elements of Divinity; Upham's Mental Philosophy; Wayland's Moral Philosophy; Rhetoric; Logic; Additional Books of Reference; Stevens' Church Polity; D'Aubigne's Reformation; Claude's Essay on Composition. A written Essay or Sermon

Your Committee would recommend that the Examining Committee meet the candidates for examination on the Tuesday next preceeding the opening of Conference, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

GEO. ABBS.

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The Examining Committee will meet the candidates for examination on Tuesday, immediately preceding the sitting of Conference, at 10 o'clock, A. M., in the M. E. Church, Strathroy, C.W.

APPORTIONMENTS OF THE SUPERANNAUTED FUND.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Welland Ct.....	\$30 00	Saltfleet.....	\$40 00
Pelham.....	35 00	Dunnville.....	10 00
Smithville.....	30 00	Flamboro'.....	20 00
Barton.....	25 00	Hartford.....	5 00
Eramosa.....	30 00	Ancaster.....	20 00
Rainham.....	15 00	Brant.....	40 00
Dumfries.....	30 00		
St. Davids.....	5 00		
Ganboro'.....	15 00		
		Total on District..	\$350 00

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford Ct.	\$40 00	Goderich	\$10 00
Dorchester.	30 00	Maitland	5 00
Malahide.	30 00	Stanly	10 00
Vienna.	15 00	Seaforth	10 00
Blenheim.	20 00	Walsingham	5 00
Oakland.	20 00	London Station.	10 00
Norwich.	45 00		
Embroy.	15 00		
St. Mary's.	35 00		
		Total on District. .	\$300 00

LONDON DISTRICT.

London Ct.	\$25 00	Bosanquet.	\$15 00
Southwold.	20 00	McGilvary.	10 00
Florence.	20 00	Strathroy.	10 00
Newbury.	20 00	Enniskillen.	5 00
Howard.	30 00	Oil Springs.	10 00
Sandwich.	15 00	Blythwood.	10 00
Dover.	35 00	Arkona.	20 00
St. Clair.	10 00		
Brooke.	15 00		
		Total on District. .	\$270 00
Total of Appointments.			\$920 00

CONTINGENT FUND.

Barton Ct.	\$2 00	London Station.	\$2 54
Eramaso.	2 00	Blenheim	5 00
Brant.	4 00	Dover.	1 50
Oakland.	6 60	Walsingham	2 15
Howard.	6 80	Norwich.	7 00
Beverly.	5 50	Malahide	1 30
Seaforth.	2 62	Embroy.	3 73
Blythwood.	3 61	Florence.	2 00
Stanly.	1 00	Arkona.	6 00
Welland.	1 71	Bosanquet.	3 50
McGilvary.	1 49	Goderich.	1 00
Dunville.	1 50	Dorchester.	4 86
Southwold.	2 00	Pelham.	7 00
Brooke.	1 62	Saltfleet.	3 00
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Ancaster.	2 61	St. Marys.	6 50
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Canboro'.	1 50		
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		Total in Conference. .	\$133 38

DISBURSEMENT OF CONTINGENT FUND.

Paid Bishop Richardson, Traveling expenses....	\$ 5 00
To D. Culp.....	44 00
“ F. M. Smith.....	9 00
“ G. Smith.....	37 69
“ J. C. Tufford.....	37 69
Total.....	\$133 38

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE BISHOPS.—Philander Smith,
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NIAGARA ANNUAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF
THE BELLEVILLE SEMINARY BOARD :—J. McLean; M. Benson.
VISITOR.—E. Lounsbury.

BOOK COMMITTEE.—E. Bristol.

TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—J. Draper, Hannon.
SECRETARY OF Do. Do. S. Card, Seaforth.

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.—J. McLean, London.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS.—P. Smith, Junr., Tapleystown.

CONFERENCE ORDERED 500 Copies of Minutes.
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<i>Niagara District</i>	T. Webster.....	520 00	486 00	34 00
Welland.....	R. B. Cook.....	350 00	315 00	35 00
St. Davids.....	D. Williams.....	250 00	218 00	32 00
Pelham.....	J. Draper.....	375 00	320 00	55 00
".....	118 00	102 00	16 00	
".....	T. Rouston.....	400 00	400 00	
Dunnville.....	P. Smith, Junr.....	400 00	300 00	100 00
Smithville.....	F. M. Smith.....	450 00	450 00	
Saltfleet.....	J. McLean.....	100 00	100 00	
".....	J. W. Johnson.....	200 00	181 00	19 00
Barton & Hamilton.....	E. Bristol.....	200 00	181 00	19 00
".....	M. Demnick.....	400 00	400 00	
Flamboro'.....	E. Bartram.....	400 00	400 00	
Rainham.....	A. E. Griffith.....	850 00	380 00	
Beverly.....	G. Hunt.....	400 00	400 00	
Ancaster.....	E. Draper.....	400 00	450 00	
Brant.....	J. N. Elliot.....	345 00	325 00	19 75
Eramosa.....	G. Smith.....			
Hartford.....	J. Hayward.....	350 00	305 00	45 00
Canboro'.....	R. Service.....			
Tuscarora.....	W. D. Kelly.....			
<i>Oxford District</i>	E. Lounsbury.....	500 00	500 00	
Oxford Ct.....	M. Benson.....	500 00	465 45	34 55
".....	B. B. Rogers.....	200 00	186 18	13 82
".....	J. R. Philips.....	365 00	375 00	
Malahide.....	S. Short.....	200 00	224 00	
".....	B. Bristol.....			
Dorchester.....	J. Wood.....	400 00	400 00	
Vienna.....	A. Hunsberger.....	500 00	458 34	41 66
Blenheim.....	S. Terwillager.....	450 00	450 00	
Oakland.....	J. M. Collins.....			
Norwich.....	W. Graham.....	450 00	450 00	
Embro.....	C. S. Eastman.....	325 00	270 00	55 00
St. Marys.....	M. Lowry.....	375 00	306 79	68 21
".....	S. L. Kerr.....	450 00	450 00	
Goderich.....	H. Locke.....	300 00	350 00	
Maitland.....	W. Yokom.....	350 00	350 00	
Stanly.....	S. Card.....		310 00	
Seaforth.....	J. C. Tufford.....		564 57	35 43
Walsingham.....	J. Gilray.....	600 00		
London Station.....				
<i>London District</i>	W. D. Hughson.....	300 00	300 00	
London Ct.....	H. J. Kilty.....	100 00	100 00	
".....	W. Fansher.....	300 00	269 74	30 26
Southwold.....	A. Jones.....	350 00	342 00	8 00
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Dover.....	J. F. Fairchilds.....	250 00	250 00	
St. Clair.....	S. C. McNames.....	325 00	258 18	66 82
Brook.....	J. Hubbell.....	300 00	258 90	41 10
Bosanquet.....	G. Hartley.....	325 00	288 11	36 89
Arkons.....	J. T. Davis.....	300 00	235 56	64 44
McGilvary.....	N. Roy.....	400 00	340 00	60 00
Strathroy.....	J. P. Morden.....	280 00	250 00	30 00
Enniskillen.....	M. A. Wright.....	650 00	650 00	
Oil Springs.....	J. A. Livingston.....	350 00	327 14	22 86
Newbury.....	C. Burdett.....			

ALPHABETICAL LIST

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NAMES.	CHARGES.	POST OFFICE.
Abbs, G.	Editor C. C. Advocate.	Hamilton.
Bristol, E.	Superannuated	Ancaster.
Bristol, B.	Dorchester.	Bellmont.
Bartram E.	Flamboro'	Mountsberg.
Benson M.	Oxford.	Ingersoll.
Benson, W.	Brant	Jerseyville.
Burnell, J. E.	Pelham	
Burdett, C.	Newbury	Newbury.
Brown, W. G.	Saltfleet.	Tapleystown.
Barker, D.	St. Clair	Sombra.
Book, R.	Tuscarora	Tuscarora.
Cook, R. B.	Welland	Crowland.
Culp, D.	Superannuated	Oakland.
Cope, W.	Supernumerary	Lynden.
Collins, J. M.	Bosanquet.	Widder.
Card, S.	Seaforth.	Seaforth..
Draper, E.	Hartford.	Seneca.
Draper, J.	Barton and Hamilton	Hannon.
Davis, J. T.	Arkona	Arkona.
Dimmick, M.	Southwold	Fingal.
Eastman, C. S.	Blenheim	Princeton.
Elliott, J. N.	St. Marys.	St. Marys.
Fansher, W.	London Ct.	Byron.
Fairchilds, J. F.	Dover.	Chatham..
Griffin, D.	Superannuated.	Vienna.
Graham, W.	Oxford District	Embro.
Griffeth, A. E.	Rainham	Rainham Center.
Gilray, J.	London Station	London.
Hughson, W. D.	London Circuit	Delaware.
Hunsberger A.	Beverly.	Lynden.
Hunt, G.	Ancaster	Ancaster.
Hayward, J.	Supernumerary	Hartford.
Hartley, G.	McGillivray	Sylvan.
Hubbell, J.	Enniskillen	Wyoming.
Jones, A.	Southwold	Fingal.
Johnson, J. W. B.	St. Davids	St. Davids.
Kilty, H. J.	Strathroy	Strathroy.
Kerr, S. L.	Goderich	Goderich.
Lownsbury, E.	Norwich	Mount Elgin.

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Lowry, M.	St. Marys	St. Marys.
Locke, H.	Maitland	Manchester.
Livingston, J. A.	Vienna	Vienna.
McLean, J.	London District	London.
Morden, J. P.		Strathroy.
McNames, S. C.	St. Clair	Sombra.
Philips, J. R.	Malahide	Luton.
Parsons, R. C.	Dunnville	Dunnville.
Rogers, B. B.		Ingersoll.
Rouston, T.	Blythewood	Blythewood.
Stewart, S.	Superannuated	Lynden.
Sweazy, C.	do	Font Hill.
Smith, G.	Eramosa	Rockwood.
Service, R.	Canboro'	Canboro'.
Smith, F. M.	Smithville	Smithville.
Smith, P. Junior.	Saltfleet	Tapleystown.
Short, S.	Oxford	Ingersoll.
Turner, G.	Superannuated	Ingersoll.
Tufford, J. C.	Walsingham	Portland.
Terwillager, S.	Oakland	Oakland.
Terwillager, E. A.	Malahide	Springfield.
Terwillager, M. D.	Howard	Ridgetown.
Webster, T.	Niagara District	Hamilton.
Wood, J.	Embro	Embro.
Wright, W. S.	Howard	Ridgetown.
Watson, D.		Ingersoll.
Wright, M. A.	Sydenham & Wallaceburg	Wallaceburg.
Williams, D.	Nanticoke	Nanticoke.
Yokom, W.	Stanly	Bayfield.
Yokom, J. W.	Florence	Florence.

NAMES AND STANDING

Of Local Preachers in the Niagara Annual Conference.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.

M. S. Dimmick, Elder; L. Haney, Elder; J. Patterson, Elder; D. Collard, Elder; J. Upper, Deacon; W. Stringer, Deacon; J. Decew, Deacon; H. Jones, Deacon; W. Bautinheimer, Deacon; T. Pickett, Deacon elect; R. Farr; A. Slough; R. Patterson; I. M. House; D. Ronald; W. Dell; J. B. Cutler; W. Griffin; A. Rogers; A. Lever;

J. W. Carr ; J. Clement ; S. Stone ; S. Wood ; S. Griffin ; A. Warner ; G. Bradshaw ; W. Teeple ; R. Scott ; J. L. Ricker ; J. Goodwillie ; W. Clement ; R. Dawdy ; A. Stringer ; J. Miller ; D. W. Misner ; G. Vanderlip ; Z. Elliott ; R. Carson.*

OXFORD DISTRICT.

Oxford.—A. Burse, Elder ; A. Abbott, A. F. Cogswell, William Charlesworth, C. P. Lennox.

Oakland.—O. Olmstead, E. Petit, Wm. Anscombe.

Norwich.—H. Tuttle, D. Drake, D. W. Kelly.

Vienna.—F. Headly, Deacon ; C. Garrett, R. Yokom, M. Hunsberger, P. Yokem.

Malahide.—R. Dexter, Elder ; O. H. Tyrrell, Deacon ; J. Norton, J. S. Clendenning, W. L. Brown.

Dorchester.—J. Davy, Deacon ; A. Tullock, J. H. Hughes, H. M. Willis, E. H. Hegler.

St. Marys.—T. B. Brown, Elder.

Embro.—G. C. Grout.

Matland.—Wm. Symmington.

Walsingham.—A. Robinson.

London Station.—J. Bailey, Deacon ; M. Meyers ; J. W. Pickerell.

Stanly.—Daniel Epps.

LONDON DISTRICT.

London Circuit.—R. Morden, Deacon ; P. H. Kennedy, J. McNeal, J. Morden.

Southwold.—J. Wilson, J. Fraser, Deacon ; Lewis Randal.

Sirathroy.—John Jefferson, Deacon ; L. D. McPherson, William Clement.

McGivary.—G. Thompson, Deacon.

Bosanquet.—R. Lyman, Elder ; N. Roy, Elder ; R. Virtue.

Brook.—J. Cook.

Enniskillen.—J. Dupee, Deacon ; J. Lancaster, Deacon.

St. Clair.—J. Dolsen, Elder.

Florence.—A. Scarlett, Deacon ; J. Moorley, Deacon ; J. Bobier.

Sydenham.—J. G. Shaw, M. Pickard, F. Smith, A. Smith.

Sandwich.—J. Greaves, Deacon elect ; J. Emmerick.

Blythewood.—A. Scratch, Deacon ; J. Bacom, Deacon ; John Malott.

Howard.—J. Ogeltree, Deacon

Newbury.—J. Walker, Deacon elect ; E. Sutton.

Oil Springs.—R. Beal, Elder.

*The copy furnished by the Sec'y of N. A. Conference was incorrect. The above is from the Sec'y of the District Conference. He has, however, omitted the names of the Circuits.

CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Conference shall meet at 9 o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 12, M.; meet at 2, rise at 5; but may alter the time of meeting and adjourning at its discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the time to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by singing and prayer, and shall have the journals of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference requests it.

6. When a motion, resolution or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before the action or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time, or amendment.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems the speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the service of Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of this Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defence.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made, to the President of the Conference.

Bay Quinte Annual Conference.

THE BAY OF QUINTE ANNUAL CONFERENCE commenced its Twenty-First Session in the City of Ottawa, County of Carleton, on Wednesday, June 1st, 1864, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Religious Services were conducted by Bishop Smith, reading John xv. chapter, and singing the 206th Hymn. Prayer was offered by Rev'ds. T. Lewis, G. Shepard, of Ontario Conference, and B. Smith, concluded by the Bishop.

J. Gardiner was elected Secretary, I. B. Aylsworth was chosen Assistant Secretary; A. Martin, Journal Secretary.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

DIVINE WORSHIP,—J. F. Wilson, S. G. Stone.

NOMINATIONS,—J. Gardiner, J. F. Wilson.

ADVISORY,—Napanee District: J. Hill, D. Wilson; Augusta District: A. A. Brown, C. Manson; Ottawa District: A. Hunt, D. Smith.

STEWARDS,—W. H. Graham, G. French, L. A. Betts.

MISSIONS,—C. Manson, H. Wilson, J. A. Rogers, A. A. Brown, W. E. Johnson.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE,—J. D. Bell, W. G. Hudgins.

SABBATH SCHOOLS,—J. Hill, E. S. Howard.

TEMPERANCE,—W. Bird, F. B. Stratton.

CHURCH PROPERTY,—A. J. Waite, A. Anderson.

PASTORAL ADDRESS,—W. Brown, A. Martin.

EDUCATION,—J. H. Andrews, D. W. Aylsworth, B. Smith, D. Wilson, A. Hunt.

PRINTING,—J. A. Rogers, J. W. Sills, A. A. Brown.

TEMPORAL ECONOMY,—S. Young, E. Woodcock, D. Smith, E. Orser, S. G. Stone.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY,—I. B. Aylsworth, J. W. Sills, A. McLaren.

EXAMINING FOR 1865,—D. Wilson, Chairman. 1st year: H. Williams, I. B. Aylsworth. 2nd year: W. Brown, J. H. Andrews.

3rd year: J. A. Rogers, A. Hunt. 4th year: J. D. Bell, A. McLaren.

COURSE OF STUDY,—J. Gardiner, W. Brown, J. F. Wilson.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *What preachers are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER—Bidwell Lane, Henry Hesselgrave, James Wicher, Frederick B. Knowlton, Asa S. Maybee.

Q. 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

A.—Abraham Traveller, D. Brill, E. Sherwood.

Q. 3.—*Who are admitted into full connexion?*

A.—John Halliwell, Thomas McAmund, Alex. Youker, Zina B. Hitchcock, Abraham Dawson.—5.

Q. 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

A.—J. Graham, A. Anderson, H. Seymour, J. Hulin, W. E. Johnson, F. Chisholm, S. G. Stone, J. B. Smith, John Halliwell,* Thomas McAmund,* Alex. Youker,* Zina B. Hitchcock.* 12.

Q. 5.—*Who are the Elders.*

A.—B. Smith, T. Lewis, W. Bird, D. Perry, H. Lane, M. Davy, J. McNally, I. N. D. West, J. Gardiner, J. F. Wilson, J. Hill, W. Brown, H. Williams, D. Wilson, E. Orser, J. A. Rogers, S. Young, C. Manson, J. H. Andrews, J. G. Bull, D. Brown, J. Tooke, J. W. Sills, J. D. Bell, E. Woodcock, A. McLaren, W. H. Graham, I. B. Aylsworth, A. Hunt, D. Smith, J. Smith, D. W. Aylsworth, W. H. Snider, J. Ferguson, A. J. Waite, A. A. Brown, L. A. Betts, P. Empey, Gilbert French,* Erastus S. Howard,* W. G. Hudgins,* F. B. Stratton,* G. S. White.* 43.

Q. 6.—*Who are the General Superintendents?*

A.—Philander Smith, D. D., James Richardson, D. D.

Q. 7.—*Who are the Supernumeraries?*

A.—J. W. Sills, H. Lane, J. McNally, J. Smith.

Q. 8.—*Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?*

A.—D. Perry, D. Brown, I. N. D. West, T. Lewis J. Tooke, H. Seymour.

Q. 9.—*Who have been expelled from the connexion this year?*

A.—None.

Q. 10.—*Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

A.—None.

* Ordained this year.

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Q. 11.—Who have died this year?

A.—None.

Q. 12.—Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

A.—They are, as far as could be ascertained by strict individual examination before the Conference.

Q. 13.—Who have located this year?

A.—None.

Q. 14.—What are the numbers in Society?

A.—

NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Mellville.....	160	Kennebec.....	202
Hallowell.....	296	Camden.....	272
Millford.....	152	Bay Quinte.....	375
Cannifton.....	342	Waterloo.....	372
Hungerford.....	235	Hinchinbrook.....	196
Shannonville.....	270	Kingston.....	86
Napanee.....	401	Wolf Island.....	70
Tamworth.....	182		
Snow's Road.....	71		3682

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Pittsburg.....	140	Rideau.....	124
Lynn.....	152	Marlboro.....	34
Augusta.....	208	Winchester.....	305
Leeds.....	66	Osabruck.....	200
Elgin.....	220	Roxboro.....	138
Mallorytown.....	124	Riceville and Lachute.....	65
Farmersville.....	186		
Brockville.....	68		2419
Matilda.....	389		

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Ottawa.....	197	Clarendon.....	52
Arnprior.....	39	Templeton.....	22
Renfrew.....	58		
Westmeath.....	189		619
Eganville.....	62		

RECAPITULATION.

Total No. of Members this year.....	6720
“ last year.....	6987
Decrease	267
Number of Traveling Preachers this year.....	63
“ last year.....	57
Increase	6
Decrease this year.....	261

Q. 15.—What is the amount of Contingent Collection?

A.—

NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Melville.....	\$1 75	Camden.....	\$3 20
Hallowell.....	1 20	Bay Quinte.....	1 00
J. Hill.....	1 00	Waterloo.....	2 00
Cannifton.....	1 96	Hinchinbrook.....	1 00
Hungerford.....	75	Kingston.....	4 00
Shannonville.....	1 90	Wolf Island.....	2 00
Napanee.....	2 10		
Tamworth.....	50		
Kennebec.....	21		
		Total on District.....	\$24 57

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Pittsburg.....	\$0 00	Rideau.....	\$3 20
Lyn.....	2 90	Marlboro.....	0 00
Augusta.....	2 62	Winchester.....	3 75
Elgin and Leeds.....	1 35	Osnabrock.....	1 50
Mallorytown.....	1 12	Roxboro.....	1 23
Farmersville.....	2 49	Riceville and Lachute.....	2 91
Brockville.....	0 00		
Matilda.....	4 00		
		Total on District.....	\$28 91

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Ottawa and Templeton.....	\$2 93	Eganville.....	\$1 60
Arnprior.....	1 60	Clarendon.....	
Renfrew.....	1 00		
Westmeath.....	1 50		
		Total on District.....	\$8 63

RECAPITULATION.

Napanee District.....	\$24 57
Augusta.....	28 91
Ottawa.....	8 63
Sabbath Collection.....	10 00
Total.....	\$72 11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Stationery.....	\$ 2 00
Incidentals.....	1 50
S. W. LaDu, for book.....	3 75
Applied on Kingston Church.....	4 00
E. Orser.....	1 00
A. Youker.....	26 86
J. Hill.....	20 00
Bishop Richardson's traveling expenses.....	13 00
Total.....	<u>\$72 11</u>

Q. 16.—What is the amount of Fifth Collection?

A.—

NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Melville.....	\$ 5 19	Snow's Road.....	\$1 00
Hallowell.....	0 00	Camden.....	9 45
Abram Arket.....	1 00	Waterloo.....	20 00
Jeremiah Delong.....	1 00	Wolf Island.....	0 00
Abram Vanblaricomb.....	1 00	Wm. Randal.....	1 00
R. Ketchapaw.....	1 00	J. Davis.....	1 00
Stephen Terwilligar.....	1 00	J. S. Walker.....	1 00
Peter Wood.....	1 00	L. McLarly.....	1 00
Daniel Moren.....	3 53	Collection.....	2 00
Collection.....	2 00	Kingston.....	6 00
Milford.....	25 53	Hinchenbrook.....	3 00
Cannifton.....	12 00	Kennebec.....	2 00
Shannonville.....	5 00	Bay Quinte (no returns).....	0 00
Hungerford.....	6 12	Total on District.....	<u>\$117 92</u>
Napanee.....	4 00		
Tamworth.....	4 00		

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Matilda.....	\$13 00	Marlborough.....	\$0 84
Winchester.....	11 68	Pittsburgh.....	1 93
Osnabruck.....	8 50	Farmersville.....	4 25
Elgin.....	5 00	Roxborough.....	3 00
Augusta.....	5 00	Malorytown.....	1 45
Brockville.....	5 00	Lyn.....	5 68
Riceville.....	3 90	Total on District.....	<u>\$71 93</u>
Rideau.....	2 70		

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Ottawa City.....	\$15 00	Westmeath.....	\$ 1 15
Clarendon.....	1 00	Conference Col.....	17 70
Eganville.....	2 20		<u>\$41 25</u>
Arnprior.....	1 40		
Renfrew.....	2 80		

RECAPITULATION.

Napanee District.....	\$117 92
Augusta ".....	71 93
Ottawa ".....	23 55
Conference Col.....	17 70
Total.....	\$231 10

PREACHER'S SUBSCRIPTIONS.

T. Lewis.....	\$2 00	J. D. Bell.....	\$2 00
M. Davy.....	2 00	D. Smith.....	2 00
J. Gardiner.....	2 00	J. Halliwell.....	2 00
J. A. Rogers.....	2 00	Z. B. Hitchcock.....	2 00
Wm. Bird.....	2 00	A. Martin.....	2 00
J. H. Andrews.....	2 00	J. Smith.....	2 00
J. F. Wilson.....	2 00	A. Traveler.....	2 00
Wm. Brown.....	2 00	F. Chisholm.....	2 00
D. Brown.....	2 00	G. S. White.....	2 00
H. Williams.....	2 00	W. G. Hudgins.....	2 00
A. Youker.....	2 00	A. A. Brown.....	2 00
W. H. Graham.....	2 00	J. Tooke.....	2 00
G. French.....	2 00	I. B. Aylsworth.....	2 00
L. A. Betts.....	2 00	Widow Powley.....	2 00
J. G. Bull.....	2 00	W. H. Snider.....	2 00
A. J. Wait.....	2 00	D. Brill.....	2 00
J. Graham.....	2 00	I. N. D. West.....	2 00
E. Sherwood.....	2 00	Mrs. West.....	2 00
J. Hill.....	2 00	A. Anderson.....	2 00
E. S. Howard.....	2 00	E. Orser.....	2 00
E. Woodcock.....	2 00	Mrs. J. Smith.....	2 00
F. B. Stratton.....	2 00	" T. Lewis.....	2 00
T. McAmmond.....	2 00	" J Tooke.....	2 00
C. Manson.....	2 00	" D. Brown.....	2 00
S. G. Stone.....	2 00		
D. W. Aylsworth.....	2 00		
J. W. Sills.....	2 00		
W. E. Johnson.....	2 00		
			\$104 00
		Total am't of Sup. Fund.....	\$335 00

THE APPORTIONMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

T. Lewis.....	\$71 77
D. Brown.....	71 77
J. Smith.....	71 77
J. Tooke.....	71 77
Widow Powley.....	35 88
Contingent Expenses.....	12 04
Total.....	\$335 00

- RIDEAU—W. E. Johnson.
 MARLBOROUGH—M. Davy.
 ARNPRIOR—A. Youker, H. Seymour, Superannuated.
 WESTMEATH & RENFREW—D. Smith, H. Hesselgrave.
 EGANVILLE—T. McAmmond.
 CLARENDON, C. E.—J. Graham.
 OTTAWA CITY & TEMPLETON—A. A. Brown, B. Lane.
 RICEVILLE—E. Sherwood, J. McNally, Supernumerary.
- Q.—18. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*
 A.—At Sydenham, Co. of Frontenac, to commence on the last Wednesday in May, 1865, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CANADA, WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE BAY QUINTE CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN AND FRIENDS,—Another Conference year has rolled into eternity, and we greet you once more with our annual epistle. The destroying angel has entered some of our families the past year and taken cherished ones from our embrace; yet through the kind providence of God, death has not invaded our itinerant ranks. Sickness has prostrated, but though cast down we have not been forsaken. To His great name, for our preservation, be all the glory.

The Conference just closing has not been characterized by any extraordinary features, differing from previous ones, yet we are happy to inform you of the fraternal and christian feelings which have manifested themselves in all our deliberations. An earnest desire for the glory of God, we trust, has been the impelling motive, during the various sittings of the Session. Our motives having been pure; we sincerely hope our conclusions may have the approval of the Great Head of the Church.

Allow us then, dear brethren, to call your attention in this our accustomed letter, to some, at least, of the more prominent duties devolving upon you as professed followers of Christ, and thus stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance. We consider that those duties are clearly and distinctly set before you in a succinct form in the general rules embodied in our book of Discipline.

We earnestly direct you, as embodying our peculiar polity, to the general rules, as embracing all the fundamental precepts and practices of our holy religion. In the language of the great father and founder of Methodism, we would endeavor to enforce them.

"All these we know His spirit writes on truly awakened hearts." We believe they are founded on the immutable word of God, "which is the only rule, and the sufficient rule, both of our faith and practice."

We have in the past, been accustomed to call your attention to especial duties. Let us again enumerate some of the more prominent. It is an invariable evidence of declension in religion to see the class room neglected. A strict and punctual attendance upon this means of grace we deem indispensable in our Zion to a full development of all those graces which adorn the christian character. Sanctioned by the word of God, and confirmed by experience, we have no hesitancy in saying, that the class-meeting is indispensable to our vitality and spirituality. Frequent them, therefore, and catch their heavenly inspiration.

Private devotion we esteem as the very groundwork of religious experience. Declension in religion almost invariably commences here. Could we trace to their source those painful instances of apostasy, which end in dishonor and infamy, we should find it in the neglect of private devotion, and the reading of the Scriptures, which are able to make wise unto salvation, through faith in Christ Jesus.

We may be fermal, if not hypocritical in the class-meeting, the prayer-meeting, or around the domestic altar, but we cannot conceive of a hypocrite frequenting his closet, and there pouring out his heart to his "Father who seeth in secret." Our blessed Saviour has given us instruction upon this point, and we will not vary far from the path of rectitude in other matters, if we follow His directions in this. "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut to thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret;" and the gracious promise is "He shall reward thee openly." There is another private duty enjoined in the word of God which we fear is greatly neglected, that is fasting or abstinence, and we have the example of our Saviour for imitation in this matter. Our excellent Book of Discipline requires the Friday previous to the Quarterly Meeting to be observed as a day of fasting and prayer, and we shall never arise to our true position of spirituality while this duty is so frequently neglected.

There is another matter which demands more than a passing notice. We allude to Sabbath Schools. We hope you are doing all you can for these nurseries of the church. Remember, dear brethren, that you must soon make way for others. The important question arises, who will take your places in the church and in the world, if the young are not trained to fill them. Do not let the burden of sustaining the Sabbath School fall upon a few, but let all engage heartily in doing their appropriate work. You can by your attendance and influence accomplish something for God

and humanity. If you cannot impart instruction, you can receive it.

The Conference has listened with a good degree of pleasure to the statements made by the representatives of our General Conference, to the General Conference of the M. E. Church in the U. S., in regard to their reception, and the action of that body as expressed in the following resolution :

“*Resolved*—That we have been highly gratified with the presence and fraternal greeting of the delegates of the M. E. Church of Canada. We recognize in the church they represent a legitimate branch of the Methodist family, and we pray that God may bless and prosper it in the fulfilment of that mission upon which it has so successfully entered.”

The Temperance cause demands your heartiest support. By our general rules, our church is one vast temperance organization. Not only is drunkenness forbidden, but we are prohibited from “buying or selling spirituous liquors, or drinking them, unless in case of extreme necessity.” Should the bill now pending legislative action happily become law, it will devolve upon you as members of the community, to do what you can to give effect to that law, so far as its provisions are calculated to prohibit the soul destroying traffic in alcohol. Our earnest exhortation is, “Touch not, taste not the accursed thing.”

The elective franchise is dear to every man worthy the name. Freedom, however, imposes its duties and obligations, as certainly as it confers its privileges. The free institutions of this young country should be sacredly guarded. We are led to these thoughts by the spirit of speculation which has been growing with such fearful rapidity of late. Even the franchise has not escaped this fearful contagion. We have the painful truth thrust upon us, that men are making merchandize of this cherished privilege. We raise our warning voice, dear brethren, against the fearful pall of corruption which is settling upon this land. Popular institutions are becoming fearfully corrupt. From the election of the village or school section trustee, to the highest elective officer in the county, men are found enquiring how much is to be had for their votes. What renders the fact more melancholy is, that professed christians are not entirely innocent in many instances. We hold the man who offers a bribe as equally guilty with the man who accepts it. We regret to think that there are men of high religious pretensions who would not scruple to purchase political support, thereby sapping the foundations of our free institutions. So long as men are found base enough to sell their birthright, purchasers may be found. Here, supply causes demand, and *vice versa*.

We regret to see the direction which the support of the ministry is taking. Every effort must be accompanied with social entertainment. Our church organ must contain a long and glowing account of this presentation or surprise, that donation or ‘social,’ while,

perhaps, the ordinary and proper methods are entirely ignored. This is a growing evil, and the usefulness of our excellent paper is materially injured by it. What do the majority of the readers of the *Advocate* care for these entertainments, which can at most be but local items? Items which should at most occupy only a few lines, are lengthened into columns. They are also exceedingly deceptive. It is presumed that the finances of this or that circuit are in an excellent condition, when perhaps a reference to the Recording Steward's book would reveal the very opposite. The result of all is that people who would otherwise keep in the old paths, are attracted by the glitter, and are led to despise the ordinary means. All their power is reserved for an extraordinary effort. Another and greater evil is, that our people are educated into the belief that giving for the support of the minister is a matter of mere impulse, not a sacred binding obligation. This is a matter, brethren, that demands your serious attention; not that we would entirely condemn the, perhaps in some instances, laudable means. There may be instances where they are commendable, but not as ordinary appliances. Let us keep to our proper disciplinary regulations in this matter; we are persuaded it will be found better in the end.

There seems to be a growing desire for popular amusements. We are social beings, and a kind and beneficent Creator has bestowed these faculties upon us for a high and holy purpose, but let us endeavor to conduct this feeling of our nature into a proper channel. Plays, circuses, balls and such like amusements, not to speak of gaming in its various forms, we consider to be ruinous to religion. Here again our general rules properly apply. We are prohibited by these rules from "taking such diversions as cannot be used in the name of the Lord Jesus." In all our social entertainments, whether in connection with the church or otherwise, this should be our guiding principle.

Church accommodations are rapidly increasing in the different sections of the work, which is cause for unfeigned thankfulness. The substantial character of the buildings give evidence of increasing liberality, and the permanency of the church of our choice. We sincerely trust utility and stability may be the object aimed at in the erection of our churches, rather than glitter and show.

With devout feeling to the Great Dispenser of all good we desire to acknowledge the blessings which have accompanied our Missionary labors. It has pleased God to grant success in the conversion of sinners more extensively than in any other portion of our work. New fields are opening every year, and circumstances are prompting us to fill them. "The fields are white unto the harvest." "Come over and help us" is still heard from various sections of the land. But how can we respond to all these calls without the means? The people are unable to sustain the cause of Christ among themselves. We are more than ever persuaded that those

enjoying the blessing of salvation are ready to lend a helping hand to the needy, if their claims are properly placed before them. Failure here is almost invariably the result of carelessness, or want of interest in the work. With the most rigid economy in the expenditure, our Missionary Society is considerably in debt. We confidently appeal to you to support by your prayers, sympathies, and contributions, this vital part of our economy.

The *C. C. Advocate* has claims upon you, as christians, and as Methodists, which no other paper can have. It is indispensable to us as a church, and in pressing you to patronize it, we are urging upon you that which we are fully assured will be a blessing. This is a reading age, and it is a hopeful indication of progress when the love of literature increases. Seize upon the *Advocate* as one of the great educators of your children. Poor indeed is that family who cannot afford the means to pay for it. Better deprive your children of almost any earthly comfort than rear them up without supplying them with that intellectual food and moral culture which its weekly visits are so well calculated to afford. We need not remind you that those families where the religious weekly never comes, will, as a general rule, be far below, in point of intelligence and moral worth, those households regularly supplied with sound religious literature. Can you feel justified, either before God or man, in suffering your children—to say nothing of yourselves—to fall below others in intelligent moral worth, merely to save the paltry sum the *Advocate* will cost? Possibly you may say "Our families don't like to read the *Advocate*, or papers of a similar kind." If this really be so, it must be mostly your own fault in having suffered them either to grow up without fostering a love of reading, or otherwise permitting them to read works of fiction, or those frothy and exciting publications which are so destructive of all relish for reading of a higher order. In either case you have done a terrible wrong to your families, the effects of which will be felt forever. Let us urge upon you the importance of educating your children to bless the world.

The Belleville Seminary is an institution we cannot too highly recommend to your patronage. Send in your sons and your daughters, even at a heavy sacrifice. You will live to hear them bless you in future days, that they ever enjoyed the facilities for becoming great and good that are afforded by that institution. We can assure you that no other Seminary in the country affords more facilities for acquiring a thorough education than the Belleville Seminary. Affiliated with the Provincial University the highest scholastic honors are attainable. Consecrate, then, to God largely of your earthly possessions, by educating your children to act well their part upon the stage of life, and God and prosperity will bless you for it.

Finally, Brethren, "Be perfect, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you."

PHILANDER SMITH, }
JAS. RICHARDSON. } *Bishops.*

J. GARDINER, *Sec'y.*

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

CHARGES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Bible Classes	Volumes in Library.	Expenses.	Papers.	Union Schools.
							\$		
NAPANEE DIST.									
Kingston	1	11	100	6	2	106	21.35		1
Bay Quinte	3	21	120		3	300	20.00	1	
Hallowell	1	6	35		2	250			
Waterloo	3	16	120		1	400	10.00		
Camden	2	12	70		2	40		2	
Caniffon	4	45	283		1	850	38.00		
Snow's Road	2	19	32		2				
Melville									1
Milford									1
Shannonville	2	16	80			125	11.00		
Hungerford					1	245			
Napanee	3	19	146						
Tanworth									1
Kennebec	3	14	80			200			
Hinchinbrook	3	18	75	10					
Wolf Island	3	13	80		1	100	12.00	12	
	30	210	1221	16	15	2616	112.35	15	4
AUGUSTA DIST.									
Winchester	1	6	40			100			2
Matilda									6
Riceville, LaChute									3
Elgin	2	12	70		1	100	6.50		
Osnaburck and Williamsburg	3	25	180		1				
Roxboro	4	28	285			380			2
Marlborough									1
Rideau	1	5	50						
Augusta	2	15	70		1	160			
Brockville									1
Lyn	1	5	30			50			4
Mallorytown									1
Farmersville	1	13	70		1	150	16.00		1
Pittsburgh									1
	15	109	795		4	940	21.50		22
OTTAWA DIST.									
Ottawa, Templeton	1	13	82		1	240	40.00		
Arnprior									
Renfrew	1	6	45			145			
Westmeath	1	6	18			80			1
Eganville	1	3	20		1				1
Clarendon									
	4	28	165		2	465	40.00		2
RECAPITULATION.									
Napanee Dist.	30	210	1221	16	15	2616	112.35	15	4
Augusta "	15	109	795		4	940	21.50		22
Ottawa "	4	28	165		2	465	40.00		2
Grand Total	49	347	2181	16	21	4021	173.85	15	28

Your S. S. Committee is highly gratified in receiving returns from all our charges, save three, and upon two of the latter no schools exist. The number of Union Schools is the same, but the increase of expenditure over last year amounts to \$55.85. Yet, notwithstanding these encouragements, on the whole, we find a decrease of sixteen schools; and consequently a corresponding decrease of officers, scholars, books, &c.

As a Committee, we consider that violence would be done to our feelings, and an injustice to this Conference and our work should these painful truths pass unnoted. It is an undeniable fact, that Sabbath-Schools are nurseries for the church; and can we close our eyes against our actual knowledge and firm belief? Surely not. Sister churches are increasing in effort and utility in this department, and while, seemingly, we have beheld this with complacency, *our efforts* have not been sufficiently strong; hence the large decrease.

Do we expect to increase, as a church, in the future, as in the past, while we calmly surrender our children and youth to the care of other churches? Preposterous! Yet, providing this could be done, have we not discovered as yet, that those trained in Sabbath-Schools make the real pillars in the church? We fear that our inattention to the children and youth of our land, will ultimately bring us in the succession of other churches, whereas, we should be a leader.

Your Committee would therefore respectfully and sincerely request our chief Superintendents to urge upon this Conference collectively, and its members respectively, the imperative necessity of diligent, earnest, and prayerful endeavors in this praiseworthy enterprise. Let sermons be preached whenever, and wherever practicable. And may the Great Head of the church help us in our work of faith and labor of love.

All of which is respectfully submitted by the Committee.

J. HILL, *Chairman.*

E. S. HOWARD, *Sec.*

Ottawa, June 6th, 1864.

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sabbath Observance, beg to present the following thoughts:

First—The sanctity and claims of God's holy day are fully and unequivocally set forth and enforced by the following expressive and encouraging portions of divine truth: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." "Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God, in

it thou shalt not do any work." Ex. xx. 8, 9, 10. "Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, holy to the Lord." Ex. xxxi. 15. "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable, and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord, and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with a high heritage of Jacob thy father, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isaiah lviii. 13, 14.

Your Committee take unfeigned pleasure in expressing its admiration of the zeal and unwearied fidelity of the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society, and would invite your co-operation with, and prayers for them in their elevating and honorable work. We regard the moral portions of society under many obligations to the conductors of the religious presses in these Provinces, for the independent and outspoken manner in which they defend the claims of the Sabbath, and advocate enactments to more fully guard its sanctity.

It is with feelings of sincere regret that we confess that after all that has been thought, said, and done by synods, assemblies, conferences, newspaper conductors, and christians, to secure to society the full enjoyment and advantages of God's day, there remains much to be done, and an awful amount of desecration still goes on.

In consideration of the above sentiments, and feeling that there is force in the maxim "Line upon line," your Committee would recommend this Conference to again memorialize the three branches of our Legislature, asking them for a statute prohibiting Sabbath labor on all our rivers, canals, and railroads. We also recommend that the Presiding Elders of this Conference make the observance of the Sabbath a subject of pulpit ministration all around their districts, at least once this year; and we pray that the day may hasten when the christian Sabbath will be all over our land, what it is designed to be,—an honored type of the glorious Sabbath of eternal rest.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. BELL.

W. G. HUDGINS.

Ottawa, May 6th, 1864.

EXTRACTED FROM THE REPORT ON EDUCATION.

That the Belleville Seminary and Female College is in a prosperous condition. The average number of students for the past two years has not varied much, being about eighty, and producing a revenue nearly sufficient to meet current expenses. Twenty additional students would fully meet the case.

The course of instruction, and the efforts of the faculty to advance the students in their studies are thorough; the system of government judicious and efficient, securing good order and propriety on the part of the students; the moral condition is all that could be desired; and the general character and management such as to meet and secure the respect and confidence of the public.

The school is at present conducted at an expense far below that of any other school of the same grade in this or any other country, owing, chiefly, to the relinquishment by the teachers of a portion of their salaries. The good effects of this Institute are beginning to be seen, and they will continue to be more and more developed.

J. H. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

A. HUNT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

Your Committee on Church Property beg leave, to report as follows:

That after careful examination, we find that increased attention is being given to the important subject of church-building. The enterprise leading to the extension of chapel accommodation, appears at least, to keep pace with all other important, commendable, Canadian enterprises of this present progressive age. The exceeding importance of this subject seems to be resting with increased weight upon the minds of the lovers of our Zion. Ministers and members appear to be waking up more fully, to the fact, that the real progress of our church greatly depends upon the vigorous endeavors put forth in this direction. The reports furnished by the preachers representing our various circuits, missions, and stations, respecting chapel-building, enlargements and improvements are quite satisfactory. The real value of church property, as it will stand upon the minutes of this present Conference, however, will not be so high, as in all probability, it has been anticipated. This circumstance is owing to errors or mistakes of about \$7,000 reported in the minutes of last year. These errors standing corrected, a respectable increase, which reflects much credit on various ministers and their charges, is reported this year. Still your Committee being deeply impressed with the vast importance of extending our chapel accommodations in order to a successful prosecution of our religious enterprises, would urge the ministers of this Conference, as well as the members of our church, to increased, continued, and unremitting exertions in this department of our work. Your Committee is much gratified with the exertions which have been put forth during the past year, to secure the erection of parsonages

for the convenience and comfort of the preachers and their families. Nevertheless, we regret to find that quite a large number of our circuits, missions, and stations are destitute in this respect, which destitution we regard as detrimental to the interests of our work. We would therefore urge that every reasonable exertion be put forth to make advancement in this important particular.

The following table will shew the number of chapels and parsonages belonging to this Conference, where they are situated, and what they are worth :

DISTRICTS.	No. Chapels.	Value.	No. Parsonages.	Value.	Total Church Property.
		\$		\$	\$
Napanee ...	30	34940 00	15	7320 00	42260 00
Augusta ...	18	28570 00	12	4800 00	33370 00
Ottawa ...	6	6240 00	4	1800 00	8040 00
Total Value	54	69750 00	31	13920 00	83,670 00

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. WAITE.
A. ANDERSON.

ALPHABETICAL LIST

Of the Preachers of Bay Quinte Conference, with their Post Office Address.

NAMES.	CHARGES.	POST OFFICE.
Andrews, J. H.	Augusta Dist.	Prescott.
Anderson, A.	Milford	Milford.
Aylsworth, I. B.	Canifton	Belleville.
Aylsworth, D. W.	Waterloo.	Sydenham.
Bell, J. D.	Edwardsburg	Edwardsburg.
Betts, L. A.	Elgin	Elgin.
Bird, W.	Shannonville	Belleville.
Brill, D.	Denbigh	Hardinge.
Brown, W.	Augusta	Prescott.
Brown, A. A.	Ottawa City	Ottawa.
Brown, D.	Camden	Bell Rock.
Bull, J. G.	Bay Quinte	Odessa.
Chisholm, F.	Lyndhurst	Lyndhurst.

Dawson, J.	Bay Quinte	Waterloo via Kingston
Davy, M.	Marlborough	Burritt's Rapids.
Empey, P.	Hungerford	Twweed.
Ferguson, J.	Shannonville	Shannonville.
French, G.	Napanee	Lonsdale.
Gardiner, J.	Canifton	Belleville.
Graham, W. H.	Waterloo	Inverary.
Graham, J.	Clarendon, C. E.	Clarendon Centre, O. E.
Halliwell, J.	Tamworth	Tamworth.
Hill, J.	Melville	Melville.
Hitchcock, Z. B.	Roxboro	Newington.
Howard, E. S.	Kingston	Kingston.
Hunt, A.	Matilda	Iroquois.
Hudgins, W. G.	Williamsburg	North Williamsburgh.
Hulin, J.	Canifton	Madoc.
Hesselgrave, H.	Westmeath	Beachburg.
Johnson, W. E.	Rideau	Easton's Corners.
Knowlton, B.	Kennebec	Tamworth.
Lane, H.	Augusta	Morris Hill.
Lane, B.	Ottawa	Ottawa.
Lewis, T.	Melville	Raglan.
Manson, C.	Camden	Newburg.
Martin, A.	Wolfe Island.	Marysville. *
McLaren, A.	Mallorytown	Mallorytown.
McAmmond T.	Eganville	Eganville.
McNally J.	Riceville	Vankleek Hill.
Maybee, A. S.	Roxboro	Newington.
Orser, E.	Pittsburgh.	Gananoque.
Perry, D.	Waterloo	Sydenham.
Rogers, J. A.	Hallowell	Demorestville.
Seymour, H.	Arnprior	White Lake.
Sills, J. W.	Augusta	Prescott.
Smith B.	Napanee Dist	Wilton.
Smith, J. B.	Hinchinbrooke	Deniston.
Smith, D.	Westmeath	Beechburgh.
Smith, J.	Winchester	Winchester.
Snider, W. H.	Camden	Centreville.
Stone, S. G.	Brockville	Brockville.
Stratton, F. B.	Osnabruk	Aultsville.
Sherwood, E.	Riceville	Riceville.
Tooke, J.	Lyndhurst	Whitefish Falls.
West, I. N. D.	Hinchinbrooke	Verona.
Waite, A. J.	Lyn.	Lyn.

Wicher, J.	Hungerford	Tweed
Woodcock, E.	Winchester	Winchester
White, G. S.	Mississippi	Mountain Grove
Williams, H.	Bay Quinte	Morven
Wilson, J. F.	Ottawa Dist.	Arnprior
Wilson, D.	Napanee	Napanee
Young, S.	Farmersville	Farmersville
Youker, A.	Arnprior	Arnprior

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPORAL ECONOMY.

Resolved,—That any member of this Conference, or preacher in charge, who shall fail to secure the amount of superannuated claim apportioned the circuit, station, or mission upon which he may be stationed during the year, shall be held personally responsible for such amount, to be recorded against him on the journals of the Conference, and to be paid when he or they shall become claimants upon said funds.

To secure these funds we recommend that the plan of last year be adopted, viz :—

1st. That each Minister and Probationer, and also the claimants, shall contribute to this fund annually, not less than \$2.00.

2nd. That a certain sum be apportioned and collected upon each charge annually for the same purpose.

3rd. That subscriptions and collections be taken up in all our work, in August, 1864, and March, 1865, by the Preachers, and handed over to the Presiding Elder of the District.

4th. That the names of all subscribers of \$1.00 and upwards, be printed in the printed minutes of the Conference.

NAMES OF CHARGES AND AMOUNTS PROPORTIONED.

Melville	\$ 8 00	Farmersville	\$15 00
Hallowell	15 00	Mallorytown	6 00
Milford	5 00	Lyn	15 00
Canifton	28 00	Brockville	7 00
Shannonville	15 00	Augusta	15 00
Hungerford	5 00	Matilda	15 00
Snow's Road	2 00	Rideau	7 00
Kennebec	3 00	Winchester	12 00
Tamworth	6 00	Osnabrock, Williamsburg	9 00
Napanee	25 00	Roxboro	5 00
Bay Quinte	25 00	Riceville	4 00
Camden	12 00	Ottawa	18 00
Hinchinbrook	3 00	Arnprior	3 00
Waterloo	25 00	Renfrew	4 00
Kingston	8 00	Westmeath	4 00
Wolf Island	8 00	Eganville	2 00
Pittsburg	6 00	Clarendon	1 00
Leeds and Elgin	20 00		

Contingent Fund collection to be taken up between the 1st of October, and the 1st of December, of this year.

S. YOUNG,
E. WOODCOCK,
D. SMITH,
E. ORSER,
S. G. STONE.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON PRINTING.

There is by subscribers due to the *Advocate* the very large amount of \$4,257.00, notwithstanding the collections made by the special agents last year. We learn too, that less has been paid on the current volume, since its commencement, than in former years, thus showing that the evil, viz, "*neglect to pay for the paper,*" is growing worse instead of better. We therefore recommend, that the preachers and members of the Conference be required to give their earliest and most earnest attention to the collection of these debts. This is not only of the greatest importance to the prosperity of the paper, but absolutely necessary to its continuance. We further recommend that it be made the duty of the Presiding Elders to call up the matter at each Quarterly Meeting Conference, and give such direction, and use such means, as in his judgment shall be necessary to secure the object in view.

We recommend the adoption of the report of the Book Committee on this point, so far as it relates to the preachers paying for their papers, since the beginning of the current volume, and that they be allowed ten per cent. premium on all moneys they shall hereafter collect and forward, post paid, to the Editor.

Your Committee are of opinion that the number of subscribers can be increased by proper effort, and that it should be urged upon the preachers as a duty to do all in their power to secure (this end. We should, however, recommend that in all cases the money should be obtained in advance if possible, and that in no case the name of any person be sent who is not perfectly responsible.

J. A. ROGERS, *Chairman.*

A. A. BROWN, *Secretary.*

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND.—A. A. Brown.

BOOK COMMITTEE.—G. Shepard, J. Gardiner.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE BELLEVILLE SEMINARY.—J. Gardiner, W. Brown.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS.—A. McLaren.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—J. Gardiner, H. Williams.

OFFICERS OF THE PREACHERS RELIEF SOCIETY.—B. Smith, President; J. A. Rogers, 1st Vice-President; J. Hill, 2nd Vice-President; C. Manson, Secretary; J. Gardiner, Treasurer. Board,—D. W. Aylsworth, S. Young, E. Woodcock, D. Wilson, J. B. Smith, J. H. Andrews, L. A. Betts.

The Examining Committee and the candidates for next year, are requested to meet at the seat of Conference on the Tuesday next preceding the opening of the Session. Any person failing to attend at the specified time shall not be entitled to an examination for the year.

COURSE OF STUDY.

1ST YEAR.—Bible, as to doctrines—questions based upon the Articles of Faith in Discipline. Books of Reference—Watson's Institutes (1st and 2nd parts); Wesley's Plain account of Christian Perfection; Stevens' History of Methodism, (1st and 2nd vols.); English Grammar; Geography, (Lovell's); Biblical Geography, (Kitto's); Exercise in reading before the Committee, and a written Essay to be produced.

2ND YEAR.—Watson's Institutes, (3rd and 4th parts); Wesley's Sermons; Hibbard on Baptism; Discipline; Bangs' Original Church; Stevens' History of Methodism, (3rd vol.); or Bangs' History; Parker's Natural Philosophy; English Grammar; Rhetoric, (Blair's); Logic, (Hedge's); A skeleton of a Sermon to be produced.

3RD YEAR.—A review of 1st and 2nd years, as to Bible and Church History; Fletcher's Checks; McIlvaine's Evidences of Christianity; Horne's Introduction (abridged); General History; Upham's Mental Philosophy; a written Essay or Sermon.

4TH YEAR.—Review of the whole course—Stevens' Church Polity; Hallam's Middle Ages; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Townley's Biblical Literature; Claude's Essay on Composition; A written Essay and Sermon.

J. GARDINER.
W. BROWN.
J. H. WILSON.

STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
<i>Napanec District</i>	J. Gardiner.....	475 00	475 00	-----
Melville.....	J. B. Smith.....	350 00	276 00	74 00
Hallowell.....	J. A. Rogers.....	475 00	475 00	-----
Milford.....	J. Hill.....	400 00	211 11	188 89
Canifon.....	W. Bird.....	300 00	242 00	67 24
Hungerford.....	W. H. Snider.....	255 00	155 00	100 00
Shannonville.....	J. Ferguson.....	425 00	407 79	17 21
Napanec.....	J. C. Burnelle.....	400 00	270 27	129 73
".....	J. Halliwell.....	400 00	336 00	63 46
Tamworth.....	A. J. Waive.....	300 00	229 26	70 74
Snow's Road.....	G. S. White.....	335 00	279 74	55 26
Kenebec.....	G. French.....	370 00	240 00	130 00
Camden.....	H. Williams.....	450 00	425 00	25 00
Bay Quinte.....	S. Young.....	500 00	310 16	189 84
".....	B. Smith.....	350 00	216 00	134 00
Waterloo.....	J. G. Bull.....	420 00	360 62	69 98
".....	W. H. Graham.....	400 00	337 94	62 06
Hinchinbrook.....	T. McAmmond.....	246 00	174 46	71 55
Kingston.....	E. S. Howard.....	215 00	215 00	-----
Wolf Island.....	A. Martin.....	350 00	350 00	-----
<i>Augusta District</i>	J. H. Andrews.....	500 00	430 60	69 40
Pittsburg.....	E. Orser.....	400 00	323 67	76 33
Lyn.....	D. W. Aylsworth.....	400 00	425 00	-----
Augusta.....	W. Brown.....	500 00	500 00	-----
Leeds.....	E. Sherwood.....	350 00	209 64	-----
Elgin.....	L. A. Betts.....	400 00	400 00	-----
Mallorytown.....	A. McLaren.....	436 00	321 00	115 00
Farmersville.....	J. D. Bell.....	350 00	275 75	-----
Brockville.....	A. Youker.....	500 00	-----	-----
Matilda.....	A. A. Brown.....	450 00	450 00	-----
Rideau.....	W. E. Johnson.....	400 00	350 00	50 00
Winchester.....	C. Manson.....	440 00	440 00	-----
Osnabruk.....	F. B. Stratton.....	420 00	425 00	5 00
Roxboro.....	E. Woodcock.....	400 00	350 00	50 00
Riceville & Lachute.....	-----	-----	-----
<i>Ottawa District</i>	-----	-----	-----
Ottawa, Templeton.....	S. G. Stone.....	560 00	460 00	100 00
".....	F. Chisholm.....	185 00	150 00	35 00
Arnprior.....	J. F. Wilson.....	450 00	150 00	300 00
Renfrew.....	A. Traveller.....	220 00	120 89	-----
".....	M. Davy.....	198 50	190 50	-----
Westmeath.....	D. Smith.....	350 00	-----	-----
Eganville.....	A. Anderson.....	100 00	100 00	-----
".....	G. Briden.....	148 00	99 35	39 67
Clarendon.....	J. Graham.....	200 00	152 50	47 50

NAMES AND STANDING

Of Local Preachers in the Bay Quinte Annual Conference.

NAPANEE DISTRICT.

- Melville.*—A Wood, G. F. Byam, Deacons ; John Lewis.
Milford.—Wm. Williams.
Camiston.—W. Sills, Elder ; A. Parks.
Hungerford.—F. B. Knowlton, P. Wright, Deacons ; J. Border.
Shannonville.—F. Williams, E. Werden, W. Connor, G. Goldsmith,
 L. Cole.
Napanee.—S. D. Shorts, Elder ; D. Ungar, Deacon ; C. Pringle, A.
 Shorts.
Bay Quinte.—D. David, Deacon ; J. Galloway.
Camden.—B. Lewis, T. Furs, B. Aylsworth, J. Wicher.
Tamworth.—C. Thompson, Elder ; J. Sanderson.
Kennebec.—H. Parks.
Waterloo.—W. Caverly, J. Freeman, J. McMullan, A. Babcock, H.
 Hunt.
Kingston.—B. Atkinson, Deacon ; I. D. Powley.
Wolf Island.—J. Ranous.
 Books of Study.—Theology—Bible ; Wesley's and Watson's Works ;
 Discipline of the Church ; English Grammar—choose text book.

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

- Farmersville.*—T. Plato, Elder ; R. Stevens, Deacon.
Elgin.—W. Brown, E. Ash, Elders ; A. Wiltse.
Leeds.—G. Halliday.
Augusta.—A. B. Pardee.
Mallorytown.—J. Avery.
Rideau.—T. Edmonds.
Winchester.—B. Meeke, J. S. Johnson, Deacons.
Matilda.—E. Tuttle, Deacon.
Riceville Mission.—J. Pickering.

OTTAWA DISTRICT.

- Ottawa City.*—J. Cross.
Renfrew.—E. Miller.
Westmeath.—G. Briden, N. D. Peters, F. Ailward, G. Campbell.

For Recapitulation of Statistics of three Conferences see
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RECAPITULATION.

CONFERENCES.	Traveling Preachers.	Members.	Personages.	Churches.	Value.	Sabbath School Scholars.	Officers and Teachers.	Volumes.
Ontario	80	6208	25	91	\$ 86325	No Report.		
Niagara	73	7140	31	123	126870	3028	498	9193
Bay Quinte	63	6720	31	54	83670	2181	347	4021
	216	20068	87	268	296683	5209	845	13214
Belleville Seminary					\$35000			