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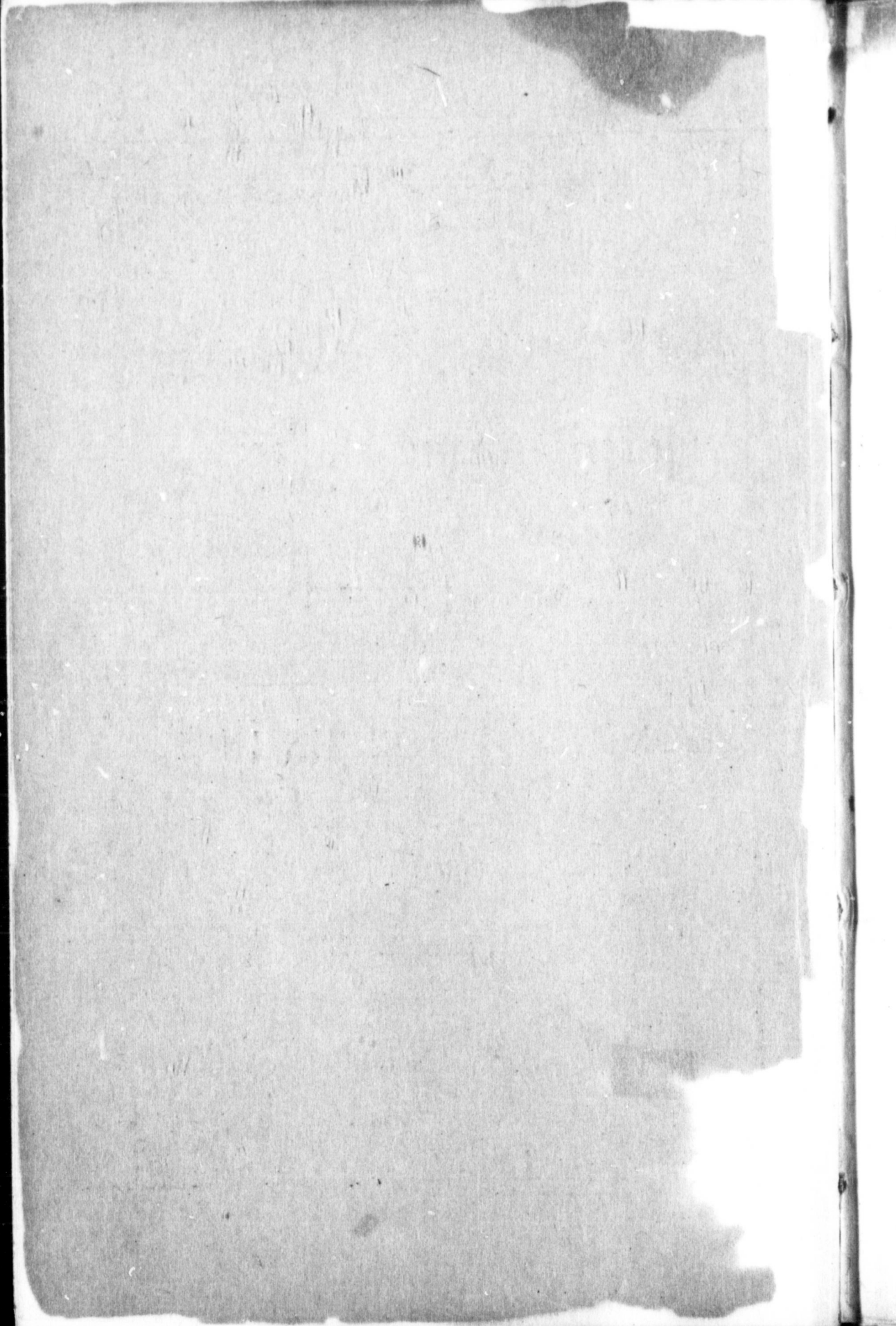
MINUTES

OF THE

MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

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1876.



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OF THE

## Montreal Annual Conference,

OF THE

## METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

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*THIRD SESSION.*

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Held in the Methodist Church, in the City and Province of Quebec,  
beginning on Wednesday, the 21st of June, and concluding  
on Tuesday, the 27th of June, 1876.

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METHODIST BOOK ROOM,  
80 KING STREET EAST.  
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OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE,  
1876.

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*PRESIDENT:*

THE REV. WILLIAM SCOTT.

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*SECRETARY:*

THE REV. WILLIAM J. HUNTER.



# MINUTES OF CONFERENCE,

TAKEN IN THE

QUEBEC METHODIST CHURCH, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

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*Organization of the Conference, June 21st, 1876.*  
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The THIRD SESSION of the MONTREAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Church of Canada began in the Quebec Methodist Church, at Ten o'clock a.m., on WEDNESDAY, 21st June, 1876.

The Rev. JAMES ELLIOTT, President of the Conference, in the Chair.

After the singing of a hymn, the SECRETARY of Conference read the Second Psalm, and the 10th chapter of the Second Epistle to the Corinthians.

The Revs. JOHN BORLAND and WILLIAM HANSFORD led in prayer.

The roll was called, and ninety-nine answered to their names.

The PRESIDENT directed the Conference to proceed to the election of a President for the ensuing year.

The first ballot resulted in the election of the Rev. WM. SCOTT to that office.



The PRESIDENT directed the Conference to proceed to the election of a Secretary.

The first ballot resulted in the election of the Rev. Wm. J. HUNTER.

The PRESIDENT and SECRETARY each addressed the Conference.

The SECRETARY nominated the Revs. WILLIAM HALL, M.A., and ANDREW B. CHAMBERS, B.C.L., Assistant Secretaries, and the Rev. THOMAS G. WILLIAMS, Journal Secretary.

The nominations were confirmed by the Conference.

The Conference prayer-meeting was held from twelve to one o'clock.

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### ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS.

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#### QUESTION I.—Who are appointed on the various Conference Committees?

The following were appointed for the Conference Session of 1876 :—

#### THE STATIONING COMMITTEE.

##### CHAIRMEN.

George Douglas, LL.D.  
James Elliott.  
George McRitchie.  
William Scott.  
Hiram Fowler.  
William J. Hunter.  
Henry F. Bland.  
Alexander Hardie, M.A.  
John Borland.

##### REPRESENTATIVES.

Richard Whiting.  
W. S. Blackstock.  
M. L. Pearson.  
William McGill.  
A. B. Chambers, B.C.L.  
J. W. Sparling, B.D.  
E. A. Ward.  
John Davies,

## THE CONTINGENT FUND :

## MINISTERS.

George H. Davis.  
 William Jackson.  
 Daniel Connolly.  
 Richard Whiting.  
 Ebenezer Robson.  
 George G. Huxtable.  
 William Craig.

## LAYMEN.

Hon. James Ferrier.  
 James Curran.  
 G. Bryant.  
 E. S. Orr.  
 W. J. Bates.  
 Joshua Whitehead.  
 E. Lawrence.

## ON SABBATH SCHOOLS :

## DISTRICTS.

Montreal .....  
 Kingston .....  
 Brockville .....  
 Perth .....  
 Pembroke .....  
 Ottawa .....  
 Quebec .....  
 Stanstead .....

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James Roy, M.A.  
 William Briden.  
 Ebenezer Robson.  
 William English.  
 William Craig.  
 F. C. Reynolds.  
 James Pearen, B.A.  
 S. C. Brown.

## ON MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

William McGill.  
 T. W. Constable.  
 Jabez B. Keough.

Leonard Gaetz.  
 Ezra A. Stafford.  
 J. H. Stewart.

## ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

A. A. Smith.  
 LeRoy Hooker.  
 George Farsey.

William English.  
 W. D. Brown.  
 John Armstrong.  
 Thomas C. Brown.

## ON STATISTICS FOR PUBLICATION.

W. J. Shaw, LL.B.  
 Daniel Connolly.

W. J. Jolliffe.  
 D. V. Lucas.  
 R. Mark, M.D.

## ON TEMPERANCE.

R. M. Hammond.  
 M. L. Pearson.  
 J. T. Pitcher.

Alex. Hardie, M.A.  
 J. Follick.  
 Wm. Raney.

## ON THE PASTORAL ADDRESS.

W. S. Blackstock. | George McRitchie.  
Stephen Bond.

## ON THE CHILDREN'S FUND.

J. T. Pitcher. | William McGill.  
James Kines. | A. B. Chambers, B.C.L.  
M. L. Pearson. | J. W. Sparling, B.D.  
William Jackson. | LeRoy Hooker.

W. J. Hunter, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

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STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES FOR  
THE YEAR 1876-7.

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## THE CONFERENCE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE :

## MINISTERS.

William Scott.  
George Douglas, LL.D.  
James Elliott.  
George McRitchie.  
Hiram Fowler.  
William J. Hunter.  
Henry F. Bland.  
Alex. Hardie, M.A.  
William Hansford.

## LAY REPRESENTATIVES.

A. C. Allison, Dunbar, Ont.  
James Fish, Lachute, Que.  
Dr. Lavell, Kingston, Ont.  
Jos. Jamieson, Almonte, Ont.  
S. E. Mitchell, Pembroke, Ont.  
Robert Kenny, Aylmer, Ont.  
W. H. Lambly, Inverness, Que.  
R. Holden, Frelighsburg, Que.  
Jas. McPherson, St. Johns, Que.  
Sheriff Patrick, Prescott, Ont.

## THE CONFERENCE SPECIAL COMMITTEE :

The President and Secretary of Conference, the Chairmen of Districts, and the following Ministers : William English, George H. Davis, William Hansford, John Armstrong, and W. S. Blackstock.

THE CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY :

The President of the Conference, who is also elected by the Conference a Member of the Central Board, and therefore *ex-officio* Treasurer ; George Douglas, LL.D., of the Central Board ; William Hansford, George H. Davis, W. S. McCullough, M.D., and John Scanlon ; together with the following laymen, viz. : William Clendenning, of the Central Board ; A. D. Webster, William Brown, Peter Baldwin, and John Woodward.

MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL MISSIONARY BOARD.

The President of Conference, George Douglas, LL.D., and Judge Deacon, of Pembroke.

MEMBERS OF THE TRANSFER COMMITTEE :

The President of the Conference, and the Rev. James Elliott.

TREASURERS OF THE CONNEXIONAL FUNDS :

*Missionary Society*..... Wm. Hansford, Prescott,  
*Contingent Fund* ..... Geo. H. Davis, St. Johns, P.Q.  
*Sup'd Ministers' Fund* ..... Geo. McRitchie, Almonte, Ont.  
*Children's Fund* ..... Wm. J. Hunter, Ottawa.  
*Sabbath School Society* ..... Wm. Hall, M.A., Cornwall.  
*Educational Society*..... William Scott, Brockville.

COMMITTEE TO AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER  
 OF THE CONTINGENT FUND NEXT YEAR :

J. W. Sparling, B.D., and J. M. Musgrove, Ottawa.

COMMITTEE TO AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER  
 OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY :

J. W. Sparling, B.D. | James Allen, B.A.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY  
 OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE :

George McRitchie. | William Hansford.  
 William Sheridan.

## COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH :

Richard Wilson.		Hiram Fowler.
William Adams.		William Briden.
		James Allen, B.A.

## COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS :

James Elliott.		J. Borland.
H. F. Bland.		George McRitchie.
		Leonard Gaetz.

## COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE GERMAN WORK :

George Douglas, LL.D.		William Hansford.
R. Whiting.		R. M. Hammond.
		J. T. Pitcher.

## COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL :

W. S. Blackstock.		James Roy, M.A.
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## DEPUTATION TO PRESENT THE ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL :

The President and Secretary of Conference, the Rev. H. F. Bland, and the following laymen, viz. : A. D. Webster, Esq., Joseph Whitehead, Esq., James Dinning, Esq., and William Withal, Esq.

## COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION, PHILADELPHIA :

George Douglas, LL.D.		H. F. Bland.
		E. A. Stafford.

## COMMITTEE ON STANSTEAD COLLEGE :

John Borland.		William Hansford.
Daniel Connolly.		W. S. Blackstock.
Leonard Gaetz.		J. M. Hagar, M.A.

**QUESTION II.—Are there any objections to any of our Ministers or Preachers on Trial ?**

ANSWER.—They were examined one by one.

**QUESTION III.—Who have entered this Conference by Transfer, and from what Conference ?**

ANSWER.—William Ryan, from the Toronto Conference.

**QUESTION IV.—Who have been transferred, and to what Conference ?**

ANSWER.—John A. Dowler, Thomas Haddon and Edward Morrow, to the Toronto Conference ; Peter Ker, to the London Conference.

**QUESTION V.—What Preachers are this year admitted into full connexion with the Conference, and to be Ordained ?**

ANSWER :

Crothers, Wm. J., M.A.  
Crozier, George G.  
Degruchy, Edward.  
\*Delong, Albert M.  
†Eason, Richard.  
Henderson, James  
Jamieson, William S., B.A.

Pearson, William  
\*Philp, William  
Scott, Moses  
Shibley, Samuel  
\*Shortt, William K., M.A.  
Topping, Nassau B.

\* Who were previously ordained.

† Whose ordination shall take place on his return from England.

The ordination of Silas J. Hughes and Henry Myers is deferred to allow them to attend College.

Louis N. Beaudry, a minister of the M. E. Church in the United States, is admitted as a member of this Conference.

**QUESTION VI.—What Preachers remain on Trial ?**

*Ans. 1.—These have travelled three years.*

Allen, William A.	†Patterson, Allen
*Carr, Joseph	Sparling, William H.
Crookshank, Simon	Taylor, Ernest M., B.A.
Franklin, Benjamin	Webster, John
Munroe, John A.	

\* Whose year will be allowed when corresponding studies are completed.

† Previously ordained.

*Ans. 2.—These have travelled two years.*

Chown, Samuel D.	Madge, Walter W.
*Conley, Thomas B.	Marceau, W. F., M.A.
Crane, Edward W.	Porter, George H.
Cunningham, William B.	*Poyser, George H.
*Ellery, Samuel	Smith, William T.
Flanders, Charles R.	Ward, Joseph.
Laidley, Robert	Wheatley, Isaac
	Whiteside, Arthur

\* Whose year will be allowed when corresponding studies are completed.

*Ans. 3.—These have travelled one year.*

Bates, Martin J.	Garvin, John
Conley, Lewis	Gibson, John
	McCunn, Drummond.

**QUESTION VII.—What Preachers are now received on Trial ?**

ANSWER :

Aubin, Gedeon	Mallery, Delmer E.
Davis, George H. H.	McKechnie, Robert W.
Earl, Joseph	Onesakenrat, Joseph
Elliott, James, 2nd.	Sanderson, David C.
	Stratton, John G.

**QUESTION VIII.—Who are the Superannuated Ministers ?**

ANSWER :

Borland, John	McDonald, Malcolm
Creighton, William	Ogden, Thomas.
Fear, Samuel	Selley, John B., M.D.
Hardie, David	Shaler, Henry
Hurlburt, Silvester	Taylor, William
Maudsley, Samuel	Tomkins, John
	Warren, James

**QUESTION IX.—Who are the Supernumerary Ministers ?**

ANSWER :

Adkins, Thomas O.	Houghton, Luther
Brick, John G.	Ireland, Francis C.
Byers, Henry	Ingalls, Edmund S.
Garry, Robert	Jackson, Samuel
Gear, Joshua	Kimball, Nelson
Hiscocks, John	Knight, A. G., M.A.
	Peck, William

**QUESTION X.—What persons who were in full connexion with the Conference now cease to be recognized as Ministers among us ?**

ANSWER.—None.

**QUESTION XI.—Who are now deposed from the office of the Ministry ?**

ANSWER.—None.

**QUESTION XII.—Who are now deposed from the office of the Ministry and expelled from the Church ?**

ANSWER.—None.



## QUESTION XIII.—

**Who have died?**

## I.—JAMES A. GORDON.

WE have not been able to obtain any definite information concerning the early life of our departed brother. After the death of his parents, which took place while he was yet a child, he was adopted into the family of Mr. Noah Jackson, of the Township of Westmeath, Province of Ontario.

Prior to his conversion he was known and respected as an amiable and moral young man, and a regular attendant on public worship. But like the young Ruler, he lacked "one thing." The Rev. R. M. Hammond, through whose instrumentality he was converted to God, speaks of that interesting event as follows. "In the autumn of 1855 he came to me one Sabbath morning after preaching, and with a full heart said that he wished to forsake all and follow Christ, and desired to know what he must do to be saved. Soon after this, in a special service held in the neighbourhood, he rose for prayer, and a few evenings later, while at the anxious seat, he was gloriously converted. There was no room for doubt in his own mind, nor in the minds of others, as to the reality of the change then wrought in his heart. He at once joined the Church and began to speak and work for Christ. From the first his power in prayer was remarkable, and in a few months he was licensed as an exhorter, and soon afterwards as a local preacher."

In 1858 he was admitted on trial and appointed to the Osgoode Mission, where his labours were crowned with great success. He had a warm heart and a clear intellect, which he constantly improved by careful study. He rapidly rose to occupy some of our most important circuits: Kemptville, Hemmingford, Hamilton, Montreal, and Prescott, shared his useful service. It is not saying too much to affirm that no minister in the connexion was more beloved and respected both by his brethren and the people amongst

whom he laboured. He was emphatically and pre-eminently without guile—a man of God who lived and preached for souls, and won many to Christ. At the last Conference he was appointed to the Ottawa East Circuit, and entered upon his duties with all his accustomed warmth and earnestness, his first effort captivating the hearts of the people. He had preached but two Sabbaths when he was prostrated by fever. On the following Wednesday evening, in much bodily weakness, he went to his appointment and preached a sermon of unusual power from the words, “The Master is come, and calleth for thee.” It was his last message. The fever now developed into typhoid, and rapidly ran its course despite the efforts of loving friends and skilful physicians. On the 23rd of August, 1875, he slept in Jesus, in the 39th year of his age and the 18th year of his ministry. But death had no sting, and the grave no victory. In his lucid moments he spoke of Jesus and His love. When near the end he exclaimed with much earnestness and distinctness, “O! the joy, the joy, the unutterable joy; I never imagined it could be like this.” To the tender care of the Judge of the widow, and the Father of the fatherless, he commended his stricken-hearted wife and helpless children. He died as he lived, in the triumphs of an all-conquering faith, and “swept through the gates washed in the blood of the Lamb.”

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## 2.—JOHN SCOTT

WAS born in Dublin, in the year 1832, and emigrated to Canada in 1851. His early training was received in the Church of England; but during the year 1855, while attending special services at Caistorville, conducted by the Rev. Luther A. Rice, he was led into a very clear experience of converting grace, and joined the Methodist Church, whose doctrines and polity he held in the highest esteem until the day of his death.

He was called to enter upon the duties of the ministry in 1857, and after successfully passing his probation was

ordained. He travelled successively the Oakville, Milton, Markham, Mono, Mt. Forest, Durham, Inverness, Hudson, and New Glasgow circuits.

The hardships and exposures endured on some of these fields of labour laid the foundation of the disease which, after causing much suffering, ended his days. He always felt that he was indebted to a residence in a parsonage in so bad a condition of repair, as really to be unfit for human habitation, for the untimely interruption to his work.

In 1870 he took a superannuated relation, and from that time until the end—five and a-half years—he served his Master and fulfilled his ministry by the exercise of patience, resignation, and faith, in the sick room. The progress of his disease was slow, and for more than a year his condition was such that death at any hour would have brought no surprise. In the early morning of the 30th day of December, 1875, after a most painful struggle, continuing through several hours, the chain was broken, the spirit passed away.

Bro. Scott's character was singularly amiable, affectionate, and kind. His spiritual life was strong and fervent, and always bore him above the pains and discouragements of his condition. His long illness was borne with unflinching patience. Never a murmur against Providence, nor syllable of distrust towards God was known to escape him. He loved to live over again the scenes of his active life, and felt keenly the privation when compelled to realize that it had come to an end, but cheerfully resigned himself to the Divine will.

A few weeks before his death, after a night of great suffering, he received the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and expressed in the strongest terms his unflinching trust in God. Though intense pain prevented any expressions of hope or joy just at the end, those who had accompanied him down to the margin of the stream had no feeling of doubt that his death was in the highest sense a victory. For years his life had been a daily triumph; now the servant was dismissed—a king was crowned!

**QUESTION XIV.—How are the Ministers and Preachers stationed for the ensuing year ?**

ANSWER :—

WILLIAM SCOTT, PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE.

WILLIAM J. HUNTER, SECRETARY OF CONFERENCE.

*The word in parenthesis is the Post Office address of the Minister whose name immediately precedes it.*

**I. THE MONTREAL DISTRICT.**

1. *Montreal First* (St. James Street)—Leonard Gaetz, Benjamin Longley, B.A.

**Wesleyan Theological College.**

GEORGE DOUGLAS, LL.D., *Principal and Professor of Theology.*

**THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.**

Silas J. Hughes.

Henry Meyers.

Wm. B. Cunningham.

Joseph Carr.

John A. Munroe.

2. *Montreal Second* (Ottawa Street)—Marmaduke L. Pearson
3. *Montreal Third* (Palace Street)—Richard Whiting.
4. *Montreal Fourth* (Dorchester Street)—Ezra A. Stafford ;  
Francis C. Ireland, Supernumerary.
5. *Montreal Fifth* (St. Joseph Street)—J. Tallman Pitcher.
6. *Montreal Sixth* (Sherbrooke Street)—James Roy, M.A.
7. *Montreal Seventh* (Wellington Street, Point St. Charles)—  
John Wilson.
8. *Montreal Eighth* (Ebenezer Church)—Richard Eason.
9. *Montreal Ninth* (Lachine)—John Armstrong (Cote Saint  
Paul, Montreal.)
10. *St. Lambert and Longueuil*—William I. Shaw, B.A., LL.B.  
(St. Lambert, Montreal.)

11. *St. Johns*—George H. Davis.
12. *Chambly*—Richard Wilson ; John B. Selley, M.D., Sup'd.
13. *Odelltown*—George Rogers (Lacolle, P.Q.)
14. *Hemmingford*—William K. Shortt, M.A.
15. *Franklin Centre*—John W. Clipsham, G. H. H. Davis.
16. *Huntingdon*—Samuel G. Phillips, one to be sent.
17. *Ormstown*—George H. Porter.
18. *Hudson*—William Pearson.
19. *Lachute*—David Winter ; J. Hiscocks, Supernumerary.
20. *North Gore*—Arthur Whiteside.
21. *New Glasgow*—William Knox.
22. *Shawbridge*—Edward W. Crane.
23. *Rawdon*—George Stenning.
24. *St. Andrews*—One wanted.
25. *Mile-End*—One wanted.

GEORGE DOUGLAS, LL.D., *Chairman.*

J. TALLMAN PITCHER, *Financial Secretary.*

## II. THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

26. *Kingston*—James Elliott, James Allen, B.A. ; Henry Byers, Supernumerary.
27. *Portsmouth and Garden Island*—James Awde.
28. *Napanee*—William S. Blackstock.
29. *Morven and Gosport*—Samuel Might (Morven.)
30. *Selby and Roblin*—John Ferguson, J. B. Stratton.
31. *Newburgh*—Alfred McCann, G. C. Poyser (who shall reside at Camden East.)
32. *Wilton*—James Kinds, John Gibson.
33. *Odessa*—William Briden.
34. *Bath*—Edmund S. Shrey, John A. Munroe (who shall reside at Adolphustown.)
35. *Amherst Island*—George H. Squires, M.A.
36. *Cataraqui*—Andrew A. Smith, Martin J. Bates.
37. *Battersea*—James E. Werden,

38. *Gananoque*—Jacob Freshman ; J. C. Warren, Superannuated ; Adolphus G. Knight, M.A., Supernumerary.
39. *Lansdowne*—John H. Stewart, one to be sent ; William Peck, Thomas O. Adkins, Supernumeraries.
40. *Pittsburg*—William Sheridan (Birmingham), James Elliott, 2nd, (South Lake.).
41. *Centreville*—William Short.
42. *Harrowsmith*—John C. Garrett.
43. *Tamworth*—William F. Perley.
44. *Arden*—One to be sent.
45. *Seely's Bay*—Nathan Austin.

JAMES ELLIOTT, *Chairman.*

ALFRED MCCANN, *Financial Secretary.*

### III. THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

46. *Brockville*—William Scott, President of Conference ; James G. Crozier, President's Assistant ; Luther Houghton, Robert Garry, Supernumeraries.
47. *Prescott*—William Hansford ; Sylvester Hurlburt, Sup'd.
48. *Lyn*—W. D. Brown, one to be sent.
49. *Farmersville*—Stephen Bond, Joseph Earle (Frankville) ; Thomas Ogden, Superannuated.
50. *Maitland*—Daniel V. Lucas.
51. *North Augusta*—William Rilance.
52. *Oxford*—William Philp (Bishop's Mills.)
53. *Spencerville*—John Wilson, B.A.
54. *Kemptville*—LeRoy Hooker ; Henry Shaler, Sup'd.
55. *South Mountain*—Samuel Teeson (Heckston), John Webster.
56. *Edwardsburg*—Ezekiel Richardson.
57. *Matilda*—Thomas G. Williams, Lewis Conley.
58. *Morrisburg*—Richard M. Hammond.
59. *Winchester*—Jabez B. Saunders (Chesterville, Ont.,) Samuel Ellery.
60. *Aultsville*—John Davies.

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- 61. *Cornwall*—William Hall, M.A.
  - 62. *Martintown*—One wanted.
  - 63. *Moulinette*—William Austin.
  - 64. *Avonmore*—James O'Hara ; William Taylor, Superannuated (Drayton.)

WILLIAM SCOTT, *Chairman*.

THOMAS G. WILLIAMS, *Financial Secretary*.

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#### IV. THE PERTH DISTRICT.

- 65. *Perth*—William R. Dyre.
- 66. *Smith's Falls*—William McGill.
- 67. *Carlton Place*—Robert F. Oliver, one to be sent.
- 68. *Almonte*—George McRitchie ; W. Creighton, Sup'd.
- 69. *Pakenham*—William English.
- 70. *Arnprior*—John J. Leach.
- 71. *Fitzroy Harbor*—Henry Irvine.
- 72. *Franktown*—John Garvin.
- 73. *Merrickville*—William S. McCullough, M.A., M.D.
- 74. *Wolford*—William Sanderson (Easton's Corners.)
- 75. *Lombardy*—Andrew L. Peterson.
- 76. *Delta*—George Robinson.
- 77. *Newboro'*—Robert Robinson, Drummond McCunn.
- 78. *Glentay and Maberly*—Samuel B. Phillips, one to be sent.
- 79. *Playfair*—William W. Miller.

GEORGE MCRITCHIE, *Chairman*.

WILLIAM MCGILL, *Financial Secretary*.

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#### V. THE PEMBROKE DISTRICT.

- 80. *Pembroke*—Andrew B. Chambers, B.C.L.
- 81. *Westmeath*—Hiram Fowler.
- 82. *Beachburg*—Joseph Follick.
- 83. *Clarendon*—Robert Mark, M.D.
- 84. *Portage du Fort*—John Howes.

85. *Renfrew*—William Ryan.
86. *Alice*—Robert Lohead (Locksley.)
87. *Onslow*—William Craig (Quio.)
88. *Bryson*—John C. Osborne.
89. *Mattawa*—One wanted, (Point Alexander.)

**German Missions.**

90. *Renfrew and Thorne*—Carl Allum.
91. *Rankin*—Henry Kropp.
92. *Raglan*—One wanted.

HIRAM FOWLER, *Chairman.*

ANDREW B. CHAMBERS, B.C.L., *Financial Secretary.*

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VI. THE OTTAWA DISTRICT.

93. *Ottawa Centre* (Dominion Church)—William J. Hunter, Secretary of Conference.
94. *Ottawa East* (King Street)—Joseph W. Sparling, M.A., B.D.
95. *Ottawa West* (Richmond Road)—Alexander Campbell.
96. *Hull*—One wanted.
97. *Aylmer, P.Q.*—Ebenezer Robson, R. W. McKechnie.
98. *Bell's Corners*—Richard N. Adams, W. S. Jamieson, B.A.
99. *Richmond*—Francis C. Reynolds, D. E. Mallory.
100. *North Gower*—George G. Huxtable, one to be sent.
101. *Long Island Locks*—James Simpson.
102. *Metcalfe*—William Raney.
103. *Bearbrook*—Edward H. Taylor.
104. *L'Orignal*—William J. Jolliffe (Vankleek Hill.)
105. *Point Fortune*—Gorham A. Giffard.
106. *Plantagenet*—Richard Shier (Treadwell, Ont.)
107. *Grenville and Chatham*—William Norton.
108. *Arundle*—Nassau B. Topping.
109. *Thurso*—Job Roadhouse.
110. *North Wakefield*—Jabez B. Keough.



111. *Chelsea*—Henry W. Knowles.

112. *Aylwin*—Joseph J. Haylock.

WILLIAM J. HUNTER, *Chairman*.

JOSEPH W. SPARLING, B.D., *Financial Secretary*.

## VII. THE QUEBEC DISTRICT.

113. *Quebec*—Henry F. Bland.

114. *Point Levis*—James Henderson.

115. *Three Rivers*—Alexander Drennan.

116. *Melbourne*—George Forsey, one wanted.

117. *Danville*—Edward A. Ward.

118. *Windsor Mills*—Samuel Shibley.

119. *Sherbrooke*—William Jackson ; John G. Brick, Sup'y.

120. *Lennoxville*—John Scanlon.

121. *Sawerville*—William J. Crothers, M.A.

122. *Island Brook*—Cornelius A. Jones.

123. *Cookshire*—James Pearen, B.A.

124. *Marbleton*—Francis Delong.

125. *Robinson*—Albert N. Delong.

126. *Leeds*—Moses Scott.

127. *Inverness*—Isaac Wilkinson, one wanted.

128. *Durham, P.Q.*—William Pyke.

129. *Bourg Louis*—One to be sent.

130. *Metis*—Thomas Bell.

131. *Gaspe*—John Lawrence (Cape Ozo, P.Q.,) W. F. Marceau,  
B.A. Barachois-de-Malbay, P.Q.

132. *Anticosti*—One to be sent.

HENRY F. BLAND, *Chairman*.

WILLIAM JACKSON, *Financial Secretary*.

## VIII. THE STANSTEAD DISTRICT.

133. *Stanstead*—William Galbraith, B.C.L.; John Tomkins, Malcolm McDonald, Superannuated.

**Stanstead Wesleyan College.**

JOSEPH M. HAGAR, M.A., *Governor.*

A. LEE HOLMES, B.A., *Principal.*

134. *Beebe Plain*—Isaac Wheatley.  
 135. *Compton*—Thomas W. Constable.  
 136. *Hatley and Cassville*—Francis Hunt.  
 137. *Coaticook*—Alexander Hardie, M.A.; David Hardie, Superannuated.  
 138. *Barnston Corners*—Allen Patterson.  
 139. *Dixville*—John Corbett.  
 140. *Magog*—William Timberlake, D. C. Sanderson (South Stukely, P.Q.)  
 141. *Bolton*—John Holmes (East Bolton.)  
 142. *Mansonville*—William Adams.  
 143. *Knowlton*—John Stewart.  
 144. *Waterloo, P.Q.*—Daniel Connolly.  
 145. *West Shefford*—Earnest M. Taylor, B.A.  
 146. *Lawrenceville*—Nathaniel Smith.  
 147. *Granby*—Thomas C. Brown; Edmund S. Ingalls, Sup'y.  
 148. *Cowansville*—William A. Allen.  
 149. *West Brome*—Thomas Rennie.  
 150. *Dunham*—John Walton; Joshua Gear, Nelson Kimball, Supernumeraries.  
 151. *Frelighsburg*—Richard Robinson; Samuel Jackson, Supernumerary (Stanbridge.)  
 152. *Farnham*—John Fowkes.  
 153. *Sutton*—John H. Fowler, M.A.  
 154. *St. Armand*—James E. Richardson.  
 155. *Bedford*—John Grenfel.  
 156. *Clarenceville*—Hugh Cairns.

ALEXANDER HARDIE, M.A., *Chairman.*

JOHN WALTON, *Financial Secretary.*

## IX. THE FRENCH AND INDIAN DISTRICT, P.Q.

157. *St. Johns*—John Borland, who is authorized by the General Conference to take up subscriptions in behalf of the French Educational Institute.
158. *Montreal (French)*—L. N. Beaudry, Edward Degruchy.
159. *Quebec (French)*—To be supplied.
160. *Compton and Sherbrooke*—Thomas Charbonell (Compton.)
161. *Kingsey Falls*—Antoine Geoffrey.
162. *Roxton Pond*—John Syvret.
163. *Shefford and Ely*—Joseph A. Dorion.
164. *Lacolle (French)*—One wanted.
165. *Cowansville and West Brome*—Gideon Aubin.
166. *Canaan (Farnham)*—(M. S.)
167. *Lake of Lwo Mountains*—Amand Parent (Oka.)
168. *Caughnawaga*—Joseph Onesakenrat.

JOHN BORLAND, *Chairman.*

## STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO VICTORIA COLLEGE.

William H. Sparling.  
S. D. Chown.  
Simon Crookshank.  
T. B. Conley.  
Charles R. Flanders.

W. T. Smith.  
W. W. Madge.  
Benjamin Franklin.  
Joseph Ward.



QUESTION XV.—What is the number of our Church Members and of those on Trial? And what are the Statistics of our Sabbath Schools?

I. THE MONTREAL DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's.	Total.	Pr'ing Places	Sch'ls	Of'c's	Sc'rs.
Montreal First.....	34	465	499	3	5	122	909
Montreal Second.....	25	175	200	2	2	35	332
Montreal Third.....	50	150	200	1	1	33	236
Montreal Fourth.....	6	149	155	1	1	..	....
Montreal Fifth.....	55	166	221	1	1	35	436
Montreal Sixth.....	24	126	150	1	1	26	181
Montreal Seventh.....	25	100	125	1	1	21	206
Montreal Eighth.....	13	62	75	1	1	10	72
St. Lambert.....	1	22	23	1	1	6	57
Lachine.....	..	32	32	2	1	5	75
St. Johns.....	..	93	93	1	1	11	75
Chambly.....	..	15	15	1	1	3	20
Odelltown.....	12	153	165	5	3	26	169
Hemmingford.....	7	115	122	3	3	21	153
Franklin Centre.....	..	225	225	6	4	21	137
Huntingdon.....	8	249	257	5	1	12	90
Ormstown.....	2	86	88	5	1	7	55
Hudson.....	..	44	44	..	..	..	....
La Chute.....	13	127	140	6	1	8	85
North Gore.....	..	60	60	..	..	..	....
New Glasgow.....	3	61	64	4	2	6	36
Shawbridge.....	2	53	55	2	2	7	71
Rawdon.....	7	47	54	1	1	4	30
St. Andrews.....	2	17	19	..	..	..	....
Totals.....	289	2302	3091	35	52	420	3376

## 2. THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's.	Total Memb's.	Pr'ing Places	Sch'rs.	Off'rs	Sc'lars
Kingston.....	45	412	457	4	4	77	564
Portsmouth.....	2	48	50	2	1	12	64
Napanee.....	7	300	307	1	1	37	322
Morven and Gosport.....	..	141	141	4	6	8	42
Selby.....	10	240	250	5	4	34	253
Newburgh.....	10	386	396	8	4	36	183
Wilton.....	..	306	306	7	3	29	136
Odessa.....	3	209	212	5	2	17	145
Bath.....	..	264	264	8	1	7	70
Amherst Island.....	6	49	55	..	..	..	...
Cataragui.....	3	242	245	9	2	15	105
Battersea.....	..	98	98	5	3	9	71
Gananoque.....	35	190	225	2	2	30	266
Lansdowne.....	20	151	171	9	2	9	52
Pittsburgh.....	30	234	264	6	6	28	205
Centreville.....	2	78	80	4	2	10	60
Harrowsmith.....	..	122	122	9	2	9	55
Roblin.....	5	41	46	..	..	..	...
Tamworth.....	..	101	101	5	1	10	65
Kennebec.....	4	50	54	5	1	4	36
Seeley's Bay.....	4	70	74	4	1	6	31
Totals.....	186	3732	3918	102	43	387	2713

## 3. THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

Brockville.....	8	212	220	1	1	33	287
Prescott.....	3	153	156	1	1	23	213
Lyn.....	10	215	225	8	5	25	141
Farmersville.....	..	370	370	10	5	44	365
Maitland.....	..	175	175	..	..	..	...
North Augusta.....	10	170	180	6	2	8	49
Spencerville.....	13	214	227	5	3	20	152
Kemptville.....	..	160	160	2	2	28	233
South Mountain.....	30	251	281	6	3	32	175
Edwardsburg.....	..	140	140	5	3	15	80
Matilda.....	6	369	375	5	1	14	127
Morrisburg.....	1	158	159	2	3	27	173
Winchester.....	..	425	425	8	5	48	249
Aultsville.....	6	234	240	5	1	5	65
Cornwall.....	25	75	100	1	1	10	115
Moulinette.....	..	73	73	3	1	4	36
Avonmore.....	4	46	50	3	2	16	102
Oxford.....	2	166	168	5	4	21	182
Totals.....	118	3606	3724	76	43	373	2675

4. THE PERTH DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's	Total.	Pr'ing Places	Sch'ls	Of'c's	Sc'lrs.
Perth .....	..	102	102	4	1	11	87
Smith's Falls .....	..	140	140	1	1	22	190
Almonte .....	7	100	107	1	1	22	170
Carleton Place .....	17	233	250	6	2	23	71
Pakenham .....	2	135	137	3	3	27	172
Arnprior .....	..	84	84	3	1	7	70
Merrickville .....	10	215	225	4	2	25	219
Delta .....	30	146	176	4	2	15	76
Newboro' .....	9	238	247	9	4	23	104
Glentay and Maberly .....	12	79	91	9	3	10	110
Wolford .....	31	130	161	6	2	18	110
Playfair .....	4	70	74	5	2	10	80
Fitzroy Harbour .....	..	89	89	3	2	8	47
Franklin .....	..	72	72	..	..	..	..
Lombardy .....	..	40	40	..	..	..	..
Totals .....	122	1873	1995	58	26	222	1464

5. THE PEMBROKE DISTRICT.

Pembroke .....	8	132	140	1	1	12	127
Westmeath .....	..	126	126	3	3	25	173
Beachburg .....	7	93	100	5	3	14	84
Clarendon .....	0	190	190	..	..	..	..
Portage du Fort .....	1	54	55	4	1	14	75
Renfrew .....	3	85	88	4	1	16	78
Alice .....	12	59	71	5	1	6	46
Onslow .....	31	123	154	7	2	15	67
Bryson .....	4	52	56	6	3	7	65
Mattawa .....	..	13	13	..	..	..	..
Renfrew & Thorn .....	5	18	23	..	..	..	..
Rankin .....	4	15	19	..	..	..	..
Totals .....	75	960	1035	35	15	109	715

## 6. THE OTTAWA DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's.	Total Memb's.	Pring Places	Sch'ls.	Off'rs	Sch'ls.
Ottawa Centre.....	30	220	250	1	1	29	233
Ottawa East.....	15	140	155	1	1	20	157
Ottawa West.....	26	64	90	3	3	17	173
Aylmer, P. Q. ....	15	122	137	3	2	15	120
Bell's Corner.....	37	189	226	10	3	15	100
Richmond.....	38	338	376	9	3	12	104
North Gower.....	33	467	500	9	6	43	233
Long Island Locks .....	12	109	121	..	..	..	..
Osgoode.....	..	161	161	6	2	14	104
Bearbrook.....	..	78	78	..	..	..	..
O'Original.....	9	146	155	3	2	18	85
Point Fortune.....	2	78	80	..	..	..	..
Plantagenet.....	..	37	37	3	1	6	36
Grenville.....	2	67	69	..	..	..	..
Thurso.....	8	55	63	..	..	..	..
North Wakefield.....	..	143	143	4	3	10	80
Aylwin and Victoria .....	3	67	70	11	2	7	45
Chelsea.....	7	60	67	..	..	..	..
Totals.....	237	2541	2778	82	88	206	1472

## 7. THE QUEBEC DISTRICT.

Quebec.....	..	200	200	1	2	28	273
Point Levis.....	..	8	8	..	..	..	..
Three Rivers.....	2	27	20	1	1	6	36
Melbourne.....	10	104	114	7	3	20	184
Danville.....	4	157	161	4	3	13	141
Windsor Mills.....	..	64	64	3	3	9	70
Sherbrooke.....	5	104	109	1	1	19	131
Lennoxville.....	24	51	75	1	1	4	30
Sawyerille.....	6	164	170	5	3	17	126
Island Brooke.....	1	29	30	4	2	8	110
Cookshire.....	1	42	43	3	1	3	16
Marbleton.....	19	79	98	5	3	9	50
Robinson.....	4	35	39	4	3	..	97
Leeds.....	4	148	152	8	2	10	65
Inverness.....	..	100	100	7	2	7	53
Durham.....	2	130	132	4	2	19	78
Bourg Louis.....	..	29	29	..	..	..	..
Metis.....	..	8	8	1	1	4	50
Gaspe.....	15	62	77	..	..	..	..
Totals.....	97	1541	1638	58	31	176	1520

8. THE STANSTEAD DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's.	Total Memb's.	Prng Places	Sch'ls	Of'ers	Sc'lrs.
Stanstead .....	3	127	130	2	1	7	75
Beebe Plain .....	1	37	38	..	..	..	..
Hatley .....	5	95	80	4	2	10	70
Coaticook .....	..	104	104	2	2	15	95
Barnston .....	..	48	48	..	..	..	..
Georgeville and Magog .....	..	38	38	..	..	..	..
Bolton .....	10	193	203	11	5	33	232
Mansonville .....	24	61	85	..	..	..	..
Knowlton .....	..	180	180	5	2	20	168
Waterloo .....	3	197	200	7	1	18	110
Lawrenceville .....	8	108	116	7	3	14	51
Granby .....	6	174	180	7	2	8	38
Cowansville .....	..	112	112	..	..	..	..
Dunham .....	..	87	87	3	2	16	142
Frelighsburg .....	..	72	72	5	3	12	83
Farnham .....	8	94	102	6	2	11	50
Sutton .....	14	90	104	6	2	17	80
St. Armand .....	2	201	203	10	7	44	347
Clarenceville .....	10	243	253	10	7	44	268
Compton .....	..	95	95	5	2	11	78
Barford and Hereford .....	2	20	22	..	..	..	..
Totals .....	96	2356	2452	93	39	262	1829

9. THE FRENCH AND INDIAN DISTRICT.

Montreal .....	..	...	...	..	..	..	..
Quebec .....	..	...	...	..	..	..	..
Compton and Sherbrooke .....	14	1	15	..	..	..	..
Roxton Pond .....	6	35	41	..	1	1	26
Kingsey Falls .....	3	15	18	..	..	..	..
Shefford and Ely .....	7	34	41	..	1	1	15
Bolton and Stukely .....	..	...	...	..	..	..	..
Canaan .....	2	23	25	..	..	..	..
Lake of Two Mountains .....	26	221	247	..	1	4	43
Totals .....	58	329	387	..	3	6	84



RECAPITULATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP AND  
SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	On Trial.	Full Memb's	Total.	Pr'ing Places	Sch'ls	Of'ers	Sc'rs.
Montreal .....	289	2802	3091	52	35	420	3876
Kingston .....	186	3732	3918	102	43	387	2713
Brockville .....	118	3606	3724	76	43	373	2675
Perth .....	122	1873	1995	58	26	222	1464
Pembroke .....	75	960	1035	35	15	109	715
Ottawa.....	237	2541	2778	88	28	206	1472
Quebec.....	97	1541	1638	58	31	176	1721
Stanstead .....	96	2356	2452	93	39	263	1829
French and Indian.....	58	329	387	..	2	6	84
Totals .....	1278	19740	21018	562	262	2162	15848
Last Year .....	1008	19473	20481				

QUESTION XVI.—What is the amount received for the several Connexional Funds?

I. THE MONTREAL DISTRICT,

CIRCUITS.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Continent- Fund.	Educa- tional Fund.	Super'd Minis'rs Fund.	Mission- ary Fund.	General S. S. Fund.
Montreal First.....	\$87 00	\$115 00	\$570 00	\$400 00	\$5 25
Montreal Second .....	29 59	18 09	103 72	479 76	1 69
Montreal Third.....	41 77	42 02	42 00	503 27	....
Montreal Fourth .....	91 00	40 00	177 00	2300 00	....
Montreal Fifth .....	31 00	31 00	35 00	450 00	1 18
Montreal Sixth .....	43 20	20 92	68 62	631 00	....
Montreal Seventh .....	32 00	20 50	55 00	450 00	....
Montreal Eighth.....	12 76	7 30	16 75	118 54	....
St. Lambert .....	7 72	12 00	6 00	114 06	....
Lachine .....	6 05	7 67	8 88	75 75	1 17
St. Johns .....	34 08	26 05	39 00	258 00	3 00
Chambly .....	5 57	12 60	6 76	83 57	....
Odelltown.....	17 09	24 74	54 86	167 00	1 45
Hemmingford .....	8 83	9 68	28 10	136 59	0 82
Franklin Centre .....	11 59	5 89	36 72	161 77	....
Huntingdon.....	17 19	40 96	68 69	328 64	....
Ormstown.....	7 50	9 35	11 75	105 42	....
Hudson .....	5 78	2 88	5 78	80 15	....
La Chute.....	12 50	20 00	20 00	245 97	2 00
North Gore .....	3 00	1 60	1 25	50 00	....
New Glasgow.....	5 31	7 00	24 25	140 00	....
Shawbridge .....	4 24	3 00	5 00	109 35	....
Rawdon .....	2 00	2 80	6 00	34 00	....
St. Andrews.....	1 70	1 57	1 43	49 34	....
Totals .....	\$518 47	\$482 62	\$1379 56	11872 28	\$16 56

## 2. THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Contingent Fund.	Educational Fund.	Super'd Ministers Fund.	Missionary Fund.	General S. S. Fund.
Kingston .....	\$63 94	\$75 00	\$164 80	\$2102 48	...
Portsmouth .....	4 66	5 55	11 25	91 60	....
Napanee .....	25 28	47 42	75 00	400 00	....
Morven and Gosport.....	7 28	10 20	20 00	145 26	....
Selby .....	8 30	5 00	16 00	130 00	....
Newburg.....	14 52	6 00	40 40	397 21	....
Wilton .....	13 11	10 00	43 50	337 91	....
Odessa .....	11 58	11 45	23 00	230 39	....
Bath .....	9 45	6 34	23 20	314 77	....
Amherst Island .....	9 00	4 83	7 50	81 85	....
Cataragui .....	14 81	10 50	41 00	333 10	....
Battersea .....	8 63	3 25	7 75	96 82	....
Gananoque.....	17 61	9 00	23 70	241 01	1 63
Lansdowne.....	6 80	5 60	10 00	145 36	....
Pittsburg .....	10 00	18 25	24 00	165 69	....
Centreville .....	3 41	2 34	13 20	33 29	....
Harrowsmith .....	3 30	2 65	14 65	106 60	....
Roblin .....	2 16	1 27	2 20	50 36	....
Tamworth .....	4 50	2 50	5 00	110 20	....
Kennebec .....	2 92	....	1 56	44 91	....
Seeley's Bay.....	5 70	1 57	4 10	62 00	....
Totals.....	\$246 96	\$238 72	\$581 81	\$5670 81	\$1 63

## 3. THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

Brockville.....	\$26 25	\$24 00	\$41 00	\$306 60	\$1 00
Prescott .....	15 00	20 05	40 00	378 24	2 00
Lyn .....	11 00	13 23	33 00	188 80	.....
Farmersville .....	8 00	11 20	28 50	322 24	.....
Maitland .....	6 29	5 13	10 18	160 08	.....
North Augusta .....	8 69	2 28	9 50	152 40	.....
Spencerville .....	6 97	6 04	20 00	215 69	.....
Kemptville .....	15 60	10 50	20 00	130 84	.....
South Mountain.....	11 95	8 95	23 85	261 48	.....
Edwardsburg .....	4 10	1 50	7 06	132 65	.....
Matilda .....	8 25	6 17	20 25	226 85	.....
Morrisburg.....	6 00	8 66	14 30	166 11	2 00
Winchester.....	14 94	7 50	33 25	325 42	.....
Aultsville .....	8 03	8 01	22 00	196 36	.....
Cornwall .....	10 00	5 75	16 00	123 52	1 75
Moulinette.....	4 00	5 00	11 35	51 62	.....
Avonmore.....	3 00	3 00	5 57	79 62	.....
Oxford .....	9 29	5 84	8 50	142 14	1 11
Totals.....	\$177 36	\$152 81	\$369 31	\$3590 66	\$7 86

## 4. THE PERTH DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Continent Fund.	Educa- tional Fund.	Super'd Minis'rs Fund.	Mission- ary Fund.	Gen'l S. S. Fund.
Perth .....	\$9 50	\$5 44	\$13 00	\$112 88	.....
Smith's Falls .....	8 75	7 06	10 00	83 75	2 00
Almonte .....	8 20	9 50	15 00	92 50	1 50
Carleton Place.....	8 20	5 65	21 00	196 82	1 40
Pakenham .....	7 00	6 41	37 19	188 60	0 30
Arnprior .....	7 00	4 42	8 00	82 55	.....
Merrickville.....	6 75	4 00	18 00	161 85	1 79
Delta .....	8 95	6 42	14 00	172 63	.....
Newboro' .....	11 00	7 00	20 00	295 15	.....
Glentay, &c .....	5 00	6 10	10 50	118 45	.....
Wolford .....	6 30	6 00	12 10	192 57	.....
Playfair .....	6 69	2 79	13 21	129 66	.....
Fitzroy Harbour.....	5 10	1 40	8 42	47 78	.....
Franklin .....	6 00	5 00	7 00	80 35	.....
Lombardy.....	1 50	2 60	4 00	46 26	.....
Totals.....	\$105 94	\$79 79	\$211 42	\$2001 80	\$7 49

## 5. THE PEMBROKE DISTRICT.

Pembroke .....	\$14 00	\$31 00	\$76 00	\$330 66	\$3 00
Westmeath .....	8 00	7 06	15 31	138 00	1 50
Beachburgh .....	3 00	5 41	9 75	59 01	.....
Clarendon.....	4 00	2 50	20 25	123 18	.....
Portage du Fort.....	4 50	6 00	10 43	47 54	1 00
Renfrew .....	9 00	7 78	13 21	143 00	.....
Alice .....	2 25	1 25	4 94	52 56	.....
Onslow .....	9 00	9 60	16 00	113 00	.....
Bryson .....	3 00	2 50	3 25	48 37	.....
Mattawa .....	5 34	1 59	7 97	17 00	.....
Renfrew and Thorn.....	1 00	2 00	3 15	15 00	.....
Rankin .....	2 86	3 11	4 79	94 91	.....
Totals.....	\$65 95	\$79 80	\$185 05	\$1192 23	\$5 50

## 6. THE OTTAWA DISTRICT.

CIRCUIT.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Contingent Fund.	Educational Fund.	Super'd Minis'rs Fund.	Missionary Fund.	General S. S. Fund.
Ottawa Centre.....	\$50 00	\$50 00	\$120 00	\$665 30	\$4 83
Ottawa East.....	15 00	18 70	30 00	308 57	....
Ottawa West.....	8 00	10 00	11 00	176 40	....
Aylmer, P. Q.....	17 25	26 00	23 00	283 39	....
Bell's Corners.....	6 00	3 33	20 00	252 30	....
Richmond.....	9 00	10 50	35 00	301 21	1 95
North Gower.....	8 37	15 00	31 00	301 26	....
Long Island Locks.....	8 00	14 50	13 50	183 89	....
Osgoode.....	5 00	4 74	20 00	124 27	....
Bearbrooke.....	6 35	3 55	13 75	104 34	....
L'Orignal.....	9 00	27 00	40 00	134 93	....
Point Fortune.....	3 00	6 40	9 00	58 58	....
Plantagenet.....	5 00	2 50	5 08	40 86	....
Grenville.....	2 30	2 68	3 00	93 10	....
Thurso.....	4 40	4 26	9 80	116 56	....
North Wakefield.....	2 50	6 00	10 00	57 22	....
Aylwin and Victoria.....	2 00	0 50	1 00	85 34	....
Chelsea.....	10 00	6 00	8 00	144 45	....
Totals.....	\$171 17	\$211 66	\$403 15	\$3431 87	\$6 78

## 7. THE QUEBEC DISTRICT.

Quebec.....	\$79 25	\$66 40	\$92 25	\$563 04	\$5 22
Point Levi.....	2 00	2 00	3 00	29 00	....
Three Rivers.....	4 20	4 06	8 00	73 00	....
Melbourne.....	10 54	6 86	9 00	113 39	....
Danville.....	10 00	12 50	12 00	135 15	....
Windsor Mills.....	5 50	6 15	5 00	45 89	0 75
Sherbrooke.....	16 50	40 45	49 50	220 86	....
Lennoxville.....	9 90	....	15 00	93 00	....
Sawyerville.....	8 00	8 25	20 00	95 00	....
Island Brook.....	1 50	....	2 00	28 75	....
Cookshire.....	5 25	1 50	4 00	32 29	....
Marbleton.....	2 50	1 65	2 65	48 56	....
Robinson.....	3 00	2 00	1 00	61 70	....
Leeds.....	6 06	4 20	11 00	101 25	....
Inverness.....	3 71	3 00	6 00	107 76	....
Durham.....	5 00	1 39	9 00	39 45	....
Bourg Louis.....	....	....	....	7 15	....
Metis.....	5 90	1 40	3 12	29 85	....
Gaspe.....	3 93	1 97	3 12	98 70	....
Totals.....	\$182 74	\$163 81	\$255 64	\$1889 79	\$5 97
Less Expenses.....		10 30			
		\$153 51			

## 8. THE STANSTEAD DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Conti- gent Fund.	Educa- tional Fund.	Super'd Minis'r's Fund.	Mission- ary Fund.	Gen'l S. S. Fund.
Stanstead .....	\$15 13	\$27 00	\$21 52	\$279 85	\$1 46
Beebe Plain .....	8 25	5 78	10 87	54 74	.....
Hatley .....	5 00	6 35	8 00	83 77	.....
Coaticook .....	10 50	9 00	16 50	71 18	.....
Barnston .....	9 44	0 82	5 55	37 25	.....
Georgeville and Magog .....	3 20	.....	.....	59 91	.....
Bolton .....	9 50	10 54	13 18	131 38	.....
Mansonville .....	2 65	4 35	4 00	38 61	.....
Knowlton .....	8 00	8 00	11 50	80 60	1 50
Waterloo .....	17 25	19 60	41 00	257 27	.....
Lawrenceville .....	5 30	11 00	8 89	79 20	1 00
Granby .....	15 84	12 33	21 00	213 53	.....
Cowansville .....	7 28	6 50	6 15	72 60	.....
Dunham .....	13 09	20 14	22 22	82 10	.....
Frelighsburg .....	9 00	24 00	33 50	130 36	.....
Farnham .....	6 00	12 15	8 00	78 66	.....
Sutton .....	5 93	4 57	10 61	171 63	1 00
St. Armand .....	13 00	24 00	30 00	134 10	.....
Clarenceville .....	11 43	33 10	31 00	150 00	.....
Compton .....	9 51	10 08	12 78	96 86	1 25
Barford and Hereford .....	.....	.....	.....	3 24	.....
Totals.....	\$185 40	\$249 31	\$316 27	\$2306 84	\$6 21

## 9. THE FRENCH AND INDIAN DISTRICT.

Montreal .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quebee .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Compton and Sherbrooke .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxton Pond .....	.....	.....	.....	\$35 29	.....
Kingsey Falls .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shefford and Ely .....	.....	.....	.....	16 18	.....
Bolton and Stukely .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canaan .....	.....	.....	.....	15 60	.....
Lake of Two Mountains .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	.....	.....	.....	\$67 07	.....

## RECAPITULATION OF CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

DISTRICTS.	CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.				
	Conti- gent Fund.	Educa- tional Fund.	Super'd Ministers' Fund.	Mission- ary Fund.	Gen'l S. S. Fund.
Montreal .....	\$518 47	\$482 52	\$1379 56	\$11872 28*	\$16 56
Kingston .....	246 96	238 72	581 81	5670 81	3 75
Brockville.....	177 36	149 71	369 31	3590 66	7 86
Perth .....	105 94	79 79	211 42	2001 90	7 49
Pembroke.....	65 95	79 80	185 05	1192 23	5 50
Ottawa .....	171 17	211 66	403 13	3431 87	6 78
Quebec .....	182 74	153 51	445 64	1889 79	5 97
Stanstead .....	185 40	241 31	316 27	2306 84	6 21
French and Indian .....	.....	.....	.....	67 07	.....
Totals.....	\$1653 69	\$1637 02	\$3891 19	\$32022 99	\$62 12

\* Returns not comp etc.

# SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND.

Names of Ministerial and Lay Subscribers of Five Dollars and upwards to the Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

## I. THE MONTREAL DISTRICT.

Rev. G. Douglas, LL.D ...\$10 00	Rev. G. Rogers .....\$10 00
" Leonard Gaetz ..... 10 00	" W. K. Short, B.A.,
" B. Longley, B.A. .... 10 00	T.C.D ..... 10 00
" John Wilson ..... 10 00	" J. W. Clipsham .... 10 00
" R. Whiting ..... 10 00	" E. W. Crane ..... 10 00
" E. A. Stafford ..... 10 00	" S. G. Phillips ..... 10 00
" J. T. Pitcher ..... 10 00	" G. H. Porter ..... 10 00
" J. Roy, M.A. .... 10 00	" R. Shier ..... 10 00
" J. Armstrong ..... 10 00	" D. Winter ..... 10 00
" R. Eason ..... 10 00	" W. Knox ..... 10 00
" W. J. Shaw, LL.B. . 10 00	" John Fowks ..... 10 00
" N. Austin ..... 10 00	" George Stenning.... 10 00
" R. Wilson ..... 10 00	" John Hiscocks ..... 10 00
" G. H. Davis ..... 10 00	

## II. THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

Rev. James Elliott .....\$10 00	Rev. William Briden ...\$10 00
" James Allen, B.A. . 10 00	" Wm. W. Madge .... 10 00
" James Awde ..... 10 00	" John C. Garrett.... 10 00
" W. S. Blackstock .. 10 00	" Jacob Freshman.... 10 00
" Samuel Might ..... 10 00	" John H. Stewart ... 10 00
" John Ferguson ..... 10 00	" John Gibson ..... 10 00
" A. A. Smith ..... 10 00	" W. S. McCullough,
" W. J. Crothers ..... 10 00	M.D ..... 10 00
" A. McCann ..... 10 00	" Lewis Conley ..... 10 00
" T. B. Conley ..... 10 00	" W. Short ..... 10 00
" James Kines ..... 10 00	" John A. Munroe.... 10 00
" E. S. Shorey ..... 10 00	" Samuel Fear ..... 10 00
" J. G. Crozier ..... 10 00	" W. F. Perley ..... 10 00
" John J. Leach ..... 10 00	" James E. Werden .. 10 00



## LAY SUBSCRIBERS.

*Kingston.*

John Trennaman .....	\$25 00
Dr. Skinner .....	10 00
H. Cunningham .....	6 00
Thomas Overend .....	5 00
William McCrossie .....	5 00
E. Chown .....	5 00
Mrs. Chown .....	6 00
A. Chown .....	5 00
Mrs. McCutcheon .....	5 00
Mrs. McLeod .....	5 00
B. M. Britton .....	5 00
William Breden .....	5 00
Mrs. Breden .....	5 00
Thomas Rudd .....	5 00
J. Simpson .....	4 00
Joseph Clark .....	4 00
William Bailey .....	4 00
B. Bailey .....	4 00
J. Johnston .....	4 00
W. Anglin .....	5 00
Mrs. Heath .....	5 00

*Napanee.*

Alexander C. Davis .....	\$5 00
Trueman Beeman .....	5 00
T. W. Casey .....	5 00
W. F. Hall .....	5 00
C. F. Russell .....	5 00
R. W. Clark, M.D .....	5 00
Peter L. Bogart .....	5 00

*Wilton.*

Sidney Warner, Esq .....	4 00
Mrs. Warner .....	4 00

*Odessa.*

David Aylesworth .....	4 00
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*Cataraqui.*

Johnston Day, Esq .....	5 00
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*Newburg.*

Mrs. D. B. Stickney .....	4 00
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*Portsmouth.*

James Schroder .....	4 00
Mrs. Schroder .....	4 00

*Bath.*

Mrs. Hancox .....	5 00
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## III. THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

Rev. George McRitchie ..	\$10 00	Rev. W. Pearson .....	\$10 00
" Wm. Hansford .....	10 00	" Wm. Hall, M.A. ....	10 00
" John Wilson, B.A. ....	10 00	" W. Austin .....	10 00
" Samuel Hallery .....	10 00	" J. O'Hara .....	10 00
" J. B. Saunders .....	10 00	" Wm Philip .....	10 00
" Thomas Rennie .....	10 00		
" D. V. Lucas .....	10 00		
" W. Rilance .....	10 00		
" T. W. Constable .....	10 00		
" S. Bond .....	10 00		
" S. Teeson .....	10 00		
" M. J. Bates .....	10 00		
" J. A. Dowler .....	10 00		
" M. L. Pearson .....	10 00		
" G. C. Poyser .....	10 00		
" Ebenezer Robson .....	10 00		
" T. G. Williams .....	10 00		
" W. D. Brown .....	10 00		

## LAL SUBSCRIBERS.

*Brockville.*

Mrs. S. G. Booth .....	5 00
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*Prescott.*

James Irwin .....	10 00
Sheriff Patrick .....	5 00

*Lyn.*

Mrs. W. Clow .....	5 00
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*Kemptville.*

Horace Hutchins .....	5 00
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<i>Aultsville.</i>		<i>Morrisburg.</i>	
Henry Bredin .....	\$5 00	Mrs. J. N. Rose .....	\$4 00
<i>Winchester.</i>			
A. C. Allison .....	4 00	George Doran .....	4 00

IV. THE PERTH DISTRICT.

Rev. W. Dyre .....	\$10 00	Rev. R. Robinson.....	\$10 00
" W. Scott .....	10 00	" S. B. Phillips .....	10 00
" W. McGill .....	10 00	" John Garvin .....	10 00
" J. Follick.....	10 00	" W. W. Miller.....	10 00
" J. B. Fawcett.....	10 00	" S. Shibley .....	10 00
" W. English .....	10 00	LAY SUBSCRIBERS.	
" J. Holmes .....	10 00	<i>Almonte.</i>	
" H. Irwin .....	10 00	James Jameson.....	4 00
" W. Sheridan .....	10 00	<i>Pakenham.</i>	
" W. Sanderson.....	10 00	James Nilson, jun.....	5 00
" A. L. Peterson .....	10 00	D. E. Scott .....	5 00
" G. Robinson .....	10 00		

V. THE PEMBROKE DISTRICT

Rev. A. B Chambers ....	\$10 00	Rev. Henry Kropp .....	\$10 00
" Hiram Fowler.....	10 00	LAY SUBSCRIBERS.	
" William Craig.....	10 00	<i>Pembroke.</i>	
" Robert Mark .....	10 00	Thomas B. Ellis .....	6 00
" John Howes.....	10 00	Judge Deacon .....	5 00
" R. F. Oliver.....	10 00	S. E. Mitchell.....	5 00
" Robert Lockhead ...	10 00	T. Deacon, M.P.P .....	5 00
" J. C. Osborne .....	10 00	Mrs. Peter White.....	4 00
" Ezekiel Richardson..	10 00	A. Dunlop .....	5 00
" Samuel E. Maudsley	10 00	J. H. Metcalfe .....	5 00
" Carl Aillum.....	10 00		

VI. THE OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Rev. W. J. Hunter .....	\$10 00	Rev. James Simpson ....	\$10 00
" W. H. Sparling ....	10 00	" William Raney .....	10 00
" Alexander Campbell	10 00	" Edward H. Taylor..	10 00
" Joseph W. Sparling	10 00	" Wm. J. Jolliffe ....	10 00
" J. B. Keough .....	10 00	" G. A. Gifford .....	10 00
" W. T. Smith .....	10 00	" R. N. Adams .....	10 00
" F. C. Reynolds .....	10 00	" William Norton .....	10 00
" N. B. Topping.....	10 00	" Job Roadhouse .....	10 00

Rev. George Huxtable....\$10 00	Mrs. R. Woodland ..... \$5 00
" H. W. Knowles..... 10 00	J. P. Taylor ..... 5 00
" R. M. Hammond.... 10 00	Peter LeSueur ..... 5 00
" S. D. Chown ..... 10 00	
" J. J. Haylock ..... 10 00	<i>Ottawa East.</i>
	J. W. Kenny..... 5 00
	W. H. Walker .. . . . 5 00
	<i>Aylmer, P.O.</i>
	Robert Kenny ..... 5 00
	<i>North Gower.</i>
	John Cole ..... 5 00
	<i>North Wakefield.</i>
	A. Pritchard ..... 5 00
LAY SUBSCRIBERS.	
<i>Ottawa Centre.</i>	
E. Storr ..... 20 00	
Mr. and Mrs. Vaux..... 10 00	
W. E. Storr and Wife.... 8 00	
Edward Hall ..... 5 00	
Alonzo Titus..... 5 00	
C. W. Jenkins ..... 5 00	
E. Sybold ..... 5 00	
W. C. Bowles..... 5 00	

### VII. THE QUEBEC DISTRICT.

Rev. H. F. Bland.....\$10 00		LAY SUBSCRIBERS.
" J. Corbett ..... 10 00		<i>Quebec.</i>
" G. Forsee..... 10 00	W. Bignell..... \$4 00	
" J. Carr ..... 10 00	J. Smith..... 4 00	
" E. A. Ward..... 10 00	J. Storey ..... 4 00	
" J. Wheatley ..... 10 00	Joseph Louis..... 4 00	
" W. Jackson..... 10 00	Mrs. " ..... 5 00	
" J. Scanlon ..... 10 00	G. R. Renfrew ..... 4 00	
" J. Pearen, B.A. .... 10 00	W. McWilliam..... 5 00	
" C. A. Jones ..... 10 00		<i>Sherbrooke.</i>
" N. Smith ..... 10 00	Dr. Dowlin ..... 5 00	
" A. Delong..... 10 00	Mrs. Dowlin ..... 5 00	
" F. Delong ..... 10 00	Jno. Woodward ..... 5 00	
" T. Haddon ..... 10 00	D. Hyndman..... 5 00	
" I. Wilkinson ..... 10 00	J. A. Gordon..... 5 00	
" T. Bell ..... 10 00	G. G. Bryant..... 5 00	
" H. Drennan..... 10 00	Mrs. Bryant ..... 5 00	
" J. Lawrence..... 10 00		<i>Sawyerville.</i>
" W. F. Marceau .... 10 00	Wm. Sawyer, M.P.P. .... 5 00	
" James Henderson .. 10 00		

### VIII. THE STANSTEAD DISTRICT.

Rev. W. Galbraith .....\$10 00	Rev. John Davies .....\$10 00
" A. Lee Holmes, M.A. 10 00	" Francis Hunt ..... 10 00
" J. M. Hagar, M.A.. 10 00	" L. Hooker ..... 10 00
" Moses Scott..... 10 00	" A. Patterson..... 10 00
" Thomas C. Brown .. 10 00	" Wm. Timberlake ... 10 00

Rev. John Grenfell .....	\$10 00	LAY SUBSCRIBERS.	
" Wm. Adams .....	10 00	<i>Stanstead.</i>	
" John Stewart .....	10 00	W. H. Holmes .....	\$5 00
" D. Connolly .....	10 00	Mrs. A. Wood .....	5 00
" E. M. Taylor, B.A. ..	10 00	<i>Waterloo.</i>	
" A. Hardie, M.A. ....	10 00	E. D. Lawrence .....	4 00
" J. E. Richardson ...	10 00	J. R. Clark .....	4 00
" W. A. Allen .....	10 00	V. Nutting .....	4 00
" John Walton .....	10 00	T. Lawrence .....	4 00
" Richard Robinson ..	10 00	D. Darby .....	4 00
" Samuel Jackson ....	10 00	J. P. Noyes .....	4 00
" Wm. Pike .....	10 00	D. Frost.....	4 00
" J. H. Fowler, M.A. ..	10 00	<i>Frelighsburg.</i>	
" Robert Laidley .....	10 00	R. Holden .....	5 00
" Hugh Cairns .....	10 00	Mrs. H. E. Chadsey .....	5 00
		Mrs. R. Robinson .....	5 00

IX. THE FRENCH AND INDIAN DISTRICT.

Rev. Thomas Charbonnel.	\$10 00	Rev. Edward De Gruchy..	\$10 00
" Joseph A. Dorion ..	10 00	" Antonio Geoffroy ..	10 00
" John Syvret.....	10 00	" Edward Parent ....	10 00



## REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

### THE CONTINGENT FUND.

#### RECEIPTS.

Amount appropriated to this Conference by the General Treasurers.....	\$1975 48
Balance of claim due this Conference for 1875...	106 96
Conference Collections .....	86 25
	\$2168 68

#### PAYMENTS.

Balance due the Treasurer .....	\$53 88
District appropriations .....	1017 90
Grants for special afflictions.....	218 19
Funeral expenses.....	100 00
Expenses for supply .....	45 00
Laymen's expenses.....	16 30
Miscellaneous expenses.....	228 61
Conference " .....	126 48
	\$1806 36
Balance on hand.....	362 33

#### APPROPRIATIONS TO DISTRICTS.

Montreal .....	\$210 00
Kingston .....	175 00
Brockville .....	210 00
Perth.....	210 00
Pembroke.....	52 50
Ottawa .....	60 00
Quebec .....	175 00
Stanstead .....	275 00
President's Assistant.....	140 00
	\$1507 50

Rev. G. H. Davis was re-appointed Treasurer.

Rev. J. W. Sparling, M.A., B.D., and J. W. Musgrove, Esq.,  
were appointed Auditors for the ensuing year.

G. H. DAVIS,  
*Chairman.*

W. JACKSON,  
*Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS'  
FUND, 1875-6.

RECEIPTS.

DISTRICTS.	Receipts from Circuits.	Receipts from Minist'rs	Total Receipts.
Montreal .....	\$1379 56	\$260 00	\$1639 56
Kingston .....	581 75	290 00	871 75
Brockville .....	369 31	230 00	599 31
Perth .....	209 92	170 00	379 92
Pembroke .....	185 05	120 00	305 05
Ottawa.....	403 13	200 00	603 13
Quebec.....	249 52	190 00	439 52
Stanstead.....	316 27	250 00	566 27
French.....	.....	60 00	60 00
Totals... ..	\$3694 51	\$1770 00	\$5464 51

J. DOUSE,  
W. T. MASON, } TREASURERS.

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 THE EDUCATIONAL FUND.
 

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 REPORT OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE BRANCH OF THE  
 EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY, 1875-76.
 

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REV. JAMES ELLIOTT IN ACCOUNT WITH GENERAL TREASURERS.

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 To following amounts collected from following Districts,  
 viz. :—

Montreal.....	\$482 62	
Kingston.....	279 92	
Brockville .....	150 81	
Perth .....	78 79	
Pembroke .....	79 80	
Ottawa.....	211 66	
Quebec .....	163 81	
Stanstead .....	241 31	
		\$1,688 72

CR.

By following charges, viz. :—

Expenses of Deputations.....	\$75 04	
Expenses of Examining Boards.....	94 17	
Treasurer's Expenses .....	1 50	
		170 71
Balance on hand .....		\$1,518 01

Quebec, June, 1876.

## CHILDREN'S FUND REPORT.

## BALANCE SHEET.

*The Treasurer in account with the Children's Fund.*

1875. DR.	CR.
To Cash in hand from last year .....\$419 55	By Amount paid to Rev. J. C. Slater, for proportion of Toronto Conference deficiency payable by Montreal Conference ..... \$174 00
" Interest, 11 months, at 5 per cent. .... 19 22	" Cash paid grant to Rev. J. C. Slater ... 50 00
" Amount received from Rev. J. C. Slater ... 146 00	" Interest on \$78, balance remitted to Rev. J. C. Slater, 11 mo., at 5 per cent. .... 3 94
" Receipts from Dist's., 19,556 members, at 36c. each..... ..7040 16	" Payment of 260 children at \$26 ..... 6760 00
	" Payment of 6 children at \$6..... 36 00
	" Treasurer's expenses for two years ..... 11 25
	" Balance in hand..... 589 74
<u>\$7,624 93</u>	<u>\$7,624 93</u>

Audited and found correct,

(Signed)

LE ROY HOOKER,  
J. W. SPARLING, B.D., } *Auditors.*

The Committee find that the number of members as reported and to be assessed for this Fund is 20,485 at 36c. each, yielding a revenue of \$7,374.60. The number of children reported as claimants is 284 at \$26 each, and 6 at \$6 each, amounting to the sum of \$7,420, or \$45.40 in excess of the revenue. The Committee therefore recommend that the assessment per member be the same as that of last year, viz., 36c. each, including those on trial; and that the payments be also the same as last year, \$26.

The Committee recommend that the child of Rev. S. B. Phillips, born during the father's temporary superannuation, be recognized as a claimant on the Fund.

The Committee recommend that the Rev. W. J. Hunter be Secretary-Treasurer for the current year.

(Signed)

W. J. HUNTER, *Secretary-Treasurer.*



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## CHILDREN'S FUND.

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### CONSTITUTION.

This shall be called "The Children's Fund of the Montreal Conference," "for the purpose of providing effectively and uniformly for the payment of the allowances of the children of our ministers, and of equalizing the claims for this object on the several circuits within its bounds," subject to the regulations contained in the Discipline, page 117.

This Fund shall be managed by a Committee composed of the Financial Secretaries of the several Districts and the Treasurer, who shall be appointed annually by the Conference. It shall be their business to ascertain the number of children having claims each year upon the Fund, and to recommend to the Conference the rate required from the membership for the payment of such claims. They shall also attend to any general matters connected with the interests of the Fund, or which may be referred to them by the Conference.

The Treasurer shall keep a record of the names and ages of all the children of our ministers and of the transactions of the Committee in a book provided for the purpose, and shall meet the Financial Secretaries one day before the Conference in order to receive from or to pay over to them the balances accruing from or payable to their Districts, after the claims of the children on said Districts have been paid.

The Financial Secretaries shall ascertain at the Financial District Meeting, and insert in their District books, the names and ages of the children of the ministers within the bounds of their Districts, and at the May District Meeting record the names of any children born during the year, reporting them to the General Treasurer at the Conference. The 15th of May shall be considered as the close of the year, and no child born after that date will have a claim for the current year, though this is not intended to prevent the payment of the claims for eighteen years.

The Financial Secretaries shall be the Treasurers for their respective Districts, and shall collect from each Superintendent the amount payable by the members under his care, and pay to the parents or guardians of the children the amounts due for the year. The Minutes of the Conference shall be taken as the standard by which shall be reckoned the number of members on each Circuit required to pay into the Fund.

A schedule shall be furnished by the Treasurer each year to the Financial Secretary of each District, in which shall be recorded by them the statistics necessary for his information.

Two auditors shall be appointed by the Committee from among themselves to examine and certify the accounts of the Treasurer previous to the publication in the Minutes.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

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The Committee report as follows:—

### OTTAWA WEST MISSION.

The Memorial of the Ottawa District on the Ottawa West Mission was first considered. After a very patient investigation of the whole case, and after receiving valuable information from Mr. Hume, a Trustee of said Mission, your Committee is of opinion that the Conference cannot decline the prayer of the Memorial without incurring the immediate closing of the Mission, and the sacrifice of the devoted brethren who are seriously involved, without any personal fault of their own; and would therefore recommend that the concurrence of the Trustees and Quarterly Official Boards be sought in all our Circuits, to allow of a special collection being taken up to assist the Ottawa West Mission.

### CIRCULAR FROM PRESIDENT OF GENERAL CONFERENCE.

In reference to the circular from the President of the General Conference, your Committee report and recommend as follows: This Conference recognizes its responsibility to bear its share of expenses referred to, but defers the collection for another year.

NEWSPAPER FOR THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

In reference to the Memorial of the Perth District on the subject of a paper as the organ of the Montreal Conference, your Committee recommend the appointment of a Special Committee to examine propositions of the Editors and Proprietors of the Montreal *Witness*, and to consider the whole subject, and report at the earliest date to the Conference.

PANET STREET CHURCH, MONTREAL.

Your Committee recommends Conference to comply with the request in the Memorial of the Montreal District, amended by Conference, as follows: That the Conference recommend that the sum of \$700 (seven hundred dollars) be paid the Ministers to whom the Church enterprise is indebted, and the balance to be expended in Church extension in Montreal.

All the above recommendations were adopted by the Conference.

(Signed,)

J. B. KEOUGH, *Chairman.*  
LEONARD GAETZ, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH  
PROPERTY.

The Committee reports as follows:—

FRANKVILLE PARSONAGE.

In the matter of the request of the Trustees of the Frankville Parsonage, Brockville District, to sell the old Parsonage and apply the proceeds to the purchase of a new one, your Committee recommends that the requested permission be granted.

KEMPTVILLE PARSONAGE.

In the matter of the request of the Trustees of the Kemptville Parsonage, Brockville District, asking permission to sell their old Parsonage, for the purpose of securing one in a more suitable position, the Committee does not deem it expedient to press the sale of the Parsonage property at present.

## RENFREW.

Renfrew Mission, in the Pembroke District, has received from the Canada Central Railroad Company the sum of \$650 (six hundred and fifty dollars) in compensation for the expropriation of a portion of the Church lot by said Company, which amount has been utilized by the Church Trustees as follows, viz. :—\$575 (five hundred and seventy-five dollars) in the purchase of two adjoining lots, and the balance of \$75 (seventy five dollars) towards the liquidation of the debt on the Church ; and asks that the sanction of the Conference be given to this arrangement.

The Committee recommends that the required sanction be given.

## DUNHAM.

The Trustees of the late N. C. Parsonage, Dunham Circuit, ask permission to sell the Parsonage, and apply the proceeds as follows :—

- (1) Pay the debt on the late N. C. Church.
- (2) Give \$60 (sixty dollars) to Sutton, for Church or Parsonage purposes.
- (3) Apply the balance to repairing the Methodist Church at East Dunham.

It was resolved that the Conference be recommended to grant the request.

## BOLTON.

Bolton Mission Quarterly Board asks permission to sell both the late Wesleyan Parsonage property and the late N. C. Parsonage buildings, with one-half of an acre of the land of said property. The proceeds to be applied as follows :—

- (1) One-seventh to be given to Mansonville Mission for the sole purpose of securing a Parsonage property.
- (2) The remainder to be invested in a new Parsonage building, on a more eligible site, already secured.

Resolved to recommend Conference to grant the request.

## COMPTON.

That permission be granted to the Trustees of the Methodist Parsonage property on the Compton Circuit to sell part of said property.

## ARNPRIOR.

In the case of the Arnprior Mission, Perth District, asking permission of Conference to sell the old Church, together with the lot on which it stands, being Lot No. 10, on Albert Street, and applying the proceeds towards paying off the debt remaining on the Church, the Committee recommends that the request be granted.

OTTAWA STREET AND EBENEZER CHURCHES,  
MONTREAL.

The Trustees of Ottawa Street and Ebenezer Church properties, Montreal, ask permission of the Conference to sell these properties with a view to the purchase of other property, and the erection of a new church suitable for both congregations.

The Committee recommends that the request be granted.

The report was adopted by the Conference.

(Signed)

A. A. SMITH, *Chairman.*

GEORGE FORSEY, *Secretary.*

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**REPORT OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

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Your Committee in presenting their report, are thankful that from the District schedules there is evidence of growing interest and power in Sunday School work within the bounds of the Conference.

Greater attention should be given to this subject in the Districts Meetings, and everything done to make the District Conventions an inspiration and means of culture to Sabbath School workers. We would earnestly urge upon officers and teachers the great importance of having the children memorize regularly and thoroughly short portions of the Word of God. If we desire our young people to be conversant with our doctrines, the catechism of the Church should be more efficiently taught.

There are 262 schools, 2,162 teachers, 15,848 scholars in our Conference bounds. Conversions during the year, 840. 1913 scholars meet in class. We thank the Great Teacher for these spiritual fruits, and urge labourers so to present the truth as it is in Jesus that the young may be led to Christ. The collections from 28 schools in aid of the General Fund amount to \$50.65.

We find some confusion through not having in the Circuit schedule a column for Sabbath School collections, and also one in the District schedule ; to avoid this, we recommend payment to be made to the Financial Secretary and reported in the Minutes, as in the case of other funds, the day before the meeting of Conference, and that the Secretary of the Conference Sabbath School Committee send out schedules not later than April 1st.

We have been favoured with the presence of the General Secretary, Rev. Alfred Andrews, whose counsels and suggestions have greatly helped us.

Rev. W. Hall, M.A., is Treasurer of the Sabbath School Fund.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. J. Wilson, as Secretary.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. ENGLISH, *Chairman.*

JNO. WILSON, *Secretary.*

## STATISTICAL REPORT of the Methodist Sabbath Schools in the Montreal Conference, for year ending April 30, 1876.

Districts.	Appointments.		No. of Schools.		MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH.			OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.				S. S. LIBRARIES AND PAPERS.					MONEYS RAISED BY SCHOOLS.				Schls. using uniform Isms.		Mts. for study of Isms.		Schools open the whole year.				
	Members of the Church.	Non-Members.	Total.	Average Attendance.	In Infant Classes.	In Intermediate Classes.	Adult Classes.	Total.	Average Attendance.	Conversions during the year.	No. meeting in Class.	No. learning Catechisms.	Total Volumes in Libraries.	Copies of S. S. Advocate.	Copies of S. S. Banner.	Copies of other S. S. Papers.	For Missions.	For School purposes.	For General S. S. Fund.	Total.	For Missions.	For School purposes.	For General S. S. Fund.	Total.	For Missions.	For School purposes.	For General S. S. Fund.		Total.			
Montreal	390	39	420	356	892	1922	562	3376	2276	373	517	1298	8242	452	163	1696	\$3194 13	\$1748 07	\$16 56	\$4958 76	\$3194 13	\$1748 07	\$16 56	\$4958 76	\$3194 13	\$1748 07	\$16 56	\$4958 76	23	2	23	2
Kingston	334	53	387	303	575	1533	605	2713	1789	91	296	754	4873	287	115	625	563 29	887 07	3 75	1444 11	563 29	887 07	3 75	1444 11	563 29	887 07	3 75	1444 11	27	8	27	8
Brockville	323	50	373	285	634	1370	671	2675	1948	112	289	250	3622	484	152	538	158 56	813 89	7 86	980 31	158 56	813 89	7 86	980 31	158 56	813 89	7 86	980 31	31	1	31	1
Perth	188	34	222	166	325	782	357	1464	1051	32	134	366	3676	300	50	517	55 29	498 02	7 49	560 80	55 29	498 02	7 49	560 80	55 29	498 02	7 49	560 80	18	3	18	3
Pembroke	89	20	109	92	179	239	197	715	530	15	37	105	960	69	59	22	86 00	60 70	5 50	152 20	86 00	60 70	5 50	152 20	86 00	60 70	5 50	152 20	8	0	8	0
Ottawa	188	18	206	165	272	841	359	1472	1056	78	240	329	3340	95	50	331	281 93	308 22	6 78	596 93	281 93	308 22	6 78	596 93	281 93	308 22	6 78	596 93	13	3	13	3
Quebec	153	23	176	151	290	848	382	1620	1721	73	215	375	3708	95	49	346	264 53	319 35	5 97	589 85	264 53	319 35	5 97	589 85	264 53	319 35	5 97	589 85	19	0	19	0
Stanstead	210	53	263	213	414	877	538	1829	1071	52	181	293	4182	228	46	383	171 05	438 19	6 21	615 45	171 05	438 19	6 21	615 45	171 05	438 19	6 21	615 45	33	3	33	3
French & Ind'n	2	4	6	4	26	25	33	84	60	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Totals	1877	255	2162	1735	3607	8537	3704	15848	11502	840	1913	3770	32603	2010	684	4458	\$4764 78	\$5073 51	\$60 12	\$9898 41	\$4764 78	\$5073 51	\$60 12	\$9898 41	\$4764 78	\$5073 51	\$60 12	\$9898 41	172	20	138	138
Increase	192	..	166	102	201	278	287	766	1087	252	370	257	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	327 48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3183	636	91	2888	710 16	..	24 23	407 92	710 16	..	24 23	407 92	710 16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

JOHN WILSON,  
Secretary Sabbath School Com.

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### COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

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The Committee on Temperance beg leave to present the following report :

1st. That the resolutions adopted at the Conference of 1875 (see page 52 of Minutes for 1875) be re-affirmed by this Conference.

Your Committee further recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved, 1st.*—That while recognizing the good accomplished by the various temperance organizations in our country, we are at the same time convinced that the promotion of the work of the temperance reformation is mainly dependent upon the efforts of the Christian Church ; we therefore earnestly recommend that temperance societies be formed in connection with each Circuit, and that all our ministers be requested to preach annually on the subject.

*Resolved, 2nd.*—That having examined the Memorial of the Dominion Temperance Alliance, we desire most heartily to express our sympathy with the purposes of said organization, and we pledge ourselves as a Conference to co-operate with the Alliance in securing the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

(Signed) R. M. HAMMOND, *Chairman.*  
M. L. PEARSON, *Secretary.*

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### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONFER WITH THE DEPUTATION FROM STANSTEAD COLLEGE.

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The Committee appointed to confer with the deputation from Stanstead College beg leave to report, that in accordance with the instruction of the Conference they met the gentlemen composing said deputation, and entered into a very free and full conversation with them, both in respect to the financial condition and prospect of the Institution, and the terms on which the Directors, acting in behalf of the shareholders, propose to transfer it to this Conference.

Your Committee was pleased to find that though these gentlemen were very decidedly of opinion that the College



should retain its present form, as a school for both boys and girls, they were not disposed to impose any restrictions upon the Conference as to any changes which might be found necessary in the future, but were prepared to transfer it unconditionally to you, and they had no doubt that the stockholders, when they had been properly consulted, according to the provisions of the charter of the College, would give their consent to this.

In view of these facts, your Committee is of opinion that the Conference will run no risk in accepting this trust. It is recommended, therefore, that the Conference accept the Institution on condition that the legal consent of the shareholders, after sixty days' notice having been given them, as required by law, be secured.

Your Committee would further recommend that the services of a competent lawyer be engaged to attend the meeting of the shareholders in the interest of this Conference, and to see that everything is done properly and in due form.

It is further recommended that a Board of Trustees be provisionally appointed, with power to take possession of the Institution as soon as the conditions above specified have been complied with, and to take such steps for the financial relief and efficient working of it as may be in accordance with the scheme to be hereafter indicated.

(Signed,) JOHN BORLAND, *Chairman.*  
W. S. BLACKSTOCK, *Secretary.*

The Committee also make a second report on the financial position of the College, and proposals for future management and working. The second report thus concludes:— And in conclusion, the Committee beg to state that the delegation from the College Board having most distinctly and expressly declared it to be the intention and meaning of the written "Proposal of Transfer," made to the Conference, that the said Conference in accepting the Stanstead Wesleyan College property, together with all existing encumbrances thereon, is to be most fully and completely

at liberty, in the financial and educational management thereof, to exercise the rights of absolute proprietorship over the said College and all the property, rights, privileges and emoluments at present pertaining thereto, with unrestricted power to continue the said College in its present character as a Mixed Educational and Boarding Institution, or at any time to change its character into a Collegiate Institute for boys, or into a Ladies' College, as the said Conference may deem most advantageous to the interests of Protestant education in the Province of Quebec,—therefore, the Committee most cordially recommend the Conference to accept the proposal of the said College Directors, and to appoint a Board of Trustees to carry into effect as speedily as convenient the purposes and provisions embraced and recommended in this report.

(Signed,) W. S. BLACKSTOCK, *Secretary*.

The Governor of the College shall convene the Trustees as soon as convenient after the meeting of the stockholders.

It was moved by Rev. L. Gaetz, and seconded by Rev. D. Connolly, and unanimously agreed,—

That your Committee appointed to confer with representatives of the Stanstead College, recommend to Conference the reception of that Institution at the hands of the Directors, provided the stockholders, after the legal notice required by the charter, shall consent to hand it over to this Conference without any restrictions that would embarrass the Conference in the successful working of that Institution.

Moved by Stephen Foster, Esq., seconded by A. P. Ball, Esq., and unanimously

*Resolved*,—That inasmuch as the future of this Institution largely depends upon the extent of sympathy and active co-operation which it may receive from the Conference having jurisdiction over it, the Directors are of

opinion (in case Conference is willing to accept the trust) that the ends for which the Institution was established would be best promoted by a transfer of the entire property and control from the stockholders to Conference, and will cordially recommend, and strenuously urge upon the stockholders the advisability of making such a transfer.

The foregoing resolution of the Directors was unanimously approved by the stockholders, who were present at the annual meeting held on the same day.

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE GERMAN WORK.

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The Committee appointed to consider the German Work report that there is a population of about six hundred Germans scattered over a large tract of country ; there are nine German missionaries among them—two of our own, four Allbrights, and three Lutheran. The Committee recommend that one of our missionaries be withdrawn from the German work and appointed elsewhere, and that the Mission be under the care of the Rev. Henry Kropp, and that the President be authorized to secure the transfer of the Rev. Carl Allum to the London Conference for employment in the German work in that Conference.

The report was adopted by the Conference.

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

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The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report that two Memorials from the Quebec District Meeting were submitted to it.

No. I. Regarding the qualification of Ministers to comply with the Laws of Registration in the Province of Quebec.

The Committee recommend the Conference to grant the request of the Memorial.

No. II. Regarding the inadequacy of the support of our Missionaries.

The Committee recommend, That our Missionary Anniversaries be held, and that the subscriptions be collected as early in the year as possible, thus preventing the shrinkage by interest; and that the greatest care be taken to avoid undue expense in the employment of Missionary deputations.

(Signed)

RICHARD WILSON, *Secretary.*

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#### THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

1. The Missionary Committee of the Montreal Conference shall consist of the President of the Annual Conference, the Chairmen of Districts, a Treasurer to be appointed by the Conference, one layman from each District, to be appointed by the May District Meeting, and any additional laymen required to make their number equal to that of the Ministers, said additional laymen to be appointed by the Annual Conference.
2. The Committee shall meet at the call of the President not later than the first of November in each year, and shall appropriate to the Missionary work of the Conference the money placed at its disposal by the Central Board.
3. The Committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees to transact such special business as may arise between the annual meetings of the Committee, or to have charge of any special departments of the Missionary work; but all sub-committees shall report their acts to the Conference Committee for final adoption, and shall not in any way set aside or interfere with any of the officers in charge by appointment of the Conference.

4. The Treasurer shall remit to the Treasurers of the Central Board all moneys coming into his possession for Missionary purposes, or pay the same under direction of the aforesaid Treasurers to agents employed in the Missionary work of the Conference.

GEORGE McRITCHIE, *Secretary.*

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### REPORT OF CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE.

This body of Ministers, known as the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, having learned with much sorrow that strong pressure has been brought to bear upon the Commissioners of the Centennial Exhibition, by those unfavourable to the observance of the Christian Sabbath, to allow the grounds of that Exhibition to be open to visitors on that day—hereby expresses its hearty approval of the course pursued by said Commissioners in closing their grounds on the Sabbath day, and a strong hope that under no circumstances shall the sanctity of the Lord's day be invaded in connection with that Exhibition.

(Signed)

E. A. STAFFORD, *Secretary.*

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS.

TO HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

*The Petition of the undersigned, the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada,*

HUMBLY SHOWETH :

That certain large and valuable tracts of land in the County of Two Mountains, in the Province of Quebec, set apart in the early history of Canada for the benefit of the Aborigines of this country, have been and are under Grants

of the French Crown, confirmed by Your Majesty in 1841, administered by an Ecclesiastical Corporation known as the Seminary of St. Sulpice; and that there is reason to believe that the said administration has been oppressive and unjust in the extreme to the Indians; that they have been deprived of the means of comfortable subsistence, and of educating their children, and worshipping God according to their conscientious convictions; and that considerable portions of the property in question have been alienated to settlers of European origin.

Further, there is reason to believe that the said Seminary has taken advantage of its position of trustee to inflict these injuries on the Indians, with the intention of obliging them to leave the land in question, and in order that it may remain the exclusive property of the Seminary.

Further, your memorialists have found that, owing to the wealth and influence of the Seminary, and the poverty and ignorance of the Indians, and the technical points of law raised in the courts, the sufferers have been unable to obtain any adequate redress from the legal tribunals of this Province.

Your memorialists would, therefore, pray Your Most Gracious Majesty to take the premises into your favourable consideration, and to appoint Commissioners who may investigate the titles of the Seminary, and the policy which it has pursued to the poor people under its charge; and should it be found that the trust has been improvidently or unjustly exercised, that it should be transferred to some public and impartial body capable of administering the property for the benefit of those for whom in the wise liberality of the Governments of France and Great Britain it was originally set apart.

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#### COMMITTEE ON NEWSPAPER.

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On motion, the President nominated the Committee on the Establishment of a Newspaper for the Montreal Conference, as follows; the President and Secretary of Confer-

ence, the Ex-President, Dr. Douglas, J. T. Pitcher, R. Whiting, and Leonard Gaetz, with power to add to their number. The Committee to report, if possible, to the Conference Special Committee.

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## Miscellaneous and Special Resolutions.

### Reporters.

On motion the Rev. Dr. McCullough was requested to report the proceedings of Conference for the *Guardian and Witness*, and the Rev. J. B. Saunders for the City papers.

### Rev. John Lawrence.

Whereas, Rev. John Lawrence travelled the Gaspé Mission under the direction of the Chairman from 1874 to 1875, and having, in view of the year being allowed him, paid his subscription to the Superannuated Minister's Fund, and whereas his name stands on the Minutes of Conference indicating his reception in 1875. Resolved, that this Conference allow him the additional year.

### Ordination Sermon.

*Resolved*,—That hereafter the Ordination Sermon in each year be preached by the President of the previous year.

### Laymen on Contingent Fund, Ottawa Conference, 1877.

*Resolved*,—That the seven laymen who are to constitute that portion of the Contingent Fund Committee, shall be chosen from the Districts contiguous to the seat of the next Conference, as follows : Ottawa, 3; Brockville, 2; Perth, 1; Pembroke, 1.

### Collection for Ottawa West Mission.

It was directed by the Conference that the collection in aid of the Ottawa West Mission be taken up not later than September next, and forwarded to the Superintendent of that Mission.

### Appendix to Minutes.

*Resolved*,—That this Conference request the Secretary to kindly furnish, if possible, an appendix to the Minutes, containing a summary of the statistics of the Methodist Church of Canada, such as, number of Ministers, Sunday School Scholars, Missionary Contributions, &c., &c.

### Civil Code.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to insert in the Minutes such extracts from the civil code of the Province of Quebec as relate to the solemnization of matrimony and the registration of baptisms and deaths.

### Indians at Oka.

*Resolved*,—That as this Conference has heard with very deep feelings of sympathy, of the many and great persecutions and sufferings of the Indians of Oka, at the Lake of Two Mountains, and that such have been inflicted by those who, even as themselves, are amenable to the laws of the country; and inasmuch as no effectual means have been used by any of our Governments, who are the proper and lawful guardians of these as of other Indians of the Dominion, to protect these poor sufferers from the hands of their ruthless persecutors, or to secure to them the quiet occupancy and use of lands originally designed most clearly for such a purpose by the Governments of France and Great Britain; therefore, it is resolved that the Conference authorizes its name, and, as its representative, the petition to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen just read to it, that thus may be obtained for these Indians that consideration and treatment which have been singularly withheld from them hitherto, by the proper authorities of this Province and Dominion.

### Roman Catholicism.

*Resolved*,—That inasmuch as the present is characterized by a remarkable revival of Roman Catholicism, and that in its most extreme views and assumptions; and inasmuch as in the Province of Quebec particularly, and indeed



throughout the Dominion generally, these views and assumptions are presented in their most practical and exacting forms, interfering, alike and often, and we are sorry to say, with painful effect, in Governmental, Legislative, Education, and Social interests and conditions of the people; and inasmuch as there appears on the part of many of those in power a disposition most readily to act at the instance of the priests of Rome, or at least very tamely to submit to their authority and dictation: Therefore, we resolve that we will do our utmost to promote among our people a proper apprehension of the power so dangerously wielded in their midst, and as well, lead them to an intelligent, sympathetic and resolute resistance of such assumptions, and thus labour to secure to all classes of community alike, irrespective of class or creed, the invaluable and inalienable privileges of civil and religious liberty.

#### **French Canadian Missionary Society.**

On Motion, the Conference expressed sympathy with the French Canadian Missionary Society.

#### **Minutes of Conference.**

On Motion, the Secretary was directed to publish 1,250 copies of the Minutes of Conference.

#### **Reply to His Excellency.**

On Motion, it was resolved that the reply of His Excellency to the address of this Conference be printed in the Minutes.

#### **Thanks—The Retiring President.**

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of this Conference be respectfully, and are hereby presented, to the retiring President, the Rev. James Elliott, for the eminent ability, Christian courtesy, fidelity and promptitude with which he has discharged the duties of the Presidency during the past year, and our fervent prayer that he may long be spared to consecrate his abilities to the service of the Church.

#### **The Retiring Secretary.**

*Resolved*,—That the cordial thanks of the Conference are

due and are hereby presented to the Rev. William Scott, for his valuable and efficient services as Secretary of Conference during the past year.

**A. D. Webster, Esq.**

On Motion, the thanks of the Conference were presented to A. D. Webster, Esq., for his kind consideration in the matter of the Excursion to the Saguenay.

**Stanstead Deputation.**

*Resolved*,—That this Conference desires to express its great pleasure in receiving the deputation from Stanstead, and in listening to Mr. Colby making such a clear statement of the affairs of the College; that we heartily appreciate the loyalty manifested by those gentlemen who have been more especially called upon to bear its burden; that we deeply sympathize with the Institution in its struggles, and that we pledge ourselves to consider as favourably as possible the report which may be presented by the Committee appointed to confer with the delegation from Stanstead.

**Rev. Alexander Sutherland.**

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the Rev. Alexander Sutherland, for the able and eloquent Sermon delivered by him on the occasion of the Ordination Service, and that we respectfully request him to furnish the same for publication.

**Rev. S. Rose.**

*Resolved*,—That we have heard with satisfaction the report of the Western Section of the Book Committee, now furnished by the Book Steward; and rejoice that during the commercial depression through which the country has been passing, the Montreal Branch has given such evidence of vitality, and such hope of future prosperity; and we pledge ourselves to use our best efforts to advance its interests.

**Sherbrooke Circuit.**

*Resolved*,—That the Conference has received with much pleasure the very cordial invitation of the Sherbrooke

Circuit to hold its next Session in that city, and trusts at some future time to avail itself of the hospitality so tendered.

**The Friends in Quebec and Point Levis.**

*Resolved*,—That the cordial thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the friends in this city and Point Levis, who have so kindly received us to their homes and hospitality, and that their Pastors be requested to convey to the members of the several congregations who have aided in this matter, our hearty expressions of gratitude.

**Revs. Messrs. Bland and Henderson.**

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the Rev. H. F. Bland, and the Rev. James Henderson, for their labors and care in providing homes for and otherwise ministering to the comfort of the members of this Conference.

**Revs. Messrs. Sparling, Pitcher, and Beaudry.**

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby given to Rev. Messrs. J. W. Sparling, B.D., J. T. Pitcher, and L. N. Beaudry, for their kindness and loyalty to the Educational interests of our Church, in taking the place, on short notice, of the absent deputation at the Conference Educational Meeting, and for the excellent addresses delivered on that occasion.

*Resolved*,—That as the Stationing Committee has appointed a young man as the President's Assistant, this Conference recommend that the Contingent Fund Committee appropriate \$200 towards his support, and that an equal sum, if necessary, be granted for that purpose by the Missionary Committee.

## Standing Resolutions.

### Order of taking Connexional Collections.

*Resolved*—That the Connexional Funds shall be taken up in the following order, viz :—

1. THE CONTINGENT FUND—In the months of September and March.
2. THE SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND—In the months of October and November.
3. THE EDUCATIONAL FUND—In the month of February or April.

### Ministers Changing Circuits.

Whereas the annual meeting of the Montreal Conference is now appointed for the third Wednesday in June ;

*Resolved*,—That this Conference require every minister changing his field of labour to be responsible for the pulpit work on the circuit which he is leaving until after the second Sabbath in July, and he will be expected to commence on his new circuit on the third Sabbath in July.

### Financial and other Returns.

Whereas the Returns sent from the Districts to the Conference are frequently incomplete and incorrect, making it quite impossible to compile perfect and accurate tabular statements for the Minutes of Conference, it was

*Resolved*,—(1) That the Financial and District Secretaries be required to have their accounts and tabular statements audited and certified as correct before handing them to the Conference authorities.

(2) That the Secretary of Conference, when sending the books for the May District Meetings, shall call the attention of the Chairman to the above resolution.

(3) That this Conference direct the Financial Secretaries to settle with the Treasurers of the several Funds on the

basis of the returns in the District Financial Schedule, and the Treasurer of each Fund to affix his signature underneath the total sum, in attestation of its correctness with his account ; and that the Statistic Committee compile the returns for the printed minutes from these attested schedules only.

#### **Treasurers and Financial Secretaries.**

*Resolved*,—That it shall be required of every Financial Secretary, either by himself or by a proxy, to meet the Treasurers of the several Connexional Funds, to report the receipts of their respective Districts, on Tuesday, at two o'clock, p.m., the day before the annual meeting of the Conference.

#### **Income of Domestic Missions.**

*Resolved*,—That the Financial District Meeting shall examine into the circumstances and probable income of Domestic Missions, in the same way as in respect to Circuits, and suggest the amount that should be appropriated for the support or assistance of such Missions.

#### **Chairmen and Domestic Missions.**

*Resolved*,—That the Chairmen of Districts forward to the Missionary Secretaries the amount recommended by the several September Financial District Meetings for the Domestic Missions, as soon as practicable after the close of each meeting.

#### **Preachers Attending College.**

*Resolved*,—That in all cases when Preachers, who have travelled four years, are then allowed by the Conference to attend College, their reception into full connexion, and their ordination, are thereby deferred.

#### **Relating to the Book Room.**

*Resolved*,—That every Minister and Preacher is henceforth peremptorily required to settle his account with the Book Steward, at or before the Meeting of Conference.

*Resolved*,—Should any Minister or Preacher, having claims on the Connexional Funds, fail to pay up his account with the office as above directed, it shall be the duty of the Book Steward annually to draw upon the Treasurer of any of those Funds an amount not exceeding one-fourth of the claim of the Brother on such fund towards the payment of his debt; and the Treasurer of such fund is hereby directed to honour such drafts when presented.

#### Registration of Baptisms.

*Resolved*,—(1) That it shall no longer be requisite to keep Registry Books on the various Circuits, but that there shall be kept, at the Conference Establishment, in Toronto, one General Registry of Births and Baptisms for the whole Church.

(2) That the General Registrar shall be the Book Steward for the time being. The Registrar shall furnish each ordained Minister yearly with a small ruled blank-book, for the convenient and uniform entry and return of Births and Baptisms. The Minister shall return the said book, with the entries, to the Registrar at the Conference after. The returns shall be copied into the General Registry Book, which book shall be kept in the custody of the Registrar.

#### Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

*Resolved*,—That whereas the rule requires that all widows, claimants on the Superannuated Ministers' Fund, shall be members of our Church; therefore, it shall be the duty of the Chairman of each Annual District Meeting to make inquiries into the case of widows residing within their respective bounds, as to their membership, and report the fact annually to the Conference.

## STUDIES OF PREACHERS ON TRIAL.

### COURSE OF STUDY OF ALL CANDIDATES FOR OUR MINISTRY.

#### PRELIMINARY COURSE.

All candidates before being recommended to the Conference to be received on trial, shall undergo a satisfactory examination in English Grammar and Composition, Arithmetic, Geography, Ancient History (Schmitz), Modern History (Collier's British Empire), New Testament History (Smith), Theology (Wesley's Sermons, i. to li.)

#### THE FIRST YEAR.

Biblical introduction (Horne by Ayre, Pts. i., ii., iii.) Theology (Hare on Justification, Wesley on Christian Perfection, with review of Wesley's Sermons, Nos. i., v., ix., x., xl., xlv.) Old Testament History (Smith.)

#### THE SECOND YEAR.

Exegesis of Matthew and John. (On Matthew, Wesley's and Watson's Notes. On John, Wesley's and Whedon's Notes.) Theology (Watson's Institutes, Pt. ii., Chap. i. to xvii.) History of the Christian Church to the Reformation (Kurtz.) Natural Philosophy (Ganot.)

#### THE THIRD YEAR.

Exegesis of Romans (Wesley and Whedon.) Theology (Watson's Institutes, Pt. ii., Chap. xviii. to the end. Fletcher's Checks, i. to v.) History of the Reformation (Fisher.) History of Methodism to the death of Wesley (Stevens.) Rhetoric (Whately.)

#### THE FOURTH YEAR.

Practical Theology (Watson's Institutes, Pts. iii. and iv.) Apologetics (Fisher's Essays.) Logic (Whately.) Metaphysics (Hamilton, Bowen's Am. Ed.) Stewart's Active and Moral Powers. Discipline of the Methodist Church of Canada,

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**COURSE OF STUDY FOR GRADUATES IN ARTS.****PRELIMINARY.**

Biblical History (Smith's New Testament); Theology, (Wesley's Sermons, i.-lii.)

**THE FIRST YEAR.**

Biblical Introduction (Horne, abridged by Ayre, Pts. i., ii., iii.); Theology (Hare on Justification, Wesley's Christian Perfection, and Review of Sermons, i., v., ix., xxi., xxiv.); Biblical History (Smith's Old Testament); Apologetics (Fisher's Essays on the Supernatural Origin of Christianity.)

**THE SECOND YEAR.**

Theology (Watson's Institutes, Pt. ii., Chaps. i.-xvii., inclusive, and Pts. iii., iv.); Church History (Kurtz's History of the Christian Church to the Reformation); Exegesis (the Gospels of St. Matthew and St. John in the original Greek, with Wesley's, Watson's, and Whedon's Notes.)

**THE THIRD YEAR.**

Theology (Watson's Institutes, Pt. ii., xviii. to the end, and Fletcher's Checks, i.-v.); Church History (Fisher's Reformation, and Stevens' Methodism to the death of Wesley); Exegesis (The Epistle to the Romans in the original Greek, with Wesley's and Whedon's Notes); The Discipline of the Methodist Church of Canada.

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**COURSE OF STUDY FOR THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS.****THE FIRST YEAR.**

Theology, Introductory Lectures; Church History to the Reformation; The Elements of the Greek Language; Logic; Analytical Study of the Grammatical Forms of the English Language; Rhetoric, with Exercises in Composition and Elocution.



### THE SECOND YEAR.

Systematic Theology continued; History of the Reformation; The Greek Language; Exegesis of the New Testament, commencement; Metaphysics; Physiology or Hebrew; Homiletics, with Exercises in Elocution.

### THE THIRD YEAR.

Theology, History of Doctrines and Church Polity; Exegesis of the New Testament; Ethics; Natural Science or Hebrew; English Literature, Homiletics, with Practical Exercises.

The Professor of Theology in each college may vary the literary part of the course, wherever, upon examination, the attainments of the student render it expedient.

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### COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE GERMAN WORK.

All Candidates, before being recommended to Conference to be received on trial, shall pass a satisfactory examination in the following subjects:—

Nast's Larger Catechism; The Calverin Church History; The Discipline of the Methodist Church of Canada; Elements of German Grammar.

After admission they shall be examined each year during their probation, as follows:

#### THE FIRST YEAR.

Jacoby's Compend of Doctrines and Scripture Proofs; Wesley's Sermon's, Vol. i.; Hare on Justification; Kurtz's Sacred History; Webster's General History; Wurst's Grammar.

#### THE SECOND YEAR.

Wesley's Sermon's, Vol. ii.; Wesley's Christian Perfection; Fletcher's Appeal; Sauer's Church History; Wurst's Grammar.

### THE THIRD YEAR.

Nast's Introduction to the New Testament; Lisco's Exposition of the Creed; Nast's Wesley and his Coadjutors; Pearson on Infidelity; Ahn's First Course of English.

### THE FOURTH YEAR.

Warren's Logic; Luthard's Apologetics; Harless' Christian Ethics; Ahn's Second Course of English.

The Candidates shall present a written sermon each year on some subject embraced in the course of study for that year.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

### PRELIMINARY COURSE.

*History (Ancient, Modern, New Testament)*—W. S. McCullough, M. D.  
*Wesley's Sermons*,—William Jackson.  
*English Grammar, Composition, Arithmetic and Geography*,—James Allen, B. A.

### FIRST YEAR'S COURSE.

*Biblical Introduction and Old Testament History*,—William Hansford.  
*Hare on Justification and Wesley on Christian Perfection*,—William Jackson.

### SECOND YEAR'S COURSE.

*Exegesis*,—Daniel Connolly.  
*Theology*,—George McRitchie.  
*History and Natural Philosophy*,—William Hall, M. A.

### THIRD YEAR'S COURSE.

*Exegesis*,—Daniel Connolly.  
*Theology*,—James Elliott.  
*History of Reformation and Methodism*,—D. V. Lucas.  
*Rhetoric*,—James Pearen, B. A.

### FOURTH YEAR'S COURSE.

*Practical Theology*,—James Elliott.  
*Apologetics and Logic*,—T. G. Williams.  
*Metaphysics and Discipline*,—W. S. Blackstock.  
*Stewart's Active and Moral Powers*,—J. W. Sparling, B. D.

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## MODE OF EXAMINATION FOR THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

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The examination of Candidates shall be held in each District, under the supervision of the Chairman and Financial Secretary—the time and place to be appointed by the Chairman, to whom all papers shall be sent by the Examiners not later than the first day of May in each year. The answers to the papers shall be sent by the Chairman to the respective examiners, who shall forward to the Secretary of the Board the valuation. The Secretary shall prepare the Certificates and forward them to the Chairman of Districts, to be presented by him to the May District Meeting.

The Rev. J. W. SPARLING, B.D., of Ottawa, is appointed Secretary of the Board.

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## REGULATIONS RESPECTING CANDIDATES.

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Every person, before being received as a full Local Preacher, shall have previously laboured at least three months as an Exhorter, and three months on trial as a Local Preacher; and no Candidate for our Itinerancy shall be recommended by a Quarterly Meeting to a District Meeting, who has not laboured at least three months as a full Local Preacher.

No Candidate shall be recommended by any District Meeting, to be received on trial for that year, who does not produce a Certificate from the Examining Committee of the District to which he belongs. But the cases of all young men on trial shall be reported to their respective District Meetings.

All recommendations of Candidates to be received on trial shall be made at the February Quarterly Official Meeting, and the Candidates recommended shall appear before the next meeting of the Examining Committee of the District to which they belong.

The District Meeting shall require the Superintendent of the Circuit from which any young man is recommended to be received on trial, to give a written statement of his religious character, talents and usefulness, educational advantages and acquirements, employment and means of support, and such other particulars as the meeting may deem necessary; which statement shall be signed by him and recorded in the District Book.

If in any given year the number of Candidates recommended by the District Meetings shall be greater than the Stationing Committee deem it prudent to employ for that year, the examining Board shall meet at Conference, and determine who are the most suitable to be employed in our Itinerant work, and who are to be placed on the List of Reserve; being governed by their own class lists and those of the District Meetings.

The District Meeting shall examine, as heretofore, all the Candidates in regard to their religious experience and belief of our doctrines, together with their general qualifications and suitability for our Itinerant work, and shall arrange them in three classes, according to the results of this Examination.

The Conference requires Candidates for our Ministry to preach a Trial Sermon before the District Meeting by which they are recommended, or before a Committee appointed by the District Meeting, who shall report their opinion on the sermon, and embody it in the recommendation of such Candidate to the Conference.

In addition to the usual thorough Theological Examination of Candidates before the District Meeting, the Chairman shall examine each Candidate as to his studies and general reading for the year, with a view to giving advice as to his course and method of study. No Candidate shall be allowed the year of probation until the studies for that year are completed.

Nothing in our present Course of Study shall be understood to prevent a District Meeting, in special cases, from

recommending a Candidate to the Conference for reception on trial after examination by the Chairman, before the District Meeting, on the subject of the preliminary Course of Study.

*Examiners of Candidates attending Victoria College :*  
W. I. SHAW, LL.B., and JAMES ROY, M.A.

*Examiners of Candidates attending Montreal Theological Institute :*  
J. W. SPARLING, B.D., and JAMES ALLEN, B.A.

## WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

### BOARD OF MANAGEMENT :

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The Members of the Board of Management residing in Montreal shall be the Executive Committee during the year.

### OFFICERS OF THE BOARD :

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John Torrance, Esq., Treasurer.

*Principal and Professor of Theology and Homiletics :*  
Rev. GEORGE DOUGLAS, LL.D.

## STANSTEAD WESLEYAN COLLEGE.

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" D. Connolly.	" J. M. Hagar, M.A.
" Alex. Hardie, M.A.	

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## CONFIDENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICES.

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### THE SABBATH SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY

was held on Wednesday evening, 21st June.

The President in the Chair.

Addresses were delivered by Revs. Jacob Freshman, D. V. Lucas, LeRoy Hooker, and Rev. Alfred Andrews, of the London Conference.

### ANNIVERSARY OF THE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

The Anniversary of the Educational Society was held on Thursday evening, 22nd of June.

The President in the Chair.

Addresses were delivered by the President, and the Revs. J. W. Sparling, B.D., J. T. Pitcher, and Louis N. Beaudry.

### PUBLIC RECEPTION OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION.

The Public Reception of Candidates for Ordination took place on Friday evening, the 23rd of June.

The President in the Chair.

After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. Hansford.

The President addressed the meeting on the nature of the interesting and solemn service, and called upon the following brethren to relate their experience and call to the work of the Christian ministry: William J. Crothers, M.A., William S. Jamieson, B.A., Samuel Shibley, Moses Scott and William Pearson.

The congregation joined in singing a portion of the 597th hymn, after which the Secretary read the names of the

brethren to be received into full connexion with the Conference, and to be ordained, viz. :—

William J. Crothers, M.A.  
 William Pearson.  
 \*William Philp.  
 William S. Jamieson, B.A.  
 Nassau B. Topping.  
 James G. Crozier,

\*William K. Shortt, M.A.  
 Samuel Shibley.  
 Moses Scott.  
 James Henderson.  
 \*Albert M. Delong.

\* Previously ordained.

It was then moved by Rev. Ezra A. Stafford, and seconded by the Rev. W. J. Shaw, LL.B.,—"That the brethren whose names have been read by the Secretary be now received into full connexion with this Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada."

The motion was carried by a standing vote of the Conference.

The President addressed the young men received, in words suitable to the occasion.

This interesting service was concluded with singing, and the benediction was pronounced by the President.

#### THE ORDINATION SERVICE

was held in the Conference Church on Sabbath, the 25th of June.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Alexander Sutherland, of the Toronto Conference, after which the President proceeded with the service of Ordination.

The Secretary of Conference presented the Candidates, and they were ordained according to the Discipline of the Church, by the imposition of hands, to the work and office of the Christian ministry in the Methodist Church of Canada. The names will be found on a foregoing page.



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### THE ANNUAL TEMPERANCE MEETING

was held on Monday evening, 26th of June.

Addresses were delivered by the Revs. J. T. Pitcher, R. Whiting and W. Galbraith, B.C.L.

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### VISITORS INTRODUCED TO THE CONFERENCE.

Rev. Samuel Rose, Book Steward ; Rev. Alexander Sutherland, Missionary Secretary ; Rev. John Douse, Treasurer of the Superannuated Minister's Fund ; and Rev. John Potts, Pastor of Elm Street Church,—all of the Toronto Conference. Rev. Alfred Andrews, General Secretary of the Sabbath School Society,—of the London Conference. Rev. W. H. Powis and Rev. W. F. Clark, of the City of Quebec ; A. D. Webster, Esq., of Quebec ; John Rochester, Esq., M.P., and Peter LeSueur, Esq., of Ottawa ; C. C. Colby, Esq., M.P., C. W. Pierce, Esq., J. Thornton, Esq., M.P.P., of Stanstead ; and G. H. Bishop, Esq., of Montreal.

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### COURTESIES.

The Parliament House, the Library of the Historical and Literary Society, the Exchange Reading Rooms, and the Y.M.C.A. Rooms were presented for the use and inspection of members of the Conference.

A. D. Webster, Esq., on behalf of the St. Lawrence Steam Navigation Company, tendered to the members of Conference an Excursion to the Saguenay.

## FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

[FROM THE TORONTO CONFERENCE, BY TELEGRAM.]

"The Toronto Conference send Christian and Methodistic greetings. While grateful for the gracious presence of God with us, we pray for the Great Master may be signally present with you.

"WELLINGTON JEFFERS, D.D., *President.*  
"WILLIAM BRIGGS, *Secretary.*"

## REPLY.

"The Montreal Conference reciprocate the Christian and Methodistic greetings of the Toronto Conference, rejoice in the manifested presence of God amongst you, and pray that he may bless you more and more. The best of all is, God is with us.

"WILLIAM SCOTT, *President.*  
"WILLIAM J. HUNTER, *Secretary.*"

## TO THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

"The Montreal Conference sends fraternal greeting to the Nova Scotia Conference, and assurances of our prayerful interest in your work. Our Conference rejoices in the Divine presence amongst us.

"WILLIAM SCOTT, *President.*  
"WILLIAM J. HUNTER, *Secretary.*"

## REPLY.

"The Nova Scotia Conference received with great respect and fraternal affection the message from the Montreal Conference, and rejoices with its Western brothers over similar gracious vindications of the Master's presence and approval.

"R. A. TEMPLE, *President.*  
"S. F. HUESTIS, *Secretary.*"

TO THE NEW BRUNSWICK AND P. E. I. CONFERENCE.

The same message was sent to this Conference as to the Nova Scotia, and the following is the

REPLY.

“The New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference cordially reciprocates the fraternal greeting of the Montreal Conference, and sends hearty assurances of prayerful sympathy and love. We have entered happily on our Conferential work, and have indications of the Master’s presence amongst us.

“ROBERT DUNCAN, *President.*

“HOWARD SPRAGUE, *Secretary.*”

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QUESTION.—Where and when shall the next Conference be held?

*Answer.*—In the Dominion Church, City of Ottawa, on the third Wednesday in June, 1877, commencing at 10 o’clock, A.M.

The Conference Prayer Meeting shall be held, commencing at 12 o’clock on the day on which the Conference opens.

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NOTE.—Delmer E. Mallary is required to re-write answers to certain papers on the Preliminary Course, the answers to which were lost on transmission.

THE ADDRESS  
OF THE  
MINISTERS OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE  
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF  
CANADA  
TO THE  
MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH UNDER THEIR  
CHARGE.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,—

We gladly avail ourselves of the opportunity afforded us by this our annual assembling together, to present to you our affectionate and Christian salutations, and to address to you such words of counsel as appear to us to be appropriate to the occasion. We are sure you will gladly unite with us in devout thanksgiving to Him who is the Author and source of all blessing, and whose hand has been upon us for good during the year that is past. It becomes us at all times to recognize his hand in the benefits which as individuals and families we enjoy, and to cherish a grateful recollection of his goodness; the giving of thanks should, therefore, form a prominent part of the private devotions of the closet, and of our daily domestic worship, as well as of the public services of the Sabbath; but, on occasions like the present, it becomes us, as a section of the Church of God, to unite in a more formal and solemn act of thanksgiving for those general blessings which a benignant Providence has bestowed upon us as a people. It is not the least of our mercies that we have been saved from wide-spread and harmful agitations, that we have been enabled to preserve

the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. Our Church was never more peaceful or more thoroughly consolidated than it is to-day. Never was there a better understanding, or a more cordial sympathy between pastors and people, or a greater readiness to co-operate with one another, in labouring in their several spheres, for the accomplishment of the great work which our divine Master has appointed his Church to perform. In this we gratefully recognize the fruit of His grace, who is the Prince of peace, whose precious legacy to his Church is peace, and the effect of whose reign is the reconciliation of all things, whether they be in heaven or on earth, the extirpation of all the elements of discord, and the establishment of harmony among all the creatures of God.

We rejoice not only in the prevalence of peace, but in the presence of a good degree of prosperity. Owing to the depressed state of our leading industries, by which large numbers of those under our charge have been thrown out of remunerative employment, there has been a considerable migration of our people, so that our societies have suffered almost continual depletion from removals, as well as from other inevitable causes which are always at work; and yet, we are thankful to be able to announce that there has been a net increase of between five and six hundred in the membership of our Church within the bounds of the Conference during the year which has just closed. We are not satisfied, it is true, with this result of the labours of the year; on the contrary, it is matter of deep humiliation before God, and of serious searchings of heart among us that more has not been accomplished; and we hope that by a renewed and fuller consecration of ourselves, both ministers and people, and by the more copious effusion of the Spirit realized in answer to the prayer of faith, we may be enabled to achieve grander results in the coming year than have been achieved in the year that is past; but, we nevertheless feel that when all the circumstances are taken into the account, in view of the multifarious opposition and discouragement which has been encountered, the measure of success which has been vouchsafed

to us calls for the earnest expression of devout gratitude to Him by whose grace alone this saving work has been wrought.

That all the funds of the Church should have been not only sustained, but augmented as in former and more prosperous years, could scarcely have been reasonably expected, in view of the almost unparalleled state of commercial depression which has existed in the country. We are not unmindful of the sacrifices which in very many instances you have made in supporting the institutions of the Church to the extent to which they have been supported; and we regard it as matter of thankfulness that the shrinkage in our income has not been greater than it has actually been. It is not forgotten by us that some of the most liberal supporters of our evangelistic and benevolent schemes have been among the greater sufferers from the financial crisis which is upon us. Owing to the frugal, temperate and industrious habits which a pure spiritual Christianity produces, it may well be doubted whether the members of our Church generally have suffered as severely as some others have done; but, in a calamity so general, it were impossible that any considerable class should entirely escape. A few of the more prudent may have foreseen the evil and hidden themselves; but many, by no means their inferiors, through no fault of their own, in spite of everything that prudence and forethought could do to prevent it, have been overtaken by the storm, and have had the garnered fruit of the thought and toil of years entirely swept from them, while others have been so crippled in their resources that decided retrenchment has become an absolute necessity. We are not ignorant of the struggle which it has cost some of these princely men to reduce the amount of their contributions to benevolent and Christian objects. Their retrenchment has not been the retrenchment of selfishness, which, but too often, begins at the house of God, but a retrenchment which has been imposed by necessity, or dictated by a proper regard for the rights of men, for the honour of religion and the glory of God. We assure all such of our profoundest sympathy, and our thorough appreciation.

But while we say these things in the sincerity and fullness of our hearts, we cannot conceal from you the fact, that a large amount of embarrassment and suffering has already resulted, and is likely to result from the depressed state of some of our finances. It is sad to think that so many of the men who are doing heroic service for the Church in the high places of the field, are so inadequately supported as not only to not be above care in respect to temporal things, but to find it extremely difficult to provide for themselves, and those dependent upon them, the actual necessities of life. Considering the rapidly extending field of our Missionary operations, both in the Dominion of Canada and in the regions beyond, except our Missionary fund is not only fully sustained but considerably increased, there must be a vast amount of inconvenience and suffering on the part of the self-denying men who are engaged in this department of our work. But the case of no class of sufferers has moved our sympathies so deeply as that of the worn-out and superannuated ministers of the Church, and their widows and orphans, whose allowance, we deeply regret to learn, is likely to be reduced by one-third, in consequence of the inadequacy of the fund from which they are supported. We commend these facts, brethren, to your prayerful consideration, in the confidence that, by a generous and united effort upon your part and ours, the recurrence of a state of things the existence of which we all so deeply deplore, may if possible be prevented. "The liberal deviseth liberal things, and by liberal things shall he stand." "To do good and to communicate forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." We "charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."

Seldom has the vanity of earthly things received more striking illustration than it has during the last few months. How many who imagined themselves rich have suddenly

awoke to find themselves in deepest poverty! How many whose wisdom and prudence seemed to have lifted them above the accidents and casualties incident to the lives of ordinary men, have nevertheless found themselves involved in the ruin which has overtaken others. Men who have revelled in the robbery of their fellows, who have reduced fraud and deceit to a science, and, in their proud combinations to defeat the ends of justice in accomplishing their selfish purposes appeared to set both man and God at defiance, have been made to feel that verily there is a God that judgeth in the earth. The word of God has been fulfilled, "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak to them in his wrath and vex them in his sore displeasure." It is remarkable, too, that in the accomplishment of all this he has not interfered with any of the laws of nature, or departed from any of those principles which ordinarily regulate his procedure in the providential government of the world. The heavens have given their rain and their dew, and the earth has yielded its accustomed increase, but the wisdom of men has been strangely turned into foolishness, and means which had in so many instances brought success have resulted only in failure, and the path which had often led to wealth has ended in poverty. Thus have we been impressively taught the foolishness and vanity of putting our trust in anything, even in respect to the commonest interests of life, except in the living God; and on the other hand, the wisdom, as well as the duty, of faithfully employing the wealth placed at our disposal as an instrument of good, in promoting the well-being of our fellow creatures and the glory of God.

There are many things, brethren, that we would like to say to you did time permit. We are deeply anxious that the year upon which we are entering shall be distinguished by more marked displays of saving power and grace than any which has yet occurred in the annals of our Church; and the realization of this we believe to be by no means impossible. We do not believe that the Church has ever developed or brought into play the full measure of her



power for the accomplishment of the great work which her divine Head has given her to do. The residue of the Spirit is with the Lord. His resources are by no means exhausted. But before the Church can develop the full *maximum* of her strength there must be upon her part a fuller consecration to God. The Bible must not only be more diligently read, but more deeply studied. Nothing will so effectually uproot and destroy the scepticism which is so prevalent in the world, and which not unfrequently invades even the Church itself, than this. The Bible is its own very best defence. The Bible, however, must not only be read and studied before the Church will arise to the greatness of her strength, but she must have such confidence in its teaching as to submit herself implicitly to its guidance. As individual men and women, we must be willing to be BIBLE CHRISTIANS in the strictest sense of these terms; without this, the most solemn form of consecration will prove to be only a delusion and a snare. We must take the inspired word to be a light unto our feet and a lamp unto our path if we would not go astray: we must hide it in our heart if we would not sin against God; we must take it and eat it, make it the very food of our souls, if we would grow strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. We dwell the more earnestly upon this point not only on account of its vast—perhaps we should say—its superlative importance, but also because there is so much danger of its being neglected. In this day of newspapers—when the daily journal is felt to be almost a necessity in our homes—when almost every mail comes to us laden with fresh and fascinating literature, there is great danger of the Bible being crowded out of sight, or if it be not wholly neglected, that it be read so hurriedly and carelessly as to impart very little nourishment and strength to the soul. We must read it, mark it, learn it, and inwardly digest it, if it would be to us what it was intended to be, an unfailing source of light, of purity and of strength to our souls; and without patient assiduity and persevering application this is impossible.

There are other things of importance concerning which we would be glad to say a few words. There are other

means of keeping the flame of devotion burning brightly in the soul, to which we would like to earnestly call your attention. We would, if possible, invest the exercises of the closet, and of family religion, with greater importance to our own apprehension and yours than they have ever had before. We would plead with all possible earnestness for a more regular and conscientious attendance upon the prayer-meeting and the class-meeting. We cannot reasonably expect the prosperity which we all so earnestly desire if these things be neglected. We would like, too, to impress you with the thought, that this prosperity cannot possibly be brought about through the exertion of any one order or class, but by the combined exertion of all who love the Lord Jesus Christ. We would plead for unity of action as well as unity of spirit, among ministers and people, in our efforts to subjugate the world to the dominion of Christ. But we believe all these things to be included in what has been said already. If we will but be BIBLE CHRISTIANS in the sense which we have endeavoured to indicate, none of these things, we are persuaded, will be neglected; we would not therefore say one word which would by any possibility divert your attention from what we verily believe to be so fundamental to all that concerns your personal spiritual well-being and the prosperity of the Church. "And now, brethren, we commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you inheritance among all them that are sanctified."

In behalf of the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada.

WILLIAM SCOTT, *President.*

WILLIAM J. HUNTER, *Secretary.*

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOUR-  
ABLE THE EARL OF DUFFERIN, K.C.B., &c.

*Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The ministers of the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, now assembled in Quebec, are happy to avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the presence of your Excellency in the "ancient capital" to express their continued loyal attachment to the government under which we live, to that gracious Queen whose virtues are amongst our greatest national blessings, and to yourself, as a most able and successful representative of a Sovereign who has so peculiarly won the hearts of her people, and as a Governor General whose dignified neutrality between conflicting parties, and whose wise statesmanship in delicate and difficult positions are worthy of all praise.

We trust that it is not inappropriate under our present circumstances for us to testify our appreciation of the efforts of your Excellency to preserve the historic character, and to increase the attraction of the city in which our present deliberations are being conducted.

While in the prosecution of our religious enterprises, we are frequently reminded of the almost unprecedented financial embarrassment of the country; and while our churches have suffered from a continuation of the westward emigration of our people, we, of the Montreal Conference, in connection with the other five Conferences of the Methodist Church of Canada, share in the many gratifying results of the union of the late Wesleyan and Methodist New Connexion Churches, as well as in the successes of our pastoral, educational, and missionary labours from Bermuda to Japan.

Though in our clerical capacity, it is beyond our province to interfere in matters political, yet, as interested observers of the events which affected the welfare of our country, we beg to assure your Excellency of our hearty appreciation of your efforts to become acquainted with the circumstances, character, and necessities of our country, and to promote its interests.

We assure your Excellency of our profound respect for yourself and Lady Dufferin; and we hope that in the recreations of

leisure, as well as in the toils of official duty, your Excellency may obtain no small share of the blessings of the great Ruler of all.

Signed, in behalf of the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada.

WILLIAM SCOTT, *President.*

WILLIAM J. HUNTER, *Secretary.*

Quebec, June 26, 1876.

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### REPLY OF HIS EXCELLENCY.

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MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN,—

I beg leave to return my best acknowledgements for the address which you have presented me as the Representative of Her Most Gracious Majesty. I am well aware that Her Majesty has no more loyal subjects than those composed within the communion of the Methodist Church of Canada, whose powerful influence is everywhere directed to the propagation of whatever principles are best calculated to promote good government, as well as the religious improvement of society.

I am very sensible of the sympathy you express with the exertions which are in progress for the preservation and embellishment of this historic city. I am quite certain that our efforts will receive a fresh impulse from the interest thus evinced in them by a body of clergy, who in their learning, refinement, and intellectual characteristics are naturally the best exponents of every high-minded and enlightened aspiration. Though I can well understand the natural regret with which your pastors may watch the secession westwards of a portion of their flocks, yet, on the other hand, they have the gratification of knowing that there is every reason to hope that those who go forth from their fold will carry with them the lessons of religion, industry, loyalty, and pure living they have learnt under their benign guardianship, and will prove powerful emissaries in the propagation of those principles of conduct which distinguish your Church.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you most sincerely for the kind wishes you have expressed for the personal welfare of Lady Dufferin and myself.

Quebec, June 27th, 1876.

## APPENDIX I.

## ALPHABETICAL LIST

OF THE

## MINISTERS AND PREACHERS ON TRIAL.

1876.

The figures at the beginning of the lines show the year in which each Minister commenced his ministry ; and those at the end of the lines denote his first second, or third annual appointment to his present Circuit or Station.

1859	Adams, Richard N. ....	Bell's Corners .....	1
1858	Adams, William .....	Mansonville.....	2
1850	Adkins, T., Supernumerary...	Lansdowne .....	2
1869	Allen, James .....	Kingston ... ..	3
1873	Allen, Wm. A. ....	Cowansville.....	2
1863	Allum, Carl... ..	Renfrew, &c. ....	3
1848	Armstrong, John .....	Montreal Ninth .....	1
1859	Austin, Nathan .....	Seely's Bay .....	1
1871	Austin, William .....	Moulinette ... ..	2
1876	Aubin, Gedeon .....	Cowansville & West Brome	1
1869	Awde, James .....	Portsmouth, &c .....	2
1875	Bates, M. J .....	Cataraqui .....	1
1876	Beaudry, Louis N. ....	Montreal .....	1
1858	Bell, Thomas .....	Metis .....	1
1846	Blackstock, Wm. S. ....	Napanee .....	3
1858	Bland, Henry F., <i>Chairman</i> ,	Quebec .....	3
1856	Bond, Stephen .....	Farmersville .....	1
1835	Borland, John, <i>Chairman</i> .....	St. Johns .....	3
1872	Brick, John G., Sup'y .....	Sherbrooke .....	2
1854	Briden, Wm. .. ..	Odessa .....	1
1856	Brown, Wm. D. ....	Lyn .....	1
1873	Brown, Thomas C.....	Granby .....	1
1839	Byers, Henry, Sup'y.....	Kingston .....	29

1862 Cairns, Hugh .....	Clarenceville .....	3
1859 Campbell, Alexander .....	Ottawa West .....	2
1873 Carr, Joseph .....	Student .....	—
1864 Chambers, A. B., B.C.L. ....	Pembroke.....	2
1856 Charbonnel, Thomas .....	Compton and Sherbrooke...	3
1875 Chown, S. D. ....	Student .....	—
1872 Clipsham, John W.....	Franklin Centre .....	2
1874 Conley, T. B. ....	Student .....	—
1875 Conley, Lewis.....	Matilda .....	1
1857 Connolly, Daniel .....	Waterloo, P. Q. ....	2
1841 Constable, Thomas W. ....	Compton .....	1
1863 Corbett, John .....	Dixville .....	1
1870 Craig, William .....	Onslow .....	1
1875 Crane, W. C. ....	Shawbridge .....	1
1850 Creighton, Wm., Sup'd .....	Almonte .....	4
1872 Crookshank, Simon .....	Student .....	—
1872 Crothers, Wm. J., B.A. ....	Sawyerville .....	1
1873 Crozier, James G. ....	Brockville .....	1
1873 Cunningham, Wm. B. ....	Montreal, Student .....	—
1841 Davis, George H. ....	St. Johns .....	3
1876 Davis, George H. H .....	Franklin Centre .....	1
1854 Davies, John .....	Aultsville.....	1
1872 DeGruchy, Edward .....	Montreal .....	1
1871 DeLong, F. ....	Marbleton .....	2
1872 DeLong, A. ....	Robinson .....	2
1858 Dorion, Joseph A. ....	Shefford .....	4
1848 Douglas, Geo., LL.D., <i>Chairman</i> , Montreal, <i>Prof. of Theol.</i>		6
1855 Drennan, Alexander .....	Three Rivers .....	1
1855 Dyre, W. R. ....	Perth .....	3
1872 Eason, Richard .....	Montreal Eighth .....	2
1876 Earl, Joseph .....	Farmersville .....	1
1841 Elliott, James, <i>Chairman</i> .....	Kingston .....	3
1876 Elliott, James, 2nd .....	Pittsburg .....	1
1874 Ellery, Samuel .....	Winchester .....	1
1839 English, William .....	Pakenham .....	2
1842 Fear, Samuel Sup'd .....		
1869 Ferguson, John .....	Selby.....	3
1873 Flanders, Charles R .....	Student .....	—
1855 Follick, J.....	Beachburg .....	1
1872 Fowkes, John .....	Farnham .....	1
1866 Forsey, George .....	Melbourne .....	2
1856 Fowler, Hiram, <i>Chairman</i> ...	Westmeath .....	3
1863 Fowler, J. H., M. A. ....	Sutton .....	2
1872 Franklin, Benjamin .....	<i>Undergraduate</i> , Vic. College .....	—
1863 Freshman, Jacob .....	Gananoque .....	3

1861 Gaetz, Leonard ..	Montreal First	2
1875 Garvin, J.....	Franktown	1
1861 Galbraith, Wm, B.C.L. ....	Stanstead	2
1869 Garrett, John C.....	Harrowsmith ..	1
1875 Gibson, John .....	Wilton	1
1834 Garry, R., Sup'y .....	Brockville	2
Gear, Joshua, Sup'y ..	Dunham	3
1874 Giffard, Gorham A. ....	Point Fortune	3
1868 Grenfell, John.....	Bedford	1
1875 Geoffrey, Antoine .....	Kingsey's Falls	2
1865 Hagar, Joseph, M., M.A., <i>Governor Wes. Coll,</i>	Stanstead	2
1858 Hall, Wm., M.A. ....	Cornwall	2
1850 Hammond, R. M. ....	Morrisburg	1
1855 Hansford, Wm. ....	Prescott	2
1862 Hardie, A., M.A., <i>Chairman,</i>	Coaticook	1
1836 Hardie, David, Sup'd .....	Coaticook	1
1875 Haylock, J J. ....	Aylwin	2
1871 Henderson, James .....	Point Levis	2
1871 Hiscocks, John, Sup'y .....	Lachute	1
1871 Holmes, A. Lee, B.A., <i>Principal Wes. College,</i>	Stanstead	4
1861 Holmes, John .....	Bolton	1
1861 Hooker, LeRoy .....	Kemptville ..	1
1853 Houghton, Luther, Sup'y.....	Brockville	14
1844 Howes, John .....	Portage du Fort.....	3
1871 Hughes, Silas J.....	Student, Montreal.....	—
1856 Hunt, Francis .....	Hatley and Cassville.....	2
1856 Hunter, Wm. J., <i>Chairman...</i>	Ottawa Centre, <i>Sec. of Conf.</i>	4
1836 Hurlburt, Silvester, Sup'd ...	Prescott	13
1855 Huxtable, George G.....	North Gore	1
1825 Ingalls, E S., Sup'y .....	Granby.....	19
1859 Ireland, Francis C., Sup'y ...	Montreal Fourth	6
1863 Irvine, Henry .....	Fitzroy Harbour.....	2
1858 Jackson, Samuel, Sup'y .....	Frelighsburg	6
1862 Jackson, Wm., <i>Fin. Secretary</i>	Sherbrooke	2
1872 Jamieson, Wm. S. ....	Bell's Corners	1
1869 Jolliffe, Wm. J. ....	L'Orignal ..	3
1862 Jones, Cornelius A.....	Island Brook	2
1854 Keough, Jabez B. ....	North Wakefield	1
1863 Kines, James .....	Wilton	1
1849 Kimball, N., Sup'y .....	Dunham (Kimball).....	4
1869 Knight, Adolphus G., B.A., Sup'y.,	Gananoque	1
1871 Knowles, Henry W. ....	Chelsea, P.Q. ..	2
1870 Knox, Wm.....	New Glasgow	2
1873 Kropp, Henry.....	Rankin	3

1874 Laidley, Robert .....	Student .....	—
1874 Lawrence, John .....	Gaspe .....	3
1870 Leach, John J. ....	Arnprior .....	1
1843 Lohead, Robert.....	Alice .....	2
1868 Longley, Benjamin, B.A.....	Montreal First .....	3
1860 Lucas, Daniel V.....	Maitland .....	2
1874 Madge, William W. ....	Student .....	—
1861 McCann, Alfred, <i>Fin. Sec.</i> ..	Newburgh .....	1
1861 McCullough, Wm. S., M.A....	Merrickville .....	1
1875 McCunn, Drummond.....	Newboro' .....	1
1837 McDonald, M., Sup'y .....	Stanstead .....	21
1847 McGill, Wm., <i>Fin. Secretary</i> ,	Smith's Falls .....	1
1876 McKechnie, Robert W.....	Aylmer, P. Q. ....	1
1851 McRitchie, Geo., <i>Chairman</i> ...	Almonte .....	1
1876 Mallory, Delmer E. ..	Richmond .....	1
1857 Mark, Robert, M.D. ....	Clarendon .....	2
1852 Maudsley, Samuel E., Sup'd.	.....	—
1875 Marceau, W. F.....	Gaspe .....	2
1859 Might, Samuel .....	Morven, &c.....	2
1856 Miller, Wm. W .....	Playfair .....	2
1873 Munroe, John A.....	Bath .....	1
1871 Meyers, Henry, Student .....	Montreal .....	—
1855 Norton, William .....	Grenville .....	2
1842 Ogden, Thomas, Sup'd .....	Frankville .....	2
1861 O'Hara, J.....	Avonmore .....	2
1869 Oliver, Robert F. ....	Carleton Place .....	1
1846 Osborne, John C .....	Bryson .....	1
1875 Onesakenarat, Joseph .....	Caughnawaga .....	1
1857 Parent, Amand .....	Lake of Two Mountains ..	3
1871 Patterson, Allan .....	Barnston Corners .....	2
1866 Pearen, James, B. A.....	Cookshire .....	1
1862 Pearson, Marmaduke L. ....	Montreal Second .....	1
1873 Pearson, William .....	Hudson.....	1
1849 Peck, W., Sup'y .....	Lansdowne .....	2
1871 Perley, Wm. F. ....	Tamworth .....	1
1856 Peterson, A. L. ....	Lombardy .....	2
1863 Phillips, Samuel B.....	Glentay.....	2
1853 Phillips, Samuel G.....	Huntingdon.....	2
1872 Philp, William .....	Oxford .....	2
1863 Pitcher, J. T., <i>Fin. Secretary</i> ,	Montreal Fourth .....	2
1874 Porter, George H. ....	Ormstown .....	2
1874 Poyser, G. C. ....	Newburgh .....	1
1873 Pyke, William .....	Durham .....	1



1865 Ranev, Willam .....	Metcalf	2
1870 Rennie, Thomas.....	West Brome	1
1868 Reynolds, Francis C.....	Richmond	3
1867 Richardson, Ezekiel ..	Edwardsburg	1
1859 Richardson, James E. ....	St. Armand.....	1
1868 Rilance, William .....	North Augusta	2
1872 Roadhouse, Job .....	Thurso	2
1864 Robinson, George .....	Delta.....	2
1862 Robinson, Richard .....	Freighsburg	3
1845 Robinson, Robert .....	Newboro'	3
1856 Robson, Ebenezer .....	Aylmer, P. Q.....	1
1863 Rogers, George .....	Odelltown	3
1854 Roy, James, M.A. . . . .	Montreal Sixth	2
1855 Sanderson, William .....	Wolford	2
1876 Sanderson, David C. ....	Magog	1
1869 Saunders, Jabez B.....	Winchester	1
1865 Scanlon, John .....	Lennoxville	2
1872 Scott, Moses .....	Leeds	1
1836 Scott, Wm., <i>Chairman</i> .....	Brockville, <i>Pres. Conference</i>	1
1836 Selley, John B., M.D., Sup'd	Chambly	3
1828 Shaler, Henry, Sup'd .....	Kemptville	14
1864 Shaw, W. I., B.A., LL.B ..	St. Lambert-Montreal	3
1858 Sheridan, William ..	Pittsburg	1
1872 Shibley, Samuel ..	Windsor Mills.....	1
1869 Shier, Richard .....	Plantagenet.....	1
1858 Shorey, Edmund S.....	Bath	3
1855 Short, William .....	Centreville	2
1872 Shortt, William K., B.A .....	Hemmingford	2
1870 Simpson, James .....	Long Island Locks.....	3
1849 Smith, Andrew A. ....	Cataraqui.....	1
1866 Smith, Nathaniel .....	Lawrenceville	1
1874 Smith, Wm. T. ....	Student	—
1867 Sparling, J. W., B.D., <i>Fin Sec.</i>	Ottawa East.....	1
1873 Sparling, W. H. ....	Undergraduate, Vic. Coll...	—
1865 Squire, George H., B.A ..	Amherst Island	1
1860 Stafford, Ezra A.....	Montreal Fourth	3
1858 Stenning, George .....	Rawdon	2
1862 Stewart, John.....	Knowlton	3
1864 Stewart, John H. ....	Lansdowne	2
1871 Syvret, John .....	Roxton Pond	4
1869 Taylor, Edward H.....	Bearbrook	2
1873 Taylor, Ernest M. ....	West Shefford	1
1862 Taylor, William, Sup'd.....	Drayton	2
1858 Teeson, Samuel .....	South Mountain.....	2
1871 Timberlake, William.....	Magog	2
1873 Tisdale, Mark .....	North Gore	2

1827 Tomkins, John, Sup'd .....	Stanstead.....	7
1872 Topping, N. C. ....	Arundle .....	1
1856 Walton, John .....	Dunham .....	2
1854 Ward, Edward A .....	Danville .....	2
1873 Ward, Joseph .....	<i>Undergraduate, Vic. Coll</i> ...	—
1873 Warren J. C. Sup'd .....	Gananoque .....	2
1872 Webster, John .....	South Mountain .....	1
1871 Werlen, James E. ....	Battersea .....	1
1874 Wheatley, J. ....	Beebe Plain.....	1
1872 Whiteside, Arthur.....	North Gore .....	1
1845 Whiting, Richard .....	Montreal Third .....	2
1870 Wilkinson, Isaac .....	Inverness .....	2
1861 Williams, Thomas G.....	Matilda.....	1
1869 Wilson, John .....	Montreal Seventh .....	1
1867 Wilson, John, B. A. ....	Spencerville.....	1
1850 Wilson, Richard.....	Chambly .....	2
1868 Winter, David .....	Lachute .....	2



## APPENDIX II.

## AN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF CIRCUITS.

*The figures in the List denote the order in which the Circuits are arranged in the Stations.*

Alice .....	86	Cataraqui .....	36
Almonte .....	68	Caughnawaga .....	168
Amherst Island.....	35	Centreville.....	41
Anticosti .....	132	Chambiy.....	12
Arden .....	44	Chelsea .....	111
Aruprior.....	70	C arenceville .....	156
Arundle, P.Q.....	108	Clarendon .....	83
Aultsville .....	60	Coaticooke .....	137
Avonmore .....	64	Compton.....	135
Aylmer, Que .....	97	Compton (French) .....	160
Aylwin ....	112	Cookshire .....	123
Barnston Corners.....	138	Cornwall.....	61
Bath .....	34	Cowansville .....	148
Battersea .....	37	Danville .....	117
Beachburg .....	82	Delta .....	76
Bearbrook .....	103	Durham, Que.....	128
Bedford .....	155	Dunham .....	150
Beebe Plain .....	134	Edwardsburg.. ..	56
Bell's Corner's .....	98	Farmersville .....	49
Bolton, P.Q .....	141	Farnham.....	152
Cowansville & West Brome (French.) .....	165	Fitzroy Harbour .....	71
Bour, Louis .....	129	Franklin Centre .....	15
Brockville .....	46	Frankton .....	72
Bryson .....	88	Frelighsburg .....	151
Canaan (French) .....	166	Gananoque.....	38
Carleton Place .....	67		

Garden & Wolf Islands ...	26	Montreal Sixth .....	6
Gaspe .....	131	“ Seventh.....	7
Glentay & Maberly .....	78	“ Eighth .....	8
Granby .....	147	“ Ninth.....	9
Grenville & Chatham .....	107	“ (French) .....	158
Harrowsmith, Frontenac .	42	Morrisburgh ... ..	58
Hatley & Cassville .....	136	Morven & Gosport .....	29
Hemmingford .....	15	Moulinette.....	63
Hudson .....	18	Napanee .....	28
Huntingdon .....	16	Newboro' .....	77
Hull.....	96	Newburgh .....	31
Inverness .....	127	New Glasgow .....	21
Island Brook .....	122	North Augusta .....	51
Kemptville .....	54	North Gore .....	20
Kingston .....	26	North Gower.....	100
Kingsey Falls .....	161	North Wakefield .....	110
Knowlton .....	143	Odelltown ... ..	13
Lachute .....	19	Odessa .....	33
Lacolle (French) .....	164	Onslow .....	87
Lake of Two Mountains ...	167	Orms town .....	17
Lansdowne.....	39	Ottawa Centre .....	93
Lawrenceville .....	146	“ East .....	94
Leeds .....	126	“ West .....	95
Lennoxville .....	120	Oxford .....	52
Lombardy .....	75	Pakenham .....	69
Long Island Locks .....	101	Pembroke .....	80
L'Orignal .....	104	Perth .....	65
Lyn .....	48	Pittsburg .....	40
Magog.....	140	Plantaganet .....	106
Mansonville .....	142	Playfair .....	70
Maitland .....	50	Point Fortune .....	105
Marbleton .....	124	Point Levis .....	114
Martintown .....	62	Portage du Fort .....	84
Matilda .....	57	Portsmouth .....	27
Mattawa.....	89	Prescott .....	47
Melbourne .....	116	Quebec .....	113
Merrickville .....	73	Quebec (French) .....	159
Metcalfe .....	102	Raglan .....	92
Metis .....	130	Rankin Ger. Mission .....	91
Montreal First .....	1	Rawdon .....	23
“ Second .....	2	Renfrew .....	85
“ Third.....	3	Renfrew & Thorne .....	90
“ Fourth .....	4	Richmond .....	99
“ Fifth .....	5	Robinson .....	125
		Roxton (French).....	162

St. Andrews .....	24	Sutton, P.Q .....	153
St. Armand .....	154	Tamworth .....	43
St. Johns .....	11	Three Rivers .....	115
St. Johns (French) ... ..	157	Thurso .....	109
St. Lamber <sup>g</sup> , etc .....	10	Waterloo, P.Q .....	144
Sawyerville .....	121	West Brome .....	149
Selby and Roblin .....	30	Westmeath .....	81
Seeley's Bay .....	45	West Shefford .....	145
Shawbridge .....	22	Wilton .....	32
Shefford (French) .....	163	Windsor Mills .....	118
Sherbrooke .....	119	Winchester .....	59
Smith's Falls .....	66	Wolford .....	74
South Mountain .....	55		
Spencerville .....	53		
Stanstead .....	133		



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**APPENDIX III.**

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**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.**

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**Registration of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials.**

In order to be entitled to keep registers under 13 and 14 Victoria, chap. 47, every clergyman must go to the Prothonotary's Office with a copy of his ordination, and attest such copy before the Prothonotary.

He will then be entitled to keep a register of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials

At the beginning of each year he will return to the Prothonotary his duplicate register, and receive a new duplicate register.

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**NOTE.**—The above information was furnished by the Prothonotary at Aylmer, P. Q. We understand that full requirements and instructions accompany the registers furnished each minister by the Prothonotary of his municipality.

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**PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.**

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**EXTRACTS FROM "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS  
AND MARRIAGES."**

(ASSENTED TO 23RD DECEMBER, 1875.)

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**Burials.**

Every minister or other person who shall bury or perform any funeral or religious service for the burial of any dead body, unless he has received a certificate under the hand of the Registrar of the Division in which the death took place, according to schedule D to this Act annexed, that particulars of such death have been duly registered, shall make a return of such death according to schedule C, to this act Act annexed to the Registrar of the Division in which the death took place, within seven days of the burial.

**Marriages.**

Every clergyman, minister or other person authorized by law to celebrate marriages, shall be required to report each and every marriage he celebrates to the Registrar of the Division within which such marriage is celebrated, within ninety days from the date of such marriage, with the particulars required by schedule B, appended to this Act, and in order the better to enable the said clergyman, minister or other person to make such report as aforesaid, he shall be furnished by the Division Registrar of the Division in which he resides with blank forms, containing the particulars required by the said schedule B.

**Penalty for Neglect of Duty.**

For each and every offence, forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than twenty dollars and costs, in the discretion of the presiding Justice before whom the case shall be heard.

The above came in force on the first day of January, 1876.

# SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND.

## MONTREAL DISTRICT.

### LAY SUBSCRIBERS.

#### *Montreal First Circuit.*

Mrs. Dr. Campbell.....	\$100 00
Miss Campbell .....	10 00
Miss Catharine Campbell .....	10 00
D. Whalley .....	25 00
Mrs. Seybold's class .....	35 00
Mrs. Doran's class .....	30 00

#### *Montreal Second.*

John Matthewson .....	\$43 72
Moses Parker .....	25 00
George Bishop.....	10 00
A. Holiday .....	5 00

#### *Montreal Fourth.*

John Barry .....	\$50 00
E. H. Botherall .....	10 00
T. M. Bryson .....	10 00
Sir A. T. Galt and family .....	10 00
Thomas Patton .....	10 00
Thomas Bradenach .....	5 00
J. Dillon .....	5 00
John Houghan .....	5 00
Geo. Thompson .....	5 00
W. H. Orr .....	4 00
J. F. Scriver .....	4 00

#### *Montreal Fifth.*

James Patton .....	\$5 00
G. E. Jaques, Jr. ....	5 00

#### *Montreal Sixth.*

Thomas Costen .....	\$10 00
T. A. Crane.....	5 00
R. Mille. ....	5 00
R. Ransom .....	4 00

#### *Montreal Seventh.*

— Hadley .....	\$5 00
— Hadley .....	5 00

#### *St. Johns.*

W. Coote.....	\$4 00
Jas. McPherson .....	5 00
Mrs. McPherson.....	5 00

#### *Odelltown.*

G. L. Maston .....	\$5 00
A. Force .....	5 00

#### *Huntingdon.*

W. W. Dalgleish .....	\$5 00
Mrs. A. Henderson .....	5 00

Though every effort has been made, by letter and telegraph, to secure the above list, it did not come to hand until after the MINUTES were in press.



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ERRATUM.

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The name of John A. Munroe is erroneously inserted in the list of Conference Students. Bro. Munroe was appointed by the Stationing Committee to the Bath Circuit.

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