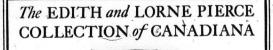
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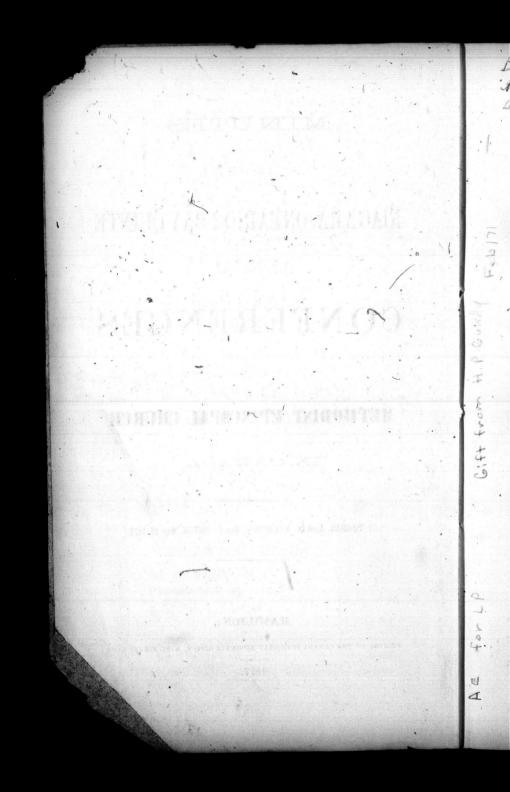
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# NIAGARA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Niagara Annual Conference held its Thirty-fourth Session in the Town of St. Thomas, County of Elgin, Ontario, commencing on Wednesday, at 10 o'clock a. m., the 18th day of April, 1877.

Bishop Carman, D. D. presiding.

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He opened the Conference by reading the 14th and part of the 15th chapters of St. John's Gospel, the 804th hymn was sung, and prayer offered by H. J. Kilty, W. H. Shaw and T. S. Linscott, the Bishop and Conference united in closing with the Lord's Prayer.

The Bishop gave his address to the Conference, briefly reviewing the work of the past year.

The roll of members was called.

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U D Rev. C. Parsons was elected Secretary.

J. S. Williamson, Assistant Secretary; and A. Beamer, Statistical Secretary.

## CONFERENCE OFFICERS, WITH THEIR ADDRESS.

BISHOP-A. Carman, D. D., Belleville.

SECRETARY-R. C. Parsons, Lynden.

MISSIONARY TREASURER-J. H. Kennedy, Mt. Elgin. MISSIONARY SECRETARY-H. B. Palmer, St. Thomas.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS-H. B. Palmer, St. Thomas.

MEMBER OF BOOK COMMITTEE-E. Bristol, Ancaster.

MEMBERS OF PARENT MISSIONERY BOARD-E. Lounsbury, Hamilton; J. N. Elliott, Springfield.

Associate Members of the Board of Managers of Albert College-J. Gardiner, Ingersoll; J. S. Williamson, Hamilton.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE ALMA COLLEGE BOARD-H. B. Palmer, St. Thomas.

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND-J. S. Williamson, Hamilton. TREARURER OF SUPERANNUATED FUND-O.G. Collamore, London.

PRESIDENT OF AUXILIARY S. S. UNION-J. S. Williamson, Hamilton; SECRETARY, J. T. Davis, Norwich; TREASURER, B. Bristol, Tapleyton.

PRESIDENT OF AUXILIARY BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY-E. Bristol, Ancaster.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

NOMINATIONS-E. Bristol, E. Lounsbury, W. D. Hughson, W. G. Brown.

DIVINE SERVICE-W. D. Hughson, A. E. Griffith.

MISSIONS-W. D. Hughson, E. Lounsbury, E. Bristol, W. G. Brown, W. Benson, B. Bristol, C. Burdett, J. S. Williamson.

EDUCATION-J. Gardiner, W. H. Shaw, J. T. Davis, A. Beamer, C. E. Benson.

PASTORAL ADDRESS-J. F. Fairchilds, E. Bartram.

PRINTING-J. Reynolds, J. Laycock, J. T. Davis, J. N. Elliott, W. D. Hughson.

TEMPERANCE-J. M. Collins, A. L. Gee.

REGISTERS-R. C. Parsons, B. L. Cohoe, H. Locke, J. B. Cutler, G. C. Squires.

STATE OF THE CHURCH-T. Webster, E. Bristol, J. Wood, S. Card, M. Dimmick.

CHUBCH PROPERTY-A. Kennedy, H. J. Kilty, J. W. Cutler, R. A. Howey.

STEWARDS-C. Crichton, G. H. Johnson, W. Fansher, N. Dickie.

CONTINGENT FUND-S. L. Kerr, W. Yokom, E. L. Clement, A. Scratch.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—B. C. Moore, G. Hartley, M. Gifford. CAMP-MEETINGS—E. Bristol, R. B. Cook, J. R. Phillips, J. Kennedy, R. Duff, J. W. McKay, D. H. Yokom, T. Athoe, E. G. Pelley, W. D. Hughson, E. Lounsbury, W. G. Brown.

WAYS AND MEANS-E.Bristol, W. D. Hughson, E. Lounsbury, W. G. Brown.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE-E. Lounsbury, Chairman.

1st Year : B. C. Moore, C. E. Benson.

2nd Year : W. D. Hughson, J. S. Williamson.

3rd Year : W. G. Brown, B. Bristol.

4th Year : J. Reynolds, H. B. Palmer.

CONFERENCE VISITORS-Rev. S. G. Stone, Editor of C. C. Advocate; J. G. Robinson, Esq., Treasurer of Albert College; Dr. Pitcher, of Detroit; Rev. M. H. Moody, of Central Illinois Conference; Rev. Mr. Birks, Canada Methodist; Rev. Mr. Wiljiams, Canada Methodist; Rev. Mr. Smith, Canada Methodist; Rev. C. Hartley, Euffalo; Rev. Mr. Pickles, East Maine Conference; Rev. Mr. Arnold, of the *Michigan Christian Advocate*, Detroit; Rev. Mr. Knot, Bible Christian; Rev. Mr. Davies, Bible Christian; Judge Hughes, of St. Thomas; Rev. Mr. Fraser, Presbyterian Minister, of St. Thomas; Rev. D. W. Misener, Detroit Conference; J. Cook, Esq., Agent for Alma College.

Time of en- tering Min.	NAMES.	Present Charge.	P. O. Address	No. of years in Ministry	No. of years effective.
1870	Athoe T	Leamington	Leamington	7	7
	Adams E	Canboro	Canboro	9	9
	Andrews G. W.		Brussels	6	2
	Anger W. H	Collège	Belleville	0	2
	Adkins T. J	Norwich	Norwich	38	36
	Bristol E	Erie District	Ancaster	21	
	Bristol B	Saltfleet	Tapleytown Rainham Ctr	25	
	Bartram E	Rainham	Smithville	20	
G	Benson W	Smithville	Welland	9	
	Benson C E	Welland	Highgate	21	
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1851	Collemore O G	Goderich		26	3 23
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1876	Combs J A	Dunnville			
1852	Draper E	Supernumerary	London	.20	
1859	Davis J T		Norwich		
1863	Dimmick M		Dresden	14	3
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## ALPHABETICAL LIST-CONTINUED.

Time of en- tering Min.	NAMES.	PRESENT CHARGE	P. O. Address	No. of years in Ministry.	No. of years effective.
1876	Fulcher G	Raleigh	Raleigh	1	1
1877	Fletcher W M	Oakland	Waterford	L	1
18/1	Francis G A	Stanley	Bayfield	1.17	energi F
1835	Griffin D	Superennueted	Staffond-11	42	12
1841	Gardiner J	Ingersoll	Ingersoll	36	36
1852	Griffith A E	To labor for Sons of Tem-	St. Thomas	25	25
1872	Griffin M	Westminster	Lambeth	5	5
1872	Gifford M. W	St. Clair	Sombra	5	- 5
1874	Gee A L	St. Davids	St Davids	3	3
1875	Graham T	St. Mary's & Nice	St Marys	2	2
1841	Hughson W D	London District	Delawafe	36	35
1000	Hartley G	Ancaster	Ancaster	19	19
1011	Howev R A	Aylmer	Aylmer	6	6
10/3	Hubbell J D		Bothwell	4	. 4
10//	Hazzard L	Brooke	Alvinston	et de	
1870	Johnson G. H.	Left without app't at his own request.	Welland	7	6
1855	Kilty H J	Westminster	Lambeth	22	22
1846	Kerr S L	Thamesville	Thamesville	31	31
1867	Kennedy J H.		Springford	10	10
1871	Kelley DW.	Hartford	Springvale	6	6
1871	Kennedy J	Maitland		6	6
1873	Kennedy A	Thamesford	Thamesford	4	4
1876	Kennedy D M	Glencoe	Glencoe	1	1
1876	Knott S	St. Mary's & Niss.	St. Marys	1	1
1849	Lounsbury E.	Niagara District.		28	28
1950	Locke H		Embro	15	15
1844	Lawrence B	Superannuated	Newbury	27	18
1871	Lawrence G		Ingersoll	33	16
1879	Laycock J	Essex Centre	Essex Centre.	6	6
1875	Lounsbury E B Linscott T S		Evansten	5	4
18591	Morden J P	Chatham	Chatham	2	2
1865	Moore BC	Dorchaster	Florence	19	13
1850	McKay I W		Avon	12	12
18761	Myers P	Thippowe	Fairfield	18	16
1876	Ayers P		Chippawa	1	1
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1856	Phillips J R	Brant	Jerseyville	21	21
1851	Pomeroy D	Manitoba	West Lynne		26
1868	Palmer H B	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	9	
1872	Pelley E G	Wallaceburg	Wallaceburg	5	
1876	Parker A J	Sydenham	Sydenham	1	10.1
1876	Pierce W	Seaforth	Seaforth	1	Address of the second
1865	Reynolds J	Barton	Hannon	12	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
1869	Rose J	Erie	Ridgeway	8	0
1877	Rose A 1.	Howard	Highgate	0.	11
1843	Steward S.	Superannuated	Lynden	34	10000
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1874	Squires G C	Wyoming	wyoming	2	
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1040	Tunora J C	Superannuated	Aylmer	33	and the second second
1024	Terwinigar S.	Forest	Forest	3	
10/4	Thompson C M	Saltfleet	Tenleytown		
1960	Von Wrok I	College	Belleville	8	6
1977	Vallick W N	Brant	Iarsovville	1 ( Ch. 110 ) 7 1	
1838	Wabster T	Superannuated	Newbury	39	22
1850	Wood J	Brooke	Alvinston		an a share a salara
1864	Williams D	Brooke	Nivville	13	100100-002017
1865	Williamson J S	Hamilton	Hamilton	12	
1875	Webb J	. Mt. Elgin	Springford	2	
1877	Warner R.T.	Beverly	Trov	116	
1859	Yokom W	Stanley	Bavfield	18	18
1874	Yokom D H.	London Circuit .	Lobo		
1876	Young J	Left without app'	Taplevtown		
187	Young J C	Harwich	Fairfield	A MAG	1

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#### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1.-What preachers are admitted on trial?

See

Answer.—A. W. Edwards, W. M. Teeple, A. Rose, W. N. Vollick, R. J. Warner, T. J. Adkins, W. M. Fletcher, G. A. Francis, L. Hazzard, J. C. Young, H. A. Cook.

Q. 2.-Who remain on trial ?

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A.-P. Myers, J. A. Coumbs, Jas. Young, W. A. Shaw, A. W. Bannister, W. Pierce, D. M. Kennedy A. J. Parker, J. Drader, T. L. McCutekcon, J. J. Earning

Q. 3.-Who are admitted into full connexion ?

A.---M. H. Bartram, D. Sharp, T. Graham, J. Webb, T. S. Linscott, J. Ferguson, G. W. Andrews, B. A., S. Knott, G. A., Fulcher.

Q. 4.-Who are the Deacons?

A.—(1st Class) M. H. Bartram, D. Sharp, T. Graham, J. Webb, T. S. Linscott, J. Ferguson, G. W. Andrews, B. A., S. Knott, G. A. Fulcher, W. H. Anger. (2nd Class.) A. L. Gee, C. M. Thompson, G. C. Squires.

Q. 5.—Who are ordained Elders this year ?

A.—A. Kennedy, J. D. Hubbell, E. L. Clement, M. Griffin, R. A. Howey, D. H. Yokom, D. W. Kelly.

Q. 6.-Who have located ?

A.-D. W. Jones, T. Rouston.

Q. 7.-Who is the General Superintendent ?

A.-Bishop - A. Carman, D. D.

Q. 8.—Who are the Supernumeraries ?

A.-D. Barker, R. Service, D. Williams, E. Draper.

Q. 9.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers ?

A.-T. Webster, D. D., S. Stuart, D. Griffin, G. Smith, B. Lawrence, G. Lawrence, J. C. Tufford, S. Terwilligar, R. B. Cook.

Q. 10.-Who have been expelled ?

A.-None.

Q. 11.-Who have withdrawn ?

A.-M. A. Wright, A. Beamer, T. Dawes, O. H. P. Green, and

H. Dockham have taken letters of removal.

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

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

Q. 13.—Who have died this year?

A.-None.

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

A.—(See Statistical Table.)

No. of preachers in Conference, 110. Increase over last year, 8. Total members, 10,086. Increase, 1.

Q. 15.—What is the amount of Superannuated Preachers' Fund, and how expended ?

A.--(See table for Circuit Collections.)

Q. 16.-Where are the preachers stationed ?

A.—

NIAGARA DISTRICT .- E. LOUNSBURY, P. E.

Hamilton-J. S. Williamson. E. B. Lounsbury, permitted to attend College. J. Vanwyck permitted to attend Albert College. Ancaster-G. Hartley.

Barton-J. Reynolds.

Flamboro-E. L. Clement. G. Smith, Superannuated.

Beverely-R. C. Parsons, R. J. Warner. S. Stewart, Superannuated.

Brant-J. R. Phillips, W. N. Vollick.

Saltfleet-B. Bristol, W. M. Teeple. J. Young, left without appointment.

Smithville-W. Benson. A

Canboro-E. Adams.

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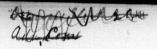
Welland-C. E. Benson. G. H. Johnson, left without appointment at his own request.

Humberstone-C. Crichton.

Erie-J. Rose. W. H. Anger permitted to attend Albert College.

Chippawa-P. Myers.

Brantford-E. Pilcher, D. D.



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## ERIE DISTRICT-E. BRISTOL, P. E.

Emlro-H. Locke. Mt. Elgin-J. H. Kennedy, J. Webb, Norwich-J. T. Davis, T. J. Adkins. Vienna-A. Scratch. R. B. Cooke, D. Griffin, Superannuated. Malahide-M. H. Bartram. (J. C. Tufford, Superannuated. Springfield-J. N. Elliott. Aylmer-R. A. Howey. Hartford and Nanticoke-D. W. Kelly. One to be sent. Oakland-J. F. Fairchild, W. M. Fletcher, A. W. Bannister, permitted to attend Albert College. Blenheim-W. H. Shaw, W. A. Snaw. Walsingham-D. Sharp. Charlotteville-J. P. Morden D. Williams, Superanumerary.

Rainham-E. Bartram, H. A. Cook Sweaborg-J. Ferguson.

Ingersoll J. Gardiner.) G. Lawrence, Superannuated.

## LONDON DISTRICT-W. D. HUGHSON, P. E.

London-J. McLean, P. J. Edmonds. London Circuit-D. H. Yokom. Thamesford-A. Kennedy. R. Service, Supernumerary. Caradoc-D. Ecker. St. Thomas-H. B. Palmer: A. E. Griffith, permitted to act as Agent for Sons of Temperance.

St. Mary's and Nissouri-S. Knott, T. Graham. Strathroy-S. Card. -Dorchester-B. C. Moore. -Southwold-R. Duff. Westminster-M. Griffin, H. J. Kilty. Goderich-O. G. Callamore. Arkona-N. Dickie. Bosanquet-J. B. Cutler. Parkhill-W. Fansher. Stanley-W. Yokom, G. A. Francis. Maitland-James Kennedy.

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Seaforth—W. Pierce. S. Terwilliger, Superannuated. Brussels—G. W. Andrews, B. A. Forest—C. M. Thompson.

## CHATHAM DISTRICT-W. G. BROWN, P. E.

Chatham-T. S. Linscott. D. Barker, Supernumerary. Dresden-M. Dimmick Wallaceburg-E. G. Pelley. Bothwell\_J. D. Hubbell. Wyoming-G. C. Squires. Petrolia-J. W. Cutler. Brooke-J. Wood, E. Have Florence-J. M. Collins. Glencoe-D. M. Kennedy. T. Webster, D. D., B. Lawrence, Superannuated. Thamesville A. I. Ke Howard-C. Burdett, A. Rese. Harwich-J. W. McKay, J. C. Young. Raleigh-G. Fulcher. Wheatley-T. L. McCutcheon. Leamington-T. Athee. Essex Centre-J. Laycock, J. Dinder, E. Drafury St. Clair (M. W. Gifford) Sydenham-A. J. Parker. -Oil Springs-To be supplied. Manitoba Mission-D. Pomeroy, A. W. Edwards.

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#### LIST OF LOCAL PREACHERS.

#### NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Canboro-W. Stringer, deacon; A. Stringer, deacon; J. Yeadon, J. Cutler, M. Rogers, J. L. Ricker. Dunnville-J. G. Winslow, deacon. St. Davids-D. Collard, elder.

Pelham-R. Farr, elder ; R. Dawdy, W. Henderson, J. Vail. Smithville-J. Upper, deacon ; B. Beamer, W. F. Collins. Humberstone-S. Weaver, deacon.

Saltfleet-C. C. Burkholder, deacon ; F. Davis.

Barton-J. W. Miller, H. Burkholder.

Flamboro-M. Dimmick, elder ; R. Maynard, J. Burdett. Beverly-Jas. Clement, elder; Wm. Clement, deacon.

Brant-W. Beautinheimer, deacon; J. Vanderlip, W. H. Teeple.

#### ERIE DISTRICT.

Brantford-T. Atkins.

Nissouri-T. B. Brown, elder ; R. McGuffin, deacon'; J. Mc-Ainsh, J. Brown, J. Wran, J. G. McCloud.

Embro-C. Kitmer, J. Darling, G. Couk, J. Couk, P. Medan, G. Lambkin.

Mt. Elgin-J. S. Freaser, deacon ; C. J. Garrett, E. Pettet, E. H. Harries.

Norwich-J. Will, deacon.

Vienna-R. Yokom, deacon ; Wm. Charlesworth, deacon ; J. Brown, C. Prett, Jas. Gamble.

Malahide-W. L. Brown, deacon ; J. S. Clendenning.

Springfield-J. Davey, deacon.

Aylmer-J. Norton, G. G. Vanstone.

Okland-O. Olmstead, deacon; G. Bradshaw, deacon elect; H. Baldwin.

Blenheim-J. Harley, W. D. Bennett, O. Kelly.

Walsingham-Wm. Anscomb, deacon; H. Wood.

Charlotteville-P. S. Haney, R. Shepley.

Rainham-J. Decew, deacon.

#### LONDON DISTRICT.

Westminster-J. Wilson, deacon.

Southwold-J. Drake.

.Bosanquet-M. Kennedy, elder ; R. Virtue, S. Kennedy.

Arkona-N. Roy, elder.

Dorchester-H. Gram, deacon ; H. Wilsey, J. Hughs, elder ; D. Summers.

Thamesford-A, Cogswell.

Maitland-A. Shutler, G. Sanderson, D. Sweet.

Seaforth-W. Badge.

Brussels-R. Carter.

Stanley-R. Sparkes, W. Spikeman.

London-J. McVcal, elder ; J. Morden, deacon.

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St. Thomas-M. Hunsberger.

Parkhill,-R. Lyman, elder; W. Wilson, George Thompson, elder.

#### CHATHAM DISTRICT.

Wallaceburg-J. Dolson, elder.

Glencoe-J. Walker, deacon.

Florence-Jno. Bobier, Deacon; J. W. Morley, Deacon; P. L. Switzer, deacon elect; H. Ogletree, deacon.

Wheatley-T. L. McCutcheon, J. W. Malotte, deacons.

Learnington-J. Beacom, elder; C. Palmer; J. J. True; E. Hillman.

Wyoming-Jno. Dupee, elder; W. Wills ; G. A. King; H. Parks. Petrolia-S. J. Lancaster, deacon.

Essex Centre—J. Greaves, deacon elect; J. Drader, R. Gaskin. Sydenham—A. J. Parker; Wm. Scurr.

Howard-Wm. Kerley.

Bothwell-S. Prebble.

Thamesville-M. Pickard, deacon; L. Ingram; L. Hazzard, Brooke-Jas. Cook.

Chatham-A. Smith.

Q. 17.—What are the receipts for Contingent Fund?

A.—(See Table.)

Q. 18.—How was Contingent Fund Disbursed ?

A.--(See Table.)

Q. 19.—What are the College Collections?

A. -- (See Statistical Table.)

Q. 20.—Where and when shall the next Conference be held ? A.—At Ingersoll, to commence on the third Wednesday of

April, 1878, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

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#### PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the members of the M. E. Church in Canada within the bounds of the Niagara Conference :

GREETING :---

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS IN CHRIST.—We, the Ministers of this Conference, in harmony with the time honored custom of the Church, present you our Annual Address. Another important year of trials and tempations, battles and victories, has been experienced. We have endeavored, under the Holy Spirit's guidance, quickened and energized by its Divine influence, to so cultivate Immanuel's Land that the good seed of the kingdom *might* bring forth *fruit* to the honor and glory of God an hundred fold, and praise the high and holy name of Christ, through whom alone we have success. *The Gospel* has been the power of God unto the salvation of many hundreds of precious souls, and they have been gathered into the safe and sacred fold of the Good Shepherd from every part of the Conference.

Truly the Divine promise has been fulfilled, "I am with you," and "My word shall not return unto me void," "Glory be to God Most High." And while God in his unbounded goodness has blessed us abundantly in our spiritual portion, in his bountiful Providence he has supplied our temporal necessities, and, notwithstanding the year has been one of conmercial and general financial depression, our Church institutions and enterprises have not so materially suffered but that a direct, constant and energetic devotion of our people throughout this ecclesiastical year now before us, with a commendable liberality, will save us as a Church from the severe pressure of prevailing hard times.

God has been pleased to bless us as a peculiar people zealous of good works, and our branch of Christ's glorious Church has indeed shone out on this contigient as fair as the moon, as bright as the sun, and against all the opposing powers of evil, under God, as "terrible as an army with banners." We make no compromise with sin in any form, in high life or in low, in the church or out, by individuals or corporations ; the destruction of sin, suppression of evil, the moral and religious elevation of the masses, the spread of Scriptural holiness, and gathering souls on every hand for Jesus, is our work as a people. Having faith in Christ, we receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost ; understanding the doctrines of the Holy Scriptures, we love Methodism ; believing that we are scriptural in our form of church government, we adhere

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most firmly to our polity, and would not, even to secure organic union of Methodism, forsake the old Apostolic landmarks, and fixing our eye singly to the glory of God, the whole body is full of *light*, and with light in us, and light above us, we move forward towards the world's evangelization.

But, permit us, much beloved in Christ, to invite your particular attention to a few practical points on the line of duty to Christ, in the *honored branch* of this Church, of which God has been pleased to make you a living member.

We have, as a Church, means of grace wisely adapted to the culture of a pure religious life. Our class meetings and prayer meetings especially, we regard as indispensable to the spiritual life and growth of our members, we therefore most earnestly entreat you never to be absent from your class and prayer meetings, unless providentially detained. By your presence, prayer and influence make our quarterly meetings what they once were, are still in some places, and may be all over our work : a time of great refreshing coming down from the presence of the Lord, every quarterly meeting a glorious religious revival; truly God is willing, and let there be a full attendance on Saturday as well as Sunday, and, to this end, remember the Friday preceding, as a day of fasting and prayer. Come up to the circuit gatherings from your closets, your domestic altars, your Christian homes, fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers and children, come up to God's house to honor and enjoy these especial means of grace, and let each member of the church, with family and friends, be in their place in God's house, on God's Holy Sabbath day, fifty-two Sabbaths each year.

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Our grove meetings, camp meetings and protracted meetings need the hearty support of the whole church; we cannot afford to lose any of these grand instrumentalities of evangelization.

And remember, dear brethren in Christ, we have connexional interests of high importance, and we must cultivate warm and earnest feelings, large, liberal principles, devise and execute on a most benevolent scale, in order that all the work God has entrusted to our care may be accomplished to his glory.

The proper cultivation of our own minds, and the intellectual and moral development of our children cannot be secured unless our homes are supplied with good, pure, sound religious literature.

To meet this necessity we have a church paper, the C. C.Advocate, which stands unsurpassed in its high toned moral and trav peoj subs istic Con

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religious teachings among the religious papers of the world. Its editor, Rev. S. G. Stone, and his many worthy contributors, have secured the high regard of its thousands of readers, and every Methodist home should be blessed with this peerless journal. In connexion with this, our book room, under the management of the same Rev. Brother, is *fully prepared* to supply all your homes and Sabbath Schools, private and public libraries with books to that extent that you need not send abroad, as in former years, consequently, your *liberal* patronage is expected, and your ministers will be happy in furnishing you with all the information you may require in regard to the *Advocate*, Sabbath School Papers, Lesson Leaves, etc.

Our colleges, the Albert and Alexandra, are in a flourishing condition. President Jaques and lady, with their noble assistant professors, are giving a prominence to these colleges, by their grand success, that attracts the attention of our country, while it invites the youth of our church, as well as others, to enter its honored halls and improve its unsurpassed opportunities for acquiring the higher branches of education, and the University degrees and honors that it is empowered to confer.

The great Endowment Scheme is no longer an experiment, but a most grand success; forty thousand dollars are already subscribed, and Excelsior being the motto of its most worthy treasurer, J. G. Robinson, Esq., ultimate triumph is certain, and the \$50,000 will soon be realized.

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But the educational wants of our growing church do not stop here. The Alma Female College, to be erected in the flourishing town of St. Thomas, is already exerting its magic influence on the hearts, minds and pockets of our generous people; thousands of dollars are subscribed, and John Cook, Esq., is traveling from circuit to circuit with cheering success, and our people and friends are responding to Brother. Cook's calls for subscriptions for this western college with a liberality characteristic of our Church. Over \$3,000 have been subscribed in this Conference by your ministers.

Encouraging tidings have been flowing in from our western or Manitoba missionary fields. God has blessed our efforts to extend the Redeemer's kingdom in this new but promising country. Our church is firmly established there, and we trust your true Christian liberality will keep this important mission work in a flourishing condition, so that its soil shall become sacred to us as a church.

But, before we close our address, permit us, dear brethren and sisters in Christ, to call your attention to the most honorable claims of worn out ministers, and the widows of those dear and never to be forgotten brethren who have fallen at their post, passed away to their reward and left their loyed ones in the care of the church. We fear that in this part there has been too little attention paid to the wants of these worthy fathers and lonely widows. Remember them in your contributions and in your prayers, and God will not forget you.

Our Sabbath School Union is accomplishing a good work in the Sabbath School Department. Its efficient officers merit the favor of all our S. S. workers. The District Sabbath School Conventions are giving great encouragement to our schools, and every S. S. should be fully represented in these conventions. Our Sabbath Schools need the undivided attention and support of the whole Church. The hope of our Church is the religious training of our children and their early conversion to God, and the Sabbath School is a nursery indeed for the vineyard of the Lord.

Our Home Missions need a more munificent support than they received the past year, and we must, dear brethren, call your attention to this all important department of our work. We are emphatically a missionary church; we have received the great commission, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," in its literal and spiritual force, and no power in the universe can prevent our success under God, if the membership and friends of the church supply the requisite means. Come up, brethren, to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Farewell.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

ce on the hearts, minds and pockets of our generous people;

The Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report as follows.

In retrospecting the year's toils and triumphs there is much to encourage our people and Ministers and to inspire gratitude in our hearts to the God of all grace.

Notwithstanding the financial depression of the times, by which our operations have been somewhat embarassed, and, as a consequence, our Ministers have in many instances had hard toil

and small remuneration, our success has been such as to lead to more implicit trust in the guiding hand of Divine Providence in the further prosecution of our work.

In many of our circuits our people are becoming wealthy, and are therefore able to do much for the cause of Christ, by properly sustaining their pastors, and also assisting less wealthy charges. This righteous principle has not been appreciated or appropriated so extensively as it should have been. There is in many places a lack of connectional interest in some of our ministers, and not a few of our people. On some of our charges the Conference funds are nobly brought up, while on others they appear to be neglected. This state of things is disheartening to the hard working preachers and liberal contributors. There must be denominational tidelity, or our institutions and church enterprises cannot be successful. And your committee are of the opinion that every brother or minister of this Conference should feel his individual responsibility in bringing up all the connectional funds.

We are happy to note that the growing influence of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada is manifesting itself in every portion of the great Dominion. We must, therefore, endeavor by every laudable means to enlarge our borders and strengthen our denominational position.

Your committee would respectfully suggest that we as a Conference should guard our pulpits with a vigilant eye against erroneous and strange doctrines, as, in some instances, our people have been imposed upon by persons professing to be evangelists of the truth, assuming the prerogatives of gospel ministers without any ecclesiastical authority. To such sensational preachers we should give no moral or material support, nor should such irresponsible persons be employed on any of our circuits without the consent of the Presiding Elder of the District. Nor should any collections or subscriptions be taken up in the interest of any such parties without the consent of the Quarterly Meeting Conference.

There is another point which your committee would respectfully suggest for the consideration of the Conference. It appears from the best historical information, that the first Methodist Society in Canada was formed in 1778. If therefore, it should be considered advisable to celebrate the centenary of Methodism in Canada on the same basis as it has been observed in England and the United States, such celebration should take place a year from next autumn, which would be after the meeting of the next general Conference.

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance, beg leave to report as follows :

That while we deeply deplore the many and unmitigated evils arising from the excessive use of intoxicating beverages in this Dominion; yet, we are highly pleased with the steps being taken by our Legislature towards the suppression of this gigantic monster, intemperance.

Your Committee is greatly cheered and encouraged by the wonderful change that has taken place in public sentiment during the last few years in reference to this matter, and are satisfied this change has been effected by the united efforts of the Church and the various temperance organizations. And while our Local House and a number of, county and township municipalities are laboring to reduce the number of liquor vending establishments, and others are endeavoring to enforce the Dunkin Act, your committee would recommend that this Conference pledge itself to aid in this good work by every lawful means, such as lecturing and preaching against this God-dishonoring and soul-destroying evil.

Your Committee would further recommend that this Conference pledge itself to greater diligence and faithfulness in the enforcement of the wholesome rules of our discipline on the subject of total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, and with greater effort and determination wage war with the hydra-headed monster, until the last distillery fire in our land is quenched and the pestilential streams no longer spread desolation and death through our fair Dominion.

J. M. Collins, A. L. GEE, Committee.

Committee Room, St. Thomas, April 23d, 1877.

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

"Thou shalt hallow the Sabbath," is the Divine command, and men disregard it at their peril. The sanctity of the Sabbath is one of the great bulwarks of national safety. Man's physical and mental, as well as his spiritual necessities require its honest observance. The divine reason given for Israel's calamities was, "Ye have profaned my Sabbaths" as well as polluted my sanctuaries, and the one leads directly to the other. History clearly

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shows that Sabbath profanation has always led to national ruin. Loose ideas concerning the sanctity of the Sabbath are dangerous to those who hold them. Every stone in our national superstructure has been laid in acknowledgment of the claims of the divine law, and it is England's glory that this divine law is acknowledged throughout the entire commonwealth. We record our disapproval of the too prevalent practice, Sunday visiting. We believe it to be a breach of the divine law and detrimental to the spiritual interests of all who practice it. We feel it to be our duty to speak out on the question of the breach of this law by some of the railway and steamboat companies doing business in this country. We believe the running of trains upon our railways on the Sabbath to be dishonoring to God and prejudicial to the highest interests of our common country. There is involved in this question, first, the rights of the men employed. The God given rights of Sabath rest and privileges are taken from them ; they are deprived of the blessing of home worship and of the holy comforts enjoyed by those who frequent the sanctuary of God. For this deprivation no equivalent can be rendered. Secondly. The rights of the people living along the lines of railway are invaded. The laws of our land provide for a quiet and peaceful Sabbath, but the whistle of the locomotive engine and the rattling of trains break in upon the holy quiet of home and sanctuary, disturbing the peace of worshippers. We know that the plea of necessity is urged by those engaged in Sunday traffic. We answer, there can exist no for the deliberate laying of plans to transgress necessity law both human and divine. God says, "Thou shalt do no labor thyself nor thy servant." In view of the open violation of existing laws, and of the difficulties of enforcing said laws because of the transient character of employees, who alone are responsible, we believe it to be the duty of all who love and honor the Christian Sabbath to unite in asking of the Parliament of our country protection from this evil, in a special Act making the officers of railway corporations amenable in a heavy penalty for running trains on Sunday.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

B. C. MOORE, GEO. HARTLEY, M. W. GIFFORD. 21

P. S.--We respectfully call your attention to Chapter 2nd, Section 1st, Question 3d, page 22 of the Discipline.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

Your Committee to whom has been referred the exhibit of the Book Room and the Printing Establishment, as also the report of the Book Committee, beg leave to report as follows :

Your Committee are pleased with the concise and clear setting forth of the financial affairs of the departments under the supervision of the Book Agent.

Your Committee would observe and call attention to the following statement of the Book Agent : "It would be impracticable for the concern to pay any dividend to the superannuated preachers' fund this year, notwithstanding the increase of business done." And call attention to reason given. "He (the Book Agent) fears there has been less effort than was necessary on the part of the Agents" in collecting *Advocate* accounts. As a Committee we deplore this state of things. 1st, It is an injustice to our venerable and worthy brethren the superannuated ministers; 2nd, It is an injury to the concern, and limits it in its usefulness. We would therefore respectfully offer the following recommendation :

That the preachers be required to give immediate attention to this matter as soon as practicable after their arrival on their fields of labor.

And we further recommend that their attention be called to this matter through the C. C. Advocate.

Your Committee join with the Book Committee in expressing their hearty approval of the action of the Book Agent, in removing the office from John Street to a more eligible and suitable site on King Street, and we believe that it is at present and will be in the future, an advantage to these enterprises of the Church.

Your Committee would also express their gratification at the general management of the ADVOCATE, but we do think that personalities and questions of veracity should be rigidly excluded from its columns.

It is further the opinion of your Committee, that the funds of the concern should not be deviated from their constitutional channels.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

tion 1st, (adjoint for the Discipline. J. T. Davis,

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Committee Room, St. Thomas, April 24, 1877.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

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Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, would present the following :

That the vigorous growth of the Educational Department of the Church affords cause of thanksgiving to God. The College Council is able and efficient, and their talent and services are duly appreciated. In the surrounding depression and financial gloom, the numbers of students at Albert and Alexandra Colleges has been equal to any of the prosperous years of the past. A very encouraging class is expected to appear for laureation, and a large accession to the undergraduates at convocation.

The youth of either sex can find conveniences and facilities for thorough culture in all the departments of higher education, that compare favorably with any institution in the Dominion.

The terms are set forth in the College Calendar, and the accommodations afforded have no competition. The moral and re ligious facilities are of the highest character, preserving the rights of individuals and denominations; other colleges generally require attendance at the churches of the denomination. Albert and Alma respect the choice of students, parents and guardians. We are especially pleased in this connection to mention the gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the students, whereby many of them in the past year have been converted to God, and those already pious have been established in the faith.

#### FINANCES.

The college collections show a small increase compared with 1876, as per report of Treasurer.

This source of income is well adapted to cultivate the connexional interest that ought exist in every particular charge and every family of the church. Your Committee learn with increasing astonishment, that the experience of the past in the success of pastors and charges in raising this collection continues, some always doing well, and others always at a discount. One thing is unaccountable, that this work has never been done at the right time. Let the remedy be applied by every preacher.

Your Committee desire to express their opinion in reference to this collection, that the average is not wisely claimed as *per capita* from each charge, but in the aggregate. The Treasurer's report gives detail of receipts and expenditures.

## TRAMWOORS, Secretary.

The Treasurer has secured an addition of \$6,000 during the past year, the whole sum is now, \$42,267 70. The income from

this source will afford a needed help. About this scheme and its growth there can be but one opinion, a cheerful word of merit to the indefatigable and efficient treasurer. We would here notice with gratitude the presentation to the Library by Dr. A.M.Ross, of Toronto, of 200 volumes on scientific subjects, to be replenished annually.

#### ALMA COLLEGE.

By a charter from the Ontario Legislative Assembly the Board is duly incorporated, and a site selected in a very desirable part of the town of St. Thomas, which we have purchased for the reasonable sum of \$2,400. A large number of very superior plans has been laid before the board, and are now being carefully canvassed, and no doubt a wise selection will be made.

#### | FINANCES.

The following subscriptions have been secured :---

From the town of St.	Thomas,	\$5,000
By J. Cook,		4,000
Total,		\$9.000

Of this the sum of 2400 has been paid for college site, leaving a balance of 6,600.

It is highly gratifying to notice the great interest manifested by prominent citizens in contributing and giving an earnest support to the undertaking. We recommend the ministers, members and friends of the church, to give the enterprise **a** warm, earnest and general support when they shall be visited by the agent, John Cook, Esq.

Believing that the way is signally marked out for us by Divine providence, we should gladly enter a door so widely opened, and occupy a field already white unto the harvest, that golden sheaves bound by our labors in Alma College may be gathered by the angels at the great harvest home.

> JAMES GARDINER, Chairman. W. H. SHAW. J. T. DAVIS. C. E. BENSON, Secretary.

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## REPORT OF S. S. UNION.

The Sabbath School Union, through their Board, have gratification in reporting that Sabbath School interests are advancing within the bonds of the Niagara Annual Conference.

Last year the Union had to note a decrease in the number of Teachers. This year there is a decided improvement in this de-There is also a large addition to the number of scholars. partment. From these circumstances we are led to conclude that the Sabbath School is becoming more effectual as an agent for the promotion of God's cause, in retaining the more advanced scholars, as also those who have graduated as scholars, and making them, with well instructed minds, the leaders of the future force of the Church in exploring the mine of God's word.

The Board take pleasure in alluding to the very successful District S. S. Conventions which have been held during the Conference year now closing. In each instance the interest has been very deep, the influence being as extensive as the districts them-We also have to refer in terms of unqualified praise to selves. the character of the Sabbath School Institute held in connection with our Conference Camp Meeting. Judges and other officials of high degree, as well as ministers of repute and experience, agree and say it was the most successful gathering they had ever been permitted to attend and enjoy.

It is therefore hereby recommended, that if a Conference Camp Meeting be held during the next year due prominence be given to Sabbath School work in connection therewith. It is further recommended, that Friday evening of the next meeting of this Annual Conference, be set apart for the purpose of holding a Conference Sabbath School Anniversary. It is also hoped that a more faithful attention will be given to the collections in behalf of the Sabbath School Union, and the Board in this connection recommend that the collections be taken up in the month of August ard forwarded to the Secretary, Rev. J. T. Davis.

The following are the persons selected to the Officiary of the Union for the present year :

J. S. WILLIAMSON, President.

B. C. MOORE & J. B. CUTLER, Vice-Prests.

B. BRISTOL, Treasurer.

J. T. DAVIS, Secretary.

DIRECTORS-B. L. Cohoe, T. S. Linscott, E. Clement and M. Dimmick. All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. LOUNSBURY, President.

J. T. DAVIS, Secretary. St. Thomas, April 23rd, 1877.

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## S. S. UNION-TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer states that the following sums have been expended during the past year:—Niagara District, \$40; London, \$40; and St. Clair, \$50. Nore.—The P.E.'s of above-named districts have expressed themselves that the above named expenditures have been of great benefit to their respective charges. The Treasurer reports that there yet remains \$73.29 in the Treasury.

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#### NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Hamilton \$150	Ancaster\$ 75
Barton 165	Flamboro 110
Beverly	Brant 250
Saltfleet 200	Smithvillle 125
Canboro 100	Dunnville
Pelham 110	St. Davids 50
Welland 75	Humberstone 50
Erie 30	Chippawa)
Brantford 75	
	\$1870

#### ERIE DISTRICT.

St. Marys & Nissouri \$200	Vienna\$100
Mt. Elgin 250	Embro 150
Norwich 170	Malahide 100
Springfield 100	Aylmer 75
Hartford & Nanticoke 100	
Blenheim 200	Walsingham
Rainham 100 •	
	\$1800

#### LONDON DISTRICT.

London\$ 60	London Circuit\$100
Strathroy 150	St. Thomas 50
Thamesford	Dorchester 170
Ingersoll 200	Southwold 130
Westminster 150	Goderich
Arkona	Parkhill 100
Stanley 90	Maitland 90
Seaforth 50	Brussels 40
Caradoc 100	Bosauquet 90
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#### CHATHAM DISTRICT.

Dresden \$100	Enniskillen\$100
Petrolia	Thamesville 125
Howard 200	Harwich 150
Bothwell 50	Glencoe 100
Brooke 125	Wallaceburg
Sydenham 75	St. Clair 100
Florence 170	
Wheatley	Essex Centre 150
Leamington 200	

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#### STEWARD'S REPORT.

#### SUPERANNUATED FUND. Amounts received. Niagara District.. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. ..\$332 37 \$1038 13 By Interest College Treasurer \$28 00 ""Book Agent. 4 00 Sabbath Collection 24 75 Claimants Subscription. 12 66 Balance from last year 2 76 \$72 17 Total \$1,110 30 Less by widow Smith's claim 33 34 \$1.076 96 10 per cent. Reserve 107 70 Balance \$969 26 DISBURSEMENTS. T. Webster, D. D. \$200 00 J. C. Tufford 200 00 J. McLean 200 00 S. Terwilligar 200 00 S. Terwilligar 200 00 B. Lawrence 184 00 E. Draper 184 00 G. Smith. 160 00 D. Griffin 136 00 S. Stewart. 128 00 Widow of A. Jones 100 00 "" J. H. Huston 68 00 "" J. Emrick 56 00 "" J. A. Dark 32 00 DISBURSEMENTS. \$82 00 82 00 82 00 82 00 82 00 75 44 75 44 68 88 65 60 55 75 52 48 41 00 39 36 27 88 24 60 22 96 " J. A. Dark .. .. .. 32 00 13 12 \$972 52 Total \$2,372 00 \$972 52

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In view of the large deficiencies in this Fund, your Committee would recommend a more practical and thorough system of collecting the Superannuated Fund, by an early and personal application of each preacher in charge to this important work.

C. CRICHTON.

G. H. JOHNSON.

N. DICKIE.

W. FANSHER, Secretary.

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E. Lounsbury, \$2; G. Hartly, \$2; G. Smith, \$2; A. L. Gee \$2; Wm. Benson, \$2; T. Athoe, \$2; E. Bristol, \$2; S. Knott, \$2; J. Ferguson, \$2; J. Wood, \$2; J. Webb, \$2; G. H. Johnson, \$2; R. A. Howey, \$2; E. Bartaram, \$2; O. G. Callamore, \$2; S. Card, \$2; H. J. Kilty, \$2; M. Dimnick, \$2; J. [Reynolds, \$2; R. C. Parsons, \$2; W. H. Shaw, \$2; B. L. Cohoe, \$2; C. Crichton, \$2; J. S Williamson, \$2; B. C. Moore, \$2; D. W. Kelly, \$2; D. Sharp, \$2; A. Scratch, \$2; J. C. Tufford, \$2; R. B. Cook, \$2; D. Williams, \$2; E. Darper, \$2; B. C. Moore, \$2; J. Graham \$2; J. Gardiner, \$2; J. T. Davis \$2; S. Steward, \$2; J. R. Philips, \$2; G. Fulcher, \$2; J. T. Davis \$2; D. Griffin, \$2; H. Lock, \$2; J. Green, \$2; J. F. Fairchild, \$2; J. T. Davis \$2; D. Griffin, \$2; H. Lock, \$2; M. H. Bartzman \$2; W. D. Hughson, \$2; G. C. Squires \$2; O. H. P. Green, \$2; A. Beamer, \$2; G. Lawrence, \$2; J. P. Morden, \$2; W. J. Yokom, \$2; A. E. Griffith, \$2; S. Terwillager, \$2; G. C. Squires \$2; C. Burdet, \$2; J. D. Huble, \$2; B. Lawrence, \$2; J. Layoock, \$2; R. Duffy, \$2: J. B. Cutler, \$2; D. Ecker, \$2; M. Griffin, \$2; M. G. Browu \$2; C. E. Benson, \$2; N. McKay, \$2; E. Adams, \$2; J. M. Collins, 2; J. McLean, \$2; C. M. Thompson, \$2; M. Enaber, \$2; J. M. Bartsmer, \$2; J. W. Metkay, \$2; B. Darker, \$2; J. M. Collins, \$2; W. M. Gifford, \$2; J. M. Yakow, \$2; J. H. Norky, \$2; D. Barker, \$2; M. Griffin, \$2; W. G. Browu \$2; C. Burdet, \$2; J. W. McKay, \$2; E. Adams, \$2; J. M. Collins, 2; J. McLean, \$2; C. M. Thompson, \$2; S. L. Kerr, \$2; J. B. Balmer, \$2; J. McLean, \$2; D. Barker, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. W. McKay, \$2; M. Griffin, \$2; M. Griffin, \$2; W. G. Browu \$2; W. M. Gifford, \$2; D. H. Yokom, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Cutler, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Methar, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. W. Mathawa \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; M. Griffind, \$2; D. H. Yokom, \$2; S. L. Kerr, \$2; J. B. Ather, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; M. Griffind, \$2; J. M. Kennedy, \$2; J. M. Kennedy,

#### NAMES CONTRIBUTING ONE DOLLAR.

M. Kennedy, C. Cornell, R. R. Mayhew, J. Smith, J. Smith, W. Monkhouse, C. Gustin, S. Smith, C. Kerns, J. McKay, A. Johnston, R. Boyd and Lady, S N. Olmstead, A. Smith, S. Reed, R. Moot, Mrs. W. Lane, J. F. Culp. Juvenile Collection, Pelham. E. Beckon, **\$1** 85; E. Weller, **\$2** 32; E. Rubel, **\$2** 60; G. Holmes, **\$4** 25; C. Brown, **\$2** 80; M. B. Haney, **\$2** 10; L. Swazie, **\$1** 90; Thos. Burns, Esq, **\$1** 00; John McNumes, **\$1** 00.

Ingersoll Station.—Samuel Elliott, 1 50; J. Van Buskirk, 2 00; Ed. Hendeson, \$1 50; D. S. Kelly, \$1; Mrs. Hempwell, \$1; Robert McDonald, \$3; James Turner, \$3; G. A. Turner, \$3; F. Bradbury, \$2; J. Elliott, \$1; Jas. J. McDonlad, \$2,\$Elliott, \$1; Small sum, 65cts. Total, \$23 15.

Beverly Circuit. -- C. Beamer, \$1; J. Berrington, \$1; R. Echlin, \$1; Mrs. R. C. Parsons, \$1.

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## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONTINGENT FUND.

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## DISBURSEMENTS.

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Bishop Carman, exp's atten'g Alma College Board 9 65	7 80	
O. G. Colamore, travelling expenses to Belleville 11 00	8 86	
W. G. Brown, expenses att'g Alma Col'ge Board. 6 57	5 32	
J N. Elliott "	3 66	
E Lounsbury	8 86	
A. L. Wilcox, balance of old Claim	4 86	
A. L. Wheek, balance of Rondeau Church	2 12	
J. Gardiner, exp's to Belleville atten'g College & C. Exten. 25 61	20 55	
J. S. Williamson " attend'g Church Ex. 9 00	7 26	
Ezpenses of Conference 3 50	 3 50	
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Total Receipts \$89 46		
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# ONTARIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

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The Ontario Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, in the province of Ontario, D. C., commenced its fifteenth session in the town of Brampton, Peel County, May 2nd, 1877, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

Bishop Carman presiding, opened the Conference by reading the 1st chapter of Jeremiah, and part of the 2nd chapter of Acts, and giving out the 506th Hymn, commencing,

#### "Come, Saviour Jesus, from above."

The following brethren led the Conference in prayer: S. Morrison, C. Taylor, and F. M. Finn. The Conference then united with the Bishop in the Lord's Prayer.

J. Curts was elected Secretary of Conference.

B. L. Hutton was chosen Journal Secretary.

J. Ferguson was appointed Statistical Secretary.

## CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

BISHOP-A. Carman, D. D., Belleville.

SECRETARY .- James Curts, Brampton.

MISSIONARY TREASURER-T. Argue, Brampton.

" SECRETARY-W. Pirritte, Colborne.

MEMBER OF BOOK COMMITTEE-G. Abbs, Palermo.

Associate Member of Board of Management for Albert College-W. Pirritte, and B. Lane, B. A.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS-C. A. Simpson, Port Perry.

TREASURER OF CHURCH EXTENSION-D. Graham, Esq., Claude.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

DIVINE SERVICE.-T. Argue, J. Curts. NOMINATIONS .- W. Pirritte, T. Argue, J. M. Simpson. MISSIONS.-W. Pirritte, T. Argue, J. M. Simpson, G. Abbs, F. M. Finn. EBUCATION.-J. C. Pomeroy, J. Lynch, Geo. Miller. SABBATH SCHOOLS.-T. Meyers, D. O. Crossley, A. Cooper.

TEMPERANCE.-R. Sanderson, R. W. Marsh.

STEWARDS .- R. E. Lund, A. L. Thurston, E. E. Howard, G. W. Stevenson, J. W. Lent.

PRINTING -C. A. Simpson, G. Clark, A. Campbell. PASTORAL ADDRESS .- B. L. Hutton, B. Lane, B. A. SABBATH OBSERVANCE .- R. Carson, D. M. Billings, N. E. Scott.

WAYS and MEANS-G. Bennett, J. Wilks, J. C. Bell. OBITUARIES .- S. Morrison, C. Taylor, J. H. Hilts. CHURCH EXTENSION .- A. T. Ferguson, J. R. Jaques, D. D.,

F. M. Smith, W. Hansom, S. Horton.

TEMPORAL ECONOMY-J. Foster, Chairman

CHURCH PROPERTY .- W. M. Pomeroy, J. Eagan, W. F. Ferrier.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE-W. Pirritte, Chairman.

1st Year : A. T. Ferguson, A. Campbell.

2nd Year : J. M. Simpson, T. Meyers,

Ord Year : R. B. Denike, J. C. Pomeroy.

4th Year : R. Sanderson, G. Miller.

CHURCH REGISTRARS-A. Campbell, J. Curts, F. W. Warne.

## CONFERENCE VISITORS.

Rev. J. Gardiner, M. S., Niagara Conference.

S. S. Stone, Editor C. C. Advocate. "

E. Lounsbury, P. E., Niagara Conference. C. Hartley, M. E., U. S., Buffalo. "

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J. G. Robinson, Belleville. "

G. H. Johnson, Niagara Conference. "

Mr. Pringle, Presbyterian, Brampton. ..

J. Leroyd, C. M., ...

Mr. Reid, P. M.,

J. Cook, Esq., Alma College, St. Thomas.

HURCH IN CANADA.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

MINING INTERNET

Question 1-What preachers are admitted on trial ? Answer.-Fred. W. Watts, J. Vickery, J. J. Redditt, Wm. Pimlott, Thos. Reid. J. A Daan

Q. 2-Who remain on trial ?

A. J. Bern, J. M. Kerr, T. C. Sanderson, T. C. Bell, S. W. Denike, W. P. Dyer.

Q. 3-Who are admitted into full connection ?

A.-R. Gordon, G. A. Jameson, Thos. Love, Wm. H. Laidlaw.

Q. 4\_Who are the Deacons ? A. K. W. Warne, J. C. Bell, R. Gordon,\* G. A. Jameson,\* J. F. Durkee, Thos Love,\* W. H. Laidlaw.\*

Q. 5-Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year ?

A-D. M. Billings, J. X. Moran, A. Cooper, N. E. Scott, W. Hansom, J. Wilks, B. F. Austin, H. Norris, E. N. Baker.

Q. 6.-Who is the General Superintendent ?

A.-Albert Carman, D. D.

Q. 7.-Who have located this year?

A.-None.

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Q. 8.-Who are the Supernumeraries?

A.-None.

Q. 9.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers ?

A .-- J. Owen, W. E. Norman, A. Wright, J. Foster, S. Morrison, W. A. Sills.

Q. 10.- Who have been expelled ?

A.-None.

Q. 11.-Who have withdrawn ?

A.-W. J. Hunter received a letter of removal.

Q. 12.-Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

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

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Q. 13.-Who have died this year ?

A.-G. Jones, G. Shepard, J. Reaman.

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

A.--(See next page.)

\* Ordained this year.

RECAPITULATION OF NUMBERS IN SOCIETY.

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Colborne District	
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Total	7600
Last year	1000
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Increase	72
Number of Preachers	14

Q. 15.—What is the amount of Superannuated Preachers' Fund? A.—(See Statistics.)

RECAPITULATION OF SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS' FUND.

Gul ma District \$412	35
Colborne District\$412	23
Colborne District	46
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Interest on Loans S. A. P. Fund 105	00
Preachers' Subscriptions 140	92

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Q. 16.—How was this expended ? A.—

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Claim, 10% paid Reserve Fund\$134 70	
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Mrs. H. H. Johnson, 7 years, 1 chains 137 76	
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Mag Ford 17 years   claim	
Mag T. P Smith, 12 years, 1 claim	
M. C. W. Frager & vears   Claim	
Mrs. C. W. Fraser, o Joans, 2 claims	
Mrs. G. Snepard, 52 years, 2 chains for 68 88	
Mrs R. L. Tindall, 20 years, 1 claim	
Mag T W Moore, b years, I claim	
Mrs Philander Smith, 30 years, & claim	
A Wright 31 years, 2 claims	
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J. Owen, 6 years, 1 claim	
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NECESSITOUS	CASES.

Paid "	from "	the "	 Fund "	l—S. Morrison W. E. Norman Mrs. Tindall	44	90
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Q. 17.—Where are the Preachers stationed ? A.—

## COLBORNE DISTRICT .--- W. PIRRITTE, P. E.

Belleville-B. Lane, B. A.; J. R. Jaques, D. D., Ph. D., President Albert College.

Frankford-T. Meyers ; A. Wright, superannuated.

Trenton-D. O. Crossley, one to be sent; W. E. Norman, superannuated.

Stirling-F. M. Finn, T. C. Bell; S. W. Denike, left without appointment at his own request.

Madoc-A. C. Maybee.

Campbellford-R. E. Lund.

Blairton-N. E. Scott. .

Percy-R. W. Marsh; R. B. Denike, left without appointment at his own request.

Brighton-A. Campbell, one to be sent; W. A. Sills, super-

Colborne-G. W. Stevenson.

Haldimand-J. H. Watts, one to be sent.

Cobourg-W. Hansom.

Hope-G. A. Jameson.

Orono and Clark-B. L. Hutton; S. A. Dean.

Kinmount-J. Wilks.

E. N. Baker, J. H. George, H. Norris, W. M. Pomeroy, F. W. Warne, G. Horton, F. Watts, permitted to attend Albert College, and members of Belleville Quarterly Meeting Conference.

## TORONTO DISTRICT,-T. ARGUE P. E.

Oshawa—G. Miller. Brooklin—E. E. Howard. Whitby—T. Reid. Port Perry—C. A. Simpson.

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Reach\_J. Egan. Oakwood-C. Taylor. Lindsay-To be supplied. Uxbridge-J. W. Lent. King-A. T. Ferguson, W. P. Dyer. Markham-J. F. Byam. Yonge-Street-G. Bennett, J. L. Redditt. Brampton-J. Curts, J. Vickery; S. Morrison, superannuated Georgetown-J. Lynch; J. Owens, superannuated. Nelson and Oakville-G. Abbs, W. Pimlott. Queensville-D. M. Billings. Darlington-R. Large. Winnipeg-J. A. Campbell. HURON DISTRICT.-J. M. SIMPSON, P. E. Eramosa-A. L. Thurston. Orangeville-R. Sanderson. Garafraxa-R. Carson. Melancthon-J. F. Durkee. Hanover-A. Cooper. Meaford-G. Clark, W. F Laidlaw. Thornbury-F. M. Smith ; J. Foster, superannuated. Creemore-J. W. Sanderson. Invermay R. Gordon.) Kincardine-J. H. Hilts Teeswater and Wingham-J. C. Pomeroy, T Love. Listowell-R. M. Pope, transferred from B. Q. Conference. W.J.Jam Palmerston-J. X. Moran. Mount Forrest-J. C. Bell, J. M. Kerr. Eugenia-T. C. Sanderson, one to be sent. Q. 18.-What is the amount of Contingent Fund ? A.--(See Statistics.) RECAPITULATION OF CONTINGENT FUND. ...\$17 60 Colborne District .... ..... 23 47 Toronto ..... 19 77 " Huron 1 55 Balance from last year \$62 39

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P'd Rev. J. Curts, expenses attending College Board	14	00	
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" " S. G. Stone, Book Room ac't Bishop Carman, D. D.	14	38	
Rev. S. Morrison	10	00	
Rev. S. Morrison. Rev. W. Pirritte	15	76	
Rev. W. Pirritte	5	00	

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Q. 20.-Where and when shall our next Conference beheld? A.-At Listowell. To commence the first Wednesday in May, 1878, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS.

## To the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church within the bounds of the Ontario Annual Conference :

BELOVED BRETHREN : "Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

Permit us in this our annual greeting to speak such words of comfort, encouragement and counsel as the memory of the goodness of God, the success of the past year, and the interests involved in the present and future seem to suggest. And first we deem it our duty to acknowledge that the hand of God has been upon us for good. The Lord has been on Israel's side. All success we ascribe to God. Paul may plant and Apollos water, God alone can give the increase. To Him then we ascribe all praise, and for devout thankfulness we have abundant reason. The labors of His servants in all departments of the Church have been abundantly The year has been fruitful in revivals-not one barren field-resulting in the quickening of believers, and a considerable increase in the membership of the Church. In this we rejoice, since it furnishes the most satisfactory and indisputable proof that preachers and people are not departing from the old paths. the glorious gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ is preached in demonstration of the Spirit, and with power; still faith lives, and fire from heaven burns on the altar of consecrated human hearts.

Beyond this also there is an indication of Divine approval, notwithstanding the financial stringency that has prevailed, embarassing all departments of commerce and all branches of industry ; yet the contributions of the people to the cause of Christ have been in

advance of the preceding year. We greatly rejoice in this manifested spirit of Christian liberality. There are still many calls upon us; they are urgent; shall we refuse to hearken? Because of the extension of our boundaries during the past two years the outlay has been considerable and the income not (qual to the expenditure. O, for an ever-increasing liberality and zeal, a greater Christian earnestness, and a mightier faith for the conversion of souls and the enlargement of Zion.

The Church Extension Society has a worthy claim on your sympathy. To aid, to enter into and assist struggling societies in towns and cities of our beloved land is your privilege and duty. Remember our old men and enfeebled, who, having retired from active labors, still linger with us on the shores of time, inspiring, cheering, watching to see that we do our duty. They labored faithfully and heroically; they have left us a grand history and a noble heritage. Let us not prove unworthy nor ungrateful children, but come generously to their support till the Master calls them home on high.

We need not remind you of furnishing to your children the advantages of a liberal education. No young man or woman in this day or land is fitted for the duties and responsibilities of life unless well and thoroughly educated. Education to be complete must not only contribute to the culture of the mind but also of the heart.

A sound religious education is given in our Colleges. Give to them your most generous support and to your families the culture they ensure. Introduce the C. C. Advocate into your households. You need information concerning the operations of the Church in order to a healthy denominational loyalty. Your children need it that they may know the Church and be held within its pale.

Finally, brethren, we are admonished by the fall of the workmen to be earnest and dutiful. Three of our brethren in the ministry have this year been called from the labor of earth to the joys of heaven Work while the day lasts, the night cometh when no man can work. Work, for the fields are white with the harvest; Work, for the reward is assured unto them who are faithful until death.

A. CARMAN, Bishop.

## RESOLUTIONS OF CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, deeply regret that our Mission work should be in any way embarassed for want of funds, or that the Central Board should be crippled in its operations through any failure to realize the sums expected from various

sources. We would, therefore, advise extreme caution on the part of all concerned in laying plans for future expenditure.

The following resolution was adopted by a unanimous, rising vote :

Moved by Rev. J. Curts, seconded by Rev. G. Abbs, Whereas, in the order of God's wise providence, He has seen proper to remove by death our beloved brethren, the Rev's. G. Jones, G. Shepard, and J. Reaman, from the Church militant, to the Church triumphant; therefore, be it resolved, That we tender to their bereaved families our Christian and fraternal sympathies and condolence, praying that they may be sustained in their afflictions, and comforted in their sorrows; and when the trials of this life are past, they may all join in that glorious reunion where there is no night. We also tender to our dear brother Thurston, who has been called to suffer the sore bereavement of his very amiable and devoted Christian wife, who has for a number of years shared the trials and triumphs of itinerant life, our fraternal regard and sympathy. Trusting that he may realize the fulfilment of God's promise— "My grace is sufficient for thee."

It was moved by Rev. J. Curts, and seconded by Rev. A. Campbell, and resolved, That we hereby tender to J. Cook, Esq., the agent of Alma College, our hearty sympathy and co-operation in his canvass in the interests of the College, and cordially invite him to be present at our next Annual Conference, to further prosecute his important work.

Moved by Rev. G. Abbs, and seconded by Rev. W. Pirritte, and resolved, that the thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the kind friends of this town, who have so kindly received us to their homes, and so sumptuously entertained us during our session; and that this resolution be read from the pulpit next sabbath.

It was moved by Rev. B. Lane, B. A., and seconded by Rev. C. A. Simpson, that the thanks of this Conference be tendered to the Railway Companies, who have kindly given reduced fare.

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, believe that our people are in hearty sympathy with the Winnipeg Building Fund; we, therefore, pledge ourselves to the utmost of our power to assist the Presiding Elders, in raising the amount asked for from each District by the Treasurer.

It was resolved that we have 600 copies of Minutes of Conference.

Resolved, that we have 600 Missionary Reports.

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1871	Austin B. F	Lindsay	Lindsay	6	2
1848	Bennett G	Yonge Street	Willowdale	29	20
1872	Billings, D. M	Queensville	Queensville	5	15
1872	Baker E. N.	Albert College	Belleville	5	2
1873	Byam G F	Markham	Buttonville	4	4
1874	Bell J. C	Mt. Forest	Mt. Forest	3	3
1876	Bell T	Stirling	Stirling	1	1
1852	Curts J,	Brampton	Brampton	25	25
1863	Campbell A	Brighton.	Brighton	14	14
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	George J. H	Albert College	Belleville	6	5
	Gordon R	Invermay	Invermay	2	2
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	Hutton B. L.	Orono & Clark	Orono	9	9
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#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows : We consider the subject of Temperance at its present stage, and as now affecting society, one of paramount importance to the weal or woe of millions is pending the faithful management of this question, and we believe the time has fully come when no man, or organized body of men, can in the nature of things take neutral ground. We would, therefore, reiter te our former utterances on this momentous question, if possible, with increased We cannot but view with horror the fearful ravages earnestness. of intemperance in our own beloved Canada, and fe-1 that the only effectual method for the removal of the terrible evil, is he entire prohibition of the traffic by Legal Enactment. We hail therefore with pleasure any and every movement of our Govennment tending in that direction, and are pleased to note the mighty struggles now going on in various parts of our Dominion for the enforcement of the Dunkin Act. But as the year of our final release, we fear is yet in the distance there is absolute need of our being strong and of a good courage to wage to the end, with unite laction, our struggles for victory. We are much +ncouraged in this small warfare by the appearance of our sisters upon the battlefield, fully equipped and pledged to push the battle to the very gates, knowing with their co-operation, and the blessing of God, we must succeed. Furthermore, your committee are of the opinion that the habitual use of any intoxicating beverages, such as ale, beer, wine, etc., is a violation of our general ru e (see Discipline, page 16,) buying or selling spirituous liquors, or drinking them, unless in cases of extreme necessity ; and would recommend that stringent, but judicious measures be employed by the administrators of our Discipline, to prevent, so far as possible, the existence of such an evil. But such enforcement of law will in no instance be required when all are governed by the higher law of charity --- so beautifully rendered by St. Paul in his Epistle to the Romans, 14 chap., 21 verse: "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak." We are not ignorant of the fact that the pulpit wields a powerful influence to shape the destinies of society. Nor are we blind to the fact, that where there is moral influence there must be moral responsibility. We therefore urge the necessity of temperance sermons in all our congregations. May the great Head of the church speed the right.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. SANDERSON, R. W. MARSH.

#### SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report as follows:

lst—In comparing the Statistical Report of this year with last, we find a small decrease in the number of Schools, Scholars and Expenditure. This decrease we deeply deplore.

2nd—We believe there is no surer way of building up the Church than by taking care of the children : if we secure the children now, we'll possess the men and women hereafter.

3rd—Your Committee would recommend that our Preachers, as often as other duties permit, preach on the subject, and urge our people to a constant and vigorous support of the most potent auxiliary of the Church. Believing that by faithful perseverance in this line, we may safely expect great things in the future,

Respectfully submitted.

T. MEYERS. D.C. CROSSLEY. A. COOPER.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee on Sabbath Observance beg leave to report as follows :

God's law is perfect : just such a law as man requires : it enlightens the eyes, it converts the heart, and makes wise the simple; the first table of the moral law is grandly comprehensive and beautifully simple. Atheism, idolatry and profanity are forbidden in the first three precepts. The fourth Commandment appoints a day, a stated time tor the public worship of God, regulated by the second and third precepts of this wise and wholesome law. This law is complete as a ring of purest gold, a perfect circle; we cannot break one part of it without destroying the beauty and symmetry of the whole. As every part of a circle is equally distant from its opposite side, and equally near its centre ; so in this law a man who worships the true God aright abhors idolatry, fears an oath, and doth reverence the Sabbath.

And while your Committee are devoutly grateful to God for marked improvement in the manner and spirit of keeping the Sabbath in many places of our favored country, we must with sorrow acknowledge that much of Sabbath profanation is shamefully prevalent amongst us. Witness, the running of trains on

some of our railroads on the Lord's day; public and fast driving for pleasure only; visiting friends in health; reading the public papers, and discussing political and war news; many absenting themselves from public worship; giving even charity room to fear that private devotion is also neglected.

In view of these things, your Committee earnestly pray for God's grace, and trust that with a holy boldness, tempered with Christian prudence, we as a body of Christian ministers will continue our labors in this land, to bring about a much better state of public morals. And remembering as we do that pure public morals are but the aggregate fruits of private virtues, we call for help to every lover of our common country, to aid us in this work. Let parents and guardians of the young remember their vows made at the baptismal font, and ask for grace to pay these vows to the most High, calling to mind the promise and command coupled together : "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Let the wise, the learned, and patriotic, assist us by Sabbath School instructions : by the dissemination of a pure literature amongst us to lay the foundations of our young and growing country on the only sure basis. For "righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."

> ROBERT CARSON. D. M. BILLINGS. N. E. SCOTT.

## REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, beg leave to present the following report :

1st.—We hail with delight the evidently increased interest taken by our Church to afford facilities for higher education to our young people, under the auspices of our own denomination.

2nd—We rejoice, however, to know that our Educational Institutions are placed on so liberal a basis, that those of every denomination may share their advantages without compromising their religious principles.

3rd—After examining the report of the Treasurer of Albert College placed in our hands, we feel reassured that the confidence reposed in him has not been misplaced, and we trust that his life and health may be spared until the work he has entered upon be fully completed; and in this connection we would urge upon our people a continued, hearty support to the Treasurer in his visits to mac amo

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4th--We listened with pleasure to the remarks of the President concerning the internal state of the College, its various improvements, etc. And we would record our thankfulness to Mr. Ross and others for their valuable contributions to the Library; and also express our high appreciation of the Management of the College; and accord to the President our thanks for his devotion in its behalf.

5th—We would especially refer to the request of the respected President, concerning our intended efforts to secure students for Albert and Alexandra Colleges.

6th—We would express our entire sympathy with the enterprise entered into by our brethren in the west for the establishment of Alma College; and would recommend, that feeling the oneness of our cause, we should extend to them, not only our expressions of sympathy, but render material aid as far as our circumstances will allow.

> J. LYNCH. B. LANE. G. MILLER.

## REPORT ON PRINTING.

Your Committee on Printing beg leave to submit the following report :

We have examined the report of the Book Committee and find the different departments of the enterprise in a very satisfactory and prosperous condition — the net profits for 1876 being \$3,391.43, an increase of \$1,049.43 over last year; and the total assets of the business over the liabilities are \$11,658.28, showing a net increase of capital, during the year, of \$2,161.82. Taking into consideration the financial pressure of the country, your committee think we have abundant reason to thank God and take courage in this department of our work.

Your committee are of the opinion that an enlarged increase in the circulation of our church organ, the C. C. Advocate would be conducive to the spiritual interests of the people, and also aid very much in the financial development of all herenterprises. Therefore, we recommend that our Ministers, Laymen, and Ladies, too, earnestly unite in securing subscribers for our paper. We

would further recommend that our ministers and people patronize our Book Room, in purchasing Sabbath School libraries and other religious literature.

Your committee appreciate the tact, energy and ability that have been exhibited in the management of the business during the year, and do pledge ourselves as a Conference to cooperate with the Editor and Book Agent, the Rev. S. G. Stone, in all its interests for the year to come.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. CAMPBELL, C. A. SIMPSON, G.CLARK.

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#### REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

#### COMMITTEE ROOMS, May 7, 1877.

Your committee beg leave to report the statistics of Church Property as follows :

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Last year .			
Increase		\$ 14,63	5 00

Your committee rejoice greatly in the success which has attended the opening of the work in the Province of Manitoba, and that a fine church property, valued at \$5,500.00, has been secured in the capital of the Province, and we would respectfully urge the Church to increased liberality for the support of our foreign work.

We rejoice that notwithstanding the financial difficulties, which have embarrassed so many enterprises, we are enabled to report so respectable an increase in church property.

W. M. POMEROY, W. F. FERRIER J. EGAN.

## ASSESSMENT FOR EPISCOPAL FUNDS $5\frac{5}{5}$ cts. PER MEMBER.

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Belleville\$12	15	Haldimand	15	7	
Frankford 15	63	Orono and Clark	10	06	
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#### TORONTO DISTRICT.

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Port Perry 9 9	95	Georgetown	95
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## CHURCH EXTENSION REPORT.

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#### RECAPITULATION.

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#### Total

2nd—We are glad to notice some improvement in the amount of the returns on Church Extensions this year, and we would earnestly recommend the claims of this Fund to the hearty support of our people.

3rd—That the Local Board be composed of the following persons, viz : The P. E. of Toronto District, the preacher in charge of Brampton Circuit, the preacher in charge of Georgetown Cir-

cuit. Laymen, J. P. Hutton, Esq., D. Graham, Esq., G. Ken-nedy, Esq. The P. E. on Toronto District, *President*; the P. C. on Brampton Circuit, *Secretary*; D. Graham, Esq., *Treasurer*. All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,)

A. T. FERGUSON. G. HORTON.

## ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS' FUND, 1877-8.

## TORONTO DISTRICT.

Oshawa \$20 00	King\$35 00
Darlington 25 00	Markham
Whitby	Brampton 45 00
Queensville 20 00	Treach
Lindsay 15 00	States of the second states of the second states of the
15 00	\$440.00

#### COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Belleville\$40 00	Campbellford\$20 00
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Frankford	Diairton 15 00
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Brighton	Hope
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Colhorne 10 00	\$480 00
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#### HURON DISTRICT.

Eramosa	Teeswater
Garafraxa	Listerall
Orangeville 24 00	Listowell 22 00
	Hugonia
Invermay 10 00	
Kincardine 19 00	\$290 00
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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee find that during the year three of our beloved fellow-laborers in the Lord's vineyard have been called to their heavenly rest — the Revs. George Jones, Gideon Shepard and Jacob Reaman. The veterans of many conflicts and the young man full of noble aspirations have fallen side by side in the Master's work. The toils and struggles of life with them are all over; its sorrows are all ended, and its tears all wiped away.

At the roll-call of the Conference, no well-known voice responds to the name of G. Jones or G. Shepard. We miss them, but we would not recall them. We may desire to be with them they cannot—they would not—come back to us. As we are, they have been; as they are, we may be.

The Rev. George Jones was of the good old U. E. Loyalist His father had settled in Virginia previous to the war of stock. the Revolution. Being loyally attached to the British crown and government, he joined the army and took up arms in defence of the empire. While he was stationed in the Isle of Guernsey-one of the Channel Islands-his son George was born, in 1808. A few years after this the family came to Quebec. At the close of the war of 1812, Jones the elder received a grant of land and settled near where the town of Perth now stands. While living here our deceased brother was happily converted in his eighteenth year, and commenced at once to call sinners to repentance. In 1827 he was appointed to travel the Elizabethtown Circuit, under the late lamented Bishop Smith, who was then presiding elder; but marrying soon after, he did not join the Conference, as married men were not at that time admitted into the ranks of the itinerancy.

In 1831 he purchased a small farm and settled near Orono, where he laboured very extensively as a local preacher till 1842, when he was received on probation into the Annual Conference, and appointed to the Yonge Street Circuit, with Rev. William McKibby as his superintendent. The two following years he travelled the Whitby Circuit, with the late Rev. J. W. Byam as his colleague.

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During the second year of his having charge of this dircuit the Conference divided, and he became a member of Bay of Quinte Conference. In 1845 he travelled the Hope Circuit. In 1846 he was in charge of Otonobee Mission. The next year he was left without an appointment at his own request; but still he laboured unremittingly. From 1848 to 1853 he travelled successfully in succession the Bay of Quinte, Consecon, and Sidney circuits. Then he was Presiding Elder of Augusta District, on which he remained one year. From 1854 to 1866 Bro. Jones travelled various cir-

cuits in the Bay of Quinte and Ontario Conferences. At the last date he was made Presiding Elder of Colborne District, which office he filled successfully for the full term of four years. On leaving the District he went to Stirling Circuit, where he remained for three years. At the close of his term on this charge age and ill-health led him to ask for a superannuated relation, which he continued to hold till the time of his death.

At the Meatord Conference Bro. Jones took a severe cold, and his lungs became badly affected, and he suffered much through the year. On the approach of the Conference at Orono he was so far restored that he resolved to attend it. He seems to have had a presentiment of his approaching end. Before leaving his home at Port Perry he lingered before the large mercantile establishment of his sons, and gazed as though taking the last look at the place. When his case was up before the Conference, he spoke as if he thought it would be the last time he would meet his brethren in that capacity. In conversing with his sister-in-law about death, he said that if called away, his only regret would be to leave his companion, who now mourns his loss.

About four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon he entered the Conference room, and read the report on the Contingent Fund, of which he was treasurer; complained of a severe headache, went to his lodgings, and soon became unconscious from an attack of appoplexy. He continued in that state till the following Thursday, when hopes were entertained of his recovery; but the difficulty in his lungs being increased by a second attack, he died on the 10th of June, 1876. He was buried at Orono, beside his first wife, for he was married twice. His funeral was attended by a number of his brother ministers. The occasion was improved by a sermon preached by Rev. G. Abbs, founded on Rev. xiii, 14. To his sorrowing widow and family we tender our heartfelt sympathies and condolence.

Brother Jones's record is on high, as well in the churches. Hundreds were led to Christ through his labors. Many have gone before him to the other shore, while many still are with the militant hosts, anticipating a happy meeting with him again.

As a preacher, Bro. Jones was far above mediocrity. As a member of the Conference, he was always willing to do his full share of work. In his domestic relations he was faithful, kind, and exemplary; as a man of business, he was thoroughly honest and honourable; as a friend, he was true and disinterested; as a citizen, he was devotedly loyal to his country; and as a Christian, he was consistent and liberal. May it be ours to meet him in glory.

Brampton, May 7, 1877.

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#### REV. GIDEON SHEPARD.

The Committee deeply regret that the information in their possession regarding a brother so dearly beloved as was the late Rev. G. Shepard is so exceedingly limited ; but from what facts they have, they learn that Bro. Shepard was born in Turin, Lewis Co., N. Y., in the year 1800. That in early life he was converted to God. About the year 1832 he came to Canada, and settled in Brockville. His parents belonged to that venerable and respected body, the Regular Baptists, a religious community which he always esteemed very highly for their works' sake. It was, however, through the instrumentality of the Methodists that he was brought to the Cross, and having found salvation in the blood of the Lamb, he offered himself for membership. In due time he was admitted into society. As in gifts and graces he progressed rapidly, so he was favorably noticed by the Church ; hence such work as his abilities fitted him to undertake was at once assigned him. In the acquisition of religious knowledge his industry was unremitting, and as improvement corresponded to the application-a fact perceived and duly appreciated by the Church-hence she put her highest honor upon him, placing him as a watchman upon the walls of Zion. It was manifest the act had the approval of the Head of the Church, for he was recognized by all as an ambassador of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Our dear brother was admitted on trial in 1839; was ordained elder for special mission work in 1841. In 1843 he represented the Augusta District at the Sydney Conference. In response to the Bishop's enquiry of anything against Bro. Shepard, the preachers on the District heartily shouted nothing. Bro. Philander Smith, subsequently bishop, rose and supplemented the response by saying, Bro. Shepard was a good man, a good preacher, a good presiding elder. Into the work of the ministry Bre. S. brought considerable qualifications. To speak of human attainments and to regard them as of little value would be absurd, would lead to idleness and cramp the sinews of the mind, and stiffe its genius. Human attainments, however extensive, should never be regarded otherwise than as subordinate auxiliaries.

Servants the Head of the Church employs must be divinely taught. A knowledge of humanity may be taught by human instrumentalities; but salvation, being a heavenly science, must have a heavenly teacher. "All things that I have heard of the Father I have made known unto you," saith the Master. The blessed Spirit leads unto all truth. He must unfold unto the mind the light of the glorious gospel of Christ. Whatever knowledge Peter had of Christ, the Son of the living God, our Lord

affirms flesh and blood had not revealed unto him, but his Father which is in heaven. The apostle asserts that both his commission and the message he was to publish were divine; "for I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it by man, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ."

Our much esteemed brother was a truly devoted, diligent and useful laborer in the Master's work. His views of the nature of the minister's vocation he drew from the word of God, especially as set forth in the life and labors of the Divine Master. He perceived that the grand work which particularly employed the time of our Lord was to destroy the works of the devil, to save souls from ruin, and to glorify God. That work Bro. S. adopted as his own. In his ministrations he labored to guard his hearers against the devices of Satan, citing the case of Judas, into whom Satan entered, and that of Peter and Annanias and Sapphira, exhorting his hearers to be sober, "be vigilant ; because your adversary the devil as a roaring lion goeth about seeking whom he may devour, whom resist, steadfast in the faith."

To save souls from ruin he saw was the great aim of the Saviour of men, for he came from heaven to seek and to save that which was lost, and this he would often urge, not only "a faithful saying, but as being worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." He was ever bold to affirm salvation is of the Lord. The aim of our dear brother was the immediate salvation of his hearers, and of any result of his labors which fell short of this he made but little account. Religious awakenings he did not undervalue. Though they did not issue in immediate conversion, he considered they might ultimately do so ; but he feared that many, under such circumstances, if not fatally, yet to their injury, greatly grieved and quenched the Spirit. He had great faith in the preached word of God, and an abiding conviction that, by taking heed to himself and to his doctrines, and continuing therein, he would both save himself and those who heard him. His faith was not in vain; his preaching was not in vain; for many were the displays of Divine grace in the salvation of sinners under his faithful presentation of the word of life.

Taking the Saviour as his great exampler, he had often read his words, uttered in view of the close of his ministry, and addressed to his Father in heaven, saying, "I have glorified thee on earth, I have finished the work thou gavest me to do," Our brother kept ever in view the end of his toils, and aimed at being able to say

" I have fought my way through,

I have finished the work thou didst give me to do."

At the Brooklin General Conference he was appointed Editor and Book Agent. In his new sphere he manifested the same zeal, industry, and fidelity as when in circuit or district work. His energy of mind and vigor of body were wholly given to the duties of his new office. Having a vigorous constitution and a healthy system, arduous toil was spent in endeavors to make the departments committed to his care successful. That the financial condition of the business when he assumed responsibility could not be considered prosperous, and that the resources were hardly sufficient to meet current expenses, gave him great pain. Pondering over this state of things, he frequently sighed heavily, saying it was a continual pressure. During the eight years of his incumbency the pressure was lessened, which to him was cause of rejoicing, for the prosperity of the Church in all or any of her departments was the delight of his soul.

In the year 1858, at the St. David's General Conference, he di. was chosen Moral Governor and Treasurer of Albert College. For three years he served the Church in these very responsible and important offices. As the College was very much in need of friends, it was deemed necessary that a more thorough and extensive canvass be made to secure means to meet pressing requirements, so he was relieved of the duties of Moral Governor that he might devote his time exclusively to the financial wants of the This laborious work he prosecuted till about the year College. 1870 or 1871. Advancing years and infirmities requiring a more limited field of action, he consented te serve as pastor of the Cobourg Station. This charge he served for two consecutiveyears. He then asked for a superannuated relation, which the Conference, though sorry to lose him from the effective rank, most sympathetically and cordially granted him.

On leaving the active work, he went to the United States, to live with his son-in-law, C. D. Angell, Esq, Forestville. His sorrowing widow, acknowledging a letter of Christian sympathy sent her by Bishop Carman, writes the Bishop, saying : "I love to think of his upright Christian character and blameless life. I look back upon a life of more than fifty years made up of toil and privation, and I fail to recall any harsh word or any unkind action. We very much regretted the necessity of leaving Canada; yet to is it seemed the only way to do. We would rather have lived with the people of Canada, and with them been buried. My husband loved Canada and its institutions. . . . He said to a friend who called on him a few days before he died, 'I like Canada better than this country; I like the Government; I would rather live there.' He loved the Church, he loved its work. He sometimes expressed a fear that he left it too soon, yet he was as

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conscientious in the step then taken as he was in all his course of life. He anticipated with great pleasure the annual meeting with his brethren. Last year he was prevented being with you on account of my sickness. He felt the privation deeply, but submitted to the trial with the same gentleness and resignation which always characterized his deportment in the midst of the keenest disappointments. This year he is absent again. He has gone to his place among the blood-washed throng—to a Conference that will never break up; to the realms of eternal day. He departed this life November 27, 1876. His death was rather sudden, as he was in his ordinary health to within a week or two of his death."

Of the nature of the fatal stroke your committee is not cer tain. It is thought to have been disease of the heart. His end, however, was peace. He often expressed himself as willing to live or ready to die—not anxious either way. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

### REV. JACOB REAMAN.

Rev. Jacob Reaman was born in the township of Vaughan, within the bounds of the Yorge St. Circuit, and died April 13, 1877, at his father's residence, at the age of twenty-five years and two He was converted to God under the labors of Rev. C. months. V. Lake, some seven years since. He was the first of his father's family to find the Saviour, and his conversion, with the influence of his devoted life, was sanctified to the salvation of the entire household. Soon after his conversion he was impressed with his call to the Gospel ministry and was received on trial in the Ontario Annual Conference, held at Newmarket in 1874, and appointed to the Yonge Street Circuit, to labor with Rev. R. Large, who says he found him an agreeable, kind and devoted young man. Brother Reaman was beloved and respected on the entire Circuit, and although at home, he labored with satisfaction to himself as well as others, and in no place did he enjoy himself so well as when preaching in the neighborhood in which he had always lived. At the Meaford Conference he was appointed to Palermo and Oakville, under the charge of Rev. R. B. Denike, and there proved himself an earnest preacher, a good pastor and a beloved colleague in the Christian ministry ; but his sojourn was short. His health having failed over a year since, he was left without work at the Orono Conference in hope that rest would restore his health, and during the latter part of the winter he began to look forward with ex-

pectation to the Conference when he might resume his work. But typhoid fever attacked him and soon proved fatal, his constitution being feeble, and he has exchanged the "conflict for the Crown." May the good Lord comfort the young and mourning friends he has left behind, and may they all meet where parting is no more. His funeral was attended by the Rev. F. W. Warne, who preached an affecting discourse, founded on 1 Cor. iii. 22, 23, to a very large and sympathizing congregation.

> "Oh may we triumph so, When all our warfare's past; And dying find our latest foe Under our feet at last."

## LIST OF LOCAL PREACHERS.

#### TORONTO DISTRICT.

Whitby-G. Wells, Elder.

Brooklin-N. Arnold.

Nelson & Oakville-J. Cronkrite.

Yonge Street-B. Blasdall.

Oshawa-G. Fisher, elder elect; M. Martin.

Port Perry-C. Rose, deacon ; L. Cliffe.

Oakwood-S. Bateman, J. Bregnall.

Markham-J. Forsythe, J. Leek.

Queensville-D. Peregrine, deacon ; A. Dafoe.

Brampton-A. Hutton, R. Jameson

Georgetown-G. H. Kennedy, F. Warne.

Reach-W. R. Ranous, deacon ; S. Taylor, P. Carr, G. Hall.

Uxbridge-J. C. Cummer, T. Jobbett, S. Behan.

Darlington—S. Thomas, R. Such, G. Powers, P. Humphrey. King—J. J. Reddit.

#### HURON DISTRICT ...

Eramosa-W. Hodgskinson, deacon; L. Lyman. Listowell-J. Vines, elder; S. Overholt, A. Pearson. Kincardine-R. Roe.

## HURON DISTRICT-continued.

Invermay-J. M. Dunn, deacon elect.

Hanover-R. Reid, deacon elect; R. Henderson, J. Curtis, H. Hettrick, J. W. Vickers.

Melancthon-E. Hurlbert, J. Branderick, J. Scruton.

Garafraxa-J. F. Halstead, D. Scarrow.

Meaford-J. Briggs, W. Dean.

Eugenia-J. Thurston.

Mount Forest-A. Cripps, E. Boasley.

#### COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Brighton-D. McPhail, deacon elect; R. Sharp, J. W. Newcombe, J. Ames, J. Wright, T. H. Matthews, J. Goldsmith.

Stirling-C. Williams, S. D. Sills, P. Wright, elder.

Belleville-J. Webster, elder ; J. W. Maybee.

Trenton-J. Lewis, deacon; J. W. Massey, deacon.

Frankford-R. R. Bird, F. W. Watts.

Blairton-J. Hoard, K. Mark.

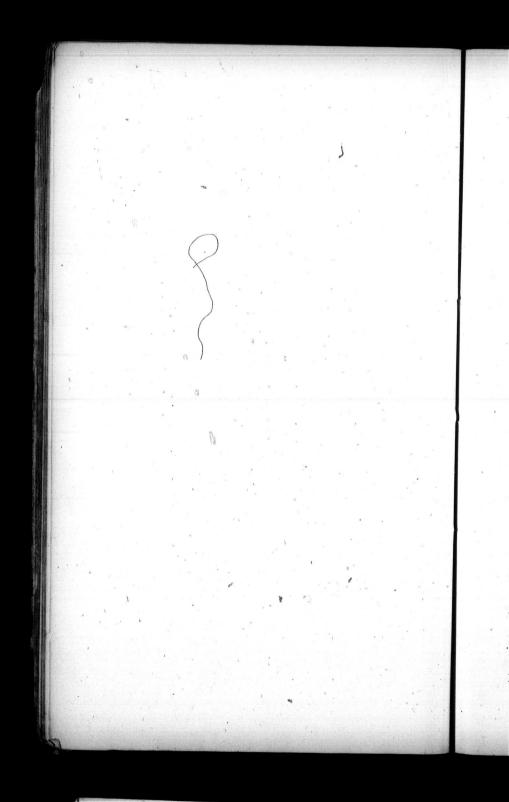
Campbellford-J. Graham, deacon.

Percy-E. Cryderman, A. Ryal, R. Skinner.

Hope-W. P. Dyer, J. Smith.

Orono and Clarke-J. Carscadden, deacon; C. W. Lent, deacon.

Colborne—Eri Mallory, D. Crouter, deacon. Minden—H. McPhail, W. Strafford.



## BAY QUINTE CONFERENCE.

The Bay Quinte Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada commenced its thirty-fourth session in the town of Picton, in the M. E. Church, May 16th, 1877.

Rev. A. Carman, M. A., D. D., Bishop of the Church, opened the Conference by reading parts of the third and fourth chapters of Exodus, and the first chapter of 1 John, after which the Conference united in singing the 474th hymn. Prayer was offered by Revs. J. Young, E. Orser and J. H. Andrews, the Bishop repeating the Lord's Prayer and the Conference joining.

The Bishop at this stage delivered an address appropriate to the occasion, referring to the work of the past year, the holding of the preceding Conferences, and the fact that the Conference met on the historic ground of Methodism.

REV. JOSEPH YOUNG was elected Secretary. REV. A. MARTIN " " Journal Secretary. REV. E. S. HOWARD " " Statistical Secretary.

## CONFERENCE OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

\*BISHOP-Rev. A. Carman, M. A., D. D., Belleville. SECRETARY--Rev. Joseph Young, Picton.

TREASURER OF MISSIONARY BOARD-Rev. S. G. Stone, Hamilton.

#### BAY QUINTE CONFERENCE.

SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY BOARD.—Rev. E. S. Howard, Ottawa.

REGISTRAR OF BAPTISMS-Rev. D. Brill, Milford.

TREASURER OF CONTINGENT FUND-Rev. E. S. Howard, Ottawa.

MEMBER OF BOOK COMMITTEE-Rev. I. B. Aylsworth, M. A., Picton.

Associate Members of the Board of MANAGEMENT of Al-BERT College—Rev. F. B. Stratton, Morven; Rev. A. D. Traveller, Brockville.

COLLEGE VISITOR-Rev. W. Blair, B. A.

BOOK AGENT AND EDITOR-Rev. S. G. Stone, Hamilton.

TREASURER OF ALBERT COLLEGE-J. G. Robinson, Esq., Belleville.

MEMBERS OF MISSIONARY BOARD-Revs. I. B. Aylsworth and T. W. Pickett.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

EDUCATION-I. B. Aylsworth, J. W. Sills, J. Cornell, S. W. LaDu, and J. Ferguson.

PRINTING-W. Brown, W. A. Phillips, W. G. Hudgins, W. Service.

MEMOIRS-J. H. Andrews, Jos. Young, W. H. Palmer and N. H. Howard.

PASTORAL ADDRESS-W. H. Graham, W. Barnett, T. W. Mavety, J. Ferguson.

SABBATH SCHOOLS-T. W. Pickett, W. Bird, A. Martin, T. H. McDonald.

TEMPERANCE.—E. S. Howard, A. D. Traveller, J. P. Wilson, H. McQuade.

STEWARDS-W. Blair, R. M. Pope, S. Ferguson, J. W. Andrews.

CONTINGENT FUND-E. Woodcock, D. Brill, J. A. Rogers, L. A. Betts.

TEMPORAL ECONOMY J. D. Bell and Presiding Elders. EXAMINATIONS—F. B. Stratton, chairman. 1st Year—J. D. Bell and John Mavety. 2nd " W. Brown and E. S. Howard. 3rd " J. H. Andrews and G. S. White. 4th " W. H. Graham and B. Lane.

## NOMINATION OF COMMITTEES FOR 1878.

EDUCATION-J. H. Andrews, E. S. Howard, S. G. Stone, W. Barnett, W. G. Hudgins, D. Wilson, S. Young.

PRINTING-E. I. Badgley, J. Young, W. H. Palmer, J. Ferguson.

PASTORAL ADDRESS-I. B. Aylsworth, T. W. Mavety, S. Ferguson, J. C. Cornell, R. Shorts.

SABBATH SCHOOLS-W. Blair, J. D. Bell, J. B. Robeson, A. R. Orser, C. P. Frizzell, J. Faull.

TEMPERANCE—W. H. Graham, R. M. Pope. E. Woodcock, F. Chisholm, H. I. Allen, L. A. Betts.

STEWARDS-W. A. Phillips, J. E. Mavety, D. Brill, H. Mc-Quade, J. W. Andrews, S. Duprau.

CONTINGENT FUND-A. D. Traveller, A. Anderson, T. H. McDonald.

MEMOIRS-J. A. Rogers, A. Martin, W. Bird, E. Orser, N. H. Howard.

TEMPORAL ECONOMY-T. W. Pickett and Presiding Elders.

STATE OF THE CHURCH-S. G. Stone, A. Shorts, W. Brown, H. Williams, E. A. Sanderson.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE-F. B. Stratton, chairman.

1st Year-T. W. Mavety, W. A. Phillips, A. Martin.

2nd " J. H. Andrews, G. S. White, J. Mavety.

3rd " W. H. Graham, A. D. Traveller, T. W. Pickett.

4th " J. P. Wilson, J. Young, I. B. Aylsworth.

The following arrangement for public meetings at the ensuing Annual Conference was submitted and adopted :---

#### BAY QUINTE CONFERENCE.

WEDNESDAY, 3 30 P. M.—Conference sermon by Rev. A. D. Traveller.

THURSDAY, 3 P. M.—Anniversary of the Church Extension Society, addresses by W. Blair, B. A., J. P. Wilson, B. A., Bishop Carman, D. D.

FRIDAY, 3 P. M.—Educational Meeting, Dr. J. R. Jaques, E. I. Badgley, B.D., and a stranger.

SATURDAY, 3 P. M.—Missionary Anniversary, S. G. Stone, Mrs. Dr. Jaques, G. S. White.

Candidates for examination are required to meet on Monday at 7 p. m.

#### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1—What preachers are admitted on trial ? Answer—Wilbert Weese, Philander Weegar, Samuel G. Briggs, J. Seymour Bell, E. G. W. Hall.

Q. 2-Who remain on trial ?

A. D. G. Bruce, Thos. Richards, John Wilson Briggs, Jas. P. Dunham, G. A. Bell, Wm. J. P. Wilson, David Hoag, W. Terwilligar.

Q. 3-Who are admitted into full connexion ?

A. Joshua B. Robeson, S. A. Duprau.

Q. 4—Who are the deacons?

A.-H. I. Allen, J. W. Andrews, C. P. Frizzell, H. McQuade,

J. E. Robeson, H. Seymour, J. W. Thrasher, Joshua B. Robeson,\* S. A. Duprau.\*

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Q. 5.—Who are the elders ?

A.—B. Smith, W. Bird, H. Lane, M. Davy, I. N. D. West, J. Hill, W. Brown, H. Williams, D. Wilson, S. W. LaDu, E. Orser, J. A. Rogers, N. H. Howard, S. Young, J. H. Andrews, J. G. Bull, D. Brown, J. D. Bell, E. Woodcock, W. H. Graham, I. B. Aylsworth, W. H. Snider, J. Ferguson, L. A. Betts, G. French, E. S. Howard, D. Smith, W. G. Hudgins, F. B. Stratton, S. G. Stone, G. S. White, A. Martin, F. Chisholm, A. H. Anderson, A. D. Traveller, D. Brill, A. Shorts, W. Service, T. W. Pickett, W. Blair, Jos. Young, E. A. Sanderson, J. T. Clark, N. D. Peters, R. M. Pope, E. I. Badgley, A. R. Orser, J. Mavety,

\*Ordained this year.

W. A. Phillips, T. H. McDonald, J. Faull, W. H. Palmer, R. Shorts, S. Ferguson, W. Barnett,\* J. Cornell,\*J. P. Wilson,\* T. W. Mavety,\* Chas. Hartley.

Q. 6-Who is the General Superintendent ?

A.-Rev. A. Carman, M.A., D.D.

Q. 7-Who are the Supernumeraries?

A.-J. T. Clark, N. D. Peters, W. H. Snider, J. W. Thrasher, G. French.

Q. 8- Who are the Superannuated Preachers ?

A.-B. Smith, I. N. D. West, H. Lane, M. Davy, J. Hill, W. Bird, J. G. Bull, H. Seymour, D. Brown, S. W. LaDu, D. Wilson, D. Smith, E. Orser.

Q. 9-Who have been expelled ?

A.-None.

Q. 10-Who have withdrawn ?

A.-None.

Q. 11-Who have died this year ?

A.-None.

Q. 12-Who have located ?

A.-John Brill.

Q. 13-Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

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

Q. 14-What are the numbers in Society ?

A.-See report of Statistical Secretary.

Q. 15-What is the amount of the Contingent Fund ?

A .- Your Committee on the Contingent Fund beg leave to report as follows :---

Total for all the Districts ..... ....\$ 40 79 Q. 16.-How was this expended ? A.-Expenditures as follows :

Paid to Book Room for blanks &c\$ Unpaid Stationery of last year Unpaid Stationery this year	1	97	
Bishop's expenses to College Board	2 9	00 60	
Total 2 Balance in Treasury 2	6 4	27 52	

\* Ordained this year.

\$40 79

#### BAY QUINTE CONFERENCE.

Your Committee is of opinion that too little attention has been given to this important connexional fund. Therefore, we recommend that strict inquiry be made by the Bishop, of each Preacher having charge at the next Annual Conference, whether this collection has been properly announced and taken up, as directed in Discipline. (See page 164).

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. WOODCOCK. J. A. ROGERS, L. A. BETTS. D. BRILL.

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#### Picton, May 22nd, 1877.

Q. 17.-What is the amount of the Superannuated Preachers' Fund?

A.-\$904.02.

#### STEWARDS' REPORT.

#### Your Board of Stewards report as follows :-

#### SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS' FUND.

#### RECEIPTS.

Napanee District	\$314	33	
Prince Edward District		84	
Ottawa District	303	65	
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Smith	Mrs. Fmpor	19	
N. D. West	Mrs. Empey	. 17	
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. Bird 65 54	Mrs. Smith	. 33	
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## PREACHERS' AND CLAIMANTS' PERSONAL SUB SCRIPTIONS, \$2 EACH.

W. Brown, J. C. Cornell, R. Pope, A. H. Andrews, E. Woodcock, J. H. Andrews, W. A. Palmer, E. A. Sanderson, J. Young, S. A. Duprau, A. D. Traveller, E. I. Badgley, J. Ferguson, J. H. McDonald, C. P. Frizzel, N. H. Howard, W. H. Gra-ham. H. McQuade, J. W. Andrews, W. Barnett, I. B. Aylsworth, E. Orser, S. Ferguson, J. Faull, J. P. Wilson, S. Young, W. Service, T. W. Pickett, A. Shorts, F. W. McVeety, J. P. Danham, G. S. White, L. A. Betts, J. W. Sills, J. E. McVeety, J. E. Robinson, H. I. Allen, J. B. Robeson, J. D. Bell, F. Richards, G. A. Bell, F. B. Stratton, W. A. Philips, E. S. Howard, A. Martin, J. A. Rogers, S. G. Stone, W. Blair, J. Briggs, W. G. Hudgins, C. S. Eastman, G. French, Mrs. J. F. Wilson, J. Hill, B. Smith, I. N. D. West, W. Bird, J. Bull, S. W. LaDu, H. Williams, D. Brown, M. Davy, H. Seymour, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Empey, Mrs. Powley.

> WILLIAM BLAIR, Chairman. S. FERGUSON. J. W. ANDREWS.

Q. 18.—Where are the preachers stationed ? A.\_

## STATIONS OF THE PREACHERS.

NAPANEE DISTRICT-Rev. I. B. AYLESWORTH, M. A., P. E.

Napanee-C. Hartley, S. G. Stone, Editor of the CANADA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE; D. Wilson, C. W. Laby; M. Davy, superannuated ; W. Hall, A. Shorts, permitted to be evangelists.

Canifton-J. Ferguson, S. Young, E. I. Badgley, M.A. B.D., Prof. in Albert College ; W. Bird, superannuated ; G. French, supernumerary; R. Shorts, W. Wilson, J. P. Dunham, G. A. Bell, W. Terwilligar permitted to attend Albert College.

Picton and Hallowell-J. Young and C. S. Eastman.

Milford-D. Brill, Josh B. Robeson

Melville\_H. Williams

Demorestville-J. Seymour Bell; J. Hill, superannuated. Shannonville-A. Martin; T. Richards, permitted to attend College.

Selby-J. H. Andrews ; W. H. Snider, supernumerary.

NAPANEE DISTRICT-continued.

Morven-F. B. Stratton and S. G. Briggs. Odessa-T. W. Mavety; B. Smith, superannuated. Loborough-W. Barnett. Gananoque-T. H. McDonald. Wolfe Island-W. H. Palmer. Inverary-S. Ferguson. Verona-J. A. Rogers; I. N. D. West, superannuated. Camden-N. H. Howard; J. G. Bull, superannuated. Tamworth-J. P. Wilson, B. A. Tweed-A. R. Orser ; (N. D. Peters,) supernumerary. Denbigh-To be supplied by (F. B. Knowlton), D. Brown, superannuated\_ Arden I. J. T. Clark, supernumerary. Cloyne-To be supplied. Parham-J. Briggs; E. Orser, superannuated. Lansdowne-Joseph Cornell. Mill Point-To be supplied ; J. W. Thrasher, supernumerary. Opinicon-P. Weegar. OTTAWA DISTRICT-A. D. TRAVELLER, P. E. Ottawa East-W. A. Phillips. Ottawa West\_B. F. Austin. Brockville John May Prescott W. Q. Hudgins Augusta-W. Brown ; H. Low, superannuated. Lyn-W. Blair. /

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Ottawa West\_B. F. Austin. Brockville Prescott Augusta-W. Brown ; H. Low, superannuated. Lyn-W. Blair. ' Farmersville-W. Service. Mallorytown D. Ben Lyndhurst Elgin-G. S. White ; F. Chisholm permitted to be agent for I. O. G. Templars. Toledo-J. W. Andrews.

Easton's Corners, E. Woodcock, W. Weese.

Nepean-E. S. Howard.

Arnprior-H. McQuade.

Westmeath-S. A. Duprau.

## OTTAWA DISTRICT-continued.

Renfrew-J. E. Robeson; H. Seymour, superannuated. Winchester-W. H. Graham; D. Smith, superannuated. Inkerman-James Faull. Matilda-T. W. Pickett. Aultsville-E. A. Sanderson. Newington-A. H. Anderson. Riceville-D. G. Bruce. Edwardsburg and the Branch Church-L. A. Betts. North Augusta-C. P. Frizzell.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS.

## To the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Bay of Quinte Annual Conference :

DEAR BRETHREN: Another Conference year is gone; another of our annual gatherings has just closed its arduous labors; and in conformity with long established usage we send to you another of our pastoral greetings. God forbid that the tie that binds pastors and people together should ever be broken asunder. These pastorals should strengthen the bond : for this purpose are they sent forth from year to year.

The Lord has dealt kindly with us during the past year, in preserving the lives of each of our beloved ministers. The cruel hand of death has been held back, and not permitted to strike the mnch-dreaded blow: not one of them has fallen. But few of the brethren have been reduced to the ranks of the superannuated; while an equal number, formerly laid aside, are returning again to active labors. On the other hand, the Lord is placing in the vineyard several young, strong, and vigorous laborers; so that our trouble now is not the want of men for the work, but of opportunity and place for willing workers. And, what is still more encouraging, each minister, both young and old, seems anxious to obtain a larger measure of power, and to reach upward to a higher degree of efficiency and success. May the good spirit of our God baptize all our hearts, 10

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A. CARMAN, Bishop.

and endue us, as fully as possible, with "the power from on high."

At each returning Conference the standard of efficiency re quired of the candidates for admission into our ministry is raised somewhat higher, and the examinations are steadily becoming more thorough; for we are more than ever convinced of the necessity of each one being fully equipped for the warfare, and armed for the conflict. This is certainly a good omen, and augers well for the future stability and expansion of our cause in this land.

Our Educational Institutions are active, healthy and prosperous; and evidently growing in favor with the Canadian public. The Lord still delights in blessing us in our halls of learning; we are favored with periodical visits of revival interest, at which many of our youth experience regenerating grace and are constrained to offer themselves to the service of the Lord, and the ministry of his word. A healthy moral tone pervades the colleges; much permanent good is accomplished, which will assuredly go on increasing in volume, magnitude and power.

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We rejoice in the prospect of speedily securing the proposed Endowment Fund, through the indefatigable labors of the esteemed College Treasurer, and the certainty that that fund will grow beyond the most sanguine expectations of its originators. But we regret that the College collections are not sustained by some circuits with that liberality they should be. We beg to remind our delinquent friends that they are not acting wisely by themselves, loyally toward the church, or honestly toward those circuits who contribute as required. Let the ten cents per member be raised equally by every circuit and mission; none will be injured by so small a contribution, but a well deserving cause will thus be sustained.

The efforts of our Church in the educational department are truly astounding. The sum of \$13,058 is also promised for the erection and establishment of Alma College, at St. Thomas, for the higher education of ladies; while a sight has been secured and a charter obtained for another institute in Winnipeg, Manitoba. What other denomination, of our numbers, is attempting more ? Thank God for that largeness of heart that enables us to attempt so much. Of the result we have no fears; God has sustained us in the past; if we are faithful he will not forsake us in the future.

The severity of the times has told injuriously upon all our finances, the Missionary, Superannuated and other funds being very far behind. It may be this is all perfectly excusable, still it is to be regretted. This implies much suffering on the part of both

active and worn out ministers, and we sincerely hope that the coming year will see more earnest effort on the part of our people, both to recover the loss of the past and to provide fully for the necessities of the future. Brethren, suffer a word of exhortation : Let us urge you, in the name of Jesus, to fuller consecration of your means to His cause. It is a great mistake to withhold from Him; will he not in turn withhold from us? Lest He do so, we pray you, brethren, to lay all upon the altar. Let not the cause of God languish, or his servants suffer through your want of confidence in Him; remember the promise of his blessing is to those who bring the tithes into his storehouse, and try and prove Him therewith.

You doubtless find it necessary to retrench expenses and economize resources, but we submit it were better to curtail luxuries of life than deny yourselves or families the benefits of good moral and religious literature. Then, let not the number of subscribers to the C. C. ADVOCATE decrease, but let there rather be a more determined effort to make it a greater power for good among our people.

Not withstanding the financial depression, the brethren have toiled with unabated zeal, and the Lord has given commensurate success. About four hundred have been added to our numbers in this Conference, for which let us thank God. This is better than reporting a decrease; still, ought we not to have been able to rejoice over larger accessions? O let us buckle on our armor afresh, and resolve, by God's help, to number our increase by thousandsnot by the hundreds merely.

And now, brethren, another year is before us. Shall it be a year of prosperity and advancement? The success of the gospel is not now a mere experiment; it is for us to say if we will succeed --it is but to resolve and do. What we want is large and frequent outpourings of His Spirit—a fully consecrated ministry—a sanctified, co-operating, praying church—a liberal, devoted people—and a firm resolve on the part of all to push the battle to the gates, then victory shall be ours in the name of the Lord.

> A. CARMAN, Bishop.

## RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS OF CONFERENCE.

Moved by A. D. Traveller, and seconded by W. H. Graham . *That whereas*, Camp Meetings have been greatly blessed on this continent, in the conversion of thousands of souls; and whereas, under the sanction of this Conference, the Committee have ex-

pended considerable means in repairing the grounds ; therefore,

Resolved,—That we, as Ministers, pledge our earnest support to, and will urge all our people to attend this feast of Tabernacles, commencing Wednesday, June 27th, 1877.

We also recommend that the following persons be appointed as officers for the ensuing year :

T. W. Pickett, President; W. H. Graham, Vice-President; A. D. Traveller, Sec. and Treas.; Wm. Blair, R. M. Pope, F. B. Stratton, W. G. Hudgins and the preachers on Mallorytown and Brockville, together with the following laymen: Wm. Clow, Lyn; Seman Manhard, Brockville; Stephen Andress, Mallorytown; J. B. Savnders, Farmersville; Chester Fell, Augusta.

Moved by J. D. Bell, seconded by A. Martin and

Resolved, —That the most hearty thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the people of Picton and vicinity, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of, and visitors to this Conference; and we pray that the richest blessings of Almighty God may ever rest on this historic town.

Moved by S. G. Stone, seconded by J. Young :

Whereas, Mrs. Dr. Jaques having informed the Conference of the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society, and having intimated the special work undertaken by it, therefore,

Resolved, That as a Conference we hereby pledge our hearty co-operation with said Society in the accomplishment of the purposes had in view in its organization; and that as pastors of circuits we will do our utmost to promote the establishment of local organizations.

Moved by E. I. Badgley, seconded by W. A. Phillips,

That the thanks of this Conference be extended to the several Steamboat and Railroad Companies that have given tickets at re duced rates, to members coming to and returning from the seat of Conference.

Moved by E. I. Badgley, seconded by W. Brown :

Whereas. We believe it would be for the glory of God and in the interest of our fellowmen that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks should be prohibited by law, except for medicinal purposes,

Resolved,—First, That as a Conference we give our most hearty co-operation to every laudable effort for the accomplishment of so desirable an end.

Resolved,—Secondly, that this Conference fully endorse the principles set forth by the Dominion Alliance, in regard to a prohibitory law for the Dominion of Canada.

Moved by S. W. LaDu, seconded by A. D. Traveller,

That it is with profound gratitude to Almighty God that we recognize the hand of God in opening up the way for the education of the daughters of our people, and of our Canadian public generally, through movements for the founding of Alma College, at St. Thomas; and it has been a pleasure to us to have with us during our Conference session Bro. Cook, the gentlemanly agent of Alma College; and while circumstances have prevented us from sub scribing as fully and freely as we could desire, we beg leave to assure our brother of our entire confidence in, and sympathy with the movement he represents, and at some future time trust to be able to put our words and sympathies in the more tangible shape of hard cash.

Moved by E. I. Badgley, seconded by I. B. Aylsworth :

Whereas, it has pleased God in his Providence to remove by death Francis Bird, M. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., only son of our esteemed brother, Rev. Wm. Bird,

Resolved, That as a Conference, we tender to our brother and sister Bird our heartfelt sympathy, in this their hour of bereavement and sorrow.

Moved by A. D. Traveller, seconded by W. H. Graham, that

Whereas, it is the expressed intention of the Ottawa York St. M. E. congregation to erect a new church in the city of Ottawa, we hereby extend a cordial invitation to the Pastor of that congregation, or P. E. of the Ottawa District, to visit our respective charges and solicit subscriptions for that purpose.

Moved by I. B. Aylsworth, seconded by A. D. Traveller,

That inasmuch as our dear brother, Rev. J. D. Bell, has been deeply afflicted during the last Conference year, by the death of his much beloved daughter Victoria, we hereby assure him and sister Bell of our heartfelt sympathy and earnest prayers in the hour of their great bereavement.

A resolution of condolence was also offered Rev. A. Shorts, who was bereft of his wife during the Conference year.

Ordered that we have 500 copies of the Minutes and 600 of the Missionary Report.

A vote of thanks was given the proprietor of the Picton New Nation, for publishing a daily during the session of the Conference.

A vote of thanks was given the P. E. of Prince Edward District, and the Preacher in charge of Picton, for their untiring efforts to make all happy and comfortable during their stay at the seat of Conference.

The next Conference will be held in the town of Prescott, county of Grenville, commencing the third Wednesday in May, 1878.

## PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing beg leave to report :

That having examined the report of the Book Committee, and also the accounts of Editor and Agent, we find that the business has been conducted in a way to secure the best interests of

During the past year the office has been removed to a more eligible site in the city, resulting in a large increase of local trade. Your Committee recommend that each preacher shall proceed at once to collect all arrearages and secure an increased circulation of the C. C. ADVOCATE, thereby aiding the funds of the concern and bestowing a blessing on our people.

We also recommend that our preachers and people patronize our own Book Room, when purchasing Sunday School libraries and other useful or religious books.

> W. BROWN, W. G. HUDGINS, W. SERVICE.

# COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS,

Your Committee beg leave to report that in some departments of our Sunday School work there has been a decrease, but in the number of schools there has been an increase of 4. this department of our work of the utmost importance, and that the prosperity of the Church depends, to a great extent, on the efficiency of our Sabbath Schools. As ministers we must give that attention to this work that the discipline requires, viz., to organize schools in all our congregations, where ten children can be found, and secure the co-operation of as many of our people as possible, to visit the schools as often as practicable, and to preach on the subject of Sabbath Schools once in six months at least.

We also recommend the introduction of the Berean Lesson Leaves, "Sunday School Journal," and Catechism, wherever they

Owing to the condition of our Missionary work we advise the formation of juvenile Missionary Societies in our schools, in order to develope in our children a spirit of liberality and loyalty to the Teacher's meetings and Bible classes should also receive our attention.

> WM. BIRD. T. W. PICKETT, T. H. McDoNALD.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPORAL ECONOMY.

CHARGES.	Assessments Superannuated Fund.	Assessments Episcopal
* Easton's Corners	PIC OO	FUND.
Chantry		\$10 00
Elgin	16 00	10.00
Lyndhurst	35 00	16 00
Lyndhurst Inverary	18 00	10 00
Mallorytown	15 00	8 00
Lyp		11 00
Brockville		11 00
Brockville	20 00	11 00
Prescott	25 00	12 00
Edwardsburg.	16 00	8 00
Matilda	15 00	7 00
Aultsville.	20 00	12 00
Newington	35 00	15 00
Newington	16 00	8 00
Winchester	40 00	15 00
Inkerman.	18 00	10 00
Ottawa East	20 00	10 00
Ottawa West	18 00	9 00
Camden.	25 00	12 00
Tamworth.	20 00	10 00
Cloyne	8 00	4 00
Denbigh	8 00	4 00
Arden	15 00	7.00
Verona	10 00	7 00
Parham	8 00	5 00
Gananoque	25 00	12 00
Farmersville	35 00	15 00
Riceville	12 00	6 00
Renfrew	20 00	10 00
Bell's Cornors	12 00	6 00
Bell's Corners.	10 00	6.00
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Melville.	25 00	10 00
Demorestville	24 00	10 00
Hallowell.	25 00	10 00
Picton	20 00	10 00
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Morven	35 00	16 00
Loborough	15 00	8 00 *
Loborough	30 00	15 00
Odessa	25 00.	10 00
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Shannonville	30 00	15 00
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J. D. BELL, I. B. AYLSWORTH, W. H. GRAHAM, WM. SERVICE.

# ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

Time of en- tering Min.		PRESENT CHARGE OR RELATION.	P. O <sub>y</sub> ADDRESS.	No. of Years in Ministry.	No. of Years effective.
1843	Andrews, J. H	Selby	Sallar		
		Toledo,	Selby	34	
18/1	Austin, B. F., B.A.		Ottawa	3	
1008	Anderson, A. H Allen, H. T		Newington	6	2
10/4	Allen, H. T.	Lyndhurst	Lyndhurst		19
1000	Aylsworth, I. B., M.A. LL.B Badgley, E.T. B.D. LL.B	P. E. Napanee Dist	Picton	3	3
1009	Badgley, E. T., B.D., LL.B. Barnett, William	Prof. Hebrew, &c., Al. Col.	Belleville	18	19
10/0	Barnett, William	Loughboro	Loughboro	14	8
1000	Betts, L. A Bell, J. D.	Edwardsburg	Edwardshurg		4
1002	Bell, J. D.	Mallorytown.	Mallorytown	19	19
1977	Bell, G. A Bell, J. S	Student, A. College.	Belleville	25	25
			Demorestville	1	1
1966	D1 ' TTT TO	Superannuated.	Belleville	10	01
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1865				11	10
19761				14	14
1877 1				1	
18421	Briggs, Sam. G	Morven	Morven	1	1
1844 1	Brown, W.	Augusta	Charleyville	34	90
1876 1	Brown, D.	Superannuated	Gemly	33	$\frac{32}{13}$
1847 1	Bruce, D. G	Riceville	Riceville	1	10
			Mitchell	30	20
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			Arden	9	4
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# ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS Continued.

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1864	Land, B., B.A.	Transf. to Ont. Con Superannuated. Shannonville	11-0	N. N. o
1845	LaDu, S. W		1 Belleville	13 10
1861	Martin, A.	Superannuated. Shannonville. Brockville. A. Odessa. Gananoque.	Corol, Mich.,	U.S. 32 21
18791	Mavety, J. E.	Brockville.	Prochaille	e   16   16
1869	MaDerald W., B.	A. Odessa.	Odorge	7 7
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1871 P	almer, W. H	Wolfe Island Supernumerary Ottawa East.	Tweed	···· 33 27
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1870 P	hillips, W. A		Madoc	9 4
1866 P	ickett, T. W.	Ottawa East Matilda Transf. to Nia. Con Student, A. College	Ottawa	7 7
18/3 R	ichards, T. A	. Student A Colle	II. Listowell	9 7
1875 B	beson, J. E	. Verona	Verona.	31 31
1868 Sa	nderson, J. B.	. Renfrew . Milford . Aultsville	Wannoosa	4 4
1846 Sil	la T W	. Farmersville	Farmoraville	$ 12 \frac{2}{12}$
1879 Thr	willigar, W	Ed. C. C. ADVOCATE. Student, A. College Supernumerary.	Bellowill.	16 16
1863 Tray	voller A D	Student, A. College Supernumerary	Denevine	2  1
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E. S. HOWARD, Statistical Secretary.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg leave to report :

That we find the M. E. Church determined to press onward until we crown with glorious success the sacrifices and efforts of our fathers for the cause of higher education.

By the untiring zeal and labors of our College Treasurer, the Endowment Fund has already reached the aggregate of \$43,000; while there is still much ground to be canvassed, so that without doubt the full sum of \$50,000 will soon be obtained:

We have examined the report of the Board of Management of Alma College, and find ourselves in full sympathy with the scheme for founding the same.

We are also glad to note that Rev. J. A. Campbell, of Winnipeg, has secured from the Manitoba Legislature a charter for another educational institution to be called Trinity College.

We recommend that each minister in our Conference make every possible effort, consistent with his other duties, to secure an increased number of students for our College, that it may be equal in numbers to any, as it is now second to none in efficiency.

We are pleased to learn that during the year a Commercial Department has been added, which offers facilities equal to any in the Dominion.

We desire to express our perfect confidence in the President and Board of Management, who have so successfully conducted the business of the College, as scarcely to feel the commercial depression of the past year.

We regret that the College collection has not yet reached the average of ten cents per member, but are glad to note a steady increase each year, and hope the day is not far distant when that sum will be reached.

We welcome to our midst the agent of Alma College, John Cook, Esq., and recommend that Conference appoint an hour for him to bring its financial matters before its, and that Rev. S. G. Stone be appointed to assist him in that effort.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. B. AYLSWORTH, J. W. SILLS, S. W. LADU, JOHN FERGUSON, J. C. CORNELL.

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## LOCAL PREACHERS.

## NAPANEE DISTRICT.

Canifton.—C. Gilbert, L. Palmer, J. Vanalstine, W. Sills; P. C. Burgess, Deacons; Jno. A. Snider

Shannonville.-L. Cole, Deacon.

Selby.-Henry Harris, G. McBride, D. Walker.

Napanee. D. Unger and J. B. Smith, Deacons; W. Latimore, Elias Smith, T. Ferrs.

Morven.-N. Woodcock.

Tumworth.-C. Thompson, Elder; J. Sanderson, Jas. Aylsworth, Peter Carscallan.

Camden.-B. Lewis, J. C. Switzer, L. Jackson, S. Clement, H. Card.

Loughboro J. McMillen, J. Beckwith, A. Davey, J. Valier, H. Babcock.

Inverary .- W. Caverly, Deacon ; C. Lake, J. D. Powley.

Gananoque.-P. Orser, G. R. Forshee.

Parham.-A. Adams, Elder.

Denbigh.-G. Lane, Deacon.

Odessa.-Chester Nicholson, Jas. Galloway.

Verono. -J. Snider, M. Holden, Deacons; C. Howorth, H. Hunt.

Demorestville .-- Jeremiah Cole, Deacon.

Hallowell.-A. Arkell, Deacon.

Milford .- W. Williams, Deacon.

## OTTAWA DISTRICT.

Westmeath.-John Taugher.

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Matilda.-Elijah Tuttle.

Easton's Corners. -T. Edmonds, Elder.

Mallorytown.-J. Avery.

Farmersville .- N. White.

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