

MINUTES

OF THE

NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

HELD IN THE

GOWER STREET CHURCH, ST. JOHN'S.

NINTH SESSION.

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OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE,
1882.

PRESIDENT,
REV. JOHN S. PEACH.

SECRETARY,
REV. WILLIAM W. PERCIVAL.

The Newfoundland Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, was organized in George Street Church, St. John's, on Wednesday, August 5th, 1874.

SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

| YEAR. | PLACE. | PRESIDENT. | SECRETARY. |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1874 - - | St. John's - - | Geo. S. Milligan, M. A. | Thomas Harris |
| 1875 - - | St. John's - - | Thomas Harris - - | James Dove |
| 1876 - - | St. John's - - | James Dove - - | John Goodison |
| 1877 - - | Carbonear - - | John Goodison - - | Joseph Pascoe |
| 1878 - - | St. John's - - | Geo. S. Milligan, M. A. | James Dove |
| 1879 - - | St. John's - - | James Dove - - | Charles Ladner |
| 1880 - - | Carbonear - - | Thomas Harris - - | Charles Ladner |
| 1881 - - | St. John's - - | Charles Ladner - - | George Boyd |
| 1882 - - | St. John's - - | John S. Peach - - | W. W. Percival |

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From June 28th to July 8th,
1882.

After singing the 478th Hymn, and reading the 4th chapter of Ephesians by the Secretary, the Rev. J. S. Peach and the Rev. James Dove engaged in prayer.

The roll was called and thirty-three members answered to their names.

The Conference proceeded to the Election (by ballot) of a President, whereupon the Rev. John S. Peach was chosen.

The President briefly addressed the Conference and directed them to proceed to the election of a Secretary. The ballot when taken resulted in the election of the Rev. W. W. Percival.

The Secretary elect then addressed the Conference, and briefly thanked the brethren for this expression of their confidence.

The Rev. F. G. Willey was re-elected Journal Secretary.

Upon the nomination of the Secretary, the Revs. T. W. Atkinson and George P. Story were appointed Assistant Secretaries, and the Rev. James B. Heal, Assistant Journal Secretary.

The Conference Prayer Meeting was held as usual from 12 to 1 o'clock, p.m.

Question I. Are there any objections to any of our Ministers and Probationers ?

Answer.

They were examined one by one.

Question II. Who are now suspended from the office of the Ministry, and expelled from the Church ?

Answer.

None.

Question III. Who are now deposed from the office of the Ministry ?

Answer.

None.

Question IV. Who have withdrawn from the work of the Ministry ?

Answer.

None.

Question V. Who have been transferred, and to what Conference ?

Answer.

Rev. Joseph Pascoe to the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference.

Question VI. Who now enter this Conference by transfer, and from what Conference ?

Answer.

None.

Question VII. Who compose the several Conference Committees?

SESSION OF 1882.

I. Stationing Committee.

| DISTRICTS. | CHAIRMEN. | REPRESENTATIVES. |
|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| St. John's..... | G. S. Milligan, LL.D. | W. W. Percival. |
| Carbonear..... | C. Tadner..... | J. Dove. |
| Bonavista..... | J. Embree..... | S. Matthews. |

II. Pastoral Address.

J. Embree, G. J. Bond, A.B.

III. Memorials.

T. H. James and J. Pratt.

IV. Letter Writers.

C. Myers and W. Kendall.

V. Statistical Returns.

Financial Secretaries and Secretaries of Districts

VI. Sabbath Schools.

R. W. Freeman, F. G. Willey, and J. Laster.

VII. Contingent Fund.

The President, Ex-President, and Secretary of Conference.

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| Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., | Messrs. N. March, |
| " Jas. Dove, (Sec'y.) | " A. F. Shirran, |
| " J. Embree, | " G. Gear, (Treas.) |
| " J. P. Bowell, | " J. E. P. Peters, |
| Messrs. G. W. Mews, | " J. L. McNeil, J. P. |
| " Jas. Angel, | |

MINUTES OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND

STANDING COMMITTEE.

VIII. Educational Fund.

President of the Conference.

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., | J. L. McNeil, J. P. |
| " G. Boyd, | Hon. C. R. Ayre, |
| " William Swann. | John Steer, |
| " R. W. Freeman: | R. E. Holloway, B. A. |

IX. Supernumerary Fund.

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|----------------|---------------------|
| Rev. J. Dove, | J. L. McNeil, J. P. |
| " J. Pratt, | G. W. Mews, |
| " S. Matthews, | Sheriff Bemister. |
| " T. H. James, | |

X. Examination of Candidates.

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Rev. J. Embree. | Rev. R. W. Freeman, |
| " J. Parkins, | " J. Lister, |
| " J. Hill, | " T. W. Atkinson, |
| " J. Dove. | " G. Boyd, |
| " J. Goodison, (Secty,) | " H. Lewis, |
| " W. Swann, | " G. P. Story, |
| " J. Nurse, | " W. W. Percival, |
| " J. B. Heal. | " G. J. Bond, B.A. |

XI. Parsonage Aid Committee.

President and Ex-President of Conference.

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Rev. G. Boyd, Secretary, | Hon. E. White, |
| " J. S. Peach, Treas. | Hon. J. J. Rogerson, |
| John Steer, Esq., | " C. R. Ayre, |
| Rev. J. Goodison, | " J. Rorke, |
| " F. G. Willey, | John Woods, Esq., |
| " J. Embree, | J. L. McNeil, J. P., |
| " S. Matthews, | Sheriff Bemister, |
| " G. J. Bond, | Wm. Joyce, |
| " J. Pratt, | J. Trapnell, |
| " A Hill, | B. Parsons, |
| | G. E. Peach. |

XII. *Colportage Committee.*

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| Rev. W. W. Percival, | Hon. J. J. Rogerson, |
| " T. H. James, | Hon. C. R. Ayre, |
| " S. Matthews, | J. Steer, Esq., |
| " T. W. Atkinson, | Sheriff Bemister, |
| " J. Embree, | J. L. McNeil, Esq., J.P., |
| " J. S. Peach, | G. W. Mews, |
| " H. Lewis, | J. E. P. Peters, |
| " J. Pincock, | H. J. B. Woods, |
| " J. Parkins, | B. Parsons, |
| " W. Swann, | C. McPherson, |
| " G. P. Story, | J. Angel, |
| " G. J. Bond, B.A., | R. Bishop, |
| " C. Ladner, | W. Withycombe, |
| " G. Boyd, | A. F. Shirran. |

Managing Committee.

Rev. W. W. Percival, T. H. James, G. J. Bond, B.A.,
Messrs. Ayre, Shirran, and Bishop. G. J. Bond, B.A.,
Convener.

XIII. *Temperance Committee.*

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| Rev. R. W. Freeman, | A. Penny, M.H.A., |
| " J. Heyfield, | R. Penny, |
| " W. Kendall, | E. Brace, |
| " J. Pratt, | B. Parsons, |
| " J. Lister, | H. M. Gibb, |
| " A. Hill, | A. Martin, |
| " G. Paine, | T. Simpson, |
| " S. Snowden, | Dr. Burns, |
| " G. Bullen, | J. Trapnell, |
| " H. Lewis, | J. W. Nicholls. |

XIV. *Conference Special Committee.*

President and Secretary of Conference, and Chairmen
of Districts, Revs. Dr. Milligan, J. Dove, J. Goodison, C.
Ladner and S. Matthews.

XV. *Missionary Society.*

The President of Conference.

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| Rev. W. W. Percival, | | John Steer, Esq., Secretary, |
| Chairman. | | Hon. C. R. Ayre, Lay Treas. |
| " R. W. Freeman, | | " J. J. Rogerson, |
| " Jas. Dove, Treasurer. | | John Woods, Esq., |
| " J. Embree, | | G. W. Mews, |
| " S. Matthews. | J. L. McNeil, Esq., J.P., | Sheriff Bemister. |

XVI. *Children's-Fund Committee.*

Rev. J. S. Peach, Secretary and Treasurer;—the Secretary of Conference and the Financial Secretaries of Districts.

Members of General Conference Committee.

I. DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Rev. John S. Peach, President of Conference ex-officio; G. S. Milligan, LL.D., George Boyd, William W. Percival.

LAY DELEGATES.

St. John's District—Hon. C. R. Ayre; Hon. J. J. Rogerson, alternate;

Carbonear District—J. L. McNeil, Esq., J.P., J. Bemister, Esq.; A. Penny, Esq., M.H.A., Alternate.

Bonavista District—Mr. George Reader.

II. CENTRAL MISSIONARY BOARD.

John S. Peach, President of Conference; Hon. C. R. Ayre.

III. TRANSFER COMMITTEE.

John S. Peach, President of Conference.

IV. CORRESPONDING MEMBER OF SABBATH SCHOOL BOARD.

Rev. Geo. J. Bond, A.B.

V. PASTORAL ADDRESS, 1883.

Revs. W. W. Percival, T. H. James.

XVII. Nominating Committee.

To nominate the Conference Committees for 1883:—
Revs. W. W. Percival; R. W. Freeman; J. Dove, (Con-
vener); G. Boyd, J. Pratt, S. Matthews.

Question VIII. What Probationers are this year received
into full connection with the Conference
and ordained?

Answer.

George Vater.

Question IX. What Probationers remain on trial?

STUDENTS ALLOWED TO ATTEND SACKVILLE.

John Peters, who has travelled four years.

James Wilson, who has travelled three years.

Henry Abraham and James Lumsden, who have
travelled one year.

Question X. What Candidates for our Ministry are now
received on trial?

Answer

None.

Question XI. Who have died since the last Conference?

The Conference is devoutly thankful to the Great
Head of the Church, that the lives of all the brethren
have been preserved during the year, and heartily united
in singing the Doxology.

Question XII. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers?

Answer.

John S. Peach, Thomas Fox,
Thomas Harris, John Reay.

Question XIII. How are the Ministers and Probationers stationed for the ensuing year?

REV. JOHN S. PEACH, President.

REV. W. W. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

I. ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

- 1 *St. John's East*—William W. Percival, George Noble.
Thomas Harris, *Supernumerary*,
- 2 *St. John's West*—Thos. H. James; G. S. Milligan, LL.D.,
Superintendent of Day Schools (by per-
mission of Conference.) Thomas Fox,
Supernumerary.
- 3 *Pouch Cove*—Robert Bramfitt.
- 4 *Burin*—William Kendall.
- 5 *Grand Bank*—James Nurse.
- 6 *Fortune*—Robert W. Freeman.
- 7 *Burgeo*—Henry Abraham.
- 8 *Petites*—John P. Bowell.
- 9 *Channel*—Wm. R. Tratt.
- 10 *St. Pierre*—One wanted.
- 11 *Flat Island* } Samuel Snowden
- 12 *Sound Island* }
- 13 *Flower Cove*—An Agent.
- 14 *St. Anthony*—W. W. Rider.
- 15 *Bonne Bay and Bay of Islands*—S. Jennings.
- 16 *Labrador*—Henry C. Hatcher.

WM. W. PERCIVAL, Chairman.

THOS. H. JAMES, Fin. Sec.

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II. CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

- 17 *Carbonear*—Charles Ladner, Geo. Vater. John S. Peach,
President of Conference, *Supernumerary*.
- 18 *Harbour Grace*—George Boyd.
- 19 *Brigus*—John Goodison.
- 20 *Cupids*—James Dove. * John Reay, *Supernumerary*.
- 21 *Bay Roberts*—Edgar Taylor.
- 22 *Port de Grave*—Francis G. Willey
- 23 *Black Head*—William Swann.
- 24 *Western Bay*—Thos. W. Atkinson.
- 25 *Island Cove*—William Jennings.
- 26 *Old Perlican*—George Paine.
- 27 *Hants Harbor*—George Philliskirk Story.
- 28 *Heart's Content*—Henry Lewis.

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- 29 Trinity—George J. Bond, B.A.
- 30 Random North—Jesse Hayfield.
- 31 Random South—James Lumsden.
- 32 Green's Harbor—An Agent under the superintendence of the minister at Port de Grave.

JOHN S. PEACH, Chairman.
JOHN GOODISON, Fin. Sec.

III. BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

- 33 Bonavista—John Pratt; George Bullen.
- 34 Catalina—Jabez Hill.
- 35 Greenspond—Solomon Matthews.
- 36 Twillingate—Jeremiah Embree; J. J. Duffill.
- 37 Exploits—Joseph Parkins.
- 38 Musgrave Town—Wm. H. Edyvean.
- 39 Musgrave Harbour—Jas. B. Heal.
- 40 Fogo—Anthony Hill.
- 41 Herring Neck—W. T. Dunn.
- 42 Moreton's Harbour—Jas. Pincock.
- 43 Little Bay Islands—Joseph Lister.
- 44 Betts Cove and Tilt Cove—J. J. Mawson.

JEREMIAH EMBREE, Chairman.
SOLOMON MATTHEWS, Fin. Sec.

Students appointed to Sackville:—John Peters, James Wilson.

* Bro. Reay has permission of Conference to reside in England during the year.

17 Conference—Charles Lister, Sec. V. J. Peach.
18 President of Conference, Superintendent.
19 Harbour Grace—George Boyd.
20 Exploits—John Goodison.
21 Exploits—James Dove.
22 Exploits—James Dove.
23 Bay Roberts—Edgar Taylor.
24 Port de Grave—Francis G. Wilby.
25 Black Head—William Swann.
26 Western Bay—Thos. W. Atkinson.
27 Island Cove—William Jennings.
28 Old Perham—George Paine.
29 Green's Harbor—George Phillips.
30 Heart's Content—Henry Lewis.

Questions XIV. What is the number of Church members, places of worship, attendance on worship, on each Circuit and Mission? What is the number of baptisms administered, and marriages solemnized, by each minister.

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

| CIRCUITS. | MEMB'RS | | Preaching Places. | Attendance on Public Worship. | Baptisms. | Marriages. |
|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| | Members. | On Trial. | | | | |
| St. John's..... | 660 | 13 | 4 | 2160 | 113 | 69 |
| Pouch Cove..... | 156 | 34 | 4 | 500 | 21 | 7 |
| Burin..... | 290 | 8 | 7 | 1000 | 52 | 8 |
| Grand Bank..... | 85 | | 2 | 800 | 31 | 12 |
| Fortune..... | 93 | 18 | 1 | 500 | 34 | 6 |
| Burgeo..... | 42 | 3 | 13 | 100 | 5 | 2 |
| Petites..... | 56 | 63 | 10 | 560 | 37 | 9 |
| Channel..... | 50 | 3 | 5 | 270 | 21 | 1 |
| St. Pierre..... | | | | | | |
| Flat Island..... | 180 | 3 | 16 | 700 | 30 | 2 |
| Flower Cove..... | 34 | | 7 | 200 | | 1 |
| St. Anthony..... | 126 | | 17 | 500 | 35 | 10 |
| Bonne Bay..... | 81 | 8 | 5 | 200 | 18 | 5 |
| Labrador..... | 40 | 13 | 21 | 500 | | |
| | 1893 | 166 | 112 | 7990 | 397 | 132 |

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

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|---------------------|------|-----|----|-------|-----|-----|
| Carbonear..... | 960 | 24 | 6 | 2700 | 124 | 43 |
| Harbor Grace..... | 113 | 7 | 3 | 800 | 42 | 33 |
| Brigus..... | 128 | 20 | 3 | 800 | 29 | 4 |
| Cupids..... | 150 | 2 | 3 | 700 | 45 | 2 |
| Bay Roberts..... | 63 | | 5 | 500 | 11 | 14 |
| Port de Grave..... | 40 | 3 | 2 | 350 | 5 | 9 |
| Blackhead..... | 470 | 6 | 3 | 900 | 58 | 18 |
| Western Bay..... | 298 | 2 | 3 | 800 | 29 | 6 |
| Island Cove..... | 284 | 3 | 5 | 950 | 42 | 15 |
| Old Perlican..... | 237 | 4 | 2 | 750 | 42 | 9 |
| Hants Harbor..... | 164 | 150 | 4 | 900 | 53 | 17 |
| Hearts Content..... | 37 | 8 | 4 | 300 | 7 | 7 |
| Trinity..... | 110 | 6 | 7 | 550 | 12 | 2 |
| Random North..... | 120 | 86 | 15 | 600 | 35 | 3 |
| Random South..... | 126 | 98 | 16 | 500 | 24 | 4 |
| Green's Harbor..... | 20 | | 6 | 280 | 7 | 3 |
| | 3320 | 419 | 87 | 12380 | 565 | 189 |

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METHODIST CONFERENCE.

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS

| CIRCUITS | MEMBERS' P | | Preaching Places. | Attendance on Public Worship | Baptisms. | Marriages. |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| | Members. | On trial. | | | | |
| Bonavista..... | 452 | 10 | 4 | 2400 | 87 | 33 |
| Catalina..... | 70 | 15 | 2 | 600 | 30 | 6 |
| Green's Pond..... | 290 | 10 | 18 | 1750 | 94 | 17 |
| Twillingate..... | 350 | 41 | 6 | 1800 | 113 | 28 |
| Exploits..... | 269 | 17 | 10 | 800 | 62 | 12 |
| Musgrave Town..... | 82 | 135 | 7 | 500 | 42 | 5 |
| Musgrave Harbor..... | 126 | 46 | 7 | 700 | 35 | 9 |
| Fogo..... | 150 | 9 | 5 | 450 | 19 | 14 |
| Herring Neck..... | 126 | 19 | 4 | 550 | 40 | 9 |
| Moreton's Harbor..... | 96 | 22 | 6 | 850 | 37 | 9 |
| Little Bay Island..... | 254 | 12 | 15 | 1060 | 74 | 8 |
| Bett's Cove and Tilt Cove..... | 210 | 4 | 16 | 750 | 60 | 10 |
| | 2475 | 340 | 100 | 12210 | 693 | 160 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| St. John..... | 1893 | 166 | 112 | 7990 | 397 | 132 |
| Carbonear..... | 3320 | 419 | 87 | 12380 | 565 | 189 |
| Bonavista..... | 2475 | 340 | 100 | 12210 | 693 | 160 |
| | 7688 | 925 | 299 | 32580 | 1655 | 481 |

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| 18 | 5 |
| 397 | 132 |

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| 124 | 43 |
| 42 | 33 |
| 29 | 4 |
| 45 | 2 |
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| 58 | 18 |
| 29 | 6 |
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ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

Questions XV. What is the number of Ministers, Probationers and Laymen in the Quarterly Official Meetings of Sabbath Schools, and what Connexional Property?

| CIRCUITS. | QUART'RLY MEETING. | | Local Preachers. | | CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY. | | | Value including Land. |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| | Minister's & Probationers | Laymen. | Local Preachers. | Sabbath Schools. | Churches. | Schools. | Parsonages. | |
| St. John's..... | 7 | 27 | 4 | 4 | 4 | | 1 | \$90,000 |
| Pouch Cove..... | 1 | 12 | | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 2,900 |
| Burin..... | 1 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 4,000 |
| Grand Bank..... | 1 | 5 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 10,000 |
| Fortune..... | 1 | 11 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 10,000 |
| Burgeo..... | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | | | 380 |
| Petites..... | 1 | 7 | | 3 | 1 | | 1 | 2,250 |
| Channel..... | 1 | | | 1 | 2 | | | 1,100 |
| Flat Island..... | 1 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 2,000 |
| Flower Cove..... | | | 1 | | 2 | | | |
| St. Anthony..... | 1 | 8 | | 5 | 2 | | | 900 |
| Bonne Bay..... | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1,000 |
| Labrador..... | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1,000 |
| | 18 | 103 | 8 | 27 | 21 | 2 | | 125,530 |

CARBONEAR DISTRICT.

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|----------------------|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----------|
| Carbonear..... | 3 | 24 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 1 | \$26,000 |
| Harbor Grace..... | 1 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 1 | | 1 | 16,880 |
| Brigus..... | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 8,000 |
| Cupids..... | 1 | 4 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 6,000 |
| Bay Roberts..... | 1 | | | 2 | 3 | | | 2,600 |
| Port de Grave..... | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | | 1,800 |
| Blackhead..... | 1 | | 1 | 3 | 1 | | 1 | 8,000 |
| Western Bay..... | 1 | 13 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 8,000 |
| Island Cove..... | 1 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 3,600 |
| Old Perlican..... | 1 | 12 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 5,600 |
| Hant's Harbor..... | 1 | 7 | | 2 | 4 | | 1 | 6,440 |
| Heart's Content..... | 1 | 3 | | 2 | 2 | | | 3,500 |
| Trinity..... | 1 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 2 | | | 4,500 |
| Random North..... | 1 | | 1 | 8 | 5 | | 1 | 1,800 |
| Random South..... | 1 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 6 | | |
| Green's Harbor..... | | 4 | 1 | 1 | | 3 | 1 | 800 |
| | 17 | 118 | 15 | 47 | 35 | 10 | 11 | 103,520 |

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Greenspond...
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Moreton's I...
Little Bay I...
Bett's Cove

St. John's...
Carbonear...
Bonavista...

BONAVISTA DISTRICT.

| CIRCUITS. | QUARTERLY MEETING. | | | | CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY. | | | Value including Lands. |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------|------------------------|
| | Ministers & Probationers | Laymen. | Local Preachers. | Sabbath Schools. | Churches. | Schools. | Parsonages | |
| Bonavista..... | 12 | 43 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | \$15,000 |
| Catalina..... | 1 | 9 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5,000 |
| Greenspond..... | 1 | 32 | 5 | 7 | 3 | | 1 | 5,000 |
| Twillingate..... | 1 | 26 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 8,500 |
| Exploits..... | 1 | 11 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2,800 |
| Musgrave Town..... | 1 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 3 | | | 3,800 |
| Musgrave Harbor..... | 1 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 1 | | | 3,300 |
| Fogo..... | 1 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 3 | | 1 | 3,600 |
| Herring Neck..... | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 1,500 |
| Moreton's Harbor..... | 1 | 5 | | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 2,800 |
| Little Bay Islands..... | 1 | 22 | 3 | 7 | 3 | | 1 | 1,980 |
| Bett's Cove and Tilt Cove..... | 1 | 13 | 2 | 6 | 3 | | | 3,500 |
| | 13 | 195 | 21 | 48 | 30 | 5 | 9 | \$56,780 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|-----------------|----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----------|
| St. John's..... | 18 | 103 | 8 | 27 | 21 | 2 | 9 | \$125,530 |
| Carbonear..... | 17 | 118 | 15 | 47 | 35 | 10 | 11 | 103,520 |
| Bonavista..... | 13 | 195 | 21 | 48 | 30 | 5 | 9 | 56,780 |
| | 48 | 416 | 44 | 122 | 86 | 17 | 29 | \$285,830 |

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and what

| Value including Land. |
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| \$90,000 |
| 2,900 |
| 4,000 |
| 10,000 |
| 10,000 |
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| \$26,000 |
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| 3,600 |
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| 3,500 |
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| 800 |
| 103,520 |

Question XVI. What amounts have been collected in each District, for the various Connexional Funds?

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT.

| CIRCUITS. | Missionary Fund. | Contingent Fund. | Superannuation Fund. | Educational Fund. | Sunday Sch'l Fund. |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| St. John's..... | \$1726 55 | \$60 00 | \$80 00 | \$102 00 | \$10 00 |
| Pouch Cove..... | 22 13 | 1 05 | 3 00 | 1 07 | 1 10 |
| Burin..... | 73 65 | 3 70 | 4 00 | 2 45 | 1 15 |
| Grand Bank..... | 163 58 | 6 00 | 5 40 | 4 00 | 1 00 |
| Fortune..... | 106 40 | 5 50 | 4 70 | 2 15 | 1 07 |
| Burgeo..... | 14 58 | 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 0 50 |
| Petites..... | 43 75 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 20 |
| Channel..... | 24 50 | 2 00 | 2 80 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Fiat Island..... | 42 20 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Flower Cove..... | | | | | |
| St. Anthony..... | 97 09 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Bonne Bay..... | 27 30 | 2 40 | 2 53 | 1 45 | 1 00 |
| Labrador—No Returns..... | | | | | |
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| Carbonear..... | \$425 27 | \$22 50 | \$29 10 | \$15 00 | \$3 00 |
| Harbor Grace..... | 236 80 | 15 80 | 16 50 | 9 40 | 1 00 |
| Brigus..... | 100 85 | 8 00 | 15 00 | 8 50 | 1 00 |
| Cupids..... | 61 20 | 3 45 | 8 00 | 1 90 | 1 00 |
| Bay Roberts..... | 83 90 | 2 00 | 1 20 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Port de Grave..... | 45 86 | 1 00 | 1 75 | 1 10 | 1 00 |
| Blackhead..... | 109 00 | 3 00 | 5 00 | 1 25 | 1 00 |
| Western Bay..... | 66 20 | 2 05 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Island Cove..... | 69 80 | 1 50 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 1 05 |
| Old Perlican..... | 104 25 | 2 60 | 5 15 | 2 80 | 1 40 |
| Hant's Harbor..... | 71 45 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 1 60 | 1 00 |
| Heart's Content..... | 51 55 | 1 00 | 1 50 | 1 00 | 50 |
| Trinity..... | 67 76 | 1 20 | 2 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 |
| Random North..... | 81 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Random South..... | 63 40 | 1 00 | 1 00 | | |
| Green's Harbor..... | 13 00 | | | | |
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| Bonavista..... | \$127 65 | \$11 91 | \$10 00 | \$2 50 | \$2 00 |
| Catalina..... | 23 35 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 1 25 | 1 20 |
| Greenspond..... | 81 97 | 8 50 | 5 40 | 5 90 | 1 00 |
| Twillingate..... | 102 65 | 6 65 | 10 60 | 6 00 | 1 00 |
| Exploits..... | 54 71 | 10 60 | 5 40 | 2 62 | 80 |
| Musgrave Town..... | 95 43 | 2 60 | 2 30 | 1 50 | 1 10 |
| Musgrave Harbor..... | 46 41 | 1 00 | 3 05 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Fogo..... | 92 26 | 4 00 | 2 60 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Herring Neck..... | 26 18 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Moreton's Harbor..... | 80 61 | 5 20 | 4 15 | 1 03 | 1 50 |
| Little Bay Islands..... | 150 32 | 1 70 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Bett's Cove and Tilt Cove..... | 158 05 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| St. John's..... | \$341 73 | \$85 65 | \$108 43 | \$118 12 | \$20 02 |
| Carbonar..... | 1651 29 | 68 60 | 94 00 | 52 55 | 15 95 |
| Bonavista..... | 1059 59 | 56 66 | 54 50 | 27 37 | 13 60 |
| | \$5092 61 | 210 91 | \$256 93 | 193 04 | \$49 57 |
| Conference Collection.... | 38 10 | | | | 12 10 |
| Less Expenses..... | 143 80 | | | | |
| Ministers' Subscriptions.. | | | 421 20 | | |
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| St. John's..... | 20.00 | 80 00 | 30 00 |
| Pouch Cove..... | 2 75 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Burin..... | 3 17 | 4 00 | 1 20 |
| Grand Bank..... | 1 00 | 2 10 | 1 00 |
| Fortune..... | 4 00 | 2 00 | 50 |
| Burgeo..... | 1 00 | 65 | 65 |
| Petites..... | 1 50 | 1 50 | 1 00 |
| Channel..... | 1 20 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Flat Island..... | 1 20 | 1 00 | 70 |
| Flower Cove..... | | | |
| St. Anthony..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Bonne Bay..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| Carbonear | \$45 40 | 15 20 | 4 00 |
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| Brigus | 6 30 | 9 00 | 4 00 |
| Cupids..... | 2 15 | 1 75 | 1 25 |
| Bay Roberts..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Port de Grave..... | 1 10 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Blackhead | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 25 |
| Western Bay..... | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Island Cove..... | 3 00 | 1 10 | 1 10 |
| Old Perlican..... | 1 75 | 1 10 | 2 00 |
| Hants Harbor..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Heart's Content..... | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Trinity | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Random North..... | 1 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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| Bonavista..... | \$18 50 | 4 74 | 1 60 |
| Catalina..... | 2 60 | 1 80 | 1 05 |
| Greenspond..... | 2 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Twillingate..... | 6 20 | 3 80 | 1 00 |
| Exploits..... | 7 00 | 2 20 | 1 00 |
| Musgrave Town..... | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Musgrave Harbor..... | 1 60 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Fogo..... | 1 50 | 1 00 | 1 60 |
| Herring Neck..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Moreton's Harbor..... | 2 30 | 1 00 | 1 20 |
| Little Bay Islands..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Betts' Cove and Tilt Cove..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 20 |
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| St. John's..... | \$37 82 | 95 25 | 39 05 |
| Carbonear..... | 53 20 | 44 65 | 23 60 |
| Bonavista..... | 46 70 | 21 54 | 13 05 |
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BANDS OF HOPE.

STATISTICAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1882.

| PLACES: | No. of Bands. | No. of Members. | Public Meetings. | No of Societies. | Members Temp. Society. |
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| St. John's..... | 1 | 200 | | | |
| Gower Street) | 1 | 300 | | | |
| George Street) | 1 | 150 | 2 | | |
| Blackhead..... | 1 | 200 | 6 | 1 | 40 |
| Western Bay..... | 3 | 150 | | | |
| Trinity..... | 2 | 140 | | | |
| Burin..... | 1 | 120 | 12 | | |
| Cupids..... | 1 | 100 | 3 | | |
| Old Perlican..... | 1 | 78 | | | |
| Flat Islands..... | 1 | 50 | 1 | | |
| Channel..... | 1 | 43 | 9 | 1 | 35 |
| Little Bay Islands..... | | | | | |
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Question XVII. What are the Reports of the several Committees ?

Answer.

The Reports of the several Committees were presented and adopted by the Conference.

[See Appendix A.]

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Question XVIII. What further means can be adopted for the promotion of the work of God, within or beyond the bounds of Conference ? And what are the recommendations of District Meetings on this important subject ?

Answer.

The whole of an evening Session was occupied in the serious consideration of this important question, during which many encouraging references were made to the blessed revivals which have taken place on many circuits during the year. The brethren being fully convinced that the prosperity of the Church of God can only be accomplished by the agency of the Divine Spirit in unison with human instrumentality, pledged themselves to renewed and fuller consecration to the work of God, and to more earnest prayer for larger manifestations of Divine power during the year upon which we are entering.

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Question XIX. When and where shall our next Conference be held ?

Answer.

Carbonear, on the fourth Wednesday in June, 1883.

Question XX. What shall be the order of business for the Conference of 1883.

Answer.

Tuesday, June 21st, Preparatory Day.

4 p.m.—Colportage Committee.

7 p.m.—Stationing Committee.

Wednesday 22nd.

Opening of Conference at 9.30 a.m.

The second evening of Conference to be devoted to the consideration of the work of God, when the lay friends are urged to join with the ministers in the review of the state of the work of God.

At our Conference Sabbath School Meeting the Conference desires the presence and aid of the teachers and children of our Sabbath Schools.

JOHN S. PEACH, President.

WILLIAM W. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

During which many interesting resolutions were made to the pleasure of the friends which have taken place on many nights during the year. The brethren being fully convinced that the prosperity of the Church of God can only be accomplished by the agency of the Divine Spirit in reason with human instrumentality. pledged themselves to renewed and fuller consecration to the work of God, and to more earnest prayer for larger manifestations of Divine power during the year upon which we are entering.

Question XIX. When and where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer.

Carbondale, on the fourth Wednesday in June, 1883.

HENRY'S BINDER

PASTORAL ADDRESS

OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA, TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH UNDER ITS CARE ;

Dearly Beloved Brethren :—

Assembled once again in Annual Conference, we send you with pleasure our Pastoral Greeting. Grace be unto you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Meeting as we do with ranks unbroken by death, preserved by God's good providence from the power of disease, and from peril by land and sea, blessed with the greatest reward we know,—the knowledge that to many our ministry has been a savor of life unto life: in retrospect of the past, in anticipation of the future, and in present deliberation and prayer for the furtherance of the work committed to our trust, we thank God and take courage.

The past year has been in many respects a trying one. Poverty and its attendant distress have been felt on many of our circuits, and the stormy and cold winter has rendered more difficult and laborious the work of travel and preaching.

Terrible disasters have thrown a gloom over some of our circuits and brought bereavement—all the more sad because unlooked for—to some of our people's homes. Yet, there is a bright side to the record.

Blessed revivals, resulting in large ingatherings of precious souls are reported by some of our brethren, and the general review of the year's work shews our cause to be increasing in solidity, and our people to be advancing in depth of piety and intelligent sympathy with the aims of our Church. Our membership increases. We report this year 7,588 fully accredited members, with 915 on trial, an advance of 294 full members.

Our Sabbath School work shews signs of vigorous growth, and we hope it will be more and more a power for the conversion and Christian nurture of our young people, as the facilities for its increase and development are afforded and brought into use; and our Day schools under the fostering hand of our zealous Superintendent, Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., are steadily increasing in numbers and efficiency. We are getting better schools and better teachers, and common school education is being placed more and more within the reach of our outlying settlements.

Two young brethren have been received on trial, as probationers for our Ministry, and one, who has successfully passed his four years' term of trial, has been received into full connexion and ordained. Two brethren formerly at work among us have spent the past year at our Sackville Institution, to equip themselves more fully for their sacred duties. We have had good reports of their faithfulness and progress.

We are thankful to be able to report an improvement in finances, and we bespeak your continued and increased liberality in providing for the workers God sends among you. "Let him that is taught in the Word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things."

The past year has marked a significant era in the history of Methodism. The Ecumenical Conference held last Autumn in the city of London, not only drew closer the bonds of brotherhood between the different branches of the Methodist family, but brought out in clearer relief the great work which God has entrusted to our care, and the wonderful way in which He has blessed us.

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We are now one of the largest Protestant bodies in the world. Let us try to be the holiest, the humblest, the most alive to God, and to the needs of perishing souls. The coming year will be an important one to our own branch of Methodism. At the General Conference, shortly to be holden in Hamilton, questions of deep interest will be under discussion. Pray that the guiding hand of the All-wise Father may be felt and followed.

Our Conference gathering has been refreshing and cheering to us. We have exchanged our views on the different topics connected with our work, we have prayed one for another, we have sought the influence and presence of the Master of assemblies; we have sat together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. As we look out upon an other year, ye are on our hearts and in our prayers. "For this cause we bow our knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you according to the riches of His glory to be strengthened with might, by His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith.

Cultivate a deep and earnest piety. Get near to God in private prayer, and self surrender, and walk with Him in practical every day doing of His will. Evince the power of godliness in transforming the mind, by lives full of holy words and holy deeds. Christ wants men in the office, the store, the workshop, the fishing boat, to win souls to Him by the irresistible sermons of holy lives. Search the Scriptures; search them as the revealed will of God, not casually and formally, but digging into their mines, to bring up the gold and precious stones of Divine Truth. Hide His word in your hearts, that you may not sin against Him.

Value, and faithfully use the Class meeting. We cannot too strongly urge you to prize this much blessed agency of our Church—the back-bone of Methodism; as outside brethren declare it to be a means of nurture and stimulus to all the deeper and holier breathings of the soul.

Let your piety be intelligent and thoughtful. Read good books—the results of good and great mens' living and thinking. Our Conference employs a Colporteur, specially to bring books of standard value to your very doors. Patronize him liberally, and thus help to maintain and extend this good work.

We commend to you our Church paper—the *Wesleyan*, so greatly improved, both for its general excellence and because it will give you information as to our special work, and increase your interest in its spread and success. Once get a love for the *Wesleyan's* regular visit and realize it to be, as you will a benefit in matters temporal and spiritual, and you will not regret taking it even at a sacrifice. While on this point, we feel bound to give you a word of warning. Keep your families from the pernicious influence of the cheap-sensational periodicals, so largely advertised and pushed by unscrupulous publishers and their agents, chiefly in the United States; and too often found upon the tables of our respectable people. Wild, impure, giving false views of life and fostering prurient and morbid habits of thought and feeling, they are sapping the morals and corrupting the manners of the young in other countries, and their evil influence is being felt in our own. As you value the purity and truthfulness of your children, keep these papers and books from them, and supply their place with the sound, pure, healthy, interesting reading matter, so cheaply and plentifully supplied by our own and kindred publishing houses.

Upon those among you who are parents, we would impress most earnestly the solemn responsibility of your position, and exhort you to persevering prayer and effort for the conversion of your children while still within the home circle. Bring them early to the House of God. Impress upon them by precept and example the sanctity of the Sabbath. Imbue their minds with the principles, and their memories with the words of Holy Writ. Consider them as your most sacred charge, and let them know that their conversion is your aim in all your training. Pray with and for them. Secure their regular attendance at the Sabbath School. Encourage the teachers by visiting the schools, and by home drill of the children, in the lessons they receive.

Give your earnest and prayerful support to the means employed for the suppression of intemperance, that monster evil which is devastating so many homes and destroying so many souls. Encourage the Band of Hope by sending your children, and the Temperance Societies by your own adherence. We rejoice in the passing of the Local Option Bill, albeit it does not cover all the ground. Strive to make it operative in the different localities in which it may be put in force, and to extend its influence all over the land.

It is a source of deep gratitude and satisfaction to us that our Church is free from the crime of fostering or fawning upon the liquor traffic. Methodism and Rum are foes irreconcilable—eternal. May God keep us pure, and purify the universal church in this particular!

In conclusion, brethren beloved, conscious of the vast importance of the work of the Christian Ministry, and of the need of being endued with power from on high, we seek a continued interest in your prayers. "Brethren, pray for us." Pray that we may have wisdom in the direction of Church business—in our official assemblies and on circuit. Pray that we may be unselfish, losing narrow minded anxiety for place and convenience, in all absorbing love for Christ and for Christ's sheep, scattered and unfolded. Pray that to each of us soul-saving may be a passion, that our Founder's definition of a minister's one business,—to save his own soul, and the souls of those that hear him, may be the heart motive of every man among us. Pray that the anointing of the Holy Spirit, the Baptism of Fire, may rest upon us collectively, and individually, that so in every circuit, the minister may be the leading man, the standard bearer of the Church, by earnest word inciting to the heights and depths of holiness, and by blameless life exemplifying the beauty of the truths he preaches, and the possibility of their attainment.

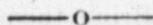
"Now the God of peace that brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever—Amen.

Signed on behalf of the Conference.

JOHN S. PEACH, *President.*
WILLIAM W. PERCIVAL, *Secretary.*

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APPENDIX A.



SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sabbath School, as an auxiliary to the family, and as an essential part of the great Church of Jesus Christ, devolves upon us a share of the divinely imposed responsibility to "feed the flock of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood." To secure the welfare of the flock we must look well to the lambs. The fathers and mothers of our beloved Methodism were highly honored in their noble and exemplary endeavour that the mental and moral training of home and school should "Lend the youth a sacred clue to find the crucified." To teach Christianity and to make Christians, to bring the youth to a personal recognition of Christ, and to a visible union with Christ and his Church, is, we trust, our highest aim. Hundreds from among us, themselves the blessed fruit of Sabbath School toil, have, we believe, labored in all fidelity, if that by any means they might save some. They have not labored in vain. With the Bible as a text book, the use of the Berean leaf, and of blackboard illustration have proved an excellent aid in making truth clear and impressive. Our Bands of Hope are growing. A more general use of our Catechisms, a more liberal and judicious selection of pure and wholesome literature, and a more thorough and uniform system of instruction have obtained in our Schools than ever before. A knowledge of truth has been imparted which must prove a power in restraining evil and tend to develop in the youth that true and beautiful life so much desired. We report an increase of 300 scholars, now numbering in all, over 7000, and to the very gracious ingathering of last year, we can again add 260, we trust genuine conversions of youth to Christ. What good influence these will exert in the family, the church and the world, perhaps eternity alone may tell. While some \$620 have been raised for Sabbath School purposes, upwards of \$1000 have been collected by the children, purely for mission work.

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Evidently the spirit of our fathers is resting upon their children, for never was the missionary zeal of our Sabbath Schools so great, nor we trust so pure and intelligent as it now is.

We count not to have yet apprehended, but amid many difficulties willingly share in the toil which insures a share of glory and reward.

We rejoice that this once humble stream, now already increased to a mighty majestic river whose streams are making glad the city of God, and filling the face of the world with fruit, flows through our land. The Sabbath School is the hope of the world. Its countless converts are not only "whitening heaven with their robes, and manning the church with the bravest defenders and the most ardent lovers of truth, but also filling the world, with the best Christians and the best citizens." In the unity of the children we see the gradual breaking down of barriers of unhappy division and social distinction, thus establishing the common brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God: the cementing of the nations in the bonds of genuine and lasting fellowship, and the bringing near the day when

"The war drum throbs no longer
The battle flag is furled,
In the parliament of man
The federation of the world."—

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| St. John's Cape Fear Bonaville | | | 271 | 121 | 706 | 193 | 901 | 724 | 2573 | 3055 | 1619 | 7147 | 5200 |
| No. of Preaching Appointments. | | | 100 | 48 | 221 | 67 | 291 | 225 | 896 | 924 | 572 | 2392 | 1755 |
| Members of Meth Church. | | | 84 | 42 | 193 | 91 | 427 | 195 | 584 | 913 | 468 | 1965 | 1421 |
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| Intermediate classes | | | 84 | 42 | 193 | 91 | 427 | 195 | 584 | 913 | 468 | 1965 | 1421 |
| Adult classes | | | 84 | 42 | 193 | 91 | 427 | 195 | 584 | 913 | 468 | 1965 | 1421 |
| Total | | | 84 | 42 | 193 | 91 | 427 | 195 | 584 | 913 | 468 | 1965 | 1421 |
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| Bonaville | 57 | 21 | 67 | 291 | 225 | 896 | 924 | 572 | 2392 | 1755 | 59 | 1 |
| Catalina | 26 | 21 | 48 | 224 | 67 | 291 | 225 | 896 | 924 | 572 | 2392 | 1755 |
| Green's Pond | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Twiningate | 7 | 7 | 14 | 27 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Exhorts | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Musgrave Town | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Musgrave Harbour | 4 | 4 | 8 | 32 | 13 | 51 | 71 | 28 | 144 | 49 | 218 | 187 |
| Edo Island | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Herring Neck | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Merton's Harbour | 3 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 10 | 34 | 54 | 21 | 111 | 37 | 191 | 166 |
| Latie Bay Island | 11 | 11 | 22 | 88 | 35 | 141 | 200 | 77 | 308 | 107 | 428 | 355 |
| Bett's Cove & Till Cove | 28 | 28 | 56 | 224 | 87 | 348 | 507 | 194 | 772 | 268 | 1040 | 855 |
| Grand Bank | 6 | 6 | 12 | 48 | 19 | 74 | 105 | 39 | 153 | 53 | 202 | 167 |
| Bouch Cove | 4 | 4 | 8 | 32 | 13 | 51 | 71 | 28 | 144 | 49 | 218 | 187 |

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| Henry's Harbour | 21 | 9 | 30 | 117 | 47 | 184 | 261 | 93 | 375 | 144 | 579 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity | 15 | 6 | 21 | 81 | 32 | 128 | 178 | 64 | 252 | 93 | 375 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity North | 8 | 3 | 11 | 44 | 17 | 68 | 93 | 34 | 134 | 50 | 195 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity South | 10 | 4 | 14 | 55 | 22 | 89 | 122 | 45 | 176 | 65 | 254 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Green's Harbour | 13 | 5 | 18 | 71 | 28 | 109 | 148 | 55 | 217 | 81 | 312 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Harbour Grace | 5 | 2 | 7 | 28 | 11 | 44 | 60 | 22 | 86 | 32 | 124 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity | 15 | 6 | 21 | 81 | 32 | 128 | 178 | 64 | 252 | 93 | 375 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity North | 8 | 3 | 11 | 44 | 17 | 68 | 93 | 34 | 134 | 50 | 195 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity South | 10 | 4 | 14 | 55 | 22 | 89 | 122 | 45 | 176 | 65 | 254 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Green's Harbour | 13 | 5 | 18 | 71 | 28 | 109 | 148 | 55 | 217 | 81 | 312 | 2790 | 2024 |
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| Trinity North | 8 | 3 | 11 | 44 | 17 | 68 | 93 | 34 | 134 | 50 | 195 | 2790 | 2024 |
| Trinity South | 10 | 4 | 14 | 55 | 22 | 89 | 122 | 45 | 176 | 65 | 254 | 2790 | 2024 |
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CONTINGENT FUND COMMITTEE.

Whereas the claims on this Fund are yearly increasing it is resolved that the Brethren be requested to carry out the Discipline in taking up collections for this Fund.

INCOME.

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| By balance from last year..... | \$ 5 08 |
| Labrador 1881 per Rev. G. S. Milligan.. | 2 90 |
| By St. John's District..... | 85 65 |
| Carbonar District..... | 68 60 |
| " Bonavista District..... | 56 66 |
| From friends..... | 30 00 |
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Labrador and Flower Cove, no report.

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| Conference Stationery, Ordination } Bible and Journal..... | \$ 8 10. |
| President's Expenses..... | 30 00 |
| Printing Conference Minutes..... | 84 00 |
| Society Tickets and postage..... | 30 14 |
| Wesleyan Book Room (1879)..... | 4 52 |
| Conference Special Committee expenses..... | 6 00 |
| Telegrams..... | 1 50 |
| Expenses in connection with late Bro. } Shenstone..... | 20 00 |
| Bro. Reay for Family affliction..... | 20 00 |
| " Freeman for Circuit Deficiency.. | 30 00 |
| " Willey..... | 14 63 |
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JAMES DOVE, Secretary.

EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

In view of meeting the ordinary requirements of our itinerancy in Newfoundland, the Conference is impressed with the desirability and indeed, necessity of having from year to year; one or more young men at Sackville, preparing for our ministry in this island, in the use of the important facilities for culture in connection with our Educational Institution.

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INCOME.

| | |
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| By balance in hand..... | \$ 233 48 |
| “ St. John's District | 56 13 |
| “ “ Subscriptions..... | 65 00 |
| “ Carbonear District | 52 55 |
| “ Bonavista..... | 27 37 |
| | <u>\$134 52</u> |

EXPENDITURE.

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| Expenses of Students, etc..... | \$400 41 |
| Balance in hand | 34 11 |
| | <u>\$434 52</u> |

Each student to receive \$100 per year and expenses besides.

The following are members of the Society. The amount being included in the subscriptions for St. John's District:

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| Hon. C. R. Ayre..... | \$ 20 00 | “ H. J. B. Woods..... | 2 00 |
| John Steer, Esq..... | 20 00 | “ J. Pippy..... | 1 00 |
| Hon. J. J. Rogerson..... | 5 00 | “ J. Rooney..... | 1 00 |
| Dr. W. H. Burns..... | 5 00 | Mr. John B. Ayre..... | 2 00 |
| Rev. Dr. Milligan | 3 00 | | |
| “ W. W. Percival..... | 3 00 | | \$65 00 |
| “ T. H. James..... | 3 00 | | |

GEORGE BOYD, Secretary.

COLPORTAGE COMMITTEE.

The Colporteur started on his tour on the 1st of August, and visited first Twillingate and the neighboring settlements, thence proceeding to Little Bay, and the principal Mining villages on the north side of Green Bay, Little Bay Island, Greenspond, Bonavista, Catalina and Trinity.

His receipts reached the amount of \$835.95 which with \$39.14 received by the agent for books sold through him make an amount of \$875.09, as the sales of the Colportage Committee for the year.

The Committee desire to urge upon the Methodists of Newfoundland this important work. It is sadly in need of Funds in order that it may be more widespread in its operations, and that the free distribution of religious tracts may be made on a more liberal scale than is now possible.

GEORGE J. BOND, Secretary.

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PARSONAGE AID SOCIETY.

The great need of more Parsonages, is still felt by the Conference, and while two or three have been commenced during the past year, some eight more are required, the Conference appeals to the liberality of the Church for aid in carrying forward this good work.

INCOME.

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| By Balance from last year..... | \$ 23 05 |
| From Relief and Extension Fund..... | 1492 00 |
| " Interest 6 months..... | 20 00 |
| " St. John's District | 25 32 |
| " Carbonear " | 53 20 |
| " Bonavista " | 46 70 |
| | \$1,670 27 |

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| Voted to Burin's new Parsonage | \$ 200 00 |
| Balance Heart's Content..... | 47 00 |
| Pouch Cove Furniture..... | 50 00 |
| Musgrave Town new Parsonage..... | 100 00 |
| Fortune | 24 00 |
| Loan, 1880, Repaid..... | 400 00 |
| " " Hon C. R. Ayre..... | 200 00 |
| Interest | 10 00 |
| Pouch Cove Parsonage | 100 00 |
| Musgrave Harbor Parsonage | 100 00 |
| Trinity | 160 00 |
| " Loan | 40 00 |
| Green's Pond Parsonage | 100 00 |
| " " Loan | 100 00 |
| Random North Registration | 3 00 |
| Balance in hand..... | 36 27 |
| | \$ 1,670 27 |
| Prospective Grant to Island Cove.... | \$ 200 00 |

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee feels the importance of the work entrusted to its care and begs to present the following Report for adoption:—

Resolved. (1) That we congratulate the friends of Temperance at Carbonear, on the great victory lately won by passing the Permissive Bill on that District.

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(2) That we rejoice in the success which has recently crowned the efforts of Temperance friends generally, by the enactment of a Local Option measure in the Legislature of this Colony.

(3) That, whereas, efforts will be made on many Circuits this year, to secure the benefits of Local Option, we hereby pledge ourselves to the work of creating a healthy temperance sentiment, by every means in our power.

(4) That we earnestly recommend Conference to set apart one Sabbath in the year, for the preaching of Temperance Sermons, and beg to name the third Sabbath in December for this purpose.

(5) That all Reports of our Connexional Temperance work, shall be sent to the Secretary of the Temperance Committee, by the 31st of May in each year.

JOHN PRATT, Chairman.

JESSE HEYFIELD, Secretary & Convener.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

The Conference having had the report of the General Committee of the Supernumerary Fund, has pleasure in again recording its continued confidence in the integrity of Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., and Dr. Inch, the treasurers of the Fund.

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| St. John's District..... | \$ 108 42 |
| Carbonear "..... | 94 00 |
| Bonavista "..... | 54 50 |
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MINISTERIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

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| William W. Percival.... | \$ 10 00 | William Jennings..... | 10 00 |
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| Wm. Kendall..... | 10 00 | George Paine..... | 10 00 |
| James Nurse..... | 10 00 | George J. Bond..... | 10 00 |
| Robert W. Freeman.... | 10 00 | Henry Lewis..... | 10 00 |
| Henry Abraham..... | 20 60 | James Lumsden..... | 20 60 |
| John P. Howell..... | 10 00 | Jeremiah Embree..... | 10 00 |
| Jesse Heyfield..... | 10 00 | Jabez Hill..... | 10 00 |
| Wm. B. Tratt..... | 10 00 | Solomon Matthews..... | 10 00 |
| Samuel Snowden..... | 10 00 | Thomas W. Atkinson.... | 10 00 |
| Henry C. Hatcher..... | 10 00 | Joseph Parkins..... | 10 00 |
| Robert Bramfitt..... | 10 00 | James B. Heal..... | 10 00 |
| George Boyd..... | 10 00 | Anthony Hill..... | 10 00 |
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| John Goodison..... | 10 00 | James Pincock..... | 10 00 |
| Charles Ladner..... | 10 00 | Joseph L. ster..... | 10 00 |
| Edgar Taylor..... | 10 00 | George Bullen..... | 10 00 |
| Francis G. Willey..... | 10 00 | Joseph Lascoe..... | 10 00 |
| James Dove..... | 10 00 | | |
| John Pratt..... | 10 00 | | |
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APPENDIX B.

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MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

1. Moved by Rev. James Dove, seconded by Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., and resolved.

That the very cordial and best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. Charles Ladner, for the very efficient, impartial, and satisfactory manner in which he has performed the duties of the Presidential office during the past year.

2. Moved by Rev. John Goodison, seconded by Rev. J. Embree, supported by the Ex-President and resolved,

That the thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the Rev. George Boyd, for the faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of Secretary of Conference, during the past year.

3. Moved by the Rev. John Goodison, seconded by Rev. Dr. Milligan, and resolved,

That the best thanks of this Conference, be presented to the Journal Secretary and Sub-Secretaries of the Conference, for the faithful discharge of their duties, during the past year.

4. Moved by Rev. J. Dove, seconded by Rev. C. Ladner, and resolved,

That this Conference, earnestly interested in the work of Education, records with pleasure its high appreciation of the valuable and successful labors of the Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D., Superintendent of Methodist Day Schools, and while expressing its continued confidence, assures him of its readiness to heartily co-operate in carrying forward to a position much more advanced the educational work of this Colony.

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5 That the hearty thanks of this Conference be presented to the friends of St. John's, for their great kindness in providing for the ministers during their stay at this Conference.

6. That the thanks of this Conference be presented to the Superintendent of St. John's, and his colleagues in providing comfortable homes for the members of this Conference.

7. That the Conference has great pleasure in expressing its thanks to Joseph Lawrence, Esq., of East Keswick, Yorkshire, England, for the deep interest he has taken and still manifests in the welfare of the work of God in this Colony.

8. That the hearty thanks of this Conference be presented to Rev. J. S. Peach, for his invaluable services in connection with the financial department of our Church work.

9 That the New Canadian Methodist Hymn Book be introduced into our Circuits, and used wherever practicable.

10. That the cordial thanks of this Conference be presented to the Rev. Charles Ladner, Ex-President, for the excellent charge delivered by him, and that he be requested to consent to its publication.

11. That, whereas, four beloved brethren—Myers, Secombe, Jackson and Hemlaw, are about to leave this Conference for another part of the mission field, within the bounds of our General Conference;—we therefore desire to assure these brethren of the personal esteem in which they are held by us, and our high appreciation of their zealous, devoted labours, on the several circuits and missions which they have occupied in connection with our work. We sincerely pray that the blessing of Almighty God, may attend them in every sphere of labour to which they may in future be called.

12. Moved by Rev. W. W. Percival, seconded by Rev. J. Reay, whereas, the Conference has been favored with the financial statement of the Eastern Book Room and Wesleyan office located at Halifax, N. S. Resolved. That this Conference records its high appreciation of the laborious and successful efforts of the Rev. S. F. Huestis and Rev. T. Watson Smith, who have had charge of these connexional Institutions, during the past year, and rejoices to express its confidence in these brethren beloved.

13. The Conference feels unabated interest in the great and efficient service that is being done by its Colporteur, and also presents its heartiest thanks to Rev. G. J. Bond, B. A., for his laborious, earnest, and successful management of this important part of the Conference work.

14. That every minister who shall be unable to attend Conference, is peremptorily required to give information of the fact to the Superintendent of the circuit in which the Conference shall be held, not later than four weeks before the Conference is appointed to meet.

15. That this Conference recognises with pleasure, the presence on its platform of the Hon. J. J. Rogerson, Receiver General, Judge Prowse, and G. W. Mews, H. Mott, L. Chancey, J. McDougall, Esquires, as Delegates for various Temperance organizations, and begs to assure them of its hearty sympathy with the views they have expressed, and with the important subject of Temperance.

16 It was unanimously resolved, that in view of the division of the St John's Circuit, this Conference authorizes the Trustee Board of the Circuit to be divided, (with consent of creditors) the Trustees who may reside within the bounds of, or be connected with each Circuit, to form the Trustee Board for each Circuit, to add to their number according to the Discipline, to hold the property within their bounds, and be responsible for their debts.

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EXAMINING BOARD FOR CANDIDATES AND PROBATIONERS, 1883.

CANDIDATES.

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| English Grammar..... | J. Embree. |
| Arithmetic..... | J. Parkins. |
| Geography..... | J. Hill. |
| Ancient History (Schmitz)..... | J. Dove. |
| Modern History, (Collins)..... | J. Goodison. |
| New Testament History..... | W. Swann. |
| Wesley's Sermons (1 to 52)..... | J. Nurse. |
| Wesley on Christian Perfection..... | J. B. Heal. |

FIRST YEAR.

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|----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Angus' Bible Hand Book I..... | R. W. Freeman. |
| Old Testament History..... | J. Lister. |
| Fletcher's Checks (chap. I to IV)..... | T. W. Atkinson. |

SECOND YEAR.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Exegesis. | |
| Wesley's & Watson's notes on Matthew..... | G. Boyd. |
| Wesley's & Whedon's notes on John..... | H. Lewis. |
| Kurtz History of the Church to the Reformation }..... | G. P. Story. |
| Steven's History of Methodism to the death of Wesley. }..... | W. W. Percival. |
| Watson's Institutes Part II (chap. 1 to XVII.) }..... | G. J. Bond. |

P. S.—Papers are to be marked according to an estimate of the value of the answers required, but the aggregate must reach 1000, the valuation to be placed by the examiner upon his question. Three copies of questions are to be prepared and sent to the Rev. John Goodison Secretary of the Committee, by the 1st of April 1883.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY MEETING.

The Conference Missionary Meeting was held in Gower Street Church, June 28th, at 7.30 p. m. The President of the Conference in the chair. After singing, the Rev. James Dove offered prayer, and read the report of the Society.

TOPIC I.—Rev. C. Ladner. “The good work already done in Japan, British Columbia, and the North West, and the loud calls for men to give the Bread of life to the thousands who are without the means of grace, should lead to a hearty, cheerful, continuance in well doing.”

TOPIC II.—Rev. J. P. Bowell. “This Auxiliary remembering that all belonging to, or connected with Methodism in this Island, are the product of Missionary effort, and while grateful to the Great Head of the Church for his abundant blessing in the past, greatly desires the enlargement and consolidation of the work of God in this mission land.”

TOPIC III.—Rev. G. Boyd. “As all Human Agency is futile without the permeating influence of the Spirit of God, we ask the sincere, devout, and persevering prayer of the Church,—for the constant, abiding manifestations of the power of the Holy Ghost, that multitudes of redeemed sinners may be saved and added to the Lord.”

TOPIC IV.—Rev. W. Freeman. “The militant host of redeemed and sanctified men and women now on the mission field—together with the glorified throng already before the Mediatorial throne of God, is ample reward for all the toil, suffering, and liberality of the Church, and assures us of the final subjugation of the world to Christ.”

MEETING FOR THE PROMOTION OF HOLINESS.

A meeting for the above object was held in Cochran Street Church, July 1st, at 7:30 p. m., which was conducted by Rev. J. Embree, and addressed by several of the brethren.

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ORDINATION SERVICE.

The Ordination Service was held on Monday evening, July 3rd, when Bro. George Vater, was publicly set apart for the work of the ministry.

A deeply spiritual and most appropriate charge was delivered on the occasion by the Ex-President, based on part of the 16th verse of the 2nd chap. of Philippians.

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THE TEMPERANCE MEETING

was held in George St. Church, July 4th. The Rev. John Pratt occupied the chair, and Bro. Boyd offered prayer.

Rev. Jesse Heyfield, Secretary, read the report.

TOPIC I.—Hon. E. White. "The evil and the remedy."

TOPIC II.—Rev. J. B. Heal. "The duty of the Church, in relation to the Temperance movement."

TOPIC III.—Rev. G. J. Bond, and H. M. Gibb, Esq., "The Band of Hope Enterprize."

TOPIC IV.—Rev. G. Boyd. "The Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic."

THE SABBATH SCHOOL MEETING,

was held in Gower Street Church, July 5th. The President of the Conference in the chair. After singing, the Rev. R. W. Freeman, offered prayer.

Rev. F. G. Willey read the report.

TOPIC I.—Mr. G. W. Mews. "The Sabbath School in relation to the Church."

TOPIC II.—Rev. S. Snowden. "The use of Temperance in the Sabbath School."

TOPIC III.—Rev. W. W. Percival. "The duty of the Sabbath School teacher."

TOPIC IV.—Mr. J. E. P. Peters. "The Sabbath School in relation to the family."

TOPIC V.—The Rev. J. Goodison. "The scholars' duty."

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THE EDUCATIONAL MEETING,

was held in George Street Church, July 7th. The President of the Conference in the chair. After singing, the Rev. Jeremiah Embree offered prayer.

Rev. George Boyd read the report.

TOPIC I.—Rev. G. J. Bond. "What do we mean by an educated ministry?"

TOPIC II.—Rev. J. Embree. "Does the Church demand an educated ministry?"

TOPIC III.—Rev. G. S. Milligan, LL.D. "Can and should the Church provide such a ministry?"

DECEASED MINISTERS
OF THE
Newfoundland Conference, 1876-1882.

| Entered Ministry. | Names. | Time of Decease. | Age. | Years in Ministry. |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------|-----------------------|
| 1873 | John Dixon | August 4th, 1876. | 26 | 4 |
| 1871 | John G. Currié. | May 8th, 1878. | 27 | 7 |
| 1873 | George H. Bryant | Sept. 17th, 1879. | 37 | 7 |
| 1828 | Wm. E. Shenstone | Dec. 11th, 1880. | 77 | 52 |

AN ALPHABETICAL LIST
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The figures at the beginning of the lines show the year in which each Minister or Probationer commenced his Ministry, and those at the end his first, second, etc. appointment to his present Circuit.

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| 1881 Abraham, Henry, Burgeo | 2 |
| 1872 Atkinson, Thomas W., Western Bay | 1 |
| 1872 Bond, George J., B.A., Trinity | 3 |
| 1874 Bowell, John P., Petites | 2 |
| 1872 Boyd, George, Harbor Grace | 1 |
| 1875 Bramfitt, Robert, Pouch Cove | 2 |
| 1875 Bullen, George, Bonavista | 2 |
| 1855 Dove, James, Cupids | 1 |
| 1875 Edyvean, William H., Musgrave Town | 1 |
| 1871 Embree, Jeremiah, Twillingate | 1 |
| 1856 Fox, Thomas, Supernumerary, St. John's | 7 |
| 1873 Freeman, Robert W., Fortune | 3 |
| 1860 Goodison, John, Brigus | 1 |
| 1874 Hatcher, Henry C., Labrador, Red Bay | 2 |
| 1854 Harris Thomas, Supernumerary, St. John's | 2 |
| 1874 Heal, James B., Musgrave Harbor | 3 |
| 1874 Heyfield, Jesse, Random North | 1 |
| 1874 Hill, Anthony, Fogo | 3 |
| 1873 Hill, Jabez, Catalina | 3 |
| 1871 James, Thomas H., St. John's (W) | 2 |
| 1874 Jennings, William, Island Cove | 2 |
| 1875 Kendall, William, Burin | 2 |
| 1861 Ladner, Charles, Carbonear | 1 |
| 1874 Lewis, Henry, Heart's Content | 1 |
| 1874 Lister, Joseph, Little Bay Islands | 2 |
| 1881 Lumsden, James, Random South | 2 |

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

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| 1870 Matthews, Solomon, Greenspond | 2 |
| 1854 Milligan, Rev. G. S., LL.D., St. John's | 8 |
| 1872 Nurse, James, Grand Bank | 2 |
| 1874 Paine, George, Old Perlican | 1 |
| 1873 Parkins, Joseph, Exploits | 3 |
| 1840 Peach, John S., Supernumerary, Carbonear | 7 |
| 1877 Peters, John, Student, Sackville | |
| 1874 Pincock, James, Moreton's Harbor | 2 |
| 1873 Pratt, John, Bonavista | 1 |
| 1862 Percival, W. W., St. John's (E.) | 2 |
| 1866 Reay, John, Supernumerary, Cupids | 4 |
| 1873 Snowden, Samuel, Flat Island and Sound Island | 3 |
| 1876 Story, George P., Hant's Harbor | 3 |
| 1871 Swann, William, Blackhead | 1 |
| 1875 Taylor, Edgar, Bay Roberts | 2 |
| 1877 Tratt, William R., Channel | 1 |
| 1878 Vater, George, Carbonear | 2 |
| 1872 Willey, Francis G., Port de Grave | 2 |
| 1878 Wilson, James, Student, Sackville. | |

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