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*Of the Eighth Session of the Niagara Annual Conference
of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, held at St.
Davids, Niagara District, commencing Wednesday, Au-
gust 20th, 1851, at ten o'clock A. M.*

QUESTION I.

What Preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER.

A. L. Thurston,

O. G. Collamore.

Question II. What Preachers remain on trial?

Answer.

John Foster,

John N. Elliot,

Wm. D. Brown,

John Wood,

Elisha Draper,

Nathaniel Roy,

John Ormrod,

D. M. Shaw,

George Crossfield.

*Question III. What Preachers are admitted into full
Connexion?*

Answer.

George Abbs,

Edward Lounsbury,

Sanford M. Eastman,

Wm. F. Lowe,

R. B. Cook.

Question IV. Who are the Deacons?

Answer.

Elijah Harris,

George Bennett,

Thomas Dawes,

John McLean,

W. D. Brown,

George Abbs,

Sanford M. Eastman,

Edward Lounsbury,

Wm. F. Lowe,

J. W. Jacobs,

S. L. Kerr.

Question V. Who are the Elders?

Answer.

James Richardson,
John Bailey,
J. H. Huston,
Caleb Sweazy,
Thomas Webster,
S. Dunnett,
George Turner,
Lewis P. Smith,
Barnabas Brown,
Wm. Cope,
A. R. Roy,
Emerson Bristol,
C. W. Fraser,
George Lawrence,
Wm. Woodward,
I. B. Richardson,
J. Tufford,
B. Markle,
A. Jones,
A. Hall.

D. Culp,
Jesse Owen,
Charles Pettis,
Daniel Pickett,
J. W. Byam,
Henry Gilmore,
Thomas Robsen,
Samuel Morrison,
Schuyler Stewart,
E. L. Koyle,
John Gibson,
W. D. Hughson,
N. A. Fraser,
John Hayward,
B. Lawrence,
George P. Harris,
J. Mitchell,
Gideon Shepard,
Wm. Sutton,

Question VI. Who are the General Superintendents?

Answer.

John Reynolds,

Philander Smith.

Question VII. Who have located this year?

Answer.—David Griffin.

Question VIII. Who are the Supernumeraries?

Answer.

James Mitchell,
Caleb Sweazy,
George Bennett,
I. B. Richardson,

Schuyler Stewart,
Elijah Harris,
Chester W. Fraser,
Henry Gilmore.

Question IX. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

Answer.

Charles Pettis,
Daniel Pickett,
John H. Huston,
Jesse Owen.

George Turner,
Barney Markle,
David Culp,

Question X. Who have been expelled?—None.

Question XI. Who have withdrawn this year?

Answer.—None.

Question XII. Were the Preachers' characters examined?

Answer.—This was strictly attended to.

Question XIII. Who have died this year?

Answer.—None.

Question XIV. What numbers are in Society?

Answer.

Darlington Ct.,	185	London Ct. & Station,	382
Whitby "	226	Malahide Ct.,	237
Newmarket "	85	Barton "	275
Markham "	190	Southwold "	120
Yonge Street "	194	Thames "	144
Toronto "	307	Howard "	120
Nelson "	268	Garafraxa Mis.	80
Hamilton Station	30	Oakwood "	80
Dorchester Ct.,	126	Maitland "	23
Canboro "	159	St. Clair "	36
Niagara "	183	L. Point "	55
Norwich "	179	Sandwich "	26
Gainsborough "	120	Amaranth & }	150
Oxford "	96	St. Vincent	
Blenhiem "	155	Sauble "	102
Dumfries "	234	Huron "	106
Rainham "	94	Oakland Ct.,	82
Traveling Preachers,			62

Total, 4911

Total last year, 4563

Increase this year, 348

Question XV. *Where are the Preachers stationed this year?*

Answer.

Toronto District.

SAMUEL MORRISON, PRESIDING ELDER.

Darlington	Ct.,	G. Crossfield, D. M. Shaw.
Whitby	"	A. R. Roy, One to be sent.
Newmarket	"	A. Hall.
Markham	"	Wm. Sutton, One to be sent.
Yonge Street	"	W. D. Brown, E. Draper.
Toronto	"	A. Jones, A. L. Thurston.
Oakwood	"	John Foster.
Orangeville Mission,		B. Lawrence.
St. Vincent	"	J. Woodward, One to be sent.
Chester W. Fraser,		Supernumerary.

James Richardson is Agent of the Upper Canada Bible Society.

Niagara District.

E. BRISTOL, PRESIDING ELDER.

Niagara	Ct.,	George Abbs.
Welland	"	J. Tufford, C. Sweazy, Super'y.
Canboro	"	R. B. Cook.
Gainsborough	"	T. Robson.
Barton	"	G. P. Harris, J. N. Elliott.
Hamilton	Station,	To be supplied.
Dumfries	Ct.,	N. A. Fraser, One to be sent.
Nelson	"	J. Hayward, One to be sent.
Garafraxa	"	George Lawrence.

Oxford District.

WILLIAM COPE, PRESIDING ELDER.

Rainham	Ct.,	J. W. Byam.
Oneida	Mission,	B. Brown.
Oakland	Circuit,	S. Dunnett.
Blenhiem	"	J. Gibson.
Norwich	"	J. Wood.
Long Point	"	E. L. Keyle.

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Oxford	"	L. P. Smith.
Dorchester	"	T. Dawes.
St. Mary's	"	E. Lounsbury.

London District.

W. D. HUGHSON, PRESIDING ELDER.

Malahide	Circuit,	N. Roy, One to be sent.
Southwold	"	W. F. Lowe, One to be sent.
London	"	S. L. Kerr, One to be sent.
Bosanquet	"	O. G. Collamore.
Thames	"	To be supplied.
Howard	"	J. Ormrod.
St. Clair	"	J. McLean.
Sandwich	Mission,	To be supplied.
Maitland	"	S. M. Eastman.
Kincardine	"	To be supplied.

Question XVI. Where and when shall the next Conference be held?

Answer.

At Cummer's Chapel, Yonge St. Circuit, Home District; to commence on the 3rd Wednesday in August, 1852, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Question XVII. What is the amount of the fifth Collection?

Answer.

Circuits.	Amount.	Circuits.	Amount.
Darlington	£0 10 0	Niagara	5 0 0
Whitby	1 7 1	Norwich	1 8 6
Newmarket	0 12 7½	Oxford	1 0 0
Markham	1 0 0	Blenheim	1 10 0
Yonge Street	2 5 7	Dumfries	3 0 0
Toronto	1 12 11	Rainham	0 10 7½
Nelson	3 12 1	London	0 10 0
Hamilton	0 3 1½	Malahide	4 12 10
Barton	2 5 5½	Howard	0 6 3
Canboro	0 6 5	Southwold	0 17 2½
Gainsborough	0 10 0	Thames	No Returns.
Total,			£39 14 8½

Question XVIII. How was this appropriated?**Answer.****For Stationary and Certificates,**

" John H. Huston,	£0	5	2½
" David Culp,	7	3	6½
" Jesse Owen,	7	3	6½
" Daniel Pickett,	7	3	6½
" George Turner,	7	3	6½
" Widow Alley,	7	3	6½
	3	11	9½

Total,**£39 14 8½****Examining Committee.**James Richardson,
Samuel Dunnelt,Samuel Morrison,
I. B. Richardson.

Preachers on trial and the Deacons are expected to meet the Committee of examination at Cummer's Chapel on Tuesday, the day previous to the opening of Conference, at eight o'clock A. M. Course of study the same as last year.

Book Committee.**G. P. Harris,****Emerson Bristol.**

Steward's Report.

*Claims, Receipts, and Deficiencies of Effective Preachers
within the bounds of the Niagara Conference.*

CHARGES	PREACHERS	Claim			Received			Deficiency		
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Toronto District	Samuel Morrison	75	0	0	68	10	7½	6	9	4½
Whitby Circuit	John Hayward	68	0	0	53	2	7	14	17	5
do do	Wm. Cotten	35	0	0	24	14	2	10	5	10
Darlington	John Foster	66	0	0	41	0	0	25	0	0
do do	George Lawrence				22	16	4			
Oakwood	Wm. Sutton	40	0	0	30	0	0	10	0	0
St. Vincent	Wm. Woodward	Returned			in Miss'y			Report		
Garafraxa	B. Lawrence	35	0	0	23	2	6	11	17	6
Amaranth	G. Crossfield	Returned			in Miss'y			Report		
Nelson	A. R. Roy	75	15	0	75	15	0			
do	G. Abbs	25	0	0	25	0	0			
Toronto	J. W. Byam	72	17	1	68	9	8½	4	7	4½
do	E. Draper	25	0	0	23	5	1	1	14	11
Yonge Street	W. D. Brown	82	5	6	79	16	1	2	9	5
do	A. L. Thurston	25	0	0	23	14	6	1	5	6
Markham	A. Jones	75	0	0	62	2	2	12	7	10
do	D. Shaw	25	0	0	15	9	2	9	10	10
Newmarket	W. D. Hughson	73	0	0	47	10	1	25	9	11
Niagara District	S. Dunnett	91	0	0	72	1	1½	18	18	10½
Rainham Circuit	John Gibson	75	0	0	75	0	0			
Barton	E. Bristol	87	10	0	75	3	5	12	6	7
do	G. Bennett	25	0	0	23	3	2	1	16	10
Oxford	E. Lounsbery	75	0	0	69	12	6	5	7	6
Oakland	John Tufford	66	5	0	54	3	9	12	1	3
Gainsborough	W. F. Lowe	80	0	0	44	18	9	35	1	3
Blenheim	T. Robson	66	0	0	52	13	1	13	6	11
Norwich	B. Brown	80	0	0	68	15	0	11	5	0
Niagara	N. A. Fraser	75	0	0	52	2	1	22	17	11
do	J. N. Elliott	25	0	0	23	11	0½	1	18	11½
Dumfries	L. P. Smith	68	13	0	37	7	6	30	7	6
do	John Wood	68	15	0	37	10	7½	30	4	4½
Hamilton	T. Webster									
Long Point	E. L. Koyle				20	6	5½			
London District	Wm. Cope	No Returns								
Malshide	G. P. Harris	75	0	0	68	5	0	6	15	0
Thames	T. Dawes	60	0	0	35	10	0	24	10	0
Sauble	J. Ormrod	75	0	0	28	4	5½	46	15	6½
Huron	S. M. Eastman	65	0	0	27	14	11½	37	5	0½
St. Clair	Returned in	Missionary Report.								
Howard	N. Roy	65	12	6	37	9	9	28	2	0
Southwold	J. W. Jacobs	25	0	0	25	0	0			

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, within the bounds of the Niagara Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN:

We are again permitted, in the course of human events, under the direction of Divine Providence, to assemble for the transaction of the business of our Annual Conference, and to present you our Pastoral Address — With gratitude to the "Author of every good and perfect gift," we record his loving kindness to us, in the merciful preservation of our lives throughout this year.

We still enjoy peace and are blest with prosperity in all our borders. A "kindly affectionate feeling" characterizes the transaction of our Conference business; and we find the bond strengthening and brightening, that unites us in the great work of saving souls, and spreading scriptural holiness over the land. Having entered the field, we are still enabled to cultivate, with a good degree of success, the vineyard of the Lord; and are determined to continue our united efforts in this great and good work, until our Divine Master shall say it is enough, and remove us to a glorious reward, in his banqueting house in heaven. Being called to do the work of Evangelists, we have "respect unto the recompense of reward," esteeming "the reproach of Christ," and the riches of his grace, in the gospel, greater wealth than the treasures of this world,—

"And gladly wander up and down,
And smile at toil and pain,
We suffer on our threescore years,
Till our Deliverer comes,
And wipe away his servants' tears,
And take his laborers home."

There are many subjects of great importance, upon which it might be beneficial to address you, but we must forbear, and only call your attention to a few of the most prominent. And first, Scriptural holiness is urged upon

your consideration. A distinguishing feature of Christianity,—a prominent doctrine of the word of God;—the strongest possible inducements are held out for its attainment, in the command of Jehovah, "Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect; accompanied by the solemn declaration, "Without holiness no man can see the Lord." The means by which the Christian is washed from his sins, and made holy, is also clearly set forth by unequivocal declarations of scripture, proclaiming "A fountain open in the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem,"—"The blood of Christ which cleanseth us from all sin." We exhort you, then, to approach this fountain and "Wash your robes and make them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

Secondly,—The institutions of the Church claim a candid and prayerful consideration, and a liberal support, by your contributions. For without these they cannot be sustained. We never can consent to receive at the hand of the Civil Government, any endowment, drawn from the revenue of the state, for the maintenance of our denominational institutions. We believe it contravenes scriptural principle, and it is therefore, anti-christian, and inevitably tends to corrupt the Christian Church. It is incompatible with the distribution of equal and impartial justice, which belongs, alike, inalienably, to every citizen of the Commonwealth. It cannot be reconciled with the principle of civil and religious liberty, and equality. And we have therefore, no desire to have the institutions of the Church supported by ecclesiastical endowments, ecclesiastical corporations, clergy reserves, or revenue arising therefrom. To the voluntary contributions of the people, and to those *alone*, do we apply, for the support of the gospel among us, as a church. We believe this resource amply sufficient to meet the pressing demands of the Church. We feel confident that you will not desert us in endeavoring to carry out these principles, but that you will ever manifest a willingness to respond to every rea-

sonable call for aid, in prosecuting the great work of saving mankind. Therefore, "Honor the Lord with your substance, so shall your barns be filled with plenty, and your presses shall burst out with new wine."

Thirdly,—There are various other institutions, beneficial to our country, promoting peace, prosperity, and happiness, that should share largely in your support. Sabbath Schools, Bible Societies, Temperance Societies, and general Education, as means for elevating our country, and banishing the blighting curse of sin and ignorance from the world, should be zealously supported by every well-wisher of mankind, and every member of the Christian Church. Ignorance of God's law, and of the various branches of literary and scientific knowledge, are very great obstacles to the progress of truth and righteousness in the world. It is not only necessary that the Church should possess a living faith, but they should "add to their faith, virtue; and to virtue, *knowledge*."—The church of God should be foremost in the march of improvement, in the arts and literature, for these are blessings conferred upon us by the great architect, and sovereign intelligence of the universe, to be improved for our benefit.

Finally, Brethren, we exhort you to encourage every institution that has for its object the elevation of our race, and the salvation of the world. Make proper and diligent use of every means, practice every principle, conform to every precept, and improve in every virtue and grace that will constitute you lively members of the church of Christ, and qualify you to acquit yourselves of the responsibility resting upon you, in the various relations you sustain to God, to his church, and to the world.

Our lot is cast in times most deeply interesting; incidents and occurrences are daily transpiring that should cause the church to arouse from its stupor, and the nations of the earth to awake to a careful consideration of the inevitable result of the important events of these times of

civil and ecclesiastical agitation and change. A sanguinary conflict is now carried on between truth and error; between Christ and anti-christ, and no one that is properly informed, can be in doubt as to the final result.

Truth, mighty, unconquerable, and victorious truth, must and will prevail. "The kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ." In carefully observing the tendency of passing events, the christian will turn to the word of God as his guide, when he attempts to form any judgment of the political destiny of the nations of the earth, or of the ecclesiastical institutions of those nations. No book can be found so full of general knowledge, so replete with valuable instruction, and so essential to the right understanding of the means, securities, and the very elements of national and ecclesiastical prosperity, as the Bible. It unravels a thousand perplexing mysteries in the affairs of the nations, and gives a clue to the profitable study and practical uses to be made of the great principles which mark the providence of God, and the developement of the plans of heaven. It is of infinite importance to him to be familiar with this blessed book, and to drink of its spirit. Erroneous views entertained with regard to the general scheme of God's providence, cannot fail to leave us in fault in understanding its evolutions. Become diligent students, then, of that holy book, and may the God of the Bible build you up in his most holy faith, and "minister unto you an abundant entrance into his everlasting kingdom."

JOHN REYNOLDS,

PHILANDER SMITH,

SAMUEL MORRISON, Sec'y.

Appendix.

Names and standing of the Local Preachers within the bounds of the Niagara Annual Conference.

Dorchester Circuit.—W. T. Cartwright, Elder; John Davy.

London Circuit.—James Bailey, Deacon; Matthew Magill, Deacon; Andrew Banghart, Walter Lawrence, Robert Smith, Deacon; A. Trotman, Ralph Morden, Deacon; John E. Waldron, Deacon, Wm. E. Cope, S. J. Lancaster, Anson Abbott, John P. Morden, Wm. B. Morden, Robert McGuffen, Curtis McNames, Alonzo E. Griffith.

Thames Circuit.—Alfred Scarlet, Deacon; John Bobier, James Shaw, Elijah Sutton.

Howard Circuit.—J. D. Dalson, Deacon; Ira Bently, Deacon; Daniel Winchell.

Malahide Circuit.—John Elliott, Deacon; David Griffin, Elder; Ransom Dexter, Deacon; Orrin Tyrell, Wm. Yokom, Richard Yokom.

Maitland Mission.—John S. Cox, Deacon.

Huron Mission.—Richard Vines, Deacon; Thomas Brown, Deacon.

Sauble Mission.—Nathaniel Westover, Marmaduke Archer, Wm. Brown, John Jefferson, John Trimble.

Sandwich Mission.—Henry Seratch, Deacon.

St. Clair Mission.—Edward Rikeman.

Nelson Circuit.—M. Kennedy, Deacon; L. Hagar, Deacon; A. Purnell, S. Griffin, M. L. Dymick.

Toronto Circuit.—A. Anderson, Elder; J. Berry.

Newmarket Circuit.—G. Hines.

Whitby Circuit.—G. Wells, Deacon; G. Fisher, Deacon; J. Campbell, Deacon; T. Latimore, Deacon; J. Fraser.

Darlington Circuit.—J. Bradshaw, Deacon; Wm. Hill, Deacon; Israel Mallory.

St. Vincent Mission.—G. Smith, Deacon ; J. Cook, H. Kendrick.

Oakwood Mission.—A. Wood, H. Davis.

Garafraxa Mission.—R. Lyman, Elder ; F. Headly, Deacon ; F. Warren.

Niagara Circuit.—Daniel Collard, Deacon ; Thomas Rainey, Wm. Dell, Jesse Broderick.

Dumfries Circuit.—Morris Hendershott, Wm. Bawtin-himer.

Long Point Circuit.—Elijah Mudge, Deacon ; Wm. Campbell, Deacon ; John Connell, Elder.

Blenheim Circuit.—G. F. Hill, Deacon ; Charles Reid, Deacon ; Henry Taylor.

Barton Circuit.—John Vanduser, Deacon ; Eli Bartram.

Oakland Circuit.—Henry Jones.

Canboro Circuit.—Amos Bradshaw, Elder ; William Stringer, J. W. Collins, Abel Rogers.

Norwich Circuit.—Hezekiah Tuule, Wm. Gray, Daniel Drake.

Oxford Circuit.—Andrew Burzee, Elder ; Daniel M. Howell.

Rainham Circuit.—Jacob Peterson, John Decew.

MINUTES

Of the Eighth Session of the Bay Quinte Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, held at White Chapel, Lobbrough, commencing September 10th, 1851, at ten o'clock A. M.

QUESTION I.

What Preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER.

Henry D. Powis,

Daniel Pomeroy.

Question II. Who remain on trial?

Answer.

G. I. Betts,

D. F. Hutchinson.

Question III. Who are admitted into full Connexion?

Answer.

L. S. Church,

Henry Dockham,

J. H. Johnson.

Question IV. Who are the Deacons?

Answer.

N. H. Howard,

Charles Manson,

John McMullen,

Henry Dockham. *

* Ordained this year.

Question V. Who are the Elders?

Answer.

Benson Smith,

Luman Hulbert,

John Sills,

Wm. Bird,

James McNally,

Joseph Gatchell,

Wm. E. Norman,

Robert Perry,

Robert Earl,

David Perry,

Wm. Brown,

H. H. Johnson,

Thaddeus Lewis,

Henry Lane,

S. W. LaDu,	J. Gardiner,
Sheldon Young,	J. F. Wilson,
John Hill,	Alexander Wright,
Hiram Williams,	Daniel Brown,
John Tuke,	George Jones,
J. W. Sills,*	I. N. D. West,
David Wilson,	J. G. Bull,
Ezra Orser,	J. A. Rogers,
D. F. Hutchinson,	L. S. Church,*
J. H. Johnson,*	

* Ordained this year.

Question VI. Who are the General Superintendents?

Answer.

John Reynolds, Philander Smith.

Question VII. Who have located this year?

Answer.

B. W. Blanchard, M. Davy.

Question VIII. Who are the Supernumeraries?

Answer.

James McNally.

Question IX. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

Answer.

Joseph Gatchell,	H. H. Johnson,
Thaddeus Lewis,	I. N. D. West,
David Perry.	

Question X. Who have been expelled?

Answer.—None.

Question XI. Who have withdrawn this year?

Answer.—None.

Question XII. Were the Preachers' characters examined?

Answer.—This was strictly attended to.

Question XIII. Who have died this year?

Answer.—None.

Question XIV. What numbers are in Society?

Answer.

Hope	Circuit	107	Leeds	Circuit	78
Cobourg	"	67	Wolf Island	"	48
Brighton	"	153	Elizabethtown	"	303
Percy	"	126	Brockville	"	67
Sidney	"	117	Agusta and	"	1347
Rawdon	"	142	Spencerville	"	181
Belleville	"	37	Matilda and	"	66
Tyendinaga	"	190	Winchester	"	36
Huntington	"	175	Stormont	"	80
Consecon	"	104	Ottawa	"	80
Hallowell	"	123	Bytown	"	30
Milford	"	83	Bonna Cheur	"	138
Bay Quinte	"	281	Rideau	"	185
Camden	"	304	Crosby	"	
Waterloo	"	300			
Traveling Preachers,					43
Total,					3911
" Last year,					4090
Decrease this year,					179

Question XV. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

Answer.

Bay Quinte District.

J. F. WILSON, PRESIDING ELDER.

Hope and Cobourg	S. W. LaDu, G. I. Belts.
Brighton,	L. S. Church.
Percy,	John Take.
Rawdon,	E. Orser, H. H. Johnson, Sup'd.
Huntington,	A. Wright.
Sidney,	John Sills, I. N. D. West, Sup'd.
Belleville,	Henry D. Powis.
Tyendinaga,	N. H. Howard.

Consecon, G. Jones.
 Hallowell, S. Young.
 Milford, J. A. Rogers.
 Seymour Mission, One to be sent.
 Joseph Gatchell, Thaddeus Lewis, Superannuated.

Kingston District.

J. GARDINER, PRESIDING ELDER.

Bay Quinte, J. G. Bull, Daniel Brown,
 Robert Perry, Left without an appointment at his own
 request.
 Camden, Henry Lane.
 Waterloo, David Wilson, John Hill.
 David Perry, Superannuated.
 Leeds, W. E. Norman.
 Wolf Island, J. W. Sills.

Augusta District.

WM. BIRD, PRESIDING ELDER.

Elizabethtown, H. Williams, Wm. Graham.
 Brockville, J. H. Johnson.
 Augusta, Robert Earl.
 Matilda, W. Brown.
 Winchester, One to be sent.
 Stormont, J. McMullen.
 Ottawa, H. Dockham, J. McNally, Sup'y.
 Bytown, D. F. Hutchinson.
 Rideau, Daniel Pomeroy.
 Crosby, B. Smith, One to be sent.
 Lachute Mission, One to be sent.
 Bonna Cheur, Charles Manson.
 Luman Hurlbert, Left without an appointment.
 Joseph H. Leonard, required to desist from the exercise
 of the functions of the Ministry until certain matters are
 arranged.

*Question XVI. Where and when shall the next Confer-
 ence be held?*

Answer.

At Percy in the County of Northumberland, to commence on the first Wednesday in September, 1852, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Question XVII. What is the amount of the fifth Collection?

Answer.

Circuits.	Amount.	Circuits.	Amount.
Elizabethtown	£1 5 2	Hope	£1 0 0
Brockville	0 9 2	Cobourg	0 19 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Augusta and	0 15 0	Brighton	0 17 6
Spencerville		Percy	0 16 3
Matilda and	0 7 0	Rawdon	0 15 0
Winchester		Sidney	0 19 0
Stormont	0 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Belleville	0 11 6
Ottawa	0 6 4	Tyendinaga	1 1 6
Bytown	0 12 11	Consecon	0 10 3
Rideau	0 0 0	Huntington	0 5 0
Crosby	0 8 5	Hallowell	0 11 3
Bay Quinte	1 0 6	Milford	0 6 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Waterloo	0 15 0	Leeds	0 13 6
Camden	0 11 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Sabbath Collect.	1 16 8
Total,			£14 19 8 $\frac{1}{2}$

Question XVIII. How was this appropriated?

Answer.

For Stationary,	£0 5 0
" H. H. Johnson,	3 7 3
" T. Lewis,	3 7 3
" Joseph Gatchell,	3 7 3
" I. N. D. West,	3 7 3
" Widow Powley,	1 13 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Widow Alley,	1 13 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Total,	£14 19 8 $\frac{1}{2}$

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, within the bounds of the Bay Quinte Annual Conference.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN:

Through the protecting care and Providence of Almighty God, we have been permitted once more to assemble for the transaction of the business of our Annual Conference, and in this united capacity, to review the extensive field of our labors with their important results; as also to arrange those matters that relate to the interests and prosperity of our Zion. And it is with emotions of lively gratitude for the numerous blessings vouchsafed to us, and to the people of our charge that we now address you.

The deliberations of our Conference have been distinguished by that urbanity, forbearance and harmony, which render our meeting in this associated capacity, both pleasing and profitable to ourselves, and afford to us a sufficient guarantee of the existence among us, of that oneness of pious feeling and purpose, which should ever be the distinctive characteristic of those who are united together in the ministration of God's Holy Word and ordinances.

The evident manifestations of Divine approval, in crowning our past labors and efforts in his service with partial success, furnish us ground, of cheering encouragement to prosecute the toilsome and responsible duties of our high vocation with renewed zeal and confidence, in the sure prospect of the final triumph of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are not unconscious of the important fact, that our past endeavours to promote virtue, and spread scriptural holiness, or our indolence and negligence in the performance of our duty, in the several spheres of labor assigned us by the Great Shepherd, have passed to the records on high, to meet us at a future and searching tribu-

nal; and we think, that the contemplation of the momentous results of that day, when every secret thing shall be brought into judgement, should lead both pastors and people, to unfeigned repentance and humiliation before God, accompanied with an undivided and entire consecration of our powers to his service, and to more zealous efforts to promote the glory of God.

From the information we have obtained from our whole work, we find our cause steadily on the advance. The annual reports from the stewards of the several circuits, that are embraced in the bounds of our work exhibit a manifest improvement upon the state of our finances of the preceding year, and afford to us pleasing evidence that you are determined practically to exemplify those principles, in the support afforded to your Ministers, that are inculcated in the word of God, which teaches, "that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel," and that "they who are taught in the word should communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things;" and while directing your attention to this subject, it may not be irrelevant thereto, to remind you that we as a Church adhere strictly to what is termed the "voluntary principle," in ministerial support.

Our Book and Printing establishment is in a healthy and improving condition, and only requires that amount of aid which we believe, the membership of our Church are competent to afford, and which if promptly tendered, will render it the instrument of accomplishing a great amount of good throughout the entire circumference of our work.

The benevolent enterprises of the day, distinguish the present age to be one of progression in moral and intellectual improvement, and we may be excused from these considerations, if we earnestly solicit your hearty aid and co-operation in all those which have a direct tendency to promote the Glory of God, and the prosperity and happiness of our fellow men. We would invite your attentive

regard to the importance of Sabbath School instruction, that your zealous aid and effort may be directed to the promotion of an institution, embracing the elements of such extensive usefulness to the rising generation; affording as we believe, a most valuable instrumentality in teaching and training the juvenile mind in the principles of scriptural piety, and as an indispensable auxiliary in extending the work of God amongst us, planted as a nursery, from which the ranks of our Zion shall be filled up with intelligent and consistent Christians.

But we beg leave to remind you, that these can never supersede the more important duties of paternal and private instruction and training. Therefore, bear constantly in mind the Divine precept taught by Moses, as an imperative duty and obligation imposed upon us by the author of our being, that the words which you have heard should be that ye may "teach them diligently to your children, and talk of them when thou sittest in thine house; and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Then may it with truth be said, "happy art thou, Oh Israel, for the Lord shall be the shield of thy help, and the sword of thine excellency."

Permit us to urge upon your attention a scrupulous regard for a strict and religious observance of the Christian Sabbath or Lord's Day, by abstaining from all unnecessary work thereon,—“not speaking your own words, or seeking your own pleasure;” but shunning the pernicious practice and example of those who desecrate and waste this holy time in visiting and worldly conversation.—We entreat you, dear brethren to know them who labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and to esteem them highly for their work's sake, and while you are endeavouring by an upright life and Godly walk, to maintain your distinctive relation to our branch of the Christian Church, be careful to avoid the indulgence of a censorious spirit towards others,—cultivate that spirit of unity, love

and forbearance, towards them, which the teaching and example of the Lord Jesus Christ has enjoined upon you, as a demonstrative evidence to the world that ye are his disciples. We beseech you to seek the old paths and walk therein. Be at your post, whatever sphere you may be called to occupy in the Church of Christ,—forget not that God has denounced awful maledictions against the slothful. "Wo to them that are at ease in Zion;" therefore, whatever your hands find to do, do it with your might, as there is no knowledge or device in the grave whither man goeth. Give earnest heed to the things which you have been taught; holiness becometh the house of the Lord forever; strive therefore to be approved of God, that ye may be found without spot, and blameless, at the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The duty of fasting, united with earnest prayer, would open to us a source from which we should receive rich and ample supplies of the Holy Spirit, provided these divine means were more frequently improved. While we would have you duly appreciate the ministration of God's Holy Word, we would impress upon you the importance of prayer meetings, and class meetings, in connection with private and family devotion, as very essential and necessary means to be employed for the increase of vital Godliness, and the extension of Christ's kingdom.

And as we are about to enter upon the several fields of our labor, in conformity with the confederal and providential arrangement of our work, we hope to come to you in the fullness of the blessing of the Gospel of peace.

And now, dear brethren, we commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among them who are sanctified.

PHILANDER SMITH.

JAMES GARDINER, Sec.

Steward's Report.

*Claims, Receipts, and Deficiencies of Effective Preachers
within the bounds of the Bay Quinte Conference.*

CHARGES	PREACHERS	Claim			Received			Deficiency		
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Augusta District	Wm. Bird	79	14	6	71	12	11½	8	1	7½
Matilda and Winchester	W. Brown	78	0	0	66	16	0	11	4	0
Crosby	C. Manson	50	0	0	32	5	2	17	14	10
do	Elm Woodcock	18	0	0	9	17	6	8	2	6
Bytown	Robert Earl	82	10	0	45	2	6	37	7	6
Ottawa	John McMullen	55	0	0	30	18	9	24	1	3
Stormont	J. W. Sills	25	0	0	21	2	10½	3	17	1½
Elizabethtown	B. W. Blanchard	80	0	0	49	16	3	30	3	9
do	B. Smith	70	0	0	39	16	3	30	3	9
Percy	W. Graham	80	0	0	70	0	0	10	0	0
Brighton	L. S. Church	85	0	0	67	10	0	17	10	0
Camden	John Bull	80	0	0	80	0	0			
Leeds	J. A. Rogers	65	0	0	27	3	2	37	16	10
Rawdon	Ezra Orser	70	0	0	50	0	0	20	0	0
Hallowell	H. Lane	76	0	0	56	16	11	18	3	1
Bay Quinte	D. Wilson	68	0	0	24	17	5½	43	2	6½
do	D. Brown	80	0	0	27	1	4½	52	18	10½
Milford	Wm. E. Norman	65	0	0	24	1	4	40	18	8
Belleville	G. I. Betts	45	0	0	45	0	0			
Augusta & Spencerville	H. Dockham	65	0	0	40	1	10	24	18	2
do	M. Davy	No	Retur	ns						
Brockville	J. H. Johnson	70	0	0	54	17	6	16	2	6
Sidney	J. Sills	83	0	0	75	16	0	7	4	0
Consecon	G. Jones	90	0	0	76	0	0	14	0	0
Waterloo	S. Young	80	0	0	56	7	10	23	12	2
do	D. F. Hutchinson	83	0	0	53	10	0	28	10	0
Bay Quinte District	J. F. Wilson	75	0	0	70	0	0	5	0	0
Cobourg	S. W. LaDu	78	0	0	87	2	6			
Hope	Alexander Wright	71	15	0	60	17	0	1	18	0
Tyendinaga	N. H. Howard	80	0	0	70	19	8	9	7	6

Examining Committee.

Wm. Brown,

J. F. Wilson,

Wm. Graham,

J. Gardiner,

R. Earl,

Who will meet the candidates and Deacons at the seat of Conference on Tuesday next preceding the Conference, at one o'clock P. M.

Resolved,—That the Preacher in charge of each Circuit possess a list of the members in the several classes on his charge, which shall be revised at the time of

each quarterly report so as to correspond with the schedule, and that the same be left to his successor with the plan of the Circuit.

Resolved,—That the Presiding Elders be instructed to fill a Quarterly Schedule and forward to one of the Bishops—according to the Schedule from the preachers.

Appendix.

Names and standing of the Local Preachers within the bounds of the Bay Quinte Annual Conference.

Hope Circuit.—David Lent, James Lent.

Brighton Circuit.—Joshua Webster, Elder.

Cobourg Circuit.—Darius Crouter.

Milford Circuit.—Wm. Ranous, Deacon; Wm. Williams.

Sidney Circuit.—A. Wood, Deacon; Ira Hays, John Ranous.

Huntington Circuit.—W. Sills, P. Wright, J. Bird, J. Border.

Tyendinaga Circuit.—Wm. Bennett, Peter Holmes, S. Shorts.

Bay Quinte Circuit.—George Sills, Elder; Augustus Shorts, Elder; M. German, Deacon; Daniel Unger, Deacon; Eli Woodcock, G. D. Greenleaf, Elder.

Percy Circuit.—J. L. Sweet, Deacon; Joseph Stone.

Rawdon Circuit.—Ira Hays, John Ranous.

Consecon Circuit.—A. Wood, Deacon.

Camden Circuit.—C. Thompson, Elder elect; P. G. Selden, Deacon elect; B. Lewis, J. D. Bell.

Hallowell Circuit.—Simon Terwilligar.

Waterloo Circuit.—B. Atkinson, Z. David.

Leeds Circuit.—J. Mallory.

Elizabethton Circuit.—Jabez Bullis, Elder; Reuben Stevens, B. W. Blanchard, Elder.

Augusta and Spencerville Circuit.—J. C. Bass, I. Errett,
Deacon; J. Johnston, Michael Davy, Elder.
Matilda Circuit.—Elijah Tuttle.
Winchester Circuit.—B. Meeker, Deacon.
Crosby Circuit.—Wm. Brown, 2nd, Elder.
Rideau Circuit.—J. Andrews, Elder; E. Landon,
Deacon.
Bonna Cheur Mission.—George Hutton.

Course of Study.

FIRST YEAR.

Divinity.—Bible; Wesley's Sermons; Second Part
of Watson's Institutes; Discipline.
English Grammar.—Kirkham.
Geography.

SECOND YEAR.

Divinity.—Bible with notes, Clark's or Benson's.
First Part of Watson's Institutes.
Church History.—Ruter's; Mosheim's.
Church Government.—Bangs' Original Church of
Christ; Discipline, with Hedding's Notes; Stephens'
Church History.

THIRD YEAR.

Divinity.—Bible; Wesley's Notes; Horne's Introduc-
tions; Third Part of Watson's Institutes; Discipline.
Natural Philosophy.—Comstock.
Logic.—Hedge or Jamieson.
Mental Philosophy.—Upham; Watts; Clarke's Men-
tal Discipline.

FOURTH YEAR.

Divinity.—Bible; Watson's Apology; Fletcher's
Checks.
Rhetoric.—Newman or Jamieson.
Moral Philosophy.—Dick or Paley.

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