MINUTES

SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN

THE MINISTERS

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connexion or Church,

EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,

AT THEIR SIXTH CONFERENCE BEGUN IN FREDERICTON, N. B. ON JUNE 27th, 1860.

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE.

TAKEN AT FREDERICTON, N. B., FROM THE TWENTY-SEVENTH OF JUNE TO THE SEVENTH OF JULY, 1860.

> REV. MATTHEW RICHEY, D. D., President. REV. HUMPHREY PICKARD, D. D., Secretary.

QUESTION I.

Who are now admitted as MINISTERS into Full Connexion with the Conference?

ANSWER.

William Alcorn, George Butcher, John Cassidy. Thomas Fox, Henry Holland,

Alexr. W. Nicolson, Wm. W. Perkins, Stephen T. Teed, John Winterbotham. Stephen Humphrey, A. B.

QUESTION II.

What PREACHERS now remain on Trial?

ANSWER.

Wm. C. Brown. Douglas Chapman, John Howie. James A. Duke, Richard Johnson,

William Perkin. John Read. Thomas W. Smith, Joseph Sutcliffe, Robert Wasson. These have travelled three years.

Stephen F. Huestis,
James B. Likely,
F. H. W. Pickles,
D. B. Scott,
Wm. S. Shenstone,
Alexr. S. Tuttle.

Isaac Thurlow, John James Teesdale, Theop. Stinson Richey, William Ryan, John Waterhouse.

These have travelled Two years.

Richard Pratt, Joseph Shaw Coffin.
These have travelled One Year.

QUESTION III.

What PREACHERS are now received on Trial?

ANSWER.

John S. Coulter,
Joseph Gaetz,
James R. Hart,
Thomas D. Hart,
Benjn. J. Johnston,
Christopher S. Lane.

James A. Richey,
Job Shenton,
Robert M. Smith,
Alfred W. Turner,
Fletcher A. Weldon,

QUESTION . IV. ...

What Ministers have died since the last Conference?

Answer.

1. WILLIAM CROSCOMBE; who was born at Tiverton, England, on the 19th of February, 1789. When about eighteen years of age he first became acquainted with the Methodists, and was deeply convinced of sin. But having no spiritual friends to counsel him he relapsed into carelessness, until about two years after, when, under severe affliction, he began earnestly to seek salvation. At a Sabbathmorning Prayer Meeting he subsequently found mercy, and rejoiced in the liberty of the sons of God. A few months afterwards he was induced by the inward call of the Holy Spirit, and at the solicitation of beloved friends, to exhort sinners to turn to God by sincere repentance. In the discharge of this duty he was honored with success, while the effect upon his own mind was highly beneficial. His character and labors marked him out as a suitable candidate for the work of the ministry, and after passing the usual examinations he was appointed to an English Circuit in 1810. Having offer-

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ed his services to the Missionary Committee, he was sent out to Nova Scotia, where he arrived on the 12th of April, 1812. Seven years were then spent in this Province and in New Brunswick, when, his health being somewhat impaired, he returned to England and labored two years in Nottingham. At the end of that time, with restored vigor, he entered the foreign work, and was appointed to Gibraltar. Here he labored for upwards of three years, and was then transferred to St. John's, Newfoundland. leaving this he passed five years in Halifax and Windsor, and the following five in Canada. He returned to Nova Scotia in 1838, and continued to occupy some of the most important Circuits until the year 1851, when increasing infirmities compelled him to become a Supernumerary. Having fixed his residence in Halifax, he spent four years in that city, engaging, as his strength would permit, in private and public ministerial duties. His last sermon was delivered on Sabbath. the 31st of December, 1854, from the text, "What is your life? it is even a vapor that appeareth for a little time, and 'then vanisheth away." Shortly after returning from the house of God he was seized with paralysis, which, for several months, kept him on the margin, of eternity. But having overcome the severity of this attack he removed to Windsor, where he resided till his death. Our departed brother was an exemplary disciple and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ. His piety was simple and ardent, and he conscientiously endeavored to enjoy all those blessings which he felt himself commissioned to preach. During a powerful revival of religion at Montreal in the year 1834, he experienced the blessing of entire sanctification, and it is believed by those who knew him best that he never lost the influence of that great work in the soul. In preparing for his public duties he was industrious, and in their performance he was punctual and persevering. Pastoral visitation was a source of delight to him, and his habits in this respect greatly endeared him to all classes. Under his ministry revivals of religion were not unfrequent, and he was no less successful in building up believers than in winning souls to Christ. biased by sectarian jealousy, he was nevertheless by principle a Methodist, and had a high regard for our economy and institutions. To his Brethren in the Ministry he was strongly

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attached, and they reposed great confidence in his kindness and fidelity. He successively occupied the Chairmanship of his District in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and Canada, and for his prudence and integrity in that important office he secured the esteem both of the Missionary Committee and of the Brethren who labored under his superintendence. From the period when he was obliged to relinquish all active duties he continued to suffer the will of God with patience. His mind was generally serene, and his conversation invariably turned upon the things of God. The language of praise often dwelt upon his lips; but for the last eight months of his life the peculiar character of his affliction precluded the experience of much joy. Nevertheless the salvation of Christ was his only theme, and the blood of Christ his only hope.

On the last day of his life he recognized a Brother Minister, and sensibly gave him a token of that peace with God and hope of heaven of which his tongue could no longer convey any expression. During the night of the 26th of August, 1859, he fell asleep in Jesus, in the seventy-third year of his

age, and the fiftieth of his Ministry.

2. RICHARD KNIGHT, D. D.; who was born in Devonshire, England, in the year 1788, and died May 23rd, 1860. Mr. Knight spent his early life in the usual pursuits of boyhood; and while he gave early indication of that strength of intellect which characterized his after life, yet he did not exhibit the promise of that piety which subsequently rendered his life a blessing to so many. Upon the verge of manhood he was awakened to a sense of his sinfulness by a powerful dream, the impression of which followed him through life. His piety soon assumed a manly and decided stamp; and while it shone conspicuously in the family circle, leading to the conversion of his parents and brothers, it also led him beyond his more immediate neighborhood in endeavoring to After exercising his gifts as a local reclaim the lost. preacher for some time, in his native country, he was accepted by the British Conference in 1816 as a candidate for missionary work, and was sent by the Committee to Newfoundland. In this Island he labored with great diligence to extend the boundaries of the Redeemer's kingdom. Travelling frequently on foot from place to place, he spared no

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effort and shrunk from no sacrifice that he might win souls to Christ. Many are the seals to his ministry in Newfoundland, and his name is cherished as a household word in every Circuit where he labored. Methodism in that colony owes much to his evangelistic labors. After sixteen years of effec-. tive toil in Newfoundland, Mr. Knight was transferred by the British Conference to Nova Scotia; in which Province, as well as in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, he occupied the most important positions and rendered services to the cause of Christ certainly unsurpassed by those of any of his fellow-laborers in these Colonies. The confidence reposed in his piety, fidelity, and prudence, by the Parent body was evinced by the long series of years during which he sustained the responsible office of Chairman and General Superintendent, with whatever geographical department of the work he happened to become connected. Since the organization of the affiliated Conference of Eastern British America, the pastoral supremacy of the English Conference, not less than the suffrages of the members of our own, assigned to him the honorable functions of Co-Delegate. To every post of duty he brought the same high principles of incorruptible integrity, and whilst displaying on all occasions a spirit of the most expansive catholicity towards the various sections of the Christian commonwealth, he was never known to falter in his allegiance to the polity of Methodism, or to compromise any of its doctrines. A firm and consistent believer in all the doctrines of Methodism, he sought and obtained, about eight years since, the perfect love of God, and retained this precious privilege of the Christian until he was forever perfected in heaven. His death, though he had measured out his three score years and ten, will long be felt throughout the bounds of our Conference as a heavy bereavement, and it will be felt the more as it was sudden and unexpected. He left his home in his usual state of health and exhibiting every appearance of robust vigor, to attend a meeting of our Academic Board, at Sackville, on the 12th of May last. the following Sabbath he preached with apparent comfort, and an especial measure of holy unction. On the Monday and Tuesday he attended the examination exercises of the Institution, and in a week from that time his athletic frame not only succumbed to the violence of disease, but sank exhausted into

the arms of death, in the 72nd year of his age and the 44th of his ministry. Brother Knight was the oldest effective Missionary in the world belonging to the Body sent out by the Missionary Committee—one who labored consecutively the whole period of his Ministry without a temporary retirement. It is a matter of devout gratulation that the heavenly serenity of his mind was not for a moment disturbed in his last illness by the apprehension of death, or any other species of temptation. Calmly victorious over the last enemy he entered into peace, and grasping the verdant palm of eternal triumph, has bequeathed to us who survive him an example of vigorous faith, of holy diligence, and of charity that never faileth. A few days before his death he summoned his family around him, and, in language ever to be remembered by them, gave his parting counsel, reminding them of their obligations to God, and charging each to meet him in the better Just before his death he was apparently absorbed in heavenly meditation, and observing that he was endeavoring to articulate something, a listening ear was placed to his lips, when he was heard to say quite distinctly, "I see his glory! Halelujah!" And in a few moments more he entered forever into its unclouded splendor.

"O, may we triumph so
When all our warfare's past!
And dying find our latest foe
Under our feet at last!"

QUESTION V.

What Ministers become Supernumeraries at the present Conference?

ANSWER.

Matthew Richey, D. D., Samuel Avery, George B. Payson, Charles Gaskin.

QUESTION VI.

Are there any objections to any of our Ministers or Preachers on Trial?

ANSWER.

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QUESTION VII.

How are our Ministers and Preachers on Trial stationed this year?

ANSWER.

As follows, viz :-

1. Halifax, S. W. Sprague, John Brewster, Richard Pratt; Chas. Churchill, A. M., who is our Book Steward; Henry Pope, 1st, Arthur McNutt, Supernumeraries.

2. Dartmouth, To be supplied from Halifax.

- Musquodoboit Harbor,
 Sambro and St. Margaret's Bay,
 R. Wasson.
- 5. Lunenburg, Joseph Hart; one requested; John Marshall, Supernumerary.
 - 6. Petite Riviere, John S. Addy.
 - 7. Mill Village, James Burns.

8. Liverpool, George Johnson.
9. Port Mouton, John Howie, under the superintend-

ence of Brother Johnson.

10. Windsor, Henry Pope, 2nd, Richard Johnson; Frederick Smallwood, who has permission to rest for a year on account of ill health.

11. Newport, James G. Hennigar.

12. Kempt, W. Alcorn.

13. Maitland, Robert E. Crane.

14. Bermuda, Frederick W. Moore, William Ryan.

CHARLES CHURCHILL, A. M., Chairman. Joseph Hart, Financial Secretary.

II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

- 15. St. John, South, John M'Murray, W. Wilson, Jas. R. Narraway, A. M.; William Temple, G. B. Payson, Supernumeraries.
 - 16. St. John, North, James England.
 - 17. St. John, West, J. Lathern.
 - 18. St. Andrew's, John B. Brownell.
 - 19. St. David, William Tweedy.
 - 20. St. Stephen, Hezekiah M'Keown.
 - 21. Mill Town, William Smith.
 - 22. Sussex Vale, Richard Smith, Theophilus S. Richey.
 - 23. Grand Lake, To be supplied from Sussex Vale.

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24. Greenwich, Stephen T. Teed. 25. Kingston, To be supplied from Greenwich. 26. Upham, John S. Colter. JOHN M'MURRAY, Chairman, James England, Financial Secretary. III.—TRURO DISTRICT. 27. Truro, Thomas H. Davies. 28. Middle Musquodoboit, William C. M'Kinnon. 29. River Philip, Alexander M. DesBrisay. 30. Pugwash, James R. Hart. 31. Wallace, William Allen. 32. River John S. Humphrey, A. B., John Cassidy. 33. and Pictou, Brother Cassidy to reside at Pictou. 34. Guysborough, George S. Milligan, A. M., Isaac Thurlow, R. Mitchell Smith. 35. Sydney, C. B., Geo. O. Heustis, Jas. A. Richey. 36. Ship Harbour and Arichat, Joseph Sutcliffe. 37. Port Hood and Margarie, John J. Teesdale. THOMAS H. DAVIES, Chairman, ALEXANDER M. DESBRISAY, Financial Secretary. IV.—PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND DISTRICT. 38. Charlottetown, Henry Daniel. 39. Cornwall and Little York, Alexander W. Nicolson. 40. Pownal, Roland Morton. The Brethren on the two preceding Circuits will interchange with Charlottetown under the direction of the Chairman. 41. Bedeque, J. Prince; J. B. Strong, Supernumerary. 42. Margate, Benjamin J. Johnston. 43. Morell and Mount Steward, To be supplied. 44. King's County, Alexander S. Tuttle, Visiting Missionary. 45. West Cape, William C. Brown. HENRY DANIEL, Chairman, JOHN PRINCE, Financial Secretary. V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT. 46. Fredericton, Charles Stewart, Joseph S. Coffin. 47. Sheffield, Richard Weddall.

- 48. Woodstock, Robert A. Temple, Duncan D. Currie, D. B. Scott.
 - 49. Andover, T. Watson Smith.
 - 50. Nashwaak, John Read.
 - 51. Gagetown, H. Holland.
 - 52. Burton, Fletcher A. Weldon.
 - 53. Miramichi, George M. Barratt.
 - 54. Bathurst, William W. Perkins.
- 55. Dalhousie, To be visited from Bathurst every fourth Sabbath.

ROBERT A. TEMPLE, Chairman,

Charles Stewart, Financial Secretary.

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

56. Sackville, Charles DeWolfe, A. M., Job Shenton.

MOUNT ALLISON INSTITUTION.

Principal of Male Branch, Humphrey Pickard, D.D., Secretary of Conference.

Principal of Female Branch, John Allison, A. M. Samuel Avery, Agent for Theological Institution.

57. Point de Bute, John Snowball; Douglas Chapman, who has permission to rest for a year, on account of ill health.

58. Baie de Verte, James Tweedy.

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- 59. Moncton, Jeremiah V. Jost. One requested.
- 60. Coverdale, Thos. Hart; C. Gaskin, Supernumerary.

61. Hopewell, James Buckley. One requested.

62. Richibuçto, Stephen F. Heustis.

63. Amherst, William T. Cardy.

64. Parrsborough, John L. Sponagle, C. S. Lane. One requested.

M. Pickard, D. D., Chairman, J. V. Jost, Financial Secretary.

VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

65. Annapolis, James Taylor. One requested.

66. Bridgetown, Michael Pickles; Geo. Miller, Joseph F. Bent, Supernumeraries.

67. Wilmot, Alexander B. Black. 68. Aylesford, George W. Tuttle.

69. Horton, Thomas Angwin, F. H. W. Pickles.

70. Cornwallis East, William Smithson.

71. Cornwallis West, George Butcher.

72. Digby, William M'Carty.

73. Yarmouth, Ingham Sutcliffe, James B. Likely.

74. Barrington, Robert Duncan.

175. Shelburne, R. Tweedy; one requested.

THOMAS ANGWIN, Chairman, James Taylor, Financial Secretary.

VIII.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

76. St. John's, Edmund Botterell, J. Waterhouse; A. Nightingale, Supernumerary.

77. Harbour Grace, Christopher Lockhart.

78. Carbonear, E. Brettle, W. S. Shenstone.

79. Brigus, Thomas Smith.

80. Port de Grave, William E. Shenstone.

81. Black Head, John S. Peach. 82. Island Cove, James Dove.

83. Old Perlican, Thomas Gaetz.

Hants Harbour, Charles Comben.
 Trinity, Alfred W. Turner.

86. Bonavista, Paul Prestwood, Thomas Fox.

87. Twillingate, Thomas Harris.

88. Burin, John S. Phinney. 89. Grand Bank, John Winterbotham.

MISSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

90. Labrador, Supplied during the Summer months by T. Fox.

1. Petites and Western Shore, Joseph Gaetz.

92. Exploits and Little Bay Islands, James A Duke.

EDMUND BOTTERELL, Chairman. John S. Peach, Financial Secretary.

Note.—Thomas M. Albrighton has permission to visit England for the benefit of his health.

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QUESTION VIII.

· What is the NUMBER of members in our Societies?

Answer.

As follows, viz :--

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	Circuits. Mem.	Trial.	Sydney, C. B 256	56
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	Musquodoboit Har,. 27	16		-
	St. Margaret's Bay,. 47	10	1581	159
	Lunenburg, 304	13		
	Petite Riviere, 133		P. E. ISLAND DISTRICT.	
	Mill Village, 133	13	Charlottetown, 402	
	Liverpool, 100	2	Cornwall and Little	
	Port Mouton, 140		York, 227	59.
	Windsor, 212	12	Pownal 101	3
	Newport, 228	42	Bedeque, 303	49
	Kempt, 201	24	Margate, 62	83
	Maitland, 145	22	King's County, 14	
	Bermuda, 354		West Cape, 20	80
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	ST. JOHN DISTRICT.		FREDERICTON DISTRICT	
	St. John, South, 668	40	Fredericton, 320	
	St. John, North, 135	. 8	Sheffield, 100	
	St. John, West, 214	25	Woodstock, 468	72
by	St. Andrew's, 45	60	Andover, 92	4
.7	St. Stephen's, 61	9	Nashwaak, 140	8
	St. David's, 106	2	Gage Town, &c., 146	
	Mill Town, 110		Miramichi, 76	
	Sussex Vale, 260		Bathurst, 38	
	Greenwich, 124	58	A SECTION OF THE PARTY OF THE P	-
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			SACKVILLE DISTRICT.	
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			Point deBute, 324	6
	. TRURO DISTRICT.		Moncton, 119	0
	Truro, 140		Coverdale, 107	
	River Philip, 167	18	Hopewell, 194	11
	Wallace, 351	1	Richibucto, 70	11
	Pugwash, 84	19	Amherst, 210	24
	River John, 135	40	Parrsboro', 339	30
	Guysboro', &c., 309	23	2	-
	Mid. Musquodoboit, 63	2	1613	86
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Aylesford, 162		Port deGrave,	77	25
Horton,	36. 16	Black Head, Island Cove, Old Perlican,	120	170 40 52
Yarmouth, 158		Hants Harbor,	120	33
Barrington, 378 Shelburne, 227	36	Bonavista,	267 165	210
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GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

Districts.	This year.	On trial.	Last year.	Incr.	Decr'se
Halifax,	2497	205	2422	75	
St. John,	1833	214	2028		195
Truro,	1581	159	1626		45
P. E. Island,	1129	274	1045	84	
Fredericton,	1380	84	1348	32	
Sackville,	1613	86	1656		43
Annapolis,	2050	138	1955	95.	1
Newfoundland,	3084	704	2736	348	
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QUESTION IX.

What has been collected upon the several Circuits for the Missionary Society, and for the Contingent and Home Mission Funds, the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund, and the Educational Fund for Ministers' Children?

ANSWER.

As follows, viz :-

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43	River John, Guysboro', &c.,	39 16 7	4 2 3	1 15 0 2 10 0	7 0 14 10
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BOOK AFFAIRS.

QUESTION XI.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the affairs of the Book Room?

ANSWER.

1. That the Conference records its high and thankful appreciation of the faithful and enterprising services of the Book Steward, the Rev. C. Churchill, A. M., during the past year.

2. That the Conference hereby presents its thanks to the Editor of *The Provincial Wesleyan* for the very able and acceptable manner in which he has discharged the duties of

his office during the past year.

3. The General Book Committee shall consist of the President, the Co-Delegate, and the Secretary of the Conference, Rev. Henry Pope, jun., Sec. Rev. Ed. Botterell,

- Thomas H. Davies, John McMurray, .. Wm. Smithson, 66 James England, " 66 James G. Hennigar, F. Smallwood, 66 66 S. W. Sprague, Ingham Sutcliffe, 46 Chas. Stewart.
 - Joseph Hart, "Rev. Henry Daniel.

4. The Executive Book Committee shall consist of the Superintendents of the Halifax, Windsor, and Newport Circuits.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

QUESTION XII.

What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting our Sabbath Schools?

Answer.

1. That the numerical state of our Sabbath Schools, as reported for the past year, is very satisfactory.

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P. E. Island,	14	106	373	390	763
Fredericton,	15	91	455	580	1035
Sackville,	25 `	124	370	405	775
Annapolis,	29	224	739	712	1451
Newfoundland,	33	275	1213	1284	2497
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2. The Conference would remind our people generally of the importance of using in our Sabbath Schools the Catechisms of our Church, and of the advantage of procuring for the School Libraries the Biographical, Biblical, and other excellent works, which the Book Steward in Halifax will furnish expeditiously, and on the most reasonable terms.

3. The Committee for the year to come shall be

Rev. Ingham Sutcliffe, Rev. James Buckley,

" Edmund Botterell, " J. R. Narraway,

" W. T. Cardy, " G. O. Huestis

" John S. Addy,

" E. Brettle.

MOUNT ALLISON ACADEMY.

QUESTION XIII.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the Mount Allison Academy, Sackville?

ANSWER.

1. That the very excellent report of the Trustees be

adopted.

2. That the Conference does hereby acknowledge its gratitude to Almighty God for the very marked and increasing success which, in His gracious Providence, He continues to vouchsafe to both branches of the Institution.

3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., Principal, for his judicious and efficient management of the Male Academy during

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another year, and that he be assured of our continued and unqualified confidence in his eminent fitness for his important position, and of our hearty gratulations because of the very gratifying prosperity of the Male Academy—to a great extent due to his indefatigable and enthusiastic devotion to the arduous and responsible duties of his office.

- 4. That the hearty thanks of the Canference be presented to the Rev'd. J. Allison, A.M., Principal, and Mrs. M. Allison, A.M., Preceptress, for their unwearied and highly successful discharge of the laborious and very important functions devolving upon them in their united presidency over the Ladies' Branch of the Institution, and that an assurance be conveyed to them of our high appreciation of their success, and of the very great satisfaction which we obtain from a consideration of the distinguished status to which by them the Ladies' Academy bas been so rapidly conducted.
- 5. That the Conference has unfeigned pleasure in recommending these institutions to the patronage of all parents and guardians who desire for their children or wards a liberal and thorough education, confident that no greater facilities exist anywhere in America for securing this most desirable object than what are found in connection with the Mount Allison Academy.
- 6 That the following persons be Trustees for the ensueing year, viz:

The President of the Conference.

Rev. H. Pickard, D.D., Mariner Wood, Esq.,

" J. Allison, A.B., J. H. Anderson, Esq.,
" John Snowbell Hon Chas Young LL. I

John Snowball, Hon. Chas. Young, LL. D.,

" M. Pickles, Stephen Fulton, Esq., " E. Botterell, W. H. Harrison, Esq.,

J. McMurray, J. F. Allison, Esq.,

" Charles Churchill, A.M., Hon. J. J. Rogerson.

7. That Revs. W. T. Cardy, C. DeWolf, A.M., J. R. Narraway, A.M., Samuel Avery and Stephen Humphrey, A.B., be a Committee of Examination to attend the closing exercises of each term, and to report to the Conference the state of the Institution.

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MISSIONARY AFFAIRS.

QUESTION XIV.

What is the judgment of the Conference respecting our Missionary Society?

ANSWER.

That the following persons shall consitute the Committee for the ensuing year :,

The President, the Co-Delegate, and the Secretary of the Conference.

Rev. Chas. Stewart, Sec'y Wm. Wilson, Thomas H. Davies,

James G. Hennigar,

Henry Daniel, 46 J. Sutcliffe, "

George Johnson, Ed. Botterell, Chas. Churchill, A.M., G. P. Sancton, Esq., Martin G. Black, Esq.,

Hon. J. H. Ryan, Hon. Judge Wilmot, R. Salter, Esq.,

N. Moses, Esq., George H. Starr, Esq., Ralph Brecken, Esq.,

Hon. J. H. Anderson, Hon. J. J. Rogerson,

Aaron Eaton, Esq.

THE CHILDREN'S FUND.

QUESTION XV.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Children's Fund?

ANSWER.

1. That John Starr, Fsq., and Rev. James Taylor are requested to act as General Treasurers of this Fund for the ensuing year; and the Rev. James England as General Secretary.

2. In conformity to the standing Rule which makes provision towards the support of the children of our Ministers, from a certain rate of contribution in proportion to the number in Society, it is agreed that for the ensuing year seventyfour members shall provide the allowance for one child.

The following statement has accordingly been drawn up, determining the number of children's allowances to be allotted at the Financial District Meetings to the Circuits, according to Rule:

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Fredericton,	. 1380	18
Sackville,	1613	$21\frac{3}{4}$
Annapolis,	2050	$27\frac{3}{4}$
Newfoundland,	3084	$41\frac{3}{4}$
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THEOLOGICAL PROFESSORSHIP.

QUESTION XVI.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Charles F. Allison Professorship of Theology?

ANSWER.

1. That while attaching the same high importance which Methodism has ever done to the maintenance of a converted and divinely-called Ministry in the Church, and being resolved to keep inviolate every guard for the preservation of the spiritual qualifications of that Ministry, the Conference is nevertheless profoundly impressed with the urgent necessity of founding an institution for the suitable training of our Ministerial candidates prior to an entrance upon their work, agreeably with the plan entertained and resolved upon at the last Conference.

2. That the Conference is much gratified with the result of the applications made during the past year in the several Districts of our Connexion on behalf of the Professorship Endowment Fund, as affording evidence that the object contemplated is one which commends itself strongly to the intelligence and affection of our people generally; and assuming that the aid of our friends in different Districts to whom application has not yet been made, will be found to be liberal in the same proportion, every reasonable indication is presented that the amount proposed as necessary to be obtained for the establishment of the Endowment of the Chair of Theology will be realized.

3. That in the view of the Conference it is highly desirable the canvass on behalf of this Fund should be completed

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at the earliest period possible, and that promptitude should be observed in the collection of the subscriptions payable dur-

ing the present season.

4. That the Rev Samuel Avery be appointed agent for this Fund for the ensuing year, to act under the direction of the Sub-Committee, and that the Chairmen of Districts be requested to co-operate with him; and that for those Districts or Circuits which the General Agent may not be able to visit, there be made at the approaching Financial District Meetings such arrangements as will secure the early subscription of the amount required and the collection of the subscriptions in due time.

5. That the agent or agents of this Fund be authorised to effect a compromise with any of the annual subscribers who may be disposed, instead of allowing their subscriptions to extend over a period of ten years to make a present payment of at least one half of the full amount promised by them.

6. The Committee for the ensuing year shall consist of— The President, Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Conference,

Rev. John McMurray, Sec., Rev. E. Botterell,

" John Allison, A. M., " J. R. Narraway, A. M.,

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Hon. John H. Anderson, Halifax,
Dr. Young, Charlottetown,
Judge Wilmot, Fredericton,
W. H. Harrison, Esq., St. John,
M. Wood, Esq., Sackville,
N. Tupper, Esq., Aylesford,

Hon. J. J. Rogerson, Newfoundland.

7. That the Hon. John H. Anderson, and the Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D. D., be requested to act as the Treasurers; and the Hon. Charles Young, LL. D., and Rev. John Allison, A. M., as the Secretaries of this Fund; and that these, with the President and Co-Delegate of the Conference, and the Secretary of the General Committee, constitute the Sub-Committee.

8. That the Committee shall be authorised fully to mature the plan for the regulation and working of the Institution—to make enquiries respecting a suitable person to occupy the Chair of Theology, to negociate with him provisionally, and

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to report thereon to the next Conference; by which time it is believed the Endowment Fund will be in such a state as to

warrant the establishment of the Professorship.

9. That, as in the judgment of this Conference there exists a pressing demand for the immediate inception of a system of training for our rising Ministry, the Superintendent of the Sackville Circuit be especially charged, during the ensuing year, with the oversight of the Divinity studies of such Students in the Mount Allison Academy as may have been recommended as candidates for our Ministry, with a view of facilitating their progress in preparation for the work to which they believe themselves to be called of God.

SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

QUESTION XVII.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund?

ANSWER.

1. The Conference observes with much satisfaction the successful introduction of this Fund to the Classes generally, and hopes that by due attention to all the sources of income, namely, Public Collections, Subscriptions in the Classes, and Donations, the required average of six pence per member per annum will very soon be reached and permanently sustained.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Executors of the will of the late G. T. Ray, Esq., Aaron Eaton, John Fraser, and E. E. Lockhart, Esqs., for their kind proposal of immediate payment of his bequest to this Fund.

3. That the respectful thanks of the Conference be given to Henry B. and Joseph F. Allison, Esquires, the Executors of the will of the late C. F. Allison, Esq., who have kindly and promptly paid his legacy on behalf of this Fund.

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Note.—It is ordered that for the future all payments for the Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund shall be made at the District Meetings.

EDUCATIONAL FUND FOR MINISTERS' CHILDREN.

QUESTION XVIII.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Educational Fund for Ministers' Children?

ANSWER.

1. That every Minister in full connexion shall pay an annual subscription—to be, for the present, ten shillings—into this Fund, and that private subscriptions and donations are to be solicited from our more opulent friends, to whom the Ministers are authorised to make application.

2. That a public collection shall be made annually in all our Chapels and Sabbath preaching places, in the month of April for this Fund.

3. The Rev. C. Stewart, of Fredericton, and John Fraser, Esq., of St. John, N. B., are requested to act as Treasurers of this Fund. The Rev. George Johnson is appointed Secretary.

HOME MISSION AND CONTINGENT FUND.

QUESTION XIX.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Home Mission and Contingent Fund?

ANSWER.

1. That the rules previously adopted respecting this Fund, and Published in our Minutes for 1856-7, are hereby reaffirmed.

2. This Fund, the design of which is to aid our poorer Circuits in supporting their Ministers, and to extend the benefits of a preached Gospel to places which, although embraced within the boundaries of our Conference, have not yet been reached by our Ministry, being of vital importance to the extension of our work, the Conference rejoices to find in the report of the Collections for it during the past year evidences of a somewhat improved attention to its interests in several Circuits; but in view of the many urgent claims from various portions of the field of Christian enterprise which God, in His providence, is opening to our Ministry, it is a matter of deep regret that on several of the Circuits due consideration of its claims does not appear to have been secured.

3. That the Committee for the ensuing year shall consist of the President or Co-Delegate, the Secretary of the Conference, the Treasurers and Secretaries of the Children's Fund, the Financial Secretaries of the respective Districts,

and

Rev. E. Botterell, Rev. H. Daniel,
"T. H. Davies, "T. Angwin,
George Johnson, "John McMurray,
Rev. C. Churchill, A. M.,

with two gentlemen, members of our Church, from each District, to be chosen at the Annual Meeting in May. Hon. J. H. Anderson and Rev. C. Churchill, A. M., *Treasurers*.

Rev. James Taylor is appointed Secretary.

4. The Chairman of the Prince Edward Island District read a minute of the District Meeting respecting the urgent necessity of some arrangements for extending the benefits of a Wesleyan Ministry to destitute portions of that Island. Upon which a lengthy conversation arose as to the desirableness of some general plan for the systematic extension of our work in all portions of the country embraced within the limits of the Conferences; at the close of the conversation it was

Resolved, To refer the matter for further and more thorough consideration to the Contingent Fund Committee, with

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Tl enqui and a instructions to devise, if possible, some plan for the attainment of the end desired, to be reported to the ensuing Conference.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

I. TEMPERANCE.

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Conference the inevitable result of the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage in these Provinces are evils of a magnitude incalculably greater than any even imagined benefits; and that, therefore, it is the duty of every member of our Church, whether in the Ministry or among the laity, to refrain entirely from such use, and to do everything possible in a proper way, and with a becoming spirit, to promote the cause of Total Abstinence.

II. USE OF TOBACCO, &c.

Resolved, That in the annual examination of condidates for our Ministry it shall be the duty of the Chairmen of the Districts to propose the question, "Do you take any snuff, to-bacco, or drams?" And that a distinct answer in the negative shall be required in every case as a condition of continuing on trial from year to year, or of being received into full connexion?

III. CONFERENCE PROPERTY.

The following persons are appointed a Committee to enquire into and consider the state of Connexional property, and all matters relating thereto:

Rev. T. H. Davies,
Wm. Smithson,
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Rev. John S. W. Sprague,
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STANDING ORDERS.

I. DISTRICT MINUTES.

The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure three complete copies of the Minutes of the several Annual and other Meetings of the District Committees, financial and ordinary, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretaries. One of these copies shall be inserted in the District Records; the second shall be reserved for the use of the Conference; and the third shall be delivered to the Sub-Secretary for preservation in the archives of the Connexion. Furthermore it is required that the last-mentioned copies shall be handed in on the forenoon of the day preceding that on which our first preparatory Committee-meeting may be appointed to be held, that the Secretaries may prepare classified lists of all matters which are to come before the Conference, and thereby expedite business.

III. QUARTERLY SCHEDULES.

Resolved, That the practice of our Connexion in England, respecting Quarterly Schedules of the state of every Class and Society upon the Several Circuits, be adopted by this Conference, and that the Schedules, duly filled up, shall be annually produced in the District Meetings, to be examined and considered.

QUESTION XX. When and where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer.

On the Fourth Wednesday in June, A. D., 1861, at St. John, N. B.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

MATTHEW RICHEY, D. D. HUMPHREY PICKARD, Secretary.

TIME FOR COLLECTIONS IN AID OF THE CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

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ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1861.

The Committees preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in St. John as follows, (subject, however, to any changes of the particular order, days, or hours here specified, which the President, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may make,) viz:

- 1. Stationing Committee,—Thursday, June 20th, at 9 o'clock, A.M.
 - 2. Book Committee, Friday, June 21st, at 9, A.M.
- 3. Theological Institution Committee,—Saturday, June 22nd, at 9, A.M.
- 4. Auxiliary Missionary Society Committee,—Saturday, June 22nd, at 3, P.M.
- 5. Board of Trustees of the Mount Allison Academy,—Monday, June 24th, at 9, A.M.
 - 6. Contingent Fund,-Tuesday, June 25th, at 9, A.M.
- 7. Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund,—Tuesday, June 25th, at 3, P.M.
- N. B.—1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in St. John on Thursday, June 20th, for the purpose of preparing for their several Committees the accounts of their several departments.
- 2 The Assistant Secretaries are requested to attend at the same time, for the purpose of compiling from the District Minutes various lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees and of the subsequent Conference.
- 3. Special Notice to Chairmen of Districts.—They are particularly required to bring, in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds, on Thursday, June 20th, the necessary copies of the District Minutes, the Circuit accounts of each Circuit in their respective Districts, and the Minutes of the Financial District Meetings.

THE PASTORAL ADDRESS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.

DEAR BRETHREN:

One of the most pleasing duties of the Conference is to present to our various Churches our annual salutations, and the expression of our pastoral and fraternal affection. Sharers with you in the common salvation, as we all are, and animated by the same blessed hope of a glorious immortality. we rejoice with you in the thought that "now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." During the year which has just terminated many of our beloved people have gone. to realize the glories of the heavenly world. The remembrance of their faith and patience has been most encouraging to our minds as furnishing continued evidence of the excellence of that form of Christianity which we have received from our fathers, and which, by the grace of God, we hope to transmit to posterity in all its purity and efficiency.

The hallowed joy which we are wont to experience in our assembling in Conference is chastened by the bereavements which we have sustained during the year. Two of our most esteemed and venerated ministers, each of whom had been permitted to spend a long life in the service of the Church, have been called away to their rest. They have, however, left behind them a name fragrant as ointment poured forth, and we cherish the hope that their Brethren and successors

among us will be richly endued with their spirit.

It is a matter for gratitude to God that the past year has been one of revival and prosperity to our Churches. The presence of God has been with us; souls have been converted, believers sanctified, and the general piety of our Church Among us revivals of religion are not novelties.

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Methodism lives and extends her borders by them. May we still witness them until we are a thousand times as many as we are.

But let us not rest in the theory of religion, nor remain satisfied with occasional spiritual enjoyments. It is the privilege of every one to be assured of the Divine favor. "Because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts crying Abba Father." divine testimony is essential at once to our possession of the fruit of the Spirit, and to a joyful walk with God. therefore, affectionately urge all who are still living in the region of doubt to continue in earnest prayer and expectation for this inestimable blessing. And let those who have believed in Christ be reminded that their privilege is to be "eleansed from filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of the Lord." We are instructed, not only to keep the heart with all diligence, but to walk in love as the children of God. Our tempers and our tongues, our public conduct and private deportment should always be in subjection unto the obedience of Christ. "Let brotherly love continue;" "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." Then shall the world acknowledge the grace of God in you, and be drawn towards the same fountain of good.

While we contemplate with thankfulness the advancing catholicity of the present age, we would still affectionately urge upon your best regards our own well tried and time honoured institutions. Among us the word of God is faithfully preached, and the Sacraments are duly administered. Our attention to these, as a means of grace, is required, not by human prescription, but by divine obligation. auxiliary to these, however, no Methodist can lightly esteem the Love Feast, the Class Meeting, or the Meeting for Prayer. Each of these has its own peculiar advantage, and together they must, when faithfully used, contribute largely to our growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Were we more fully alive to the constant presence of the Head of the Church in all our services, did we but expect an uninterrupted communication of his saving power, there would be more stability in our personal experience, and less need for unusual efforts to restore the luke-

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warm, and to convert the formalist. A constantly progressive religion will necessarily be both sure and fruitful—rooted in love and glorious in all the manifestations of the divine life.

The Conference has been much gratified with the result of the applications made during the past year on behalf of the Theological Professorship. Due attention will be given to carry out this project in the most advantageous manner, and we still hope that our people generally will take an interest in its operation, and will both by their efforts and their prayers contribute to its success in training our young ministers to be "workmen needing not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

It affords us great pleasure to state that our Educational Institutions at Sackville continue in a state of great efficiency. The thoroughness of the training in all departments of both branches of the Academy at Mount Allison, and the jealous care over both the health and morals of the pupils, enable us to recommend it to the patronage and the prayers of our

churches and congregations in these Provinces.

We have also the gratification of referring to our Book Concern as an important auxiliary to our Connexional prosperity. Under the able superintendence of the Rev. Charles Churchill, A.M., its sales continue to increase from year to year, and we hope that by the countenance and support of our churches there will be a still wider diffusion of Wesleyan Literature among the families of our people.

As Methodists we solicit on behalf of all the schemes of our Church an intelligent consideration, being assured that just as our whole economy is understood will its claims, as a means of saving souls from death and of spreading Scriptural holiness throughout the land, commend themselves to every

man's conscience in the sight of God.

And now, dear Brethrer, we commend you to God and to the word of his grace. Be our fellow-helpers in the truth. Prove all things: hold fast that which is good; and in the day of the Lord Jesus may we with you obtain an abundant entrance into His glorious and everlasting Kingdom.

Signed by order and on behalf of the Conference.

HUMPHREY PICKARD, Secretary.

Fredericton, N. B., July 7th, 1860.

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OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHO-DIST CHURCH IN BASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.— (1859.)

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:

The reading of your very welcome Address afforded us sincere pleasure. To be informed of God's great mercy in having preserved the life of every Minister connected with your Conference; of the encouraging increase in the number of your Church members; of the proportionate increase in your various Funds; of the extension of Christian literature by means of your Book-Room; and of the peace, unity, and Christian liberality of the Churches committed to your care, —causes us to rejoice with you and to give devout thanks to Him from whom descends every good gift and every perfect gift.

We are happy to learn that God has restored to health your honored President, and that he is able to visit Newfoundland, where, as you inform us, God is both blessing the toil of His servants, and calling forth new labourers into His harvest.

We regret with you that the Rey. Francis A. West was unable to visit you during the past year. Your disappointment was owing to difficulties which were insuperable, and not to a want, either on his part or on ours, of a desire to maintain by all suitable means the lively conviction of the blessed truth, that we, with all our Methodist brethren throughout the world, are, though many, yet one body in Christ.

We are glad to mark the continued prosperity of your Collegiate Institution; and the founding of a Theological Professorship at Sackville, to perpetuate the memory of the highly Christian character of your lamented friend and brother, Mr. Allison, gives us special gratification.

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We receive with all confidence your assurance that you are resolved to maintain the Wesleyan doctrine and discipline in unimpaired integrity, and that you at the same time give the right hand of fellowship to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity; thus proving yourselves to be the friends of all, the enemies of none.

We have heard with great interest of your proposed Mission to Labrador, and hope that in your next communication you will be able to report its successful establishment.

The venerable members of your Conference who have this year become Supernumeraries will receive from us that consideration to which they are justly entitled on account of their long and valuable labours.

Whilst rejoicing with you in the happy Conference which you held in Prince Edward's Island, we are happy to inform you that during this our annual assembly we have been filled with comfort, both by the manifest tokens of the presence of

with comfort, both by the manifest tokens of the presence of God in the midst of us, and by the review of the prosperity granted to every department of our work during the past year.

The increase of our church-members in Great Britain during the year has been 16,704; and 25,541 persons are reported on trial for church-membership. There has been a proportionate increase in our Funds, and a large increase of chapels and schools, accompanied with a very considerable extinction of debt on our chapel-property. The Missionary income has reached a larger amount than in any previous year: and we are greatly cheered by the reports which we continue to receive of the prosperity of the work of God in the Mission-field.

At the same time our Home-Mission movement has made steady progress, showing that the Gospel of Christ is sufficient of itself to restore the most wretched and degraded of our population to peace and true prosperity, and that nothing can separate any man from happiness and eternal life, save either ignorance of Christ or wilful rejection of his salvation.

Whilst, however, we are greatly cheered by what we have already witnessed, and devoutly thankful to God for the favor and mercy which he has shown us, we are especially glad to note what we believe to be the beginnings of a great revival

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of religion in various parts of England, in Wales, in Scotland, and especially in the North of Ireland.

There is an expectation widely prevalent amongst our own people, and amongst Christians of other denominations, that we are about to witness a much greater work of God than we have ever yet seen. And we affectionately invite you, dear Brethren, to join us in fervent, believing, and persevering prayer to the Great Head of the universal church, that He may speedily pour out on yourselves and on us "all the spirit of His love."

Let us at the same time, with all fidelity. "preach the word" which is "the sword of the Spirit," and wait in faith for the repetition of scenes of grace such as the earliest Gentile Church beheld, when "the Holy Ghost fell on all them that heard the word." Let us strive so to live that we may be at all times, and to the full extent of our glorious privilege, "temples of the Holy Ghost," that thus we may be fitted to be effectual workers with God in his great and glorious work of saving souls from death, which we are persuaded is about to appear unto his servants with unwonted glory and success.

We very willingly accede to your request to re-appoint the Rev. Dr. Richey as your President, and the Rev. Dr. Knight as Co-Delegate.

Our most fervent prayers are offered, that God may, by the riches of his grace, exceed all your expectations and prayers.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

SAMUEL D. WADDY, President, JOHN FARRAR, Secretary.

Manchester, August 12th 1859.

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OF THE

CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH IN EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,

TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

REVEREND AND BELOVED FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

The reading of your Address to us has afforded us peculiar pleasure. We are thankful for the interest which you manifest in our welfare and prosperity, and for the paternal con-

sideration which you extend to our requests.

We greatly rejoice in your still increasing prosperity;—the addition of 15,704 members, with 25,541 on trial affords us unfeigned satisfaction, and causes us to join with you in devout thanksgiving to God who giveth the increase; while the addition to your chapels and schools, and the augmentation of your Connexional Funds serves to heighten our joy, and intensify our thankfulness. That the income of the Missionary Society is steadily advancing gives assurance of the strong hold which this cause has taken of the affections of English Methodists and of the deepening interest felt in the operations of the Society throughout the bounds of the affiliated Conferences and Mission Districts.

Our hearts have been gladdened and encouraged to learn that your expectations of revival have not been vain, and we hope and pray that larger showers of Divine blessing may descend on all your Circuits, and that your Home Mission work, already so successful, may become very largely instrumental in the elevation and salvation of the neglected and

degraded masses of your city populations.

We have, during the year past, been prostrating ourselves at the throne of grace, seeking an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the world, and especially upon our own field of lab our reli to t to n an i ship

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labor, and with thankful hearts we now record that many of our Circuits have been favoured with gracious revivals of religion, enabling us, after an increasingly vigilant attention to that part of Methodist discipline which requires members to meet in class, to report a membership of 15,167—being an increase of 351 members, with 1764 on trial for member-

ship.

We have this year to lament the death of two of our venerable fathers in the ministry—Wm. Crosscombe and Dr. Knight, our late Co-Delegate. The former had been a Supernumerary for some years, but our beloved Dr. Knight, the oldest effective Missionary, we believe, in connection with the British Conference, continued his labours till within a few days of his death. We deeply feel our loss, but bow to the Divine will with unquestioning submission. Their deaths—closing lives which had been in labours more abundant, and in piety eminent—were triumphant, and their memory will ever be fragrant throughout our Connexion.

Six of our ministers—an unusually large number—are asking permission to rest for one year; but we earnestly hope that these brethren may be restored to health, and enabled to

resume labour at the next Conference.

We have just received into full connexion ten young men, eight of whom have been ordained at the present Conference; besides these, eleven young men of promising talents have now been received by the Conference as preachers on trial, but we regret to say that the supply does not yet equal the demand.

Our different Connexional Funds are growing in favor with our people, and encourage our hope in regard to their future

efficiency.

The Academic Institutions at Sackville are in a very gratifying state of presperity, and give promise of being an incalculable blessing to the youth of our Connexion and country, and the initiatory movement recently made to establish a

Theological Professorship promises entire success.

The affairs of our Book Room are reported to be in a healthy condition: the extension of Methodist literature is steadily increasing; and arrangements are now being made by which we hope to render the *Provincial Wesleyan*, our Connexional organ, more influential for good.

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lves Ioly I of The Mission to the Labrador coast was begun favourably last year, and at present one of our brethren is labouring in that sphere, and the Mission may be regarded as established.

Our beloved brother, Dr. Richey, finds it necessary to become a Supernumerary for one year, at least. This renders the office of President among us vacant—as the lamented death of Dr. Knight had previously that of Co-Delegate. The brethren have with great unanimity agreed respectfully to request that the Rev. Enoch Wood, D.D., may be appointed to preside at our next Conference, and the Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D.D., to act as Co-Delegate; and we also earnestly request that they may be authorized to discharge the duties of these offices for the remainder of the current as well as for the succeeding Connexional year.

We continue to hold the doctrines of Methodism in their purity and completeness, and are resolved, by the blessing of God, to maintain Wesleyan discipline, and preach those doctrines which have received such marked sanction from the

Head of the Church.

Wishing for you the presence and blessing of Almighty God in your approaching Conference,

. We remain.

Your Sons and Brethren in the Gospel of the Lord Jesus, Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JAMES TAYLOR, Assistant Secretary.

July 7th, 1860.

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THE ADDRESS

OF THE

CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,

TO THE CANADA CONFERENCE.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:

Appreciating the obligation of the apostolic injunction, "Let brotherly love continue," and yielding to the influence of its benignant spirit, we experience unfeigned pleasure in renewing our fraternal intercourse with your venerable body, by the designation of our esteemed Secretary, the Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D. D., as our representative to the next session of your Conference, and by requesting our valued Brother, the Rev. James R. Narraway, A. M., to accompany him.

In these "brethren beloved" you will recognize claims and qualifications which, as they amply entitle them to our confidence and esteem, as able and faithful ministers of our Lord Jesus Christ, will, we are sure, secure for them from you a corresponding reception. To Brother Pickard belongs, as you are aware, the honor of association with our Academic Institution from the day its portals were first opened until now; and there is nothing adulatory in saying that to his zeal, prudence, and unwearied diligence in his educational functions that noble monument of Christian munificence is, under God, mainly indebted for its past prosperity and present influential position. As an eloquent preacher of the everlasting Gospel, and as one moreover, whose indomitable ardour in the pursuit of general and useful knowledge has triumphed over formidable difficulties, brother Narraway's praise is in all our Churches.

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From the columns of the Christian Guardian, and the valued communications from a member of your body to our own Conference organ, we derive, from time to time, much, at once to refresh and improve us. We covet earnestly your best gifts, to the edifying of the Church; and especially do we desire, as we have opportunity, and up to the measure of our resources, to emulate, in our allotted sphere, your well directed evangelistic zeal. That characteristic we regard as pre-eminently the glory of Canadian Methodism; and our fervent supplication is that the Lord may continue to create upon every dwelling place of your Zion, and upon your assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night, and that upon all the glory there may be a defence.

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In the new and interesting field of missionary enterprise opened to you in British Columbia and Vancouver's Island, we mark, with gratitude to God, the encouraging success of your incipient operations. Such tokens of the Divine favour, and the animating anticipations they naturally awaken, are well fitted to cheer the heart of our old friend and fellowlaborer, Dr. Evans, and to sustain him amid the solicitudes

and labors of his present responsible position.

The work of God amongst us, we rejoice to be able to state, is, in all its departments steadily progressive. We refer you with confidence to our deputation for information on any aspect of our cause in which you may feel an especial interest; and shall be most happy and thankful to secure from you, as an elder sister in the great Wesleyan family, any councils or suggestions you may be pleased to offer in relation to the great interests which it is our common object to promote.

Hoping that you may, at your convenience, reciprocate our official expression of respect and affection, and cherishing a grateful remembrance of the invaluable aid rendered us by your former deputations, in laying the foundations of our ecclesiastical edifice; we close with the devout wish that the great things which the Lord has already done for you may prove to be but the first-fruits of an abundant harvest.

Signed on behalf of the Conference,

MATTHEW RICHEY, D. D., President. Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 27th, 1859.

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THE ANSWER

OF THE CANADA CONFERENCE TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN:

It has given us unfeigned satisfaction to receive your depution to us of the Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D. D., your justly esteemed Secretary, and his highly gifted companion, the

Rev. James Narraway, A. M.

With a body of Christian Ministers such as yours, to whom our deepest sympathies flow, as animated by a common faith and working for a common object with ourselves, we are always pleased to interchange fraternal greetings. But when, in addition to an interesting and edifying letter, personal communications are given, so varied in information, and so inspiriting in appeals as those supplied by your valued Brethren, then is the satisfaction greatly heightened, and the benefit of such interchanges placed beyond a question.

Your expectation was fully justified that "in these brethren beloved" we would recognize claims and qualifications which, as they amply entitle them to your "confidence and esteem as able ministers of Jesus Christ," would "not fail to secure for them from" us "a corresponding reception." That reception, for their own sakes, as for yours, we have gladly given them; and trust that for many years they may be spared to employ in your portion of the Lord's vineyard, their cultivated and consecrated talents.

We joyfully recognize in your communication particulars of your history and condition, eminently characteristic of our highly prized Methodism; especially as they demonstrate that "the faith once delivered to the saints" is, in its purity and power, your abiding and animating rule of action. We are not, therefore, surprised, by the tidings which from various

sources reach us, of the spreading influence of the Redeemer's kingdom through your honored instrumentality; nor will we cease to hope that through the length and breadth of Eastern British America, your successes may ever be great and

permanent.

The educational institute over which your respected Secretary has presided with so much zeal and efficiency "from," (as you tell us in your letter,) "the day its portals were first opened until now," has long been to us an object of interest. We remember with admiration the munificent act of liberality by which it rose into existence; we have noted its progress and usefulness from year to year; we have marked with much satisfaction the hold it has taken of the public mind; and we cherish the conviction, that with the agents it commands, and the patronage it has won, it will continue to augment its power as an invaluable auxiliary to your ministry in moulding and directing the minds of many of the youth of your rising country; a circumstance which will tell very materially upon its progress and stability.

The fields of evangelistic effort which lie before us, and which open in every direction, inviting our occupancy, are very extensive,—a fact which, while it calls for the utmost of our strength and means, excites our deepest concern. our East are hundreds of thousands of French Canadians held in bondage by the superstitions of Popery; in our West are the diminishing yet numerous tribes of the aborigines of our continent; around us are very many new settlers of our uncultivated lands; while beyond us-stretched to the shores of the Pacific—are teeming thousands of fellow immortals, the cry of whose spiritual wants demand an instant and The harvest truly is plenteous, while men earnest attention. of God, suitable to the work, but especially the means essential for their maintenance, are painfully inadequate. hope is in God, as by him we have hitherto been helped; and we trust that with His blessing, we shall yet possess the means by which we shall fully reach and alleviate the condition of many who, while perishing in ignorance and sin, have nevertheless the claims of a common country with those of a common nature upon us.

We avail ourselves of this opportunity of assuring you that we do most cordially reciprocate your official expression of respondent court time fully

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respect and affection; and that we shall gladly employ such means as may be necessary to maintain the brotherly intercourse so happily existing between us; and shall from time to time depute such of our brethren to visit you as shall faithfully and fully inform you of our state and proceedings.

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Signed by order and on behalf of the Conference,

JOSEPH STINSON, D. D., President. KENNEDY CREIGHTON, Secretary.

Kingston, June 10th, 1860.

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ADDRESS TO H. R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

We, the loyal and dutiful subjects of Her Majesty the Queen, being Ministers of the Gospel in the Wesleyan Church of Eastern British America, affiliated to the Methodist Conference of England, established by the Rev. John Wesley, Master of Arts, and in essential unity therewith, beg to approach your Royal Highness with our humble congratulations on the auspicious event of the visit of Your Royal Highness to this flourishing portion of the widely extended empire of Great Britain.

We unfeignedly assure your Royal Highness that the faithful attachment of the Conference of Wesleyan Methodists in England to the August House of Brunswick, of which, after our Gracious Sovereign, your Royal Highness is the next Representative, is entertained and sacredly cherished by this

Conference.

Permit us also to say to your Royal Highness that our Societies and Congregations participate in these sentiments of loyalty and devotion to your Royal Person and House which we have received from our predecessors. Your Royal Highness will please to permit us to say further, that to none of our fellow-colonists can the coming of your Royal Highness to British America, and your progress through it, be an occasion of greater and more grateful joy than to the members of this Conference.

Earnestly commending your Royal Highness to the con-

tinued protection and blessing of Almighty God,

We are, in the name and on behalf of the Methodist Conference of Eastern British America,

> Your Royal Highness's Faithful and devoted Servants.

(Signed) MATTHEW RICHEY. President. HUMPHREY PICKARD, Secretary.

Fredericton, N. B., July 7, 1860.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE, August 1st, 1860.

REV. SIR:

I have the honour to convey to you the thanks of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales for the address which you have presented to him on behalf of the Ministers of the Gospel in the Wesleyan Church of Eastern British America—affiliated to the Methodist Conference of England.

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MINISTERS AND PREACHERS ON TRIAL IN CONNEXION WITH

THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.

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

1836 Addy, J. S., Petite Riviere, N. S. 1, 1860 Coulter, John S., Upham, N.B., 1851 Albrighton. Thos. M., Has per-1846 Crane, Robt. E., Maitland, N.S. mission to visit England. 1853 Currie, D. D., Woodstock, N.B., 2 1856 Alcorn. Wm., Kempt, N. S. 1840 Allen, Wm., Watlace, N. S. 1843 Allison, John, A. M., PRINCIPAL 1830 Daniel, Henry, Charlottetown, P.E.I., 1824 Davies, T. H., Truro, N.S., 1852 DesBrisay, Alex. M., River Phi-FEMALE BRANCH Mount Allison Institution. lip, N.S. 1837 DeWolfe, Chas., A.M., Sackville, 1831 Angwin, Thomas, Horton, N. S. 2 1854 Avery, Saml., Agent for Theolo-gical Institution, N.B., 1855 Dove, Jas., Island Cove, Nfld., 1837 Barrett, Geo. M., Miramichi, N. 1853 Duncan, Robt., Barrington, N. B... 1828 Fent, Jos. F., Sup. Bridgetown, 1857 Duke, James A., Exploits, &c., Nfld. 1851 Black, A. B., Wilmot, N. S. 1834 Botterell, Edmund, St. John's, 1837 England, Jas., St. John South, N.B.1856 Fox, Thos., Bonavista, Nfld. Nfld. 1848 Brettle, Elias, Carbonear, Nfd., 1 1845 Brewster, John, Halifax, N. S. 2 1857 Brown, W. C., West Cape, P.E.I. 1 1826 Brownell, John B., St. Andrews, 1851 Gaetz, Thos., Old Perlican, Nfld., 1860 Gaetz, Jos., Petiles, &c., Nfld., 1853 Gaskin, Chas., Sup., Coverdale, N.B., 1854 Harris, Thos., Twillingate, Nfld., 2 1853 Hart, Joseph, Lunenburg, N.S., 1860 Hart, Jas. R., Pugwash, N.S., 1860 Hart, Thos. D., Coverdale, N.B., 1836 Buckley, Jas., Hopewell, N. B., 1853 Burns, Jas., Mill Village, N.S., 1856 Butcher, Geo., Cornwallis West, 1834 Cardy, W. T., Amherst, N. S., 1856 Cassidy, J., River John & Pictou, 1826 Hennigar, James G., Newport, 1856 Holland, Henry, Gagetown, N.B., 1857 Howie, John, Port Mouton, N.S., N. S. 1857 Chapman, Douglas, Point de 1846 Huestis, G. O., Sydney, C.B.,
1858 Huestis, S. F., Richibucto, N.B.,
1856 Humphrey, Stephen, A.B., River John, N.S., Bute. Allowed to rest for one year on account of ill health. 1837 Churchill, Chas., A.M., Book-Steward, Halifax, N.S., 5 1859 Coffin, Jos. S., Fredericton, N.B. 1 1830 Johnson, Geo., *Liverpool*, *N.S.*, 1 1857 Johnson, Rd., *Windsor*, *N.S.*, 1 1860 Johnston, B. J., *Margate*, *P.E.L.*, 1 1855 Comben, Chas., Hants Harbor,

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1837 Jost, J. V., Moncton, N.B., 1860 Lane, C. J., Parrsboro', N.S., 1355 Lathern, John, St. John West, N.B., 1858 Likely, J. B., Yarmouth, N.S. 1843 Lockhart, Chris., Harbor Grace, Nfld. 1845 McCarty, Wm. Digby, N.S. 1853 McKeown, Hez., St. Stephens, N.B. 1853 McKinnon, Wm. C., Middle Musquodoboit, N.S.
1834 McMurray, J., St. John, South 1828 McNutt, Arthur, Sup., Halifax, N.S. 1818 Marshall, John, Sup., Lunen-DIST burg, N.S. 1854 Milligan, George S., A.M., Guysboro, N.S. 1817 Miller, Geo., Sup., Bridgetown, N.S. which 1851 Moore, F. W., Bermuda, 3 lines 1841 Morton, Roland, Pownal, P.E.I. 2 1841 Narraway, James R., A.M., St. wit. John, South, N. B. 1856 Nicolson, A. W., Cornwall, &c., P. E. I. 1822 Nightingale, A., Sup., St. John's N.S. 2 Nfld. 1853 Payson, G. B., Sup., St. John, N.B., 1840 Peach, J. S., Black Head, Nfld, 1 1856 Perkins, W. W., Bathurst, N.B., 1 1857 Perkin, W. Has permission to 7.B., 2 own, Phiretire for two years to prose-cute a course of study. ville, 1851 Phinney, J. S., *Burin, Nfld.*, 1837 Pickard, H., D.D., (Secretary of the Conference,) Principal of 2 , N. 2 Mt. Allison Institution, dc., ME. Ambourhest Historical, 1827 Pickles, M., Bridgetown, N.S., 1858 Pickles, F. H. W., Horton, N.S., 1814 Pope, H., Sup., Halifax, N.S., 1844 Pope, H., Jr., Windsor, N.S., 1859 Pratt, Richard, Halifax, N.S., 1859 Pratt, Richard, nuth, Vfld. 1852 Prestwood, P, Bonavista, Nfld. 1846 Prince, John, Bedeque, P.E.I., lale, 1857 Read, John, Nashwaak, N.B., 1821 Richey, M., D.D., Sup., Windsor, N.S., 1858 Richey, T. S., Sussex Vale, N.B. 1 Ifld., 2 T.S., T.B., 1 port,

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2 1860 Richey, James A., Sydney, C.B. 1 1 1858 Ryan, Wm., Bermuda. 1 1858 Scott, Dav. B., Woodstock, N.B. 1 1860 Shenton, Job, Sackville, N.B. 1828 Shenstone, W. E., Port de Grave, Nfld. 1858 Shenstone, Wm. S., Carbonear, Nfld. 1837 Smallwood, F. Has permission to rest one year on account of ill health, Windsor, N.S. 1827 Smith, Wm., Mill Town, N.B. 1835 Smith, Thos., Brigus, Nfld. 1842 Smith, R., Sussex Vale, N.B. 1857 Smith, T. W., Andover, N.B. 1860 Smith, R. M., Guysboro', N.S. 1860 Smith, R. M., Guysboro', N.S. 1825 Smithson, William, Cornwallis East, N.S. 1819 Snowball, John, Point de Bute, N.B. 1852 Sponagle, John L., Parrsboro', N.S. 1838 Sprague, S. W., Halifax, N.S. 1852 Stewart, C. Fredericton, N.B. 1813 Strong, John B., Sup., Bedeque, P.E.I. 1831 Sutcliffe, Ing. Yarmouth, N.S. 1857 Sutcliffe, Jos., Ship Harbor &c. 1846 Taylor, Jas., Annapolis, N.S., 1856 Teed, S. T., Greenwich, N.B., 1820 Temple, W., Sup., St. John, N. 1849 Temple, R. A., Woodstock, N.B., 2 1858 Teesdale, J. W., Port Hood, &c., C.B. C.B.,
1860 Turner, A. W., Trinity, Nfid.,
1850 Tuttle, G. W., Aylesford, N.S.,
1858 Tuttle, A., King's Co., P.E.L.,
1858 Thurlow, I., Guysboro', N.S.,
1851 Tweedy, W., St. David's, N.B.,
1853 Tweedy, R., S helburne, N.S., 1855 Tweedy, J., Baie de Verte, N.B., 1858 Waterhouse, John, St. John's, Nfld., 1857 Wasson, R., Musquodoboit Har-bor, &c., N.S., 1839 Weddall, R., Sheffield, N.B., 1860 Weldon, F. A. Burton, N.B. 1820 Wilson, Wm., St. John, South, N.B.

1856 Winterbotham, J., Grand Bank,

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