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OF THE

TWELFTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Primitive Methodist Church,

CANADA.

HELD AT KINGSTON.

June 9th, 1865, and following days.

BY ORDER OF THE CONFERENCE.

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TWELFTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

According to appointment, the Conference assembled in the City of Kingston, on the Morning of Friday, June 9th, 1865, and after devotional exercises, proceeded to business.

JOHN DAVISON, *President.*
WILLIAM LOMAS, *Secretary.*

1. *Ministers Ordained & received into full Connexion.*

Rev. James S. Boyes.
Rev. Henry S. Matthews.
Rev. Richard Auger.
Rev. Richard Hassard.

2. *Preachers on Trial.*

Job Roadhouse has travelled 4 years. Walter Reid has travelled 3 years. W. E. Cooper, Edward Whitworth, David Simpson, Josephus Collins, Rounding Pattison, Luke Hall, James Walker, J. R. Tamblyn, have travelled 2 years. Alfred W. Roffe, Thomas Griffith, John Frankish, Thos. Auger, Wm. Thornely, and John Nichol, have travelled 1 year.

3. *Preachers received on the Reserve List.*

George Lewis, James P. Bell, Matthew Evans, Wm. C. Jolley, Thomas Amey, John Gilpin, Wm. Stoney.

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STATIONS.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

JOHN DAVISON, *President of the Conference, Editor.*

Toronto—Wm. Rowe, John Goodman, Jas. S. Boyes,
Walter Reid, Wm. Edward Cooper, Student.

Markham—Thos. Crompton, Wm. C. Jolley.

Pickering Branch—Job Roadhouse.

Bowmanville—John Nattrass, James Stonehouse.

Scarboro—Joseph Markham.

Reach—John Garner, John W. Gilpin.

Muskoka—Thomas Auger.

Oshawa—Amos Knapp.

Bruce Mines—David Simpson.

BRAMPTON DISTRICT.

Brampton—James Edgar, Josephus Collins.

Etobicoke—Robert Boyle, Thomas Griffith, and John Nichol, Student, Wm. Jolley, Superannuated.

Albion—Jas. Smith, one to be obtained, Joseph Simpson, Supernumerary.

Laskay—William Lomas, Secretary of Conference, Wm. Thornley, Wm. Lyle, Superannuated.

Orangeville—George Haigh, William McGavern.

Osprey—George F. Lee, Robert Stephenson, Sup.

Collingwood—Matthew H. Moody.

Bradford—Timothy Natrass, James Parker Bell.

Barrie—Edward Whitworth.

HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Hamilton—Robert Cade.

Walpole—Matthew Henry Matthews.

Blenheim—Wm. Codville, Thos. Adams, Sup.

Brantford—Henry Steel Matthews.

Paris—Thomas Dudley.

Grand River—Abraham Heyworth.

Walsingham—William Cook.

Woodstock—Samuel P. Lacey.

GUELPH DISTRICT.

Guelph—William Newton.

Peel—William Pyke, Isaac Ryder, Superannuated.

Hawkesville—John Robert Swift, John Towler, Sup.

Minto—Edward Lawton.

Brant—John David Gilbert, Thos. Foster, Sup.

Kincardine—Darius Scott.

Jubilee—Richard Auger, James Allen.

Sullivan and Artemesia—James Walker.

LONDON DISTRICT.

London—George Wood.

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Macgillivray—George Watson, J. Campbell.

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Stratford—Jonathan Milner.
Plympton—Luke Hall.
Chatham—William S. Hugban, Edmund Stoney.
Caradoc—Rounding Pattison.
Mitchell & Kirkton—Chas. Roffe, Alfred W. Roffe.
Stanley—One to be obtained.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

Kingston—William Herridge, John Lacey, Sup.
Portland—James Cheetham, Henry F. Osborne.
Napanee—Richard Hassard.
Collinsby—William Bee.
Hinchinbrook—John Frankish.
South Crosby—One to be obtained.
Bay of Quinte—One to be obtained.

ON THE SPECIAL RESERVED LIST—John R. Tamblyn.

5. The General Committee.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Laymen.</i>
President and Secretary.	Mr. Robert Walker.
Rev. Thomas Crompton.	“ William Lawson.
“ Robert Boyle.	“ William Marshall.
“ James Edgar.	“ Lancelot Walker.
“ John Natrass.	“ Joseph Lawson.
“ Joseph Markham.	“ Thomas Cook.
“ William Bee.	“ Chas. D. MacGinn.
“ Richard Paul.	“ Isaac Wilson.
“ George Wood.	“ Matthew Joniss.
“ Jonathan Milner.	“ Joseph Robinson.
“ Timothy Natrass.	“ Henry Jennings.
“ James Smith.	“ John Bugg.
“ Thomas Dudley.	“ William Wade.
“ William S. Hugban.	“ Joseph Lee.
“ John R. Swift.	“ Walter P. Lacey.
“ William Herridge.	“ John Baker.
	“ Lewis W. Purdy.
	“ John Milner.
	“ Joseph Ryan.
	“ William Sturtridge.
	“ Robert Ward.
	“ John T. Wilson.

Meetings to be held in the Mission Office, over the Golden Lion, King Street East, Toronto, at one o'clock on the second Thursday in July, October, January, and the day before next Conference. Members of the Committee to inform the Secretary a week previous of their intention to attend, that provision may be made for them in the City.

6. General Missionary Committee.

This Committee is the same as the General Committee, and its Meetings held at the same time and place. All the Missionaries are requested to send in their Quarterly Reports to the Secretary, at the Mission-Office Toronto, at least one week before the time of holding the Quarterly Meetings.

N.B. All official business letters will be post-paid from the Mission Office, except remittance letters: and all Ministers on Stations must pre-pay their official letters to the Secretary, and they will be allowed payment at Conference.

7. Executive Committee.

President and Secretary of Conference, Revs. T. Crompton, J. Natrass, J. Garner, R. Boyle, J. Edgar, R. Cade, J. Markham, Messrs. R. Walker, Marshall, Joseph Lawson, C. D. MacGinn.

8. District Committees.

Toronto—W. Rowe, T. Crompton, J. Markham, R. Walker, J. Bugg.

Hamilton—R. Cade, W. Lawson, J. Lawson, H. Arthur.

London—G. Wood, W. Wade, T. Trebilcock, J. Ashton.

Brampton—J. Edgar, R. Boyle, W. Marshall, F. Sleightholme.

Guelph—J. R. Swift, Wm. Newton, J. Ryan.

Kingston—W. Bee, W. Herridge, J. Cheetham, W. P. Lacey, P. Day, J. Baker.

The first named person in each District is Secretary.

9. Preparatory Committee.

President and Secretary of Conference, with the General Committee Delegates of each District.

10. Annual Conference.

The next Annual Conference will be held in Bowmanville, on the first Friday in June, 1866.

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II. District Meetings and Gen. Com. Delegates.*Toronto*—at Wexford, Scarboro Ct., T. Crompton, G. C. D.*Hamilton*—at Brantford, W. Cook, G. C. D.*London*—Zion Church, MacGillivray, J. Milner, G. C. D.*Guelph*—Salem Church, 2nd C. Minto, J. R. Swift, G. C. D.*Kingston*—Wilton, Portland St'n, W. Herridge, G. C. D.*Brampton*—Hope Church, Laskay Ct., J. Smith, G. C. D.

To meet on Wednesday, the 23rd May, at 9 o'clock a.m.

12. Members of District Boards of Examiners.*Toronto*—J. Natrass, J. Markham, J. Garner, W. Rowe, T. Crompton.*Hamilton*—T. Dudley, W. Cook, R. Cade.*Brampton*—R. Boyle, J. Edgar, J. Smith, W. Lomas.*Guelph*—Wm. Newton, J. R. Swift.*London*—R. Paul, W. S. Hughan, J. Milner, G. Wood.*Kingston*—J. Cheetham, W. Bee, W. Herridge.

To meet the day before the District Meetings.

The last named person is Secretary and Convener, and shall correspond with his Colleagues, and also with the Candidates, relating to their Examination.

13. Members of the next Conference.

W. Rowe, General Committee Delegate.

John Davison, Missionary Secretary.

Robert Walker, General Treasurer.

W. Lomas, Friendly Society's Agent.

14. Further Regulations of Conference.

1. COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION CANDIDATES.—That each Conference shall, from its members, appoint a Committee, composed of one Minister from each District, who shall subject to a general examination all candidates recommended for Ordination by their District Meetings, and report at an early stage of the Conference. This Committee to form one of the Standing Committees.

2. That Peel and Wellesley Circuit be divided, and that the furniture of said Station shall be the property of Peel Circuit; Hawksville becoming a Mission.

3. That Mitchel and Kirkton Stations be united, and named Mitchel and Kirkton Mission. Married Preacher to reside at Mitchel.

4. That whilst satisfied with the kindly feeling existing between Brother W. S. Hughan and Brantford Membership, yet we cannot violate our rule of Conference limiting a Minister's being stationed over three years.

5. That the Official Brethren at Walsingham be requested to forward to the General Missionary Committee the reasons of their decrease, with all the particulars; and that for the future they provide their own evidence for the District Meeting, and not depend on the General Missionary Committee to furnish such evidence as may be necessary.

6. That the following Brethren be a Committee to arrange and carry out the scheme proposed, whereby some provision may be made for the R. v. John Lacey, on his retiring from the regular Ministry:—R. Boyle, T. Crompton, J. Milner, R. Walker, J. Bagg, T. Lewis, F. Sleightholm, J. Lawson, T. Cook, L. Purdy, and J. Edgar, *Convener*.

7. That there be an Educational Fund organized, and that each Minister in the Connexion be requested to raise at least the sum of \$2 00 per year in aid of said Fund; and that a special appeal be made to our friends in its behalf through the columns of the *Christian Journal*.

8. That the request of the Educational Committee, in reference to its re-election yearly, be adopted.

9. That the Educational Committee propose a scheme of study for the guidance and help of our Ministerial Candidates and Probationers, and for the assistance of our Boards of Examiners—said scheme to be made available for the ensuing year.

10. That the Trustees of Yorkville, Toronto Circuit, have liberty to sell their Church property, in order to the erection of a New Church.

11. That previously to building Churches and Parsonages, the Superintendent and Officials always see that the Conveyance Deeds be drawn.

12. That at each Connexional Place of Worship every possible effort be made to establish *Denominational Sunday Schools*, and that all our Ministers preach at least once a quarter at each place on the subject of Sabbath Schools, and see that the Reports of Sabbath Schools be regularly entered in the Minute Book of each Station.

13. That we regret some of our Ministers use tobacco, and think that future Conferences should express their views on any of the Membership continuing this injurious practice.

14. That the giving of a dollar in addition to the expenses of each Member of a Missionary Deputation be left optional with the Stations.

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15. That the Conference strongly recommends to Trustees that all our Connexional property be insured.

16. That in future Missions becoming Mission Circuits shall pay to the Children's Fund the first year one-third of the apportionment, the second year one-half, the third year two-thirds, the fourth year three-fourths, after which the whole of the amount shall be paid.

17. That whenever the Registration Book of Baptisms in any Station is filled up, the Minister shall immediately label the said Book belonging to the Station with the length of time it covers, and send it to the Book Room in Toronto for safe keeping; and shall also enter in the new book a record of the date and deposit of the old book.

18. That the Brother appointed Editor, Book Steward, and Missionary Secretary shall continue in said office no longer than five years, and that he will be liable to removal by any Conference during that time; and that his removal shall be absolute at the expiration of the five connexional years of his appointment.

19. That question 4, page 15, of the Discipline, which now reads, "Is he embarrassed in circumstances?" be altered to read as follows:—"Is he in debt? If so, to what amount? and what are his means and prospects of payment?" This regulation to apply to Hired Local Preachers, as well as Candidates for the Ministry.

20. ON GARDENS.—That in case of a Minister's removal, the Committee of the Station is kindly requested by Conference to hold a "Bee," or otherwise, and prepare the garden for the incoming Minister,—the outgoing one to direct, as much as he possibly can, the necessary preparations.

21. That no Mission Station shall commence the building of a New Church until the District Committee has given its sanction, on being properly applied to.

22. That we express our sympathy with Orangeville Mission, in not yet being able to become a Circuit; but trust by next Conference, at least, this result will take place.

23. That in the present state of our financial affairs, the Conference is of opinion that Grand River and Bosanquet Stations should become Mission Circuits forthwith.

24. That a reply be sent to the Fraternal Address of the Primitive Methodist Conference in the Western States.

25. TORONTO CIRCUIT.—That this Conference expresses its thanks to Robert Walker, Esq., for his generous gift of land and commodious Church on Parliament Street; and also for erecting additions to Alice Street Church, whereby the Sab-

bath School, Class Meetings, &c., have increased accommodations; likewise to John Bugg, Esq., for the liberal gift of Land on which the New Church on Queen Street is situated.

26. That we return our thanks to Almighty God for an increase in Membership, and express our earnest hope that the ensuing year will be much more prosperous than the past.

27. That we earnestly desire all our Ministers and Membership to sustain our connexional paper—the *Christian Journal*.

28. That the next Conference be held at Bowmanville, on the first Friday in June, 1866.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Finance Committee's Report.

TO THE CONFERENCE:—The Committee on Finance beg to Report, that they have examined the state of the different Funds of the Church, and now lay before the Conference the results of their examination.

Relief Fund—1865.

Dr.	\$	cts	Cr.	\$	cts
Balance on hand—1864	655	79	Claims paid	234	00
Income this year	234	40	Balance	656	19
	<u>\$890</u>	<u>19</u>		<u>\$890</u>	<u>19</u>

Conference Fund—1865.

Dr.	\$	cts	Cr.	\$	cts
Balance of 1864	11	93	Payment to Mr. Cooper,	20	00
Income this year	234	40	by Conference order	3	20
Subscription for Ordination Bibles, by Mr. John Baker	10	00	District books binding	276	20
Balance due Treasurer	53	07	Travelling expenses—Delegates to Conf...	10	00
	<u>\$309</u>	<u>40</u>	Ordination Bibles		
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Children's Fund—1865.

Dr.	\$	cts	Cr.	\$	cts
Total income for 1865	1639	00	Balance due to Treasurer last year	552	29
Overdrawn from the Treasurer	769	29	Claims paid this year	1856	00
	<u>\$2408</u>	<u>29</u>		<u>\$2408</u>	<u>29</u>

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Mission Fund—1865.

	1864.	1865.	Increase.	Decrease.
Toronto District..	\$1460 00	\$1591 00	\$122 00
Brampton do.	1567 00	1280 00	.....	\$287 00
Hamilton do.	696 00	658 00	.....	38 00
Guelph do.	482 00	473 00	9 00
London do.	591 00	586 00	5 00
Kingston do.	486 00	464 00	22 00
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	\$5291 00	\$5052 00		
Total Decrease.....			\$239 00	

The Committee beg to present the following statement, as furnishing data for the Committee on Grants, to make appropriations to Mission Stations:—

Half of Missionary Secretary's salary, as granted by English Conference.....	\$ 200 00
Cash in Treasurer's hands	1817 00
Grant from British Conference	1746 00
Half of next year's income, as per this year..	2526 00
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Expenses to be deducted:—

Book stock unsold	300 00
Mission Secretary's Salary	400 00
Mission House rent and Office expenses	100 00
Printing Reports—say	120 00
Printing and other expenses—say.....	100 00
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Balance of money for appropriation....., \$5489 00

It will be seen from this statement that no margin has been left towards paying expenses for furniture and travelling to Stations, for as five married preachers are at this Conference removed from Missions, your Committee hope there will be no furniture bills, or if any, they will be very limited, and that the removal expenses will be made as light as possible.

Your Committee find the claims on the Children's Fund for the current year to exceed the income by \$217 00, which sum has been offered to the Conference in subscriptions, on the following condition, viz., that the Conference shall vote from the Relief Fund the balance due to the Treasurer from April, 1864, of \$552 29, as given in the printed Minutes. This will entirely relieve the Children's Fund from all liabilities, and will leave a balance in the Relief Fund of \$105 25.

Your Committee further recommend that the amount the Conference Fund is short this year of the expenses incurred, namely, \$53 07, be also paid from the Relief Fund, leaving a nett balance of \$53 07.

Your Committee find that the claims upon the Children's Fund exceed its income by *one-eighth*; they therefore recommend that a deduction be made from the allowance to each child of *one-eighth*, or \$1 00 per quarter; and to meet the anticipated increase of the ensuing year, and with a view to make the Fund self-sustaining, they further recommend the increase of the assessment by the same percentage.

The Conference is advised to require all Ministers to settle their Book accounts within six months from the present date, and afterwards quarterly, to correspond with the action of the Home authorities on this subject; and also to require all outstanding Missionary moneys to be paid to the Treasurer forthwith.

In conclusion, your Committee recommend that the arrears of Children's Fund money due from Mission Stations be deducted from this quarter's grants to said Stations.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. Rowe, Chairman.	Francis Sleigholm.
John Davison.	Thomas Cook.
Jonathan Milner.	Joseph Lawson.
Robert Walker.	John Baker.
John G. Walker, Secretary.	

Confirmed by Conference.

Kingston, 12th June, 1865.

Granting Committee's Report for 1865.

Received from Financial Committee	\$5489 00
June Quarter's grants (1865) taken from above.....	1515 00
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Leaving a balance of	3974 00
Quarter of supposed income of Missionary money of next year added, to bring grants up to June, 1866	1250 00
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Total	\$5224 00

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Total amount in grants for 4 quarters; to June, 1866 \$5776 00
 Total available money from Financial Committee... 5224 00

Leaving a balance overdrawn of\$552 00

1. The Committee have done their best in the grants to Stations and appropriations for the Children's Fund, but have made no calculations for travelling expenses and furniture.

2. Though we have overdrawn by \$552 00, we believe the Brethren cannot bear a less salary in one year than the foregoing grants provide for.

3. There is no provision made for the \$80 00 in Bro. Ryder's case.

4. It is to be understood that provision has been made in the grants for all the Missions, as well as the Circuits, to pay the full proportion of Children's Fund money—two-thirds of the Mission Stations' proportion having been added to their grants.

5. That having no data upon which to judge of Barrie Mission, in order to make a grant, the Committee recommend that it be left in the hands of the General Missionary Committee, to deal with it on an equal scale with the other Missions, as far as possible.

6. That in consideration of the financial crisis in our Mission Fund, we strongly recommend the general application of the minute passed in the Conference upon a collection being made each time of preaching service.

7. That the grant made to the Bruce Mines Mission has no provision for any board for the young man.

8. There has been no provision made in the grant to Napanee for a home for the young man.

9. That this Committee cannot see any way for the request of Collinsby Station for a second Preacher for the present year.

10. That we recommend the Stanley Station furniture be removed to Mitchell.

11. That we recommend that part of Plympton furniture be removed to Bosanquet, and that Napanee furniture be taken care of by the authorities of the Station; also we recommend that furniture be provided for Hawksville Mission, to the amount of \$50 00.

12. That in view of the state of our funds, we strongly recommend Grand River Mission be made a Circuit forthwith.

13. That we recommend Bosanquet Mission also to be made a Circuit forthwith, according to rule.

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A TABULAR VIEW OF THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1864

CIRCUITS AND MISSIONS.	MEMBERS.			Increase.	Decrease.	Received from other Stations.	Firm Abroad.	Deaths.	Fallen.	Removals.	Pastors.	Places.	Parsonages.	S. Schools.	Teachers.
	Approved.	On Trial.	Total.												
TORONTO	264	38	302	70	.....	10	2	2	8	20	.....	2	2	6	10
Markham.....	210	40	250	4	.....	3	1	2	7	14	.....	2	.....	4	3
Pickering branch.....	90	30	120	.....	.....	3	.....	3	12	14	.....	3	.....	1	1
Bowmanville.....	200	25	225	3	.....	2	.....	4	6	20	.....	2	.....	4	3
Scarboro.....	120	20	140	10	.....	.....	.....	1	10	13	.....	2	.....	4	2
Reach.....	220	75	295	3	.....	1	.....	1	43	40	.....	6	.....	6	4
Muskoka.....	25	6	32	16	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	5	.....	1	.....
Oshawa.....	30	13	43	20	.....	.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	3	.....	1	.....
Bruce Mines.....	13	42	61	61	.....	.....	4	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
BRAMPTON	219	27	246	.....	22	1	.....	4	14	33	.....	5	.....	2	2
Etobicoke.....	395	67	462	10	.....	2	.....	2	35	18	.....	1	.....	8	6
Albion.....	221	33	254	2	.....	5	.....	3	17	27	.....	4	.....	1	5
Laskyn.....	212	13	230	4	.....	1	.....	4	7	30	.....	6	.....	2	3
Orangeville.....	197	32	229	14	.....	4	.....	2	33	19	.....	5	.....	3	1
Osprey.....	90	8	98	2	.....	1	.....	1	10	5	.....	9	.....	1	1
Collingwood.....	45	12	57	13	.....	8	.....	1	1	4	.....	9	.....	1	1
Bradford.....	82	39	121	8	.....	.....	.....	3	9	31	.....	8	.....	1	1
HAMILTON	61	21	82	11	.....	4	1	2	5	11	.....	1	.....	1	2
Watpole.....	51	8	59	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	.....	4	.....	1	1
Blenheim.....	57	3	60	.....	65	.....	.....	8	11	11	.....	1	.....	1	1
Brantford.....	34	39	73	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	9	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Paris.....	64	15	79	12	.....	.....	.....	1	2	7	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Grand River.....	128	32	160	.....	30	.....	.....	4	24	32	.....	4	.....	2	1
Walingham.....	54	2	56	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	3	1	.....	6	.....	1	1
Woodstock.....	56	38	94	.....	94	.....	2	2	.....	6	.....	1	.....	2	2
GUELPH	42	1	43	.....	21	1	.....	1	2	18	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Peel & Wellesley.....	255	30	275	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	36	27	.....	8	.....	1	7
Minto.....	77	6	83	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	8	.....	4	3
Brant.....	52	6	58	8	.....	.....	.....	1	4	.....	.....	5	.....	1	1
Kincardine.....	77	1	78	.....	24	.....	.....	3	30	10	.....	5	.....	1	1
Jubilee.....	30	21	112	20	.....	6	.....	1	4	13	.....	8	.....	1	.....
Durham Sullivan.....	22	15	37	16	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	2	.....
LONDON	50	10	60	4	.....	2	.....	1	2	4	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Bosanquet.....	113	36	214	31	.....	1	.....	1	14	16	.....	8	.....	1	4
MaeGillivray.....	119	41	160	31	.....	.....	.....	1	13	7	.....	6	.....	2	2
Stratford.....	55	39	85	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	18	.....	4	.....	2	1
Plympton.....	44	13	57	5	.....	2	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	9	.....	1	1
Chatman.....	79	69	130	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	10	.....	6	.....	3	3
Caradoc.....	73	11	89	.....	21	1	.....	2	4	20	.....	4	.....	1	1
Stanley.....	15	6	21	.....	29	.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	6	.....	.....	.....
Kirkton.....	49	25	74	8	.....	.....	.....	1	4	13	.....	3	.....	3	.....
KINGSTON	46	18	64	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	3	11	.....	1	.....	1	1
Portland.....	133	7	190	.....	75	.....	.....	1	21	22	.....	9	.....	1	1
Napanee.....	93	49	133	3	.....	.....	.....	1	4	4	.....	10	.....	.....	.....
Collinsby.....	83	1	89	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	16	5	.....	3	.....	1	1
Hinchinbrook.....	47	12	59	4	2	15	8	1
Total in 1865	1724	1130	5354	532	346	69	8	63	499	593	94	18	90	7
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THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA WEST,
 THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1865.

Deaths.	Fallen.	Removals.	Places.	Parsonages.	S. Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conference Fund.	Relief Fund.	Children's Fund.	Mission Fund.	Ordinary Annual Income.
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Schedule of Grants to Mission Stations—1865.

Muskoka	\$ 98 00	Jubilee	\$286 00
Oshawa	80 00	Durham & Sullivan..	87 00
Orangeville	228 00	London	218 00
Osprey	194 00	Bosanquet	160 00
Collingwood	176 00	MacGillivray	188 00
Bradford	292 00	Stratford	300 00
Walpole	140 00	Plympton	45 00
Blenheim	144 00	Chatham	256 00
Brantford	224 00	Caradoc	Mis.Com.
Paris	210 00	Kingston	228 00
Grand River (a Circuit)	108 00	Portland	196 00
Walsingham	192 00	Napanee	97 00
Woodstock	160 00	Collinsby	200 00
Guelph	184 00	Hinchinbrooke	88 00
Minto	122 00	Mitchel & Kirkton ..	228 00
Brant	170 00	Bruce Mines	63 00
Kincardine	76 00	Hawksville	220 00

Appropriations to Children's Fund—1865.

Toronto	\$138 00	Guelph	36 00
Markham & Pickering	98 00	Peel	39 00
Bowmanville	57 00	Minto	33 00
Scarboro	56 00	Brant	27 00
Reach	60 00	Kincardine	24 00
Brampton	98 00	Jubilee	39 00
Etobicoke	105 00	Durham & Sullivan..	18 00
Albion	60 00	London	42 00
Laskay	61 00	Bosanquet	45 00
Orangeville	42 00	MacGillivray	42 00
Hamilton	30 00	Stratford	27 00
Muskoka	12 00	Plympton	27 00
Oshawa	15 00	Chatham	39 00
Osprey	21 00	Caradoc	27 00
Collingwood	24 00	Kingston	42 00
Bradford	33 00	Portland	54 00
Walpole	33 00	Napanee	33 00
Blenheim	36 00	Collingsby	33 00
Brantford	36 00	Hinchinbrook	12 00
Paris	39 00	Bruce Mines	12 00
Grand River	42 00	Hawksville	30 00
Walsingham	33 00	Mitchel & Kirkton ..	42 00
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All of which are respectfully submitted.

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William Sturtridge.	John R. Swift.
Alfred Thurlow.	John Bugg.
George Wood.	

Kingston, 14th June, 1865.

Report of the Committee convened to consider the desirability and practicability of an Educational Institute.

At a meeting of the Committee, held on Wednesday, 12th October, 1864, it was—

Resolved—1. That we suggest to the Conference of 1865, that, for the present, Lectures on Divinity be given by some Brother or Brethren whom Conference may appoint, for the purpose of Theological Instruction to those young men in our Ministry, or Candidates for our Ministry, who may be able to avail themselves of such assistance, and that the young men be very strongly recommended to attend said Lectures.

2. That we recommend to Conference the formation of an Educational Fund.

3. That we recommend Conference to request that each Preacher raise on behalf of said fund at the rate of one dollar per quarter.

4. That special appeals be made to our wealthy friends, for aid in support of this fund.

5. That the Theological Lectures alluded to in the first Resolution be delivered in Toronto.

6. That we very strongly recommend that the District Ministerial Associations have Theological Lectures delivered at their meetings.

7. That we strongly recommend Conference, that without exception it be binding upon every Candidate for our Ministry to be examined by the Examining Committee of the District in which the application may be made; and that all Examining Committees be very particular as to qualifications.

8. That we recommend Conference to appoint an Educational Committee yearly, to attend to all needful business respecting the Education of our young men; report on the Lec-

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tures that may be given ; and also to present a general Report to the following Conference.

Signed, JOHN GARNER, President.

THOMAS CROMPTON, Secretary.

Confirmed by Conference,

JOHN DAVISON, President.

WILLIAM LOMAS, Secretary.

Kingston, June 14th, 1865.

Report on Sabbath Observance.

Your Committee has carefully taken into consideration the importance of the Sabbath being preserved in its purity,—of the purposes of God in its appointment being consummated by us as a people ; and would therefore recommend for the favorable consideration of Conference the following Resolutions :—

1. That we would earnestly urge upon the Members and Officials of our Church the solemn duty of keeping the Holy Sabbath with all possible sacredness,—of making it for themselves and families indeed a day of rest, a day of spiritual growth and blessedness ; and of impressing upon their children and households the sacred and solemn character of the Lord's Day.

2. That we would earnestly and affectionately request the beloved Ministry of our Conference to preach upon this subject as often as possible each year, so that our members and hearers may be kept alive to the great importance of Sabbath Observance.

3. That we would express our sense of the deep obligation which our country owes to the various agencies engaged in promoting Sabbath Observance, especially to the Kingston Sabbath Observance Society ; and would assure it of our warm sympathy and hearty concurrence in its good work of Christ.

4. That a Petition be drafted to our Legislature, signed by the President and Secretary of this Conference, pleading for the cessation of all Sabbath work on our Public Works, Canals, Steamboats, and Railways.

All which is respectfully submitted.

John Nattrass.

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Confirmed by Conference.

Kingston, 13th June, 1865.

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Report of Temperance Committee.

TO THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN,—We, the Temperance Committee, having duly met according to your appointment, beg to submit:—

1. That we greatly rejoice in the success of Mr. Dunkin's Bill in various parts of this Province; and we most sincerely recommend all our Members and Officials, in future, to do their utmost that it may become a general law.

2. We highly disapprove of alcoholic wines being used at our Sacraments, and especially at Conference; and we recommend that unfermented wines be substituted in their place.

3. That as it is our conviction that all our regularly employed Ministers are total abstainers, we strongly recommend all our Members to follow their example in this respect; and that when new Members are received into our Church, the Minister in charge shall show them the propriety, where requisite, of relinquishing all kinds of intoxicating drinks.

4. We recommend that all our Ministers, on their respective Stations, pay particular attention to establishing Bands of Hope, as much good has been done by them; as the education of the young is of paramount importance.

5. That we recommend the next District Meetings to make strict enquiries as to whether the minute of last Conference has been complied with in reference to preaching a Temperance Sermon, as we fear in some instances it has been omitted; and also that the District Meetings be very particular as to the answers given to the question on the Station Reports, "Do your Officials use Intoxicating Drinks as a beverage?" as we find some of the answers, in our opinion, very unsatisfactory.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

JAMES CHEETHAM, Secretary.

Confirmed by Conference.

Kingston, 14th June, 1865.

PASTORAL ADDRESS

*To the Members of the Primitive Methodist Church,
from the Canadian Conference.*

VERY BELOVED BRETHREN,

At no preceding Conference of our Denomination has your Representatives enjoyed greater happiness than at the one held in the City of Kingston—whether in reference to the beauty of the season, the hospitality of the people, the order preserved in the Assembly, or the success of the Moral and Religious Services which resulted in the conversion of souls.

In the investigation of our work, which was anxiously pursued by your Delegates, thankfulness was expressed for an increase of Membership and Churches erected, and other evidences of prosperity; but feeling of regret came over us when it was ascertained that many of our useful and beloved friends had passed away from amongst us by death and removals; and that several Brethren who had long laboured in our Ministry had to succumb, through age and infirmity, and other controlling causes. During the year, some of our Ministers have had to suffer by affliction and deficient salaries, but they have borne their trials with that fortitude and resignation which was to be expected. In consequence of the Connexional Funds being overdrawn, unless our Membership and adherents come up to the point of giving *as God has pros-*

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pered them, continued privation and contraction of our work will be the inevitable result; but we hope for better things. Increased revenue this year will relieve the privations of the Missions especially, and enable the Church to employ those acceptable young men who are ready to grasp the standard of the cross, and bear it victoriously onward.

In this brief address, dear Brethren, allow us earnestly to call your attention to the great secret of that success in which lies your devotedness to God and his cause, which is holiness of heart and life. No consideration or appliance will be found a substitute for this. For your own happiness and that of your households—the revival of God's work—the salvation of sinners, seek for this. In this connection we also remark, secure time and place for private devotion and reading God's word, then the life of religion will be kept up in your soul, and you will be saved from a propensity to trifling and novel reading, and consequently a fallen state of soul and character.

Let us urge you to check every rising and inordinate aspiration in regard to the love of money, and by industry and punctuality in your avocations provide things honest in the sight of all men; and honor your profession and Church by a moral practice that cannot be impeached. If not actively engaged in working for God, sustain the hearts of your Ministers by attendance on the public ministry, and especially the class and prayer meetings.

This is a day, dear Brethren, in which, through the facilities of education, much is being done in relation

to the intellect of the young. Be it yours to labour to *educate the heart* in the Sabbath School and in the family, and work with energy to keep hold of the youth and preserve them to the Church by every legitimate means that your invention and solicitude can possibly devise. Be decided abstainers from all strong drinks and tobacco smoking, as injurious to the body, and bad in example; and as crippling your means for useful reading and sustaining the cause of God. Repudiating bigotry and sectarian feeling, be *whole souled* in your own Church and its measures; examine your Discipline; know the rules of your Church and keep them; patronize the literature of the Connexion; and never be in debt with your subscription to the *Christian Journal*, nor to the Preachers who supply *your orders* for Hymn Books, Magazines, &c., as they have to settle their accounts quarterly with the General Book Steward.

And now, dearly beloved Brethren, may the God of Peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the Sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work, to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

JOHN DAVISON, *President.*

WILLIAM LOMAS, *Secretary.*

KINGSTON, *16th June, 1865.*

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MISSIONARY DEPUTATIONS

For 1865-6,

AS APPOINTED BY THE CONFERENCE.

STATIONS.	DATE.	DEPUTATIONS.
Toronto.....	Dec. 3, 1865..	*R. Boyle.
"	Mar. 4, 1866..	*J. Natrass.
Markham	Oct. 23, 1865..	J. Garner, W. Reid.
"	Jan. 8, 1866..	J. Natrass, T. Natrass.
Pickering	Jan. 29, 1866..	J. Garner, J. Goodman.
Bowmanville	Dec. 31, 1865..	J. Markham, J. S. Boyes.
"	Feb. 4, 1866..	J. Roadhouse, A. Knapp.
Scarboro	Jan. 15, 1866..	T. Crompton, J. Natrass.
Reach	Jan. 22, 1866..	J. Markham, J. Roadhouse.
"	Feb. 4, 1866..	T. Crompton, T. Natrass.
Oshawa	Jan. 15, 1866..	J. Garner, J. Stonehouse.
Muskoka	Feb. 11, 1866..	E. Whitworth.
Bruce Mines		
Brampton	Jan. 22, 1866..	*R. Boyle, J. Smith.
"	Jan. 29, 1866..	W. Lomas, J. S. Boyes.
Etobicoke	Oct. 16, 1865..	J. Edgar, R. Cade.
"	Oct. 23, 1865..	W. Rowe, G. Haigh.
Albion	Dec. 25, 1865..	W. Lomas, J. Goodman.
"	Jan. 1, 1866..	R. Cade, J. Collins.
Laskay	Jan. 1, 1866..	J. Edgar, G. Haigh.
"	Feb. 4, 1866..	T. Crompton, T. Griffith.
Orangeville.....	Jan. 22, 1866..	W. Lomas.
"	Jan. 29, 1866..	G. F. Lee, M. H. Moody.
Osprey.....	Jan. 8, 1866..	E. Whitworth, J. P. Bell.
Collingwood	Jan. 15, 1866..	G. Haigh, G. F. Lee.
Bradford	Jan. 15, 1866..	W. Rowe, W. Lomas.
"	Jan. 22, 1866..	*G. Haigh, E. Whitworth.
Barrie	Feb. 11, 1866..	T. Natrass, T. Auger.
Hamilton.....	Oct. 29, 1865..	*R. Boyle, T. Dudley.
Walpole	Jan. 1, 1866..	A. Heyworth, H. S. Matthews.
Wenheim	Jan. 22, 1866..	J. Milner, T. Dudley.
Wentford	Oct. 1, 1865..	*W. S. Hughan, W. Codville.
Paris	Oct. 8, 1865..	S. P. Lacey, *W. Codville.
Grand River.....	Sept. 25, 1865..	R. Cade, H. S. Matthews.
"	Oct. 2, 1865..	M. H. Matthews, T. Dudley.

<i>Walsingham</i>	Oct. 16, 1865..	A. Heyworth, M. H. Matthews.
<i>Woodstock</i>	Jan. 8, 1866..	*H. S. Matthews, W. Codville.
<i>Guelph</i>	Oct. 1, 1865..	*J. R. Swift, J. Collins.
<i>Peel</i>	Jan. 8, 1866..	W. Newton, J. D. Gilbert.
"	Jan. 15, 1866..	E. Lawton, R. Auger.
<i>Hawksville</i>	Jan. 22, 1866..	W. Pyke, W. Newton.
<i>Minto</i>	Feb. 5, 1866..	J. R. Swift, W. Newton.
"	Feb. 12, 1866..	W. Pyke, J. Walker.
<i>Brant</i>	Jan. 21, 1866..	E. Lawton, J. Allen.
<i>Kincardine</i>	Jan. 22, 1866..	R. Auger.
<i>Jubilee</i>	Oct. 2, 1865..	D. Scott, J. D. Gilbert.
"	Jan. 1, 1866..	J. R. Swift, E. Lawton.
<i>Sullivan</i>	Jan. 3, 1866..	J. D. Gilbert.
<i>London</i>	Jan. 30, 1866..	*R. Paul, W. S. Hughan.
<i>Bosanquet</i>	Jan. 1, 1866..	G. Wood, L. Hall.
"	Jan. 8, 1866..	J. Milner, A. W. Roffe.
<i>Mac Gillivray</i>	Jan. 15, 1866..	J. Milner, L. Hall.
"	Jan. 22, 1866..	R. Paul.
<i>Stratford</i>	Dec. 10, 1865..	*J. Markham, C. Roffe.
<i>Mitchel & Kirkton</i>	Dec. 18, 1865..	G. Watson, T. Amey.
<i>Plympton</i>	Feb. 12, 1866..	*R. Paul, A. W. Roffe.
<i>Chatham</i>	Oct. 2, 1865..	*G. Wood.
"	Jan. 1, 1866..	R. Paul.
<i>Caradoc</i>	Jan. 8, 1866..	G. Wood, W. S. Hughan.
<i>Kingston</i>	Dec. 11, 1865..	J. Cheetham, W. Bee.
<i>Portland</i>	Jan. 14, 1866..	W. Herridge, W. Bee.
"	Jan. 22, 1866..	R. Hazzard, J. Frankish.
<i>Napanee</i>	Jan. 29, 1866..	W. Bee, W. Herridge.
"	Feb. 5, 1866..	H. F. Osborne, J. Frankish.
<i>Collinsby</i>	Jan. 7, 1866..	J. Cheetham, W. Herridge.
<i>Hinchinbrook</i>	Jan. 8, 1866..	R. Hazzard, H. F. Osborne.
"	Feb. 12, 1866..	R. Hazzard, H. F. Osborne.

* To preach Missionary Sermons.

Any member of a Deputation unable to take his appointment must give timely notice to the Superintendent of the Station to which he is appointed. It is hoped, as the above arrangements were settled by Conference, that the Stations will not make any alterations or postponements of the Meetings fixed to take place, without obvious necessity, and that each Superintendent will correspond in time with the Deputation appointed for his Meetings, that no mistakes or misapprehensions may arise. No protracted meetings or other engagements will justify neglect of Deputation appointments—\$2 fine for wilful neglects.

BY ORDER OF CONFERENCE.

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ADDRESSES

President of Conference

Secretary of Conference

General Treasurer

Missionary Secretary

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SUPERINTENDENTS TO VISIT MISSION STATIONS,

And Report to the General Missionary Committee.

Oshawa.....	J. Natrass.	Sullivan	W. Pyke.
Muskoka	W. Lomas.	Plympton...	R. Paul.
Collingwood	J. Smith.	Napanee....	W. Herridge.
Osprey	T. Crompton.	Hinchinbrook,	J. Cheetham.
Jubilee	John R. Swift.	Barrie	T. Natrass.

ADDRESSES OF THE STATIONS,

FOR 1865-6.

<i>President of Conference,</i>	Rev. John Davison, box 353, Toronto.
<i>Secretary of Conference,</i>	" William Lomas, Laskay.
<i>General Treasurer</i>	Robert Walker, Esq., King St., Toronto.
<i>Missionary Secretary</i> ..	Rev. John Davison, box 353, Toronto.
Toronto	" William Rowe, box 353, Toronto.
Markham	" Thomas Crompton, Victoria Square.
Pickering	" Job Roadhouse, Claremont.
Bowmanville	" John Natrass, Bowmanville.
Scarboro	" Joseph Markham, Wexford.
Reach	" John Garner, Epsom.
Muskoka	" Thomas Auger, Muskoka Falls.
Oshawa	" Amos Knapp, Oshawa.
Bruce Mines	" David Simpson, Bruce Mines.
Brampton	" James Edgar, Brampton.
Etobicoke	" Robert Boyle, Malton.
Albion	" James Smith, Albion.
Laskay	" William Lomas, Laskay.
Orangeville	" George Haigh, Orangeville.
Osprey	" George F. Lee, Feversham.
Collingwood	" Matthew H. Moody, Clarksburg.
Bradford	" Timothy Natrass, Bradford.
Barrie	" Edward Whitworth, Barrie.
Hamilton	" Robert Cade, Hamilton.

<i>Walpole</i>	" Matthew H. Matthews, Selkirk.
<i>Blenheim</i>	" William Codville, Drumbo.
<i>Brantford</i>	" Henry S. Matthews, Brantford.
<i>Paris</i>	" Thomas Dudley, Paris.
<i>Grand River</i>	" Abraham Heyworth, York.
<i>Walsingham</i>	" William Cook, Walsingham.
<i>Woodstock</i>	" Samuel P. Lacey, Woodstock.
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