

MINUTES

OF

SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN

THE MINISTERS

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connexion or Church

OF

EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,

AT THEIR SEVENTH CONFERENCE BEGUN IN St. JOHN, N. B., ON
JUNE 26TH, 1861.

HALIFAX, N. S.
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THE MINISTERS

Department of External Affairs

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE,

TAKEN AT ST. JOHN, N. B., FROM THE TWENTY-SIXTH OF JUNE
TO THE SIXTH OF JULY, 1861.

REVEREND W. B. BOYCE, President.
" HUMPHREY PICKARD, D. D., Co-Delegate.
" JOHN McMURRAY, Secretary.

QUESTION I.

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

ANSWER.

Wm. C. Brown,	John Read,
Douglas Chapman,	Thomas W. Smith,
John Howie,	Joseph Sutcliffe,
Jas. A. Duke,	Robert Wasson,
Richard Johnson.	

QUESTION II.

What Preachers now remain on Trial?

1. William Perkin, who was allowed last year to retire for
two years for the purpose of prosecuting a course of study,
has permission to attend the Theological Class for this year.

2. S. F. Huestis,	Alexander S. Tuttle,
James B. Likely,	Isaac Thurlow,
F. H. W. Pickles,	John Jas. Teesdale,
D. B. Scott,	Wm. Ryan,
Wm. S. Shenstone,	John Waterhouse.

These have travelled Three years.

Richard Pratt,	Theophilus S. Richey,
Jos. S. Coffin,	Robert Wilson.

These have travelled Two years.

John J. Colter,	James A. Richey,
Joseph Gaetz,	Job Shenton,
James R. Hart,	Robert M. Smith,
Thomas D. Hart,	Alfred W. Turner,
Benjamin J. Johnson,	John Goodison,
Christopher S. Lane,	Edwin Evans.

These have travelled One year.

[Fletcher A. Weldon has permission to rest one year on account of ill health.]

QUESTION III.

What Preachers are now received on Trial?

Roland Morton,	George Bigney,
Leonard Gaetz,	John Johnson,
John Mosher,	Charles Ladner,
Samuel B. Martin,	George Harrison,
Elias Stackford,	Frederick Harrison,

Humphrey P. Cowperthwaite.

Also, the following placed under the charge of the Theological Professor :

Howard Sprague,	William W. Percival,
Andrew Gray,	Leonard Gaetz,
	Sylvanus Clayton.

QUESTION IV.

What Ministers have died since the last Conference ?

ANSWER.

1. CHARLES GASKIN, who last Conference, through ill health requested to become a Supernumerary, gradually declined under the fatal disease Consumption, until 10th March, when he finished his earthly career, in the 33rd year of his age, and the eighth year of his ministry. His sufferings, for some time previous to his death, were great—which, no doubt, had an influence on his Christian enjoyment: but, as he drew near the end of life, the Lord dispersed every cloud, and enabled him to pass through death triumphant home.

2. THOMAS GAETZ—who was born at Musquodoboit Harbor, Nova Scotia, on the 5th of Oct., 1831. He was thoughtful and studious when a child; and at the age of twelve years was soundly converted to God. Very soon after his

conversion he felt a strong desire for the salvation of sinners; and feeling that he was called of God to preach the Gospel, he was at an early age engaged as a Local Preacher; but desiring to devote himself fully to the work of God, he became a candidate for the ministry among us in the year 1851: since which time he laboured with acceptance and success in Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland.

In the Grand Bank Circuit his labors were greatly owned of God. His name is, and long will be, a household word. He never spared himself, but often laboured beyond his strength—such was his anxiety to do good. He was appointed by the last Conference to the Old Perlican Circuit. Immediately on his arrival he commenced his labour with great zeal—yea, intense ardor—and although with this people so short a time, yet he was endeared to them—greatly beloved by them—and his death was deeply lamented. When told he could not possibly recover without some speedy alteration, he exclaimed, “Well, my peace is made with God.” His last words were, “Jesus is all love!” after which he fell asleep in Christ, on the 24th of October, 1860, in the 29th year of his age, and the 10th year of his ministry.

QUESTION V.

What Ministers become Supernumeraries at the present Conference?

ANSWER.

None.

QUESTION VI.

What Supernumeraries return to the regular work of our Ministry?

ANSWER.

Matthew Richey, D. D.,
George B. Payson.

QUESTION VII.

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

ANSWER.

They were examined one by one.

QUESTION VIII.

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

ANSWER.

As follows:—

Wm. B. Boyce, *President*.
Humphrey Pickard, D. D., *Co-Delegate*.
John McMurray, *Secretary*.

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

1. *Halifax*, John S. Addy, John Brewster; Charles Churchill, A. M., who is our Book Steward and Editor; Henry Pope, 1st, and Arthur McNutt, Supernumeraries.
 2. *Dartmouth*, Theophilus S. Richey.
 3. *Musquodoboit Harbor*, Samuel B. Martin.
 4. *Middle Musquodoboit*, Henry Holland.
 5. *Sambro and St Margaret's Bay*, Joseph Sutcliffe.
 6. *Lunenburg*, Charles Stewart, George Bigney; John Marshall, Supernumerary.
 7. *Windsor and Falmouth*, Henry Pope, 2nd, Richard Johnson; Fredk. Smallwood, who is allowed to rest another year.
 8. *Newport*, James G. Hennigar.
 9. *Kempt*, Wm. Alcorn.
 10. *Maitland*, Robert E. Crane.
- JAMES G. HENNIGAR, *Chairman*.
HENRY POPE, 2nd, *Financial Secretary*.

II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

11. *St. John, South*, John McMurray, (Secretary of the Conference); M. Richey, D. D., John Lathern; Wm. Temple, Supernumerary.
12. *St. John, North*, John Prince.
13. *St. John, West*, James R. Narraway, A. M., Robert Wilson.
14. *St. Andrew's*, John B. Brownell.
15. *St. David's*, Wm. Wilson.
16. *St. Stephen*, Hezekiah McKeown.
17. *Mill Town*, Wm. Smith.
18. *Sussex Vale*, Richard Smith, H. P. Cowperthwaite.

19. *Grand Lake and Canaan*, Christopher S. Lane,
under R. Smith's Superintendance.

20. *Greenwich*, } S. T. Teed and John Mosher.

21. *Kingston*, }

22. *Upham*, James R. Hart.

JOHN McMURRAY, *Chairman*.

JOHN PRINCE, *Financial Secretary*.

III.—TRURO DISTRICT.

23. *Truro*, Thomas Smith.

24. *River Philip*, Alexr. M. DesBrisay.

25. *Pugwash*, John J. Teesdale.

26. *Wallace*, Wm. Allen, John S. Allen.

27. *River John*, Wm. Tweedy.

28. *Albion Mines and Pictou*, John Cassidy.

29. *Guysboro' and Canso*, George S. Milligan, A. M.,
Roland Morton, Isaac Thurlow.

30. *Sydney, C. B.*, G. O. Huestis, Jas. A. Richey.

31. *Ship Harbor*, John Johnson.

32. *Margarie*, Alexander S. Tuttle.

GEO. O. HUESTIS, *Chairman*.

A. M. DESBRISAY, *Financial Secretary*.

IV.—PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND DISTRICT.

33. *Charlottetown*, Henry Daniel, Richard Pratt.

34. *Cornwall and Little York*, A. W. Nicolson.

35. *Pownal*, Robert Duncan. The Brethren on the two
ceeding Circuits to exchange every fourth Sabbath with
Charlottetown.

36. *Bedeque*, S. W. Sprague; J. B. Strong, Supernum'y.

37. *Margate*, Joseph S. Coffin.

38. *Morrell and Mount Stewart*, To be supplied from
Charlottetown.

39. *King's County*, (*George Town*,) Robert Wasson.

40. *West Cape*, Wm. C. Brown.

HENRY DANIEL, *Chairman*.

ROBERT DUNCAN, *Financial Secretary*.

V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

41.—*Fredericton*, James England.

42.—*Sheffield*, Richard Weddall.

43. —*King's-clear*.—Edwin Evans, to interchange with
Fredericton Minister.

44. *Woodstock*, R. A. Temple, D. D. Currie, Stephen F.
Huestis, John J. Colter.

45. *Andover*, D. B. Scott.

46. *Nashuaak*, T. Watson Smith.

47. *Boiestown*, To be supplied.

48. *Gagetown*, John Read.

49. *Burton*, Frederick Harrison.

50. *Miramichi*, G. M. Barratt.

51. *Bathurst*, William W. Perkins.

52. *Dalhousie*, George Harrison.

R. ALDER TEMPLE, *Chairman*.

JAMES ENGLAND, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

53. *Sackville*, John Snowball; Stephen Humphrey, A. B.,
Supernumerary.

THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

Professor of Theology, Charles DeWolfe, A. M.

Students on Trial placed under the charge of the Theological Professor: W. Perkin, Howard Sprague, And. Gray,
Sylvanus Clayton, William W. Percival, Leonard Gaetz.

MOUNT ALLISON INSTITUTION.

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

Principal of Female Branch, John Allison, A. M.

54. *Point De Bute*, Michael Pickles.

55. *Baie De Verte*, James Tweedy.

56. *Moncton*, Jeremiah V. Jost.

57. *Shediac and Dorchester*, George B. Payson.

58. *Hopewell*, } Robert Tweedy, Elias Stackford.

59. *Coverdale*, }

60. *Richibucto*, Douglas Chapman.

61. *Amherst*, William T. Cardy.

62. *Parrsboro'*, John L. Sponagle, Job Shenton.

JOHN SNOWBALL, *Chairman*.

JEREMIAH V. JOST, *Financial Secretary*.

VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

63. *Annapolis*, James Taylor.

64. *Bridgetown*, Thomas H. Davies; George Miller and Joseph E. Bent, Supernumeraries.
 65. *Wilmot*, A. B. Black.
 66. *Aylesford*, George W. Tuttle.
 67. *Horton*, Thomas Angwin, F. H. W. Pickles.
 68. *Cornwallis, East*, (*Canning*,) Wm. Smithson.
 69. *Cornwallis, West*, (*Berwick*,) George Butcher.
 70. *Digby*, Wm. McCarty, Benj. J. Johnston.

THOMAS ANGWIN, *Chairman*.

JAMES TAYLOR, *Financial Secretary*.

VIII.—LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

71. *Liverpool*, George Johnson; Samuel Avery, who is allowed to rest another year.
 72. *Yarmouth*, Ingham Sutcliffe, J. B. Likely.
 73. *Barrington*, James Buckley.
 74. *Shelburne*, Wm. C. McKinnon, R. Mitchell Smith.
 75. *Port Mouton*, John W. Howie.
 76. *Mill Village*, James Burns.
 77. *Petite Riviere*, Joseph Hart.

GEORGE JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

JOSEPH HART, *Financial Secretary*.

IX.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

78. *St. John's*, Edmund Botterell, J. Waterhouse; A. Nightingale, Supernumerary.
 79. *Harbor Grace*, Christopher Lockhart.
 80. *Carbonear*, Elias Brettle, Thos. D. Hart.
 81. *Brigus*, Thomas Harris.
 82. *Port de Grave*, Wm. E. Shenstone.
 83. *Black Head*, John S. Peach.
 84. *Island Cove*, James Dove.
 85. *Old Perlican*, John Goodison.
 86. *Hant's Harbor*, Wm. S. Shenston.
 87. *Trinity*, Alfred W. Turner.
 88. *Bonavista*, Paul Prestwood, Thos. Fox.
 89. *Twillingate*, Chas. Comben.
 90. *Burin*, John S. Phinney.
 91. *Grand Bank*, John Winterbotham.

MISSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

92. *Labrador*—supplied in summer by Thos. Fox.
 93. *Petites*, Charles Ladner.
 94. *Channel*, Joseph Gaetz.
 95. *Exploits Burnt Island*, James A. Duke.
 96. *Fogo and Change Island*—to be supplied.
 97. *Little Bay Islands*—to be supplied.
 98. *Green's Pond*—to be supplied.

E. BOTTERELL, *Chairman.*
 J. S. PEACH, *Financial Secretary.*

BERMUDA, (in connection with Halifax District.)

99. Fred. W. Moore, W. Ryan—one wanted.

Thos. M. Albrighton has permission of the Conference to remain in England.

QUESTION IX.

What is the NUMBER of members in our Societies?

ANSWER.

As follows, viz. :

HALIFAX DISTRICT.			ST. JOHN DISTRICT.		
Circuits.	Mem.	Trial.	Circuits.	Mem.	Trial.
Halifax,.....	425		St. John South,.....	586	70
Dartmouth,.....	25		St. John North,.....	117	25
Musquodoboit Har.,..	50		St. John West,.....	333	35
St. Margaret's Bay,..	98		St. Andrew's,.....	73	
Lunenburg,.....	303	11	St. Stephen's,.....	70	37
Petite Riviere,.....	125	5	St. David's,.....	112	
Mill Village,.....	93	12	Mill Town,.....	107	
Liverpool,.....	80		Sussex and }.....	260	15
Port Mouton,.....	138	1	Grand Lake, }		
Windsor,.....	221	8	Gree-wich and }	127	8
Newport,.....	240	21	Kingston, }		
Kempt,.....	170		Upham,.....	100	10
Maitland,.....	145	8			
Bermuda,.....	511	25		1885	200
	2621	91			

TRURO DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Mem.	Trial.
Truro.....	130	
Mid. Musquodoboit..	48	4
River Philip,.....	177	31
Pugwash,.....	59	6
Wallace,.....	370	20
River John,.....	140	24
Pictou,.....	16	7
Guysborough,.....	310	64
Sydney, C. B.,.....	215	
Ship Harbor, &c.,...	47	10
Port Hood, &c.,.....	44	
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F. EDWARD ISLAND DISTRICT.

Charlottetown,.....	350	
Cornwall, &c.,.....	227	3
Pownal,.....	95	40
Bedeque,.....	310	8
Margate,.....	72	62
Morell, &c.,.....	0	0
King's County,.....	35	15
West Cape,.....	61	
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FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

Fredericton,.....	220	10
Sheffield,.....	85	
Woodstock,.....	517	14
Andover,.....	93	
Nashwaak,.....	140	
Gagetown,.....	44	
Burton,.....	60	
Miramichi,.....	75	
Bathurst,.....	86	93
Dalhousie,.....	60	20
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SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

Sackville,.....	200	
Point deBute,.....	102	} 23
Baie de Verte,.....	184	
Moncton,.....	110	

Circuits. Mem. Trial.

Coverdale,.....	84	
Hopewell,.....	194	5
Richibucto,.....	70	7
Amherst,.....	200	
Parrsboro,.....	287	27
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ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

Annapolis,.....	243	9
Bridgetown,.....	150	18
Wilmot,.....	150	57
Aylesford,.....	162	14
Horton,.....	188	23
Cornwallis, East...	130	
Cornwallis, West...	226	14
Digby,.....	170	16
Yarmouth,.....	160	20
Barrington,.....	384	8
Shelburne,.....	232	9
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NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

St. John's,.....	294	13
Harbour Grace,.....	113	49
Carbonear,.....	648	86
Brigus,.....	120	50
Port deGrave,.....	63	
Black Head,.....	530	89
Island Cove,.....	123	35
Old Perlican,.....	260	22
Hant's Harbor,.....	140	5
Trinity,.....	57	5
Bonavista,.....	280	6
Twillingate,.....	223	82
Burin,.....	160	5
Grand Bank,.....	153	25
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Missions.

Petites, &c.,.....	30	4
Exploits, &c.,.....	80	60
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GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

Districts.	This year.	On trial.	Last year.	Increase.	Decrease.	Nett Incr
Halifax	2621	91	2497	124	..	..
St. John	1885	200	1833	52	..	..
Truro	1556	166	1581	...	25	..
P. E. Island...	1157	128	1129	22	..	..
Fredericton...	1380	137	1380	...	..	..
Sackville	1431	112	1613	...	182	..
Annapolis	2195	188	2050	145	..	..
Newfoundland .	3278	531	3080	194	..	..
	15,497	1553	15,167	537	207	330

QUESTION X.

What has been collected upon the several Circuits 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 :

I.—HALIFAX DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Miss Society.	Con. Fund.	Sup. Fund.	Ed. Fund.
Halifax.	£410 17 0½	£50 13 10	£24 7 6	£8 14 10½
Dartmouth,	13 17 4			9 5½
Musquodobb, St. Margaret's Bay,		2 11 10		4 0
Lunenburg.	22 9 5½	3 1 9	1 3 7	18 1
Petite Riviere,	29 11 5½	2 5 0	1 6 8	15 5
Mill Village,	21 18 2½	2 1 5	1 12 0	8 0
Liverpool,	12 2 5½	3 10 0	1 0 6½	17 6
Port Mouton	6 11 9	9 0	15 1½	10 0
Windsor,	74 16 10½	8 12 7½	9 7 2	1 6 5
Newport,	37 18 3	6 14 0	1 12 6	1 2 6
Kempt,	19 10 8	3 1 9	1 18 6	15 3
Maitland,	30 10 10	2 10 0	3 3 2	14 0
Bermuda,	194 3 6	4 14 4	6 11 3	
Ministers' Subscriptions,			77 15 7	8 10 0
	£870 7 9	£90 5 6½	£130 13 7½	£25 6 0½

II.—ST. JOHN DISTRICT.

St. John, South,	173 17 10	25 0 0	20 16 0	4 3 0
St. John, North,	45 5 10	2 10 0	2 14 6	2 9 0
St. John, West,	20 8 5½	2 10 0	2 10 8	5 1½
St. Andrew's,	14 4 1½	1 18 0	1 6 10	11 8
St. David's	5 9 7	1 19 3	1 6 9	9 0
St. Stephen's	17 2 6	2 18 0	1 15 0	15 0
Mill Town,	7 12 6	2 15 0	1 4 9½	6 9
Sussex Vale,	39 17 2	3 0 0	4 13 0	18 4
Greenwich,	23 19 9	1 18 9	1 0 0	5 0

Circuits.	Miss. Society.	Con. Fund.	Sup. Fund.	Ed. Fund.
Upham,	13 10 0	1 0 0	12 7	5 6
Ministers' Subscriptions,			23 6 10	0 0
	<u>£360 18 9½</u>	<u>£45 0 0</u>	<u>£61 6 11½</u>	<u>£16 8 4½</u>

III.—TRURO DISTRICT.

Truro,	17 4 8½	2 5 0	1 12 0	10 0
Middle Musquodoboit,	10 13 1½	13 0½	5 0	5 0
River Philip,	19 17 8	1 12 3	8 9½	5 7½
Pugwash,	7 14 1	15 10	13 0	4 6
Wallace,	16 18 4½	2 7 10	1 1 2	6 4
River John,	6 11 6	1 5 10	15 0	5 0
Pictou,		14 6	16 9	
Guysborough,	48 16 3½	3 12 4½	3 1 4	1 4 0½
Sydney,	16 17 4	2 0 4	1 11 11½	10 7½
Ship Harbor, &c.,		12 4	5 4	4 2
Port Hood and Margarie,	3 2 9	1 1 6	8 1½	3 1½
Ministers' Subscriptions,			121 12 9	5 0 0
	<u>£147 15 10</u>	<u>£17 0 10</u>	<u>£132 11 2½</u>	<u>£8 18 5</u>

IV.—PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND DISTRICT.

Charlottetown,	238 14 9	15 5 0	12 14 7	1 13 4
Cornwall,	44 17 6	1 15 0	18 0	12 9
Pownal,	22 11 3½	15 9	9 6	6 9
Bedeque,	76 7 1½	2 19 2½	4 19 1½	19 10½
Margate,	6 16 6	6 11	17 1	6 10½
King's County,	5 1 6	3 6	7 6	4 6
West Cape,	2 3 0	10 0	5 0	5 0
Ministers' Subscriptions,			15 0 0	3 0 0
	<u>£396 12 7</u>	<u>£21 15 4½</u>	<u>£35 10 9½</u>	<u>£7 9 1</u>

V.—FREDERICTON DISTRICT.

Fredericton,	52 10 2	9 1 3	8 9 3	2 12 3
Sheffield,	29 12 9	2 14 11	14 8	5 6
Woodstock,	25 0 5	6 15 0	3 5 0	1 0 0
Andover,	9 19 0	2 10 0	12 6	5 0
Nashwaak,	6 3 0	2 10 0	7 8	5 2
Gagetown,	8 9 7	1 2 7	6 3	5 0
Burton,	3 10 0	1 5 0	3 3	2 4
Miramichi,	35 14 9	2 12 5	1 19 6	14 4
Bathurst,	7 0 1	1 10 0	1 7 0	10 3
Dalhousie,				
Ministers Subscriptions,			34 5 9	5 10 0
	<u>£177 19 9</u>	<u>£30 1 2</u>	<u>£51 10 10</u>	<u>£11 10 0</u>

VI.—SACKVILLE DISTRICT.

Sackville,	39 0 5½	5 0 0	6 12 0	10 7½
Point deBute,	20 0 0	2 15 0	1 8 9½	7 6½
Baie deVerte,	39 6 0	2 0 0	2 5 0	8 3
Moncton,	22 0 0	2 10 0	1 10 0	6 8
Coverdale,	4 16 3	14 8	1 2 9½	4 3½
Hopewell,	18 13 11	3 0 0	15 0	7 6
Richibucto,	10 5 3	1 10 0	1 5 0	9 6
Amherst,	20 5 0	3 0 0	2 0 0	9 3
Parrsboro,'	29 8 0½	2 5 0	1 17 8½	15 4½
Ministers' Subscriptions,			58 0 0	6 10 0
	<u>£203 8 11</u>	<u>£22 14 8</u>	<u>76 16 3½</u>	<u>10 9 3</u>

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VII.—ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Miss. Society.	Con. Fund.	Sup. Fund.	Ed. Fund.
Annapolis,	33 17 3	2 7 6	2 3 9	7 0
Bridgetown,	31 0 1½	14 0	1 5 0	1 6 0
Wilmot,	28 11 0	2 8 4	2 8 4	1 10 0
Aylesford,	28 15 8	12 6	1 10 0	7 6
Horton,	44 11 6½	1 8 4½	2 0 9½	15 11
Cornwallis, East,	23 9 3	2 10 0	3 2 8	1 0 1½
Cornwallis, West,	17 19 4	2 10 0	2 11 6	1 0 1½
Digby,	21 7 10½	2 0 9	2 1 5½	11 3
Yarmouth,	50 2 1½	3 5 10½	4 7 0	1 12 4
Barrington,	41 2 10	6 9 9	5 17 1	1 2 1½
Shelburne,	27 2 3	2 11 8	2 11 4	18 4
Ministers' Subscriptions,			145 15 1	6 0 0
	<u>£346 19 3</u>	<u>£26 18 9</u>	<u>£175 14 0</u>	<u>£16 10 8½</u>

VIII.—NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

St. John's,	108 18 8	9 8 6	20 13 1	10 7 0
Harbor Grace,	60 18 9	5 8 11	6 18 8	2 7 8
Carbonear,	58 7 11	8 10 8	11 16 3	3 9 9
Brigus,	36 6 4	2 12 9	3 18 3	1 12 5
Port de Grave,	9 10 5½	14 8	1 0 0	9 6
Blackhead,	52 13 2	1 10 6	12 2 6	1 2 6
Island Cove,	16 2 0	1 15 0	1 16 9	1 2 0
Old Pelican,	24 2 11	1 4 0	1 6 0	
Hant's Harbor,	27 4 5	14 6	15 9	11 9
Bonavista,	33 14 6	2 7 0	2 13 3	1 3 0
Twillingate,	34 4 7	1 1 3	2 0 4	1 1 5
Burin,	35 9 4	3 11 0	4 12 9	2 3 0
Sound Island,	3 12 0			
Grand Bank,	112 6 9	8 4 1	3 11 0	1 3 9
Petites, &c.,	2 10 0	2 13 4	2 6 4	
Exploits, &c.,	5 10 10	3 6 5	3 14 3	19 6
Ministers' Subscriptions,			54 9 4	9 10 0
	<u>£621 12 7</u>	<u>53 2 7</u>	<u>133 19 11</u>	<u>37 3 3</u>
Difference in Currency,			3 6 3	
			<u>£137 6 2</u>	

RECAPITULATION.

1. Halifax District,	874 7 9	90 5 6½	52 18 0½	16 16 0½
2. St. John do.,	360 18 9½	45 0 0	38 0 1½	10 8 4½
3. Truro do.,	147 15 10	17 0 10	10 18 5½	3 18 5
4. P. E. Island do.,	396 12 7	21 15 4½	20 10 9½	4 9 1
5. Fredericton do.,	177 19 9	30 1 2	17 5 1	6 0 0
6. Sackville do.,	203 8 11	22 14 8	18 16 3½	3 19 5
7. Annapolis do.,	343 19 3	26 18 9	29 18 11	10 10 8½
8. Newfoundland do.,	621 12 7	53 2 7	82 10 10	27 13 3
	<u>£3,129 15 8½</u>	<u>£306 18 10½</u>	<u>£271 4 6½</u>	<u>£83 15 3½</u>
Ministers' Subscripts.,			530 5 4	50 10 0
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QUESTION XI.

What is the amount of the Contingent and Home Mission Fund, and how has it been appropriated ?

ANSWER.

As follows, viz. :

1. Grant from Parent Conference, £2,750 stg.	£3376	7	8
2. Amounts received from the Circuits,	306	18	0½
3. From Bermuda,	37	4	4
4. Mr. Eaton, Treasurer	13	8	7

 £3733 18 7½

APPROPRIATIONS.

District.	Collection.	Appropriation.
To Halifax	£90 5 6	£417 4 11
St. John	45 0 0	369 17 9
Truro	17 0 0	337 0 0
P. E. Island	21 15 4½	140 2 3
Fredericton	30 1 2	289 19 8
Sackville	22 14 8	326 7 8
Annapolis	26 18 9	439 7 9
Newfoundland	53 2 7	1043 12 2
Bermuda	.....	245 11 1
	£306 18 1½	£3609 3 3

Returned to Districts one-half of receipts above their assessments, towards meeting ordinary deficiencies

£8 17 8

Conference printing and stationery

27 8 6½

Additional for removals in Halifax

District

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Bro. McKeown

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Bro. George O. Huestis

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Bro. Weldon

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MOUNT ALLISON ACADEMY.

QUESTION XII.

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

ANSWER.

1. That the Report of the Trustees of the Mount Allison Academy is highly gratifying, and the Conference thankfully acknowledges the Divine goodness which continues to mark the literary, religious and financial condition of both branches of the institution.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. Pickard, D. D., Principal of the Male Academy—to whose zealous and indefatigable devotion to the interests of this branch of this institution its present prosperity is to be largely attributed—for the faithful and efficient discharge of the onerous duties of his responsible position during the past year.

3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. J. Allison, A. M., Principal, and to Mrs. J. Allison, A. M., Preceptress, for their devoted and successful labors in the Ladies Branch of the institution, and that the efficiency and prosperity of this department of our educational interests afford to the Conference much satisfaction.

4. That the Conference with great pleasure and in the utmost confidence would commend these institutions to our people and to the public generally, for securing thereby to the youth under their charge the advantages of thorough literary training, on sound Christian principles; advantages, there is reason to believe, not to be exceeded in any other institution in these Lower Provinces.

MOUNT ALLISON WESLEYAN COLLEGE.

QUESTION XIII.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Collegiate Education ?

ANSWER.

1. That in the opinion of this Conference the arrangements for the organization and systematic instruction of the regular classes for a full course of Collegiate study, in our Institution

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at Sackville, should be completed at the earliest practicable period.

2. That this Conference, fully concurring in the opinion that the establishment of a proper Provincial University, distinct from all teaching institutions, to be the sole source of university honors and degrees, upon the plan, essentially, of the London University in England, and the Queen's University in Ireland, would be of great and permanent advantage to the cause of liberal education, gladly complies with the request of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Allison Wesleyan Academy, and appoints the Rev. the President of the Conference and the Rev. the Secretary of the same, with the Superintendent of the Fredericton Circuit, to act with the Executive-Committee of the Academy, as a joint Committee, to bring the matter under the notice and consideration of the Government and Legislature of the Province of New Brunswick, in such a way as shall seem best calculated to secure the establishment of such an institution.

3. That the Conference is convinced that, in the event of a failure in the effort to secure the establishment of such an institution as is contemplated in the second resolution, it will be then expedient to fall back upon the Act of the Legislature which authorizes the organization of a College proper at Mount Allison, upon certain conditions, which, it is believed, can be fulfilled without involving the necessity of any general appeal throughout the Circuits for additional funds.

4. That in the opinion of the Conference the establishment of a College will give additional stability and influence to the C. F. Allison Theological Professorship, and that it should operate as a stimulus rather than a hindrance to the completion of the Endowment Fund for this Professorship.

THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

QUESTION XIV.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Theological Institution?

1. That the Conference records its appreciation of the services rendered by the Rev. C. De Wolfe, A. M., to the students of theology at Sackville during the past year, and being:

deeply impressed with the importance of continuing and strengthening the existing arrangements for the training of candidates for our ministry, hereby directs that his name appear in the list of stations as Theological Professor.

2. That the student probationers for our ministry shall be placed under the entire control and government of the Theological Professor for the ensuing year, who shall provide for their comfort, superintend their studies, and exercise over their moral and religious conduct a constant care.

3. That the Professor of Theology and the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund be a Committee to adopt such measures as may be necessary for collecting in unpaid subscriptions, and for obtaining further subscriptions to the funds, so as that the sum originally contemplated of \$20,000, for the establishment and sustentation of the Charles F. Allison Professorship of Theology, may be realized at the earliest possible period.

4. That the students who may be placed under the charge of the Theological Professor by the Conference, during two or more years, shall be allowed one of such years as a part of their probation.

5. That the Theological Professor, the Principals of the two branches of the institution, and the Superintendents of the Sackville, Point de Bute and Amherst Circuits, be a Committee to arrange and submit to the Conference at its next session suitable courses of study for the young men under theological training, and for probationers upon Circuits, upon which they may be examined at our Annual District Meetings.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

QUESTION XV.

What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting our Sabbath Schools?

ANSWER.

1. That it affords the Conference much pleasure to observe that the general state of our Sabbath Schools continues to be encouraging.

Districts.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.		Total.
			Boys.	Girls.	
Halifax	26	32	425	503	928
St. John	30	248	938	1093	2031
Truro	20	45	303	294	597
P. E. Island	18	99	379	446	825
Fredericton	14	93	332	411	743
Sackville	26	168	528	583	1111
Annapolis	28	196	724	782	1506
Newfoundland	39	280	1189	1251	2440
Bermuda	7	80	278	342	620
Total.....	208	1341	4096	6105	10701

2. The Conference would earnestly recommend to our Societies to cultivate sympathy with the objects of this very important institution, and would request that they may everywhere be sustained in full efficiency.

For the encouragement of our friends generally in this good work, it affords the Conference the highest pleasure to observe that during the past year many of our Sabbath Scholars were soundly converted to God.

THE CHILDRENS' FUND.

QUESTION XVI.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Childrens' Fund.

ANSWER.

1. That John Starr, Esq., 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 contributions in proportion to the number in society, it is agreed that for the ensuing year *seventy-six* members shall provide the allowance for one child. The following statement has accordingly been drawn up, determining the number of childrens' allowances to be allotted at the Financial District Meetings to the Circuits, according to rule:—

Districts.	Members.	Children.
Halifax	2185	28 $\frac{3}{4}$
St. John	1885	24 $\frac{3}{4}$
Truro	1556	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Prince Edward Island	1151	15
Fredericton	1380	18
Sackville	1431	18 $\frac{3}{4}$
Annapolis	1419	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
Liverpool	1212	16
Newfoundland	3278	43
	<hr/> 15497	<hr/> 203 $\frac{1}{4}$

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 satisfaction the support which this fund receives from the classes in nearly all our Societies, and hopes that by continued attention to all the sources of income to this important institution of our Church, viz., public collections, subscriptions in the classes, and donations, the required average of at least *six pence* per member *per annum* will shortly be realized.

2. The Conference directs that 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 authorized 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 Lunenburg, and John Frazer, 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. We re-affirm our former resolution respecting this Fund, which will be found in our printed Minutes of Conference, 1856-57.

2. We earnestly commend this Fund to the consideration of our whole membership. The vital interests of our young connexion are very intimately connected with the arrangements of this portion of our financial economy. Upon it we ultimately depend for any real extension of our work to those places within the bounds of our Conference which are yet destitute of the Gospel, and we have hitherto had cause for regret that on several Circuits these claims do not appear to have received due consideration.

3. The consideration of some plans for the fuller organization and carrying out of the Home Missions' Principle is again referred to the Committee, to be legislated upon at the ensuing Conference.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

QUESTION XX.

What are the Standing and other Committees for the year, and of whom are they composed?

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ANSWER.

I.—MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The President, Co-Delegate, and the Secretary of the Conference, the Chairmen of the respective Districts, and

Rev. C. Stewart, *Sec'y.* Rev. Wm. McCarty,

H. Pope, R. E. Crane,

Messrs. Martin Gay Black, *Halifax*,

G. H. Starr, "

Hon. J. H. Anderson, "

A. Eaton, *St. John*,

G. P. Sancton, "

S. Rettie, *Truro*,

R. Brecken, *P. E. Island*,

Hon. C. Young, L.L. D., *P. E. Island*,

Hon. Judge Wilmot, *Fredericton*,

M. Wood, *Sackville*,

W. K. Dudman, *Yarmouth*,

A. Henderson, *Annapolis*,

J. J. Rogerson, *St. John's, N. F.*,

Hon. E. White, "

II.—BOOK COMMITTEE.

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

Rev. H. Pope, 2nd, *Sec'y.*, Rev. J. S. Addy,

T. H. Davies, Joseph Hart,

James England, Thomas Smith,

J. G. Hennigar, Wm. Smithson,

F. Smallwood, S. W. Sprague,

Ingham Sutcliffe, G. W. Tuttle,

Rev. W. C. McKinnon.

EXECUTIVE BOOK COMMITTEE.

The Superintendents of the Halifax, Windsor, and Newport Circuits.

AUDIT COMMITTEE.

Rev. Thomas Angwin, Rev. James Taylor,

Rev. C. Stewart.

III.—SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND COMMITTEE.

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

Rev. E. Botterell, <i>Sec'y.</i> ,	Rev. R. Alder Temple,
H. Pickard, D.D.,	R. Duncan,
A. Eaton, Esq.,	Hezekiah McKeown,
} <i>Treas.</i> ,	
George H. Starr, Esq., <i>Halifax</i> ,	
Hon. J. H. Anderson,	"
W. H. Harrison, Esq., <i>St. John</i> ,	
E. E. Lockhart, Esq.,	"
James Allison, Esq., <i>Newport</i> ,	
John Humphrey, Esq., <i>Moncton</i> ,	
R. Brecken, Esq., <i>Charlottetown</i> .	

IV.—CONTINGENT FUND COMMITTEE.

The President, and Co-Delegate, and Secretary of the Conference, the Chairmen and the Financial Secretaries of the respective Districts, the Treasurers and Secretaries of the Childrens' Fund, with two gentlemen, members of our Church, from each District, to be chosen at the Annual Meeting in May,

Hon. J. H. Anderson,	} <i>Treasurers.</i>
Rev. C. Churchill, A. M.,	
Rev. James Taylor, <i>Secretary.</i>	

V.—CHURCH PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

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

Rev. John Snowball,	Rev. Thomas Angwin,
A. B. Black,	William Tweedy,
James Buckley,	G. W. Butcher,
J. S. Peach,	John Prince,
Rev. G. M. Barratt.	

VI.—SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. E. Brettle,	Rev. Robert Tweedy,
W. T. Cardy,	William Smith,
W. Allen,	Richard Smith,
G. O. Huestis,	J. V. Jost.

VII.—BOARD OF TRUSTEES MOUNT ALLISON WESLEYAN ACADEMY.

The President and Secretary of the Conference,	
Rev. H. Pickard, D. D.,	Rev. John Snowball,
J. Allison, A. M.,	M. Pickles,
J. R. Narraway, A. M.,	E. Botterell,
Mariner Wood, Esq.,	S. Fulton, Esq.,
Joseph F. Allison, Esq.,	W. H. Harrison, Esq.,
A. R. McLellan, Esq., M.P.P.,	Hon. J. H. Anderson,
Hon. C. Young, LL. Dr.	

VIII.—THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION FUND COMMITTEE.

The President and Secretary of the Conference,	
Rev. J. Snowball,	} <i>Treas.</i> Rev. C. DeWolfe, A. M..
G. R. Anderson, Esq.,	
Rev. Dr. Richey,	Henry Daniel,
	J. B. Brownell,
	Rev. Charles Stewart.

IX.—EXAMINING COMMITTEE FOR MT. ALLISON INSTITUTIONS.

Rev. M. Richey, D. D.,	Rev. J. L. Sponagle,
W. T. Cardy,	A. M. DesBrisay,
	Rev. S. Humphrey, A. B.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES,

To confer with the necessary parties and devise a plan to be submitted to the next Conference, with a view to the insurance of our Connexional property on some general plan,
 The Co-Delegate and Secretary of the Conference,
 Rev. John Snowball, Rev. J. Allison, A. M.,
 S. W. Sprague, C. DeWolfe, A. M.

QUESTION XXI.

What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Church Property?

ANSWER.

1. That each District be required to furnish to the next Conference a full account of all Mission property within the bounds of said District, embracing the particulars contained

in a blank form to be supplied, and that such statement or schedule be copied into the District Book of each District, and that a general statement or schedule shall be kept in the records of the Conference.

2. That no Chapel or Parsonage be commenced in future before permission has been obtained from the Financial or General District Meeting, or at least from the Chairman of the District, and that steps be taken by Conference to procure a suitable model plan of Chapels and Parsonages.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

I.—DEATH OF THOMAS FARMER, ESQ.

The Conference of Eastern British America having heard with unfeigned regret of the decease of the late Thomas Farmer, Esq., of London, who for so long a time occupied the post of one of the General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, and by his princely munificence so largely sustained the cause so dear to us, and of such vast importance to the world, would express their sincere sympathy with the Wesleyan Church generally, and with the esteemed members of his bereaved family, in this providential removal of our late highly-esteemed Brother to a better world, with the earnest hope that other princes of our Israel may be raised up in his place of trust thus rendered vacant by his death.

II.—THE CANADIAN DELEGATION.

The Conference has welcomed with unfeigned cordiality and fraternal greeting, the beloved and honored brethren who, as the representatives of the Canadian Conference, have come amongst us to bring their kind message of brotherly greeting and friendly encouragement; the speeches of the Rev. Joseph Stinson, D.D., the President, the Rev. R. Jones, Co-Delegate, and the Rev. John Gemly, Secretary of the Canada Conference, have been listened to by us, not merely with interest, but with admiration. The address of the Conference to ours has been read with a heart-felt response by us of the most affectionate character, and we beg to assure our beloved

visitors that their presence amongst us during the session will be hailed with great satisfaction, and their counsels and advice received by us with thankfulness and respect.

III.—THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT, &c.

That the very cordial thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Rev. Wm. B. Boyce, for the eminent ability, courtesy and fidelity with which he has presided at this Conference and its various committees.

That the hearty thanks of the Conference be presented to the Co-Delegate, the Rev. H. Pickard, D. D., for his highly efficient and acceptable services in the discharge of the duties of his office.

That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. John McMurray, Secretary of the Conference, to the Rev. James Taylor, Journal Secretary, and to the Rev'ds. R. Alder Temple, H. Pope, 2nd, and William McCarty, Assistant Secretaries, for their efficient and highly acceptable services.

That our cordial thanks are due to the friends in the city of St. John, by whom the members of the Conference during the present session have been so kindly entertained, and that such thanks be expressed on our behalf from the several Wesleyan Pulpits on Sabbath morning next.

IV.—CURRENCY IN FINANCIAL RETURNS.

Resolved,—That the accounts of Connexional and Circuit funds be kept in decimal currency.

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 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.

II.—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 XXII.

When and where shall our next Conference be held?

ANSWER.

On the fourth Wednesday in June, A. D., 1862, at Halifax, N. S.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

WILLIAM B. BOYCE, *President*,
JOHN McMURRAY, *Secretary*.

TIME FOR COLLECTIONS IN AID OF THE CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

Contingent Fund—Public Collection August,
Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows'
Fund, (1) Collection in the Classes September,
(2) Public Collections December,
Contingent Fund—Yearly Collection in Classes . . March,
Educational Fund for Ministers' Children—Pub-
lic Collection April,
The Conference Collection May.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1862.

The Committees preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in Halifax 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 19th, at 9 o'clock, a. m.
2. *Book Committee*,—Friday, June 20th, at 9, a. m.
3. *Theological Institution Committee*,—Saturday, June 21st, at 9, a. m.
4. *Auxiliary Missionary Society Committee*,—Saturday, June 21st, at 3, p. m.
5. *Contingent Fund*,—Monday, June 23rd, at 9, a. m.
6. *Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund*,—Tuesday, June 24th, at 9, a. m.

N. B.—1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in Halifax on Thursday, June 19, 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 19, 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.

QUARTERLY FAST DAYS.

The days upon which the Quarterly Fast, appointed by rule, is to be observed for the following year, are, Fridays, October 4th ; January 3rd ; March 28th ; and June 27th.

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THE PASTORAL ADDRESS.

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

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN :

PROVIDENTIALLY permitted again to assemble ourselves together for Conferential deliberation on all matters pertaining to the well-being of our Church, we eagerly and joyfully hasten to renew, in our collective capacity, our pastoral intercourse with you. Deep and abiding is our sympathy with all that concerns you. A thousand tendrils and ties unite our interests with yours. We share with you the same spiritual baptism, and the same pure scriptural creed; we walk the courts of the same sanctuaries, and fall prostrate together before the same altars. Our voices blend in the gushing raptures of the same holy song, and our memories of the garden, the cross, and the tomb, melt and mingle in the same sacramental joy. Side by side with you we fight the good fight of faith—hand in hand with you we traverse the great and terrible deserts, or ford the deep dark waters, which lie between us and the promised land. Our trials are similar, our triumphs are mutual, we pity and pray with you in the darkened chamber where your loved ones suffer; we tearfully mourn with you on the brink of the fast-filling graves where your sainted-ones slumber. We live for God and you. Gladly do we avail ourselves of this opportunity collectively to say, what we trust by our sympathy and labors individually to prove, that we love you in Christ Jesus, and that your prosperity and happiness lie near to our hearts.

Our Conferential session this year has been unusually interesting. Questions of much importance to the advancement of the cause of God among us, have occupied our atten-

tion. A refreshing spirit of candor and frankness—a free, genial interchange of thought and sentiment, have marked the discussions, through which our deliberations have been guided to definite conclusions. The religious services held during our session have been spiritual, edifying, and stimulating, in a high degree; in some instances, they have been distinguished by unusual power from above, and the richest unction of the Holy Ghost.

Two members of our body, while yet in their early manhood, for whom a long career of usefulness might have been expected, have been removed from us, since last we met, by a death peaceful and triumphant. By their removal from the vineyard of the Lord, we feel ourselves imperatively admonished to work with increased faithfulness and diligence while it is called to-day.

Some of our Circuits have been, during the year, blessed with very gracious revivals of religion, in which many precious souls have found the pearl of great price. We are enabled to report a nett addition of 330 to our membership, and 1,553 on trial; and the general state of our work is highly encouraging. Yet, for how much more glorious manifestations of Divine power—for how much wider an extension of Christ's blessed cause are we not commanded to pray and toil, and privileged to hope and believe! May the Lord speedily make you a hundred fold more than you are.

To realize so desirable a consummation, it behoveth us rightly to estimate the grave responsibilities under which we live, and duly to value the privileges and opportunities with which we are entrusted by the Head of the Church. The members of no other section of the Church universal bear weightier responsibilities than do we; for the members of no other Christian community rival us in our possession of an admirable ecclesiastical polity, and of manifold and most precious means of grace—wondrous aids to personal advancement along the way of holiness. Both the abstract and the practical value of the various forms of Christian polity and doctrine, are to be determined by their soul-saving and soul-training capacities and performance. Christian communities exist for the accomplishment of a two-fold purpose: to make aggressions upon the world of darkness and of sin, and to secure a full and harmonious spiritual self-development of

their membership—to bring men to the knowledge of Jesus, and to incite them in reaching the highest attainments in the Divine life. Judged by tests thus supplied, Methodism, among her Christian sisters stands pre-eminent—unrivalled, as well for her success in winning men to Christ as for training them for the enjoyment of His presence in heaven. Let us see to it, dear brethren, that we both prize and profit by our peerless religious advantages. We affectionately exhort you ever to remember the relation which time bears to eternity. In your affluence and in your poverty—in your prosperity and in your adversity—in your cares, anxieties and disappointments—in your pleasures, your joys, your successes—amid all the many chequered scenes that give character and variety to life, oh! keep it in your memory, bright and fresh, that no acquisition is a gain to you that deadens the fervor of your love to God; and that no deprivation can be a loss to you if it leaves your title to the heavenly inheritance unweakened, and your meetness for its enjoyment undiminished. Let the toil and weariness, the strife and sorrow of this world that passeth away, render more dear to you the love of Jesus and the hope of heaven. Ye know your calling, Brethren, its lofty aims, its glowing incentives, its blissful rewards! To glorify God, to know the Saviour, to diffuse the sweet fragrance of His exalted name, is your heaven-appointed work. To be washed in the all-cleansing blood, to be assimilated to the Divine image, to hold uninterrupted fellowship through the Spirit with the Father and the Son, to be filled with all the fullness of God, is your blood-bought privilege, ratified by a covenant well ordered and sure.

We beseech you to walk worthy of your high vocation. Allow no talent to be misused or unused; no promised blessing to remain untasted; no duty to continue undischarged. Live in God. Live for God.

But while your principal work, and your primal solicitude should ever be to fulfil your own obligations to God, and to make your own calling and election sure, how claimant and imperious is the demand upon you, in behalf of a race perishing in its misery for lack of truth and grace! Its wail of anguish is gone out through all the earth, and there is no speech nor language where their piercing cry is not heard.

Your response to this appeal will be limited neither by color, nor clime, nor tongue. Your efforts to bless will be conditioned only by your power and by your opportunity. Where your labor cannot be expended, your sympathy will go; where your example cannot shine, there the benefits procurable to your effectual fervent prayer will descend. Your supplications, prayers, and intercessions will be made for all men; for this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who gave himself a ransom for all. Nevertheless, in the sphere more immediately accessible to you in your own land, in your own Church, in your own families, your great opportunities for usefulness will be found; and here your evangelistic labors and holy living and earnest prayers may all combine to render your success both certain and large. Strive, we beseech you, to maintain all the general institutions of our Church in the greatest possible efficiency, and all the local means of grace among you in a state of the greatest possible spirituality and vigor. Where co-operation is needed, give it unstintingly. Where your individual effort is required, put it forth cheerfully and manfully. For doing good, Methodism is not more distinguished by its power and facility in combined movements, than by its freedom of individual action. With an ecclesiastical system better adapted than any other on earth at once to conquer and consolidate, to secure world-wide expansion and internal development of the highest type of Christian excellence, let us perform our respective parts with intelligence, and courage, and faith.

There is one department of your duty, upon the faithful performance of which the future of our Church largely depends, to which we most earnestly entreat your prayerful and continued attention—the godly training and Christian nurture of your children. The importance of this duty cannot be over-rated. Considerations alike solemn and tender bind you to its faithful performance. The promise is unto you and your children. Your well-directed labor in this field cannot fail to be followed, in due time, by the desired success. Aim definitely and directly from the beginning to secure, at the earliest moment possible, the conversion of your children. Let no loveliness of person, no sweetness of disposition, no brightness of mental promise, no amiability of general character, on their part, lead you to forget they must be

born again. Let no frowardness of temper, no obstinacy of will, no moral insensibility by which any of them may be characterized, induce you to doubt the practicability of this great change, or lead you to abate one jot of heart or hope in laboring for its accomplishment. To this end, let the soft and winning allurements of the Christian Mother, with her gentle speech and melting tears, and loving smile, attemper the stern authority of the Christian Father. For this result, let the flame on the domestic altar never burn low, and the light of a holy parental example never grow dim. Beneath the mingled fires of divine and human affection, let your anxious hearts unceasingly exhale their prayers to the skies. Avail yourselves wisely of the aid which the Sabbath sanctuary and the Sabbath-school present for your acceptance. Recognise their proper value, and fully embrace their professed benefits. We entreat you, moreover, to train your children carefully to an intelligent appreciation of our wise and admirable economy, our beautiful and Scriptural Theology, and our glorious and providential mission to the world. In faithfully and successfully discharging these high duties, you will, at the same time, be conferring lasting benefits upon your children, and rendering most valuable service to the Church of your choice and love. You will be greatly assisted in this necessary work, if with provident liberality you procure for your families a sufficient supply of that sound, healthful, noble Wesleyan literature, which our Book-Room at Halifax, still under the management of our esteemed and active Brother, Rev. C. Churchill, A. M., can bountifully furnish. Not less helpful to you, or less beneficial to our Church will it be, to introduce the *Provincial Wesleyan* into all your families, that the current events which bring sadness, solicitude or joy, to our denomination, may be familiar as household words around your firesides.

You will be gratified to learn that the Theological Institute at Sackville, designed to aid in the preparation of our young Ministerial Candidates for the better discharge of their sacred duties, has won for itself an incipient success, in the hands of our gifted brother, Rev. C. DeWolfe, A. M., upon whose prelections, during the year, quite a number of young men, prosecuting their literary studies in the Sackville Academy, have been in attendance. The Rev. C. DeWolfe

is re-appointed Theological Professor this year, and will enter upon his important functions with auspicious omens. We commend this enterprise to your sympathy and prayers. We trust, notwithstanding the pressure of these disastrous times, that the endowment of this Professorship will be speedily and satisfactorily completed.

You will also be delighted to know that our Academical Institutions at Sackville have enjoyed a year of decided prosperity. They have been very largely patronised, and have never been in a more healthful and vigorous condition than during the past year. Great and growing is our obligation to these most excellent Institutions. We exult in their efficiency and deservedly high character; and we cordially, confidently and earnestly recommend them to your undivided patronage. But, deeply, as we are indebted to those Institutions, for the benefits they have conferred on our country and our Church; and grateful as we have felt, and increasingly feel for their success, many of us have long been convinced that the welfare of our Church imperatively demands an extension of the educational facilities of the Male Branch at Mt. Allison, in order that the young men of our communion, desirous of obtaining a thorough Collegiate Education, or might easily be induced to seek it to our and their lasting advantage, may be able to obtain this precious boon from our hands, under those religious safeguards which we deem indispensable to Christian Collegiate Education. Three years ago this Conference recorded its judgment in favor of elevating the educational status of Sackville Academy, and approved a plan adapted to secure this desirable result. Subsequently it was deemed expedient to postpone action in this direction for a time, and to combine our energies in the establishment of a Theological Professorship. Now, however, after lengthened and most careful deliberation, we have unanimously resolved that we ought no longer to delay such action in this matter, as may be provident and practicable, tending to meet the educational necessity which we feel to exist. We earnestly implore a continuance of that divine favour which has smiled upon all our educational enterprises hitherto.

In conclusion, we beseech you, dear brethren, to join us in our supplications at the throne of the heavenly grace, that the

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ecclesiastical year upon which we are about to enter, may be renowned in our annals as a great revival year.—We shall quickly be among you again at our destined posts of duty. Pray that we may come to you in the fulness of the blessings of the Gospel of peace ; and may the God of peace make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever, and ever. Amen.

Signed by order, and on behalf of the Conference.

W. B. BOYCE, *President.*

J. McMURRAY, *Secretary.*

St. John, N. B., July 5, 1861.

THE ANSWER

OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF
THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST
CHURCH IN EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA.—(1860.)

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN :

Your Annual Address has been received by us, with that fraternal regard which we have ever taken in whatever concerns you. Be assured that we heartily reciprocate the sentiments of esteem and love which you have expressed. And so long as you justify the confidence it is now our comfort to repose in you, by the faithful preaching of an unadulterated Gospel, the maintenance of our godly discipline, the use of our established arrangements for Christian fellowship, and your steadfast fidelity in keeping the trust committed to your charge, it will always be our delight to glorify God in you, and to evidence our deep interest in your career of Apostolic toil.

We mention, with unfeigned gratitude to the God of all grace, that in all our borders we have been blessed with peace. Our unity has been strength. It has been well pleasing to God, and beneficial to man. Copious outpourings of the Holy Spirit have been vouchsafed. Not only has it pleased the Great Head of the Church to give us that large accession to our numbers to which you allude: vast multitudes have been turned "from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God," and have received "forgiveness of sins, and inheritance amongst them who are sanctified by faith." Everywhere there is a desire to hear the Gospel as preached by us. Many calls for additional labourers have been addressed to us, some of which we have been unable to meet; and we have received a larger number as Preachers on trial than at any Conference for many years past. These blessed results of the year's labors have afforded additional evidence that God has placed in our

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hands a mighty instrumentality for good. We feel that its effectiveness, next to the gracious working of the Holy Spirit, depends upon our own personal devotedness, and upon the zeal and fidelity with which this instrumentality is used. "What manner of persons ought" we "to be in all holy conversation and godliness?" "Brethren, pray for us."

We rejoice in the measure of success which has attended your own labors, and in the efficient working of your important educational and literary establishments.

Permit us to express our heartfelt sympathy with you in the bereavements which you have sustained. The venerable men you have lost we have long known and highly esteemed. They are now numbered among "the dead in Christ;" and it is our common joy to be assured that, while they "rest from their labours," "their works do follow them." We also learn with great regret that our respected brother, your President, and an unusually large number of your younger brethren, are compelled for a season to retire from the active duties of the Christian ministry. May He who holds the stars in His right hand be pleased speedily to restore them to health, and raise up for you a long succession of able and faithful Ministers!

It would have afforded us pleasure to acquiesce in your wishes respecting the appointment of your President. The exigencies of the important work in which Dr. Enoch Wood is engaged, render it inexpedient to remove him from his present sphere of labour. We have appointed the Rev. William B. Boyce to preside at your next Conference, and the Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D. D., to act as Co-Delegate; and, in compliance with your request, we authorize them also to discharge the duties of these offices for the remainder of the current year.

We congratulate you on the auspicious visit to your provinces of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. Yours is the honour of having within the bounds over which you preside the earliest Colonial possession of the British crown. We rejoice that, in common with your fellow-subjects, you have had the opportunity of manifesting your long-tried loyalty to the Royal and Protestant House of Brunswick, and your attachment to the most illustrious member of that House, our gracious Sovereign, the Queen, in the reception

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And now, dear brethren, we earnestly pray that the hand of the Lord may be with you always, sustaining you in trial, and assisting you in duty; and that, through you, great numbers may believe, and be turned to the Lord.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

WILLIAM W. STAMP, *President.*

JOHN FARRAR, *Secretary.*

London, August 11th, 1860.

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ADDRESS
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CHURCH OF EASTERN BRITISH AMERICA,
TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

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REVEREND AND BELOVED FATHERS AND BRETHREN :

Being now assembled in our annual Conference, we have heard the Reply from your venerable body to our last Address, with unfeigned satisfaction, and with unmingled joy.

As the youngest sister of the great Conferential family, and having been favored with many proofs of parental solicitude and tender regard for our welfare, we still cling to you with all the ardour and fondness of youthful affection, and we trust that our future course, and steadfast fidelity to the great trust we have received, will ever justify that confidence which you now repose in us, and that nothing shall ever transpire to diminish that heart-felt joy and satisfaction with which we turn to the ancestral home of our beloved Methodism.

We have watched with peculiar interest the unceasing evidence of strength, of unity, of vitality, of Apostolic effort and of soul-saving power, which are exhibited in your midst. The great heart-throbbings of British Methodism send their pulsations of life through every part of our Provincial work, and their vibrations have stirred our hearts to deeper love and to holier zeal.

We sympathize with you in noble evangelistic enterprise, we magnify "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ" which hath constrained you to enlarged effort; we admire the effectiveness of your agencies, we are strengthened by your example, we are honored in your triumphs, and we would endea-

vor in our own sphere "to walk by the some rule and to mind the same things."

"We have heard with our ears and our fathers have told us of the work done in their days and in the old time before them," and we are convinced that the ancient glory of Wesleyan Methodism hath not departed, but that men imbued with the same spirit as her venerable Founder still live to minister in her sanctuaries, to guide her deliberations, and to conduct her noble enterprises to triumphant success. Earnestly do we pray, and ardently hope, that she will continue faithful to her vocation, "renewing her youth like the eagle," until she fold within her bosom those neglected masses which throng the towns and cities of the British Isles.

It is to us, at this time, when men of acknowledged scholarship, and possessing the prestige of high ecclesiastical position, are found repudiating the distinctive teachings of the Christian faith, a matter of great joy that our system of evangelical doctrine is so well defined, and so firmly established. "If the foundations be destroyed what can the righteous do?"

We have endeavored to prove faithful to the trust which we have received in the preaching of "an unadulterated Gospel;" never can we compromise, or keep in the back-ground, the great central truths of our holy religion. "But God forbid that we should glory save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Nor can we conscientiously yield to that pressing demand which is being made for *sensational* preaching.

While endeavoring to adapt, as far as possible, our pulpit ministrations to the popular mind, yet we increasingly feel the importance of retaining their evangelical character. "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God."

We are also deeply impressed with the importance of maintaining our "Godly discipline," and "the use of our established arrangements for Church fellowship;" we believe in their Scriptural character and in their adaptation to promote the power and efficiency of our Church, and the personal piety of our membership,—they have been well tested in their great principles, by long and tried experience, and sanctioned by the Great Head of the Church with visible and continued approbation in the bestowment of spiritual blessing.

During the past year we have been favored in various parts of our widely-extended field with abundant outpourings



of the Holy Spirit—in some cases hundreds of sinners have been convinced of sin, have come with agonized hearts and tearful eyes to the foot of the Cross, and have received the forgiveness of sins; some of whose names are already enrolled with us in Church fellowship, and others are candidates for the same relation. On account of commercial pressure which has been severely felt, and in some Circuits caused a great falling off in membership, we cannot report such a large numerical increase as we otherwise would do, yet we are grateful for the mercy of God so signally vouchsafed to us. "Our Gospel" has not been "in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost.

Our sphere of labor is enlarging—new doors are opening. The Macedonian cry comes to us from many a fine field, and from many a sparsely populated district within the bounds of our Conference. We are aware that our resources are limited, and that increased agencies will augment our responsibilities, but our love for the souls of these who ask from us the bread of life, our sympathy with the great purposes of the Divine Redeemer, and our faith in the mission of Methodism, urge us onward, even though for a time at an increased pecuniary sacrifice by those Ministers already engaged in the work.

The Lord of the Harvest is sending forth laborers for the whitened fields. Nine of our young men, who have honorably passed their probation, and who have "witnessed a good confession before many witnesses," have been consecrated to the full work of the Ministerial office, and sixteen young men have been received on trial as candidates for the ministry of our Church.

Being satisfied of the importance of an extensive theological training, as well as of mental culture, for the work of the Sacred Ministry, we have been actively engaged in the establishment of a Theological Institution, and have appointed the Rev. C. DeWolfe, A. M., one of our most accomplished scholars, and best theologians, as Professor of Theology.

Our Educational Institutions at Mount Allison have never, perhaps, stood so high in efficiency, in prosperity, or in acknowledged excellence, as at the present time. It has been unanimously resolved that, in addition to the Academic department, arrangements shall be made by increasing the

staff of Professors and otherwise, for conducting the Students through an entire course of Collegiate instruction.

We would endeavor to express to our Fathers and Brethren our sense of the favor conferred upon us, as a youthful Connection, at a critical period of our history, and when questions of momentous interest to our Church in these Colonies were awaiting decision, in the appointment of the Rev. W. B. Boyce to be President of our Conference. Mr. Boyce was not unknown to us; in connection with the Kaffir Missions, and the Australasian Conference, his name was familiar. But his ability in presiding over our deliberations, practical sagacity, clear insight into the most intricate details of business, and thorough acquaintance with every subject bearing upon our entire economy, have exceeded our most sanguine anticipations.

We have also been favored with the presence of a deputation from our elder sister Conference in Canada, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Stinson, President, Rev. Richard Jones, Co-Delegate, and Rev. John Gemley, Secretary of the Canadian Conference. The presence of these honored Ministers of Christ has been a source of great encouragement to us. We have been delighted with their able and richly evangelical ministrations in the pulpit; we have greatly profited by their counsels and admonitions; while their narrations of early struggles, of rapid progress, of glorious triumphs, and of future prospects, have tended to confirm our confidence, and to deepen our conviction in the wisdom and excellence of our ecclesiastical system, and in the future destiny of Wesleyan Methodism.

We have great pleasure in requesting that the Rev. H. Pickard, D. D., to whose faithful labors, sound judgment, and high integrity of character, we are deeply indebted, may be President, and that the Rev. Charles DeWolfe, A. M., may be Co-Delegate, during the ensuing year.

Having been informed that our beloved President, the Rev. Mr. Boyce, cannot be in England in time to represent us, we request that the Rev. Wm. Arthur, A. M., be our representative at the British Conference.

We cannot refrain from expressing our deep sense of the loss sustained by you in the recent death of one of the Princes of our Israel—one whose connection with the

Missionary work of our Church, hath made his name as an household word in the families of Methodism, and whose catholicity of spirit, and munificent generosity in the support of every good cause, are spoken of in all the Churches—Thomas Farmer, Esq. “He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.”

Reverend and beloved Fathers and Brethren, allow us still a place in your pleadings and supplications with the Angel of the Covenant, that our hearts may be baptized into profounder sympathy with the sublime purposes of redeeming mercy—that we may be faithful to the ministry which we have received of the Lord Jesus, and that the righteousness of our Zion “may go forth as brightness, and her salvation as a lamp that burneth.”

Signed by order, and on behalf of the Conference.

JOHN McMURRAY, *Secretary.*

*St. John, N. B., July 5th, 1861.*

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**ADDRESS**  
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CANADA CONFERENCE TO THE CONFERENCE OF  
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REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN :

Anxious to perpetuate the fraternal union and intercourse which have been auspiciously begun between the two Conferences of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in British America, we again present to you our Christian congratulations and peaceful greetings. The great and glorious work in which we are engaged, in its essential features, is alike in all places, and we have but one grand remedy to propose for the radical evils of fallen human nature. "God forbid that we should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." In these days of speculative error and vain philosophy, we rejoice, not so much in the strength and symmetry of our ecclesiastical constitution as in the clear and well defined system of doctrine which has been transmitted to us from our fathers—the same which the Apostles of our Lord delighted to proclaim, and which is still accompanied with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven—resulting in the edification of believers and in the conversion of sinners.

Our religious state and the prospects of the work within the bounds of this Conference will be more fitly conveyed to you by the beloved brethren whom we have appointed as delegates to attend your Conference. The names of our representatives will be familiar to many of you. The Rev. Dr. Stinson, our highly esteemed and laborious President, is accompanied by the Rev. Richard Jones, our faithful and efficient Co-Delegate for the past year, and the Rev. John Gemley, who has been honored with the Secretaryship of the

Conference. We have also particular pleasure in stating that the Rev. Dr. Nelles consents to associate himself with the deputation. As the President of Victoria College, he has been for many years zealously engaged in advancing the interests of Collegiate education. These brethren, all actively engaged in different departments of our work, and all having had large experience of difficulty and of success, will not only interest you, but we trust also will be made a blessing to you in your own important deliberations, relating to the consolidation and expansion of your noble efforts to advance the religious and educational improvement of the fine Provinces with which you are providentially associated.

Omitting, therefore, many particulars which, under other circumstances, would have been embodied in an address to you, we shall only reiterate our expressions of cordial affection and brotherly esteem. Our Conference has been one of blessed harmony and intercourse, and our prayer for you is that God may abundantly pour on you His Holy Spirit, and make the occasion of your Annual Meeting a season of peaceful rejoicing. Most cheerfully shall we receive any deputation you may appoint to visit us, being persuaded that such method of personal communication is eminently calculated to promote brotherly love, and benefit the several branches of the great Wesleyan family in British America.

“Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church, by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.”

Signed by order, and in behalf of the Conference,

WILLIAM SCOTT, *Assistant Secretary.*

*Conference Room, Brantford, June 14, 1861.*

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TO THE  
CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH  
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REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN :

Among the more pleasing duties devolving upon us in our Annual Conference convened, is that of acknowledging and reciprocating the "christian congratulations and peaceful greetings" conveyed to us in your very fraternal and gratifying Address.

It has also been to us a source of unfeigned joy to welcome among us as your representatives those eminent Ministers of Christ whom we have already learned to love—the Rev. Dr. Stinson, President of your Conference, Rev. Richard Jones, Co-Delegate, and Rev. John Gemley, Secretary.

In these brethren we have discovered, and, we trust, in some measure have appreciated, those combined excellencies and qualifications which fully entitle them to our confidence and esteem as able Ministers of Jesus Christ; and while we have listened to their soul-stirring accounts of the signal success of Methodism in your widely-extended field of evangelistic toil, we have glorified God in your behalf, and exclaimed with holy joy, "What hath God wrought?" Gladly have we availed ourselves of the opportunity thus afforded us of receiving their sage counsels and judicious advice, in connection with many of the measures hopefully adopted by us for the increased enlargement of the Redeemer's Kingdom within the bounds of this Conference.

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You will rejoice to learn that the "Lord of the harvest" has, during the past year, crowned our labors with a good degree of success. Many of our Circuits have been graciously visited with revival influences, and hundreds of immortal souls have been added to our Church, who, we trust, will be "stars in the crown of our rejoicing in the day of the Lord Jesus." To save souls we believe to be pre-eminently our work, and while our holy religion is assailed at all points by the enemies of truth, be it ours to preach "Christ and Him crucified," and to defend and perpetuate that form of Christianity delivered unto us by our fathers.

Our Educational Institutions still continue to command that high confidence, not only of our own people, but also of the inhabitants of these Provinces generally, which has been awarded to them from the beginning,—and led, as we believe, by the unerring hand of Providence, we contemplate, ere long, elevating these institutions to that position already occupied by your Victoria College.

We have appointed the Rev. Charles Churchill, A. M., the Rev. John Allison, A. M., and the Rev. John Snowball, to represent us in your next Annual Conference.

In conclusion, permit us to say we are one with you in faith, doctrine and design. We earnestly desire to see these lands wholly subdued to Christ. For this we live; for this we labor, fully believing that "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

WM. B. BOYCE, *President.*

JOHN McMURRAY, *Secretary.*

*St. John, N. B., July 4th, 1861.*

# AN ALPHABETICAL LIST

OF THE

## 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.

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| <i>Insitution.</i>                            | 5    | <i>N. B.</i> 1                                   |
| 1831 Angwin, Thos., <i>Horton, N. S.</i>      | 3    | 1846 Crane, Robt. E., <i>Maitland, N. S.</i> 3   |
| 1854 Avery, Samuel, (has permission           | 1    | 1853 Currie, D. D., <i>Woodstock, N. B.</i> 3    |
| to rest on account of ill-                    |      | 1830 Daniel, Henry, <i>Charlottetown,</i>        |
| health, in <i>Liverpool, N. S.</i> )          | 5    | <i>P. E. I.</i> 2                                |
| 1837 Barrett, G. M., <i>Miramichi, N. B.</i>  | 3    | 1824 Davies, T. H., <i>Bridgetown, N. S.</i> 1   |
| 1828 Bent, Joseph F. (Sup'y.) <i>Wil-</i>     | 3    | 1852 DesBrisay, A. M., <i>River Philip,</i>      |
| <i>mot, N. S.</i>                             |      | <i>N. S.</i> 3                                   |
| 1861 Bigney, Geo., <i>Lunenburg, N. S.</i>    | 1    | 1837 DeWolfe, Chas. A. M., THEOLOGI-             |
| 1851 Black, A. B., <i>Wilmot, N. S.</i>       | 2    | CAL PROFESSOR <i>Sackville, N. B.</i> 2          |
| 1834 Botterell, Edmund, <i>St. John's,</i>    | 2    | <i>Nfld.</i> 2                                   |
| <i>Nfld.</i>                                  |      | 1853 Dove, Jas., <i>Island Cove, Nfld.</i> 2     |
| 1848 Brettle, Elias, <i>Carbonear, Nfld.</i>  | 2    | 1833 Duncan, Robt., <i>Poonal, P. E. I.</i> 1    |
| 1845 Brewster, John, <i>Halifax, N. S.</i>    | 3    | 1837 Duke, J. A., <i>Exploits, dc., Nfld.</i> 3  |
| 1837 Brown, W. C., <i>West Cape, P. E. I.</i> | 1    | 1837 England, Jas., <i>Fredericton, N. B.</i> 1  |
| 1826 Brownell, John B., <i>St. Andrew's,</i>  | 1    | 1860 Evans, Edwin, <i>King's Clear, N. B.</i> 1  |
| <i>N. B.</i>                                  |      | 1856 Fox, Thos., <i>Bonavista, Nfld.</i> 1       |
| 1836 Buckley, Jas., <i>Barrington, N. S.</i>  | 3    | 1860 Gaetz, Joseph, <i>Petites, dc., Nfld.</i> 2 |
| 1853 Burns, Jas., <i>Mill Village, N. S.</i>  | 2    | 1860 Goodison, Jno., <i>Old Perican,</i>         |
| 1856 Butcher, Geo., <i>Cornwallis West,</i>   | 1    | <i>Nfld.</i> 2                                   |
| <i>N. S.</i>                                  |      | 1854 Harris, Thos., <i>Brigus, Nfld.</i> 1       |
| 1834 Cardy, W. T., <i>Amherst, N. S.</i>      | 3    | 1861 Harrison, Geo., <i>Dalhousie, N. B.</i> 1   |
| 1856 Cassidy, J., <i>Albion Mines and</i>     | 2    | 1861 Harrison, Fred., <i>Burton, N. B.</i> 1     |
| <i>Pictou, N. S.</i>                          |      | 1853 Hart, Jos., <i>Petite Riviere, N. B.</i> 1  |
| 1857 Chapman, Douglas, <i>Richibucto,</i>     | 2    | 1860 Hart Jas. R., <i>Upham, N. B.</i> 1         |
| <i>N. B.</i>                                  |      | 1860 Hart, Thos. D., <i>Carbonear, Nfld.</i> 1   |
| 1837 Churchill, Chas., A. M., BOOK-           | 1    | 1826 Hennigar, J. G., <i>Newport, N. S.</i> 3    |
| STEWARD, <i>Halifax, N. S.</i>                | 6    | 1856 Holland, Henry, <i>Middle Musque-</i>       |
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| 1857 | Howie, John, <i>Port Moulton, N. S.</i>                                               | 3  | 1852 | Prestwood, P., <i>Bonavista, Nfld.</i>                                                            | 3                                    |   |
| 1846 | Huestis, G. O., <i>Sydney, C. B.</i>                                                  | 2  | 1846 | Prince, J., <i>St. John North, N.B.</i>                                                           | 1                                    |   |
| 1858 | Huestis, S. F., <i>Woodstock, N. B.</i>                                               | 1  | 1857 | Read, John, <i>Guigetown, N. B.</i>                                                               | 1                                    |   |
| 1856 | Humphrey, Steph. A. B., (Sup'y.)<br><i>Sackville, N. B.</i>                           | 1  | 1821 | Richey, Mathew, D. D., <i>St. John South, N. B.</i>                                               | 1                                    |   |
| 1830 | Johnson, Geo., <i>Liverpool, N. S.</i>                                                | 2  | 1858 | Richey, T. S., <i>Dartmouth, N. S.</i>                                                            | 1                                    |   |
| 1857 | Johnson, Richd., <i>Windsor, N. S.</i>                                                | 2  | 1890 | Richey, Jas. A., <i>Sydney, C. B.</i>                                                             | 2                                    |   |
| 1861 | Johnson, J., <i>Ship Harbor, C. B.</i>                                                | 1  | 1858 | Ryan, Wm., <i>Bermuda.</i>                                                                        | 2                                    |   |
| 1860 | Johnson, B. J., <i>Digby, N. S.</i>                                                   | 1  | 1858 | Scott, David B., <i>Andover, N. B.</i>                                                            | 1                                    |   |
| 1837 | Jost, Jeremiah V., <i>Moncton, N. B.</i>                                              | 3  | 1860 | Shenton, Job, <i>Parrsboro', N. S.</i>                                                            | 1                                    |   |
| 1861 | Ladner, Chas., <i>Petites, etc., Nfld.</i>                                            | 1  | 828  | Shenstone, W. E., <i>Hant's Harbor, Nfld.</i>                                                     | 1                                    |   |
| 1860 | Lame, Christ S., <i>Canaan, N. B.</i>                                                 | 1  | 1858 | Shenstone, W. S., <i>Carbonear, Nfld.</i>                                                         | 2                                    |   |
| 1855 | Lathern, John, <i>St. John South, N. B.</i>                                           | 3  | 1837 | Smallwood, Fredk., (has permission to rest a year on account of ill health.) <i>Windsor, N.S.</i> | 1                                    |   |
| 1858 | Likely, J. B., <i>Yarmouth, N. S.</i>                                                 | 2  | 1861 | Stackford, Elias, <i>Coverdale, N.B.</i>                                                          | 1                                    |   |
| 1843 | Lockhart, Christ., <i>Harbor Grace, Nfld.</i>                                         | 2  | 1827 | Smith, Wm., <i>Milton, N. B.</i>                                                                  | 3                                    |   |
| 1845 | McCarthy, Wm., <i>Digby, N. S.</i>                                                    | 3  | 1834 | Smith, Thos., <i>Truro, N. S.</i>                                                                 | 1                                    |   |
| 1853 | McKeown, H., <i>St. Stephen's, N.B.</i>                                               | 3  | 1842 | Smith, Rd., <i>Sussex Vale, N. B.</i>                                                             | 3                                    |   |
| 1853 | McKinnon, Wm. C., <i>Shelburne, N. S.</i>                                             | 1  | 1857 | Smith, T. W., <i>Nashua, N. B.</i>                                                                | 1                                    |   |
| 1834 | McMurray, John, <i>St. John South, N. B.</i>                                          | 1  | 3    | 1860                                                                                              | Smith R. M., <i>Shelburne, N. S.</i> | 1 |
| 1828 | McNutt, Arthur, (Sup'y.) <i>Halfifax, N. S.</i>                                       | 1  | 1825 | Smithson, William, <i>Cornwallis East, N. S.</i>                                                  | 3                                    |   |
| 1818 | Marshall, John, (Sup'y.) <i>Lunenburg, N. S.</i>                                      | 1  | 1810 | Snowball, J., <i>Sackville, N. B.</i>                                                             | 1                                    |   |
| 1861 | Martin, Samuel B., <i>Musquodoboit Harbor, N. S.</i>                                  | 1  | 1832 | Sponagle, Jno. L., <i>Parrsborough, N. S.</i>                                                     | 2                                    |   |
| 1854 | MILGAN, Geo. S., A.M., <i>Guyshorough, N. S.</i>                                      | 1  | 1838 | Sprague, S. W., <i>Bedeque, P. E. I.</i>                                                          | 1                                    |   |
| 1817 | MILNER, George, (Sup'y.) <i>Bridge-town, N. S.</i>                                    | 2  | 1852 | Stewart, Chas., <i>Lunenburg, N.S.</i>                                                            | 1                                    |   |
| 1851 | Moore, F. W., <i>Bermuda.</i>                                                         | 2  | 1813 | Strong, J. B., (Sup'y.) <i>Bedeque, P. E. I.</i>                                                  | 2                                    |   |
| 1841 | Morton, Roland, <i>Guyshorough, N. S.</i>                                             | 1  | 1831 | Sutcliffe, I., <i>Yarmouth, N. S.</i>                                                             | 2                                    |   |
| 1861 | Mosher, John, <i>Kingston, N. B.</i>                                                  | 1  | 1837 | Sutcliffe, Jos., <i>Margaret's Bay, N. S.</i>                                                     | 1                                    |   |
| 1841 | Narraway, J. R., A.M., <i>St. John West, N. B.</i>                                    | 2  | 1846 | Taylor, James, <i>Annapolis, N. S.</i>                                                            | 3                                    |   |
| 1856 | Nicholson, A. W., <i>Cornwall, etc., P. E. I.</i>                                     | 1  | 1856 | Teed, S. T., <i>Greenwich, N. B.</i>                                                              | 2                                    |   |
| 1822 | Nightingale, A., (Sup'y.) <i>St. John's, Nfld.</i>                                    | 2  | 1820 | Temple, W., (Sup'y.) <i>St. John, N. B.</i>                                                       | 3                                    |   |
| 1853 | Payson, G. B., <i>Shediac, N. B.</i>                                                  | 1  | 1849 | Temple, R. A., <i>Woodstock, N.B.</i>                                                             | 3                                    |   |
| 1840 | Peach, J. S., <i>Black Head, Nfld.</i>                                                | 2  | 1858 | Teesdale, J. W., <i>Pugwash, N.S.</i>                                                             | 1                                    |   |
| 1856 | Perkins, Wm. W., <i>Bathurst, N.B.</i>                                                | 1  | 1860 | Turner, A. W., <i>Trinity, Nfld.</i>                                                              | 2                                    |   |
| 1857 | Perkin, W., (has permission to retire for two years, to prosecute a course of study.) | 1  | 1850 | Tuttle, G. W., <i>Aylesford, N.S.</i>                                                             | 3                                    |   |
| 1851 | Phinney, J. S., <i>Burin, Nfld.</i>                                                   | 1  | 1858 | Tuttle, A. S., <i>Margaria, C. B.</i>                                                             | 1                                    |   |
| 1837 | Pickard, H., D. D. PRINCIPAL<br><i>MALE BRANCH, Mount Allison Institution.</i>        | 10 | 1858 | Thurlow, J., <i>Guyshorough, N. S.</i>                                                            | 2                                    |   |
| 1837 | Pickles, M., <i>Point de Bute, N. B.</i>                                              | 1  | 1861 | Tweedy, Wm., <i>River John, N.S.</i>                                                              | 1                                    |   |
| 1858 | Pickles, F. H. W., <i>Horton, N. S.</i>                                               | 2  | 1853 | Tweedy, R., <i>Hopewell, N. B.</i>                                                                | 1                                    |   |
| 1814 | Pope, H., (Sup'y.) <i>Halfifax, N.S.</i>                                              | 2  | 1855 | Tweedy, J., <i>Bas de Fort, N. B.</i>                                                             | 2                                    |   |
| 1844 | Pope, H., 2nd, <i>Windsor, N. S.</i>                                                  | 2  | 1858 | Waterhouse, J., <i>St. John's, Nfld.</i>                                                          | 2                                    |   |
| 1859 | Pratt, Rd., <i>Charlottetown, P.E.I.</i>                                              | 1  | 1857 | Wasson, R., <i>Georgetown, P.E.I.</i>                                                             | 1                                    |   |
|      |                                                                                       |    | 1859 | Weddall, E., <i>Sheffield, N. B.</i>                                                              | 2                                    |   |
|      |                                                                                       |    | 1860 | Weldon, F. A., (allowed to rest.)                                                                 | 1                                    |   |
|      |                                                                                       |    | 1820 | Wilson, Wm., <i>St. David's, N. B.</i>                                                            | 1                                    |   |
|      |                                                                                       |    | 1856 | Wilson, Robert, <i>St. John West, N. B.</i>                                                       | 3                                    |   |
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