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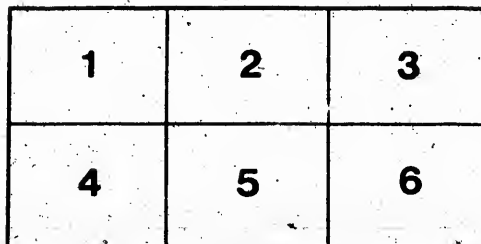
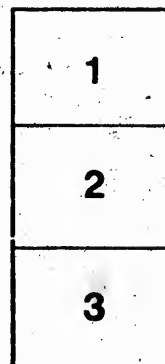
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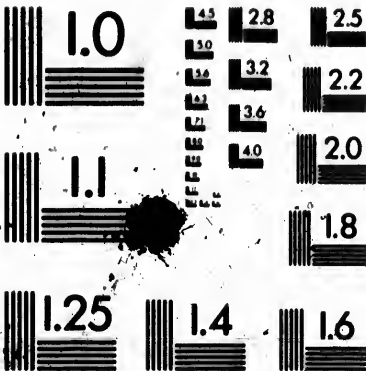
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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
ANNUITANT FUND SOCIETY
OF THE
MINISTERS IN CONNEXION WITH THE CONFERENCE
OF THE
Wesleyan-Methodist Church
IN CANADA.

ORGANIZED IN JUNE, 1845.

ARTICLE I.—This Association shall be called *The Annuitant Fund Society of Ministers in connexion with the Canada Conference.*

ART. II.—The *Object* of this Society is to ensure to the Superannuated Ministers of the said Conference; and to the Widows and Orphans of such as have died in the Itinerant work, a more ample and permanent support.

ART. III.—The *Members* of this Society shall consist of Ministers in connexion with the Canada Conference only; who shall in all cases conform to and enjoy the provisions hereinafter specified.

Prov. I.—Any *Minister* who shall have paid into the hands of the Treasurer a sum not less than Two Pounds Ten Shillings currency, shall be enrolled as a duly recognized Member.

Prov. II.—Every Member shall contribute, annually, to the funds, a sum not less than One, nor more than Two Pounds Ten Shillings, to be called his Annual Instalment. And every Preacher received on trial shall pay Two Pounds Ten Shillings at the time he is received; and not less than One, nor more more than Two Pounds Ten Shillings per annum, during his probation with the Conference to be called the Fees of Probationers.

Prov. III.—In case any Member refuse or neglect to pay his Annual Instalment for two years in succession, he shall forfeit his right to Membership, and all the benefits thereof.

Prov. IV.—Any Member may subscribe to the funds to the amount of £50, currency, provided such subscription be all paid into the hands of the Treasurer, on or before the 1st day of May, 1847. And provided also, that the said subscription does not exceed the gross amount of the regular Annual Instalments for the number of years he may have been an itinerant Minister or Preacher.

Prov. V.—A subscription to the Centenary Fund, paid in before the 1st day of May, 1847, by any Member, shall, at his request, be considered as stock paid to this Society; provided always, that the gross amount of subscription from any one Member shall not exceed £50.

Prov. VI.—Any Preacher "on trial" with the Conference shall be allowed to subscribe a sum in stock not to exceed *Ten Pounds*, currency, which shall in all cases be paid during his "probation."

Prov. VII.—Any Preacher taken "on trial," but not admitted into full connexion with the Conference, or any Member who may be *located* by the Conference, may demand and receive the amount of his stock and fees, if he be so disposed, or have them transferred to other funds of the Church, provided such demand be made within one year of his removal from Conference; and provided also, that it has not been originally given as a subscription to the Centenary Fund.

ART. IV.—The business of the Society shall be conducted, under the direction of the Conference, by a Board of Management to be appointed once in three years, or as often as the Conference may direct, consisting of a Treasurer, Secretary, and five others, subject to the following Provisions and Regulations:—

Prov. I.—The Board shall meet once a-year, or oftener if necessary. No meeting of the Board shall take place until due notice has been given to all its Members; and at all times, when so met, four members shall *form a quorum* for the transaction of business.

Prov. II.—The Board shall have authority to appoint their own Chairman, and to regulate the time of their meetings, provided always that no extra meeting shall be called by the Secretary without the order of the Chairman, or the request of two members of the Board.

Prov. III.—It shall be the duty of the Board to admit and enrol Members, to receive and invest Funds, to pro-

claim and pay Dividends, and to carry out the spirit and intent of the Constitution with a regard to the general and ultimate interests of the Society; but in no case shall they act contrary to the provisions herein contained.

Prov. IV.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the records of the Society, to enrol the names of Members, to notify each Member of the Board of its intended meetings, to keep a book in which he shall enter a true minute of all proceedings of the Board, and in all other respects to perform the duties connected with that office.

Prov. V.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a Cash-Book, in which he shall enter all the receipts and disbursements of the Society, and shall only pay out funds at the order of the Board. He shall also give the Board such information, touching the state of the Funds, as from time to time may be required.

ART. V.—The *Funds* of this Society shall consist of paid-up instalments of the Members of the Association, and fees of probationers with the Conference, and all donations, legacies, or bequests, made at any time by the friends of the Society, and the proceeds resulting from investment of capital stock, under the following Provisions and Regulations:—

Prov. I.—The capital stock shall include all the funds of the Society, excepting only the Annual Instalments of Members, and the interest arising from investments.

Prov. II.—All claims on the funds shall be met out of the annual income of the Society; and in no case shall they be paid out of the capital stock, excepting only for

Furniture, according to the provisions of this Constitution, and then only by the special permission of Conference.

Prov. III.—Should the Annual Income be insufficient to meet the legal claims upon the funds, the Board of Management shall divide the income among the claimants according to the relative proportions of their respective claims.

Prov. IV.—Should there be a surplus remaining from the income of former years, it may be safely invested, subject to the drafts of the Board in subsequent years, for *Houses* to furnish the houses of Superannuated Preachers, at the time of their superannuation, as hereinafter provided; or for the annual dividends of claimants.

Prov. V.—The dividends of the Society shall be paid semi-annually, viz: one half at Conference, and the other half in the month of January in each year; or at such other periods as the Conference from time to time may direct.

Prov. VI.—The Board shall not invest any portion of the Centenary Fund in this Society, except from that portion of the said fund which, by the Constitution thereof is to be devoted to the support of Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of those who have died in the work.

ART. VI.—The *Claimants* on the Funds of this Society shall be in all cases Members thereof, their wives or children, as hereinafter provided.

Prov. I.—Every claimant shall be considered *legally* entitled to his or her regular dividend, according to the provisions of this Constitution.

Prov. II.—Every *Member* of the Society, being superannuated, shall be considered as having a claim for *Fifty*



per cent. per annum on the gross amount of stock and instalments by him paid in; he shall also be entitled to a *Bonus*, at the time he is superannuated, of not less than £15 nor more than £50, in proportion to his stock and instalments, for the purpose of procuring suitable furniture for his house.

Prov. III.—The *Widow* of any Member of the Society who may have died in the work, shall have a claim for 50 per cent per annum on the gross amount of stock paid in by her deceased husband, or by herself, with the following exceptions, viz: those who married after their husbands were superannuated; those who may have been more than *ten years* younger than their husbands, and who married after their husbands were 55 years of age; those whose husbands did not render more than five years' efficient service to the Church after their marriage; such shall have no claims on the funds except by the special recommendation of the Board, and at the entire discretion of the Conference; provided always, that in *all cases* where there are children of the deceased under 20 years of age, the Board shall have full power to divide the annuity between the widow and the children, or to direct the manner of appropriation, as they may think most conducive to the interests of the family.

Prov. IV.—The *Orphan Children* of every deceased Minister, who may be deprived of the benefits of the Society by the death or marriage of their mother, shall receive until they are 20 years old, the same annuity as their parents would receive if living, subject to the direction of the Board, as hereinbefore provided.

Prov. V.—All claimants on the Funds of this Society shall be permitted to pay to the Treasurer thereof their annual instalment, as above provided.

Prov. VI.—Whenever the annuity of any Member, or of the family of any Member, amounts to £50, he or they shall only be allowed, in addition to the said £50, a sum not exceeding twenty per cent per annum upon all instal-

ments paid in to the Society *thereafter*, unless the income of the Society shall be sufficient to meet all legal claims, in which case this provision shall have no effect.

ART. VII.—The sum of Two Pounds Ten Shillings shall constitute an Instalment in the Funds of this Society, according to the true intent and meaning of this Constitution.

ART. VIII.—Whenever the term Conference occurs in this Constitution, it shall be deemed and taken to include those Ministers *only* who are Members of this Society.

ART. IX.—This Constitution may be amended at any time by the remmendation of the Board, and a vote of two-thirds of the Members present at any annual Conference. And in like manner this Society may be *dissolved*; provided always that no motion to dissolve the same shall be acted on until it shall have been under the consideration of Conference for at least *one year*, in which case the vote shall be according to property, every five instalments entitling the owner to one vote.

TORONTO, July 17th, 1848.

RESOLUTIONS

Passed at a Meeting of the Board of the Annuitant
Society, hold in Belleville, June 16th, 1848.

PRESENT:

JOHN RYERSON, *Chairman*, DR. RYERSON,
ANSON GREEN, *Treasurer*, JOHN CARROLL,
G. R. SANDERSON, *Secretary*, HENRY WILKINSON,
SAMUEL ROSE.

1. *Resolved*—That the Treasurer be authorised to pay the present claimants upon this Fund for the year ending 1st July 1848, at the rate of 33½ per cent per annum upon the gross amount of stock and instalments which they may have paid in.

2. *Resolved*—That such of our Ministers and Preachers as are not Members already, or have refused to become Members of this Society, may have the privilege of enrolling their names as such, according to the provisions of this Constitution, any time during the present year.

3. *Resolved*—That any Minister or Preacher now in the itinerant work, who shall neglect to become a Member until the close of the next ensuing Conference, shall not, thereafter, have the privilege of Membership at all.

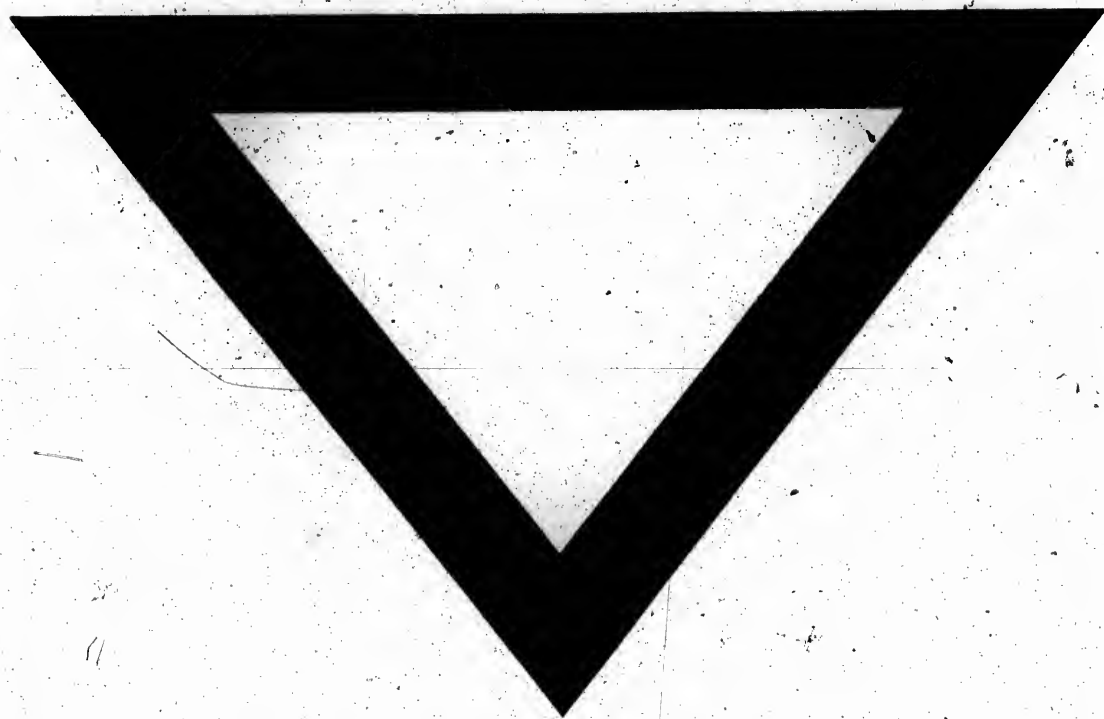
4. *Resolved*—That the Constitution, as amended at the Kingston Conference, shall be printed, and a copy forwarded to each Member of the Society ; and to such other Preachers as have not already been invited to join.

By order of the Board.

JOHN RYERSON,
Chairman.

G. R. SANDERSON,
Secretary.

[This Constitution may be preserved by being stitched with the Minutes
of Conference.]



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