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SECOND SESSION

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Nova Scotia Conference

METHODIST CHURCH,

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HELD IN THE

METHODIST CHURCH, LUNENBURG,

Commencing on Wednesday, June 17th, and ending on Tuesday. June 23rd, 1885.

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METHODIST CHURCH.

Organized in the Grafton Street Methodist Church, Halifax, on Friday, June 20th, 1884.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

YEAR.	· PLACE.	PRRSIDENT.	JECRETARY.
1884	Grafton Street, Halifax.	Jabez A. Rogers.	Cranswick Jost, M.A.
1885	Lunenburg.	John Cassidy.	Cranswick Jost, M.A.

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PRESIDENT :

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The Conference openel on June 17th, 1885, at 9 a.m. The President in the Chair.

The 753rd hymn was sung, the Secretary read the 2nd chapter of Paul's Epistle to Timothy, and prayer was offered by Fathers McMurray and Bent.

The roll of ministers was called, and sixty-one responded to their names.

The names of the lay members were reported by the Superintendents of Districts, and twenty-one responded to their names.

The retiring President delivered an interesting and eloquent address, referring to various evidences of harmony and progress in the work of God throughout our own and other Conferences and then called upon the Conference to elect a President.

On the second ballot John Cassidy was declared elected.

The President addressed the Conference and then called for the election of Secretary.

On the first ballot Cranswick Jost, A. M., was declared re-elected Secretary.

The Secretary nominated A. D. Morton, M. A., as Journal Secretary, and E. E. England, D. W. Johnson, B. A., and Rufus Sweet as Assistant Secretaries. These nominations were confirmed.

A resolution of thanks to the retiring President for the efficient discharge of his official duties was passed unanimously by a rising vote.

The lay members of the Conference as certified by the Committee on Credentials are as follows :---

HALIFAX DISTRICT.

McNutt, W. B. Bell, C. Sweet, R. J. Whiston, S. E. Allison, Dr. Crowe, W. Hart, A. Mckinlay, Geo. Weldon, Dr. Black, S. H.

Burnham, P.S. Smith, C. S. Patterson, A. McN. Sterling, John Taylor, J. A. Elder, James Caldwell, J. W. Kilcup, B. Harvey, J. N. Mann, John

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TRURO DISTRICT.

Longworth, I. W. Campbell, Senr., John 111 Huestis, W. B. Lewis, W. T.

Langille, Oliver Layton, William Gaetz, Isaac Whitman, J. H.

Teasdale, Jos.

CUMBERLAND DISTRICT.

Davison, Arthur Somers, Daniel Reid, John W. Fulton, Silas Wells, J. S. Bent. Silas Black, R. L.

Oxley, William Davis, Wellington Swallow, William Smith, Charles Hall, William Mills, H. C. Suthergreen, J. E.

GUYSBORO' AND CAPE BRETON DISTRICT.

Buckley, J. H. Young, J. W. Fergueson, William Burchill, J.

ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

Vroom, W. V. Gilliat, J. H. Jefferson, Henry E. Foster, John.

Longley, Isaac Drew, Solomon Troop, Robert H. Darcey, J. H.

Hennesy, D. W.

Smith, Joshua

Salter, Jos.

Grant, A.

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

Wright, C. F. Freeman, J. N. Spinney, John B. Chesley, S. A. Mack, I.N. Drew, L. W. Wilber, J. A. Riesser, Samuel

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YARMOUTH DISTRICT.

Walls, George Rogers, Barnard Irwin, Robert L. Johnson, L. C. Doane, Albert H.

Crowell, J. C. Corning, Bowman Poole, H. H. Cahan, Junr., Charles Burrell, Joseph

Benj. Hills, M. A., was appointed reporter of Conference proceedings for the "Wesleyan," and Fred. H. Wright, B. D., for the "Christian Guardian."

The morning session closed with the administration of the Lord's Supper and the Conference Prayer Meeting.

Question 1.—What Preachers are this year admitted into full Connexion and Ordained ?

G. W. Whitman.

Question 2 .- What Preachers remain on trial ?

These have travelled three years.J. B. Buttrick.|Alban Daniel.L. Daniel.

These have travelled two years.

J. L. Batty, F. Friggens,	Wm. Nightingale,
Thos. C. Hooper,	R. S. Stevens, Thomas Wooton.

These have travelled one year.

Harry Burgess, W. J. Crofts, Fred. Pentelow, W. Shears who is allowed one year's leave of absence.

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Question 3. - Who are now received on trial?

Benj. E. Bond,

John Phalen.

Question 4.—What students are allowed to attend the Institution? William Philips, who has John Phalen, who is now travelled one year. I received on trial.

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Question 5. - What Ministers have died since last Conference ? None.

Question 6-Who are the Supernumerary Ministers ?

Angwin, Thomas Bent, Joseph F. Botterell, Edmund Bird, Richey Buckley, James Day, George F. Hart, James R. Hennigar, J. G. Hemmeon, J. B. Johnson, George (A.) Johnson, R. O'B.

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Lockhart, Christopher Mc Murray, D. D., John Morton, Roland Nicolson, A. W. Ogden, J. C. Prestwood, Paul Smith, Richard Taylor, James Temple, R. A. Tuttle, G. W. Weldon, A. F.

Question 7 .- What Supernumeraries return to the full work of the Ministry ?

None.

Question 8.- Who are deposed from the office of the Ministry ? None.

Question 9 .-- Who have withdrawn from our Ministry ?

Robert Wasson, who has connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Question 10 .- Who compose the Conference Committees ?

C. Jost, A. M.,

J. A. Rogers,

G. O. Huestis,

1. COMMITTEES FOR THE SESSION.

STATIONING COMMITTEE. DISTRICT SUPER'DENTS.

Halifax, Truro, Cumberland, Guysboro' and C. B., Annapolis, Liverpool, Yarmouth,

DISTRICTS.

J. Lathern, D. D., S. F. Huestis, Thomas Rogers, A. M., J. A. Mosher, John Cassidy, W. H. Evans,

A. D. Morton, A. M., W. Alcorn, W. H. Heartz, J. G. Angwin, Jas. Strothard.

REPRESENTATIVES.

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MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

C. M. Tyler, H. E. Jefferson, Robert Williams,

A. Hockin, James Gilliat, H. P. DOANE, Secretary.

CONTINGENT FUND.

F. H. W. Pickles, Joseph Hale, A. D. Morton, A. M., F. H. Wright, B. D., J. R. Borden, James Strothard,

J. W. Caldwell, William Layton, R. J. Sweet, Isaac Young, C. F. Wright, B. E. Rogers. WM. OXLEY, Secretary.

D. W. JOHNSON, A. B., Treasurer.

2. STANDING COMMITTEES.

CONFERENCE SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The President, the Secretary of Conference, the Superintendents of Districts, S. F. Huestis, J. McMurray, D. D., W. H. Heartz, James Strothard, and Joseph Gaetz.

SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

President of Conference, W. Ainley, Wm. Purvis, Joseph Hale,

W. Ryan, J. L. Dawson, A. B., James Sharpe,

B. HILLS, A. M., Secretary-Treasurer.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

President of Conference ; W. H. Heartz, and Wm. Oxley, Repre-sentatives to General Board of Missions.

Isaac Gaetz, William Oxley, S. C. Burns, H. E. Jefferson, J. D. Sperry, R. C. Irwin,

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S. F. HUESTIS, Treasurer.

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F. H. W. Pickles,

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A. S. Tuttle, William Alcorn, John Astbury, W. C. Brown, William Crowe, I. N. Mack. [1885

A. D. MORTON, Secretary-Treasurer.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

William Brown.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

President of Conference, A. W. Nicolson, G. O. Huestis, B. C. Borden, A. B., Robert McArthur,

James Elder, G. E. Pellow, B. Kilcup, J. E. Suthergreen,

E. B. MOORE, Secretary. C. Jost, Treasurer.

SUPERNUMERARY 'FUND.

J. R. Borden, Secretary-Treasurer, Hon. S. L. Shannon, Members of General Committee, and

W. H. Evans, D. W. Johnson, B. A., W. C. Brown,

J. W. Caldwell, R. J. Sweet, H. E. Jefferson.

PARSONAGE AID AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

President of Conference, Secretary of Conference, Thomas Rogers. A. M., J. J. Teasdale, Joseph Gaetz, John Wier, George F. Johnson, A. B.,

W. H. Webb, R. J. Sweet, G. H. McKinlay, Dr. H. Woodbury, Abner Hart, Dr. Weldon.

J. G. ANGWIN, Secretary-Treasurer.

EXAMINATION OF THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS. Dr. Lathern, Dr. McMurray.

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VISITORS TO SACKVILLE INSTITUTIONS.

R. A. Daniel, John E. Craig, D. Hickey, C. W. Swallow,

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R. McArthur, J. Hiram Davis, E. E. England, James Tweedy.

CONFERENCE STATISTICS.

Financial Secretaries, and Sec taries of the several Funds. HalifaxDistrict Secretary Convener.

> TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS. Secretary of Conference.

TRANSFER COMMITTEE. President of Conference and Thomas Rogers, A. M.

TREASURER OF GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND. F. H. W. Pickles.

LETTER WRITERS.

Joseph Gaetz,

S. A. Chesley.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

Thomas D. Hart, W. G. Lane, George O. Huestis, William Ainley, J. W. Shepherdson, C. Lockhart, J. E. Donkin, G. W. Glendenning,

S B. Dunn, J. M. Fisher, W. Purvis, James Elder, H. E. Jefferson, J. N. Freeman, Joseph Burrell, J. STROTHARD, Secretary.

I. M. Mellish, F. A. Buckley, CREDENTIALS.

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Cranswick Jost, A. M.,	C. Bell,
Richard Smith,	S. E. Whiston,
T. Watson Smith,	R. B. Mack.

PUBLIC WORSHIP.

Dr. McMurray, William Brown,

John L. Sponagle.

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COMMITTEE ON PROVIDING BOOKS FOR CIRCUIT RECORDS. S. F. Huestis, F. H. W. Pickles. | William B. McNutt.

COMMITTEE ON SUSTENTATION FUND.

J. Lathern, D. D., W. C. Brown, R. Brecken, A.M., A. D. Morton, A. M., Abner Hart,

R. J. Sweet, Thomas Rogers, A. M., J. G. Angwin, Dr. H. Woodbury, Hon. S. L. Shannon:

COMMITTEE ON THE CAMP MEETING.

William Ryan, F. H. W. Pickles,

John Johnson, H. E. Jefferson. WM. AINLEY, Secretary:

Question 11.—How are the Ministers and Preachers Stationed for the ensuing year ?

JOHN CASSIDY, PRESIDENT. CRANSWICK JOST, A. M., SECRETARY.

I.-HALIFAX DISTRICT.

1. Halifax Centre—(Brunswick Street)—John J. Teasdale, Chaplain to Wesleyans in Navy. Supernumeraries, E. Botterell, who has permission to reside in Montreal; R. Alder Temple.

 Halifax South--(Grafton Street)-Ralph Brecken, A. M., John Wier. Supernumeraries, Thomas Angwin, James Buckley.
 Halifax West--(Charles Street)--William Brown, L. Daniel. 7. Win 8. Cher 9. Han 10. Hort

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4. Halifax North-(Kaye Street)-F. H. W. Pickles, Chaplain to Weslevans in Army.

Book Room-Stephen F. Huestis, Book Steward.

- Wesleyan Office-T. Watson Smith, Editor.
- 5. Dartmouth-John L. Sponagle. 6.
- Lawrencetown-To be supplied, under superintendence of the Dartmouth minister. 7.
- Windsor-Jabez A. Rogers. Supernumeraries, John McMurray, D. D., Roland Morton, A. W. Nicolson. 8.
- Chester Road-To be supplied. 9.
- Hantsport-William Ainley. Supernumerary, J.C. Ogden. 10.
 - Horton-William C. Brown, Thomas A. Wilson. Supernumeraries, George Johnson, (A), Joseph B. Hemmeon, George F. Day.
- Kentville-William Ryan. 11.
- 12. Newport-William Alcorn.
- 13. Avondale-E. B- Moore.
- 14. Burlington-John Gee.
- 15. Walton-To be supplied, under superintendence of Burlington.
- Sambro-B. E. Bond, under superintendence of Bro. Teasdale. 16.
- Hamilton, (Bermuda)-Joseph S. Coffin, Chaplain to Wesleyans in 17. Army.
- Sandys and Southampton, (Bermuda)-J. B. Buttrick, Chaplain to 18. Wesleyans in Navy.

19. St. George's and Bailey's, Bay, (Bermuda)-Jesse B. Giles, Chaplain to Wesleyans in Army ; Fred. Friggens. B. C. Borden, A. B., Principal of Ladies' Academy, Sackville, N. B.

JABEZ A. ROGERS, District Superintendent.

F. H. W. PICKLES, Financial Secretary.

II.-TRURO DISTRICT.

20. Truro-R. A. Daniel. Supernumerary, P. Prestwood.

21. Onslow-J. Hiram Davis. Supernumerary, R. O'B. Johnson.

22. Acadia Mines-John A. Mosher.

23. Pictou-Thomas Rogers, A. M. 24.

Stellarton-Joseph Hale. 25.

River John-C. W. Swallow, A. B.

26. Maitland-C. M. Tyler. Supernumerary, Richard Smith.

27. Shubenacadie-W. Nightingale, under superintendence of Truro.

28. Middle Musquodoboit-H. P. Doane.

29. Musquodoboit Harbor-R. Barry Mack.

30. Sneet Harbor-Alban Daniel, under superintendence of Middle Musquodoboit.

THOMAS ROGERS, A M., District Superintendent. JOSEPH HALE, Financial Secretary.

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31. Amherst-John Lathern, D. D.

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33. Nappan-R. McArthur, Thomas Wooton.

34. Wallace-James Tweedy.

35. Pugwash-A. D. Morton, A. M. Supernumerary, G. W. Tuttle.

36. River Philip-John Craig.

Oxford-J. L. Dawson, A. B. Supernumerary, A. F. Weldon. 37.

Wentworth-To be supplied, under superintendence of Bro. James 38. Tweedy. Supernumerary, Richey Bird.

39. Parrsboro-David Hickey.

Five Islands and Halfway River-To be supplied, under superinten-40. dence of Southampton.

41. Southampton-B. Hills, A. M.

42. Spring Hill Mines-E. E. England.

Advocate Harbor-G. W. Whitman. 43.

JOHN LATHERN, D. D., District Superintendent, A. D. MORTON, Financial Secretary.

IV.-GUYSBORO' AND CAPE BRETON DISTRICT.

44. Guysboro' W. H. Evans.

45. Canso-F. A. Buckley, A. B.

46. Manchester-Harry Burgess, under superintendence of Guysboro'.

47. Sydney-William Purvis.

48. North Sydney-F. H. Wright, B. D.

49. Gabarus-G. W. F. Glendenning, A .B.

50. Port Hawkesbury-John Astbury.

51. Port Hood.

R. S. Stevens, under superintendence of Port 52. Margaree and Baddeck

Hawkesbury. 53. Ingonish-F. J. Pentelow, under superintendence of Sydney.

W. H. EVANS, District Superintendent.

F. H. WRIGHT, B. D., Financial Secretary:

V.-ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.

54: Annapolis-S. B. Dunn.

Granville Ferry-Joseph M. Fisher. 55:

Bridgetown- . Jost, A. M., Secretary of Conference. Supernumeraries, 56: J. F. Bent, J. R. Hart.

57. Mountain Mission-Under superintendence of Bridgetown. 58.

Middleton-George F. Johnson, B. A., J. L. Batty. 59.

Aylesford-A. S. Tuttle. Supernumerary, James Taylor.

60. Berwick-Thomas D. Hart.

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- 61. Canning-W. G. Lane. Supernumerary, J. G. Hennigar. 62.
- Hillsburg-D. W. Johnson, A. B.

63. Digby-W. H. Heartz.

- 64. Weymouth-To be supplied, under superintendence of Bro. Heartz:
- 65. Digby Neck-Thomas C. Hooper, under superintendence of Bro. Heartz.
 - J. W. Prestwood, A. B., and William Shears have leave of absence for one year.

William Philips is allowed to atten ! the Institutions.

C. JCST, A. M., District Superintendent.

D. W. JOLINSON, A. B., Financial Secretary:

VI.-LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

- 66.
- Liverpool-Joseph G. Angwin. Supernnmerary, C. Lockhart. 67. Caledonia-J. W. Shepherdson.
- 68. Port Mouton-D. B. Scott.
- 69: Mill Village-A. Hockin.
- 70. Petite Riviere-James Sharpe.
- 71. Lunenburg-John Johnson.
- 72.

Mahone Bay-Arthur C. Borden, A. B., under superintendence of Bro. Johnson.

- 73. Ritcey's Cove-George O. Huestis.
- 74. New Germany-J. W. Howie.

75. Bridgewater-J. R. Borden. John Phelan, who attends the Institution.

JOSEPH G. ANGWIN, District Superintendent. J. R. BORDEN, Financial Secretary.

VII.-YARMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 76. Yarmouth South-James Strothard.
- 77. Yarmouth North-Joseph Gaetz.

78. Arcadia -- P: H. Robinson.

79. Hebron-W. A. Outerbridge.

- 80. Brenton-I. M. Mellish.
- 81. Barrington-John Cassidy, President of Conference.
- 82. Port Latour-Robert Williams.

83. North East Harbor-J. E. Donkin.

84. Shelburne-John G. Bigney.

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JOHN CASSIDY, District Superintendent. JAMES STROTHARD, Financial Secretary.

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Question 12.—What are the arrangements for the Examination of Candidates for the Ministry in the Course of study ?

I.-TIME AND PLACE OF EXAMINATIONS.

The Examinations shall take place on the first Wednesday in May at 9 a. m., and in five Sections as follows :---

SECTION I.—The Halifax District. In Windsor, under the charge of John McMurray, D. D., and Jabez A. Rogers.

SECTION II:-The Truro and Cumberland Districts. In Truro, under the charge of R. A. Daniel and Thomas Rogers, A. M.

SECTION III:-The Annapolis District. In Annapolis, under the charge of S. B. Dunn and J. M. Fisher.

SECTION IV.—The Guysboro' and Cape Breton District. In Port Hawkesbury, under the charge of John Astbury and W. H. Evans.

SECTION V.-The Liverpool and Yarmouth Districts. In Liverpool, under the charge of J. G. Angwin and J. R. Borden.

NOTE.—Superintendents of Circuits are required, immediately after the March Quarterly Meeting, to forward to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners the names of Candidates recommended to be received on trial by their respective Quarterly Boards.

II.-COURSE OF STUDY.

PRELIMINARY COURSE.

1—English Branches :—	
English Grammar and Composition	John Cassidy.
Arithmetic	Ralph Brecken, A. M.
Geography	
2—History :—	
Ancient History (Schmitz)	William C Prom
Modern History (Green's Short History)	winiani C. Brown:

Biblical History (Smith's New Testament)R. A. Daniel. 3-Theology :--

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NOTE 1.—" The standard of qualification for young men recommended to be received into our Conferences as probationers shall not be lower than 50 per cent. of the marks on the preliminary course of study in the aggregate, and 30 per cent. in each subject."

NOTE 2.—" Any candidate who may present a Public School Teacher's Certificate of the second class, or a certificate of having passed a matriculation examination at any of our Universities, shall not be required to be examined in the English Branches of the Preliminary Course, but he shall be required to pass an examination on the subjects of Biblical History and Theology before the Examining Board of his Conference, or of the College at which he may be pursuing his studies."

(Minutes of first United General Conference page 109.)

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FIRST YEAR'S COURSE.

1-Biblical Introduction :--

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2-Biblical History :-

3-Theology :-

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4-Greek Grammar :--

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SECOND YEAR'S COURSE.

1—Hermeneutics :—
Angus' Hand Book, Part I, Chapters 4 and 5T. D. Hart.
2—Exegesis :—
*Gospel of St. John in Greek, Chapters 1 to 10 inclusiveC. Jost, A. M.
3-Church History :
Blackburn's History of Christian Church
4-Theology :-
Pope's Theology, Volume I
5—Philosophy :
Stewart's "Outlines," etc , with Suple't by McCosh A. D. Morton, A. M.

THIRD YEAR'S COURSE.

1—Exegesis :—
*The Epistle to Romans, in Greek, Chapters 1 to 12 inclusive, with Beet's Commentary on Romans. }C. Jost, A. M.
2—Homiletics :-
Kidder's Homiletics
3- Church History : Stevens' History Methodism to death of WesleyT. Rogers, A. M.
4—Theology : Pope's Theology, Volume IIWilliam C. Brown.
5-Rhetoric:-
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III .- COURSE OF STUDY FOR GRADUATES.

(See Minutes of First United General Conference page 199.)

NOTE 1.—The Examiners are requested to forward their questions upon the books allotted to them to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners on or before the 31st day of December.

Note 2.—The Examiners are also requested to transmit to the Sourceary the result of their examination of the papers submitted to them as soon as possible after their reception so that the Secretary may tabulate and report.

CRANSWICK JOST, Secretary of Board of Examiners.

SPEAKERS AT CONFERENCE ANNIVERSARY, 1886.

Rev. George F. Johnson, A. B., and Rev. Fred. H. Wright, B. D.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION AND PARSONAGE AID COMMITTEE.

Your Committee desires to report the fund under its control in a satisfactory condition. The work done during the year was important. Three trusts have been relieved from pressing difficulties, and their financial relations rendered much easier by the loans made. The trusts assisted were as follows :--

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MEMO. OF OUTSTANDING LOANS MADE UP TO JUNE 15, 1885.

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Spring Hill, Church	200	00	20	00	66	00		
Advocate Harbor, Parsonage	250	00	25	00	165	00	110	00
Pugwash, Parsonage	1 100	00	10	00	17	50		50
North Sydney, Church	150	00	15	00	33	00		
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Receipts from Districts :		
Halifax	118	86
Truro	27	29
Cumberland	32	98
Guysboro' and Cape Breton	18	76
Annapolis	21	25
Liverpool	25	76
Yarmouth	53	60

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By Amount of Book Room Account	79	43	
For Frinting Minutes, 1885	75	00	
" President's Expenses	45	00	
" Secretary of Conference Expenses	9	72	
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** Funeral Expenses Mrs. Williams	40	00	
* District Expenses	1	30	
Paid on Account of William Briggs	15	00	
To Rev. R. Williams Special Grant for Affliction	10	00	
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WILLIAM OXLEY, Secretary. J. W. Johnson, A. B., Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN SECTION OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE FOR 1884-5.

The Book Committee met in the Book Room at Halifax on the 21st of May, and now presents to the several Maritime Conferences the annual report.

We find the state of the business to be as favorable as could have been anticipated considering the very depressed condition of trade during the past year. The Book Room sales are slightly less than for the previous year, though equal to the average of several years past.

Sales, 1884.	Sales, 1885.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cash 8017 82	7619 43		
Credit 10212 61	9824 22		
Total \$18230 50	\$17443 65		\$786 85

The stock of books is first class in standard works, and general literature, and also in Sabbath-school publications. We are happy to note that the business with our Sabbath-schools is extending, and with the very 1885]

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liberal discount now made to schools, we may hope that a greatly increased patronage may be secured in this branch of our business. There is now on hand a very large and well selected supply of choice books suitable for Sundsy-schools, including the publications of the best houses making a specialty of books of that class, and these are obtained on terms that will admit of orders being filled more favorably than ever before. We can speak with confidence in regard to the character of the books now in stock, being of a class that will interest our young people, and such as will be found of exceptional excellence. We are confident that all our Schools can procure from the Book Room all that can be desired in the way of books and periodicals on better terms than from any other source, nor is there any possible advantage to be gained in seeking them elsewhere.

It should be borne in mind that the very excellent publications of our Toronto Book Room, viz: the Banner, Pleasant Hours, Home and School, and Sunbeam, can be obtained through the Halifax Book Room at the same rate as in Toronto. All orders sent to Halifax are filled in Toronto and mailed direct to the parties. There is therefore no delay or additional cost in sending orders to Halifax; but there is some advantage to our Book Room in securing such orders. We solicit from all our friends their patronage.

It is scarcely necessary to refer in terms of commendation to the work of our indefatigable Editor, Rev. T. Watson Smith, for we doubt not that the readers of the *Wesleyan* very generally regard his efforts in catering for their interest and instruction in high estimation. Yet we deeply feel that the valuable services of Bro. Smith are by no means as widely or as fully appreciated in securing for the paper under his management such a patronage as its merits deserve.

It is not at all creditable to the Methodists of these Provinces that their official organ should be allowed to languish for the want of the support which might be secured. We are inclined to believe that in many of our Circuits not a few persons might be found who would require only to have the claims of our paper properly presented to be induced at once to become subscribers.

There will be found appended to this report a list of the number of subscribers on each Circuit, which may serve to remind our brethren of how much more might be done than yet has been done in securing patronage of our paper.

The total number of our subscribers in the three Conferences are :

Nova Scotia Conference New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference	
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Miscellaneous	600
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We fear that in many instances our people have been induced to favor other periodicals with their support rather than to sustain their own Church organ. In some cases the price of the *Wesleyan* is made an objection, and a

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cheaper paper is preferred ; but we hesitate not to say that, whatever may be the merits of those cheaper papers, they cannot possibly fill the place of the Wesleyan as a Church and family paper.

No secular paper can supply the place of a religious journal, and no Christian family can live without such a paper without sustaining serious loss.

We are sometimes met by the inquiry why cannot the Wesleyan be published at as low a price as some other papers ? Such a question, we think, will not be asked by any who are properly acquainted with the labor and cost of newspaper publication.

A weekly edition of a daily or tri-weekly paper may be furnished at a small cost, and yield by a wide circulation a large profit ; but a religious paper, such as the Wesleyan, published weekly cannot be afforded at a lower price than two dollars, unless the patronage of the paper is vastly greater than our paper now has.

When our list of paying subscribers is double what it now is it will be wise to enlarge the paper or to reduce its price. Let us labor earnestly to reach this point as soon as possible.

Will our brethren then please bear with us if we press upon their consideration that they have a partnership in our Book Room and in our paper, and that a responsibility rests upon our ministers and people in sustaining these enterprises of our Church.

We may by negligence and indifference cripple one or both of these arms of our service, or we may by becoming zeal and effort render them efficient agencies in doing good.

In conclusion it is worthy of the consideration of those who have means at their command for benevolent work, whether by aiding us by their liberality they would not be accomplishing a great amount of good by enabling us, to afford to Schools in poor settlements books at a merely nominal price, and opening the way for the employment of a system of colportage through which the literature of our Church might be more widely disseminated.

> By order and on behalf of the Book Committee, JOHN MCMURRAY, Chairman.

REPORT OF SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

Your Committee regret to announce a decrease of \$35.87 in the receipts from Circuits. This will be covered, however, in part we expect by the contribution from the Hamilton Circuit which are not yet at hand.

The totals from Districts as now reported are as follows :---

	Districts.		Ministers.
Halifax	343 77	In And the	160 00
Truro	59 92	Second Second	100 00
Cumberland	71 75		120 00
Guysboro' and Cape Breton	48 31		70 00
Annapolis	73 97		90 00
Liverpool	56 37		90 00
Yarmouth	86 78		90 00
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Your Committee desire to impress upon the minds of Superintendents of Circuits and our friends generally the necessity of increased attention to this Fund in order that it may meet fully the heavy and increasing demands made upon it. It is our staff in sickness and our support in old age. They direct particular attention to paragraphs 467, 468 and 469 of the Discipline

The contribution per member for the entire Conference has been for the past year about seven and two-fifths cents, considerably less than the minimum anticipated at the formation of the Fund. Many Circuits have done nobly; but in some the discrepancy between ability and results is so apparent as to indicate either indifference or neglect. A few of these the Committee think fit to bring to the notice of the Conference.

The question upon which the Conference was asked to vote last year in reference to the repayment of five dollars per year to those who had paid ten dollars for the purpose of placing a second wife upon the Fund was decided by the vote of all the Conferences in the affirmative. Said amount will therefore be repaid.

It was also decided that the limitation existing in regard to back payments should be considered valid as respects second marriages.

Herewith is submitted the General Treasurer's Financial Exhibit showing a balance for the year 1883-4 of \$406.48 transferred to stock account.

> All which is respectfully submitted, JONATHAN R. BORDEN, Secretary-Treasurer.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF THE SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, JULY, 1884.

CURRENT INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR, 1883-4.

Receipts.

 Interest of Capital Stock Investments From Nova Scotia Conference, 	50	35 9	91
 (1) Circuit Collections	34		
 2.—From N. B. and P. E. I. Conference, (1) Circuit Collections			
to General Treasurer 69 40 1505 4From Newfoundland Conference,	93		
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1.—Annuities Nova Scotia Conference	9370	50
(1) Taxes on Sussex Land	26	51
Total Amount Current Expenditure Balance to Capital Stock Account	9397 406	-

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Annapolis 90 00
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Yarmouth 90 00

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TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your Committee beg to report that the review of the year occasions feelings of devout gratitude for the success achieved in this department of Christian toil.

In various parts of the Province much has been done to ensure the carrying out of the "Canada Temperance Act" where it was already adopted, and to extend its benefits to other places where it had not been accepted. Many who were engaged in the lawless trade in liquor have been compelled to desist, while others have fled from the country to escape the officers of justice.

Your Committee regard with profound solicitude the various determined efforts which have been made to destroy the present efficiency of the "Canada Temperance Act," and to arrest the progress of this great moral reform.

The action of the Dominion Senate in passing the Almon amendment has occasioned surprise and indignation, being in such direct conflict with the sentiments and wishes of the vast majority of the citizens of this country as expressed by their votes in favor of the "Canada Temperance Act."

We cannot but view with alarm the action of this irresponsible body of legislators in contending so defiantly against the temperance sentiment of the Dominion.

We have reached a crisis in this work which demands united and vigorous and resolute action on the part of the Christian Churches.

While we rejoice in the recent action of the Dominion Parliament in rejecting the Almon amendment we deem it necessary to guard against false security. The foe is resolute, and the friends of Temperance must be equally resolute.

As a Conference we are in perfect harmony with the spirit and action of the Western Conferences, and with them we lift up our voice in solemn and earnest protest against every effort, whether on the part of those engaged in the drink traffic, or of our legislators, to weaken the "Canada Temperance Act," or to rob us of the benefits of past legislation.

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While thus guarding the "Canada Temperance Act" from all attempts to destroy its present efficiency we must resolutely advance. Satisfaction with present success will involve retrogression. We must press on towards Prohibition. Let it be advocated in the pulpit, the school and the home-Agitate until complete prohibition is secured.

As the importance of training the young is so great we earnestly recommend to the Conference that more attention be given to juvenile temperance organizations.

An earnest discussion on temperance work took place in Conference resulting in the following resolution :--

Resolved, That this Conference having accepted the Canada Temperance Act as an instalment of legislation due to the temperance sentiment of this Dominion has heard with surprise and indignant feeling of the Senate's amendments of this Act; and believing that such amendments must destroy the integrity of the measure and impair its efficiency, utters its most earnest protest against what it regards as reactionary legislation upon the great question now before the House of Commons.

And be it further resolved that this Conference declares its determination not to support any political party disloyal to the temperance cause.

> JAMES STROTHARD, Secretary of Committee.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND

I. -GENERAL CONFERENCE DEBT.

Amount voted by Confer nce. 1884 "received from Circuits Balance Union Collection due Treasurer	170 50
	23 50

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By paid General Conference Treasurer \$676 00

N. B. The following Circuits have not paid the amount assessed: Granville Ferry, Berwick, Wallace, Hamilton and St. Georges.

II .-- ANNUAL COLLECTIONS.

To Amounts from Districts 147 85

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By paid General Conference Treasurer \$147 85

Lunenburg, June 22, 1885.

F. H. W. PICKLES, Treasurer.

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REPORT OF THE CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE.

It affords your Committee pleasure to report that at the last Camp Meeting a large number of persons professed conversion to God, and during the year have given proof of the genuineness of the change; also that there has been a marked improvement of the affairs of the Association.

Besides important improvements upon the grounds it is confidently expected that the debt against which the Association has been struggling since its inception will be entirely liquidated this year.

The attention of the Conference is called to the fact that during the last sessions of the Provincial Parliament an Act of Incorporation was passed giving the Association such power as will enable it to transact business and conduct services in a much more satisfactory manner than heretofore.

In this Act provision is made giving this Conference control of the securing and disposal of the property of the Association, and that "the net profits of the Association shall be placed at the disposal of the Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist Church."

In view of these improvements and provisions the hope is entertained that a greater interest will be taken in the Association and its annual gatherings by the members of this Conference and our people generally.

WM. AINLEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Whereas there is no sufficiently accurate information before the Committee on a Conference Evangelist to enable it to report definitely to this Conference;

Therefore Resolved, That this Committee be empowered to employ an Evangelist at any time during the year should a suitable person become available, and an adequate method for his support be devised.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S FUND.

1885. THE CHILDREN'S FUND IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SECRETARY-TREASURER.

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	To payments to claimants . Expenses of Secretary-Treasurer. Balance in Treasurer's hands		
		\$2438	35
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	By Balance in hand June, 1884 147 35 " Amount of Assessment 2291 00		
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The donation from the Halifax Centre and Halifax South congregations,

to compensate brethren for losses sustained as result of last year's action of Conference were appropriated, on the basis of 50 per cent. of their net losses to the following ministers :---

T. D. Hart D. B. Scott W. Alcorn	30 00	A. Hockin 15 00 R. McArthur 12 00
Joseph Hale J. G. Bigney	25 00	8.55 00

The resolutions of last Conference as they appear in the Minutes respecting the administration of the Fund, were reaffirmed. They are as follows :-

1.-The claimants on this Fund shall be the children of Supernumerary and deceased ministers not otherwise provided for and the children of ministers in the active work, providing no minister receiving from this Fund shall have an income of more than \$800 including his children's claims.

2.-All claims shall cease at the age of 18 or sooner if the child cease to be dependent on the father.

3.--That for the present year the revenue shall be derived by a pro rata assessment on the Circuit receipts of last year.

4.-That for the present year the claim for each child shall be \$5 excepting the children of deceased and Supernumerary ministers and those over five in number of the ministers in the active work, who shall receive in every case \$30.

5 .- The Secretary shall acquaint the Recording Steward of the several Circuits with the change made in this Fund and the amounts of their assessments respectively.

June, 1885.

A. D. MORTON, Secretary.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The reports from the various Districts indicate progress in Sundayschool work. The number of officers and teachers remains about the same as last year, but a larger proportion of them are members of the Church, and there is a larger number of scholars.

It is encouraging to note that over 400 scholars have professed conversion and some 1300 are meeting in class. Little over one-fourth of these enrolled are studying catechism. We would again emphasize the need of instilling the doctrines of our Church as contained in the catechisms. We note with pleasure that there has been an improvement in this direction.

We can also report that a larger number have taken the total abstinence pledge. In view of the prime importance of the temperance question and the terrible perils to which our youth are exposed we deem it essential that they should be early enlisted in the temperance cause.

The returns show a slight increase in collections for the General Sundayschool Fund, but there are still circuits which return nothing. Many schools, too, raise nothing for the Mission Fund. Where the juvenile cards are used the children become most efficient collectors and we would recommend that these cards be generally adopted. The reward books provided by the Missionary Society are a great incentive to juvenile collectors.

Your Committee note with regret that very few schools are open during the whole year. We would urge that special efforts be made to continue our Sunday-schools through the winter months.

BENJ. HILLS, Secretary

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SPIRITUAL REPORT.

HALIFAX DISTRICT.—The past year has been specially marked by seasons of revival on the Circuits and Missions within the District with scarcely an exception. Though in some places the class meetings have not been as well sustained as their usefulness deserves, in all cases where attention has been given them they have been means of great spiritual profit. The prayer meetings have been seasons of blessing and power. The Sabbathschools show grand results. In some Circuits pleasing evidences of increased spirituality against by efforts to support all the institutions of our Church.

TRUBO DISTRICT.—In this District the work is encouraging. In some places from the beginning of the year there has been increased attendance on public worship, and in many Circuits souls have been converted. Some pastors report many turning to the Lord. A growing interest has been manifested in Sabbath-schools and other Christian work.

CUMERLAND DISTRICT reports that the vital truths of the Gospel have been set forth with all fidelity and that God has honored the messengers with signs following. Amherst and Parrsboro' have been favored with extensive revivals and a large number have given themselves to the Lord.

GUYSBORO' AND CAPE BRETON DISTRICT reports that a special outpouring of the Spirit took place at Gabarus last winter and that all the brethren have been favored with the presence of God in their ministrations. Many persons have given evidence of growth in grace and increased interest in the institutions of our Church.

ANNAPOLIS DISTRICT.—The spiritual condition of this District is full of encouragement. In several Circuits there have been gracious outpourings of the Divine Spirit and many souls have been brought into the favor of God. Middleton, Aylesford and Berwick have been especially favored in this particular. Sabbath-school work is progressing, but class meetings are not appreciated according to their merit.

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT reports more than usual interest in the spiritual life, good congregations and many conversions to God. While Liverpool looks hopefully to the future, Caledonia rejoices in the manifest presence of God, and Port Mouton gratefully records its additions by whole classes brought into the Church.

YARMOUTH DISTRICT.—The Church throughout the District is in a healthy and prosperous condition. On every Circuit souls have been saved. Prayer and class meetings are more highly prized and better sustained than in the past. The Sunday-schools are doing noble work for Christ and his Church. The number of conversions in them during the year is most encouraging.

Upon the whole the review of the year's work, if not highly satisfactory, is at least encouraging. There has been an advance all along the line. The Lord's workmen have not labored in vain. They who went forth a year since bearing precious seed have come again with rejoicing bringing their sheaves with them.

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CONFERENCE ANNIVERSARIES.

SABBATH SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.

Held on Thursday evening, commencing at a quarter to 8 o'clock. Rev. John McMurray, D. D., in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. William Ainley, after which with a few introductory remarks the chairman called upon the following speakers :---

Rev. W. H. Langille who took as his subject, "The Sabbath-school in the Church." He first traced the history of the Sabbath-school, showing that Methodism had been identified with it from its very inception and dwelt at length upon the importance of its work.

He next challenged the idea that the Sabbath-school was the children's Church and showed that it was the nursery of the Church, that in it the children should be trained for the Church; he deprecated the custom of allowing children to stay away from church because they had attended the Sabbath-school.

He said, on the authority of the Secretary of the General Sabbathschool Board it had been stated, that more than half the schools and more than half the scholars in the Dominion were Methodist, that during the previous year 6,000 Sabbath-school scholars had been converted to God, and had united with the Methodist Church.

In conclusion he referred to the importance of the study of the catechism and the care which should be taken in the selection of Sabbath-school literature.

The next speaker, Isaac Gaetz, Esq., said he had been identified with Sabbath-schools all his life. He loved them. Thought it needed great skill to interest and instruct a Sabbath-school class properly. He attached great importance to the study of the lesson and urged the desirability of applying the truth in the course of the lesson and not waiting until the close. The great aim of the teacher should be the salvation of souls.

Rev. William Ryan called attention to the work of Sabbath-school teachers, referring mainly to the essentials to success. First a realization of the importance of the work, viz : fitting scholars for usefulness here and heaven hereafter. The way to succeed is not by asking curious questions or even proper questions for their own sake alone ; the teacher must reach the heart of his pupil and impress him with the truth.

Lemuel Drew, Esq., also spoke of his many years' experience in connection with the Sabbath-school. He could not remember the time when he was not a scholar, teacher or superintendent. He thought it was a work of the highest importance demanding thorough preparation and prayerful interest.

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Rev. A. S. Tuttle traced the divine origin of the family, showed our duty towards the little ones in it and that no institution could supersede it or relieve those at its head of their responsibility, not even the Sabbath-school. That the Sabbath-school was only designed to supplement home work, and help those whose parents have neglected their duty.

R. J. Sweet, Esq., who gave the closing address, made some pertinent remarks from personal experience in Sabbath-school work in which he had been engaged for a number of years. The meeting was largely attended and one of unusual interest.

WM. AINLEY, Secretary.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

The Anniversary Missionary meeting of the Nova Scotia Conference was held in the Lunenburg Methodist Church on the evening of the 17th June, 1885.

The meeting opened with singing and was led in prayer by Rev. Richard Smith. President in the chair.

Rev. J. Cassidy, the President, then addressed the meeting briefly. He spoke of the far reaching importance of such occasions and of the progressive character of missionary work. Christ's kingdom was never more prosperous than to-night, but these reports are only in passing on to greater achievements. The final report will not be given until "the Kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ."

The Secretary of Committee then read a report presenting some of the most striking features of interest in the history of the Canadian Methodist Church's operations in the different fields for the past year. He stated that when all the returns were in from Bermuda this auxiliary would show an advance of about \$1,000 in receipts.

Rev. William Ainley then addressed the meeting on the topic "Our home work," showing some of the difficulties, prospects and usefulness of Home Missions. He spoke of the power from on high which was indispensable, and showed how the Gospel multiplied itself by making its converts apostles to others.

Rev. B. C. Borden, B. A., then spoke with much earnestness on our foreign work. Mr. Borden's remarks on this important theme were full of interest and impressiveness. We inherited the responsibility of the work begun by our Saviour. His invitation was "Come;" His commission "Go." The persuasive tenderness of Come gathered itself in the soul into an imperious command to Go. As Dr. Duff said, "The Church that ceases to be evangelistic ceases to be evangelical." Sympathy for foreign work increased the interest in home missions. Joy in the work is a needed power. We are living in the Missionary Century. The last 80 years have done more for the world than all the centuries before. The openings are phenomenal. There are wonderful results with small expenditure. Missions are meeting the wants of the world.

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Brown next spoke briefly on the subject of personal consecration. Those who have tasted of the love of Jesus do not need to be told their duty. If there were a consecrated Church there would be a converted world. The lateness of the hour prevented Mr. Brown from enlarging.

Rev. S. F. Huestis, member of the General Board, was then called on and spoke briefly in his usual stirring style. In order to meet the demands of the present year an advance of 10 per cent. was required. Our Conference has made that advance. The organization of Women's Mission" ary Societies had helped the general work. Devoted Sisters like Miss Knight, of Halifax, were offering themselves to the work. Where are our young men? Young men are wanted for our work. Give lives as well as money.

The meeting closed with the benediction.

The financial statement for the year is as follows. The income from the several Districts of the Conference, expenses deducted, stands thus :--

Halifax Truro Camberland Guysboro' and C. B. Annapolis Liverpool Yarmouth	66 66 65	 6541 534 864 419 897	28 03 56 49 16 25
Conference Collection		 10872	
Net Total		 10893	00

This shows an increase over the previous year of \$1059.73.

The grant made by the General Board of Missions to the Domestic Missions of this Nova Scotia Conference for the past year was \$7,323. This includes a grant of \$500 to Bermuda, and sums for rents and removals in the Conference as follows :--

Cumberland Guysboro' and C. B. Annapolis Liverpool	44 44	556 70 267 20 847 50 216 00
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Let all our friends note what one cent per day given by every member of our Church can accomplish. It would make our income in round figures \$600,000. We could then double our working force among the Indians; give five times as many workers to French; give Japan 25 missionaries and 100 native evangelists, besides filling up the deficiencies in men and salaries on our Domestic Missions. Shall this average be reached ?

R. BRECKEN, Sec'y of Committee.

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METHODIST CONFERENCE.

EDUCATIONAL ANNIVERSARY.

June 17th, 7.45 p.m.

After devotional exercises, the President of the Conference in a few well chosen words explained the nature of the meeting, and called upon the Secretary, E. B. Moore, to read the report.

Your Committee in presenting their annual report desire to call attention to the fact that no department of work in the Church is of more importance than that of education. While other matters are capable of being presented to the public mind in such a manner as to stir our thoughts to a greater depth and excite more intense enthusiasm than this which brings us together this evening, there is none which calls for more careful consideration : there is none which yields such profitable returns for the outlay which it involves. It is perhaps possible that some subjects which press themselves upon the notice of the Church may be overrated in importance or in results, but education, or the preparation of the young for the duties of life, it is impossible to overrate.

The work of education, which is conducted by the Methodist Church in the Dominion, includes the following departments :--

I.-UNIVERSITY WORK.

Victoria University.—It has 175 enrolled students in arts and science; 200 in medicine; 26 in law, and 29 in theology; total 430. Its professional staff in arts and theology number 9; its graduates in arts 444, and in all the faculties 1,712. Its building, library and apparatus are valued at \$62,000, and its endowments at \$200,000. Its annual expenditure is \$20,000.

Mount Allison Wesleyan College and Academies.—This institution was founded in 1843. It was opened for academic students in 1845, and to the undergraduates in arts in 1862. Including its academies, there are 15 professors, 234 students in arts and 95 graduates. Its buildings and equipments are valued at \$100,000, its endowments amount to \$115,000, and its annual expenditure \$28,000.

II. --- COLLEGIATE WORK.

Albert College.—This college was founded in 1857. Its staff numbers 9 professors in literature, science and fine arts; students 175. Its buildings and grounds are valued at \$41,000; endowments, \$52,000. The annual expenditure is \$9,000.

Stanstead Wesleyan College was founded in 1872. It is with Albert College affiliated to Victoria University. It has 8 professors in science, literature, and the fine arts, and an attendance of 169 students. Its buildings and grounds are valued at \$50,000, endowments \$13,000.

In affiliation with Mount Allison Wesleyan College, and under the same Board, we have academies for young ladies and gentlemen, the students of which enjoy the full advantage of the combined university and academic staff.

The Methodist Academy of St. John's, Newfoundland, is designed to furnish the Methodism of that province with advantages similar to those afforded in our other collegiate institutions. Its professional staff numbers 5, and its students 342:

III.-LADIES' COLLEGES.

The institutions already mentioned are all open to students of both sexes, either in separate departments or upon the principle of co-education Young ladies are successfully pursuing their studies in both our universities, as well as in the four colleges and academies. Mount Allison College enjoys the distinction of being the first in the Dominion to give z university degree to a lady graduate.

The Hamilton Wesleyan College was founded in 1861. It has commodious buildings and appliances, a staff of 15 professors and teachers, and 175 students.

The Ontario Ladies' College was opened in 1874. It has a staff of 15 professors and teachers, and 137 students.

Alma College was founded in 1878. It has a staff of 12 professors and teachers, with full courses in literature, science and fine arts. Students 165.

IV. -THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS.

The senior theological school of our Church was established in 1861 in connection with Mount Allison College. The number of theological students enrolled is 13:

The theological department of Victoria University was organized in 1871. The number of students last year was 36.

The Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal, was opened for students in 1873. It has 3 professors, and 23 students. Nine of these are French students, connected with the associated French Methodist institute, and preparing for the French mission work in Quebec.

Wesley College, Winnipeg, in affiliation with the university of Manitoba, is being brought into active operation as a theological school for the special benefit of candidates for our ministry belonging to the Manitoba Conference.

The Tokio Methodist College is also being organized for the training of native missionaries in Japan: Two professors have been appointed who will commence work immediately.

This extended work involves an invested capital of more than \$1,000,000, an annual outlay of more than \$100,000, the labors of 100 professors and teachers. It reaches more than 1,800 students, and has a most important bearing upon the present and future of our Church. It has turnished the greater part of our present active ministry, and what is of no less importance, it has furnished us with Christian laymen who fill many of the highest positions in the country.

Your Committee consider it cause for devout gratitude that the higher education of our country is all, more or less, directly under religious influences. Other colleges, like our own, are founded and cared for by some branch of the Church, and the design of each one is to secure the power of knowledge and culture for the diffusion of Christian truth. From these colleges are to come the men who shall make the laws, administer the affairs and develop the commerce of this Dominion. A bright hope is suggested by this fact. During the period when the human heart is most open to impressions the young men are directly under these influences of

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To such an extent are the colleges of this country parts and parcels of the Church that the moral tone and character of each one depends upon the denomination which patronizes and controls it. Not merely does it take the shade of creed and dogmas of that denomination, but is actually governed by that prevailing religious sentiment and belief. The result of all this is that the college is brought more directly into the warm heart of the Church. The piety of the Church is stamped upon the school. Christian nurture as well as intellectual development is attended to, and the earnest devotion of the one is reflected upon the other. The pious training of the home is continued in the college. The same religious sentiment which glows and burns at the family altar meets the student in the halls of learning; and the Church, through the College, continues what at the fireside she began. The child which she receives to her arms in baptism she sends out armed in the full panoply of faith to the battle of life.

The progress of events indicates in the near future a concerted action on the part of Christian Churches of every name in this matter of education. Indeed, denominational unity for the cultivation of the highest forms of Christian science, philosophy and literature has already become a pressing issue in the minds of the best educational leaders of our country. But whatever changes may take place the relation between Church and College must not be lost sight of. The religious element in education needs ever new statements or more vigorous enforcement. "That all learning is hurtful when acquired with spiritual loss" is an eternal truth. The college must be a place for something more than mental discipline. It should be an institution not so much for the manufacture of scholars as the making of men ; not for conterring degrees, but for the development of character ; it should be not only a power making for learning, but a power making for righteousness.

All attempts to separate the College from the Church are attempts to set the child against the parent, the rebellion of the intellect against the heart, the enthronement of the reason against God. We seek for our schools that they shall exhibit the highest type of intelligent piety, and thus become not only defenders of the faith, but exponents of its power. Character and ability to mould character, is to be the prime qualification for tutors and professors. They are to be men of learning-deep and profound, men of ability, bright as the sun ; but above all they are to be men of faith and prayer, men of spirituality, deep and active enough to quicken the spiritual life and arouse the moral earnestness of their students. Thus fused with an intense spiritual life the college would become what it was intended to be-a breakwater against the tides of scepticism and license which threaten all forms of modern thought and hold in check that impatience of restraint so characteristic of our age. Having respect for the memories of the past, the wants of the present, the hopes of the future, we are not yet prepared

to write the word "Godless" over the doors of our institutions of learning. Neither shall the sacred name stand for the symbol of a dead presence, nor the rallying cry for party strife, but a living power, which even to-day works in the hearts of the children of men.

It is quite time that the identity of interests between religion and education were better understood and appreciated. Education is a sacred trust committed to the Church, and to be recreant to that trust is suicide. The literary culture of the day is broad without being high. Thought to-day runs earthward and along the level of material things, but hesitates to ascend into the higher regions where alone spiritual life is maintained, The duty of the Church is to combine height with breadth in education. and she can do this only as she incorporates religious teaching with collegiate life. In this aspect of the case we challenge for our educational work a greater importance than our mission work. Dear as the cause of missions is to the heart of the Church, this of education should be yet dearer, for it is the cause of our owr children, of our own hearthstones, and its support should no longer be left as a luxury to the wealthy few, but accepted as the privilege and bounden duty of all.

The first speaker was Rev. F. A. Buckley. Subject: "Relation of the College to the Church." He said that religion and learning are the complements of each other. The aim of the Church is to promote education under the safeguard of religion. He then showed the importance of this matter. He stated that the objection raised against ('hurch control in education, that she encouraged a narrow spirit, was not based on truth.

Dr. Inch referred to the origin of Methodism in the classic shades of Oxford, and its growth, until to-day every continent and a thousand islands echo the sound of Methodist preaching. Methodist churches and schools and seminaries and colleges are scattered over the face of the earth. To attempt to account for this mighty success by reference to human agency, or social forces alone, would be sheerest folly. It is the work of God alone. But we must not fail to note the agencies and methods by which God carries on this work. These agencies in the spread of Methodism may be classified in two divisions:

1. Itinerant missionary preaching.

2. Institutions of learning under the direct control of the Church.

Both these agencies have been used by us, the one as the complement of the other, each giving power and efficiency to the other, both alike recognized of God in the conversion and up-building of souls. These two agencies have been the right and the left hands of our power. Weaken the one and you injure the other. Impair both, and religion becomes weak and helpless—a sport for the jeering Philistines of Infidelity and Heathenism. We do not base the claims of the education society upon the necessity of an educated ministry alone. We need Godly and educated physicians, lawyers, merchants and farmers. We need our ministers and our laity converted together and educated together. Two types of education have prevailed at different times. The first that of Greece and Rome in their palmy days, when the old religious faiths were dead, and cold intellectual1885]

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In view of our position as the leading Protestant Church in the Dominion, in view of the mighty work which lies before us, what should be our attidute and purposes towards our educational institutions? If Methodism is to-day a power for good in the world; if her commanding position on this continent is a blessing to society; if she has contributed in any degree to the building up of a civilization which is destined to surpass that of Asia and Europe; if she has restrained the lawlessness incident to the peopling of a new and rich country, and has helped to mould the heterogeneous mass of European, African and Asiatic immigration into a law-abiding, God-fearing people, then let us stick to the agencies by which, under the providence of God, she has wrought out hitherto this glorious work and set ourselves with quickened faith and courage to what lies before us.

Our socie y is not local in its aims. It reaches from Newfoundland to Vancouver, and from the Saskatchewan to the coral reefs of Bermuda. But yet, though our sympathy goes out to all this broad region, we are naturally more interested in our own especial field of cultivation. Our institutions at Sackville were never so well prepared for the work of Christian education as at the present time. Their record is before the world. The male academy with its history of 40 years has left its impress on the public and private life of all these Maritime Provinces, and far beyond The gentle influence of womanhood, cultivated and adorned at Mount Allison, has brought sweetness and light into hundreds of homes

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throughout these provinces. Our young college, organized a little more than 20 years ago, without endowments, without buildings, without a separate faculty, dependent upon the male academy for support, and upon the self-denial of its professors and teachers for its board of instructors, has struggled on in the face of opposition—exposed to the keenest competition, sometimes reproached for its poverty, and sneered at because it claimed to have a mission to live and work; it has to-day buildings unsurpassed by any in the lower provinces, a library inferior to that in no college in Nova Scotia, except it be of King's, an endowment of \$100,000, a list of 106 graduates, not a few of them distinguished men.

We are told in scripture that the parents of Moses had their faith strengthened in attempting to save their son from the cruel faith decreed by the tyrant of Egypt "because they saw he was a proper child, and they were not afraid of the king's commandment." Mount Allison is a child of providence to us, as "Acadia" is to our Baptist brethren. This child of providence intrusted to us is a proper child, sturdy, vigorous, and full of vitality. Let no decree of state or council, no ambitious plans of mistaken patriotism or official pride, doom to death this child of our hopes and our affections. If we are faithful and patient God's providence will bring the child to manhood, who then, counting the riches of Christ more than the treasures of Egypt, shall lead God's people into a land of promise.

Dr. Lathern, for whom the time was all too short, closed the interesting meeting in a brief but brilliant effort on the sacred trust, which, as a church is committed to our care.

The large audience listened with unabated interest to the end of a protracted service.

E. B. MOORE, Secretary:

THE TEMPERANCE ANNIVERSARY

was held on Tuesday evening, the President in the chair.

After singing the 917th hymn, Rev. J. W. Shepherdson offered prayer The President by way of introduction made a few well chosen remarks. as to the position of Wesley and the Methodist Church upon the temperance question, after which the choir sang the 919th hymn.

Rev. T. Rogers, A. M., was called upon as the first speaker. He referred to his connection with the Order of the Sons of Temperance and his pleasure in finding that this old Order was strong in Lunenburg. The history of the Temperance cause had never been written; it never could be written. A great change had taken place since the rum puncheon used to be rolled out with the pail and tin cup on great public occasions. To call a rumseller a licensed victualler was giving a reputable name to a very disreputable thing. This Temperance reform is of comparatively recent, origin, but the principles which underlie it are the principles which underlie every great moral reform. Not possible for a rumdrinker and a Christian to occupy the same skin. He could not see how

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a man could enjoy much of the love of God in his heart who is a moderate drinker. The moderate drinker is much more likely to bring his sons up to be drunkards, than he who rolls about the street. As a consequence the great hindrance to the Temperance cause is not so much the drunkard as the respectable tippler. He would not give a straw for the temperance principles of men who would vote for a rumseller to make the laws of the land. He argued earnestly and eloquently the obligation of Christians and Christian ministers to carry their principles to the polls.

After the singing of an anthem J. N. Freeman, of Liverpool, addressed the meeting. He was obliged to speak in a hurry as the steamer was near at hand and his family was expecting him at home. There had been great progress, great lifting up during the few years past, but in no subject greater change than in reference to the temperance idea. He sketched the progress of temperance principles in their moral influence upon communities, and individuals. He referred to the Scott Act and the difficulties which still attend its enforcement. Lunenburg had made great progress in temperance matters since he first knew it. The temperance people should press on assured that the rumsellers however much they might bluster, would eventually turn and run like Riel and Poundmaker and Big Bear. He spoke of the judges in our courts as being often obstructions in the way of temper-We needed also as legislators not simply men who passed as ance work. temperance men, but men with backbone who would stand by their principles at all times.

Rev. John Gee being called upon spoke of the rum traffic as tried by the same text as applied to other kinds of business. Tested thus it was found wanting. He believed that at no distant day the people of this land, ignoring the question of politics altogether, would have the privilege of saying yes or no at the polls to the question of total Prohibition. We pay \$27,000,000 for liquor. England pays £127,000,000 sterling as the price of this curse. In this cause is heard the voice of humanity, and in the voice of humanity in its deepest meaning is the voice of God. He closed with an earnest appeal to the lovers of the cause, for the sake of their country for the sake of humanity, and for the sake of the right to do with their might what God had given them to do.

Rev. Joseph Gaetz, an old pastor of the congregation, being called upon spoke a few words as to the vileness of the traffic, and the sad sights he had seen in connection with it.

The meeting was brought to a close by a few appropriate and earnest words from the President, and the singing of the doxology and the benediction from the President.

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PASTORAL ADDRESS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHOD.3T CHURCH WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN :

The opportunity of addressing ourselves to "the flock over which the roly Ghost hath made us overseers" is regarded by us as one of the privileges of our annual gathering. We are desirous that our words to you may not be regarded as merely formal utterances, but as the expression of deep pastoral regard, and an intense desire that

"your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgement; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God." Companions with you in the Kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, we write unto you, 'not merely that we may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established, but that we may be comforted together with you by the mutual faith of both you and us.

It is with unfeigned gratitude to the Giver of all our blessings that we discover from a review of the year a marked advance in all departments of our work. We rejoice in being able to report, notwithstanding the shrinkage by deaths and removals, an increase of 862 members. In this connection we are reminded that our Conference Sessions are being held for the first time in the town of Lunenburg, where, during the past fifteen years, Methodism has won some of her most signal triumphs. This beautiful church edifice in which we are gathered, erected during the year, is only one of many evidences of the progress of our doctrines, and the increase of our adherents throughout the whole county.

But while we are devoutly grateful for any success vouchsafed, we cannot fail to recognize the fact that the Church has scarcely more than touched the great mass of human sin and suffering. If our Holy Christianity is to impress herself upon the heathen world beyond, she mus. first evangelize the heathen at her own door. For we can rest assured that in our day, when foreign nations are being brought so near, the Gospel will be judgod by its results as seen in our Christian civilization. The greatest barrier to the progress of Christian Missions to-day is not found in the heathen themselves so much as in the infidelity and immorality of those who represent Christendom. Our Church membership bears too small a proportion to the size of our congregations, and our congregations are too small compared with the great mass of the population. There is an imperative demand for aggressive Christian effort. Some one says: "If our religion is not true we are bound to change it; if it is true we are bound to propogate it." If the halt and the maimed and the blind around us are perishing for the want of the Gospel, shall not we who have feasted on the Master's banquet obey His command and "compel them to come in "?

Amid the mental activities of the present age, when the foundations of our faith are being tested as perhaps never before, it is well that you should be able "to give a reason for the hope that is within you." There is no argument that will so tell in our controversy with error as the power of a rectified inner life. While men are eagerly asking what is truth, every Christian should be able to say with the Master, "For this

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cause came I unto the world that I should bear witness unto the truth." Let every inquirer find in you the marks of the Lord Jesus. While some have contracted just doubt enough to paralyze effort and render them mere negations, see to it that vital contact with Him who is the source of life makes your whole existence a positive benefaction. It is your privilege to say, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God." — "We know that we have passed from death unto life."

Not only may you enjoy a conscious salvation from all sin, but a successful Christian life involves growth. Accept no finite standard as your ideal of Christian attainment. To whatever heights of perfection you may reach Christ stands ever above and beyond the "highest, purest, holiest manhood." Let us not rest until we all "come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

In our day we need to dig again these old wells of Gospel truth from which our fathers drew their inspiration. While the question, "How can a man be just with God !" is still the cry of sin-burdened humanity, these old doctrines of "repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" are the only ones that can satisfy such soul-hunger. The atoning blood is still, and ever will be, the central fact in the Gospel system. While there is a tendency in some directions to revert to medieval externalism in worship, we rejoice that other denominations are learning to appropriate the doctrines and methods that have heretofore been the peculiarities of our Church. The revival energy that eighteen centuries ago pricked men in their hearts, and made Pentecost the birthday of the Church, is still the hope of Methodism. Do not let the spirit of the age rob you of these old-fashioned seasons of converting and heart-searching power.

On the other hand we would warn you against depending upon such periodical religious movements for your impulses to Christian work. Such intermittent effort is one of the burning reproaches of the Christian Church. Let your motives to work flow like the waters of an attain well from the deeper strata of your being. Let your actions spring from a life so "hid with Christ in God" that the frosts of doubt cannot touch it, nor the drought of any spiritual August dry it up. Our prayer for you is that this fountain, having its source in the hills from whence your help cometh, may be "in you a well of water springing up into everlasting life."

One of the vital questions that press upon us as we are in conference assembled is that of ministering supply. The want of men is not only interfering with the progress of the work, but with the efficiency of the ministry. While we should have a score of men studying every year at our institutions it is with extreme reluctance that the Conference cannot spare even one from the active work. That God, who in the patriarchal times claimed the umblemished sacrifice, demands to-day the consecration of your best talent to his service. Let the ministry be placed before your children as the ideal of Christian effort. What nobler work has God allotted to man on the earth than to direct:

> " The feeble hands and helpless Groping blindly in the darkness,"

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want men in our ministry, who are there for the rewards of office, we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that the question of finance lies at the back of that of ministerial supply. It is very possible for one who has been called to the work of the ministry to persuade himself that he can serve God as well where there are fewer hardships and greater emoluments. Thus recognizing the bearing of finance upon the whole future of our church, as well as the fact that the laborer is worthy of his hire, a sustentation scheme is contemplated by which the scanty salaries of your ministers shall be supplemented and compensation in some measure given for the loss of the Children's Fund. Thus, while we earnestly solicit your prayers that "the Lord of the Harvest would send forth laborers into his harvest," opportunity will also be given to "show your faith by your works."

So largely are our domestic missions dependent upon the grants they receive from the Missionary Society, that, under the present constitution, the maintainance of this fund is one of the most effective means of meeting the need to which reference has been made. The trouble among the Indians of the North West reveals more clearly than ever our duty to the pagan tribes within our borders. The repeated declaration of the sainted George McDougal, that " in order to civilize the Indians you must first christianize them," has been verified by their treatment of their government instructors. The two great restraining influences at work all through the rocent rebellion have been garrisoned forts and Protestant missions, and our duty as patriots as well as Christians demands that the Gospel should be given them before the sword. Japan is passing through a crisis which is to determine whether her civilization shall be built upon infidel or upon Christian principles. In view of these pressing needs we rejoice that, notwithstanding the financial stringency of the past year, the missionary receipts of our Conference show an increase of \$1059.00.

We hail this fact as one of the most thankful signs of spiritual vigor throughout our Zion. The reflex influences of such unselfish interest in the great needs of humanity cannot be measured. Every one who thus feels himself "one with his kind," is lifted into closer sympathy with him who "though he was rich yet for our sakes became poor."

In the present state of the temperance agitation in our Dominion the utterances of the Church upon this great subject cannot afford to be weak or uncertain. The horrors of the traffic need no exposition from us, when every community of our Province furnishes its quota of loathsome illustrations. In the face of its ravages indifference is criminal. The Canada Temperance Act is before the country as a definite issue. While no law of local option can fully meet the needs of the case, it becomes our duty to wield vigorously the best weapon upon which we can place our hands. The unrelenting opposition of the liquor dealers to the Socit Act is its best endorsement, and wherever this law has been faithfully enforced, it has proved itself the most effective temperance legislation that has yet been placed upon our statute books. The series of splendid victories gained by its adoption, at least, assures our legislators of a gradual, preparation on the part of the people for entire prohibition. See to it that in such contests your vote and influence are on the side of virtue and sobriety, and that in the enforcement of the law, with the fearlessness of a Paul, you "quit you like men and be strong."

There is no subject to which we call your attention that will appeal more forcibly to your sympathies than that which relates to the training of your children. While the Sabbath-school should receive your hearty support and active co-operation, you must remember that no such agency can supersede the home in the moral and religious

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education of the young. Utilize every innocent delight to make home the most attractive place within the knowledge of your family, but at the same time make all recreations subservient to the higher claims of their moral and spiritual natures. The question of amusement soon adjusts itself when love to God becomes the dominant motive of life.

Teach your children to "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." The battle being fought in Ontario over Sunday newspapers, and the disposition to increase Sunday traffic upon railroads and steamboats, are illustrations of the tendency of our times. Laxity in this regard is one of the surest methods of inculcating irreverence and worldliness. We regard the Sabbath as vital to the power of the pulpit, as well as to the physical well being of the people.

Scan well the literature that finds its way into your homes. There is no more insidious corruptor of youth than that which lurks between the covers of a leprous book. In youth germs of disease are thus planted, which, in their maturity, often astonish the world by the moral collapse of the apparently wise and great. In this connection we would commend all who are seeking a high class of pure, healthy literature to the judicious selections of our own Book Room. The very best works of Methodist publishing houses on both sides of the Atlantic are to be found there, as well as a large variety of the best issues of the day from other sources. The Book Room was never better prepared to supply Sabbath-schools with libraries loyal to the traditions and dostrines of our own Church.

We would also again commend our educational Institutions to your cordial sympathy and fullest confidence. Education under Christian auspices is the demand of the Church. We claim that a saving knowledge of Him v ho is "the truth" is essential to the highest development of all our faculties. Education, in its best sense, provides not only for the training of the intellect, but for the culture of the heart. That work of this class is being accomplished at our Institutions is made abundantly evident by the scores who refer the stirring of their moral and intellectual life to the fostering influences of their *Alma Mater*. To an extent we dare not inquire the future of our Methodism depends upon the support given to our higher educational work.

And now, as we separate to go to our several spheres of duty, we cast ourselves upon Omnipotent Grace and your sympathy. We have been refreshed and strengthened by waiting upon God in the public ordinances of His house, by mutual counsel and intercourse, and, most of all, by the marked tokens of the Divine presence and power with us. As we witnessed the presence of these at the altar who presented themselves as seekers of salvation, we could not but exclaim :

> "Lo, the promise of a shower Drops already from above, But the Lord will shortly pour All the Spirit of His love."

Allow us cheerfully to commend you to Him who is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. To the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

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MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

REV. RICHARD SMITH.

That this Conference in complying with the wishes of the Rev. Richard Smith, who, by his advancing age and infirmity is obliged to ask for a Supernumerary position, would place upon record its expression of the high estimation in which Brother Smith is held by all his brethren, in the remembrance of his unblamable life—his exemplary devotedness to his work throughout his lengthened ministry, and his highly gratifying success in that ministry. We pray that in his retirement from active service there may 's still afforded to him such opportunities of usefuluess as will tend to render the evening of his life such as, we are confident, he would desire it to be, and that the richest blessings of the Most High in every sense, may still crown our brother until he is called from earthly labor to the heavenly reward.

Resolved.

REV. PAUL PRESTWOOD.

That this Conference would not allow the Rev. Paul Prestwood to assume a supernumerary relation without giving expression to the high estimate entertained by our church of Bro. Prestwood's christian and ministerial character and our appreciation of the success which has attended his labors on various circuits oocupied by him, and now that he is by the infirmity of years compelled to take a more retired position, we pray that the refreshing presence of the Lord may attend our brother during the remainder of his earthly course and still render his services a great blessing to the cause of Christ.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Resolved,

That the composition of the Missionary Committee of the Conference be as follows :--

1st .- The President of the Conference and the Superintendents of Districts.

2nd-The representatives to the General Board of Missions.

- 3rd—One layman from each District to be elected annually by the lay-members of the Annual District Meeting, with the exception of the Halifax District which shall elect two laymen.
- 4th-A minister who shall be elected by the Conference as Secretary, and a Minister and a Layman as Co-Treasurers.

Resolved.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

(1) That this Conference, having heard with much pleasure and satisfaction from Dr. Inch, the honored President of our Mount AllisonCollege, takes another opportunity of expressing the gratification his presence at our annual gathering always affords, and of recording its continued desire to co-operate with him, and all the professors and teachers engaged in the important work allotted to our Educational Institutions. Moreover, while we need not reiterate in full our oft-repeated confidence in the man-

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agement and faculty of Mount Allison College, nor restate our unchanging principles and convictions as to the necessity for the fostering care and nurture of religion in higher education, we assure him that we are in fullest sympathy with any movement that may be undertaken to secure lasting progress and advancement in the efficiency of our already progressive Collegiate work.

(2) Resolved, That this Conference learns with much satisfaction of the efficiency and prosperity of the Male Academy under the new departure in its management; and having spared from its circuit work one of our most efficient pastors to become the Principal of the Ladies' Academy, we wish him and his associate teachers God-speed in their !abors, and trust that the future may be as the past, only more abundant.

Furthermore, believing that all these Institutions are worthy of the confidence of the public, we earnestly and heartily recommend them to the patronage and support of our people.

DECEASE OF THE SENIOR GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

Resolved,

That this Conference records its expression of the great loss sustained by the Methodist Church during the past year by the decease of the Senior General Superintendent, the Rev. Samuel D. Rice. Suitable references to the value of the services of this honored servant of Christ in Educational and Circuit work in Ontario, and more recently in Manitoba, have been appropriately made by the Conferences of the West ; but the work in the Eastern Conferences was well understood by Dr. Rice, and by his removal we have been deprived of the favor and intelligence of one who, had he been longer spared, would probably have rendered the work in these Provinces very signal advantage. The earlier years of the ministry of our beloved brother were employed usefully in the Maritime Provinces, and afforded our older ministers and people opportunity of acquaintance with him and of forming a high appreciation of his character and labors, while in all the homes of the people his name has been a household word. By those of our brethren brought into association with Dr. Rice in the General Conference his clear ennunciation in debate, his judicious counsels, his affability and courtesy in his official relations, as well as his excellent administrative ability, will always be remembered with satisfaction. We pray that the Providence by which our esteemed General Superintendent has been taken from us may serve to impress upon our hearts the lesson to work with our might while the day of life lasteth. The Conference would tender to Mrs. Rice and family in their heavy bereavement its cordial sympathy, and would invoke upon them the richest consolation of Divine Grace.

REPORTERS.

Resolved,

That the Conference expresses its satisfaction with the full reports of its proceedings as published in the *Chronicle* and *Herald*, of Halifax, and conveys its thanks to the reporters for their services.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR FIRST SESSION OF NEXT CONFERENCE.

Prayer Meeting 9 to 10 a.m., to be followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Address of retiring President.

Election of Officers.

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UNLICENSED MINISTERS.

Whereas, from time to time, persons who are strangers to our Conference come amongst us, requesting access to our pulpits and soliciting letters of recommendation from our ministers,—

Resolved,

That this Conference hereby urges upon the several circuits, that all such applications be refused except to those who produce unmistakeable credentials.

Resolved,

LUNENBURG FRIENDS.

That this Conference desires to acknowledge the very great kindness of the Lunenburg friends who have so hospitably entertained the members of the Conference during its present session, and directs that this resolution of thanks shall be published in the daily papers, and that the Superintendent of the Lunenburg circuit be requested to read the same from their pulpits next Lord's day.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LUNENBURG CIRCUIT.

Resolved.

That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Superintendent of the Lunenburg circuit, for the very excellent and satisfactory arrangements made by him for the meeting of this Conference.

RAILWAYS AND STEAMBOATS.

Resolved,

That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Superintendent of the I. C. Railway; to the Windsor and Annapolis and Western Counties Railways, and to the Steamboat Companies, for their kindness in granting reduced rates of travel to Ministers and lay delegates attending Conference.

THE NEXT CONFERENCE.

Resolved,

That every Minister who purposes to attend Conference is peremptorily required to give information of the fact to the Superintendent of the circuit in which the Conference shall be held, not later than three weeks before the Conference is appointed to meet.

MISSIONARY LISTS.

Each Superintendent is required to present at the Annual District Meeting, prepared on foolscap paper and made up in Canadian currency a perfect list of all subscribers of two dollars and upwards; all amounts under two dollars to be entered under small sums; and each Chairman is required to present such list to the Missionary Secretary in a state ready for publication—on the day previous to the Meeting of the Missionary Committee.

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EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Each Superintendent is required to present at the District Meeting, in a form for publication, a perfect list of the benefactors and subscribers to this Society, and the Chairmen of the Districts shall present such lists to the Secretary of the Educational Fund Committee on the day previous to the meeting of said Committee.

CONTINGENT AND SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' FUNDS.

Superintendents are requested to see that the annual public collections are taken for these funds at the time appointed. For the latter fund subscriptions and donations shall be taken in the classes and among the lay friends of the Church, and the names of all annual subscribers of five dollars or more shall be forwarded to the Treasurer for publication in the Minutes of Conference.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

The Financial Secretaries of the various Districts are required to send to the Secretary of the Children's Fund, immediately after the Annual District Meeting, the names of all ministers in their respective Districts who are claimants upon the Children's Fund for the current year; and to state the number of children for whom allowance is claimed; and, as far as possible, the name and date of birth of each of the said children.

RELIGIOUS STATE.

Each Superintendent is directed to prepare a report of the religious state of his circuit or mission, to be read at the Annual District Meeting; at which meeting a summary of such Reports shall be prepared and entered in the District Minutes for the information of the Conference. The condensed Reports of Missions shall also be prepared in a form to be transmitted to the General Secretaries.

BOOK ROOM ACCOUNTS.

Every minister or preacher is peremptorily required to settle his book account for the preceding year at each Annual Conference, and also regularly to transmit the money in his hands, without any reservation or reduction whatever, to the Book Steward whenever it shall amount to ten dollars.

THE WESLEYAN.

Chairmen of Districts are directed to institute enquiry at the Annual District as to the diligence and fidelity of each minister and preacher responsible for the collection of subscriptions due for the *Wesleyan*.

DISTRICT MINUTES.

Chairmen of Districts are required to take to Conference *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the Annual and Financial District Meetings, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary;—one copy inserted in the District Book for his own use, one for the Secretary of the Conference, and one for the Members of the District and of the Conference.

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Maritime Provinces to bear in mind the work in which our Book Room is engaged, and the claims which this part of our work has upon the liberal consideration of those of our people who have means to contribute in aid of Sabbath Schools in poor sections of the country. Our Book Room, we are glad to affirm, offers books of the very best character as adapted to our youthful readers, and on better terms than such books can be obtained from any other source.

Where and when shall our next Conference be held ?

At Amherst, on the Third Wednesday in June, 1886.

JOHN CASSIDY, PRESIDENT, CRANSWICK JOST, A.M., SECRETARY.

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1861	Johnson, John	Lunenburg
1873	Johnson, D. W., A. B.	Bear River
1863	Johnson, R. O. B., Supernumerary	Onslow
1862	Jost, C., A.M., Sec'v of Conference	Bridgetown
1874	Lane. William G.	Canning
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1855	Lockhart, C., Supernumerary	Liverpool
1866	Mack R Barry	Amherst
1871	McArthur, Robert.	Nappan 12
1834	McMurray, John, D.D., Supernumerary	Windsor 11
1864	Moore, E. B.	Avondale
1841	Morton, Roland, Supernumerary	Windsor
1866	Morton, A. D., A.M.	Pugwash
1861	Mosher, J. A	Acadia Mines
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