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LOCKPORT CONFERENCE

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HELD AT

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EDWARD L. ELLIOTT, President.

FRANCIS B. MARKELL, Secretary.

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I'm summoned home, Farewell vain world,
With all thy toil and tears!
My task is done, my race is won,
I'm freed from all thy tears.

Our Honored Dead

Name and Date of Decease.

J. Locke	1867
Southworth Phinney	1867
Henry Norton	1869
J. Beadle	1870
E. Bishop	1870
Jonathan Sibley	1872
J. M. Thorp	1873
E. Biglow	1876
David R. Douglas	1881
J. R. Jones	1881
Z. T. Petty	1884
Emory Jones	1886
Daniel W. Ball	1886
Thomas Osgood	1890
J. D. Townsend	1890
James Ireland	1894
Willard J. Houghton	1896
Anna Perrine Clarke, Africa..	1896
George F. Porter	1898
E. J. Pope	1898
J. A. Thomas.....	1901

Name and Date of Decease.

Willard C. Boardman	1902
P. M. Humphrey	1903
George W. Steele	1906
Reuben Dutcher	1908
C. W. Swift	1908
Alonzo B. Chamberlain	1909
George W. Sibley	1914
Edgar Fuller	1914
Henry True Besse.....	1914
Erwin W. Bruce	1916
George W. Cooper	1918
Robert C. McConnell	1919
Nathan E. Heald	1919
John L. Benton	1919
Alison Bixby, Date unknown.	
N. F. Robb	1922
W. A. Hazlett	1924
George H. Clarke	1929
J. H. Woodhouse	1929
B. S. Laughlin.....	1930
J. R. Babcock.....	1930

Across the isthmus of my life
Streams light from yonder shore,
'Tis daybreak of Eternity
And tells me all is o'er.

I've "overcome" and won the prize,
Through grace, which Jesus gave:
And now a victor stand complete
O'er Death and Hell and Grave.

O let not friends and loved ones sigh,
For we shall meet again,
When Jesus comes to claim His own
With all His heavenly train.

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ANNUAL CONFERENCES

Place	Pastor	Date	President
1. Belmont, N. Y.		4/16/1862	John Johnston
2. East Ashford, N. Y.	William Rice	4/16/1863	John Johnston
3. Eagle Harbour, N. Y.	Samuel Salsbury	4/21/1864	Samuel Salsbury
4. Fillmore, N. Y.	A. Bixley	4/20/1865	Samuel Salsbury
5. Yates, N. Y.	C. W. Swift	4/19/1866	Samuel Salsbury
6. Chestnut Ridge	G. B. Douglas	4/18/1867	G. B. Douglas
7. Fillmore, N. Y.	R. Bixby	4/16/1868	G. B. Douglas
8. Yates, N. Y.	C. W. Swift	4/22/1869	Samuel Salsbury
9. Short Tract, N. Y.		4/21/1870	Samuel Salsbury
10. Fillmore, N. Y.	J. L. Bush		
	G. W. Cooper	4/19/1871	G. B. Douglas
11. Yates, N. Y.	D. F. Baker	4/17/1872	G. B. Douglas
12. Levant, N. Y.	E. Jones		
	D. W. Ball	4/16/1873	G. B. Douglas
13. Eagle Harbour, N. Y.	L. W. Krahll	4/15/1874	G. B. Douglas
14. Fillmore, N. Y.	C. H. Harris	4/21/1875	G. B. Douglas
15. Levant, N. Y.	D. W. Ball	4/19/1876	E. Jones
16. Houghton, N. Y.		4/18/1877	E. Jones
17. Yates, N. Y.		4/17/1878	H. T. Besse
18. Houghton Creek, N. Y.		4/19/1879	H. T. Besse
19. Levant, N. Y.		4/21/1880	H. T. Besse
20. Hess Road, N. Y.		4/20/1881	H. T. Besse
21. Forestville, N. Y.	G. W. Sibley	4/19/1882	H. T. Besse
22. Eagle Harbour, N. Y.	J. B. Fleming	4/18/1883	G. W. Sibley
23. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	G. W. Sibley	4/15/1884	F. M. Mosher
24. Houghton, N. Y.	J. E. Tiffany	4/14/1885	F. M. Mosher
25. Ball Hill, N. Y.	N. E. Heald	4/20/1886	F. M. Mosher
26. Yates, N. Y.	R. F. Dutcher	4/14/1887	B. S. Laughlin
27. Fillmore, N. Y.	Supplied	4/17/1888	B. S. Laughlin
28. Levant, N. Y.	J. Waldo	4/16/1889	B. S. Laughlin
29. Houghton, N. Y.	B. S. Laughlin	4/15/1890	B. S. Laughlin
30. Hess Road, N. Y.	G. W. Cooper	4/14/1891	R. F. Dutcher
31. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	S. Bedford	4/15/1892	R. F. Dutcher
32. Ransomville, N. Y.	G. W. Cooper	4/11/1893	R. F. Dutcher
33. Wyoming (Cadwells)	S. W. Jennings	4/10/1894	S. Bedford
34. Houghton, N. Y.	E. W. Bruce	4/9/1895	G. W. Sibley
35. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	C. H. Dow	4/7/1896	G. W. Sibley

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Place	Pastor	Date	President
36. Levant, N. Y.	A. D. Fero	4/13/1897	G. W. Sibley
37. Houghton, N. Y.	S. Bedford	4/5/1898	G. W. Sibley
38. Olean, N. Y.	A. G. Mathewson	4/4/1899	C. H. Dow
39. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	W. E. Williams	4/3/1900	C. H. Dow
40. Levant, N. Y.	J. R. Jeffrey	4/2/1901	C. H. Dow
41. Fillmore, N. Y.	Ralph Davey	4/1/1902	C. H. Dow
42. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	Levi Bird	3/31/1903	C. H. Dow
43. Machias, N. Y.		4/6/1904	C. H. Dow
44. Hess Road, N. Y.	J. R. Jeffrey	4/3/1905	C. H. Dow
45. Levant, N. Y.	A. D. Fero	4/3/1906	C. H. Dow
46. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	F. S. Lee	4/2/1907	C. H. Dow
47. Houghton, N. Y.	C. H. Dow	4/1/1908	C. H. Dow
48. Olean, N. Y.	Gertrude Preston	3/31/1909	C. H. Dow
49. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	F. S. Lee	4/5/1910	C. W. Smith
50. Ransomville, N. Y.	A. C. Dow	4/4/1911	C. W. Smith
51. Levant, N. Y.	Charles Sicard	4/2/1912	C. W. Smith
52. Houghton, N. Y.	D. S. Bedford	4/1/1913	C. W. Smith
53. Fillmore, N. Y.	H. C. Bedford	4/1/1914	Charles Sicard
54. Ashwood, N. Y.	Walter Readett	4/3/1915	Charles Sicard
55. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	J. R. Babcock	3/28/1916	Charles Sicard
56. Houghton, N. Y.	C. B. Whitaker	4/13/1917	John R. Babcock
57. Hess Road, N. Y.	Dean S. Bedford	4/13/1918	John R. Babcock
58. Levant, N. Y.	H. R. LaVere	4/2/1919	John R. Babcock
59. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	James A. Bain	4/7/1920	J. R. Babcock
60. Fillmore, N. Y.	L. C. Mattoon	4/6/1921	W. W. Rolf
61. Levant, N. Y.	A. J. Taylor	4/5/1922	W. W. Rolf
62. Houghton, N. Y.	J. R. Pitt	4/4/1923	W. W. Rolf
63. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	J. A. Bain	4/2/1924	James A. Bain
64. Hess Road, N. Y.	A. O. Northrup	4/8/1925	James A. Bain
65. Fillmore, N. Y.	N. R. Shaffer	4/9/1926	James A. Bain
66. Levant, N. Y.	E. L. Elliott	4/6/1927	James A. Bain
67. Cattaraugus, N. Y.	James A. Bain	4/4/1928	James A. Bain
68. Bradford, Pa.	C. I. Armstrong	4/3/1929	James A. Bain
69. Houghton, N. Y.	J. R. Pitt	4/9/1930	James A. Bain
70. Fillmore, N. Y.	James A. Bain	4/7/1931	Edward L. Elliott

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CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President	Rev. Edward L. Elliott.
Vice-President	Rev. Arthur J. Taylor.
Secretary	Rev. Francis B. Markell.
Assistant Secretary	Rev. Walter Readett.
Treasurer	Rev. Charles L. Horton.
Sunday School Secretary	Miss Josephine Rickard.
Tithing Secretary	Rev. Jesse Steves.
Statistical Secretary	Rev. John E. Bruce.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Edward L. Elliott.....	Term expires 1932
Mr. Edwin A. Gibbs.....	Term expires 1932
Mr. Clayton F. Ball.....	Term expires 1932
Rev. Walter Readett.....	Term expires 1933
Rev. Arthur J. Taylor.....	Term expires 1933
Mr. Ernest B. Houghton.....	Term expires 1933
Rev. Joseph R. Pitt.....	Term expires 1934
Rev. James A. Bain.....	Term expires 1934
Mr. Orval H. Howard.....	Term expires 1934

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STANDING COMMITTEES

Advisory Board—Charles Sicard, Glenn E. Burgess.

Judiciary Committee—Charles Sicard, E. L. Elliott, Francis B. Markell, A. O. Northrup.

Missionary Board—President of the Conference and of the W. H. & F. M. Society, Mrs. Edward Elliott, Francis B. Markell, Mrs. A. J. Taylor.

Committee on Vacancies—Walter Readett, J. A. Bain, Clayton F. Ball, Wallace Barnett.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—First Year, A. O. Northrup; Second Year, J. R. Pitt; Third Year, C. I. Armstrong; Fourth Year, E. L. Elliott.

Committee on Statistics—J. S. Luckey, Jesse Steves.

Sunday School Board—Josephine Rickard, Royal Woodhead, Bessie Fancher.

Committee on Evangelism—General Chairman, President of the Conference; Chairman of the Northern District, A. O. Northrup; Chairman of the Central District, J. A. Bain; Chairman of the Southern District, A. J. Taylor. Additional Members, Henry Morley, Albert Eggler.

Recommendations—

1. That the Sunday School Secretary nominate her assistants on the Sunday School Board.
2. That C. L. Horton be elected to preach the opening sermon at the next session of Conference.
3. That the Committee on Religious Services be as follows: The President of the Conference and the Pastor and Delegate where Conference is to be held.

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CONFERENCE ROLL

Stationed List

Name	Address
Armstrong, C. I.	Bradford, Pa., 51 Hobson Place.
Bain, J. A.	Fillmore, N. Y.
Bathurst, G. E.	Driftwood, Pa.
Bruce, John E.	Lockport, N. Y., R. D. 7.
Bateman, M. A.	Penns Creek, Pa.
Dow, A. C.	Houghton, N. Y.
Elliott, E. L.	Falconer, N. Y.
Gifford, Louise J.	
Hickok, A. A.	Orchard Park, N. Y.
Markell, Francis B. ...	Appleton, N. Y.
McKinley, O. G.	Houghton, N. Y.
Northrup, A. O.	North Tonawanda, N. Y., 505 Oliver St.
Osgood, William	Freedom, N. Y.
Pitt, J. R.	Houghton, N. Y.
Readett, Walter	Lyndonville, N. Y.
Sicard, Charles	Falconer, N. Y.
Steves, Jesse	Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Stark, Price	Houghton, N. Y.
Stark, Helen	Houghton, N. Y.
Taylor, A. J.	Cattaraugus, N. Y.

Superannuated List

Name	Address
Dow, C. H.	Cowarts, Alabama.

Unstationed List

Name	Address
Rolf, W. W.	The Hollies, Rookley, Isle of Wight, England.
Dudley, C. M.	Houghton, N. Y.
Woodhead, C. E.	Houghton, N. Y.

Annual Conference Preachers

Name	Address
Horton, Charles L. ...	Forestville, N. Y.
Norman, George I. ...	Olean, N. Y.
Norman, Olga	Olean, N. Y.
Osgood, George	Houghton, N. Y.
Sicard, Lindford	Falconer, N. Y.
Thurbur, Gordon	
Tanner, Lulu	Kamabai, Sierra Leone, West Africa.
Taylor, Nelson	Springville, N. Y.
Wilcox, Sarah	Angelica, N. Y., R. D. 1.
Yorton, Florence	Lyndonville, N. Y.

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ROLL OF DELEGATES

Charge	Name and Address
Allegany	Mrs. Rena McEleheny, Rushford, N. Y.
Ashwood	A. L. Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.
Bradford	Mrs. A. C. Johnson, 37 Boylston St.
Cattaraugus	Mrs. Margaret Horth, Cattaraugus, N. Y. E. C. Isbell, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Chestnut Ridge	Wallace Barnett, Lockport, N. Y., R. D. 7.
Driftwood	Delbert Smith.
East Leon	Orval Howard, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Ellicott	Edward Neiman, East Aurora, N. Y., R. D.
Emporium	Mrs. Bessie Taylor, Emporium, Pa.
Fillmore	Mrs. William Ayers, Fillmore, N. Y.
Forestville	Miss Marian Wright, Forestville, N. Y.
Higgins	Mrs. Lucy Stickle, Freedom, N. Y.
Hess Road	William Kahler, Appleton, N. Y.
Houghton	J. S. Luckey, Houghton, N. Y.
Levant	Clayton F. Ball, Falconer, N. Y. Mrs. Bessie Willett, Falconer, N. Y.
Machias	Mrs. William Baker, Machias, N. Y.
North Tonawanda	Guy Ritenburg, North Tonawanda, N. Y. 224 Fletcher St.
Olean	Glenn E. Burgess, 508 Main St.
Ransomville	Mrs. F. E. Gentle, Ransomville, N. Y. Mrs. Nettie Readett, Ransomville, N. Y.
Wyoming	

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LIST OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Charge	Name and Address
Allegany	Ellsworth Baker, Canadea, N. Y.
Ashwood	A. L. Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.
Bradford	Rudolph Nelson, Bradford, Pa., 28 S. Kendall Avenue.
Batavia	Chester Sprague, Batavia, N. Y., 18 Maple St.
Cattaraugus	E. C. Isbell, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Chestnut Ridge	Wallace Barnett, Lockport, N. Y., R. D. 7.
Driftwood	Mrs. Maude English, Driftwood, Pa.
East Leon	Olin Harmon, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
East Aurora	Elmer Hudson, East Aurora, N. Y.
Ellicott	Laura Clarke, Orchard Park, N. Y.
Emporium	Mrs. Jennie Craven, Emporium, Pa.
Fillmore	Clarence Miller, Fillmore, N. Y.
Forestville	Manley Crowell, Forestville, N. Y. Floyd Newcomb, Forestville, N. Y.
Higgins	Edd Wolfer, Hume, N. Y.
Houghton	Edith Lee, Houghton, N. Y.
Levant	Victor Hubbard, Falconer, N. Y.
Machias	George Osgood, Houghton, N. Y.
North Tonawanda	
Olean	Philip Hodges, Olean, N. Y., Adam St.
Ransomville	Henry Bonnett, Ransomville, N. Y.
Scranton	Miss Marietta Fancher.
Wyoming	No Sunday School.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

The Lockport Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America convened for its SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Fillmore, N. Y., at 9:00 A. M., April 8th, 1931.

The opening sermon was preached the evening previous by Rev. A. O. Northrup from 1 Corinthians 16:8, 9. The keynote of evangelism was clearly sounded.

The opening session was called to order by the President and the devotional exercises were conducted by the Secretary and Rev. O. G. McKinley.

The roll was called and 18 pastors and 19 delegates were marked present.

On motion the first six rows of seats across the body of the Church was made to constitute the Bar of Conference.

The time for opening and closing the sessions of Conference is as follows: Morning sessions to open at 8:30 and to close at 11:30. The afternoon sessions to open at 1:30 and to close by vote of Conference.

It was moved and duly seconded that the President appoint a Committee on Resolutions composed of five members, to whom all special resolutions are to be referred and reported to Conference. The following constitute the Committee: Walter Readett, A. J. Taylor, Orval Howard, E. L. Elliott, Glenn E. Burgess.

The Committee on Temporary Organization submitted its report, which was considered item by item and adopted. See Report No. 1.

On motion the Secretary was requested to post in a conspicuous place a copy of the above report.

The Vice-President was called to the chair and the Conference President submitted his Annual Report. This was adopted as a whole, after referring an item relative to the Scranton appointment to the Committee on Pastoral Relations, also referring the Scranton and North Tonawanda appointments to the Committee on Boundaries to state the name of said appointments. See Report No. 3.

On motion the election of Conference Officials was made the Order of the Day for Thursday morning, April 9th, at 9:30.

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By Conference action the Vice-President was made a member of the Committee on Religious Services.

The following persons were introduced to Conference and made a few suitable remarks: Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent; Rev. Nelson Taylor, Rev. David Rees.

A recess was voted for committee work.

The Conference was called to order by the President and the time was extended to receive the reports of the Committees on Religious Services and Auditing. See Report No. 2 on Religious Services. The Auditing Committee had O. K'd the President's Financial Report. Both reports were adopted.

Adjourned on motion, the benediction being given by Rev. Charles Sicard.

First Day, Afternoon Session, April 8, 1931

The session was called to order by the President and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. G. E. Bathurst.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees submitted his Annual Report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee. See Report No. 4.

The following names were called and their characters were passed: Edward L. Elliott, Walter Readett, A. A. Hickok, A. J. Taylor, William Osgood, G. E. Bathurst, J. E. Bruce, Francis B. Markell, O. G. McKinley.

On motion the Secretary was authorized to secure 250 copies of the minutes, to be sent pro rata to the various Charges.

On motion a committee was elected to consider the time and place of the next session of the Annual Conference. The following persons were elected on the Committee: J. S. Luckey, C. F. Ball, C. I. Armstrong, A. J. Taylor, and the President of the Conference.

A motion was made and duly seconded to reconsider the time for the election of Conference Officials. The motion was lost by a vote of 5 for and 18 against.

The following Committee was elected to define the duties of the President for the coming year: E. L. Elliott, Charles Sicard, J. S. Luckey, C. I. Armstrong, C. F. Ball.

On motion the Delegate from the Ellicott Charge was excused from Thursday's Session of Conference.

A recess was granted for committee work.

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The Conference was called to order by the President at 4:18, and the Auditing Committee submitted a partial report having O. K'd the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. The report of the Committee, also the Treasurer's report was adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the matter of the time and place for holding the next session of the Annual Conference submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 5.

The Committee to whom was referred the work of defining the duties of the Conference President for the year 1931-32 submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 6.

Rev. G. I. Norman, of Chicago, Ill., was introduced to Conference and made a few remarks.

Adjourned on motion, the benediction being given by Rev. Edward Elliott.

Second Day, Morning Session, April 9, 1931

The session was called to order by the President and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. O. G. McKinley.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

The Sunday School Secretary submitted his report, which was adopted. See Report No. 7.

Letters were read from the following: Florence Yorton, C. H. Dow, Lindford Sicard, and M. A. Bateman. The characters of this sister and these brethren were passed and the Secretary instructed to reply to their communications.

The following names were called and their characters were passed: Charles Sicard, Jesse Steves, A. O. Northrup.

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, the President appointed E. L. Elliott, Wallace Barnett, Jesse Steves and Glenn E. Burgess as tellers and the Conference proceeded with the election of Conference Officials, which resulted as follows:

President	Rev. Edward L. Elliott.
Vice-President	Rev. Arthur J. Taylor.
Secretary	Rev. Francis B. Markell.
Assistant Secretary	Rev. Walter Readett.
Treasurer	Rev. Charles L. Horton.
Sunday School Secretary	Miss Josephine Rickard.
Tithing Secretary	Rev. Jesse Steves.
Statistical Secretary	Rev. John E. Bruce.

The election of members on the Board of Trustees resulted as follows: On first ballot for ministerial member, Rev. Joseph R. Pitt

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received 23 of 38 votes cast and was declared elected. On the second ballot, Rev. James A. Bain received 20 of 39 votes cast and was declared elected. The election of lay members resulted as follows: On the first ballot for lay member, Orval H. Howard received 27 of 38 votes cast and was declared elected. On the second ballot, Edwin A. Gibbs received 21 of 37 votes cast and was declared elected for one year to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Henry R. Barnett.

The election of Delegates to the General Conference resulted as follows: Ministerial Members, Edward L. Elliott, Charles Sicard.

Adjourned by limitation of time, the benediction being given by Rev. A. O. Northrup.

Second Day, Afternoon Session, April 9, 1931

The session was called to order by the President and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Nelson Taylor.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

The matter of unfinished business was taken up and the Conference proceeded with the completion of the election of Delegates to the General Conference. The result is as follows: First Ministerial Reserve, Arthur J. Taylor. Second Ministerial Reserve, Chauncey I. Armstrong. Lay Delegates, James S. Luckey, Glenn E. Burgess. First Lay Reserve, Ernest B. Houghton. Second Lay Reserve, LeVay Fancher.

By vote it was made the decision of this body that in case of emergency the first alternate delegate is expected to fill the first vacancy that may be created.

At this period in the Conference procedure the former Conference President, Rev. James A. Bain, graciously gave over to the President-elect, Rev. Edward L. Elliott, the office, responsibility, and blessings of the President's office, praying God's blessing upon him. The President-elect took the chair and a rising vote of thanks was tendered to the outgoing President for his faithful and unselfish service to the Conference during his seven and one-half years of ministry and official oversight of the Lockport Conference. The Conference then united in singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent, presented the Connectional Interests to the Conference. Following his inspirational address the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. God's Spirit was manifestly present.

The Conference was called to order by the President at 4:00 P. M. and adjourned on motion.

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Third Day, Morning Session, April 10, 1931

The session was called to order by Rev. A. O. Northrup, who also conducted the devotional exercises.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

The following names were called and their characters were passed: J. R. Pitt, Louise Gifford, A. C. Dow, Charles L. Horton, C. I. Armstrong, Harry J. Bullock, James A. Bain.

The following persons were introduced to Conference and made a few remarks: Rev. E. F. McCarty, Connectional Foreign Missionary Secretary; Rev. Stanley Wright, President of the Rochester Conference; Rev. Byron H. Maybury, Pastor of the Nazarene Church, Bradford, Pa.; Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Marvin, President of the Allegheny Conference, and Rev. and Mrs. Noah R. Shaffer, also of the Allegheny Conference and Pastor of the Dixonville Charge of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

The work of nominating the Standing Committees was referred to the Committee on Temporary Organization, with the authorization to include in their report the Committee on Religious Services.

On motion each Charge in the Lockport Conference was assessed fifteen cents per member for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Delegates to the General Conference.

It was made the decision of this body that the Conference Budget be assigned on the basis of two dollars and fifty cents per member.

The Secretary of the Judiciary Committee of the Lockport Conference submitted the report of said committee relative to the investigation of charges preferred against Rev. George Clement and the report was referred to the following Committee of Review appointed by the President: Charles Sicard, James S. Luckey, Glenn E. Burgess, Walter Readett, Arthur Young, Glenn McKinley, William Osgood, Wallace F. Barnett.

A recess was voted for committee work.

Third Day, Afternoon Session, April 10, 1931

The Conference was called to order by the Vice-President, Rev. Arthur J. Taylor and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. A. Hickok.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

The report of the Committee on Thanks was received and ordered read in the Sunday morning's service. See Report No. 8.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 9.

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On motion a Committee of three was elected to prepare a list of the Conferences with entertaining Pastor and Charge, dates and Conference Presidents from the organization of the Conference until the present. The following were made to constitute the Committee: Mrs. Bessie Willett, Rev. Louise Gifford and Miss Marian Wright.

The name of George Osgood was called and his character passed.

The Statistical Report of the Driftwood Charge was read by Rev. John E. Bruce, Statistical Secretary.

The Tithing Secretary submitted his report, which was adopted. See Report No. 10.

Rev. C. O. Brown, Pastor of the Christian Church in Machias, was introduced to Conference and made a few remarks.

On motion the work of ordering the Conference stationery was placed in the hands of the Conference President.

At this time A. O. Northrup and J. A. Bain placed before the Conference the possibilities and prospects of the new work in North Tonawanda.

The time for the Orders of the Day having arrived, President Luckey presented the Educational Interests and the deficit on the Educational Budget was raised.

The Orders of the Day relative to the Memorial Service were postponed until Saturday the eleventh at three P. M.

Adjourned on motion, the benediction being given by Rev. E. F. McCarty.

Fourth Day, Morning Session, April 11, 1931

The session was called to order by the Secretary and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Jesse Steves.

The roll was called and the minutes approved.

The Committee to whom was referred the work of preparing a list of the Conferences reported their work completed and in the hands of the Secretary.

The Committee on Post Office Addresses read a partial report, submitting a list of the Sunday School Superintendents with their addresses. The report was adopted. See Report No. 11.

The Conference Treasurer submitted his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee. See Report No. 12.

The following persons were introduced to Conference and made a few remarks: Rev. J. R. Smeltzer, of Falconer, N. Y., and Rev. Benjamin F. Armstrong of the American Sunday School Union of Brocton, N. Y.

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On motion all visiting brethren, introduced to Conference, were given an honorary seat within the Bar of Conference.

By request, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur J. Taylor sang "Jesus Saves Me." This song was blessed to our hearts.

A letter was read from Sister Sarah Wilcox conveying greeting to the Conference, and her character was declared passed.

On motion the Secretary of the Camp Meeting Association was authorized to insert an item in the Conference Minutes advertising Houghton Camp Meeting for next August.

The Statistical Secretary submitted his report, which was referred back to the committee until the Secretary secures from President Luckey the total cash amount received by him on the Educational Budget. See Report No. 13. The report was received later.

Owing to the lull in Conference activities on account of waiting for Committees to complete the work assigned to them, the Conference joined in a song and praise service. The atmosphere was very refreshing.

On motion the Conference Treasurer was authorized to send to each Charge at the end of each quarter a statement of the amount that each is short on the Conference Budget.

A recess was voted for committee work.

The Conference was called to order at 11:24, and the Sunday School Secretary nominated Rev. Royal Woodhead and Miss Bessie Fancher as her assistants; the Conference President nominated Rev. Charles Sicard and Glenn E. Burgess as his Advisory Board, and these nominations were endorsed by Conference action.

The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the case of Rev. H. H. Schoonover submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 14.

The Board of Review, to whom was referred the case of Rev. George Clement, submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 15.

The time for adjournment having arrived, the time was extended for fifteen minutes and the Committee on Temporary Organization, to whom was referred the matter of nomination of the Standing Committees, submitted its report, and two items relative to the nomination of the Judiciary Committee and the Chairman of the Central District were referred back to the Committee for reconsideration.

Adjourned by limitation of time, the benediction being given by Rev. James A. Bain.

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The Conference was called to order by the Vice-President and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Charles L. Horton.

The roll was called and the minutes approved as read.

Having O. K'd the Treasurer's Report, the Auditing Committee reported the same to Conference, and this and the Treasurer's Report were adopted.

Adjourned on motion, subject to the call of the Chair.

The Conference was called to order by the President at 3:00 P. M., and a Memorial Service in charge of Rev. Walter Readett was conducted in behalf of Rev. B. S. Laughlin, Rev. John R. Babcock and Mr. Henry R. Barnett. The order of the service was as follows:

Congregational singing, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye."

Prayer, Rev. Arthur J. Taylor.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Walter Readett; Psalm 116: 15, Revelation 14: 13, Numbers 23: 10.

The name of Mr. Henry R. Barnett was then called and those who spoke in commemoration and appreciation of his memory were President J. S. Luckey and Rev. John E. Bruce. The name of Rev. B. S. Laughlin was next presented and Rev. Walter Readett, Rev. Francis B. Markell and Rev. John S. Willett spoke in honor of his memory. The final name was that of Rev. John R. Babcock, former President of the Lockport Conference. The following persons spoke in high appreciation of his character, ministry and labors in the Lockport Conference and for the Cross of Calvary: Rev. Charles Sicard and Rev. James A. Bain. May the mantle of these faithful men of God and soldiers of the Cross of Christ fall upon the shoulders of some worthy sons in the Gospel ministry. "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14: 13. The closing song was the familiar hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The Conference was called to order by the President at 4:15, and the Committee on Nominations submitted the two items referred back to it relative to the Standing Committees. On motion the name of James A. Bain was submitted as Chairman of the Central District, the Judiciary Committee as nominated was approved, and the report was adopted. See Report No. 16.

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The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was read and the placing of Revs. A. C. Dow, Walter Readett and Nelson Taylor was referred back to the Committee for reconsideration.

It was voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 6:30.

On motion the Budget Committee was authorized to dispose of the Home Missionary Budget in harmony with Item three of last year's Budget report. The Conference Budget to be dispersed as outlined by President Luckey, namely:

Conference Entertainment	\$100.00
Conference Expense	600.00
Superannuated Ministers' Fund	450.00
Interest on Batavia Liability	900.00
Connectional Sunday School Work	100.00
Pastor's Aid	350.00

Adjourned on motion.

The Conference was called to order by the President and the Committee on Pastoral Relations submitted its final report, which was adopted. See Report No. 17.

The Report of the Committee on Post Office Addresses was read, corrected and adopted. See Report No. 20.

The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was reconsidered and the item relative to the disposition of Rev. George Clement amended to read, Withdrawn by his own request.

The Committee on Boundaries submitted its report, which was adopted. See Report No. 21.

On motion the Conference reconsidered the report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations relative to the disposition of Rev. Walter Readett and after some consideration the report was again adopted as read.

The minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned on motion subject to the call of the chair.

FRANCIS B. MARKELL, Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report No. 1.

TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ministerial Character—C. I. Armstrong, Orval Howard.

Committee on Boundaries—Walter Readett, H. J. Bullock, Bessie Willett.

Committee on Statistics—J. E. Bruce, Guy Ritenberg.

Committee on Pastoral Relations—James Bain, Edward Elliott, J. R. Pitt, Arthur Northrup, Glenn E. Burgess, E. C. Isbell, J. S. Luckey.

Committee on Auditing—Wallace Barnett, C. F. Ball.

Committee on Budget—C. L. Horton, Jesse Steves, J. S. Luckey.

Committee on Post Office Addresses—Mrs. F. E. Gentle, Mrs. Rena McElheny.

Committee on Thanks—Florence Yorton, Louise Gifford, A. A. Hickok.

Committee on Courtesies—A. J. Taylor, Edward Neiman.

Report No. 2.

ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES

The Committee on Religious Services has arranged for the following program: On Wednesday evening at 7:30, preaching by Rev. J. S. Willett. On Thursday at 7:30, preaching by Rev. Charles Sicard. On Friday at 7:30, the W. H. and F. M. Society, Rev. E. F. McCarty expected to be present. Saturday evening at 7:30, preaching by Rev. J. R. Pitt. Sunday at 10:30 A. M., preaching by Rev. J. S. Willett. Sunday at 3:00, preaching by Rev. Louise Gifford. Sunday evening at 7:30, preaching by Rev. O. G. McKinley.

Addresses by Connectional Representatives and other special orders are as follows: 1. Connectional Interests presented by Rev. J. S. Willett, Thursday at 2:30 P. M. 2. Educational Interests presented by President J. S. Luckey, Friday at 2:30 P. M. 3. Memorial service, Friday at 2:30, in the charge of Rev. Walter Readett. 4. Communion Service, Thursday at 2:30 P. M., to be in charge of Rev. A. J. Taylor.

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Report No. 3.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the members of the Lockport Annual Conference: Greetings in the name of our precious Lord.

Through the kind providence of God we have come to the seventieth year in the history and work of our Conference. As your President, after the rise of last Conference we formulated our plans as far as possible to comply with the order of program adopted by the Conference concerning the duties and responsibilities of the Conference President. Owing to our being Pastor of a Charge and President at the same time, our field of service has been large, and our responsibilities great. The year has not been without its perplexing problems which we have met and tried to solve in the Spirit of the Master, for the best interest of the work of God and the enlargement of our Conference. We believe the plan formulated at the Conference session of last year has been one of the best we have had for the encouragement of the Church and the upbuilding of the cause of God. In our effort to fulfill the demands of the Conference we have had much to encourage us. We have felt we have had the sympathetic coöperation of our Pastors and people in all the Quarterly Conferences we have held. We have had each Charge incorporate in their Quarterly Conference Minutes that they were enthusiastically behind the program of work the Conference is trying to do.

As we view the past, we see where much more could be accomplished, had we been able to devote more time to this arm of God's work. As we turn our eyes toward the future we see great opportunities on every hand for the development of our Church and the enlarging of our borders both in the established Church and in new fields. To meet our responsibility in this matter is no small task. Christ said over nineteen hundred years ago, "The fields are white and ready to harvest; pray ye that the Lord of the harvest may send forth laborers into His harvest." The harvest truly is great and the laborers are few. The situation can only be met by an apostolic ministry who know only God's will. Men who are not afraid to sacrifice for God and His Church. We need men of prayer who have tarried till they have seen the vision of God and the world's need. Holy men whose hearts are pure, whose lives are clean, who speak as the oracles of God in the power of the Holy Ghost. We need a consecrated and devoted laity who will enter into sympathetic coöperation with the plans and programs adopted by the Conference for the building up of the Church of God.

The perpetuity of our Church can only be assured by a spiritual

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leadership who have been tried and proven. Men who are open to conviction relative to the best methods of spiritual development even if old plans and programs have to be relegated to the scrap heap; for, systems sometimes die with the occasion. There is a great field of opportunity before us. There is much land to be possessed and only as our work is marked by the spirit of aggressiveness do we attract those who are looking for spiritual help and for a chance to work. May we not as Pastors and laymen unite in one grand systematic program to make the Lockport Conference the best in the Connection, spiritually and constructively. In this alone will the ideal of our dreams be realized.

Official Acts

1. Granted Authorization Papers to Jesse Steves, Charles Horton, Lulu Tanner, Florence Yorton and George Osgood.
2. Granted Rev. H. H. Schoonover a letter of transfer to the Canada Conference.
3. Received by letter of transfer from the Champlain Conference, Rev. William Osgood and appointed him to the Higgins Charge.
4. May 6th we made a trip to Bradford to look after the renewal or changing of the mortgage on the Bradford Church. This matter was adjusted in a very satisfactory manner.
5. On May 15, by invitation from the Rev. A. O. Northrup, we visited North Tonawanda to consider the advisability of taking over an independent mission and of organizing a Wesleyan Church.
6. On Sunday evening, June 1st, we went again to North Tonawanda and met with the mission people and organized a small class and appointed Rev. A. O. Northrup as Pastor.
7. On June the 13th we held the First Quarterly Conference for the Olean Charge and laid before them the plans and programs adopted by Conference for carrying on its work. The Conference went on record as endorsing the system.
8. On June 15th, with the Pastor, Rev. A. C. Dow, we held a re-dedication service for the Emporium Church. At this service money was raised to dedicate the building free of debt.
9. June the 29th and 30th we held the first Quarterly Meeting for the Cataraugus Charge. This was indeed a great pleasure to us to minister again to those whom we had served so long. The Charge is in a prosperous condition under the efficient labors of Rev. A. J. Taylor.
10. July 2nd we held the first Quarterly Meeting for the Batavia Charge. We had a splendid Quarterly Conference. It went on record as being behind the Conference program.

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11. July 3rd we held the first Quarterly Conference for the Chestnut Ridge Charge. At this Conference the Church went on record as endorsing the program of the Conference.
12. July 6th we held the first Quarterly Conference for the Higgins Charge, at which meeting we brought before them the Conference Program, which was endorsed by the Quarterly Conference.
13. July 26th, on invitation from Miss Fancher, we visited Scranton, N. Y., to consider the advisability of organizing a Church Society. The people as a whole did not seem ready to organize. Miss Fancher is doing splendid work in this place.
14. July 19th we held the first Quarterly Conference for the Alleghany Charge at which meeting we brought before the Conference the new program of work. This was adopted by the Charge. At this meeting we accepted the resignation of the Rev. M. D. Warburton as Pastor of the Charge. The Charge extended a call to the Rev. Johnson and we appointed him Pastor of the Charge.
15. September 16th we held the second Quarterly Conference for the Hess Road Charge with the Pastor, Rev. Francis B. Markell. The Quarterly Conference went on record as endorsing the program of our work.
16. September 17th we held the second Quarterly Conference for the Ransomville Charge with Rev. Readett, the Pastor. This meeting was a season of refreshing and blessing.
17. October 1st, at the request of the Driftwood Charge, we attended a business meeting of the Charge to make arrangements for the supplying of the appointment that had been made vacant by the resignation of Rev. A. C. Dow, the Pastor. The appointment since that time has been supplied by Rev. Frank Wright.
18. October 18th, in company with our Advisory Board, we went to Batavia to investigate charges made against the Rev. George Clement, Pastor of the Batavia Charge. This matter was passed into the hands of the Judiciary Committee, who has dealt with the case.
19. In October we held the second Quarterly Meeting for the Houghton Charge and found the charge in line with the work and programs of the Conference.
20. November 18th we held the second Quarterly Meeting for the Ashwood Charge with the Pastor, Rev. Bathurst. This service was blessed with the presence and grace of God. The Church pledged their loyalty to the Conference programs.
21. December 12th we held the third Quarterly Conference for the Higgins Charge with the Pastor, William Osgood. This service was a season of refreshing and blessing.
22. Held the third Quarterly Meeting for the Alleghany Charge

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and found the Pastor and people deeply interested in the work of the Church and Conference.

23. January 28th we made a trip to Bradford on Conference business relative to the collections for the sale of the Bethesda Home.

24. February 10th, at the call of the Pulpit Supply Committee, we made a trip to Olean to advise relative to the calling of a Pastor from outside our Church to serve the Olean Charge for the coming year. This privilege was granted subject to the approval of the Annual Conference.

25. We held the third Quarterly Meeting for our new Church at North Tonawanda. This was a splendid meeting and to our minds we have a wonderful opportunity for a strong work in this city. Brother Northrup, the Pastor, obtained the use of a splendid church building which serves as a church and parsonage. Our brother is to be commended for the work accomplished in this place.

26. On March 21-22 we held the fourth Quarterly Meeting for the Levant Charge with the Pastor, Rev. E. L. Elliott. This was one of the best services we held during the year. The Charge is in a flourishing condition. They have a wonderful Sunday School. The Pastor informed me that the budgets of the Conference are all paid.

27. Received Rev. George I. Norman as a licentiate minister from the Nazarene Church and his wife as a Local Preacher of the Church of the Nazarene.

28. Received Rev. H. H. Schoonover by the return of his letter of transfer which was granted him at the rise of Conference last year.

29. We recommend that the Scranton work, where a Society has been formed, be made a part of the Houghton Charge and be supplied by the Houghton Church.

Financial Report

Received from the Conference Treasurers	\$ 232.20
Received from the Charges	114.50
Total receipts	<u>\$ 346.70</u>

Disbursements

Travelling expenses	\$ 152.95
Telephone and postage	20.00
Pulpit supply	21.00
Incidentals	5.00
For time spent in Conference work	147.75
Total	<u>\$ 346.70</u>

JAMES A. BAIN, President.

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Report No. 4.

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Receipts

September 10, 1930—From the sale of Napoli Church	\$ 350.00
December 10, 1930—Returned interest, Fred Short	6.00
January 26, 1931—Margaret Jones on note	268.00
Bank interest for entire year	1.55
Uncashed checks, April, 1930	41.20
April, 1930—Cash balance in Syracuse Bank	308.15
Cash balance in Batavia Bank	11.85
Total receipts	\$ 986.75

Disbursements

May 21, 1930—L. C. Wolcott, interest on mortgage	\$ 150.00
Nov. 20, 1930—L. C. Wolcott, interest on mortgage	150.00
Interest on bonds from July, 1930, to Feb., 1931	512.70
Protest fees on three checks at \$2.25 each	6.75
Uncashed checks, April, 1930, paid	41.20
Total disbursements	\$ 860.65
Balance in treasury	126.10
	\$ 986.75
Cash in treasury	\$ 126.10
Outstanding checks uncashed	81.80
Available cash balance	\$ 44.50

WALTER READETT, Treasurer.

Report No. 5.

TIME AND PLACE FOR HOLDING ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS

We recommend that we continue the present plan for holding the Lockport Annual Conference Sessions, and that they shall be in the following order for the next six years:

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Hess Road	1932
Levant	1933
Cattaraugus	1934
Bradford	1935
Houghton	1936
Fillmore	1937

It is understood, however, that any Charge may have the privilege of entertaining the Annual Session if they so desire at any time during this period of years.

J. A. BAIN,
J. S. LUCKEY,
C. F. BALL,
C. I. ARMSTRONG,
A. J. TAYLOR.

Report No. 6.

PRESIDENT'S DUTIES

In addition to the duties defined by the Discipline, the duties of the President of the Lockport Conference for the year 1931-32 shall be as follows:

1. To oversee the spiritual and temporal business of the Churches of his Conference.

2. To give careful attention to the administrative work of the Conference, to evangelism, and to the young and inexperienced Pastors so as to enable them, by careful counselling, to become efficient in the work and to look after all the general interests of the denomination.

3. To hold one or two Quarterly Conferences on each Charge during the year. It shall be understood that these Conferences, as far as possible, shall be the first and third, and that the President may hold them on any day or night of the week and that the compensation shall be a flat rate of five dollars per meeting and expenses, to be paid from the Conference Fund. The compensation for other Conference services by the President shall be at the rate of five dollars per day and expenses.

4. To have the authority to prepare a list of the Quarterly Conferences that he is to visit, to consult with the Pastors with regard to this list, but to have the final authority in deciding the schedule of dates.

5. To direct the attention of the Quarterly Conference to all the

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general interests of the Conference and Denomination, Church Extension, Home and Foreign Missions, Education and the Sunday School.

6. To counsel with the Pastors faithfully and to offer them any assistance within his power.

7. To meet the Official Boards of the local Churches, to counsel with them with reference to spiritual, financial and pastoral matters and to give such advice and assistance as he may be able.

8. To see that the Denominational Budgets are being raised, and, if necessary, to suggest ways and means of doing this.

9. To take upon himself, definitely, the problem and responsibility of raising the Conference Budget, to suggest ways and means of doing this, to present the matter persistently and to do all in his power to raise the Budget in full.

10. To endeavor earnestly to arouse the membership to a more uniform performance of their duties as to a minimum salary for ordained ministers of one thousand dollars cash and parsonage on each charge, and shall suggest the most practical means of doing this.

11. To try faithfully to have our Church literature used on every Charge, and to endeavor earnestly to have the Wesleyan taken in every home.

12. As necessity demands, and the President so desires and can, he is hereby authorized to secure the assistance of the Vice-President in the performance of the President's duties.

E. L. ELLIOTT,
J. S. LUCKEY,
CHARLES SICARD,
CLAYTON F. BALL,
C. I. ARMSTRONG,
Committee.

Report No. 7.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Two Sunday School Rallies have been held in the Conference during the past year. The first was held at Levant for the Southern District in the month of April, 1930. It was well attended and proved profitable to all participating in it. The second rally was held at East Aurora in the month of July. This was for the Northern District.

The reports received reveal the fact that three schools in the Conference have an average attendance of more than one hundred for twelve months. These are Houghton, Levant and Bradford.

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Financial Report

Receipts

Cash on hand April 1, 1930	\$.32
Received from offerings	16.58
Total	\$16.90

Disbursements

Postage	\$ 1.10
Travel	7.00
Expense of special speakers	7.10
Cost of class certificates	1.00
Balance on hand April 1, 1931	\$.80

E. L. ELLIOTT, Conf. S. S. Secretary.

Report No. 8.

THANKS

Resolved, That we, the members of the Lockport Conference, which convened for its seventieth annual session at Fillmore, N. Y., extend our sincere thanks to the members and friends of Fillmore, Houghton and Higgins Charges, who have so kindly ministered to our needs and made our stay among them a source of spiritual blessing to our hearts. May God's richest blessing rest in its sweetness and fullness upon each Charge in the days to come.

LOUISE GIFFORD,
A. A. HICKOK,

Committee.

Report No. 9.

ITINERACY AND ORDERS

Your Committee begs leave to recommend the following:

1. That Price Stark, Mrs. Helen Stark, and Jesse W. Steves be ordained to Elder's Orders during this session of Conference.

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2. That Lindford Sicard, George Osgood, Charles Horton, and Florence Yorton continue their present relations to the Conference as Conference Preachers, and that the three last named be granted Authorization Papers.

3. That Arthur Miles continue the Course of Study under the direction of Conference.

4. That Nelson H. Taylor be received to travel under the direction of Conference, that his work in completing the prescribed Course of Study for the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church be accepted in lieu of our Disciplinary Course of Study when he shall have passed the required examination in Discipline, and that in the event of his appointment to definite work, he be given Authorization Papers.

5. That Gordon L. Thurbur be received to travel and to pursue the Course of Study and that in the event of his appointment to definite work under the Conference he be given Authorization Papers.

6. That George I. and Ogla Norman be received to travel under the direction of Conference, that their previous work in Bible Schools and under the requirements of the denomination from which they came be accepted in lieu of our Disciplinary course of study after they have passed the required examination in Discipline, and that they be granted Authorization Papers.

A. O. NORTHRUP,
J. R. PITT,
C. I. ARMSTRONG,
E. L. ELLIOTT,

Committee.

Report No. 10.

TITHING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Incorporated in the Statistical Report

Report No. 11.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

See front of Minutes

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Report No. 12.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand 1929-30

Conference Home missions	\$ 180.29	
Conference Budget	626.88	
Superannuated Minister's Fund	945.11	
Total		\$1750.28

Receipts for 1930-31

Foreign Missions	\$ 25.00	
Home Missions	807.92	
Education	87.22	
Conference Budget	1353.03	
Connectional Sunday School Work	8.25	
Interest on Superannuated Minister's Fund	7.03	
Total		\$2288.45

Grand Total \$4038.73

Disbursements

Foreign Missions	\$ 25.00	
Home Missions	262.12	
Conference Home Missions	450.00	
Conference Budget	637.74	
Education	87.22	
Superannuated Fund	250.00	
Connectional Sunday School Work	8.25	
Total		\$1720.33

Balance on hand 1930-31

Conference Home Missions	\$ 276.09	
Conference Budget	1342.17	
Superannuated Minister's Fund	700.14	
Total balance on hand		\$2318.40

Signed,

CHARLES L. HORTON, Treasurer.

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Report No. 13. STATISTICAL REPORT

Item I. Pastor's Labors. Item II. Periodicals

Charges	Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	Wesleyan Methodists Taken	Sunday School Banner	Junior Class Paper	Teachers' Quarterly	Senior Quarterly	Intermediate Quarterly	Junior Quarterly	Home Dept. Quarterly	Primary Quarterly	Lesson Leaflet	Our Little Folks Cards	Bible Lesson Chart
*Allegany	12	1	1	4	10	5	8	20	5	8	...	...	...	10	...
Ashwood	12	1	1	4	10	...	8	45	8	9	...	8	...	4	...
Batavia	12	1	1	10	24	12	5	25	10	10	...	...	15	6	1
Bradford	12	1	1	20	70	42	12	75	25	20	48	20	25	35	1
Cattaraugus	12	1	1	42	90	40	12	60	15	10	10	20	...	30	1
Chestnut Ridge	12	1	1	4	7	5	3	5	7	8	...	1	3	6	1
†Driftwood	12	1	1	10	20	15	4	25	...	12	5	10	10	...	...
East Leon	12	1	1	8	20	20	6	40	20	...	5	7	...	7	...
East Aurora, Ellicott	12	2	2	9	10	8	7	12	15	8	3	12	2	5	1
Emporium	12	1	1	2	25	10	4	8	...	10	...	...	...	5	...
Fillmore	12	1	1	20	55	2	8	...	...	...	6	6	...	...	1
Forestville	11½	2	1	3	40	10	14	20	6	8	...	6	...	10	...
Hess Road	12	1	1	5	35	25	12	60	...	15	8	18	5	5	...
Higgins	11	1	1	4	38	15	7	40	10	20	...	20	12	9	...
Houghton	12	1	1	...	160	30	20	150	15	15	15	25	10	20	1
Levant	12	1	1	27	60	30	12	75	30	28	20	20	...	20	...
Machias	12	1	1	8	10	...	2	8	...	...	...	8	...	10	...
North Tonawanda	10	1	1	5	...	...	4	15	10	...	...	...	20	20	1
Olean	12	1	1	10	35	35	10	35	25	20	...	30	...	30	1
Ransomville	12	1	1	7	20	4	6	...	30	9	12	5	6	6	1
Wyoming	12	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	248½	23	22	202	739	308	164	718	231	202	140	216	108	238	10

*M. D. Warburton 3½ months.
*E. H. Johnston 8½ months.

†A. C. Dow 6 months.
†F. H. Wright 6 months.

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Item III. Membership

Charges	Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Loss	Gain	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Local Preachers	Membership Tithing
Allegheny	7	...	...	...	...	26	26	33	...	7	...	6	...	...	3
Ashwood	1	...	6	1	1	34	34	27	7	...	...	1	...	1	10
Batavia	5	...	2	1	1	43	43	45	...	2	16	2	...	5	15
Bradford	16	...	5	2	...	71	71	80	...	9	35	3	...	...	25
Cattaraugus	3	...	1	3	...	89	89	90	...	1	2	3	1	2	35
Chestnut Ridge	2	...	...	1	...	15	15	16	...	1	...	1	...	...	10
Driftwood	2	...	1	2	...	19	19	18	1	...	...	2	...	...	13
East Leon .....	...	...	...	...	...	45	45	45	...	...	1	...	...	...	18
East Aurora, Ellicott	6	...	2	1	...	28	28	31	...	3	3	...	...	2	18
Emporium .....	...	1	...	2	5	25	25	17	8	...	...	2	...	...	10
Fillmore	1	...	...	1	53	53	53	53	...	...	...	2	...	...	30
Forestville	2	...	...	1	...	45	45	46	...	1	...	...	...	4	9
Hess Road .....	...	...	...	3	40	40	33	7	...	3	...	...	...	...	6
Higgins .....	...	...	1	...	2	32	32	29	3	...	...	...	...	...	5
*Houghton	13	...	1	2	6	147	147	156	...	9	14	4	1	2	60
Levant	11	...	...	...	...	56	56	67	...	11	7	29	...	4	23
Machias	2	...	...	...	...	17	17	19	...	2	...	...	...	...	4
†North Tonawanda	19	...	1	...	...	...	...	18	...	18	...	1	...	1	6
Olean	10	...	2	5	34	34	37	...	3	5	5	...	...	...	20
Ransomville	1	...	1	...	...	19	19	19	...	2	1	1	...	...	12
Wyoming .....	...	...	...	...	...	13	13	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Isolated .....	...	...	...	...	...	20	20	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	103	1	18	18	26	871	871	912	...	41	88	62	3	21	334

†New work. *In gain of nine as shown, five of same included as result of mis-
take in figures of last year.

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Item IV. Sunday Schools

Charges	No. of Sunday Schools	Whole No. of Officers	Whole No. of Teachers	No. Officers, Teachers and Scholars in Main School	No. Schol. in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total No. in Sunday School	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. Dept. Superintendents	No. of Organized Classes	No. Books in Library
Allegany	1	4	4	33	8	10	51	12	5	5	2	...	...
Ashwood	1	8	5	50	...	9	59	35	6	1	2	...	50
Batavia	1	13	8	61	5	8	84	40	12	5	2	...	...
Bradford	1	15	10	142	43	79	264	104	10	6	5	4	90
Cattaraugus	1	4	9	125	10	15	150	78	4	2	4	2	120
Chestnut Ridge	1	2	4	20	...	...	20	15	4	1	...	...	37
Driftwood	1	18	4	30	5	11	48	23	...	...	2	2	132
East Leon	1	7	4	71	7	12	90	36	...	...	4	4	20
East Aurora, Ellicott	2	11	8	78	...	11	89	44	4	...	2	...	22
Emporium	1	7	4	40	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...
Fillmore	1	7	6	58	5	25	88	40	...	...	3	...	...
Forestville	2	9	9	60	...	...	60	46	...	...	1	...	30
Hess Road	1	10	9	90	7	...	...	62	...	...	2	4	...
Higgins	1	9	7	89	...	22	111	61	...	...	1	...	...
Houghton	1	14	20	210	27	18	255	64	75	5	3	11	...
Levant	1	4	10	165	20	18	203	122	30	17	4	2	173
Machias	1	4	2	32	...	...	32	18	...	...	...	...	...
North Tonawanda	1	2	5	68	...	3	71	...	15	10	2	...	...
Olean	1	8	10	88	...	14	102	67	15	10	4	1	25
Ransomville	1	6	6	51	12	16	79	31	2	...	50
Wyoming
Totals	22	163	144	1561	149	271	1856	919	180	62	45	30	749

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Item V. Church Property

Charges	No. Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Allegany	1	\$1500.00	.....	1	\$1200.00	.....	\$500.00
Ashwood	1	4500.00	.....	1	3000.00	.....	.....
Batavia	1	10000.00	\$7500.00	1	10000.00	\$7500.00	.....
Bradford	1	13000.00	1800.00	1	7000.00	5275.00	40.00
Cattaraugus	1	10000.00	1972.00	1	2000.00	.....	.....
Chestnut Ridge	1	4000.00	.....	1	3000.00	.....	.....
Driftwood	1	4000.00	.....	1	2000.00	.....	.....
East Leon	1	2000.00	.....	1	2500.00	1220.00	.....
East Aurora, Ellicott	2	6000.00	600.00	1	2000.00	.....	.....
Emporium	1	2000.00	.....	1	2000.00	.....	10.00
Fillmore	1	2000.00	.....	1	2500.00	.....	.....
Forestville	1	1800.00	.....	1	2500.00	.....	.....
Hess Road	1	5000.00	.....	1	4500.00	.....	.....
Higgins	1	3000.00	.....	1	700.00	.....	.....
Houghton	1	3500.00	.....	1	2500.00	.....	222.00
Levant	1	4000.00	.....	1	3000.00	150.00	.....
Machias	1	1300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Tonawanda .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00
Olean	1	5000.00	1000.00	1	6500.00	2000.00	.....
Ransomville	1	3500.00	175.00	3500.00	40.00	250.00
Wyoming	1	1200.00
Totals	21	\$87300.00	\$13047.00	17	\$60400.00	\$16185.00	\$1057.00

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Item VI. Amount Contributed for Pastor

Charges	Pastor's Salary	Parsonage Rent	Marriage and Funeral Fees	Gifts	Total Pastor's Receipts
Allegany	\$348.00	\$18.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$376.00
Ashwood	700.00	150.00	3.00	104.00	957.00
*Batavia	900.00	300.00	20.00	75.00	1295.00
Bradford	1328.00	400.00	80.00	259.00	2067.00
Cattaraugus	1300.00	200.00	58.00	185.00	1743.00
Chestnut Ridge	800.00	240.00	50.00	95.00	1185.00
Driftwood	728.00	.....	.....	.....	728.00
East Leon	752.00	120.00	25.00	38.00	935.00
East Aurora, Ellicott	784.00	75.00	10.00	15.00	884.00
Emporium	517.00	.....	15.00	10.00	542.00
Fillmore	1300.00	200.00	50.00	20.00	1570.00
Forestville	750.00	75.00	.....	225.00	1050.00
Hess Road	832.00	200.00	26.00	260.00	1318.00
Higgins	588.00	55.00	41.00	174.00	858.00
Houghton	1612.00	300.00	.....	.....	1912.00
Levant	1300.00	300.00	25.00	140.00	1765.00
Machias	609.00	.....	.....	91.00	700.00
†North Tonawanda	250.00	200.00	15.00	100.00	565.00
Olean	1060.00	210.00	5.00	.....	1275.00
†Ransomville	670.00	180.00	12.00	7.00	869.00
Wyoming	154.00	.....	.....	7.00	161.00
Totals	\$17282.00	\$3223.00	\$440.00	\$1811.00	\$22755.00

*\$200 paid by Conference Treasurer to Rev. George Clement on salary.

†\$100 paid by Conference Treasurer to Rev. A. O. Northrup on salary.

†\$150 paid by Home Missionary Fund to Rev. Walter Readett on salary.

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Item VII. Amount Contributed for Church						
Charges	Conference President's Salary	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Allegany		\$75.00	\$30.00	\$58.00	\$32.00	\$194.00
Ashwood			82.00		58.00	139.00
Batavia		74.00	85.00		97.00	256.00
Bradford		600.00	430.00	2052.00	578.00	3660.00
Cattaraugus		201.00	111.00	310.00	262.00	884.00
Chestnut Ridge		50.00	19.00	130.00	62.00	261.00
Driftwood		50.00	88.00	9.00	240.00	367.00
East Leon		286.00	50.00	158.00	404.00	898.00
East Aurora, Ellicott		207.00	96.00		53.00	356.00
Emporium	\$16.00		28.00	322.00	9.00	375.00
Fillmore		225.00		25.00	210.00	460.00
Forestville			50.00	60.00	55.00	165.00
Hess Road	11.00		146.00	250.00	60.00	467.00
Higgins		151.00	77.00	49.00	112.00	389.00
Houghton		370.00	261.00	82.00	465.00	1178.00
Levant		197.00	145.00	350.00	234.00	926.00
Machias		29.00	12.00		30.00	71.00
*North Tonawanda		110.00	35.00	35.00	165.00	345.00
Olean		75.00	234.00	106.00	536.00	951.00
Ransomville			94.00	106.00	42.00	242.00
Wyoming						
Totals	\$27.00	\$2680.00	\$2073.00	\$4102.00	\$3704.00	\$12584.00

*Appropriation from Conference of \$100.00 for rent of house for pastor at North Tonawanda.

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Item VIII. Amount Contributed for Benevolences

Charges	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference Work	Superannuated Ministers' Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolences
Allegany		\$127.00	\$45.00	\$17.00	\$1.00	\$95.00	\$285.00
Ashwood		43.00	20.00	44.00	.....	20.00	126.00
Batavia		52.00	13.00	12.00	.....	48.00	125.00
Bradford		323.00	112.00	23.00	.....	243.00	701.00
Cattaraugus		241.00	154.00	129.00	.....	261.00	744.00
Chestnut Ridge .....		.....	.....	75.00	.....	.....	.....
Driftwood		149.00	58.00	57.00	.....	57.00	321.00
East Leon		178.00	66.00	50.00	.....	46.00	340.00
East Aurora, Ellicott		186.00	48.00	79.00	.....	166.00	479.00
Emporium		15.00	.....	16.00	.....	.....	31.00
Fillmore		481.00	91.00	126.00	.....	70.00	769.00
Forestville		120.00	26.00	44.00	.....	24.00	213.00
Hess Road		164.00	110.00	100.00	11.00	300.00	685.00
Higgins		139.00	59.00	33.00	.....	15.00	246.00
Houghton		1722.00	1088.00	449.00	.....	499.00	3963.00
Levant		646.00	96.00	170.00	.....	95.00	1006.00
Machias		94.00	30.00	49.00	.....	15.00	188.00
North Tonawanda		6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olean		133.00	46.00	53.00	4.00	94.00	330.00
Ransomville	\$23.00	119.00	47.00	2.00	1.00	45.00	234.00
Wyoming		10.00	5.00	15.00
Totals	\$23.00	\$4948.00	\$2114.00	\$1528.00	\$17.00	\$2093.00	\$10896.00

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Item IX. Totals

Charges	Total for Pastor	Total for Church	Total for Benevolences	Total For All Purposes
Allegany	\$376.00	\$194.00	\$285.00	\$855.00
Ashwood	957.00	139.00	126.00	1223.00
Batavia	1295.00	256.00	125.00	1676.00
Bradford	2067.00	3660.00	701.00	6428.00
Cattaraugus	1743.00	884.00	744.00	3371.00
Chestnut Ridge	1185.00	261.00	75.00	1521.00
Driftwood	688.00	367.00	321.00	1376.00
East Leon	935.00	898.00	340.00	2173.00
East Aurora, Ellicott	884.00	356.00	479.00	1719.00
Emporium	542.00	375.00	46.00	948.00
Fillmore	1570.00	460.00	769.00	2799.00
Forestville	1050.00	165.00	213.00	1428.00
Hess Road	1318.00	466.00	685.00	2469.00
Higgins	858.00	389.00	246.00	1493.00
Houghton	1912.00	1178.00	3963.00	7053.00
Levant	1765.00	926.00	1007.00	3698.00
Machias	700.00	71.00	188.00	959.00
North Tonawanda	565.00	345.00	6.00	916.00
Olean	1275.00	951.00	329.00	2555.00
Ransomville	869.00	242.00	233.00	1345.00
Wyoming	161.00	15.00	176.00
Totals	\$22755.00	\$12584.00	\$10896.00	\$45755.00

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Item X. Budget

Charges	Undivided Budget Raised	Missions Assigned	Missions Raised	Education Assigned	Education Raised	Conference Assigned	Conference Raised	Total Assigned	Total Raised
Allegany		\$120.00	\$127.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$75.00	\$15.00	\$240.00	\$187.00
Ashwood		157.00	43.00	59.00	20.00	98.00	41.00	314.00	104.00
Batavia		149.00	52.00	52.00	13.00	87.00	10.00	278.00	75.00
Bradford		299.00	323.00	112.00	112.00	188.00	18.00	600.00	453.00
Cattaraugus		410.00	241.00	153.00	154.00	257.00	123.00	820.00	518.00
Chestnut Ridge							75.00		
Driftwood		88.00	146.00	33.00	35.00	55.00	55.00	176.00	235.00
East Leon		208.00	178.00	78.00	66.00	130.00	46.00	416.00	290.00
East Aurora, Ellicott		129.00	186.00	48.00	48.00	81.00	75.00	258.00	310.00
Emporium		115.00	15.00	43.00		81.00	16.00	239.00	31.00
Fillmore		244.00	481.00	91.00	91.00	153.00	126.00	488.00	699.00
Forestville		208.00	120.00	78.00	26.00	130.00	44.00	416.00	190.00
Hess Road		185.00	164.00	69.00	87.00	116.00	106.00	370.00	358.00
Higgins		148.00	139.00	55.00	56.00	93.00	33.00	296.00	229.00
Houghton		675.00	1722.00	252.00	252.00	423.00	423.00	1350.00	2120.00
Levant		258.00	646.00	96.00	96.00	162.00	162.00	516.00	904.00
Machias		79.00	94.00	30.00	30.00	49.00	49.00	158.00	173.00
North Tonawanda			5.00						5.00
Olean		157.00	133.00	59.00	37.00	98.00	49.00	314.00	219.00
Ransomville	\$23.00	88.00	119.00	33.00	45.00	55.00		176.00	186.00
Wyoming		61.00	10.00	23.00	5.00	38.00		122.00	15.00
Totals	\$23.00	\$3839.00	\$4944.00	\$1435.00	\$1436.00	\$2404.00	\$1466.00	\$7778.00	\$7846.00

By a special collection of Conference, the full apportionment of Educational Budget, as assigned by the Book Committee, was met.

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Report No. 14.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE IN THE CASE OF
REV. H. H. SCHOONOVER

In considering the charge made by Rev. Walter Readett against Rev. H. H. Schoonover, the Committee reports that they find no cause for action by the Committee.

Report No. 15.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVIEW IN THE CASE OF
REV. GEORGE CLEMENT

The Board of Review, to whom was referred the report of the Judiciary Committee in regard to the decision of the charges of Mrs. Woodhouse against the Rev. George Clement, report as follows:

We have carefully reviewed the evidence submitted to the Committee; we have examined each member of that Committee, except Ernest B. Houghton, who was absent because of ill health; we have examined Rev. A. O. Northrup and Rev. Francis B. Markell, who represented these two parties, and we have examined the Rev. George Clement. After careful and prayerful consideration we find a difference in opinion in our minds in regard to his actual guilt in respect to the definite charges made; but by his own admissions we are unanimous in our belief that his conduct has been such that he should not continue as a minister of the Gospel in our Church. Therefore, we have requested that the Rev. George Clement surrender his Ordination Papers to the Lockport Conference and request his name to be dropped from the Conference Roll. The Rev. George Clement has said definitely in the presence of the full Board of Review that he will do this. We now recommend that the matter be dropped.

Signed,

EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,
CHARLES SICARD,
WALTER READETT,
O. GLEN McKINLEY,
WILLIAM N. OSGOOD,
WALLACE F. BARNETT,
JAMES S. LUCKEY,
ARTHUR L. YOUNG,
GLENN E. BURGESS.

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Report No. 16.

STANDING COMMITTEES

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Report No. 17.

PASTORAL RELATIONS

How many Elders on the Conference roll? 27.

Who of the Elders are on the Stationed List? C. I. Armstrong, James A. Bain, G. E. Bathurst, J. E. Bruce, M. A. Bateman, A. C. Dow, E. L. Elliott, Louise J. Gifford, A. A. Hickok, Francis B. Markell, O. G. McKinley, A. O. Northrup, William Osgood, J. R. Pitt, Walter Readett, Jesse Steves, Price Stark, Helen Stark, Charles Sicard, A. J. Taylor.

Who of the Conference Preachers are on the Stationed List? Charles L. Horton, George I. Norman, Olga Norman, George Osgood, Lindford Sicard, Gordon Thurbur, Florence Yorton, Lulu Tanner, Sarah Wilcox.

Who of the Elders are on the Superannuated List? C. H. Dow.

Who of the Elders are on the Unstationed List? C. M. Dudley, W. W. Rolf, C. E. Woodhead.

Who of the Elders have withdrawn this year? By his own request, George Clement.

Who of the Elders have joined the Conference this year? Jesse Steves, Price Stark, Helen Stark.

Who of the Elders are on the Supernumerary List? W. A. Backus, H. J. Bullock, H. H. Schoonover.

Who of the Elders have died this year? B. S. Laughlin, John R. Babcock.

How is the work supplied? Allegany, Adrian Everts; Ashwood, Walter Readett; Batavia, in the hands of the President; Bradford, C. I. Armstrong; Cattaraugus, A. J. Taylor; Chestnut Ridge, John E. Bruce; Driftwood, G. E. Bathurst; East Leon, Jesse Steves; Ellicott and East Aurora, A. A. Hickok; Emporium, E. H. and Zelia Johnson; Fillmore, Royal Woodhead; Forestville, C. L. Horton; Hess Road, Francis B. Markell; Higgins, William Osgood; Houghton, J. R. Pitt; Levant, E. L. Elliott; Machias, George Osgood; North Tonawanda, A. O. Northrup; Ransomville, in the hands of the President; Scranton, to

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be supplied; Wyoming, George Osgood. General evangelists, J. A. Bain, Louise Gifford, O. G. McKinley. To choose their own field of labor, M. A. Bateman, A. C. Dow, Charles Sicard. Missionaries to West Africa, Lulu Tanner, Price Stark, Helen Stark; Florence Yorton home on furlough.

A Committee of four persons, including Rev. George Smeltzer, presented to the Conference facts concerning the outlook for new classes to be organized at Fredonia and Brocton, N. Y. A recommendation is made by the Committee that the President, as soon as possible, visit these places and investigate the situation, and if advisable, organize Wesleyan Methodist Churches in these towns.

Report No. 18.

BUDGET APPORTIONMENT

1. The part of the Budget for Education is \$1,500, and all money paid for current expenses of Houghton College, all money on L. S. U. Pledges for Houghton College, and all interest (but not principal) paid on Educational notes for Houghton College, and all money raised on Educational Day by the Y. M. W. B. and on Harvest Day by the W. H. and F. M. Society may count toward this Budget.

2. The part of the Budget for Foreign Missions is \$2,500.00 and all money paid for current expenses for Foreign Missions, all money appropriated for this purpose by the W. H. and F. M. Society, and all money paid by the Y. M. W. B. may count toward this Budget.

3. We recommend that the part of the Budget for Home Missions be \$1,500.00, and all money paid for Home Missions and all money appropriated for this purpose by the W. H. and F. M. Society may count toward this Budget; also money paid on the Batavia Liability and for work authorized by the Conference Missionary Board may count toward this Budget, and this work may include tent work, building Churches, organizing Sunday Schools in unoccupied territory, and strengthening and building up work already established but not self-supporting. However, it is understood that thirty per cent (30%) of the total Conference apportionment for Home Missions must be paid in cash into the Connectional Home Missionary Treasury, and seventy per cent (70%) shall be used in the Conference. This amounts to a little more than one thousand dollars, and we recommend that this be used to apply on the principal of the Batavia Liability.

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4. We recommend that the part of the Budget for Conference be \$2,500.00, and nothing but cash may count toward this Budget. We recommend that this Budget be distributed as follows:

Conference Entertainment	\$100.00
Conference Expense	600.00
Superannuated Minister's Fund	450.00
Interest on Batavia Liability	900.00
Connectional Sunday School Work	100.00
Pastor's Aid	350.00

5. The General Conference Budget is for the expenses of the Delegates, and averages fifteen cents per member. This should be raised at once and sent to the Conference Treasurer on or before June first.

6. We recommend that no Charge shall receive credit on its Budget except for cash or receipts sent to the Conference Treasurer.

7. We recommend that the Pastors include in their Statistical Reports these items: Total Budget Assigned, Total Budget Raised; that the second item shall not be filled in until the Pastor has settled with the Conference Treasurer, and that the amount placed in the second item be the amount reported to the Pastor by the Conference Treasurer.

8. We recommend that the Conference authorize each Pastor to hand to the Budget Committee at the next Annual Conference a list of members on his Charge under sixteen years of age, provided that he declares that he knows personally each one on the list is under sixteen. This list shall be deducted from the number determining Budget apportionment on that Charge.

Budget Apportionment

Charge	General Conference	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Conference Budget
Allegany	\$ 5.00	\$ 88.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 88.00
Ashwood	4.00	80.00	48.00	48.00	80.00
Batavia	7.00	100.00	60.00	60.00	100.00
Bradford	12.00	188.00	113.00	113.00	188.00
Cattaraugus	14.00	264.00	159.00	159.00	264.00
Chestnut Ridge	3.00	44.00	27.00	27.00	44.00
Driftwood	3.00	53.00	32.00	32.00	53.00
East Leon	7.00	132.00	76.00	76.00	132.00
E. Aurora and Ellicott	5.00	80.00	48.00	48.00	80.00
Emporium	3.00	50.00	30.00	30.00	50.00

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Charge	General Conference	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Conference Budget
Fillmore	8.00	156.00	94.00	94.00	156.00
Forestville	7.00	135.00	81.00	81.00	135.00
Hess Road	5.00	91.00	55.00	55.00	91.00
Higgins	5.00	85.00	51.00	51.00	85.00
Houghton	23.00	458.00	270.00	270.00	458.00
Levant	10.00	197.00	118.00	118.00	197.00
Machias	3.00	56.00	34.00	34.00	56.00
North Tonawanda	3.00	53.00	32.00	32.00	53.00
Olean	6.00	103.00	62.00	62.00	103.00
Ransomville	3.00	56.00	34.00	34.00	56.00
Wyoming	2.00	31.00	23.00	23.00	31.00
	\$ 138.00	\$2500.00	\$1500.00	\$1500.00	\$2500.00

Signed, J. S. LUCKEY.

Report No. 19.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Lockport Annual Conference met during the Annual Conference Session in Fillmore, N. Y., on April 11, 1931, and the following were elected Officers of the Board:

Chairman—Rev. James A. Bain.

Secretary—Rev. Joseph R. Pitt.

Treasurer—Rev. Walter Readett.

The Executive Board—Rev. James A. Bain, Rev. Joseph R. Pitt, Mr. Orval H. Howard.

The following recommendations were presented by the Board and adopted by the Conference:

1. To Johnston and Wicks, Attorneys-at-Law, Bradford, Pa., in payment of account, as per order of Minutes of 1930, \$15.00.

2. To the Casey Carting Company, Batavia, N. Y., payment of account as per Minutes of 1930, \$12.00.

3. To the Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference each for services, \$30.00.

4. To the Mannis Agency, Batavia, N. Y., for insurance premium, \$24.00.

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5. To Rev. A. O. Northrup, North Tonawanda, N. Y., on personal support for the ensuing year, \$300.00.

6. To Rev. George Osgood, toward house rent on Machias Charge during vacation, \$50.00.

7. That the following disbursements be made from the Treasury of the Board of Trustees: To Herman Lavery, Attorney, for fees for services, Napoli Church sale, \$16.00.

8. That the following disbursements be made from the Superannuated Minister's Fund: To Rev. C. H. Dow, \$100.00; to Mrs. Eva Benton, \$50.00; to Mrs. John Woodhouse and Mrs. J. R. Babcock, \$50.00 each.

9. That Edwin Gibbs of Bradford, Pa., be hereby authorized to take charge for the Board of Trustees of the Lockport Conference of all collections of accounts due the Lockport Annual Conference for the sale of the Bethesda Home Property in the city of Bradford, Pa.

Signed,

JAMES A. BAIN, Chairman;
JOSEPH R. PITT,
ORVAL H. HOWARD,
EDWARD L. ELLIOTT,
EDWIN A. GIBBS,
CLAYTON F. BALL,
WALTER READETT,
ARTHUR J. TAYLOR,
ERNEST B. HOUGHTON,
Board of Trustees.

Report No. 20.

POST OFFICE ADDRESSES

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Report No. 21.

COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES

We recommend that the Church of North Tonawanda be called The First Wesleyan Methodist Church of North Tonawanda. That the work at Scranton be called the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Scranton, N. Y.

WALTER READETT,
HARRY J. BULLOCK,
MRS. BESSIE WILLETT.

Directory of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. Ethel Bullock, Fillmore, N. Y.
Vice-President—Mrs. Mabel Taylor, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Steves, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
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Superintendent of the Y. M. W. B.—Mrs. Anna Elliott, Falconer, N. Y.
Matron McConnell Hall (Camp Ground)—Mrs. Ella Slade, Houghton, N. Y.

LOCAL SOCIETIES

(Charges, Presidents and Addresses)

Allegany—Mrs. Hattie Baker, Rushford, N. Y.
Ashwood—Mrs. Arthur Young, Lyndonville, N. Y.
Batavia—Mrs. Lillian Clement, 311 W. Main St., Batavia, N. Y.
Bradford—Mrs. R. H. Whiteman, 82 Rockland Ave., Bradford, Pa.
Cattaraugus—Mrs. Mabel Taylor, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Chestnut Ridge—.....
Driftwood—Mrs. Dorothy Egger, Driftwood, Pa.
East Leon—Mrs. Florence Pritchard, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
East Aurora—Mrs. A. A. Hickok, Orchard Park, N. Y.
Ellicott—Mrs. John Clark, Orchard Park, N. Y.
Emporium—Mrs. Bessie Taylor, Emporium, Pa.
Fillmore—Mrs. Alice Lockwood, Fillmore, N. Y.
Forestville—Mrs. Mary Wolfe, Forestville, N. Y., R. F. D. 3.
Higgins—Mrs. Mary Wolfer, Freedom, N. Y.
Houghton—Mrs. Isabelle Fancher, Houghton, N. Y.
Hess Road—Mrs. F. B. Markell, Appleton, N. Y.
Levant—Mrs. Anna Elliott, Falconer, N. Y.
North Tonawanda—Mrs. Arthur Northrup, 505 Main St., North Tonawanda, N. Y.
Olean—Mrs. Mildred Burgess, 508 Main St., Olean, N. Y.
Ransomville—Mrs. Nettie Readett, Ransomville, N. Y.

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DELEGATES

Allegany—Mrs. Chas. Pocock, Rushford, N. Y.
Ashwood—.....
Batavia—Mrs. Martha Ingram, 18 East Ave., Batavia, N. Y.
Bradford—Miss Bessie Nearing, 176 Summer St., Bradford, Pa.
Cattaraugus—Mrs. Mercie Dietrich, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Chestnut Ridge—.....
Driftwood—Mrs. Dorothy Egger, Driftwood, Pa.
East Leon—Mrs. Mabel Steves, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
East Aurora—Mrs. Alice Hickok, Orchard Park, N. Y., R. F. D. 2.
Ellicott—Mrs. Alice Hickok, Orchard Park, N. Y., R. F. D. 2.
Emporium—Mrs. Bessie Taylor, Emporium, Pa., R. F. D. 1.
Forestville—Mrs. Mabel Dye, South Dayton, N. Y.
Fillmore—Mrs. Mabel Keeton, Fillmore, N. Y.
Higgins—Mrs. Mae Wolfer, Freedom, N. Y.
Houghton—Mrs. Ella Slade, Houghton, N. Y.
Hess Road—Miss Marie Katzs, Newfane, N. Y., R. D. 1.
Levant—Mrs. Edna Wilson, Falconer, N. Y.
Olean—Mrs. Madeline Button, 427 Third Ave., Olean, N. Y.
Ransomville—.....

Daily Proceedings

Wednesday Afternoon

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lockport Conference convened for its thirty-ninth annual session in the Sunday School room of the Fillmore Wesleyan Methodist Church. The President, Mrs. Ethel Bullock, called the meeting to order Wednesday afternoon, April 8, 1931. Singing together "More About Jesus," followed by scripture verses by those present. Prayer by Mrs. Mabel Taylor and Mrs. Ella Slade.

Mrs. Mabel Steves was appointed Secretary pro tem in the absence of Miss Anna Freeman.

The President appointed Mrs. Mercie Dietrich and Miss Marie Katzs to act as Committee on Credentials.

The President was authorized to appoint Committee on Temporary Organizations.

Report of Matron of McConnell Hall was read and adopted. See Report No. 1.

The following Societies gave their Statistical reports: Houghton, Ellicott, Levant, Ashwood, Forestville, Emporium, East Aurora, East Leon, Cattaraugus, Hess Road, Bradford, Batavia.

President appointed Mrs. Dietrich and Mrs. Isabelle Fancher as Committee on Temporary Organizations.

Motion made and adopted that the Society meet daily at 12:45.

Adjourned on motion.

Thursday Afternoon

Meeting called to order by the Vice-President.

Devotions led by Mrs. Alice Hickok. Roll call.

Committee on Temporary Organizations reported as follows:

Auditing—Miss Marie Katzs and Mrs. Dorothy Eggler.

Statistical—Mrs. Lillian Clement and Miss Bessie Nearing.

Resolutions—Mrs. Mabel Taylor and Mrs. Rena McElheny.

Plan of Work—Mrs. Slade, Mrs. Readett, and Mrs. Isabelle Fancher.

Addresses—Mrs. Alice Hickok, and Mrs. Madeline Button.

Solicitor of Magazines—Mrs. Edna Wilson.

Courtesies—Mrs. Mildred Burgess.

Hephzibah Orphanage—Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke.

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The following Societies gave Statistical reports: Driftwood, Ransomville, Olean, Higgins, Fillmore and Allegany.

Motion made and carried that the Society support Mr. Price Stark, who expects to go to Africa in place of Miss Yorton, who is physically unable to return to the field.

Motion made and carried that we meet Friday at 12:45 for election of officers.

Motion made and adopted that McConnell Hall be used during General Conference.

Motion made and adopted to take recess for Communion Service.

During recess Mrs. Clarke gave an inspiring appeal in general to us as a Society.

Motion made and adopted that we instruct the President and Organizer to get in touch with a returned Missionary to travel the Conference.

Adjourned on motion.

Friday Afternoon

Meeting called to order by the Vice-President.

Singing, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul."

Responsive Scripture verses. Prayer by Mrs. Readett.

Mrs. Marvin was introduced to the Society.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Orders of day having arrived, the Vice-President appointed Mrs. Fancher and Mrs. Deitrich as tellers and Society proceeded to elect officers as follows:

President—Mrs. Ethel Bullock.

Vice-President—Mrs. Mabel Taylor.

Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Steves.

Treasurer—Mrs. Nettie Readett.

Organizer—Mrs. Mary L. Clarke.

Superintendent of Y. M. W. B.—Mrs. Anna Elliott.

Matron of McConnell Hall—Mrs. Ella Slade.

Delegate to General Conference—Mrs. Mabel Taylor.

Alternate Delegate to General Conference—Mrs. Mercie Dietrich

Auditing Committee reported and report was adopted. See Report No. 2.

Report of Treasurer read and adopted. See Report No. 3.

North Tonawanda reports a new Society of five members.

Rev. J. S. Willett was introduced to Society and spoke briefly of his appreciation of the work being done by the Societies and presented the interests of the Wesleyan Missionary Magazine:

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Report of Plan of Work read and approved. See Report No. 4.

Rev. E. F. McCarty was introduced to Society and spoke of the necessity of prayer and faithfulness concerning our Missionary activities.

Moved and carried that we appropriate \$30.00 from the General Fund to help meet the Educational deficit.

Singing, "Marching to Zion."

Adjourned until evening.

Friday Evening

The Public Missionary Meeting was held Friday evening, with the Vice-President, Mrs. Mabel Taylor, in charge.

Congregational singing, "Jesus Shall Reign."

Devotions by Mrs. Price Stark.

Mr. Clark, a student of Houghton College, sang a solo.

Rev. E. F. McCarty, Foreign Missionary Secretary, gave the Missionary address, stressing the necessity of coöperation in our Missionary interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Stark, prospective missionaries, each spoke briefly.

Cash and pledges amounted to \$678.24.

Benediction by Rev. E. F. McCarty.

Saturday Afternoon

Meeting called to order by the Vice-President.

Singing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Psalm 11 read by Mrs. Dietrich; prayer by Mrs. Wagner.

Minutes read and approved.

Statistical reports read and approved. See Reports Nos. 6 and 7.

Report of Committee on Addresses was read and adopted. See Directory.

Solicitor of Missionary Magazine reported four subscriptions.

Motion adopted that funds left in treasury be disbursed at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read and adopted. See Report No. 5.

Adjourned on motion.

MRS. MABEL STEVES, Secretary.

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Reports

Report No. 1.

MATRON OF McCONNELL HALL, HOUGHTON CAMP GROUND

There were no repairs on the Hall, but a few curtains and stand spreads, also four new shades were added.

Statistical Report

Receipts for rooms and linen		\$73.25
Disbursements—Meal tickets for Matron	\$ 5.00	
Plumbing	3.40	
Supplies	8.54	
		16.94
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		\$56.31

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ELLA SLADE, Matron.

Report No. 2.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee wish to report that they have examined the Treasurer's books and find them in good order and correct.

MISS MARIE KATZS,
MRS. DOROTHY EGGLER.

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Report No. 3.

LOCKPORT ANNUAL CONFERENCE W. H. & F. M. TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending April 8, 1931.

	Receipts	Disbursed	Balance
General Fund	\$ 50.95	\$ 15.51	\$ 35.44
McConnell Hall	169.60	103.54	66.06
Ruth Earnest School Fund	104.66	4.66	100.00
Education	179.83	179.83	
Home Missions	472.06	472.06	
Mountain and Alabama Work	18.50	18.50	
Hephzibah Orphanage	103.55	103.55	
Conference Fund	51.90	51.90	
Undivided Budget	11.00	11.00	
Dues to General Treasurer	42.02	42.02	
Bedding to Educational Society	5.00	5.00	
Local Church Work	275.75	275.75	
Other Benevolent Objects	971.60	971.60	

Totals for above	\$2456.42	\$2254.92	\$ 201.50
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Foreign Missions—	Receipts	Disbursed
Miss Yorton's salary	\$ 343.65	\$ 343.65
House in Japan	101.00	101.00
Medical	23.94	23.94
Transportation for Mr. and Mrs. Stark	5.00	5.00
Unspecified Foreign	234.94	234.94
Total	\$ 708.53	\$ 708.53

Y. M. W. B.—	Receipts
Dues and Offerings for Missions	\$3385.01
Offerings for Education	260.30
Total for Band	\$3645.31

Total for all purposes	\$6810.26
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MRS. NETTIE READETT, Treasurer.

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Report No. 4.

PLAN OF WORK

Our watchword, "Always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

This Year's Objective:

- 1st. To support Price Stark in the Foreign field.
- 2nd. Contribute cash, clothing and toys to the Hephzibah Orphanage, Macon, Georgia.
- 3rd. Observe Educational Harvest Day with programs and contributions of cash, vegetables and canned fruit for Houghton Dormitory.
- 4th. Appoint a solicitor in each Society to obtain new members and new subscriptions to the Wesleyan Missionary.
- 5th. Multiply our gifts and self-denial offerings by daily intercessory prayer for all our fields and missionaries.

Signed,

ELLA SLADE,
ISABELLE FANCHER,
NETTIE READETT.

Report No. 5.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we, the members of the Lockport Conference W. H. and F. M. Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, extend to the people of Fillmore, Houghton and Higgins Charges our sincere thanks for their splendid entertainment during this session of the Annual Conference.

MRS. MABEL TAYLOR,
MRS. RENA McELHENY.

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Report No. 6.

Y. M. W. B. STATISTICAL REPORT

Bands	Missions	Education	Total
Allegany	\$ 74.28	\$ 13.65	\$ 87.93
Ashwood	28.24	9.30	37.54
Batavia	22.86	4.31	27.17
Bradford	184.22	35.00	219.22
Cattaraugus	46.73	41.50	88.23
Driftwood	72.27	12.98	85.25
East Aurora	49.91		49.91
East Leon	113.75	11.25	125.00
Ellicott	59.52	5.00	64.52
Emporium	30.00		30.00
Fillmore	363.34	19.50	382.84
Fink Hollow	28.00		28.00
Forestville	11.82	10.00	21.82
Hess Road	112.22	18.25	130.47
Higgins	50.75	12.25	63.00
Houghton Juniors	380.58	27.51	408.09
Houghton Seniors	993.74		993.74
Levant	527.42	25.30	552.72
Machias and Cadwells	54.38		54.38
North Tonawanda	4.00		4.00
Olean	81.23	8.00	89.23
Randolph	10.00		10.00
Ransomville	80.50	6.00	86.50
Wolf Run	5.25	.50	5.75
Totals	\$3385.01	\$ 260.30	\$3645.31

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Report No. 7.

W. H. & F. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT

Name of Society	Date of Organization	Active Members	Honorary Members	Gain	Loss	Regular Meetings	Special Meetings	Missionary Programs	Cash on Hand	Receipts and Dues	Offerings	Labor
Allegany	1913	23	3	...	13	14	1	Yes	.....	\$26.00	\$52.25	\$86.85
Ashwood .....	.....	18	2	...	...	12	1	No	\$1.56	7.00	11.07	8.15
Batavia	1928	19	1	4	...	12	1	Yes	.....	14.00	10.04	6.00
Bradford	1928	32	2	...	7	24	2	Yes	.....	21.00	50.24	9.00
Cattaraugus	1904	28	8	...	2	12	3	Yes	.68	32.00	155.31	23.75
Driftwood	1908	15	7	...	6	10	11	No	2.07	22.00	59.48	14.63
Emporium	1930	24	2	7	...	20	1	No	.....	21.75	19.10	1.00
Ellicott	1905	12	1	2	...	12	1	No	4.49	12.50	12.14	97.00
East Leon	1894	18	4	...	2	11	2	Yes	.....	21.00	15.62	6.65
East Aurora	1923	7	3	...	...	7	1	No	11.40	8.00	21.75	12.00
Fillmore	1901	12	...	...	...	12	4	No	.....	7.20	86.00	.....
Forestville	1899	25	15	4	6	12	2	No	11.58	23.45	66.44	20.72
Hess Road	1920	30	1	...	8	12	1	Yes	.10	31.00	65.66	48.75
Higgins	1924	17	1	...	...	21	...	No	.....	17.00	29.94	18.69
Houghton	1904	48	9	1	...	12	1	Yes	.70	57.00	12.08	.....
Levant	1893	47	14	...	...	12	2	Yes	16.70	39.80	59.35	.....
Olean .....	.....	16	3	...	3	8	3	No	.....	19.00	33.26	2.00
Ransomville	1912	11	1	...	2	9	...	No	.28	12.00	5.92	11.00
Totals	382	77	18	49	232	37	\$49.56	\$393.70	\$765.65	\$366.19

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Name of Society	Other Sources	Total	Unspecified Missions	Home	Foreign	Medical	Education
Allegany	\$3.84	\$168.94	.....	\$78.72	\$26.53	.....	\$29.55
Ashwood	20.68	50.46	\$19.00	3.35	74.50	.....	9.40
Batavia	38.98	69.02	5.00	10.00	5.00	\$1.45	8.60
Bradford	133.00	213.24	17.90	16.42	8.00	.....	22.54
Cattaraugus	101.20	312.94	.....	52.40	71.72	14.99	37.50
Driftwood	47.00	145.18	.....	19.00	40.00	5.00	5.60
Emporium .....	.....	41.85	.....	5.00	10.00	.....	.....
Ellicott	36.58	162.71	7.65	29.00	7.00	97.00	.....
East Leon	103.99	147.26	.....	68.41	5.00	.....	25.55
East Aurora	110.46	163.35	.....	13.00	11.00	.....	.....
Fillmore	18.40	111.60	.....	53.00	20.50	.....	22.75
Forestville	4.70	126.89	.....	34.27	56.70	.....	4.10
Hess Road	354.15	499.66	6.61	21.15	17.15	5.00	42.35
Higgins	49.41	114.98	13.63	39.00	29.30	.....	16.05
Houghton	506.20	575.98	76.62	52.25	204.65	.....	15.61
Levant .....	.....	115.85	.....	15.50	38.00	.....	24.25
Olean	84.09	138.35	.....	39.28	14.59	.....	10.00
Ransomville	65.20	94.40	3.00	29.36	18.60
Totals	\$1677.88	\$3252.66	\$149.41	\$579.11	\$639.64	\$123.44	\$292.45

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W. H. & F. M. S. STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

Name of Society	General Fund	Local Church Work	Membership Dues	Other Objects	Bedding for Educational Society	Cash on Hand	Magazines	Total
Allegheny	\$1.00	\$15.00	\$2.07	\$16.07	.....	.....	2	\$168.94
Ashwood	1.00	.....	.....	2.07	.....	\$1.14	2	50.46
Batavia .....	.....	8.56	1.40	28.51	.....	.50	4	69.02
Bradford	1.00	9.00	2.10	125.00	.....	11.28	6	213.24
Cattaraugus	1.00	98.74	.....	35.00	.....	1.59	13	312.94
Driftwood	2.00	9.40	.....	64.18	.....	.....	3	145.18
Emporium .....	.....	10.00	.....	4.12	.....	12.73	.....	41.85
Ellicott	1.00	4.52	1.30	12.40	.....	2.84	2	162.71
East Leon	1.00	.....	1.80	45.50	.....	.....	13	147.26
East Aurora .....	.....	55.85	8.00	75.50	.....	.....	1	163.35
Fillmore .....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	4.35	5	111.60
Forestville	1.00	5.00	2.35	13.39	.....	10.08	.....	126.89
Hess Road	1.00	48.75	2.70	352.62	.....	2.33	6	499.66
Higgins .....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	2	114.98
Houghton	2.00	.....	6.00	212.20	.....	6.65	28	575.98
Levant	2.00	1.95	2.20	21.46	.....	10.49	20	115.85
Olean	1.00	.64	.....	72.84	.....	.....	7	138.35
Ransomville	1.34	7.00	1.20	33.6030	3	94.40
Totals	\$16.34	\$274.41	\$48.12	\$1115.46	\$64.28	117	\$3252.66

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