

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Lockport Conference
OF THE
Wesleyan Methodist Connection,
or Church, of America
HELD AT
HOUGHTON, NEW YORK,
APRIL 3-7, 1917

JOHN R. BABCOCK, President.
DEAN S. BEDFORD, Secretary.

WESLEYAN METHODIST PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION
SYRACUSE, N. Y.

Lockport Conference

CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

President:—Rev. John R. Babcock.
Vice-President:—Rev. A. D. Fero.
Secretary:—Rev. Dean S. Bedford.
Assistant Secretary:—Millie E. Whitten.
Treasurer:—Rev. H. R. LaVere.
Sunday School Secretary:—Rev. C. B. Whitaker.
Tithing Secretary:—Henry R. Barnett.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

John R. Babcock, term expires 1920.
Ernest L. Carnahan, term expires 1920.
Clayton F. Ball, term expires 1920.
Charles Sicard, term expires 1919.
Herbert R. LaVere, term expires 1919.
Henry R. Barnett, term expires 1919.
Walter Readett, term expires 1918.
Harry J. Bullock, term expires 1918.
Ernest B. Houghton, term expires 1918.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Advisory Board:—Charles Sicard, E. B. Houghton.
Judiciary Committee:—A. D. Fero, D. S. Bedford, C. B. Whitaker, H. R. LaVere, President ex-officio.
Missionary Board:—Charles Sicard, President of the W. H. & F. M. Society, Mrs. F. E. Gentle, G. H. Carke, Conference President ex-officio.
Committee on Presidency:—H. R. LaVere, H. J. Bullock, J. S. Luckey, M. C. Cronk, Walter Readett.
Committee on Itinerary and Orders:—Noah Shaffer, first year; H. J. Bullock, second year; Walter Readett, third year; C. B. Whitaker, fourth year.

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Committee on Religious Services:—W. W. Rolf, F. C. Adams, and pastor where the next session of Conference is held.

Sunday School Board:—C. B. Whitaker, Milton Cronk, D. S. Bedford.

Committee on Statistical Reports:—J. S. Luckey, E. S. Davidson.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

Stationed List.

Name and Address.	Attendance.
H. W. McDowell, Miltonvale, Kansas	Absent.
H. R. Lavere, Falconer, N. Y., R. F. D.	9 meetings.
Chas. Sicard, Houghton, N. Y.,	9 meetings.
H. J. Bullock, Houghton, N. Y.	9 meetings.
Walter Readett, Eagle Harbor, N. Y.,	9 meetings.
C. B. Whitaker, Houghton, N. Y.	9 meetings.
J. R. Babcock, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	9 meetings.
D. S. Bedford, Appleton, N. Y.,	9 meetings.
A. D. Fero, Houghton, N. Y.,	9 meetings.
Noah Shaffer, Forestville, N. Y., R. F. D. No. 8.	9 meetings.
May K. Shaffer, Forestville, N. Y., R. F. D. No. 8.	Absent.
F. C. Adams, Cattaraugus, N. Y., R. F. D.	9 meetings.
W. W. Rolf, Olean, N. Y.,	7 meetings.
Geo. E. Bathurst, Ransomville, N. Y.,	9 meetings.
L. C. Mattoon, Lockport, N. Y., R. F. D.	9 meetings.
W. A. Hazlett, Houghton, N. Y.	7 meetings.
J. J. Coleman, Houghton, N. Y.	9 meetings.

Supernumerary List.

G. W. Cooper, Fillmore, N. Y.	1 meeting.
N. E. Heald, Forestville, N. Y.	6 meetings.
R. McConnell, Delevan, N. Y.	2 meetings.
B. S. Laughlin, Burt, N. Y.	Absent.
C. W. Smith, Machias, N. Y.	Absent.
W. A. Backus, Eldred, Pa.	Absent.
G. H. Clarke, Falconer, N. Y., R. F. D.	Absent.
C. E. Woodhead, Houghton, N. Y.	5 meetings.
E. H. Johnson, Rushford, N. Y.,	1 meeting.

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Superannuated List.

Name and Address.	Attendance.
N. F. Robb, Cattaraugus, N. Y.	Absent.
J. L. Benton, Houghton, N. Y.,	9 meetings.

Licentiates on the Stationed List.

William Donaldson, Bradford, Pa.....	9 meetings.
D. H. Scott, Fillmore, N. Y.....	9 meetings.
A. J. Taylor, Centerville, N. Y., R. D. No. 1.....	4 meetings.
Sarah C. Wilcox, Angelica, N. Y., R. F. D.....	8 meetings.
E. S. Davidson, West Falls, N. Y.....	9 meetings.
James Elliott, Houghton, N. Y.....	

Roll of Delegates.

Charge and Name of Delegate.	Attendance.
Allegany—Irving Clark	5 meetings.
Bradford, Pa.—Beulah M. Pickup	9 meetings.
Cattaraugus—Arthur Bernhoft	9 meetings.
Cattaraugus—H. M. Locke	9 meetings.
Chestnut Ridge—Clara E. Aiken	9 meetings.
Cameron—Jennie Craven	7 meetings.
Delevan and Machias—Lillian Tiffany.....	5 meetings.
Driftwood, Pa.—Albert Egger	9 meetings.
East Leon—Clarence Pritchard	6 meetings.
Eagle Harbor—Bruce Burch	9 meetings.
Ellicott—Iva Benning	9 meetings.
Forestville—Manley Crowell	9 meetings.
Fillmore—Mildred Gillette	7 meetings.
Fillmore—Reita Wiles	7 meetings.
Higgins—Nathan Miller	4 meetings.
Hess Road—Mae Branch	9 meetings.
Houghton—James S. Luckey	9 meetings.
Houghton—J. R. Crawford	9 meetings.

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Charge and Name of Delegate.	Attendance.
Houghton—G. A. Washbon	9 meetings.
Houghton—H. H. Hester	5 meetings.
Levant—F. G. Douglas	9 meetings.
Levant—Clayton F. Ball	9 meetings.
Napoli—	
Olean—M. A. Harris	7 meetings.
Ransomville—F. E. Gentle	9 meetings.
Roulette, Pa.—Harry Schoonover	9 meetings.
Smethport—	
Short Tract—Charles Slade	6 meetings.
Wyoming—	

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The Lockport Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America convened for its fifty-sixth annual session in Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Church, April 4, 1917, at 9 A. M.

On the previous evening a gospel sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. Babcock.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. Chas. Sicard, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. J. Coleman.

Rev. Noah Shaffer was made Committee on Credentials.

Committee on Credentials made a partial report and names were placed on the roll.

In the absence of credentials from Cameron charge, Mrs. Jennie Craven was seated as a delegate from that charge.

The President was authorized to appoint a Committee on nominations for the temporary organization. A. D. Fero, J. S. Luckey and J. R. Babcock were appointed, and a recess was taken for this committee to arrange its work.

Conference having been again called to order the Committee on nominations for temporary organization reported through J. S. Luckey. The report was considered item by item, and adopted as read. See Report No. 1.

The bar of Conference was made to include the first five slips across the body of the church.

The time of opening and closing Conference meetings was fixed as follows: Morning meetings to open at 9 A. M. and close at 11:30 A. M.; the afternoon meetings to open at 1:30 P. M. and close by vote.

The Vice-President, Rev. J. R. Babcock, was called to the chair while the President made his official report, which was considered item by item, and adopted as read. See Report No. 2.

Rev. L. C. Mattoon, formerly of the Champlain Conference, was introduced.

E. S. Davidson presented a petition from the Hamburg charge concerning a change of the name of said charge. The petition was referred to the Committee on Boundaries.

Conference adjourned for Committee work.

Benediction by Rev. J. L. Benton.

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First Day—Afternoon Meeting—April 4th.

Conference was called to order by the President.

The devotional exercises were conducted by William Donaldson.

After the calling of the roll, the minutes were read and approved.

James Elliott was elected reporter.

Rev. E. Teter, Missionary Secretary, was introduced to the Conference.

Rev. J. Robert Jeffrey, Protestant Chaplain at Sonyea, Craig Colony, was introduced and made appropriate remarks.

On motion the election of Conference officers was made the order of the day for Thursday morning immediately following devotional exercises.

The following names were called and their characters passed: William Donaldson, D. S. Bedford, E. S. Davidson, Noah R. Shaffer, George E. Bathurst.

Conference adjourned by vote.

Benediction by H. R. LaVere.

Second Day—Morning Meeting—April 5th.

The Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by H. R. LaVere.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved.

Rev. W. L. Northam, of the Indiana Conference, and Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent, were introduced to the Conference.

The President appointed as tellers H. J. Bullock and F. G. Douglass.

The whole number of the votes cast for President was forty, of which J. R. Babcock received twenty-one and was declared elected.

The whole number of votes cast for Vice-President was forty-three, of which A. D. Fero received forty-three and was declared elected.

The whole number of votes cast for Secretary was forty-five, of which D. S. Bedford received forty-four and was declared elected.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for H. R. LaVere for Treasurer and he was declared elected.

On motion the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for Miss Millie Whitten for Assistant Secretary and she was declared elected.

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On motion the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for H. R. Barnett for Tithing Secretary and he was declared elected.

The whole number of votes cast for Trustee was forty-one, of which Clayton F. Ball received thirty-nine, Won S. Crandall one, Noah R. Shaffer one. Clayton F. Ball was declared elected.

The whole number of votes cast for second Trustee was forty-two, of which Marshall C. Cronk received six, Won S. Crandall four, Ernest L. Carnahan thirty-two. Mr. Carnahan was declared elected.

The whole number of votes cast for third Trustee was forty, of which John R. Babcock received thirty-three, Chas. B. Whitaker seven. John R. Babcock was declared elected.

On motion Rev. Chas. Sicard was elected to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Pastoral Relations caused by the election of J. R. Babcock to the Presidency.

The nominations for standing committees were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The following names were called and their characters passed: F. C. Adams, J. R. Babcock, W. W. Rolf, D. H. Scott, J. L. Benton, G. W. Cooper, May K. Shaffer, N. E. Heald.

Rev. W. W. Rolf presented financial reports for White Dove Mission at Olean. See Report No. 3.

Adjourned by limitation of time.

Benediction by J. R. Babcock.

Second Day—Afternoon Meeting—April 5th.

Conference was called to order by the newly elected President, Rev. J. R. Babcock.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Chas. Sicard.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved. Appropriate remarks were made by the President.

Rev. S. R. Waldron, of the Free Methodist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., was introduced to the Conference.

Chas. Sicard and E. B. Houghton were constituted the President's Advisory Board.

Invitations for the next session of the Annual Conference were received from the Hess Road and Levant charges. Conference voted by roll call to accept the invitation from the Hess Road charge.

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A committee was chosen to consider the matter of a traveling President. Chas. Sicard was named as chairman, the other members to be H. J. Bullock, J. S. Luckey, C. F. Ball, A. D. Fero.

Rev. Mr. Anderson, an evangelist of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced to the Conference.

The following names were called and their characters passed: Walter Readett, L. C. Mattoon, C. B. Whitaker, A. D. Fero, H. R. LaVere, A. J. Taylor, H. W. McDowell, J. J. Coleman, C. E. Woodhead, C. W. Smith, N. F. Robb, G. H. Clarke, W. A. Hazlett.

All special orders were referred to the Committee on Religious Services.

The Secretary was instructed to send the greetings of the Conference to Rev. H. W. McDowell in reply to his letter.

The Statistical Committee was instructed to record the membership of charges not reporting the same as last year.

Adjourned by vote.

Benediction.

Third Day—Morning Meeting—April 6th.

The Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by H. J. Bullock.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved.

The committee on religious services reported the following special orders, which were adopted: Publishing Interests, by Rev. J. S. Willett, at 10:30 A. M., Friday; Missionary Interests, Rev. E. Teter, 1:30 P. M., Friday, to be followed by the public meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society; Camp Meeting Interests at 10:30 A. M., Saturday.

The financial report of the Board of Trustees was received. See Report No. 4.

The following names were called and their characters passed: Chas. Sicard, H. J. Bullock, B. S. Laughlin, Sarah C. Wilcox, W. A. Backus, R. McConnell.

A communication from C. J. White was read and referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The financial report for Bethesda Home was presented by the Assistant Matron, Miss Beulah M. Pickup. See Report No. 5.

After a short recess Conference was again called to order and

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the order of the day taken up. Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Agent, presented the Publishing Interests.

Adjourned by limitation of time.

Benediction by Rev. E. Teter.

Third Day—Afternoon Meeting—April 6th.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. N. E. Heald.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Sunday School and Holiness Conventions was read and adopted. See Report No. 6.

A recommendation from the Conference Treasurer, H. R. LaVere, concerning the division of the undivided budget was adopted. See Treasurer's Report.

Committee on Religious Services reported as special order for Saturday at 2 P. M. the discussion of our Educational Interests.

The order of the day having arrived, Rev. E. Teter, Missionary Secretary, addressed the Conference.

The second order of the day was the public meeting of the W. H. & F. M. Society, at which an offering and pledges amounting to \$935.00 were received for African work.

Adjourned by vote.

Rev. L. W. Strong pronounced the benediction.

Fourth Day—Morning Meeting—April 7th.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. N. R. Shaffer.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read and approved.

A resolution was presented by Rev. C. B. Whitaker calling for the appointment of a committee to draft a plan to expedite the business of the Conference. See Resolution No. 1.

The Committee on Nominations presented the nominations for the Standing Committees. The report was considered item by item and adopted. See lists in the front of the minutes.

The report of the Committee on Budget was read and adopted. See Report No. 8.

The Sunday School Board reported through Rev. C. B. Whita-

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ker, Sunday School Secretary. In considering it item by item, item number 4 was referred to a committee consisting of J. S. Luckey, N. R. Shaffer, and H. R. LeVere. The remainder of the report was adopted as read. See Report No. 9.

A communication from Rev. S. I. Smith was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A Committee on Resolutions concerning the state of the country was constituted as follows: J. L. Benton, Chas. Sicard, and J. J. Coleman.

W. W. Rolf, Jennie Craven and M. A. Harris were excused from Conference.

Tithing Secretary H. R. Barnett addressed the Conference.

The order of the day having arrived, the following ministers addressed the Conference in behalf of the Camp Meeting Interests: H. J. Bullock, D. H. Scott, Chas. Sicard, J. R. Babcock, and J. L. Benton.

Conference adjourned by limitation of time.

Benediction by Rev. A. D. Fero.

Fourth Day—Afternoon Meeting—April 7th.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. D. Fero.

After the calling of the roll the minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Boundaries presented their report, which was adopted. See Report No. 10.

The report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders was adopted. See report No. 11.

The report of Conference Statistics was received and adopted.

After a brief recess, business was resumed and the Committee on Pastoral Relations made a partial report, which was adopted.

Rev. H. E. Shipman, of the Rochester Conference, was introduced.

The order of the day was to hear the Educational Interests. Addresses were made by Professors J. S. Luckey, H. R. Smith and H. L. Fancher. An offering of fifty-two dollars was taken to apply on the purchase of additional farm land for Houghton Seminary farm.

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It was moved and carried that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 7 P. M. in the Seminary.

The report of the Treasurer, H. R. LaVere, was received and adopted. See Report No. 13.

The report of the Committee on Thanks was received and adopted. See Report No. 14.

The report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Board was received and adopted. See report No. 15.

The committee to draft resolutions on the state of the country presented a report, which was adopted as read and copies ordered sent to the President of the United States and to the Wesleyan Methodist. See Resolution No. 2.

The name of E. H. Johnson was called and his character passed.
Adjourned by vote.

Benediction by Rev. C. B. Whitaker.

Fourth Day—Evening Session—April 7th.

Conference was called to order by the President.

After prayer by H. R. Barnett, the roll was called, the minutes read, corrected and approved.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and adopted. See Report No. 16.

The Committee on Traveling President presented their report, which was adopted. See Report No. 17.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Institutes was read and adopted. See Report No. 18.

The adoption of Report No. 18 required the appointment of a committee, which was constituted as follows: J. S. Luckey, J. J. Coleman, Chas. Sicard.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the matter of Conference Sunday School Work was received and adopted. See Report No. 19.

A committee was formed to canvass the matter of the sale of Conference properties, J. R. Babcock, E. B. Houghton and H. R. Barnett to be such committee.

The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was received and adopted. See Report No. 20.

The report of the Judiciary Committee was referred back to the committee with power to act and return Rev. S. I. Smith's credentials in case he satisfies the committee that he no longer holds the

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doctrinal views because of which his parchments were surrendered and that the report of the committee shall indicate that they were returned on account of such a change.

The Secretary was ordered to secure the publication of three hundred copies of the Conference Minutes and distribute on the same basis as formerly.

On motion the minutes of the W. H. & F. M. Society were ordered to be included in the published minutes free of charge.

The report of the Committee on Post Office addresses was received and adopted. See lists.

The minutes were read and approved.

Conference adjourned by vote.

Benediction by Rev. J. R. Babcock.

J. R. Babcock, President.

Dean S. Bedford, Secretary.

Reports of Committees

Report No. 1.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We recommend the following nominations for temporary organizations:

Committee on Boundaries—Walter Readett, Manley Crowell, J. R. Crawford.

Committee on Ministerial Character—G. E. Bathhurst, H. M. Locke.

Committee on Statistics—E. S. Davidson, A. J. Taylor, Albert Egger.

Committee on Pastoral Relations—J. R. Babcock, C. B. Whitaker, A. D. Fero, F. E. Gentle, C. Pritchard, C. F. Ball.

Committee on Thanks—May Branch, Clara Aiken.

Committee on Courtesies—C. B. Whitaker, H. J. Bullock.

Auditing Committee—W. W. Rolf, J. L. Benton, F. G. Douglass.

Committee on Conventions—N. R. Shaffer, C. B. Whitaker, D. H. Scott, William Donaldson, Beulah Pickup, Mildred Gillette.

Committee on Ministerial Institutes—J. S. Luckey, Chas. Sicard, D. S. Bedford.

Committee on Budget—J. S. Luckey, Arthur Bernhoft, M. A. Harris, F. C. Adams.

Committee on Post Office Addresses—Bruce Burch and Iva Benning.

Report No. 2.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

1. According to Report No. 17 in our last year's minutes the Conference voted to have the President devote the whole of his time to traveling the Conference if he could arrange to do so; if not,

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that he should devote such a portion of his time as might be found possible. Having failed after considerable effort to secure a pastor for Levant, we were able only to comply with the second provision of the report. In doing this work we have labored eight Sundays and forty-two and one-half week days.

2. The following charges were left in the hands of the President: Delevan and Machias, Holland, Napoli and Smethport. Delevan has been without preaching except for a few Sabbaths at the beginning of the year. Machias has been acceptably supplied by Rev. J. J. Coleman and Rev. Francis B. Markell. Holland, Napoli, and Smethport not being able to sustain regular services have been left unsupplied.

3. The Chestnut Ridge charge called the Rev. L. C. Mattoon, of the Champlain Conference, and he was appointed pastor.

4. The Rev. C. E. Woodhead has been received on his transfer from the Rochester Conference.

5. The Rev. L. C. Mattoon has been received on his transfer from the Champlain Conference.

6. The Rev. J. J. Coleman has been received on his transfer from the Indiana Conference.

7. On account of failing health the Rev. E. H. Johnson resigned from the pastorate of the Allegany charge, and Rev. H. J. Bullock was appointed to fill the vacancy.

8. The Rev. A. D. Fero was appointed pastor of the Roulette Mission, to conclude the work of the Conference year.

9. The Rev. W. J. Seekins having been ordained an Elder in the Lockport Conference, and having lost his Elder's parchment, requested a duplicate. His request was granted.

10. On February 26th a Wesleyan Methodist Church was organized at Roulette, Pa. This church has been duly received into the Lockport Conference.

11. The following licentiates have been authorized to administer sacraments and solemnize matrimony: D. H. Scott, A. J. Taylor, Wm. Donaldson and E. S. Davidson.

12. The report from the charges on the tobacco amendment made through the Secretary is as follows:

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Charge.	Whole No.	For.	Against.
Allegany	No report
Bradford	10	9	1
Cattaraugus	35	31	4
Chestnut Ridge	11	11	0
Cameron	7	7	0
Delevan and Machias.....	No report	..	..
Driftwood	13	1	12
East Leon	17	15	2
Eagle Harbor	31	25	6
Forestville	12	7	5
Fillmore	23	15	8
Higgins	8	6	2
Hess Road	12	8	4
Houghton	35	23	12
Hamburg	17	15	2
Levant	24	24	0
Napoli	No report	..	..
Olean	21	20	1
Ransomville	16	4	12
Smethport	No report	..	..
Short Tract	No report	..	..
Wyoming	4	3	1
Total	296	224	72

13. Financial Report.

Receipts.

From Conference Treasurer	\$31.01
From the charges	72.12
W. J. Seekins for Elder's Parchment....	1.00
	\$104.13—\$104.13

Disbursements.

Stationery and postage	\$7.79
Traveling Expenses and telephone calls	50.52

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Pulpit supply	24.00
To balance last year's account	1.01
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Total	\$83.32— \$83.32
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Balance on hand	\$20.81
	Chas. Sicard, President.

Report No. 3.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR WHITE DOVE MISSION.

(Report not furnished.)

Report No. 4.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Assets.

Property	\$4,100.00
Furniture and fixtures	500.00
Rev. C. P. Sage, note.....	100.00
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	\$4,700.00
Net assets 1916	\$3,322.00
Net assets 1917	3,772.00
Gain on assets	450.00

Liabilities.

Mortgage	\$850.00
Interest on mortgage to April 4, 1917.....	78.00
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	\$928.00

Receipts.

Amount on hand April 1, 1916.....	\$23.05
From Conference Treasurer	78.00
From Conference Treasurer	11.18
Westons Mills Church, by S. E. Graves	12.00

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Mrs. Dora A. Sicard, Treasurer W. H.	
& F. M. Society	20.00
Olcott Church Property	500.00
G. W. and Cassie L. Sanders	5.00
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	\$649.23—\$649.23

Disbursements.

Interest on mortgage to April 4, 1916...	\$78.00
Perfecting title of Westons Mills church	
property and telephone message....	11.18
W. W. Rolf for Olean Church	12.00
Costs of transfer of the Olcott church	
property	75.15
Payment on mortgage	450.00
Amount on hand	22.90
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	\$649.23—\$649.23

Signed,

H. R. Barnett, Treasurer.

Report No. 5.

BETHESDA HOME REPORT

From April 1, 1916, to April 1, 1917.

Receipts.

Cash on hand at beginning of year....	\$29.51
Received for Board and Maintenance..	1,250.22
Rev. H. R. LaVere, Conference Treas.	12.00
Cash donations for the year	83.88
From County Commissioners for Pro-	
bation Service	96.00
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Total	\$1,474.61—\$1,474.61

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Disbursements.

Provision	\$685.19
Workers' salaries	245.00
For probation service to workers	96.00
Gas for fuel and lights	99.44
Telephone service	31.15
Water rent	10.20
Carfare and traveling expenses	48.80
For Medicine and medical purposes ..	12.40
Shoes and rubbers for girls	40.85
Miscellaneous	206.66
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Total	\$1,475.69—\$1,475.69
Balance due Miss Cole for salary	\$10.00
Cash to balance	1.08

Signed,
Grace E.. Cole, Matron.

Report No. 6.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND HOLINESS CONVENTIONS.

1. We recommend that the districts remain as they were last year, viz: First District, Westons Mills, Smethport, Bradford, Driftwood, Olean, Delevan, Cameron and Roulette. Second District—Cattaraugus, East Leon, Napoli, Forestville and Levant. Third District—Allegany, Fillmore, Houghton, Higgins, Short Tract and Wyoming. Fourth District—Holland, Chestnut Ridge, Eagle Harbor, Hess Road, Ransomville and Ellicott.

2. We recommend that at least one convention be held in each district during the year.

3. We recommend that each district elect their own chairman and such officers as they may choose, arranging for conventions in their respective districts.

Said election and arrangements to be made, as far as possible, before final adjournment of conference, the present incumbent to see that this recommendation is carried out.

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4. We further recommend that each chairman and pastor where a convention is to be held have full charge of arranging for the convention and have the oversight of same.

5. We also recommend that each district through their chairman shall report the convention to the next Annual Conference.

Signed,

Noah R. Shaffer,
Beulah M. Pickup.

Report No. 8.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET.

1. The part of the budget for Education is \$1,000.00, and all money paid for current expenses of Houghton Seminary, all money paid on Educational pledges for Houghton Seminary, and all interest (but not principal) paid on Educational notes for Houghton Seminary may count toward this budget.

2. The part of the budget for Home and Foreign Missions is \$1,000.00, and all money paid for current expenses for Home and Foreign Missions, all money appropriated for this purpose by the W. H. & F. M. Society, and all money paid by the Y. M. W. B., may be counted toward this budget.

3. We recommend that the part of the budget for Conference be \$1,000.00; that nothing but cash may count toward this budget, and that this amount shall cover all Conference expenses, except the funds for Superannuated Ministers.

4. We recommend that the charges raise all three parts of the budget as a whole; that this total budget shall be raised and paid over quarterly; that for all money not paid to the Conference Treasurer a duplicate receipt shall be given, which receipt shall be given to the Conference Treasurer; that it shall be optional with each charge to divide this total budget or to pay it over undivided, and that undivided parts must be paid to the Conference Treasurer.

5. If a charge divides its total budget, we recommend that this rule be followed: All money designated by the donor shall be placed in the fund designated, but all money not designated by the donor shall be so distributed that, so far as possible, each fund, including the sums designated for that fund, shall have the same

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per cent of its apportionment. This rule shall apply until each fund is complete; after that the charge shall divide as it sees fit.

6. We recommend that the Conference Treasurer be instructed to remit to the Connectional Treasurer at least quarterly all money received definitely for Educational, or definitely for Missionary work, but that undivided budget may be retained until it is evident where it will be needed to maintain a balance between the benevolences, and should then be distributed so as to maintain this balance.

7. We recommend that no charge shall receive credit on its budget except for cash or receipts sent to the Conference Treasurer.

8. We recommend that each pastor shall include in his statistical report these items: Total budget assigned, and total budget raised; that the second item shall not be filled in till the pastor has settled with the Conference Treasurer, and that the account placed in this second item shall be the amount reported to the pastor by the Conference Treasurer.

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

10. We recommend that Allegany, Hamburg, and Olean be rated at three-fourths membership; that Bradford, Cameron, Higgins, Wyoming and Short Tract be rated at one-half membership; that Delevan and Machias, Holland, Napoli, and Westons Mills be rated at one-fourth membership, and that the total budget be then apportioned pro rata. On this basis the apportionment is as follows:

Charge.	Miss.	Edu.	Conf.	Total Budget
Allegany	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$120.00
Bradford	19.00	19.00	19.00	57.00
Cameron	8.00	8.00	8.00	24.00
Cattaraugus	106.00	106.00	106.00	318.00
Chestnut Ridge	33.00	33.00	33.00	99.00
Delevan and Machias	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00
Driftwood	39.00	39.00	39.00	117.00

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Charge.	Miss.	Edu.	Conf.	Total Budget
Eagle Harbor and Yates.....	79.00	79.00	79.00	237.00
East Loan	54.00	54.00	54.00	162.00
Ellicott	25.00	25.00	25.00	75.00
Fillmore	82.00	82.00	82.00	246.00
Forestville	45.00	45.00	45.00	135.00
Hess Road	46.00	46.00	46.00	138.00
Higgins	29.00	29.00	29.00	87.00
Holland	2.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
Houghton	183.00	183.00	183.00	549.00
Levant	85.00	85.00	85.00	255.00
Napoli	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00
Olean	44.00	44.00	44.00	132.00
Ransomville	38.00	38.00	38.00	114.00
Roulette	13.00	13.00	13.00	39.00
Short Tract	11.00	11.00	11.00	33.00
Smethport	8.00	8.00	8.00	24.00
Westons Mills	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.00
Wyoming	9.00	9.00	9.00	27.00
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	\$1,011.00	\$1,011.00	\$1,011.00	\$3,033.00

Signed,

J. S. Luckey,
Arthur Bernhoft,
F. C. Adams.

Report No. 9.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, would respectfully submit the following report:

We know of no department of the Church that is of greater importance than that of the Sunday School. Here we have the child of today who will be the man or woman of tomorrow, and the training of the child is the making of the man.

That our Sunday Schools are all that could be desired is useless to claim, for we are yet far from perfection in this department.

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The great question that confronts us is, how can they be improved. We understand that the modern idea of the Sunday School is, first, The church engaged in the study of the Bible. This relates to the work of the hour during which the school is gathered in the classroom. Second, the aim of the Sunday School is, in the language so often quoted, "To lead men to Christ, train them up in Christ, and send them out for Christ." This may involve many other services and means besides those used during the regular Sunday School hour. Third, a still further idea of the modern Sunday School work is that of "Community Betterment." This involves all of the other activities and adds those which look to municipal reforms, cleanliness, health, moral and social interests of the community. As a Church, we may not yet be ready for all that is outlined, but we ought, at least, to be aggressive in developing the best methods of teaching the Scriptures and of getting the unsaved to God.

We believe the time has come when we ought to strengthen the general as well as the local work of this department in our own Church by placing a definite financial support back of the Connectional and Conference officials who are expected to operate in this department of the church work. To this end we recommend the following items for your consideration:

1. That all our schools begin at once to bring themselves to the standard of efficiency required by our denomination, and especially would we recommend the organization of a teacher's training class in each school.
2. That the pastors and superintendents give more care to the furnishing of quarterly reports to the Conference Sunday School Secretary, as they are required to do in Section 242 of the Discipline.
3. That the various Sunday Schools of the Conference be urged to contribute more largely for the Connectional supervision of our schools.
4. That this Conference provide an adequate sum by which its Sunday School Secretary may be able to perform the duties prescribed for him in the Discipline. (Item No. 4 referred to a committee. See Report No. 19.)

Signed,

C. B. Whitaker,
Chairman of Sunday School Board.

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Report No. 10.

COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES.

In regard to the petition presented to this Conference by the members of the Hamburg charge, that the present name of Hamburg be changed to Ellicott, we recommend that said petition be granted.

Signed,

Walter Readett,
J. R. Crawford,
Manley M. Crowell.

Report No. 11.

COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS.

1. In the case of James W. Elliott, who comes duly recommended from the Houghton charge, as a suitable person to travel under the direction of Conference, we recommend that he be so received.

2. That in the case of Albert Eggler, who comes duly recommended from the Driftwood charge as a suitable person to pursue the course of study, we recommend that he be received.

3. That in the case of Elmer S. Davidson, who has passed his course of study, we recommend that he be excused from the course and that he be ordained when he has completed his two years of travel.

4. That in the case of William*Donaldson, D. H. Scott, A. J. Taylor and Sarah C. Wilcox, we recommend* that each be continued and pursue the course of study.

Signed,

C. B. Whitaker,
Secretary of Committee.

Report No. 12.

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

(See Tables on pages 36 to 47.)

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Report No. 13.

CONFERENCE TREASURER.

Conference Budget.

Cash on hand last report	\$684.32	
Conference offering	30.00	
Cash received from charges	183.17	
From Sale of Conference Minutes	47.74	
Undivided Budget	545.58	
Interest from Bank	4.00	
Received by receipt	281.25	
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Total	\$1,776.06	—\$1,776.06

Disbursements.

Paid H. R. Barnett, interest on mortgage and premiums on insurance Bethesda Rescue Home	\$132.50	
Paid Conference Secretary and Treasurer.....	30.00	
A. D. Burns for material and work at Bethesda Home	30.04	
Rev. Chas. Sicard, Conf. Pres., expense.....	10.00	
Paid Rev. J. S. Willett, Conf. Minutes.....	61.45	
Grace Cole, Rescue Home Workers	24.73	
Interest on Olean Parsonage	90.00	
Mabel Morris, Olean Mission Work	45.00	
W. W. Rolf, Olean Mission Work	22.70	
Interest on Loan to Rescue Home	75.00	
Missionary Board Expense	16.98	
By Receipts as above	281.25	
Cash to balance	925.40	
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Total	\$1,776.06	—\$1,776.06

Assets of Conference Fund.

Loan of Myra Lynn bequest	\$140.70	
Cash in Treasury	925.40	
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Total Assets	\$1,066.10	—\$1,066.10

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Missionary Budget.

Cash received from charges	\$61.43	
Undivided budget	5.42	
Received by receipts	1,128.41	
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Total	\$1,195.26	—\$1,195.26

Disbursements.

Mrs. E. G. Hartson, Y. M. W. B. Supt.	\$18.77	
Mrs. Mary L. Clarke, Y. M. W. B. Supt.	4.28	
Rev. J. S. Willett, Connectional Treasurer ...	43.80	
By receipts as above	1,128.41	
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Total	\$1,195.26	—\$1,195.26

Educational Budget.

Cash received from the charges	\$125.30	
Undivided budget	499.43	
By receipts	570.52	
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Total	\$1,195.25	—\$1,195.25

Disbursements.

Paid Rev. H. W. McDowell, Sub-Treasurer...	\$1.20	
Paid President J. S. Luckey, Sub-Treasurer....	623.50	
By receipts as above	570.52	
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Total	\$1,195.25	—\$1,195.25

Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

Cash on hand last report	\$425.35	
Received from charges	73.44	
Interest from the bank	14.00	
Interest from loan to Bethesda Home	75.00	
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Total	\$587.79	—\$587.79

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Disbursements.

Rev. N. F. Robb	\$50.00	
Cash to balance	537.79	
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Total	\$587.79	—\$587.79

Assets Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

Cash in Treasury	\$537.79	
	Signed,	
	H. R. LaVere,	
	Treasurer.	

Report No. 14.

COMMITTEE ON THANKS.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Lockport Conference, assembled in session at Houghton, N. Y., do hereby extend our heartfelt thanks to the pastor and people of Houghton for the royal manner in which they have cared for and supplied entertainment for us.

We also thank God for His manifest presence at each session of the Conference and for the Christian fellowship which has existed. May God's richest blessings and grace remain with every one.

Signed,
Mae Branch,
Clara E. Aiken.

Report No. 15.

Receipts.

Cash on hand April 1, 1916	\$42.45	
Interest on the same to January 3, 1917.....	76	
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Total	\$43.21	\$43.21

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Disbursements.

Bethesda Rescue Home Sundries, J. Krienson & Brother	\$26.25	
M. J. Ball	7.24	
Cash to balance	9.72	
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Total	\$43.21	\$43.21

Assets.

Loan to W. H. & F. M. Society	\$50.00	
Cash on hand April 3, 1917	9.72	
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Total	\$59.72	\$59.72

Signed,

F. E. Gentle, Treasurer.

Report No. 16.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 1917.

1. We recommend that an appropriation be made from the treasury in favor of Rev. Charles Sicard, former President, for 42½ days' Conference work at \$2.00 per day, amounting to \$85.00, less \$20.81 reported in his hands as balance from funds received.

2. We recommend that the amount of \$90.00 be appropriated in two instalments to apply toward the interest on the debt against the Olean parsonage.

3. We recommend that an appropriation of \$78.00 be made to pay the interest on the Bethesda Rescue Home debt.

4. We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Grace E. Cole, Matron of Bethesda Rescue Home, for \$11.08 to cover deficit in current expense.

5. We recommend that an appropriation of \$70.00 be made to assist the Machias Church towards repairs made during the past year.

6. We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of William Donaldson for \$50.00 to assist the work served by him.

7. We recommend that an appropriation of \$50.00 be made to

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Rev. A. D. Fero for deficit in supplying the work at Roulette, Pa.

8. We recommend that \$50.00 be paid to Rev. N. F. Robb from the Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

9. We recommend that \$25.00 be paid from the Superannuated Ministers' Fund to Sister Edgar Fuller, a widow of a former Superannuated Minister.

10. We recommend that an advance appropriation of \$30.00 be made to the President, Rev. J. R. Babcock, for expense in carrying on the Conference work the coming year.

11. We recommend that the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Conference be allowed \$15.00 each for their services.

Signed,

Rev. Chas. Sicard, Chairman.

Rev. J. R. Babcock,

Rev. H. R. LaVere,

Rev. H. J. Bullock.

Rev. Walter Readett,

Ernest B. Houghton,

Clayton F. Ball,

Ernest L. Carnahan,

Henry R. Barnett, Secretary.

Report No. 17.

COMMITTEE ON TRAVELING PRESIDENT.

We recommend that if arrangements can possibly be made, our President shall devote the whole of his time in traveling the Conference at a salary of \$700.00 and traveling expenses. Collections shall not apply on the budget. If any deficit shall arise after this is done, said deficit shall be paid from the Conference treasury. If arrangements cannot be made for the President to devote the whole of his time in traveling the Conference, he shall devote such a portion of his time as he can at a compensation to be determined by the Board of Trustees.

If this recommendation cannot be carried out, we recommend that the President and Advisory Board and the Executive Board of Trustees be authorized to provide for Conference Evangelism to an amount not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars.

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We recommend that the Conference President be required to travel during the Conference year 1918-1919, and that the Discipline shall be interpreted to authorize the Conference to change any pastoral relations that may interfere with this recommend. Charges should engage their pastor with this right of the Conference in view.

Signed,

Chas. Sicard,
C. Ball,
H. Bullock,
A. D. Fero,
J. S. Luckey.

Report No. 18.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL INSTITUTE.

We recommend that Lockport Conference unite with Allegheny and Rochester Conferences in holding a Ministerial Institute at Houghton, N. Y., during the conference year 1917-1918, provided that Allegheny and Rochester Conferences desire to do so.

We recommend that a committee be elected with power to confer with committees that may be elected by the Allegheny and Rochester Conferences and to provide with them for such Institute.

Signed,

Chas. Sicard,
D. S. Bedford,
J. S. Luckey.

Report No. 19.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

We recommend that the Sunday School Secretary shall be authorized to expend what may be received from the Sunday Schools for Conference work and a further sum not to exceed fifty dollars. The Sunday School Secretary is authorized to attend the

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State Sunday School Convention with expenses only paid, and for the time he spends in Conference work he shall be paid at the rate of seven hundred dollars per year.

We recommend that the Conference direct the Board of Trustees to appropriate a sum not to exceed fifty dollars for the use of the Conference Sunday School Secretary.

Signed,

J. S. Luckey,

N. Shaffer,

H. R. LaVere,

Report No. 20.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

Recommendations.

We recommend that the members of the following churches which can no longer sustain regular services be requested to transfer their membership to some Wesleyan Methodist Church within the bounds of the Conference and the said appointments dropped from the Conference roll: Holland, Napoli, Delevan, Westons Mills, and Smethport.

We further recommend that a committee be elected to consider the matter of selling church and parsonage property within the bounds of the Conference where there is no longer hope of sustaining our work.

1. How many are on the Conference roll? 28.
2. Who of the elders are on the stationed list? H. W. McDowell, H. R. LaVere, Chas. Sicard, H. J. Bullock, Walter Readett, C. B. Whitaker, J. R. Babcock, D. S. Bedford, A. D. Fero, Noah Shaffer, F. C. Adams, W. W. Rolf, Geo. Bathurst, May K. Shaffer, W. A. Hazlett, J. J. Coleman, L. C. Mattoon.
3. Who of the elders are on the supernumerary list? G. W. Cooper, N. E. Heald, R. McConnell, B. S. Laughlin, C. W. Smith, W. A. Backus, G. H. Clarke, C. E. Woodhead, E. H. Johnson.
4. Who of the elders are on the superannuated list? W. F. Robb, J. L. Benton.
5. Who of the elders have been deposed this year? None.

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6. Who of the elders have withdrawn this year? By transfer. none. By letter of standing, none.

7. Who have joined the Conference this year? By ordination, none. By transfer, C. E. Woodhead from the Rochester Conference, L. C. Mattoon from the Champlain Conference, J. J. Coleman from the Indiana Conference.

8. Who of the elders have died this year? None.

9. Who of the licentiates are on the stationed list? William Donaldson, D. H. Scott, A. J. Taylor, Sarah C. Wilcox, E. S. Davidson, James Elliott.

10. How is the work supplied? Allegany, A. D. Fero; Bradford, William Donaldson; Cameron, in hands of the President; Cattaraugus, J. R. Babcock; Chestnut Ridge; L. C. Mattoon; Delevan and Machias, Francis B. Markell, by appointment of the President; Driftwood, James Elliott; Eagle Harbor and Yates, Walter Readett; East Leon, F. C. Adams; Fillmore, D. H. Scott; Forestville, Noah R. Shaffer and May K. Shaffer; Ellicott, E. S. Davidson; Hess Road, D. S. Bedford; Higgins, A. J. Taylor; Holland, in hands of the President; Houghton, Chas. Sicard; Levant, H. R. LaVere; Napoli, in hands of the President; Olean and Westons Mills, W. W. Rolf; Ransomville, G. E. Bathurst; Roulette, Glen McKinley, by appointment of the President; Short Tract, Sarah C. Wilcox; Smethport, in hands of the President; Wyoming, A. J. Taylor. H. W. McDowell, President of Miltonvale College; J. J. Coleman, Professor of Theology in Houghton Seminary; H. J. Bullock, C. B. Whitaker, W. A. Hazlett, General Evangelists.

Signed,

J. R. Babcock,
A. D. Fero,
C. B. Whitaker,
Chas. Sicard,
C. F. Ball,
Clarence Pritchard,
F. E. Gentle.

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Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

We, the undersigned, desire to present the following resolution.

1. That a committee of three persons be elected by this Conference to be known as a Committee on Order of Conducting the Business of Annual Conference.

2. That this committee shall be empowered to appoint the chairman of such committees as may be necessary to work out the details of the plan they may propose.

3. That the report of this committee be read at an early hour of our next Annual Conference and, if approved, shall be the basis for the Order of Business.

4. That such committee shall be composed of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Conference.

Signed,

C. B. Whitaker,
H. J. Bullock.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

The State of Our Country.

Since the assembling of the present session of the Lockport Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, the war cloud, so long threatening our republic, has actually settled over us, and the United States has been declared to be in a state of war with Germany. That our President and Congress have sought to evade this final issue by all laudable means is apparent to all. The government of Germany has ignored past treaties, violated the obligations of justice with respect to neutral nations, and so trespassed upon our sacred rights as a nation that the attitude of a defensive warfare to protect our interests, our lives, and our national honor, as now assumed by President Wilson and Congress, is our only alternative. We earnestly deplore this sad condition with reference to our international interests, and hoped it might

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not occur. But since a state of war has come, and liberty and national rights being as sacred and precious as ever, be it

Resolved, That by every possible means we will pledge unswerving loyalty to our government, and extend our sympathies to all the leaders of state upon whose hands rests the responsibility of managing our national interests in this crisis. Also, as in the past, our God has answered prayer and brought victories to His people in their national encounters with nations who have oppressed them, we would urge upon all of God's people that they earnestly pray that God will speedily interpose in the present awful world-conflict among the nations, accomplish His purpose for the furtherance of truth and righteousness in the earth, hastening the glad day when peace shall again prevail, and better still, when "the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ."

Signed,

J. L. Benton,
Chas. Sicard,
J. J. Coleman.

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Report No. 12.

LOCKPORT CONFERENCE STATISTICAL REPORT

Charge	Pastor	Pastor's Labors		Periodicals							
		Time Employed (Months)	Appointments	No. of Church Societies	No. of Wesleyans Taken	S. S. Banners Taken	Teachers' Quarterlies	Scholar's Quarterlies	Junior Quarterlies	Primary Class Papers	Little Folks Cards
Allegany ..	E. H. Johnson and H. J. Bullock	12	2	2	21	24	12	28	20	8	10
Bradford	Wm. Donaldson	12	1	1	8	30	6	21	18	20	20
Cameron	F. R. Collins	12	3	1	4	24	10	29	9	19	
Cattaraugus	J. R. Babcock	12	1	1	35	50	7	70	10	8	10
Chestnut Ridge	L. C. Mattoon	11	1	1	20	12	5	15	10	5	5
Delevan and Machias	F. B. Markell	6	1	2	6						
Driftwood	Geo. Bathurst	12	1	1	8	20	6	36	8	12	12
Eagle Harbor and Yates	Walter Readett	12	2	2	22	30	10	80		15	12
East Leon	F. C. Adams	12	2	2	12	22	13	30	6	10	10
Fillmore	D. H. Scott	12	1	1	14	56	6	66	24		10
Forestville	Noah Shaffer	12	2	1	9	16	9	23	6	7	10
Hamburg	E. S. Davidson	12	1	1	8	16	6	25		6	
Hess Road	Dean S. Bedford	12	2	1	15	35	2	70	30	30	30
Higgins	A. J. Taylor	12	1	1	8	12	7	35	20	14	8
Holland			1	1							
Houghton	C. B. Whitaker	12	1	1	35	90	10	180	15		
Levant	Chas. Sicard	12	1	1	24	60	9	90	25	25	25
Napoli					4						
Olean	W. W. Rolf	12	1	1	8	37	18	25	25	20	20
Ransomville	H. R. LaVere	12	1	1	10	20	7	35	5	14	
Roulette	A. D. Fero	3	1	1				20			
Short Tract	Sarah C. Wilcox	12	1	1	2	12	6	25			6
Smethport				2							
Westons Mills											
Wyoming	A. J. Taylor	12	1	1	5		4	15		10	
Distribution of Undivided Budget											
Totals		236	29	26	287	566	153	898	222	213	207

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued.

	Membership														
	Members Received	Expelled	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Gained	Loss.	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstated Elders	Licentiates.	Membership Tithing
Alleghany	4		6	2		39	39	37		2					8
Bradford	1	1			7	29	29	25		4	14	1		1	16
Cameron	7	1	1	1		18	18	9		9	3	5			4
Cattaraugus	1				2	70	70	75	5						35
Chestnut Ridge	1				2	24	24	23		1					14
Delevan and Machias				1		13	13	12		1					8
Driftwood	3					28	28	27		1					15
Eagle Harbor and Yates	4		4	2	2	51	55	55			1				16
East Leon	2		2	1	2	37	40	37		3	2			1	16
Fillmore			1	2	3	67	67	61		6	3			1	24
Forestville	3					27	31	31			1				9
Hamburg				1	2	26	26	23		3					11
Hess Road	2			1	3	31	31	31				1			16
Higgins	2		3	2	4	46	46	39	1	7		1		2	10
Holland					3	3	3	3							
Houghton	17		2	11	125	125	127	2		2		9		3	70
Levant			1	6	66	66	59			7	3	4			27
Napoli					12	12	12								
Olean	4		5		7	45	48	40		8	9	2		2	28
Ransomville	3					26	26	26						1	11
Roulette	9		2	1				9		9	4				8
Short Tract	1					12	12	13		1				1	
Smethport						5	5	5							
Westons Mills						8	8	8							
Wyoming						12	12	12							4
Dis. of Undivided Budget															
Totals	63	1	30	16	50	819	834	800		34	48	22		14	344

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Sabbath Schools												
	No. of Sabbath Schools	Officers not Teach. or Schol.	No. of Teachers	No. Scholars in Home Dept.	No. of Schol. in Cradle Roll	No. Schol. in Main School	Total No. in Sab. Schools	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Schol. Joining Church	No. Departmental Supt.	No. Teachers' Train. Course Schol. in Adult Bible Classes	No. of Books in Library
Allegany	2	2	8			60	70	40				15	
Bradford	1		6			56	62	33	6			9	
Cameron	2	2	5	19	15	38	79	18			4		
Cattaraugus	1	4	7	7	29	69	155	48	5	1	2	5	31
Chestnut Ridge	1		4			32	36	21		1		14	7
Delevan and Machias													26
Driftwood	1	2	5			51	58	30			2		19
Eagle Harbor and Yates	2	3	8	6	14	90	123	60		4	3	14	30
East Leon	1	1	4	5	12	36	62	20	3		2		16
Fillmore	1	1	7	10	11	77	106	50	3		3		44
Forestville	1		4		2	30	36	28			1		13
Hamburg	1		4			28	32	20	2				14
Hess Road	1		8	4	23	120	155	63	8		4	1	39
Higgins	1	1	6			62	69	40				39	145
Holland													
Houghton	1	2	11	40	4	139	196	110	5		4		35
Levant	1	2	8	21	14	91	136	56			2	11	26
Napoli													150
Olean	1	2	8		16	72	92	43	10	5	1		15
Ransomville	1		6	12	8	28	54	23	1		4		10
Roulette	1	3	3			27	33						
Short Tract	1	1	3			31	35	25	2				15
Smethport													
Westons Mills													
Wyoming	1	1	4			21	26	13					14
Dis. of Undivided Budget...													
Totals	23	27	119	124	148	1158	1615	941	45	11	32	45	391
													421

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	Church Property						
	No. of Church Buildings	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness	No. of Parsonages	Value of	Amount of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Values on Hand
Alleghany	2	\$3000.00		1	\$400.00		\$4.65
Bradford							2.51
Cameron	1	1200.00		1	2000.00	\$114.00	
Cattaraugus	1	3000.00		1	1500.00		
Chestnut Ridge	1	2500.00		1	2000.00		
Delevan and Machias	2	3000.00		1	1200.00		
Driftwood	1	3000.00		1	1500.00		
Eagle Harbor and Yates ..	2	4000.00		1	1000.00		1426.56
East Leon	1	1200.00		1	750.00		
Fillmore	1	1500.00					775.00
Forestville	1	1500.00		1	1200.00		82.10
Hamburg	1	800.00		1	1200.00		
Hess Road	1	2500.00		1	1800.00		
Higgins	1	3000.00	\$809.00	1	600.00	33.00	11.00
Holland							
Houghton	1	2500.00		1	1800.00		
Levant	1	3500.00		1	1500.00		26.00
Napoli	1	1200.00					
Olean	1	2200.00		1	4500.00	2950.00	30.00
Ransomville	1	2000.00		1	2000.00		7.43
Roulette							
Short Tract	1	1000.00		1	800.00		
Smethport							
Westons Mills	1	800.00					
Wyoming	1	1200.00					
Dis. of Undivided Budget ..							
Totals	24	\$44600.00	\$809.00	17	\$25750.00	\$3079.00	\$2365.25

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Amount Contributed for Pastors				
	Salary	Parsonage Rent	Fees, Marriage and Funeral	Gifts	Total Pastors' Receipts
Allegany	\$274.18	\$36.00	\$7.50	\$55.60	\$373.28
Bradford	342.50		12.00	60.00	414.50
Cameron	327.93	75.00	5.00	80.32	488.25
Cattaraugus	624.00	120.00	32.00	36.70	812.70
Chestnut Ridge	369.39	75.00		40.00	484.39
Delevan and Machias	191.93				191.93
Driftwood	593.61	84.00	15.00	89.98	782.59
Eagle Harbor and Yates	425.12	60.00	37.00	146.50	668.62
East Leon	539.52	60.00	20.00	58.70	678.22
Fillmore	600.00		38.00	83.00	721.00
Forestville	450.00	60.00	15.00	150.00	675.00
Hamburg	212.51	75.00		13.80	301.31
Hess Road	406.08	100.00	20.00	106.50	632.58
Higgins	300.00	48.00	10.00	50.00	408.00
Holland					
Houghton	611.50	100.00	4.00	79.00	794.50
Levant	716.50	100.00	10.00	52.81	879.31
Napoli					
Olean	458.87	135.00	12.00	46.25	652.12
Ransomville	427.56	100.00	14.00	14.00	555.56
Roulette	141.79				141.79
Short Tract	205.21				205.21
Smethport					
Westons Mills					
Wyoming	147.75			2.25	150.00
Dis. of Undivided Budget					
Totals	\$8365.95	\$1228.00	\$251.50	\$1165.41	\$11110.86

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	Amount Contributed for Churches				
	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expense	Building and Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Allegany		\$15.00		\$23.00	\$38.00
Bradford	\$75.62	38.81		164.40	278.83
Cameron	42.63	31.88		18.72	93.23
Cattaraugus	153.33	78.89	\$72.78	75.20	380.20
Chestnut Ridge	38.44	21.83	27.18	19.43	106.88
Delevan and Machias			165.11	.48	165.59
Driftwood	24.00	103.81	300.00	42.00	469.81
Eagle Harbor and Yates	171.74	46.82	4.17	155.11	377.84
East Leon	60.00	29.58	56.17	59.30	205.05
Fillmore	278.03	50.00		20.00	348.03
Forestville	19.57	22.18	46.60	10.00	98.35
Hamburg	40.99	15.00	39.82	14.47	110.28
Hess Road		38.25	11.18	16.25	65.68
Higgins	50.00	20.88	211.00	16.40	298.28
Holland					
Houghton	98.00	105.58	85.50	218.92	508.00
Levant	98.03	65.90	374.39	118.00	656.32
Napoli					
Olean	20.41	61.52	226.50	52.20	360.63
Ransomville	73.00	19.92	7.00	60.59	160.51
Roulette		24.60		30.77	55.37
Short Tract	14.25	12.42	100.00		126.67
Smethport					
Westons Mills					
Wyoming	3.00	5.00		4.00	12.00
Dis. of Undivided Budget					
Totals	\$1261.04	\$807.87	\$1727.40	\$1119.24	\$4915.55

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	Amount Contributed for Benevolences			
	Undivided Budget	Missions		
		Missions Undivided	Home Missions	Foreign Missions
Allegany	\$29.00		\$16.75	\$20.10
Bradford				22.20
Cameron		\$25.00	5.00	9.86
Cattaraugus	93.94	59.52	10.00	
Chestnut Ridge	67.75			
Delevan and Machias	9.00			2.60
Driftwood		35.50	5.00	75.00
Eagle Harbor and Yates	83.10		114.09	30.85
East Leon	44.45	33.56		55.73
Fillmore	170.99		10.00	31.51
Forestville	22.25		15.00	46.58
Hamburg	48.52	20.48		
Hess Road	54.41			45.11
Higgins	25.55			9.92
Holland				
Houghton	313.72	10.00	69.50	65.94
Levant			35.00	177.80
Napoli				
Olean		3.70	5.00	33.23
Ransomville	77.75		3.00	24.05
Roulette				20.00
Short Tract	10.00			23.08
Smethport		7.00		
Westons Mills				
Wyoming				8.94
Dis. of Undivided Budget				
Totals	\$1050.43	\$194.76	\$288.34	\$702.50

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	Amount Contributed for Benevolences								
	Missions				Conference Work				
	For Africa	For India	Total for Missions		Conference Fund Undivided	Conference Missions	Conference Incidental Fund	Church Extension	Superannuated Ministers' Fund
Allegany			\$36.85	\$28.00					\$2.28
Bradford			22.20	7.00				\$3.00	1.00
Cameron			39.86	1.25					
Cattaraugus		\$8.65	78.17	78.30				75.35	13.35
Chestnut Ridge									1.60
Delevan and Machias			2.60						
Driftwood	\$1.04		116.54	22.50				11.00	2.60
Eagle Harbor and Yates ..	32.23	15.00	192.17	33.00		\$16.00		16.00	5.00
East Leon			89.29	29.43				36.12	1.90
Fillmore	7.75	3.75	53.01	45.00	\$10.00			10.00	5.63
Forestville			61.58	20.85				12.95	2.00
Hamburg			20.48	15.00					2.00
Hess Road			45.11	35.25					1.50
Higgins			9.92	33.00					2.03
Holland									
Houghton	10.00	10.00	165.44	166.72					15.00
Levant	25.03	10.00	247.80	149.70	86.00	85.90		171.90	11.00
Napoli									
Olean	9.91		51.84	10.00				200.00	4.86
Ransomville			27.05	16.20					3.25
Roulette			20.00						
Short Tract			23.08	11.00					2.30
Smethport			7.00	7.00				7.00	
Westons Mills									
Wyoming			8.94	5.50					1.00
Dis. of Undivided Budget ..									
Totals	\$85.93	\$47.40	\$1318.93	\$714.70	\$96.00	\$101.90		\$543.32	\$78.30

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	Amount Contributed for Benevolences			
	Other Benevolent Objects	Total Contributed for Benevolences	Sabbath Schools	Y. M. W. B.
Allegany	\$25.00	\$121.13		\$8.35
Bradford		33.20		20.20
Cameron		41.11		9.86
Cattaraugus	59.80	398.91		63.82
Chestnut Ridge	300.00	369.35		
Delevan and Machias		11.60		2.60
Driftwood	15.00	167.64		76.04
Eagle Harbor and Yates	53.37	382.64	\$2.00	30.85
East Leon	91.58	292.77		55.73
Fillmore	41.75	326.38		31.51
Forestville	15.00	134.63		32.08
Hamburg		86.00		20.48
Hess Road	29.72	165.99		45.11
Higgins		70.50		9.92
Holland				
Houghton	138.87	799.75	60.50	65.94
Levant	45.00	625.40	3.88	164.80
Napoli				
Olean	175.29	441.99		33.23
Ransomville	5.00	129.25	4.00	23.05
Roulette		20.00		
Short Tract	5.20	51.58		22.08
Smethport	25.26	46.26		
Westons Mills				
Wyoming		15.44		8.94
Dis. of Undivided Budget				
Totals	\$1025.84	\$4731.52	\$70.38	\$724.59

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	Amount Contributed for Benevolences			
	W. H. & F. M. S.	Other Sources	Total From All Sources	Total Amount Contributed For All Purposes
Allegany	\$28.50	\$84.28	\$121.13	\$532.41
Bradford		13.00	33.20	726.53
Cameron	30.00	1.25	41.11	622.59
Cattaraugus	69.58	265.51	398.91	1591.81
Chestnut Ridge		369.35	369.35	960.62
Delevan and Machias		9.00	11.60	369.12
Driftwood	51.50	40.10	167.64	1420.04
Eagle Harbor and Yates	190.09	159.70	382.64	1429.10
East Leon	108.74	128.30	292.77	1176.04
Fillmore	20.00	274.87	326.38	1395.41
Forestville	15.00	197.55	134.63	907.98
Hamburg	26.50	39.02	86.00	497.59
Hess Road		120.88	165.99	864.25
Higgins		60.58	70.50	776.78
Holland				
Houghton	149.87	523.44	799.75	2102.25
Levant	146.90	309.82	625.40	2161.07
Napoli				
Olean	14.91	393.85	441.99	1454.74
Ransomville	14.00	88.20	129.25	845.32
Roulette			20.00	217.16
Short Tract		29.50	51.58	383.46
Smethport		46.26	46.26	46.26
Westons Mills				
Wyoming		6.50	15.44	177.44
Dis. of Undivided Budget				
Totals	\$865.59	\$3060.96	\$4731.52	\$20657.93

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	Budget Assigned			
	Missions	Education	Conference	Total Assigned
Allegheny	\$42.00	\$42.00	\$42.00	\$126.00
Bradford	31.00	31.00	31.00	93.00
Cameron	13.00	13.00	13.00	39.00
Cattaraugus	98.00	98.00	98.00	294.00
Chestnut Ridge	34.00	34.00	34.00	102.00
Delevan and Machias	6.00	6.00	6.00	18.00
Driftwood	40.00	40.00	40.00	120.00
Eagle Harbor and Yates	71.00	71.00	71.00	213.00
East Leon	51.00	51.00	51.00	153.00
Fillmore	93.00	93.00	93.00	279.00
Forestville	38.00	38.00	38.00	114.00
Hamburg	28.00	28.00	28.00	84.00
Hess Road	44.00	44.00	44.00	132.00
Higgins	33.00	33.00	33.00	99.00
Holland	2.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
Houghton	175.00	175.00	175.00	525.00
Levant	93.00	93.00	93.00	279.00
Napoli	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00
Olean	48.00	48.00	48.00	144.00
Ransomville	37.00	37.00	37.00	111.00
Roulette	9.00	9.00	9.00	27.00
Short Tract	7.00	7.00	7.00	21.00
Smethport	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.00
Westons Mills	9.00	9.00	9.00	27.00
Wyoming				
Dis. of Undivided Budget				
Totals	\$1010.00	\$1010.00	\$1010.00	\$3030.00

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	Budget Raised				
	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference	Total Raised
Allegany	\$29.00	\$36.85	\$28.00		\$93.85
Bradford		22.20	7.00	\$3.00	32.20
Cameron		39.86	1.25		41.11
Cattaraugus	93.94	78.17	78.30	75.35	325.36
Chestnut Ridge	67.75				67.75
Delevan and Machias	9.00	2.60			11.60
Driftwood		116.54	22.50	11.00	150.04
Eagle Harbor and Yates	83.10	96.08	33.00	16.00	228.18
East Leon	44.45	89.29	29.43	36.12	199.29
Fillmore	170.99	53.01	45.00	10.00	279.00
Forestville	22.25	61.58	20.85	12.95	117.63
Hamburg	48.52	20.48	15.00		84.00
Hess Road	54.41	45.11	35.25		134.77
Higgins	25.55	9.92	33.00		68.47
Holland					
Houghton	313.72	165.44	166.72		645.88
Levant		219.80	140.82	93.00	453.62
Napoli					
Olean		51.84	10.00	200.00	261.84
Ransomville	77.75	27.05	6.20		111.00
Roulette		15.00			15.00
Short Tract	10.00	23.08	11.00		44.08
Smethport		7.00	7.00	7.00	21.00
Westons Mills		8.94	5.50		14.44
Wyoming		5.42	499.43	545.58	
Dis. of Undivided Budget					
Totals	\$1040.43	\$1195.26	\$1195.25	\$1010.00	\$3400.51

E. S. Davidson, Chairman.

MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society
of the Lockport Conference
Held at Houghton, New York, April 4-7, 1917

Directory of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. Ethel Bullock, Houghton, N. Y.
Vice-President—Mrs. DeEtte Babcock, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Secretary—Mrs. Mae L. LaVere, Falconer, N. Y.
Treasurer—Mrs. Dora Sicard, Houghton, N. Y.
Organizer—Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke, Falconer, N. Y.
Superintendent of Y. M. W. B.—Mrs. May K. Shaffer, Forestville, N. Y., R. F. D. 8.

LOCAL SOCIETIES.

Charge—President—Address.

Allegany—Mrs. Hugh Barber, Caneadea, N. Y.
Ashwood—Mrs. Nettie Readett, Eagle Harbor, N. Y.
Cameron—Mrs. Jennie Craven, Emporium, Pa.
Cattaraugus—Mrs. Eva L. Dietrich, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Eagle Harbor—Mrs. Emma G. Bennett, Knowlesville, N. Y.
East Leon—Mrs. Anna Hall—Dayton, N. Y.
Ellicott—Mrs. Samuel Ellis, West Falls, N. Y.
Fillmore—Mrs. Dell Gillette, Fillmore, N. Y.
Forestville—Mrs. M. K. Shaffer, Forestville, N. Y.
Houghton—Mrs. Pearl Fero, Houghton, N. Y.
Huntley and Castle Garden—Mrs. Albert Eggler, Driftwood, Pa.
Levant—Mrs. Mary L. Clarke, Falconer, N. Y.
Olean—Mrs. Bertha Simmons, 305 Center St., Olean, N. Y.
Ransomville—Mrs. George Bathurst, Ransomville, N. Y.

Charges—Superintendents of Y. M. W. B.—Addresses.

Allegany—Mrs. Hugh Barber, Caneadea, N. Y.
Ashwood—Mrs. Nellie Readett, Eagle Harbor, N. Y.
Cattaraugus—Mrs. J. R. Babcock, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
East Leon—Mrs. Mabel Mosher, Cattaraugus, N. Y.
Ellicott—Miss Flora Barber, West Falls, N. Y.
Fillmore—Miss Lena Wiles, Fillmore, N. Y.
Forestville—Elizabeth Foster, South Dayton, N. Y.
Hess Road—Miss Mae Branch—Burt, R. F. D., N. Y.

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Houghton—Mrs. Dora Sicard, Houghton, N. Y.

Huntley and Castle Garden—Mrs. Geo. English, Driftwood, Pa.

Levant—Mrs. Bessie Willett, Falconer, N. Y.

Olean—Mrs. W. W. Rolf, 401 Fourth Ave., Olean, N. Y.

Ransomville—Mrs. Amy Demmine, Ransomville, N. Y.

Bethesda Mission—Miss Beulah Pickup, 29 Boylston St., Bradford, Pa.

Mrs. Sarah M. Donaldson, Committee.

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Wednesday Afternoon.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lockport Conference convened for its twenty-fifth annual session at Houghton, N. Y., April 4, 1917, with the President, Mrs. Ethel Bullock, in the chair.

Singing, "Marching to Zion."

Scripture read by Mrs. Babcock.

Prayer offered by Mrs. Donaldson and Mrs. LaVere.

Roll call.

On motion Mrs. Sarah Donaldson to be seated as a member of this Society.

On motion Mrs. Donaldson was appointed a Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials submitted a partial report, which was adopted and the names placed on the roll.

A motion prevailed that the President appoint the Committees.

Committees:

Courtesies—Mrs. Sicard and Mrs. Houghton.

Auditing—Miss Moses and Mrs. Babcock.

Statistics—Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Adams.

Revision of Roll—Mrs. Donaldson and Mrs. Babcock.

Thanks—Mrs. LaVere.

Plan of Work—Mrs. Clarke.

The following Societies reported: Ellicott, Cameron, Cattaraugus, Driftwood, Ransomville, Fillmore and Levant.

A motion prevailed that the election of officers take place Thursday afternoon at 1:30.

Mrs. Clarke gave a very interesting talk on some of the Mission Study Books.

Mrs. Sicard read a letter from Brother Sprague expressing his appreciation of and acknowledging the receipt of the money raised for the industrial work.

Mrs. Sicard desired the Society to take action upon notifying those who have made pledges and are still unpaid.

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On motion Mrs. Sicard was requested to use her own judgment and correspond with those who have unpaid pledges.

A motion prevailed that Mrs. Peck be the first member of the Committee on Resolutions.

On motion Mrs. Sicard was made the second member of the Committee on Resolutions.

Miss Hattie Crosby, one of our returned missionaries, was introduced to the Society.

Motion made and carried that Miss Crosby, because of her relation to the Missionary work, be seated as a member of this Society.

Motion prevailed that the matter of rules of membership be referred to the Committee on Revision of Roll.

Adjourned by motion.

Thursday Afternoon.

Meeting was called to order by the Vice-President.

Singing.

Scripture read by Mrs. Adams.

Prayer by Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Scott.

The roll was called, minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials rendered a further report and the names were placed on the roll.

East Leon, Allegany, Forestville, Olean, and Houghton Societies reported; also the Y. M. W. B. of Short Tract.

A motion prevailed that an order be drawn on the Treasury for sixteen dollars (\$16.00) for Conference work and credit be given the Ashwood Society.

The report of the Committee on Revision of Roll was read and approved. See Report No. 1.

On motion the Society proceeded to the election of officers.

Motion prevailed that Miss Moses and Miss Pickup act as tellers.

The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Ethel Bullock; Vice-President, Mrs. DeEtte Babcock; Secretary, Mrs. Mae L. LaVere; Treasurer, Mrs. Dora Sicard; Organizer, Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke.

A motion was made and carried that the name of Mrs. May K. Shaffer be placed in nomination for the office of Superintendent of the Y. M. W. B.

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Mrs. May K. Shaffer was elected.

Miss Beulah Pickup, Assistant Matron of Bethesda Home, brought us a most inspiring and encouraging message, giving us the number of girls in the Home, telling of their improvement while there, several having been definitely saved. The people of Bradford are becoming better acquainted with the Home and are appreciating the work done. Just recently Miss Cole was invited for the first time to speak in the M. E. Church of that city, which resulted in an increased interest among the more influential people.

Mrs. Clarke presented the Southern work in her most pleasing manner. Surely the Southland is a great harvest field. The temporal needs are many. Sister Gaines told Mrs. Clarke that the people needed everything. The outlook is indeed very hopeful, especially among the colored people.

Adjourned by motion to meet Saturday at 1:30 P. M.

Friday Afternoon.

A public missionary meeting was held in the church Friday afternoon, with the Vice-President in the chair. Singing, "The Whole Wide World for Jesus." Mrs. McMillan read the Scripture and offered prayer. Miss Beulah Pickup, Assistant Matron of Bethesda Home, gave a message from the Home. Mrs. Hester sang a beautiful solo entitled, "You Belong to Me." Mrs. Mary L. Clarke gave an address on the growth, outlook and need of our work, especially the Southern work. Miss Hattie Crosby presented the African work, and Rev. J. S. Willett made an earnest appeal for funds to carry forward the work. A collection of \$635.00 was received by pledges and freewill offerings, after which Rev. L. W. Strong pronounced the benediction.

Saturday Afternoon.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Singing.

Scripture read by Mrs. Babcock.

Prayer by Mrs. McMillan.

Roll call.

Minutes read and approved.

A committee was appointed to apportion the amount of twenty-

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five dollars (\$25.00) pledged by the Conference Missionary Society for Missions.

On motion Mrs. LaVere was elected as the first member of this committee.

On motion Mrs. Clarke was elected as the second member of this committee.

The Committee on Plan of Work presented the following Plan of Work, which was adopted: Program, Floral, Work, Membership, Local, Mountain Work, Colored Work of the South, Africa, India, City Work. Let the President present special needs for prayer. After devotionals and the preliminary business, let the various committees report. Read letters that may have been received and discuss the most urgent needs. Spend some time on the most necessary work. Devote some time to the study of textbook. Have a brief but interesting program. Have a solo if possible. Invite in the young people and give them a part. Urge payment of at least one cent a week for floral offering. Urge the importance of tithing, which will increase all offerings. Study, work, pay and above all pray, for the coming of our Lord draweth night.

On motion the value of the Dormitory was raised from \$850.00 to \$1,000.00.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and approved. See Report No. 2.

The Treasurer's report was presented and referred to the Auditing Committee. See Report No. 3.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and approved. See Report No. 4.

On motion Mrs. Sicard was made chairman of a committee to apportion funds.

On motion Mrs. Peck was made the second member of this committee. See Report No. 6.

The statistical report was read and adopted. See Report No. 7.

The report of the Committee on Thanks was read and approved. See Report No. 5.

A motion was made and carried that an order be drawn on the treasury for a sufficient amount to purchase the missionary textbooks not already in Houghton Seminary Library, and that Mrs. McMillan act as a committee to purchase the books.

A motion was made and carried that the Conference Missionary Society pay the expenses of our Conference officers to attend Conference.

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Mrs. Clarke urged every local society to make a date for a missionary worker to visit their charge.

Mrs. Sicard, Y. M. W. B. Superintendent, made a few remarks and reported \$763.18 as received from the Bands.

On motion the general oversight of the Dormitory was left with the Executive Committee.

On motion all unfinished business was left with the Executive Committee.

The minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned by motion.

Mae L. LaVere, Secretary.

Reports

Report No. 1.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF ROLL.

We recommend that ministers' wives of the Lockport Conference by virtue of their position be eligible to a voice in the Lockport Conference Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, and that visiting members of the local societies be seated by vote in the absence of the Delegate or President or both. Also Superintendents of Y. M. W. B. Bands.

We also recommend that any member of a local Society be given the right of debate.

Signed by your Committee,

Sarah M. Donaldson,
Mrs. De Ette Babcock,
Committee.

Report No. 2.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MRS. E. G. HARTSON.

Whereas, Our beloved Y. M. W. B. Superintendent, Sister Hartson, has passed from her labors to eternal reward; and

Whereas, The memory of her godly life, filled with faith, love and devotion to God and His work, is still with us; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we strive to profit by her example in increased efforts to spread the Gospel and by a greater devotion to the Master; and also be it

Resolved, That we pledge allegiance to our new Superintendent, Sister Clarke, and pray that she be given special strength, wisdom and faith for the task.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be placed upon our Minutes, and also be sent to the Wesleyan Methodist for publication.

Flora Peck,
Dora W. Sicard,
Committee.

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Report No. 3.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE W. H. & F. M. SOCIETY.

Receipts.

Cash on hand April 7, 1916		\$164.45
General Fund	\$85.56	
Dormitory	73.50	
Memorial		
Foreign Missions	296.69	
Home Missions	112.87	
Bethesda Home	34.21	
Conference Missions	11.12	
Y. M. W. B.	763.18	
		<u>1,378.13</u>
		\$1,542.58

Assets.

Dormitory on Houghton Camp-ground.....	\$1,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	250.00
	<u>\$1,250.00</u>

Disbursements.

General Fund	\$31.60
Dormitory	81.75
Memorial	36.50
Foreign Missions	360.19
Home Missions	112.87
Bethesda Home	34.21
Conference Missions	11.12
Y. M. W. B.	763.18
	<u>\$1,431.42</u>
Cash to balance	111.16
	<u>\$1,542.58</u>

Liabilities.

Loans payable	\$190.00
Net assets	<u>\$1,060.00</u>

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Report No. 4.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee has examined the Treasurer's books, balanced all accounts and find them correct.

M. B. Moses,
Mrs. De Ette Babcock,
Committee.

Report No. 5.

RESOLUTION ON THANKS.

We, the members of the Lockport Conference Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society hereby extend our thanks for the excellent entertainment provided for us by the pastor and wife, members of the Houghton Church and friends, and to our beloved President, Mrs. Bullock, for the use of her home for our business meetings.

We also give grateful thanks to God for His blessing upon our meetings and for the spirit of encouragement and devotion which has been manifested.

Dora W. Sicard,
Mrs. Anna Houghton,
Committee.

Report No. 6.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT OF FUNDS.

Total amount in General Fund		\$84.10
Amount to be retained in Treasury.....	\$14.10	
Amount voted for Conference Missions	20.00	
Amount voted for expenses of the General Wo- man's Home and Foreign Missionary So- ciety	10.00	
Amount voted for Camp Dormitory	5.00	
Amount voted for Medical Missions	5.00	
Amount voted for Bethesda Home	10.00	
Amount voted for Educational Work	20.00	
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	\$84.10	\$84.10

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Statistical Report Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society Lockport Conference

	Date of Organization	Active Members	Honorary Members	Total Members	Membership Fee	Freewill Offering	Regular Meetings	Special Meetings	Public Meetings	Total Meetings	Missionary Programs	Cash Receipts	Value of Goods	Total Receipts	Missionary Boxes	Value of Same
Allegany	1901	17	3	20	\$1.00	Yes	11			11	No	\$28.50	\$10.00	\$38.50	3	\$10.00
Cattaraugus ..	1904	30	2	32	1.04		12	2	1	15	Yes	49.37	39.80	89.17	1	29.20
Cameron	1907	35		35	1.00	Yes	18	7		25	No	69.07		69.07		
Eagle Harbor ..	1892	15	3	18	.50	Yes	12			12	No	33.40	77.00	110.40	2	75.00
East Leon	1894	18	4	22	1.00	Yes	12	4	1	17	No	71.28	38.58	109.86	6	31.58
Ellicott	1901	13		13	1.00	Yes	11			11	No	30.00		30.00		
Fillmore	1901	23	4	27	.60	Yes	11			11	No	37.39	29.00	66.39	3	24.00
Houghton	1904	31	9	40	1.00	Yes	19	2		21	Yes	64.22	83.23	147.45	5	83.23
Driftwood	1908	18	13	31	1.00	Yes	12	26		38	No	165.00	25.80	190.80	2	25.80
Levant	1893	45	2	47	.60	Yes	12	2		14	Yes	76.56	97.17	173.73	13	97.17
Olean	1905	10	1	11	1.00		11	13		24	No	39.91		39.91		
Ransomville ..	1912	14	1	15	.60	Yes	11	1		12	No	16.30		20.89		
Forestville	1899	29	6	35	.60	Yes	12		2	14	No	65.11	3.00	68.11	1	3.00
Ashwood	1892	17	1	18	.50	Yes	11			11	No	54.88	27.00	81.88	1	15.00
Totals		315	49	364			175	57	4	236		\$800.99	\$430.58	\$1236.16	37	\$393.98

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF LOCKPORT CONFERENCE

	Local Disbursements	Rescue Home	City Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	General Fund	Medical Missions	Amount for Other Purposes	Disbursements	Members of Y. M. W. B.	Amount Raised by Y. M. W. B.
Allegany ...	\$1.25	38.45	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$19.25			\$15.22	\$38.50	12	\$10.35
Cattaraugus ..	21.50			10.00	24.25			89.17	85	63.82	
Cameron ...	2.00			21.50		\$25.00		17.57	69.07	11	9.86
Eagle Harbor ..	7.00	20.70		85.00	20.00			3.40	110.40	15	14.10
East Leon ...	.90			17.00	36.00	25.56		3.60	109.86	70	60.36
Ellicott	5.00	25.67	10.00	10.00	10.00	26.50		2.60	30.00	18	20.48
Fillmore	5.50	57.28		29.45	20.00	20.00		8.11	68.78	33	31.51
Houghton ..	75.00	42.80		13.12	40.50			10.85	143.08	95	88.36
Driftwood ...	17.50	78.90		30.00	35.50		\$2.50	19.38	190.80	125	76.04
Levant	25.00			5.00	9.91			5.00	169.40	135	164.80
Olean		2.30		3.00	1.00	10.00			39.91	69	28.34
Ransomville ..	10.94			15.00	5.00			4.59	20.89	34	23.05
Forestville ...	16.00			25.00	20.00	16.00		27.93	58.87	45	32.08
Ashwood ...								4.88	81.88	19	16.75
Short Tract.										35	20.08
Totals ..	\$187.59	\$266.10	\$20.00	\$269.07	\$241.41	\$123.06	\$2.50	\$123.13	\$1220.61	801	\$659.98

Note:—The total amount received by Y. M. W. B. as reported in Year Book is \$763.18. Amount of this report is \$659.98, leaving discrepancy of \$103.20. This is evidently on account of incomplete and unreported statistics from the local societies. The Hess Road report of 30 members was received too late to be entered. This added to the membership of this report makes 831. The total per Year Book is 837, leaving 6 as unreported.