Minutes of the 45th Annual session of the Rochester Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist connection of America: held at Varick, Seneca Co, N.Y April 24.th – 28 1889.

Wednesday April 24, 1889 1st Day Am Session

Opening Conference met in the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Varick N.Y. at 9

Am.

Called to order by the President, Rev A.T. Jennings.

Religious services conducted by Rev J. S. Fausey Singing 798 Hymn

reading Ps 68. Prayer by brethren Fausey and J. E. Tiffany.

Roll called.

A.D. Carter Rev A. D. Carter, Superannuated minister, received by transfer from

Central Ohio Conference.

H. C. Morgan On motion by Rev G. M. Hardy voted: That the name of H. C. Morgan

be taken from the Roll, he having joined the Pacific Conference.

Secretary excused from Conference

Prayer in the interim.

Brethren introduced The following Brethren introduced viz: Rev J. D. Russell Champlain

Conference, Rev J. L. Benton Syracuse Conference, Rev F. S. Lee

pastor of Varick Church.

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Committee on Credentials

On motion by Rev. G. L. Paine voted: That Revs J. S Fausey and J.

E. Tiffany be elected committee on credentials

Bars of Conference

On motion by Rev S. Frazier. That 5 first seats constitute the Bars of

Conference

Honorary Members

On motion voted. That all visiting brethren of our own, and other

denominations be invited to honorary seats, provided they are

members of no secret societies.

Time to open and close, Am Sessions

On motion by J. H Cook. That Am Sessions open at 8 Am, and close

at 11 Am.

Some PM Sessions

On motion by same, That Pm Sessions open at 1.30 Pm, and close

by vote.

Report of The committee on credentials made report as follows, viz:

Committee on Credentials

H. Baldridge, Varick, A. W. Brim Seneca Falls Martin C. Berry North Bradford M. E. Ferrell, David Molyneaux, Elkland S. J. Dudley.

Howard. G. B. Wentworth Jasper.

On motion by Rev G. L. Paine. The report adopted.

Report for a new

Rev J. E Tiffany made request viz:

charge viz Conondaigua [sic]

That Canandaigua be admitted as a new charge in this Conference,

and that Seba Squiers be received as delegate there from

Committee on Religious Services.

On motion, voted. That such request be granted.

On motion by Rev G. L. Paine. That Rev F. S. Lee, Rev J. H. Cook,

with the delegates from Varick church. be

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the committee on religious Services Conference adjourned by limitation.

Singing Doxology, Benediction by Rev. J. E. Tiffany.

Wednesday April 24.

1st Day PM Session

Opening

Conference met at the hour fixed for assembling.

Called to order by the President.

Religious exercises led by Rev J. L. Benton of the Syracuse

Conference:

Reading 145 Ps, Singing 822 Hymn

Prayer.

Roll call

Roll called.

Minutes read

Minutes of previous Session read and approved

Committee on Statistics elected.

On motion by Rev G. M Hardy voted: That Rev J. E. Tiffany be elect

– [sic] committee on Statistics.

By father vote Bro Seba Squiers was added to such committee.

The President called Rev G. L. Paine to the chair.

Examination of Character

Conference by common consent proceeded to the examination of

Character.

A.T. Jennings Character arrested

Character arrested by Rev D. P. Rathbun of the Syracuse

Conference.

Objection made

Objections raised by Bro Jennings, That a person who was not a mem-

The name of A. T. Jennings called

ber of Conference, had not the right to arrest the character of a

member of this body.

Decision of the The chair decided. That when the alleged offence was committed Chair

when both parties were member of the conference had such a right.

Appeal taken Decision not sustained

The decision of the chair appealed from by Bro Jennings.

By vote of Conference the decision not sustained 6 Ayes 9 Nays.

The character of Rev A. T. Jennings arrested by Rev David Porter. Character arrested

Committee of investigation elected

Motion by Rev G. M. Hardy. That a committee of investigation be

elected.

Motion prevailed.

By vote, Revs J. E. Tiffany, J. M. Swick O. D. Field and Brethren S. J.

Dudley & Geo B. Wentworth were elected such committee.

Committee excused

Motion by Rev D. Porter. That the committee be excused from Conference, that they may enter at once upon the work assigned

them,

Motion prevailed. And Committee retired

Committee on Credentials report, The committee on Credentials made father report viz: John Atwell, and Minerva Miller North Cohocton & Lent Hill. George Field of

South Bradford.

By vote such report adopted. Report adopted

Examination of Character G. W. Scudder

Conference proceeded with the examination of character.

The name of G. W. Scudder called.

Had no regular work.

Made statements as to his labors du-

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-ring the year, Singing "Rock of Ages &c"

Remarks by Rev S. Frazier.

Character passed.

The name of J. H. Cook called J. H. Cook

Had no regular work,

Made statements relating to labors performed.

Remarks by Rev F. S. Lee pastor of the Varick church.

Character passed

A.A Rathbun The name of A. A. Rathbun called.

Disciplinary questions asked & answered

Remarks by Bro David Molyneaux, and Sister M. E. Ferrell delegates

from Elkland also by Rev G. M. Hardy

S. Frazier The name of S. Frazier called,

Disciplinary questions asked and answered

By common consent the passage of the brother's character was deferred, until such time as he could give his statistical report. Remarks by Bro S. Mesick of Howard charge, Also Rev G. W.

Scudder,

J.S. Fausey The name of J. S. Fausey called

Disciplinary questions asked and answered

Read Statistical report

Remarks by Rev M. H. Blackman.

Character passed,

On Motion by Rev G. M. Hardy adjourned at 4.45 PM.

Benediction by Rev G. W. Scudder.

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Thursday April 25, 1889 2nd Day Am Session.

Opening Conference met at the hour fixed for assembling.

Religious services led by Rev G L Paine viz: reading 118 Ps, singing

595 hymn, Prayer.

Rev G. L. Paine in the chair.

Roll call

Roll called.

Minutes read

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

Member Received

By vote Rev H. Loundsbury [sic] received as a member of

Conference, by transfer from Syracuse Conference.

Brethren introduced

Bro Loundsbury introduced to Conference and made brief remarks,

Rev N. Wardner Editor Wesleyan Methodist introduced, and made

remarks,

S Frazier

Rev S. Frazier read Statistical report of Howard charge,

Remarks by Bro S. J. Dudley delegate from said charge.

Character passed.

Committee on Credentials report.

The committee on Credentials made farther report viz: R. W. Simmons Hector, J. D. Kimball. Charleston. Alice E Bowen Haskinville,

Report of Committee of investigation in the case of A.T. Jennings The committee in the case of Rev A. T. Jennings made report by Rev J. E. Tiffany chairman of committee, viz:

"That the matter between Brethren Jennings, and Rathbun is

"That the matter between Brethren Jennings, and Rathbun is amicably settled, Bro Jennings making the following acknowledgement viz:

"I hereby acknowledge that I have unintentionally been made a tool

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by wicked men in sending letter which they have written to others than myself, to Mr. John Norton of Millview Pa, concerning Bro D. P. Rathbun, This acknowledgement is made in view of a recent discovery of the unholy character of the men writing these letters, Signed A.T. Jennings.

J. E. Tiffany }
J M Swick }
O. D. Field } Committee
J S Dudley }
Geo B Wentworth }

Report adopted

On motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. The report was adopted.

Complaint withdrawn

Rev David Porter withdrew his complaint against Bro Jennings,

Brethren introduced

The following named brethren were introduced to Conference viz:

Rev D. S. Kinney Agent of Connection,

"J. A. Richards " " Wasioja
"G. W. Story " " Houghton

A.T. Jennings

The name of A. T. Jennings called,

Disciplinary questions asked and answered

Read his statistical report.

Remarks by Bro A. W. Brim delegate from Seneca Falls church.

also by Bro Shuman of "

Character passed.

The President resumed the chair.

G. L. Paine

The name of G. L. Paine called

Disciplinary questions asked and answered

Read his Statistical report

Remarks by Martin. C. Berry delegate from North Bradford, & Rev S.

Frazier

Character passed,

Sister A. A. Rathbun read Statistical report of Elkland charge.

Complaint made against Salt Springs Church

David Porter chairman of the committee in the trial of the Salt. Springs Church made complaint viz:

"Having ascertained that said church have not given satisfaction by correcting the evil I do hereby present the case to this Conference for final settlement

Counsel Recognized Motion by Rev E. Barnetson. That Revs R F. Ducher [sic] and J. L. Benton be recognized by this Conference, as counsel for the respective parties, and are therefore entitled to raise the point of order in Conference deliberations pertaining to the matter now before this Conference Motion prevailed.

Motion by Rev G. L Paine. That the case of the Saltsprings [sic] church be left to a committee of 5.

Point of order raised by Rev R. F Ducher [sic] counsel for Salt springs Church, viz:

"That the election of a committee at this point of the proceedings is contrary to the Spirit of the Discipline."

Voted on motion by calling roll of Conference, Ayes 10 Nays 11. Motion lost.

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. That the final vote of Conference in the case of the Salt. Springs church be taken without debate, other than the counsel

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of the respective parties

Motion prevailed

Time for hearing said case

On motion By Rev H. Loundsbury. [sic] That the hour for hearing the case of the Salt Springs Church be at the opening of this PM Session.

Time to elect officers of Conference

On motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. That the time for election of the officers of Conference be at 10 Am to morrow.

Tim for Connectional Agent to report.

On motion by Rev. D. Porter. That Rev D. S. Kinney Connectional Agent, make his report to this Conference the opening for business of

PM. Session to morrow.[sic]

Time for Agent for Wasioja Seminary, On motion by Rev G. M Hardy, That immediately following such report, Rev J.A Richards Agent for Wasioja Seminary, present the

interests of the same to this Conference.

Time for Agent for Houghton Seminary,

On motion by Rev D. Porter. That Saturday PM. at opening of session for business, that Rev G. W. Story Agent for Houghton

Seminary present the interests of said school

Adjourned by limitation at 11 Am Adjournment

Singing Doxology.

Benediction by Rev. J E. Tiffany

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Thursday April 25. 1889 2nd Day PM Session.

Opening Conference met at 1.30 PM.

Religious services led by Rev A. D. Carter

Reading Scripture Romans 12, singing 599 Hymn. Prayer.

Roll called Roll call

Minutes read. Minutes of previous session read and approved

The committee on Credentials made a farther report viz: Manley. S.

Committee on Credentials report, Adopted

Baker, Hornby Charge.

On motion by Rev J. M. Swick such report adopted.

Report of Committee on Itineracy & Orders The Committee on Itineracy and Orders made partial report viz: Recoment [sic] that Frank. S. Lee be elected to Elders orders, having passed a very creditable examination. That A. S Shuman be

received into the travelling relation. The committee are pleased to

know he will continue in his studies at school.

The Committee are much please with the progress and work of James S. French, and recomend [sic] he be continued in the work as

Licentiate

A.W. Brim

Sec Committee.

Adopted On motion by Rev S. Frazier. Report adopted.

The Committee on Credentials made farther report viz: Mrs J. H.

Committee on Credentials report adopted

Cook Varick Church,

On motion by Rev J. M. Swick. Report adopted

Examination of Character

Conference proceeded with the examination of Character.

J. E. Tiffany

The name of J. E. Tiffany called

Disciplinary questions asked and answered

Read Statistical reports for Hopewell Center and Canandaigua

Charges.

Remarks by Bro Seba Squiers delegate from Canandaigua Charge.

Revs M. H. Blackman, A.T. Jennings. And J S Fausey

Character passed,

Brother introduced

Bro Wm Clow Licentiate from Seneca Falls Church introduced to

Conference.

SaltSprings [sic] Church.

The order of the day taken up viz: The case of the Saltsprings [sic] Church.

The Rev J. L. Benton counsel for the prosecution presented the case before Conference.

Rev S. Frazier clerk of the Committee in the trial of the minutes of Saltsprings [sic] Church read the minutes of said trial, (See minutes) Rev J L Benton counsel for prosecution continued the case, at the close of his remarks. Rev R. F Ducher [sic] Counsel for the Church proceeded with the defence, [sic] At the close of such defence [sic] Bro Benton Counsel for prosecution made the closing plea, at the close led the Conference in prayer followed by Bro Ducher.

Motion by Rev D. Porter that the vote be taken by Yeas & Nays Motion prevailed

The President put the question. Shall the action of the committee suspending the Saltsprings [sic] Church be sustained? The secretary sy calle [sic] the roll. Conference voting as follows viz:

Yeas G. L Paine, J. M. Swick, G. W. Scudder, O. D. Field, J. S. Fausey,

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D. Porter, A. A. Rathbun, S. Frazier. F J Franklyn. M H Blakcman. J. E. Tiffany. G. M. Hardy. H Loundsbury, F. S. Lee, M. C. Berry. D. Molyneaux. S. J Dudley. G. B. Wentworth, Seba Squiers. Geo Field, R. W. Simmons, J D. Kimball, Manly S Baker. Yeas 23.

Nays E. Barnetson, J H Cook. W. W. Millers, A. D. Carter. H Baldridge, A. W. Brim, John Atwell, Minerva Miller, Alice Bowen. Nays 9

The President declared the action sustained

Adjournment On motion adjourned at 5 35 PM

Benediction by the President

Friday 26 1889

3rd Day Am Session,

Opening Conference met at the hour fixed for assembling.

Religious Services led by Rev J. E. Tiffany, Singing 783 Hymn,

Reading Coll 3. Prayer.

Roll call Minutes Read. Roll called.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

J D Russell The President presented to Conference a letter of Standing of Rev J.

D. Russell of the Champlain Conference, with request of Bro Russell

to be received as a member of this Conference.

Received Motion by Rev S. Frazier. That Bro Russell be received on such letter

of Standing. Motion prevailed

The committee on Mc En Tyre [sic] Church made report.

Motion deferred for written report.

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Communication presented & Referred to Committee on Pastoral Relations.

The President to Conference a communication from Rev W. Ingersoll

laboring at Vandalia Pa Lockport Conference.

On motion by Rev A. D. Carter such communication referred to the

committee on Pastoral Relations.

Report of sale of Church property.

The committee on Mc En Tyre [sic] church made report as follows:

viz:

The Committee to look after the First Wesleyan Methodist Church of East Hector sometime in November 1888 met certain parties and effected a [insert: sale of] said church edifice, the building being sold

for the sum of \$57.00. said committee giving a bill of sale.

J. M. Swick } Committee

R. W Simmons

Adopted On motion voted To adopt the report,

Committee farther report

The committee on the above church made farther report as to the

use the money from said sale was put to

Motion to adopt. Deferred

Motion by Rev S. Frazier. That such report be adopted Motion deferred until report should be presented in writing

Motion to table. Lost Committee on

Credentials report.

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany that the whole matter be laid on the table. Motion lost.

The Committee on credentials made farther report viz. T. S. Couch

Catharine charge

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Adopted

& Orders

On motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. Such report adopted

A.T. Jennings elected on Committee Itineracy Motion by Rev J. M. Swick. That Rev A. T. Jennings be elected on Committee on Itineracy & Orders for three years.

The secretary put the motion and declared the same carried.

The comittee [sic] on Mc En Tyre [sic] church further report as follows.

The action of said committee in selling said church property was laid before the Quarterly Conference of Hector Circuit, said Quarterly Conference appropriating the proceeds of said sale for use on the

circuit.

J. M. Swick. } Committee R. W. Simmons }

Motion to adopt

Rev S. Frazier renewed His motion to adopt the report.

Amendment offered

Amendment offered. That money thus reported, be appropriated for

the building of a parsonage on Hector circuit,

Lost

Lost Yeas 9. Nays 15.

Laid on Table.

Motion by Rev O. D Field. That the matter be laid on the table.

Motion prevailed

Election Officers

The Order of the day taken up viz the election of officers.

The President appointed Rev J. E. Tiffany and Bro S. J. Dudley as

Tellers

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On motion by Rev. D. Porter. That first ballot for President be

informal.

Informal Ballot

Informal Ballot as follows

No of ballots 35 of which A. T. Jennings received 18. J. E. Tiffany 9.

G. L. Paine 5 H. Loundsbury 2. D. Porter 1.

2 Ballot 2nd Ballot as follows:

Whole No of votes 24. Of which A. T. Jennigs received 17. J. E.

Tiffany 15 G. L. Paine 1. H Loundsbury 1.

No election.

3 Ballot A T Jennings elected President Whole No of votes 24. of which A. T. Jennings received 18. J E

Tiffany 16 A. T. Jennings declared elected.

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. That such election be made unanimous.

The Secretary put the motion and such election was made

unanimous by rising vote of Conference.

Remarks by President Prayer.

Remarks were made by the President at the close of which

Conference was led in prayer by Rev J. E. Tiffany.

Time of adjournment extended.

On motion by Rev G. L. Paine voted: That time of adjournment by

extend until the election of officers is completed.

Conference proceeded to the election of Secretary.

Election of Secretary Motion by Rev O. D. Field. That Rev G. L Paine be empowered by

vote of this Conference to cast a ballot for J H Cook for Secretary.

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J H Cook elected Secretary

Motion prevailed by a rising vote.

Bro Paine so voted. And J H Cook was declared elected.

Collection taken Remarks by Secretary.

Collection taken for Secretary Amt \$7.50

Election of

Treasurer Conference proceeded to the election of treasurer.

A W Brim elected Treasurer.

Motion by Rev O. D. Field. That Bro A. W. Brim be elected treasurer

Motion prevailed

Missionary Board,

elected

On motion by Rev M. H. Blackman Rev G. L. Paine, O. D. Field, and

brethren David Molyneaux and T. S. Couch were elected as

Missionary Board.

S Frazier Assistant Secretary.

On motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany Rev S. Frazier was elected assistant

Secretary.

S. Frazier elected on Committee on Statistics

Bro Seba Squiers not being able to remain during Conference.

Rev J. E. Tiffany. Moved: That Rev S. Frazier be associated with

himself as Committee on Statistics

Motion prevailed

Adjourned Conference adjourned by limitation at 11.20 Am.

Benediction by Rev D. Porter.

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Friday April 26, 1889

3rd Day Pm. Session

Opening Conference called to order by the President at 1.30 Pm.

Devotional exercises led by Rev E. Barnetson, Singing 784 Hymn

Reading John 17. Prayer

Roll called.

Minutes of previous Session read and approved.

Committee on Pastoral Relations elected.

Motion by Rev F. J. Franklyn. That Revs S. Frazier, G. M. Hardy. G. W Scudder, and Brethren S. B. Wentworth, S. J. Dudly [sic] & H.

Baldridge, be elected committee on Pastoral Relations

... Motion Prevailed

Communication Read Referred.

A communication re[a]d by the Secretary from Rev E. S. Walker. On motion by Rev J. S. Fausey, Such Communication referred to the

Committee on Pastoral Relations

Order of the Day The Order of the day taken up viz:

The hearing of the Report of the Connectional Agent.

Report of Agent Rev D. S. Kinney Coll taken Rev D. S. Kinney Connectional Agent made his Annual report to Conference Speaking at its close particularly of Mission work. Collection taken for poor fund for Wesleyan Methodist Amt \$8.86. Remarks by Revs N Wardner Ed Wes-Methodist, J. S. Fausey, J. D.

Russell W. W. Miller, J E. Tiffany, and Bro M. Merrick

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Rev J A Richards Agent for Wasioja Rev J. A Richards Agent for Wasioja Seminary presented the interests of said school, prefacing such presentation by prayer. At the close of his presentation received in cash & pledges \$17.45

Resolution offered

The Rev G. M. Hardy, presented the following resolution, and moved its adoption viz:

Resolved. That it is the sense of this Conference, that each minister and member of this Conference, and within its bounds, be requested to make an effort to secure the circulation of our literature, and that we will extend the courtesy of this Conference to Rev J. A. Richards for the sake of peace and unity of our connection to speak in the interest of the Wesleyan Herald.

Laid on the Table. Motion by Rev J. H. Cook. That the Resolution be laid on the table.

Motion prevailed.

Examination of Character

Conference proceeded with the examination of Character.

D. Porter The name of David Porter called.

Disciplinary questions asked and answered. Read Statistical report of South Bradford charge.

Remarks by Bro George Field delegate from said charge, also Revs

S. Frazier, O. D. Field, and M W Paine

Character passed

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East Hector Church Motion. That the matter pertaining to East Hector Church be taken

from the table.

Motion prevailed

The Rev S. Frazier offered the following resolution and moved its adoption viz. That in view of a change in the condition of affairs, concerning the property of The First Wesleyan Methodist Church of East Hector, upon which the action of the last annual conference was based, the further report of the Committee on said church properly, [sic] concerning the appropriation of the proceeds of said sale be adopted, See Report Page 255

Motion spoken to by different brethren

Previous question moved,

Lost,

East Hector Church matter left with the President

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany, That the matter pertaining to East Hector Hill Church be left in the hands of the President, that he may ask

legal advice and report to next Conference,

Motion prevailed

J M Swick Character arrested, The name of J. M. Swick called Character arrested by Rev D. Porter

Bro Porter not presenting a written complaint, The President decided

the same out of order,

Matter of grievance left out

The matter was adjudged by Brethren Porter & Swick mutually agreeing to leave their matter of grievance with Revs J. L. Benton, &

J E Tiffany

The parties concerned were granted leave to retire from Conference.

Adjourned

On motion by Rev J H Cook adjourned. at 5.35 PM.

Benediction By Rev D. S. Kinney

Saturday April 27, 1889 4th Day PM Session.

Opening

Conference called to order by the President at 8.25 Am, at close of

prayer-meeting.

Roll called.

Roll call Minutes read.

Minutes of previous session read and approved

Report of Committee on Arbitration

The Committee of arbitration in the case of Brethren D. Porter and J. M. Swick make the following report. viz: The aggrieved parties undersigned desire to make the following statements, The cause of alienation between us has arisen in a misunderstanding of a contract entered into between us eight years ago in the engagement of Bro Porter as Pastor of Hector Charge that year, and also other matters naturally growing out of said misunderstanding

Bro David Porter confesses that he did not carry out the contract <u>fully</u> from conscientious scruples, and acknowledges that he should have stated the fact to Bro Swick and sought release from [insert: what] he

considered to be the unreasonable part of the contract:

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He furthermore acknowledges, that through misapprehension he has made [an] unwarrantable comparison of Bro Swick with another person: and also that he <u>now</u> sees that it would have been better to have proposed the arbitration of their differences in a private way, avoiding the public arrest of Bro Swicks [sic]character.

Bro J. M Swick acknowledges that from the above causes he has used to strong terms in characterizing brother Porter's conduct. Hence we <u>mutually</u> ask and grant each other forgiveness, and agree to walk henceforth with each other in Christian fellowship.

David Porter John M Swick The aggrieved parties having fulfilled their pledge to abide by the decision of the arbitrators we recommend that this reconciliation be concerned a final settlement of the difficulty, and the arrest of character be now considered withdrawn,

> J. E. Tiffany } Arbitrators J. L. Benton }

Report Adopted

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. That the report be adopted Motion prevailed

Singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow &c"

Report of the Committee on Itineracy & Orders

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders made completed report. by Bro A W Brim Secretary of Committee. viz:

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Final report of Committee on Itineracy & Orders.

The committee recommend Bro Wm Clowe be received to the traveling relation, being much pleased with his work, and his proficiency in his studies.

The Committee also recomend [sic] that Bro Milo W. Payne be elected to Elders' Order.

AT Jennings G M Hardy J M Swick } Committee. S. J. Dudley

A. W. Brim

Report adopted.

On motion by Rev D. Porter voted the adoption of report.

Examination of Character

Conference proceeded with the examination of character.

J. M. Swick

The name of J. M. Swick called.

Had no regular work assigned him, but had labored on Hector charge.

Disciplinary questions answered.

Remarks by Bro R. W. Simmons delegate from Hector, also Revs D.

P Rathbun and F. J. Franklyn,

Character passed

Request for a new charge,

At this point Sister Smith of Town Line appointment Hector Charge, made request That such appointment constitute a separate charge. On motion by Rev G. M. Hardy, voted That such request be referred

Referred

to the Committee on Pastoral Relations

Request made

Rev J. M. Swick made request, That he be excused from father

attendance at this conference.

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Granted

On motion by Rev J. S. Fausey, Such request was granted On motion by Rev G. L. Paine. Rev G. W. Scudder was elected

Committee on the Presidency elected.

member of the Committee on the Presidency.

By father vote Revs G. L. Paine. H. Loundsbury and Brethren A. W.

Brim and G. B Wentworth were added to such committee.

Resolution offered,

The following resolution was offered by Rev J. E Tiffany who moved its adoption viz: -- Resolved: That it is the sense of this Conference that <u>any</u> complainant against any member of this conference, should take the Disciplinary course before any action be taken in open Conference, and in case any member shall fail to take such disciplinary steps, or arrest the character of any member, he shall be

adjudged guilty of evil speaking, as in case of a private member of

the Church.

Adopted.

Motion to adopt prevaild. [sic]

Committee on Campmeetings elected

Motion by Rev J. E. Tiffany. That a committee of 5 be elected on Campmeetings. [sic] By vote the following named persons were

elected as such committee viz:

Revs J. E. Tiffany, A. T. Jennings. H Loundsbury, G. L. Paine, & Bro

G. B. Wentworth.

Report of Missionary Board.

Missionary Board made report by J H Cook Secretary of the Board

νiz.

An appropriation of fifty dollars \$50, to Rev J. E. Tiffany. Five dollars

in the hands of Rev G. M Hardy, received while evangelist to be

retained by him

Adopted By vote such repo

By vote such report adopted.

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Committee on Superannuated Fund elected Motion by Rev S. Frazier. To elect the committee on Superannuated

Fund.

Motion prevailed

By vote Revs G. L. Paine. G. W Scudder, J. D. Russell, and Brethren G. B. Wentworth and H. Baldridge were elected such committee.

Examination of Character

Character

S.D. Prentiss The name of S. D. Prentiss called.

Superannuated. Not present

Name spoken to by Revs James French S. Frazier and Bro G. B.

Wentworth.

Character passed.

H. W. Bixby The name of H. W. Bixby called

Not present, Spoken to by Rev F. J Franklyn

Secretary read Statistical report from Hornby Charge.

Character passed.

O. D. Field called

Disciplinary questions answered.

Read Statistical report from Catharine charge.

Remarks by Bro Field concerning a donation given by soldier friends

called forth inquiries by different brethren.

The following resolution was offered by Bro J. Depue. viz: That conference by a rising vote express their gratitude to those who

risked their lives in the time of the Country's peril

Motion prevailed

Remarks by Bro T. S. Couch delegate from Catharine Bro Field not having taken collections as per Resolution of

Conference, By vote his Character passed.

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F. S. Lee. The name of F. S. Lee called.

Disciplinary questions answered

Read Statistical report from Varick Church

Remarks by Bro H. Baldridge delegate from Varick Church. Also J H

Cook

Character passed.

Extension of Time Rev S. Frazier moved time for adjournment of this session be

extended to consider two more names,

M. H. Blackman Motion prevailed.

The name of M. H. Blackman called Disciplinary questions answered,

Read Statistical report from North Cohocton and Lent Hill.

Remarks by Bro John Atwell delegate from said charge, also W. W.

Miller & J. S. Fausey. Character passed.

Question of Privilege

Rev J A. Richards

The Rev J. A. Richards arose to a question of privilege viz: "That the Conference through the chair, state the disciplinary rule, and rule of

Christian courtesy by which the conference refused to hear a visiting

Wesleyan Elder on a question he desired to present before

Conference,

Decision of the Chair

The chair decided. That the Conference had a right to refuse to hear any objectionable matter, or any thing that was objectionable to

conference.

E. Barnetson

The name of E. Barnetson called. Disciplinary questions answered.

Read Statistical report from Haskinville charge:

Remarks by Sister Alice Bowen delegate from said charge.

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Adjourned

Character passed

Adjourned by limitation at 11.35 Am

Benediction by Rev S Frazier

Saturday April 27, 1889 4th Day. P.M. Session.

Opening

Conference met at 1.30, PM.

Devotional exercise led by Rev G. W Story Agent for Houghton

Seminary.

Reading 91 Ps. Singing 421. Hymn Prayer.

Roll called Minutes read

Roll called.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

A.D.Carter.

The name of A. D. Carter called.

Superannuated

Made remarks concerning his life & experience as a minister

Remarks were also made by Brethren A. W. Brim, A. L. Shuman, and

the President of Conference, Rev N Wardner and Bro J Depue

Character passed.

F J Franklyn

The name of F J. Franklyn called

Had no regular work.

Made statements relating to himself,

Remarks were also made by the President

Character passed.

Report of the Committee on Superannuated Fund The committee on Superannuated Fund made report by Rev J. D.

Russell Secretary of Committee, viz:

Your committee recoment [sic] an appropriation of ten dollars for Rev W G Woodruff, and thirty dollars \$30, for Rev S. D. Prentiss Superannuated Elders.

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G. B. Wentworth }
J. D. Russell }
G. L. Paine. } Con

G. L. Paine. } Committee
G. W Scudder. }

H. Baldridge

Report adopted

On motion by Rev S. Frazier voted to adopt the report.

W.W. Miller

The name of W. W. Miller called

Had no regular work.

Made statements concerning his labors.

Remarks by Rev D. P. Rathbun.

Character Passed

D. V. Owen

The name of D. V Owen called

Not present

Name spoken to by Rev D. P. Rathbun

Character passed.

R. W. Padgham

The name of R. W. Padgham called

Not present. Name spoken to by Rev S. Frazier, and Bro S. Mesick. Motion by Rev G. L Paine. That the name of R. W Padgham be stricken from the roll, from the fact that he has not reported to this

Conference for over two years and has declared to different

members of this Conference that he considers himself as withdrawn.

Motion prevailed

C. S. Walker

The name of W. W. Miller C S Walker called

Not present Name Spoken to by Rev G. M. Hardy. Statistical report

read from Cameron Charge

Character passed.

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R. E. Salisbury

The name of R. E. Salisbury called.

Not present. Name spoken to by Sister Minerva Miller delegate from

North Cohocton and Lent Hill charge

On motion by Rev W. W. Miller voted that his character pass.

G. M. Hardy The name of G. M. Hardy called.

Missionary at Large.

Made statements relating to his labors during the year, and offered

the following resolution viz

Resolution offered Resolved that this Conference favors all judicious efforts to suppress

the rum traffic. We sympathize with the different state's Constitutional

Amendments, and our hearts go out to our sister state of

Pennsylvania, and hope that on the 10th of June next she may place

entire Prohibition on her Statute books.

On motion by Rev D Porter, The resolution adopted

Remarks relating to Bro Hardy were made by Revs D. Porter, W. W.

Miller and Bro John Atwell.

Character passed.

W. G. Woodruff The name of W. G. Woodruff called

Not present

A communication from Bro Woodruff read by the Secretary. Name

spoken to by the same and Bro John Atwell,

Character passed.

M. W. Payne The name of M. W. Payne called

Disciplinary questions answered,

Read Statistical report from Charleston Charge Remarks by Revs D. Porter, and S. Frazier

Character passed.

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James French The name of James French called

Licentiate. Had labored on Jasper Charge.

Disciplinary questions answered.

Read Statistical report of Jasper Charge

Remarks by Bro G. B. Wentworth delegate from said charge also

Rev W. W Miller Character passed.

Houghton Seminary

Rev G. W. Story Agent for Houghton Seminary presented the

interests of said school,

AT the close of such presentation raised for the benefit of the school

as follows, viz

 Pledges \$75.00

 Cash
 20.56

 Total
 95.56

Report of Treasurer Bro A. W. Brim Treasurer of Missionary Board made report See

Report Miss Records Page 126.

Adopted On motion by Rev G. L. Paine. Voted to adopt the report

Resolution of Thanks

Bro A. W. Brim offered the following resolution of thanks viz.

Whereas: This conference and visitors having been invited to the

Homes of the people of Varick: and having been entertained by them

with such hearty welcome and the comforts of life,

Therefore: Resolved by this Conference and visitors that we give them our sincere thanks for such welcome and entertainment.

Adopted Said resolution unanimously adopted by a rising vote of Conference

and visitors to the same, and ordered read from the desk at Sabbath

morning service,

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Report of Committee to Champlain Conference Adopted Committee on Ontario Church Continued

Rev A. T. Jennings. Committee elected at the last session of Conference to visit the Champlain Conference. made verbal report. On motion by Rev G. L Paine. Voted to adopt such report

Motion by Rev S Frazier, That the committee in the case of the

Ontario Church be continued another year.

Motion prevailed

Place for holding the next Conference.

Conference proceeded to locate the place of holding its next annual Session.

Canandaigua the place of next Conference.

Rev J. E. Tiffany invited the next conference to Canandaigua. Motion. That the next annual session of the Rochester Conference be held at Canandaigua Motion prevaild [sic]

Committee of Location.

On motion by Rev G. M. Hardy. That the President and Secretary with Rev J. E. Tiffany be a committee to locate Conference in case it cannot be held at Canandaigua.

Time of Meeting

On motion by Rev G. L. Paine, voted That Conference meet at 9. Am, the 4th of April 1890.

Report of Treasurer of Sup Fund

Bro S. Mesick Treasurer of superannuated Fund made report as follows

Of money received at this Conference.

\$ Ch
3.39
1.70
2.32

	Jasper. Charleston	1.00 1.00				
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Report adopted	Seneca Falls Haskinville Varick North Cohocton & Lent Hill South Bradford Hector Hopewell Total received On motion voted to adopt the repo	\$ Ch 7.06 4.50 3.50 .45 2.05 .54 <u>1.00</u> 28.56				
S Mesick elected as treasurer of Sup Fund	On motion by S. Frazier, voted that treasurer of Superannuated Fund					
Trustees of Conference elected	Motion by Rev S. Frazier. That the Secretary cast ballots for G. M. Hardy J. Depue, & Jacob Post, for trustees of Conference for three years. Secretary so voted and the above named brethren were elected.					
Committee on Statistics	The committee on Statistics made full, report deferred for the present					
Report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations.	The committee on Pastoral relation Secretary of the Committee. See F	•				
Report adopted	On motion by Rev J H Cook. The	report was adopted				
President a Committee to assign subjects	Motion by Rev J H Cook. That the Committee to assign subjects to b Conference, Motion prevailed.					

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Report of the Committee on Statistics

The committee on Statistics made complete report. See Report Pages 280-283

Report adopted

On motion by Rev D. Porter voted to adopt the report.

Resolution approved

The Rev S. Frazier offered the following resolution and moved its adoption viz; Resolved. That as a conference we desire to express our loyalty to our excellent form of Discipline, and we believe it to be

in harmony with the Word of God.

Adopted

Motion to adopt prevailed.

Matter left with the President

Motion. That the request of Cameron charge to be transferred to the Lockport Conference, ad the work at Mt Jewett be left with the

President with Disciplinary authority to advise in the matter.

Motion prevailed.

Minutes read

The minutes of present session read and approved.

Remarks by Revs D. P. Rathbun & A. D Carter

Adjourned

Motion by Rev G. M Hardy. That Conference adjourn to meet at the

call of the chair,

Motion prevailed. And Conference ad.journed [sic] at 6.35 Pm. Conference led in prayer by Revs G. L Paine and G. M Hardy.

Benediction by the President

J. H. Cook

Secretary Conference,

S. Frazier

Assistant Secretary.

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Officers of Conference.

President, Rev. A. T. Jennings.

Seneca Falls. N.Y.

Secretary. Rev J. H. Cook

Varick, N.Y.

Treasurer, A. W. Brim.

Seneca Falls. N.Y.

Missionary Board.

The President, Secretary, & Treasurer of Conference., Revs G. L Paine, O. D. Field. And Brethren David Molyneaux, and T. S Couch,

Trustees of Conference.

G. M Hardy, John Depue, Jacob Post

For three years.

G. L Paine, T. S. Couch. A. W. Brim

For two years.

S. Frazier, A. T. Jennings. J H Cook

For one year

Treasurer of the Superannuated Fund Sidney Mesick Howard N.Y.

Standing Committees
Committee on Itineracy & Orders

G. M. Hardy - One year.
J. M. Swick - two years,
A. T. Jennings three years,

Committee on the Presidency G. W. Scudder, G. L. Paine, H. Loundsbury, A. W. Brim, G. B. Wentworth.

Committee on Superannuated Fund G. L Paine, G. W. Scudder. J D. Russell, G. B. Wentworth. H. Baldridge.

Committee on Campmeetings [sic]
J. E. Tiffany. A. T. Jennings. H. Loundsbury
G. L. Paine. G. B. Wentworth.

Committee on Ontario Church J H Cook. O. D. Field. John Depue.

Committee to assign subjects A.T. Jennings

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Roll of Members of Conference.

Ministerial

A.T. Jennings.

G. L. Paine.

J. M. Swick.

G. W. Scudder.

H. W. Bixby.

O. D. Field.

D. V. Owen,

J. H Cook.

J. S. Fausey.

W. W. Miller.

D. Porter.

A.A. Rathbun.

S. Frazier.

F. J. Franklyn.

M. H. Blackman.

J. E. Tiffany.

C. S. Walker.

R. E Salisbury.

G. M. Hardy,

H. Loundsbury.

J. D. Russell.

F. S. Lee.

M. W. Payne.

Superannuated,

S.D. Prentiss.

W. G. Woodruff,

A. D. Carter.

E. Barnetson.

Licentiates
James French

A.L. Shuman W^m Clowe.

Delegates.

H. Baldridge.

A.W. Brim.

Martin C. Berry

Mrs. M. E. Ferrell.

David Molyneaux,

S. J. Dudley.

G. B. Wentworth,

Seba Squiers.

John Atwell.

Minerva Miller

George Field R. W. Simmons,

J. D. Kimball,

Alic, Bowen,

Manly, L, Baker,

Mrs. J H Cook

John Depue

T. S. Couch,

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Report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

1st Who of the Elders are on the Stationed List?

A.T. Jennings, G. L. Paine. J M. Swick, G. W. Scudder. H. W. Bixby, O. D. Field. D.V. Owen, J. H. Cook, J. S. Fausey. W. W. Miler, D. Porter, A. A. Rathbun. S. Frazier, F.J. Franklyn, M. H. Blackman, J. E. Tiffany, C. S. Walker, R. E. Salisbury, G. M. Hardy, H. Loundsbury, J. D. Russell, F. S. Lee. M. W. Payne.

- 2nd Who have retired to the unstationed List.? None
- 3rd What Licentiates on the Stationed List? James. French, W^m Clowe,
- 4th Who are the Superannuated Elders? S.D. Prentiss, W. G. Woodruff A. D. Carter E. Barnetson.
- 5th Who have been deposed this year? R. W. Padgham.
- 6th Who have withdrawn from the Conference this year. D. P. Rathbun by transfer to the Syracuse Conference,
- **7**th Who have joined the Conference this year? H. Loundsbury by transfer from the Syracuse Conference. J. D. Russell by Letter of Standing in the Champlain Conference. A.D. Carter by transfer from Central

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Ohio Conference.

Frank, S. Lee, Milo W. Payne by election and ordination to Elder's Orders.

- 8th Who have died this year? None.
- 9th What has been contributed on the several Circuits and stations for the support of preaching on the same, and for the support of Missions? Preaching \$4311.99 Missions \$184.98
- 10th What numbers are in the Connection? 989
- 11th How many Sunday Schools, Superintendents, teachers and scholars are there connected with the several circuits and Stations?

Superintendents 42, S Schools 32.

Scholars 1221 Teachers 174. 12th When and where shall our next Conference be held? The fourth Tuesday of April 1890 at Canandaigua, Ontario Co N.Y.

13th How is the work supplied this year?

Elkland. - - H. Loundsbury.

Seneca Falls - - A.T. Jennings.

Haskinville - - W^m Clowe

Howard. - - S. Frazier

Hector- - To be supplied,

North Bradford - G. L. Paine,

South " - M. H. Blackman

Ithaca. In the hands of President

Varick F. S. Lee.

Ontario. To supply itself

Catharine To be supplied by President and Circuit

North Cohocton

& Lent Hill
Westfield.
Hornby.
Jasper.
Cameron.
Farmington
James French
J. S. Fausy. [sic]
H. W. Bixby.
J. D. Russell.
C. S. Walker.
Care of President

Hopewell Center J. E. Tiffany

Canandaigua

Wayland, No supply
Charleston M. W. Payne.
Town Line David Porter.

Missionary at Large G. M. Hardy. Evangelist at "F. J. Franklyn,

To choose their own field of labor

G. W. Scudder, J. M. Swick, O. D. Field, D. V Owen, J. H. Cook, W. W. Miller,

A.A. Rathbun, R. E Salisbury.

A.T Jennings.]
S Frazier.]
G. M. Hardy,]

G. W Scudder.] Committee

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G. B. Wentworth,]
S. J Dudley]
H. Baldridge]

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[Note: Pages 280-283 Contain statistical report tables. Tables divided for clarity.]

Statistical Report of the Rochester

[Table 1.]

[lable 1.]	1								
Charge	Pastor's Name	Time Employed	$N^{\underline{o}}.$ of Appointments	N^{o} of Churches	Members Received	Expelled or Discontinued	Died.	Removed by Letter.	Withdrawn
		Years							
Elkland.	D.P.Rathbun	1	7	6		1	4	4	
Seneca Falls	A.T.Jennings	1	1	1	9		1	4	
Haskinville	E.Barnetson	1	2	2	2			2	1
Howard	S.Frazier	1	5	5	6	2	1	5	
Hector	J.M.Swick	1	2	2	10	1	2	1	
North Bradford	G.L.Paine	1	3	3	14	6	2		
South "	David Porter.	1	4	1		2		4	
Canoe Camp									
Varick	F.S.Lee.	1	1	1	4			1	
Catharine	O.D.Field	1	1	1				1	
North Cohocton & Lent Hill	M.H Blackman	1	5	2	3				
Westfield	J.S.Fausey,	1	4	2	3			2	
Hornby	H.W.Bixby	1	2	1	3		4	4	
Jasper	James French	1	3	3	4	1	2	2	
Cameron	C.S.Walker,	1	4		4				
Hopewell Center	J.E.Tiffany	1	1	1	1		1		
Canandaigua		1/2	1	1	16				
Charleston	M.W.Payne	1	5	1	7				
Farmington.									
Ithaca.									
Wayland,									
Ontario.									
Totals		16 ½	51	33	86	13	17	30	

Conference

1889.

[Table 2.]

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Charge	Pastor's Name	Present Numbers	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Licentiates	Wesleyan Methodists taken	Bible Standards taken	Children's Banners	Good Words
Elkland.	Rathbun	155				43			
Seneca Falls	Jennings	121	3		2	27	2	50	50
Haskinville	Barnetson	160	1		1	9			
Howard	Frazier	108	6		1	34	10	200	
Hector	Swick	56	9			8			
North Bradford	Paine	71	8			14	1	100	100
South "	Porter.	55				8	2		
Canoe Camp									
Varick	Lee.	36	2			6			
Catharine	Field	31	1			13		15	15
North Cohocton & Lent Hill	Blackman	36			4	16	3	50	50
Westfield	Fausey,	63	4		3	15		10	10
Hornby	Bixby	35			2				
Jasper	French	54			3	20	3		
Cameron	Walker,	25	3		1	5			
Hopewell Center	Tiffany	8				4	2		
Canandaigua	"	16	8			2			
Charleston	Payne	19				4			
Farmington.	-								
Ithaca.									
Wayland,									
Ontario.									
Totals		989	45		17	228	23	425	225

[Table 3.]

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Charge	Pastor's Name	$N^{\mathrm{\underline{e}}}.$ of Sabbath Schools	$N^{\underline{o}}$ of Superintendents	N° of Teachers	N⁰ of Scholars	Nº of Books in Library	Nº of Meetinghouses	Value of
Elkland.	Rathbun	6	6	31	220	400	3	4340.
Seneca Falls	Jennings	1	2	10	105	258	1	16000.
Haskinville	Barnetson	3	4	10	126	65	1	800.
Howard	Frazier	5	5	40	300	100	3	5500.
Hector	Swick	1	1	2	12		2	1700.
North Bradford	Paine	4	8	17	100	70		
South "	Porter.	1	1	5	20	50	1	800.
Canoe Camp								
Varick	Lee.	1	1	8	75	100	1	4000.
Catharine	Field	1	2	3	18	100	1	1000.
North Cohocton & Lent Hill	Blackman	3	3	15			2	3000.
Westfield	Fausey,	1	1	4	20		1	1200.
Hornby	Bixby	1	2	10	75		1	1500.
Jasper	French	2	3	11	85		1	1500.
Cameron	Walker,	2	2	7	50			
Hopewell Center	Tiffany	1	1	1	15		1	500.
Canandaigua	"						1	1500.
Charleston	Payne						1	1500.
Farmington.								
Ithaca.								
Wayland,								
Ontario.								
Totals		33	42	174	1221	1143	21	44840

Statistical Report of Rochester

[Table 4.]						
Charge	Pastor's Name	No of Parsonages	Value of	Pastor's Salary	Evangelist's Receipts	Superannuated Fund
			\$			
Elkland.	D.P.Rathbun.	1	1000,	572.67	32,00	
Seneca Falls	A.T.Jennings.			615.00	36.00	7.06
Haskinville	E.Barnetson.	1	800.	259 00		4.50
Howard	S.Frazier	1	600.	446.00		2.00
Hector	J.M.Swick.			58.18		.54
North Bradford	G.L.Paine.	1	700.	344.14		3.38
South "	David Porter.	1	400	180.86		2.05
Canoe Camp						
Varick	F.S.Lee	1	1500.	435.00	13.00	3.50
Catharine	O.D.Field	1	1000.	345.00		
North Cohocton & Lent Hill	MH Blackman			325.00		.45
Westfield	J.S.Fausey	1	900,	149.69		2.32
Hornby	H.W Bixby			175.00		1.70
Jasper	James French	1	1000	224.47	15.00	1.00
Cameron	C.S.Walker,			25 00		
Hopewell Center	J.E.Tiffany	1	600	120 00	12,00	1.00
Canandaigua				90.00	10.00	
Charleston	M.W Payne	1	200	175,92		1.00
Farmington.						
Ithaca.						
Wayland,						
Ontario.						
Totals		11	8700	4540,90	118,00	30.51

Conference for 1889.

[Table 5.]	1	1					
Charge	Pastor's Name	Missions	Educational	Sabbath Schools	Building & Repairs	Incidental Expenses	Other Benevolent Objects
Elkland.	Rathbun	20.89		74.43	16.64	153.00	
Seneca Falls	Jennings	22.95		95.04	26.54	246.65	46.00
Haskinville	Barnetson	3.50	10.00	15.85	8.00	10.83	18 00
Howard	Frazier	30.00		40.00	750.00	58 00	40.00
Hector	Swick	.75	6.61			10.00	
North Bradford	Paine	6 55	25.00	35.00		10.50	5.00
South "	Porter	1.28		25.00		147.00	
Canoe Camp							
Varick	Lee	22.45	14.00	21.00	18.00	59.85	
Catharine	Field	15.00			65.00	10.00	10.00
North Cohocton & Lent Hill	Blackman	1.20		30.00		25.00	
Westfield	Fausey	2.97		5.00	35.00	15.00	9.00
Hornby	Bixby						
Jasper	French	10.50		16.00		25.00	18.00
Cameron	Walker	14.00					
Hopewell Center	Tiffany	2.00		10.00			
Canandaigua	" "						
Charleston	Payne	1.00				15.23	15.74
Farmington.							
Ithaca.							
Wayland,							
Ontario.							
Totals		155.04	55.61	367.32	919.18	786.06	161.74

J. E. Tiffany }
S Frazier } Committee