

MINUTES

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SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Champlain Conference

(INCORPORATE.)

OF THE

WESLEYAN METHODIST CONNECTION

(OR CHURCH) OF AMERICA.

WHICH CONVENED AT

LISBON, N. Y., APRIL 21--28, A. D., 1903

“But the Word of God Grew and Multiplied.”—Acts
12, 24.

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E. Hill, J. L. Benton.

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F. L. Wright.

Presidency:—J. Quay, J. J. Davison, S. A. Warner, Charles
Armstrong, R. H. Keyes.

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E. D. Carpenter, R. H. Keyes, C. E. Hill, John Smith.—Reserve:
—A. J. Allen, W. G. Olney, E. E. Curtis. Charles
Armstrong.

ROLL OF CONFERENCE.

ELDERS ON STATIONED LIST.

	P. O. Address.
A. J. Allen.....	West Chazy, N. Y.
J. L. Benton.....	Hadley, N. Y.
G. H. Bort.....	R. F. D. No. 4, Plattsburg, N. Y.
J. Blanchard.....	Cooks Corners, N. Y.
* P. W. Bruce.....	Warrensburg, N. Y.
* C. E. Cahee.....	Readsboro, Vt.
E. D. Carpenter.....	Lisbon Center, N. Y.
E. E. Curtis.....	Readsboro, Vt.
J. J. Davison.....	Lisbon, N. Y.
* S. C. Fox.....	Warrensburg, N. Y.
C. E. Hill.....	Forestdale, Vt.
C. C. Hill.....	Burke, N. Y.
* A. E. Moses.....	Horicon, N. Y.
* T. A. Moses.....	Horicon, N. Y.
L. C. Partridge.....	West Chazy, N. Y.
* O. D. Putnam,...	Stony Creek, N. Y.
J. Quay.....	West Chazy, N. Y.
W. Rist.....	Newcomb, N. Y.
H. C. Shares.....	West Chazy, N. Y.
* R. Shaw.....	Long Lake, N. Y.
S. H. Stokes.....	Long Lake, N. Y.
E. Trowbridge.....	South Albany, Vt.
W. A. Wagar.....	Hague, N. Y.
S. A. Warner.....	Edenton, N. Y.
F. E. Wood.....	Brookdale, N. Y.
F. L. Wright.....	Morley, N. Y.
J. F. Wright.....	Mooers, N. Y.

SUPERANNUATED ELDERS.

* J. Bartman.....	Bakers Mills, N. Y.
* A. A. House, Died May, 1903.....	

UNSTATIONED ELDERS.

* W. B. Atwood.....	Winooski, Vt.
* S. Bills.....	Mayfield, N. Y.
* W. L. Combs.....	Warrensburg, N. Y.
* B. W. Sherwood.....	Warrensburg, N. Y.
* G. T. Sutton.....	Proctor, Vt.

LICENTIATES ON STATIONED LIST.

Arthur Baker.....	Holden, Vt.
S. J. Liberty.....	Bakers Mills, N. Y.
N. J. O'Brien.....	Pitcairn, N. Y.

LAYMEN.

Jessie Aldrich.....	West Chazy, N. Y.
Charles Armstrong.....	Mooers, N. Y.
Clara H. Bissell.....	Newcomb, N. Y.
Royal Bagordis.....	Popes Mills, N. Y.
C. E. Bartlett.....	Readsboro. Vt.
E. J. Benton.....	Hadley, N. Y.
* Helen Crapo.....	Chittenden, Vt.
* Effie Cudney.....	Stony Creek, N. Y.
* Edgar Dalaba.....	Bakers Mills, N. Y.
* Anna Darah.....	Cadyville, N. Y.
* L. G. Ellis.....	South Albany, Vt.
Addie Hill.....	Burke, N. Y.
R. H. Keyes.....	Lisbon Center, N. Y.
Sarah Leach.....	Hague, N. Y.
J. G. Myers.....	Morley, N. Y.
N. Stone.....	Long Lake, N. Y.
Jennie Ostrander.....	West Plattsburg, N. Y.
Hattie Robinson.....	Lisbon Center, N. Y.
N. Sheldon.....	Lisbon, N. Y.
Nellie Spooner.....	Forestdale, Vt.
* Walter Stevenson.....	Mooers, N. Y.
* S. V. Steinberg.....	Cooks Corners, N. Y.
Sarah Stone.....	Long Lake, N. Y.
M. L. Wood.....	Brookdale, N. Y.

(* Absent.)

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.—TUESDAY.

Evening Meeting.

The Champlain Annual Conference, of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America convened for its sixty-second annual session at Lisbon, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., April 21st, A. D., 1903, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Called to order by the President, E. D. Carpenter. Voted that the President, E. D. Carpenter, L. C. Partridge and the delegate from the Lisbon church be the committee on Religious services.

Voted that W. A. Wagar be committee on Credentials.

Voted that this conference stand adjourned at the close of this meeting, to meet at 9 o'clock A. M.

Conference opening sermon preached by C. C. Hill. Text, Acts 12, 24.

Meeting adjourned. Benediction by C. C. Hill.

SECOND DAY.—WEDNESDAY.

Morning Meeting.

Conference called to order 9 o'clock by the President. Devotional service conducted by E. D. Carpenter.

Roll called and corrected.

Report of committee on delegates' credentials approved.

Voted that the fifth row of seats including the front seats be the bar of conference.

Voted that visiting members of our own or other orthodox denominations, not members of any secret society, be invited to honorary seats.

Voted that S. H. Stokes and H. C. Shares be Committee on Statistics.

Voted that the Committee on Pastoral Relations be C. E. Hill, J. L. Benton, E. E. Curtis, Jessie Aldrich, N. Sheldon and N. Stone.

Voted that A. J. Allen be Committee on Courtesy.

Voted that E. E. Curtis, J. Blanchard and S. A. Warner be Committee on Memorials.

Voted that J. L. Benton, J. F. Wright and M. L. Wood be Committee on Resolutions.

Voted that J. Quay be Committee on Resolutions of Thanks.

Voted to publish the Conference Minutes.—J. F. Wright appointed to raise funds to bear expense of same.

Time of forenoon and afternoon meetings fixed by vote as follows: Open at 9 close at 11:30; open at 1:30, adjourn by vote.

President A. J. Shea of Canada Conference and S. G. Liberty of Houghton, N. Y., introduced.

Report of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders read, adopted item by item; adopted as a whole (see report No. 5.)

Voted that time of election of Officers of Conference be Thursday, 2:30 P. M.

Report of President during interim of Conference approved (see such report No. 1.) Voted to ratify the same.

Voted that we fix time and place of next Conference following election of officers.

J. L. Benton presented a memorial to be presented to General Conference which was adopted by vote (see memorial No. 1.)

Voted to give place to the Superannuated Ministers Relief Association immediately following opening service Thursday P. M.

Voted to elect delegates to General Conference Friday, 2 P. M.

J. L. Benton made a committee to apportionate expense of delegates to General Conference.

J. Price, Thomas Mason, from Canada, introduced.

R. Mattoon and William A. Wilson introduced as Licentiates.

Adjourned by limitation of time. Benediction by E. E. Curtis.

Afternoon Meeting.

Called to order by President at 1:30. J. F. Wright conducting Devotional service.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

Voted that C. E. Hill, J. L. Benton and C. Armstrong be a Committee on Conference Evangelist.

The name of J. L. Benton called and character passed.

G. H. Bort from Canada Conference, introduced the names of P. W. Bruce, C. E. Cahee, E. D. Carpenter, E. E. Curtis, S. C. Fox, J. J. Davison, C. E. Hill called and characters passed.

The name of A. A. House called and character passed. It was voted to place the name of A. A. House on the superannuate list. \$19.45 was raised for our unfortunate brother.

The names of A. E. and T. A. Moses called and characters passed.

Voted to adjourn. Benediction by J. Blanchard.

Evening Meeting.

Preaching by C. E. Hill followed by J. L. Benton.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY.

Morning Meeting.

Called to order at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises conducted by E. Trowbridge.

Roll called. Minutes read and approved.

Voted, Saturday A. M. 10 o'clock to be fixed as the time for Memorial Services for our deceased brethren.

G. H. Clark our returned Foreign Missionary and E. Teter our Missionary Secretary were introduced.

Voted we hear G. H. Clark Friday evening.

Voted that 10:30 to-day be fixed as the time to hear the Connectional Agent's report.

Voted that the Missionary Secretary make his report Saturday, 2 P. M.

Resume the examination of character.

O. D. Putnam, J. Quay, W. Rist names called and characters passed.

The fixed time having arrived the Connectional Agent's report was given by E. Teter. The report was very encouraging and the outlook hopeful.

Adjourned by limitation. Benediction by J. J. Davison.

Afternoon Meeting.

Called to order at 1:30. Devotional service conducted by E. E. Curtis.

Minutes read and approved. The transfer of Elder G. H. Bort read and accepted by vote. The transfer of Simeon Liberty a licentiate from the Canadian Conference was read and accepted by vote. His case referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

By vote the Conference adjourned subject to the call of the chair, to give place to the Superannuated Ministers Relief Association.

Conference resumed. Order of day. Election of Conference Officers.

E. D. Carpenter receiving the majority of the votes is declared elected President.

The vote is made unanimous.

W. A. Wagar receiving the majority of votes is declared elected Secretary.

The vote is made unanimous.

The report of the Treasurer is read and adopted (see report No. 2.)

A. J. Allen receiving the majority of votes is declared elected Treasurer.

The election is made unanimous.

J. F. Wright is voted Tithing Secretary.

E. D. Carpenter is elected to fill vacancy in Committee on Itinerancy and Orders to take effect at once. C. E. Hill is elected to 1st year in aforesaid committee.

Advisory Board elected, E. E. Curtis, R. H. Keyes. Judiciary Committee elected, J. L. Benton, F. L. Wright, E. E. Curtis and J. F. Wright.

Committee on Presidency elected, J. Quay, S. A. Warner, R. H. Keyes, J. J. Davison and Charles Armstrong.

Trustee elected, Jonathan G. Myers to take the place of Albert Richardson.

Place of next session Brookdale. Time, third or fourth Tuesday in April so as to come in rotation with the other conferences.

J. L. Benton to preach the opening sermon. F. L. Wright alternate.

Voted to adjourn tomorrow at 11 o'clock A.M., on account of funeral.

Voted to adjourn. Benediction by J. F. Wright.

Evening Meeting.

Preaching by A. J. Shea followed by A. J. Allen.

A collection was taken to add to the amount already contributed for A. A. House; amount received, \$8.96. Total, \$28.91.

FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY.

Morning Meeting.

Conference called to order by President, 9 o'clock. Religious service conducted by G. H. Bort.

Resolution concerning pastors and churches read and adopted (see resolution No. 2.)

Resolution relating to the Laborer's Protective Union presented and adopted (see resolution No. 4.)

A memorial read and adopted concerning Licentiate's privileges (see memorial No. 2)

A resolution concerning our obligations to General and Home Conference interests presented and adopted (see resolution No. 3.)

The name of L. C. Partridge called and character passed.

Adjourned by limitation of time. Benediction by W. A. Wagar.

Afternoon Meeting.

Called to order by President. Devotional service conducted by W. A. Wagar.

The name of F. L. Wright called and character passed.

The Committee on Evangelist report (see report No. 3). A committee elected as per report No. 3, F. E. Wood, C. E. Hill, J. L. Benton.

Voted to proceed to elect a Conference Evangelist. A. J. Allen elected unanimously. He accepts provided the report of the committee above stated is satisfactory to him.

The order of day is called for. The election of delegates to General Conference. The result is as follows:

1st Ministerial Delegate.....	E. D. Carpenter
2nd Ministerial Delegate.....	E. E. Hill
1st Ministerial Reserve Delegate.....	A. J. Allen
2nd Ministerial Reserve Delegate.....	E. E. Curtis
1st Lay Delegate.....	R. H. Keyes
2nd Lay Delegate.....	John Smith
1st Lay Reserve Delegate.....	W. G. Olney
2nd Lay Reserve Delegate.....	Chas. Armstrong

2nd order of day called for; E. Teter, President of General Conference, address.

Voted that our President as delegate to General Conference issue credentials to any and all ladies from Champlain Conference, who may attend General Conference, as delegates to a Provisional Meeting to be held at the place and time of General Conference for the purpose of organizing a General Conference Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

F. L. Wright granted leave of absence.

The name of H. C. Shares called and character passed.

A resolution of thanks presented and adopted and ordered

read Sunday A. M., (see resolution No. 1.)

The names of R. Shaw, E. Trowbridge and S. A. Warner called and characters passed.

The 2nd Committee on Evangelist report; the report is adopted (see report No. 4). Bro. A. J. Allen introduced as our Conference Evangelist.

Prayer is offered in behalf of our Evangelist by the President.

Voted to adjourn. Benediction by E. Teter.

Evening Service.

G. H. Clark gave a very interesting address concerning the habits and customs of the Heathen in our missionary fields and gave much encouragement concerning the outlook for the near future. E. Teter assisted.

FIFTH DAY.—SATURDAY.

Morning Meeting.

Devotional service conducted by A. J. Allen.

Minutes read and approved.

Character of W. A. Wagar and T. H. Stokes passed.

Mrs. L. M. Warner, an elder of the New York Conference, is introduced.

Character of F. E. Wood and J. F. Wright passed.

Order of day called.

Memorial service. G. W. Ellis, S. Brown, H. Armour were fittingly memorialized.

The names of J. Bartman, S. Billes called and character passed.

Adjourned by limitation of time. Benediction by L. C. Partridge.

Afternoon Meeting.

Called to order at 1:30, C. E. Hill conducting the religious service.

Minutes read and approved.

The names of W. B. Atwood, W. L. Combs, B. W. Sherwood, G. T. Sutton called and characters passed.

The Secretary is requested to write the five unstationed elders, if they fail to report to conference this year, their names to be dropped.

The names of J. H. Allen, J. Blanchard called and characters passed.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations' report adopted with this amendment—we pay E. E. Curtis \$25.00 to assist him to Readsboro, Vt.

Character A. Baker passed.

Voted to pay the Secretary \$10.00 for his services.

Order of the day. E. Teter presents our General Missionary Interests.

Voted that we have a camp meeting in the bounds of our conference. J. F. Wright, A. J. Allen, H. C. Shares are made a committee to fix time and place for same.

Conference Evangelist is by vote made a committee to solicit funds to purchase a commodious tent for our Conference Camp Meeting use, etc.

Adjourned by vote. Benediction by E. E. Curtis.

SUNDAY.

The Sabbath was an unusually bright day, the radiance of heaven shone without and within. The three services of the day were more than crowded. Thus another Conference session closes, the seed sown. May God give the increase.

E. D. CARPENTER, President.

W. A. WAGAR, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

No 1—ON THANKS.

We, the members of the Champlain Conference, feel it a privilege as also a duty to render our sincere thanks to the members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of this place and especially Rev. L. C. Partridge and wife for the heavy burdens they have borne—and to all others who have cordially and generously entertained us during our Conference session, permitting us to share in their bountiful hospitalities and home benefits—for which favors and kindness our prayers shall be that the Lord may ever pour on this dear people the richest blessings of Heaven.

JOHN QUAY, Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Whereas, much delay and perplexity is caused the Committee on Pastoral Relations by failure on the part of pastors and churches to perform their legitimate duties in their business relations before the Annual Conference convenes—and

Whereas, the practice of some pastors in not giving a decisive answer to Corresponding Committees, and of charges in not securing a decisive vote of acceptance or rejection of the work of such committee, is highly reprehensible. Therefore,

Resolved, that the Champlain Annual Conference henceforth anticipates and directs that the legitimate work of the churches in determining in a disciplinary way whether the present pastor shall be retained or not, shall be settled promptly and as early as may be before Annual Conference session.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Whereas, we regret the fact that some pastors and churches ignore the obligations they are under to general interests and have neglected to respond to the call of the Conference for funds and wholly or in part laid the burden they should have borne upon others, and delegates to the General Conference not only be required to give their time to the connectional welfare but bear the burden of an undue portion of the expense, therefore

Resolved I. That no person shall accept the official responsibility of delegate to the General Conference unless he intends to fully meet those obligations in attendance upon the entire session of that body.

Resolved II. That all pastors shall be expected to collect the apportionment made to their respective charges and of forwarding the same to the Conference Treasurer before October 1st of the General Conference year; provided also in case of failure on the part of any the deficit be paid out of the Conference Treasury.

RESOLUTION NO. 4.

Whereas, the country is in a state of agitation over the conflict existing between capital and labor, which has increased and extended until it has reached the national Congress and the chief executive; and

Whereas, the potential sway of the money monopoly, combined in syndicates and trusts, has become a menace to society in general, and the laborers in particular, threatening even his means of subsistence, in the plainest necessities of life, shelter, fuel and food, and

Whereas, in view of the threatening attitude of the grasping, greedy, conscienceless money power, it becomes the privilege of the laboring class, as a matter of necessary self defense, to organize and stand together to maintain an adequate, uniform scale of wages, therefore

Resolved I. That we as a body recognize the Laborers' Protective Union as such an organization, and though we deplore the necessity for such a means of defense, and the liability of excesses from the low morals of many of the classes involved in the necessary aggregation of its membership, we sympathize with the honorable and upright thousands, who are menaced on the one side by the extortion of the capitalist and on the other by the extravagancies of their fellow-laborers.

Resolved II. That we are as ever unchangeably opposed to secret societies and would in no wise lower the standard or weaken our disciplinary protest against them; but, having read the ritual and studied the fundamental principles and claims of the Laborers' Protective Union, and finding no claims to being a lodge, no grips nor signs of recognition outside of its meetings, no religious claims or observances, prayers, scripture readings, dedication or burial services; no priests, chaplains or wardens, we judge it is wholly a secular organization and not to be classed with the secret societies reprehended by the word of God or the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline.

MEMORIAL NO. I.

We, the members of the Champlain Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America, in annual session assembled, in Lisbon, N. Y., April 21—6, 1903, would most respectfully memorialize the General Conference which is to convene at Grand Rapids, Mich., on the 21st of October next, to deliberate upon the following propositions and make changes in the Discipline as follows, viz:

I. In Sec. IV, ¶ 3, Page 25. After question 2 insert question 3 as it occurs on page 29. This seems a necessity in view of the fact that those who join the church as charter members should take the same vows as other members.

II. In Sec. IV, ¶ 3, Page 26. After the words, "Ans. I will." insert the covenant as it occurs on pages 29 and 30. This appears to be demanded as it seems inconsistent to make persons full members of the church who take no covenant.

III. In note at bottom of Page 32, Sec. IV, ¶ 12, relieve the redundancy by simply stating after the word "Note"—"For correct forms of church letters see blank forms."

IV. In Sec. VI, ¶ 4, Page 44, change the date from 1891 to 1907 and eliminate from the paragraph the second statement of the words—"on the third Wednesday of October."

V. In Sec. VII, ¶ 8, Page 52. On the twentieth line to relieve the ambiguity let the words "received upon his transfer and certificate" be expunged, which will leave the remaining words to convey the sense in better syntax.

VI. In Sec. VII, ¶ 8, sub-paragraph (1), Page 58. Let all after the first interrogation point be excluded as the Discipline now puts all licentiate pastors under license and jurisdiction of the Annual Conferences, and all other licentiates are made amenable to their respective Quarterly Conferences as shown on pages 64, 69 and 70.

VII. In Sec. VIII, ¶ 4, Page 62. In seventh line expunge the words "with ministers" as it may not be a necessity in performing his full duty.

VIII. In Sec. VIII, ¶ 4, Page 62. In tenth line after the word "vote" add the words "of the members only." This will obviate much difficulty in the churches in interpreting the orders of the Discipline.

IX. In Sec. VIII, ¶ 5, Page 63. In the third question, for the word "God," substitute the words "God's will."

X. In Sec. VIII, ¶ 5, Page 63. At the close of the page add—Have they an abiding sense of a Divine call to that work? Do they feel the woe of God upon them if they preach not the gospel? Are they assured that with them it is preach or perish? Then on page 64, first line, after the words "As long as these," instead of the words "three marks" substitute the words—four marks, grace, gifts, fruit and a divine call to work. This change is essential, as we as a people insist that no one can be successful in the ministry who has not the abiding conviction that God calls, and they must obey or fall under condemnation. And surely we know many thousands have the first three marks whom we are certain were never chosen for the ministry.

XI. In Section VII, ¶ 5, Page 65. On fifteenth line expunge the words "he deemed to work a forfeiture of," and substitute instead the words—forfeit their—so that it will read—shall not forfeit their membership in the church.

XII. In Sec. IX, ¶ 8, Page 79. On the fifteenth line erase the words "contrary to the above," and substitute the words—by the above or any other unscriptural measures.

XIII In Sec. XII, Page 101. In first question on the page let the words "and be made an infant member of Christ's holy church" be erased, to avoid three glaring inconsistencies; first, the heresy of baptismal regeneration; second, declaring them members of Christ's holy church, and still denying them membership in the visible church; third, declaring in the article on baptism that it "is also a sign of regeneration or new birth," and then refusing to accept either horn of the dilemma into which this practice drives its adherents. Either infants are in a regenerated state and their baptism is the proper sign and qualifies them for church membership; or baptism regenerates, giving them the right of membership; or they are not regenerated and should neither be baptized nor enrolled as members until they are.

XIV. In Sec. 12, Page 103. Let the first note of instruction to the minister be so changed as to read—Then shall the minister sprinkle, pour or immerse him in water, saying:—

XV. In Sec. XX, ¶ 4, Page 123. Let the first sentence of the paragraph be so changed as to read—The Missionary Secretary and the other Connectional Officers shall have their places of residence in the city of Syracuse, N. Y. Then let the follow-

ing word "and" be changed to the word He, and begin a new sentence.

XVI. In Sec. XXVI, Page 140. Let the mistakes in phraseology be corrected. In sixth line insert connection for "toleration." In twentieth line insert the word condemnation for "temptation."

XVII. In Sec. XXX, Page 144. On fifth line substitute the word converted for the word "awakened."

J. L. BENTON.

ALSO MEMORIAL NO. 2.

A Suggestion for Change in Discipline.

On the seventy-second page of the Discipline we find the following:—

"But licentiates may in case of necessity sustain the relation and perform the work of a pastor, except the administration of the sacraments and the solemnization of matrimony." Suggestion: Strike out all after the word pastor, and insert, "while holding such relation by appointment by the conference of which he, or she is a member."

2nd. To prevent the objection that licentiates will lack incentive to study if they have the above privileges, so change the Discipline that a licentiate failing to complete the course of study in four years shall be discontinued from the roll of conference licentiates unless there be a two-thirds vote of conference to retain him.

E. E. CURTIS.

REPORTS.

REPORT NO. 1.

Official acts of President during interim of Conference.

May 5th. Permission given J. H. Allen to become pastor at Pitcairn.

June 12th. Gave consent to O. D. Putnam to become pastor at Stony Creek.

Feb. Directed Conference to be called April 21st instead of one week later.

E. D. CARPENTER, President.

NO. 2,—TREASURER'S REPORT FROM MAY 1ST, 1902, TO MAY 1ST, 1903.

Balance on hand May 1st, 1902	\$126 86
Amount received dollar plan.....	272 66
Amount received Home Missions.....	26 69
Amount received Foreign Missions.....	54 80
Amount received Educational.....	17 00
Amount received Conference Minutes.....	16 50

Total,

\$514 51

Paid out as follows:

A. W. Hall, books in course of study for Committee.....	\$ 7 40
A. W. Hall, Conference Minutes.....	22 40
A. W. Hall, 3-4 dollar plan.....	204 48
A. W. Hall, Home Missions.....	26 69
A. W. Hall, Foreign Missions.....	54 80
A. W. Hall, Educational.....	17 00
W. A. Wagar, Secretary.....	3 44
Postage and express, Conference Minutes.....	2 74

Total,

\$338 95

Balance on hand, \$174.56.

A. J. ALLEN, Treasurer.

Treasurer's report of money for student at Houghton from May 1st, 1902, to May 1st, 1903.

Balance on hand May 1st, 1902.....	\$16 00
Received during the year on pledges.....	34 00

Total,

\$50 00

Paid out as follows:

S. W. Bond for C. E. Foy\$40 00
Balance on hand, \$10 00.

A. J. ALLEN, Treasurer.

REPORT NO. 3.

We, the committee on Conference Evangelist, recommend that we employ a Conference Evangelist. His duties and the manner of raising salary, etc., to be referred to a special committee.

C. E. HILL,
J. L. BENTON,
C. ARMSTRONG.

REPORT NO. 4.

Committee on Conference Evangelist Duties and Support.

We, your committee, beg leave to present the following report:

1. On duties. (1) It shall be the duty of the Conference Evangelist to look after the weak fields which shall not have been furnished pastors by the Conference; to open new fields where favorable indications of permanency of the work are shown, preference being given to cities and towns. (2) To render help on the stronger charges when at liberty to do so as he may arrange his appointments in consecutive order. (3) To publish his appointments and make reports of his work occasionally through the columns of the Wesleyan Methodist and at least twice a quarter report his work to the President of Conference.

2. On salary. (1) We recommend that the salary of Conference Evangelist be fixed at five hundred dollars per year, including traveling expenses, said salary to be paid quarterly by the Treasurer upon the order of the President. (2) Said Conference Evangelist is expected to raise what money he can in the field for this Conference missionary work and forward the same to the Conference treasury,

F. E. WOOD,
C. E. HILL,
J. L. BENTON.

REPORT NO. 5.

We, the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders, beg leave to submit the following report:

1st. F. E. Wood and S. H. Stokes having fulfilled the dis-

ciplinary requirement in serving as pastors the proper length of time, and having passed a satisfactory examination on the full course of study, therefore, we recommend that they be elected to Elders Orders.

2d. Wm. A. Wilson, N. J. O'Brien and Leroy Mattoon came before the committee with proper recommendations from their respective quarterly Conferences to travel under the direction of Conference. Brother Wilson's recommend was accompanied by the examination papers as required by discipline. Brother O'Brien's and Brother Mattoon's recommends were not accompanied by such papers, but the committee gave them the preliminary examination, it being satisfactory. We therefore recommend that they both be received to travel under the direction of Conference.

3d. We further recommend that Arthur Baker be continued in his present relation.

E. D. CARPENTER,
N. SHELDON,
A. J. ALLEN,
R. H. KEYES,

Committee.

NO. 6. REPORT ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

Baker's Mill, N. Y.,	S. J. Liberty
Brookdale and Buckton, N. Y.,	F. E. Wood
Burke and Chateaugay, N. Y.,	C. C. Hill
Cadyville, N. Y.,	J. Quay
Chittenden, Vt.,	Arthur Baker
Chester and Horicon, N. Y.,	A. E. and T. A. Moses
Cook's Corners, N. Y.,	J. Blanchard
Crown Point, N. Y.,	In hands of President
East Warren, Vt.,	In hands of President
Ellenburg, N. Y.,	In hands of President
Forestdale and Goshen, Vt.,	C. E. Hill
Hadley and Corinth, N. Y.,	J. L. Benton
Hague and Valley View, N. Y.,	W. A. Wagar
Lisbon, N. Y.,	J. J. Davidson
Lisbon Center, N. Y.,	E. D. Carpenter
Long Lake, N. Y.,	S. H. Stokes
Macomb, N. Y.,	S. A. and L. M. Warner
Moers, N. Y.,	J. F. Wright
Morley, N. Y.,	F. L. Wright

Newcomb, N. Y.,.....Wm. Rist
 Pitcairn, N. Y.,.....N. J. O'Brien
 Readsboro, Vt.,.....E. E. Curtis
 South Albany, Vt.,.....E. Trowbridge
 Stony Creek, N. Y.,.....O. D. Putnam
 Vermontville, N. Y.,.....In hands of President
 West Chazy, N. Y.,.....H. C. Shares
 West Plattsburg, N. Y.,.....G. H. Bort
 Conference Evangelist.....A. J. Allen

To seek their own fields of labor:—C. E. Cahee, P. W. Bruce, S. C. Fox, L. C. Partridge, R. Shaw.

Joined this year:—By ordination; S. H. Stokes and F. E. Wood. By transfer from Canada Conference, G. H. Bort. To travelling relation, S. J. Liberty, Leroy Mattoon, N. J. O'Brien, W. A. Wilson.

Superannuated Elders, J. Bartman, A. A. House.

Unstationed Elders, W. B. Atwood, S. Bills, W. L. Combs, B. W. Sherwood, G. T. Sutton.

Licentiates on stationed lists, Arthur Baker, S. J. Liberty, N. J. O'Brien.

Licentiates referred back to their Quarterly Conferences, J. H. Allen, W. H. Dickens, J. D. Edgerly, C. E. Fox, W. E. Perry, E. R. Putnam.

Licentiates taking course of study, Arthur Baker, J. D. Edgerly, C. E. Fox, S. J. Liberty, Leroy Mattoon, N. J. O'Brien, E. R. Putnam, W. A. Wilson.

Died, S. S. Brown, G. W. Ellis, Elders, and H. Armour, licentiate.

E. D. CARPENTER,
 E. E. CURTIS,
 C. E. HILL,
 J. L. BENTON,
 N. SHELDON,
 JESSIE ALDRICH,
 N. STONE,

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STATISTICAL REPORT.

Bakers Mills: P. W. Bruce, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; No. of churches 1; received 1; discontinued 5; died 1; present number 61; baptized 1; licentiates 1; Wesleyan Methodists taken 11; C. B. 50; G. W. 50; E. S. 50; T. P. 50; I. L. H. 60; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 4; scholars 67; churches 2; value of \$2000; parsonage 1; value of \$625; pastor's salary \$244.22; evangelist receipts \$13.34; superannuated ministers \$2.44; missions \$1.37; S. S. \$7.83; incidental expenses \$10.00; other benevolent objects \$15.45.

Brookdale and Buckton: F. E. Wood pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; No. of churches 1; received 5; present number 51; baptized 7; Wesleyan Methodists 12; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; E. W. 15; T. P. 15; I. L. H. 45; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 5; scholars 45; books in library 236; churches 1; value \$1000; parsonage 1; value of \$700; pastor's salary \$328.40; evangelist receipts \$168; superannuated ministers \$5.11; missions \$5.00; dollar plan \$33.00; S. S. \$15.90; incidentals \$25.00.

Burke and Chateaugay: C. C. Hill pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; No. of churches 1; received 1; discontinued 1; died 2; present number 31; baptized 6; Wesleyan Methodists 11; I. L. H. 25; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 5; scholars 50; books in library 45; churches 1; value \$600; 1 lot; value of \$50; pastor's salary \$185.18; superannuated ministers \$4 60; missions \$7.00; D. P. \$2.00; S. S. \$15.56; incidentals \$15.50; other benevolence \$5.00.

Chittenden: Arthur Baker pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 2; No. of churches 1; received 2; died 2; granted letters 1; present number 28; baptized 6; unstationed elders 1; licentiates 1; W. M. 9; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; E. S. 15; T. P. 15; S. S. 2; Supts. 2; teachers 8; scholars 50; books in library 50; churches 1, value of \$1,000.00; parsonage 1, value of \$500.00; pastor's salary \$341.89; Evangelist receipts \$22.65; superannuated ministers \$2.00; D. P. \$28.00; S. S. \$30.00; building and repairs \$18.25; incidentals \$29.96.

Chester and Horicon: A. E. and T. A. Moses, pastors. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 3; received 3; discontinued 2; granted letters 4; present number 133; baptized 4; Sunday schools 3; superintendents 3; teachers 9; scholars 100; churches 2, value of \$2,000.00; parsonages 2, value of \$1000.00; pastor's salary \$350.00; superannuated ministers \$2.00; education-

al \$5.00; D. P. \$3.00; S. S. \$25.00; incidentals \$50.00.

Cooks Corners: J. Blanchard, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 2; number of churches 1; died 1; present number 35; W. M. 1; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 5; scholars 30; churches 1, value of \$1400.00; pastor's salary \$200.00; superannuated ministers \$1.00; missions \$20.00; D. P. \$1.00; S. S. \$15.00; incidentals \$10.00; benevolences \$6.00.

Corinth and Hadley: J. L. Benton, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 5; number of churches 4; received 8; expelled 5; granted letters 2; present number 53; baptized 3; licentiates 1; W. M. 20; C. B. 6; G. W. 6; E. S. 6; T. P. 6; I. L. H. 110; S. S. 3; superintendents 3; teachers 9; scholars 111; churches 4, value of \$3,000.00; parsonage 1, value of \$500.00; pastor's salary \$500.00; superannuated ministers \$4.00; D. P. \$59.66; S. S. \$20.94; building and repairs \$1062.25; incidentals \$29.96.

Crown Point: No pastor; no report; number of members 15.

East Warren: No pastor; no report; number of members 5.

Ellenburg: J. J. Davison, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; number of churches 1; present numbers 5; W. M. 1; churches 1, value \$1000.00; evangelist receipts \$36.00.

Forestdale and Goshen: C. E. Hill, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 1; received 1; granted letters 2; present numbers 64; W. M. 18; C. B. 30; G. W. 30; E. S. 30; T. P. 30; I. L. H. 70; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 10; scholars 65; books in library 200; churches 2, value \$2000.00; parsonage 1, value \$500.00; pastor's salary \$500.00; superannuated ministers \$5.15; educational \$2.50; D. P. \$26.50; S. S. 30; building and repairs \$25.00; incidentals \$33.00.

Hague and Valley View: W. Wagar, pastor. Time 1 year; appointment 4; number of churches 1; received 17; died 1; present number 56; baptized 11; W. M. 11; C. B. 40; G. W. 40; E. S. 40; T. P. 40; I. L. H. 70; S. S. 3; superintendents 3; teachers 11; scholars 120; books in library 200; churches 1, value \$1,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$500.00; pastor's salary \$714.00; evangelistic receipts \$30.65; superannuated ministers \$7.50; missions \$7.50; D. P. \$23.00; S. S. \$45.00; incidentals \$15.00.

Lisbon: L. C. Partridge, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 1; died 1; granted letters 3; present number 23; W. M. 8; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; T. P. 15; I. L. H. 38; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 7; scholars 50; churches 1, value \$1,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$500.00; pastor's salary \$306.02; su-

perannuated ministers \$2.08; missions \$8.05; educational \$5 00; S. S. \$22.77; building and repairs \$250.00; benevolences \$25.00.

Lisbon Centre: E. D. Carpenter, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; number of churches 1; received 6; present number 33; baptized 1; licentiates 1; W. M. taken 7; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; E. S. 15; T. P. 15; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 3; scholars 45; churches 1, value \$3,000.00; pastor's salary \$409.00; evangelists \$15.00; superannuated ministers \$2.08; D. P. \$14.00; S. S. \$13.50; building and repairs \$89.72; incidentals \$84.92; benevolences \$7.00.

Long Lake: S. K. Stokes, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; number of churches 1; received 2; present number 63; baptized 2; unstationed elders 1; W. M. 17; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; E. S. 15; T. P. 15; I. L. H. 25; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 4; scholars 40; books in library 30; churches 1, value \$1000.00; parsonage 1, value \$1,000.00; pastor's salary \$525.00; evangelist receipts \$38.78; superannuated ministers \$2.00; missions \$4.00; S. S. \$18 62; building and repairs \$175 00; incidentals \$38.49; benevolences \$13.20.

Newcomb: Wm. Rist, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; number of churches 1; discontinued 3; present number 32; W. M. 6; I. C. L. 40; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 4; scholars 40; books in library 140; churches 1, value \$1,500.00; parsonage 1, value \$800 00; pastor's salary \$475.00; evangelists \$11.44; superannuated ministers \$5.00; missions \$2.80; D. P. \$6.60; S. S. \$15.00; building and repairs \$45.11; incidentals \$31.00; benevolences \$10.00.

Mooers: J. F. Wright, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 1; received 9; discontinued 17; died 2; granted letters 2; present number 87; baptized 10; licentiates 1; W. M. 25; C. B. 10; G. W. 10; E. S. 10; T. P. 10; I. L. H. 50; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 7; scholars 25; books in library 150; churches 1, value \$1,500; parsonage 1, value \$800.00; pastor's salary \$463 24; evangelists \$2.00; superannuated ministers \$10.00; missions \$21.00; educational \$2.50; D. P. 11; S. S. \$14.00; building and repairs \$24.25; incidentals \$48.00; benevolences \$25.00.

Macomb: S. A. Warner, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 1; received 1; died 2; granted letters 2; present number 41; baptized 2; licentiates 1; W. M. 10; churches 2, value \$2,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$800 00; pastor's salary \$400.00; superannuated ministers \$2.80; missions \$2.10; D.

P. \$5.00; building and repairs \$40.00; incidentals \$170.00.

Morley: F. L. Wright, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; number of churches 1; received 1; discontinued 2; died 5; present number 54; baptized 2; W. M. 13; C. B. 18; G. W. 18; E. S. 18; T. P. 18; I. L. H. 71; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 10; scholars 119; books in library 85; churches 1, value \$2,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$1,000.00; pastor's salary \$371.49; superannuated ministers \$8.35; evangelistic \$21.00; missions \$13.17; educational \$6.00; D. P. \$66.66; S. S. \$10.25; building and repairs \$66.60; incidentals \$10.50; benevolences \$12.50.

Pitcairn: J. H. Allen, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 2; number of churches 1; received 3; discontinued 2; died 3; present number 33; baptized 2; licentiates 1; W. M. 3; C. B. 15; G. W. 15; E. S. 15; T. P. 15; I. C. H. 40; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 3; scholars 35; books in library 12; pastor's salary \$135.00; evangelists \$13.49; superannuated ministers \$1.00; S. S. \$20.45; incidentals \$10.39; benevolences \$10.10.

Readsboro: A. A. House, pastor. Time 10 months; appointments 2; churches 1; received 3; present number 29; licentiates 1; W. M. 4; I. L. H. 30; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 4; scholars 50; meeting houses 1, value \$1,500.00; parsonage 1, value \$1,000.00; pastor's salary \$347.88; superannuated ministers \$1.00; educational \$2.00; D. P. \$5.00; S. S. \$20.63; building and repairs \$8.12; incidentals \$75.23.

South Albany: E. Trowbridge, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 1; number of churches 1; received 1; died 1; present number 24; baptized 2; W. M. 12; C. B. 10; G. W. 10; E. S. 10; T. P. 10; I. L. H. 26; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 3; scholars 22; churches 1, value \$800.00; parsonage 1, value \$500.00; pastor's salary \$319.25; superannuated ministers \$1.56; missions \$7.80; educational \$3.04; D. P. \$24.00; S. S. \$6.00; incidentals \$10.00; benevolences \$11.52.

Stony Creek: J. D. Putnam, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 3; churches 1; died 1; granted letters 1; present number 35; W. M. taken 10; C. B. 12; G. W. 12; E. S. 12; T. P. 12; I. L. H. 23; S. S. 4; superintendents 4; teachers 12; scholars 50; books 30; number of churches 1, value \$1,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$500.00; pastor's salary \$279.62; superannuated ministers .43c; D. P. \$1.00; S. S. \$15.00; building and repairs \$50.00; incidentals \$15.00.

Vermontville: No pastor; no report; number of members 5.

West Chazy: A. J. Allen, pastor. Time 1 year; appoint-

ments 2; churches 1; received 6; died 1; present number 63; baptized 7; W. M. 10; C. B. 20; G. W. 20; E. S. 20; T. P. 20; I. L. H. 65; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 7; scholars 87; books in library 100; churches 1, value \$1,500; parsonage 1, value \$1,000.00; pastor's salary \$552.25; evangelists \$41.00; superannuated ministers \$4.75; missions \$46.50; educational \$6.00; D. P. \$20.00; S. S. \$29.00; building and repairs \$351.50; incidentals \$54.55; benevolences \$11.00.

West Plattsburg: H. C. Shares, pastor. Time 1 year; appointments 2; churches 1; received 4; discontinued 1; granted letters 1; present number 77; baptized 3; licentiates 1; W. M. 25; I. L. H. 45; S. S. 2; superintendents 2; teachers 7; scholars 65; books in library 100; churches 1, value \$1,000.00; parsonage 1, value \$800; pastor's salary \$488.65; evangelists \$12.00; superannuated ministers \$2.55; missions \$36.00; educational \$50.00; D. P. \$5.00; S. S. \$24.00; building and repairs \$25.00; incidentals \$26.00; benevolences \$4.00.

Cadyville: H. C. Shares and J. Quay, pastors. Time 1 year; appointments 1; churches 1; died 1; present number 18; baptized 17; S. S. 1; superintendents 1; teachers 3; scholars 40; churches 1, value \$1,000.00; pastor's salary \$120.89; S. S. \$8.00; building and repairs \$78.00; incidentals \$15.00.

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