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The Wesleyan Church
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OF

THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

LOCKPORT CONFERENCE

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America

HELD AT

LEVANT, CHAUTAUQUA CO., N. Y., APRIL 3d to 8th, 1906.

REV. C. H. DOW, President, REV. CHARLES SICARD, Secretary.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

(For Coming Year.)

President.

Charles H. Dow.

Vice-President.

E. W. Bruce.

SECRETARY.

Charles Sicard.

Treasurer. -

Howard W. McDowell.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Reuben F. Dutcher,	Term	Expires,	1909
Charles H. Dow,	Term	Expires,	1909.
Henry R. Barnett,	Term	Expires,	1909.
Howard W. McDowell,	Term	Expires.	1908.
De Forest Crowell,	Term	Expires,	1908.
Clayton F. Ball,	Term	Expires,	1908.
Benjamin S. Laughlin,	Term	Expires.	1907.
Charles Sicard,	Term	Expires.	1907.
William S. Easton,	Term	Expires,	1907.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

Elders on the Stationed List.

Backus, W. A.
Bond, S. W.
Bruce, E. W.
Clarke, G. H.
Cooper, G. W.
Dow, C. H.
Dutcher, R. F.
Fuller, Edgar
Hazlett, W. A.
Heald, N. E.
Irvine, J. C.
Jennings, S. W.

Laughlin, B. S.
La Vere, H. R.
MacClinchey, C. W.
McConnell, Robert
McDowell, H. W.
Readett, Walter
Russell, J. D.
Sage, C. P.
Sicard, Charles
Smith, C. W.
Steele, G. W.
Willett, J. S.

Wagoner, C. G.

ELDERS ON THE SUPERANNUATED LIST.

Chamberlain, A. B.

Hodgkins, I.

LICENTIATES ON THE STATIONED LIST.

Adams, F. C. Dow, A. C.

Preston, Gertrude F. Wilcox, Sarah C.

DELEGATES.

Anderson, Eric.
Barnett, Henry R.
Bennett, William
Ball, Clayton F.
Boardman, Chauncey
Baker, Clair
Cronk, Mrs. Myra
Crandall, Mrs. W. S.
Eddy, Mrs. W.
Hall, Glenn

Isbell, Edward
Lapham, C. P.
Lapham, Mrs. C. P.
Lindquist, Charles
Markey, Mrs. Lucinda
More, Lewella
Pope, Mrs. Annis
Snyder, William
Schouten, Bertha
Tiffany, Albert S.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

First Day. Wednesday Morning.

The Lockport Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, convened for its forty-fifth session in the Wesleyan Methodist church at Levant, Chautauqua County, N. Y., at 9 o'clock A. M., April 4, 1906.

The devotional exercises were conducted by the Vice-President, the Rev. R. F. Dutcher.

The roll was called and thirteen elders responded.

The following were elected a Committee on Credentials: H. R. Barnett, W. A. Hazlett.

The Committee on Credentials gave a partial report, and the names of delegates reported from the various charges were added to the roll.

On motion the bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first four slips, and the side slips.

By vote of the Conference the following Committees were elected:

On Religious Services:—A. D. Fero, G. H. Clarke and C. P. Lapham.

On Boundaries:-R. F. Dutcher, C. W. Smith and C. F. Ball.

On Pastoral Relations:—R. F. Dutcher, C. W. Smith, Charles Sicard, Mrs. C. P. Lapham, Mrs. W. S. Crandall and Mrs. W. Eddy.

On Statistics:-H. R. Lavere and H. R. Barnett.

On Presidency:—S. W. Bond, H. W. McDowell and Wm. Bennett.

On Thanks:-C. P. Sage and Mrs. W. S. Crandall.

On Post-Office Addresses:-Walter Readett.

On motion the time for the opening and closing of the meetings of this conference session was fixed as follows: The morning meeting to open at 8:30 A. M. and close at 11:30 A. M.; the afternoon meeting to open at 1:30 P. M and close by adjournment.

The election of Conference Officers was made the order of the day on Thursday at 10 A. M.

The Conference President's report was called for and was read by the President, C. H. Dow. Upon motion the report was adopted. (See Report No. I.)

On motion the item of the Conference President's expenses incurred in his official work was referred to the Board of Trustees.

Upon motion all visiting ministerial Brethren were invited within the bar of the Conference.

The Conference then proceeded to examine ministerial characters.

The name of G. H. Clarke was called. He made statements in reference to his work as missionary in Africa, and his character was passed.

The name of Walter Readett was called and his character was passed.

Walter Readett was elected a Committee to compare the statistical reports of this year with those of the preceding year from the various charges, to ascertain whether there are any existing discrepancies.

The name of H. W. McDowell was called who, as Professor in Houghton Seminary made statements regarding his work. His character was passed.

The following names were called: S. W. Bond, President of Houghton Seminary, who spoke encouragingly of the school work; C. P. Sage; C. G. Wagoner, remarks in reference to his work on the new school buildings at Houghton were given by the President; W. A. Hazlett; S. W. Jennings; R. F. Dutcher; J. S. Willett, and their characters were passed.

Upon motion it was made the order of the day to hear J. S. Willett, Office Editor of the Wesleyan Methodist, in the interests of the literature of the Church at 3 P. M. Thursday.

The examination of ministerial character was again resumed. The name of H. R. La Vere was called and his character passed.

The Rev. C. W. MacClinchey, who transferred to the Lockport Conference from the Syracuse Conference, was introduced by the President.

The Rev. E. W. Bruce who transferred to the Lockport Conference from the Wisconsin Conference, and the Rev. J. E. Tiffany of the Free Methodist Church were introduced to the Conference by the President.

By vote of the Conference E. W. Bruce was placed in charge of all the after services in the evening.

Upon motion the Conference adjourned.

Benediction by H. W. McDowell.

Afternoon Meeting. Wednesday.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. P. Sage. The roll was called and twenty-seven responded.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Rev. M. F. Lienard of the Kansas Conference was introduced by the President.

The Committee on Credentials made further partial report, which was adopted, and the names of the delegates added to the roll.

The Rev. R. Carne of the Free Methodist church at Jamestown was introduced to the Conference by the President.

The examination of ministerial character was resumed and the following names were called: I. Hodgkins, Robert McConnell, and G. W. Steele. Their characters were passed.

By vote G. W. Steele was excused from further attendance at the conference.

The names of the following ministers were called and their characters passed: C. W. Smith; E. W. Bruce, who reported regarding his work in the school; C. W. MacClinchey spoke in regard to his entering upon the work at Hess Road, for which church he read the statistical report; C. H. Dow; W. A. Backus.

Other ministers not being present to continue ministerial examination, the names of the following charges were called: Delevan and Machias reported through J. E. Tiffany who has supplied the work; Eagle Harbor and Yates reported through R. F. Dutcher and the delegate, Wm. Bennett. The pastor, J. D. Russell, was unable to be present. His character was passed; Fillmore reported through its delegate, Mrs. W. S. Crandall, in this connection the character of D. S. Bedford was passed; Hamburg reported through its pastor, Gertrude Preston, a licentiate under direction of the Conference; her character was passed; Holland Center and Olcott were not reported. Red House and Short Tract were reported in the President's report. They both desire pastoral care the coming year. Steamburg was reported by I. Hodgkins who had preached some on the work. Wyoming reported through its pastor, F. C. Adams, a licentiate of the Conference. His character was passed. Ettie Hayward, a licentiate of the Allegheny Conference, reported for Huntley and Castle Garden of which she is pastor.

Upon motion the Conference adjourned.

Benediction by J. S. Willett.

Second Day. Thursday Morning Meeting.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour. The devotional exercises were conducted by A. C. Dow.

Twenty-four responded to roll-call.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials presented further partial report which was adopted and names were added to the roll.

Voted to elect a Committee on Evangelism.

On this Committee the following persons were elected: H. W. McDowell, C. H. Dow, H. R. Barnett.

The Committee on the Publication of Minutes, made a partial report through Charles Sicard, which report was adopted.

The deficiency in above report was referred to the Board of Trustees.

The names of G. W. Cooper and N. E. Heald were called and their characters passed.

The Conference was informed of the severe illness of G. W. Steele who was being entertained at the home of Brother Albert Lindquist. To assist Brother Steele in meeting the expenses of his illness a collection amounting to \$6.46 was taken.

The name of Charles Sicard was called and his character passed.

On motion a Committee on resolutions was elected consisting of N. E. Heald and E. W. Bruce.

The Rev. J. H. Bowen, Assistant Agent, was introduced by the President.

The Rev. G. E. Ford, pastor of the Baptist church at Randolph, was introduced by the President.

The report of the joint Committee on the union of the Lockport and Rochester Conferences was presented by H. W. McDowell.

The order of the day was called for and the Conference proceeded to the election of Conference Officers. Walter Readett and Glenn Hall were appointed tellers.

C. H. Dow was elected President on the first formal ballot. The election was made unanimous.

E. W. Bruce was elected Vice-President.

The ballot for Secretary resulted in the election of Charles Sicard.

On motion of H. W. McDowell the ballot of Conference was cast for Walter Readett for Assistant Secretary.

On motion of G. H. Clarke the ballot of Conference was cast for H. W. McDowell for Conference Treasurer.

The conference then proceeded to the election of Conference Trustees which resulted as follows: On the first ballot the whole number of votes cast was 35 of which Charles H. Dow received I, Charles Sicard I, Howard W. McDowell I, and Reuben F. Dutcher 32. Reuben F. Dutcher was declared elected.

The result of the second ballot is as follows: Whole number of votes cast 35. E. W. Bruce received 1, Henry R. Barnett 1, Howard W. McDowell 1, Nathan Heald 1, Charles Sicard 1, and Charles H. Dow 30. Charles H. Dow was declared elected.

The third ballot resulted as follows: Whole number of votes cast 34, of which Glenn Hall received 1, and Henry R. Barnett 33. Henry R. Barnett was declared elected.

Whole number of votes cast on the fourth ballot was 36. Silas W. Bond received 2, Clarence W. Smith 15, Howard W. McDowell 19; Howard W. McDowell was declared elected.

On motion of H. W. McDowell the ballot of the Conference was cast for E. W. Bruce as the first member of the Advisory Board.

On motion of G. H. Clarke, C. P. Lapham received the ballot of the Conference as lay member of the Advisory Board.

On motion of S. W. Bond the ballot of the Conference was

cast for H. R. La Vere as Tithing Secretary.

The time of the morning meeting was extended by vote.

On motion the ballot of the Conference was cast for members of the Judiciary Committee as follows: R. F. Dutcher, H. W. Mc-Dowell, E. W. Bruce, and G. W. Cooper.

On motion of G. H. Clarke the Committee on Evangelism was made to constitute the Missionary Board.

By ballot of the Conference E. W. Bruce was elected to the first year of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders, and H. R. La Vere to the second year.

The Conference voted to make 2 P. M., to-day the order of the day to hear President S. W. Bond of Houghton Seminary.

Ten A. M., Friday was made the order of the day to hear the report of the Assistant Connectional Agent, J. H. Bowen.

Adjourned by vote. Benediction by G. W. Cooper.

Afternoon Meeting. Thursday.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. W. Smith.

Twenty-five responded to the roll call.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Rev. P. B. Campbell, President of the Allegheny Conference, was introduced and made remarks.

Unfinished business was taken up and the report presented by H. W. McDowell relative to the proposed union of the Lockport and Rochester Conferences was adopted. (See Report No. II.)

H. W. McDowell, S. W. Bond, and H. R. Barnett were elected a Committee to draft a petition relative to the above report to be presented to the General Conference at its coming session.

The name of J. C. Irvine was called. A communication from him was read and his character passed.

The order of the day was taken up, and the Conference listened to President S. W. Bond of Houghton Seminary. His report was forceful and inspiring.

Brethren McDowell and Dutcher also made remarks bearing upon President Bond's report.

The order of the day was taken up and the Rev. J. S. Willett, Office Editor of the Wesleyan Methodist, made his report. This was an impressive and touching appeal to all Wesleyans to support and defend every distinctive doctrine and reform of our Church. And to give due attention to the Wesleyan Methodist, both as to helping to make it, and to increase its circulation.

H. W. McDowell presented the Treasurer's report of the campmeeting Committee, which was referred to an Auditing Committee to be elected by the Conference. (See Report No. III.)

The withdrawal of J. R. Jeffrey from the church caused a vacancy in the Camp-meeting Committee. G. H. Clarke was elected to fill such vacancy.

On motion the other members of the Camp-meeting Committee were continued in office.

An Auditing Committee was elected consisting of H. R. La Vere and H. R. Barnett.

Adjourned by vote. Benediction by E. W. Bruce.

Third Day. Friday Morning.

The Rev. G. E. Ford of the Baptist church conducted devotional exercises.

Twenty-eight responded to roll-call.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Rev. P. D. Cutshall of the Allegheny Conference was introduced

Levant charge reported through the pastor, A. D. Fero, and delegate, Clayton Ball.

A communication from the Rev. D. S. Bedford was read. He requested a letter of transfer to the Syracuse Conference as his work is to be within bounds of said Conference. The request was granted.

The Secretary read a communication from C. R. Hawkins, and his character was passed.

The above communication was referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

A communication from the Rev. B. S. Laughlin was read.

On motion the President and R. F. Dutcher were requested to write Brother Laughlin a letter expressive of the love, sympathy, and appreciation of the Conference.

Brother Laughlin's character was passed.

His communication was referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

Cameron charge was called and reported through A. C. Dow, pastor, and Lewella More delegate.

A communication from the Rev. A. B. Chamberlain was read. His character was passed.

The matter of an appropriation for Brother Chamberlain from the Superannuated Ministers' Fund was referred to the Board of Trustees.

A collection was taken for the Secretary amounting to \$4.47.

The statistical report of Phillips Creek charge was read by the Secretary.

The communication from Susan J. Baker of the Phillips Creek charge was read, and referred to the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

The order of the day was taken up and the Assistant Connectional Agent, the Rev. J. H. Bowen, gave a very suggestive and encouraging report.

Hazelhurst reported by letter through the delegate, Mrs. Barbara Van Sickle.

The Secretary read the statistical report, and the pastor, E. Fuller's character was passed.

Invitations for the next annual conference were received from Houghton and Cattaraugus. Houghton received 12 votes, and Cattaraugus 22. On motion of J. S. Willett the invitation of Cattaraugus was unanimously accepted.

Adjourned to the call of the chair.

Benediction by E. W. Bruce.

Friday. Afternoon Meeting.

The Conference was called to order by the chairman, C. H. Dow.

Roll was called, and twenty-five responded.

Minutes were read and approved.

H. R. La Vere and Charles Sicard were elected a Committee on Publication of Minutes, and to designate the number each charge is to receive.

On motion the request of G. W. Cooper to be excused from the Conference session was granted.

The Committee on Thanks reported through C. P. Sage. Report was adopted by a rising vote. (See Report No. IV.)

H. R. La Vere was elected to preach the opening sermon with C. W. Smith as alternate.

The order of the day was called for and the Woman's Home, Foreign, and Conference Missionary Society held its annual open meeting. An excellent program was rendered and \$150 was raised for evangelistic work in the Conference.

At the close of the missionary meeting the President called the Conference to order to announce Committee work. Adjourned.

Fourth Day. Saturday Morning.

Devotional exercises were conducted by N. E. Heald.

Nineteen responded to roll call.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported through J. S. Willett. The report was adopted. (See Report No. V.)

Conference adjourned subject to call of chair.

The President called the Conference to order.

The Committee on Resolutions reported through E. W. Bruce. Report was adopted. (See Report No. VI.)

On motion of Walter Readett the Conference voted to have three hundred copies of its minutes published at the Wesleyan Methodist Publishing House.

On motion of E. W. Bruce it was voted that the pastor of church where Conference is to be held next year retain twenty copies of minutes to be distributed at said Conference session.

The Treasurer of Conference Missionary Society, Mrs. Verna A. Smith, gave her report. (See Report No. VII.) The report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Conference Treasurer submitted his report. (See Report No. VIII.) The report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

On motion of J. S. Willett it was voted that it be the sense of this Conference that no minister or delegate should be excused from the session of Conference without some very important reason.

Conference adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

Conference was called to order by the Chairman, C. H. Dow.

The report of Treasurer referred to the Auditing Committee was referred back to the Treasurer at his request, that he might add an item omitted from his report.

The Committee on Statistics reported through H. R. La Vere. The report was adopted. (See Report No. IX.)

The Committee on Pastoral Relations reported through C. W. Smith.

An extension of time was moved and carried.

The report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was amended by placing all elders who are ready to do gospel work as opportunity may afford on the supernumerary list, instead of being included in the list, "Left without appointment." The report was adopted as amended. (See Report No. X.)

The Conference Treasurer's report was submitted as corrected, and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Board of Trustees reported through the Secretary, H. R. Barnett, which report was adopted. (See Report No. XI.)

Adjourned by vote, Benediction by R. F. Dutcher.

Afternoon Meeting. Saturday.

Conference called to order by the President.

Brother Chauncey Boardman led the Conference in prayer.

The roll was called and twenty-two members responded.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Publication of Minutes reported through Charles Sicard. Report was adopted. (See Report No. XII.)

The Auditing Committee reported through H. R. Barnett. The report was adopted. (See Report No. XIII.)

Time fixed for next annual Conference is April 2, 1907, at 7:30 P. M., subject to the approval of the Book Committee.

The minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned subject to the call of the President.

Prayer was offered by E. W. Bruce.

Benediction by R. F. Dutcher.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT NO. I. President's Report.

Dear Brethren and Members of the Conference:—In presenting our report we wish first to express our gratitude to God for his watchcare and guidance.

God's blessing has rested upon us all, averting death and calamity, permitting us to meet again in annual session.

We were not elected to travel the Conference, only at our own discretion and in the discharge of such Conference business as pertained to our official relation. Consequently we have visited but few of our churches during the interim, and have but little personal knowledge of the work.

We have been in close touch with our ministers however, through correspondence, and are glad to note the fact that nearly every charge has been blessed with a revival. Our pastors have been active in revival effort beyond any year of the past since we have known the Conference. Their indefatigable efforts have been crowned with much victory and success.

Our one great need this year, as last, has been more consecrated workers as pastors and evangelists.

Never have we received so many urgent calls for quarterly and revival meetings as during the past year. We could only respond to a very few of these calls and were often unable to find evangelistic help for our pastors.

During the summer season many calls were received for tent or grove meetings to which we were unable to respond for lack of workers and a suitable tent.

Through the persistent effort of our Woman's Home, Foreign, and Conference Missionary Society, we now have a large new tent at our disposal. We earnestly recommend that this Conference shall take the matter under consideration and devise a plan for an active summer campaign with the tent and a band of workers, under a competent leader.

The report of Committee on Pastoral Relations of our last Conference shows that the following charges were left in the hands of the President to be provided for: Holland, Honeoye, and Steamburg. Holland and Honeoye have had no regular pastor or services during the year. Both charges are very weak, and unable to support a pastor could one be found. We had some correspondence with the Rev. I. Hodgkins requesting him to supply the work at Steamburg, but owing to poor health he was unable to give them regular service.

The Rev. A. C. Dow has continued upon the Cameron charge during the year, supplying them under our direction. The work has been blessed under his labors with good revivals at each appointment. Also extensive repairs upon the church property.

Machias and Delevan have been acceptably supplied under our direction by the Rev. J. E. Tiffany. Under his earnest labors a good revival has been held at Machias and the work strengthened.

Miss Clara Cole, who was assigned to Red House charge by this Conference at its last session, on account of failing health, resigned the pastorate last October. Since that time the charge has been without a pastor.

Short Tract charge was assigned to James Hancock, a student of Houghton. He resigned the work in October because of sickness. They have been without a regular pastor or preaching since that time. Both these charges are asking for pastors this conference year.

The Rev. H. J. Bullock has been transferred to the Rochester Conference.

The Rev. J. R. Jeffrey, at his request, has been granted a letter of standing and dismissal.

The Rev. E. W. Bruce has been received on letter of transfer from the Wisconsin Conference.

The Rev. C. W. MacClinchey has been received on letter of transfer from the Syracuse Conference.

Our expenses for railroad fare in caring for the Conference work have been \$7.31. For postage and and stationery, \$8.00.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. DOW, Conference President.

REPORT NO. II.

On the Proposed Consolidation of the Lockport and Rochester Annual Conferences.

Whereas it is the opinion of an attorney at law, Vance Turtelot, of Syracuse, N. Y., read before this committee, that the conferences above named cannot be consolidated without first obtaining the approval of the General Conference, and whereas in order that some preliminary steps looking towards securing the approval of the said General Conference may be taken, we therefore recommend:

First, that a copy of this paper be submitted to each of the said Conferences to be spread upon the records.

Second, that we recommend each Conference to appoint a Committee to prepare a petition to the next session of the General Conference setting forth the desire of the two conferences to obtain the right to consolidate.

Third, that we recommend each Conference to unite in holding a camp-meeting at Houghton, N. Y., each year, and to co-operate in every other way possible.

Fourth, that we particularly commend to the attention of each of the conferences the propriety of employing an evangelist to as-

sist the pastors in special revival meetings, and to otherwise help in carrying the work of the churches forward wherever the providence of the Lord may indicate that the way is open to us as a people.

Fifth, that the Presidents of the respective conferences shall be authorized to co-operate with each other in all kinds of work wherein it may be found to the mutual advantage of the conferences, particularly in the employment of pastors and securing fields of labor for all of our ministers.

Sixth, believing it to be for the glory of God that the two conferences herein named shall be re-united, we will welcome and seek to promote every token and evidence of divine leading towards the consummation of that end, and counsel all our Brethren to walk in the light of God's grace and will so far as he may be pleased to make the same known to us.

> S. BEDFORD, Chairman of Committee. H. W. McDOWELL, Secretary of Committee.

REPORT NO. III.

Report of Treasurer of Rochester and Lockport Camp-Meeting Committee. Receipts.

From J. N. Bedford, Treasurer of former Committee .. 51.50 From H. C. Bedford, Treasurer Incidentals 21.73 From C. H. Dow, cow pasture 9.00 From S. Bedford, cow pasture 4.50 From George Markey, cow pasture 4.25 From Cash 10.00 From Incidentals (Collections, oil, etc.) 56.43 From Rent of tents 106.85 From C. P. Lapham, Paroid Roofing 3.70 From A. Clark, lumber54 From Subscriptions of 1903 108.13 From Paroid Roofing sold 38.35 From Subscriptions paid in 1905 377.92 From Hat Collection first Sunday A. M., 1905 22.50 From Collections for Evangelists 81.00 From Special Subscription of Rochester Conference 135.00

Total receipts, \$1,031.90

Disbursements.

Surveying, (By Minard)	\$ 1.00
Recording Mortgages	2.65
C. H. Dow, Interest, etc.,	25.57
S. Bedford, Pump and Pipe	4.00
Freight	:25
Wm. Francis, Cement, etc.	11.30
Dynamite	1.12
Telegram	.25
Bolts, from Easterbrooks	1.00
Postage	.80
Freight, on Camp Tents	19.77
Freight on Rochester Tent	1.83
Lumber from Clark	9.88
James Field & Co., (Rent of Tents)	75.96
Rent for Evangelists' tent	2.05
Interest on Mortgage (Barnett)	19.43
Board of Evangelists' (Mrs. Dow)	6.00
Janitor's Fee	10.00
Lamps	1.60
Sawdust	1.25
Lumber from Clark	1.33
Paint, Nails, etc., R. C. Lynde	83.53
Painting Auditorium (Milliken)	9.80
Painting Auditorium (Hazlett)	25.00
Work on Auditorium and Grounds	179.80
Interest on Mortgage to April 1, 1906 (Barnett)	19.42
Woodward Note and Interest	212.00
Paid Evangelists	81.00
Paroid Roofing	185.00
Paid Fare of S. F. Frazier on Camp-meeting Business	
Total	\$1,005.09
Cash to balance	26.81

\$1,031.90 A. W. BRIM, Treasurer.

REPORT NO. IV.

On Thanks.

Your Committee on Thanks begs leave to submit the following report:—

Whereas the work of preparing for and the entertainment of our Annual Conference has entailed long and arduous labor;

Therefore be it resolved that we, the Lockport Conference in annual meeting assembled, extend to the pastor and wife, to the membership of the Levant church and to the people of the community, our heartfelt gratitude, and appreciation for our cordial reception to their midst and homes and the royal manner in which we have been entertained.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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C. P. SAGE, MRS. W. S. CRANDALL, Committee.

REPORT NO. V.

Itinerancy and Orders.

Your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders begs leave to submit the following report:

Recommendations to travel under the direction of the Conference from their respective charges were received for the following persons: Gertrude F. Preston, F. C. Adams, and A. C. Dow.

In the case of Gertrude F. Preston, who has passed credible examinations in the first year's course of study, we recommend that she be continued to travel under the direction of Conference and pursue the studies of the second year's course.

In the case of F. C. Adams, who has passed a credible examination in the first year's course of study, except Robert's Rules of Order, and one volume of Wesley's sermons, we recommend that he complete these studies and pursue the studies in the second year's course, and continue under direction of Conference.

In the case of A. C. Dow, who has passed a credible examination in the first year's course of study, except Robert's Rules of Order and one volume of Wesley's sermons, we recommend that he complete these studies and pursue the studies of the second year's course, and continue under direction of Conference.

In the case of C. R. Hawkins, who last year passed a credible examination on Binney's Compend and Discipline, we recommend

that he be continued to travel under the direction of Conference and complete the studies of the first year's course.

In the case of H. C. Bedford, we recommend that he be continued to travel under direction of Conference, and pursue the studies of the course.

In the case of S. C. Wilcox, we recommend that she be continued to travel under the direction of Conference and pursue the studies of the third year's course.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. H. DOW, C. P. SAGE, J. S. WILLETT, C. F. BALL, CHAS. LINDQUIST, Committee.

REPORT NO. VI.

Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions begs leave to submit the following thoughts more in the form of expression of sentiment than in formal resolution.

1st. The sacred duties of our ministers.

We are devoutly thankful to God for notes of victory and encouragement that have been sounded in all of the reports from our pastors and charges, and recognize the fact that much of the pleasing success is due to the manner in which ministerial labor has been performed. There has been no indication of toning down in the line of truth presented, but an evident acceptability in the manner of its presentation. We recognize the possibility of the cleanest truth being presented in such a manner as to win the attention and confidence of the hearers, and their continued attendance, without involving any degree of compromise of disloyalty to God.

2nd. Social means of grace.

We recognize the importance of pressing upon the minds of our people the duty of maintaining the regular prayer- and classmeetings of the church, and also additional cottage prayer-meetings as opportunity may permit. Much of the life of the church depends upon consistent activity in this line.

3rd. Religious politics.

We recognize the necessity of a righteous use of the ballot as equal in importance to any public act in the life of a believer in Christ, and believe that when Christian voters reach a place in their consecration where they will make their voting harmonize with their praying, the question of how to deal with social impurity will be settled.

N. E. HEALD, E. W. BRUCE, Committee.

REPORT NO. VII.

Missionary Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer of the Woman's Home, Foreign and Conference Missionary Society would submit the following report:

Balance on hand for year ending Apr. 8, 1905	\$ 150.00
Total receipts for Foreign Missions	96.12
Total receipts for Home Missions	17.33
Total receipts for Conference Missions	35.49
Total receipts for Conference Missionary Tent	115.65
Total receipts for the education of a Medical Missionary	92.21
Total receipts for Membership Dues	7.00
Total receipts	\$513.80
Disbursements.	
Paid A. W. Hall for Foreign Missions	\$ 132.04
Paid A. W. Hall for Home Missions	28.47
Paid A. W. Hall for Anna P. Clark	30.41
Paid Mrs. A. W. Hall for Medical Missionary	92.21
Paid H. W. McDowell for Conference Missions	59.77
Paid for tent	128.78
Paid for freight on tent	6.01
Total	\$477.69
Balance on hand	36.11
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Respectfully submitted,
VERNA A. SMITH, Treasurer.

REPORT NO. VIII.

Treasurer's Report.

 The Treasurer of the Lockport Conference would respectfully submit the following report of the Superannuated Minister's Fund.

Cash on hand from last year \$ 126.42	2
Cash on note of Conference Trustees, with interest 32.04	
Cash on note of G. W. Cooper	
Interest on bank deposit 1.19	9
Cash from charges	
	-
Total cash receipts\$369.52	2
Paid to A. B. Chamberlain	0
Cash balance \$344.52	-
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Assets of Fund.	
Cash balance 344.52	
Balance on note of G. W. Cooper with interest to date 3.75	5
Total \$348.27	,
H. W. McDOWELL, Treasurer.	-
(2) The Treasurer of the Lockport Conference would respect-	
fully submit the following report of Conference funds.	
Receipts. Cash on hand from last year	
Cash from charges on deficit in salary of Conf. Evangelist 142.71 Cash from charges on Dollar Plan	
Cash from charges for Home Missions	
Cash from charges for Foreign Missions	
Cash from charges for Education	
Cash from Mrs C. W. Smith, Treas. Conf. Miss. Society 84.57	
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Total 839.54	1
Disbursements.	
Paid C. H. Dow on salary as Conference Evangelist 212.71	i
Paid for Treasurer's Book)
Paid A. W. Hall 3-4 of Dollar Plan 353.25	;
Paid A. W. Hall for Home Missions	;
Paid A. W. Hall for Foreign Missions	
Paid A. W. Hall for Education)
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Total	
Cash to balance 201.92	
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Assets of Conference.

Bequest from	estate	of	Myra	Linn	 \$123.70
Cash balance					 201.92

\$325.62

H. W. McDOWELL, Treasurer.

REPORT NO. IX. On Statistics. (See Statistical Table.)

REPORT NO. X. On Pastoral Relations.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations met at the call of the chair, Rev. C. H. Dow.

Committee organized. On motion C. W. Smith was appointed clerk.

The Committee begs leave to submit the following report:

- (1) Number of elders on Conference roll: 25.
- (2) Elders on the stationed list: G. W. Cooper, B. S. Laughlin, Edgar Fuller, W. A. Hazlett, S. W. Jennings, G. H. Clarke, C. H. Dow, G. W. Steele, Walter Readett, W. A. Backus, H. W. McDowell, Robert McConnell, S. W. Bond, R. F. Dutcher, J. S. Willett, C. P. Sage, H. R. La Vere, C. W. Smith, N. E. Heald, C. G. Wagoner, J. D. Russell, E. W. Bruce, J. C. Irvine, Charles Sicard, C. W. Mac-Clinchey.
 - (3) Elders without appointment: None.
- (4) Elders on supernumerary list: C. G. Wagoner, B. S. Laughlin, S. W. Jennings, R. F. Dutcher, J. C. Irvine, J. D. Russell.
- (5) Elders on superannuated list: A. B. Chamberlain, I. Hodg-kins.
 - (6) No elders have been deposed this year.
- (7) Elders withdrawn by transfer: D. S. Bedford to Syracuse Conference; H. J. Bullock to Rochester Conference. By letter of standing: N. F. Robb, J. R. Jeffrey.
- (8) None have joined by ordination. By transfer: E. W. Bruce from Wisconsin Conference, and C. W. MacClinchey from Syracuse Conference.
 - 9. None of the elders have died this year.

- Eleven licentiates are reported from the quarterly conference rolls.
- 11. Licentiates on the stationed list: F. C. Adams, A. C. Dow, Gertrude Preston, S. C. Wilcox.
- 12. The work is supplied as follows: Allegany, C. W. Smith; Cameron, A. C. Dow; Cattaraugus, Charles Sicard; Chestnut Ridge, H. R. La Vere; Delevan and Machias, J. E. Tiffany of the Free Methodist Church, under President's direction; Eagle Harbor and Yates, In hands of President; Fillmore, E. W. Bruce; Forestville, N. E. Heald; Hamburg, Gertrude Preston; Hess Road, C. W. MacClinchey; Higgins Mills, G. W. Cooper; Holland, Left in hands of President; Honeoye, Left in hands of President; Houghton, C. H. Dow; Huntley and Castle Garden, Etta Hayward, Licentiate of the Allegheny Conference, under direction of President; E. Leon, R. Mc-Connell; Levant, A. D. Fero, supply from the Allegheny Conference; Napoli, G. W. Steele; Olcott, Left in hands of the President; Phillips Creek, Left in the hands of the President; Hazelhurst, Edgar Fuller; Red House, W. A. Backus; Ransomville, Walter Readett; Short Tract, W. A. Hazlett; Steamburg, W. A. Backus; Westons and Olean, M. F. Lienard; Wyoming, F. C. Adams; H. W. Mc-Dowell, Professor in Houghton Seminary; S. W. Bond, President Houghton Seminary; E. W. Bruce, Teacher in Theological Department, Houghton Seminary; J. S. Willett, Office Editor Wesleyan Methodist; C. P. Sage, Evangelistic work under the direction of the Missionary Board; G. H. Clarke, Foreign Missionary, under direction of Missionary Secretary.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. H. DOW, C. W. SMITH, R. F. DUTCHER, CHARLES SICARD, MRS. W. S. CRANDALL, MRS. W. EDDY, MRS. C. P. LAPHAM, Committee.

REPORT NO. XI.

Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees would report as follows:

Ist. We recommend that an order be drawn on the Conference Treasurer for the sum of \$15.31 in favor of the Rev. C. H. Dow for expenses incurred in his duties as Conference President.

2nd. We recommend that an order be drawn on the Treasury

for \$3.02 in favor of the Rev. Charles Sicard for deficit in the expense of printing the Conference Minutes.

3rd. We recommend that an order be drawn on the Treasurer of the Superannuated Minister's Fund for \$25.00 in favor of the Rev. A. B. Chamberlain.

4th. In the matter of the appeal of Phillips Creek charge we deem it wise to await the result of the Missionary Board's evangelistic work on said charge before making an appropriation from Conference funds.

5th. We recommend that the Missionary Board be authorized to draw on the Conference Treasury as the conference work may demand

6th. We recommend that we loan to the Rev. H. W. Mc-Dowell upon proper security, with interest at 5 per cent. per annum the balance on hand of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund and the bequest of Sister Myra Linn.

H. W. McDOWELL, Chairman; H. R. BARNETT, Secretary.

REPORT NO. XII.

Publication of Minutes.

Your Committee on Publication of Conference Minutes begs leave to submit the following report:

Total cost of printing and distributing the Minutes, \$26.32; Total receipts from all sources, \$26.32.

CHARLES SICARD, Committee.

REPORT NO. XIII.

On Audits.

Your Auditing Committee submits the following report:

- (1) That the accounts of the Treasurer of the Rochester and Lockport Camp-Meeting Committee are correct.
- (2) That the accounts of the Treasurer of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund are correct.
 - (3) That the accounts of the Conference Treasurer are correct.
- (4) That the accounts of the Treasurer of the Woman's Home, Foreign, and Conference Missionary Society are correct.

H. R. LA VERE, H. R. BARNETT, Committee.

POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Elders.

Backus, W. A	Steamburg,	N.	Y.
Bond, S. W	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Bruce, E. W	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Chamberlain, A. B	Wyoming,	N.	Y.
Clarke, G. H	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Cooper, G. W	Fillmore,	N.	Y.
Dow, C. H	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Dutcher, R. F	Eagle Harbor,	N.	Y.
Fero, A. D Falconer, N.	Y., R. F. D.	No.	71
Fuller, Edgar	Westons Mills,	N.	Y.
Hazlett, W. A	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Heald, N. E	Forestville,	N.	Y.
Hodgkins, I	Steamburg,	N.	Y.
Jennings, S. W	Lockport,	N.	Y.
Laughlin, B. S Burt, N	V. Y., R. F. D.	No.	29
La Vere, H. R Lockport, I	N. Y., R. F. D.	No	. 7
MacClinchey, C. W Appleton, N.	Y., R. F. D.	No.	30
McConnell, Robert Cattaraugus,	N. Y., R. F. D.	No	. 2
McDowell, H. W	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Readett, Walter	Ransomville,	N.	Y.
Sage, C. P	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Sicard, Charles	. Cattaraugus,	N.	Y.
Smith, C. W Caneadea,	N. Y., R. F. D	. No	. 2
Steele, G. W	Leon,	N.	Y.
Wagoner, C. G	Houghton,	N.	Y.
Willett, J. S Wesleyan	Office, Syracuse	, N.	Y.

Licentiates.

Adams, F. C Eagle	N. Y.
Bedford, H. C Houghton,	N. Y.
Dow, A. C Emporium, Pa., R. F. D.	No. 2.
Hawkins, C. R 310 Herkimer St., Buffalo,	N. Y.
Lienard, M. C Houghton,	N. Y.
Preston, Gertrude West Falls, N. Y., R.	F. D.
Wilcox, Sarah C 859 East Ave., E. Eau Clair	e, Wis-

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Religious services were held every evening during the Conference session and also Saturday afternoon, as the business was finished at an early hour.

The Conference was favored with most excellent preaching during this time by the Revs. E. W. Bruce, C. W. Smith, P. B. Campbell, President of the Allegheny Conference, H. W. McDowell, C. W. MacClinchey, and J. S. Willett.

The services of the Sabbath began with a lovefeast in charge of the Rev. J. E. Tiffany. The hour for preaching arrived before all had been privileged to bear testimony, so the love feast was adjourned until five P. M. The Conference President, the Rev. C. H. Dow then preached a powerful sermon under the manifest melting of the Holy Spirit.

The evening service opened with the love-feast, after which the Rev. R. F. Dutcher conducted the Sacramental service.

Following this service the Rev. J. H. Bowen preached a good sermon to a large and attentive audience.

We believe that much good was done during this Conference. The harmony that prevailed was indeed marked and the evident spirituality of a well balanced type.

This session surely indicates that we are making decided improvement along some lines. Let us seek to know the whole will of God that along all lines we may measure up to the Divine standard.

CHARLES SICARD, Secretary.

REPORT NO. IX.—STATISTICAL REPORT.

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