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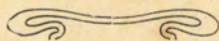
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NOTE 1—The Circuits not enumerated in the foregoing list did not elect a Lay Representative.

2—The Representatives to whose name an asterisk is affixed were not present at the Conference.

## SECTION I.

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### PASTORAL SESSION.

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**QUESTION I.—Who are now admitted as Ministers into full connexion with the Conference?**

Charles E. Godbehear  
 Walter J. Oxbrow  
 Ernest D. Patchett  
 T. Theodore Thomas, B.A.

Who have travelled four years;

Also Harry Ranston (formerly Ramsbottom).

**QUESTION II.—What Preachers Remain on Trial?**

1. Major A. R. Pratt  
 Arthur J. Seamer

Who have travelled three years.

2. Ernest O. Blamires  
 Benjamin J. James  
 Angus McBean  
 George F. Stockwell  
 James Wilson

Who have travelled two years.

3. Fred Copeland  
 Arthur C. Randerson, M.A.  
 Alexander J. Reed  
 Richard F. Williams

Who have travelled one year.

Raymond Richards

#### HONOURS LIST.

The following passed their examinations with honours :—E. D. Patchett and E. O. Blamires.

**QUESTION III.—What Preachers are now Received on Trial?**

William W. Avery  
 James R. Clark  
 Percy R. Paris  
 Charles Roberts  
 George Snadden.

**QUESTION IV.—What Students are to Continue to have Theological Training?**

1. Robert H. Wylie

Is continued for a fourth year.

2. Charles Blair  
Edwin Cox  
William G. Maslin

Are continued for a second year.

3. John D. McArthur  
Frederick Rands

Who have been on the President's list of reserve for a year, and employed as Home Missionaries, are to enter Prince Albert College.

**QUESTION V.—What Candidates are now Received for Theological Training?**1. Charles B. Jordan  
Robert B. Tinsley

Are now received into Prince Albert College.

2. Alexander Allen  
William A. Burley  
Charles H. Olds  
James Richards

Are to enter Prince Albert College as vacancies arise.

**QUESTION VI.—Who are now Admitted as Native Ministers?**

None.

**QUESTION VII.—Who Remain as Native Preachers on Trial?**

1. Hone Marena Hare

Who has travelled three years.

2. Neho Hemi Papakakura

Who has travelled two years.

**QUESTION VIII.—Who are now Received as Native Preachers on Trial?**

None.

**QUESTION IX.—Who are now Received as Students for the Native Ministry?**

George Manning Piper

Who is permitted to study at Canterbury College.

**QUESTION X.—What Ministers do we Suggest for Exchange with other Conferences?**

None.

**QUESTION XI.—What Ministers is it Agreed to Transfer to other Conferences?**

None.



**QUESTION XII.—What Ministers is it Agreed to Receive from other Conferences?**

None.

**QUESTION XIII.—Does any Minister or Preacher on Trial Offer for Foreign Mission Work?**

None.

**QUESTION XIV.—What Ministers become Supernumeraries?**William Keall  
William B. Marten.

**WILLIAM KEALL.**—The Rev. William Keall was received into the ministry 37 years ago, and during the intervening years has worked some of the most difficult circuits in the Colony, where his wise judgment and zealous labours have on several occasions been the means of giving new life and hope to struggling causes. His preaching has been practical, evangelical, and fruitful in spiritual results. In the year 1893 the Conference recognised the value of his faithful services by placing him in the highest office in its gift. It is with great regret that the Conference has learned of his failure in health and the consequent necessity for his retirement from the active work of the ministry. It assures him of the unflinching affection of his brethren, and prays that the eventide of his life may be brightened by the abiding presence of the Master he has so long and honourably served.

**WILLIAM B. MARTEN.**—The Conference desires to place on record its deep sense of the value of the service rendered by Rev. W. B. Marten to Christ and His Church during a period of 35 years. His public ministry has been marked by features of an expository and evangelical character. As an earnest student of the Divine Word he has sought to give out of the sacred treasures to the people of his charge things new and old, and as a result of his ardent, evangelical labours many souls have been won for Christ. His entire course has been marked by fidelity. In retiring from the active work of the ministry Mr. Marten carries with him the goodwill of the brethren and also their fervent prayers that in the quieter walks of life he may live many years and enjoy much sunshine from the Divine presence.

Wi Warena Pawa  
Hamiora Kingi

Retire from active work, and have the status of Supernumeraries.

**QUESTION XV.—What Supernumeraries Return to the Regular Work?**

William Baumber.

**QUESTION XVI.—What Ministers or Preachers on Trial have Permission to Rest during the Year?**

Edgar P. Blamires (with a view to visiting England).

**QUESTION XVII.—What Ministers are Left without Pastoral Charge?**Francis W. Isitt  
Leonard M. Isitt.

**QUESTION XVIII.—What Ministers have Died since the last Conference?**

George Hounsell.

GEORGE HOUNSELL, who was formerly a Minister of the United Methodist Free Churches in Australia, commenced his ministry in New South Wales in the year 1879. His first circuit was Newcastle, where he spent three successful years. He also laboured in the Belmont, Windsor, Lilydale, and Sydney Circuits, spending four years in each of the last two mentioned. In the year 1892 he came to New Zealand, and was appointed to Addington, Christchurch. At the consummation of Methodist Union, in the year 1896, he became a Minister of the United Church, and has since laboured with much acceptance in the Milton, Woodville, and Gisborne Circuits. Brother Hounsell was a hard worker, never sparing himself. Being a skilled mechanic (a mason by trade), he in the early days of his ministry with his own hands quarried stone and built a church. In this work he had scarcely any assistance, and he received no pecuniary remuneration. He was also one of the most brotherly of men—kind-hearted, open-handed, and sympathetic, ever ready to rejoice with those who rejoiced, and to weep with those who wept. He was not widely known in the United Church, but was beloved by many in the Circuits in which he laboured, and was an acceptable preacher and a faithful Pastor. He was anticipating an early retirement from the active work of the Ministry, and a quiet evening of life as a Supernumerary. This, however, was not to be. On Saturday, March 3rd, apparently in perfect health (and while the Conference was holding its sittings in Dunedin), he was cycling along the streets of Gisborne, and was seen to fall. Friends immediately came to his help, only to find that he was not—for God had taken him.

**QUESTION XIX.—Are there any Objections to any of our Ministers Preachers on Trial, or Home Missionaries?**

The names were duly considered.

**QUESTION XX.—What Persons who were in Full Connexion with the Conference now cease to be Recognised as Ministers among us?**

Richard J. Murray.

**QUESTION XXI.—How are our Ministers and Preachers on Trial Stationed for the Ensuing Year?**

See next page.

LIST OF STATIONS  
OF THE  
**Methodist Church of Australasia**  
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REV. T. G. BROOKE.

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**STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1906.**

[N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations, and numbered consecutively 1 to 89, is the head of a Circuit, and the Minister first named is the Superintendent. The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits is or are appointed by the Conference to preach and perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline in each and every one of the Methodist Churches already erected, or to be erected, in each Circuit respectively, within the space of twelve months, at such time or times and in such manner as to him or them shall be deemed proper, subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister.]

I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

- 1 Auckland** (Pitt Street)—J. A. Luxford; G. Bond (Ponsonby); G. W. J. Spence (Grafton Road); W. Grigg (Mount Albert); T. W. Newbold (Kingsland); W. R. Tuck (Newmarket); H. H. Lawry, J. Law, and J. S. Smalley (*Supernumeraries*).  
*Wesley College, Three Kings, Native Institution* J. H. Simmonds, Principal (Mount Eden).  
*Prince Albert College, Theological Training Institution*—J. H. Simmonds, Governor.  
*Home Mission and Church Extension Fund*—W. Slade, General Secretary.  
*Chaplain to the New Zealand Militia* J. A. Luxford.
- 2 Auckland Methodist Mission**—B. F. Rothwell (Freeman's Bay); J. Wilson (Newton).
- 3 Auckland** (North Shore)—S. Griffith (Devonport); G. S. Cook (Birkenhead); J. S. Rishworth and W. G. Thomas (Devonport) (*Supernumeraries*).
- 4 Auckland Maori Mission**—W. Gittos (Devonport), who shall superintend the Maori Work in the Auckland District; A. J. Seamer (Mount Eden).
- 5 Manukau**—W. Slade (Onehunga); a Home Missionary (Otahuhu); W. J. Watkin (*Supernumerary*).

- 6 **Mahurangi**—J. D. Jory (Warkworth); a Home Missionary (Port Albert).  
 7 **Thames**—R. Taylor.  
 8 **Upper Thames**—J. Blight (Te Aroha); J. Dukes (Waihi); G. Snadden (Paeroa); a Home Missionary (Morrinsville).  
 9 **Franklin**—J. J. Mather (Pukekohe); one wanted (Waiuku).  
 10 **Cambridge**—W. H. Beck; a Home Missionary (Te Awamutu).  
 11 **Hamilton**—T. Fee.  
 12 **Huntly**—W. W. Avery.  
 13 **Paparoa**—R. P. Keall.  
 14 **Northern Wairoa**—W. Wills (Mangawhare); a Home Missionary (Rehia).  
 15 **Whangarei**—F. T. Read; a Home Missionary (Hikurangi).  
 16 **Rotorua**—A. J. Reed.  
     *Maori Mission, Hokianga*—Piripi Rakena (Mangamuka); Te Tuhi Heretini (Whirinaki).  
     *Maori Mission, Kaipara*—Hauraki Paul (Reweti).  
     *Maori Mission, Waikato*—Hone Marena Hare (Kopua); one wanted (Raglan).  
     *Maori Mission, Lower Waikato*—One wanted.  
     *Maori Mission, Whangaroa*—Hapeta Renata.  
     *Tauranga*—A Home Missionary.  
     *Coromandel*—A Home Missionary.  
     *Helensville*—A Home Missionary.  
     *Bay of Islands*—A Home Missionary (Kawakawa).  
     *Hokianga*—A Home Missionary (Rawene).  
     *Whangaroa*—A Home Missionary (Kaeo).  
     *Aotea-Kawhia*—Vacant.

GEORGE BOND, *Chairman of the District.*

II. — WANGANUI DISTRICT.

- 17 **New Plymouth**—T. G. Brooke (President of the Conference); R. F. Williams; a Home Missionary (Rahotu); W. Cannell (*Super-numerary*).  
 18 **Waitara**—J. J. Pendray; E. D. Patchett (Inglewood).  
 19 **Stratford**—J. W. Griffin.  
 20 **Eltham**—C. E. Godbehear.  
 21 **Hawera**—S. J. Gibson.  
 22 **Patea**—J. Thomas.  
 23 **Opunake**—J. W. Worboys.  
 24 **Wanganui**—J. G. Chapman.  
 25 **Aramoho**—W. J. Oxbrow.  
 26 **Rangitikei**—T. G. Carr (Marton).  
 27 **Sandon**—J. G. W. Ellis (Sansons).

- 28 **Fellding**—C. E. Beecroft.  
 29 **Palmerston North**—J. J. Lewis, H. Beggs (Cuba Street); G. S. Harper and W. Keall (*Supernumeraries*).  
 30 **Kimbolton**—A Home Missionary.  
 31 **Taihape**—F. Copeland.  
 32 **Waimarino**—A Home Missionary (Raetihi).  
 33 **West Coast Maori Mission**—T. G. Hammond (Patea); Robert Tahu Potiki Haddon (Okaiawa); one wanted.  
*Mokau-Kaitieke*—A Home Missionary.

THOMAS G. BROOKE (President of the Conference),

*Chairman of the District.*

### III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

- 34 **Wellington** (Taranaki Street)—P. W. Fairclough, F.R.A.S., C. Porter (Thorndon); H. B. Redstone (*Supernumerary*); F. W. Isitt (without Pastoral Charge).  
*Wellington Mission*—One wanted.  
*Organising Secretary, Young Men's Movement*—H. L. Blamires.  
 35 **Wellington** (South)—W. J. Williams (Newtown).  
 36 **Johnsonville**—C. C. Harrison.  
 37 **Hutt**—S. J. Garlick; R. Wilson (Petone); W. Kirk (Petone) and W. B. Marten (Lower Hutt) (*Supernumeraries*).  
 38 **South Wairarapa**—B. H. Ginger (Carterton); R. Richards (Greytown); a Home Missionary (Featherston).  
 39 **Masterton**—J. N. Buttle.  
 40 **Napier**—A. C. Lawry.  
 41 **Hastings**—W. Tinsley.  
 42 **Gisborne**—C. Griffin.  
 43 **Eketahuna**—G. T. Marshall.  
 44 **Dannevirke**—T. T. Thomas, B.A.  
 45 **Levin-Otaki**—J. Wrigley (Levin); P. R. Paris (Otaki).  
 46 **Waipawa**—G. Frost.  
 47 **Woodville**—W. S. Bowie.  
 48 **Pahiatua**—T. F. Jones.  
*Norsewood*—A Home Missionary.

PAUL W. FAIRCLOUGH, *Chairman of the District.*

## IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

49 **Nelson**—C. H. Garland; J. Crump (*Supernumerary*).

50 **Richmond**—S. H. D. Peryman.

51 **Blenheim**—C. Penney; H. Ranston (Blenheim).

52 **Hokitika**—W. J. Elliott.

53 **Greymouth**—D. McNicoll.

54 **Motueka**—C. Roberts.

55 **Reefton**—T. W. Vealie.

56 **Westport**—M. A. R. Pratt.

*Kunara*—A Home Missionary, under the supervision of the Hokitika Superintendent.

*Havelock*.—A Home Missionary.

*The Sounds*.—Vacant.

*Blackball*.—Vacant.

CHARLES H. GARLAND, *Chairman of the District*.

## V.—CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

57 **Christchurch** (Durham Street).—H. R. Dewsbury; W. Ready (East Belt); T. R. Richards (Woolston); A. B. Chappell, M.A. (Richmond); a Home Missionary (Belfast); R. S. Bunn, J. Orchard, and J. Smith (*Supernumeraries*).

*Connezzional Secretary and Authorised Representative*—Henry Bull.

58 **Christchurch Methodist Mission** (Durham Street South)—W. Baumber.

59 **Christchurch** (South)—S. Lawry (Sydenham); J. A. Lochore (Addington); a Home Missionary; L. M. Isitt (without Pastoral Charge).

60 **Christchurch** (St. Albans).—W. C. Oliver.

61 **Christchurch** (Papanui)—T. N. Griffin.

62 **Lyttelton**—W. Lee.

63 **Springston**—C. Abernethy.

64 **Tai Tapu**—B. J. James, who shall exchange quarterly with the Banks Peninsula Home Missionary.

65 **Leeston**—T. E. Thomas, M.A.

66 **Kaiapoi**—H. E. Bellhouse; E. O. Blamires (Ohoka).

67 **Rangiora**—J. T. Pinfold, F.G.S.; A. Asheroft (Woodend).

68 **Oxford-Malvern**—J. R. Clark (Sheffield).

69 **Timaru**—S. J. Serpell; a Home Missionary.

70 **Waimate**—T. A. Joughin.

71 **Temuka**—J. H. Haslam.

72 **Ashburton**—A. Peters, G. F. Stockwell (Methven).

73 **Willowby**—T. J. Wallis.

*Amberley*—A Home Missionary.

*Banks Peninsula*.—A Home Missionary (Little River).

*Cheviot*.—Vacant.

WILLIAM LEE, *Chairman of the District*.

## VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

- 74 Dunedin** (Trinity)—C. H. LAWS, B.A. (Secretary of the Conference); a Home Missionary (North-East Valley).  
*Southern Maori Mission*—Neho Hemi Papakakura (under the direction of the Chairman of the District).
- 75 Dunedin Central Mission**—W. A. Sinclair.
- 76 Dunedin** (Cargill Road)—T. Trestrail; C. Eaton (St. Kilda).
- 77 Dunedin** (Mornington)—D. J. Murray.
- 78 Dunedin** (Roslyn)—A. N. Scotter, B.A.
- 79 Mosgiel**—A. C. Randerson, M.A.
- 80 Port Chalmers**—J. Ward.  
*Methodist Editor, "Outlook"*—J. Ward.
- 81 Balclutha**—F. W. Boys.
- 82 Milton**—C. H. Standage.
- 83 Lawrence**—W. Dawson.
- 84 Invercargill**—A. Mitchell; A. McBean (South Invercargill).
- 85 Oamaru**—L. Hudson.
- 86 Gore**—J. A. Hosking.
- 87 Otautau**—W. Beckett.
- 88 Roxburgh**—W. Greenslade.
- 89 Cromwell**—A. Reader.  
*Riverton*—A Home Missionary.  
*Tapanui*—A Home Missionary.  
*Palmerston*—A Home Missionary.  
*Winton*—A Home Missionary.  
*Wakatipu*—Vacant.

CHARLES H. LAWS, B.A., *Chairman of the District.*

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1. R. S. Bunn, Supernumerary, has permission to reside in Australia.
  2. J. S. Smalley, Supernumerary, has permission to reside in Scotland.
  3. E. P. Blamires rests for a year, and has permission to visit England.
  4. Ministers are expected to arrive in their new Circuits between the second and third Sundays in April.
  5. Probationers and Home Missionaries appointed to separate Stations are under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

## HOME MISSION STATIONS.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

<b>Manukau</b> (Otahuhu) .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant
<b>Mahurangi</b> (Port Albert) .. .. .	..	..	..	R. E. Evans
<b>Upper Thames</b> (Morrinsville) .. .. .	..	..	..	James Richards
<b>Franklin</b> (Waiuku) .. .. .	..	..	..	W. A. Porter
<b>Cambridge</b> (Te Awamutu) .. .. .	..	..	..	A. Hislop
<b>Northern Wairoa</b> (Rehia) .. .. .	..	..	..	F. Martin
<b>Whangarei</b> (Hikurangi) .. .. .	..	..	..	J. A. Lamond
<b>Tauranga</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	A. Hopper
<b>Coromandel</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	M. J. Evans
<b>Helensville</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	W. H. Speer
<b>Aotea-Kawhia</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant
<b>Bay of Islands</b> (Kawakawa) .. .. .	..	..	..	B. Grubb
<b>Hokianga</b> (Rawene) .. .. .	..	..	..	One wanted
<b>Whangaroa</b> (Kaeo) .. .. .	..	..	..	W. Scott

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

<b>New Plymouth</b> (Rahotu) .. .. .	..	..	..	H. Foston
<b>Kimbolton</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	J. H. White
<b>Waimarino</b> (Raetihi) .. .. .	..	..	..	J. B. Beeche
<b>Mokau-Kaitieke</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	C. J. Bush

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

<b>South Wairarapa</b> (Featherston) .. .. .	..	..	..	W. A. Burley
<b>Norsewood</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	J. Oliver

## NELSON DISTRICT.

<b>Kumara</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	C. Aker
<b>Havelock</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	W. B. Scott
<b>The Sounds</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant
<b>Blackball</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

<b>Christchurch (Durham Street)</b> (Belfast) .. .. .	..	..	..	Rev. J. Richards
<b>Christchurch South</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	C. C. Sandford
<b>Timaru</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	C. H. Olds
<b>Amberley</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	G. Hinton
<b>Banks Peninsula</b> (Little River) .. .. .	..	..	..	T. Bryant
<b>Cheviot</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

<b>Dunedin (Trinity)</b> (North-East Valley) .. .. .	..	..	..	A. Allen
<b>Riverton</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	C. A. Foston
<b>Tapanui</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	J. T. Lawrence
<b>Winton</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	W. T. Hooper
<b>Palmerston</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	J. Tyson
<b>Wakatipu</b> .. .. .	..	..	..	Vacant.



**QUESTION XXII.—What Arrangements are made for the Annual Examination of Probationers, Students, and Candidates for the Ministry?**

I.—THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The following appointments are made for the year 1906 :—

- Rev. H. E. Bellhouse : Secretary and Convener.
- Rev. S. Lawry : Section A for Candidates.
- Rev. J. H. Simmonds : Section B for Candidates.
- Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A. : Section C for Candidates.
- Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A. : Latin for Probationers.
- Rev. H. R. Dewsbury : Hebrew and Greek.
- Rev. J. Wrigley : English Bible—Old Testament.
- Rev. G. T. Marshall : English Bible—New Testament.
- Rev. W. Grieg : Wesley's Sermons.
- Rev. W. Slade : Clarke's Theology.
- Rev. A. C. Lawry : Gregory's History and Polity.
- Rev. J. A. Luxford : Fisher's History.
- Rev. T. A. Joughin : Bruce's Apologetics.
- Rev. C. H. Garland : Smyth's Christian Ethics.
- Rev. J. J. Lewis : Robertson's Early Religion.
- Rev. S. J. Gibson : Row's Manual.
- Rev. C. E. Beecroft : Shedd's Homiletics.
- Rev. W. A. Sinclair : Bennett and Adeney's Introduction.
- Rev. D. J. Murray : Book of Laws.
- Rev. T. E. Thomas, M.A. : Pope's Compendium.
- Rev. T. Fee : Geden's Studies.
- Rev. W. J. Williams : Moulton's Literary Study.
- Rev. W. Gittos : Maori Language.
- Revs. W. Gittos and B. F. Rothwell : Examiners for Maori Probationers.

II.—REGULATIONS.

1. The time allowed for each Examination Paper shall be three hours in the case of Probationers and two hours in the case of Candidates.
2. The questions for Probationers shall be so arranged as to require a general acquaintance with all the work prescribed in the Syllabus in any given subject, together with a particular knowledge of such portions as the Examiners may deem of greatest importance.
3. Probationers must themselves communicate with their respective Examiners, and also with their Chairmen, not later than the first week in May, stating the subjects in which they are preparing to be examined, and seeking any needed direction in their work.
4. Immediately after the September Quarterly Meetings, each Superintendent shall report to the Examiners for Candidates the names and scholastic status of all Candidates recommended in his Circuit.
5. Examiners shall send to the Chairmen of Districts, in closed envelopes, copies of Probationers' and Candidates' Examination Papers, as notified, not later than November 10th.

6. Each Chairman is required to make arrangements for securing the strict supervision of all examinations to be held in his District, and to transmit the answers to questions to the respective Examiners. (Instructions to Supervisors have been drawn up by the Secretary of the Board of Examiners and printed for use in future examinations.)
7. The Probationers' and Candidates' Examinations shall be held in the last week of November; the Students' Examinations at the same time as the other Examinations in the Auckland District.
8. Each Examiner shall, not later than January 15th, send a written report on the several papers committed to his care to the Secretary of the Board.
9. The Secretary shall then prepare a General Report for the ensuing Conference.
10. That part of the Secretary's Report which consists of a tabular statement of the marks gained in the several subjects by Probationers, Students, and Candidates, shall be printed on a separate paper for the use of the Conference, and shall afterwards be entered and preserved in the Conference Journal.
11. The persons appointed to hear Probationers', Students', and Candidates' Trial Sermons shall affix marks to their reports before submitting them to the Synod, using the numerals 1 to 6; 6 to represent the maximum.
12. The Chairman of each District shall forward to the Secretary of the Board a signed official report of the Trial Sermon of each Probationer, Student, or Candidate examined in his District, together with the Book List of each Probationer and Candidate, and the finding of the Synod thereon; and shall also report to the Secretary of the Board what Candidates have matriculated and what Probationers have been excused any part of the ordinary examination.
13. The Secretary of the Board shall assess and mark the Probationers' Book List, using the numerals 1 to 6; 6 to represent the maximum. The Book List must not include books taken for examination, and must be classified as follows:—1. Theology; 2. Science and Philosophy; 3. History and Biography; 4. Poetry; 5. Miscellaneous.
14. Probationers are reminded that the Greek Testament is a compulsory subject through the whole course for all those who have passed through the College. With regard to any others, special provision shall be made for their examination in Greek up to their third year. This elementary Greek does not exempt from taking the New Testament in English, but it will count as one of the six subjects required to be taken.
15. Each Probationer shall, at least a fortnight before the meeting of Synod, forward to the Chairman a list of the books he has read during the year. From this list the Chairman will select one in which the Probationer shall be examined orally in the Synod.
16. The report of Probationers' Examinations to be presented to Conference shall include, in the case of the Fourth Year Probationers, a summary of the results obtained in the four yearly examinations.

17. The Candidates on the President's List of Reserve shall present Book Lists to, and preach trial sermons before, their respective Synods, the Synods reporting to the Conference as in the case of Probationers or Students.
18. Any Probationer who gains an average of 80 per cent. of marks in six, or an average of 75 per cent. in seven or more subjects, will be mentioned in the Minutes of Conference as having passed with Honours.

### III.—PROBATIONERS' COURSE OF STUDY.

(AS DECIDED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.)

#### *First Year.*

1. Bible, Old Testament.—*Hebrew*—1 Samuel i.-v., with Davidson's Hebrew Grammar; *or English*—1 Samuel, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
2. Bible, New Testament.—*Greek*—Acts i.-vii., Cambridge Greek Testament for Schools and Colleges, with Green's Greek Grammar; *or English*—Acts, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
3. Wesley's Sermons, 1-20.
4. W. N. Clarke's Outlines of Theology, pp. 1-226.
5. The Book of Laws.
6. Fisher's History of the Christian Church, pp. 1-287 (Ancient and Mediæval Sections).
7. Robertson's Early Religion of Israel.

#### *Second Year.*

1. Bible, Old Testament.—*Hebrew*—Zechariah i.-v, with Davidson's Hebrew Grammar; *or English*—Amos and Hosea, Cambridge Bible, for Schools and Colleges.
2. Bible, New Testament.—*Greek*—Philippians, Lightfoot's Commentary, with Green's Greek Grammar; *or English*—Ephesians and Philip-  
pians, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
3. Wesley's Sermons, 21-53.
4. W. N. Clarke's Outlines of Theology, pp. 227-427.
5. Gregory's Scriptural Church Principles, Part II.
6. Fisher's History of the Christian Church, pp. 288 to end.
7. C. A. Row's Manual of Christian Evidences.

#### *Third Year.*

1. Bible, Old Testament.—*Hebrew*—Isaiah xlix.-lv.; *or English*—Book of Isaiah, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
2. Bible, New Testament.—*Greek*—Epistle of James, Mayor's Edition; *or English*—James and 1 Peter, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
3. Pope's Compendium, Vol. II.
4. Biblical Introduction, by Bennett and Adeney, Old Testament.
5. Newman Smyth's Christian Ethics, Part I., pp. 1-292.
6. Bruce's Apologetics.
7. Shedd's Homiletics.

*Fourth Year.*

1. Bible, Old Testament.—*Hebrew*—Psalms xc.-xciv. ; or *English*—Book of Joshua, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
2. Bible, New Testament.—*Greek*—Epistles of St. John, Westcott's Commentary ; or *English*—Epistle to the Romans, Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges.
3. Pope's Compendium, Vol. III.
4. Biblical Introduction, by Bennett and Adeney, New Testament.
5. Newman Smyth's Christian Ethics, Part II., pp. 293-494.
6. R. G. Moulton's Literary Study of the Bible.
7. Geden's Studies in Comparative Religion.

## REGULATIONS.

1. The minimum number of marks required for a pass in any subject shall be 50 per cent.

2. Except as hereinafter provided, Probationers shall in each year be examined in at least six subjects, including Nos. 1 to 5, and they must pass in five subjects (The New Zealand Conference has decided that so long as Probationers secure pass marks in *any* five subjects out of those taken by them, they will pass the examination.)

3. In any year in which a Probationer is keeping terms at a local University or University College it shall be sufficient for him to be examined, and to pass in Nos. 2 and 3 only.

4. In the case of a Probationer who may desire to sit for the London University B.D. Examination, and who can satisfy the Board of Examiners that he has a reasonable prospect of gaining the B.D. Degree, it shall be sufficient for him to be examined and to pass in No. 3 only.

5. The New Zealand Conference requires every Probationer who is acquainted with Greek or Hebrew to take the Greek or Hebrew subjects specified in the list of subjects for his year. Every Probationer who has been a student in the Theological College shall be examined in these Greek or Hebrew subjects, unless the tutors under whom he studied, having taken into consideration his attainments on leaving the College, are of opinion that these examinations cannot reasonably be required in his case.

*Latin.*

In addition to the subjects required as above by the General Conference, there shall be a course in Latin, special credit to be given to those Probationers who gain above 70 per cent of marks in this subject. This subject, it is to be noted, is an additional one, and must not be taken in place of one of the subjects set by the General Conference. The Books set for 1906 are as follows:—

1st year: Cæsar, De Bello Gallico, Book V.

2nd year: Virgil, Æneid, Book II.

3rd year: Cicero, De Amicitia.

4th year: Horace, Odes, Book I.

## LIST OF WORKS RECOMMENDED TO PROBATIONERS.

*1. Biblical Criticism and Exegesis.*

Westcott's Bible in the Church.  
 Ryle's Canon of the Old Testament.  
 Moulton's History of the English Bible.  
 Fairbairn's Studies in the Life of Christ.  
 Dale's Living Christ and the Four Gospels.  
 Bruce's Humiliation of Christ.  
 Bruce's Training of the Twelve.  
 Edersheim's Life of Christ.  
 Andrew's Life of Christ.  
 Farrar's Life and Work of St. Paul.  
 Farrar's Early Days of Christianity.  
 Findlay's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.  
 Westcott's Introduction to the Study of the Gospels.  
 Westcott's Canon of the New Testament.  
 The Expositor's Bible.  
 Davison's Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament.  
 Findlay's Books of the Prophets.  
 Green's Higher Criticism of the Pentateuch.  
 Riehm's Messianic Prophecies.  
 Ramsay's Church in the Roman Empire.  
 Ramsay's St. Paul the Traveller.  
 Nicol's Recent Archæology and the Bible.  
 Forrest's Christ of History and of Experience.  
 R. J. Drummond's Relation of Apostolic Teaching to the  
 Teaching of Christ.  
 Ramsay's Commentary on Galatians.  
 Shaw's Pauline Epistles.  
 Way's Letters of St. Paul.  
 Somerville's St. Paul's Conception of Christ.  
 Stanton's Gospels as Historical Monuments.  
 Smith's Historical Geography of the Holy Land.  
 Ramsay's Was Christ Born at Bethlehem?

*2. Theology.*

Wesley's Christian Perfection.  
 Wesley's Original Sin.  
 Fletcher's Checks to Antinomianism.  
 The Fernley Lectures.  
 Fairbairn's Christ in Modern Theology.  
 Pearson on the Creed.  
 Dale's The Atonement.  
 Flint's Theism.  
 Flint's Anti-Theistic Theories.  
 Sanday's Lectures on Inspiration.  
 Beet's Holiness.  
 Gore's The Incarnation.  
 John Hunt's Entire Sanctification.  
 Beet's New Life in Christ.  
 Hort's The Way, the Truth, and the Life.  
 Salmond's Christian Doctrine of Immortality.  
 Denney's Studies in Theology.  
 Dale's Christian Doctrine.  
 Davison's Christian Interpretation of Life.  
 Steven's New Testament Theology.

Walker's The Spirit and the Incarnation.  
 Laidlaw's Bible Doctrine of Man.  
 Fairbairn's Philosophy of the Christian Religion.  
 Walker's Cross and Kingdom.  
 Westcott's Gospel of the Resurrection.  
 Illingworth's Reason and Revelation.  
 Illingworth's Divine Immanence.  
 Caird's Fundamental Ideas of Christianity.  
 Starbuck's Psychology of Religion.  
 Lambert's Sacraments of the New Testament.  
 James' Varieties of Religious Experience.

### 3. *Apologetics.*

Butler's Analogy: Gladstone's Essay.  
 Paley's Evidences.  
 Paley's *Horæ Paulinæ*.  
 Brace's *Gesta Christi*.  
 Godet's Defence of the Christian Faith.  
 Boyd Carpenter's Permanent Elements of Religion.  
 Martineau's Study of Religion.  
 Romanes' Thoughts on Religion.  
 Balfour's Foundations of Belief.  
 Pascal's Thoughts.  
 Iverach's Evolution and Christianity.  
 Orr's Christian View of God and the World.

### 4. *Church History and Polity.*

Wesley's Journals.  
 Jacob's Ecclesiastical Polity of the New Testament.  
 Lefroy's Christian Ministry.  
 Schaff's Ecclesiastical History.  
 Quick's Methodism: a Parallel.  
 Hatch's History of Early Church Organisations.  
 D'Aubigné's History of the Reformation.  
 Wylie's History of Protestantism.  
 Slater's Faith and Life of the Early Church.  
 Wake's Apostolic Fathers.  
 Fairbairn's Religion in History and in Modern Life.  
 Abbey's and Overton's English Church in the Eighteenth Century.  
 G. Smith's History of Missions.  
 Dr. Steven's History of Methodism.  
 Dr. Rigg's Comparative View of Church Organisations.  
 Tyerman's Life and Times of John Wesley.  
 Lindsay's Life of Luther.  
 Eras of Church History.  
 Dr. Waller's Constitution and Polity of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 Lindsay's Church and Ministry in the Early Centuries.  
 Workman's Church in the West in the Middle Ages.

### 5. *Pastoral Theology.*

Baxter's Reformed Pastor.  
 Arthur's Tongue of Fire.  
 Dale's Lectures on Preaching.  
 Horton's *Verbum Dei*.  
 Stalker's Preacher and His Models.

Beecher's Yale Lectures.  
 Wesley's Address to the Clergy.  
 Phillips Brooks' Lectures on Preaching.  
 Fletcher's Thoughts on Preaching.

6. *Miscellaneous.*

Spier's Methodist Temperance Manual.  
 Buckley's Short History of the Physical Sciences.  
 Rowntree and Sherwell's Temperance Problems.  
 Black's Culture and Restraint.

1. The Conference recommends Probationers in their general reading to acquaint themselves with the best classics of English and other literature.

2. Probationers are advised to consult, when possible, Hastings' Bible Dictionary. Those who read Hebrew and Greek will find the volumes of the International Critical Commentary, and the Expositor's Greek Testament, of great service.

3. The Reading List required to be supplied by each Probationer at the District Synod shall include at least one book in each of the first five sections under "List of works recommended to Probationers."

CURRICULUM FOR MAORI PROBATIONERS.

*First Year.*

1. Eldridge's Theology (first half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 1 to 12.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (portions to be selected by Examiner), with Peloubet's Notes.
4. Gordon's "Quiet Talks on Power."

*Second Year.*

1. Eldridge's Theology (second half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 13 to 24.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (portions to be selected by Examiner), with Peloubet's Notes.
4. Gordon's "Quiet Talks on Prayer."

*Third Year.*

1. Gregory's "Theological Student" (first half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 25 to 37.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (portions to be selected by Examiners), with Peloubet's Notes.
4. Arthur's "Tongue of Fire" (first half).

*Fourth Year.*

1. Gregory's "Theological Student" (second half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 38 to 53.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (portions to be selected by Examiner), with Peloubet's Notes.
4. Arthur's "Tongue of Fire" (second half).

## IV.—STUDENTS' COURSE OF STUDY.

The course of study in the Theological Institution at Prince Albert College will be as follows, subject from time to time to such additions or alterations as Conference may direct:—

1. Systematic Theology.
2. Bible Exegesis.
3. Homiletics.
4. Ecclesiastical History.
5. Elocution.
6. English Language and Literature.
7. Latin Language and Literature.
8. Greek Language and Literature, including the Greek Testament.
9. Logic.
10. Mathematics.

When sufficiently advanced, Students will be required to attend lectures at the University College, and to take the University Examinations.

## REGULATIONS.

1. That three Lecturers be appointed as follows:—
  - (a) Systematic Theology and Elocution—Rev. W. Slade.
  - (b) Ecclesiastical History and Bible Exegesis—Rev. G. Bond.
  - (c) Homiletics and Logic—Rev. J. H. Simmonds.
2. That each of the Theological Students at Prince Albert College preach a Trial Sermon before one of the Ministers of the Auckland (Pitt Street and North Shore) and Manukau Circuits prior to the holding of the Auckland District Synod, and that a written report of each Sermon be presented to the said District Synod. The Chairman of the District to notify the Students respecting the time and place.
3. That the Students be permitted, subject to the approval of the Committee of Discipline, to substitute Maori for one of the other subjects of study.
4. That the Chairman of the District furnish the Secretary of the Board of Examiners with the complete results of the Students' Examinations, including Examiners' reports and marks gained, as soon as possible after the holding of such Examinations.

## V.—CANDIDATES' COURSE OF STUDY AND EXAMINATIONS.

## SECTION A.

## BIBLE KNOWLEDGE, THEOLOGY, AND CHURCH HISTORY.

1. General Bible Knowledge and Church History—Old and New Testaments, and "Landmarks of Church History" (Cowan).
2. Systematic Theology.—Second Catechism and Banks' Manual of Christian Doctrine.

N.B.—Candidates are required by Conference to have carefully read Wesley's first fifty-three Sermons and Notes on the New Testament; but questions on these will not be included in the Candidates' Written Examination.



## SECTION B.

## LANGUAGES, GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, AND SCIENCE.

1. English—(a) Nesfield's English Grammar, Past and Present; Part I., Modern English Grammar; Part II., Idiom and Construction. (b) An Essay on some familiar subject to be named by the Examiner.
2. Latin—Via Latina, by Edwin A. Abbott. (a) Accidence to end of Verb Sum, p. 81. (b) Exercises i. to xxxii.
3. Greek—Initia Græca. (a) Accidence to end of comparison of Adjectives. (b) Exercises i. to xxvii.; Greek into English only.
4. Geography—Longman's Geographical Series; Book II. The World. (a) Mathematical and Physical Geography. (b) Sections on the British Empire.
5. History—History of England, from the accession of William III. to the accession of Victoria. (C. Ransome, J. R. Green.)
6. Science—Any one of the following subjects:—(a) Geology; (b) Zoology; (c) Botany; (d) Human Physiology; (e) Inorganic Chemistry; (f) Heat, Sound, and Light. (Longman's Elementary Science Manuals.)

## SECTION C.

## MATHEMATICS.

1. Arithmetic—Simple and Compound Rules, Vulgar and Decimal Fractions, Practice, Ratio and Proportion, Unitary Method, Measurement of Surfaces. Interest and Discount, Square Root. (J. B. Lock, C. Pendlebury, or J. Hamblin Smith.)
2. Euclid—Book I.: (a) Definitions; (b) Propositions i. to xxvi. (Hall and Stevens.)
3. Algebra—Easy Examples and Problems to Simple Equations. (Hall and Knight, chapters i. to ix.)

## REGULATIONS.

1. There shall be three Examiners, one for each section of the Subjects A, B, C.
2. The Examination Papers shall be arranged as follows;—
  - a. General Bible Knowledge and Church History.
  - b. Systematic Theology.
  - c. English Grammar and Composition.
  - d. Latin.
  - e. Greek.
  - f. Geography, History, and Science.
  - g. Arithmetic.
  - h. Euclid.
  - i. Algebra.
3. The results for each subject shall be classed in the following manner:—
 

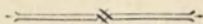
75 to 100 per cent. of marks: First class.  
 55 to 74 per cent. of marks: Second class.  
 35 to 54 per cent. of marks: Third class.  
 Below 35 per cent. of marks: *Failure*.
4. Section A must be taken in all cases. All Candidates who have not passed the matriculation examination must also take English, Geography, History, Science, and Arithmetic. Others, including Undergraduates and Graduates of a Chartered University, will be excused from taking any part of Sections B and C.

5. The Syllabus and Regulations for Candidates, as above, shall be printed from year to year in the Minutes of Conference.

N.B.—It is the duty of each Superintendent Minister to see that all intending Candidates in his Circuit are made aware of the foregoing Regulations and duly prepared for the Examination. Superintendents must send to Examiners of Candidates for the Ministry a list of the subjects in which Candidates propose to be examined. In the case of Candidates who have not passed the matriculation examination, or are not graduates or undergraduates of a University, the preparation should commence at least two years before the date of intended presentation at the Synod.



## Pastoral Address.



TO THE MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS OF THE METHODIST  
CHURCH OF AUSTRALASIA IN NEW ZEALAND.

DEAR BRETHREN,—

It is our privilege, in accordance with time-honoured usage, to send you words of greeting and of counsel from our Annual Conference, that may serve to stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance, for “we long after you all in the tender mercies of Jesus Christ.” “We live, if you stand fast in the Lord.”

Our Conference has been a memorable one for its brotherly kindness, its high tone, and aggressive spirit.

You will join with us in the expression of our sorrow that once again the ranks of our Ministry have been broken by death, the Rev. G. Hounsell having been suddenly called to higher service. The news of his decease cast a gloom over the closing sessions of the Conference. A beloved brother and his family have been plunged into deep sorrow by the death of a truly noble wife and mother, whose praise was in all the churches. There have also passed into the heavenlies the widow of one of our old Missionaries and an esteemed brother, the Rev. R. Bavin, who, both in this and another colony, rendered eminent service. We would extend our sincere sympathy to the relatives and friends of these, and to all who have suffered the stroke of bereavement, and pray that the God of all comfort may sustain them. We rejoice that the Rev. Geo. Bond, whose life trembled in the balance, has been spared to his loved ones and to us. To those brethren (the Revs. W. Keall and W. B. Marten) who, after strenuous and faithful service, are retiring from active work, we would send kindly wishes for a serene eventide; and, indeed, may the peace of God abide in the homes of all our Supernumeraries.

We regret that the Rev. J. Belton, one of our Probationers, has had to retire, on account of ill-health. He has our deepest sympathy and prayers for future guidance.

We have carefully reviewed the work of the past year, and find the results very encouraging. Our membership returns show an increase of 485, which brings up our total membership to 15,723, with 472 on probation and 1,572 Junior Members, an increase of 331. The total number of adherents is 79,020, which shows that one-fifth of our adherents are connected with the Church by membership. We have 310 Churches, and 370 other preaching places. There are 133 Ministers, and 37 Home Missionaries and Deaconesses, with 560 Local Preachers, and 127 Class Leaders. The vitality of our Maori Mission is proved by the conversions recorded during the past year, and the good work now being done among the native tribes calls for the liberal and prayerful support of all our people.

Our Sunday Schools, which some time ago were causing us grave anxiety, are now showing an upward tendency. We have 21,174 Scholars, an increase of 545, of whom 1,619 are Church Members. Let us show an increasing interest in this important branch of our work by providing suitable premises, and giving to the work our best talent and devotion. You are aware that a Committee has made important recommendations, with a view to secure higher spiritual results amongst the young. We would appeal to Methodist fathers and mothers, for theirs is a responsibility that cannot be placed on other's shoulders. Bring your children to be baptised, knowing that they are Christ's, and observe family worship, and deal personally with your children, so that you may have the unspeakable privilege of leading them to Jesus. Give yourselves wholly to the Lord.

We commend the Young Men's Forward Movement to your prayerful consideration. Our energetic Secretary, the Rev. H. L. Blamires, is deeply solicitous to secure to the Church our rising youth, and to enthuse them with consecrated energy. Think of the enthusiasm that arose in the formation of South African contingents. How exciting has been the success of the football team! Is it unreasonable to expect from our Methodist youth passionate zeal in God's cause?

Dr. Torr's Missions have done excellent service in the calling forth of new workers, fired with a soul-saving purpose. What a striking comment on the words, "The Kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force," is that wonderful work in Wales, which has produced such abundant life and so marvellous a spiritual transformation! Enveloped as we are by spiritual sloth, and beset

by the vices and follies of this pleasure-loving age, shall not we exclaim: "Wilt thou not revive us again, that Thy people may rejoice in Thee?" It has cheered us to hear of the work in Waihi, and of gracious seasons amongst the Northern Maoris, where a goodly number have been savingly influenced. Surely "the set time to favour Zion has come."

Our Home Mission and Church Extension Fund was never of more vital importance than now. Its needs were never more urgent, nor its claims on our most liberal support more fully justified. Never were those claims presented more effectively than in that last beautifully-illustrated report, and no class of men are more deserving of our entire confidence than our Home Missionary brethren. Then why are we not more aggressive? Why burns not the flame of fervent zeal with greater ardour for the highest interests of Maoris and scattered Europeans, as it did in the heart of Wesley when he exclaimed—

I would the precious time redeem,  
And longer live for this alone,  
To spend, and to be spent, for them  
Who have not yet my Saviour known:  
Fully on these my mission prove,  
And only breathe to breathe Thy love.

The Presbyterian and Anglican Churches have both received large legacies of late on behalf of Church Extension. Can we fail to receive the stimulus of such splendid examples? The call of the Great Head of the Church comes to us with paramount urgency to exceed the enterprise of former years, especially in augmenting the Home Mission Fund and the fund for new buildings at Three Kings.

It is distinctly encouraging to know that love for our South Sea Missions is kindling in your hearts into a fuller glow. Hence the grand gift of a Mission schooner, the magnificent reception of Brother Burton and his accomplished helper, and the dedication of one of our New Zealand young women as a Sister in New Guinea. But why should there not be half-a-dozen Ladies' Auxiliaries and as many Sisters, for we have but laid hold of the fringe of heathenism at our doors? There will be needed a more intense devotion, a more inflexible determination, and more effectual prayer, ere "the signature of Christ is writ upon those Islands of the Sea." To their credit be it spoken, the natives themselves practise systematic giving and heroic self-sacrifice, and one of our

brethren, who has recently returned from a visit, adds further testimony to the genuineness of the work done.

We would extend to our faithful Local Preachers words of grateful acknowledgment. We are aware of their many discouragements as they pursue their pioneer work or fill honoured places in our town and city pulpits. Would that from some Cliff College expert help could be rendered them; but we know that they are not denied the anointing of the Holy One, and we pray that with it they may be plenteously endued.

Should the expected visit of Gipsy Smith take place, we shall hail him as one of the most gifted evangelists of our time. His splendid service rendered recently in South Africa and in Great Britain leads us to anticipate with the greater eagerness those unique songs and the charm of that eloquent tongue.

We trust that the Government, again placed in power by the vote of the people, will realise their responsibility, and by all possible means strive to promote the highest well-being of the country. The terrible gambling evil still preys with growing rapacity upon the very vitals of our national life. Oh, let us, as a Church, arise, and by the imperative tone of our summary rebuke drive out this deadly enemy to virtue and religion! The recent No-license campaign was fought with excellent spirit. The forces were well organised, and literature was wisely and profusely used on both sides; but, with a wealthy and wily foe, we find a three-fifths majority a huge task. Still, an advance of 13,000 votes, making a force of nearly 200,000 strong, an addition of three No-license areas, and a number of Reduction electorates, is no mean achievement; and, if our advance be not so rapid as we desired, it is more likely to be permanent, and it will nullify the charge of injustice. Evidently the intelligent convictions of a large majority of the electors are against the perpetuation of license. It would have given a deep feeling of relief, however, had the results been of a more sweeping character, that God's co-workers might have been enabled to give less divided attention to other clamant spheres of Christian enterprise.

We rejoice in the increasing success of the Missions in our centres, presenting the spectacle of huge workers' unions—every unit utilised, and the whole throbbing and pulsating with highest life; and we trust that the inspiration of these highly-organised centres will be felt in all our circuits. Let

us pray that our whole Church may be more intensely suffused with the love of Christ, which shall generate a tender pity and a gracious helpfulness in the social life of our land, so that the great evils of the day may be still further mitigated, and that the power of the Gospel we preach may be more abundantly demonstrated with the Holy Ghost sent down from Heaven.

And now, Brethren, "we commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all them that are sanctified."  
"Be perfect; be comforted; be of the same mind; live in peace, and the God of Love and Peace shall be with you."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

THOMAS G. BROOKE, *President.*

CHARLES H. LAWS, *Secretary.*



## SECTION II.

## REPRESENTATIVE SESSION.

**QUESTION I.—Do we Sanction the Alteration or Division of any of the Districts or Circuits of this Conference?**

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. That the question of Auckland Circuit boundaries be referred back to the Quarterly Meetings concerned, to report to the Auckland Synod and the next Conference.
2. That the Freeman's Bay and Newton Missions be united, retaining both Ministers, as at present, for this year.
3. That the Hamilton Circuit be divided; Huntly to be the head of a new Circuit, and a Probationer appointed.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. That Patea, with adjacent places, be separated from the Hawera Circuit and constituted a married Minister's Circuit, with a grant of £50; and that at the end of the year these places revert to their present connection with the Hawera Circuit.
2. That the Wanganui Circuit be divided; the Wanganui Circuit to comprise Wanganui, Gonville, and Kaitoke, with a married Minister; Aramoho, Brunswick, Springvale, and Maxwelltown to form the new circuit, with a Probationer appointed.
3. That Bulls be re-transferred to the Rangitikei Circuit.
4. That the Mangaweka Home Mission Station be attached to the Taihape Circuit, and the Home Missionary withdrawn.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. That the Wellington (Taranaki Street) Circuit be divided; Johnsonville to become the head of a new circuit, including Crofton, Khandallah, Kaiwarra, and Ngahauranga; the Wellington Circuit to grant the new circuit £420, extending over a period of six years, and a married Minister to be appointed to the new circuit.
2. That Carterton be the head of the South Wairarapa Circuit, with a view to a parsonage being built and the Superintendent Minister residing there.

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. That the Dunedin (Cargill Road) Circuit be divided; Mosgiel to be the head of a new circuit, to include also Momona, Wingatui, and Saddle Hill, and that a Probationer be appointed.
2. That the Dunedin (Morningson) Circuit be divided; the new circuit to include Roslyn and Maori Hill, and to be called the Roslyn Circuit.
3. That the Riverton-Orepuki Circuit be described as the Riverton Home Mission Station, and the name Orepuki removed from its designation.



**QUESTION II.—What Circuits ask for Additional Preachers?**

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. That a Probationer be appointed to Wainuku, in the Franklin Circuit, the minimum stipend to be £120. (A Home Missionary is appointed for this year.)

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. That a Home Missionary be appointed to the Christchurch South Circuit, with a suitable grant.
2. That the Connexional Secretary and the Rev. S. J. Serpell visit the Fairlie district (Timaru Circuit), and report to the Canterbury Synod.
3. That a Home Missionary be appointed to the Timaru Circuit for one year, the stipend to be £100.

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. That a Probationer be appointed to the Invercargill Circuit, to work the southern part of the city, with out-stations and suburbs, with a suitable grant.
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**QUESTION III.—What New Stations are now Sanctioned?**

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. That Waimarino be constituted a circuit, with the appointment of a Home Missionary for the present.
2. That a Home Missionary be appointed to work the Mokau and Kaitieke districts in conjunction, with a suitable grant.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. That a site be purchased at Takapau, and that the Superintendent of the Waipawa Circuit keep the district under his attention and supervision. (See under Loan Fund, Resolution 5.)

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. That the present arrangements for services during the tourist season at Queenstown be continued.
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**QUESTION IV.—What Circuits are now due to provide for Married instead of Single Ministers?**

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. *Upper Thames (Paeroa).*—Is due, but is relieved for another year. The Circuit Quarterly Meeting is recommended to consider the advisability of removing the third Minister to a more suitable locality in the circuit.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. *Hawera (Patea).*—Patea is constituted a separate Circuit, with the appointment of a married Minister. (See under Question I.)
2. *Wanganui (Aramoho).*—Is due, but is relieved for another year.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. *Wellington, Taranaki Street (Johnsonville)*.—Is due, and fulfils its obligation, Johnsonville becoming the head of a new circuit.
2. *Hutt (Petone)*.—Is due, and fulfils its obligation.
3. *South Wairarapa (Carterton)*.—Is due, but is relieved for another year.

## NELSON DISTRICT.

1. *Motueka*.—Is due, but is relieved for another year.
2. *Westport*.—Is due, but is relieved for another year.

QUESTION V.—What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting Church and other Properties?

## I.—SALES REPORTED.

1. *Upper Thames Circuit*.—Sale of old parsonage and site for £275. Proceeds devoted towards cost of new house.
2. *Mangungu Mission Property*.—Block 473 acres (ten acres being reserved for Mission purposes) for £1075. Proceeds invested for Home Missions.
3. *Kawhia Mission Property, Lemon Point*.—168 acres (two acres being reserved for Mission Purposes) for £1025. Proceeds invested for Home Missions.

## II.—NEW ERECTIONS AND PURCHASES COMPLETED.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. *Auckland (Pitt Street) Circuit*.—(1) Removal of parsonage from Karangahape Road; re-erection and enlargement of same in Hopetoun Street at cost of £850.
  - (2) Erection of ten brick shops on parsonage site at cost of £8868 9s. 4d. Provision made by rents for liquidation of debt.
  - (3) Enlargement of Sunday school at St. John's, Ponsonby, by addition of six class-rooms at cost of £178. Debt to Loan Fund, £60.
  - (4) New infant school at St. John's, Ponsonby; cost £193. Debt to Loan Fund, £65.
  - (5) Erection of parsonage at Kingsland; cost, £600.
2. *Mamukau Circuit*.—Erection of new parsonage of wood at Onehunga, ten rooms and outbuildings; cost, £875. Debt, £450.
3. *Cambridge Circuit*.—Lease of 1 rood at Otorohanga and erection of church to seat 100; cost, £170. Debt, £50 to Loan Fund.
4. *Hamilton Circuit*.—(1) Erection at Hamilton of 8 shops of brick; cost, £3968 2s. 8d. Provision made by rents for liquidation of debt.
  - (2) Erection of new Sunday school of wood, 30ft. x 66ft., to seat 300; cost, £566 12s. 8d. Debt, £550. Provision made by rents to meet interest and pay off principal.
  - (3) Acquisition of section for church purposes, two-thirds of an acre, at Frankton, the gift of Mr. S. Knight.

5. *Rotorua Circuit*.—Purchase of lease of 1 rood in Hinemoa Street, with cottage of three rooms, £400. Advanced from Loan Fund, £100; on other securities, £300.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. *New Plymouth Circuit*.—Enlargement of South Road school; cost, £148 15s. 6d. Debt to Loan Fund, £50.
2. *Eltham Circuit*.—Erection of Sunday school and gymnasium, 40ft. x 20ft.; cost, £100. No debt.
3. *Kimbolton Circuit*.—Erection of new church-school at Oroua Valley; cost, £117 6s. 8d. Debt, £25 to Loan Fund.
4. *Taihape Circuit*.—New vestry to Taihape church; cost, £28 11s. 10d. No debt.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. *Wellington (Taranaki Street) Circuit*.—(1) Land and parsonage at Goring Street, Thorndon. Land, 31 perches; cost, £310. House of 8 rooms; cost, £640. Loan on securities, £895.  
(2) Erection of church at Crofton, to seat 120; cost, £350. Debt to Loan Fund, £140.
2. *South Wairarapa Circuit*.—Erection of chemist's shop and dwelling; cost, £439 15s. 11d. Debt on securities, £415.
3. *Masterton Circuit*.—Enlargement of Kuripuni school, 42ft. x 14ft., providing for 80 additional scholars; cost, £176 8s. 6d. Debt to Loan Fund, £50.

## NELSON DISTRICT.

1. *Richmond Circuit*.—(1) Purchase of church site, 37 perches, at Brightwater; cost, £30. Debt to Loan Fund.  
(2) Erection of church at Brightwater, 28ft. x 17ft., to seat 100; cost, £120. Debt, £30.
2. *Havelock H. M. Station*.—Purchase by Loan Fund at Mahakipawa of church site, 1 acre, £26.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. *Christchurch (Durham Street) Circuit*.—New vestry to the church at Woolston; cost, £70. No debt.
2. *Christchurch (Papanui) Circuit*.—Purchase of additional section adjoining parsonage, 31 4-10 perches; cost, £35. No debt.
3. *Timaru Circuit*.—Erection of new church at Pareora East (Brookland), to seat 180; cost, £225. No debt.

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. *Dunedin (Cargill Road) Circuit*. Erection of new church at Wingatui, to seat 80, at cost of £112; the section (1 rood) held on lease tenure, with purchasing clause. No debt.
2. *Dunedin (Mornington) Circuit*.—(1) Erection of brick church, 61ft 6in. x 37ft., to seat 350; cost, £1893 15s. 10d. Debt to Loan Fund, £600.  
(2) Purchase of parsonage section at Roslyn, 29½ perches; cost, £97 10s.

3. *Otautau Circuit*.—Erection of stables and outhouses at Drummond; cost, £25. Debt, £25.
4. *Winton H.M. Station*.—Purchase by Loan Fund of church site at Winton 1 rood; cost, £150.

## SUMMARY—NEW ERECTIONS, &amp;c.

- 8 Freehold sites and 3 Leasehold.  
 5 Churches and 2 enlarged.  
 3 Parsonages.  
 4 Schools and 3 enlarged.  
 19 Shops.

## LAND PRESENTED.

Frankton, Hamilton Circuit, 2 roods 26 $\frac{3}{4}$  perches. Gift of Mr. S. Knight.

Crofton, Wellington (Taranaki Street) Circuit, 1 rood, valued at £120. Gift of Mr. T. Holmes.

## III.—MINOR IMPROVEMENTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Pitt Street .. .. .	161	0	1	Levin-Otaki .. .. .	4	9	0
North Shore .. .. .	21	3	0	Woodville .. .. .	4	11	6
Thames .. .. .	19	10	0	Ormondville .. .. .	1	16	6
Upper Thames .. .. .	6	0	6	Greymouth .. .. .	118	4	0
Manukau .. .. .	5	14	0	Hokitika .. .. .	301	8	4
Franklin .. .. .	146	12	3	Havelock .. .. .	9	3	9
Cambridge .. .. .	10	5	3	Dunedin (Cargill Road)	16	0	2
Hamilton .. .. .	100	8	3	Invercargill .. .. .	578	11	3
Northern Wairoa .. .. .	49	16	9	Otautau .. .. .	5	17	0
Helensville .. .. .	6	3	6				
Rotorua .. .. .	10	12	11	Total .. .. .	£2354	0	3
Waitara .. .. .	54	10	0				
Stratford .. .. .	5	15	0				
Hawera .. .. .	5	10	0				
Sandon .. .. .	45	0	0				
Feilding .. .. .	8	0	1				
Palmerston North .. .. .	53	2	6				
Kimbolton .. .. .	23	4	2				
Wellington (Taranaki St.)	192	11	0				
Wellington (South) .. .. .	300	0	0				
Hutt (Petone) .. .. .	19	16	0				
South Wairarapa .. .. .	54	10	1				
Masterton .. .. .	10	18	3				
Hastings .. .. .	3	15	7				

## DISTRICT SUMMARY.

Auckland District .. .. .	537	6	6
Wanganui District .. .. .	195	1	9
Wellington District .. .. .	592	7	11
Nelson District .. .. .	428	16	1
Canterbury District .. .. .	—		
Otago District .. .. .	600	8	5
	£2354	0	8

## IV.—SALES, &amp;c., SANCTIONED TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1905.

1. *Thames Circuit*.—To sell Thames parsonage and site, proceeds to purchase or erection of more suitable property.
2. *Palmerston North Circuit*.—To sell church and site at Taonui, proceeds to be applied, after discharging liabilities, towards purchase of site for second parsonage.

3. *Temuka Circuit*.—(1) To sell vacant section, 1 rood, at Temuka for £60. Proceeds to be applied to parsonage improvement scheme.
- (2) Sale of Waitohi Church building and site. Proceeds to be invested for new site and church in more suitable locality in the same district.

## EXTENDED LEASES SANCTIONED.

1. *Thames Circuit*.—To lease, if unable to effect sale, of the Thames parsonage property for a period of not more than 21 years.
2. *Educational Trust*.—(1) To the Auckland Educational Property Trustees to lease for a period not exceeding 21 years 169 acres at Kawhia Harbour.
- (2) To lease for a period not exceeding 14 years the Waikowhai block of 280 acres. Bathing and fishing rights of Three Kings scholars duly guarded.

V.—PROPOSED ERECTIONS, &c., SANCTIONED TO  
DECEMBER 31st, 1905.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. *Auckland (Pitt Street) Circuit*.—Enlargement of Sunday school at Mount Albert. Probable cost, £100. No debt to be incurred.
2. *Upper Thames Circuit*.—To erect new parsonage at Te Aroha of nine rooms. Probable cost, £650.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. *Hawera Circuit*.—New church at Hawera at estimated cost of £1495. Loan requested, £425.
2. *Kimbolton Circuit*.—New church at Waituna West, 32ft. x 20ft., to seat 90. Cost of land, £21 10s.; probable cost of church, £200. Loan of £60 requested.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. *Wellington (Taranaki Street) Circuit*.—(1) Erection of Infants' Sunday school at Taranaki Street; estimated cost, £400. No debt to be incurred.
- (2) To purchase church site at Brooklyn,  $\frac{1}{3}$ -acre, with house and shop thereon; cost, £1100.
2. *Napier Circuit*.—To erect pipe organ for Napier church. Probable cost, £300.

## NELSON DISTRICT.

1. *Blenheim Circuit*.—To purchase church site at Flaxbourne at probable cost of £60.
2. *Reefton Circuit*.—To purchase church site at Reefton, 66ft. x 99ft., and erect new church thereon at estimated cost, including land, of £850. Loan requested, £275.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. *Christchurch (South) Circuit*.—(1) To construct Infants' Sunday School at Sydenham, 22ft. x 18ft., by extension of gymnasium. No debt to be incurred.
- (2) Erection of Young Men's room on Lincoln Road church site, 16ft. x 26ft.; estimated cost, £130. No debt to be incurred.
- (3) Purchase of church site,  $\frac{2}{3}$ -acre, at Opawa; cost, £105. No debt.
- (4) Clarence Road—Purchase of church site, 1 rood; cost, £120. Temporary advance from Loan Fund, £15.
2. *Timaru Circuit*.—Erection of church, 20ft. x 30ft., at Pareora East, to seat 180; cost, £225. No debt.
3. *Willowby Circuit*.—Erection of church vestry at Waterton. Loan of one-third promised.

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. *Dunedin (Trinity) Circuit*.—To erect church of brick at Glenavon, North-East Valley, to seat 200, with spire, class-room, and vestry, at probable cost of £966, in addition to cost of land, £325. Loan of one-third promised. (N.B.—Provision is made in present plan for future enlargement of church, to seat 400.)
2. *Dunedin (Mornington) Circuit*.—Enlargement of Belleknowes church and erection of porch and belfry. Loan of one-third promised.

GENERAL REPORT OF CHURCH PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1905.

1. It is a matter for regret that the whole of the returns of the District Secretaries are not in the hands of the General Secretary early enough to afford time for careful analysis and comparison. A majority of the Districts give no ground for complaint, and it would very much facilitate the operations of this important department of labour if the Conference Rule on the subject were universally observed.

2. The optimistic view to which expression was given last year as regards growing approach to perfect accuracy in treatment of the Schedules has not this year been maintained. An illustration of this is afforded in the simple fact that in the case of Trusts in 25 Circuits the balances, credit or debit, carried forward in 1904 are represented by quite different amounts brought forward in 1905. One can only hope that by the issue of gentle reminders, and by letting patience have her perfect work, a nearer approach to perfection in this respect may ultimately be gained.

3. A reference to the "Summary of New Erections" will show that the past year has witnessed considerable expansion. Increase in the value of new properties is represented by an expenditure of £22,291 2s 1d. It should, however, be pointed out that this outlay is largely made up of purely commercial undertakings. As many as 19 shops have been erected on Church lands, and, although this enlargement has been largely promoted with money borrowed for the purpose, there is every reason to believe, not merely that the work has proceeded along sound business lines, but that the foundation of a valuable endowment has been created that may prove of great service in the years to come in promoting interests of a spiritual and evangelical character.

4. The total cost of land and buildings as reported at the 30th of September last has now reached the sum of £344,177 12s 5d. The debt on securities is £45,608 15s 6d, or a little over 13 per cent., the increase in the percentage of debt arising chiefly from the shop-building operations reported this year.

5. The current debts to the Loan Fund amount to £9,998 4s 6d.

6. The sum for which Church, School, Parsonage buildings, and Shops are covered (but not including Probert's bequest properties, Prince Albert College, Three Kings Buildings, and Emsly Houses) is £177,953. The premiums paid amount to £878 9s 6d.

#### A.—PROPERTIES.

	Cost as Reported.
Sites—Freehold, 571; leasehold, 29; vacant, 110; incomplete titles, 15	£60,047 15 2
Churches—Brick or stone, 16; wood, 305; seating, 55,174	167,731 13 2
Schoolrooms—Brick or stone, 10; wood, 84; seating, 18,280	40 068 2 10
Parsonages—Brick or stone, 3; wood, 102	51,884 7 7
Other buildings, 78	23,445 13 8
Total cost of land and buildings	£343,177 12 5

#### B.—CURRENT TRUST ACCOUNTS.

(Incomplete - Canterbury Returns not included.)

Receipts.—Credit balances brought forward, £1,748 2s 1d; Seat Rents, £1,950 5s 11d; Trust collections, £1,250 1s 10d; Anniversary or opening services, £1,726 12s 2d; Subscriptions and donations, £6,037 19s 10d; Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund or other loans, £18,828 5s 11d; all other income, £6,205 6s 6d; total receipts, £37,746 14s 3d. Credit balances carried forward, £1,538 7s 6d.

Expenditure.—Debit balances brought forward, £2,964 15s 9d; lighting and cleaning, £1,846 8s 2d; alterations and repairs, £6,032 5s; enlargements and minor improvements, £16,348 3s 9d; interest, £1,419; insurance premiums, £651 2s 8d; paid to Circuit Boards, £196 17s 6d; all other expenses, including debt reduced, £9,422 7s 10d; total expenditure, £38,881 0s 8d. Debit balances carried forward, £3,063 10s 8d.

HENRY BULL, General Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the District Secretaries for their services during the past year, and that the following be appointed for the ensuing year:—Mr W. D. Buttle, Auckland; Mr J. P. Leary, Palmerston North; Mr C. W. Benbow, Wellington; Mr J. Boon, Nelson; Mr G. J. Smith, Christchurch; Mr J. C. Stephens, Dunedin.
3. That the Church Property Schedules be sent by Circuit Superintendents to the District Secretaries not later than October 31st; also that the revised Schedules, with Summaries and Reports, be sent by District Secretaries to the General Secretary not later than December 15th.

4. That inquiry be made in the Synods concerning each Circuit and Home Mission Station as to the celebration of church anniversaries; and that in the cases of dependent Circuits and Home Mission Stations where this is neglected a report be furnished by the Secretary of each Synod to the Home Mission Treasurers.
5. That, with a view of making Church Property Returns as complete and accurate as possible, the District Secretaries be requested to correspond with Superintendents in cases where the Schedules are incompletely filled, or where the returns are manifestly incorrect.
6. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr T. C. Williams, of Auckland, for gift of church site at Western Spit (Napier); to Mr S. Knight for gift of church site at Frankton (Hamilton); to Mr T. Holmes for gift of church site at Crofton (Wellington); to Mr F. Smith, sen., for the gift of a pipe organ for the Blenheim Church, valued at £405; and also (through the Rev. B. J. James) to the anonymous donor of a new organ, valued at £50, for the church at Tua Marina.
7. That the Conference expresses its gratification at the success of the appeal in connection with the Rotorua Church, and remits the question to the favourable consideration of the Loan Fund Committee.

#### CHURCH PROPERTY REGULATIONS.

1. Superintendents are directed that, in case of properties held under the Land Transfer Act, Trustees must sign a Declaration of Trust, which is to be forwarded to the Custodian of Deeds; and that in the case of properties not held under the Land Transfer Act, Trustees must sign the Deed of Conveyance. In the case of appointment of new Trustees, no further Declaration of Trust is required, but they must sign the form of Appointment of New Trustees; such form to be forwarded to the Authorised Representative.

N.B.—Forms for Declaration of Trust, and also for appointing new Trustees, and printed copies of the new Model Deed, may be obtained from the Authorised Representative.

2. Copies of the Model Deed have been deposited in the various Land Registry Offices for the Colony, in order that reference may be made thereto, as provided in the form. The numbers given to the deeds so deposited are as under:—

Land Registry Office, Auckland . . . . .	..	..	No. Z 83
District Land Transfer Office, New Plymouth . . . . .	..	..	99
District Land Registry Office, Napier . . . . .	..	..	80
Land Registry Office, Wellington . . . . .	..	..	2,117
Land Registry Office, Nelson . . . . .	..	..	22
Land Registry Office, Blenheim . . . . .	..	..	77
Land Transfer Office, Westland District . . . . .	..	..	21
Land Registry Office, Christchurch . . . . .	..	..	83
Land Registry Office, Dunedin . . . . .	..	..	808
Southland District Land Registrar's Office, Invercargill . . . . .	..	..	75

3. The scale of Fees in connection with the registration of Trustees is as follows:—

(1) For Registration of any Trust, if value of property is £1,000 or over, £1 1s; if under £1,000, 10s 6d.



- (2) For Registration of new Trustees, 2s 6d each name, with a maximum charge of 10s.
- (3) For certified copy of Register, or any part thereof, supplied for any purpose, 5s.
4. In order to secure accuracy in the returns, the District Secretaries are empowered to compare the figures supplied to them on the A and B annual returns with the entries in the Circuit Schedule Books, Superintendents being directed to produce their Schedule Books when required for this purpose.
5. The question of completing Titles where necessary is referred to the General Secretary of Church Property, in conjunction with the Superintendent of the circuit concerned.
6. In order to prevent rash and premature undertakings in church building, which must prove a source of embarrassment to the connexion and oppressive to the circuits, it is enacted as a Standing Order that no church shall be erected unless there is a reasonable expectation that two-thirds of the entire cost will be raised by subscription, including the collections at the opening services; but the Conference strongly urges that, wherever it is practicable, all the churches be erected free of debt.—(Paragraph 455, Book of Laws.)
7. The sanction of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be obtained for all purchases, sales, and for leases of church property over seven years, and for all erections, enlargements, or structural alterations of buildings; and that Committee is empowered and directed to require that plans and specifications of all buildings and alterations be furnished before the work is begun, and that no building be erected until a proper title to the land has been secured.
8. The Secretary of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall supply to the Financial District Synods the reply to Question 2 of Section III. (Church Properties and Connexional Trusts), in the Order of Synod Business, and shall also report upon any cases where the regulations have not been observed. He shall also supply to Conference the reply to Question 5 in the Business of the Representative Session, as to (a) sales reported, (b) new erections, etc., completed, (c) minor improvements, (d) sales sanctioned, (e) proposed erections, etc., also reporting any case where the regulations have not been observed. In the case of sales, the written consent of the Committee shall be supplied to the President of the Conference.
9. The General Secretary and District Secretaries of Church Properties are directed by the Conference to communicate with the respective Superintendents of Circuits where discrepancies occur, with a view to explanation and adjustment.

#### REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS.

The following deeds have been received during the year ending October 31st, 1905:—Mount Albert Parsonage (No. 2), Birkenhead Parsonage, Waiuku Parsonage, Feilding Church, Feilding Parsonage, Oroua Valley Church, Kaitawa Church, Norsewood vacant site, Eketahuna Church, Woodville Parsonage, Mahakipawa Church site, Hokitika Church and Parsonage, Kokatahi Church site, Richmond Church and Parsonage, Timaru Sunday School site, Timaru Church (1), Timaru Church (2), Timaru Parsonage, Pareora East Church, Papanui

Parsonage additional site, Morven Church site, Fairton Church site, Cromwell Parsonage site, Winton Church site, Glenaven Church, and Stafford street Hall, Dunedin.

The following deeds have been received from the Loan Fund Treasurers on repayment of loans:—Omaru Church, Kaeo Church and Parsonage, Palmerston North Parsonage, Hawera Parsonage, Ohakune Church, Carterton Church, Manakau Church, Gisborne Church, Gisborne Parsonage, Hastings Church, Waikuku Church, Papanui Parsonage, Balclutha Church, and Cargill Road Church.

The following deeds have been removed from the Custodian's care:—Otorohanga Church, sent to the Rev. S. J. Gibson for registration and Declaration of Trust; Waihi Church, to Rev. C. C. Harrison, for enlargement of area; Eketahuna Church, for dedication of road; Balclutha Church, to Rev. F. W. Boys.

Handed to the Loan Fund Treasurers as security for loans advanced:—Waiuku Parsonage, Paparoa Church, South Road Church, Oroua Valley School Church, Kuripuni School Church, Norsewood Church, Woodville Parsonage, Mahakipawa Church site, Kokatahi Church site, Kimberley Church, Mornington Church, and Winton Church site.

I beg to report that the second volume of the Deeds Register, being a register of deeds of Church property in the South Island of New Zealand, has been completed. For this work I am deeply indebted to Mr C. E. Salter, who has given a number of evenings during the winter to ensure its completion. Every deed has now been handled, examined, and registered. In several cases defects and omissions have been discovered and steps taken to remedy the same. These completed volumes will prove valuable for future use and reference.

As required by Conference Regulations, reports have been sent to each Financial District Synod, and copies of them are now placed upon the table for reference.

HENRY BULL, Custodian.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr C. E. Salter for his valuable services in connection with the registration of deeds during the year.
3. That the Custodian be directed to keep a Register of Deeds, and to report annually to the Financial District Synods and the Conference.
4. That the Custodian be requested to take the necessary steps for the recovery or the replacing of missing deeds of church property.
5. That the Custodian be authorised to obtain the necessary documents to secure the titles to those properties, the deeds of which have been reported as missing.
6. That the sum of £3 6s 6d, paid for transfer of memo. of mortgage of the Oamaru Trust from Rev. Dr Morley and the late Mr W. Harris to the present Treasurers of the Loan Fund, be a charge upon the Contingent Fund.

## REPORT OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.

I have to report that during the past year, in connection with forty-two Trusts on the Register, I have registered the appointment of one hundred and seventy-two new and additional trustees, and have also removed the names of seventy-one persons from the Register for various valid reasons. Twenty additional properties have been placed upon the Register of Trustees, and twelve certified copies of Trusts have been issued.

The following is the yearly Cash Statement:—Balance brought forward from last year, £9 13s 3d. Sales: Model Deeds and Roll Books, £1 19s 6d; registration fees, £21 11s 6d; total, £33 4s 3d.

Expenditure: Voted to Connexional Secretary's office, £25; legal expenses, £1 11s; stamps, stationery, and telegrams, £6 11s 1d; credit balance carried forward, 2s 2d; total, £33 4s 3d.

To Superintendents of Circuits and Trustees.—In connection with the acquisition of new properties under the Land Transfer Act, Superintendents of Circuits and Trustees are advised and urged to dispense with the use of Declaration of Trust forms, and to have the Trusts of the Model Deed expressed on the Certificate of Title as provided by the Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Trust Act 1887 Further Amendment Act, 1896, section 6.

HENRY BULL, Authorised Representative.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Cash Statement be adopted.
2. That, in accordance with the provisions of "The Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Trust Act, 1887," the Rev. Henry Bull be appointed Authorised Representative for the year 1906-7.
3. That the Authorised Representative enter on the Church Register all new Trusts and such alterations in Trusts as are certified by Circuit Superintendents, and that he report thereon to the Conference.
4. That the Authorised Representative be appointed to correspond with the Government on all questions of church property or titles.
5. That it be an instruction to the Authorised Representative not to enter in the Register the names of new Trustees until the fees be paid.

## CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

For Cash Accounts and List of Loans, see Appendix A, pp. ii.-xii.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

1. Twelve meetings have been held during the year.
2. Nineteen new loans have been issued during the year, thirteen from the General Fund and six from the Special Branch, representing a sum of £1,613 10s.
3. Final payments of loans have been received from Nelson Parsonage, Carterton Church, Omaru Church, Waikuku Church, Balclutha Church, Papanui Parsonage, Manakau Church, Maori Hill site,

Te Aroha old Parsonage, Woolston Church, Thorndon Church, Hastings Church, Cargill Road Church, Ohakune Church, Hawera Parsonage, Gisborne Parsonage, Kaeo Parsonage, and Marshland Church, No. 1.

4. The following undertakings have been sanctioned by the Committee subject to approval of plans and of financial conditions:— Vestry addition to Woolston Church, reconstruction of part of Sydenham Gymnasium for Sunday School purposes, erection of gymnasium school at Eltham, enlargement of Sunday School at Mount Albert, Church at Hawera, Church at Pareora East, reconstruction of church at Western Spit, additional class rooms at Trinity Church (Napier), infant school at Taranaki street, Church at Glenavon (Dunedin), Young Men's Room at Lincoln road (Christchurch South), Parsonage at Te Aroha, Church at Waituna West, renovation of Church at Helensville, Vestry addition to Waterton Church, Church at Reefton, enlargement of Belleknowes Church, additional rooms to Waipawa Parsonage, new pipe organ at Trinity Church (Napier), Church at Musselburgh, new pipe organ at Newtown (Wellington South), and new Parsonage at the Hutt.

Steps have also been sanctioned with a view of securing church sites at Opawa, Mahakipawa, Methven, Flaxbourne, Clarence Road (Riccarton), and at Brooklyn (Wellington), with house and shop thereon, and also a Parsonage site at Roslyn.

5. The Committee has sanctioned the sale of the following properties:—Mangungu Mission property, 473 acres, reserving 10 acres; Kawhia Mission property, 170 acres, reserving 2 acres; Church and site at Waitohi; vacant section at Temuka; Taikorea Church conditionally, to the Rongotea Church trustees; Taonui Church and site; Te Aroha Parsonage and interest in lease.

6. The following extended leases have been sanctioned:—Of 169 acres Educational Grant, Kawhia Harbour, for 21 years; and of 280 acres at Waikowhai, for 14 years.

7. As enumerated above, 18 loans have been discharged during the past year. There are now 147 current loans, 102 of these being with the General Fund, representing £7,733 15s 11d and 45 with the Special Branch, representing £2,264 8s 7d.

8. The Committee regrets to report that the arrears on loans have increased during the year by £85 7s 9d, and have now reached the sum of £967 7s 4d. From following Trusts nothing has been received since the report of 1905:—Coromandel, Kuaotunu, Mangaweka, Torere, Eketahuna, and Stratford Churches, also Coromandel, Kimbolton, Warkworth, and Eketahuna Parsonages. The amount due from Stratford was reported as having been raised two years ago, but has not yet been paid to the Treasurers of the Fund.

9. As per Conference Rule, Mr C. W. Turner retires from his position as a member of the Committee. The Committee desires to take this opportunity of expressing its sense of the great value of the services Mr Turner has rendered to this department of our Church work. As a Treasurer of the Fund, as well as for several years an ordinary member of the Committee, Mr Turner has freely and heartily given his time and thought to this business, with the result that the usefulness and efficiency of the Fund have been promoted.

10. Mr A. F. Drayton has been nominated to fill the vacant place on the Committee in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Fund.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

HENRY BULL, Secretary.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Cash Accounts of the General Fund and of the Special Branch be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the members of the Committee for their careful attention to the business of the Fund during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for 1906-7 viz., the Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street), Christchurch (South), Christchurch (St. Albans), and Lyttelton circuits, with Messrs G. H. Blackwell, J. A. Flesher, R. W. England, John Brown, and A. F. Drayton.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr G. H. Blackwell for his services as Treasurer, and that he be re-appointed.
4. That the thanks of the Conference be specially tendered to Mr. C. W. Turner for his devotion to the business of the Fund during his service on the Committee.
5. That the question of securing a church site at Takapau be referred to the favourable consideration of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for help from the special branch of the Fund.

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 RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

## I.—SOURCES OF THE FUND.

1. The amount obtained in connection with the special effort for this purpose authorised by the Conference of 1882, and the amount received in connection with the Jubilee Fund of 1891.
2. Donations, bequests, grants from Trustees, etc.
3. Contributions from Boards of Trustees in proportion to the number of the congregation :—

If the congregation numbers less than 100,	Five shillings
" " " 100	" 200, Ten "
" " " 200	" 400, Twenty "
" " " 400	" 500, Forty "
" " " 500 and over,	Fifty "

N.B.—Superintendents are instructed to urge Trustees to contribute to the Fund as above, and to forward amounts so donated to the Treasurer of the Church Building and Loan Fund not later than 31st October in each year.

## II.—OBJECTS OF THE FUND.

1. To render assistance in the purchase of sites and in the erection of substantial churches in places where they are needed.
2. To aid in providing parsonages in all the Circuits in the Colony.
3. To assist in the removal of debts on Church property.

## III.—COMMITTEE.

The Committee of the Fund shall consist of five ministers and five laymen, to be appointed annually by the Conference; the District Synod where the previous year's Committee was located to nominate a Committee.

## IV.—DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE.

1. To meet at least once a quarter.
2. To receive applications for, and determine upon the amounts of loans, and the times of repayments.
3. To approve of the plans and specifications of all proposed erections, enlargements, and purchases; to sanction sales of Trust properties, and afford advice to Trustees in difficult cases.
4. To receive the Annual Report from General Secretary of Church Property and to report to District Synods.
5. To see that proper deeds be obtained from all Trusts as soon as possible, and to provide for their safe custody.
6. To take such steps as may be necessary to secure the Connexion against permanent debt.
7. To transact generally all the business entrusted to it by the Conference, in accordance with the Rules and Regulations relating to Church property, and to present an Annual Report to the Conference.

## V.—CONDITIONS OF LOANS.

1. No application shall be entertained by the Committee until it has been approved by the Quarterly Meeting.
2. In making applications for a loan, the questions contained in the printed form must be answered.
3. The Connexional collections, as appointed by the Conference, shall be duly made.
4. A reasonable system of seat-rents shall be maintained in the Churches.
5. All applicants shall agree to devote a portion of the income from their Trust property (as far as circumstances will justify) to the funds of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, or the funds of our general institutions.
6. Satisfactory security shall be given by Trustees and other responsible persons for the repayment of the loans, and on the terms and at the times agreed upon with the Committee.
7. Satisfactory assurance shall be given that the land on which it is proposed to build has been legally secured for the intended object.
8. All Trusts shall provide a suitable set of Cash and Minute Books.
9. Each Trust shall, in accordance with the Model Deed, hold a special meeting for the audit of accounts; Minutes of such meeting to be taken and preserved.
10. Each Trust receiving a loan for liquidation of debt shall raise a sum at least equal to such loan before becoming entitled to claim it from the Committee. In case of erection, the Connexional rule that two-thirds shall be raised by the local Trust shall be complied with before a loan for the remainder, or any part thereof, shall be granted.
11. All loans to be repaid in quarterly or half-yearly instalments, as may be agreed upon.
12. Every Trust receiving aid from this Fund shall make and carry out arrangements for the extinction of its debt within a period not exceeding ten years.
13. When loans are granted, deeds of property shall be lodged with the Treasurer of the Fund.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN  
FUND.

I give unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of the New Zealand Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund the sum of pounds sterling, to be paid out of my personal estate, in aid of the said Fund, now administered under the direction of the New Zealand Conference, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer or Treasurers shall be a sufficient discharge.

**QUESTION VI.—What is the Report of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund?**

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix B, p. xiii.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee begs to report that during the past year 37 proposals have been received and accepted for new insurances, or for additional sums on existing ones, representing a total insurable value of £11,695. From this amount has to be deducted £780 made up as follows:—a house sold, £230; a house on which the insurable amount has been reduced, £150; a house no longer used, £100; and a property, £300, withdrawn from the Fund; showing a net increase during the year of £10,915.

2. The amount of Church Property on which levies are now paid is £122,115. This amount is distributed over the Districts as follows:—Auckland, £22,528; Wanganui, £12,857; Wellington, £13,274; Nelson, £9,730; Canterbury, £42,236; and Otago, £21,490.

3. In addition to the above, 29 Ministers have their personal effects insured through the agency of the Connexional Office, covering £4,720.

4. After payment of re-insurances and of expenses incidental to the working of the Fund, the sum of £250 has been added to interest-bearing deposits as the result of the operations of the past year. This amount would have been very much larger but for the considerable reduction effected in premiums by the Associated Companies of New Zealand, whose rates are followed by the Connexional Fund in the levies made on the Trustees of Church Property. The total amount of cash on deposit is now £1800.

5. As per rule, Mr Henry Buttle retires from the Committee this year. In connection with his retirement the Committee desires to place on record its high appreciation of the devoted service rendered during several years by Mr Buttle in promoting the interests of this branch of Connexional work. Mr W. H. Seed is recommended to fill the vacancy caused by Mr Buttle's retirement.

6. The Committee desires to express its cordial thanks to the Superintendents and Trustees of Church Property for their deep interest shown in the prosperity of the Fund, and respectfully invites a continuance in the future of the same hearty co-operation.

Signed on behalf of, and by order of, the Committee—

HENRY BULL,  
SECRETARY.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Committee for its services during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—Rev. H. Bull, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street) and Christchurch (South) Circuits, with Messrs J. C. Prudhoe, J. A. Flesher, E. C. Brown, C. E. Salter, R. W. England, and W. H. Seed.
3. That the special thanks of the Conference be tendered to Mr. H. Buttle for his past services as a member of the Committee of this Fund.
4. That the Conference expresses its gratification at the continued prosperity of this Connexional Fund, and commends its practical support to the Superintendents of Circuits and Trustees of Church Properties throughout the Colony.
5. That the Treasurers of the Connexional Trust Properties be requested to consider the advisability of effecting insurances in the Connexional Office.

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**QUESTION VII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?**

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix C, p. xiv.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Connexional Secretary (the Rev. H. Bull) has discharged the duties of his office during the year to the entire satisfaction of the Committee. Though the work of the office, in its several departments, has grown apace, it has been overtaken most efficiently by Mr Bull. In addition to the essential work of his office, Mr Bull has taken regular Sunday services in most of the Canterbury Circuits, giving also considerable care and oversight to the Durham street Mission, under its exceptional circumstances. Early in the year he visited Home Mission Stations in the Wanganui District, at the request of the Chairman, conducting services, holding meetings, also meeting trustees and office-bearers. He also visited Woodville, meeting the trustees for counsel and advice. Wellington and Dunedin were likewise visited on Church property business. Numerous Home Missionary Meetings and Conventions have been attended and addresses given.

The Committee very cordially and unanimously recommends the re-appointment of the Rev. H. Bull as Connexional Secretary for the ensuing year.

Mr. J. L. Scott retires from the membership of the Committee, and also the Rev. H. E. Bellhouse, on the ground of distance and inconvenience in attending meetings of Committee. It is not recommended that any further change in the *personnel* of the Committee should be made this year.



## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet of the Committee, and the report of the Connexional Secretary, be adopted
2. That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. Ball for his valuable services as Connexional Secretary during the past year, and that he be re-appointed for the ensuing year; also, that Mr. G. H. Blackwell be appointed Treasurer.
3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Committee for their services during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—The Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street), Christchurch (South), Christchurch (St. Albans), Christchurch Methodist Mission, Papanui, and Lyttelton Circuits, together with Messrs. G. H. Blackwell, J. T. Smith, A. F. Drayton, E. C. Brown, A. K. England, John Thompson, R. H. Turner, and the Connexional Secretary.
4. That the duties of the Connexional Secretary be:—(a) To act as General Secretary and as one of the Treasurers of the Church Building and Loan Fund; also as Secretary and one of the Treasurers of the Fire Insurance Fund. (b) To act as General Secretary of Church Property, Authorised Representative and Custodian of Deeds. (c) To act as Corresponding Secretary of Home Missions. (d) To give attention to the spiritual needs of growing and neglected districts in the colony. (e) To confer with and advise the Trustees of the various Connexional properties. (f) To correspond with the Government on all questions of Church property or titles. And (g) generally to take such other steps in conjunction with the Chairmen of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits as will best conserve and extend the interests of the Church in this colony.
5. That the following appropriations be made in order to secure the necessary financial provision for the office:—Church Building and Loan Fund, £175; Contingent Fund, £175; Home Mission Fund, £55; Fire Insurance Fund, £95; Authorised Representative's Office, £25.

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**QUESTION VIII.—What is the condition of the various Mission, Educational, and General Connexional Trust Properties and Investments in the Colony?**

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. General Connexional Mission Property Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xv.
2. Native Education Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xvi.
3. Emsly Theological Endowment Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xvii.
4. Probert Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, pp. xviii., xix.
5. Auckland Book Association.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xx.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

## 6. Grey Institute.

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxi.

## RESOLUTION.

That the Conference cordially recognises the very great amount of trouble that has been involved in the cutting up of the Grey Institute Trust, and desires to thank the Secretary and Treasurer (J. C. George, Esq.) for his painstaking and faithful services in the administration of the Trust for many years past, but especially during the past three years.

## 7. Kai Iwi Mission Estate.

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxii.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

## 8. Native and Destitute Children's Education Trust.

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, pp. xxiii., xxiv.

## RESOLUTION.

That the special thanks of this Conference be presented to Mr W. J. Harland for his efficient services in connection with this Trust.

(For further Resolutions see under Question XX.)

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

## 9. Canterbury Home Mission Trust.

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxv.

## GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

In reference to the above Trusts it was resolved:—

1. That the Balance-sheets be adopted.
2. That a brief report of what has been done in connection with these properties be submitted with the Balance-sheets.
3. That the Treasurers or Trustees of all Legacies or Endowments held on behalf of the Church should present each year a statement showing how the funds are invested, and any change which may have been made during the year, and that an entry of the same be made annually in the Journal.
4. That the report of the Mission Property Trustees *re* the acquisition of our mission and educational properties be entered in the Journal, and that the Rev. H. Bull be appointed to collect similar information concerning the properties not yet reported on.
5. For Resolutions of the Conference *re* the Auckland Education and Mission Trust Properties, see pp. 77-79.

**QUESTION IX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Theological and Training Institution?**

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix E, p. xxvi.

The Reports of the Treasurer, Governor, and Head Master were presented to Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That Mr G. A. Buttle, Treasurer of the Theological Institution, be thanked for his services and re-appointed.
3. That in order to assist in the support of additional theological students at Prince Albert College, and to aid in their higher education, this Conference trusts that some of our wealthy laymen will see their way to found bursaries or scholarships.
4. That the sanction of the Conference be given to the necessary appropriations for the training of six European students for the ministry at Prince Albert College.
5. That in view of the Rev. J. Belton's having to retire from our ministry on the grounds of ill-health, all claims upon him for payment of College training be remitted.

REGULATIONS.

1. That a copy of the Annual Report of the Theological Institution for the year ending October 31st be furnished by the Governor to each Chairman of District in time to lay before his Synod.
2. That a separate account be presented showing the Income and Expenditure in connection with the Theological Institution.
3. That the Minister appointed to the pastoral oversight of the students be known as Governor of the Theological and Training Institution.
4. That the Principal of Wesley College, Three Kings, be appointed to the Governorship of the Theological Institution, and be empowered to arrange the students' preaching services.
5. That the theological training of the students be provided for by the appointment of Ministers as lecturers, each lecturer to receive an honorarium of not more than £15 per annum.
6. That the Ministers of the Auckland and Manukau Circuits be a Committee of Discipline for the Theological Institution (the Governor to be convener); and that meetings of the Committee be held in the months of June and October, in addition to any that may be specially summoned at other times.
7. That the Treasurer be authorised to pay the fees for theological students attending University College lectures.
8. That quarterage be allowed to each student at the rate of £2 per quarter.
9. That the students be allowed to remain for a period of not less than three years at the College, unless called out in cases of necessity by the President.

10. That all agreements with students and candidates for repaying the cost of their training in the event of their retiring from the ministry of the Church within a period of ten years from the time of their being received into the ministry be drawn up in legal form and kept in the custody of the Governor, who shall be responsible for the signing of the same by each candidate received.

**QUESTION X.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting our Educational Institutions?**

**I.—WESLEY COLLEGE, THREE KINGS.**

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix F. p. xxvii.

Report of Principal was presented to Conference.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Balance Sheet and Principal's Report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. J. H. Simmonds for his faithful and acceptable services in connection with the training of Native Scholars at Three Kings College, and that he be re-appointed.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Committee for their services during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for 1906-7, viz. :—The Ministers of the Auckland and Manukau Circuits, with Messrs. J. Heron, F. L. Prime, J. Edson, T. Buddle, T. McMaster, G. Winstone, S. J. Ambury, A. C. Caughey, T. Allen, J. Gunson, G. Hatcher, J. Veale, W. Winstone, R. Hobbs, C. Edgar, and J. Henderson.
4. That the school curriculum be arranged for instruction up to the Matriculation Grade.
5. That the Conference expresses its gratification at the evidences of efficiency in the working of the College as instanced by the increased number of Maoris trained. It expresses its thanks to the donors to the Building Fund and requests (for the purpose of raising the necessary sum for rebuilding) that the Principal visit some of our Circuits and advocate the claims of the College, provision being made for a *locum tenens* and travelling expenses.

**II. PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE.**

The Reports of the Head Master and of the Chairman of the Board of Governors were received and adopted.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Conference warmly commends the Institution to the hearty support of parents and guardians desirous of securing for their children a high-class education on a sound moral and religious basis.
2. That the Conference gives full power to the Board of Governors and Trustees to take whatever course they may deem necessary in the future interests of the Institution.

3. That, in accordance with the rule relating to the government of the College, the following be the members of the Board of Governors appointed by the Conference:— Revs. J. H. Simmonds, J. A. Luxford, and W. Grigg, with Messrs. S. J. Ambury, J. Murgatroyd, and A. A. White, and the Chairman of the District, *ex officio* (Chairman of the Board).

**QUESTION XI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Funds?**

I.—THE SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

For Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, see Appendix G, p. xxviii.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., and Mr. E. Rosevear for their services as Treasurers during the past year, and that they be re-appointed for 1906-7.
3. That the Reports of the General Treasurer be received and ordered to be bound up with the copies of the Conference Minutes.
4. That attention be called to the Resolutions of the General Conference requiring that Circuit Levies be paid Quarterly to the Conference Treasurers, who shall remit as early as possible to the Board of Treasurers.
5. That the Treasurers write to each Minister owing arrears and fines who has not already made arrangements with the General Treasurers, drawing attention to the Regulations adopted at the last General Conference.
6. That the Treasurers call the attention of the Ministers who joined at the time of Union, but have not yet purchased benefits into the Fund, to the advisability of doing so at once.
7. That all moneys in connection with this Fund should go through the hands of the Chairmen of Districts to the Conference Treasurers.
8. That at each Conference a Committee shall be appointed to consider the Report and Balance Sheet of the Conference Treasurers of the Supernumerary Fund, such Committee to report to the Conference.

FUTURE POLICY OF THE FUND.

The General Conference of 1904 resolved as follows:—

1. That a Committee of Inquiry be appointed to investigate the position, obligations, and resources of the Fund, and to obtain such financial, actuarial, and other advice as it may deem necessary or desirable.
2. That this Committee shall formulate proposals defining the policy and principles on which the Fund is to be administered in the future.

3. That the Annual Conferences of 1906 shall each appoint a Consultative Committee to consider the report of the Committee of Inquiry, the members of the Committee of Inquiry within such Annual Conference to be members of the Consultative Committee of such Conference. Such Consultative Committees shall consider the report of the Committee of Inquiry, and send their findings to the respective Annual Conferences of 1907, whose recommendations shall be sent to the Committee of Inquiry before the preparation of their final report to the General Conference of 1907.

In accordance with the above, the following Consultative Committee was appointed:—The President of Conference, the Conference Treasurers (Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., and Mr. E. Rosevear), Revs. S. Lawry (*ex officio*), H. Bull, W. Lee, H. R. Dewsbury, and W. Ready, Messrs. A. C. Caughey (*ex officio*), G. H. Blackwell, J. C. Prudhoe, J. A. Flesher, C. E. Salter, and J. W. Shackelford; Rev. S. Lawry, Convener.

It was agreed that expenses incurred in connection with the Consultative Committee should be a charge on the Fund.

Mr. A. C. Caughey having, in consequence of a visit to England, resigned as a member of the Committee of Inquiry, the President was requested to take his place.

#### GRANTS AND PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND.

The following Resolution of the General Conference is now in force:—That until the next General Conference—

- (a) The payment to annuitants shall be on Scale C.
- (b) That furniture grants be restored to the amounts latterly paid—viz., £40 to Ministers of 15 years of standing or over, and £20 to Ministers between 5 and 15 years of standing.
- (c) That the payments to annuitants on Scale C be retrospective, as from 1st January, 1904.
- (d) That the amount of furniture grants be paid as per clause (b) to claimants for 1903 and 1904.

(For Scale C see Minutes 1905, p. 50.)

#### PLAMPIN BEQUEST FUND.

Rev. H. Bull, Treasurer, presented the Report and Balance Sheet, showing Interest on Investments for 1905, £50 10s.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet be adopted.
2. That the Rev. H. Bull be re-appointed Treasurer.
3. That the sum of £50 10s. be distributed to seven needy cases.
4. That the Rev. J. G. Chapman be appointed Agent in Wanganui to forward to the Treasurer all moneys arising from interest on the Wanganui investment.

## II.—CHILDREN'S FUND.

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix G, p. xxix.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet now presented be adopted.
2. That the hearty thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. P. W. Fairclough and Mr J. H. Helliwell for their services as Treasurers of the Fund during the past year, and that they be re-appointed Treasurers for the ensuing year.
3. That the Assessment for the ensuing year be 13 per cent.
4. That the Three Kings Institution, the Connexional Secretary's Committee, and the Young Men's Forward Movement be assessed in the interests of the Children's and Contingent Funds on the basis of Circuits.
5. That the payments on account of the Children's Fund be £8 10s for each child per year.
6. That the levies for the Children's Fund and Contingent Fund shall be made upon the current "expenditure" of the Circuit, such expenditure to be reported to the Treasurers, and to be printed in the Minutes.
7. That the term "Circuit Expenditure" shall, as far as these Funds are concerned, be understood to be the amounts of Minister's Stipend and Connexional Charges due for the year.

N.B.—It shall be understood to exclude all payments made or amounts due for house rent for Ministers, furnishing Ministers' houses, and costs of removal of Ministers, and all other items of Circuit expenditure.

8. That for the purposes of the Children's Fund there shall be deducted from the expenditure so ascertained the sum of £120 for each Married Minister and £80 for each Single Minister in the Circuit, and the levy shall be made on the net amount.
9. That all matters in dispute regarding this Fund be referred to the Treasurers for settlement.
10. That the Treasurers be recommended, in the case of the child of the late Rev. L. Ryan, to pay the allowance to the present legal parents, the child having been adopted.

## III.—THE CONTINGENT FUND.

(For Balance Sheet and Table of Circuit Levies see Appendix G, pp. xxxiii.-xxxix.)

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet be adopted.
2. That the Rev. H. R. Dewsbury and Mr J. C. Prudhoe be thanked for their services as Treasurers, and that they be re-appointed for the ensuing year.
3. That the levy for the present year be  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. upon the current expenditure of the Circuit, as reported to the Treasurers and printed in the Minutes. (See Resolution 7, Children's Fund.)

4. That the Treasurers consider and report to the next Conference as to the desirability of basing the levy for this and the Children's Funds on the stipends only.
5. That the special expenses in connection with the pulpit supplies during the Rev. W. Keall's illness be paid jointly by the Contingent and Home Mission Funds.
6. That the amount of £13 5s. 9d., removal expenses of the Organising Secretary of the Young Men's Forward Movement, be paid from the Contingent Fund.
7. That compassionate allowances be voted from the Contingent Fund as follows: £35 to the Rev. W. Keall, £35 to the Rev. W. B. Marten, and £20 to the Rev. J. Belton.
8. That the sum of £3 6s. 6d., paid for transfer of memo. of mortgage of the Oamaru Trust from Rev. Dr. Morley and the late Mr. W. Harris to the present Treasurers of the Loan Fund be a charge upon the Contingent Fund.
9. That half the removal expenses of the incoming Minister to the Mahurangi Circuit be paid by the Contingent Fund.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. That in every Circuit where a Home Missionary is employed under the charge of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, the expenditure on behalf of the Home Missionary be deducted from the taxable amount.
2. That any cases of over-taxation be referred to the Treasurers of the Fund.
3. The following are the ordinary charges on this Fund as sanctioned by Conference:—
  - a Travelling expenses of Ministerial and Lay Representatives to the General Conference.
  - b Travelling expenses to the Annual Conference (to include official charges and incidental expenses) of Chairmen and Representatives of Districts, Secretary of Conference, Connexional Secretary, and the Methodist Editor of the *Outlook*, also expenses of Probationers proceeding to Conference for ordination by direction of their Synods.
  - c Travelling expenses of Ministers and District Secretaries of Church Property attending the District Synods.
  - d Expenses of Chairmen travelling in Districts on official business.
  - e Postage Allowances:—President and Secretary of Conference, £5 each; Chairmen of Districts, £2 each.
  - f Cost of Conference and Synod stationery, printing and postage, also of Ordination Bibles.
  - g Printing Conference Agenda, Minutes of Conference, and Society Tickets.
  - h Cost of medical examination of Candidates for the Ministry.
  - i Contingent and local travelling expenses of Methodist Editor of *Outlook*.



*j* Amount required for Supernumerary Fund for Ministers coming from England.

*k* Half the cost of supplies for deceased and disabled Ministers.

4. That special cases of ministerial affliction, when such claims are not paid by the Quarterly Meetings, be recognised as having a claim upon the Contingent Fund.
5. That a copy of the Minutes be supplied gratis to every Minister and Home Missionary, to the Lay Treasurers of Connexional Funds, and to each Lay Representative attending Conference.

#### IV.—CENTURY COMMEMORATION FUND.

(For Balance Sheets, see Appendix G, p. xxx. xxxii.)

##### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheets be received and adopted.
2. That the best thanks of the Conference be tendered to the Revs. W. Lee and H. Bull and Mr G. H. Blackwell for their faithful services as Treasurers during the several years of the existence of this Fund.

#### QUESTION XII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Foreign Missions?

(For Balance Sheet, see Appendix H, pp. xli.-xliv.)

A Statement of Income for 1905 was presented by the Rev. J. N. Buttle.

##### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Statement of Income be received and adopted.
2. That the hearty thanks of the Conference be presented to the General Secretary (Rev. J. N. Buttle) and to the Rev. J. N. Buttle and Mr W. Ambury (Treasurers) for their services during the past year, and that the Rev. J. N. Buttle be re-appointed General Secretary and Treasurer, and Mr. J. Elliott, Lay Treasurer.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Committee for its work during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for 1906-7:—Messrs J. Elliott, C. E. Daniell, A. J. Donald, R. Burton, A. Minifie, R. McIver, A. E. Baker, S. Sleeman, J. Heyhoe, and Rev. J. N. Buttle.
4. That the Conference gratefully acknowledges the liberality of our people, who have contributed in 1905 £1971 11s. to the support of Foreign Missions—an increase of £212 11s. 6d. on the previous year.
5. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the anonymous donor of £50 in the Cargill Road Circuit.
6. That the Conference gratefully acknowledges the gift of a yacht by anonymous donors in Christchurch as a most valuable contribution to our Mission equipment, and tenders its heartiest thanks for the gift.

7. That the Conference desires to place on record its warm appreciation of the splendid services rendered by the visit of the Rev. J. W. Burton and Daniel Nizam-u-din, the result of which is seen in the increased interest in the work of Missions in our Churches, as also in the steady advance in the income of the Fund, and thanks the deputation for their work in this connection.
8. That the Conference hears with great satisfaction of the excellent work done for our Island Missions by the Otago Ladies' Auxiliary, commends Foreign Mission work to the women of New Zealand Methodism, and urges the formation of similar Auxiliaries in other parts of the Colony.
9. That, for the stimulation of our people, the list of circuits, societies, and individuals who are supporting teachers in the Foreign Mission Field be printed in the Minutes of Conference and *The Outlook*.
10. That Circuit Superintendents be requested to call the attention of congregations to our Mission literature, with a view to securing a wider circulation.
11. That this Conference, while recognising the value of the information furnished by letters from the front in the "Missionary Review," respectfully suggests to the Board of Missions the desirability of presenting that journal in a more attractive form and improving it on the lines of "The Foreign Field."
12. That the Conference acknowledges with satisfaction the services of *The Outlook* in connection with Foreign Mission work, and trusts that the "Notes" by "T. R." and other correspondents will continue to find a place in its columns.
13. That the Conference urges upon the Board of Missions the importance of issuing the annual reports at an earlier date, so that they may reach the several circuits not later than June 1st in each year, as their present late arrival renders them practically useless; and suggests that a copy of the abstract of the report be posted to each Superintendent at the earliest possible date.
14. That this Conference calls the attention of the Board of Missions to the large amount expended in collecting and administering the Fund, amounting to considerably more than 10 per cent. of the total income for 1904, the latest figures to hand.
15. That the Mission Office be asked to forward new sets of Missionary lantern slides.
16. That, with the object of giving fresh interest to the meetings, the Conference recommends that the Foreign Mission Secretary be authorised to arrange with the Board of Missions for the visit of a native deputation in 1906; and that the General Secretary, in conjunction with the Chairmen of Districts, arrange a plan of deputations to cover the whole of the Colony.
17. That the duty of sending Maori Agents to assist in the evangelisation of the heathen of the South Seas be urged on our Maori congregations, and an opportunity afforded any suitable volunteers from among the Maori people to proceed to that work.

18. That the attention of the officials in Sunday Schools, where nothing has been done in the interests of the Fund, be drawn to the claims of Foreign Missions, with a view to institute efforts in aid of the same.
19. That the Conference calls the attention of circuits to the delay in remitting Foreign Mission collections from some of the circuits to the Conference Treasurers; and directs that the amounts be forwarded in time next year.
20. That this Conference of the Church in New Zealand respectfully recommends to the Conference of New South Wales that the legislation of the last General Conference in regard to Fiji be suspended till the General Conference has had an opportunity of reconsidering it.
21. That the Conference desires to express its gratification at the growing interest of the Church in the Foreign Mission work as manifested in the increased contributions to the Fund. It commends the spirit of sacrifice exhibited on the part of many in service rendered and gifts bestowed on behalf of the grand cause, and respectfully urges the members of the Church to continue in prayer that the Great Head of the Church may still further bless the efforts put forth to establish His Kingdom in the Isles of the Sea.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. That the Conference directs that in each Circuit and Home Mission station sermons be preached on one Sunday in each year in all our churches, and collections made at such services, in aid of Foreign Missions; also, that public meetings for the advocacy of Foreign Missions be held in each church, at which collections shall be made for the Fund; also, that wherever practicable subscriptions be solicited.
2. That the Foreign Mission Sunday be the first Sunday in August, and that meetings held during that week bear relation to Foreign Mission work.
3. That, with a view to promote the systematic support of Foreign Missions, our people be requested more generally to adopt the collecting cards and mercy boxes provided by the Mission House.
4. That all income, together with lists of contributors, be forwarded to the Foreign Mission Secretary not later than December 31st in each year, and that all moneys received after that date be carried forward into the following year.
5. That the Conference directs Home Mission stations to send in returns of amounts raised for this Fund separate from the returns of the Circuit to which they are attached.
6. That the Foreign Mission Secretary's travelling expenses to Conference be paid out of the missionary income.

## MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS.

(See Minutes, 1905, pp. 55-56.)

In lieu of the proposed Conventions, where the recommendation of Conference that the first day of the District Synod be devoted to a Christian Convention (Minutes, 1905, p. 80) is given effect to, the Conference recommends that one session be devoted to the consideration of Foreign Missions.

**QUESTION XIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?**

The Report of the Home Mission Executive and Balance Sheet for 1905, and also the estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1906, were presented by the General Treasurers.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet for the past year, and the estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1906, be adopted and printed in the Minutes.

(See Appendix I. pp. xlvi.-xlix.)

2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. J. J. Lewis and Mr F. L. Prime for their services as General and Financial Secretaries, and also as Treasurers of the Fund for the past year, and that the Rev. W. Slade and Mr F. L. Prime be appointed to these offices for 1906.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Executive Committee for their services during the past year; and that the following gentlemen be the Executive Committee for 1906—viz.: The General and Financial Secretaries, the Rev. H. Bull (Corresponding Secretary), the Ministers of the Auckland and Manukau Circuits, with Messrs T. Buddle, P. H. Mason, T. Allen, S. J. Ambury, J. Heron, J. Edson, J. E. Wheeler, J. W. Shackelford, T. McMaster, T. W. Jones, P. Crowe, J. Buttle, G. H. Fleming, J. C. Allen, J. Veale, R. Hobbs, and G. Hatcher.
4. That the Executive Committee prepare the annual report in a more attractive form, omitting much of the detailed statement of circuit returns, &c., illustrating it with portraits of Maori missionaries and others, churches, and other objects of interest, and, by reducing the size and cost, make it possible to place a copy in every Methodist home.
5. That the Conference records its thankfulness to God for the increased interest shown in the Fund, as proved by the enlarged contributions of so many of the circuits.
6. That the Rev. W. Gittos and a native minister be appointed as deputation to the Wanganui District for next year.

7. That the Rev. Robert Haddon be appointed as deputation to the Wellington District for 1906.
8. That the travelling expenses of the Rev. R. Haddon's visit to the Southern Maoris during the Session of Conference be a charge on the Home Mission Fund.
9. That half the removal expenses of the incoming minister to the Mahurangi Circuit be a charge on the Home Mission Fund.
10. That the special expenses in connection with the pulpit supplies during the Rev. W. Keall's illness be paid jointly by the Home Mission and Contingent Funds.
11. That the retiring allowance as per scale be paid to Mr G. Pearson, who is resigning from the work.
12. That the Conference directs the Chairmen of Districts to enforce the rule which requires every Home Missionary to furnish a report in duplicate half-yearly to the Executive Committee through the Chairman of the District,
13. That the Conference enforce the regulation that wherever a circuit has been relieved of its obligation to provide for a married minister the Conference shall fix an amount to be paid in lieu thereof to the Home Mission Fund.
14. That the rules and regulations of the Fund (as published in the Annual Report) be re-affirmed.
15. That the following be added to Regulation 11 (Home Mission Report)—“One such meeting shall be held early in the Conference, so that Home Missionaries and Stewards may be informed of prospective appointments before appointments are finally made.

#### FURTHER REGULATIONS.

1. That the special attention of Superintendents be directed to the importance of adopting systematic methods in all our circuits, with a view to deepening the interest in and increasing the income of the Home Mission Fund. To this end the Conference recommends :—
  - (1) That wherever practicable Home Missionary Prayer Meetings be held.
  - (2) That interesting facts relating to the progress of Christian work in Home Mission Circuits, as well as on Home Mission Stations, be published in *The Outlook*.
  - (3) That Home Mission Boxes be introduced more freely into the homes of our people.
  - (4) That the Blake system be brought more extensively into use.
  - (5) And in particular that the services of lady collectors be employed in each of our circuits and Home Mission Stations to secure personal subscriptions, and thus augment the income of the Fund.

2. That the General Treasurers publish in *The Outlook*, at least once a quarter, the amounts received by them from the several Circuit Treasurers up to date, in order that it may be seen whether the remittances have been promptly made; also, that extracts from the reports of the agents be occasionally made public through the paper.
3. That the Secretary of each District Synod forward to the General Secretary, immediately after each District Synod, a statement of the receipts and expenditure on account of the Fund within the District, with list of applications for grants to be laid before the Conference, and estimates of income for the following year.
4. That the Home Mission Executive be requested to issue the Annual Reports as soon as possible after the close of Conference.
5. That a copy of the Report be presented to every subscriber of five shillings and over.
6. That no grant be made from the Home Mission Fund to any circuit where church anniversary services have not been held.
7. That, where possible, laymen be associated with ministers in Home Mission deputation work.
8. That each Home Mission Station be under the supervision of the Superintendent of the nearest circuit whenever so directed by Conference.
9. That before any new station is opened or Home Missionary placed in charge of such station, steps be taken to ascertain what sum is available for paying his stipend.
10. That, as soon as practicable, ministers or probationers be appointed to Home Mission Stations.
11. That the Home Mission Executive be left free to exercise their judgment as to the general fitness of applicants for Home Mission work, without being necessarily bound to select men who will regard Home Mission work as a stepping stone to the ministry.

#### RETIRING ALLOWANCES FOR HOME MISSIONARIES.

1. Every Home Missionary retiring from the work with the full approval of the Executive Committee and on the recommendation of the Chairman of his District shall be entitled to an allowance on the following scale :—
  - (a) For five years' service, £25. No shorter term to have any claim.
  - (b) For each additional year of service £5 shall be added, but no payment shall exceed a total of £100.

These payments to be a charge on the Home Mission Fund.
2. If at any time a Home Missionary be compelled to leave the work through misconduct he shall not be entitled to any allowance.
3. In the event of any Home Missionary being removed by death the sum that would be otherwise due to him shall be paid to his widow or to his children, or to his parents if the said parents are dependent; otherwise it shall revert to the Fund.

4. The above scheme shall take effect from the year 1900 in its application to the men now in the work.
5. The Home Mission Executive shall be empowered to give additional help to Home Missionaries whose many years of service may entitle them to special consideration.

A MORE PROGRESSIVE CHURCH EXTENSION POLICY.

(See Minutes, 1905, p. 56.)

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive having carefully considered at two meetings the matters remitted to them by Conference, unanimously passed the following resolutions :—

- (a) That the interest of our people in the Fund can be best increased by bringing its claims before Teachers' Meetings and Christian Endeavour Societies, by periodical Sunday School addresses on the subject, by a better organisation and more spirited conduct of the annual meetings, by systematic weekly or monthly collecting in place of the annual effort as at present, by placing a Missionary box in every home, by preaching more directly on the Home Mission work and its claims to support, and by making the annual published report both popular and instructive.
- (b) No recommendation.
- (c) The Executive Committee already has power to deal with emergencies, but it would be well to define this as extending to the immediate occupation of a new station, where the needs are so urgent that it would suffer by awaiting the decision of Conference. District Synods can now discuss Home Mission matters. The creation of District Committees of Advice would elaborate the machinery of our work with no compensating utility. The great barrier to aggression is an inadequate income, and the Executive earnestly hopes that our Church will rise to the occasion and render the Fund worthy of the great Mission that it is to promote and strengthen.

J. J. LEWIS,

General Secretary.

RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

**QUESTION XIV.—What is the State of the Maori Work, and what can be done to promote its interests?**

RESOLUTION.

1. That the European Ministers engaged in Maori Missions be requested to provide for a more complete supervision of the Native Ministers and to report their proposed methods to the Home Mission Executive and to their respective Synods.

## SOUTHERN MAORI MISSION.

The report of the Committee was presented by Mr. E. Rosevear.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference, having heard with pleasure the report of the good work done by Neho Hemi Papakakura, reappoints him, and commends the mission to the liberal support of our people.
3. That the Committee be thanked, and the following be appointed for the ensuing year; - The Superintendent Ministers of the Dunedin Circuits, with Messrs. S. C. Phillips, J. B. Shacklock, D. C. Cameron, and E. Rosevear (Convener).

## QUESTION XV.—What is the Number of Members in our Churches?

Sept. 1905.		Sept. 1904.	Sept. 1905.		Sept. 1904.	
AUCKLAND DISTRICT.						
	180		180	Hawera .. ..	175	
	90		90	Opunake .. ..	85	
913	{ Auckland (Pitt St.) .. 708	231	231	Wanganui .. ..	246	
	{ Auckland (Grafton Road) 239	40	40	Rangitikei .. ..	40	
122	{ Auckland (Freeman's Bay) 129	101	101	Sandon .. ..	105	
144	Newton Meth. Mission.. 105	98	98	Feilding .. ..	94	
230	Auckland (North Shore) 224	342	342	Palmerston North .. ..	310	
180	Manukau .. ..	48	48	Kimbolton .. ..	45	
111	Mahurangi .. ..	45	45	Taihape .. ..	38	
123	Thames .. ..	11	11	Mangaweka .. ..	20	
304	Upper Thames .. ..	40	40	Waimarino .. ..	34	
220	Franklin .. ..					
152	Cambridge .. ..	140	140			
201	Hamilton .. ..	197	197			
117	Paparoa .. ..	112	112			
136	Northern Wairoa .. ..	129	129			
99	Whangarei .. ..	92	92			
18	Rotorua .. ..	8	8			
54	Tauranga .. ..	56	56			
43	Coromandel .. ..	50	50			
45	Helensville .. ..	48	48			
36	Bay of Islands .. ..	38	38			
15	Hokianga .. ..	15	15			
47	Whangaroa .. ..	35	35			
3310	(Increase 91)	3219				
WANGANUI DISTRICT.						
266	New Plymouth .. ..	261	261	550	Well'gton (Taranaki St.) 497	
234	Waitara .. ..	233	233	180	Wellington (South) .. 178	
99	Stratford .. ..	108	108	203	Hutt .. ..	185
83	Eltham .. ..	74	74	180	South Wairarapa .. ..	168
				167	Masterton .. ..	164
				155	Napier .. ..	171
				105	Hastings .. ..	97
				109	Gisborne .. ..	110
				56	Eketahuna .. ..	57
				77	Dannebvirke .. ..	76
				140	Levin-Otaki .. ..	116
				43	Waipawa .. ..	34
				96	Woodville .. ..	101
				43	Pahiatua .. ..	79
				81	Norsewood .. ..	61
				2185	(Increase 91)	2094



Sept. 1905.	NELSON DISTRICT.			Sept. 1904.	Sept. 1905.	OTAGO DISTRICT.			Sept. 1904.
165	Nelson	..	..	168	315	Dunedin (Trinity)	..	299	
123	Richmond	..	..	130	350	Dunedin Central Mission	..	335	
172	Blenheim	..	..	153	329	Dunedin (Cargill Road)	..	327	
66	Hokitika	..	..	74	287	Dunedin (Mornington)	..	281	
144	Greymouth	..	..	159	89	Port Chalmers	..	85	
117	Motueka	..	..	125	71	Balclutha	..	50	
114	Reefton	..	..	106	55	Milton	..	58	
62	Westport	..	..	57	82	Lawrence	..	81	
34	Kumara	..	..	36	119	Invercargill	..	89	
59	Havelock	..	..	40	130	Oamaru	..	132	
					82	Gore	..	85	
1056	(Increase 8)			1048	69	Otautau	..	71	
					15	Winton	..	50	
	CANTERBURY DISTRICT.				52	Roxburgh	..	35	
951	Ch'ch (Durham St.)	..	..	805	38	Riverton-Orepuki	..	62	
106	Ch'ch Methodist Mission	..	..	112	55	Cromwell	..	10	
366	Christchurch (South)	..	..	336	10	Wakatipu	..	21	
195	Ch'ch (St. Albans)	..	..	201	21	Tapanui	..	24	
136	Ch'ch (Papanui)	..	..	136	28	Palmerston	..		
81	Lyttelton	..	..	80					
137	Springston	..	..	124	2197	(Increase 99)		2098	
97	Tai Tapu	..	..	95					
164	Leeston	..	..	158		MAORI MEMBERS.			
253	Kaiapoi	..	..	284	650	Hokianga	..	600	
270	Rangiora	..	..	269	251	Kaipara	..	256	
52	(Oxford	..	..	32	246	Waikato	..	241	
	Malvern	..	..	48	142	Whangaroa	..	228	
250	Timaru	..	..	241	25	West Coast Mission	..	30	
178	Waimate	..	..	178	—	Southern Maori Mission	..	—	
74	Temuka	..	..	62					
221	Ashburton	..	..	186	1314	(Decrease 41)		1355	
	Methven	..	..	39					
140	Willowby	..	..	143					
38	Amberley	..	..	36					
32	Bank's Peninsula	..	..	32					
12	Cheviot	..	..	—					
3753	(Increase 156)			3597					

## TOTALS.

Sept., 1905.		Sept., 1904.
14409	European Members (Increase 485)	13924
1314	Maori Members (Decrease 41)	1355
15723	(Total Increase 444)	15279

For General Returns, Summaries, &c., see Appendix J., pp. 1.-lviii.

## STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Statistical Secretaries for their services during the past year, and that the following be appointed for 1906:—

Auckland District	.. ..	Rev. W. Grigg.
Wanganui District	.. ..	Rev. T. G. Carr.
Wellington District	.. ..	Rev. S. J. Garlick.
Nelson District	.. ..	Rev. W. J. Elliott.
Canterbury District	.. ..	Rev. J. A. Lochore.
Otago District	.. ..	Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.

**QUESTION XVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting our Sunday Schools?**

For Sunday School Returns, see Appendix J, pp. xlv. — liv.

The Annual Sunday School Report was presented.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the General Report on Sunday Schools be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. G. W. J. Spence be thanked for his services as General Secretary of Sunday Schools, and that the Rev. T. N. Griffin be appointed General Secretary.
3. That the Statistical Secretaries forward their returns, together with a report on the state of the schools within their respective Districts, immediately after the Synods, to the General Secretary, who shall prepare a Sunday School Report of the whole Colony, to be laid before the Annual Conference.
4. That the following inquiries be made, and returns obtained from every Circuit, by the Statistical Secretaries;—1. Number of Schools; 2. Number of Scholars; 3. Average attendance; 4. Number of Teachers; 5. Average attendance; 6. Number of Teachers Church Members; 7. Number of Scholars Church Members; 8. Number of Scholars Junior Members; 9. Number of Volumes in Library; 10. Number of Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.
5. That the Conference regrets to observe that in a large number of our Schools neither the Conference Catechisms nor the Tablets are used. It calls the attention of our Ministers and of the Teachers' Meetings to this matter, and recommends the adoption of the International Lessons and Tablets.
6. That the Conference affectionately urges upon parents the importance of daily and systematic reading of the Holy Scriptures in their homes, and suggests to the Superintendents and Teachers of our Sunday Schools the importance of encouraging their scholars to commit to memory regularly portions of God's Holy Word.
7. That the Conference directs all our preachers to earnestly and affectionately exhort parents to bring their children to the regular Church services.
8. That, profoundly impressed with the desirability of gaining our Sunday scholars for Christ and His Church, the Conference affectionately directs the attention of the Teachers' and Leaders' Meetings to the

provisions whereby the boys and girls of our Church, who have intelligently accepted Christ, may be reckoned as Junior Members, and advises the formation, wherever practicable, of Junior Society Classes.

9. That the Conference fix the third Sunday in October as "The Young People's Sunday," upon which, throughout our Circuits, special services shall be held for the young, with a view to leading them to decision for Christ; and that as far as practicable the Chairmen of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits so arrange Home Mission deputations and anniversary services as not to interfere with the Sunday so appointed.
10. That our preachers be urged to take pains to make the Sunday morning services interesting to children.
11. That Conference urges that the Ten Commandments be recited in all our Sunday Schools once a month.

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**QUESTION XVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Temperance and Public Morals?**

For Summary of Returns see Appendix J. xlvi.-liv.

The Report of the Committee was presented by Rev. W. A. Sinclair.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following be the Committee on Temperance and Public Morals for 1906:—The Ministers of the Dunedin and Port Chalmers Circuits, Messrs E. Rosevear, S. C. Phillips, A. King, Dr. B. E. de Lautour, D. C. Cameron, J. B. Shacklock, E. Aslin, W. C. Allnut, J. P. Simon, H. D. Bedford, M.A., J. F. Arnold, M.H.R., and J. Lomas; Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Convener. The duties of the Committee shall be to watch all movements affecting questions of public morality, to consider the Temperance returns and all resolutions passed by District Synods relating to Temperance, Sabbath observance, Gambling, etc., and present a report, with recommendations, to Conference. The Secretaries of District Synods shall forward all such Returns and Resolutions to this Committee not later than December 15th in each year.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. W. A. Sinclair for his services as Convener of the Committee on Temperance and Public Morals, and that he be re-appointed.
4. That the Committee be empowered to incur expenditure to the amount of £5, and that this be a charge on the Contingent Fund.
5. That Conference directs that on the last Sunday in November sermons be preached in all our churches on the subject of Temperance.

6. That all Superintendents of circuits be required to furnish returns to Statistical Secretaries under the following heads:—Number of Connexional Bands of Hope and members of same, and number of Sunday School scholars who are members of non-Connexional Bands of Hope.
7. That a Quarterly Temperance Sunday be observed in all our Sunday Schools on the day of the Temperance lesson as provided for in the International Series of Lessons; that an address by a competent person be given dealing with Temperance, Gambling, the Evils of Juvenile Smoking, etc.; that special music and suitable recitations be provided by the scholars; that pledges be taken and that returns be made to the Conference of the number of scholars who are members of the School Band of Hope.
8. That the Temperance Committee co-operate with other churches and with Temperance organisations in approaching the various Education Boards with a view of obtaining permission to hang Temperance instructional charts on the walls of the public schools.
9. That the Minister of Railways be again requested to allow the packet licenses on the Government steamers on Lake Wakatipu to lapse.
10. That the Conference places on record its gratitude to God at the signs of moral progress shown throughout the colony in the large increase of the vote for No-license at the last Local Option Poll. It deeply regrets that there are still so many who are prepared to vote thousands of their fellows to misery and death by voting for the continuance of the liquor traffic. It believes, however, that the marked advance of anti-liquor sentiment throughout the various churches is a pledge that the liquor traffic in this colony is doomed to extinction, and it expresses the hope that our people everywhere will do their utmost to secure this most desirable consummation.
11. That our ministers and local preachers be asked to deal frequently with the question of gambling.
12. That this Conference protests against the continued legislation of the Totalisator as being subversive of the best interests of society, and also against any part of the country's revenue being derived from this lamentable source.

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**QUESTION XVIII.—What is the Resolution of the Conference on the Work of God?**

The Conference expresses its gratitude to God for the numerous signs of blessing and encouragement in the several departments of the work of the Church during the past year. It notes with special satisfaction the increase of Sunday scholars, junior members, and also 485 senior members. It also rejoices in the success attending the Young Men's Movement and the evangelistic missions conducted by the Rev. C. Porter and Dr. Torr. The

reports of work among the Maoris and of the increased income in response to the appeal of the Secretary of the Foreign Mission Fund are gladly received and regarded as most hopeful signs of a rich spiritual harvest. In the increase of 13,000 votes cast for No-License at the recent Local Option Poll, and the magnificent victories of the cause at Invercargill, Oamaru, and Grey Lynn, the Conference hails an evident promise of a complete triumph of this winning cause. It urges that all our Church members be encouraged by the report of the continued revival in Wales to give themselves to believing prayer and effort, that these Islands of the Southern Seas may be the scene of a similar visitation. They are reminded that the past is with God, that the future is before us to be used for God and man, and that the present time is opportune for the Church to do its allotted portion of work with increased earnestness.

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**QUESTION XIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?**

The Report of the *Outlook* Committee was presented to Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. T. G. Brooke for his services as editor of the Methodist section of the *Outlook*, and that the Rev. J. Ward be appointed for the ensuing year.
3. That the Committee consist of the Superintendents of the Dunedin and Port Chalmers Circuits and Messrs. E. Rosevear (Convener), J. C. Stephens, J. B. Shacklock, W. C. Allnut, and D. C. Cameron. The Committee to report each year to the Conference.
4. That an honorarium of £25 be voted to the Editor from the Contingent Fund.
5. That the Editor's contingent and local travelling expenses be defrayed out of the Contingent Fund.
6. That the Committee and Editor be elected at each Conference.
7. That our Ministers and Home Missionaries be directed to urge the claims of the *Outlook* in their pastoral visitation and in other ways.

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**QUESTION XX.—What are the Resolutions of this Conference on matters previously remitted to District Synods or other Committees for Reports?**

I.—PROPOSED MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS.

(See under Foreign Missions, p. 59.)

## II.—PROGRESSIVE CHURCH EXTENSION POLICY.

(For Report of Home Mission Executive, adopted by the Conference,  
See p. 62.)

## III.—INDEPENDENT CONFERENCE FOR NEW ZEALAND.

Report of Special Committee was presented by the Rev. S. Lawry.

During the discussion the previous question was carried, and it was then resolved—

That the Committee be thanked and discharged.

## IV.—PROPOSED CHILDREN'S HOME.

(See Minutes, 1905, p. 46.)

A Statement was made on behalf of the Committee by the Rev. P. W. Fairclough.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the time has now arrived when steps should be taken to establish a Children's Home in or near the City of Wellington to fulfil the conditions of the Endowment.
2. That the following be a Committee to institute and manage such Home:—The Trustees of the Educational Endowment in Wellington *ex officio*, the Ministers of the Wellington and Hutt Circuits, Messrs G. Tiller, C. H. Jones, H. Brittain, C. W. Benbow, E. Arnold, J. K. Powell, H. Sanson, Willis, J. W. Copithorne, W. Fuller, Norwood, T. Dickson, W. Walton, J. R. Jones, W. Howe, E. Tonks, W. Redstone, W. Dimock, T. Cooper, J. Danks, C. E. Luxford, W. H. Green; C. H. Jones, Convener.
3. That such Committee be authorised to appeal for financial and other assistance towards the Home.

## V.—THE BIBLE IN SCHOOLS.

### REPORT OF CENTRAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

No meetings of the Central Committee have been held during the past year, there being no occasion for the same, owing to the work of the movement being well attended to by the Executive and Provincial Committees of the Referendum League, of which representatives of the Methodist Church are members.

It is to be regretted that the special Bill introduced into Parliament last session for the submission of this question to the electors of the Colony did not become law, so that the people might be given an opportunity of expressing their opinion on a matter of the greatest moment to the welfare of the Colony. It is to be hoped that our members and adherents will use all legitimate means in their power to further prosecute the movement until this vital question is finally settled in the best interests of the people of New Zealand.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted. .
2. That the local Committees be disbanded.
3. That the Central Committee consist of the Revs. W. Lee, H. Bull, W. C. Oliver, H. R. Dewsbury, S. Lawry, and W. Baumber, Messrs. J. A. Flesher, J. C. Prudhoe, C. E. Salter, R. H. Turner, C. A. Newman, and H. Chapman; Mr. J. A. Flesher, Convener.

## VI.--THE NEW HYMN BOOK.

The report of the Committee was presented.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following be an Administrative Committee on hymn book matters, with power to act in all matters of detail, but not to vary the terms of agreement with the present agents, and that the committee report to the next Conference :—Revs. W. Lee, H. Bull, H. R. Dewsbury, W. Baumber, and S. Lawry, with Messrs J. A. Flesher, C. E. Salter, W. H. Seed, A. F. Drayton, J. C. Prudhoe : Rev. S. Lawry, Convener.
3. That the amount due to the New Zealand Conference in connection with the sale of the Methodist hymn book during the past year be paid to the Special branch of the Church Building and Loan Fund.

## VII.—LAYMEN ON STATIONING COMMITTEE.

(See Minutes, 1905, p. 80.)

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Your Committee having considered the question as to what is necessary to be done by Conference in the exercise of its powers under permissive legislation to enable the Lay Members of the Stationing Committee to sit on that Committee during all its sessions, recommends Conference to adopt the following procedure :—

1. The Public Opening Session of Conference to be held on the evening of the second day of the Ministerial Committee, the present order of business to be followed.
2. The Conference to meet the following morning at 9 o'clock to elect the Lay Members of the Stationing Committee and appoint other Conference Committees, the Stationing Committee to proceed to business immediately. No other session of Conference to be held that day, but a Public Meeting or other function to be arranged for the evening, which the members of the Stationing Committee need not attend. .

3. The first reading of Stations to be taken immediately upon the opening of Conference the third day, and the rest of the morning of that day to be devoted to the work of the various Committees.

**RESOLUTION.**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

**VIII.—AUCKLAND CITY MISSION.**

The Report of the Committee was presented by the Rev. B. F. Rothwell.

**RESOLUTION.**

1. That the name of the mission be the Auckland Methodist Mission. (See under Question I).

**IX.—DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION.**

A Statement was made by the Rev. W. A. Sinclair.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the following be a Committee to consider the advisability of securing suitable premises for the Mission:—The Superintendents of the Dunedin Circuits, with Messrs. E. Rosevear, J. B. Shacklock, J. Sparrow, C. Payne, E. Aslin, W. C. Allnutt, J. C. Stephens, C. Duke, C. J. Liggins, S. C. Phillips, A. King, W. R. Cole, J. F. Arnold, M.H.R., H. D. Bedford, M.A., D. C. Cameron, sen., and R. Ferguson; Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Convener.

**X.—UNION OF THE EVANGELICAL CHURCHES.**

Report of the Sectional Committee of the General Conference for New Zealand to the Annual Conference.

The Committee has held three meetings during the year. At one of these—October 20th—the Rev. Dr Gibb was in attendance for consultation with members of the Committee, a large number being present. At this meeting a general conviction was expressed that the time was not at present sufficiently ripe to warrant an expectation of an immediate union of the Churches. At the same time, it was felt that no steps should be left untaken that might promote the eventual consummation of so desirable an object. To this end the Committee recommends united action among the Churches concerned with regard to such matters of great national interest as the Drink Traffic, the Gambling Evil, the Bible in Schools, and other matters affecting the moral welfare of the country.

The Report, presented by the Rev. H. Bull, was adopted in an amended form as above.



**QUESTION XXI.—What is the Report on Early Church Records ?**

## REPORT.

Memoranda received during the year :—

1. St. Asaph Street Church : Old Baptismal Register.
2. Old Minute Book of East Oxford Church Meeting.
3. From Mrs Allen, Lyttelton : First Report of Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society, 1855. Also Thirty-third Report of the Auxiliary Wesleyan Missionary Society of the Australian Districts, 1853-54.

H. BULL, Convener.

**QUESTION XXII.—Who are the Members of the following Connexional Committees ?**

## COMMITTEES FOR 1906.

## I.—FINANCIAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

The Ministers of the respective Districts and the Circuit Stewards (or their duly elected substitutes) of the various Circuits of those Districts, with the Lay Treasurers of the Connexional Funds, Conference Funds, District Lay Treasurers of Connexional Trust Funds, and District Secretaries of Church Properties are members of the Financial District Synods, as are also those Probationers who are in charge of Circuits under the direction of the Chairman.

## II.—COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES.

1. The President, Ex-President, and Secretary of the Conference, the Ministers of the Wellington and Hutt Circuits, Rev. H. Bull, with Messrs T. Buddle, F. L. Prime, G. Tiller, H. Brittain, J. A. Flesher, G. H. Blackwell, J. C. Stephens, and J. B. Shacklock ; Secretary of Conference, Convener and Secretary.
2. The above-named Ministers and Laymen of the Wellington and Hutt Circuits are a Committee of Exigency, the Minister of the Wellington (South) Circuit to be Convener and Secretary.
3. The Committee of Exigency is specially directed to take steps to secure the rights of the Church and its official representatives at all public functions and in regard to the Chaplaincies of all public institutions, and by correspondence and otherwise to obtain the co-operation and hearty support of the Committee of Privileges.

**QUESTION XXIII.—What are the Resolutions of this Conference on matters relating to the General Conference?**

CIRCUIT REPRESENTATION TO SYNODS.

That the following proposal affecting the representation of Circuits be referred to the District Synods for consideration and report :—

That, in harmony with the recent legislation concerning lay representation to the Annual Conference (see Minutes G.C. 1904, p. 68), Circuits in which more than two Ministers are engaged shall, in addition to the representation in the Synods by the two Circuit Stewards, have the right of electing additional representatives according to the number of Ministers employed in the Circuit, providing, however, that no one Circuit shall have more than five representatives.

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**QUESTION XXIV.— When and where shall the next Conference be held?**

In the Durham Street Church, Christchurch, as near as possible to the last Tuesday in February, 1907, the exact date to be fixed by the President.



**REPLY TO LOYAL ADDRESS.**

Christchurch, 5th May, 1905.

New Zealand Conference of the Methodist Church in Australasia.

GENTLEMEN, — I beg to return to you my warm thanks for the very cordial Address you have been good enough to present to me, and for your congratulations upon my appointment; and I note with deep satisfaction the assurances of unfaltering loyalty to His Majesty the King which you tender on behalf of the Methodist Church in Australasia.

It is very pleasant to me to observe the attention you have drawn to the privileges we all enjoy under the British Constitution. For I think many of us who have not given much thought to the subject, or who have not had personal opportunities of contrasting the fundamental systems of government amongst other nations, are often rather too ready to take as a matter of course our splendid national life, the safeguards of our great political institutions, and the complete liberty of body, mind, and conscience we enjoy.

I thank you again for your kindly welcome, and I join with you in your prayer that I may rightly discharge the high trust committed to my keeping.

PLUNKET.

**RELATION OF CHILDREN TO THE CHURCH.**

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee is firmly of opinion that the first and most urgent necessity among us is a clearer view of the true relation of the children to Christ and to the Church. We need to grasp more firmly the New Testament truth that they are His. On the day that He said "Of such is the kingdom," He claimed them as His own beloved property. They are born within the kingdom of His grace, and need never depart from it. Until they in after life become false to their training and choose another Lord, we should deal with them as those having a very special and sacred relationship to the Church — the lambs of Christ, whom we must nurture and feed.

The Committee therefore makes the following suggestions:—

## 1. Baptism.

We must make more of the sacrament of Baptism. The exceedingly inadequate views prevalent among our people on this matter should be dealt with by clear teaching. In every baptismal service let the minister, while disavowing the doctrine of baptismal regeneration, towards which some phrases in our present formularies unfortunately point, explain the nature of the sacrament as an outward sign of the place which the child already holds in the Church under the covenant of grace, and impress upon the parents the solemn obligation that rests upon them as having committed to them a young, Christ-redeemed life.

## 2. Cradle Roll.

In the baptismal service we say: "We receive this child into the congregation of Christ's flock." Can anything be done by which the Church may show its interest in the child until it is

old enough to receive definite training in the Sabbath School, etc.? The Committee has considered this point, and believes that the adoption of what is known as the Cradle Roll would help to meet the case, and would be especially valuable in the case of children whose parents are but loosely attached to the Church and indifferent to their responsibilities. Let the name of each child of the Church be placed upon this roll from its birth, and the infants be set under the sub-pastorate of the teacher of the S.S. infant class, or some other suitable person. Also, let the home of the child be regularly visited, its birthday remembered, and some simple communication, signed by minister and leader, sent to the parents. Finally, at the earliest convenient time, let the attendance of the child at the Sabbath School be assured.

### 3. Attendance at Church.

Earnest efforts should be made to secure the regular attendance of our children at the morning service. The service itself should be adapted so as to interest the children, and a brief address to them, with the singing of a children's hymn, should never be omitted. Occasionally the whole service might take the form of a children's rally, and special efforts might be made to secure the attendance of every Sabbath School scholar. The Committee regards this matter as one of vital importance. No classes that may be formed, not even a well-conducted Sabbath School itself, can take the place of the Church service. Our people should sit together as families in God's house, and children should be encouraged to follow the service attentively, to give to the offertory, and to sit in the family pew till they have one of their own.

### 4. Junior Members.

More care must be taken in the organisation of classes in which the children may be trained for full membership in the Church. These may take the form of Junior C.E. Societies or Junior Members' Classes; but there is no reason why these familiar names should be retained. "King's Volunteers," "Christ's Brigade," etc., are names more likely to strike a child's imaginative mind. It is surely a defect in our Church organisation that out of 101 circuits and home mission stations, 44 return not a single junior member. In every church there should be some class, however small, meeting at a convenient time for this preparatory training, and the leader should be in close touch with the Church through the Leaders' Meeting. The Committee has considered the fact that for various reasons many of our children, who are worthy of junior membership, cannot attend such classes. It would suggest that as far as possible the names of these be ascertained through the Sabbath School teachers, and that they be met by the minister once a quarter after school, when tickets can be given to them and a few words of counsel spoken.

### 5. Church Membership.

All junior members whose character and conduct are satisfactory should be encouraged to attend the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and, at a suitable age, be received into full member-

ship. It may be advisable for the Minister to meet these candidates for a few times in a special preparatory class, and assure himself that they fully understand the obligations they are taking upon themselves. The reception should take place publicly, and the beautiful order of service sanctioned by the British Conference and found in our Book of Offices is strongly recommended.

#### 6. Young People's Society Classes.

The matter of the oversight of the young people so received into the Church lies beyond the order of reference; but the Committee would urge the formation of special classes for the young folk, graded where possible, so that those of similar age may meet together, and conducted upon fresh and interesting lines. Where there are C.E. Societies, it is desirable that they be brought into close touch with the Church, and that one or two of their more experienced members be appointed leaders by the Leaders' Meeting, and have seats in that meeting.

#### 7. The Sabbath School.

The Committee is deeply impressed with the great importance of the Sabbath School as a training place for the young, and recommends that the teachers be urged to watch for God's opportunities, and by personal conversation endeavour to lead their classes to a definite stand for Christ. The teaching of the Catechism, as opposed to the mere learning of it by rote, should have a prominent place in the curriculum of school work.

It will be at once seen that these recommendations of the Committee involve very little new organisation. That is one of the last things needed. Our pre-eminent want is more faith in the value and permanence of the impressions made in childhood and greater naturalness and adaptation in our methods. A great deal will depend upon the minister, who in these things must certainly lead the way. If he be in earnest, the people will follow; if not, the children will probably be overlooked. In these days the calls upon a minister's time are embarrassing, but whatever remains undone, the command to "Feed the lambs" must not be forgotten. A reverent youth, a loyal and devoted membership, a church full of the buoyancy and vigour of young life, are the rich rewards of loving attention to the children of our people.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Report be printed for circulation, and that the June Quarterly Meetings, Leaders' Meetings, and Teachers' Meetings be directed to consider the Resolutions of the Conference as adopted in the Report, with a view to giving effect to them; and also that special attention be drawn to the Report in our public services.

## AUCKLAND EDUCATION AND MISSION TRUST PROPERTIES.

A request was received from the Auckland Education Property Trustees asking advice of the Conference respecting a proposed friendly suit in the Supreme Court for direction in the administration of the Grafton Road and Three Kings Education Trusts. The following are the terms of the request :—

That owing to the prolonged disputes concerning the nature of the Grafton Road and Three Kings Trusts, and the powers of the trustees, the trustees resolve that it is advisable to bring a friendly suit before the Supreme Court in order to ascertain :—

1. Whether the trustees have power to utilise any part of the Grafton Road Estate for the general purposes of the Methodist Church : That is, whether they can use any portion of it for a Church and Sunday School for Europeans, or make rental concessions for such purpose.
2. Whether the two sets or orders of grants of land by Governors Fitzroy, Grey, and Wynyard, may really be treated as one endowment as is at present being done.
3. That before taking any further steps the matter be referred to the next Annual Conference.

**It was resolved** that the request of the trustees to proceed in the matter of a friendly suit in the Supreme Court be granted as desired.

The following resolutions were also adopted :—

1. In the opinion of the Conference the decision of Mr Justice Cooper, in the friendly suit Moxham, Benbow and others versus the Attorney-general, with respect to the nature of the trusts expressed in the Crown Grant conveying to James Watkin and his successors in office, the Wellington Native and Destitute Children's Education Endowment applies to the properties in the Auckland District held upon similar trusts from the Crown—viz., that in accordance with such decision the said properties are not held subject to the provisions of the Model Deed, but under and subject to such powers and provisions as are contained or referred to in the original instruments creating and containing the trusts.

The following are the properties referred to in the above resolution :—

- (1) Lot 20, of Section 3, of the Suburbs of Auckland, Parish of Waitemata, containing 6 acres 3 roods, grant "in trust for the general purposes of a Wesleyan Native Institution." Date, October 7th, 1844.
- (2) Lot 2, of Section 12, in Town of Auckland, containing 2 roods 20 poles, grant "in trust for the bona fide purposes of the Wesleyan Mission." Date, October 8th, 1845.
- (3) Lot 3, of Section 12, Town of Auckland, containing 2 roods 3 poles, grant "in trust as a site for the erection of a Native or Maori Church." Date, June 16th, 1848.
- (4) Lots 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, and 92, of Suburban Farms, Parish of Waitemata, containing 192 acres 3 roods 12 poles, grant "in trust for the general purposes of a Wesleyan Native Institution." Date, April 1st, 1845.

- (5) Lots 14, 87, and 124, Waitemata, County of Eden, containing altogether 527 acres, grant "in trust for the use and towards the support and maintenance of a School for the education of children of both races," etc. Date, October 15th, 1850.
- (6) Lot 93, of Section 10, Auckland, containing 20 acres, grant same as (5). Date, August 31st, 1850.
- (7) Lot 119, Section 10, County of Eden, containing 19 acres 1 rood 6 poles, grant same as (5). Date, June 19th, 1852.
- (8) Lots 118, 122, and 123, Parish of Waitemata, containing 65 acres 1 rood 6 poles, grant same as (5). Date, June 22nd, 1854.
- (9) Lot 1, Parish of Aotea, County of Rutland, containing 402 acres, grant "upon trust for the site and endowment of a School for the education of aboriginal Natives and Half-castes of the Colony of New Zealand in connection with the religious society denominated Wesleyan Methodists." Date, June 28, 1859.
- (10) Lot 1, situate at Kawhia, containing 169 acres, grant same as (9). Date, July 21st, 1859.
2. In the opinion of the Conference, and in harmony with the decision of Mr Justice Cooper in the Wellington Educational Trusts' friendly suit, the control and general supervision of the administration of the Auckland Trusts belong to the Conference together with the power to appoint new trustees.
3. That the appointment of the present Trustees of the Auckland Education and Mission Property Trusts be and is hereby confirmed, also that the name of Mr G. A. Buttle be added as a trustee of the properties numbered (1), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10); thus making the trustees of the several trusts of the ten properties uniform.
4. The Conference resolves that in order to preserve evidence of the appointment of trustees of the several properties affected, the names of such trustees so appointed be published in the Minutes of Conference for the year in which the appointment is made.

The following are declared by Mr Justice Cooper to be the Trustees of the Wellington Native and Education Property:—

John Fitchett, William Moxham, Charles William Benbow, William James Harland, John Kershaw, John Reid, Oscar George Augustus Harvey, William Clement Hemery, Ernest William Abraham Kellow, Robert Hosie, Rowland William Waterhouse, and William Wallis Moxham, all of Wellington.

5. The following is the list of Trustees of the Auckland Trust Properties (referred to in Resolution 3):—
- James Heron, Frederick Lambert Prime, John Edson, Richard Hobbs, Thomas Buddle, Thomas McMaster, Thomas Allen, George Winstone, Stephen James Ambury, Phillip Hawe Mason, Andrew Clarke Caughey, Francis Angus White, Frederick Walter Wilson, James Gunson, William Gittos, Joseph Henry Simmonds and George Alfred Buttle, all of Auckland.

### YOUNG MEN'S FORWARD MOVEMENT.

For Statement of Finance, see Appendix HA, p. xlv.

The Report of the Committee was presented by the Rev. H. L. Blamires.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the office be continued.
3. That the Rev. C. Porter be heartily thanked for his valuable services as Organising Secretary during the past year.
4. That the Rev. H. L. Blamires be appointed Organising Secretary for the ensuing year.
5. That the Organising Secretary's duties shall be :—
  - (a) To foster Bible Classes, Christian Endeavour Societies, and kindred movements, by organising and evangelistic work.
  - (b) To secure closer attachment of young people to Christ and the Church.
  - (c) To encourage young men to undertake aggressive work.
  - (d) To lead young men to place their lives where they will be most useful in extending the Kingdom of Christ.
6. That the necessary funds for financing the effort be provided :—
  - (a) By personal donations from sympathisers with the work.
  - (b) By donations from Bible Classes and Young People's Societies.
  - (c) By collections at meetings and missions conducted by the Secretary.
  - (d) By a special appeal in *The Outlook*, where all donations shall be acknowledged.
7. That the Secretary's headquarters be Wellington, but that his place of residence be left to his own choice.
8. That the following Committee be appointed to manage and direct the work of this office:—The Ministers of the Wellington and Hutt Circuits, with Messrs. G. S. Chisholm, J. W. Black, J. H. Helliwell, H. P. Mourant, H. D. Grocott, T. Sims, C. H. Jones, G. Tiller, L. Denton, T. Ralph, J. S. Bowmaker, S. Martin, Walter Browne, G. Dowland, L. J. Garrard, T. Fathers, J. Foote, and A. A. Bennett; Rev. C. Porter, Secretary and Convener.
9. That the Committee meet quarterly or oftener; and that the Secretary report quarterly to the Committee, and the Committee report to the Synods and Conference.
10. That the preparation of an itinerary and details of finance be left to the Conference Committee.
11. That District Bible Class Unions be formed in all our cities and large centres where practicable.
12. That at each Annual Conference arrangements be made for a public meeting to be held in the interests of the young men and young women of our Church.

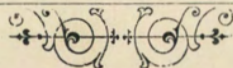


### TRAINING INSTITUTION FOR DEACONESSES.

The Committee's Report was presented by the Rev. W. A. Sinclair.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the time is not ripe for the establishment of a Training Institution for Deaconesses.
3. That a Committee be set up in Dunedin to watch and foster the Deaconess movement in our Church in this Colony.
4. That the duties of the Committee shall be :—
  - (a) To correspond with and advise Circuits contemplating the employment of a Deaconess.
  - (b) To arrange, where possible, for the training of probationary Deaconesses in connection with Churches or Missions where Deaconesses are employed.
  - (c) To report annually to the Conference the number of Deaconesses employed, and give any other information of value.
5. That the Committee consist of the Superintendents of the Dunedin Circuits and Messrs. S. C. Phillips, E. Rosevear, J. B. Shacklock, J. F. Arnold, M.H.R., and D. Cameron, jun.; Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Convener.
6. That the following rules and regulations be agreed to :—
  - (a) Every probationary Deaconess shall undergo a term of two years' probation before being recognised as a fully accredited Deaconess.
  - (b) The Committee shall arrange a course of study for probationary Deaconesses.
  - (c) The final examination shall be conducted by an Examiner to be appointed by the Committee.
  - (d) The names of all Deaconesses employed in our Circuits shall be printed annually in the Minutes.



### MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS.

The Report of the Committee was presented.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. J. A. Luxford and the retiring Committee.
3. That the Committee consist of the three senior Ministers in the Pitt Street Circuit, Colonel White, Messrs. R. C. Allen, B.A., and T. Hodgson; Rev. J. A. Luxford, Convener.
4. That a deputation, consisting of the Revs. P. W. Fairclough and J. A. Luxford, wait on the Minister of Defence with reference to chaplaincy appointments and urge the following alterations in the Regulations:—"That in each battalion staff there shall be two Chaplains, and that they shall not both be of the same denomination."
5. That the Rev. J. A. Luxford be authorised to correspond with the Rev. R. W. Allen on Admiralty affairs, and with the New Zealand Government on Military affairs during the year.
6. That the names of the Superintendent Ministers in the ports of the Colony visited by His Majesty's ships of war be annually reported to the Rev. R. W. Allen by the Convener, in order that the naval authorities may be notified of the chaplaincies in these places.
7. That the following be appointed as Chaplains to Methodists on His Majesty's ships of war visiting the undermentioned ports of New Zealand:—Auckland, Rev. J. A. Luxford; Wellington, Rev. P. W. Fairclough; Lyttelton, Rev. W. Lee; Port Chalmers, Rev. J. Ward; Dunedin, Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A.



### REGULATIONS FOR LOCAL PREACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

1. That there be written as well as oral examinations before Local Preachers be received on full plan.
2. That Gregory's "Theological Student" and Catechism II be the text books for such examinations.
3. That Local Preachers be encouraged to pass examinations for three successive years, and that suitable certificates be awarded. (For Curriculum, see below).
4. That any candidate who cannot show evidence that he has passed an examination equivalent to the Sixth Standard be requested to pass a written examination in English.
5. That the Local Preachers' Meeting appoint its own examiner for the written examination of a candidate prior to his reception on full plan, and that the Committee for the examination of candidates for the Ministry be directed to prepare the papers for the examinations recommended in Section 3.
6. That Training Classes and Libraries for Local Preachers be established wherever practicable.
7. That Local Preachers who have become fully accredited be recognised as such at a public service. (For suggested Order of Service see Minutes 1905, p. 69.)

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### CURRICULUM FOR LOCAL PREACHERS' COURSE OF STUDY.

The Conference adopted the following curriculum, and directed the Board of Examiners to appoint Examiners and arrange details. In the meantime, Superintendents of Circuits are to bring the matter before the June Local Preachers' Meetings.

#### *First Year.*

1. Theology—Denney's "Studies in Theology"
2. Biblical—R. Waddy Moss' "From Malachi to Matthew."
3. Homiletics—Phillips Brooks' "Lectures on Preaching"

#### *Second Year.*

1. Theology—Pope's "Person of Christ."
2. Biblical—Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges (St. John's Gospel).
3. Greek—Clapperton's "First Steps."

#### *Third Year.*

1. Theology—Denney's "Death of Christ."
2. Biblical—Findlay's "Epistles of St. Paul."
3. Greek—Moulton's Greek Reader.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

### MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE.

That a Committee consisting of all the ministers who shall have intimated their intention of attending the next Conference meet for two days before the date fixed for the first meeting of the Conference, and consider all possible Ministerial business, and report to Conference in Ministerial Session, the President to be responsible for convening the Committee.

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That the following Committees shall be appointed on the second day of the Representative Session of Conference, and a time fixed when they shall sit, and during that time no session of Conference shall be held :—

- A. *Committee on Circuits.*—To this Committee shall be remitted all Synod recommendations relating to Questions I. to IV. of Representative Conference business. The findings of Committee A shall be reported to Committee D, when help is required from the Home Mission Fund.
- B. *Committee on Connexional Funds and Balance Sheets.*—This Committee shall consider all recommendations relating to the following funds :—(1) Children's Fund ; (2) Supernumerary Fund ; (3) Contingent Fund ; also those relating to Mission, Educational, and General Connexional Trust Properties ; they shall also examine all balance sheets presented to Conference to see that they are in proper form, and duly audited.
- C. *Committee on Foreign Missions.*—This Committee shall consider all business relating to Foreign Missions, and especially enquire if Conference rules are observed with regard to raising and remitting Foreign Mission moneys.
- D. *Home Mission Committee.*—This Committee shall consider all reports, the balance sheet, and recommendations relating to the Home Mission Fund, as per Rule 20, Home Mission report.
- E. *Committee on Institutions, etc.*—This Committee shall consider all reports and Synod recommendations relating to the Theological Institution, Three Kings Institution, Prince Albert College, Sunday Schools, *The Outlook*, and all Synod recommendations not remitted to any other committee.

### NOMINATION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That the President and Secretary of the Conference, with two ministers and two laymen to be appointed by the President (such ministers and laymen being members of the next Conference), be a committee to nominate the several members of the Conference Committees.

## STATIONING COMMITTEE.

1. That for the election of lay members of the Stationing Committee ballot papers be printed containing the names of all lay representatives present at the Conference, and that the method of election be by members of the Conference striking out the names of those for whom they do not desire to vote; the Secretaries of the Conference to be the scrutineers.
2. That in considering the station sheet the Conference begin with the district in which the Conference for the time being sits.

## CHARACTER OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

In response to the enquiry in the Conference, "Are there any objections to any of our ministers or preachers on trial?" the names of the districts only shall be called, the Chairman of each district then giving the required information from the Minutes of the District Synod. The right to challenge any name or to bring a charge against any minister or preacher on trial shall not be affected by the foregoing resolution.

## CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS.

1. That it be an instruction to the Committee arranging the functions in connection with the next Conference that not less than two evenings be left free for Conference business, exclusive of the opening night and the evening set apart for the Conversation on the Work of God.
2. That a public meeting be held during Conference at which the claims of both Home and Foreign Missions shall be advocated, the offerings to be equally divided between the two funds.
3. Seeing that the holding of the conversation on the Work of God near the end of the Conference seriously interferes with the attendance thereat, it is desirable that this session be held not later than the third evening of the Conference.
4. That at each Annual Conference arrangements be made for a public meeting to be held in the interests of the young men and young women of our church.

## RETIREMENT OF LAY MEMBERS OF CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES.

1. That in connection with all standing Connexional Committees, except the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, it be a regulation of Conference making it obligatory that not less than one of the lay members retire annually from each committee having less than eight lay members, and not less than two from each committee having eight or more lay members, the retiring member or members to be ineligible for re-election for at least one year; and that in connection with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee the retirement take place every second year.
2. That those members, outside the officers, who have been longest on the Committee shall be the first to retire.

## FOREIGN LITERARY DEGREES.

That the Conference recognise only such Foreign Literary Degrees as can also be held as *ad eundem* degrees in connection with the New Zealand University.

## METHODIST COUNCILS.

That Conference recommends that Methodist Councils be established in the principal cities and suburbs thereof, with a view to taking up new causes, and otherwise for the extension of Methodism.

## MEDICAL BOARD.

That the Medical Board be thanked for their past services, and that the following be now appointed :—Dr. W. C. McDowell, Auckland; Dr. W. A. Chapple, Wellington; Dr. A. J. Orchard, Christchurch; Dr. B. E. de Lautour, Dunedin.

## AGENDA COMMITTEE.

That the Secretary of the Conference, Rev S Lawry, and Mr. J. A. Flesher be the Agenda Committee for the next Conference.

**ORDER OF SERVICE.**

For suggested Order of Service in our churches, see Minutes, 1905, p. 68.

**ORDER OF SYNOD BUSINESS.**

For revised Order of Synod Business, see Minutes, 1905, pp. 84-88.



## MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

### THANKS TO THE EX-PRESIDENT.

That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Rev. J. N. Buttle, ex-President, for the zealous and efficient manner in which he has fulfilled the duties of the office during the year.

### THANKS TO THE SECRETARY.

That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., for the diligence, courtesy, and ability with which he has performed his duties as Secretary of the Conference during the past year.

### ORDINATION CHARGE.

That the Rev. J. Newman Buttle, ex-President of the Conference, be thanked for the eminently profitable charge delivered by him to the candidates for ordination, and that he be requested to allow the same to be published in the columns of the connexional paper."

### PASTORAL ADDRESS.

That it be recommended to Superintendents of Circuits that a fitting opportunity be taken to bring the Pastoral Address before the congregations.

### REPRESENTATIVES TO BRITISH AND IRISH CONFERENCES.

That the Rev. E. P. Blamires be appointed representative to the British Conference.

That Mr A. C. Caughey be appointed representative to the British and Irish Conferences.

### REV. WM. GITTO'S' JUBILEE.

That this Conference feels honoured in having amongst its members Father Gittos, of Auckland. It heartily congratulates him on attaining the jubilee of his ministry. It recognises his beneficial influence among the Maoris, and desires to thank God for the long and eventful life of our beloved father, and prays that he may be spared for many years to wield an influence for God and to labour in his Church.

### MINISTERIAL INTERCHANGES WITH BRITAIN.

That the advisability of opening up negotiations with the British and other Conferences to secure, if possible, ministerial interchanges for short terms, by mutual consent, of British and Colonial ministers, be referred to the following Committee:—The Revs. H. R. Dewsbury, W. Baumber, S. Lawry, and T. A. Joughin (convener), Messrs A. F. Drayton, W. H. Seed, and G. J. Smith; the Committee to report to next Conference.

### FREEDOM OF THE CHURCH.

That, in view of the decision of the House of Lords in the Free Church case, the advisability of taking steps, either in conjunction with other Churches or by our own Church alone, to secure freedom of action be

considered by the following Committee, who shall have power to consult with the authorities of other Churches, and shall report to next Conference:—Revs. W. Lee, H. Bull, P. W. Fairclough, S. Lawry, with the President, ex-President, and Secretary of Conference, and Messrs G. H. Blackwell, J. Manchester, T. E. Corkill, C. E. Salter, T. Buddle, J. A. Flesher, E. Rosevear, and J. C. Stephens (convener).

#### EDUCATION ACT IN BRITAIN.

That the Conference rejoices to learn that at the opening of the British Parliament the Speech from the Throne gave the assurance of an amendment of the Education Act; trusts that its unjust clauses will be removed; and congratulates the "passive resisters" on the fact that their sufferings for conscience sake have not been in vain.

#### MINISTERS' SALARIES.

That the Ministers of the New Plymouth, Waitara, and Stratford Circuits, with Messrs C. Carter, J. Whittaker, E. Dixon, H. Joll, G. Watson, and J. Boon, be a Committee to draw up a scheme for providing a more uniform and adequate salary for Ministers in poor circuits, the same to be presented for consideration early next annual Conference; Rev. J. J. Pendray, Convener.

#### NEW ZEALAND EXHIBITION.

That this Conference, representing the Methodist Church of New Zealand, respectfully request the authorities responsible for the management of the New Zealand Exhibition, to be opened in Christchurch in November, 1906—(1) That provision be made, in connection with the opening ceremony, for the public recognition of God as the Supreme Ruler of men and the Giver of all good; (2) that the Exhibition be closed on each Sunday; and (3) that no license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor on the Exhibition Grounds.

#### CHAPLAINCIES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

That a Committee, consisting of the Ministers of the Auckland (Pitt Street) Circuit, with the Rev. J. A. Luxford as convener, consider the question of the appointment of Chaplains to public institutions, and report to next Conference.

#### OPIUM TRAFFIC.

That the Conference expresses its hearty approval of the efforts to arouse the national conscience in regard to the evils of the opium traffic.

#### RAILWAY AND STEAMER CONCESSIONS.

That a Committee, consisting of the Revs. P. W. Fairclough, W. J. Williams, and C. Porter, with power to add, co-operate with other religious bodies in an endeavour to obtain more satisfactory concessions in fares to representatives.

#### STANDING REGULATIONS OF FUNDS AND INSTITUTIONS.

That the Rules and Regulations of the various Funds and Institutions be regarded as standing rules, liable, however, to alterations from year to year by Conference, and that only such alterations be voted upon.



## THANKS TO LOCAL PREACHERS.

That this Conference expresses its hearty appreciation of the noble work done by our Local Preachers in the Colony, and urges our people to loyally support our Local Preachers in the valuable aid rendered to our Church by them.

## RULES OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

That the Secretary of the Conference prepare and print a synopsis of the Rules of Church Membership.

## GENERAL RETURNS.

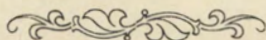
That the method of computing the number of attendants on public worship be printed on the schedules in red ink.

## MISSION CHURCHES.

That the following proposal be remitted to the Synods for consideration and report:—(1) That, with a view to the adoption of the permissive legislation giving power, under certain conditions, to appoint Ministers to 'missions' for a longer period than five years, it is desirable to define what, for the purpose of this provision, constitutes a 'mission.' (2) That a 'mission,' for the purposes of this provision, shall not be numbered in the list of circuits, but be regarded as a connexional department. The management of such a 'mission' shall be entrusted to a committee consisting of the minister or ministers appointed to the 'mission' and such officials as usually constitute a circuit quarterly meeting, together with not less than seven other members, to be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Synod within whose bounds the mission is situated. The committee shall exercise all the usual powers of a quarterly meeting, and the superintendents of the mission shall have the same *ex officio* rights as the superintendent of a circuit in regard to presiding at all official meetings. The committee may appoint an executive to carry out such matters as may be delegated to it from time to time. The superintendent of the 'mission' and the circuit stewards shall in all cases be members of the executive. A report of the 'mission' shall be presented each year to the District Synod.

T G. BROOKE, *President*.

CHARLES H. LAWS, *Secretary*.



A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST  
OF THE  
**MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS**

IN CONNECTION WITH

**The New Zealand Conference of the Methodist  
Church of Australasia.**

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- 1845 Lawry, Henry H., Supernumerary  
1846 Kirk, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1877, Super-  
numerary  
1856 Gittos, William  
1857 Crump, John, President New Zealand Conference, 1878, Super-  
numerary  
.. Watkin, William J., President New Zealand Conference, 1889,  
Supernumerary  
1860 Bunn, Robert S., Supernumerary  
1861 Cannell, William, Supernumerary  
.. Orchard, John, President New Zealand Conference, 1899, Super-  
numerary  
1862 Redstone, Harry B., Supernumerary  
.. Smith, John, Supernumerary  
1864 Harper, George S., Supernumerary  
.. Lee, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1880  
.. Rishworth, John S., Supernumerary  
1867 Oliver, William C., President New Zealand Conference, 1887  
1868 Bull, Henry, President New Zealand Conference, 1886  
.. Law, John, Supernumerary  
.. McNicoll, David, President New Zealand Conference, 1894  
.. Smalley, Joseph S., President New Zealand Conference, 1900,  
Supernumerary  
.. Thomas, William G., Supernumerary  
1869 Beck, William H.  
.. Keall, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1893, Super-  
numerary  
.. Simmonds, Joseph H., President New Zealand Conference, 1895  
1870 Isitt, Francis W.  
.. Lewis, John J., President New Zealand Conference, 1890  
.. Pendray, John J.  
.. Williams, William J., President New Zealand Conference, 1888  
1871 Bond, George, President New Zealand Conference, 1892  
.. Carr, Thomas G.  
.. Dewsbury, Henry R., President New Zealand Conference, 1891  
.. Marten, William B., Supernumerary  
.. Thomas, James

- 1874 Fairclough, Paul W.. F.R.A.S., President New Zealand Conference, 1897  
 .. Hammond, Thomas G.  
 .. Jory, John D.  
 .. Worboys, John W.
- 1875 Standage, Charles H.
- 1876 Bamber, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1896  
 .. Garlick, Samuel J.  
 .. Luxford, John A., President New Zealand Conference, 1903  
 .. Penney, Charles  
 .. Thomas, T. Eggleston, M.A.
- 1877 Fee, Thomas  
 .. Griffin, Cornelius  
 .. Lawry, Samuel, President New Zealand Conference, 1904  
 .. Peters, Alfred
- 1878 Buttle, J. Newiman, President New Zealand Conference, 1905
- 1879 Abernethy, Christopher  
 .. Hudson, Lewis  
 .. Isitt, Leonard M.  
 .. Murray, Daniel J., President New Zealand Conference, 1902  
 .. Spence, George W. J.  
 .. Tinsley, William
- 1880 Brooke, Thomas G., President New Zealand Conference, 1906.  
 .. Dukes, John  
 .. Griffin, Thomas N.
- 1881 Garland, Charles H., President New Zealand Conference, 1901  
 .. Gibson, Samuel J.  
 .. Pinfold, James T., F.G.S., F.R.M.S.  
 .. Slade, William
- 1882 Griffith, Samuel  
 .. Jones, T. Francis
- 1883 Marshall, George T.  
 .. Mather, Joseph J.
- 1884 Serpell, Samuel J.
- 1885 Ginger, Barton H.  
 .. Lawry, Albert C.  
 .. Ready, William  
 .. Rothwell, Benjamin F.  
 .. Wallis, T. Jackson  
 .. Ward, Josiah
- 1886 Ellis, John G. W.  
 .. Taylor, Robert
- 1887 Blight, Joseph  
 .. Joughin, Thomas A.  
 .. Laws, Charles H., B.A.  
 .. Wrigley, James
- 1888 Grigg, William  
 .. Trestrail, Thomas
- 1889 Chapman, James G.  
 .. Read, Frederick T.
- 1890 Mitchell, Arthur  
 .. Newbold, Thomas W.
- 1891 Beecroft, Charles E. (received by British Conference in 1870)  
 .. Sinclair, William A.
- 1892 Peryman, Samuel H. D.

- 1893 Elliott, William J.  
 .. Frost, George  
 .. Harrison, Colin C.
- 1894 Beggs, Hugh  
 .. Bellhouse, Harold E.  
 .. Dawson, William  
 .. Porter, Charles  
 .. Vealie, Thomas W.
- 1895 Ashcroft, Arthur  
 .. Griffin, John W.  
 .. Lochore, John A.  
 .. Richards, Thomas R.
- 1896 Blamires, Henry L.  
 .. Bowie, William S.  
 .. Chappell, Albert B., M.A.  
 .. Hosking, James A.
- 1898 Beckett, William
- 1899 Keall, Robert P.  
 .. Wills, William
- 1900 Blamires, Edgar P.  
 .. Greenslade, William  
 .. Haslam, Jonathan H.  
 .. Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.,  
 .. Tuck, William R.  
 .. Wilson, Richard
- 1901 Boys, Frederick W.  
 .. Cook, George S.  
 .. Eaton, Clarence  
 .. Reader, Amos
- 1902 Godbehear, Charles E.  
 .. Oxbrow, Walter J.  
 .. Patchett, Ernest D.  
 .. Thomas, T. Theodore, B.A.
- 1903 James, Benjamin J.  
 .. Pratt, Major A. R.  
 .. Seamer, Arthur J.
- 1904 Blamires, Ernest O.  
 .. McBean, Angus  
 .. Ranston, Harry  
 .. Reed, Alexander J.  
 .. Stockwell, George F.  
 .. Wilson, James
- 1905 Copeland, Fred  
 .. Randerson, Arthur C., M.A.  
 .. Richards, Raymond  
 .. Williams, Richard F.
- 1906 Avery, William W.  
 .. Clark, James R.  
 .. Paris, Percy R.  
 .. Roberts, Charles  
 .. Snadden, George

## NATIVE MINISTERS.

- 1879 Pawa, Wi Warena, Supernumerary  
 1882 Paul, Hauraki  
 ,, Rakena, Piripi  
 1894 Kingi, Hamiora, Supernumerary  
 1896 Heretini, Te Tuhi  
 1900 Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki  
 ,, Renata, Hapeta  
 1903 Hare, Hone Marena  
 1904 Papakakura, Neho Hemi

## APPENDIX.

The following Supernumeraries of other Conferences reside in New Zealand :—

- 1858 Blamires, William L. (Victoria and Tasmania Conference), Ohoka, Canterbury  
 1863 Turner, Thomas (British Conference), Richmond, Christchurch



AN ALPHABETICAL LIST  
OF THE  
**Ministers and Probationers**

IN CONNECTION WITH

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Church of Australasia.**

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The figures at the beginning of the lines show the year in which each Minister commenced his ministry, and those at the end of the line denote his first, second, third, or further annual appointment to his present Circuit.

- 1879 Abernethy, Christopher, Springston, 3.  
 1895 Ashcroft, Arthur, Rangiora, 1 (Woodend).  
 1906 Avery, William W, Huntly, 1.
- 1876 Baumber, William, Christchurch Methodist Mission, 1 (Durham Street South).  
 1869 Beck, William H., Cambridge, 2.  
 1898 Beckett, William, Otautau, 2.  
 1891 Beecroft, Charles E., Feilding, 1  
 1894 Beggs, Hugh, Palmerston North, 3 (Cuba Street).  
 1894 Bellhouse, Harold E., Kaiapoi, 5.  
 1900 Blamires, Edgar P. (resting), 1.  
 1904 Blamires, Ernest O., Kaiapoi, 2 (Ohoka).  
 1896 Blamires, Henry L., Organising Secretary Y.M. Movement (Wellington), 1.  
 1887 Blight, Joseph, Upper Thames, 3 (Te Aroha).  
 1871 Bond, George, Auckland (Pitt Street), 1 (Ponsonby).  
 1896 Bowie, William S., Woodville, 3.  
 1901 Boys, Frederick W., Balclutha, 2.  
 1880 Brooke, Thomas G., New Plymouth, 1.  
 1868 Bull, Henry, Connexional Secretary, 5 (Armagh Street, Christchurch).  
 1860 Bunn, Robert S., Supernumerary, 13 (Stanmore, N.S. Wales).  
 1878 Buttle, J. Newman, Masterton, 1.
- 1861 Cannell, William, Supernumerary, New Plymouth, 7.  
 1871 Carr, Thomas G., Rangitikei, 1 (Marton).  
 1889 Chapman, James G., Wanganui, 3.  
 1896 Chapell, Albert B., M.A., Christchurch (Durham Street), 1 (Richmond).  
 1904 Clark, James R., Oxford-Malvern, 1 (Sheffield).  
 1901 Cook, George S., Auckland (North Shore), 2 (Birkenhead).  
 1905 Copeland, Fred, Taihape, 2.  
 1857 Crump, John, Supernumerary, Nelson, 9.

- 1894 Dawson, William, Lawrence, 3.  
 1871 Dewsbury, Henry R., Christchurch (Durham Street), 3.  
 1880 Dukes, John, Upper Thames, 1 (Waihi).
- 1901 Eaton, Clarence, Dunedin (Cargill Road), 1 (St. Kilda).  
 1893 Elliott, William J., Hokitika, 3.  
 1886 Ellis, John G. W., Sandon, 3.
- 1874 Fairclough, Paul W., F.R.A.S., Wellington (Taranaki Street), 3.  
 1877 Fee, Thomas, Hamilton, 1.  
 1893 Frost, George, Waipawa, 3.
- 1881 Garland, Charles H., Nelson, 1.  
 1876 Garlick, Samuel J., Hutt, 3.  
 1881 Gibson, Samuel J., Hawera, 2.  
 1885 Ginger, Barton H., South Wairarapa, 3 (Carterton).  
 1856 Gittos, William, Auckland Maori Mission, 13 (Devonport).  
 1902 Godbehear, Charles E., Eltham, 3.  
 1900 Greenslade, William, Roxburgh, 2.  
 1877 Griffin, Cornelius, Gisborne, 1.  
 1895 Griffin, John W., Stratford, 3.  
 1880 Griffin, Thomas N., Christchurch (Papanui), 3.  
 1882 Griffith, Samuel, Auckland (North Shore), 3 (Devonport).  
 1888 Grigg, William, Auckland (Pitt Street), 3 (Mount Albert).
- 1874 Hammond, Thomas G., West Coast Maori Mission, 20 (Patea).  
 1864 Harper, George S., Supernumerary, Palmerston North, 28.  
 1893 Harrison, Colin C., Johnsonville, 1.  
 1900 Haslam, Jonathan H., Temuka, 1.  
 1896 Hosking, James A., Gore, 3.  
 1879 Hudson, Lewis, Oamaru, 2.
- 1870 Isitt, Francis W., Wellington, without pastoral charge, 6.  
 1879 Isitt Leonard M., Christchurch South, without pastoral charge,  
 10.
- 1903 James, Benjamin J., Tai Tapu, 1.  
 1882 Jones, T. Francis, Pahiatua, 2.  
 1874 Jory, John D., Mahurangi, 1 (Warkworth).  
 1887 Joughin, Thomas A., Waimate, 1.
- 1899 Keall, Robert P., Paparoa, 1.  
 1869 Keall, William, Supernumerary, Palmerston North, 1.  
 1846 Kirk, William, Supernumerary, Hutt, 22 (Petone).
- 1868 Law, John, Supernumerary, Auckland (Pitt Street), 10 (Mount  
 Albert).  
 1885 Lawry, Albert C., Napier, 1.  
 1845 Lawry, Henry H., Supernumerary, Auckland (Pitt Street), 43  
 (Carlton Gore).  
 1877 Lawry, Samuel, Christchurch South, 3 (Sydenham).  
 1887 Laws, Charles H., B.A., Dunedin (Trinity), 3 (York Place).  
 1864 Lee, William, Lyttelton, 3.  
 1870 Lewis, John J., Palmerston North, 1 (Broad Street).  
 1895 Lochore, John A., Christchurch South, 3 (Addington).  
 1876 Luxford, John A., Auckland (Pitt Street), 3.

- 1904 McBean, Angus, Invercargill, 1 (South Invercargill).  
 1868 McNicoll, David, Greymouth, 2.  
 1883 Marshall, George T., Eketahuna, 2.  
 1871 Marten, William B., Supernumerary, Hutt, 1 (Lower Hutt).  
 1883 Mather, Joseph J., Franklin, 1 (Pukekohe).  
 1890 Mitchell, Arthur, Invercargill, 2.  
 1879 Murray, Daniel J., Dunedin (Mornington), 1.
- 1890 Newbold, Thomas W., Auckland (Pitt Street), 3 (Kingsland).  
 1867 Oliver, William C., Christchurch (St. Albans), 3.  
 1861 Orchard, John, Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street),  
 5.  
 1902 Oxbrow, Walter J., Aramoho, 1.
- 1906 Paris, Percy R., Levin-Otaki, 1 (Otaki).  
 1903 Patchett, Ernest D., Waitara, 1 (Inglewood).  
 1870 Pendray, John J., Waitara, 3.  
 1876 Penney, Charles, Blenheim, 1.  
 1892 Peryman, Samuel H. D., Richmond, 1.  
 1877 Peters, Alfred, Ashburton, 4.  
 1881 Pinfold, James T., F.G.S., Rangiora, 1.  
 1894 Porter, Charles, Wellington (Taranaki Street), 1 (Thorndon).  
 1903 Pratt, M.A. Rugby, Westport, 3.
- 1905 Randerson, Arthur C., M.A., Mosgiel, 2.  
 1904 Ranston, Harry, Blenheim, 1 (Blenheim).  
 1889 Read, Frederick T., Whangarei, 3.  
 1901 Reader, Amos, Cromwell, 1.  
 1885 Ready, William, Christchurch (Durham Street), 3 (East Belt).  
 1862 Redstone, Harry B., Supernumerary, Wellington, 11 (Hawker  
 Street).  
 1904 Reed, Alexander J., Rotorua, 1.  
 1905 Richards, Raymond, South Wairarapa, 1 (Greytown).  
 1895 Richards, Thomas R., Christchurch (Durham Street), 3 (Wool-  
 ston).  
 1864 Rishworth, John S., Supernumerary, North Shore, 9 (Devon-  
 port).  
 1906 Roberts, Charles, Motueka, 1.  
 1885 Rothwell, Benjamin F., Auckland Methodist Mission (Freeman's  
 Bay), 3.
- 1900 Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A., Dunedin (Roslyn), 4.  
 1903 Seamer, Arthur J., Auckland Maori Mission, 2 (Mount Eden).  
 1884 Serpell, Samuel J., Timaru, 4.  
 1869 Simmonds, Joseph H., Wesley College, Three Kings (Mount  
 Eden), 12.  
 1891 Sinclair, William A., Dunedin Central Mission, 8 (Fern Hill).  
 1881 Slade, William, Manukau, 4 (Onehunga).  
 1868 Smalley, Joseph S., Supernumerary, Edinburgh (Scotland), 4.  
 1862 Smith, John, Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street), 10  
 (Richmond).  
 1906 Snadden, George, Upper Thames, 1 (Paeroa).  
 1879 Spence, George W. J., Auckland (Pitt Street), 1 (Grafton Road).  
 1875 Standage, Charles H., Milton, 5.  
 1904 Stockwell, George F., Ashburton, 2 (Methven).



- 1886 Taylor, Robert, Thames, 4.  
 1871 Thomas, James, Patea, 1.  
 1876 Thomas, T. Eggleston, M.A., Leeston, 2.  
 1902 Thomas, T. Theodore, B.A., Dannevirke, 1.  
 1868 Thomas, William G., Supernumerary, North Shore, 5 (Devonport).  
 1879 Tinsley, William, Hastings, 1.  
 1888 Trestrail, Thomas, Dunedin (Cargill Road), 2.  
 1900 Tuck, William R., Auckland (Pitt Street), 2 (Newmarket).  
 1894 Vealie, Thomas W., Reefton, 3.  
 1885 Wallis, T. Jackson, Willowby, 4.  
 1885 Ward, Josiah, Port Chalmers, 2.  
 1857 Watkin, William J., Supernumerary, Manukau, 13 (Onshunga).  
 1905 Williams, Richard F., New Plymouth, 2.  
 1870 Williams, William J., Wellington South, 1 (Newtown).  
 1899 Wills, William, Northern Wairoa, 1 (Mangawhare).  
 1904 Wilson, James, Auckland Methodist Mission (Newton), 3.  
 1900 Wilson, Richard, Hutt, 1 (Petone).  
 1874 Worboys, John W., Opunake, 2.  
 1887 Wrigley, James, Levin-Otaki, 4 (Levin).  
 1900 Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki, West Coast Maori Mission, 7 (Okaiawa).  
 1903 Hare, Hone Marena, Waikato, 1 (Kopua).  
 1896 Heretini, Te Tuhi, Hokianga, 6 (Whirinaki).  
 1894 Kingi, Hamiora, Supernumerary, 1 (Raglan).  
 1904 Papakakura, Noho Hemi, Southern Maori Mission, 2 (Oraki).  
 1882 Paul, Hauraki, Kaipara, 8 (Reweti).  
 1879 Pawa, Wi Warena, Supernumerary, 1 (Kopua).  
 1882 Rakena, Piripi, Hokianga, 25 (Mangamuka).  
 1900 Renata, Hapeta, Whangaroa, 7.



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APPENDICES.

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## APPENDIX A.

**CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.**

CASH ACCOUNT FROM JANUARY 16TH, 1905, TO JANUARY 16TH, 1906.

Treasurers—MR. G. H. BLACKWELL AND REV. H. BULL.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Bank Balance Brought Forward		221	6	4			
Deposits Brought Forward	...	600	0	0			
					821	6	4
Loan Instalments Paid by Trusts					1744	0	7
Interest on Deposits	...	24	0	0			
Fees on Loans	...	20	15	0			
Contributions from Trusts	...	94	9	0			
Bank Exchange	...	2	14	5			
					141	18	5
Forward ...	..				2707	5	4

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Loans Granted—							
South Road School Enlargement	...	50	0	0			
Waiuku Parsonage Purchase		170	0	0			
Otorohanga Church Erection		50	0	0			
Ponsonby Infants' School Erection	...	65	0	0			
Ponsonby School Enlargement	...	60	0	0			
Woodville Parsonage Liquidation of Debt	...	50	0	0			
Norsewood Church Liquidation of Debt	...	40	0	0			
New Plymouth Church Reduction of Debt	...	100	0	0			
Paparoa Church Improvements	...	20	0	0			
Selwyn St. South Reduction of Debt	...	50	0	0			
Glenaven Church Erection		400	0	0			
Helensville Church Improvements	...	12	10	0			
Devonport Church Liquidation of Debt	...	335	0	0			
Forward	...				1402	10	0

	£	s.	d.
Forward ... ..	2707	5	4
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	<u>£2707</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Forward ... ..				1402	10	0
By Grant to Secretary's Stipend ...	160	0	0			
Stamps and Telegrams ...	5	3	7			
Stationery and Printing ...	2	16	0			
Bank Exchange ...	4	1	3			
Bank Charge ...	0	10	0			
				172	10	10
Cash on Deposit ... ..	600	0	0			
Cash at Bank ... ..	532	4	6			
				<hr/>		
				<u>1132</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
				<hr/>		
				<u>£2707</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

Examined and found correct—

January 18th, 1906.

H. A' COURT, }  
W. H. SEED, } Auditors.

**N.B.**—1. The Capital Account is the same as last year, viz., £8621 4s. 10d.

2. The Profit and Loss Account shows credit £244 15s. 7d., which is included in the Credit Balance shown in Cash Account.

## CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.—Special Branch.

CASH ACCOUNT FROM JANUARY 16TH, 1905, TO JANUARY 6TH, 1906.

Treasurers—MR. G. H. BLACKWELL AND REV. H. BULL.

RECEIPTS.			
	£	s.	d.
To Bank Balance Brought Forward	61	6	10
Deposits Brought Forward ...	300	0	0
	361 6 10		
Loan Fund Instalments paid by			
Trusts ...	265	7	3
Do. through the Century Fund ...	50	0	0
	315 7 3		
Interest on Deposits ...	12	0	0
Fees on Loans ...	3	0	0
	15 0 0		
Forward ...	691 14 1		

EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.
By Mahakipawa Church Site Purchased ...	26	0	0
Aratiatia Church Site Purchased ...	15	0	0
Rotorua Church Site ...	100	0	0
Kimberley Church Liquidation of Debt ...	30	0	0
Oroua School-Church Erection ...	25	0	0
Clarence Road Site ...	15	0	0
	211 0 0		
Brookland Site, Cost of Transfer ...	2	7	8
Seddon Township Lease ...	2	0	6
Blackball Township Lease ...	1	10	0
Eltham Parsonage Site Rates ...	0	2	2
Kokotahi Rates ...	0	1	7
	6 1 11		
Forward ...	217 1 11		

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.									
Forward	...	...	691	14	1			Forward	...	...	217	1	11						
								By Grant towards Secretary's											
								Stipend	...	...	15	0	0						
								Printing	...	...	0	14	6						
								Rev. C. Porter, Expenses attending Committee	...	...	0	15	0						
													16	9	6				
								Cash on Deposit	...	...	300	0	0						
								Cash in Bank	...	...	158	2	8						
														458	2	8			
																£691	14	1	

Examined and found correct—

January 18th, 1906.

H. A' COURT, }  
W. H. SEED, } Auditors.

**N.B.**—1. The Capital Account is the same as last year, viz., £2683 11s. 3d.

2. The Profit and Loss Account shows credit of £39, which is included in the Credit Cash Balance shown above.

# CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

## LIST OF LOANS.

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
			Years.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1891. Mar. 3	Gisborne Church and Parsonage ..	Erection	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	500	70 16 9	Nil	..
1893. Jan. 12	Marton Church .. ..	Erection	10	230	10 0 0	33 12 1	33 12 1
1894. Mar. 16	Opunake Parsonage .. ..	Purchase	8	112	Nil	0 11 6	0 11 6
1895. April 30	Cargill Road Church .. ..	Erection	10	500	37 10 0	Nil	..
1896. July 29	St. Albans Church .. ..	Erection	9	650	15 15 0	78 15 0	..
1897. March 2	Hawera Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	280	17 10 0	Nil	..
May 31	Ohakune Church .. ..	Erection	8	55	13 12 4	Nil	..
June 7	Balclutha Church .. ..	Erection	8	130	13 4 0	Nil	..
June 17	Kimbolton Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	60	5 0 0	29 19 5	29 19 5
June 21	Woolston Church .. ..	Erection	8	300	62 10 0	Nil	..
Aug. 6	Hastings Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	93/15/0	35 0 6	Nil	..
Oct. 21	Kuaotunu Church .. ..	Erection	7	120	Nil	57 19 6	57 19 6
1898. Jan. 27	Milton Parsonage .. ..	Erection	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	120	12 10 0	23 2 6	..
May 4	Karangahake Church .. ..	Erection	8	100	8 17 3	37 8 8	29 18 8
June 10	Mangaweka Church .. ..	Erection	8	60	Nil	46 12 11	42 4 9
June 25	Waihi Church .. ..	Erection	8	100	15 0 0	11 5 0	..

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1898.			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
June 28	Manakau Church .. ..	Erection	7½	50	10 6 0	Nil	..
Nov. 8	Nikau Church .. ..	Erection	8	50	4 12 0	19 16 5	11 1 5
1899.							
Mar. 30	New Plymouth Church .. ..	Erection	10	600	60 0 0	158 1 6	..
April 8	Wbangarei Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	8	70	8 15 0	13 2 6	..
June 5	Kaeo Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	75	8 11 10	Nil	..
June 6	Raetihi Church .. ..	Erection	9½	40	2 17 6	16 13 11	..
July 1	Coromandel Church .. ..	Erection	8	250	Nil	203 2 6	125 0 0
Aug. 18	Coromandel Church (Special)	Erection	2	25	Nil	25 0 0	25 0 0
Sept. 6	Hamilton Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	100	12 10 0	25 0 0	..
Sept. 10	Eketahuna Church .. ..	Erection	8	135	Nil	113 4 0	98 13 0
Sept. 11	Grafton Road Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	7	100	3 3 0	14 4 0	..
Sept. 30	Carterton Church .. ..	Enlargement	5	40	9 17 0	Nil	..
Nov. 25	Huntly Church .. ..	Erection	8	50	9 5 0	17 15 0	..
Dec. 21	Kimbolton Parsonage .. ..	Erection	10½	125	Nil	91 14 10	34 12 10
Dec. 30	Oxford Church .. ..	Purchase	8	60	3 15 0	20 12 6	5 12 6
1900.							
Jan. 18	Warkworth Parsonage .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	10	150	Nil	86 5 0	22 10 0
Feb. 5	Mount Eden Church .. ..	Erection	7	150	25 0 0	78 15 0	55 0 0
Mar. 27	Waikuku Church .. ..	Erection	7	75	21 8 4	Nil	..
April 20	Arrowtown Church .. ..	Erection	10	85	Nil	10 4 11	..
April 30	Taikorea Church .. ..	Erection	8	50	Nil	26 13 4	10 0 0
May 18	Mount Albert Parsonage ..	Erection	7	150	22 10 0	60 0 0	..
May 28	Dannevirke Church .. ..	Erection	5	70	7 0 0	13 0 0	13 0 0
July 16	Coromandel Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	100	Nil	47 4 0	15 19 0
Sept. 6	Omaru Church .. ..	Erection	5	25	5 0 0	Nil	..
Sept. 8	Upper Wakefield Church ..	Erection	6	45	5 0 0	20 0 0	..



Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1900.			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Sept. 14	Oxford Parsonage .. ..	Erection	9	100	3 16 0	30 3 6	7 17 0
Sept. 17	Tataraimaka Church .. ..	Erection	8	40	6 5 0	15 0 0	..
Oct. 21	Okato Church .. ..	Erection	9	75	9 5 0	25 13 0	..
Nov. 30	Marshland Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	5	25	5 0 0	Nil	..
1901.							
Jan. 1	Sydenham Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	8	200	31 5 0	68 15 0	..
Jan. 7	Halswell Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	7	60	4 6 0	23 9 0	6 9 0
Jan. 10	Te Aroha Church .. ..	Erection	8	225	48 8 2	85 9 10	22 9 10
Jan. 25	Aratapu Church .. ..	Erection	8	100	9 7 6	56 5 0	15 12 6
Jan. 25	Northcote Church .. ..	Erection	8	70	8 15 0	28 8 9	..
Jan. 27	Havelock Church .. ..	Erection	10	80	8 0 0	36 0 0	..
Feb. 1	Nelson Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	250	132 16 3	Nil	..
Mar. 19	Dannevirke Church (2) .. ..	Enlargement	2yrs aft 1st loan	33	Nil	33 0 0	..
April 12	Thorndon Church .. ..	Renovation and Additions	4	80	20 0 0	Nil	..
May 3	Warkworth Church .. ..	Erection	8	100	12 10 0	55 0 0	22 10 0
May 9	Takapuna Church .. ..	Erection	8	85	10 12 6	42 17 6	..
May 23	Woodville Church .. ..	Erection	5	100	20 0 0	15 0 0	..
Aug. 17	Woodville Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	10	115	7 10 0	85 0 0	..
Aug. 27	Little River Church and Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	8	30	4 7 6	14 13 9	4 7 6
Sept. 16	Hamilton Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	6	150	25 0 0	75 0 0	12 10 0
Sept. 20	Prebbleton Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	10	50	Nil	32 10 0	2 10 0
Sept. 24	Waitekauri Church .. ..	Erection	8	75	Nil	63 0 0	24 5 0
Sept. 30	Addington Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	8	150	14 1 3	75 0 0	..
Oct. 11	Eketahuna Parsonage .. ..	Erection	10	200	Nil	200 0 0	80 0 0
Oct. 22	Mosgiel Church .. ..	Enlargement	8	80	9 7 6	48 15 0	..
Dec. 1	East Belt Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	6	250	41 13 4	83 6 8	..

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1901.			Years	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Dec. 2	Marshland Church (2) .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	5	25	5 0 0	5 0 0	..
Dec. 23	Birkenhead Church .. ..	Erection of S. School	7	150	16 1 6	80 6 10	..
D.c. 30	Levin Century Hall and School ..	Erection	8	200	18 15 0	106 5 0	6 5 0
1902.							
Jan. 10	Ponsonby Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	8	400	37 10 0	250 0 0	50 0 0
Feb. 17	Nukuroa Church .. ..	Erection	7	112	22 0 0	63 0 0	4 10 0
Mar. 22	Hawera Church .. ..	Removal & Enlargement	8	150	18 15 0	93 15 0	..
Mar. 30	Hastings Parsonage .. ..	Purchase Land & Erection	10	200	9 10 0	162 0 0	..
June 18	Awatuna Church .. ..	Erection	5	35	3 10 0	14 0 0	..
June 18	Timaru Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	8	375	23 8 9	234 7 6	..
June 18	Lawrence Parsonage .. ..	General Improvements	5	40	8 0 0	12 0 0	..
July 3	Ashburton School .. ..	Enlargement	6	45	3 15 0	26 5 0	7 10 0
July 8	Otautau Church .. ..	Erection	8	80	2 10 0	65 0 0	..
July 8	Cheltenham Church .. ..	Erection	6	60	9 2 5	36 17 7	6 17 7
Sept. 1	Ngaruawahia Church .. ..	Erection	6	30	5 0 0	15 0 0	..
Sept. 18	Grafton Road Church (2) .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	8	150	4 13 9	93 15 0	..
Nov. 17	Papanui Parsonage .. ..	Erection	8	100	75 0 0	Nil	..
1903.							
Mar. 11	Karori Church .. ..	Improvements	5	24	3 0 0	15 0 0	3 0 0
April 15	Midhurst Church .. ..	Improvements	5	50	5 0 0	32 10 0	10 0 0
May 13	Drummond Church .. ..	Erection	7	40	30 0 0	5 0 0	..
June 13	Cargill Road Parsonage .. ..	Erection	10	500	50 0 0	387 10 0	..
June 22	Cambridge Parsonage .. ..	Enlargement	7	100	10 14 6	67 16 6	..
June 22	Napier Church .. ..	Reduction of Debt	7	100	32 3 0	49 19 6	..
July 1	C.M. Sisters' Home .. ..	Erection	6	200	18 15 0	146 5 0	..
July 10	Woolston Parsonage and School ..	Erection	8	350	62 10 0	225 0 0	..
July 23	Fernhill Parsonage .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	4	100	18 15 0	28 15 0	..
Aug. 13	Te Aroha Parsonage .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	7	50	23 18 6	Nil	..
Sept. 1	Carrington Road Church .. ..	Erection	6	50	6 5 0	35 8 4	4 3 4

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1903.			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nov. 12	Makotuku Church ..	Erection	5	40	8 0 0	24 0 0	..
Nov. 21	Morrinsville Church ..	Erection	8	150	18 15 0	112 10 0	..
1904.							
Jan. 5	Mayfield Church ..	Erection	6	50	Nil	37 10 0	4 3 4
Feb. 8	Waitara Church ..	Erection	8	100	12 10 0	81 5 0	..
April 30	Newmarket Church ..	Reduction of Debt	6	50	10 8 4	37 10 0	..
May 17	Petone Church and Parsonage ..	Purchase of Site	8	200	25 0 0	175 0 0	..
July 25	Roxburgh Church ..	Erection	7	140	20 0 0	115 0 0	..
Aug. 1	Waitoa Church ..	Erection	10	100	15 0 0	82 10 0	..
Oct. 6	Eltham Church ..	Purchase Site & Erection	10	145	11 0 0	134 0 0	..
Nov. 14	Balclutha Parsonage ..	Enlargement	5	50	5 0 0	45 0 0	5 0 0
Dec. 22	Crofton Church ..	Erection	8	140	26 5 0	113 15 0	..
1905.							
Jan. 13	Mornington Church ..	Erection	10	600	45 0 0	555 0 0	..
Jan. 13	Kuripuni Church ..	Enlargement	6	50	6 5 0	43 15 0	..
Jan. 25	South Road School ..	Enlargement	5	50	7 10 0	42 10 0	..
April 3	Waiuku Parsonage ..	Purchase	10	170	12 15 0	157 5 0	..
April 3	Otorohanga Church ..	Erection	6	50	3 15 0	46 5 0	2 10 0
April 11	Ponsonby Infant School ..	Erection	6	65	5 8 4	59 11 8	..
April 11	Ponsonby Sunday School ..	Enlargement	6	60	5 0 0	55 0 0	..
April 28	Woodville Parsonage ..	Liquidation of Debt	5	50	2 10 0	47 10 0	2 10 0
May 3	Norsewood Parsonage ..	Liquidation of Debt	5	40	4 0 0	36 0 0	..
May 20	New Plymouth Church (2) ..	Reduction of Debt	7	100	7 10 0	92 10 0	..
June 30	Paparoa Church ..	Improvements	4	20	Nil	20 0 0	2 10 0
Oct. 25	Selwyn Street S. Church ..	Reduction of Debt	5	50	Nil	50 0 0	..
Nov. 22	Helensville Church ..	Improvements	3½	12/10/0	Nil	12 10 0	..
1906.							
Jan. 6	Glenaven Church ..	Erection	10	400	Nil	400 0 0	..
Jan. 6	Devonport Church ..	Liquidation of Debt	4	335	Nil	335 0 0	..

# CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.—SPECIAL BRANCH.

## LIST OF LOANS.

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1893.			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
July 18	Blackball Township .. ..	Lease of Church Site	..	21/15/0	Nil	21 15 0	..
Nov. 22	MacKenzie Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	31/0/0	Nil	31 0 0	..
1905.							
Jan. 10	Stratford Church .. ..	Erection	10	130/0/0	Nil	17 5 6	17 5 6
1896.							
Oct. 22	MacKenzie Church .. ..	Purchase	..	199/14/6	Nil	146 18 2	..
1897.							
May 12	Oamaru Church and Parsonage ..	Liquidation of Debt	12	917/10/0	36 10 0	333 13 4	..
Aug. 6	Hastings Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	8	100/0/0	19 18 11	Nil	..
Sept 23	Dannevirke Parsonage .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	160/0/0	Nil	160 0 0	..
1898.							
June 2	Raetibi Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	23/10/0	2 12 6	2 2 6	..
Aug. 6	Taihape Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	11/0/6	4 2 6	6 13 0	..
1899.							
Mar. 28	Highcliff Church .. ..	Exchange of Site	..	5/4/0	Nil	5 4 0	..
April 18	Waituna West Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	21/10/0	Nil	21 10 0	..
Sept. 10	Eketahuna Church .. ..	Erection	8	40/0/0	Nil	23 11 6	..
1900.							
Feb. 5	Mount Eden Church .. ..	Erection	6	100/0/0	20 0 0	38 15 0	..
April 21	Arrowtown Church .. ..	Erection	10	106/4/1	Nil	70 19 10	0 10 8
Aug. 12	Seddon Township .. ..	Lease of Church Site	..	15/5/8	Nil	15 5 8	..
Sept. 14	Oxford Parsonage .. ..	Erection	9	50/0/0	Nil	40 10 6	..
1901.							
Aug. 17	Woodville Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	10	35/0/0	7 10 0	5 0 0	..
Aug. 27	Little River Church and Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	8	40/0/0	4 7 6	22 10 0	..
Sept. 16	Hamilton Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	6	100/0/0	25 0 0	25 0 0	..
Sept. 24	Waitekauri Church .. ..	Erection	8	20/0/0	Nil	10 0 0	..
Oct. 22	Mosgiel Church .. ..	Enlargement	8	20/0/0	6 5 0	1 5 0	..
1902.							
Feb. 17	Nukuroa Church .. ..	Erection	7	14/0/0	0 10 0	Nil	..

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1905.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1906.
1902.			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mar. 27	Torere Church .. ..	Purchase Site & Erection	5	31/12/0	Nil	31 12 0	23 13 11
Mar. 30	Hastings Parsonage .. ..	Erection	10	90/0/0	9 10 0	61 10 0	..
May 1	Otautau Parsonage .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	50/0/0	50 0 0	Nil	..
May 8	Eketahuna Parsonage .. ..	Erection	..	50/0/0	Nil	50 0 0	..
May 15	Spring Grove Church .. ..	Renovation	5	25/0/0	10 0 0	2 10 0	..
June 4	Kamo Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	..	109/14/6	Nil	59 14 6	..
July 8	Otautau Church .. ..	Purchase Site & Erection	8	20/0/0	12 10 0	Nil	..
Dec. 4	Eltham Parsonage .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	75/2/2	Nil	75 2 2	..
1903.							
Jan. 27	Brightwater Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	32/17/0	Nil	32 17 0	..
Aug. 6	Maori Hill .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	75/0/0	30 0 0	Nil	..
Dec. 24	Kokatabi Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	14/14/0	Nil	14 4 7	..
1904.							
May 2	Paeroa Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	5	50/0/0	5 10 0	39 10 0	4 10 0
May 14	Waitara Church .. ..	Erection	Aft. 1st	20/0/0	Nil	20 0 0	..
May 17	Runanga Church .. ..	Lease of Site	..	2/15/0	Nil	2 15 0	..
May 17	Coromandel Church and Parsonage	Reduction of Debt	Special	100/0/0	Nil	100 0 0	..
July 19	Pahiataua Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	7	87/10/0	9 7 6	75 0 0	3 2 6
Oct. 4	Brookland Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	36/7/8	Nil	36 7 8	..
Oct. 6	Eltham Church .. ..	Purchase Site & Erection	10	75/0/0	11 0 0	64 0 0	..
Oct. 25	Timaru Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	8	150/0/0	18 15 0	131 5 0	..
Nov. 1	Whangarei Parsonage .. ..	Reduction of Debt	5	50/0/0	10 0 0	40 0 0	..
Nov. 1	Canvastown Church .. ..	Erection and Site	8	90/0/0	15 13 4	74 6 8	..
Dec. 22	Winton Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	150/0/0	Nil	150 0 0	..
1905.							
Feb. 1	Mahikipawa Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	26/0/0	Nil	26 0 0	..
April 3	Aratiatia Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	15/0/0	Nil	15 0 0	..
April 26	Rotorua Church .. ..	Lease of Site	8	100/0/0	6 5 0	93 15 0	..
Oct. 1	Kimberley Church .. ..	Liquidation of Debt	5	30/0/0	Nil	30 0 0	..
Oct. 23	Oroua Church .. ..	Erection	5	25/0/0	Nil	25 0 0	..
1906.							
Jan. 10	Clarence Road Church .. ..	Purchase of Site	..	15/0/0	Nil	15 0 0	..

APPENDIX B.

**CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND.**

CASH ACCOUNT FROM JANUARY 9TH, 1905, TO JANUARY 9TH, 1906.

Treasurers—REV. H. BULL AND MR. C. E. SALTER.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance Forward—Deposits ..	1550	0	0	By Re-insurances with N.Z. Company			243 15 0
„ Balance Forward—Cash in Bank	79	12	10	„ Working Expenses ..	..	..	90 0 0
			1629 12 10	„ Stamps and Telegrams ..	..	4 0 7	
„ Levies .. ..	..	..	502 14 5	„ Printing and Stationery ..	..	3 4 5	
„ Interest on Deposits ..	..	..	62 0 0	„ Bank Exchange ..	..	2 7 0	
„ Bank Exchange ..	..	..	1 0 4	„ Bank Charge ..	..	0 10 0	
				„ Cheque Book ..	..	0 8 0	
							10 10 0
				„ Cash on Deposit ..	..	1800 0 0	
				„ Cash at Bank ..	..	51 2 7	
							1851 2 7
			<u>£2195 7 7</u>				<u>£2195 7 7</u>

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Examined and found correct—

January 18th, 1906.

H. A'COURT, }  
W. H. SEED, } Auditors.



APPENDIX D.

**MISSION, EDUCATIONAL, AND GENERAL CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS.**

**AUCKLAND DISTRICT.**

I.—MISSION PROPERTY TRUST BALANCE SHEET, FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1905.

Treasurer—MR. F. L. PRIME.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Rents, Parliament Street—No. 1	... 104	0 0	By Repairs, etc., to Buildings	... 89	16 0
"                    "          No. 2	... 78	0 0	" City and other Rates	... 39	0 7
"                    "          No. 3	... 56	5 0	" Fire Insurance	... 7	6 10
" Beach Road (3)	... 72	9 0	" Sundries	... 4	3 8
" Kao Land	... 20	0 0	" Waipa, Clearing Gorse	... 10	0 0
" Mount Wesley	... 10	0 0	" Advertising	... 7	12 0
" Whatawhata	... 2	10 0	" Kawhia Survey	... 4	0 0
" Newark	... 12	0 0	" Home Mission Fund	... 180	4 11
" Tarawaua	... 5	0 0	" Supervision Collection of Rents	... 18	0 0
Sale Land, Kawhia	... 1,025	0 0	" Kawhia Mortgage	... 500	0 0
			" Waiting Investment	... 525	0 0
	<u>£1,385</u>	<u>4 0</u>		<u>£1,385</u>	<u>4 0</u>

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Audited and found correct.

Auckland, November 30, 1905.

J. F. BUDDLE, F.N.Z.A.A.  
W. D. BUTTLE

Auditors.



[II.—NATIVE EDUCATION TRUST BALANCE SHEET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1905

Treasurer—MR. J. EDSON.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Rents—Three Kings	...	...	464 15 0	By Three Kings Committee	...	...	799 14 10
„ Grafton Road	...	...	501 10 0	„ „ Fire Insurance	...	...	7 16 2
„ Aotea	...	...	6 4 6	„ „ Interest	...	...	2 10 8
„ Kawhia	...	...	5 0 0	„ Grafton Road Repairs, etc.	...	...	109 0 8
				„ „ City and other Rates	...	...	23 3 0
				„ „ Fire Insurance	...	...	7 10 5
				„ Sundries ...	...	...	2 1 0
				„ Supervision Collection of Rents...	...	...	25 12 9
			<u>£977 9 6</u>				<u>£977 9 6</u>

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Audited and found correct.

Auckland, November 30, 1905.

J. F. BUDDLE, F.N.Z.A.A. }  
W. D. BUTTLE } Auditors.

III.—EMSLY THEOLOGICAL ENDOWMENT TRUST BALANCE SHEET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1905.

Treasurer—Mr. F. L. PRIME.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Rents—Mount Eden	...	...	31 5 0	By Repairs, &c.	...	...	41 3 0
„ Curran Street	...	...	35 2 0	„ City and other Rates	...	...	14 5 9
„ Sarsfield Street	...	...	29 17 0	„ Fire Insurance	...	...	2 10 0
„ Interest ...	...	...	5 15 0	„ Sundries ...	...	...	0 12 6
				„ Commission	...	...	5 2 0
				„ Treasurer Theological Institute	...	...	38 5 9
			<u>£101 19 0</u>				<u>£101 19 0</u>

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Audited and found correct.

Auckland, November 30, 1905.

J. F. BUDDLE, F.N.Z.A.A. }  
W. D. BUTTLE } Auditors.



PROBERT'S TRUST.

Real Estate Account for Year ended 31st October, 1905.

1904.—Oct. 31.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	1905.—Oct. 31.		£	s.	d.		
To Valuation	...	12,132	0	0				By Balance	...	10,971	11	9		
1905.—Oct. 31.														
By Proceeds of Sale to date	...	1,160	10	3										
							10,971	11	9					
							£10,971	11	9					
To Balance	...						£10,971	11	9			£10,971	11	9

Investment Account for Year ended 31st October, 1905.

1905.—Oct. 31.		£	s.	d.	1905.—Oct. 31.		£	s.	d.
To Real Estate Account	...	1,160	10	3	Anglesea Street Purchase	...	52	2	0
„ Balance	...	2,020	8	3	Newton Road Cottages	...	622	15	6
					Arney Street Cottage	...	431	1	0
					Freehold Mortgages	...	2,075	0	0
							£3,180	18	6
							£3,180	18	6

Auckland, 31st October, 1905.

(Signed) J. F. BUDDLE )  
W. D. BUTTLE ) Auditors.

V.—THE AUCKLAND BOOK ASSOCIATION (ESTABLISHED 1870).

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30TH, 1905.

Treasurer—MR. J. EDSON.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
1904.	£ s. d.	1905.	£ s. d.
Sept. 30—To Cash, Auckland Savings Bank ...	66 2 6	Aug. 2—By Periodicals ... ..	1 11 0
Dec. 31—To Interest, Savings Bank ...	2 0 2	Sept. 30—By Balance Auckland Savings Bank	90 1 8
1905.			
June 24—To Interest, Treas., Three Kings College	3 10 0		
Aug. 31—To Interest on Investment (£400) ...	20 0 0		
	<u>£91 12 8</u>		<u>£91 12 8</u>

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MEMO.—£400 is invested on mortgage at 5 per cent. interest, payable quarterly. On November 3rd, 1902, £100 was lodged with the Treasurer of Three Kings College at call, bearing Savings Bank interest. These sums are the accumulated profits and interest made by the Auckland Book Association.

Auckland, September 30th, 1905.

J. EDSON, Treasurer.

December 7th, 1905.

Audited and found correct.

F. L. PRIME.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

### VI.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST.

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1905.

Treasurers—REV. J. N. BUTTLE AND MR. J. C. GEORGE.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
			£ s. d.				£ s. d.
To Balance ...	...	...	0 11 1	By Harbour Rates ...	...	...	1 0 11
„ Rents ...	...	...	448 0 9	„ Land Tax ...	...	...	61 5 1
„ Advance by Treasurer ...	...	...	140 0 0	„ Cheque Dishonoured ...	...	...	6 0 0
„ Interest ...	...	...	18 4 4	„ Law Costs ...	...	...	14 14 8
				„ Loan on Mortgage ...	...	...	140 0 0
				„ Fee for Re-valuation... ..	...	...	5 10 0
				„ Sundries ...	...	...	7 15 3
				„ Fire Insurance Premium ...	...	...	1 3 10
				„ Interest and Rent Collecting ...	...	...	27 6 0
				„ General Treasurer ...	...	...	300 0 0
				„ Balance ...	...	...	42 0 5
			£606 16 2				£606 16 2

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Audited and found correct—

New Plymouth, 9th October, 1905.

ALFRED H. ARNOLD, }  
JOSEPH WHITAKER, } Auditors.



## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

### VIII.—NATIVE AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TRUST.

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1905.

Treasurer—MR. W. J. HARLAND.

INCOME.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Amount of Funds at Oct. 1st, 1904...	...9,762	11	10	Legal Expenses (£2 5s. 2d.), Exchange (10/9)	2	15	11
Interest ... ..	... 313	0	1	Postage and Duty Stamps, etc. ...	... 3	0	0
Rents ... ..	... 161	1	4	Bank Charge ... ..	... 0	10	0
				Balance Funds at 30th Sept., 1905	...10,230	7	4
					<u>£10,236</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>
					<u>£10,236</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>



NATIVE AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TRUST.—*Continued.*

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1905.

Treasurer: MR. W. J. HARLAND.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance per Revenue Account ...	10,230	7	4	Loans on Mortgage ...	4,750	0	0
				Freehold Land—Foxton ...	45	0	0
				"    Moutoa ...	475	0	0
				"    Wellington ...	1,200	0	0
				Fixed Deposits, Bank of Australasia ...	3,600	0	0
				Current Account, Bank of Australasia ...	14	0	9
				Rent in arrear ...	45	0	0
				"    accrued ...	41	0	4
				Interest accrued ...	60	6	3
	<u>10,230</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>10,230</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>

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I certify that I have examined the within Balance Sheet, and find it to be correct; have checked the Cash Account, examined the Journal entries, and seen that all Interest and Rents have been duly charged and accounted for, and have examined Vouchers for all payments.

Wellington, 6th November, 1905.

JAMES KELLOW, Auditor.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

### IX.—CANTERBURY HOME MISSION FUND.

BALANCE SHEET TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

Treasurers—REV. H. R. DEWSBURY AND MR. J. C. PRUDHOE.

INCOME.	EXPENDITURE.																						
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Audited and found correct—

January 3rd, 1906.

J. A. FLESHER.

## APPENDIX E.

**THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.**

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1905.

Treasurer—MR. G. A. BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Cash Bank Balance...	...	0 1 9	By Cash, Treasurer of Prince Albert College for Board, Residence, and Training	...	...
„ Probert's Trustees	...	546 3 3	Students ...	...	455 0 0
„ Emsly Trustees	...	38 5 9	„ Students' Quarterages	...	48 0 0
„ W. G. Maslin ...	...	52 13 0	„ University Fees	...	45 16 0
„ Savings Bank Interest	...	0 0 7	„ Lecture Fees ...	...	45 0 0
			„ Stamps, Exchanges, etc. ...	...	0 3 9
			„ Balance in Hand	...	42 18 3
			„ Balance in Savings Bank ...	...	0 6 4
		<u>£637 4 4</u>			<u>£637 4 4</u>
LIABILITIES.					
Due Treasurer of Prince Albert College	£42 10 0				

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Audited and found correct—

Auckland, January 8th, 1906.

F. L. PRIME,	} Auditors.
W. D. BUTTLE,	



## SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

TREASURERS—REV C. H. LAWS, B.A., AND MR. E. ROSEVEAR.

STATEMENT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
To CIRCUIT CONTRIBUTIONS—							£ s. d.
Auckland District ..	..	299	0 0				.. 2285 18 6
Wanganui „ ..	..	192	12 6				
Wellington „ ..	..	205	12 6				
Nelson „ ..	..	103	10 0				
Canterbury „ ..	..	299	0 0				
Otago „ ..	..	189	15 0				
			1289 10 0				
To MINISTERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS—							
Auckland District ..	..	188	13 9				
Wanganui „ ..	..	200	17 6				
Wellington „ ..	..	168	13 0				
Nelson „ ..	..	94	3 0				
Canterbury „ ..	..	210	18 0				
Otago „ ..	..	133	3 3				
			996 8 6				
			<u>£2285 18 6</u>				<u>£2285 18 6</u>
ARREARS (28th February, 1906).							
CIRCUIT LEVIES—							
Auckland, £14 7s 6d; Wanganui, £18 6s 6d;							
Canterbury, £5 15s .. ..			38 9 0				
MINISTERS' ARREARS AND FINES (excluding 1906)—							
Auckland, £221 17s; Wanganui, £66 9s;							
Wellington, £127 14s; Nelson, £37 19s;							
Canterbury, £69 2s; Otago, £73 1s 9d			596 2 9				
			<u>£634 11 9</u>				

Audited and found correct.  
February 27th, 1906.

EDMUND ACKROYD }  
SAMUEL CHAS. PHILLIPS } Auditors.



III.—CENTURY COMMEMORATION FUND.

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

Treasurers—REV. W. LEE AND MR. G. H. BLACKWELL.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Cash Balance brought forward ..			86 11 7	By Payments to Church Trusts ..	217	0	0
„ Deposit ..			600 0 0	„ Refund (overpaid subscription) ..	4	11	8
„ Interest on Deposit ..			32 10 0	„ Miscellaneous ..	1	17	0
„ Contributions -				„ Orphanage, held in trust by Treasurer C.B. and L. Fund ..	593	2	
Canterbury District ..	85	9	2				
Otago District ..	12	0	0				
			<u>97 9 2</u>				
			<u>£816 10 9</u>				<u>£816 10 9</u>

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Audited and found correct—

February 19th, 1906.

S. R. WEBB }  
J. VOSS } Auditors.





Brought forward .. .. .. 16,224 6 5

£16,224 6 5

Brought forward .. .. .. 1466 19 10

By Paid to Church Trusts .. 12662 17 10  
" Home Mission Fund .. 600 0 0  
" Three Kings College .. 299 16 11  
" Prince Albert College .. 140 4 5  
" Foreign Missions .. 422 10 10  
" Local Preachers' Fund .. 24 1 0  
" Insurance Fund .. 14 13 6  
" Orphanage .. 593 2 1

14,757 6 7

£16,224 6 5

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February 19th, 1906.

Audited and found correct -

S. R. WEBB }  
J. VOSS } Auditors

IV.—CONTINGENT FUND.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 1905.

Treasurers—REV. H. R. DEWSBURY AND MR. J. C. PRUDHOE.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance from the year 1904 .. ..			343 10 0	By Expenses of Wellington Conference —			
„ Sale of Agenda .. ..			15 9 6	Travelling to Conference —			
„ Circuit Levies—				Twelve Official Ministers ..	47	13	5
Auckland District ..	190	4	7	Probationers .. ..	8	5	0
Wanganui .. ..	114	8	0				55 18 5
Wellington .. ..	125	6	1	Stationery and Ordination Bibles,			
Nelson .. ..	63	18	9	Cables, Postage, &c. ..	11	5	9
Canterbury .. ..	196	13	1	Printing Agenda, Minutes, Re-			
Otago .. ..	119	2	9	turns, Ballot Papers, &c. ..	95	3	3
			809 13 3				106 9 0
„ Sale of Conference Minutes—				„ Travelling of Chairmen, and other			
Auckland District ..	1	11	6	District Expenses, including Ex-			
Wanganui .. ..	0	16	0	change, Cheque Books, Bank			
Wellington .. ..	0	11	0	Charges, Stationery, Printing,			
Nelson .. ..	0	12	6	and Sundries—			
Canterbury .. ..	1	4	6	Auckland District ..	18	3	3
Otago .. ..	0	18	0	Wanganui .. ..	10	6	3
			5 13 6	Wellington .. ..	14	0	4
„ Sale of Baptismal Registers .. ..			9 15 0	Nelson .. ..	5	16	6
				Canterbury .. ..	13	13	3
				Otago .. ..	14	15	0
							76 14 7
Forward .. ..			£1184 1 3	Forward .. ..			£239 2 0

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Forward .. .. £1184 1 3

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Forward .. ..				239	2	0
By Editor of <i>Outlook</i> —						
Honorarium .. ..	25	0	0			
Telephone and Sundry Expenses	11	16	0			
				36	16	0
„ Printing—						
Circuit Schedule Books .. ..	18	0	0			
Baptismal Registers .. ..	14	19	1			
Members' Tickets .. ..	10	12	4			
Illuminated Address to H.E. the Governor .. ..	2	10	0			
Examination Papers .. ..	1	10	0			
General .. ..	1	7	0			
				48	18	5
„ Postage Allowances—						
President and Secretary .. ..	10	0	0			
Chairmen of Districts .. ..	10	0	0			
				20	0	0
„ Travelling of Ministers, Probationers, and Candidates to Synods						
Auckland District .. ..	19	17	10			
Wanganui .. ..	12	3	8			
Wellington .. ..	17	4	0			
Nelson .. ..	24	11	6			
Canterbury .. ..	14	17	0			
Otago .. ..	10	12	10			
				99	6	10
„ Half Cost of Supplies for Disabled Ministers .. ..				41	16	5
Forward .. ..				£485	19	8

Forward .. .. £1184 1 3

Forward .. ..



# RETURN OF CIRCUIT EXPENDITURE FOR CONTINGENT AND CHILDREN'S FUND PURPOSES.

## I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 3½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 13 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland—Pitt Street .. ..	1553 6 1	54 7 4	680	873 6 1	113 10 7
„ Three Kings .. ..	237 19 5	8 6 8	120	117 19 5	15 6 8
„ Freeman's Bay .. ..	176 5 8	6 3 4	120	56 5 8	7 6 4
„ Newton Methodist Mission	182 5 0	6 7 8	80	102 5 0	13 5 10
„ North Shore .. ..	410 19 5	14 7 8	240	170 19 5	22 4 6
„ Maori Mission .. ..	369 18 4	12 19 0	200	169 18 4	22 1 9
Manukau .. ..	268 4 4	9 7 8	120	148 4 4	19 5 4
Mahurangi .. ..	199 1 3	6 19 4	120	79 1 3	10 5 6
Thames .. ..	237 16 2	8 6 8	120	117 16 2	15 6 3
Upper Thames .. ..	500 5 3	17 5 5	320	180 5 3	22 9 4
Franklin .. ..	207 0 0	7 5 0	120	87 0 0	11 6 2
Cambridge .. ..	213 1 0	7 9 0	120	93 1 0	12 1 11
Hamilton .. ..	212 16 3	7 9 0	120	92 16 3	12 1 3
Paparoa .. ..	176 5 7	6 3 4	120	56 5 7	7 6 3
Northern Wairoa .. ..	213 2 9	7 9 0	120	93 2 9	12 2 1
Whangarei .. ..	199 1 2	6 19 4	120	79 1 2	10 5 6
Rotorua .. ..	146 10 2	5 2 8	80	66 10 2	8 12 11

## II.—WANGANUI DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 3½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 13 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Plymouth .. .. .	370 12 5	12 19 4	200	170 12 5	22 3 7
Waitara .. .. .	352 10 8	12 6 8	240	112 10 8	14 12 7
Stratford .. .. .	188 8 8	6 12 0	120	68 8 8	8 17 11
Eltham .. .. .	157 10 6	5 10 4	80	77 10 6	10 1 6
Hawera .. .. .	382 2 0	9 1 1	120	262 2 0	17 15 0
Opunake .. .. .	188 12 0	6 12 4	120	68 12 0	8 18 4
Wanganui .. .. .	426 16 4	14 19 0	200	226 16 4	29 9 8
Rangitikei .. .. .	213 12 9	7 9 4	120	93 12 9	12 3 8
Sandon .. .. .	212 9 0	7 8 8	120	92 9 0	12 0 4
Feilding .. .. .	233 15 0	8 3 8	120	113 15 0	14 15 9
Palmerston North .. .. .	435 15 10	15 5 0	240	195 15 10	25 9 0
Taihape .. .. .	131 10 0	4 12 0	80	51 10 0	6 13 10
West Coast Maori Mission .. .. .	237 13 7	8 6 4	120	117 13 7	15 5 11

III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 3½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable amount.	Levy, 13 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wellington, Taranaki Street	574 10 8	21 3 10	240	334 10 8	43 19 8
Young Men's Movement .. ..	211 10 0	7 7 0	120	91 10 0	12 0 0
Wellington South .. ..	262 5 0	9 3 8	120	142 5 0	18 10 4
Johnsonville .. ..	130 0 0	4 11 0	120	10 0 0	1 6 0
Hutt .. ..	357 17 0	12 10 4	240	117 17 0	15 6 4
South Wairarapa .. ..	369 1 8	12 18 4	200	169 1 8	21 19 7
Masterton .. ..	299 1 8	10 9 4	120	179 1 8	23 5 7
Napier .. ..	237 13 10	8 6 4	120	117 13 10	15 5 11
Hastings .. ..	196 6 8	6 17 8	120	76 6 8	9 18 5
Gisborne .. ..	188 14 6	6 12 0	120	68 14 6	8 18 7
Eketahuna .. ..	191 8 8	6 14 0	120	71 8 8	9 5 8
Dannevirke .. ..	174 15 0	6 2 4	120	54 15 0	7 2 4
Levin-Otaki .. ..	332 17 0	11 13 0	200	132 17 0	17 5 5
Waipawa .. ..	162 6 0	5 13 8	120	42 6 0	5 9 11
Woodville .. ..	176 4 2	6 3 4	120	56 4 2	7 6 6
Pahiatua .. ..	148 5 0	5 4 0	120	28 5 0	3 13 5

IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

Nelson .. ..	299 2 7	10 9 4	120	179 2 7	23 5 8
Rienmond .. ..	183 19 0	6 9 0	120	63 19 0	8 6 3
Blenheim .. ..	389 7 3	13 12 8	200	189 7 3	24 12 5
Hokitika .. ..	219 2 6	7 13 4	120	99 2 6	12 17 8
Greymouth .. ..	237 10 4	8 6 4	120	117 10 4	15 5 6
Motueka .. ..	127 11 0	4 9 4	80	47 11 0	6 3 7
Reefton .. ..	237 5 6	8 6 0	120	117 5 6	15 5 1
Westport .. ..	156 12 4	5 9 8	80	76 12 4	9 19 3

Y.—CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 3½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable amount.	Levy, 13 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Christchurch—Durham Street ..	1024 8 4	35 17 0	480	544 8 4	70 15 5
.. Connexional Secretary ..	360 10 11	12 12 4	120	240 10 11	31 5 5
.. Meth. Mission ..	237 3 5	8 6 0	120	117 3 5	15 4 7
.. South ..	462 9 3	16 3 8	240	222 9 3	28 18 4
.. St Albans ..	273 5 2	9 11 4	120	153 5 2	19 18 5
.. Papanui ..	209 0 0	7 6 4	120	89 0 0	11 11 4
Lyttelton ..	237 14 0	8 6 4	120	117 14 0	15 6 0
Springston ..	238 0 8	8 6 8	120	118 0 8	15 6 10
Tai Tapu ..	146 10 0	5 2 8	80	66 10 0	8 12 10
Leeston ..	238 11 0	8 7 0	120	118 11 0	15 8 2
Kaiapoi ..	406 4 8	14 4 4	200	206 4 8	26 16 2
Rangiora ..	401 4 0	14 1 0	240	161 4 0	20 19 0
Oxford-Malvern ..	176 5 9	6 3 4	80	96 5 9	12 9 4
Timaru ..	298 2 8	10 8 8	120	178 2 8	23 3 1
Waimate ..	236 13 1	8 5 8	120	116 13 1	15 3 4
Temuka ..	213 8 1	7 9 4	120	93 8 1	12 2 9
Ashburton ..	311 12 11	10 18 4	200	111 12 11	14 10 2
Willowby ..	213 7 3	7 9 4	120	93 7 3	12 2 9



VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 3½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 13 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Dunedin - Trinity .. ..	329 15 11	11 11 0	120	209 15 11	27 5 5
„ Central Mission .. ..	299 11 3	10 9 8	120	179 11 3	23 6 9
„ Cargill Road .. ..	456 0 0	15 19 4	280	176 0 0	22 17 7
„ Mornington .. ..	422 4 11	14 15 8	240	182 4 11	23 13 10
Port Chalmers .. ..	188 18 11	6 12 4	120	68 18 11	8 19 2
Balclutha .. ..	224 16 4	7 17 0	120	104 16 4	13 12 6
Milton .. ..	198 12 6	6 19 0	120	78 12 6	10 4 5
Lawrence .. ..	200 15 8	7 7 0	120	80 15 8	10 10 0
Invercargill .. ..	262 14 2	9 4 0	120	142 14 2	18 11 0
Oamaru .. ..	238 0 0	8 6 8	120	118 0 0	15 6 9
Gore .. ..	198 2 6	6 18 8	120	78 2 6	10 3 5
Otautau .. ..	177 1 3	6 4 0	120	57 1 3	7 8 3
Roxburgh .. ..	183 18 1	6 9 0	120	63 18 1	8 6 2
Cromwell.. ..	175 16 9	6 3 0	120	55 16 9	7 5 2

## APPENDIX H.

## FOREIGN MISSION FUND, 1903.

Treasurers—REV. J. N. BUTTLE AND MR. W. AMBURY.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Ordinary Income.		Special Income.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Auckland, Pitt Street ...	186	3 7	29	15 11	215	19 6
Auckland, Freeman's Bay ...	No Returns		..		..	
Auckland, Newton Mission ...	No Returns		..		..	
Auckland, North Shore ...	40	18 8	3	10 0	44	8 8
Mahurangi ...	4	12 11	..		..	
Thames ...	7	9 6	..		..	
Upper Thames ...	28	1 7	..		..	
Manukau ...	34	14 6	..		..	
Franklin ...	22	19 2	..		..	
Cambridge ...	10	0 8	..		..	
Hamilton ...	7	15 9	..		..	
Paparoa ...	10	0 0	..		..	
Northern Wairoa ...	..		..		..	
Whangarei ...	14	0 0	..		..	
Rotorua ...	2	10 11	..		..	
Coromandel (1904) ...	1	17 5	..		..	
Helensville ...	2	11 0	..		..	
Tauranga ...	5	0 0	..		..	
Bay of Islands ...	1	10 0	..		..	
Whangaroa ...	..		..		..	
Huntly ...	2	2 6	..		..	
	£382	8 2	£33	5 11 =	£415	14 1
					Total for District.	

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

New Plymouth ...	53	16 7	16	4 1	70	0 8
Waitara (1904) ...	6	10 1	..		..	
Waitara (1905) ...	13	7 10	..		19 17 11	
Stratford ...	10	0 0	..		..	
Eltham ...	8	12 8	..		..	
Hawera ...	10	12 5	..		..	
Opunake (1904) ...	3	2 11	..		..	
Opunake (1905) ...	0	16 0	..		3 18 11	
Wanganui ...	22	1 11	..		..	
Rangitikei ...	17	8 5	..		..	
Sandon (1904) ...	2	15 9	..		..	
Sandon (1905) ...	2	12 6	0	7 6	5	15 9
Feilding ...	7	7 8	..		..	
Palmerston N. ...	43	0 0	11	17 6	54	17 6
Kimbolton ...	..		..		..	
Taihape ...	2	0 9	..		..	
Waimarino ...	2	0 0	..		..	
	£206	5 6	£28	9 1 =	£234	14 7
					Total for District.	

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Ordinary Income.	Special Income.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wellington, Taranaki Street ...	58 8 11	..	..
Wellington South ...	9 8 10	13 3 6	22 12 4
Hutt ...	37 15 9	..	..
Wairarapa South ...	11 18 11	..	..
Masterton ...	12 9 10	3 19 4	16 9 2
Napier ...	35 1 6	..	..
Hastings ...	7 14 4	..	..
Gisborne ...	8 1 4	4 4 6	12 5 10
Eketahuna ...	5 10 0	..	..
Dannevirke ...	3 6 0	..	..
Levin-Otaki ...	13 16 10	..	..
Waipawa ...	6 5 6	..	..
Woodville ...	9 15 4	..	..
Pahiatua ...	2 12 4	..	..
Norsewood ...	..	..	..
	£222 5 5	£21 7 4 =	Total for District. £243 12 9

## NELSON DISTRICT.

Nelson ...	36 0 10	22 11 8	58 12 6
Richmond ...	12 5 8	..	..
Blenheim ...	43 8 11	24 0 3	67 9 2
Hokitika ...	2 11 3	..	..
Greymouth ...	11 3 7	..	..
Motueka ...	..	7 6 9	7 6 9
Reefton ...	6 5 0	..	..
Westport ...	6 9 0	..	..
Kumara ...	..	..	..
Havelock ...	0 17 0	..	..
	£119 1 3	£53 18 8 =	Total for District. £172 19 11

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Ordinary Income.	Special Income.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Christchurch, Durham Street...	147 15 4	..	..
Christchurch Mission ...	8 0 0	..	..
Christchurch South ...	47 0 2	..	..
Christchurch, S. Albans ...	14 16 8	..	..
Christchurch, Papanui ...	6 14 6	..	..
Lyttelton ...	7 9 11	1 0 0	8 9 11
Springston ...	11 6 0	..	..
Tai Tapu ...	3 1 3	..	..
Leeston ...	19 8 2	..	..
Kaiapoi ...	54 10 3	..	..
Rangiora ...	17 10 0	..	..
Oxford-Malvern ...	5 5 6	..	..
Timaru...	30 1 6	..	..
Waimate ...	30 0 0	50 0 0	80 0 0
Temuka ...	6 11 0	..	..
Ashburton ...	37 3 0	..	..
Willowby ...	18 10 4	..	..
Amberley ...	1 19 0	..	..
Banks' Peninsula (Little River)	0 5 6	..	..
	£467 8 1	£51 0 0 =	Total for District. £518 8 1

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Ordinary Income.	Special Income.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Dunedin, Trinity ...	60 17 5	..	..
Dunedin, Cargill Road (1904)...	6 7 6	..	..
Dunedin, Cargill Road (1905) ...	26 9 11	..	..
Dunedin, Cargill Road (Special)	50 0 0	..	82 17 5
Dunedin, Mornington ...	16 0 3	..	..
Dunedin, Central Mission ...	52 15 1	..	..
Port Chalmers ...	14 18 1	..	..
Balclutha ...	6 19 0	..	..
Milton ...	3 11 4	..	..
Lawrence ...	4 0 0	..	..
Invercargill ...	47 0 0	..	..
Oamaru ...	17 8 10	..	..
Gore ...	..	..	..
Otautau ...	9 5 9	..	..
Roxburgh ...	7 0 4	..	..
Riverton ...	3 0 0	..	..
Cromwell ...	8 14 10	..	..
Tapanui ...	..	..	..
Palmerston South ...	1 5 0	..	..
Wakatipu ...	1 1 3	..	..
Otago Women's Auxiliary (per Miss Jenness)	..	10 0 0	..
O.W.A. ...	..	25 0 0	..
	<u>£336 14 7</u>	<u>£35 0 0 =</u>	Total for District. <u>£371 14 7</u>

## TOTAL INCOME.

From Districts (Ordinary) ...	£1734 3 0
From Districts (Special) ...	223 1 0
"A Friend," N.Z. ...	5 0 0
Mr. Herron, per Rev. J. A. Crump	0 10 0
Century Fund ...	8 17 0
	<u>£1971 11 0</u>

## EXPENDITURE.

Remitted to General Treasurers, less exchange and charges ...	<u>£1971 11 0</u>
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APPENDIX I.

N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND

TREASURERS.—REV. J. J. LEWIS

INCOME.

I.—AUCKLAND.

	£	s.	d.
Auckland, Pitt Street ...	273	1	9
" Freeman's Bay ...	5	0	0
" Newton Mission ...	2	10	0
" North Shore ...	49	16	9
Maori Mission, Hokianga ...	9	10	0
" Kaipara ...	17	15	10
" Waikato ...	8	12	10
" Whangaroa ...	18	17	0
" Special Donations ...	50	0	0
Manukau ...	50	2	3
Mahurangi ...	10	14	0
Thames ...	21	12	5
Upper Thames ...	23	11	7
Franklin ...	23	8	2
Cambridge ...	12	0	0
Hamilton ...	11	16	0
Paparoa ...	10	2	0
" Donation, E. S. Dukes ...	2	0	6
Northern Wairoa ...	11	0	0
Whangarei ...	14	8	2
Rotorua ...	5	1	7
Tauranga ...	6	10	0
Coromandel ...	6	0	0
Helensville ...	7	7	0
Bay of Islands ...	3	7	6
Hokianga ...	5	0	0
Whangaroa ...	10	0	0
Huntly ...	6	14	10
Te Awamutu ...	4	8	10

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II.—WANGANUI.

New Plymouth ...	32	12	0
Waitara ...	19	3	9
Stratford ...	10	4	6
Eltham ...	6	0	0
Hawera ...	30	0	0
Opunake ...	7	16	0
Wanganui ...	36	5	8
Rangitikei ...	13	12	2
Sandon ...	7	0	0
Feilding ...	12	2	0
Palmerston North ...	47	13	4
Kimbolton ...	8	16	6
West Coast Maori Mission ...	20	0	0
Mangaweka ...	1	4	3
Taihape ...	5	0	0
Waimarino ...	4	0	0

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III.—WELLINGTON.

Wellington, Taranaki St. ...	90	11	6
" South ...	22	8	2
Hutt ...	35	7	9
South Wairarapa ...	15	18	6
Masterton ...	28	1	3
Napier ...	25	17	3
Hastings ...	11	3	5
Gisborne ...	12	16	8
Eketahuna ...	5	6	11
Levin-Otaki ...	18	5	1
Dannevirke ...	6	0	0
Waipawa ...	11	0	0
Woodville ...	13	0	9
Pahiatua ...	5	0	0
Norsewood ...	5	0	0
Conference Meeting ...	2	17	2

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IV.—NELSON.

Nelson ...	46	0	7
Richmond ...	7	11	11
Blenheim ...	58	10	2
" Onamalatu G.W.O. ...	10	0	0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Hokitika ...	7	10	6			
Greymouth ...	12	15	0			
Motueka ...	5	9	0			
Reefton ...	10	0	0			
Westport ...	7	10	3			
Kumara ...	3	0	0			
Havelock ...	2	5	3			
				170	12	8

V.—CANTERBURY.

Christchurch, Durham St. ...	128	15	6			
" Mission ...	7	6	0			
" South ...	33	13	8			
" St. Albans ...	29	4	1			
" Papanui ...	14	0	9			
Lytelton ...	17	10	0			
Spryngston ...	17	11	2			
Tai Tapu ...	8	19	11			
Leeston ...	35	5	7			
Kaipoi ...	49	7	11			
Rangiora ...	30	0	0			
Oxford-Malvern ...	9	0	3			
Timaru ...	36	14	6			
Waimate ...	16	0	0			
Temuka ...	8	2	6			
Ashburton ...	35	9	11			
Willowby ...	20	11	6			
Amberley ...	3	0	0			
Banks Peninsula ...	4	6	1			
				504	19	4

VI.—OTAGO.

Dunedin, Trinity ...	70	0	0			
" Central Mission ...	29	0	4			
" Cargill Road ...	27	16	4			
" Do-nation (Anonymous) ...	50	0	0			
" Mornington ...	27	15	1			
Port Chalmers ...	8	1	7			
Balclutha ...	13	0	10			
Milton ...	7	17	9			
Lawrence ...	7	0	0			
Invercargill ...	29	9	5			
Oamaru ...	18	11	7			
Gore ...						
Otautau ...	6	10	0			
Roxburgh ...	4	3	6			
Riverton ...	6	5	0			
Cromwell ...	7	0	10			
Tapanui ...	2	4	6			
Palmerston ...	3	0	0			
Winton ...	1	1	0			
Birthday League ...				318	17	9
				59	14	3

RETIRING COLLECTIONS.

Auckland ...	47	0	8			
Wanganui ...	14	6	9			
Wellington ...	19	15	1			
Nelson ...	17	17	5			
Canterbury ...	45	12	0			
Otago ...	36	14	1			
				181	6	0

CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES.

Auckland ...	180	4	11			
Grey Institute ...	300	0	0			
Kai Iwi ...	98	0	0			
				578	4	11

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.

Auckland ...	132	12	2			
Canterbury ...	48	7	6			
Maori Service Books Sold ...				180	19	8
Fire Insurance, Maori Sheets ...				16	19	9
				18	0	0
				£3,280	7	11

**CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.—BALANCE SHEET, 1905.**

AND MR. F. L. PRIME.

**EXPENDITURE.**

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Debit Balance, 1904 ...					273	6						
<b>MAORI MISSIONS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Missionary Superint'nd't	...	225	0	0								
Connexional Funds	...	43	8	4								
House Rents	...	52	0	0								
Travelling	...	40	16	6								
Native Probationer	...	56	5	0								
Travelling	...	10	0	0								
European Probationer	...	92	6	0								
Travelling	...	20	0	0								
Supernumerary Fund	...	8	12	6								
HOKIANGA.												
Native Minister	...	60	0	0								
Native Minister	...	50	0	0								
KAIPARA.												
Native Minister	...	70	0	0								
Travelling	...	10	0	0								
WAIKATO.												
Native Minister	...	60	0	0								
Native Minister	...	44	10	0								
WHANGAROA.												
Native Minister	...	50	0	0								
Special for Native Agents	...	50	0	0								
WANGANUI.												
Missionary	...	200	0	0								
Connexional Funds	...	37	13	7								
Travelling	...	7	10	0								
House Rents	...	35	0	0								
Native Minister	...	125	0	0								
Travelling	...	7	10	0								
OTAGO.												
Sthn. Maori Mission (3 qrs.)	...	56	5	0	1411	16	11					
<b>HOME MISSION STATIONS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Bay of Islands	...	15	0	0								
Whangaroa	...	25	0	0								
Hokianga	...	30	0	0								
Helensville	...	20	0	0								
WANGANUI.												
Mangaweka	...	40	0	0								
Taihape	...	40	0	0								
Waimarino	...	40	0	0								
WELLINGTON.												
Norsewood	...	15	0	0								
NELSON.												
Kumara	...	10	0	0								
Havelock	...	30	0	0								
CANTERBURY.												
Amberley	...	25	0	0								
Banks' Peninsula	...	35	0	0								
OTAGO.												
Tapanui	...	15	0	0								
Palmerston	...	25	0	0								
Winton (3 qrs.)	...	37	10	0	402	10	0					
<b>AIDED CIRCUITS WITH HOME MISSIONARIES.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Northern Wairoa (Kaihu)	...	20	0	0								
Whangarei (Hikurangi)	...	35	0	0								
Upp. Thames (Morrinsville)	...	40	0	0								
Cambridge (Te Awamutu)	...	13	0	0								
Hamilton (Hundy)	...	34	5	7								
Mahurangi & Port Albert	...	60	0	0								
WANGANUI.												
New Plymouth (Rahotu)	...	20	0	0								
WELLINGTON.												
S. Wairarapa (Featherston)	...	40	0	0								
CANTERBURY.												
Durham St. (Belfast) 3 qrs.	...	30	0	0								
OTAGO.												
Cargill Road (Mosgiel)	...	25	0	0								
" (St. Kilda)	...	45	0	0	352	5	7					
<b>AIDED CIRCUITS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Coromandel	...	50	0	0								
Rotorua	...	45	0	0								
WANGANUI.												
Eltham	...	25	0	0								
Rangitikei	...	25	0	0								
Kimbolton	...	25	0	0								
WELLINGTON.												
Hastings	...	10	0	0								
Gisborne	...	10	0	0								
Eketahuna	...	70	0	0								
Levin-Otaki	...	20	0	0								
Dannevirke	...	30	0	0								
Waipawa (1 qr.)	...	18	15	0								
" (3 qrs.)	...	60	0	0								
Woodville	...	15	0	0								
Pahiatau	...	60	0	0								
NELSON.												
Richmond	...	15	0	0								
Blenheim	...	15	0	0								
Hokitika	...	19	0	0								
Westport	...	20	0	0								
CANTERBURY.												
Papanui	...	25	0	0								
Oxford-Malvern	...	38	15	0								
Ashburton	...	35	0	0								
OTAGO.												
Milton	...	30	0	0								
Gore	...	20	0	0								
Otautau	...	35	0	0								
Riverton	...	25	0	0								
Roxburgh	...	40	0	0								
Cromwell	...	30	0	0	802	10	0					
<b>SPECIAL.</b>												
Waimarino	...	20	0	0								
Oxford	...	20	0	0								
Otautau	...	25	0	0								
Ormondville Church	...	10	0	0								
Kumara	...	5	0	0								
Wakatipu	...	12	0	0								
Mission Boxes	...	3	12	9								
Okaiawa Water & Fire Insurance	...	2	8	8								
Students Travelling to Supply	...	12	8	10								
Birthday League Expenses	...	1	18	11								
Connexional Secretary	...	60	0	0								
Ministerial Supply	...	37	11	9								
General Secretary to Conference	...	6	0	0								
Printing 2,000 Maori Psalms	...	20	13	0	236	13	11					
<b>GENERAL.</b>												
Office Rent	...	21	0	0								
Advertising & Telegrams	...	2	16	0								
Interest and Exchange	...	59	7	8								
Land Tax	...	3	2	6								
Cheque Books	...	1	0	0								
Deputations	...	65	7	8								
Home Missionaries travelling to District Synod	...	28	10	5								
Postages, &c.	...	3	0	0								
Printing Reports, &c.	...	133	0	6								
Lantern Slides & Cases	...	6	0	0	323	4	9					
Income	...	£3,812	7	11								
Deficit	...	£3,280	7	11								
		£532	0	0								



**N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND INCOME.**

**I.—AUCKLAND.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland, Pitt Street	250	0	0			
Freeman's Bay	5	0	0			
Newton Mission	7	10	0			
North Shore	45	0	0			
Maori Mission, Waikato	13	0	0			
Kaipara	21	10	0			
Hokianga	16	0	0			
Whangaroa	20	0	0			
Special Donat'ns	50	0	0			
Manukau	50	0	0			
Mahurangi	12	0	0			
Thames	20	0	0			
Upper Thames	25	0	0			
Franklin	20	0	0			
Cambridge	15	0	0			
Hamilton	15	0	0			
Paparoa	10	0	0			
Northern Wairoa	12	0	0			
Whangarei	15	0	0			
Rotorua	5	0	0			
Tauranga	6	0	0			
Coromandel	6	0	0			
Helensville	7	0	0			
Bay of Islands	3	0	0			
Hokianga	5	0	0			
Whangaroa	6	0	0			
Huntly	6	0	0			
Te Awamutu	6	0	0			
				672	0	0

**II.—WANGANUI.**

New Plymouth	30	0	0			
Waitara	15	0	0			
Stratford	10	0	0			
Eltham	6	0	0			
Hawera	35	0	0			
Opunake	7	0	0			
Wanganui	35	0	0			
Rangitikei	10	0	0			
Sandon	10	0	0			
Feilding	15	0	0			
Palmerston North	35	0	0			
Kimbolton	7	0	0			
West Coast Maori Mission	25	0	0			
Mangaweka	1	10	0			
Taihape	5	0	0			
Waimarino	4	0	0			
				250	10	0

**III.—WELLINGTON.**

Wellington, Taranaki St.	95	0	0			
South	20	0	0			
Hutt	25	0	0			
South Wairarapa	14	0	0			
Masterton	20	0	0			
Napier	23	0	0			
Hastings	15	0	0			
Gisborne	10	0	0			
Eketahuna	6	0	0			
Dannevirke	7	0	0			
Levin-Otaki	12	0	0			
Waipawa	10	0	0			
Woodville	10	0	0			
Pahiatua	6	0	0			
Norsewood	5	0	0			
				278	0	0

**IV.—NELSON.**

Nelson	35	0	0			
Richmond	7	10	0			
Blenheim	55	0	0			
Hokitika	8	0	0			
Greymouth	12	0	0			
Motueka	5	0	0			
Reefton	10	0	0			
Westport	7	10	0			
Kumara	3	0	0			
Havelock	3	0	0			
				146	0	0

**V.—CANTERBURY.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Christchurch, Durham St.	115	0	0			
Mission	10	0	0			
South	35	0	0			
St. Albans	25	0	0			
Papanui	15	0	0			
Lyttelton	17	10	0			
Springston	15	0	0			
Tai Tapu	12	10	0			
Leeston	25	0	0			
Kaiapoi	35	0	0			
Rangiora	30	0	0			
Oxford-Malvern	7	10	0			
Timaru	30	0	0			
Waimate	16	0	0			
Temuka	10	0	0			
Ashburton	35	0	0			
Willowby	15	0	0			
Amberley	7	0	0			
Banks' Peninsula	3	0	0			
						458 10 0

**VI.—OTAGO.**

Dunedin, Trinity	60	0	0			
Central Mission	30	0	0			
Cargill Road	30	0	0			
Mornington	25	0	0			
Port Chalmers	8	0	0			
Balclutha	12	0	0			
Milton	8	0	0			
Lawrence	8	0	0			
Invercargill	25	0	0			
Oamaru	15	0	0			
Gore	8	0	0			
Otautau	6	0	0			
Roxburgh	6	0	0			
Riverton	3	0	0			
Cromwell	8	0	0			
Tapanui	2	10	0			
Palmerston	3	0	0			
Winton	2	0	0			
						260 0 0
Birthday League						60 0 0

**CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES.**

Auckland	200	0	0			
Grey Institute	200	0	0			
Kai Iwi	98	0	0			
						498 0 0

**INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.**

Auckland	220	0	0			
Canterbury	50	0	0			
						270 0 0
Maori Service Books						10 0 0
						£2,908 0 0
Deficit						648 13 0

Total .. .. £3,551 13 0

**CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.**

EXPENDITURE, AS RECOMMENDED FOR 1906.

## EXPENDITURE.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
By Debit Balance, 1905				532	0	0						
<b>MAORI MISSIONS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Missionary Superin'tent	225	0	0									
Connexional Funds (Gittos and Seamer)	58	0	9									
House Rent	52	0	0									
Travelling	35	0	0									
Assistant Probationer	120	0	0									
.. Travelling	39	0	0									
HOKIANGA.												
Native Minister	80	0	0									
Native Minister	70	0	0									
KAIPARA.												
Native Minister	90	0	0									
Travelling	10	0	0									
WAIKATO.												
Native Minister	70	0	0									
Travelling	10	0	0									
Native Supernumerary	25	0	0									
Native Supernumerary	15	0	0									
WHANGAROA.												
Native Minister	80	0	0									
WANGANUI.												
Missionary	200	0	0									
Connexional Funds	35	2	3									
Travelling	7	10	0									
House Rent	35	0	0									
Native Minister	190	0	0									
.. Travelling	7	10	0									
OTAGO.												
Native Minister	80	0	0				1,465	3	0			
<b>HOME MISSION STATIONS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Coromandel	47	10	0									
Helensville	10	0	0									
Bay of Islands	10	0	0									
Hokianga	20	0	0									
Whangaroa	10	0	0									
WANGANUI.												
Mangaweka	7	10	0									
Mokau-Kaitieke	30	0	0									
WELLINGTON.												
Norsewood	10	0	0									
NELSON.												
Havelock	25	0	0									
CANTERBURY.												
Amberley	10	0	0									
Banks' Peninsula	30	0	0									
OTAGO.												
Tapanui	10	0	0									
Winton	40	0	0									
Riverton	20	0	0									
Queenstown	6	0	0				286	0	0			
<b>AIDED CIRCUITS WITH HOME MISSIONARIES.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Mahurangi & Port Albert	40	0	0									
Upper Thames	30	0	0									
Northern Wairoa (Kaihu)	5	0	0									
Whangarei (Hikurangi)	30	0	0									
WANGANUI.												
New Plymouth (Rahotu)	15	0	0									
WELLINGTON.												
South Wairarapa	30	0	0									
CANTERBURY.												
Durham Street, Belfast	30	0	0									
Christchurch South	35	0	0									
OTAGO.												
Cargill Road (St. Kilda)	40	0	0							255	0	0
<b>AIDED CIRCUITS.</b>												
AUCKLAND.												
Rotorua	40	0	0									
Huntly	30	0	0									
WANGANUI.												
Waitara	20	0	0									
Waimarino	20	0	0									
Rangitikei	10	0	0									
Kimbolton	10	0	0									
Taihape	30	0	0									
Patea	37	10	0									
WELLINGTON.												
Hutt	30	0	0									
Eketahuna	50	0	0									
Dannevirke	20	0	0									
Levin-Otaki	10	0	0									
Waipawa	40	0	0									
Pahiatua	50	0	0									
NELSON.												
Blenheim	15	0	0									
Richmond	10	0	0									
Westport	20	0	0									
CANTERBURY.												
Oxford-Malvern	7	10	0									
Ashburton	20	0	0									
OTAGO.												
Mosgiel	15	0	0									
Milton	20	0	0									
Gore	10	0	0									
Otautau	15	0	0									
Roxburgh	25	0	0									
Cromwell	35	0	0									
Invercargill	37	10	0							627	10	0
<b>SPECIAL.</b>												
Retiring Allowances—												
Pearson	25	0	0									
Michaelis	25	0	0									
Amberley Removal Exps.	10	0	0									
Ministerial Supply	40	0	0									
Connexional Secretary	55	0	0							155	0	0
<b>GENERAL.</b>												
Printing Reports, &c.	60	0	0									
Interest and Exchange	50	0	0									
Office Rent	21	0	0									
Miscellaneous	100	0	0							231	0	0
<u>£3,551 13 0</u>												

# APPENDIX J—GENERAL RETURNS, September 30th, 1905.

## I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries & Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.			CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					BANDS OF HOPE.											
									Number on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies.	Members.	Number of Schools.	Teachers.		Scholars.			S.S. Scholars who are Members.	S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.						
																			Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.			Members of Church.	Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Connexional Societies.		
									Number on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies.	Members.	Number of Schools.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Connexional Societies.	S.S. Scholars who are Members.	S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.		
Auckland (Pitt Street) ...	13	5	8	6	9	1	32	29	913	3	241	5	138	7	126	4	96	13	175	155	149	1856	1251	320	5125	9	9	900	...	5150	
Wesley College ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Auckland (Freeman's Bay) ...	1	...	1	...	1	1	5	12	122	...	35	2	60	1	47	1	28	1	21	18	20	231	177	15	...	1	1	200	...	600	
Newton Methodist Mission ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	144	40	1	...	...	1	60	...	...	...	12	9	10	100	80	...	...	1	...	...	...	900	
Auckland (North Shore) ...	5	5	3	2	4	...	7	...	230	5	...	1	50	1	15	...	...	5	51	47	49	472	346	20	1225	5	1	100	100	1130	
Maori Mission ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manukau ...	5	3	2	1	2	1	10	3	180	10	12	2	55	2	35	1	13	4	32	29	23	247	178	49	1199	...	1	155	55	1100	
Mahurangi ...	3	15	...	1	1	1	7	...	111	...	1	20	1	8	...	...	...	4	9	7	6	120	60	...	100	...	...	100	700		
Thames ...	2	3	1	1	1	...	1	2	123	5	...	4	...	1	34	1	68	1	25	16	23	194	132	30	407	...	...	...	...	620	
Upper Thames ...	7	14	1	1	3	1	18	5	304	38	95	4	20	...	...	...	...	10	47	40	38	519	365	122	700	3	1	100	100	1770	
Franklin ...	8	12	...	2	1	1	8	4	220	3	38	1	34	...	...	...	...	5	21	19	19	168	128	68	...	...	...	...	168	1200	
Cambridge ...	5	5	...	1	1	1	5	...	152	...	...	...	...	1	16	...	...	3	16	13	14	156	108	...	222	1	1	30	...	764	
Hamilton ...	3	23	1	1	1	13	...	...	201	...	32	1	12	2	35	2	40	3	19	16	19	162	95	32	330	3	1	50	...	1150	
Paparoa ...	5	3	...	1	1	...	8	1	117	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	12	8	9	78	44	...	...	2	2	50	...	530	
Northern Wairoa ...	5	14	...	1	1	2	12	1	136	...	6	1	10	1	15	...	...	6	30	25	18	319	220	12	156	...	...	...	245	1030	
Whangarei ...	4	6	...	1	1	1	4	...	99	2	...	1	20	1	12	...	...	3	28	22	10	218	175	10	738	2	1	40	50	750	
Rotorua ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	2	22	18	9	...	...	...	...	...	100	
Tauranga ...	1	2	...	...	...	1	4	...	54	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	4	3	36	24	4	25	1	...	...	...	150	
Coromandel ...	2	5	...	2	...	...	1	43	1	...	...	...	...	1	15	...	...	3	15	14	13	147	122	...	520	1	2	46	12	242	
Helensville ...	4	8	...	...	...	...	...	45	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	8	7	3	70	56	...	40	1	...	...	...	400	
Bay of Islands ...	2	6	...	...	...	1	1	...	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	9	7	6	80	60	2	100	1	...	...	...	350	
Hokianga ...	2	5	...	...	...	1	...	15	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	3	3	30	24	1	...	1	...	...	...	250	
Whangaroa ...	1	9	...	1	1	1	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	2	25	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	200	
<b>Totals</b> ...	<b>78</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3310</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>5250</b>	<b>3683</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>10887</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>19086</b>	

## II.—WANGANUI DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Schoolrooms.		Parsonages.		Ministers and Probationers.		Home Missionaries & Deaconesses.		Local Preachers.		Class Leaders.		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						BANDS OF HOPE.																	
																			Senior		Junior		Teachers.			Scholars.																						
																							Number of Schools.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		Members of Church.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		Members of Church.		Volumes in Libraries.		Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.		Connexional Societies.		S.S. Scholars who are Members.		S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.	
New Plymouth	...	...	7	10	1	1	3	1	13	2	266	11	...	2	13	3	37	...	...	9	52	47	47	453	268	20	336	9	6	347	...	1400																
Waitara	...	...	5	8	3	1	2	...	13	4	234	10	...	1	20	4	36	...	...	6	34	29	31	343	241	11	1204	5	6	186	...	1200																
Stratford	...	...	2	4	1	1	1	...	5	...	99	6	5	...	20	1	7	...	...	12	10	9	150	90	1	120	2	1	40	...	500																	
Eltham	...	...	1	4	1	...	1	...	4	...	83	14	...	...	1	12	1	30	...	11	9	9	97	60	9	60	1	1	40	...	500																	
Hawera	...	...	4	6	1	2	2	...	13	1	180	2	30	...	1	20	1	12	...	26	23	23	215	160	19	313	2	1	68	...	1005																	
Opunake	...	...	4	5	...	1	1	...	5	...	90	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	3	3	3	30	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	400																	
Wanganui	...	...	3	3	1	1	2	...	10	...	231	...	20	1	...	1	15	1	34	4	30	27	28	330	236	28	465	2	2	90	...	1300																
Rangitikei	...	...	3	1	1	1	1	...	2	...	40	...	...	1	19	1	10	...	...	1	9	7	6	68	48	3	280	...	...	...	...	216																
Sandon	...	...	3	1	...	1	1	...	5	...	101	...	17	...	...	1	10	...	...	2	7	5	6	68	46	...	270	2	...	...	...	250																
Feilding	...	...	3	1	1	1	1	...	3	...	98	...	14	1	14	1	15	...	...	2	15	11	14	149	105	17	250	1	...	...	...	380																
Palmerston North	...	...	6	2	4	1	3	...	13	...	342	8	25	4	40	3	120	2	110	5	52	44	52	639	468	54	700	3	...	...	...	1250																
Kimbolton	...	...	4	4	...	1	1	...	4	...	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	13	10	7	127	95	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	310																
Taihape	...	...	2	5	...	...	1	...	3	...	45	6	...	...	8	1	15	...	...	1	6	5	2	54	38	...	36	...	...	...	...	230																
West Coast Maori Mission	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...														
Mangaweka	...	...	1	5	...	...	1	...	1	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	2	1	46	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150															
Waimarino	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	2	...	40	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	3	5	5	5	53	48	6	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	200															
Totals	...	...	50	60	13	12	20	4	96	7	1908	57	111	12	158	18	294	5	186	46	279	237	243	2822	1954	168	4034	30	17	771	45	9291																

### III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.										CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						BANDS OF HOPE.										
	Churches, Other Preaching Places, Schoolrooms, Parsonages, Ministers and Probationers, Home Missionaries & Deaconesses, Local Preachers, Class Leaders.										Senior			Junior			Teachers.		Scholars.				Volumes in Libraries, Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets, Connexional Societies, S.S. Scholars who are Members, S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.							
	Number on Roll, On Probation, Junior Members, Deaths, Communicants other than Members.										Societies.			Members.			Number of Schools.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance, Members of Church.				Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.					
	Number on Roll, On Probation, Junior Members, Deaths, Communicants other than Members.										Active Members.			Societies.			Members.			Number of Schools.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance, Members of Church.				Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.		
Wellington (Taranaki Street) ...	8	1	5	2	5	2	16	6	550	100	...	...	4	100	4	100	9	96	86	80	1341	872	50	2484	9	9	500	...	3200	
Young Men's Forward Movement ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington South ...	1	1	1	1	1	...	6	...	180	2	20	2	10	1	20	2	31	27	30	355	232	25	900	2	...	...	...	...	900	
Hutt ...	5	3	1	1	3	...	11	...	203	...	...	6	...	2	50	5	45	38	41	455	282	...	750	5	...	...	...	980		
South Wairarapa ...	6	5	3	1	2	...	7	3	180	2	3	...	10	1	20	...	5	32	29	30	262	162	10	874	5	...	200	854		
Masterton ...	2	3	1	1	1	...	9	...	167	4	...	2	8	1	15	1	30	31	28	30	355	281	38	788	2	1	65	...	850	
Napier ...	4	1	1	1	1	...	3	1	155	21	25	1	6	1	50	1	25	4	32	27	25	309	209	22	845	2	1	30	...	720
Hastings ...	1	4	...	1	1	...	7	...	105	1	...	1	...	1	20	...	...	2	17	13	16	158	100	4	217	2	1	50	...	497
Gisborne ...	1	4	1	1	1	...	2	...	109	2	26	1	8	1	30	1	32	1	9	8	8	105	79	...	160	1	1	60	...	450
Eketahuna ...	2	6	1	1	1	...	1	...	56	2	...	12	...	...	...	3	6	6	4	89	49	...	60	1	...	...	...	20	400	
Dannevirke ...	1	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	77	...	22	...	...	1	22	1	12	1	12	10	12	96	65	...	78	1	1	30	...	450
Levin-Otaki ...	4	4	...	1	2	...	3	...	140	...	...	20	...	2	28	...	4	17	14	13	190	137	10	20	4	...	...	...	120	740
Waipawa ...	2	6	...	1	1	...	1	...	43	...	...	24	...	...	...	1	3	3	3	3	23	13	...	100	1	...	...	...	475	
Woodville ...	2	2	...	1	1	...	3	...	96	6	6	...	...	...	1	50	2	9	9	9	140	108	4	241	...	2	140	...	300	
Pahiatua ...	3	3	...	1	1	...	3	...	43	...	5	...	...	2	50	1	12	1	5	4	4	42	24	4	50	1	2	50	...	210
Norsewood ...	5	4	...	1	1	4	2	...	81	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	6	5	5	85	66	...	130	1	3	104	...	500		
<b>Totals</b> ...	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2185</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>4005</b>	<b>2679</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>7697</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1029</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>11526</b>

IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.										CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						BANDS OF HOPE.									
	Churches, Other Preaching Places, Schoolrooms, Parsonages, Ministers and Probationers, Home Missionaries & Deaconesses, Local Preachers, Class Leaders.										Members on Roll.		Senior.		Junior.		Teachers.		Scholars.		S.S. Scholars who are Members.							
	Members on Roll.										Active Members.		Societies.		Number of Schools.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.							
	On Probation.										Societies.		Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.											
Nelson	1	...	1	1	...	...	165	24	30	12	1	37	1	30	1	20	17	20	191	132	20	450	1	1	150	...	520	
Richmond	7	1	...	1	1	...	123	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	3	18	15	14	131	90	4	550	1	...	...	...	500	
Blenheim	4	5	1	1	1	...	172	18	39	7	1	12	...	...	4	42	33	35	383	263	20	1800	1	...	...	120	1247	
Hokitika	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	66	6	...	16	...	...	1	7	6	7	53	34	...	170	1	...	...	...	360	
Greymouth	...	...	...	...	...	...	144	4	20	1	4	37	1	20	3	26	22	22	222	171	18	450	2	2	...	45	570	
Motueka	...	...	...	...	...	...	117	4	...	4	10	16	...	...	4	22	16	20	150	90	25	...	3	3	...	...	600	
Reefton	...	...	...	...	...	...	114	...	6	1	...	37	...	...	2	16	14	15	168	132	13	498	2	2	...	...	498	
Westport	1	...	1	1	...	...	62	2	14	1	3	...	...	...	1	12	11	11	112	74	6	303	1	1	...	...	330	
Kumara	2	3	...	1	...	...	34	1	6	1	...	12	1	8	2	7	6	7	54	50	2	100	1	1	40	...	110	
Havelock	2	7	...	1	...	...	59	...	12	...	...	1	20	...	2	7	6	6	70	45	...	76	...	2	45	...	420	
Totals	26	27	3	9	10	24	91056	59	137	16	37	9	187	3	58	23	177	146	157	1534	1081	108	4397	13	4	235	165	5155

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Y.—CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.

	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.										CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						BANDS OF HOPE.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.								
	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries & Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Senior		Junior	Teachers.		Scholars.		Volumes in Libraries.		Societies.	S.S. Scholars who are Members.	S.S. Scholars Members Non-Connexional Societies.					
														Societies.	Active Members.		Number of Schools.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.						Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Societies using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Connexional Societies.
Christchurch (Durham Street) ...	11	...	5	5	9	1	29	3	951	36	142	15	53	6	203	3	94	11	140	119	127	1445	1067	107	3476	9	11	1207	...	4110
Christchurch Methodist Mission...	1	...	...	1	...	...	4	1	106	3	22	1	...	1	24	1	14	1	11	10	11	126	80	15	231	1	1	75	52	530
Christchurch (South) ...	5	2	4	3	3	...	11	5	366	30	59	5	27	2	70	1	20	2	86	72	75	812	597	43	1425	5	4	485	30	2275
Christchurch (St. Albans)	...	1	1	1	1	...	4	1	195	8	20	2	...	2	29	1	20	2	41	40	41	363	287	...	1000	2	1	150	...	870
Christchurch (Papanui)	4	...	1	1	1	...	4	...	...	4	...	3	6	...	...	...	...	3	25	22	20	173	125	4	353	...	...	90	540	
Lyttelton ...	2	1	1	1	1	...	2	1	81	...	7	...	...	1	16	...	...	2	17	11	33	205	97	5	180	2	2	80	475	
Springston ...	5	2	1	1	1	...	3	...	137	1	6	3	16	...	...	...	...	4	27	25	18	185	134	2	1170	3	1	50	15	500
Tai Tapu ...	4	1	1	...	1	...	2	...	97	3	12	1	5	...	20	...	...	2	17	16	17	101	70	12	150	2	1	20	40	542
Leeston ...	5	1	2	1	2	...	4	...	164	2	...	...	...	1	17	...	...	4	21	17	14	107	80	...	3	...	...	700		
Kaiapoi ...	6	1	1	1	3	...	7	...	253	17	3	8	4	...	...	...	...	7	32	27	18	392	235	11	1050	6	1	25	100	950
Rangiora ...	7	...	3	2	2	...	10	...	270	33	50	3	20	1	18	...	...	6	41	33	35	327	242	20	890	6	...	...	282	950
Oxford-Malvern	5	4	...	1	1	...	4	...	52	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	7	6	2	82	65	...	2	...	...	...	344	
Timaru ...	3	4	1	1	1	...	11	3	250	...	...	6	20	...	...	...	...	3	30	26	30	355	230	32	680	2	...	...	1000	
Waimate ...	2	2	1	1	1	...	11	1	178	3	25	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	13	12	9	145	110	2	250	1	...	...	145	660
Temuka ...	1	4	1	1	1	...	4	...	74	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	8	5	70	52	...	120	1	...	...	250	
Ashburton ...	4	5	1	1	2	...	5	2	221	4	43	2	...	1	22	1	42	1	28	18	26	150	99	20	380	1	1	150	100	915
Willowby ...	5	5	...	1	1	...	12	1	140	...	13	1	20	2	30	...	...	4	27	19	24	130	88	9	907	3	3	60	...	550
Amberley ...	1	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	38	...	...	...	...	1	5	...	...	1	4	4	2	35	21	...	100	1	...	...	200	
Banks Peninsula	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	32	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	3	3	16	12	2	...	...	...	...	133	
Cheviot ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	75	40	23	23	31	3	129	18	3753	145	408	52	171	20	454	6	170	63	578	488	490	5219	3691	284	12362	52	24	2222	934	16494

\*Including Rev. J. Dukes, visiting England.

VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places, Schoolrooms, Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries & Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						BANDS OF HOPE.										
							Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Senior.		Junior.	Number of Schools.	Teachers.		Scholars.		Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Connexional Societies.	S.S. Scholars who are Members.	S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.	Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.					
												Societies.	Active Members.	Societies.		Members.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.							Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.		
																													Societies.	Members.
Dunedin (Trinity) ...	2	2	1	1	1	1	10	4	315	3	20	4	15	1	26	1	25	4	35	34	276	217	38	780	1	1	100	..	1100	
Dunedin Central Mission ...	2	1	1	1	1	1	7	3	350	6	26	2	20	1	75	1	40	1	16	13	150	105	32	280	1	..	..	..	2300	
Dunedin (Cargill Road) ...	4	6	1	1	3	13	3	329	329	60	3	20	2	47	2	60	5	52	47	49	440	362	55	650	4	..	..	..	1500	
Dunedin (Mornington) ...	3	1	2	..	..	9	5	287	4	60	3	20	2	63	3	54	4	52	46	31	378	290	17	1124	4	3	150	..	936	
Port Chalmers ...	2	1	..	1	1	6	3	89	2	11	1	6	1	17	1	4	1	10	9	10	75	65	19	200	1	..	..	..	500	
Balclutha ...	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	71	4	25	..	5	1	10	1	25	2	11	10	9	90	81	4	175	2	1	53	..	500	
Milton ...	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	55	2	8	..	8	..	1	8	..	..	12	11	10	76	65	..	400	1	1	35	..	390	
Lawrence ...	2	3	..	1	1	..	..	82	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	5	6	25	20	5	..	1	..	..	20	370	
Invercargill ...	1	2	1	1	1	8	2	119	2	40	4	..	1	24	1	60	1	16	14	16	250	200	10	450	1	1	250	..	700	
Oamaru ...	2	3	1	1	1	2	..	130	..	20	..	13	2	37	1	20	1	18	16	16	101	63	16	450	1	1	36	..	470	
Gore ...	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	82	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	1	8	7	8	105	76	..	250	1	..	..	..	500	
Otautau ...	4	1	..	1	1	3	..	69	7	8	2	10	..	..	..	..	..	4	18	14	15	165	116	1	191	..	..	..	30	475
Roxburgh ...	3	1	1	1	1	2	..	52	..	6	2	15	..	..	..	..	..	3	7	6	7	70	60	..	50	2	..	..	250	
Riverton-Orepuki ...	1	8	..	..	..	1	2	38	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	5	5	50	35	..	30	..	1	25	..	340
Cromwell ...	2	4	..	1	1	4	1	55	..	..	..	4	1	8	1	20	1	4	4	3	21	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	220	
Wakatipu ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tapanui ...	1	2	..	..	..	1	1	21	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	3	21	20	1	..	..	..	..	15	199
Palmerston ...	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	28	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	5	3	51	33	..	60	1	1	25	..	195
Winton ...	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	130
Totals ...	35	52	8	13	17	74	22	2197	33	244	20	136	15	323	13	323	34	279	249	239	2344	1828	198	5090	21	11	754	65	11075	



MAORI WORK.

	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.		CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				HANDS OF HOPE.		
	Senior.	Junior.	Senior.	Junior.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	S.S. Members.	S.S. Scholars.	
Churches.											
Other Preaching Places.											
Schoolrooms.											
Parsonages.											
Ministers and Probationers.											
Home Miss onaries.											
Local Preachers.											
Class Leaders.											
Number on Roll.											
On Probation.											
Junior Members.											
Deaths.											
Communicants other than Members.											
Societies.											
Active Members.											
Societies.											
Members.											
Number of Schools.											
Number on Roll.											
Average Attendance.											
Members of Church.											
Number on Roll.											
Average Attendance.											
Members of Church.											
Volumes in Libraries.											
Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.											
Connexional Societies.											
S.S. Scholars who are Members.											
S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies.											
Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.											
Auckland	1	2	5	7	630	4	70	21	...	...	1800
Hokianaga	...	...	...	...	231	4	25	8	...	...	483
Kaipara	1	1	6	3	246	1	10	10	...	...	2100
Waikato	...	...	...	...	142	4	72	5	...	...	630
Whangara	1	1	12	6	35	30	...	...	...	...	700
West Coast Mission	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	680
Southern Maori Mission	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	11	17	34	18	1314	32	177	45	18	...	6483

# GENERAL SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS.

## I.—EUROPEAN WORK.

DISTRICTS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries & Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					BANDS OF HOPE.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.							
									Number on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Societies.	Senior Members.	Junior Societies.	Members.	Number of Schools.	Teachers.		Scholars.			Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Connexional Societies.	S.S. Scholars who are Members.	S.S. Scholars Members of Non-Connexional Societies		
																			Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Number on Roll.							Average Attendance.	Members of Church.
									Auckland	Wanganui	Wellington	Nelson	Canterbury	Otago	Totals	Increase	Decrease													
...	78	143	17	23	32	17	141	59	3310	108	465	25	447	20	418	9	245	76	542	463	439	5250	3683	694	10887	32	20	1671	830	19086
...	50	60	13	12	20	4	96	7	1908	57	111	12	158	18	294	5	186	46	279	237	243	2822	1954	168	4034	30	17	771	45	9291
...	46	48	14	15	23	4	79	12	2185	40	207	7	110	15	355	13	331	44	351	307	310	4005	2679	167	7697	37	21	1029	340	11526
...	26	27	3	9	10	2	41	9	1056	59	137	16	37	9	187	3	58	23	177	146	157	1534	1081	108	4397	13	4	235	165	5155
...	75	40	23	23	31	3	129	18	3753	145	408	52	171	20	454	6	170	63	578	488	490	5219	3691	284	12362	52	24	2222	934	16494
...	35	52	8	13	17	7	74	22	2197	33	244	20	136	15	323	13	323	34	279	249	239	2344	1828	198	5060	21	11	754	65	11075
...	310	370	78	95	133	37	560	127	14409	442	1572	132	1059	97	2031	40	1313	286	2306	1890	1878	21174	14916	1619	44467	185	97	6682	2379	72627
...	4	20	2	...	2	5	...	...	485	102	831	...	...	44	808	11	325	5	82	56	76	545	416	611	2447	10	...	...	...	565
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	5	...	...	...	14	107	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

## II.—MAORI WORK.

Auckland	9	64	...	7	5	34	18	1289	12	177	44	18	...	...	...	10	7	...	...	261	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5103
Wanganui	2	32	...	1	...	6	...	25	20	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	700	
Canterbury and Otago	...	21	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	680	
Totals	11	117	...	9	5	43	18	1314	32	177	45	18	...	...	...	12	7	...	...	291	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6483	
Increase	...	29	...	...	...	...	...	...	156	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	883	
Decrease	1	...	...	...	...	41	...	41	23	...	...	178	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	102	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		

## GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

### I.—MEMBERS.

DISTRICTS.	1905.	1904.	Increase.	Decrease.	On Probation.
Auckland .. ..	3,310	3,219	91	..	108
Wanganui .. ..	1,908	1,868	40	..	57
Wellington .. ..	2,185	2,094	91	..	40
Nelson .. ..	1,056	1,048	8	..	59
Canterbury .. ..	3,753	3,597	156	..	145
Otago .. ..	2,197	2,098	99	..	33
Maori Mission .. ..	1,314	1,355	..	41	32
Totals .. ..	15,723	15,279	485	41	474

### II.—MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

DISTRICTS.	European Ministers.	European Probationers	Supernumeraries.	Maori Ministers.	Maori Probationers	Totals.
Auckland .. ..	23	3	6	6	1	39
Wanganui .. ..	13	5	2	1	..	21
Wellington .. ..	19	2	2	..	..	23
Nelson .. ..	7	2	1	..	..	10
Canterbury .. ..	23	4	4	..	..	31
Otago .. ..	15	2	..	..	1	18
Totals .. ..	100	18	15	7	2	142

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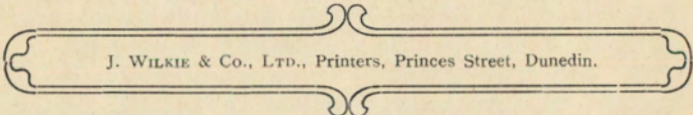
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REPORT OF THE GENERAL TREASURERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1905,

WITH REVENUE ACCOUNT AND BALANCE-SHEET.

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IN accordance with Paragraphs 497 and 498 of the Laws and Regulations of the Church, the Board of Treasurers has the honour to present to the Victoria and Tasmania Conference the following Report for the year ending 31st December, 1905 :—

The accounts have been duly audited ; and the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet, signed by the Auditors, are appended.

In addition to ordinary Committees and Sub-Committees, 30 meetings of the full Board have been held during the year. At each of these, a considerable amount of business has been brought forward, and received close attention. Continuing the practice of recent years, all properties offered as securities have also been inspected by members of the Board, prior to obtaining expert valuations.

It has been found necessary to enter into possession of some other securities, so that the return under that head is larger than the previous year.

The sewerage of a considerable number of these properties has now been completed, and all have been put into repair, so that the nett return for the year shows an increase. While every reasonable effort has been made to dispose of properties thus held, only three have been sold. It is gratifying, however, to find that in these there has been a recovery of £170 17s. 6d. of interest, which had been written off.

Notwithstanding increased difficulty in obtaining good securities, the return on the entire capital is almost equal to that of the previous year.

Further efforts have been made to carry out the resolutions of the General Conference for the gradual discharge of their indebtedness by Ministers who owe heavy

sums for subscriptions and fines, but there are still 24 who have failed to take advantage of the liberal proposals made.

A sum of £742 18s. 7d. appears in the Revenue Account as coming from Ministers who have joined the Fund under Methodist Union. Four Ministers have made arrangements for purchase during the year, but there are still twelve who have not fulfilled their obligations in this matter.

It is proposed to send to the Annual Conferences a list of those referred to in the two preceding paragraphs, with whom no satisfactory arrangements have yet been made.

As directed, the following Statement of Receipts from the several Annual Conferences on account of Ministers' subscriptions, fines, and Circuit levies, is submitted:—

*Ministers' Subscriptions and Fines.*

New South Wales Conference	..	£1617	14	0
Victoria and Tasmania	..	2165	7	7
South Australia	..	843	1	2
New Zealand	..	1104	8	2
Queensland	..	544	1	9
Western Australia	..	325	2	6
		£6599	15	2

*Circuit Levies.*

New South Wales Conference	..	£2236	13	6
Victoria and Tasmania	..	2455	5	0
South Australia	..	1174	5	3
New Zealand	..	1269	7	6
Queensland	..	717	5	9
Western Australia	..	568	18	6
		£8421	15	6
Less Conference Treasurers' Expenses	..	59	0	2
		£8362	15	4

The amount owing by the several Annual Conferences for arrears of Ministers' subscriptions and fines is as under:—

*Ministers' Subscriptions and Fines.*

	ARREARS.	FINES.	TOTALS.
N.S. Wales Conference	£932 8 0 ..	£292 14 0 ..	£1225 2 0
Victoria & Tas. ,,	2103 10 0 ..	849 12 2 ..	2953 2 2
South Australia ,,	718 8 6 ..	373 10 0 ..	1091 18 6
New Zealand ,,	608 12 1 ..	134 0 0 ..	742 12 1
Queensland ,,	901 14 0 ..	233 2 0 ..	1134 16 0
West. Australia ,,	440 5 6 ..	150 15 0 ..	591 0 6
	£5704 18 1 ..	£2033 13 2 ..	£7738 11 3

It is satisfactory to note that, as compared with last year, the arrears of subscriptions have been reduced by £301 10s. 10d., and the fines by £65 3s. 10d. But the amounts owing are still much too large, and, in their own interests, Ministers should be urged to pay the same as speedily as possible.

As shown in the Balance-sheet, the Circuit levies due up to 31st December amounted to £3451 18s. 5d., but as the payments for the last quarter—say, £1989 10s.—could not reach the office until January, the sum actually owing is £462 8s. 5d. less than in the previous year. It is gratifying to note that Circuit Stewards and Conference Treasurers are becoming more prompt in their remittances, and that, in the largest Conference of the group, the whole amount due up to 30th September had been sent in. Of the total sum still owing, an amount of £592 13s. 11d., charged to the Queensland Conference, has been placed in suspense until imperfect accounts in years past have been adjusted.

It will be noted with satisfaction that £327 10s. has been received from the English Book Room as a first remittance in connection with the new Hymn-book.

The amount paid for Annuities and Furniture Grants was £371 10s. 3d. in excess of 1904. The repayments to Ministers who retired were also larger; but as the nett result of the year, £17,538 16s. have been added to the assets. There has, of course, been also a proportionate increase of liabilities.

Six Supernumeraries, and five widows who were annuitants, have died during the year. The number on the books on 31st December was—Supernumeraries, 84; widows, 98.

Owing to the removal of Rev. W. Hunt from Melbourne in April last, he resigned his position as one of the Treasurers, and, with the approval of the President of the Conference, Rev. T. Grove was appointed in his stead.

WILLIAM MORLEY	} General Treasurers.
BENJAMIN DAWBORN	
JOHN G. WHEEN	
THOMAS LOCKWOOD	
WILLIAM PRESLEY	
GEORGE SWEET	
THOMAS GROVE	
THOMAS BOND	

THE METHODIST CHURCH  
SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS'

DR. REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

To Ministers' Annuities ..	£7,166 14 3	
„ Widows' Annuities ..	3,748 1 9	
	£10,914 16 0	
„ Furniture Grants ..	427 10 0	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions returned ..	534 13 3	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions—Arrears written off ..	83 13 0	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions—Fines remitted ..	62 0 0	
„ Auditors' Fees ..	67 4 0	
„ Salaries—		
Managing Treasurer ..	£300 0 0	
Accountant and Clerk ..	275 0 0	
	575 0 0	
„ Managing Treasurer—		
House Rent ..	£90 0 0	
Furniture Allowance ..	10 0 0	
Travelling Expenses ..	7 12 0	
Connexional Levies ..	27 10 0	
	135 2 0	
„ Rent—Office ..	£90 0 0	
Less Sub-Rent ..	28 0 0	
	62 0 0	
„ Printing and Stationery ..	36 12 10	
„ Exchange and Bank Charges ..	32 4 10	
„ Legal Expenses ..	77 17 4	
„ General Expenses—		
Telephone ..	£9 0 0	
Cost of Inspection, Melbourne ..	10 3 6	
Postages, &c., Sydney ..	12 18 8	
Office Cleaning ..	12 9 0	
Rent—Safe Deposit ..	4 9 0	
Sundries ..	34 8 5	
	83 8 7	
„ Postages and Telegrams ..	37 12 2	
„ Commissions paid—New South Wales and Queensland ..	137 3 2	
„ Properties in Possession, being provision for falling-in of Lease ..	60 0 0	
„ Special Committee of Inquiry Expenses ..	188 6 8	
„ Conference Treasurers' Expenses ..	59 0 2	
„ Balance transferred to Capital Account ..	17,538 16 0	
	£31,113 0 0	

WM. MORLEY, MANAGING TREASURER.

OF AUSTRALASIA  
AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

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By English Annuitant Societies .. .. .	£898 5 8	
„ Interest on Mortgages .. .. .	£10,426 11 1	
Less Interest in Suspense .. .. .	298 5 0	
	<u>£10,128 6 1</u>	
„ Interest on Debentures and Govt. Stock .. .. .	1,987 3 1	
„ Interest on Deposit—Royal Bank .. .. .	10 11 9	
„ Interest on Furniture Grants .. .. .	1 10 0	
„ Interest on Second Marriage Premiums .. .. .	3 2 10	
		<u>12,130 13 9</u>
„ Dividend Commercial Bank .. .. .		54 0 0
„ Rents of Properties in Possession (gross) .. .. .	£2,363 17 0	
Less Rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Legal Expenses .. .. .	441 10 1	
		<u>1,922 6 11</u>
„ Ministers' Subscriptions .. .. .	£6,270 10 0	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions—Fines .. .. .	197 0 0	
	<u>£6,467 10 0</u>	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions—Amount received from Ministers who, through Methodist Union, have purchased Annuities in the Fund .. .. .	742 18 7	
		<u>7,210 8 7</u>
„ Circuit Levies .. .. .		7,983 17 6
„ Mission Stations, in lieu of Levies .. .. .		378 15 0
„ Furniture Grants—Repaid .. .. .		25 0 0
„ Commissions Received .. .. .		11 5 1
„ Sales of Properties in Possession, being amount received <i>vs</i> interest written off .. .. .		170 17 6
„ New Hymn Book—Proportion Profits .. .. .		327 10 0
		<u>£31,113 0 0</u>

We have examined the above Statement, and having compared it with the Books of the Fund, certify that it is correct.

MELBOURNE,

3rd February, 1906.

WM. A. MEWTON, F.I.A.V. } AUDITORS.  
H. G. MCUTCHEON, F.I.A.V. }

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF AUSTRALASIA  
 SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

BALANCE-SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1905.

LIABILITIES.			
To Capital .. ..	£316,274	6	4
Plus Balance of Revenue Account transferred ..	17,538	16	0
	£333,813	2	4
„ Sundry Creditors .. ..		67	4

ASSETS.			
By Investments—			
Loans on Mortgage ..	£216,543	3	1
Interest—Arrears ..	2,217	10	6
„ Accrued ..	1,194	6	11
	£219,955	0	6
Less Interest in Suspense	922	3	6
	£219,032	17	0
Bills Receivable ..	250	0	0
	£219,282	17	0
Properties in Possession .. ..	54,340	18	4
Preference Shares, Commercial Bank ..	1,800	0	0
Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Debentures (at cost) ..	40,618	9	8
Victorian Government Stock and Debentures (at cost) .. ..	12,682	14	8
West Australian Government Debentures (at cost) .. ..	4,000	0	0
New Zealand Government Debentures (at cost) .. ..	1,000	0	0
Interest and Dividend Accrued ..	633	7	0
	£334,358	6	8
Less Provision for Shrinkage in the Value of Securities and Losses of Interest .. ..		20,491	10
	£313,866	16	5