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The Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand assembled in Trinity Church, Dunedin, on Thursday, February 24th, 1910., and concluded its sessions on Wednesday, March 9th, 1910.

The first session was opened by the Rev. Thomas Fee, the retiring President of the Conference.

The Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., was elected President of the Conference, and the Rev. S. Lawry was re-elected Secretary.

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Children's Fund	*Ernest Kellow

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

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

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**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?**

- 1.—William W. Avery  
James R. Clark  
Percy R. Paris,

Who have travelled four years.

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

- 1.—Charles Roberts,

Who has travelled four years.

- 2.—Charles Blair  
Harry A. G. Keck  
W. Bramwell Scott

Who have travelled three years.

- 3.—William H. E. Abbey  
Edwin Cox  
Charles B. Jordan, B.A.  
J. Frederick Martin  
William G. Maslin  
Frederick Rands  
William H. Speer  
Robert H. Wylie,

Who have travelled two years.

- 4.—Albert F. Burchell  
John D. McArthur  
R. Burrows Tinsley  
Nicholas Turner,

Who have travelled one year.

**HONOURS LIST.**

Charles Blair has passed his examination with honours.

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

- Alexander Allen  
William A. Burley  
James Richards  
William A. Watson.

N.B.—William A. Watson is received on probation for one year only, with a view to his entering the Institution next year.

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

- 1.—Charles H. Olds  
Horace L. Richards,

Who have completed two years.

- 2.—John B. Beeche  
Clyde L. Carr  
Leslie B. Neale  
William Rowe  
A. H. Scrivin,

Who have completed one year.

John B. Beeche has completed his first year of probation.  
Clyde L. Carr is to reside in the Institution.  
A. H. Scrivin is to reside at Three Kings College.

- 3.—William Lea,

Who has travelled one year.

- 4.—Matthew J. Evans  
Robert B. Gosnell  
George B. Hinton,

Who have been pursuing their studies under the direction of the Board of Examiners, are received into the Institution this year.

**QUESTION V.—What Candidates are now Received for Theological Training?**

- Francis T. Harris  
James F. Hosking

Are to pursue their studies under the direction of the Examiners appointed to conduct the candidates' examination, and to enter the Institution as vacancies arise.

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

None.

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

None.

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

Davis Wilcox.

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

None.

Edward Te Tuhi is received as a Home Missionary, to be employed when funds are available.

**QUESTION X.—Is any Minister or Probationer designated for Foreign Mission Work?**

William W. Avery.

**QUESTION XI.—What Ministers become Supernumeraries?**

Robert Taylor  
Joseph J. Mather, for one year  
Joseph Blight, for one year.

Robert Taylor retires from the active work after a period of forty-five years of faithful and devoted service. He was received by the Conference of the United Methodist Free Churches, and after a short period of service in England was sent out to New Zealand, where he laboured with much acceptance in some of the best Circuits of that Church. In 1886 he was received by the N.Z. Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and for nearly a quarter of a century has given of his very best to the furtherance of her interests. His ministry has been marked by ability, fidelity, and sympathy. He has kept himself abreast of the times by extensive reading. His preaching, always fresh, has been expository, practical, and evangelical. Mr Taylor has enjoyed the esteem and confidence of his brethren and the affection and gratitude of the Churches in connection with which his ministry has been exercised. He has had many seals to that ministry. An able preacher, a wise administrator, a trusted pastor, he passes out of the ranks of active workers into a well-earned retirement, bearing with him the prayers and good wishes of his brethren for a long and peaceful eventide.

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

None.

**QUESTION XIII.—What Ministers or Probationers have Permission to Rest during the Year?**

None.

**QUESTION XIV.—What Ministers are Left without Pastoral Charge?**

Francis W. Isitt.

**QUESTION XV.—Are there any Objections to any of our Ministers, Probationers, or Home Missionaries?**

They were examined one by one.

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

William R. Tuck, M.A., who has voluntarily retired.

**QUESTION XVII—Who are Elected the Chairmen of Districts for the ensuing year?**

Auckland.—George Bond.  
 Wanganui.—George W. J. Spence.  
 Wellington.—Thomas Fee.  
 Nelson.—John J. Lewis.  
 Canterbury.—Charles H. Laws, B.A., President of the Conference (ex officio).  
 Otago.—Paul W. Fairclough.

**QUESTION XVIII.—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 1910:—

Rev. H. F. Bellhouse: Secretary and Convener.  
 Rev. C. H. Garland: Section A for Candidates.  
 Rev. G. T. Marshall: Section B for Candidates.  
 Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A.: Section C for Candidates.  
 Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.: Latin for Probationers.  
 Rev. H. R. Dewsbury: Hebrew.  
 Revs. C. H. Laws, B.A., and J. H. Haslam: Greek.  
 Rev. T. J. Wallis: English Bible, Old Testament, First and Second Years.  
 Rev. J. Wrigley: English Bible, Old Testament, Third and Fourth Years.  
 Rev. J. T. Pinfold, F.G.S.: English Bible, New Testament.  
 Rev. W. Grigg: Wesley's Sermons.  
 Rev. J. A. Lochore: Banks' Manual.  
 Rev. W. Slade: Pope's Compendium, Second and Third Years.  
 Rev. W. J. Williams: Pope's Compendium, Fourth Year.  
 Rev. B. F. Rothwell: Book of Laws.  
 Rev. S. Lawry: Peabody's Social Question.  
 Rev. A. C. Lawry: Fitchett's Wesley.  
 Rev. J. J. Lewis: Smyth's Christian Ethics.  
 Rev. T. A. Joughin: Bruce's Apologetics.  
 Rev. J. A. Luxford: Fisher's History, First and Second Years.  
 Rev. W. J. Elliott: Fisher's History, Third and Fourth Years.  
 Rev. C. E. Beecroft: Shedd's Homiletics.  
 Rev. W. A. Sinclair: Bennett's Primer.  
 Rev. L. Hudson: Orr's Problem of the Old Testament.  
 Rev. W. Gittos: Maori Language.  
 Rev. A. J. Seamer: Section A for Maori Candidates.  
 Rev. B. F. Rothwell: Section B for Maori Candidates.

II.—EXAMINATION COMMITTEE.

A Committee set up by the previous Conference to submit a constitution of an Examination Committee presented its report. The following constitution was adopted.

- 1.—The Examination Committee shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Chairman of Dis-

tricts, such Members of the Board of Examiners as may be attending Conference, and ten other Ministers, who shall be chosen by the President from those attending Conference.

- 2.—The Committee shall sit on the day prior to the meeting of the Ministerial Committee of the Conference.
- 3.—The Committee shall receive all reports, including all individual reports from Examiners, concerning Probationers, Students, and Candidates, conduct the oral examinations, and make recommendations to the Conference on each case.
- 4.—The Conference shall appoint a small Committee in the town in which the following Conference is to meet, such Committee to make arrangements for the hearing of Candidates' trial sermons. Each Committee appointed to hear a trial sermon shall include at least one member of the Examination Committee.
- 5.—The Secretary of the Conference shall be Corvener of the Examination Committee, and shall bring its findings before the Conference Ministerial Committee or the Conference.

### III.—REGULATIONS.

1. The time allowed for each Examination Paper shall be three hours in all cases.
2. The questions for Probationers shall be so arranged as to require a knowledge of all the work prescribed in the syllabus in any given subject, and in no case shall any special parts be notified.
3. The Examination Papers for Candidates shall be printed, and the papers for Probationers typewritten.
4. Probationers must themselves communicate with their respective Examiners, and also, with their Chairmen, not later than June 30th, stating the subjects in which they are preparing to be examined. Examiners shall report to the Board the names of all Probationers who fail to comply with this regulation. The regulation does not apply to Students who are called out after May 31st.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.)

8. The Probationers' and Candidates' Examination, including that of Students on the President's List of Reserve, shall be held in the last week of November: the Students' Examination at the same time as the other Examinations in the Auckland District.
9. 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; such written reports, in the case of Candidates only, to be sent on to Conference for reference.
10. The Secretary shall then prepare a General Report for the ensuing Conference, which shall include, in the case of the Fourth Year Probationers, a summary of the results obtained in the four yearly examinations.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. The Chairman of each District shall forward to the Secretary of the Board a signed official report of the Trial Sermons of each Probationer, Student, or Candidate examined in his District, together with the Book List of each Probationer and Candidate; 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.
14. 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 examinations, and must be classified as follows:—1. Theology; 2. Science and Philosophy; 3. History and Biography; 4. Poetry; 5. Miscellaneous.
15. Probationers are reminded that the Greek Testament is a compulsory subject through the whole course for all those who have passed through College. With regard to any others, they shall take, in their first year, Green's "Brief Introduction to New Testament Greek," pp. 1 to 43; in their second year, p. 43 to the end; in their third year, a review of the whole book; and in their fourth year, the Greek Testament as prescribed. 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.
16. 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 is to select one, in which the Probationer shall be examined orally in the Synod.
17. The Students 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. The Students on the President's List of Reserve are required to pursue their studies under the direction of the Examiners appointed to conduct the Candidates' Examination, who shall set suitable papers, and report in each case to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners. These Students are expected to take the elementary Greek prescribed in Regulation 15.
19. 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, provided he pass in Greek.
20. Maori Candidates are required to preach in English before a Synod Committee.
21. That, in all cases where "University work" is being done in lieu of regular subjects, Probationers be required to sit for the University and College examinations involved, and that a statement of subjects taken and success gained be sent by them to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
22. That no Student on the President's List of Reserve be employed as a Home Missionary without his personal consent.
23. That copies of the Resolutions and Regulations re Examinations be struck off for use by Probationers, Students, and Candidates.

#### PROBATIONERS' COURSE OF STUDY.

(AS DECIDED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.)

##### FIRST YEAR.

1. Bible, Old Testament.—HEBREW—Book of Genesis, chs. i-iii, with Davidson's Hebrew Grammar. ENGLISH—Genesis, Dods' Commentary. (Bible Class Handbooks.)
2. Bible, New Testament.—GREEK—St. John's Gospel, chs. i-iii. Cambridge Greek Testament. ENGLISH—St. John's Gospel. Cambridge Bible for Schools.
3. Wesley's Sermons, Nos. 1-20.
4. Banks' Manual of Christian Doctrine.
5. Book of Laws:—Sections relating to Church Members, Circuit Officials, Local Courts, Ministers, District Courts and Conferences.
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 1-143.
7. Shedd's Homiletics and Pastoral Theology.

##### SECOND YEAR.

1. Bible, Old Testament.—HEBREW—1 Kings i-iv, with Davidson's Hebrew Grammar. ENGLISH—Dods' Post-Exilian Prophets. (Bible Class Handbooks.)
2. Bible, New Testament.—GREEK—Ephesians, with Canon Armitage Robinson's Commentary. ENGLISH—1 and 2 Thessalonians. Cambridge Bible for Schools.
3. Wesley's Sermons, Nos. 21-53.

4. Pope's Compendium, Vol. ii, pp. 1-316, "Sin and the Mediatorial Ministry."
5. Peabody's "Jesus Christ and the Social Question."
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 144-286.
7. Bennett's Primer of the Bible.

## THIRD YEAR.

1. Bible, Old Testament.—HEBREW—Isaiah, chs. i-v. ENGLISH—Isaiah. Cambridge Bible for Schools.
2. Bible, New Testament.—GREEK—St. Mark, chs. xi-xvi, with Swete's Commentary on St. Mark. ENGLISH—Romans; Cambridge Bible for Schools.
3. Smyth's Christian Ethics, pp. 1-292.
4. Pope's Compendium, Vol. ii, p. 320—Vol. iii, 147, "Administration of Redemption."
5. Fitchett's "Wesley and his Century."
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 287-483.
7. Orr's "Problem of the Old Testament," pp. 1-284.

## FOURTH YEAR.

1. Bible, Old Testament.—HEBREW—Psalms i-x. ENGLISH—Book of Job; Cambridge Bible for Schools.
2. Bible, New Testament.—GREEK—Romans, chs. i-v, with Sanday and Headlam's Commentary. ENGLISH—Hebrews, with Davidson's Commentary. (Bible Class Handbooks.)
3. Pope's Compendium, Vol. iii, pp. 148 to the end—"Christian Ethics," "The Church," "The Last Things."
4. Smith's Christian Ethics, pp. 293-494.
5. Bruce's Apologetics.
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 483-664.
7. Orr's "Problem of the Old Testament," pp. 285 to end.

## 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. Probationers for the first year shall be required to present themselves for examination in five subjects only, and must pass in four. (The New Zealand Conference has decided that so long as Probationers secure pass marks in ANY five subjects, or FOUR in the case of first-year Probationers, 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 will 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 1910 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.
- 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.
- Forrest's The Authority of Christ.
- Smith's In the Days of His Flesh.
- Davidson's Old Testament Prophecy.
- Davidson's Old Testament Theology.
- Du-Bose's The Gospel in the Gospels.
- Sanday's Outlines of Life of Christ.
- Ramsay's Pauline and Other Gospels.
- The Expositor's Bible.
- Davison's Wisdom Literature of Old Testament.
- Findlay's Books of the Prophets.
- 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.
- Way's Letters of St. Paul.
- Somerville's St. Paul's Conception of Christ.

Smith's Historical Geography of Holy Land.  
 Ramsay's Was Christ Born at Bethlehem?  
 Moulton's Literary Study of the Bible.  
 Pinche's Old Testament Records in the Light of Babylonian  
 and Assyrian Records.  
 Bennett and Adeney's Biblical Introduction.  
 Dods' The Bible, Its Origin and Nature.

## 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.  
 Beet's Theology.  
 Hort's The Way, The Truth, and The Life.  
 Salmon's Christian Doctrine of Immortality.  
 Denney's Studies in Theology.  
 Dale's Christian Doctrine.  
 Davison's Christian Interpretation of Life.  
 Stevens'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 Resurrection.  
 Illingworth's Reason and Revelation.  
 Illingworth's Divine Immanence.  
 Illingworth's Personality, Human and Divine.  
 Denney's The Death of Christ.  
 Denney's The Atonement in the Light of Modern Thought.  
 Bruce's The Moral Order of the World.  
 Lidgett's Spiritual Principle of the Atonement.  
 Lidgett's Fatherhood of God.  
 Caird's Fundamental Ideas of Christianity.  
 Starbuck's Psychology of Religion.  
 Lambert's Sacraments of the New Testament.  
 James's Varieties of Religious Experience.  
 King's Rational Living.  
 Lofthouse's Ethics and the Atonement.  
 Orr's God's Image in Man.  
 Row's Manual of Christian Evidences.  
 Peabody's Jesus Christ and Christian Character.  
 Clarke's Outlines of Theology.

## 3. APOLOGETICS.—

Fitchett's Unrealised Logic of Religion.  
 Butler's Analogy; Gladstone's Essay.  
 Gwatkin's Knowledge of God.  
 Paley's *Horæ Paulinæ*.

Brace's Gesta Christi.  
 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 Christianity and Evolution.  
 Orr's Christian View of God and the World.  
 Schultz's Apologetics.  
 Ballard's Miracles of Unbelief.  
 Blackett's Not Without Witness.

#### 4. CHURCH HISTORY AND POLITY.—

Wesley's Journals.  
 Schaff's Ecclesiastical History.  
 Quick's Methodism: A Parallel.  
 Hatch's History of Early Church Organisations.  
 D'Aubigne'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 and History in Modern Life.  
 G. Smith's History of Missions.  
 Dr Stevens'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.  
 Lindsay's Reformation.  
 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.  
 Green's J. Wesley, Evangelist.  
 Winchester's Life of Wesley.  
 Hort's Christian Ecclesia.  
 Gregory's Church Principles, etc.  
 Lightfoot's Christian Ministry.  
 Workman's Persecution in the Early Church.  
 Fisher's History of Christian Doctrine.  
 Wibberley's Marks of Methodism.

#### 5. PASTORAL THEOLOGY.—

Gladden's Christian Pastor and the Working Church.  
 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's Lectures on Preaching.  
 Fletcher's Thoughts on Preaching.  
 Garvie's Guide to Preachers.  
 Kennard's Psychic Power in Preaching.

## 6. SOCIOLOGY.—

- Eley's Socialism.
- Ensor's Socialism.
- Flint's Socialism.
- McKenzie's Introduction to Social Philosophy.
- Toynbee's Industrial Revolution.
- Gladden's Tools and the Man.
- Dennis's Social Progress and Christian Missions.
- Bussell's Christian Theology and Social Progress.

## 7. MISCELLANEOUS.—

- Wallace's Darwinism.
- Rowntree and Sherwell's Temperance Problems.
- Black's Culture and Restraint.
- Coe's Education in Religion and Morals.
- Buckley's Short History of Natural Science.
- Smyth's Through Science to Faith.
- Rice's Christian Faith in an Age of Science.
- Waggett's Religion and Science.

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

Probationers are advised to consult, when possible, Hastings' new Bible Dictionary, and Hastings' Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels. Those who read Hebrew and Greek will find the volumes of the International Critical Commentary and of the Expositor's Greek Testament very useful.

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."

## IV.—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 (Genesis, St. Mark), Expositor's Bible.
4. Cowan's "Landmarks of Church History."

## SECOND YEAR.

1. Eldridge's Theology (second half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 13 to 24.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (I and II Kings, St. John's Gosepl), Expositor's Bible.
4. Keeble's "The Citizen of To-Morrow."

## THIRD YEAR.

1. Gregory's "Theological Student" (first half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 25 to 37.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (Psalms, Acts), Expositor's Bible.
4. Fitchett's "Wesley and His Century."

## FOURTH YEAR.

1. Gregory's "Theological Student" (second half).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 38 to 53.
3. Bible, Old and New Testaments (Isaiah, Romans), Expositor's Bible.
4. Arthur's "Tongue of Fire."

## V.—STUDENTS' COURSE OF STUDY.

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

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

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

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Rev. R. H. Dewsbury be appointed Acting Governor.
2. That three Lecturers be appointed as follows:—
  - (a) Systematic Theology and Elocution—Rev. H. R. Dewsbury.
  - (b) Homiletics and Exegesis—Rev. G. Bond.
  - (c) Junior Greek—Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.
3. That each of the Theological Students in the Institution preach a Trial Sermon before one of the Ministers of the Auckland, North Shore, and Onehunga 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. Also, that it be an instruction to the Governor that arrangements be made whereby the Students shall preach periodically before the Ministers of the Auckland Circuits.
4. 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.
5. 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 Examination.

## VI.—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 Gregory's "Theological Student."

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—Green's "Brief Introduction to New Testament Greek," pp. 1 to 43.
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. Geometry—Lines, Angles, Rectilineal Figures and Area of Rectilineal Figures. (School Geometry, Parts I and II, 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) Geometry.
  - (i) Algebra.
3. The results for each subject shall be classed in the following manner:—
- 85 to 100 per cent. of marks: First Class.
  - 70 to 84 per cent. of marks: Second Class.
  - 50 to 69 per cent. of marks: Third Class.
  - Below 50 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. Candidates for the Ministry are required to prepare for the Matriculation Examination of the New Zealand University in the literary and mathematical subjects (Greek excepted), and in the event of their sitting the report of their marks shall be obtained by the Secretary of the Board of Examiners and reported to the Examination Committee, and they shall be exempted from sitting for the Conference Examination.
6. 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. In presenting a Candidate to Synod, his Superintendent shall certify that he has undergone reasonable preparation for taking the Candidates' examinations.

## VII.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR MAORI CANDIDATES.

### SECTION A.

1. General Bible Knowledge (Maori.)
2. Second Catechism (English.)

### SECTION B.

1. English Language.—(a) Nesfield's "Outlines of English Grammar"; (b) Correction of Common Errors; (c) Essay on some easy subject of importance to the Young Maori Movement (subject to be chosen by the Examiner.)
2. Geography.—"Southern Cross Imperial Geography for Standards V and VI," Parts I and II only.

3. History.—Mackenzie's "Nineteenth Century," parts dealing with Great Britain.
4. Arithmetic.—"New Southern Cross," for Standard V.

#### VIII.—HOME MISSIONARIES' COURSE OF STUDY.

Home Missionaries are strongly urged to take advantage of the Correspondence Classes instituted under the auspices of the Local Preachers' Mutual Aid Association.

#### IX.—HOME MISSIONARIES' COURSE OF READING.

1. That a course of reading be prepared for the purpose of assisting and directing our Home Missionaries in the study of Methodist Theology.
2. That each Home Missionary of less than four years' standing be required to send in a book list once a year to the Chairman of the District in which he labours, who shall at his discretion examine him in one or more of the books in the list.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

##### EXAMINATION COMMITTEE.

The Examination Committee shall meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 22nd, 1911.

##### COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL BUSINESS.

A Committee consisting of all Ministers who have intimated their intention of attending the next Conference shall meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 23rd, 1911, and consider all possible Ministerial business, and report to Conference in Ministerial Session; the President to be responsible for convening the Committee.

##### CANDIDATES' TRIAL SERMONS.

The Ministers of Christchurch and Lyttelton Circuits shall be the Committee to make arrangements for the hearing of Candidates' Trial Sermons.

##### THE REV. A. J. SEAMER.

The following resolution was omitted from the Minutes of 1909:—

That, in accordance with the views of his medical adviser, the Conference does not recommend Mr Seamer's employment in Foreign Mission work, but that he be appointed to a European Circuit. The Conference takes this opportunity of recognising the earnestness and fidelity with which he has for four years discharged the duties of a Minister to the Maoris and Europeans in the North.

C. H. LAWS, President.

SAMUEL LAWRY, Secretary.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS.

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To the Members and Adherents of the Methodist  
Church of Australasia in New Zealand.

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DEAR BRETHREN,—Once again it is our privilege to address to you a few words of greeting and exhortation. Of your continued interest in the affairs of the Kingdom of God among men we have no manner of doubt, but there are a few things concerning which we desire “to stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance.”

Our sympathies have been greatly stirred by the anxieties which many of you underwent during the financial crisis of last winter, and we rejoice with you in the passing of its hardest phases. We trust that with returning prosperity there will be both a grateful recognition of the goodness of God and an earnest devotion to the great spiritual realities which constitute the greatest issues of our lives.

The Conference of 1910 will be remembered as among the best of recent years. All its sessions were marked by optimism, courage, and brotherly love, and though, as our custom is, we used great freedom of speech, no rent was made in the fabric of our unity. We have been gratified by an increase of the membership of the Church. Not that we are satisfied—only the conversion of the whole country would satisfy us—but we do thank God for the continued proofs of His presence in our midst.

The appointment made last year of a Home Mission Secretary has been amply justified. The work he has been able to do in the nine months of his occupancy of the office has resulted in an increase of 63 per cent. in the contributions to the Home Mission Fund in the three Districts visited, while the good he has been able to do in encouraging our brethren in outlying stations cannot be expressed by arithmetic.

The Foreign Missionary Income has again shown an encouraging elasticity. The contribution of £2431 9s 6d establishes a record. We are thankful that our Dominion is responding so worthily to the needs of Missions to the heathen world. We remind you, however, that the Balance Sheet of the Australian Methodist Foreign Missionary Society shows a deficit of £7489 12s 1d. This is a great embarrassment to the Society itself, and a cause of ceaseless anxiety to our Missionaries, who are unable, through lack of means, to respond to the cry of the heathen. The Board of Missions appeals for an annual income of £36,000, and it is all really needed if our work is to be worthily done. The Conference was able to set apart the Rev. W. W. Avery for Foreign Mission work, and we ask your prayers that his career may be both successful and of long duration.

We have devoted much attention to the work of our Sunday Schools, and we invite your earnest co-operation to make not only Sunday Schools, but all young people's work in the highest degree successful. It is probable that at some time almost our whole population has been under Sunday School influence, and yet how few are secured for Christ and the Church. In some countries, notably America, the leakage between School and Church has been minimised by the perfection of the organisation and methods of work of the Sunday Schools. We feel that it is in this direction we too must move, though we gladly recognise that in the last issue success in this as in other Christian work depends on the Divine Spirit. The Conference has adopted a new scheme of organisation for unifying young people's work. But all machinery needs to receive the impulse of a living hand. We confidently appeal to the Methodist people to unite with us in the effort to keep our children within the fold of the Good Shepherd.

The establishment of a Connexional Newspaper has received a great deal of our attention. The association of the Methodist Church with the "Outlook" has not given general satisfaction to our people, and the conviction has grown that the Church must have its own paper. We recognise the goodwill of the Presbyterian Church in consenting to the arrangement which has secured to us many years of participation in the "Outlook," but the Conference has yielded to the general wish for a Connexional organ, and we now appeal to you to support heartily the Committee charged with the duty of publishing the paper. We look to you to help us by yourselves subscribing to the paper and also by inducing others to subscribe.

The question of the supply of young men for the Ministry of the Church still occupies our anxious thought. The conditions of modern life demand the very best men for the Ministry. At one time men were most influenced by appeals to the emotions, of which fear was the chief. As the world becomes better educated the emotional side of our nature is held in check by thought and reason, and these become the avenues by which we must reach the soul. In our days knowledge which was once confined to the laboratory and the lecture room has become the possession of the multitude. To meet the needs of this age the highest type of Ministry is required. The Ministry of the Christian Church was never more difficult, and therefore to those who have eyes to see, never more glorious. Let us remind you that the founder of Methodism was a man of immense culture and learning, and while we are the first to admit that the Holy Spirit uses all classes of people, we believe that He finds educated instruments the most effective. To better train our Ministers we have decided to designate next year one of our Ministers to become Principal of our Theological College, and this decision we are confident will meet with your approval. You may help the Church in this great work. If your boys show a desire to become Ministers we entreat you first to place no obstacle in their way, and secondly to lighten the burden of the whole Church by providing for them the best possible education, and so save both the time and the money now spent in supplying the education which has sometimes been lacking in Candidates for the Ministry. If you teach your sons that the Ministry is the ideal career you will help to secure a supply of the best men for this high calling.

The Conference of 1909 drew the attention of the Church to the decay of the Lay Pastorate among us owing to the cessation in very many places of the Class Meeting, and expressed its conviction that the effective maintenance of the work of God demands the co-operation of chosen laymen with the Ministers in the pastoral oversight of our people. A Committee was appointed to consider this important subject and its report has been adopted. It re-establishes the order of Leaders to be duly set apart for their work before the whole Church. We regard this as a movement of vital importance. Our Class Meetings formerly supplied an effective means of oversight, and as those meetings have declined we have felt very keenly the loss of the service rendered by faithful Class Leaders. We need the help many could give us in this duty of pastoral oversight, and we trust that many of you will hear the call of God to take some part in this good work.

By a very large vote we have resolved to ask the General Conference to consent to our becoming an independent Church. Our discussion of this great question was characterised by Christian courtesy and forbearance, and many of those who opposed the movement expressed their readiness to accept the decision of the large majority by which the decision was arrived at. We believe that this action will be followed by the whole Church, and that when the separation comes we shall be found united in love and fellowship, and in the resolution to make Methodism a great power in this Dominion.

The past year will be specially noted by future historians as marking the introduction into this Dominion of compulsory military training. With every follower of the Lord Jesus Christ we lament that war has not long since been banished from the world. We should hail with gladness the inauguration of the era of universal peace, but we do not yet see many signs of its near approach. Upon the necessity or desirability of the provisions of the new Defence Act we do not now express an opinion, but we earnestly remind you that our real safety and our persistence as a nation depend less on our readiness for war than upon our adhesion to the highest ideals of life. Righteousness not only exalts a nation but perpetuates it. Our safety lies in slaying our internal foes.

The future is bright with hope and promise. We believe God has placed us in this Southern Ocean to rear the fabric of a great and pure nation. As a people we have the opportunity of making a new beginning, untrammelled by the conventions and baneful heritages of the old world; but we shall succeed in carrying out the great design only so far as we cause the national life to be permeated by the influence of pure religion. That is our work both as a corporate Church and as individual disciples of Jesus Christ. Let us be diligent to use our opportunities, publicly and privately, and may God's richest blessing always attend us.

Signed on behalf of the Conference—

C. H. LAWS, President.

SAMUEL LAWRY, Secretary.

## SECTION II.

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# REPRESENTATIVE SESSION.

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

### DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

The Report of the Committee on District boundaries was considered, and it was resolved:—

1. That the whole question of District Boundaries be remitted to the District Synods, to report to the Conference of 1911.
2. That Synods be directed to consider the following proposals, and any others that may be submitted:—
  1. That a new District be constituted, to be called the Hawke's Bay District, to consist of the following Circuits:—Gisborne, Napier, Hastings, Waipawa, Dannevirke, Woodville, Pahiatua, Eketahuna, Masterton, South Wairarapa, and the Norsewood Home Mission Station.
  2. That a Taranaki District be formed, to consist of the following Circuits in the present Wanganui District:—New Plymouth, Waitara, Inglewood, Stratford, Hawera, Kaponga, Eltham, Cape Egmont, Wanganui, and Aramoho, with Patea, North Taranaki, and Ohura Home Mission Stations.
  3. That the Wellington District consist of Wellington (Taranaki Street), Central Mission, Thorndon, Wellington South, Johnsonville, Hutt, Petone, Levin-Otaki, Palmerston North, Feilding, Sanson and Rongotea, Rangitikei, Taihape, Waimarino, and Kimbolton Home Mission Station.
4. That Taumarunui be transferred to the Auckland District.

### ALTERATION AND DIVISION OF CIRCUITS.

#### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

**ONEHUNGA.**—That Epsom be transferred from Onehunga Circuit to Auckland East, the boundaries to be arranged by the Circuits affected.

WHANGAROA.—That the Whangaroa Home Mission Station be divided, and that a new Station be constituted to be called the MANGONUI Home Mission Station; the places in the new Station to be Mangonui, Oruru, Fairburn, Victoria Valley, Tekoroa, Canaan, and Paranui, and the places in the Whangaroa Station to be Kaeo, Totara, Temoari, Otaroa, Pungaere, and two others.

N.B.—The officials of the proposed new Station pledge themselves to give the Missionary £100 a year and to pay travelling expenses.

#### WANGANUI DISTRICT.

SANDON.—That the name be changed to Sanson and Rongotea Circuit.

#### WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. THORNDON and JOHNSONVILLE.—That the boundaries of the Thorndon and Johnsonville Circuits be altered so that Kaiwarra shall be included in the Thorndon Circuit, and half of the subsidy which Thorndon is receiving from the Taranaki Street Circuit be given to Johnsonville as compensation.
2. WELLINGTON SOUTH and SUBURBAN.—That the Wellington South and Wellington Suburban Circuits be united, the second Minister to reside at Kilbirnie, with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund.
3. HUTT.—That the Hutt Circuit be divided, the new Circuit to be called PETONE, and to include Petone, Wainui, Koro Koro, and Eastbourne; White's Line to be the boundary between the two Circuits.
4. SOUTH WAIRARAPA.—That the South Wairarapa Circuit Quarterly Meeting consider division on the following terms—viz., the northern portion of the Circuit to be called CARTERTON and to include Carterton, Dalefield, Belvedere, Clareville, Parkville, and Waihakeke, the southern portion to be called FEATHERSTON, and to include Featherston, South Featherston, Kahutere, Cross Creek, Greytown, and Morrison's Bush; the Waiohine River to be the boundary between the two Circuits; a grant to be made to the Featherston Circuit and the Home Missionary now engaged to be withdrawn.

#### CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

That in the event of a Central Mission being established in Christchurch, Durham Street South and High Street Churches be detached from Durham Street Circuit, and become part of the Central Mission.

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

#### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. HAMILTON.—That a Probationer be appointed to assist in the work of the Hamilton Circuit, with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund (the Probationer to reside at Ngauawahia), on condition that the usual guarantee be given.
2. MAORI MISSION.—An additional Probationer to the Auckland Maori Mission (Whangaroa).

N.B.—Application from Auckland (Pitt Street) and Auckland East to be relieved from supplying Auckland West with two ministerial appointments per quarter was received and granted.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

PALMERSTON NORTH.—That a Probationer be appointed, with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund, subject to the usual guarantee being given.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. NAPIER.—That a Probationer be appointed to the Napier Circuit.
2. MASTERTON.—That a Home Missionary be appointed to the Masterton Circuit with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund.
3. GISBORNE.—That a Home Missionary be appointed with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund.

NELSON DISTRICT.

1. BLENHEIM.—That a Home Missionary be appointed to the Blenheim Circuit to work the Seddon and Flaxbourne districts.
2. GREYMOUTH.—That an additional Home Missionary be appointed to the Greymouth Circuit, to work the Brunner and Blackball districts.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

TIMARU.—That a Probationer be appointed to the Timaru Circuit, but that for the present it stand "One wanted."

**QUESTION III.—What new Stations are now Sanctioned?**

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

OPOTIKI.—That a Home Mission Station be established at Opotiki, to be called the OPOTIKI Home Mission Station.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

TAUMARUNUI.—That Taumarunui be constituted a Circuit, with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

WAIAU.—That immediate effect be given to the decision of last year to occupy this Station.

**QUESTION IV.—What Circuits are now due to provide for Married instead of Single Ministers?**

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

ROTORUA is due, but is relieved for a THIRD year.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

TAIHAPE is due, but is relieved for a SECOND year.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

SOUTH WAIRARAPA (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a FIFTH year.  
 LEVIN-OTAKI (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a SECOND year.

## NELSON DISTRICT.

MOTUEKA is due, but is relieved for a TENTH year.  
 WESTPORT is due, but is relieved for an ELEVENTH year.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

KAIAPOI (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a SECOND year, the Circuit to fulfil its obligation in 1911.  
 MALVERN is due, but is relieved for another year.

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

DUNEDIN (Cargill Road), 2nd, is due, but is relieved for a THIRD year.  
 MOSGIEL is due, but is relieved for a SECOND year.  
 INVERCARGILL (2nd) is due, but is relieved for ONE year.

**QUESTION V.—What Ministers have Died since the Last Conference?**

William James Watkin.  
 William George Thomas.

William James Watkin was born in Tonga in 1833. He was the son of the Rev. James Watkin, one of our noble pioneer missionaries. He entered the Ministry in 1857. While popular in his own Circuit, he was much sought after as a preacher on special occasions. He was the retiring President of the Conference when the jubilee of the New Zealand Methodist Church was celebrated in 1890. During the years 1882 to 1884 he was the Principal of the Three Kings Institution. He was an excessively modest man, which perhaps accounts for the fact that, although possessed of more than average ability, he was found often in hard country Circuits. He became a Supernumerary in 1893. During his retirement, despite failing health, he did excellent work as a preacher in the Onehunga and adjoining Circuits. In his last illness he maintained the same high level of Christian experience that had characterised his whole life. It was a benediction to be with him in the closing hours of his life. He passed away in great peace on the 28th of September, 1909.

William George Thomas was born at Milford Haven, July, 1843. He was a child of many prayers, his father being a godly man and a local preacher. His history is an illustration of the value of home training. His decision for Christ took place when he was fifteen years of age. After passing the July examination in 1865 he entered Richmond College, and was designated for New Zealand, arriving in 1869. He became a Supernumerary in 1902, and, after great suffering, became a victim of paralysis. He employed his time in writing sermons and hymns, which breathe the spirit of quiet trustfulness and joy in the Lord. His room was as the Presence Chamber of the King. Just before the end he wrote, "I die trusting only in the mercy of God through Jesus Christ, who lived and died and gave Himself for me." For him to live was Christ, and to die great gain.

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

Henry A. G. Keck, with Victoria and Tasmania Conference, on condition that a Probationer is sent in exchange.

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**QUESTION VII.—What Ministers do we Agree to Transfer to other Conferences?**

William W. Avery, to the New South Wales Conference, for Foreign Mission work.

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**QUESTION VIII.—What Ministers and Probationers do we Agree to Receive from other Conferences?**

None.

N.B.—A request from the New South Wales Conference for permission to retain the Rev. W. E. Bromilow in New South Wales (it being New Zealand's turn to take a returned missionary) was agreed to, subject to the condition that the Rev. J. W. Burton be transferred to New Zealand in 1911.

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**QUESTION IX.—How are our Ministers and Probationers Stationed for the Ensuing Year?**

(See List of Stations.)

**LIST OF STATIONS**  
OF THE  
**Methodist Church of Australasia**  
**IN NEW ZEALAND.**

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**President :**  
**REV. C. H. LAWS, B.A.**

**Secretary :**  
**REV. S. LAWRY.**

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**STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1910.**

[N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 99 is the head of a Circuit or Mission, and the Minister first named is the Superintendent. The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits or Missions 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.]

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I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. **Auckland** (Pitt Street).—William Ready; George S. Cook (Mount Albert); Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A. (Kingsland); Joseph S. Smalley and James Thomas (Supernumeraries).
  2. **Auckland West**.—George Bond (Ponsonby).
  3. **Auckland East**.—Henry R. Dewsbury (Grafton Road); Hugh Beggs (Mount Eden); one wanted (Newmarket); Joseph J. Mather (Supernumerary).
- WESLEY COLLEGE, THREE KINGS, NATIVE INSTITUTION.—Joseph H. Simmonds, Principal (Mount Eden).
- THEOLOGICAL TRAINING INSTITUTION.—Joseph H. Simmonds, Governor.
- HOME MISSION ORGANISING SECRETARY.—Thomas G. Brooke.
4. **Auckland Methodist Mission**.—James Wilson.
  5. **Auckland** (North Shore).—William H. Beck (Devonport); John S. Rishworth (Supernumerary).
  6. **Auckland** (Birkenhead).—Thomas G. Carr.
  7. **Onehunga**.—Samuel J. Gibson

8. **Otahuhu**.—Edwin Cox.  
 9. **Mahurangi**.—Percy R. Paris (Warkworth).  
 10. **Thames**.—Thomas Trestrail.  
 11. **Upper Thames**.—Alexander J. Reed (Te Aroha); a Home Missionary (Morrinsville); a Home Missionary (Mamaku).  
 12. **Waihi**.—James Wrigley.  
 13. **Paeroa**.—Arthur C. Randerson, M.A.  
 14. **Franklin**.—John Dukes (Pukekohe); one wanted (Waiuku).  
 15. **Cambridge**.—William Tinsley; a Home Missionary (Te Awamutu).  
 16. **Hamilton**.—Henry L. Blamires; one wanted.  
 17. **Huntly**.—One wanted (a Home Missionary).  
 18. **Paparoa**.—George F. Stockwell.  
 19. **Northern Wairoa**.—John D. Jory (Mangawhare); a Home Missionary (Rehia).  
 20. **Whangarei**.—William J. Elliott; a Home Missionary (Hikurangi).  
 21. **Rotorua**.—John D. McArthur.  
 22. **Auckland Maori Mission**.—William Gittos (Devonport).  
     Whangaroa.—Hapeta Renata (Kaeo); Davis Wilcox.  
     Hokianga.—Te Tuhi Heretini (Whirinaki); Hamiora Kingi (Ruakura).  
     Kaipara.—Hauraki Paul (Reweti).  
     Waikato.—Piripi Rakena (Kopua); Hone M. Hare (Te Kuiti).  
     Lower Waikato.—One wanted.  
 TAURANGA.—A Home Missionary.  
 COROMANDEL.—A Home Missionary.  
 HELENSVILLE.—A Home Missionary (Kaukapakapa).  
 BAY OF ISLANDS.—A Home Missionary (Kawakawa).  
 HOKIANGA.—A Home Missionary (Rawene).  
 WHANGAROA.—A Home Missionary (Kaeo).  
 PORT ALBERT.—A Home Missionary.  
 TE KUITI.—A Home Missionary.  
 OPOTIKI.—A Home Missionary.  
 MANGONUI.—A Home Missionary.

GEORGE BOND, Chairman of the District.

## II.—WANGANUI DISTRICT.

23. **New Plymouth**.—James G. Chapman; a Home Missionary; W. Cannell (Supernumerary).  
 24. **Waitara**.—William Wills.  
 25. **Inglewood**.—William S. Bowie.  
 26. **Stratford**.—Colin C. Harrison.  
 27. **Eltham**.—Fred Copeland.  
 28. **Hawera**.—Frederick W. Boys; William A. Burley (Manaia).  
 29. **Cape Egmont**.—R. Purcell Keall (Opunake); a Home Missionary (Rahotu).

30. **Kaponga**.—W. Bramwell Scott.
31. **Wanganui**.—John A. Luxford.  
CHAPLAIN TO THE NEW ZEALAND MILITIA.—John A. Luxford.
32. **Aramoho**.—Ernest D. Patchett.
33. **Rangitikei**.—Cornelius Griffin (Marton); a Home Missionary (Mangaweka).
34. **Sanson and Rongotea**.—George Frost (Sanson).
35. **Feilding**.—Charles E. Beecroft.
36. **Palmerston North**.—George W. J. Spence; T. Theodore Thomas, B.A. (Cuba Street); William A. Watson (Ashhurst); George S. Harper (Supernumerary).
37. **Taihape**.—Alexander Allen.
38. **Waimarino**.—James Richards (Raetihi).
39. **Taumarunui**.—One wanted.
40. **West Coast Maori Mission**.—Thomas G. Hammond (Opunake); Robert Tahu Potiki Haddon (Normanby); a Home Missionary (Patea); a Deaconess.  
PATEA.—A Home Missionary.  
KIMBOLTON.—A Home Missionary.  
OHURA.—A Home Missionary.  
NORTH TARANAKI.—A Home Missionary.

GEORGE W. J. SPENCE, Chairman of the District.

### III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

41. **Wellington** (Taranaki Street).—Samuel J. Serpell; James R. Clark (Karori); Harry B. Redstone (Supernumerary); Francis W. Isitt (without Pastoral Charge).
42. **Wellington Central Mission**.—Ernest O. Blamires.
43. **Wellington** (Thorndon).—Thomas Fee.
44. **Wellington South**.—Josiah Ward; Raymond Richards (Kilbirnie).
45. **Johnsonville**.—Albert B. Chappel, M.A.
46. **Hutt**.—Benjamin F. Rothwell; Samuel J. Garlick (Supernumerary).
47. **Petone**.—Arthur J. Seamer; William Kirk (Supernumerary).
48. **South Wairarapa**.—Charles H. Standage (Carterton); William G. Maslin (Featherston); a Home Missionary (Greytown).
49. **Masterton**.—Charles E. Porter; a Home Missionary.
50. **Napier**.—Albert C. Lawry; Albert F. Burchell (Greenmeadows).
51. **Hastings**.—T. Jackson Wallis.
52. **Cisborne**.—John A. Lochore; a Home Missionary.
53. **Eketahuna**.—John J. Pendray.
54. **Dannevirke**.—John W. Griffin.
55. **Levin Otaki**.—T. Francis Jones (Levin); Frederick Rands (Otaki).
56. **Waipawa**.—Benjamin J. James.
57. **Woodville**.—Barton H. Ginger.
58. **Pahiatua**.—William H. Speer.  
NORSEWOOD.—A Home Missionary.  
WAIPUKURAU.

THOMAS FEE. Chairman of the District.

## IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

59. **Nelson**.—John J. Lewis; John Crump (Supernumerary).  
 60. **Richmond**.—Clarence Eaton; a Home Missionary.  
 61. **Blenheim**.—Thomas R. Richards; E. Percy Blamires (Tua Marina); a Home Missionary (Picton); a Home Missionary (Flaxbourne); William Lee (Supernumerary, Picton).  
 62. **Hokitika**.—Harry Ranston.  
 63. **Greymouth**.—Thomas N. Griffin; a Home Missionary (Runanga); a Home Missionary (Brunner).  
 64. **Motueka**.—Charles B. Jordan, B.A.  
 65. **Reefton**.—Richard Wilson.  
 66. **Westport**.—Henry A. G. Keck.  
 HAVELOCK.—A Home Missionary.

JOHN J. LEWIS, Chairman of the District.

## V.—CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

67. **Christchurch** (Durham Street).—Charles H. Garland; Charles H. Laws, B.A., President of the Conference, (East Belt); J. Newman Buttle (Woolston); Angus McBean (Richmond); Nicholas Turner (Durham Street South); John Smith, William C. Oliver, David McNicoll, Robert Taylor (Supernumeraries).  
 CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.—Henry Bull.  
 68. **Christchurch** (Sydenham).—Lewis Hudson.  
 CONNEXIONAL EDITOR.—Lewis Hudson.  
 69. **Christchurch** (Addington).—Samuel Griffith; a Home Missionary.  
 70. **Christchurch** (St. Albans).—William A. Sinclair; a Home Missionary.  
 71. **Christchurch** (Papanui).—Samuel Lawry (Secretary of the Conference).  
 72. **Lytelton**.—Alfred Peters.  
 73. **Springston**.—James T. Pinfold, F.G.S.  
 74. **Tai Tapu**.—Arthur Ashcroft.  
 75. **Leeston**.—Thomas A. Joughin.  
 76. **Kaipoi**.—Arthur Mitchell; C. Roberts (Ohoka).  
 77. **Rangiora**.—Christopher Abernethy; Jonathan H. Haslam (Woodend).  
 78. **Malvern**.—One wanted.  
 79. **Timaru**.—William Baumber; one wanted.  
 80. **Waimate**.—Charles Penney; Joseph Blight (Supernumerary).  
 81. **Temuka**.—William Beckett.  
 82. **Ashburton**.—Harold E. Bellhouse.  
 83. **Willowby**.—Samuel H. D. Peryman; a Home Missionary.

84. **Amberley**.—J. Frederick Martin.  
 OXFORD.—A Home Missionary.  
 BANKS PENINSULA.—A Home Missionary (Little River).  
 METHVEN.—A Home Missionary.  
 CHEVIOT.—To be visited by the Amberley Minister.  
 KAIKOURA.

CHARLES H. LAWS, B.A. (President of the Conference),  
 Chairman of the District.

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VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

85. **Dunedin** (Trinity).—Paul W. Fairclough, F.R.A.S.; R. Burrows Tinsley (North-East Valley).  
 SOUTHERN MAORI MISSION.—Neho Hemi Papakakura (under the direction of the Chairman of the District).
86. **Dunedin Central Mission**.—William Slade.
87. **Dunedin** (Cargill Road).—Daniel J. Murray; Robert H. Wylie (St. Kilda).
88. **Dunedin** (Mornington).—Thomas W. Vealie.
89. **Dunedin** (Roslyn).—Thomas W. Newbold.
90. **Mosgiel**.—William H. E. Abbey.
91. **Port Chalmers**.—Frederick T. Read.
92. **Balclutha**.—James A. Hosking.
93. **Milton**.—Amos Reader.
94. **Lawrence**.—Walter J. Oxbrow.
95. **Invercargill**.—William Grigg; Charles Blair (South Invercargill).
96. **Oamaru**.—William J. Williams.
97. **Core**.—William Greenslade.
98. **Otautau**.—George T. Marshall; a Home Missionary (Nightcaps).
99. **Roxburgh**.—M. A. Rugby Pratt.  
 CROMWELL.—A Home Missionary.  
 RIVERTON.—A Home Missionary.  
 PALMERSTON.—A Home Missionary.  
 WINTON.—A Home Missionary.  
 WAIAU.—A Home Missionary.  
 WAKATIPU.

PAUL W. FAIRCLOUGH, Chairman of the District.

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1. J. S. Smalley, Supernumerary, has permission to reside in Scotland.
  2. Ministers are expected to arrive in their new Circuits between the second and third Sundays in April.
  3. Probationers and Home Missionaries appointed to separate Stations are under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

**QUESTION X.—What are the Resolutions of Conference Respecting Church and Other Properties?**

I.—SALES REPORTED.

1. AUCKLAND MAORI MISSION.—Sale of Waima Mission property, 36 acres 2 roods, for £100, the land being over-run with noxious weeds. Proceeds to be invested for the Home Mission Fund.
2. NEW PLYMOUTH CIRCUIT.—Sale of 1 acre, or 11 poles, at Village of Hua, for £50. Proceeds to be applied conditionally to the New Plymouth Trust.
3. HAWERA CIRCUIT.—Sale of old church and site, for £100, at Manaia, proceeds applied to purchase of new site and church erection.
4. ARROWTOWN.—Sale of Church property at Arrowtown for £210. Balance, after discharging debt, paid to credit of the capital account of the General Fund, but ear-marked in favour of Arrowtown in the event of a new church being required there at any future time.
5. GORE CIRCUIT.—Sale of old church property, £275, at Gore. Proceeds towards new church.

II.—NEW ERECTIONS AND PURCHASES COMPLETED.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. AUCKLAND (PITT STREET) CIRCUIT.—(1) Purchase by the Pitt Street Trustees of church site at Mount Roskill, 70 x 150ft, for £315. (2) Purchase by the Pitt Street Trustees of church site at Waikumete, 2 roods, for £40. (3) Completion of new Sunday School at Kingsland. Cost, £1008 15s; present debt, £430.
2. AUCKLAND (NORTH SHORE) CIRCUIT.—Enlargement of the Devonport Sunday School and erection of two additional classrooms. Cost, £263 7s 5d.
3. AUCKLAND (BIRKENHEAD) CIRCUIT.—Enlargement of Northcote Church, providing 70 additional sittings, at a cost of £246. Loan of £82 requested, and balance to be raised locally.
4. OTAHUHU CIRCUIT.—(1) Otahuhu: Erection of Sunday School, 46 x 32ft. Cost, £513 19s 6d. One-third from Church Building and Loan Fund. (2) Removal of Woodside Church to Manurewa, and re-erection, 36 x 20ft, to seat 100. Cost, £155. One-third from Church Building and Loan Fund. (3) Erection of new church at Papakura, 36 x 24ft, and vestry 10 x 8ft, to seat 120; cost, £525. Loan from the Loan Fund, £100.
5. PAEROA CIRCUIT.—Erection of parsonage of six rooms, and appurtenances at Paeroa. Cost, £437.
6. HAMILTON CIRCUIT.—Re-erection on site, 1 rood, at Te Kowhai, presented by Mr William Harris, of disused church formerly at Waitekauri, 37 x 24ft, to seat 140. Cost, £191 6s 5d.
7. NORTHERN WAIROA CIRCUIT.—Purchase of site at Te Kopuru, for £25, and erection thereon of Mission Hall, 30 x 20ft, to seat 100, and vestry, 10 x 12ft. Cost, £174. On securities, £125.

8. ROTORUA CIRCUIT.—Erection of classroom at Rotorua, 29 x 18ft, to seat 50. Cost, £129 6s 10d; debt, £42 12s 9d.
9. WHANGAROA HOME MISSION STATION.—(1) Erection of church at Fairburns, on land, 1 rood, presented by Mr Thomas Coulter, 34 x 20ft, to seat 100. Cost, £200; loan of £50 from Church Building and Loan Fund. No other debt. (2) Erection of church at Mangonui, 34 x 20ft, on land 70 x 30ft. Cost, £280; loan of £60 from the Church Building and Loan Fund. No other debt.
10. OPOTIKI HOME MISSION STATION.—Purchase of 1 acre site for church and parsonage at Opotiki for £430. Raised locally, £80; £150 from Loan Fund, and £200 on other security.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. NEW PLYMOUTH CIRCUIT.—Deed lifted and new Trustees appointed of 2 1-10 perches at Fitzroy, presented by the New Zealand Company.
2. WAITARA CIRCUIT.—Purchase by the Special Branch of the Loan Fund, church site, section 3, of Block III, 1 rood, for £27 11s 6d, at Urenui.
3. ELTHAM CIRCUIT.—Purchase of site with parsonage thereon of five rooms, with appurtenances at Eltham. Cost of land and house £440, debt to Government Advances to Settlers Department, £295.
4. HAWERA CIRCUIT.—(1) Gift of land at Normanby, Vol. 63, Fol. 282, on Trusts of the Model Deed, 2 roods, by Mr Anstead, and erection thereon of parsonage of seven rooms for the use of the Rev. R. Haddon or other appointee to the Home Mission work. Cost of house, £391 11s 6d. The sum of £500 raised by mortgage, and interest paid by Home Mission Fund. (2) Erection on land, section 26, corner of Normandy Road, Okaiawa, Maori Mission Hall and kitchen, 18 x 22ft and 12 x 12ft. Cost, £183 7s 6d. No debt. (3) Erection of new Infant Schoolroom at Hawera, of wood, 30 x 18ft, seats 100 infants. Cost, £85; no debt.
5. ARAMOHO CIRCUIT.—Erection of parsonage of wood, six rooms, at Aramohe. Cost, £422 16s 3d; debt on mortgage, £200.
6. MARTON CIRCUIT.—Erection of two Sunday School Classrooms at Marton. Cost, £35; no debt.
7. WAIMARINO CIRCUIT.—Erection at Raetihi Church new vestry of wood. No debt.
8. TAUMARUNUI.—(1) Purchase by Special Branch of the Loan Fund, 1 rood, being section 12, of Block IX., leasehold, £120, for church purposes. (2) Also from Special Branch in Village of Rangaroa—parsonage site and glebe, 2 acres 2 roods 22 poles.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. WELLINGTON (TARANAKI STREET) CIRCUIT.—Erection of Church at Brooklyn, 30 x 50ft; cost, £800. Loan of £250 promised by Church Building and Loan Fund.

2. WELLINGTON SUBURBAN CIRCUIT.—(1) Erection of Church in ferro-concrete at Island Bay, 60 x 36 x 18ft, to seat 300. Cost, £1663 9s 8d. Debt on securities, £1000. Erected on section part of lot 261, 33 perches, Vol. 173, Fol. 155, on Trusts of Model Deed. Value £500, donated. (2) Parsonage site, part of lots 251, 252, 261, 262, 25, 4 perches, cost £200. Vol. 178, Fol. 230, on Trusts of the Model Deed. Debt on securities, £200. (3) Church site at Seatoun (Worser Bay), 14 1/10 perches, Vol. 179, Fol. 124, on Trusts of the Model Deed. Presented by Mr C. J. Crawford. Value, £150.
3. JOHNSONVILLE CIRCUIT.—Section 5, of land at Crofton, 23 7/10 perches, Vol. 186, Fol. 214, on Trusts of the Model Deed. Presented by Mr John Holmes.
4. MASTERTON CIRCUIT.—(1) Erection of new Infant Schoolroom at Masterton. Cost, £300; loan of £100 requested. (2) Erection of Infant School at Kuripuni; cost £150.
5. WOODVILLE CIRCUIT.—Addition to Woodville parsonage of three rooms and hall. Cost, £300; £150 from Church Building and Loan Fund.

## NELSON DISTRICT.

1. BLENHEIM CIRCUIT.—(1) Erection of Infant School, with kindergarten workshop, at Blenheim, 30 x 29ft, to accommodate 100. Cost, £400. (2) Erection of parsonage of six rooms, with appurtenances at Tua Marina on land, 1 rood, presented by Mr Frederick Smith. Cost of house, £350.
2. GREYMOUTH CIRCUIT.—Purchase of Church site, section 18, 33 perches, Ward Street, Runanga, under lease-in-perpetuity tenure, for £5. Erection of Church Hall thereon, built of wood and roofed with iron, 45 x 25ft, to seat 200. Cost of building, £280; borrowed from Church Building and Loan Fund, £100.
3. WESTPORT CIRCUIT.—Purchase of parsonage and site at Westport in eligible situation, with six rooms and appurtenances. Cost, with freehold site, £575. Amount raised locally £175, the balance secured by Advances to Settlers' Department.
4. HAVELOCK HOME MISSION STATION.—Purchase of section No. 33A, 1 acre, for £8, at Carluke, and erection thereon of new church, 32 x 19ft, to seat 100. Cost, £100; from Loan Fund, £30.

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. CHRISTCHURCH (PAPANUI) CIRCUIT.—New erection in wood, of two vestries, 18 x 22ft, with moveable partition, at Riccarton Village. Cost, £100; no debt.
2. TEMUKA CIRCUIT.—Erection of practically new parsonage of seven rooms with appurtenances at Temuka. Cost, £423 3s 8d. Debt to Loan Fund, £76; on other securities, £50.
3. WILLOWBY CIRCUIT.—Erection of new Church at Lowcliffe on land, 2 roods, presented by Mr W. Harding, 30 x 20ft, to seat 100. Cost of building, £230. Only debt, £30, to Loan Fund.

4. AMBERLEY CIRCUIT.—Purchase of Church site at Scargill, 2 roods 14 perches; cost, £24; no debt.

#### OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. DUNEDIN (ROSLYN) CIRCUIT.—Erection of church of wood at Maori Hill, 39 x 23ft, to seat 160. Cost, £489 7s. Loan on securities, £300.
2. PORT CHALMERS CIRCUIT.—Erection of Young People's Clubroom at Port Chalmers, built of wood, roofed with iron, 25 x 12ft 6in, to seat 50. Cost, £48; no debt.
3. OAMARU CIRCUIT.—Erection of classroom of wood, roofed with iron, at Oamaru, 17 x 16ft. Cost, £37; no debt.
4. GORE CIRCUIT.—Erection of new church of brick at Gore, 55 x 33ft, to seat 240. Cost of building, £1295 6s 3d; loan of £350 from Church Building and Loan Fund.

#### SUMMARY—NEW ERECTIONS, ETC.

- 23 Freehold Sites
  - 1 Leasehold
  - 9 Churches
  - 2 Enlarged Churches
  - 3 Halls
  - 6 Parsonages
  - 2 Enlarged Parsonages
  - 2 Sunday Schools
  - 3 Infant Schools
  - 1 Pipe Organ
  - 2 American Organs

#### LAND PRESENTED.

1. By Messrs Martin Brothers, church site, 2 roods, at Manurewa.
2. By Mr William Harris, church site, 1 rood, at Te Kowhai.
3. By Mr Worker, church site, 1 rood, at Wellsford.
4. By Mr C. J. Crawford, church site, 14  $\frac{1}{10}$  perches, at Seatoun (Worser Bay), on Trusts of the Model Deed.
5. By Mr John Holmes, parsonage site, 23  $\frac{7}{10}$  perches, on Trusts of the Model Deed, at Crofton.
6. By Mr Frederick Smith, parsonage site, 1 rood, on Trusts of the Model Deed, at Tua Marina.
7. By Mr William Harding, church site, two roods, on Trusts of the Model Deed, at Lowcliffe.

## III.—MINOR IMPROVEMENTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Grafton Road Church	63	11	0	Raetihi	9	9	0
Sunnyside Church ...	19	14	3	Karori	9	15	2
Birkenhead Church ...	26	0	0	Island Bay	12	5	8
Warkworth ...	10	10	3	Kilbirnie	22	19	0
Te Aroha Church ...	13	5	0	Johnsonville	29	4	10
Hamilton ...	135	6	9	Hutt	68	6	10
Ararua Church	13	9	9	Petone	138	6	6
Aratapu Church ...	19	0	0	Dalefield	10	10	6
Arapohue Church ...	22	11	0	Kuripuni	116	0	0
Whangarei Parsonage	8	2	6	Greenmeadows	25	0	0
Kamo Church ...	8	0	0	West Shore	33	0	0
Hikurangi Church ...	42	16	0	Levin	8	9	9
Rotorua Church ...	20	1	0	Otaki	173	4	0
Manurewa Church ...	25	0	0	Waipawa	8	16	4
Waitara Church ...	9	16	6	Addington	82	0	0
Lepperton Church ...	15	12	6	Riccarton Village	100	0	0
Tariki Church ...	4	1	2	Springston Parsonage	30	11	9
Inglewood Parsonage	4	2	5	Weedons Church	35	16	10
Pungarehu ...	5	17	6	West Melton Church	7	5	0
Aramoho ...	9	0	0	Eyreton Church	7	13	6
Feilding ...	62	10	3	Ashburton Church	29	15	5
Pohangina ...	5	8	3	Greenstreet	8	0	0
Marion ...	49	5	0	Riverton	43	18	9
Ohakune ...	4	15	0				

## DISTRICT SUMMARY.

	£	s.	d.
Auckland District ...	427	7	6
Wanganui District ...	179	17	7
Wellington District	655	18	7
Nelson District ...			
Canterbury District	301	2	6
Otago District ...	43	18	9
	<u>£1608</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>11</u>

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Otautau organ ...	24	0	0
Feilding organ ...	300	0	0
Stratford organ ...	25	0	0
	<u>£349</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

## IV.—SALES, ETC., SANCTIONED TO DECEMBER 31, 1909.

TEMUKA CIRCUIT.—To sell vacant site, 2 roods, at Waitohi, proceeds to be devoted to the Temuka Parsonage Trust. Also the sale of two sections at New Brighton.

## EXTENDED LEASES SANCTIONED.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION.—To lease, for a carriage factory, about one-sixth of the entire area of the property for a period of twenty-one years at a rental of £53 per annum, with right to lease for a further term of ten years, subject to re-valuation.

V.—PROPOSED ERECTIONS, ETC., SANCTIONED TO  
DECEMBER 31, 1910.

1. FRANKLIN CIRCUIT.—Erection of a new parsonage of six rooms at Waiuku. Estimated cost, £410. In hand, £220. Loan of £150 from Church Building and Loan Fund.
2. HAMILTON CIRCUIT.—Provision to be made for 30 additional sittings, and erection of two vestries, each 20 x 15ft. Estimated cost, £120.
3. WHANGAROA HOME MISSION STATION.—Erection of church at Oruru. Estimated cost, £125. One-third promised from Church Building and Loan Fund.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

TAIHAPE CIRCUIT.—To erect new church, 58ft 6in x 28ft 6in, at Taihape. Estimated cost, £550.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. JOHNSONVILLE CIRCUIT.—Erection of parsonage of seven rooms at Johnsonville. Estimated cost, £450.
2. HUTT CIRCUIT.—(1) Erection of gallery at end of Hutt Church providing 62 additional seats. No debt to be incurred. Estimated cost not given. (2) Enlargement of Petone Church to 60 x 33ft at estimated cost of £600. Amount already promised, £350.
3. NAPIER CIRCUIT.—Erection of Mission Hall at Napier South, 35 x 25ft. Estimated cost, £150. No debt to be incurred.
4. GISBORNE CIRCUIT.—Proposed enlargement of Gisborne Sunday School. Estimated cost, £150. One-third now raised, and balance during eighteen months.

NELSON DISTRICT.

MOTUEKA CIRCUIT.—New church at Dovedale, of wood, 36 x 24ft; porch, 10 x 8ft, with two vestries. Some timber and labour to be given. Net cost, £250.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CHRISTCHURCH (ST. ALBANS) CIRCUIT.—Erection of church, in brick, Edgeware Road, 35 x 40ft, to seat 230, with double vestries. Estimated cost, £1200; two-thirds to be raised locally, and £400 from the Loan Fund.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. DUNEDIN (CARGILL ROAD) CIRCUIT.—Erection of new Sunday School, in brick, at St. Kilda, 43 x 28ft, with folding screen-door classrooms. Estimated cost, £850. Loan of one-third when available from the Church Loan Fund.
2. ROXBURGH CIRCUIT.—To secure by purchase a church section, 1 rood, at Miller's Flat.

GENERAL REPORT OF CHURCH PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1909.

1. I regret, owing to incomplete summaries received from some Districts, that I am unable to include in my report the information usually presented in connection with Church Buildings and Sites, and trust that such arrangements may be made at this Conference by the Special Committee as will ensure completeness in future returns.

2. The Current Trust accounts reveal a healthy financial condition without, however, any very marked enlargement. Seat rents show a slight increase. Subscriptions and donations an increase of about £4000; the total increase for the twelve months, amounting to £4753, and the total receipts for the year, not including credit balances brought forward, being some £34,000.

3. The total current expenditure for the year, amounting to the considerable sum of £38,375 5s 5d, reveals a fair measure of activity in the ranks of the Methodist Churches throughout this Dominion. It should also be noted that the debit balance carried forward is less by some £300 than the amount reported last year, proving that increased activity and expenditure do not mean an increase of debt.

4. The past year's growth includes the acquisition of 23 new freehold sites and of one leasehold section; nine new churches, and two churches enlarged; three halls; six new parsonages, and two parsonages enlarged; two Sunday schools; three infant schools, and some musical instruments.

5. The Church is indebted to the following gentlemen who have presented church and parsonage sites during the year:—Messrs Martin Brothers, Manurewa; Mr W. Harris, Te Kowhai; Mr Worker, Wellsford; Mr C. J. Crawford, Seatoun; Mr John Holmes, Crofton; Mr Frederick Smith, Jun., Tua Marina; and Mr William Harding, Lowcliffe.

B.—CURRENT TRUST ACCOUNTS.

RECEIPTS.—Credit balances brought forward, £3257 14s 4d; seat rents, £2448 14s 5d; Trust collections, £1966 11s 2d; anniversary or opening services, £2150 5s 3d; subscriptions and donations, £9886 8s 1d; loans from Church Building and Loan Fund or other loans, £5843 12s 9d; all other income, £11,900 17s 10d; total receipts, £37,454 3s 10d; credit balances carried forward, £3390 18s 10d.

EXPENDITURE.—Debit balances brought forward, £4601 19s 8d; lighting and cleaning, £3020 11s 11d; alterations and repairs, £3364 6s 1d; enlargements and minor improvements, £7165 3s 11d; interest, £2065 6s; insurance premiums, £873 4s 1d; paid to Circuit Board, £1245 16s 10d; all other expenses, including debt reduced, £15,138 16s 11d; total expenditure, £38,375 5s 5d; debit balances carried forward, £4408 15s 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 T. R. Hodder, Wanganui (Palmerston North); Mr J. R. Randerson, Wellington (Island Bay); Mr J. Boon, Nelson; Mr C. E. Salter, Canterbury (Christchurch); Mr E. Rosevear, Otago (Dunedin).
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Messrs Martin Brothers for a Church site at Manurewa, to Mr William Harris for a Church site at Te Kowhai, to Mr Worker for a Church site at Wellesford, to Mr C. J. Crawford for a Church site at Seatoun (Worser Bay), to Mr John Holmes for a parsonage site at Crofton, to Mr Frederick Smith, Jun., for a parsonage site at Tua Marina, and to Mr William Harding for a Church site at Lowcliffe.
4. That the retiring General Secretary of Church Properties and the General Secretary for 1911 be directed to prepare a draft of new forms of schedules or amend the existing forms as they may seem desirable, and also to prepare a draft of the statement referred to in page 43, paragraph 11, Minutes of Conference, 1909, and report their recommendations to the Synods.
5. That the question, "Have the proper entries been made in the Circuit Schedules?" be transferred to the Financial Synod, to be asked under the heading of Church Properties.
6. That in the case of Home Mission Stations where there is property, schedule books be provided free.
7. That the sale of the Tapanui Church property be referred to the favourable consideration of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.
8. That the audited Balance Sheets be retained in the Circuits.
9. 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.
10. 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 case 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.
11. That, with a view to 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.

## CHURCH PROPERTY REGULATIONS.

1. Superintendents of Circuits are directed to take the necessary steps in connection with the acquisition of Church Property held under the Land Transfer Act, to have inserted in the Transfer, after the names of the Trustees, as provided by the Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Trust Act, 1887, Further Amendment Act, 1896, section 6, the following words: "As Trustees under the provisions of 'The Wesleyan Methodist Model Deed of 1887.'" Should there be through any cause an omission to have the Trusts of the Model Deed inserted, then a Declaration of Trust must be signed by the Trustees, and forwarded to the Custodian of Deeds. In the case of all newly-acquired properties, whether under the Land Transfer Act or not, the Trustees should sign a form provided for the purpose, giving evidence of consent to act.

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 ...	...	2117
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 Registry 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 £1000 or over, £1 1s; if under £1000, 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 open-

- ing 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 the 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 31, 1909:—Waimana Village Church site, Lower Waitoa Church site, Waikumete Church site, Te Kowhai Church, Mangaroa Church site, Rahotu Church and Parsonage (2), Waipawa Church, Seatoun Church site, Aro Street Church (2), Napier South Methodist Mission, Carluke Church, Runanga Church Hall, Lowcliffe Church, and Roslyn Parsonage.

The following deeds have been transferred from Loan Fund Treasurers on repayment of loans:—Warkworth Parsonage, Oamaru Church and Parsonage, Northcote Church, Kimbolton Parsonage, Upper Wakefield Church, Kimbolton Church, Oroua Church, Takapuna Church, Canvastown Church, Nukuroa Church, Paparoa Church, and Ngaruawahia Church.

Deeds of the following properties have been removed from the Custodian's care:—Paeroa Church, Kingsland Church, Russell Vale Church, Hua Church site, Petone Parsonage, and Waitohi old Church site.

Handed to the Loan Fund Treasurer as security for loans advanced:—Otahuhu Church and Cottage, Manaia Church, Carluke Church, Runanga Church Hall, Temuka Parsonage, Lowcliffe Church, Roslyn Parsonage, Gore Church, Manurewa Church, and Rangaroa Church site.

As required by Conference Regulations, reports have been sent to each Financial District Synod, and a copy of same is now placed upon the table for reference.

HENRY BULL, Custodian.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Custodian be requested to keep a Register of Deeds, and to report annually to the Financial District Synods and the Conference.
3. That the Custodian be requested to take the necessary steps for the recovery or the replacing of missing deeds of church property.
4. 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.

## REPORT OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.

I beg to report that I have, during the year, transacted the following business in connection with the office and work of the Authorised Representative:—Registered 14 new Church and Parsonage Trusts; issued 18 official Certificates of Trustees; registered 189 new and additional Trustees in connection with 47 Trusts; and removed the names of 156 persons from trusteeship in connection with 39 Trusts.

The following is the yearly Cash Statement:—Cash balance brought forward, £6 14s 6d; registration fees, £33 4s 6d; total, £39 19s.

Expenditure:—Paid to Connexional Secretary's office, £21 15s 11d; stamps, telegrams, stationery, and printing, £7 7s 7d; credit balance, £10 15s 6d.

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 1910-11.
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.
6. That some method be adopted to consider the question of the incorporation of Trustees, and that the following be a special Committee to report to the next Conference:—Revs. P. W. Fairclough, D. J. Murray, and W. Slade, Messrs E. Rosevear, J. B. Shacklock, and J. C. Stephens (Convener); with Messrs T. Buddle, J. A. Flesher, and C. E. Salter as corresponding members of the Committee.

## CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

(For Cash Accounts and Lists of Loans, see Appendix A.)

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

1. Twelve general meetings have been held during the year, in addition to a number of emergency and Building Sub-committee meetings.

2. Loans (21) have been issued to the following Trusts during the year:—

(1) From the General Fund:—

Kuripuni Infant School  
 Otahuhu Sunday School  
 Woodville Parsonage  
 Roslyn Parsonage  
 Manurewa Church  
 Gore Church  
 Edgware Road Church  
 Papakura Church

(2) From the Special Branch:—

Carluke Church  
 Temuka Parsonage  
 Fairburns Church  
 Taumarunui Church site  
 Rangaroa Church site  
 Newmarket Parsonage  
 Mangonui Church  
 Urenui Church site  
 Runanga Church  
 Lowcliffe Church  
 New Brighton Church site  
 Oruru Church  
 Opotiki Church site

3. Final payments of instalments have been received from Woodville Parsonage No. 1 loan, Northcote Church, Kimbolton Parsonage, Newmarket Church, Upper Wakefield Church, Kimbolton Church, Oroua Valley Church, Takapuna Church, Canvastown Church, Ponsonby Church, Nukuroa Church, Paparoa Church, Ngaruawahia Church, Addington Church, St. Albans Church, Mosgiel Church, Whangarei Parsonage, and Little River Church.

4. The following undertakings have been sanctioned by the Committee:—Removal of Woodside Church and re-erection at Manurewa; erection of Church Hall at Runanga; erection of Deaconess Mission Hall and kitchen at Okaiawa; erection of new parsonage at Paeroa; purchase of Church site at Kakahi; erection of new Church at Brooklyn; purchase of parsonage at Eltham; enlargement of Palmerston South Church to 40 x 28ft; erection of Church at Papakura; erection of Church at Mangonui; purchase and removal of Waitekauri Church, subject to approval of local Trust and Quarterly Meeting for re-erection at Te Kowhai; erection of two classrooms and extension of the Sunday School at Devonport; addition to Bible Class Hall at Lincoln Road; erection of Sunday School and enlargement of the Church at Mount Eden; purchase of Church site at Urenui; purchase of lease of Church site at Taumarunui; purchase of freehold Church

and Parsonage site at Rangaroa; enlargement by erection of two vestries of the Church at Riccarton Village; erection of Church at Lowcliffe; vestry and enlargement of Bainbridge Memorial Church; erection of Sunday School at St. Kilda; erection of Edgeware Road Church; erection of new Church at Dovedale; erection of new Church at Gore; purchase of new Church site at Picton; purchase of Church and Parsonage site at Opotiki; enlargement of Sunday School at Gisborne; erection of gallery in Church at Hutt; erection of Parsonage at Pahiatua; purchase of Parsonage at Westport; erection of Infant School at Masterton; also at Kuripuni; erection of new Church, with vestry, at Taihape; enlargement of Church at Petone; erection of Parsonage at Tua Marina; purchase of Church site at Scargill; erection of new parsonage at Waiuku; also at Johnsonville; enlargement of Church at Northcote; enlargement of Church at Paeroa; erection of two Church vestries at Hamilton; addition to the Masterton School of two classrooms; to purchase second site for Parsonage at Rangataua; enlargement of Church at Morrinsville, also addition of two vestries; purchase of additional Church site at New Brighton; enlargement of Mount Albert Sunday School; to purchase Church site at Tuatapere, Waiiau; and removal of Wingatui Church to Sawyer's Bay.

5. The Committee has sanctioned the sale of the following properties:—Stafford Street property, Dunedin; a strip of Dunedin Central Mission site, 42ft; old gymnasium at Cambridge; Waima Mission property; Arrowtown Church property; two section at Hua; old Church and site at Manaia; and old Church property at Gore.

6. The following extended leases have been sanctioned:—About one-sixth of the area of the Dunedin Central Mission site; also lease of back portion, about one-third, of the Ngaruawahia Church property.

7. A further sum of £28 13s 6d has been received per Rev. S. Lawry, being part profits on the sale of new Hymn Books. Altogether from this source the sum of £283 9s 7d has been received and devoted to the purchase of new Church and Parsonage sites.

8. The Committee regrets that in some cases during the year applications have been made by trustees to sanction undertakings while at the same time the trustees have already entered upon such undertakings or have been practically committed to them.

9. The Committee respectfully requests the direction of the Conference to matters in connection with the Waitekauri and Manaia Trusts, and suggests the appointment of a Conference Committee in the first instance.

10. Mr R. W. England retires as per Rule from membership of the Committee at this Conference, and the Committee desires to place on record its high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Mr England during a number of years, particularly as a member of the Building Sub-committee. Mr A. K. England is recommended by the Canterbury District Synod to fill the vacant position.

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 1910-11:—The President of the Conference, the Secretary, with the Superintendents of Christchurch and Lyttelton Circuits and the third Minister in the Christchurch (Durham Street) Circuit, and Messrs G. H. Blackwell, J. Brown, A. F. Drayton, C. E. Salter, J. L. Scott, J. Down, J. C. Prudhoe, R. M. Cresswell, and A. K. England.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr G. H. Blackwell for his services as Lay Treasurer, and that he be re-appointed.
4. That Mr R. W. England, the retiring member of the Committee, be thanked for his valuable services, particularly as a member of the Building Sub-Committee.
5. That only the actual amount received by the special branch of the Fund on account of working expenses be paid towards the Secretary's stipend.
6. That all cases where Trustees have entered upon undertakings without receiving the sanction of the Committee be reported to Conference.
7. That of the sum of £40 due to Mr Harding on the Waitekauri Church, £20 be paid from the Contingent Fund, and the remaining £20 be recommended to be paid in equal proportions by the Upper Thames, Waihi and Paeroa Circuits.
8. That, with regard to matters reported in connection with Manaia Church loan, in future no loan be paid except after the certificate required has been signed by the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit in which the property is situated in respect whereof the loan is authorised.
9. That the Trustees of Wesley Church, Wellington, having presented a memorial to the Conference requesting permission to execute a certain lease, the necessary permission be granted, the details in connection with the matter to be arranged by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

## 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.

If the congregation numbers 100 and less than 200, Ten shillings.

If the congregation numbers 200 and less than 400, Twenty shillings.

If the congregation numbers 400 and less than 500, Forty shillings.

If the congregation numbers 500 and over, Fifty shillings.

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 Dominion.
3. To assist in the removal of debts on Church property.

#### III.—COMMITTEE.

The Committee of the Fund shall consist of nine Ministers and nine 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 the 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 security 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 XI.—What is the Report of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund?**

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix B.

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee begs to report that the net increase in the insurable value of Church properties on which levies have been paid during the year amounts to £7,580, and the increase in amount of insurance upon ministers' personal effects for the same period is £2005.

2. The total insurable value of Church property on which levies are now paid is £159,468.

3. The Connexional Secretary, as agent for the New Zealand Insurance Company, has insured the personal effects of 62 ministers for the sum of £11,885.

4. Seven fires (five churches and two parsonages) have occurred during the year, involving a total loss of £116 6s 8d.

5. The Committee has added £550 to the investments, leaving a cash balance at bank of £23 3s 2d. After meeting losses, and providing for re-insurances and the working expenses of the fund, the net profit for the year amounts to £265 11s 7d.

6. As per rule, Mr W. H. Seed retires from the Committee this year, and Mr E. C. Brown is recommended as the new member.

7. The Committee desires to place on record its high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Mr Seed during his term of office.

8. The Committee has held several special meetings during the year for the purpose of reviewing and revising every risk held by the fund.

9. The Committee desires to express its cordial thanks to the Superintendents of Circuits and Trustees of Church property for the deep interest shown in the prosperity of the fund, and respectfully invites a continuance of the same hearty co-operation.

Signed, on behalf 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:—The President of the Conference, Rev. H. Bull, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street) and Christchurch (Papanui) Circuits, with Messrs C. E. Salter, George Bowron, Thomas P. Omerod, A. K. England, and E. C. Brown.

3. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr W. H. Seed for his valuable and acceptable services as a member of the Connexional Fire Insurance Committee.
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 Dominion.
5. That the Treasurers of the Connexional Trust Properties be requested to consider the advisability of effecting insurances in the Connexional Office.

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

For Balance Sheet, see Appendix C.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet of the Committee, and the Report of the Connexional Secretary, be adopted.
2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. Bull for his valuable services as Connexional Secretary during the past year, that he be re-appointed for the present year, and that regret be expressed that he finds it necessary to retire from the office in 1911 on the grounds of health.
3. That the Rev. Samuel Lawry be elected to the office for 1911.
4. That Mr G. H. Blackwell be cordially thanked for his services as Treasurer, and re-appointed.
5. 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 President of the Conference, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street), Christchurch South, Christchurch (St. Albans), and Christchurch (Addington) Circuits, together with Messrs G. H. Blackwell, A. F. Drayton, A. K. England, R. H. Turner, W. Fenner, R. Alcom, the Hon. G. J. Smith, and the Connexional Secretary.
6. That the hearty thanks of the Conference be given to Mr J. Thompson for his efficient services as a member of the Connexional Secretary's Committee.
7. 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 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 Dominion. (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 Dominion.

8. 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, £40; Fire Insurance Fund, £110; Authorised Representative's Office, £25.

**QUESTION XIII.—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. xiii.
2. Native Education Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xiv.
3. Emsly Theological Endowment Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xv.
4. Probert Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, pp. xvi. and xvii.
5. Auckland Book Association.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xix.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

6. Grey Institute.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xx.
7. Kai Iwi Mission Estate.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxi.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

8. Native and Destitute Children's Education Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, pp. xxii and xxiii.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

9. Canterbury Home Mission Trust.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxiv.

RESOLUTION.

That the Rev. S. Lawry be appointed a Treasurer of the Canterbury Home Mission Trust in place of the Rev. H. R. Dewsbury.

10. "The Mrs Carvell Memorial Fund."  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. xxiv.
11. Century Fund Orphanage Allocation.  
For Balance Sheet, see Appendix D, p. —.

## 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; reports from Nos. 2 and 8 include a statement of any vacancies that may have occurred in the Trusts.
3. That the Treasurers 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 Treasurer and Trustees be respectfully requested to make their Balance Sheets terminate on December 31st, except in cases when it is absolutely necessary to close them on September 30th, thus making all Balance Sheets terminate on those dates.
5. That Connexional Trust Boards be requested to insure all their employees against accident.

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

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

The Report of the Governor was presented to Conference.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports and Balance Sheets be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee make the necessary arrangements for tuition in Latin, Greek, and Mathematics, and Elocution.
3. That the action of the Committee of Discipline in paying the tutor in Junior Greek £15 for the past year be endorsed.
4. That in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee of Discipline, the Lectures given by the Divinity Lecturers be limited to Systematic Theology, Exegesis, and Homiletics, with a view to the men availing themselves more fully of the lectures given at the University College.
5. That all students who are qualified to do so be required to take Mental Science and Economics in their University course.
6. That Mr G. A. Buttle, Treasurer of the Theological Institute, be thanked for his services and re-appointed.
7. That the Treasurers of the Probert Trust be authorised to appropriate not more than £500 for the training of students.
8. That in selecting the Lecturers for the Students, the Conference shall not confine itself to the ministers who happen to be stationed in the city or suburbs of Auckland.

9. That in order to assist in the support of additional theological students in the Institution, and to aid in their higher education, this Conference trust that some of our wealthy laymen will see their way to found bursaries or scholarships, or otherwise contribute to this important object.
10. That, with a view to continuing the £320 per annum needed for the maintenance of the full number (ten) of students in residence, the Contingent Fund levy still include 1½ per cent. for this purpose, and that the Treasurers of that Fund be directed to pay the sum named to the Treasurer of the Theological Institution in quarterly amounts.
11. That the tuition fees of Students on the President's List of Reserve be made a charge on the Contingent Fund levy, the amount not to exceed £7 7s in each case, and to be payable on the recommendation of the Chairman of the District and the Superintendent of the Circuit in which the Student resides.
12. That, with a view to the better training of our Students for the Ministry, arrangements be made for their housing in a building not shared by other lodgers, and the setting apart of a Minister who shall direct and control their studies.
13. That the consideration of the details be remitted to a Committee consisting of the Ministers of the Auckland and Onehunga Circuits, and the Revs. J. H. Simmonds and T. G. Brooke, with Messrs T. Buddle, G. A. Buttle, James Buttle, A. C. Caughey, A. Peak, J. C. Allen, T. W. Jones, P. Crowe, John Burton, J. E. Wheeler, G. Winstone, T. B. Arthur, J. H. Gunson, J. Veale, and S. J. Ambury; Rev. A. N. Scotter, Convener. The following were appointed Corresponding Committees:—Wanganui—Revs. J. A. Luxford, C. E. Becroft, G. W. J. Spence, and E. D. Patchett, Messrs W. G. Bassett, F. M. Spurdle, sen., John Jones, J. Stevenson, and E. Dixon; Rev. E. D. Patchett, Convener. Wellington District—The Ministers of Wellington, Johnsonville, Hutt, and Petone Circuits, and Messrs J. W. Copithorne, T. E. Corkill, C. H. Jones, J. H. Helliwell, G. Harkness, and J. T. Nott; Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., Convener. Nelson District—Revs. J. J. Lewis, J. Crump, and C. Eaton, and Messrs A. A. Lucas, W. H. Hodson, H. Buttle, James Boon, E. Grove; Rev. C. Eaton, Convener. Canterbury District—The Ministers of Christchurch, Lyttelton, Springston, Tai Tapu, Leeston, Kaiapoi, and Rangiora Circuits, the Hon. G. J. Smith, and Messrs G. H. Blackwell, G. Bowron, C. E. Salter, J. A. Flesher, J. C. Prudhoe, W. H. Seed, J. L. Scott, and W. Dalley; Rev. T. A. Joughin, Convener. Otago District—The Ministers of Dunedin and Port Chalmers Circuits, and Messrs E. Rosevear, J. C. Stephens, J. B. Shacklock, W. C. Allnut, R. N. Vanes, E. Aslin, and H. D. Bedford; Rev. W. Slade, Convener. These Corresponding Committees shall receive and report upon the proposals of the Auckland Committee before that Committee finally reports to the Synods and Conference.

#### 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 the Minister appointed to the pastoral oversight of the students be known as Governor of the Theological and Training Institution.

3. 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.
4. 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.
5. That the Ministers of the Auckland and Onehunga 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.
6. That the Treasurer be authorised to pay the fees for theological students attending University College lectures.
7. That quarterage be allowed to each student at the rate of £2 per quarter.
8. That students be allowed to remain for a period of not less than three years in the Institution, unless called out in cases of necessity by the President.
9. 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 as Probationers be drawn up in legal form and kept in the custody of the Governor, who shall be responsible for the stamping and the signing of the same by each student received.

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

1.—WESLEY COLLEGE, THREE KINGS.

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

The Report of the Principal was presented.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet and the 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 1910-11, viz.,:—The Ministers of the Auckland and Onehunga Circuits, with Messrs T. Buddle, T. McMaster, G. Winstone, S. J. Ambury, A. C. Caughey, T. Allen, J. H. Gunson, J. Veale, R. Hobbs, J. Henderson, T. B. Arthur, A. Peak, J. E. Wheeler, T. W. Jones, G. A. Buttle, and J. Purnell.

4. That the Conference expresses its sympathy with the Rev. J. H. Simmonds in his illness, approves of the Committee's action in arranging for his leave of absence, and confidently accepts the Committee's proposals facilitating such leave of absence.
5. That the Committee be requested to prepare for presentation to the next Conference some definite scheme for the augmentation of the Building Fund, with a view to the new buildings being erected as soon as possible.
6. That the school curriculum be arranged for instruction up to the Matriculation Grade.

## II.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE.

The Balance Sheet of the Board of Trustees was presented.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr J. W. Shackelford, the Treasurer of the College.

## QUESTION XVI.—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. xxvii

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. P. W. Fairclough and Mr E. Rosevear for their services as Treasurers during the past year, and that they be re-appointed for 1910-11.
3. That the Reports of the General Treasurer be received and 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 all moneys in connection with this Fund must go through the hands of the Chairmen of Districts to the Conference Treasurers.
6. 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.

### PLAMPIN BEQUEST FUND.

The Report and Balance Sheet were presented, as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Balance for 1909 ... ..	0	11	3
Interest on Investments ... ..	57	5	0
	£57 16 3		

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet be adopted.
2. That £56 be distributed among nine needy cases.
3. That the Rev. H. Bull be re-appointed Treasurer.

## MRS BUNN FUND.

The Report of the Committee was presented.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet be adopted and entered in the journal.
2. That the Superintendent of the Auckland (Pitt Street) Circuit be requested to bring the claims of this Fund before the Auckland Circuits.

## II.—CHILDREN'S FUND.

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

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet now presented be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. W. J. Williams and Mr E. Kellow for their services as Treasurers of the Fund during the past year, and that the Rev. T. Fee and Mr E. Kellow be appointed for the ensuing year.
3. That the assessment for the ensuing year be 14 per cent.
4. That the Three Kings Institution, the Connexional Secretary's Committee, and Home Mission Secretary's department be assessed in the interests of the Children's Fund on the basis of Circuits.
5. That the payments on accounts of the Children's Fund be £8 10s for each child per year.
6. That the levies of the Children's Fund shall be made upon the amounts of Ministers' Stipends for the preceding year, as reported to the Treasurers.
7. That for the purpose of the Children's Fund a deduction from the amount of the stipends reported shall be made at the rate of £100 for each married Minister and £60 for each single minister in the Circuit, and the levy shall be made on the net amount.
8. That all matters in dispute regarding this Fund be referred to the Treasurers for settlement.
9. That, in order to grant as much relief as possible to Circuits accepting the responsibility of a married Minister, the deductions from the taxable amount made under the Children's Fund be based upon the appointments of the current year; provided that this is not to be retrospective nor to be made the ground of appeals against former assessments.
10. That the levies on Cromwell be remitted as from March 1909; and on Malvern as from March, 1910.

## III.—THE CONTINGENT FUND.

For Balance Sheet and Table of Circuit Levies, see Appendix G, p. xxviii.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance Sheet be adopted.
2. That the Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., and Mr J. C. Prudhoe be thanked for their services as Treasurers, and that the Rev. C. H. Garland and Mr J. C. Prudhoe be appointed for the ensuing year.
3. That the levy for the present year be  $6\frac{1}{2}$  per cent, upon the Ministers' Stipends for the preceding year, as reported to the Treasurers and printed in the Minutes.
4. That with a view to continuing the £320 per annum needed for the maintenance of the full number (ten) of students in residence, the Contingent Fund levy still include  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. for this purpose, and that the Treasurers of that Fund be directed to pay the sum named to the Treasurer of the Theological Institution in quarterly amounts.
5. That the tuition fees of students on the President's List of Reserve be made a charge on the Contingent Fund levy,—the amount not to exceed £7 7s in each case, and to be payable on the recommendation of the Chairman of the District and the Superintendent of the Circuit in which the student resides.
6. That the Treasurers be directed to pay £7 10s towards the removal expenses of the Eketahuna Circuit for 1908.
7. That the sum of £35 be paid from this Fund as a compassionate allowance to a Minister who had been seriously ill during the year.
8. That the sum of £10 be voted from the Contingent Fund and paid to the Malvern Circuit in part satisfaction of the claims of that Circuit on the Oxford Home Mission Station, in connection with the money held in trust for a parsonage at Sheffield, but which was applied in the discharge of the liability on the Oxford parsonage, the Oxford Home Mission Station also to pay the Malvern Circuit the sum of £10, the furniture formerly belonging to Oxford but now at Sheffield to be handed over to the Malvern Circuit.
9. That the cost of installing the telephone in the Papanui parsonage, for one year, for the convenience of the Secretary of the Conference, be borne by this Fund.
10. That £10, half from the Contingent Fund and half from the Home Mission Fund, be granted to the Rev. J. Nixon for supplying at Mornington, he being a Minister of another Church.
11. That the levies on Cromwell be remitted as from March, 1909; and on Malvern from March, 1910.
12. That £20 of the loan of £40 due to Mr Harding in connection with the Waitekauri Church be paid from the Contingent Fund.
13. That the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund be requested to consider and report to next Conference as to the advisability of revising the scale of payment of supplies for disabled and deceased Ministers.

## REGULATIONS.

1. That in any Circuit where a Home Missionary is employed under the charge of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, the stipend paid to the Home Missionary be not included in 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 of Chairmen and Representatives of Districts, Secretary of Conference, Connexional Secretary, Editor of the Methodist newspaper Probationers proceeding to Conference for ordination by direction of their Synods, and of one Treasurer of the Fund. Such expenses shall be limited to the following charges:—Saloon steamer fares, coach fares, first-class rail fares, cab or tram fares to steamers and trains, meals en route, telegrams on Conference business, and the sum of five shillings to cover tram fares in the Conference city. Fares shall be charged by the shortest route and shall be less the usual concessions.
  - (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 Editor of connexional journal.
  - (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.

**QUESTION XVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Foreign Missions?**

For Statement of Income, see Appendix H, p. xxxvi.

An abstract of the Minutes of the Board of Missions was read.

A Statement of Income for 1909 was presented by the General Secretary, 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 and Treasurer (Rev. J. N. Buttle) and to Mr A. R. Sherris (Lay Treasurer) for their services during the year, and that they be re-appointed.
3. That the Conference gratefully acknowledges the liberality of our people, who have contributed the sum of £2338 18s 2d (ordinary income) and £76 19s 1d for the Mission Boat Fund—an increase under the first heading of £177 3s 2d. The Conference directs the attention of the members of the Church to the increasing necessity for continuance in prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all our Churches, and that that the response in gifts to the Mission Treasury may be commensurate with the urgent and pressing claims of the work.
4. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the donors of the following special amounts—viz., Anonymous, Cargill Road, £50; C. W. O. £50; Rev. J. Crump, £50.
5. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Revs. J. W. Burton and W. R. Poole for their very effective services in deputation work during the year, and whose addresses have created a freshened interest in Mission work in Fiji and other island groups.
6. That the Conference acknowledges the services of Mr W. L. Thomas as auditor of the Mission Fund accounts.
7. That, as a stimulus to increased Missionary effort, the list of Circuits, societies and individuals who are supporting Native Agents in the Foreign Mission Field be printed in the Connexional Paper.
8. That Circuit Superintendents be requested to call the attention of congregations to our Mission literature, with a view to securing a wider circulation, and that an active agent be appointed in each Circuit to push the sale of the "Missionary Review."
9. That the basis of distribution of the Annual Report be the amount raised in each Circuit, instead of personal subscription, and that the Foreign Mission Secretary forward to the Head Office a list suggesting the number of copies to be forwarded to each Circuit.
10. That the Conference extend a hearty welcome to the Rev. W. A. Heighway as Missionary Deputation for 1910, and that the Chairmen of Districts, with the Foreign Mission Secretary, arrange the itinerary.
11. That the Conference requests the Board of Missions to arrange for the Rev. J. G. Wheen to visit New Zealand in 1911 as Foreign Mission Deputation.
12. That the Conference expresses its gratification with the work of the Ladies' Missionary Auxiliaries, views with satisfaction the increasing stability of these organisations, and trusts that continued prosperity and success may attend their efforts.
13. That the Conference strongly urges the desirability of placing at least one Missionary Box in every Methodist home in the Dominion.

14. That the Conference recommends the Board of Missions to discontinue the issue of the Foreign Mission Report as now printed, and urges that the "Missionary Review" be enlarged so as to embody an abstract of the Report, a separate edition being published for each of the Annual Conferences; and that the March number of the "Review" contain an inset giving a detailed statement of the income raised within the bounds of the Conference concerned, and the annual Balance Sheet of the Society.
15. That the following Executive Committee be set up to deal with all matters relating to Foreign Missions arising during the year—viz., the President of the Conference, Revs. W. A. Sinclair and S. Griffith, with Messrs A. R. Sherris, H. Goodman, W. L. Thomas, C. C. Sandford, W. H. Walker, F. Sheppard Green, Wm. C. Francis, H. F. Wilkinson, Fred Martin, and Rev. J. N. Buttle (Convener).
16. That in view of the rapid growth of our Foreign Mission work, the Conference calls attention to the development of the Laymen's Foreign Missionary Movement, and directs that the subject be remitted to the favourable consideration of the June Quarterly Meetings.
17. That a request be preferred to the New South Wales Conference, that should the Rev. J. W. Burton return to the colonial work in 1911, he be transferred to New Zealand.
18. That the Conference expresses its approval of the proposal to hold a Missionary Convention at Waimarino on January 2, 3, and 4, 1911, and appoints the Revs. C. E. Bécroft and T. G. Hammond as the representatives of the Methodist Church.
19. That Conference recommend the Governor of the Theological Institution to arrange that the subject of Foreign Missions be brought into the curriculum of the students undergoing training for the ministry, and that if possible a plan be drawn up by which student deputies may, during the summer vacation, visit those places not reached by the ordinary Foreign Mission deputations.
20. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Trustees of the Arrowtown Church for their donation to the Foreign Mission Fund of part proceeds derived from the sale of the church property.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. That 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 June, and that meetings and services held during that week bear relation to Foreign Mission work.

3. That all income, together with lists of contributions of not less than 2s 6d, 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.
4. That the Conference directs Home Mission Stations to send returns of amounts raised for this Fund separate from the returns of the Circuit to which they are attached.
5. That the expenses of the Foreign Mission Secretary travelling to Conference be charged to the Mission Fund.

**QUESTION XVIII.—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 1909, and also the estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1910, were presented by the General Treasurers.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet for the past year, and the estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1910, be adopted.  
(See Appendix I, p. xl.A.)
2. That the Rev. T. G. Brooke be re-appointed Home Mission Secretary, his designation to be Home Mission Organising Secretary, and his headquarters to be in Auckland, where he shall reside.
3. That the Secretary shall be under the direction of the Home Mission Executive, and that his duties be—(1) To act as one of the Treasurers of the Fund. (2) To visit the Circuits, Home Mission Stations and Maori Mission Districts of the Dominion by arrangement with the Chairmen of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits. (3) To conduct services and public meetings in the interests of the fund and Church extension. (4) To take the necessary steps to promote an increased interest in the work, and to augment the income of the Home Mission Department by soliciting subscriptions, organising local auxiliaries, and by other methods. (5) To visit districts where services are not being held, with a view to the extension of Church work. (6) To supply a quarterly report of his work to the Executive Committee, and an annual report to the Synods and Conference.
4. That Mr F. L. Prime, who is retiring from office, be appointed a life member of the Executive.
5. That Mr F. L. Prime, having tendered his resignation as Financial Secretary and Lay Treasurer of the Fund, the Conference accepts it with a deep sense of indebtedness to him for his long, faithful, and successful services. For nearly forty years Mr Prime has devoted his time and strength to the work, and has thereby greatly furthered the extension of the Kingdom of God. Under labours of an exacting, and often anxious, nature, he has exemplified unflinching patience and courtesy, while no detail of his duty has been overlooked. We are glad to know that as a life member of the Home Mission Executive, the Church will continue to benefit by his counsel, while he will be cheered by

rendering further aid to the work he so much loves. The Conference congratulates Mr Prime on the results that have crowned his efforts, assures him of the gratitude, respect, and affection of the whole Methodist Church of New Zealand, and prays that under God's blessing an arduous and useful life may be followed by a prolonged and happy retirement.

6. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. R. Dewsbury and Mr F. L. Prime for their services as Treasurers of the Fund for the past year, and that the Rev. T. G. Brooke and Mr J. Veale be appointed General Treasurers for 1910.
7. 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 1910—viz.: The Home Mission Organising Secretary, the Treasurers, the Rev. H. Bull (Corresponding Secretary), the Ministers of the Auckland and Onehunga Circuits, with Messrs T. Allen, J. Edson, J. E. Wheeler, J. W. Shackelford, T. McMaster, T. W. Jones, P. Crowe, G. H. Fleming, J. C. Allen, J. Veale, R. Hobbs, T. C. Caley, A. L. White, C. Carter, W. T. Bowater, A. Peak, G. W. L. Robinson, H. Schofield, J. Purnell, and E. R. Jones, with Mr F. L. Prime as life member.
8. That the Trustees of the house in which the Rev. R. Haddon now resides sign a memorandum of agreement to pay the rent of the same to the Treasurers for the time being of the Home Mission Fund; also, that the hall erected on this property be included in the deed of conveyance to the Home Mission Executive.
9. That a sum not exceeding £12 be voted from the amount of a legacy for the purpose of fencing the grave of the testator, the work to be carried out under the supervision of the Superintendent and Circuit stewards of the Papanui Circuit.
10. That of the £200 due to the Deaconess House the sum of £50 be placed on the estimates of expenditure for the current year.
11. That grants for the support of the Native Ministers and Native Home Missionaries be made on the same principle as that applied to the European departments of the work, and that the Ministers and office-bearers of the Maori Stations be notified that this will be put into operation in 1911.
12. That there be no further increase in the cost of the Maori work without the express sanction of Conference.
13. That the grants for the March quarter of the year 1910 be made on the basis of last year's allocation.
14. That as Home Mission grants have been made to certain Home Mission Stations on the assumption that married agents will again be appointed, the Conference directs the Committee of Chairmen to re-adjust such grants should the married agents be removed and appointed elsewhere.
15. That the following principles for the administration of the Fund be remitted to the District Synods through the Home Mission Executive:—(1) That all grants to Circuits and Home Mission Stations be made with a view to enabling them to pay their Missionaries (if married) not less than £120 in addition to a furnished house, and (if single) not less than £100, and the Circuits to pay their Ministers not less than £180, and Probationers £120; but should the total grant available be insufficient to meet this requirement, each grant shall be reduced pro rata

until the amount voted be brought within the possibilities of the Fund. (2) That all grants to Circuits and Home Mission Stations be subject to their raising the Conference Home Mission estimate, should the estimated amount not be in the hands of the General Treasurers by the end of December, it shall be deducted from the grant for the December quarter.

16. That the Schedules of Income and Expenditure for presentation to Conference be remitted to the Executive for simplification.
17. That all Circuits and Home Mission Stations receiving aid from the Home Mission Fund be instructed to forward a copy of their Plan and Balance Sheet each quarter to the Home Mission Organising Secretary.
18. That Regulation 8 be altered to read "once in two months," instead of "once a quarter."
19. That Regulation 12 be altered to provide for the Organising Secretary reporting to the first meeting of the Conference Home Mission Committee instead of to the Conference.
20. That the attention of Circuit Quarterly Meetings be directed to the importance of observing the rule requiring the appointment of Circuit Committees for Home Missions.
21. That the rules and regulations of the Fund (as published in the Annual Report) be re-affirmed, subject to any alteration now made.

#### FURTHER REGULATIONS.

1. That, with a view to aiding the Home Mission department and instituting closer relations between Circuits and the Home Mission Executive—

(1) The Conference appoint District Home Mission Advisory Committees, each Committee to consist of the Chairman of the District (ex officio) and not less than two other Ministers and three laymen.

N.B.—The Auckland Committee shall be chosen from the Home Mission Executive.

(2) The duties of these Committees shall be:—(a) To confer with the Organising Secretary as to his work in the District and to receive from him his annual report for the Synod. (b) To make the necessary arrangements for Home Mission deputations in the Districts. (c) To receive from Home Missionaries their half-yearly reports, and to forward copies to the Chairman of the Executive and the Organising Secretary. (d) To consider all proposals for church extension work in the District where a grant from the Home Mission Fund is involved, and to make recommendations thereon to the District Synod and the Executive. (e) To consider the District Estimates of Income and the grants asked for, and to report thereon with recommendations to the Synod.

- 2.—(1) That, except in special cases to be determined by the Executive, no person shall be engaged as a Home Missionary until he has preached a trial sermon before a Committee consisting of at least three Ministers, one of whom shall be either the Chairman of the District (or his deputy) or the Organising

Secretary. (2) That, in addition to preaching a trial sermon, the candidate shall be examined by the above Committee as to his general fitness for the work, and their report shall be forwarded to the Executive with the application for engagement.

3. That the Executive shall appoint a Secretary, who shall supply the Organising Secretary with a digest of all the business transacted by the Executive at any meeting held in the absence of the Organising Secretary.
4. That the Home Mission Executive present to each Annual District Synod a report of its work, together with any recommendations it may desire to have forwarded to Conference.

#### 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.
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.

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#### QUESTION XIX.—What is the State of the Maori Work, and what can be done to Promote its Interests?

A Report from the Committee of the Southern Maori Mission was presented.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Home Mission Organising Secretary be instructed to visit the Maori Mission Stations and consult with the Revs. W. Gittos and T. G. Hammond on what may be necessary to further the interests of the Maori work, and to consider specially the question of uniting the Maori Stations with the contiguous Circuits or Home Missions Stations, and report to next Conference.

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

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Sept., 1908.	Sept., 1909.
519	Auckland (Pitt St.)... 588
244	Auckland West ... 245
299	Auckland East ... 293
263	Auckland Meth. Mis. 250
140	Auckland (N. Shore) 125
149	Auckland (Birkenh'd) 153
	Onehunga ... 108
170	Otahuhu ... 96
108	Mahurangi ... 61
116	Thames ... 114
	Upper Thames ... 152
318	Waihi ... 113
	Paeroa ... 44
187	Franklin ... 178
131	Cambridge ... 121
183	Hamilton ... 225
29	Huntly ... 40
113	Paparoa ... 100
144	Northern Wairoa ... 162
121	Whangarei ... 112
21	Rotorua ... 24
73	Tauranga ... 78
30	Coromandel ... 40
37	Helensville ... 36
33	Bay of Islands ... 32
35	Hokianga ... 37
49	Whangaroa ... 50
	Port Albert ... 48
	Te Kuiti ...
	Opotiki ... 12
3388	(Increase 249) 3637

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

249	New Plymouth ... 265
72	Waitara ... 73
145	Inglewood ... 135
75	Stratford ... 85
76	Eltham ... 77
179	Hawera ... 189
135	Cape Egmont ... 137
73	Kaponga ... 65
232	Wanganui ... 246
45	Aramoho ... 55
80	Rangitikei ... 80
96	Sanden ... 89
108	Feilding ... 114
402	Palmerston North ... 467
35	Taihape ... 32
53	Waimarino ... 56
21	Patea ... 27
50	Kimbolton ... 58
16	Taumarunui ... 16

Sept., 1908.	Sept., 1909.
27	Ohura ... 30
11	North Taranaki ... 6
2180	(Increase 122) 2302

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

454	Wellington (Taranaki Street) 447
	Wellington Central Mission 84
118	Wellington (Thorn-don) 105
141	Wellington South ... 164
70	Wellington Suburban 72
61	Johnsonville ... 68
245	Hutt ... 235
196	South Wairarapa ... 194
175	Masterton ... 171
200	Napier ... 236
125	Hastings ... 127
95	Gisborne ... 101
58	Eketahuna ... 68
81	Dannevirke ... 93
140	Levin-Otaki ... 152
55	Waipawa ... 55
113	Woodville ... 120
73	Pahiatua ... 65
87	Norsewood ... 82
2487	(Increase 152) 2639

## NELSON DISTRICT.

152	Nelson ... 180
129	Richmond ... 134
211	Blenheim ... 290
37	Hokitika ... 42
159	Greymouth ... 195
135	Motueka ... 141
112	Reefton ... 100
77	Westport ... 76
27	Kumara ...
39	Havelock ... 43
1078	(Increase 123) 1201

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

	Christchurch—	
1031	Durham Street	} 1108
92	Methodist Mission	
167	Sydenham ... 159	
210	Addington ... 213	
246	St. Albans ... 288	
141	Papanui ... 164	

Sept., 1908.		Sept., 1909.		OTAGO DISTRICT.			
86	Lyttelton	...	...	90	Sept., 1908.	Sept., 1909.	
165	Springston	...	...	133	Dunedin—		
94	Tai Tapu	...	...	111	329	Trinity	... 319
166	Leeston	...	...	140	275	Central Mission	... 237
300	Kaiapoi	...	...	290	270	Cargill Road	... 300
241	Rangiora	...	...	214	147	Mornington	... 147
42	Malvern	...	...	47	149	Roslyn	... 161
270	Timaru	...	...	270	83	Mosgiel	... 73
182	Waimate	...	...	181	94	Port Chalmers	... 96
59	Temuka	...	...	59	91	Balclutha	... 88
221	Ashburton	...	...	193	49	Milton	... 40
129	Willowby	...	...	130	65	Lawrence	... 59
36	Amberley	...	...	44	220	Invercargill	... 234
17	Oxford	...	...	17	137	Oamaru	... 140
23	Bank's Peninsula	...	...	18	89	Gore	... 91
	Methven	...	...	40	69	Otautau	... 76
8	Cheviot	...	...	8	56	Roxburgh	... 64
					53	Cromwell	... 53
					43	Riverton	... 41
					36	Palmerston	... 32
					24	Winton	... 24
					10	Wakatipu	... 10
3926	(Decrease 9)			3917	2280	(Increase 3)	2292

## MAORI MEMBERS.

Sept., 1908.		Sept., 1909.		Sept., 1908.		Sept., 1909.	
210	Whangaroa	...	...	233	90	West Coast Mission	95
535	Hokianga	...	...	585	25	South Island Mission	80
244	Kaipara	...	...	244			
475	Waikato	...	...	566	1579	(Increase 224)	1803

## TOTALS.

Sept., 1908.		Sept., 1909	
15,472	European Members (Increase, 516)	...	15,988
1,579	Maori Members (Increase, 224)	...	1,803
17,051	(Total Increase, 740)		17,791

For General Returns, Summaries, Etc., see Appendix K, p. xlii.

## STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Statistical Secretaries for the past year, and that the following be appointed for 1910:—

- Auckland District—Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.
- Wanganui District—Rev. G. Frost.
- Wellington District—Rev. B. F. Rothwell.
- Nelson District—Rev. T. R. Richards.
- Canterbury District—Rev. A. Ashcroft.
- Otago District—Rev. T. W. Vealie.

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

For Sunday School Returns, see Appendix K, pp. xlvi to lvi.

The Report of the General Secretary and the Report of the Sunday School Advisory Board were considered.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report of the General Secretary be received and adopted.
2. That the Report of the Advisory Board be received.
3. That the Rev. W. Grigg be thanked for his services as General Secretary of Sunday Schools.
4. That, the duties of the General Secretary of Sunday Schools being now merged in those undertaken by the Connexional Sunday School and Young People's Board, the office of General Secretary of Sunday Schools be discontinued.
5. That the Advisory Board be thanked for its services during the year.
6. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be tendered to Mr A. H. Reed for his efficient work as Convener of the Board.
7. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., for his efficient services in connection with the Sunday School Advisory Board.
8. That a scheme of organisation be adopted for Sunday School and Young People's work (see constitution appended), and that copies of the Constitution be printed for circulation among the Sunday Schools.
9. That Messrs W. C. Allnutt and W. Paris be members of the Connexional Sunday School and Young People's Board, and that the Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., be a Corresponding Member.
10. That, to meet its expenses, the Advisory Board be granted the sum of £15 from the Contingent Fund; also, that the deficiency in the Dominion Conference account (amounting to £2 15s 2d) be paid from the Contingent Fund.
11. That the Conference recommend schools to adopt the system of grading recognised by the International Sunday Schools Association:—Cradle Roll, under school age; Beginners, 3-5; Primary, 6-9; Junior, 10-13; Intermediate, 13-15; Senior, 16-18; Adult, over 18; Home Department, all ages; and that schools grading by public school standards form departments corresponding with the above.
12. That all our schools be recommended to use the graded lesson helps for teachers and scholars as issued by our Church in North America, and published by the Methodist Book Concern in New York (Eaton and Mains).
13. That the Conference endorse the policy of teacher-training, and refers the question of suitable text-books to the Connexional Board. It empowers the Board to appoint an examiner or examiners; it directs that an examination shall take place twice yearly, in May and November; and approves of the following pass marks:—Pass, 60 per cent.; second-class honours, 75 per cent.; first-class honours, 85 per cent.

14. That the Pastoral Session of the Conference be recommended to advise the Theological Students in training to devote special attention in their reading to books dealing with the psychology of childhood, the art of teaching, and the organisation and management of the Sunday School.
15. That the attention of the Secretaries of the Home Mission and Foreign Mission Committees be drawn to the fact that Sunday Schools are inadequately supplied with missionary literature.
16. That Schools should appoint a Mission Secretary to (1) Supervise distribution of literature; (2) make arrangements for collecting; (3) take charge of all moneys raised and forward to the proper Circuit officers.
17. That the following information be brought prominently before our Schools:—For £3 a native student, or an orphan, may be supported for one year; for £10 a native teacher may be supported for one year; for £20 a native minister may be supported for one year.
18. That Schools be recommended to adopt a supplemental (or fundamental) course of Bible study, which shall include the memorising the names of the Books of the Bible, the Commandments, Beautitudes, and other special portions of Scripture, the questions of the Catechism, and Church hymns, Bible history, geography, and institutions; and that in this course the "Hammond Sunday School Manual" be used.
19. That this Conference recommends our schools to mark on a percentage basis, and decides that the Conference Diploma be granted to scholars gaining 90 per cent. of marks gained for attendance at school, attendance at church, punctuality, conduct and lessons learned, excluding all marks otherwise awarded.
20. 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 Secretary of the Connexional Sunday School and Young People's Board, who shall prepare a Sunday School Report of the whole Dominion, to be laid before the Annual Conference.
21. 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.
22. 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 Committee or Teachers' Meetings to this matter, and recommends the adoption of these until the Eaton and Mains literature be in full use.
23. 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.

24. That matters in connection with the Family Worship Union be referred to the Sunday School and Young People's Connexional Board.
25. That the Conference directs all our preachers earnestly and affectionately to exhort parents to bring their children to the regular Church services, and that our preachers be urged to make the Sunday morning services interesting to children.
26. 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 or Junior Christian Endeavour Societies.
27. That Young People's Day be changed from the third Sunday in October to the third Sunday in May, the change to be effected in 1911, and that the third Sunday in October be observed as the day of universal prayer for Sunday Schools. On Young People's Day throughout the 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; also, that more general use be made of the order of service issued by the Advisory Board.
28. That Conference urges that the Ten Commandments, portions of the Scriptures, and the Apostles' Creed be frequently recited in all our Sunday Schools.
29. 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; and that pledges be taken.
30. That a sample set of proof sheets of the New Sunday School Hymn Book be handed over to the Sunday School and Young People's Board for their consideration.

#### SCHEME OF ORGANISATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

##### I.—THE LOCAL S.S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE.

Where considered advisable by the Teachers' Meeting, a S.S and Young People's Committee shall take the place of the Teachers' Meetings, as at present constituted.

This shall be the unit of representation and shall consist of—

1. The Circuit Superintendent and the Circuit Minister in charge of the particular Church to which the School belongs.
2. The Officers and Teachers of the School, including Leaders of Bible Classes.

3. One representative each from the Wesley Guild, Senior Bible Classes, and Connexional C.E. Society and Band of Hope, to be chosen by the body represented.
4. One representative elected by the local Trustee Meeting, such representative being a member of the Methodist Church, and one representative of the Leaders' Meeting.

This Local S.S. and Y.P. Committee shall—

1. Have complete oversight and management of the local Sunday School.
2. Elect annually the Officers of the School. The election of the Superintendent or Superintendents shall be by ballot without nomination, and by an absolute majority of those present and voting.
3. Shall meet at least once every quarter.
4. Consider at its September Meeting the School returns and forward them to the Quarterly Meeting through the Circuit S.S. and Y.P. Council, where such Council exists.
5. Elect annually representatives to the Circuit S.S. Council in the proportion of one representative for every 100, or fraction thereof, scholars.
6. Elect the Officers and Committee of the Band of Hope.
7. Arrange, wherever practicable, for the quarterly examination of all the scholars.
8. In Circuits where only one School exists, to discharge all the functions of the Circuit Council.

#### II.—THE CIRCUIT S.S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S COUNCIL.

This shall consist of—

1. The Circuit Minister or Ministers and Circuit Home Missionary or Missionaries.
2. The Superintendents, the Leaders of Senior and Junior Bible Classes, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and Librarian of each local School.
3. Representatives elected by local Sunday School Committees or Teachers' Meetings in the proportion of one member for every 100, or fraction thereof, scholars.

The Circuit S.S. and Y.P. Council shall—

1. Meet at least once a year.
2. Elect annually a Lay Secretary.
3. Receive and consider local S.S. Reports and Schedules.
4. Assist S.S. extension—advise as to the erection and improvement of S.S. buildings, etc.
5. Arrange systematic visitation of local Sunday Schools by duly appointed visitors.
6. Stimulate the improvement of Sunday Schools by holding conventions, lectures, classes, etc.
7. Make arrangements for the observance throughout the Circuit of Young People's Day.

8. Arrange Teacher Training Classes in the Circuit.
9. Arrange for the presentation of Diplomas gained by S.S. scholars.

### III.—THE SUB-DISTRICT S.S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEES.

The previously existing system of sub-District Committees is extended as follows:—

- Auckland.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday Schools in the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits; Conveners, Rev. H. Beggs (Mount Eden) and Mr J. Stanton (Grey Lynn).
- South Auckland.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday Schools in Auckland Circuits from Huntly southward; Conveners, Rev. H. L. Blamires and Mr J. Ford (Hamilton).
- North Wanganui.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Circuits north of Wanganui; Conveners, Rev. C. C. Harrison and Mr J. Laurenson (Stratford).
- South Wanganui.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Wanganui and Southern Circuits of the Wanganui District; Conveners, Rev. T. T. Thomas, B.A., and Mr R. H. Billens (Palmerston North).
- Hawke's Bay.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Hawke's Bay Circuits; Conveners, Rev. T. J. Wallis (Hastings) and Mr R. Spackman, Napier.
- Wairarapa.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Wairarapa Circuits; Conveners, Rev. C. E. Porter and Mr R. McIvor (Masterton).
- Wellington.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Wellington City and Suburban Circuits; Conveners, Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A. (Johnsonville), and Mr L. J. Clark (Newtown, Wellington).
- Nelson.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Nelson and Richmond Circuits; Conveners, Rev. C. Eaton (Richmond), and Mr M. S. Smith (Nelson).
- West Coast.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in the Circuits from Westport southwards; Conveners, Rev. T. N. Griffin and Mr T. Taylor (Greymouth).
- Canterbury.—The Canterbury Sunday School Union Committee; Convener, the Secretary of that Committee.
- Otago.—The Sunday School and Young People's Board.
- Southland.—The Ministers and S.S. Superintendents in Southland Circuits; Conveners, Rev. W. Grigg and Mr E. V. Laws.

The Sub-District S.S. and Y.P. Committees shall—

1. Meet at least once a year.
2. Receive Circuit S.S. Schedules and report thereon to the Connexional S.S. Board.
3. Deal with all matters connected with Sunday Schools within the District and further the interests of S.S. work by arranging conventions, lectures, classes, etc.

4. Receive and consider recommendations from Circuit S.S. Councils and forward them with its own recommendations to the Connexional S.S. Board.
5. Elect two Ministerial and two lay representatives to attend the S.S. and Y.P. Convention.

#### IV.—THE CONNEXIONAL S.S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S BOARD.

This shall consist of—

1. The Ministers of Dunedin and Suburban Circuits.
2. The Superintendents of Dunedin and Suburban Sunday Schools.
3. Three members to be elected by the N.Z.Y.M.B.C. Union and three to be elected by the N.Z.Y.W.B.C. Union.
4. Any other person interested in S.S. or Young People's work who may be appointed by the Annual Conference.

This Connexional S.S. and Y.P. Board shall—

1. Meet at least four times a year.
2. Elect its own officers, receive and consider reports and schedules from Sub-District Committees and Synods, and make recommendations to the Convention and the Annual Conference.
3. Consider generally the needs and interests of Sunday Schools and Young People's organisations throughout the Dominion.
4. Enter into communication with organisations and authorities in other countries in order to obtain useful information on S.S. and Young People's work.
5. Make arrangements for the S.S. and Y.P. Convention.
6. Receive the recommendations of the Sub-District S.S. and Y.P. Committees for consideration and presentation to the Convention.
7. Receive the reports of the Convention and forward them to the Conference and Synods.

#### V.—THE S.S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

1. In order to promote unity of interest and uniformity of action between Methodist Sunday Schools and in our Young People's organisations, a Convention shall be held at such intervals and at such places as may be determined from time to time.
2. This Convention shall be held in the month of September or as near thereto as possible.
3. The Convention shall consist of (a) the Chairmen of Districts or their deputies, (b) the Chairman and Secretary of the Connexional Board, (c) two Ministerial and two lay representatives appointed by Sub-District Committees, and (d) all S.S. and Y.P. workers who are able to attend.
4. Resolutions on questions of policy or organisation shall be subject to the confirmation of the ex officio and appointed members of the Convention.
5. The President of the Conference or his deputy shall be President of the S.S. Convention.
6. The Reports of the proceedings of the Convention shall be forwarded to the Connexional S.S. and Y.P. Board for presentation to the Annual Synods and Conference of the Methodist Church.

**QUESTION XXII.—What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting the Bible Class Movement?**

For Balance Sheet for 1909, see Appendix J, p. xlvii.

The Report of the Central Committee was presented to Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance Sheet be received and adopted.
2. That the office of Organising Secretary of the Bible Class Movement be discontinued for the present. The Conference places on record the conviction that the work accomplished amply justifies the existence of the office and its regret that solely on financial grounds the continuance of the office is impracticable.
3. That the sum of £170 be loaned from the Contingent Fund to liquidate the present liability to the Organising Secretary until such time as the Committee be in a position, as the result of their appeal, to repay it.
4. That a full statement of the present financial position of the Movement be prepared, setting forth the obligation of the Church to provide the deficiency, and that an appeal be issued to all our Circuits, Bible Classes, and Sunday Schools emphasising their responsibility in this matter, the appeal to be signed by the President and Secretary of the Conference—the total amount to be allocated to Circuits, those Circuits that have already contributed to the special appeals to be credited with the amounts received from them.
5. That the March Quarterly Meetings be directed to give special attention to this appeal, and that Superintendents of Circuits report to the Central Committee before April 30th what steps have been taken in this matter.
6. That Conference convey to the Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., its best thanks for the valuable services rendered by him as Organising Secretary of the Bible Class Movement; that it acknowledge with gratitude the deep devotion and conspicuous ability which he has displayed and the great and permanent value of the work accomplished.
7. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Committee and specially to the Secretary for their services during the past year, and that for the purpose of administering affairs in connection with the liquidation of the liabilities incurred, the following be appointed a Committee for the next year:—The Ministers of the Wellington, Johnsonville, and Hutt Circuits, Mrs W. Bell, Misses Rowse and Palmer, Messrs G. S. Chisholm, T. Sims, J. R. Randerson, A. A. Bennett, G. Keall, V. Bacon, W. J. Mears, and J. Boyd, and three to be elected by the Y.W.B.C.U., and three to be elected by the Y.M.B.C.U.; Convener and Secretary, Rev. J. R. Clark.
8. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr G. S. Chisholm (General Treasurer), and that he be re-appointed.
9. That all contributions to the Fund be acknowledged by the Treasurer in the Connexional Journal.

10. That the Conference gratefully acknowledges the loyalty to the Movement shown by the Bible Classes, whose contributions have been kept at a praiseworthy level.
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.

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

For Band of Hope Returns, see Appendix K, p. xlii.

The Report of the Committee was presented.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following be the Committee on Temperance and Public Morals for 1910:—The Ministers of the Dunedin and Port Chalmers Circuits, Messrs E. Rosevear, A. King, J. B. Shacklock, E. Aslin, W. C. Allnutt, J. P. Simon, H. D. Bedford, M.A., LL.B., J. F. Arnold, M.P., W. Bell, W. R. Don, G. Bewley, and R. N. Vanes; Rev. T. W. Vealie, 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. T. J. Wallis for his services as convener of the Committee on Temperance and Public Morals.
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, the Conference recognising the disastrous effects of the liquor habit on the Native race, records its gratification at the assurance given by the Prime Minister that all licenses in the King Country will be cancelled during this year. It rejoices in the evidences of a still increasing temperance sentiment throughout the Dominion, and a marked decrease, in places, in the convictions for drunkenness; and urges upon our people continued persistence, by example and effort, towards the goal of No-License.

7. That the Conference, believing that the closing of the Liquor bars makes for sobriety, and the moral and material prosperity of the country records its opinion that 60 per cent. of the valid votes cast is too high a proportion; it reiterates its conviction that the law which demands it, besides being undemocratic in principle, imposes an unfair disadvantage upon the Temperance cause; and hopes that in the near future the law may be so amended that No-License may be secured at least by a majority of less proportions than is at present required.
8. That the Conference recognises the measures created by the Legislature for the diminution of Gambling, and the sincere efforts of the Police for the enforcement of these laws. It believes, however, that the totalisator is the nursery of the gambling propensity; and further, that the licensed bookmaker has of late become a greater evil than ever; and that there is a widespread and insidious habit in factories and other aggregations of men, and of boys and young women, in the direction of remitting money to Tattersall's. It consequently believes that these three evils—the totalisator, the bookmaker, and Tattersall's—require for their suppression new and more drastic legislation, and urges our people to continued and increased agitation for their abolition.
9. That the Conference deploras the general laxity of the public in relation to the observance of the Sabbath. The common custom picnicking on Sunday, and the institution of the week-end excursions, and Saturday to Monday camps, are to be deprecated; and it warns our people against a growing tendency, even among professing Christians, to regard the Lord's Day as a legitimate occasion for physical recreation.

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

That this Conference gives thanks to God for the reported increase of 740 members, 244 probationers, and 541 Sunday scholars. It accepts this as a grateful sign of Divine blessing, and of faithful effort in Christian homes and in various departments of Church service. In view, however, of the appalling spiritual needs of the times, this Conference realises the supreme importance of a full baptism of the Holy Ghost, so that a greater amount of evangelistic work may be accomplished.

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

The Reports of the "Outlook" Committee and the special Committee set up by last Conference were presented.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Reports be received.
2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the "Outlook" Committee, and especially to Mr E. Rosevear, for their valuable services, and that they be re-appointed.

3. That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. J. Ward for his services as Editor of the Methodist section of the "Outlook."
4. That a fortnightly paper, on the basis of a two-thousand circulation, with sixteen pages, of the size and quality of the "Vanguard," be established, provided that any guarantee required by the publishers be given by the Quarterly Meetings.
5. That arrangements be made for the publication of the paper as soon as guarantees for two thousand copies are forthcoming.
6. That Quarterly Meetings be directed to supply the necessary information not later than April 30th, 1910.
7. That the following Committee be appointed to carry into effect the foregoing resolutions:—The Ministers of the Christchurch Circuits, the Rev. H. Bull, the Hon. G. J. Smith, M.L.C., Messrs A. F. Drayton, J. A. Flesher, G. Bowron, C. E. Salter, J. L. Scott, and R. H. Turner; Rev. L. Hudson, Convener.
8. That the price of the paper be 5s 6d posted or delivered otherwise, reduced to 5s if paid in advance; single copies to be sold at twopence.
9. That the name of the journal be "The New Zealand Methodist Times."
10. That the Editor be the Rev. L. Hudson.
11. That an honorarium of £30 be granted to the Editor from the Contingent Fund.
12. That it be an instruction to "The New Zealand Methodist Times" Committee to circularise the next March Quarterly Meetings, setting forth the scheme for the publication of the new journal.
13. That the "Outlook" Committee make such arrangements as they may deem suitable for the continuance of our relations with the Presbyterian Committee of the "Outlook" until such date as may be necessary, and that the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund pay the amount of any loss that may be incurred on account of the arrangements made.
14. That the "Outlook" Committee be authorised to make with the "Outlook" Committee of the Presbyterian Church an honourable settlement in connection with the loss resulting from the publication of the Methodist portion of the "Outlook."
15. That the "Outlook" Committee be requested to prepare a suitable letter to be sent to the Presbyterian Committee acknowledging their courtesy and considerateness in all their dealings with our Church.
16. That the Rev. P. W. Fairclough be Editor of the Methodist section of the "Outlook" until the new arrangement takes effect.
17. That the guarantees required from the Circuits be co-terminous with the guarantee given to the publishers.
18. That the Editor's contingent and local travelling expenses be defrayed out of the Contingent Fund.
19. That the Committee and Editor be elected at each Conference.
20. That our Ministers and Home Missionaries be directed to urge the claims of "The New Zealand Methodist Times" in their pastoral visitation and in other ways.

## METHODIST HYMN BOOK.

The Report was presented by Rev. S. Lawry, Convener of the Committee.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee be thanked for their services during the year, and the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—Revs. H. Bull and S. Lawry (Convener), with Mr J. A. Flesher.
3. That the moneys receivable during the year be paid to the Special Branch of the Church Building and Loan Fund.

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**QUESTION XXVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Military and Naval Affairs?**

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the retiring Committee.
3. That the Committee consist of the Revs. H. R. Dewsbury (Convener), G. Bond, W. Ready, Messrs S. J. Ambury, T. W. Jones, and J. Purnell, with the Rev. J. A. Luxford as a corresponding member.
4. That the Rev. J. A. Luxford be authorised to correspond with the Rev. O. Watkins on Admiralty affairs, and with the New Zealand Government on Military affairs during the year.
5. 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. H. R. Dewsbury; Wellington, Rev. S. J. Serpell; Lyttelton, Rev. A. Peters; Port Chalmers, Rev. F. T. Read; Dunedin, Rev. P. W. Fairclough.
6. That the names of the Superintendent Ministers in the ports of the Dominion visited by His Majesty's ships of war be annually reported to the Rev. O. Watkins by the Rev. J. A. Luxford, in order that the naval authorities may be notified of the Chaplaincies in these places.
7. That, in view of the Defence Act recently passed by the New Zealand Parliament, providing for compulsory military training, the Conference urges upon our Ministers the need and the duty of securing positions of chaplaincy in connection with the Territorial and other military forces and encampments throughout the Dominion.

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

I.—DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

See under Question I., p. 18.

II.—APPOINTMENTS TO CONNEXIONAL OFFICES.

The Committee having reported on the matter, it was resolved that, as it has been our usage to appoint Connexional Officers from year to year, and this does not appear to be out of harmony with the law on the subject, provided the limitation is specified when appointment is made, the present practice be continued.

III.—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed by last Conference met on several occasions and considered the various matters relating to the establishment of a Central Mission in Christchurch.

The Committee was practically unanimous as to the need of such a Mission, and that the time was opportune to initiate the movement.

Consideration was given to the relationship to the proposed new Mission, of the work now carried on at Durham Street South, and Lower High Street. A deputation was appointed to wait upon the officials of these congregations, and resolutions were adopted in both cases, agreeing to the proposals of the Committee.

Satisfactory offers were received by the Committee in regard to the renting of a hall in a central position, and it is anticipated no difficulty would arise in this connection.

With reference to the staffing of the proposed Mission, the Committee gave long and earnest consideration to the question. The Rev. W. A. Sinclair was nominated as the Superintendent, but was unable to accept the position until 1911. The decisions reached on this point, and others, are embodied in the following recommendations:—

1. That Conference be recommended to establish a Central Mission in Christchurch in 1911.
2. That the staff consist of a Superintendent and an assistant, and that during the initiation of the Mission, the assistant be a Probationer.
3. That the Revs. W. A. Sinclair and N. Turner be designated for these positions respectively.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following Committee be appointed to take the necessary steps towards the initiation of the Mission:—The Ministers of the Christchurch Circuits, the Connexional Secretary, the Hon. G. J. Smith, M.L.C., Messrs G. Bowron, G. Scott, J. Murgatroyd, J. A. Flesher, W. H. Seed, W. Fenner, A. K. England, R. H. Turner, J. Hanan, J. L. Scott, C. E. Salter, H. A'Court, T. Robson, L. M. Isitt, and James Smith; the Superintendent of Durham Street Circuit to be Convener.

## IV.—LAY PASTORATE IN THE CHURCH.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The last Annual Conference drew the attention of the Church to the decay of the Lay Pastorate among us, and expressed its conviction that for the effective maintenance of the work of God the co-operation of chosen laymen with the ministers in the pastoral oversight of our people is essential. The Committee which now tenders its report was set up to receive recommendations on the question from the Leaders' Meetings. A circular drawing attention to the resolution of Conference was issued to every minister during the year, and the replies received were considered by the Committee.

The Committee expresses its conviction that the subject is one which touches the very heart of our Church life. It is not enough to enroll the names of our people as members or as adherents. We must aim to attach them closely to our Church and to secure their active co-operation in its work. We must watch over the families of our people, shepherd wisely the young men and women, care for the tempted and the straying, minister to those in sorrow and in need, and restore that personal touch between Church and adherent which was never so much needed as to-day. The Minister alone is insufficient for this work. Methodism has never expected him to undertake the burden of pastoral oversight unaided, and such a task ought certainly not to be imposed upon him to-day, when a multiplicity of distracting calls harasses him. We must fall back upon first principles or be content to fail. Chosen men and women of good repute and trusted among the people must be found to share the burden. The Committee is not insensible to the difficulty of finding such Agents. To find Leaders is the problem of the day. The natural leaders of men cannot easily be persuaded to give up their lives to the service of the Church, and such work as would be demanded of the proposed sub-pastorate requires peculiar qualifications, rare at the most spiritually prosperous eras of the Church. But some leaders can be found, more, perhaps, than we are disposed to think, and as we seek to cultivate the gift they will grow among us. It is a pitiful commentary upon the condition of our Church life if in such a matter we are bound to cry failure before we begin.

The Committee therefore draws attention to the present rule of our Church (Meth. Laws, par. 10):—

“All members who do not meet in a Society Class shall be allotted to duly appointed Leaders, who shall, by visitation or in other ways, assist the Minister in the spiritual oversight of such members, and receive their contributions, and report to the Leaders' Meetings.”

The Committee recommends that all our Churches be directed to make an earnest attempt to carry out this rule. And with this end in view it makes the following suggestions:—

1. That the members of the Church and where possible the adherents also, be divided into convenient groups and placed under the charge of suitable men and women as Leaders.
2. That the appointment of such Leaders be reported to the Church, and that they be set apart to their work with prayer.

## 3. That the duty of such Leaders be:—

- a. To visit at least quarterly those committed to their oversight under the direction of the Minister.
- b. To report immediately to the Minister all cases of sickness, trouble, and disorderly conduct.
- c. To encourage regular attendance at the Lord's Supper and at the week-night means of grace.
- d. To report quarterly to the Leaders' meeting.

Several Leaders' meetings earnestly recommended the immediate formation of Class meetings, and in some cases new classes have been already formed. The Committee expresses its hearty concurrence with every attempt to foster the formation of such devotional meetings in the Church, and would point out that a natural outcome of the appointment of sub-pastors as proposed would be that in at least some cases classes would be formed.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That these resolutions be printed for circulation in the various Circuits.

## V.—INDEPENDENT CONFERENCE FOR NEW ZEALAND.

See also under Question XXX.

The Report of the Committee appointed by last Conference was received and adopted, subject to some minor alterations in the "working scheme," which in its amended form is included in the recommendation to the General Conference. The following is the portion of the Report not included:—

The voting of the Quarterly Meetings was reported to the Committee at a meeting held on October 25. A difference of opinion and practice had arisen with regard to the right of Home Mission Station Quarterly Meetings to vote on the questions. In accordance with instructions from the President no circulars were sent to Home Mission Stations asking them to vote. But in many of these Quarterly Meetings a vote was taken, in others the Chairman ruled that they had no right to vote, while in yet others the matter was passed over without notice. Consequent upon this divergent action the votes of Circuits and of H.M. Stations are given separately. The members of one H.M. Quarterly Meeting in the Auckland District sent a written statement to the Convener of the Committee, asking to have their signatures counted as votes in favour of the proposal. These are not included. Sandon postponed its vote till the September meeting.

It will be seen from the appended returns that 97 Circuits and 10 Home Mission Stations voted; 76 Circuits report a majority of votes in favour of the proposal, and 19 a majority against it, and two were equally divided. Of the Home Mission Stations which voted nine were in favour and one against. These majorities were distributed over the several Districts as follows:—

Auckland—13 Circuits and 2 Home Mission Stations in favour;  
6 Circuits against, and 2 equal.

Wanganui—13 Circuits and 3 Home Mission Stations in favour,  
and 3 Circuits against.

Wellington—15 Circuits in favour, and 3 Circuits and 1 Home Mission Station against.

Nelson—5 Circuits in favour, and 3 against.

Canterbury—17 Circuits and 3 Home Mission Stations in favour, and 1 Circuit against.

Otago—13 Circuits and 1 Home Mission Station in favour, and 3 Circuits against.

#### SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS.

An amendment in Clause C of the "Working Scheme," by which new legislation would be submitted to Quarterly Meetings as well as to Synods, was suggested by 10 Circuits in five Districts, and one Circuit expressed the opinion that "the itinerant system should be safeguarded," without indicating how this should be done. All the other Quarterly Meetings either definitely approved the "Working Scheme," or passed it without suggesting any alteration.

The Committee considered the suggested amendments, and resolved to report the same, but not to embody them in the "Working Scheme" to be recommended to Conference, as they are of the opinion that the object aimed at is sufficiently secured by the proposal that no new legislation shall take effect until it has been confirmed by the succeeding Conference. During this interval Quarterly Meetings would have the right to make themselves heard by recommendation to the District Synod, by their representatives in Conference, or by direct memorial according to existing rules. The Conference will also retain its present power to remit any matter to the Quarterly Meetings. The Committee are of opinion that these provisions also sufficiently safeguard the itinerant system.

#### CIRCUIT VOTING.

##### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Auckland—Pitt Street ... ..	34	17	17	—
Auckland West ... ..	21	6	13	2
Auckland East ... ..	37	15	11	11
Auckland Methodist Mission ... ..	20	1	18	1
Auckland—North Shore ... ..	11	4	6	1
Auckland—Birkenhead ... ..	15	14	1	—
Onehunga ... ..	14	3	11	—
Otahuhu ... ..	13	9	3	1
Mahurangi ... ..	6	4	1	1
Thames ... ..	8	6	1	1
Upper Thames ... ..	17	—	16	1
Waihi ... ..	14	12	1	1
Paeroa ... ..	6	6	—	—
Franklin ... ..	11	9	2	—
Cambridge and Te Awamutu ... ..	17	17	—	—
Hamilton ... ..	17	11	5	1
Huntly ... ..	5	5	—	—
Paparoa ... ..	13	12	1	—
Northern Wairoa ... ..	14	7	7	—
Whangarei ... ..	5	1	3	1
Fotorua ... ..	6	3	2	1
	304	162	119	23

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
New Plymouth ... ..	20	20	—	—
Waitara ... ..	14	13	1	—
Inglewood ... ..	12	10	2	—
Stratford ... ..	11	10	1	—
Eltham ... ..	11	10	1	—
Hawera ... ..	15	9	6	—
Cape Egmont ... ..	10	12	1	3
Kaponga ... ..	13	13	—	—
Wanganui ... ..	19	16	2	1
Aramoho ... ..	9	9	—	—
Rangitikei ... ..	9	—	9	—
Sandon ... ..	8	2	5	1
Feilding ... ..	16	16	—	—
Palmerston North ... ..	51	19	23	9
Taihape ... ..	6	6	—	—
Waimarino ... ..	8	6	1	1
	238	171	52	15

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Wellington—Taranaki Street ...	32	17	14	1
Wellington Central Mission ...	11	10	—	1
Wellington—Thorndon ...	11	7	3	1
Wellington South ...	12	11	1	—
Wellington Suburban ...	10	9	1	—
Johnsonville ...	12	12	—	—
Hutt ...	23	1	20	2
South Wairarapa ...	27	27	—	—
Masterton ...	17	13	3	1
Napier ...	14	6	8	0
Hastings ...	19	9	2	8
Gisborne ...	11	1	9	1
Eketahuna ...	13	10	2	1
Dannevirke ...	7	7	—	—
Levin-Otaki ...	16	12	3	1
Waipawa ...	8	8	—	—
Woodville ...	13	13	—	—
Pahiatua ...	8	6	2	—
	264	179	68	17

## NELSON DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Nelson ... ..	11	9	2	—
Richmond ... ..	14	10	2	2
Blenheim ... ..	36	19	15	2
Hokitika ... ..	8	3	5	—
Greymouth ... ..	18	2	16	—
Motueka ... ..	12	5	6	1
Reefton ... ..	8	5	3	—
Westport ... ..	8	8	—	—
	115	61	49	5

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Christchurch—Durham Street	74	68	6	—
Christchurch—Sydenham	22	18	3	1
Christchurch—Addington	22	19	—	3
Christchurch—St. Albans	33	32	1	—
Christchurch—Papanui	26	23	2	1
Lyttelton	16	10	5	1
Springston	9	7	1	1
Tai Tapu	10	10	—	—
Leeston	20	4	14	2
Kaiapoi	18	17	1	—
Rangiora	25	22	2	1
Malvern	3	3	—	—
Timaru	21	17	1	3
Waimate	26	25	—	1
Temuka	11	9	2	—
Ashburton	18	14	2	2
Willowby	18	11	5	2
Amberley	5	4	—	1
	377	313	45	19

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Dunedin—Trinity	30	27	—	3
Dunedin Central Mission	18	9	6	3
Dunedin—Cargill Road	21	6	14	1
Dunedin—Mornington	15	8	4	3
Dunedin—Roslyn	10	8	2	—
Mosgiel	10	9	1	—
Port Chalmers	15	14	1	—
Balclutha	8	8	—	—
Milton	5	5	—	—
Lawrence	8	8	—	—
Invercargill	10	8	2	—
Oamaru	15	11	3	1
Gore	8	7	—	1
Otautau	8	—	8	—
Roxburgh	13	—	13	—
Cromwell	8	8	—	—
	202	136	54	12

## H.M. STATIONS.

Circuits	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Tauranga	7	7	—	—
Coromandel	5	5	—	—
Patea	5	5	—	—
Ohura	6	6	—	—
Kimbolton	8	7	—	1
Norsewood	11	—	9	2
Oxford	4	4	—	—
Methven	7	1	—	6
Bank's Peninsula	5	5	—	—
Palmerston	8	6	2	—
	66	46	11	9

## DISTRICT SUMMARY.

	No. Present	Votes For	Votes Against	Neutral
Auckland District ... ..	316	174	119	23
Wanganui District ... ..	257	189	52	16
Wellington District ... ..	275	179	77	19
Nelson District ... ..	115	61	49	5
Canterbury District ... ..	393	323	45	25
Otago District ... ..	210	142	56	12
Grand Totals ... ..	1566	1068	398	100

## VI.—TRAINING HOME FOR DEACONESSSES.

The report of the Committee of Control was presented.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a list of Deaconesses, showing the Circuits in which they are employed, be printed in the Minutes of Conference; and that there be added the names of other Deaconesses, eligible for employment, whose names are approved by the President and Secretary of the Conference.
3. That the Committee of Control and Supervision for the ensuing year be:—The President of the Conference, the Superintendents of the Durham Street, St. Albans, Sydenham, and Addington Circuits, the Connexional Secretary, the Hon. G. J. Smith, Messrs G. Bowron, J. Hewitt, J. C. Prudhoe, Geo. Scott, A. K. England, J. L. Scott, C. E. Salter, and G. Barrell; Rev. S. Griffith, Convener.
4. That the House Rules referred to be left in the hands of the Committee of the Institution.

## CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE.

1. The Deaconess House is a Connexional Institution under the control of a Committee appointed by the Annual Conference.
2. The Committee shall appoint from year to year a lady Superintendent who shall be responsible for the general discipline of the probationers and the management of the house.
3. Candidates for admission must be members of a Christian Church and women of approved character for their ability and devotion in Christian work. They must pass a medical examination and an entrance examination in Scripture and in General Knowledge. The entrance examination, except in special cases, shall be held in December.
4. It is expected that the cost of the year's training, amounting to £40, will be contributed by Probationers. The Committee, however, shall have power to remit any part of the cost.
5. With a view to ascertain her general fitness for the work, each Probationer shall be deemed to be on trial for three months, which may be included in the term of probation, and during this time she shall visit in company with one of the Deaconesses.

6. The term of probation is two years in the Deaconess House and one year in active service; at the end of which term the Probationer having earned a good report shall be set apart for her vocation at a Consecration Service to be arranged by her Superintendent Minister.

7. The curriculum for Probationers shall include Bible Work, Systematic Theology, Methodist History and Polity, Practical Aspects of Deaconess Work, Elementary Medicine (Physiology, Hygiene, and Nursing), English Language and Literature, and Voice Production. Lecturers in these subjects shall be appointed by Conference, and there shall be half-yearly examinations arranged by the Committee.

8. One afternoon a week must be given by each Probationer to District visitation in such Circuits as the Committee may determine.

9. The year begins the third week in January and closes the third week in December. There shall be five days vacation at Easter, and two weeks in June and September.

10. All appointments to Circuits shall be made by the Committee and reported to Conference, and are for one year only, though they may be renewed indefinitely. Appointments ordinarily terminate on the 31st of December, but may be terminated at any time by three months' notice on either side. The salary shall be not less than £70 per annum. Deaconesses shall have not less than a fortnight's holiday each year.

11. Each Probationer who has received training in the Deaconess House is expected to give to the Methodist Church four years of service as a Deaconess, or otherwise to refund to the Committee any cost of training borne by the Committee, an agreement to that effect to be signed by the Probationers.

12. The distinctive uniform of the Order is a blue dress, including a blue veil with white tie. The uniform of probationers is coloured grey. Deaconesses shall always wear the special uniform when on duty.

13. Lady Associates are those who give countenance and support to the Deaconess Institution, and who collect or subscribe a guinea a year for the funds of the Institution. There shall be an Annual Meeting of Lady Associates held in the Durham Street Church, at which the report of the year's work shall be read and afterwards posted to each member.

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

The following records have been received during the year:—

1. Sunday School Minutes and Register Book, Broadfield, 1868-1879.—From Mr W. Early.
2. Notes of Early Days in the Colony by the late Henry Jones, of Masterton, 1856.—From Mr C. E. Daniell.
3. Early History of Eketahuna Circuit, by J. Carter.—From Rev J. J. Pendray.
4. Dunedin Quarterly Meeting Minute Book, 1862-1876.—From Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A.
5. Dunedin Finance Minute Book, 1879-1883.—From Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A.
6. Dunedin Circuit Offertory Record, 1864-1876.—From Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A.

7. Baptism, Marriage, and Burial Records at Waikouaiti, 1840-1859.—From Rev. Josiah Ward.
8. Minute Book of the Wesleyan Book Association of Auckland, 1870-1896; and also
9. Letter Book of the Auckland Book Association, 1870-1887.—From Mr John Edson, per Rev. George Bond.
10. Old Baptismal, Marriage, and Church Membership Records of Rangiora.—From Rev. J. T. Pinfold, F.G.S.
11. Circuit Quarterly Minute Book of the Manawatu and Sanson Circuits.—From Rev. C. E. Beecroft.
12. Four volumes of Early Church Records of the Roxburgh Circuit.—From Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt.
13. The Quarterly Meeting Minute Book of the Upper Thames Circuit, 1881-1906.—From Mr A. Tetley.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the letter received from the Secretary of the Canterbury Early Colonists' Committee, requesting assistance in the securing of documents concerning the early ecclesiastical history of Canterbury, be referred to the Early Records Committee of our Church in Christchurch.

#### THE REV. W. KIRK.

That a suitable photograph of the Rev. W. Kirk be obtained and presented to the Early Colonists' Museum in Dunedin and in Christchurch. The Early Records Committee was directed to take action.

#### QUESTION XXIX.—Who are the Members of the following Connexional Committees?

##### COMMITTEES FOR 1910-11.

##### 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 representation 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 XXX.—What are the Resolutions of this Conference on matters relating to the General Conference?**

**I.—ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SUBSTITUTES.**

The President and Secretary of Conference, and the Rev. W. Baumber and Mr G. H. Blackwell (General Treasurers of the Children's Fund) are ex officio members of the General Conference.

The following were elected representatives:—

Ministerial.—Revs. P. W. Fairclough, T. G. Brooke, J. J. Lewis, C. H. Garland, W. J. Williams, W. Slade, W. A. Sinclair, W. Ready, and J. N. Buttle.

Lay.—Messrs J. A. Flesher, E. Rosevear, J. C. Stephens, J. H. Blackwell, J. C. Prudhoe, W. G. Bassett, E. Dixon, E. H. Penny, J. Veale, A. A. Lucas, and G. Tiller.

The following were elected substitute representatives:—

Ministerial.—Revs. C. E. Beecroft, G. Bond, A. B. Chappell, M.A., J. Ward, H. Bull, S. J. Serpell, H. E. Bellhouse, B. H. Ginger, T. Fee, C. Abernethy, W. Grigg, T. A. Joughin, and A. Peters.

Lay.—Messrs W. Harding, C. S. Howard, G. A. Fairbrother, J. B. Shacklock, R. H. Turner, J. L. Scott, J. Prouse, J. W. Copthorne, R. Evans, J. C. Allen, W. T. Bowater, J. W. Shackelford, W. H. Hodson, W. D. Pike, J. P. Simon, A. King, G. D. Smith, and W. Simpson.

**II.—INDEPENDENT CONFERENCE FOR NEW ZEALAND.**

1. That the proposal for an Independent Conference for New Zealand having been approved by 73 per cent. of those who recorded their votes in the Quarterly Meetings to which the question was submitted, and by 156 out of a total of 228 who voted on it in the District Synods, this Conference declares its conviction that the time has arrived when independent and self-governing powers should be conferred on the New Zealand Annual Conference, and the General Conference is recommended to accept the accompanying "Working Scheme," and to pass the legislation necessary to give effect to the same.

N.B.—Ninety-nine votes were given for the above, and thirty-one against it.

2. That the General Conference be requested to appoint a select Committee at an early session to consider the proposed "Working Scheme," and to report thereon when the question is brought up for discussion.
3. That our representatives be instructed to support the foregoing recommendations, and to vote for them in the General Conference.

**WORKING SCHEME.**

**A.—NAME OF THE CHURCH.**

That the name be "The Methodist Church of New Zealand," and that statutory sanction be obtained from the New Zealand Parliament for the new name of the Church and that Clauses B. and C. of the Working Scheme be embodied in the Act.

### B.—EXISTING LAWS AND CONSTITUTION.

Subject to the modifications arising from the changes herein provided for, and such other modifications as may be necessary, the Laws and Constitution of the Methodist Church of Australasia at the date of New Zealand independence shall be the Laws and Constitution of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

### C.—POWERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

Subject to the provisions of the Model Deed, and the Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Trust Act, 1887, and amendments thereof; the Conference shall have full powers of legislation, as to any matter referred to or comprised in sub-sections 1 and 2 of "The Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Trust Act, 1887, Further Amendment Act, 1896," and the control of its Connexional Funds, provided that no new Legislation shall take effect until it has been submitted to the Annual District Synods, and confirmed by a resolution passed by a majority of not less than 55 per cent. of the votes of the members present and voting at the next succeeding Conference.

### D.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

1. A separate Supernumerary Fund shall be formed for New Zealand, which shall take over all Ministers, Supernumeraries, Widows and Probationers connected with the New Zealand Conference, and shall be credited with its share of the Australasian Fund and assets, the same to be actuarially determined.

2. The creation of the separate Supernumerary Fund shall take place as soon as convenient after the next actuarial investigation has been made for the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia.

3. No alteration shall be made in the essential principle on which the Fund is administered for a period of at least ten years after the New Zealand Fund has been formed.

4. No Minister, who, at the time of the actuarial investigation above referred to, shall have made thirty (30) or more annual payments into the Australasian Fund, shall be required to pay more to the New Zealand Fund than he would have been required to pay had he remained in the Australasian Fund, nor shall he or his Widow, or any Supernumerary or Widow then receiving payments from the Australasian Fund, be paid less than he or she would have received by remaining in the last mentioned Fund, provided further that any Minister, Supernumerary, or Widow herein referred to shall be entitled to receive a guarantee from or on behalf of the New Zealand Conference for the fulfilment of this provision.

### E.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1. For the present New Zealand shall continue to support the Foreign Mission Fund of the Methodist Church of Australasia, and arrangements be made for N.Z. representation on the Board of Missions, and on the General Conference Committee on Foreign Missions.

2. Provision shall also be made whereby, at such time as may be agreed upon, the New Zealand Conference shall accept responsibility for a separate Mission Field.

## F.—MINISTERIAL TRANSFERS.

1. Facilities shall be given to Ministers who have come to New Zealand under existing transfer conditions, to be re-transferred to Australia, should they so desire.

2. Provision shall also be made so that other transfers may be effected from time to time with the consent of the parties concerned without loss of ministerial status, the relation to Connexional Funds to be arranged by the Conferences interested.

## G.—FRATERNAL DELEGATION.

For the purpose of maintaining a fraternal relationship between Australia and New Zealand, arrangements may be made for visits of fraternal Delegates between the General Conference of Australasia and the New Zealand Conference.

## H.—DATE OF INDEPENDENCE.

The date of independence shall be from the second Monday in April, 1912.

## III.—PROBATIONERS' COURSE OF STUDY.

## FIRST YEAR.

4. Bank's Manual; substitute Beet's "Manual of Theology."

## SECOND YEAR.

5. Peabody's "Jesus Christ and the Social Question"; substitute Kirkup's "Enquiry into Socialism."

7. Bennett's Primer; substitute Moulton's "History of the English Bible."

## THIRD YEAR.

3. Smyth's Ethics; substitute "Peake's Critical Introduction to the New Testament."

7. Orr's Problem; substitute "The Witness of Israel," by W. Fiddian Moulton.

## FOURTH YEAR.

4. Smyth's Ethics; substitute "The Scientific Creed of the Theologian," by Rudolf Schmid.

7. Orr's Problem; substitute Peile's "Reproach of the Gospel."

## LIST OF WORKS RECOMMENDED TO PROBATIONERS.

The Reading List required to be supplied for the District Synod by each Probationer shall include at least one of the books marked with an asterisk in the first six sections. [Those recommended to be so distinguished are given below.]

Delete "Moulton's History of the English Bible," that being recommended for Probationers' Course of Study.

## Section 1—

\*Bruce's Training of the Twelve.

\*Ramsay's Church in Roman Empire.

\*Moulton's Literary Study of the Bible.

## Add to List—

\*Shaw's Pauline Epistles.

## Section 2—

- \*Fairbairn's Philosophy of the Christian Religion.
- \*Illingworth's Personality, Human and Divine.
- \*Lidgett's Spiritual Principle of the Atonement.

## Add to List—

- \*Denney's The Mind of Christ in the Gospels.

## Section 3—

- \*Fitchett's Unrealised Logic of Religion.
- \*Brace's Gesta Christi.
- \*Iverach's Christianity and Evolution.
- \*Orr's Christian View of God and the World.

## Add to List—

- Ballard's The True God.

## Section 4—

- \*Hatch's History of Early Church Organisations.
- \*Fairbairn's Religion in History and in Modern Life.
- \*Workman's Persecution in the Early Church.
- \*Fisher's History of Christian Doctrine.

## Section 5—

- \*Arthur's Tongue of Fire.
- \*Phillips Brooks's Lectures on Preaching.

## Add to List—

- \*Dyke's The Christian Minister and his Duties.
- \*Pattee's Elements of Religious Pedagogy.
- Lamoreaux's The Unfolding Life.
- Lawrance's How to Conduct a Sunday School.

## Section 6—

- \*Flint's Socialism.
- \*Gladden's Tools and the Man.
- \*Dennis's Social Progress and Christian Missions.

## Add to List—

- \*Rae's Contemporary Socialism.

## IV.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND

1. That honoraria amounting in the aggregate to £150 be paid by the Supernumerary Fund to the Annual Conference Treasurers, this amount to be in lieu of the amounts now paid as incidental expenses.
2. That the latter part of Paragraph 544 of the Book of Laws, relating to claimants on the Fund, be altered so as to enable Ministers who have either reached 65 years of age, or have travelled 40 years, to retire without a medical certificate.—(The above was adopted on the casting vote of the President.)
3. That in Paragraph 567 of the Book of Laws the words "any premium for second marriage," be struck out.

4. That in any case where a Probationer fail to pass in his year he be not required to pay his personal subscription for that year.
5. Having considered the request of Mr J. G. W. Ellis for a refund to him of £52 8s 5d retained by the Board of Treasurers from the total amount paid by him personally while a Minister of the Church, in view of all the circumstances of the case, and the fact that the Fund has not been called upon to meet any liability in the matter, the Conference recommends that the further sum of £33 15s 10d be refunded to Mr Ellis; but in regard to the balance of £18 12s 7d paid by him, as this was for interest, it is properly retained by the Treasurers of the Fund.
6. That the Report of the Board of Treasurers with reference to Second Wives' Annuities and the proposals of the Board be approved.

#### V.—HOME MISSIONARIES IN SYNODS.

That the constitution of the Financial District Synod be altered so as to provide that Home Missionaries of five years' continuous service shall be members of such Synod.

#### VI.—MINISTERIAL CHARACTER.

That in connection with the Annual Synod question: "Does he believe and preach our Doctrines?" the note requiring that "This question shall also be asked directly of the Minister concerned," be deleted.

#### VII.—APPOINTMENTS TO CONNEXIONAL OFFICES.

That Paragraph 103 of Book of Laws be altered so that it shall read as follows:—"The appointment of a Minister as President of a College, Theological Tutor, Missionary Secretary, or to any other Connexional Office, shall be for such term, not exceeding five years, as each Annual Conference shall for itself determine, provided that when any Minister shall have occupied any such office for a period of five years, fresh nominations shall be submitted, from which such appointment shall be made."

#### VIII.—RULINGS BY PRESIDENT OF GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Whereas, in the present state of the law, a private member of Conference may appeal to the President of the General Conference, without acquainting either the President of the Annual Conference or the other party to the question, and whereas the President of the General Conference may, upon an ex parte statement, give a ruling having the force of law, and yet not publish it otherwise than in a letter addressed to a private member, it is therefore recommended:—

- (1) That no appeal to the President of the General Conference shall be made except through the President of the Annual Conference within whose bounds the appeal arises.
- (2) That the President of the Annual Conference shall not obstruct any appeal.

- (3) That before despatching the appeal the President of the Annual Conference shall notify any other parties there may be to the action, in order that they may at the same time send their statement.
- (4) The President of the General Conference, having ruled, shall not communicate with either party, but shall send his ruling to the President of each Annual Conference for publication.

N.B.—Otherwise than through the President of the Annual Conference, it shall be deemed highly improper for either party to address the President of the General Conference on the matter in hand

#### IX.—BOOK OF OFFICES.

The Report of the Committee was generally approved, and the following further alterations recommended:—

1. In the new prayer for the burial service, the child not to be referred to as "it," but substitute "he" in italics.
2. In the marriage service—(a) The Rubric prior to introductory address to congregation, read "woman on HIS left," instead of "THE left." (b) The introductory address to be shortened. (c) The Rubric prior to the solemn declaration to read (1) "Then shall the man say," (2) "In like manner then shall the woman say."

#### X.—REPRESENTATIVES TO ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE.

That the General Conference be recommended to appoint Rev. S. Lawry and Mr T. Allen as Representatives to the Ecumenical Conference to be held at Toronto in 1911.

#### QUESTION XXXI.—When and Where shall the next Conference be held?

Thursday, February 23rd, 1911, at 7.30 p.m., in the Durham Street Church, Christchurch.

#### CITY MISSIONS.

##### I.—WELLINGTON CENTRAL MISSION.

That the following be a Committee to manage the affairs of the Wellington Central Mission:—The Superintendents of the Wellington and Johnsonville Circuits, Messrs G. Tiller, W. E. Redstone, C. H. Jones, J. Lomas, R. W. Waterhouse, E. Tonks, H. N. Holmes, H. Hart, G. Keall, L. J. Clark, E. L. Christie, together with the local officers of the Mission; Rev. E. O. Blamires, Convener.

##### 2.—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION.

A Report was presented. See under Question XXVII.

3.—DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION.

That the Conference comply with the request of the Quarterly Meeting of the Dunedin Central Mission to appoint a Managing Committee of the Mission, such Committee to be constituted as follows:—All who are entitled (under the Book of Laws) to be members of the Quarterly Meeting, together with Messrs E. Rosevear, C. A. Piper, E. Aslin, D. C. Cameron, jun., W. Penrose, J. B. Shacklock, W. C. Alnutt, A. Martin, and A. S. Wansborough.

EXTENDED APPOINTMENTS TO MISSIONS.

1. That the Conference determines to avail itself of the permissive legislation set forth in Sec. 2, Par. 294, Book of Laws, by which appointments beyond five years may be made to Missions. (See Minutes, 1908.)
2. That a Mission for the purposes of this provision shall be any church or building which is so designated in the Minutes by vote of the Conference, and to which a Minister is appointed.
3. That each such Mission furnish an annual report through the District Synod to the Conference.
4. That the following be designated Missions in the terms of Resolution 2:—Auckland Methodist Mission, Wellington Central Mission, Dunedin Central Mission.

LAY TREASURERS IN CONFERENCE.

That the following be the order in which Lay Treasurers are to be notified of their having seats in Conference ex officio (see Book of Laws, Par. 288):—

1. Church Building and Loan Fund.
2. Supernumerary Fund.
3. Contingent Fund.
4. Foreign Mission Fund.
5. Theological Institution.
6. Fire Insurance Fund.
7. Children's Fund.

LAY REPRESENTATION OF MAORI MISSION IN CONFERENCE.

That for the purpose of Lay representation, the European Ministers appointed to the Maori work be regarded as working under the direction of the Home Mission Executive Committee (see Book of Laws, par. 287); and this Committee shall elect from its members a Lay Representative for each such Minister in full connexion. In order that the Wanganui District may be represented, two Laymen from that District shall be appointed as members of the Committee.

**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 Minutes of Conference, 1908, p. 80.)
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.)

**LEGISLATION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, 1907.****DIRECT REPRESENTATION OF MEMBERS IN LOCAL CHURCH MANAGEMENT.**

1. That the representation of our members in Local Church Government be secured by the enlargement of the Leaders' Meeting.
2. That one (1) representative per fifty (50) members or fractional part thereof may be elected by each Society, but no Society in the Circuit shall elect more than six (6) representatives.
3. That persons thus elected to the Leaders' Meeting shall thereby become members of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting.
4. That persons eligible to take part in the election of representatives to the Leaders Meeting shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, and shall have been in continuous membership for at least twelve (12) months.
5. That persons eligible for election to the Leaders' Meeting shall be not less than twenty-one (21) years of age, and shall have been in continuous membership for at least twelve (12) months.
6. The representatives to the Leaders' Meeting shall be elected by ballot, after nomination. The nomination shall be made in the meeting by any member who is eligible to take part in the election.
7. The election of representatives shall take place annually at a meeting of members of the Society, to be held in the March Quarter, as early as possible after the December Quarterly Meeting; the Members Roll shall be produced at such meeting for reference.

8. The meeting shall be of a devotional character, and not for business purposes other than the election of representatives.
9. The representatives thus elected shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting. Any vacancy arising during the year may be filled by a special meeting called for the purpose.

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## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That the following Committees 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 Missions, 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 to inquire 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.—This Committee shall consider all Reports and Synod recommendations relating to the Theological Institution, Three Kings College, Sunday Schools, and the Bible Class Movement.
- (F) COMMITTEE ON GENERAL QUESTIONS.—This Committee shall consider the Reports on Connexional Literature, Temperance and Public Morals, and other Reports and Synod recommendations, and any matters remitted to it by the Conference.

### 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 willing to act on the Committee, and that the method of election be by members of the Conference placing a cross against the name of each of those for whom they desire to vote; the Secretaries of the Conference to be the scrutineers.
2. That members of the Conference must vote for the full number required in each District.
3. That in considering the Station Sheet the Committee begin with the District in which the Conference for the time being sits.

## 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.

## 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 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 one member retire each year.
2. That those members, outside the officers, who have been longest on the Committee shall be the first to retire.

## REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That the Reports of Conference Committees be written on foolscap paper, for the subsequent use of the Secretaries.

## 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 recommend 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 Ewart, Wellington; Dr A. J. Orchard, Christchurch; Dr B. E. de Lautour, Dunedin.

## PARSONAGE SANITATION CERTIFICATES.

That the form of Question 6, Section II, Synod Business, be altered so as to read: "Have the sanitary conditions of the parsonage been found satisfactory by the ingoing Minister?"

## TRANSFER OF SYNOD QUESTION.

That the Question: "Have the proper entries been made in the Circuit Schedules?" be transferred to the Financial Synod, to be asked under the heading of Church Properties.

## ADDITIONAL QUESTION FOR SYNODS.

That enquiry be made at the District Synods as to the removal of Trustees by death or other causes being reported to the authorised representative.

## ORDER OF SYNOD BUSINESS.

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

## MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

## THANKS TO THE EX-PRESIDENT.

That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the retiring President, the Rev. Thomas Fee, for the able and faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the past year.

## THANKS TO THE SECRETARY.

That the cordial thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. Samuel Lawry for his diligent and efficient services as Secretary of the Conference during the past year.

## PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL SERMON.

That the best thanks of the Conference be presented to the President of the Conference for the able, timely and faithful official sermon preached in Trinity Church, and that he be requested to allow its publication in the "Outlook."

## ORDINATION CHARGE.

That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. T. Fee for the faithful and stimulating Ordination Charge delivered on Sunday last, and that he be requested to allow it to appear in the "Outlook."

## REPRESENTATIVES TO CONFERENCES.

That the Rev. S. Lawry and Mr T. Allen be recommended to the General Conference as representatives to the Ecumenical Conference, meeting at Toronto in 1911; that Mr T. P. Ormerod be appointed representative to the English Wesleyan Methodist and United Methodist Conferences, and Messrs T. Allen, J. G. Cobbe, and W. S. Allen M.A., be commended to these Conferences; and that Mr J. G. Cobbe be appointed representative to the Irish Methodist Conference.

## CONFERENCE RECORDS.

That the President, Ex-President, and Secretary of Conference, Revs. C. H. Garland, and W. A. Sinclair, and Messrs J. C. Prudhoe, J. A. Flesher, C. E. Salter, and W. H. Seed be a Committee to consider during the year, and report to the next Conference, as to the possibility of providing better arrangements for making and preserving the official records of the Conference.

## STATIONING COMMITTEE.

That the question of having only two readings of the Station Sheet, the first not to be taken until after Questions 1, 2, 3, and 4 have been disposed of by Conference, be referred to the Synods for report to next Conference.

## LEGAL NAME OF THE CHURCH.

That in view of the census of 1911, it is desirable to make the legal name of the Church widely known, and that the Secretary of Conference and Mr J. A. Flesher be re-appointed a Committee to attend to this matter.

## AGENDA COMMITTEE.

That the Secretary of the Conference, with Rev. W. A. Sinclair and Mr J. C. Prudhoe, be the Agenda Committee for the next Conference.

## BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

That the Conference acknowledges the deep obligations under which the whole Christian Church has been laid in the past, more especially in connection with the aid afforded by the British and Foreign Bible Society in the printing of the Scriptures in the languages of the peoples in which our missions are held. The Conference commends the claims of the Society to its members throughout the whole Dominion, and recommends that on the third Sunday in May these claims should be specially emphasised in our churches.

## SCHEDULES FOR GENERAL RETURNS.

That the order of the Departments and Items in the District Schedules for the General Returns be made uniform with that of the Conference Minutes when the present stock of Schedules is exhausted.

C. H. LAWS, President.

SAMUEL LAWRY, Secretary.

## A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

OF THE

# Ministers and Probationers

IN CONNECTION WITH

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



- 1846 Kirk, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1887, Supernumerary.
- 1856 Gittos, William.
- 1857 Crump, John, President New Zealand Conference, 1878, Supernumerary.
- 1861 Cannell, William, Supernumerary.
- 1862 Redstone, Harry B., Supernumerary.  
" Smith, John, Supernumerary.
- 1864 Harper, George S., Supernumerary.  
" Lee, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1880, Supernumerary.  
" Rishworth, John S., Supernumerary.
- 1867 Oliver, William C., President New Zealand Conference, 1887, Supernumerary.
- 1868 Bull, Henry, President New Zealand Conference, 1886.  
" McNicoll, David, President New Zealand Conference, 1894, Supernumerary.  
" Smalley, Joseph S., President New Zealand Conference, 1900, Supernumerary.
- 1869 Beck, William H.  
" 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.  
" Thomas, James, Supernumerary.

- 1874 Fairclough, Paul W., F.R.A.S., President New Zealand Conference, 1897.  
 ,, Hammond, Thomas G.  
 ,, Jory, John D.
- 1875 Standage, Charles H.
- 1876 Baumber, William, President New Zealand Conference, 1895.  
 ,, Garlick, Samuel J., Supernumerary.  
 ,, Luxford, John A., President New Zealand Conference, 1903.  
 ,, Penney, Charles.
- 1877 Fee, Thomas, President New Zealand Conference, 1909.  
 ,, Griffin, Cornelius.  
 ,, Lawry, Samuel, President New Zealand Conference, 1904.  
 ,, Peters, Alfred.
- 1878 Buttle, J. Newman, President New Zealand Conference, 1905.
- 1879 Abernethy, Christopher.  
 ,, Hudson Lewis.  
 ,, 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, President New Zealand Conference, 1907.
- 1882 Griffith, Samuel.  
 ,, Jones, T. Francis.
- 1883 Marshall, George T.  
 ,, Mather, Joseph J., Supernumerary.
- 1884 Serpell, Samuel J.
- 1885 Ginger, Barton H.  
 ,, Lawry, Albert C.  
 ,, Ready, William.  
 ,, Rothwell, Benjamin F.  
 ,, Wallis, T. Jackson.  
 ,, Ward, Josiah.
- 1886 Taylor, Robert, Supernumerary.
- 1887 Blight, Joseph, Supernumerary.  
 ,, Joughin, Thomas A.  
 ,, Laws, Charles H., B.A., President New Zealand Conference, 1910.  
 ,, Wrigley, James.
- 1888 Grigg, William.  
 ,, Trestrail, Thomas.

- 1889 Chapman, James G.  
 ,, Read, Frederick T.
- 1890 Mitchell, Arthur.  
 ,, Newbold, Thomas W.
- 1891 Becroft, Charles E. (received by British Conference in 1870).  
 President New Zealand Conference, 1908  
 ,, Sinclair, William A.
- 1892 Peryman, Samuel H. D.
- 1893 Elliott, William J.  
 ,, Frost, George.  
 ,, Harrison, Colin C.
- 1894 Beggs, Hugh.  
 ,, Bellhouse, Harold E.  
 ,, Porter, Charles E.  
 ,, 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, E. Percy.  
 ,, Greenslade, William.  
 ,, Haslam, Jonathan H.  
 ,, Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.  
 ,, Wilson, Richard.
- 1901 Boys, Frederick W.  
 ,, Cook, George S.  
 ,, Eaton, Clarence.  
 ,, Reader, Amos.
- 1902 Oxbrow, Walter J.  
 ,, Patchett, Ernest D.  
 ,, Pratt, M. A. Rugby  
 ,, Thomas, T. Theodore, B.A.
- 1903 James, Benjamin J.  
 ,, Seamer, Arthur J.
- 1904 Blamires, Ernest O.  
 ,, McBean, Angus.  
 ,, Ranston, Harry.  
 ,, Reed, Alexander J.  
 ,, Stockwell, George F.  
 ,, Wilson, James.

- 1905 Copeland, Fred.  
 „ Randerson, A. Cyril, M.A.  
 „ Richards, Raymond.
- 1906 Clark, James R.  
 „ Paris, Percy R.  
 „ Roberts, Charles.
- 1907 Blair, Charles.  
 „ Keck, Henry A. G.  
 „ Scott, W. Bramwell.
- 1908 Abbey, William H. E.  
 „ Cox, Edwin.  
 „ Jordan, Charles B., B.A.  
 „ Martin, J. Frederick.  
 „ Maslin, William G.  
 „ Rands, Frederick.  
 „ Speer, William H.  
 „ Wylie, Robert H.
- 1909 Burchell, Albert F.  
 „ Lea, William  
 „ Tinsley, R. Burrows  
 „ Turner, Nicholas.
- 1910 Allen, Alexander.  
 „ Burley, William A.  
 „ McArthur, John D.  
 „ Richards, James  
 „ Watson, William A.

## NATIVE MINISTERS.

- 1882 Paul, Hauraki.  
 „ Rakena, Piripi.
- 1894 Kingi, Hamiora.
- 1896 Heretini, Te Tuhi.
- 1900 Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki.  
 „ Renata, Hapeta.
- 1903 Hare, Hone Marena.
- 1904 Papakakura, Neho Hemi.
- 1910 Wilcox, Davis.

## APPENDIX.

The Rev. W. L. Blamires, a Supernumerary of the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, received in 1858, resides in New Zealand.

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# Ministers and Probationers

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The figures at the beginning of the line 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.

- 1908 Abbey, William H. E., Mosgiel, 2.  
 1879 Abernethy, Christopher, Rangiora, 2.  
 1910 Allen, Alexander, Taihape, 1.  
 1895 Ashcroft, Arthur, Tai Tapu, 2.
- 1876 Baumber, William, Timaru, 3.  
 1869 Beck, William H., Auckland (North Shore), 1.  
 1898 Beckett, William, Temuka, 3.  
 1891 Beecroft, Charles E., Feilding, 5.  
 1894 Beggs, Hugh, Auckland East, 2 (Mount Eden).  
 1894 Bellhouse, Harold E., Ashburton, 4.  
 1907 Blair, Charles, Invercargill, 1 (South Invercargill).  
 1900 Blamires, E. Percy, Blenheim, 2 (Tuamarina).  
 1904 Blamires, Ernest O., Wellington Central Mission, 1.  
 1896 Blamires, Henry L., Hamilton, 3.  
 1887 Blight, Joseph, Supernumerary, Waimate, 1.  
 1871 Bond, George, Auckland West, 5 (Ponsonby).  
 1896 Bowie, William S., Inglewood, 2.  
 1901 Boys, Frederick W., Hawera, 3.  
 1880 Brooke, Thomas G., Home Mission Secretary, 2.  
 1868 Bull, Henry, Connexional Secretary, 9 (Armagh Street, Christchurch).
- 1909 Burchell, Albert F., Napier, 1 (Greenmeadows).  
 1910 Burley, William A., Hawera, 1 (Manaia).  
 1878 Buttle, J. Newman, Christchurch (Durham Street), 2 (Woolston).
- 1861 Cannell, William, Supernumerary, New Plymouth, 11.  
 1871 Carr, Thomas G., Auckland (Birkenhead), 2.  
 1889 Chapman, James G., New Plymouth, 2.  
 1886 Chappell, Albert B., M.A., Johnsonville, 1.  
 1904 Clark, James R., Wellington (Taranaki Street), 3 (Karori).  
 1901 Cook, George S., Auckland (Pitt Street), 2 (Mount Albert).  
 1905 Copeland, Fred, Eltham, 3.

- 1908 Cox, Edwin, Otahuhu, 2.  
 1857 Crump, John, Supernumerary, Nelson, 13.  
 1871 Dewsbury, Henry R., Auckland East, 2 (Grafton Road).  
 1880 Dukes, John, Franklin, 2 (Pukekohe).  
 1901 Eaton, Clarence, Richmond, 1.  
 1893 Elliott, William J., Whangarei, 1.  
 1874 Fairclough, Paul W., F.R.A.S., Dunedin (Trinity), 2.  
 1877 Fee, Thomas, Wellington (Thorndon), 2.  
 1893 Frost, George, Sanson and Rongotea, 2 (Sanson).  
 1881 Garland, Charles H., Christchurch (Durham Street), 2.  
 1876 Garlick, Samuel J., Supernumerary, Hutt, 3.  
 1881 Gibson, Samuel J., Onehunga, 3.  
 1885 Ginger, Barton H., Woodville, 4.  
 1856 Gittos, William, Auckland Maori Mission, 17 (Devonport).  
 1900 Greenslade, William, Gore, 3.  
 1877 Griffin, Cornelius, Rangitikei, 2 (Marton).  
 1895 Griffin, John W., Dannevirke, 2.  
 1880 Griffin, Thomas N., Greymouth, 1.  
 1882 Griffith, Samuel, Christchurch (Addington), 2.  
 1888 Grigg, William, Invercargill, 1.  
 1874 Hammond, Thomas G., West Coast Maori Mission, 24 (Opunake).  
 1864 Harper, George S., Supernumerary, Palmerston North, 33.  
 1893 Harrison, Colin C., Stratford, 2.  
 1900 Haslam, Jonathan H., Rangiora, 2 (Woodend).  
 1896 Hosking, James A., Balclutha, 3.  
 1879 Hudson, Lewis, Christchurch (Sydenham), 4.  
 1870 Isitt, Francis W., Wellington, without pastoral charge, 10.  
 1903 James, Benjamin J., Waipawa, 2.  
 1882 Jones, T. Francis, Levin-Otaki, 3 (Levin).  
 1908 Jordan, Charles B., B.A., Motueka, 1.  
 1874 Jory, John D., Northern Wairoa, 1 (Mangawhare).  
 1887 Joughin, Thomas A., Leeston, 2.  
 1899 Keall, R. Purcell, Cape Egmont, 2 (Opunake).  
 1907 Keck, Henry A. G., Westport, 1.  
 1846 Kirk, William, Supernumerary, Hutt, 26 (Petone).  
 1885 Lawry, Albert C., Napier, 5.  
 1877 Lawry, Samuel, Christchurch (Papanui), 4.  
 1887 Laws, Charles H., B.A., Christchurch (Durham Street), 2 (East Belt).  
 1864 Lee, William, Supernumerary, 4, Blenheim (Picton).  
 1870 Lewis, John J., Nelson, 2.  
 1895 Lochore, John A., Gisborne, 2.  
 1876 Luxford, John A., Wanganui, 2.  
 1909 McArthur, John D., Rotorua, 1.  
 1904 McBean, Angus, Christchurch (Durham Street), 3 (Richmond).  
 1868 McNicoll, David, Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street), 2.

- 1883 Marshall, George T., Otautau, 3.  
 1908 Martin, J. Frederick, Amberley, 1.  
 1908 Maslin, William G., South Wairarapa, 2 (Featherston).  
 1883 Mather, Joseph J., Supernumerary, Auckland East, 1.  
 1890 Mitchell, Arthur, Kaiapoi, 1.  
 1879 Murray, Daniel J., Dunedin (Cargill Road), 1.  
 1890 Newbold, Thomas W., Dunedin (Roslyn), 1.  
 1867 Oliver, William C., Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street), 2.  
 1902 Oxbrow, Walter J., Lawrence, 3.  
 1906 Paris, Percy R., Mahurangi, 1 (Warkworth).  
 1902 Patchett, Ernest D., Aramoho, 2.  
 1870 Pendray, John J., Eketahuna, 3.  
 1876 Penney, Charles, Waimate, 2.  
 1892 Peryman, Samuel H. D., Willowby, 1.  
 1877 Peters, Alfred, Lyttelton, 4.  
 1881 Pinfold, James T., F.G.S., Springston, 2.  
 1894 Porter, Charles E., Masterton, 2.  
 1902 Pratt, M. A. Rugby, Roxburgh, 3.  
 1905 Randerson, A. Cyril, M.A., Paeroa, 2.  
 1908 Rands, Frederick, Levin-Otaki, 1 (Otaki).  
 1904 Ranston, Harry, Hokitika, 2.  
 1889 Read, Frederick T., Port Chalmers, 1.  
 1901 Reader, Amos, Milton, 2.  
 1885 Ready, William, Auckland (Pitt Street), 2.  
 1862 Redstone, Harry B., Supernumerary, Wellington (Taranaki Street), 15 (Hawker Street).  
 1904 Reed, Alexander J., Upper Thames (Te Aroha), 3.  
 1910 Richards, James, Waimarino, 1 (Raetihi).  
 1905 Richards, Raymond, Wellington South, 1 (Kilbirnie).  
 1895 Richards, Thomas R., Blenheim, 2.  
 1864 Rishworth, John S., Supernumerary, North Shore, 13 (Devonport).  
 1906 Roberts, Charles, Kaiapoi, 2 (Ohoka).  
 1885 Rothwell, Benjamin F., Hutt, 3.  
 1907 Scott, W. Bramwell, Kaponga, 4.  
 1900 Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A., Auckland (Pitt Street), 4 (Kingsland).  
 1903 Seamer, Arthur J., Petone, 1.  
 1884 Serpell, Samuel J., Wellington (Taranaki Street), 3.  
 1869 Simmonds, Joseph H., Wesley College, Three Kings, 16 (Mount Eden).  
 1891 Sinclair, William A., Christchurch (St. Albans), 4.  
 1884 Slade, William, Dunedin Central Mission, 4.  
 1868 Smalley, Joseph S., Supernumerary, Berwick (Cotland), 8.  
 1862 Smith, John, Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street), 14 (Richmond).  
 1908 Speer, William H., Pahiatua, 3.  
 1879 Spence, George W. J., Palmerston North, 2.  
 1875 Standage, Charles H., South Wairarapa, 1 (Carterton).  
 1904 Stockwell, George F., Paparoa, 2.  
 1886 Taylor, Robert, Supernumerary, Christchurch (Durham Street), 1.

- 1871 Thomas, James, Supernumerary, Auckland (Pitt Street), 4  
(Stanley Bay).  
1902 Thomas, T. Theodore, B.A., Palmerston North, 2.  
1909 Tinsley, R. Burrows, Dunedin (Trinity), 1 (North-East Valley).  
1879 Tinsley, William, Cambridge, 1.  
1888 Trestrail, Thomas, Thames, 1.  
1909 Turner, Nicholas, Christchurch (Durham Street), 2.  
  
1894 Vealie, Thomas W., Dunedin (Mornington), 1.  
  
1885 Wallis, T. Jackson, Hastings, 1.  
1885 Ward, Josiah, Wellington South, 1.  
1910 Watson, William A., Palmerston North, 1 (Ashhurst).  
1870 Williams, William J., Oamaru, 1.  
1899 Wills, William, Waitara, 1.  
1904 Wilson, James, Auckland Methodist Mission, 7 (Newton).  
1900 Wilson, Richard, Reefton, 1.  
1887 Wrigley, James, Waihi, 3.  
1908 Wylie, Robert H., Dunedin (Cargill Road), 1 (St. Kilda).

## NATIVE MINISTERS.

- 1900 Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki, West Coast Maori Mission, 11  
(Okaiawa).  
1903 Hare, Hone Marena, Waikato, 3 (Te Kuiti).  
1896 Heretini, Te Tuhi, Hokianga, 10 (Whirinaki).  
  
1894 Kingi, Hamiora, Ruakura, 3.  
  
1904 Papakakura, Noho Hemi, Southern Maori Mission), 6 (Oraki).  
1882 Paul, Hauraki, Kaipara, 12 (Reweti).  
  
1882 Rakena, Piripi, Waikato, 3 (Kopua).  
1900 Renata, Hapeta, Whangaroa, 11 (Kaeo).  
  
1910 Wilcox, Davis, Whangaroa, 1.



## HOME MISSION STATIONS.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Upper Thames (Morrinsville)	...	...	George Bridgeman
Upper Thames (Mamaku)	...	...	C. Aker
Franklin (Waiuku)	...	...	C. Palk
Cambridge (Te Awamutu)	...	...	J. A. Lamond
Hamilton (Ngaruawahia)	...	...	C. Duncan
Northern Wairoa (Rehia)	...	...	H. Odell
Whangarei (Hikurangi)	...	...	C. W. Brown
Port Albert	...	...	C. C. Bottomley
Huntly	...	...	W. Walker
Tauranga	...	...	E. Somerville
Coromandel	...	...	W. H. Wise
Helensville (Kaukapakapa)	...	...	A. J. Leach
Bay of Islands (Kawakawa)	...	...	T. W. Featherstone
Whangaroa	...	...	M. J. Hilder
Mangonui	...	...	E. W. Pittendreich
Hokianga	...	...	J. W. Parker
Opotiki	...	...	W. A. Porter
Te Kuiti	...	...	Vacant

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

New Plymouth	...	...	One wanted
Capo Egmont (Rahotu)	...	...	A. Laybourn
Rangitikei (Mangaweka)	...	...	One wanted
Taumarunui	...	...	One wanted
Patea	...	...	F. W. Kellow
Kimbolton	...	...	J. H. White
Ohura	...	...	J. H. Edmondson
North Taranaki	...	...	M. Ayrton
Patea (Maori)	...	...	Wi Kaitara
Waimarino (Maori)	...	...	— Kirkwood

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

South Wairarapa (Greytown)	...	...	J. Crawford
Masterton	...	...	F. T. Harris
Gisborne (Motu)	...	...	One wanted
Norsewood	...	...	J. Richards

## NELSON DISTRICT.

<b>Richmond</b>	...	...	...	...	Lawrence
<b>Blenheim (Picton)</b>	...	...	...	...	One wanted
<b>Blenheim (Flaxbourne)</b>	...	...	...	...	One wanted
<b>Greymouth (Runanga)</b>	...	...	...	...	J. Harris
<b>Greymouth (Brunner)</b>	...	...	...	...	A. Hislop
<b>Havelock</b>	...	...	...	...	E. H. Paine

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

<b>Christchurch (Addington)</b>	...	...	...	...	R. H. Todd
<b>Christchurch (St. Albans)</b>	...	...	...	...	One wanted
<b>Timaru</b>	...	...	...	...	Walter J. Enticott
<b>Willowby</b>	...	...	...	...	S. Werrin
<b>Malvern</b>	...	...	...	...	S. Keen
<b>Oxford</b>	...	...	...	...	A. Hardy Couch
<b>Banks Peninsula</b>	...	...	...	...	J. Oliver
<b>Methven</b>	...	...	...	...	H. A. Malley

## OTAGO DISTRICT.

<b>Otautau (Nightcaps)</b>	...	...	...	...	W. E. Sleep
<b>Cromwell</b>	...	...	...	...	W. Watson
<b>Riverton</b>	...	...	...	...	W. T. Hooper
<b>Palmerston South</b>	...	...	...	...	A. Hopper
<b>Winton</b>	...	...	...	...	C. A. Foston
<b>Waiau</b>	...	...	...	...	S. J. Campbell
<b>Wakatipu</b>	...	...	...	...	One wanted



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# APPENDIXES.

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**CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.—SPECIAL BRANCH.**

**Cash Account from January 16, 1909, to January 16, 1910.**

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

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.				
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
To Bank Balance brought forward ... ..	614	10	10					
„ Deposits brought forward	300	0	0					
	914 10 10							
„ Loan Fund Instalments paid by Trusts ... ..		439	5 9					
„ Fees on Loans ... ..		9	2 6					
„ Interest on Deposits ... ..		12	0 0					
	21 2 6							
„ Profit on Sales of new Hymn Books ... ..		28	13 6					
	£1403 12 7							
				By Loans Granted—	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
				Carluke Church ... ..	30	0 0		
				Temuka Parsonage ... ..	80	0 0		
				Fairburns Church ... ..	50	0 0		
				Taumarunui Site ... ..	120	0 0		
				Rangaroa Site ... ..	8	18 3		
				Newmarket Parsonage ... ..	25	0 0		
				Mangonui Church ... ..	60	0 0		
				Urenui Site ... ..	27	11 6		
				Runanga Church Hall... ..	100	0 0		
				Lowcliffe Church ... ..	30	0 0		
				New Brighton Site ... ..	60	0 0		
				Oruru Church ... ..	35	0 0		
				Opotiki Site ... ..	150	0 0		
					776 9 9			
				„ Seddon Township Lease ... ..	2	0 6		
				„ Cheviot Rates ... ..	0	16 0		
				„ Takapau Rates ... ..	0	3 5		
				„ Eltham Rates ... ..	0	16 0		
					3 15 11			
				„ Torere Insurance ... ..		0 5 0		
				„ Grant towards Secretary's Stipend ... ..		21 0 0		
				„ Cash on Deposit ... ..	300	0 0		
				„ Cash in Bank ... ..	302	1 11		
					602 1 11			
					£1403 12 7			

Examined and found correct,

January 19, 1910.

A. K. ENGLAND.  
H. A' COURT.

- N.B.—1. The Capital Account is £2967 os 10d, being an increase of £28 13s 6d, derived from profits on sales of the new Hymn Books.
2. The Profit and Loss Account shows a credit of £38 10s 6d, 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 1909.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
1896			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
July 29	St. Alban's Church	Erection	9	650	15 15 0	Nil	
1897							
June 17	Kimbolton Church	Liquidation of Debt	5½	60	21 16 2	Nil	
Oct. 21	Kuaotunu Church	Erection	7	120	Nil	57 19 6	57 19 6
1898							
May 4	Karangahake Church	Erection	8	100	10 0 0	14 8 8	14 8 8
June 10	Mangaweka Church	Erection	8	60	Nil	46 17 11	46 17 11
1899							
July 1	Coromandel Church	Erection	8	250	Nil	203 2 6	203 2 6
Aug. 18	Coromandel Church (Special)	Erection	2	25	Nil	25 0 0	25 0 0
Sept. 10	Eketahuna Church	Erection	8	135	Nil	113 4 0	113 4 0
Dec. 21	Kimbolton Parsonage	Erection	10½	125	60 0 0	Nil	
1900							
Sept. 8	Upper Wakefield Church	Erection	6	45	5 0 0	Nil	
Sept 17	Tataraimaka Church	Erection	8	40	2 0 0	4 15 0	4 15 0
1901							
Jan. 10	Te Aroha Church	Erection	8	225	14 7 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
Jan. 25	Northcote Church	Erection	8	70	2 3 9	Nil	
Jan. 27	Havelock Church	Erection	10	80	8 0 0	4 0 0	
May 9	Takapuna Church	Erection	8	85	6 2 6	Nil	
Aug. 17	Woodville Church	Liquidation of Debt	10	115	15 0 0	26 5 0	
Sept. 20	Prebbleton Church	Liquidation of Debt	10	50	15 10 6	Nil	
Sept. 30	Addington Church	Reduction of Debt	8	150	14 1 3	Nil	
Oct. 11	Eketahuna Parsonage	Erection	10	200	Nil	200 0 0	165 0 0
Oct. 22	Mosgiel Church	Enlargement	8	80	11 5 0	Nil	
Dec. 23	Birkenhead Church	Erection of S. School	7	150	10 14 4	10 13 8	
Dec. 31	Levin Century Hall & School	Erection	8	200	25 0 0	6 5 0	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—Continued

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1900.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1902							
Jan. 10	Ponsonby Church	Reduction of Debt	8	400	50 0 0	Nil	
Feb. 17	Nukuroa Church	Erection	7	112	13 10 0	Nil	
Mar. 22	Hawera Church and School	Rem. & Enlargement	8	150	15 15 0	16 10 0	
Mar. 30	Hastings Parsonage	Pur. Land & Erection	10	200	4 15 0	124 0 0	
June 18	Timaru Church	Reduction of Debt	8	375	72 16 6	7 19 0	
July 8	Otautau Church	Erection	8	80	11 5 0	11 5 0	
Sept. 1	Ngaruawahia Church	Erection	6	30	7 10 0	Nil	
1903							
April 15	Midhurst Church	Improvements	5	50	Nil	5 0 0	5 0 0
June 13	Cargill Road Parsonage	Erection	10	500	50 0 0	200 0 0	25 0 0
June 22	Cambridge Parsonage	Enlargement	7	100	17 17 6	14 4 0	7 3 0
July 1	C.M. Sisters' Home	Erection	6	200	Nil	106 5 0	106 5 0
July 10	Woolston Parsonage & School	Erection	8	350	50 0 0	70 0 0	
July 23	Fernhill Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	4	100	Nil	6 5 0	6 5 0
Sept. 1	Carrington Road Church	Erection	6	50	10 8 4	8 6 8	8 6 8
Nov. 21	Morrinsville Church	Erection	8	150	18 15 0	18 15 0	
1904							
Feb. 8	Waitara Church	Erection	8	100	15 12 6	28 2 6	
April 30	Newmarket Church	Reduction of Debt	6	50	12 10 0	Nil	
May 17	Petone Church and Parsonage	Purchase of Site	8	200	6 5 0	75 0 0	
Aug. 1	Waitoa Church	Erection	10	100	5 0 0	52 10 0	
Oct. 6	Eltham Church	Erection and Site	10	145	11 0 0	84 10 0	22 0 0
Nov. 14	Balclutha Parsonage	Enlargement	5	50	Nil	10 0 0	10 0 0
Dec. 22	Crofton Church	Erection	8	140	17 10 0	43 15 0	
1905							
Jan. 13	Mornington Church	Erection	10	600	60 0 0	315 0 0	
Jan. 13	Kuripuni Church	Enlargement	6	50	16 13 4	Nil	
Jan. 25	South Road School	Enlargement	5	50	7 10 0	15 0 0	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—Continued

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1909.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
1905			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
April 3	Otorohanga Church	Erection	6	50	Nil	40 9 9	30 1 5
April 11	Ponsonby Infants' School	Erection	6	65	10 16 8	16 5 0	
April 11	Ponsonby Sunday School	Enlargement	6	60	10 0 0	15 0 0	
April 28	Woodville Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	5	50	15 0 0	Nil	
May 3	Norsewood Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	5	40	6 0 0	6 0 0	
May 20	New Plymouth Church (No. 2)	Reduction of Debt	7	100	17 17 6	35 13 0	
June 30	Paparoa Church	Improvements	4	20	2 10 0	Nil	
Oct. 25	Selwyn Street S. Church	Reduction of Debt	5	50	7 10 0	12 10 0	
1906							
Jan. 6	Glenaven Church	Erection	10	400	50 0 0	230 0 0	
Jan. 30	Gore Church and Parsonage	Purchase	10	350	35 0 0	227 10 0	
May 22	Waituna West Church	Erection	8	60	6 11 0	43 5 0	
July 1	Three Kings College	Liquidation of Debt	6	150	25 0 0	68 15 0	
Aug. 1	Reefton Church	Erection	8	275	34 8 0	163 4 0	
Sept. 19	St. Kilda Church	Erection	10	200	43 15 0	253 15 0	
Oct. 12	Whangarei Church	Erection	10	235	29 7 6	176 5 0	11 15 0
1907							
Jan. 25	Cromwell Parsonage	Erection	8	125	23 9 0	70 5 8	
Jan. 29	Otautau Parsonage	Erection	10	260	19 10 0	188 10 0	
Feb. 8	Hawera Church	Erection	10	500	20 0 0	410 0 0	
Feb. 13	Kilbirnie Church	Enlargement	6	100	36 5 0	30 15 0	
May 24	Pohangina Church	Erection	4	40	10 0 0	12 10 0	
May 24	Tai Tapu Parsonage	Erection	10	300	5 0 0	175 0 0	
Sept. 10	Timaru Sunday School	Erection	10	800	36 8 3	717 3 6	
Dec. 17	Mamaku Church	Erection	4	£22/10	2 16 3	11 5 0	
Dec. 21	Rototuna Church	Erection	5	60	15 0 0	36 0 0	
Dec. 28	Cambridge Church	Reconstruction	8	190	21 0 0	169 0 0	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—Continued

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1909.	Amount yet Unpa'd.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1910.
1908			Years.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Jan. 10	Birkdale Church	Erection	8	80	12 10 0	62 10 0	2 10 0
Jan. 13	Invercargill Church	Erection	10	185	37 10 0	147 10 0	12 10 0
April 23	Rahotu Church and Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	8	125	11 14 6	105 9 2	7 16 4
Aug. 19	Birkenhead Parsonage	Erection	10	270	20 5 0	243 0 0	
Aug. 19	Inglewood Parsonage	Purchase	10	300	22 10 0	270 0 0	
Aug. 26	Manaia Church	Erection & Pur of Site	7	100	65 0 0	30 3 6	
Oct. 16	Kaponga Parsonage	Purchase	10	250	18 15 0	225 0 0	
Nov. 21	Aro Street Church	Liquidation of Debt	10	300	29 10 0	270 10 0	
Dec. 2	Thames Parsonage	Purchase	8	200	25 0 0	175 0 0	
1909							
Jan. 15	Otaki Church	Enlargement	4	50	9 7 6	40 12 6	
Feb. 10	Kuripuni Infant School	Erection	5	40	8 0 0	32 0 0	
Feb. 22	Otahuhu Sunday School	Erection	10	255	19 2 6	235 17 6	
April 1	Woodville Parsonage	Enlargement	8	150	5 0 0	145 0 0	
April 19	Roslyn Parsonage	Erection	10	315	15 15 0	299 5 0	
July 10	Manurewa Church	Removal & Re-erectn	6	50	2 1 8	47 18 4	
July 1	Te Kowhai Church	Purchase	6	£59/4/8	Nil	59 4 8	
Oct. 1	Gore Church	Erection	10	350	Nil	350 0 0	
Oct. 6	Papakura Church	Erection	8	100	Nil	100 0 0	
1910							
Jan. 6	Edgeware Road Church	Erection	10	400.	Nil	406 0 0	

**CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—SPECIAL BRANCH.**  
**LIST OF LOANS.**

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1909.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
			Years.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1893							
July 18	Blackball Township	Lease of Church Site		26 5 0	Nil	26 5 0	
1896							
Oct. 22	Mackenzie Church	Purchase		199 17 0	Nil	64 15 6	
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	8 15 0	Nil	
Sept. 10	Eketahuna Church	Erection	8	40 0 0	Nil	23 11 6	23 11 6
1900							
April 21	Arrowtown Church	Erection	10	106 4 1	37 4 9	Nil	
Aug. 12	Seddon Township	Lease of Church Site		20 11 8	3 0 0	17 11 8	
1901							
Aug. 27	Little River Church & Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	8	40 0 0	8 15 0	Nil	
Oct. 22	Mosgiel Church	Enlargement	8	20 0 0	1 5 0	Nil	
1902							
Mar. 27	Torere Church	Purchase Site & Erec	5	31 12 0	Nil	31 17 0	31 17 0
Mar. 30	Hastings Parsonage	Erection	10	90 0 0	9 10 0	23 10 0	
May 8	Eketahuna Parsonage	Erection	5	50 0 0	Nil	50 0 0	50 0 0
June 4	Kamo Church	Liquidation of Debt		109 14 6	Nil	59 14 6	59 14 6
Dec. 4	Eltham Parsonage	Purchase of Site		76 11 3	Nil	77 7 3	
1903							
Jan. 27	Brightwater Church	Purchase of Site		32 17 0	Nil	11 17 0	
Dec. 24	Kokatahi Church	Purchase of Site		14 4 7	Nil	14 4 7	
1904							
May 14	Waitara Church	Erection	After 1st	20 0 0	Nil	20 0 0	
May 17	Runanga Church	Lease of Site		2 15 0	2 15 0	Nil	
May 17	Coromandel Church & Parsonage	Reduction of Debt	Special	502 11 3	80 0 0	182 11 3	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUNDS(Special Branch)—Continued

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1909.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
			Years.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1904							
July 19	Pahiatua Church	Liquidation of Debt	7	87 10 0	7 10 0	42 10 0	
Oct. 6	Eltham Church	Erection and Site	10	75 0 0	11 0 0	31 0 0	
Oct. 25	Timaru Church	Liquidation of Debt	8	150 0 0	36 8 3	20 18 6	
Nov. 1	Whangarei Parsonage	Reduction of Debt	5	50 0 0	15 0 0	Nil	
Nov. 1	Canvastown Church	Erection and Site	8	90 0 0	25 16 8	Nil	
Dec. 22	Winton Church	Purchase of Site		150 0 0	Nil	150 0 0	
1905							
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	12 10 0	43 15 0	
Oct. 1	Kimberley Church	Liquidation of Debt	5	30 0 0	4 10 0	3 0 0	
Oct. 23	Oroua Valley Church	Erection	5	25 0 0	10 0 0	Nil	
1906							
Jan. 10	Clarence Road Church	Purchase of Site		15 0 0	Nil	15 0 0	
Feb. 2	Karori Parsonage	Purchase of Site	10	140 0 0	15 0 0	75 0 0	5 0 0
July 4	Flaxbourne Church & Parsonage	Purchase of Site		50 0 0	Nil	50 0 0	
1907							
Feb. 26	Cashmere Church	Purchase of Site	3	87 8 0	Nil	87 8 0	
April 7	Pukekohe Parsonage	Struct. Improvements	4	40 0 0	7 10 0	15 0 0	
April 10	Cuba Street Church	Liquidation of Debt	5	56 0 0	31 12 0	1 0 0	
Nov. 15	Takapau Church	Purchase of Site		41 15 11	Nil	41 15 11	
Dec. 18	Scarborough Church	Purchase of Site		28 6 1	Nil	28 6 1	
Dec. 20	Carterton Church	Purchase of Site	10	100 0 0	10 0 0	80 0 0	
1908							
Jan. 10	Waimana Church	Purchase of Site		21 10 6	Nil	21 10 6	
Jan. 13	Invercargill Church	Erection	10	65 0 0	Nil	65 0 0	
April 23	Stratford Church	Reduction of Debt	6	67 5 6	14 2 0	38 8 6	
Sept. 30	New Brighton Hall	Erection	1	15 0 0	15 0 0	Nil	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND (Special Branch)—Continued

Date.	Place.	Object.	Period.	Amount.	Instalments Paid During 1909.	Amount yet Unpaid.	Amount of Instalments Overdue Jan. 16, 1910.
1908			Years.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Aug. 26	Manaia Church	Erec. & Pur. of Site	7	35 0 0	35 0 0	Nil	
Oct. 20	Mangaroa Church	Purchase of Site		25 0 0	Nil	25 0 0	
Nov. 5	Richmond Church	Reduction of Debt	8	100 0 0	9 7 6	90 12 6	
Dec. 12	Rangataua Church	Purchase of Site		48 0 0	Nil	48 0 0	
Dec. 17	Kakahi Church	Purchase of Site		33 0 0	Nil	33 0 0	
1909							
Jan. 13	Otaki Church	Enlargement	4	25 0 0	4 13 9	20 6 3	
Jan. 25	Carluka Church	Erection	4	30 0 0	3 15 0	26 5 0	
Feb. 3	Temuka Parsonage	Enlargement	10	80 0 0	6 0 0	74 0 0	
April 1	Fairburns Church	Erection	6	50 0 0	4 3 4	45 16 8	
May 4	Rangaroa Parsonage	Purchase of Site		8 18 3	Nil	8 18 3	
May 20	Taumarunni Church	Purchase of L. Site		120 0 0	Nil	120 0 0	
July 10	Newmarket Parsonage	Liquidation of Debt	3	25 0 0	6 0 0	19 0 0	
Aug. 1	Mangonui Church	Erection	8	60 0 0	Nil	60 0 0	
Sept. 24	Urenui Church	Purchase of Site		27 11 6	Nil	27 11 6	
Oct. 1	Runanga Church	Erection	8	100 0 0	3 2 6	96 17 6	
Oct. 29	Lowcliffe Church	Erection	1	30 0 0	Nil	30 0 0	
Nov. 16	New Brighton Church	Purchase of Site	4	60 0 0	Nil	60 0 0	
Nov. 19	Oruru Church	Erection	5	35 0 0	Nil	35 0 0	
Nov. 27	Opotiki Church & Parsonage	Purchase of Site	10	150 0 0	Nil	150 0 0	





APPENDIX D.

MISSION, EDUCATION, AND GENERAL CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS.  
AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

I.—MISSION PROPERTY.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—MR F. L. PRIME AND REV. H. R. DEWSBURY.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Rents—Parliament Street—No. 1	...	118	0 0	By Repairs and Maintenance Buildings ...	...	50	11 9
"                    "          No. 2	...	84	0 0	" City and other Rates ...	...	33	13 7
"                    "          No. 3	...	60	0 0	" Fire Insurance ...	...	9	13 2
" Beach Road Cottages (3)	...	83	9 6	" Clearing Gorse, etc. ...	...	7	10 0
" Kao Land ...	...	20	0 0	" Repairs Okaiawa House ...	...	35	0 0
" Mount Wesley ...	...	10	0 0	" Commission, etc. ...	...	20	3 0
" Newark ...	...	20	0 0	" Capital ...	...	10	0 0
" Aotea ...	...	5	0 0	" Home Mission Fund ...	...	257	8 0
" Whatawhata ...	...	2	10 0				
To Sale of Waima, £100, Deposit	...	10	0 0				
" Sale of Lot 15, Raglan...	...	11	0 0				
		<u>£423</u>	<u>19 6</u>			<u>£423</u>	<u>19 6</u>

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Audited and found correct,

November 23, 1909.

THOMAS ALLEN

J. G. HENDERSON

} AUDITORS,

## II.—WESLEYAN NATIVE INSTITUTION.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—MR J. EDSON AND MR F. L. PRIME.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.		EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
To Rents—Grafton Road ... ..	579	19	8		By Repairs to Buildings, etc. ... ..	51	15	6
"    Three Kings ... ..	224	15	0		"    City and other Rates ... ..	26	3	0
					"    Fire Insurances ... ..	13	3	6
					"    Advertising ... ..	3	14	0
					"    Commission and Bank Charges ... ..	29	4	11
					"    Three Kings Committee ... ..	680	13	9
	£804	14	8			£804	14	8

### NATIVE EDUCATION ENDOWMENT, THREE KINGS.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.		EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
To Rents—Three Kings ... ..	338	0	0		By Labour ... ..	63	1	0
					"    Interest on Loan ... ..	17	10	0
					"    Surveyor ... ..	8	8	0
					"    Highway Rates ... ..	8	9	0
					"    Commission and Bank Charge ... ..	14	6	3
					"    Three Kings Committee ... ..	226	5	9
	£338	0	0			£338	0	0

Audited and found correct,

November 23, 1909.

THOMAS ALLEN

J. G. HENDERSON

} AUDITORS.

### III.—EMSLY THEOLOGICAL ENDOWMENT TRUST.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—MR F. L. PRIME AND MR G. A. BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.				REVENUE ACCOUNT.				EXPENDITURE.					
				£	s.	d.					£	s.	d.
To Rents—Curran Street ... ..	...	...	...	35	15	6	By Repairs to Building ... ..	...	...	...	4	16	10
„ Interest on Mortgages ... ..	...	...	...	73	1	8	„ City Rates ... ..	...	...	...	5	14	0
							„ Fire Insurance ... ..	...	...	...	0	19	2
							„ Land Tax ... ..	...	...	...	2	19	6
							„ Commission and Sundries ...	...	...	...	5	15	3
							„ Theological Institute Treasurer	...	...	...	88	12	5
											£108	17	2
											£108	17	2

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RECEIPTS.				CAPITAL ACCOUNT.				EXPENDITURE.					
				£	s.	d.					£	s.	d.
To Property Sold ... ..	...	...	...	1537	10	0	By Mortgages ... ..	...	...	...	1502	10	0
„ Estimate to Sell ... ..	...	...	...	350	0	0	„ Deposit at Call ... ..	...	...	...	35	0	0
							„ Estimated Value Property ...	...	...	...	350	0	0
											£1887	10	0
											£1887	10	0

Audited and found correct,

November 23, 1909.

THOMAS ALLEN

J. G. HENDERSON

} AUDITORS.



**REVENUE ACCOUNT.**

For Year ended 31st October, 1909.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Oct. 31, 1908.							Oct. 31, 1909.						
To Balance ... ..				31	3	0	By Cash—						
„ Less Rent Paid in Advance ... ..				6	10	0	Rents ... ..	1366	18	1			
				24	13	0	Interest ... ..	1	5	0			
							„ Balance ... ..				1378	3	1
Oct. 31, 1909.											115	18	6
„ Rents Accrued ... ..	1458	3	7										
„ Interest Accrued... ..	11	5	0										
				1469	8	7							
				<u>£1494</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>					<u>£1494</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>

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Auckland, November 5, 1909. Audited and found correct,

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

**REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Oct. 31, 1908. To Valuation ... .. 12,132 2 0 Oct. 31, 1909. By Proceeds of Sales to date ... .. 5,999 12 1 <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">6132 9 11</div> <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 3px double black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">£6132 9 11</div>			Oct. 31, 1908. To Balance, October 31, 1909 ... .. 6132 9 11 <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">6132 9 11</div> <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 3px double black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">£6132 9 11</div>	

**Investment Account for Year ending 31st October, 1909.**

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Oct. 31, 1909. To Real Estate Account ... .. 5999 12 1 ,, Balance ... .. 7236 19 3 <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">13,236 11 4</div> <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 3px double black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">£13,236 11 4</div>		Oct. 31, 1909. By Anglesea Street Purchase ... .. 52 2 0 ,, Newton Road Cottages ... .. 622 15 6 ,, Arney Street Cottage ... .. 431 1 0 ,, Freehold Mortgage ... .. 225 0 0 ,, Probert Buildings ... .. 11,905 12 10 <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">13,236 11 4</div> <div style="text-align: right; border-top: 3px double black; width: 100px; margin-right: 20px;">£13,236 11 4</div>	

Auckland, November 5, 1909. Audited and found correct,

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

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

In Account with Mr J. EDSON, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.					
1908.			£	s.	d.	1908.	£	s.	d.
Oct. 1—To Valuation	...	...	621	16	4	Oct. 1—By Property	621	16	4
						1909.			
" Cash in Bank	...	...	43	11	7	July—,, Books and Periodicals	14	3	3
Dec. 31—To Savings Bank Interest	...	...	1	9	3	Oct. 1—,, Bank Balance	61	19	7
1909.									
Oct. 1.—To Rent	...	...	31	2	0				
			<u>£697 19 2</u>				<u>£697 19 2</u>		

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Audited and found correct,

Auckland, November 18, 1909.

F. L. PRIME, AUDITOR.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

VI.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST.

Balance Sheet Account Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—REV. J. G. CHAPMAN AND MR W. A. COLLIS.

RECEIPTS.			
	£	s.	d.
To Cash Received from late Treasurer ...	26	11	9
„ Rents Received to September 30 ...	464	8	6
„ Interest ... ..	32	8	0
	<hr/>		
	£523	8	3

EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.
By Home Mission Treasurer ... ..	400	0	0
„ Land Tax ... ..	39	11	9
„ Fencing ... ..	5	0	0
„ Advertising ... ..	2	8	9
„ Printing Receipt Books ... ..	1	0	0
„ Road Rates ... ..	10	10	11
„ Harbour Rates ... ..	3	8	2
„ County Rates ... ..	0	16	10
„ Secretary's Commission ... ..	17	17	0
„ Special Grant Secretary, extra Clerical Work ... ..	5	0	0
„ Grubbing Furze ... ..	2	15	8
„ Insurance, 3 houses ... ..	2	1	2
„ Legal Expenses ... ..	4	2	6
„ Sundries, Stamps, Stationery, etc. ...	1	12	4
„ Cash in Bank, Sept. 30, 1909 ...	26	13	2
„ Keeping Account, Bank Charges ...	0	10	0
	<hr/>		
	£523	8	3

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Audited and found correct,  
November 22, 1909.

CHRISTOPHER CARTER,  
EDWIN CHATTERTON, } AUDITORS.

VII.—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE.

Cash Statement for Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—REV. J. A. LUXFORD AND MR F. G. BEAVEN.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Rent, Sept.	...	58	10 0	By Balance	...	1	11 10
„ Rent, March	...	58	10 0	Sept.—Bank Charge	...	0	5 0
„ Balance	...	1	16 2	Oct.—Remit Treasurer	...	45	0 0
				Dec.—Land Tax	...	12	11 4
				March—Bank Charge	...	0	5 0
				April—Remit Treasurer	...	56	0 0
				By Disbursements	...	3	3 0
						£118	16 2
				Balance	...	£1	16 2

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Audited and found correct,

FRANK J. DENTON.

November 25, 1909.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

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

Revenue Account for Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—MESSRS W. J. HARLAND AND W. C. HEMERY.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance at 1st October, 1908	11,453	4 11	By Salaries at Schools	355	0 0
„ Interest Account	438	17 2	„ Rent of Rooms for Schools	129	10 0
„ Rent Account	161	1 4	„ General Expenses—		
			Printing and Stationery	13	18 7
			Painting and Repairs...	1	17 6
			Lighting and Fuel	4	3 4
			Postages, Exchange	2	4 0
			Bank Charges and Cheque Book	0	17 6
			Sundry Items	8	13 2
					31 14 1
			„ Written off Furniture Account		12 9 8
			„ Balance carried forward...	11,524	9 8
	£12,053	3 5		£12,053	3 5

NATIVE AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TRUST—(Continued).

Balance Sheet as at 30th September, 1909.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Balance Revenue Account ...	11,524	9 8	By Loans on Mortgage ...		9275	0 0
			„ Freehold Property—			
			Wellington ... ..	1200	0 0	
			Foxton ... ..	475	0 0	
			Foxton ... ..	45	0 0	
					1720	0 0
			„ P.O. Savings Bank ...		265	0 0
			„ Furniture Account ...		60	0 0
			„ Interest accrued to 30th			
			September ... ..		115	18 9
			„ Rent accrued to 30th			
			September ... ..		41	0 4
			„ Balance at Bank of			
			Australasia ... ..		47	10 7
					£11,524	9 8
	£11,524	9 8				

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Audited and found correct,  
Wellington, 27th October, 1909.

ERNEST W. HUNT, F.I.A.N.Z. }  
T. W. KENDALL } AUDITORS.

**HOME MISSION FUND.**

CANTERBURY DISTRICT INVESTMENT.

**Balance Sheet for the Year ended 31st December, 1909.**

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

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Interest on Loans on Mortgage,		By Amount Remitted to Treasurer of	
£1000 ... ..	51 5 0	Home Mission Fund ... ..	51 5 0
	<u>£51 5 0</u>		<u>£51 5 0</u>

Examined and found correct,  
January 21, 1910.

A. K. ENGLAND.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

**"THE MRS CARVELL MEMORIAL FUND."**

Treasurers—REV. H. BULL AND MR J. C. PRUDHOE.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Interest on Investment at 6 per cent. . . £6 0 0	By Interest to Home Mission Treasurers ... £6 0 0

INVESTMENT.

October 12, 1908—On First Mortgage of Freehold Security, £100, at 6 per cent.

Examined and found correct,

H. A'COURT, AUDITOR.

January 19, 1910.

**CENTURY COMMEMORATION FUND.—ORPHANACE ALLOCATION.**

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

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Jan. 31, 1909—Mutual Benefit B. & I. Society ...	76 3 1		
Jan. 31, 1910—Twelve Months' Interest on 'above at 4 % ...	3 0 11		
	<hr/>	79 4 0	
Feb. 1, 1909—First Mortgage of Freehold Security at 5½ % ...	600 0 0		
Feb. 1, 1910—Twelve Months' Interest on above ...	33 0 0		
	<hr/>	633 0 0	
July 26, 1909—First Half of Mrs. Knox's Bequest ...		250 0 0	
		<hr/>	
	£962 4 0		£962 4 0

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Examined and found correct.

February 8, 1910.

H. A'COURT, Auditor.

## THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 31st December, 1909.

Treasurer—MR G. A. BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.							
				£	s.	d.					
To Savings Bank ... ..				0	9	9	By Boarding 11 Students ... ..	534	19	0	XXX
„ Probert's Trustees ... ..				458	0	0	„ Classical and Mathematical ... ..	120	0	0	
„ Emsly Trustees ... ..				88	12	5	„ Elocution ... ..	26	8	0	
„ Contingent Fund ... ..				250	0	0	„ Students' Quarterage ... ..	80	0	0	
„ Auckland East ... ..				25	0	0	„ University Fees ... ..	78	15	6	
„ Methodist Mission ... ..				25	0	0	„ Insurance Books ... ..	1	0	7	
„ Due Treasurer ... ..				0	14	2	„ Students' Expenses ... ..	5	13	11	
							„ Stamps, Exchange, etc. ... ..	0	9	7	
							„ Savings Bank ... ..	0	9	9	
				£847	16	4		£847	16	4	

January 14, 1910. Audited and found correct,

W. D. BUTTLE }  
F. L. PRIME } AUDITORS.

## APPENDIX F.

## WESLEY COLLEGE, THREE KINGS, AUCKLAND.

## Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending September 30, 1909.

Treasurers—REV. J. H. SIMMONDS AND MR. J. H. GUNSON.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.					
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance	...				By Casual Labour	...	46	1	6
„ Mission and Education Trust	...	906	19	6	„ Principal's Stipend	...	200	0	0
„ Sale of Produce	...	33	7	9	„ Salaries and Wages	...	172	7	2
„ Rent of Land	...	70	0	0	„ Connexional Charges	...	36	13	c
					„ Expenses Principal to Conference	...	5	0	0
				1010	7	3			
					„ Purchase Dairy Stock	...	11	10	0
					„ Tradesmen's Account	...	421	5	5
					„ Bank Charges and Interest	...	2	5	9
					„ Repayment Loan Fund	...	25	0	0
					„ Repairs	...	16	18	6
					„ Sundries	...	7	5	1
					„ Balance	...			
							944	6	5
							79	19	10
							<u>£1,024</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>
							<u>£1,024</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

Audited and found correct,

December 7, 1909.

 THOMAS ALLEN }  
 J. G. HENDERSON } AUDITORS.





**CHILDREN'S FUND.**  
Balance Sheet, December 31, 1909.

RECEIPTS.		
To Circuit Levies—		
Auckland District	... 340 18 0	
Wanganui District	... 223 17 2	
Wellington District	... 244 5 10	
Nelson District	... 116 18 0	
Canterbury District	... 345 6 6	
Otago District	... 223 4 6	
	1494 10 0	
Contingent Fund Loan	... 100 0 0	
Balance	... 85 18 11	
	£1680 8 11	

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Balance Brought Forward					257	16	5
„ Auckland Dist.	26	£8 10/	221	0	0		
„ „ „	2½		21	5	0		
			242	5	0		
„ Wanganui Dist.	22¾		193	7	6		
„ „ „	2¼		19	2	6		
			212	10	0		
„ Wellington Dist.	27		229	10	0		
„ „ „	2½		21	5	0		
			250	15	0		
„ Nelson Dist.	11¾		99	17	6		
„ Canterbury Dist.	41		348	10	0		
„ Otago Dist.	25¼		223	2	6		
„ „ „	¾		6	7	6		
			229	10	0		
„ Funeral Charges at £6 6/—							
Auckland District, 1	...	6	6	0			
Wellington District, 1	...	6	6	0			
Otago District, 1	...	6	6	0			
			18	18	0		
„ Refund of Overcharge to Manukau Circuit	...		2	8	0		
„ Refund to ex-Chairman of Wellington District of payment advanced for Bible Class Movement for 1908	...				9	12	0
„ Bank Interest	...	6	17	0			
„ Bank Charge	...	0	10	0			
			7	7	0		
„ Exchange and Sundries	...		1	0	0		
			£1680	8	11		

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Examined and found correct,  
 J. H. HELLIWELL.      WM. JAS. WILLIAMS }  
 January 24, 1910.      ERNEST KELLOW      { CONFERENCE TREASURERS.

**CONTINGENT FUND.**

**Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1909.**

Treasurers—REV. C. H. LAWS AND MR J. C. PRUDHOE.

RECEIPTS.			
	£	s.	d.
To Balance from 1908	...	...	...
„ Sale of Agenda	...	...	...
„ Sale of Baptismal Registers, Circuit Schedule, and Roll Books	...	...	...
„ Circuit Levies—			
Auckland District	325	10	6
Wanganui District	216	18	8
Wellington District	240	0	8
Nelson District...	107	7	6
Canterbury District	311	4	0
Otago District	210	6	3
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„ Sale of Conference Minutes—			
Auckland District	1	5	0
Wanganui District	—	—	—
Wellington District	—	—	—
Nelson District	0	4	0
Canterbury District	1	4	3
Otago District	0	10	6
	-----		-----
		3	3
		-----	-----
Forward	£1846	6	5

EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.
By Expenses of Wellington Conference—			
Travelling to Conference: Official Ministers and Probationers	57	6	9
Printing Agenda, Minutes, and Returns, Stationery, Bibles, Cables, Postage, etc.	153	18	9
	-----		-----
„ Travelling of Chairman and other District Expenses, including Exchange, Cheque Books, Bank Charges, Stationery, Printing, etc.—			
Auckland District	23	13	6
Wanganui District	21	18	8
Wellington District	10	8	6
Nelson District	17	2	8
Canterbury District	15	14	6
Otago District	18	4	1
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Forward	£318	7	5

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Forward ... .. £1846 6 5

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Forward ... ..	600	7	11			
„ Compassionate Allowances to Ministers ... ..	105	0	0			
„ Connexional Secretary ... ..	175	0	0			
„ Levy towards Interconferential Exchanges ... ..	60	0	0			
„ Grant to Sunday School Advisory Board ... ..	15	0	0			
„ Deficiency in S.S. Convention Expenses ... ..	8	6	6			
„ Coromandel Trust ... ..	40	0	0			
„ Removal Expenses of Ministers to Circuits ... ..	12	12	0			
„ Travelling Expenses Committee on District Boundaries ... ..	23	12	10			
„ Probationers travelling to Examinations ... ..	2	10	10			
„ Refund Chairman Wanganui District ... ..	6	0	0			
„ Interest on Bank Overdraft ... ..	2	7	6			
„ Bank Charges, Exchange, Postage, and Sundries... ..	4	8	1			
„ Levy for Theological Institution ... ..	329	19	0			
„ Loan to Children's Fund Treasurers ... ..	100	0	0			
„ Medical Fees ... ..	6	6	0			
„ Balance ... ..	354	15	9			
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	£1846	6	5	£1846	6	5

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January 21, 1910.

Examined and found correct.

C. E. SALTER.  
A. K. ENGLAND.

**RETURN OF CIRCUIT EXPENDITURE FOR CONTINGENT AND  
CHILDREN'S FUND PURPOSES, 1910.**

**I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.**

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deduc- tions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 14 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland (Pitt Street) ...	700 0 0	45 10 0	300	400 0 0	56 0 0
Auckland West ...	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0
Auckland East ...	455 0 0	29 11 4	200	255 0 0	35 14 0
Auckland East (Three Kgs.)	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Auckland (Home Mis. Sec.)	137 10 0	8 18 8	100	37 10 0	5 5 0
Auckland Meth Mission ...	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0
Auckland (North Shore) ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Auckland (Birkenhead) ...	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0
Onehunga ...	225 0 0	14 12 4	100	125 0 0	17 10 0
Otahuhu ...	60 0 0	3 18 0	60		
Mahurangi ...	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0
Thames ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Upper Thames ...	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Waihi ...	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Paeroa ...	150 0 0	9 15 0	100	50 0 0	7 0 0
Franklin ...	175 0 0	11 7 4	100	75 0 0	10 10 0
Cambridge ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Hamilton ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Paparoa ...	150 0 0	9 15 0	100	50 0 0	7 0 0
Northern Wairoa ...	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Whangarei ...	170 0 0	11 1 0	100	70 0 0	9 16 0
Rotorua ...	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0
Auckland Maori Mission ...	225 0 0	14 12 4	100	125 0 0	17 10 0
District Totals ...	4937 10 0	320 17 8			

## II.—WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deduc- tions.	Children's Fund.			
				Taxable Amount.		Levy, 14 per cent.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
New Plymouth ... ..	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0	0 0 0	
Waitara ... ..	175 0 0	11 7 4	100	75 0 0	10 10 0	0 0 0	
Inglewood ... ..	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0	0 0 0	
Stratford ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	0 0 0	
Eltham ... ..	145 0 0	9 8 4	100	45 0 0	6 6 0	0 0 0	
Hawera ... ..	320 0 0	20 16 0	160	160 0 0	22 8 0	0 0 0	
Cape Egmont ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	0 0 0	
Kaponga ... ..	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0	0 0 0	
Wanganui ... ..	275 0 0	17 17 4	100	175 0 0	24 10 0	0 0 0	
Aramoho ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	0 0 0	
Rangitikei ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	0 0 0	
Sandon ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	0 0 0	
Feilding ... ..	220 0 0	14 6 0	100	120 0 0	16 16 0	0 0 0	
Palmerston North ... ..	392 0 0	25 9 8	200	192 0 0	26 17 6	0 0 0	
Taihape ... ..	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0	0 0 0	
Waimarino ... ..	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0	0 0 0	
West Coast Maori Mission	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0	0 0 0	
District Totals ... ..	3402 0 0	221 2 0					

## III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deduc- tions.	Children's Fund.			
				Taxable Amount.		Levy, 14 per cent.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Wellington (Taranaki St.)	395 0 0	25 13 4	160	235 0 0	32 18 0		
Wellington (B.C. Movemt.)	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0		
Wellington (Central Mis.)	75 0 0	4 17 4	60	15 0 0	2 2 0		
Wellington (Thorndon) ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0		
Wellington South ..	220 0 0	14 6 0	100	120 0 0	16 16 0		
Wellington Suburban ...	150 0 0	9 15 0	60	90 0 0	12 12 0		
Johnsonville ...	160 0 0	10 8 0	100	60 0 0	8 8 0		
Hutt ...	380 0 0	24 14 0	200	180 0 0	25 4 0		
South Wairarapa ...	300 0 0	19 10 0	160	140 0 0	19 12 0		
Masterton ...	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0		
Napier ...	220 0 0	14 6 0	100	120 0 0	16 16 0		
Hastings ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0		
Gisborne ...	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0		
Eketahuna ...	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0		
Dannevirke ...	170 0 0	11 1 0	100	70 0 0	9 16 0		
Levin-Otaki ...	295 0 0	19 3 4	160	135 0 0	18 18 0		
Waipawa ...	190 0 0	12 7 0	100	90 0 0	12 12 0		
Woodville ...	175 0 0	11 7 4	100	75 0 0	10 10 0		
Pahiatua ...	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0		
District Totals ...	4045 0 0	262 17 8					

## IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 14 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nelson ... ..	275 0 0	17 17 4	100	175 0 0	24 10 0
Richmond ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Blenheim ... ..	385 0 0	25 0 4	200	185 0 0	25 18 0
Hokitika ... ..	167 10 0	10 17 8	100	67 10 0	9 9 0
Greymouth ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Motueka ... ..	100 0 0	6 10 0	60	40 0 0	5 12 0
Reefton ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Westport ... ..	130 0 0	8 9 0	60	70 0 0	9 16 0
District Totals ...	1637 10 0	106 8 4			

## V.—CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.	
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 14 per cent.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Christchurch (Durham St.)	965 0 0	62 14 4	460	505 0 0	70 14 0
Christchurch (Connex. Sec.)	300 0 0	19 10 0	100	200 0 0	28 0 0
Christchurch (Sydenham) ...	235 0 0	15 5 4	100	135 0 0	18 18 0
Christchurch (Addington) ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Christchurch (St. Albans) ...	230 0 0	14 19 0	100	130 0 0	18 4 0
Christchurch (Papanui) ...	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Lyttelton ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Springston ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Tai Tapu ... ..	150 0 0	9 15 0	100	50 0 0	7 0 0
Leeston ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Kaiapoi ... ..	320 0 0	20 16 0	160	160 0 0	22 8 0
Rangiora ... ..	340 0 0	22 2 0	200	140 0 0	19 12 0
Malvern ... ..	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0
Timaru ... ..	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0
Waimate ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Temuka ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Ashburton ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0
Willowby ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0
Amberley ... ..	60 0 0	3 18 0	60		
District Totals ...	4730 0 0	307 8 8			

## VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Expenditure Reported to Treasurers.	Contingent Fund Levy, 6½ per cent.	Deductions.	Children's Fund.		
				Taxable Amount.	Levy, 14 per cent.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£	
Dunedin (Trinity) ... ..	395 0 0	25 13 4	160	235 0 0	32 18 0	
Dunedin (Central Mission)... ..	250 0 0	16 5 0	100	150 0 0	21 0 0	
Dunedin (Cargill Road) ... ..	320 0 0	20 16 0	160	160 0 0	22 8 0	
Dunedin (Morningson) ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0	
Dunedin (Roslyn) ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	
Mosgiel ... ..	120 0 0	7 16 0	60	60 0 0	8 8 0	
Port Chalmers ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	
Balclutha ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0	
Milton ... ..	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0	
Lawrence ... ..	170 0 0	11 1 0	100	70 0 0	9 16 0	
Invercargill ... ..	345 0 0	22 8 4	160	185 0 0	25 18 0	
Oamaru ... ..	200 0 0	13 0 0	100	100 0 0	14 0 0	
Gore ... ..	180 0 0	11 14 0	100	80 0 0	11 4 0	
Otantau ... ..	160 0 0	10 8 0	100	60 0 0	8 8 0	
Roxburgh ... ..	165 0 0	10 14 4	100	65 0 0	9 2 0	
District Totals ... ..	3230 0 0	209 18 4				

## APPENDIX H.

## FOREIGN MISSION FUND, 1909.

Treasurers—REV. J. NEWMAN BUTTLE AND MR A. R. SHERRIS.

## INCOME.

## Auckland District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.		Boat Fund.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Auckland, Pitt Street ... ..	86	1 3	2	0 0	88	1 3
„ West ... ..	34	14 6	—	—	34	14 6
„ East ... ..	61	7 1	—	—	61	7 1
„ Special ... ..	25	0 0	—	—	25	0 0
„ Methodist Mission ... ..	8	15 7	—	—	8	15 7
„ North Shore ... ..	16	2 3	—	—	16	2 3
„ Birkenhead ... ..	11	2 9	—	—	11	2 9
Onehunga ... ..	33	10 4	—	—	33	10 4
Otahuhu ... ..	10	7 2	—	—	10	7 2
Mahurangi, 1908 ... ..	1	4 0	—	—	1	4 0
„ 1909 ... ..	8	6 0	—	—	8	6 0
Thames ... ..	10	8 7	—	—	10	8 7
Upper Thames ... ..	16	11 6	0	14 6	17	6 0
Waihi ... ..	21	17 3	0	8 0	22	5 3
Paeroa ... ..	8	14 8	0	19 0	9	13 8
Franklin ... ..	19	10 4	4	10 0	24	0 4
Cambridge ... ..	20	2 6	—	—	20	2 6
Te Awamutu ... ..	1	2 6	—	—	1	2 6
Hamilton, 1908 ... ..	5	5 6	—	—	5	5 6
„ 1909 ... ..	27	12 10	—	—	27	12 10
Huntly ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paparoa ... ..	7	9 0	—	—	7	9 0
Northern Wairoa ... ..	5	0 3	—	—	5	0 3
Whangarei ... ..	10	10 1	—	—	10	10 1
Rotorua ... ..	2	13 0	—	—	2	13 0
Auckland Maori Mission ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tauranga ... ..	30	0 0	—	—	30	0 0
Coromandel ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Helensville ... ..	1	0 0	—	—	1	0 0
Bay of Islands ... ..	1	0 0	—	—	1	0 0
Port Albert ... ..	3	8 0	—	—	3	8 0
Ladies' Auxiliary ... ..	26	5 0	—	—	26	5 0
Hokianga ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whangaroa ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ... ..	£515	1 11	£8	11 6	£523	13 5

## II.—Wanganui District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.			Boat Fund.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
New Plymouth ... ..	21	11	4	—	—	—	21	11	4
Waitara ... ..	14	11	8	0	15	6	15	7	2
Inglewood ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stratford, 1908 ... ..	2	10	0	—	—	—	2	10	0
„ 1909 ... ..	8	3	1	—	—	—	8	3	1
Eltham ... ..	11	2	10	—	—	—	11	2	10
Hawera ... ..	26	7	7	—	—	—	26	7	7
Cape Egmont ... ..	15	15	11	—	—	—	15	15	11
Kaponga ... ..	5	1	6	—	—	—	5	1	6
Wanganui ... ..	19	3	6	0	12	6	19	16	0
Aramoho ... ..	2	2	3	—	—	—	2	2	3
Rangitikei ... ..	32	18	7	—	—	—	32	18	7
Sandon ... ..	7	3	10	—	—	—	7	3	10
Feilding ... ..	29	3	9	1	0	0	30	3	9
Palmerston North ... ..	35	19	11	0	15	0	36	14	11
Taihape ... ..	4	17	0	—	—	—	4	17	0
Waimarino ... ..	4	4	3	—	—	—	4	4	3
West Coast Maori Mission ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Patea ... ..	8	7	0	—	—	—	8	7	0
Kimbolton ... ..	—	—	—	2	2	4	2	2	4
Taumaranui ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ohura ... ..	1	1	8	—	—	—	1	1	8
Wanganui Ladies' Auxiliary ... ..	6	10	3	—	—	—	6	10	3
Totals ... ..	£256	15	11	£5	5	4	£262	1	3

## III.—Wellington District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.			Boat Fund.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wellington, Taranaki Street ... ..	42	12	4	—	—	—	42	12	4
„ Central Mission ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ Thorndon ... ..	15	10	0	—	—	—	15	10	0
„ South ... ..	19	1	7	—	—	—	19	1	7
„ Suburban ... ..	6	5	9	1	1	0	7	6	9
Johnsonville, 1908 ... ..	9	12	11	—	—	—	9	12	11
„ 1909 ... ..	7	14	5	2	11	0	10	5	5
Hutt ... ..	34	3	2	—	—	—	34	3	2
South Wairarapa ... ..	15	0	6	1	1	0	16	1	6
Masterton ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Napier ... ..	43	5	0	0	6	0	43	11	0
Hastings ... ..	13	6	9	—	—	—	13	6	9
Gisborne ... ..	5	15	5	—	—	—	5	15	5
Eketahuna ... ..	7	6	7	—	—	—	7	6	7
Dannevirke ... ..	9	10	6	—	—	—	9	10	6
Levin-Otaki ... ..	16	3	0	1	0	0	17	3	0
Waipawa ... ..	10	1	10	—	—	—	10	1	10
Woodville ... ..	10	14	6	—	—	—	10	14	6
Pahiatua ... ..	4	7	2	—	—	—	4	7	2
Totals ... ..	£270	11	5	£5	19	0	£276	10	5

## IV.—Nelson District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.		Boat Fund.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Nelson ... ..	33	12 2	—	—	33	12 2
Richmond ... ..	8	2 3	—	—	8	2 3
Blenheim ... ..	56	0 2	—	—	56	0 2
Hokitika ... ..	6	18 3	—	—	6	18 3
Greymouth ... ..	10	12 9	—	—	10	12 9
Kumara ... ..	1	1 0	—	—	1	1 0
Motueka ... ..	9	4 7	—	—	9	4 7
Reefton ... ..	—	—	1	0 0	1	0 0
Westport ... ..	18	19 0	—	—	18	19 0
Havelock ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ... ..	£144	10 2	£1	0 0	£145	10 2

## V.—Canterbury District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.		Boat Fund.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Christchurch, Durham Street...	198	7 4	6	1 0	204	8 4
„ Sydenham ... ..	22	6 0	—	—	22	6 0
„ Addington ... ..	46	5 4	—	—	46	5 4
„ St. Albans ... ..	32	2 3	—	—	32	2 3
„ Papanui ... ..	17	12 8	—	—	17	12 8
Lyttelton ... ..	7	15 5	—	—	7	15 5
Springston ... ..	12	13 4	—	—	12	13 4
Tai Tapu ... ..	5	4 4	—	—	5	4 4
Leeston ... ..	31	7 0	0	10 0	31	17 0
Kaipoi, 1908 ... ..	0	12 0	—	—	0	12 0
„ 1909 ... ..	79	4 5	—	—	79	4 5
Rangiora ... ..	34	6 2	1	0 0	35	6 2
Malvern ... ..	1	19 1	—	—	1	19 1
Timaru ... ..	37	16 8	—	—	37	16 8
Waimate ... ..	43	18 8	5	0 6	48	19 2
Temuka ... ..	22	13 10	—	—	22	13 10
Ashburton ... ..	29	3 0	—	—	29	3 0
Willowby ... ..	15	7 5	33	17 3	49	4 8
Amberley ... ..	2	2 0	—	—	2	2 0
Oxford ... ..	1	18 0	0	5 0	2	3 0
Bank's Peninsula ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Methven ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cheviot ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ... ..	£642	14 11	£46	13 9	£689	8 8

## VI.—Otago District.

Circuits.	Ordinary.		Boat Fund.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Dunedin, Trinity ... ..	52	8 2	1	2 6	53	10 8
„ Central Mission ... ..	18	4 9	—	—	18	4 9
„ Cargill Road ... ..	20	12 0	2	0 0	22	12 0
„ „ „ Anon. ... ..	50	0 0	—	—	50	0 0
„ Mornington ... ..	9	14 11	0	17 0	10	11 11
„ Roslyn, 1908 ... ..	3	0 0	—	—	3	0 0
„ „ 1909 ... ..	8	2 7	—	—	8	2 7
Mosgiel ... ..	2	16 8	—	—	2	16 8
Port Chalmers ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balclutha ... ..	18	10 0	—	—	18	10 0
Milton ... ..	4	15 4	—	—	4	15 4
Lawrence ... ..	1	3 0	—	—	1	3 0
Invercargill ... ..	46	17 1	—	—	46	17 1
Oamaru ... ..	12	0 0	0	10 0	12	10 0
Gore ... ..	4	4 6	—	—	4	4 6
Otautau ... ..	13	8 8	—	—	13	8 8
Roxburgh ... ..	6	6 6	—	—	6	6 6
Cromwell ... ..	3	12 6	—	—	3	12 6
Riverton, 1908 ... ..	6	0 0	—	—	6	0 0
„ 1909 ... ..	9	0 0	—	—	9	0 0
Palmerston ... ..	3	4 0	—	—	3	4 0
Otago Ladies' Auxiliary ... ..	107	0 0	—	—	107	0 0
Totals ... ..	£401	0 8	£4	9 6	£405	10 2

## Miscellaneous.

	£	s. d.
Friend of Missions to Head Office for Boat Fund ..	5	0 0
Rev. E. O. Blamires ... ..	2	10 0
Half Collection Conference Missionary Meeting ... ..	8	12 11
C. W. O., per President Fee ... ..	50	0 0
Blank, to Head Office for N. Teacher ... ..	10	0 0
C. W. O. ... ..	10	0 0
Arrowtown Church Trustees ... ..	7	10 0
Interest from Wilkinson Legacy ... ..	10	10 0
Postal Notes returned from Head Office ... ..	1	2 0
H. H. Abbott, for Indian Orphan ... ..	3	10 0
Mr J. Hewitt, for India ... ..	3	0 0
Refund by Rev. W. R. Poole ... ..	1	5 0
Photos. and Views sold ... ..	0	3 3
	£113	3 2

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SUMMARY OF INCOME.

Districts.	Ordinary.			Boat Fund.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ... ..	515	1	11	8	11	6	523	13	5
Wanganui ... ..	256	15	11	5	5	4	262	1	3
Wellington ... ..	270	11	5	5	19	0	276	10	5
Nelson ... ..	144	10	2	1	0	0	145	10	2
Canterbury ... ..	642	14	11	46	13	9	689	8	8
Otago ... ..	401	0	8	4	9	6	405	10	2
Totals ... ..	£2230	15	0	£71	19	1	£2302	14	1

	£	s.	d.
Ordinary Income ... ..	2230	15	0
Boat Fund ... ..	76	19	1
Miscellaneous Items ... ..	108	3	2
Missionary Review Subscriptions ... ..	15	12	3
	£2431	9	6

EXPENDITURE.

Remitted to General Treasurers, less Exchange, Charges, etc. ... ..	£2431	9	6
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**N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.**  
**Balance Sheet.—(Continued.)**

INCOME.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	..	211	8	4	2293	8	4
Otautau	..	12	18	0			
Roxburgh	..	5	17	0			
Cromwell	..	5	1	0			
Riverton	..	3	0	0			
Palmerston South	..	5	0	0			
Winton	..	2	10	0			
					245	15	2
Birthday League	..				49	17	8
SPECIAL DONATIONS.							
E. S. D.	..	5	0	0			
C. W. O.	..	10	0	0			
C. W. O.	..	50	0	0			
A Friend (Cargill Road)	..	50	0	0			
Y.W. Bible Class Union	..	100	0	0			
Auck. Methodist Mission							
Auxiliary	..	56	5	0			
W. Bridson	..	1	0	0			
Anon., per Rev. T. G. Brooke	..	5	0	0			
					277	5	0
Legacy	..				25	0	0
CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES.							
Auckland	..	257	8	0			
Grey Institute	..	300	0	0			
Kai Iwi	..	96	0	0			
Mototi Rent	..	3	1	0			
					656	9	0
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.							
Auckland	..	246	0	0			
Canterbury	..	51	5	0			
Carvill Memorial Fund	..	6	0	0			
					303	5	0
Maori Books Sold	..				19	10	11
Conference Promises Redeemed	..				555	10	0
Organising Sec.'s Promises Redeemed	..				261	10	0
SUPPLEMENTARY LIST.							
AUCKLAND.							
Auckland East	..	13	7	1			
Cambridge	..	6	5	10			
Northern Wairoa	..	12	11	0			
					32	3	11
WANGANUI.							
New Plymouth	..	29	8	8			
Inglewood	..	12	18	10			
Stratford	..	7	6	5			
Hawera	..	10	0	0			
Wanganui	..	4	2	0			
					63	15	11
WELLINGTON.							
Wellington, Taranaki St.	..	28	17	4			
Hutt	..	30	0	0			
Masterton	..	14	1	0			
Napier	..	10	11	9			
					83	10	1
NELSON.							
Reefton	..				13	8	1
CANTERBURY.							
Christchurch, Durham St.	..	0	16	9			
Tai Tapu	..	2	5	0			
Methven	..	2	0	0			
Kaiapoi	..	12	19	0			
Ashburton	..	4	16	4			
					22	17	1
OTAGO.							
Central Mission	..	7	5	3			
Port Chalmers	..	2	10	0			
					9	15	3
SPECIAL FUND.							
Miss Bowron	..	0	10	0			
Miss W. Bowron	..	0	10	0			
					1	0	0
					5014	1	5
Debit Balance	..				22	10	6
					£5036	11	11

  

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	..	637	14	2	3237	4	10
OTAGO.							
Central Mission	..	85	0	0			
Cargill Road	..	22	10	0			
Mosgiel	..	11	5	0			
Milton	..	26	5	0			
Lawrence	..	25	0	0			
Invercargill	..	14	5	0			
Otautau	..	37	10	0			
Roxburgh	..	23	15	0			
Cromwell	..	7	10	0			
					890	14	2
SPECIAL.							
Annuity	..	4	10	0			
Queenstown	..	5	0	0			
Eketahuna Removal	..	7	10	0			
Retiring, T. Bryant	..	25	0	0			
Coromandel Trust	..	40	0	0			
Rent & Supplies	..	15	0	0			
Okaiawa Water and Fire Insurance	..	4	15	11			
Dannevirke, Removal	..	6	15	6			
Reimbursement Mr Lea	..	2	10	0			
Hauraki Paul—House	..	10	0	0			
Hapeta Renata—Medical	..	6	12	6			
Hone Hare—horse	..	4	0	0			
Cheque Books	..	1	0	0			
H.M. Travelling to Havelock	..	14	8	8			
Binding Maori Service Books	..	24	18	9			
Ministerial Supply	..	77	2	6			
Connexional Secretary	..	50	0	0			
Expenses Birthday League	..	2	12	7			
					302	6	5
GENERAL.							
Advertising and Printing	..	72	4	3			
Interest and Exchange	..	71	15	6			
Mortgage Tax	..	11	8	2			
Office Rent	..	28	0	0			
Deputation Expenses	..	39	9	4			
H.M. Travelling to D.S.	..	36	6	0			
Postage and Telegrams	..	5	0	0			
					264	3	3
Organising Sec. (9 m.)	..	206	5	0			
House Allowance	..	48	15	0			
Travelling	..	49	4	4			
Removal Expenses	..	21	16	8			
Postage & Telegrams	..	3	13	0			
Connexional Funds	..	8	12	6			
					338	6	6

## N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

### Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1910.

Treasurers—Rev. T. G. Brooke and Mr. J. Veale.

#### INCOME.

##### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Auckland, Pitt Street ...	140	0	0				
"  West ...	35	0	0				
"  East ...	100	0	0				
"  Mission ...	20	0	0				
"  North Shore ...	30	0	0				
"  Birkenhead ...	20	0	0				
Onehunga ...	30	0	0				
Otahuhu ...	20	0	0				
Mahurangi ...	10	0	0				
Thames ...	25	0	0				
Upper Thames ...	15	0	0				
Waihi ...	15	0	0				
Paeroa ...	7	10	0				
Franklin ...	25	0	0				
Cambridge ...	12	0	0				
Hamilton ...	20	0	0				
Huntly ...	5	0	0				
Paparoa ...	18	0	0				
Northern Wairoa ...	15	0	0				
Whangarei ...	12	10	0				
Rotorua ...	5	0	0				
Tauranga ...	10	0	0				
Coromandel ...	5	0	0				
Helensville ...	7	0	0				
Bay of Islands ...	3	0	0				
Hokianga ...	5	0	0				
Whangaroa ...	5	0	0				
Mongonui ...	1	0	0				
Te Awamutu ...	5	0	0				
Port Albert ...	5	0	0				
Opotiki ...	5	0	0				
	631	0	0				
45 per cent. on £631 ...	283	19	0				
Maori Missions—							
Whangaroa ...	30	0	0				
Hokianga ...	30	0	0				
Kaipara ...	30	0	0				
Waikato ...	40	0	0				
Special Agents ...	60	0	0				
	1104	19	0				

##### WANGANUI DISTRICT.

(See End of Statement.)

##### WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

(See End of Statement.)

#### EXPENDITURE.

##### MAORI MISSIONS.

##### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Superintendent ...	225	0	0				
Connexional Funds ...	43	12	6				
Rent ...	52	0	0				
Travelling ...	35	0	0				
Special Agents ...	60	0	0				
				WHANGAROA.			
Native Minister ...	100	0	0				
Travelling ...	15	0	0				
Probationer ...	70	0	0				
Travelling ...	5	0	0				
				HOKIANGA.			
Native Minister ...	90	0	0				
Travelling ...	10	0	0				
Native Minister ...	80	0	0				
Travelling ...	10	0	0				
				KAIPARA.			
Native Minister ...	100	0	0				
Travelling ...	10	0	0				
				WAIKATO.			
Native Minister ...	100	0	0				
Travelling ...	10	0	0				
Native Minister ...	100	0	0				
Travelling ...	20	0	0				
				WANGANUI DISTRICT			
Missionary ...	200	0	0				
Connexional Funds ...	38	10	0				
Rent ...	40	0	0				
Travelling ...	15	0	0				
				NORMANBY.			
Native Minister ...	160	0	0				
Rent ...	40	0	0				
Travelling ...	20	0	0				
Furniture ...	20	0	0				
				PATEA.			
Home Missionary ...	80	0	0				
Travelling ...	5	0	0				
Rent ...	15	0	0				
				WAIMARINO.			
Home Missionary ...	90	0	0				
Travelling ...	20	0	0				
				OKAIAWA.			
Deaconess ...	100	0	0				
Native Deaconess ...	50	0	0				
Probationer ...	25	0	0				
				OTAGO DISTRICT.			
Native Minister ...	100	0	0				
							2154 2 6

#### HOME MISSIONS STATIONS.

##### AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Coromandel ...	20	0	0
Helensville ...	10	0	0
Bay of Islands ...	20	0	0
Hokianga ...	30	0	0
Whangaroa ...	30	0	0
Opotiki ...	30	0	0
Te Kuiti ...			
			WANGANUI DISTRICT.
Patea ...	10	0	0
Kimbolton ...	15	0	0
Ohura ...	60	0	0
North Taranaki ...	60	0	0
			WELLINGTON DISTRICT.
Horsewood ...	20	0	0

Carried forward .. £1104 19 0

Carried forward .. £205 0 0 2154 2 6

**N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.**  
**Estimates of Income and Expenditure.—(Continued.)**

INCOME.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..		1104	19	0			
<b>NELSON DISTRICT.</b>							
Nelson .. .. .	45	0	0				
Richmond .. .. .	15	0	0				
Blenheim .. .. .	55	0	0				
Hokitika .. .. .	8	0	0				
Greymouth .. .. .	20	0	0				
Motueka .. .. .	7	0	0				
Reefton .. .. .	10	0	0				
Westport .. .. .	10	0	0				
Havelock .. .. .	3	0	0				
	173	0	0				
45 per cent. on £173 ..	77	17	0				
					250	17	0

**CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**  
 (See End of Statement.)

OTAGO DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dunedin, Trinity .. .. .	70	0	0				
„ City Mission .. .. .	25	0	0				
„ Cargill Road .. .. .	30	0	0				
„ Mornington .. .. .	15	0	0				
„ Roslyn .. .. .	15	0	0				
Mosgiel .. .. .	6	0	0				
Port Chalmers .. .. .	10	0	0				
Balclutha .. .. .	15	0	0				
Milton .. .. .	9	0	0				
Lawrence .. .. .	6	0	0				
Invercargill .. .. .	35	0	0				
Oamaru .. .. .	20	0	0				
Gore .. .. .	10	0	0				
Otautau .. .. .	12	0	0				
Roxburgh .. .. .	8	0	0				
Cromwell .. .. .	6	0	0				
Riverton .. .. .	3	0	0				
Palmerston South .. .. .	5	0	0				
Winton .. .. .	3	0	0				
Waiau .. .. .							
	303	0	0				
45 per cent. on £303 ..	136	7	0				
Maori Mission .. .. .	10	0	0				
	449	7	0				
Birthday League .. .. .	50	0	0				

**CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES.**

Auckland .. .. .	250	0	0				
Grey Institute .. .. .	400	0	0				
Kai Iwi .. .. .	100	0	0				
	750	0	0				
Carried forward ..	£2605	3	0				

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	305	0	0	2154	2	6	
<b>NELSON DISTRICT.</b>							
Havelock (Salary £120)...	25	0	0				
Seddon & Flaxbourne ..	40	0	0				
<b>CANTERBURY DISTRICT.</b>							
Oxford .. .. .	20	0	0				
Banks Peninsula .. .. .	40	0	0				
Methven .. .. .	20	0	0				
<b>OTAGO DISTRICT.</b>							
Riverton .. .. .	20	0	0				
Winton .. .. .	40	0	0				
Waiau .. .. .	50	0	0				
	560	0	0				

**CIRCUITS WITH HOME MISSIONARIES.**  
**AUCKLAND DISTRICT.**

<b>Upper Thames—</b>							
Morrinsville .. .. .	15	0	0				
Mamaku .. .. .	15	0	0				
Whangarei Minister ..	30	0	0				
H.M. Hikurangi .. .. .	20	0	0				
Franklin (Wajuku) .. ..	20	0	0				
<b>WANGANUI DISTRICT.</b>							
Cape Egmont .. .. .	35	0	0				
<b>WELLINGTON DISTRICT.</b>							
(Give notice of no grant next year.)							
S. Wairarapa, Greytown	30	0	0				
Masterton, Kuripuni ..	25	0	0				
Gisborne, Motu .. .. .	50	0	0				
<b>NELSON DISTRICT.</b>							
Richmond .. .. .	35	0	0				
Blenheim, Picton .. ..	35	0	0				
Greymouth, Runanga ..	30	0	0				
„ Brunner .. .. .	30	0	0				
<b>CANTERBURY DISTRICT.</b>							
Addington .. .. .	30	0	0				
Willowby .. .. .	20	0	0				
<b>OTAGO DISTRICT.</b>							
Central Mission (if lay agent employed) ..	100	0	0				
	420	0	0				

**AIDED CIRCUITS.**

<b>AUCKLAND DISTRICT.</b>							
Mahurangi .. .. .	30	0	0				
Paeroa .. .. .	40	0	0				
Waihi .. .. .	10	0	0				
Northern Wairoa .. ..	25	0	0				
Rotorua .. .. .	15	0	0				
<b>WANGANUI DISTRICT.</b>							
Waitara .. .. .	20	0	0				
Inglewood .. .. .	20	0	0				
Stratford .. .. .	15	0	0				
Eltham (if salary £160)...	25	0	0				
Aramcho .. .. .	35	0	0				
Palmerston N., Probationer (H.M. £20) ..	35	0	0				
Taihape .. .. .	20	0	0				
Waimarino .. .. .	35	0	0				
Taumarunui, Probationer (H.M., £40) ..	70	0	0				
<b>WELLINGTON DISTRICT.</b>							
C. Mission .. .. .	200	0	0				
South (Suburban) .. ..	40	0	0				
Eketahuna .. .. .	55	0	0				
Dannevirke .. .. .	30	0	0				
Waipawa .. .. .	40	0	0				
Woodville .. .. .	10	0	0				
Pahiatua .. .. .	30	0	0				

Carried forward .. £2605 3 0

Carried forward .. £800 0 0 3134 2 6

**N.Z. METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND:**  
**Estimates of Income and Expenditure.—(Continued.)**

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.				
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Brought forward ..				Brought forward ..				
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.				NELSON DISTRICT.				
Auckland ... ..	246	0	0	Hokitika ... ..	35	0	0	
Canterbury ... ..	50	0	0	Reefton ... ..	30	0	0	
Carvell Memorial Fund...	6	0	0	CANTERBURY DISTRICT.				
				Malvern (if Probationer)	20	0	0	
				Amberley ... ..	30	0	0	
				OTAGO DISTRICT.				
Sale of Minutes ... ..		302	0	0	Cargill Road, St. Kilda...	10	0	
Conference Promises ...		20	0	0	Milton ... ..	30	0	
Promises for Secretarial		50	0	0	Otautau ... ..	40	0	
N.Z.Y.W.B.C.U. ... ..		100	0	0	Roxburgh ... ..	30	0	
Auck. Ladies' Auxiliary		50	0	0	Lawrence ... ..	25	0	
		5144	18	0			1050 0 0	
Deficiency ... ..		1229	0	3	ORGANISING SECRETARY.			
					Salary ... ..	275	0	
					House & Furniture Allowance	80	0	
					Connexional Funds ... ..	25	13	
					Travelling & other expenses (estimate) ...	80	0	
							460 13 8	
					SPECIAL.			
					Annuity ... ..	4	10	
					Amberley, travelling Cheviot; not more than	10	0	
					Interest ... ..	20	0	
					Coromandel Trust ... ..	40	0	
					„ Supplies ... ..	7	10	
					Gisborne ... ..	30	0	
					Inglewood ... ..	20	0	
					Banks Peninsula (conditional liquidate Circuit debt)	20	0	
					Half Mornington Supply	5	0	
					North Taranaki ... ..	6	5	
					Training Probationary Deaconess ... ..	15	16	
					Deaconess House ... ..	50	0	
					Retiring ... ..	50	0	
					Ministerial Supply ... ..	50	0	
					Fencing Grave ... ..	12	0	
							341 1 0	
					GENERAL.			
					Printing Reports ... ..	60	0	
					Interest & Exchange ... ..	60	0	
					Office Rent ... ..	28	0	
					Treasurer's Telephone ... ..	10	0	
					Miscellaneous ... ..	150	0	
							308 0 0	
					GRANTS FOR MARCH QUARTER. 1910.			
					Maori Mission ... ..	438	10	
					H.M. Stations ... ..	115	0	
					Circuits with H.M. ... ..	71	5	
					Aided Circuits ... ..	200	12	
					Organising Secretary ... ..	118	18	
					Special ... ..	43	12	
					General ... ..	47	2	
							1080 1 1	
							£6373 18 3	
							£6373 18 3	

N.B.—The deficiency includes the grants for the first three months of 1910. The grants in the statement are for the year ending March, 1911.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT.

	Estimates, 1909.		Annual Promises to Secretary.		£ s. d.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
New Plymouth	40	0 0	19	0 0	59	0 0
Waitara	12	0 0	13	0 0	25	0 0
Inglewood	12	0 0	7	0 0	19	0 0
Stratford	10	0 0	27	0 0	37	0 0
Eltham	7	0 0	15	0 0	22	0 0
Hawera	30	0 0	22	0 0	52	0 0
Cape Egmont					15	0 0
Kaponga	10	0 0	12	0 0	22	0 0
Wanganui	35	0 0	15	0 0	50	0 0
Aramoho	10	0 0	12	0 0	22	0 0
Rangitikei	15	0 0	3	0 0	18	0 0
Sandon	15	0 0	3	0 0	18	0 0
Feilding	25	0 0	26	0 0	51	0 0
Palmerston North	50	0 0	22	0 0	72	0 0
Taihape					7	0 0
Waimarino					7	0 0
Taumarunui					2	0 0
Patea					2	0 0
Kimbolton					9	0 0
Ohura					3	0 0
North Taranaki					1	0 0
Maori Mission, Taranaki					50	0 0
„ Waimarino					10	0 0
					<b>£573</b>	<b>0 0</b>

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

	Estimates, 1909.		Annual Promises to Secretary.		£ s. d.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Wellington, Taranaki Street	75	0 0	8	10 0	83	10 0
„ City Mission					5	0 0
„ Thorndon	18	0 0	4	10 0	22	10 0
„ Suburban	10	0 0	10	0 0	48	0 0
„ South	25	0 0	3	0 0		
„ Johnsonville	12	0 0	1	0 0	13	0 0
„ Hutt					20	0 0
„ Petone					12	10 0
South Wairarapa	20	0 0	4	0 0	24	0 0
Masterton	30	0 0	19	10 0	49	10 0
Napier	30	0 0	21	0 0	51	0 0
Hastings	15	0 0	11	10 0	26	10 0
Gisborne	12	0 0	25	10 0	37	10 0
Eketahuna	7	0 0	5	10 0	12	10 0
Dannevirke	7	10 0	14	10 0	22	0 0
Levin-Otaki	20	0 0	11	10 0	31	10 0
Waipawa	10	0 0	5	10 0	15	10 0
Woodville	13	0 0	12	10 0	25	10 0
Pahiatua	12	10 0	7	10 0	20	0 0
Norsewood	6	0 0	2	0 0	8	0 0
					<b>£528</b>	<b>0 0</b>

## CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

	Estimates, 1909.			Annual Promises to Secretary.					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Christchurch, Durham Street	150	0	0	80	0	0	230	0	0
„ Sydenham	13	0	0	7	0	0	20	0	0
„ Addington	19	0	0	11	0	0	30	0	0
„ St. Albans	30	0	0	21	0	0	51	0	0
„ Papanui	17	10	0	11	10	0	29	0	0
Lyttelton	17	10	0	10	5	0	27	15	0
Springston	20	0	0	5	0	0	25	0	0
Taitapu	15	0	0	7	10	0	22	10	0
Leeston	35	0	0	10	10	0	45	10	0
Kaiapoi	45	0	0	16	0	0	61	0	0
Rangiora	35	0	0	12	0	0	47	0	0
Malvern							7	10	0
Timaru	45	0	0	30	0	0	75	0	0
Waimate	20	0	0	10	0	0	30	0	0
Temuka	10	0	0	7	0	0	17	0	0
Ashburton	40	0	0	31	10	0	71	10	0
Willowby	20	0	0	40	0	0	60	0	0
Amberley	5	0	0	3	0	0	8	0	0
Oxford							3	0	0
Banks Peninsula							3	0	0
Methven							3	0	0
							<hr/>		
							£866	15	0



APPENDIX Ja.

METHODIST TRAINING INSTITUTION FOR DEACONESSES.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending December 31st, 1909.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Balance, 1908	...	73	8 3	By House Accounts	...	93	12 3
„ Payments for Board and Residence	...	68	13 0	„ Repairs, etc.	...	6	5 6
				„ Rates ..	...	7	0 5
				„ Telephone	...	5	0 0
				„ Fire Insurance Premium	...	1	19 0
				„ Other Expenses	...	2	3 7
				„ Balance, December 31, 1909	...	26	0 6
		£142	1 3			£142	1 3

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G. BOWRON, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct

February 11, 1910.

C. E. SALTER }  
H. A' COURT } Auditors.

N.B.—1. A sum of £30 is due to be received by the Committee from the Durham Street Church Deaconess Committee. 2. The credit balance at February 10, 1910, was £10 4s. 6d.

## GENERAL RETURNS, September 30th, 1909.

## 1.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.										CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.							
	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Members on Roll.			Societies.	Senior.		Number of Schools.	Teachers.			Scholars.				Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.	Number of Conventional Bands of Hope.				
									On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.		Communicants other than Members.	Active Members.		Societies.	Members.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Number on Roll.					Average Attendance.	Members of Church.		
																												Members.	Members.
Auckland (Pitt Street)	6	2	3	3	5	2	21	8	588	12	76	5	80	1	9	12	32	6	78	69	66	964	577	40	4000	6	5	280	
Auckland (West)	1	1	2	1	1	1	9	3	245	15	5	40	1	29	1	20	3	54	46	50	490	354	42	650	2	1	1150		
Auckland (East)	6	1	2	2	3	1	15	10	293	62	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	56	49	56	597	411	68	2700	4	..	1350	
Auckland (Wesley College)	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Auckland (H.M. Secretary)	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Auckland (Meth. Mission)	2	..	2	2	..	..	6	..	250	20	4	1	..	2	75	2	153	25	20	24	300	240	..	500	2	..	1200		
Auckland (North Shore)	3	..	1	1	2	..	2	..	175	2	..	..	..	1	25	..	..	31	28	18	353	130	10	812	..	..	640		
Auckland (Birkenhead)	3	3	2	2	..	..	4	..	153	32	..	31	1	88	..	..	37	32	33	294	208	53	510	..	..	1	709		
Onehunga	2	2	1	2	1	..	3	1	108	..	36	1	6	1	11	1	30	22	19	17	19	223	156	6	661	2	1	550	
Otahuhu	4	3	1	..	1	..	5	..	96	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	18	16	11	171	125	3	920	2	..	1	560		
Mahurangi	2	7	..	1	1	..	2	..	61	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	5	3	4	79	55	..	100	2	..	..	250		
Thames	2	3	1	1	1	..	3	1	114	4	..	3	..	1	15	..	1	16	10	12	157	108	7	340	1	..	600		
Upper Thames	4	20	1	1	1	2	10	3	152	..	20	1	30	..	..	..	7	23	20	19	208	148	..	280	1	..	1004		
Waihi	1	1	..	1	1	..	3	2	113	..	37	1	..	1	25	1	37	1	19	12	12	194	85	10	289	1	1	450	
Paeroa	2	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	44	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	2	7	5	6	80	60	..	300	..	..	..	300	
Franklin	8	16	..	1	1	1	8	4	178	3	12	3	20	..	..	..	4	15	13	15	10	80	..	60	3	..	..	950	
Cambridge	4	8	..	1	1	1	3	..	121	..	..	4	7	..	..	..	3	15	13	12	146	89	..	271	3	..	..	620	
Hamilton	4	8	1	1	1	..	15	2	225	..	42	3	20	1	20	1	25	2	12	9	12	126	84	9	200	1	1	800	
Huntly	1	10	..	1	1	..	..	..	40	..	26	..	8	1	14	1	26	1	6	5	6	60	40	4	..	1	..	460	
Paparoa	6	3	2	1	1	..	6	..	100	..	10	1	6	..	..	..	3	12	8	10	85	60	..	80	..	..	..	320	
Northern Wairoa	6	10	..	1	1	1	6	1	162	..	2	1	6	2	33	..	..	7	22	17	15	286	190	16	..	..	..	1013	
Whangarei	3	13	..	1	1	1	3	..	112	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	25	21	19	163	121	6	893	3	..	..	700	
Rotorua	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	24	..	3	1	5	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	18	10	..	..	1	..	..	140	
Auckland Maori Mission—	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tauranga	1	2	..	..	1	3	..	..	78	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	1	6	5	6	60	44	5	70	1	..	..	285	
Coromandel	2	7	..	..	1	2	..	..	40	1	3	..	15	1	13	..	..	10	9	8	150	120	2	300	..	1	..	616	
Helensville	4	7	..	1	..	1	1	..	36	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	5	3	3	50	35	..	..	1	..	..	141	
Bay of Islands	2	7	..	1	..	1	2	..	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	3	58	24	..	163	1	..	..	327	
Hokianga	2	12	..	..	1	3	..	..	37	..	12	1	..	1	15	..	..	2	9	6	4	46	36	..	..	2	..	300	
Whangaroa	3	6	..	1	..	1	2	1	50	4	2	2	..	..	..	..	4	8	6	4	108	70	..	..	3	1	..	410	
Port Albert	2	6	..	..	..	1	8	..	48	..	..	2	20	1	14	..	..	2	5	4	4	50	45	5	50	1	1	..	250
Opotiki	..	9	..	..	1	1	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	1	12	9	..	..	1	..	..	..	
Totals	87	162	21	25	30	19	147	36	3637	46	307	43	334	15	208	10	348	78	542	451	453	5618	3824	206	13089	47	13	1894	

## II. WANGANUI DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.												
									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.	Number of Commemorial Bands of Hope.	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.					
New Plymouth ..	3	2	1	1	2	1	7	2	265	..	37	..	10	..	..	3	35	30	32	295	204	21	564	2	1	1055			
Waitara ..	2	4	1	1	1	..	4	..	73	..	10	..	..	..	..	3	13	11	12	118	82	10	430	2	2	420			
Inglewood ..	3	3	2	1	1	..	9	1	135	..	20	..	..	1	10	3	21	17	18	210	136	36	750	3	1	550			
Stratford ..	3	3	..	1	1	..	1	..	85	3	..	1	6	..	12	16	15	14	146	96	6	100	1	1	410				
Eltham ..	1	5	1	1	1	..	7	1	77	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	7	6	55	40	..	..	1	..	345				
Hawera ..	2	7	3	1	2	..	12	2	189	26	50	2	10	1	25	4	19	16	19	243	169	75	350	3	..	820			
Cape Egmont ..	6	5	..	2	1	1	11	..	137	1	4	..	2	32	..	7	54	20	23	235	178	3	..	4	1	480			
Kaponga ..	2	7	..	1	1	..	1	..	65	..	16	1	..	..	..	4	4	4	3	92	50	16	..	1	..	450			
Wanganui ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	8	..	246	..	25	2	20	..	1	50	3	16	15	16	250	170	95	330	3	1	720		
Aramoho ..	1	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	55	..	15	..	..	..	..	1	9	8	9	115	60	18	185	1	1	320			
Rangatikei ..	4	2	1	1	1	..	1	..	80	..	10	2	10	1	20	10	9	9	80	64	6	200	1	..	300				
Sandon ..	3	2	..	1	1	..	7	..	89	..	7	2	2	..	..	6	6	6	6	62	45	7	270	2	..	250			
Feilding ..	3	0	2	1	1	1	..	..	114	11	31	1	3	1	16	1	15	13	14	148	112	42	277	1	..	346			
Palmerston North ..	6	4	2	2	3	1	8	..	467	2	69	1	..	4	79	4	60	53	60	793	598	124	1300	4	3	1773			
Taihape ..	2	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	32	..	..	..	3	..	..	6	5	5	60	48	..	20	1	..	275				
Waimarino ..	2	7	..	..	1	..	6	..	56	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	7	6	6	40	36	..	20	1	..	200			
West Coast Maori Mission ..	..	..	..	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Patea ..	2	3	..	1	..	..	2	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	9	8	4	123	82	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Kimbolton ..	5	6	1	1	..	1	3	..	58	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	10	10	10	99	64	5	..	..	..	..	..		
Taumaranui ..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Ohura ..	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	30	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	5	4	3	46	38	..	..	..	..	..	..		
North Taranaki ..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
Totals ..	53	90	15	20	21	9	96	6	2302	43	294	14	64	11	192	9	260	67	293	257	269	3210	2272	464	4746	32	10	9764	

### III.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Schoolrooms.		Parsonages.		Ministers and Probationers.		Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.		Local Preachers.		Class Leaders.		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						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.													
Wellington (Taranaki Street) ..																					5	3	1	4	2	20	2	447	8	80	4	..
Central Mission ..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	84	2	6	..	..	1	30	..	..	1	6	5	6	70	55	..	500	..	1	38					
Bible Class Movement ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
Wellington (Thorndon) ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	105	..	..	1	..	1	20	1	18	1	14	13	14	127	102	..	43	1	..	325					
Wellington South ..	1	1	1	1	1	4	..	164	11	36	12	..	1	13	1	36	1	26	22	24	291	197	60	40	1	..	600					
Wellington Suburban ..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	72	..	48	..	..	1	33	2	22	2	20	16	185	128	..	289	2	..	410						
Johnsonville ..	3	2	1	1	..	..	..	68	..	..	2	..	1	12	5	23	19	18	243	170	..	250	4	2	..	460						
Hutt ..	6	1	2	4	..	14	..	235	..	..	3	5	1	40	2	33	5	34	30	31	392	287	25	725	3	..	1160					
South Wairarapa ..	6	7	2	1	2	1	8	194	..	21	..	..	2	37	1	21	6	20	18	17	209	135	20	540	3	1	900					
Masterton ..	2	2	4	1	1	..	6	171	3	..	..	..	1	18	1	49	2	36	3	36	438	281	..	917	2	2	950					
Napier ..	4	1	2	1	1	3	236	..	35	1	30	2	58	1	22	4	29	25	19	279	205	35	250	2	..	990						
Hastings ..	1	2	1	1	1	..	7	127	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	39	3	16	14	14	230	155	2	250	..	..	461					
Gisborne ..	1	3	1	1	1	..	5	108	5	25	..	6	1	30	1	48	1	14	12	11	137	107	10	315	1	..	450					
Eketahuna ..	2	6	1	1	1	..	1	68	1	10	..	12	1	12	..	..	4	9	8	7	157	110	10	60	4	4	400					
Dannevirke ..	1	5	1	1	1	..	3	93	..	9	..	10	1	23	1	23	2	12	9	12	150	116	..	133	2	1	490					
Levin-Otaki ..	4	3	1	2	..	..	6	152	3	33	2	12	1	28	2	50	5	20	14	12	210	175	33	150	3	..	470					
Waipawa ..	2	10	..	1	1	..	2	55	..	1	40	..	..	..	1	5	4	5	40	31	..	110	1	..	550							
Woodville ..	1	..	1	1	..	2	2	120	..	30	..	8	..	..	1	40	2	15	14	15	116	85	6	220	1	1	370					
Pahiatua ..	3	4	..	1	..	3	..	65	2	5	1	19	..	..	..	..	4	19	9	10	120	85	5	40	1	..	375					
Norsewood ..	3	3	1	1	..	1	3	82	6	12	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	7	7	100	75	6	100	..	1	550					
Totals ..	49	50	20	18	27	5	97	15	2639	41	388	18	151	18	404	17	491	55	389	336	339	4425	3105	214	7199	35	13	1219				

IV.—NELSON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.											
									Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.	Communicants other than Members.	Senior.		Junior.		Number of Schools.	Teachers.			Scholars.						
														Societies.	Active Members.	Societies.	Members.		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.	Number of Connexional Bands of Hope.	Attendants on Public Worship, including S. S. Scholars.
Nelson ..	1	1	1	2	..	3	5	180	5	2)	3	10	1	26	1	25	1	20	16	17	221	147	33	459	1	1	600	
Richmond ..	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	134	..	..	2	12	1	20	..	..	4	23	17	19	142	112	2	550	1	..	800	
Blenheim ..	4	6	2	2	1	1	20	29	..	30	..	..	..	..	1	35	6	49	39	49	450	353	30	900	..	1	1128	
Hokitika ..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	42	2	13	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	3	4	49	39	..	185	1	..	23)	
Greymouth ..	4	2	..	2	1	1	12	195	1	40	2	..	1	33	1	35	4	32	28	31	300	225	15	300	3	..	800	
Motueka ..	2	4	1	1	1	1	5	141	1	8	1	7	2	36	1	12	2	11	10	11	107	65	17	351	1	..	455	
Reefton ..	2	4	1	1	1	1	..	100	..	20	1	10	2	30	1	20	3	17	15	17	140	110	8	700	2	..	500	
Westport ..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	76	3	30	4	12	..	..	..	..	1	14	11	11	130	82	..	250	1	..	260	
Havelock ..	4	3	..	1	..	1	..	43	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	4	4	75	43	..	..	..	..	235	
Totals ..	28	30	6	11	10	4	63	8	1201	12	173	14	51	7	145	5	127	26	175	143	163	1605	1164	102	3694	10	2	5008

V.-CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						Volumes in Libraries.	Schools using Conference Certificates or Tablets.	Number of Connexional Bands of Hope.	Attendants on Public Worship, including S. S. Scholars.		
	Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Deaths.							Communicants other than Members.	Societies.	Senior.		Junior.	Number of Schools.	Teachers.			Scholars.									
													Active Members.	Societies.			Members.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.	Number on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Members of Church.						
Christchurch (Durham St.)..	13	1	6	5	8	1	35	1	1108	4	68	7	74	4	51	3	84	13	160	142	135	1459	981	128	4018	11	6	4040	
Connexional Secretary	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Christchurch (Sydenham) ..	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	1	159	4	34	5	10	1	23	1	34	1	22	18	21	344	214	26	650	1	..	884	
Christchurch (Addington) f.	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	213	4	73	3	13	1	19	3	73	3	44	38	38	339	329	33	985	3	2	872	
Christchurch (St. Albans)	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	588	6	47	3	..	..	..	1	60	2	41	3	38	489	297	52	930	2	1	1091	
Christchurch (Papanui)	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	164	..	12	2	12	1	..	1	..	4	39	33	26	593	215	14	500	4	1	725	
Lytelton ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	90	..	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	16	12	13	165	96	7	450	1	..	450	
Springston ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	133	..	4	..	12	..	..	..	..	4	20	19	16	135	101	7	620	4	..	500	
Tai Tapu ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	111	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	19	15	19	133	98	17	568	3	..	500	
Leeston ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140	..	10	3	10	3	39	..	..	5	19	14	14	167	139	10	350	5	..	600	
Kaipoi ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	290	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	34	31	33	351	251	25	1000	4	..	1000	
Rangiora ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	214	3	11	5	..	..	..	..	..	5	23	22	24	246	12	5	1019	5	..	850	
Malvern ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	7	6	6	82	55	..	3	..	306		
Timaru ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	270	..	20	4	..	..	..	..	..	6	38	33	35	438	224	35	500	4	..	1100	
Waimate ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	181	2	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	14	13	12	155	115	14	..	..	1	700	
Temuka ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	..	6	1	5	..	..	..	..	2	7	5	4	70	40	..	233	1	1	220	
Ashburton ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	193	4	25	1	..	1	20	1	35	1	17	13	15	148	100	16	437	1	..	500	
Willowby ..	6	6	..	1	1	1	12	1	130	3	15	1	18	2	26	1	14	6	20	17	16	126	98	16	700	5	1	530	
Amberley ..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	44	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	7	4	3	66	49	..	..	..	1	360	
Oxford ..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	4	2	35	25	..	31	1	1	171	
Banks Peninsula ..	1	3	..	1	..	1	..	..	38	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	160	
Methven ..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	155	
Cheviot ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kaikoura ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	78	44	27	25	29	9	146	8	3917	42	408	40	167	17	247	11	300	71	557	475	470	5291	3709	405	12941	59	15	15713	

VI.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Schoolrooms.		Parsonages.		Ministers and Probationers.		Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.		Local Preachers.		Class Leaders.		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.															
																			Senior.		Junior.		Teachers.			Scholars.														
																			Active Members.		Societies.		Number on Roll.			Average Attendance.														
																			Societies.		Members.		Number of Schools.			Members of Church.					Volumes in Libraries.		Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.		Number of Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S. S. Scholars.			
		Members 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.		Volumes in Libraries.		Schools using Conference Catechisms or Tablets.		Number of Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S. S. Scholars.	
Dunedin (Trinity) ..	3	1	1	1	1	1	13	3	319	60	10	1	50	2	40	4	55	51	50	376	316	..	921	4	..	1260														
Dunedin (Central Mission)	1	1	1	1	1	5	..	27	6	30	3	1	33	1	30	1	13	11	13	80	49	..	200	..	..	1800														
Dunedin (Cargill Road)	3	..	2	1	1	14	6	367	14	35	16	1	33	2	135	3	10	40	39	405	350	45	509	3	1	117														
Dunedin (Mornington)	..	..	1	1	1	5	..	147	..	..	1	2	18	1	14	2	31	29	27	182	141	23	300	..	..	450														
Dunedin (Roslyn) ..	..	..	1	1	1	4	2	161	3	16	1	6	17	1	38	..	30	27	24	234	181	6	890	..	..	450														
Mosgiel ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	73	..	17	2	10	..	..	..	..	6	5	5	47	37	..	230	1	1	230														
Port Chalmers ..	..	..	1	..	1	4	1	96	2	12	2	4	18	1	12	1	10	9	10	85	53	14	100	1	..	450														
Balclutha ..	..	..	1	..	1	5	..	88	1	5	2	8	..	1	20	2	14	13	14	126	95	..	306	1	1	290														
Milton ..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	40	..	9	1	9	..	..	..	1	8	7	5	46	37	..	260	..	..	250														
Lawrence ..	..	..	3	1	1	..	..	59	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	1	4	3	4	23	20	..	..	1	..	283														
Invercargill ..	..	..	5	1	1	11	..	284	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	50	18	16	17	237	183	..	350	2	..	967														
Oamaru ..	..	..	1	1	1	7	..	140	..	30	3	12	2	38	1	30	1	19	16	18	106	80	18	410	1	1	450													
Gore ..	..	..	1	4	..	3	1	91	..	11	1	9	..	..	..	..	1	9	7	8	165	75	..	185	1	..	454													
Otautau ..	..	..	4	4	..	1	1	76	..	25	..	2	15	..	..	3	12	10	10	165	81	1	250	1	..	487														
Roxburgh ..	..	..	3	1	1	3	..	64	..	6	..	14	..	..	..	3	10	8	10	87	72	..	50	3	..	280														
Cromwell ..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	53	..	..	1	4	1	6	1	9	1	4	3	4	30	25	..	..	..	196														
Riverton ..	..	..	1	5	..	..	1	2	41	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	5	6	50	45	..	50	..	1	250														
Tapantu ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..													
Paimeter ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..													
Paimeter ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	32	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	1	7	5	7	47	37	..	150	1	..	160														
Wakatipu ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..													
Winton ..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	2	17	12	..	..	..	..	..	154													
Totals ..	40	38	11	16	19	7	83	16	2292	29	256	22	154	10	198	12	378	33	308	267	273	2478	1883	107	5215	24	5	10075												

VII.—MAORI WORK.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.											
									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.	Number of Connexional Bands of Hope.	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.
Whangaroa .. ..	1	17	..	1	1	..	9	11	233	..	136	6	3	..	..	..	..	8	20	16	20	150	10	50	..	..	..	70
Hokianga .. ..	4	15	..	..	2	1	19	7	585	5	591	13	20	..	..	..	..	10	10	8	8	30	210	302	..	..	..	1300
Kaipara .. ..	5	11	..	..	1	1	14	5	244	..	212	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	3	3	72	40	72	..	..	..	620
Waikato .. ..	..	35	..	1	2	1	8	2	564	6	380	12	6	..	..	..	..	4	4	3	3	95	60	95	..	..	..	3800
West Coast Mission ..	2	50	..	2	1	2	8	..	95	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	10	10	10	150	100	..	..	..	..	900
South Island Mission ..	2	20	3	..	1	..	3	2	80	2	4	10	..	1	2	..	..	3	5	5	5	70	50	3	..	1	1	550
<b>Totals .. ..</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1803</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1322</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7870</b>

# GENERAL SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS.

## I.—EUROPEAN WORK.

CIRCUITS.	Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.											
	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.	Number of Connexional Bands of Home.	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.								
Auckland ..	87	162	21	25	30	19	147	36	3637	46	397	43	334	15	3 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	10	348	78	542	451	453	5681	3824	196	13689	47	13	18945	
Wanganui ..	53	90	15	20	21	9	96	6	2302	43	294	14	64	11	192	9	260	57	293	257	269	3	10	2272	464	4746	32	10	9764
Wellington ..	49	50	20	16	27	5	97	15	2639	41	388	18	151	18	404	17	491	55	389	336	339	4425	3105	214	7199	35	13	12190	
Nelson ..	28	30	6	11	10	4	53	8	1201	12	178	14	51	7	145	5	127	23	175	143	163	1605	1164	102	3694	10	2	5008	
Canterbury ..	78	44	27	25	29	9	146	8	3917	42	408	40	167	17	247	11	300	71	557	475	470	5291	3709	405	12941	59	15	15713	
Otago ..	40	38	11	16	19	7	83	16	2292	29	256	22	154	10	198	12	378	33	308	267	273	2478	1883	107	5215	24	5	10075	
<b>Totals ..</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>15088</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1921</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>921</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>1904</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>2264</b>	<b>1929</b>	<b>1967</b>	<b>2269</b>	<b>15957</b>	<b>1588</b>	<b>47484</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>71695</b>	
Increase ..	11	9	4	6	..	2	18	..	516	..	..	..	63	..	..	..	..	4	61	67	42	531	171	78	1695	12	..	..	
Decrease ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	89	163	35	..	17	391	2	113	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	105	

## II.—MAORI WORK.

Auckland ..	10	78	..	2	6	3	50	25	1628	11	1318	31	56	..	..	..	..	25	37	30	34	619	410	619	..	..	..	6420
Wanganui ..	2	50	..	2	1	2	8	..	95	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	10	10	10	150	..	..	..	..	..	900
Canterbury and Otago ..	2	20	3	..	1	..	3	..	80	2	4	10	..	1	2	..	..	3	5	5	5	70	50	39	..	1	1	550
<b>Totals ..</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1803</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1322</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7870</b>
Increase ..	2	10	3	2	..	..	1	11	224	31	38	..	15	1	2	..	..	9	10	19	19	100	33	..	..	1	1	460
Decrease ..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

## GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

### I.—MEMBERS.

DISTRICTS.	1908.	1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	On Probation	Junior Members.
Auckland ...	3512	3637	125	...	46	397
Wanganui ...	2180	2302	122	...	43	294
Wellington ...	2487	2639	152	...	41	388
Nelson ...	1078	1201	123	...	12	178
Canterbury ...	3926	3917	...	9	42	408
Otago ...	2289	2292	3	...	29	256
Maori Missions ...	1579	1803	224	...	38	1322
Totals ...	17051	17791	749	9	251	3243

### II.—MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.

DISTRICTS.	European Ministers	European Probationers	Super-numeraries.	Maori Ministers	Maori Probationers	Totals.
Auckland ...	25	2	3	6	...	36
Wanganui ...	15	4	2	1	...	22
Wellington ...	19	5	3	...	...	27
Nelson ...	7	2	1	...	...	10
Canterbury ...	22	3	4	...	...	29
Otago ...	15	4	...	1	...	20
Totals ...	103	20	13	8	...	144

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# The Methodist Church of Australasia Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund.

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## Report of the General Treasurers

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1909,

WITH REVENUE ACCOUNT AND BALANCE-SHEET.

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The Board of Treasurers has pleasure in presenting to the Annual Conference of Victoria and Tasmania the Report, Revenue Account, and Balance-sheet of the Fund, as required by paragraphs 506 to 508 of the *Book of Laws*.

The business of the year has been heavy, and meetings of the Board or of its Loans Committee have been held almost weekly. Large demands have also been made on the time of the members in visiting the securities offered, each security proposed being personally inspected.

The Revenue Account and Balance-sheet have been duly audited.

Some of the properties in possession have been disposed of during the year, the sales involving a nett loss of £277 13s. 1d. This amount is not larger than was expected, and is provided for in the Reserve Account. The Treasurers are desirous to quit these properties as quickly as it is prudent, and have the matter constantly before them. Meantime, after paying cost of repairs, rates, &c., it will be noted that those still held yielded a net return of £3 11s. per cent.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, to the face value of £3000, matured during the year, and a profit of £56 15s. on the first cost was realised thereon.

All moneys available have been loaned without difficulty on good mortgages, and the return for interest on the whole of the securities held has been two shillings per cent. more than during 1908.

Annuities steadily increase. The payments for the year on this account totalled £13,578 2s., with £657

18s. 4d. additional for furniture grants. A larger sum than usual was returned and written-off in connection with Ministers resigning. After providing for these and all necessary charges, the Treasurers are glad to have been able to add £17,620 15s. 3d. to the assets. The liabilities, of course, are also increasing.

A legacy received during the year from New South Wales is specially held, pending definite information as to the terms of the bequest. The special Benevolent Fund, with interest added, amounts to £149 5s. 10d.

In April last, the Annual Conference placed thirteen Ministers on the supernumerary list. Four widows, whose husbands had died in the full work the year preceding, also became claimants. Annuities thus becoming payable amount to £1205 per annum. One of the supernumeraries, who had been exempted from joining the Fund, received £61 11s. 4d. as final payment.

The average term of service of the Ministers retiring was 32.9 years. One Minister, who had been temporarily a supernumerary, returned to the full work.

The deaths of eight supernumeraries and three widows, who were annuitants, were reported during the year. Six of the Ministers thus deceased left widows, who are now claimants on the Fund. The nett amount of annuities lapsed through deaths is £626 7s. 8d.

On the 31st December the number of supernumeraries on the books was 94; widows, 124.

For Ministers' subscriptions and fines the following amounts have been received from the Annual Conference Treasurers:—

*Ministers' Subscriptions and Fines.*

New South Wales Conference	..	£2025	19	6
Victoria and Tasmania	..	2104	19	11
South Australia	..	781	1	2
New Zealand	..	1200	15	6
Queensland	..	499	18	6
Western Australia	..	290	5	0
		£6902	19	7

The returns from New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania, and New Zealand are in excess of the previous year. For the other Conferences, the aggregate amount received is £124 less.

The attention of Ministers is again called to paragraph 516 of the *Book of Laws*, which requires that "the fines on subscriptions shall be paid each year."

Payments on account of Circuit levies have been as under :—

*Circuit Levies.*

New South Wales Conference	..	£2896	14	3
Victoria and Tasmania	..	2507	0	0
South Australia	..	1247	8	0
New Zealand	..	1477	17	6
Queensland	..	763	9	2
Western Australia	..	289	3	3
		£9181	12	2
Less Annual Conference Treasurers' Expenses	..	59	10	2
		£9122	2	0

As per regulation, the following return of arrears of Ministers' subscriptions and fines is presented :—

	ARREARS OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.	FINES.	TOTALS.
N.S. Wales Conference	£1294 10 6	£322 14 0	£1617 4 6
Victoria & Tas. ,,	2246 9 6	838 13 11	3085 3 5
South Australia ,,	907 1 9	388 14 0	1295 15 9
New Zealand ,,	483 11 5	110 14 0	594 5 5
Queensland ,,	987 7 6	330 12 6	1318 0 0
West. Australia ,,	653 10 6	210 16 0	864 6 6
	£6572 11 2	£2202 4 5	£8774 15 7

Further efforts have been made to induce Ministers whose arrears are heavy to pay up by instalments, but with only a limited success. The assistance of the Annual Conferences is invoked in this matter, which is manifestly to the interests of the Ministers concerned.

The special returns ordered by the last General Conference in connection with the report of the Committee of Inquiry will be forwarded in due course to the President of the General Conference and the Presidents of the Annual Conferences.

Having been appointed to Geelong in April last, the Rev. W. Presley resigned his position on the Board, and, with the sanction of the President of the Conference, the Rev. W. Hunt was elected in his place.

With great regret his colleagues on the Board report the decease of the Rev. E. Wason Nye. For a year he was the Acting-General Treasurer of the Fund, and since then served for two periods as one of the Clerical Treasurers. His assiduity in attendance, and his calm judgment, helped greatly in our deliberations, and we lament his loss. The Rev. J. Nicholson has, with the President's approval, filled the vacancy thus created.

After full consideration, the Board requests the Annual Conference to recommend to the forthcoming General Conference that the third sentence in paragraph 489, *Book of Laws*, which declares retiring Treasurers are not eligible for re-election, be amended by adding thereto these words, "unless they are nominated for re-election by a two-thirds vote of the Victoria and Tasmania Annual Conference, and such nomination is sustained by a two-thirds vote of the General Conference."

Should the Annual Conference endorse the proposed amendment as above, the Board recommends that Mr. B. Dawborn, the senior Lay Treasurer, be again appointed. His keen interest in the Fund, his knowledge of the investments, and the time he has been able to devote to its business, render his services specially valuable.

As none of the Clerical Treasurers have served the full time contemplated in the regulation, no retirement of a Ministerial Treasurer is requisite.

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THOMAS GROVE	
THOMAS LOCKWOOD	
WILLIAM HUNT	
GEORGE SWEET	
JOSEPH NICHOLSON	
THOMAS BOND	

## Supernumerary Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Fund.

### TRIENNIAL REPORT of the Board of Treasurers to the General Conference of 1910, and to the Annual Conferences Preceding.

In accordance with the direction of paragraph 509 of the *Book of Laws*, the Treasurers have the honour to submit the following report:—

1. The Annual Report, Revenue Accounts, and Balance-sheets of the Fund for the years 1907, 1908, and 1909 have been duly presented to the Victoria and Tasmania Annual Conference as directed. Copies of the same have also been forwarded to the several Annual Conferences, and these have been bound up with their *Minutes*.

2. Special returns, as directed by the General Conference of 1909, on adopting the Report of the Committee of Inquiry (see resolutions 10 to 13, page 37), have been prepared from the Revenue Accounts, and those for 1906, 1907, and 1908 have been forwarded to the President of the General Conference and the Presidents of the Annual Conferences. That for 1909 will be sent on in due course.

3. The payments ordered by the General Conference of 1907—namely, 20 per cent. of annuities deducted from the claimants of 1902-3, with the amounts voted to the orphan children of a deceased Minister, and to the Trustees of the Connexional Buildings, Melbourne—were all duly made.

4. The instructions as to the claims of widows, who were other than first wives (see resolutions 6, 7, 8, *Minutes General Conference*, 1907, page 36), and those as to payments of furniture grants, have been carried out.

5. After considering the General Conference resolution, the Board resolved to reduce the levy paid by the Board of Missions for Ministers resident in Fiji, Rotuma, and Samoa to the amount of levy paid by Circuits in the States and New Zealand. This arrangement took effect as from 30th September, 1908. The retention of the higher rates for the Missionaries employed in New Britain, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands was deemed necessary on climatic grounds.

6. Two or three small donations have been made to the Fund, and a further sum has been received on account of the Sutherland Bequest. A legacy of Mrs. Plumb, of New South Wales, is held by the Treasurers, to be used according to the terms of the will.

7. The appeal for a Benevolent Fund, directed by the General Conference of 1907, was only responded to by a few persons; including interest added, the amount to credit is now £149 15s. 4d. The Treasurers are of the opinion that the appeal should be for all cases of necessity that arise, rather than for necessitous orphan children of Ministers only, and have arranged to try and secure further donations for a larger Fund on this basis.

8. As reported at the end of 1908, after full investigation, it was found necessary to write off the amount reported three years ago as "Circuit Levies in Suspense, Queensland," it being found that Queensland was not liable for the amount.

9. It will be noted that no further remittance has been received from the English Book Room, on account of the new hymn-book. Further amounts, however, should be forwarded shortly.

10. The Treasurers are glad to report that, through the whole of the triennium, they have been able to invest the whole of the funds available on satisfactory mortgage securities. The rate of interest has also been well maintained, averaging slightly over  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on all the securities held, which is considered satisfactory.

11. After meeting the annuities and other charges, together with the special disbursements ordered by the General Conference in 1907, the Treasurers are gratified to be able to report that £48,142 3s. 4d. have been added to the assets during the three years, and that these now stand at £399,024 9s. 8d.

12. Three years ago the number of claimants on the Fund was 196; the number now is 218. During the interval, 112 Probationers for the ministry have been received by the Annual Conferences, and there are 57 theological students under training. As all these are possible beneficiaries of the Fund, it is obvious that the claims are rapidly growing.

13. All practicable steps have been taken to secure payment of the heavy arrears and fines due by certain Ministers, on the terms sanctioned by the General Conferences of 1904 and 1907. The success has been only partial, and the Treasurers suggest that the special facilities then offered should now cease.

14. Three more Ministers who came in through Methodist Union have purchased benefits, and four have been duly exempted. The sum of £389 19s., plus £31 8s. 5d. for interest, has been paid on account of purchases.

15. There are still several cases in which Ministers joining the Church in connection with Methodist Union

have not purchased benefits, or obtained exemption. A list of these will be submitted, and the General Conference is requested to give definite instructions respecting the same.

16. Some additional securities, the mortgages of which were of long standing, have necessarily been taken over. Continual efforts have been made to sell these and the other properties in possession. Some have been disposed of at satisfactory rates. In cases where there has been a loss, it has not exceeded what was expected. All properties now in possession have been recently examined, and the Board believes the amount to credit of the Reserve Account to be sufficient to meet any probable loss.

17. The question submitted to the Board by the General Conference (*Minutes*, page 39), under the heading, "The Retirement of a Minister," has been carefully considered, and the course suggested is considered unfair to the Fund, and inexpedient.

18. The Treasurers regret that the report on second wives' annuities has been unavoidably delayed. They hope to forward an interim report in time for the meeting of the Annual Conferences in March next.

19. On account of his removal from Melbourne, the Rev. W. Presley resigned his position on the Board in April last. Since then the Board has had to mourn the decease of the Rev. E. Wason Nye. With the approval of the President of the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, the Revs. W. Hunt and J. Nicholson have been elected to fill these vacancies.

20. The Board has recommended an amendment of the rule as to the enforced retirement of the senior Treasurer at each General Conference.

21. Messrs. W. A. Mewton, F.I.A.V., and H. G. M'Cutcheon, F.C.P.A., are recommended for reappointment as Auditors of the Fund until the next General Conference.

22. Dr. Morley's co-Treasurers desire to express their high appreciation of the conspicuous ability and tireless attention with which he administers the affairs of this Fund.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH  
SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS'

Dr. REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

To Ministers' Annuities ..	£8,531 18 7	
„ Widows' Annuities ..	5,046 3 5	
	£13,578 2 0	
„ Furniture Grants ..	657 18 4	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions returned ..	483 8 1	
„ Ministers' Subscriptions—Arrears written off ..	307 11 3	
„ Ministers' Fines remitted ..	35 2 0	
„ Auditors' Fees ..	69 6 0	
„ Salaries—		
Managing Treasurer ..	£350 0 0	
Accountant and Clerks ..	358 3 8	
	708 3 8	
„ Managing Treasurer—		
House Rent ..	£90 0 0	
Furniture Allowance ..	10 0 0	
Travelling Expenses ..	6 7 0	
Connexional Levies ..	27 10 0	
	133 17 0	
„ Rent—Offices ..	£100 0 0	
Less Sub-Rent ..	28 0 0	
	72 0 0	
„ Printing and Stationery ..	30 3 3	
„ Exchange and Bank Charges ..	37 2 7	
„ General Expenses—		
Telephone ..	£9 0 0	
Cost of Inspections, Melbourne ..	16 10 8	
Postages, &c., W.A. and N.S.W. Committees of Advice ..	6 2 1	
Office Cleaning ..	13 6 4	
Rent—Safe Deposit ..	4 9 0	
Sundries ..	23 9 7	
	72 17 8	
„ Postages and Telegrams ..	42 5 10	
„ Commissions paid—N.S.W., W.A., and Q'land ..	194 18 1	
„ Conference Treasurers' Expenses ..	65 18 2	
„ Interest on Benevolent Fund ..	6 8 6	
„ Special Levy <i>re</i> General Conference ..	5 0 0	
„ Provision for Falling-in of Lease—Properties in Possession ..	185 0 0	
„ Depreciation Office Furniture—Written off ..	9 15 3	
House „ Managing Treas.		
—Written off ..	10 0 0	
„ Balance transferred to Capital ..	17,620 15 3	
	£34,325 12 11	

WM. MORLEY, MANAGING TREASURER.

## OF AUSTRALASIA.

## AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.

ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

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By English Annuitant Societies .. ..	£353	15	2	
„ Interest on Mortgages .. ..	£13,641	7	0	
„ Less Interest in Suspense .. ..	167	3	7	
	£13,474	3	5	
„ Interest on Debentures and Govt. Stock .. ..	2,065	1	3	
„ Interest on Furniture Grants .. ..	8	15	0	
		15,547	19	8
„ Dividend Commercial Bank Pref. Shares .. ..		54	0	0
„ Nett Rents—Properties in Possession .. ..		1,969	13	0
„ Ministers' Subscriptions .. ..	£6,888	8	0	
„ Ministers' Fines .. ..	356	0	0	
	£7,244	8	0	
„ Amounts received from Minis- ters who, through Methodist Union, have purchased Annu- ties into the Fund .. ..		70	0	0
		7,314	8	0
„ Circuit Levies .. ..		8,974	17	6
„ Commissions Received .. ..		14	4	7
„ Donations .. ..		5	0	0
„ Marriage Fines .. ..		10	0	0
„ Legacies (Sutherland Bequest) .. ..		25	0	0
„ Profit on Debentures matured .. ..		56	15	0

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

MELBOURNE,

 WM. A. MEWTON, F.I.A.V. } AUDITORS.  
 H. G. M'CUTCHEON, F.C.P.A. }

4th February, 1910.

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF AUSTRALASIA.  
 SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.  
 BALANCE-SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
To Capital .. ..	£381,403 14 5	By Investments—	
Plus Revenue Account transferred ..	17,620 15 3	Loans on Mortgage .. ..	£277,221 8 8
	£399,024 9 8	„ Interest Arrears and Insurance Premiums ..	£1,568 11 8
„ Sundry Creditors .. ..	85 0 6	„ Interest Accrued ..	1,643 12 10
„ Special Benevolent Fund .. ..	149 5 10		3,212 4 6
„ Legacy late Mrs. Eliz. Plumb's Estate ..	100 0 0		£280,433 13 2
		Less Interest in Suspense .. ..	1,083 5 3
			£279,350 7 11
		Bills Receivable .. ..	£263 15 0
		Less Rebate Interest .. ..	13 12 5
			250 2 7
		Properties in Possession .. ..	55,576 2 10
		Preference Shares, Commercial Bank ..	1,800 0 0
		Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Debentures .. ..	34,256 4 8
		Victorian Government Stock and Debentures .. ..	14,630 4 8
		West Australian Government Debentures ..	4,000 0 0
		New Zealand Government Debentures ..	4,054 0 0
		Interest on Debentures and Dividend Accrued .. ..	638 4 3
			£394,555 6 11
		Less Provision for Shrinkage in the Value of Securities and Losses of Interest as per Reserve Account ..	17,996 14 4
			£376,558 12 7

„ Ministers' Subscriptions and Fines ..	£10,477 15 8		
Less amounts Paid in Advance .. ..	£66 5 1		
Less amounts to be paid by Ministers who, through Methodist Union, have purchased Annuities into the Fund ..	1,636 15 0		
		<u>1,703 0 1</u>	
„ Circuit Levies .. ..			8,774 15 7
„ Furniture Grants .. ..			3,388 18 5
„ Second Marriage Premiums .. ..			462 16 8
„ Furniture—House .. ..			44 14 0
„ Office .. ..			130 0 0
„ English Missionary Society .. ..			82 0 0
„ Petty Cash, Stamps, &c. .. ..			12 0 0
„ Cash at Bankers and in hand, Melbourne .. ..			10 4 6
„ „ „ „ Sydney Committee of Advice .. ..			7,310 1 7
„ „ „ „ West Aust. „ „			2,578 3 8
			<u>6 9 0</u>
			<u>£399,358 16 0</u>

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DR.	RESERVE ACCOUNT.	(PROVISION FOR LOSSES).	CR.
1909—31st Dec.—To Loss on Sales—Properties in Possession ..	£277 13 1	1908—31st Dec.—By Balance .. ..	£18,089 7 5
To Balance (see Amount deducted from Investments in Balance-sheet)	17,996 14 4	„ Properties in Possession—Provision for Falling-in of Lease .. ..	185 0 0
	<u>£18,274 7 5</u>		<u>£18,274 7 5</u>
			<u>£18,274 7 5</u>

We have examined the above Balance-sheet and Reserve Account for Provision for Losses, compared them with the books of the Fund, and found them to agree therewith. We have also seen the securities, with the exception of those certified to as held by the Solicitors, and found them in order, each advance being represented by a mortgage for its amount, with the following exception, viz.:—No. 249, £1000.

WM. MORLEY, MANAGING TREASURER.

MELBOURNE, 4th February, 1910.

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