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THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand was held in 1903.

THE FIRST CONFERENCE

of the Methodist Church of New Zealand was held in 1913,

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The fourth Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand assembled in the Pitt Street Church, Auckland, on Thursday, February 24, 1916, and concluded its sessions on Monday, March 6.

The session was opened by the Rev. John Dawson, President.

The Rev. Albert C. Lawry was elected President of the Conference, Mr. Geo. Winstone, Vice-President, and the Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Secretary.

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Probationers.

Robert B. Gosnell
 George B. Hinton
 William Lea
 J. Ernest Parsons
 William Walker
 Matthew J. Evans
 Percy Battey
 Harold T. Peat
 J. R. Sullivan
 Samuel J. Werren

Native Ministers—

Piripi Rakena
 Te Tuhi Heretini
 Hone Hare
 Hori Kakuere
 Eruera Te Tuhi
 Davis Wilcox

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QUESTION II.—Who are now admitted as Ministers into Full Connexion with the Conference?

Matthew J. Evans
George B. Hinton
William Lea
John E. Parsons
William Walker

Who have travelled four years.

N.B.—Should Frederick B. Lawrence and William A. Watson, who are with the Expeditionary Force, return to New Zealand during the year, the President shall have power after they have given the usual pledges, to receive them into full connexion, and to arrange for their ordination.

QUESTION III.—What Preachers Remain on Probation?

1. Robert B. Gosnell

Who has travelled four years.

2. Arthur A. Bensley

Harold T. Peat

Percy Battey

Who have travelled three years.

3. Oswald Burnet

Charles A. Foston

Francis T. Harris

Henry H. Marshall

Robert B. Speirs

Joseph R. Sullivan

Samuel J. Werren

Who have travelled two years.

4. Percy I. Cooke

Aldwyn R. Gordon, M.A.

William H. Hocking

J. A. Lester Minifie

Henry J. Odell

William G. Slade, M.A.

Who have travelled one year.

QUESTION IV.—What Preachers are now Received on Probation?

George E. Brown

Robert E. Fordyce

Charles H. Kendon

Ernest E. Sage

William G. Slade, M.A. (completed one year of probation).

Egbert R. Warburton

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

1. William T. Blight
John Dennis
Frederick J. Parker
Who have completed one year.

2. Sydney J. Mogridge, E. Thomas Olds, George B. Sheridan and William S. Smith, who are with the Expeditionary Force, are placed on the President's List of Reserve.

QUESTION VI.—What Candidates are now received for Theological Training?

1. William H. Hocking (completed one year of probation)
2. Ernest B. Chambers
Alfred M. Costain
George W. Jackson

QUESTION VII.—Who are now Admitted as Native Ministers?

None.

QUESTION VIII.—Who Remain as Native Preachers on Probation?

1. Rakena Piripi
Who has travelled two years.
2. Paraire R. Paikea
Who has travelled one year.

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

None.

QUESTION X. Who are now Received as Native Students for the Ministry?

None.

QUESTION XI.—What Ministers or Probationers have Died since the last Conference?

- William Kirk
Job Benning

WILLIAM KIRK was born on September 9th, 1825, at Epworth, Lincolnshire. From earliest years he loved the Saviour, early began to preach, and before he was twenty-one years of age was sent out as a missionary to New Zealand. His wife, daughter of the Rev John Hobbs, proved a sympathetic and invaluable helper in the work, and the Maoris have never forgotten the zealous and affectionate labours of Mr and Mrs Kirk to promote their highest good. On being transferred to the English work, Mr Kirk proved to be a wise administrator, a diligent and kindly pastor, and a faithful evangelical preacher. As a soul-winner, whose abiding results attest the thoroughness of his work, New Zealand has had no more successful preacher. The esteem of his brethren found expression in his election as President of the Conference.

In that office, and as Chairman of various Districts, his duties were discharged with characteristic thoroughness. For his brethren in the work he cherished the warmest attachment, and never spoke an uncharitable word about any. No one rejoiced more in their usefulness and welfare. Surrounded by members of his family, and cheered by their loving care, he fell asleep without a struggle, in his ninetieth year, and "was not, for God took him."

JOB BENNING was born at Wednesbury, in Staffordshire, in 1859. In early manhood he came to New Zealand, and shortly after arriving in the Dominion he joined the ranks of the Free Methodist Ministry, as a probationer. Later he attached himself to the Primitive Methodist Church, and exercised a useful ministry in several Circuits. Although unconventional in his methods, he was a man of sincere piety, and his greatest joy was that of winning men to God.

QUESTION XII.—What Ministers Continue to be Supernumeraries?

1. John Dumbell
 William Gittos
 William Cannell
 John Smith
 William Lee
 John S. Rishworth
 Robert Taylor
 William C. Oliver
 Henry Bull
 David McNicoll
 Joseph S. Smalley
 William H. Beck
 Francis W. Isitt
 Charles E. Ward
 William J. Williams
 George Bond
 Thomas G. Carr
 Henry R. Dewsbury
 Joseph Sharp
 Charles H. Standage
 John Nixon
 James Thomas
 John D. Jory
 Samuel J. Garlick
 Cornelius Griffin
 Peter W. Jones
 Thomas Fee
 Joseph J. Mather
 Hamiora Kingi (Native Supernumerary)
2. Joseph Blight (for another year)
 Thomas W. Newbold (for another year)

QUESTION XIII.—What Ministers now Become Supernumeraries?

1. John A. Luxford
 George W. J. Spence
2. William Slade
 T. Francis Jones
 George T. Marshall
 For one year.

(1) JOHN A. LUXFORD—

The ground on which Mr. Luxford is permitted to retire from the active work makes his case one of unique interest. After a successful course of thirty-seven years as a Circuit Minister, he volunteered as chaplain to the New Zealand forces that were sent to take part in the war against Germany, Austria and Turkey. In the discharge of his duties at Gallipoli he received an injury which necessitated the amputation of a leg. This, with a shock to his system, has compelled him to request to become a supernumerary. The Conference accedes to his request with regret, and at the same time congratulates him on his honourable record in every phase of his ministry. As a Circuit Minister he gave full proof of an all-round efficiency. As a chaplain his praise is on the lips of all who have been associated with him both in camp and in action. The fact that he has been honourably mentioned in despatches by General Sir Ian Hamilton shows how his faithful devotion to duty has been appreciated in high quarters. The Conference assures Mr Luxford of its cordial sympathy and esteem, and prays that God may crown the strenuous years of labour with many years of comfort and peace.

(2) GEORGE W. J. SPENCE—

On the ground of ill-health, George W. J. Spence becomes a Supernumerary after a ministry of thirty-seven years. The Conference deeply regrets his inability further to continue his active service, and expresses its deep sense of the value of the work he has rendered to the Church during this long period. His ministry has at all times been marked by unselfish devotion and untiring zeal, and has been attended with much success. As a preacher, pastor and administrator he has earned a good degree. In 1911 he was the honoured President of the Conference. As chairman of the Wanganui and South Auckland Districts, and by his unfailing Christian courtesy and brotherliness and kindly counsels, he has won the abiding esteem and affection of his brethren in the ministry. In his retirement he is followed with the earnest hope and prayer that a long and peaceful eventide may be assured unto him.

QUESTION XIV.—What Supernumeraries Return to the Regular Work?

None.

QUESTION XV.—What Ministers or Probationers have Permission to Rest during the year?

John E. Parsons has permission to visit England, leave of absence being granted for three months.

QUESTION XVI.—What Ministers are left without Pastoral Charge?

James Wilson

Richard Wilson.

QUESTION XVII.—Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Foreign Missions?

William A. Watson offers

QUESTION XVIII.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or Receive from any other Conference?

Thomas Trestrail to the South Australia Conference.

In taking leave of the Rev. T. Trestrail prior to his return to the South Australia Conference, this Conference records its sense of the deep loss it is sustaining by the severance of his connection with it. For fifteen years he has rendered faithful and valuable service as minister, pastor and lecturer. In the various Circuits where he has laboured he has won the esteem and confidence of his office-bearers and the members and adherents of the Church. He leaves with the affection and esteem of his brethren in the ministry, and the Conference assures him that he will be followed with best wishes and earnest prayers for his happiness and success in the remaining years of his ministry.

Charles A. Sims.

The General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia is requested to facilitate the transfer of Charles A. Sims to the New South Wales Conference.

QUESTION XIX. Are there any Objections to any Minister, Probationer or Home Missionary?

The Districts were called one by one.

QUESTION XX.—What Persons who were in Full Connexion now Cease to be recognised as Ministers of this Conference?

Edward Bandy

Who has voluntarily retired from our work.

RESOLUTION.

This Conference declares it to be a highly improper action for any Minister of our Church to tender his resignation, except on grounds of unavoidable necessity, with a view to leaving his Circuit during the course of the connexional year, and instructs the President in such cases to withhold letters of clearance until the matter has been reviewed by the Conference.

QUESTION XXI.—What are the Arrangements for the Annual Examination of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry and Home Missionaries?

I.—THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Secretary and Convener	Rev. H. E. Bellhouse
Principal, Theological College	... Rev. C. H. Garland
Honorary Members	...Revs. J. H. Simmonds, J. J. Lewis, W. J. Williams, W. Baumber, S. Lawry and G. T. Marshall.

(A) Examiners for Probationers.

Hebrew (1st and 2nd years) and Elementary	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. T. Pinfold, B.D.
Hebrew	...	...	...	...	Rev. H. Ranston, M.A.
Hebrew (3rd and 4th years)	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.
Greek (1st and 2nd years)	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. H. Haslam
Greek (3rd and 4th years)	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. Laycock
Elementary Greek	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A.
Latin	...	...	...	...	Rev. T. J. Wallis
English Bible (Old Testament) 1st and 2nd years	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. Wrigley
English Bible (Old Testament) 3rd and 4th years	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. J. Elliot*
English Bible (New Testament) 1st and 2nd years	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. A. Hay
English Bible (New Testament) 3rd and 4th years	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. A. Lochore
Beet's Manual of Theology	...	...	...	...	Rev. G. Frost
Wesley's Sermons	...	...	...	...	Rev. T. A. Pybus
Church History (1st and 2nd years)	...	...	...	...	Rev. F. W. Boys
Church History (3rd and 4th years)	...	...	...	...	Rev. T. W. Vealie
The Book of Laws	...	...	...	...	Rev. T. A. Joughin
The Person of Christ (Mackintosh)	...	...	...	...	Rev. B. Dudley, F.R.A.S.
Psychology (James)	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. Guy
An Outline of Theology (Clarke)	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. A. Sinclair
The Church and the Ministry (Lindsay)	...	...	...	...	Rev. B. Dudley, F.R.A.S.
Ethics (Dewey and Tuft)	...	...	...	...	Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A.
The Spiritual Principle of the Atonement (Lidgett)	...	...	...	...	Rev. J. Cocker
Jesus Christ and the Social Question (Peabody)	...	...	...	...	Rev. P. N. Knight, B.A.
Hinduism (Haigh) and Mohammedanism (Margoliouth)	...	...	...	...

(B) Examiners for Students.

Theology	...	...	...	...	Rev. E. Drake
Exegesis	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. C. Lawry
English	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A.
Latin	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A.
Greek	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.
Hebrew	...	...	...	...	Rev. H. Ranston, M.A.
Mathematics	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A.
History	...	...	...	...	Rev. E. T. Cox, M.A.
Geography	...	...	...	...	Rev. E. P. Blamires

(C) Examiners for Candidates.

Section A	...	...	...	...	Rev. A. Asheroft
Section B	...	...	...	...	Rev. C. B. Jordan, B.A.
Section C	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A.

(D) Examiners for Home Missionaries.

English	...	...	...	...	Rev. P. J. Cossum
Theology	...	...	...	...	Rev. W. S. Potter
Bible Knowledge	...	...	...	...	Rev. E. P. Blamires
Church History	...	...	...	...	Rev. E. D. Patchett
Homiletics	...	...	...	...	Rev. C. C. Harrison

(E) Examiners for Maoris.

Bible, Old and New Testaments	...	Rev. A. J. Seamer
Wesley's Sermon	... ..	Rev. A. J. Seamer
Clapperton's Manual	... ..	Rev. A. J. Seamer
Theology	... ..	Rev. B. F. Rothwell
Church History (Cowan)	... ..	Rev. B. F. Rothwell
Social Teaching (Keeble)	... ..	Rev. B. F. Rothwell
Tongue of Fire (Arthur)	... ..	Rev. B. F. Rothwell
Wesley and His Century (Fitchett)	... ..	Rev. B. F. Rothwell

II.—EXAMINATION COMMITTEE.

1. The Examination Committee shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Chairmen of Districts, 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 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 in 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, who shall present the report to the Examination Committee.
5. The duties of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners shall be as follows:—(a) To direct the studies of the Students on the President's List of Reserve, and arrange for suitable examination therein. (b) To collate the reports on the Probationers', Students', Candidates', and Home Missionaries' examinations; to assess the Probationers' book lists and the Candidates' written sermons; to receive all communications from Probationers and Home Missionaries with regard to their examinations; to receive all papers from examiners, arrange for their typing and forwarding to the Chairmen of Districts, who shall return the papers with the examinees' answers thereon to the individual examiners; and to prepare a general report on the examinations for the Examination Committee. (c) To act as Convener of the Examination Committee, keep a record of its proceedings, and present its findings to the Conference. (d) To act generally as executive officer of the Board of Examiners during the year, with the members of the Board located in the same town as a consultative committee.
6. The Committee shall keep a careful record of its proceedings, which shall be confirmed at the close thereof, and signed by the President. The Committee shall have power to advise and admonish Probationers as to their studies and Circuit work, but should any serious case arise they shall report it to the Committee of Complaints and Appeals, which Committee shall have the right to call for the records of the Examination Committee, should they be needed in any inquiry upon which they may be engaged.

7. The Ministers of the Auckland Circuits shall be the Committee to make arrangements for the hearing of Candidates' trial sermons.

III.—EXAMINATIONS.

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, when necessary, and the papers for Probationers typewritten, except in the case of those in Greek, Hebrew, and Mathematics.
4. Probationers must themselves communicate with the Secretary of the Board of Examiners not later than June 30, stating the subjects in which they are preparing to be examined. The Secretary 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 31.
5. Where a Probationer fails from any cause to take a subject which he has notified the Secretary of the Board it was his intention to take, the Chairman of the District shall, as soon as possible, notify the Secretary of the fact.
6. The Examinations of Probationers, Students on the President's List of Reserve, Candidates, and Home Missionaries shall be held in the second week of December.*
7. Examiners shall send to the Secretary of the Board, in closed envelopes, copies of Probationers' and Candidates' Examination Papers, as notified, not later than November 10. [See under Examination Committee, 5 (b)].
8. Each Chairman is required to make arrangements for securing the strict supervision, according to instructions supplied by the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, of all examinations to be held in the District, the Supervisors to be, if possible, Ministers of our own Church, who shall certify that the papers have been duly supervised and transmit the answers to questions to the Chairman of the District, who shall forward them to the individual Examiners.
9. Each Examiner shall, not later than January 15, send a written report on the several papers examined by him to the Secretary of the Board; such written reports, in the case of Candidates only, to be sent 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 in the Conference Journal.

*The Examination this year shall commence on Tuesday, Dec. 12th.

IV.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS.

FIRST YEAR.

1. Old Testament (Hebrew): Genesis, Chapters i.-iv.
2. New Testament (Greek): St John, Chapters i.-iv, Cambridge Greek Text, and Green's Handbook to the Grammar of the Greek Testament (Revised).
3. Old Testament (English): Genesis, with Century Bible.
4. New Testament (English) Matthew and Mark, with Century Bible.
5. Beet's Manual, pp. 1-228.
6. Wesley's Sermons, Nos. 1-20, 40, 43-45.
7. Fisher's Church History, pp. 1-143.
8. The Book of Laws—Sections relating to Church Members, Circuit Officials, Local Courts, Ministers, District Courts and the Conference.

SECOND YEAR.

1. Old Testament (Hebrew): Psalms xl.-xlix.
2. New Testament (Greek): St Mark, Chapters xi.-xvi; Cambridge Greek Text, and Green's Grammar.
3. Old Testament (English): Job, with Century Bible.
4. New Testament (English): Luke and John, with Century Bible.
5. Beet's Manual, pp. 231-437.
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 144-286.
7. Mackintosh's "The Person of Jesus Christ," 1st half.
8. James' "Text Book of Psychology."

THIRD YEAR.

1. Old Testament (Hebrew): Nahum and Habakkuk.
2. New Testament (Greek): Romans vii.-xi., with Sanday and Headlam's Commentary.
3. Old Testament (English): Isaiah, with Century Bible.
4. New Testament (English): Romans and Ephesians, with Century Bible.
5. Clarke's "Outline of Theology."
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 237-483.
7. Mackintosh's "The Person of Jesus Christ," 2nd half.
8. Lindsay's "The Church and the Ministry in the Early Centuries."
9. Dewey and Tuft's "Ethics," Part I.

FOURTH YEAR.

1. Old Testament (Hebrew): Song of Songs.
2. New Testament (Greek): I. and II. Thessalonians, with Cambridge Greek Text.
3. Old Testament (English): Minor Prophets, with Century Bible.

4. New Testament (English): Hebrews and Revelation, with Century Bible:
5. Lidgett's "The Spiritual Principle of the Atonement."
6. Fisher's Church History, pp. 484-664.
7. Dewey and Tuft's "Ethics," Parts II. and III.
8. Peabody's "Jesus Christ and the Social Question."
9. Haigh's "Leading Ideas of Hinduism," and Margoliouth's "Mohammedanism."

N.B.—Probationers taking Hebrew are recommended to consult the following commentaries:—For the 1st and 2nd years, International Critical Commentary; for 3rd and 4th years, Century Bible.

REGULATIONS.

1. The minimum number of marks required for a pass in any subject shall be 50 per cent.
2. 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 the Conference as having passed with Honours, provided he pass in Greek.
3. Except as hereinafter provided, Probationers of the first year shall be examined and pass in not less than four subjects. Probationers of the three following years shall be examined and pass in five subjects. Probationers who sit for English subjects only must take and pass in Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6. Probationers sitting for Hebrew and Greek must take and pass in Nos. 5 and 6 in addition. Probationers sitting for Greek, and not Hebrew, must take and pass in Old Testament English and Nos. 5 and 6. Probationers sitting for neither Greek nor Hebrew must take and pass in Old Testament English and New Testament English.
4. The Conference requires every Probationer who is acquainted with Greek or Hebrew to take the Greek or Hebrew papers specified in the list of subjects for his year.
5. Probationers are reminded that the Greek Testament is a compulsory subject through the whole course for those who have passed through College, and that they must secure a pass therein. The examination papers in Greek shall be divided into two parts: Section A to deal with Greek Text, Grammar, and Composition (maximum marks 75); Section B to deal with Exegesis and General knowledge of the book (maximum marks 25). Those who have not passed through the College shall take, in their first year, Smith's *Initia Græca*, pp. 1 to 59; in their second year, p. 59 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 subjects required to be taken.
6. Probationers who have not been in the College are urged to study Hebrew, for which purpose a special curriculum has been provided as follows:—First year, Green's Handbook, pp. 1 to 91; second year, Green's Handbook, pp. 91 to 146.

7. When a Probationer desires to secure exemption from some of his subjects of examination in order to take University work, such exemption shall not be granted in the 4th year, nor for more than two years altogether. Exemptions shall be made by the Board of Examiners, through its Secretary.
8. In all cases where "University work" is being done in lieu of regular subjects, Probationers are required to sit for the University and College examinations involved, and a statement of subjects taken and success gained shall be sent by them to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
9. In the case of a Probationer who may desire to sit for the 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. 5 only.

LATIN.

In addition to the subjects required as above, there shall be a course in Latin, special credit to be given to those Probationers who gain above 70 per cent. of marks in this subject. This subject, it is to be noted, is an additional one, and must not be taken in place of one of the subjects set in the Course of Study. The books set for 1916 are as follows:—

First year: Caesar, *De Bello Gallico*, Book V.

Second year: Virgil, *Æneid*, Book II.

Third year: Cicero, *De Amicitia*.

Fourth year: Horace, *Odes*, Book I.

V.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR MAORI PROBATIONERS.

FIRST YEAR.

1. Bible—Genesis and Mark; T. and T. Clark's "Handbooks for Bible Students."
2. Eldridge's *Theology* (first half).
3. Wesley's *Sermons*, 1 to 11 (inclusive).
4. Cowan's "Landmarks of Church History."

SECOND YEAR.

1. Bible—i. and ii. Kings and St. John's Gospel; "Handbooks for Bible Students."
2. Eldridge's *Theology* (second half).
3. Wesley's *Sermons*—12-20, 40, 43-45.
4. Arthur's "Tongue of Fire."

THIRD YEAR.

1. Bible—Psalms and Acts; "Handbooks for Bible Students."
2. Gregory's "Theological Student" (first half).
3. Edwards' "Primer of Homiletics."
4. Fitchett's "Wesley and His Century."

FOURTH YEAR.

1. Bible—Isaiah and Romans; "Handbooks for Bible Students."
2. Gregory's "Theological Student" (second half).
3. Clapperton's "Local Preacher's Manual."
4. Keeble's "Social Teaching of the Bible."

VI. COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS.

The course of study in the Theological College shall 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. Child Psychology, Principles of Pedagogy and S.S. Organisation.
5. Elocution.
6. English Language and Literature.
7. Latin Language and Literature.
8. Greek Language and Literature, including the Greek Testament.
9. Hebrew Language and Literature.
10. Mental Science.
11. Mathematics.

When sufficiently advanced, Students will be required to attend lectures at the University College, and to take the University Examinations. Haslett's "Pedagogical Bible School" shall be one of the text-books used in Subject 4.

MEMORANDUM

The attention of the Board of Studies is called to the resolutions re Missionary Training of Theological Students adopted by the Board of Missions and appearing in Minutes of Conference, 1914, p. 97, and to the advisability of keeping the students in touch with the Foreign Mission enterprise of the Church.

REGULATIONS.

1. The Principal of the College shall act as tutor in the following subjects:—Theology, Exegesis, Homiletics, Elocution and Greek Testament.

2. The Board of Studies, consisting of the Chairman of the District, the Principal of the College, and three other Ministers appointed annually by the Board of Examiners, shall meet as soon as possible after the opening of the College and arrange the course of studies for the year. (For 1916, the Board of Studies consists of the Principal, the Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., H. E. Bellhouse, W. A. Burley, M.A., and E. T. Cox, M.A.)

3. Only those students who can satisfy the Board of Studies that there is a reasonable hope of their passing the Matriculation examination at the end of the first year, or, at the latest, the second year, shall take the course.

4. All students who take terms at the University shall sit for the term examinations.

5. No undergraduate shall be excused from taking any portion of the theological course of the College, viz., Greek Testament, Theology, Exegesis and Homiletics.

6. Students shall be permitted, subject to the approval of the Committee of Discipline, to substitute Maori for one of the other subjects of study.

7. The Principal shall furnish the Secretary of the Board of Examiners with the complete results of the Students' Examinations, including Examiners' reports and marks gained, as soon as possible after the holding of such Examinations.

VII.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS ON PRESIDENT'S LIST OF RESERVE.

1. The Students on the President's List of Reserve are required to pursue their studies under the direction of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, who shall arrange for suitable papers, and report thereon to the Board.
2. The Students on the President's List of Reserve shall be subject to the regulations governing the preaching of Trial Sermons and presenting Book Lists in the cases of Probationers and Candidates. (See under separate headings.)

VIII.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES.

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). The marks for the two subjects shall be shown separately, 70 being the maximum for Bible Knowledge, and 30 for Church History.
2. Systematic Theology—Second Catechism and Gregory's "Theological Student."

N.B.—Candidates are required by Conference to have carefully read Wesley's 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 Manual of English Grammar and Composition. (b) An Essay on some familiar subject to be named by the Examiner.
2. Latin—Longman's Latin Course, Part I.
3. Greek—Smith's *Initia Græca*, to the Auxiliary Verb, page 59.
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 Workman).
- 2 Geometry—Lines, Angles, Rectilineal Figures and Area of Rectilineal Figures. (Geometry, Parts I. and II. Baker and Bourne.)
- 3 Algebra—Easy Examples and Problems, to Simple Equations. (Hall and Knight, chapters i. to xxii.)

REGULATIONS.

1. There shall be three Examiners, one for each section of the subjects A, B and C.
2. Examination Papers shall be set as follows:—
 - (a) General Bible Knowledge and Church History.
 - (b) Systematic Theology.
 - (c) English Grammar and Composition.
 - (d) Latin.
 - (e) Greek.
 - (f) Hebrew.
 - (g) Geography, History and Science.
 - (h) Arithmetic.
 - (i) Geometry.
 - (j) 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 Hebrew text-book shall be Sibag's Hebrew Primer and Reading Book, pp. 1-42.

7. Immediately after the September Quarterly Meetings, each Superintendent shall report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners the names and scholastic status of all Candidates recommended in his Circuit.
8. 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 the Secretary of the Board of Examiners 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.

IX.—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.

X.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES.

FIRST YEAR.

English—Nesfield's Outlines of English Grammar (pp. 1 to 80).
 Theology—Second Catechism.
 Bible Knowledge—Dods' Genesis (Bible Class Handbooks), Chapter 12 to end.

SECOND YEAR.

English—Nesfield's Outlines of English Grammar (p. 81 to end).
 Church History—Cowan's Landmarks of Church History.
 Theology—Gregory's Theological Student (pp. 1 to 159).
 Bible Knowledge—Anderson's Gospel according to St Matthew. (Clark's Bible Class Handbooks).

THIRD YEAR.

English—Nesfield's Outlines of English Grammar (whole book).

Theology—Gregory's Theological Student (pp. 160 to end).

Homiletics—Clapperton's Manual for Local Preachers.

Bible Knowledge—Ross's Teaching of Jesus. (Clark's Bible Class Handbooks).

REGULATIONS.

1. That the above Syllabus be compulsory on all entering the Home Mission work, and on all employed as Home Missionaries of less than five years' standing and under forty-five years of age, except in special cases, when a dispensation has been granted by the President. Exemption is not to be granted except in consultation with the Chairman of the District, and is to be reported to the next meeting of the Examination Committee
2. That a list of those passing in each year be recorded in the Minutes, honours being awarded to those gaining an average of 75 per cent.

N.B.—For Regulations regarding Trial Sermons and Book Lists see under other headings.

RESULTS OF HOME MISSIONARIES' EXAMINATIONS, 1915.

W. B. Cuming (honours).

J. R. Nelson (honours).

Have passed the Second Year Examination.

J. W. Parker (honours).

W. Bowden.

H. S. Kings

A. Smart.

H. Spencer.

Have passed the First Year Examination.

XI.—TRIAL SERMONS.

1. 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 10, 10 to represent the maximum. Reports are to be according to the following directions:—(a) The text and main divisions of the sermon; (b) The judgment of its appointed hearers as to its character in respect of grammar and literary style, soundness of composition, correctness of exegesis, skill in illustration, logical arrangement, evangelical and spiritual purpose, force and earnestness, effect on the congregation, and as to the gifts of the Candidate in respect of voice, manner, and general appearance. (c) The marks to be awarded for the sermon and service conjointly.
2. The Chairman of each District shall forward to the Secretary of the Board a signed official report of the Trial Sermon of each Probationer, Student, or Candidate examined in his District.

3. Each of the Students in the Theological College shall preach a Trial Sermon before one of the Ministers of the Auckland or Onehunga Circuits, prior to the holding of the Auckland District Synod; and a written report of each Sermon shall be presented to the Ministerial Committee of the Auckland District. The Principal is to notify the Students respecting time and place for these Trial Sermons.
4. The Students on the President's List of Reserve shall preach Trial Sermons before sub-committees of the Ministerial Committees of the Districts with which they are connected, for report to the Conference as in the cases of Probationers, Students and Candidates.
5. The District Ministerial Committees shall appoint sub-Committees to report on written Sermons.
6. Maori Candidates and Probationers shall be subject to all the ordinary rules as to Synod and Conference trial sermons. In exceptional cases, the sermons may be in the Maori language.

XII.—BOOK LISTS.

1. 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. The Chairman or a Minister of the District whom he shall appoint shall conduct an oral examination thereon in the District Ministerial Committee.
2. The Students on the President's List of Reserve shall present book lists to the Ministerial Committees with which they are connected, the Committees reporting to the Conference as in the cases of Probationers, Students and Candidates.
3. Candidates for the Ministry are required to submit through the District Ministerial Committee a Book List covering their reading during the twelve months preceding the Synod.
4. Home Missionaries pursuing the three years' course, prescribed for all of less than five years' standing and under forty-five years of age, are required to present Book Lists to their District Ministerial Committee.
5. The Chairman of the District shall forward to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners all Book Lists submitted to the District Ministerial Committee.
6. The Secretary of the Board shall assess and mark all Book Lists, using the numerals 1 to 10, 10 to represent the maximum. The Book List must not include books taken for examination, and must be classified as follows:—1. Theology; 2. Science and Philosophy; 3. History and Biography; 4. Poetry; 5. Miscellaneous.
7. The District Ministerial Committee shall appoint a sub-committee to report on all Book Lists.
8. The Chairman of each District, or a Minister appointed by him, shall, at the beginning of the year confer with each Probationer in his District as to the course of reading he proposes to pursue during the year, and shall tender him suitable counsel concerning the same.

LIST OF BOOKS RECOMMENDED TO PROBATIONERS.

A list of books is subjoined, with a view to guiding the reading of Probationers during their four years' course of study. Probationers are especially urged to read the works marked with an asterisk in the various sections.

I. THEOLOGY:

(A) Biblical—

- Moulton's History of the English Bible.
- Westcott's Bible in the Church.
- Ryle's Canon of the Old Testament.
- Westcott's Canon of the New Testament.
- Peake's Critical Introduction to the New Testament.
- *Peake's The Bible: Its Origin, Nature, and Significance.
- Bennett and Adeney's Biblical Introduction.
- Marcus Dods' The Bible: Its Origin and Nature.
- Davidson's Old Testament Prophecy.
- *Davidson's Old Testament Theology.
- *Moulton's Literary Study of the Bible.
- Davidson's Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament.
- Orr's Problem of the Old Testament.
- Findlay's Books of the Prophets.
- Smith's Book of the Twelve Prophets.
- *Smith's Historical Geography of the Holy Land.
- Ramsay's Church in the Roman Empire.
- Ramsay's St Paul, Traveller and Citizen.
- *Ramsay's Teaching of S. Paul in Terms of the Present Day.
- Deissmann's Light from the Ancient East.
- Deissmann's St Paul.
- Shaw's Pauline Epistles.
- Hogg's Christ's Message of the Kingdom.
- Wade's Old Testament History.
- Clarke's Sixty Years with the Bible.
- *Paterson's Rule of Faith.
- Warschauer's What Is the Bible?

(B) Philosophical and Apologetic—

- *Fairbairn's Philosophy of the Christian Religion.
- Rashdall's Philosophy and Religion.
- Illingworth's Reason and Revelation.
- Illingworth's Personality, Human and Divine.
- Illingworth's Divine Immanence.
- Illingworth's Doctrine of the Trinity.
- *Caird's Fundamental Ideas of Christianity.
- Clifford's Ultimate Problems of Christianity.
- Orr's Christian View of God and the World.
- Bowne's Studies in Theism.
- Bowne's The Immanence of God.
- Lidgett's Fatherhood of God.
- Denney's Death of Christ.
- Denney's Atonement and the Modern Mind.
- Denney's Jesus and the Gospel.
- Denney's Studies in Theology.
- Warschauer's Problems of Immanence.
- *Salmond's Christian Doctrine of Immortality.
- Fitchett's Unrealised Logic of Religion.

- Fitchett's Beliefs of Unbelief.
 *Ballard's Miracles of Unbelief.
 Ballard's Haeckel's Monism False.
 Ballard's The True God.
 Romanes' Thoughts on Religion.
 Iverach's Christianity and Evolution.
 Walker's Christian Theism.
 *Griffith-Jones' The Ascent Through Christ.
 Schmid's The Scientific Creed of a Theologian.
 Tabrum's Religious Beliefs of Scientists.
 *Inge's Christian Mysticism.
 Inge's Faith and its Psychology.
 *Peabody's Jesus Christ and the Social Question.
 Peabody's Jesus Christ and the Christian Character.
 Simpson's Spiritual Interpretation of Nature.
 Liddon's Divinity of Our Lord.

c) Pastoral—

- *Wesley's Address to the Clergy.
 *Arthur's Tongue of Fire.
 Dale's Lectures on Preaching.
 Stalker's Preacher and His Models.
 Beecher's Lectures.
 Phillips Brooks' Lectures on Preaching.
 *Jowett's The Preacher: His Life and Work.
 Gladden's Christian Pastor.
 Dykes' The Christian Minister.
 Garvie's Guide to Preachers.
 Henson's Liberty of Prophesying.
 Storr's Preaching Without Notes.
 Jackson's The Fact of Conversion.
 *James' Varieties of Religious Experience.
 Starbuck's Psychology of Religion.
 Coe's The Spiritual Life.
 Coe's Education in Religion and Morals.
 *Coe's The Religion of a Mature Mind.
 Ballard's Does Faith Need Reasons?
 Principles of Religious Education (Symposium edited by
 Bishop Potter).
 Haslett's Pedagogical Bible School.
 Lawrence's How to Conduct a Sunday School.
 Lamoreaux's The Unfolding Life.

II. CHURCH HISTORY AND POLITY:

- Wesley's Journals.
 Hatch's History of Early Church Organisation.
 Tyerman's Life and Times of John Wesley.
 Workman's Church of the West in the Middle Ages.
 Gregory's Scriptural Church Principles.
 Fisher's History of Christian Doctrine.
 *Fitchett's Wesley and His Century.
 New History of Methodism.
 Smith's History of Missions.
 *Report of Edinburgh Missionary Conference.
 Dennis' Social Progress and Christian Missions
 Findlay's Century of Methodist Missions.
 *Lindsay's Reformation.

III. SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY :

- Romanes' Darwin and After Darwin.
 Wallace's Darwinism.
 Drummond's Ascent of Man.
 Thomson and Geddes' Evolution.
 Lodge's Man and the Universe.
 Soddy's Matter and Energy.
 Hutton's The Lesson of Evolution.
 Hoffding's Outlines of Psychology.
 Martineau's Types of Ethical Theory.
 Mackenzie's Manual of Ethics.
 Mackenzie's Outline of Metaphysics.
 *Muirhead's Elements of Ethics.
 Jowett's Introductions to Plato.
 Caird's Hegel.
 Wallace's Kant.
 Wardell's First Lessons in Philosophy.
 *Wardell's Contemporary Philosophy.
 Bergson's Creative Evolution.
 *Eucken's Truth of Religion.
 Jones' Rudolf Eucken.
 Bertrand Russell's Problems of Philosophy.
 Marshall's Principles of Economics.
 *Jane T. Stoddart's New Socialism.
 Rae's Contemporary Socialism.
 Hopkins' Profit and Loss in Man.
 Maeterlinck's Life of the Bee.
 Eaton's The Fight Against Drink.
 *Horsley and Sturge's Alcohol and the Human Body.

IV. HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY :

- Plutarch's Lives.
 Horton's History of the Romans.
 *Green's Short History of the English People.
 D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation.
 Ranke's History of the Popes.
 Lindsay's Luther.
 Horsburgh's Savonarola.
 Harrison's William the Silent.
 Froude's John Bunyan.
 Boswell's Johnson.
 Rosebery's Pitt.
 *Carlyle's Cromwell's Letters and Speeches.
 Mazzini's Autobiography.
 Besant's Life of Gaspard de Coligny.
 Sabatier's St. Francis of Assisi.
 Life of F. D. Maurice, by his Son.
 *Life of F. W. Robertson, by Stopford Brooke.
 *Life and Letters of Charles Kingsley, by his Son.
 Herbert Spencer's Autobiography.
 Life and Letters of Huxley, by his Son.
 Cook's Life of Ruskin.
 *Tennyson: A Memoir, by his Son.
 Gosse's Father and Son.
 Life of Darwin, by his Son.
 Bonar's Memoirs of R. M. M'Cheyne.
 G. A. Smith's Life of Henry Drummond.
 Coley's Thomas Collins.

- Letters of James Smetham.
 *Morley's Gladstone.
 Kelman's Faith of Robert Louis Stevenson
 *R. W. Dale, by his Son.
 Hugh Price Hughes, by his Daughter.
 Dr. George Brown's Autobiography

V. POETRY—

Shakespeare.
 Milton.
 Matthew Arnold.
 Clough.
 Whittier.
 Browning.
 Tennyson.
 Wordsworth.
 Byron.
 Keats.
 Shelley.
 Watson.
 Francis Thompson.
 Longfellow.
 Russell Lowell.
 F. W. H. Myers' St. Paul.
 Sir Edwin Arnold's Light of the World.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS :

Devotional—

Confessions of St. Augustine.
 Thomas a' Kempis' The Imitation of Christ.
 Brother Lawrence's The Practice of the Presence of God.
 Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress.
 Bunyan's Grace Abounding.
 Horton's The Open Secret.
 Lunn's Love of Jesus.
 Walter James' The Unveiled Heart.
 Smellie's The Hour of Silence.
 Matheson's Devotional Volumes.
 Dr. W. E. Orchard's The Temple.

Fiction—

Scott, Thackeray, Dickens, George Eliot, Meredith, Victor Hugo, Stevenson, Mark Rutherford, Rudyard Kipling.

VII. ESSAYS AND BELLES LETTRES :

Lamb, Hazlitt, Leigh Hunt, Macaulay, De Quincey, Matthew Arnold, Walter Pater, A. C. Benson, J. A. Symonds, Ruskin, Carlyle, Emerson, Ik Marvel, O. W. Holmes, Bagehot, and Birrell.

MEMORANDA.

1. Probationers are recommended to read volumes in the Home University Library, the Cambridge Manuals, and the People's Books, dealing with Religious and Social Questions.

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

3. Probationers are advised to consult Hastings' Dictionary of the Bible and Hastings' Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels. Those who read Hebrew and Greek should use the volumes of the International Critical Commentary and of the Expositor's Greek Testament.

4. It shall be compulsory for each Probationer to include in his Book-list for each year at least two books from each sub-section of "Theology," at least one book from "Church History and Polity," and at least two books from "Science and Philosophy."

LIST OF BOOKS RECOMMENDED TO HOME MISSIONARIES.

4. Each Home Missionary pursuing the three years' course is urged to read the following theological works during the three years:—

- "The Mind of the Master" (J. Watson, D.D.)
- "The Fact of Christ" (P. Carnegie Simpson, D.D.)
- "The Teaching of Jesus Concerning Himself" (James Stalker, D.D.)
- "Christianity in the Modern World" (D. S. Cairns, D.D.)
- "The Teaching of Jesus" (G. Jackson, B.A.)
- "Resurrection of Jesus" (James Orr, D.D.)
- "Aspects of Christ" (W. B. Selbie, D.D.)
- "Doctrines of Grace" (J. Watson, D.D.)
- "The Work of Christ" (P. T. Forsyth, D.D.)
- "Modern Substitutes for Christianity" (P. McAdam Muir, D.D.)
- "The Jewish Temple and the Christian Church" (R. W. Dale, D.D.)

(All the above are in the Expositor's Library: Hodder and Stoughton, 2s net.)

- "The Faith and Modern Thought" (W. Temple, M.A.)
(Macmillan's Shilling Theological Library.)

UNIVERSITY DECREES.

1. That no Minister shall be entitled to have his Degree or Fellowship printed in the Minutes until the approval of the Board of Examiners has been obtained.
2. That the decision of last Conference be regarded as prospective only—so giving recognition to all Degrees and Fellowships at present printed.
3. That the Rev. A. B. Chappell's award of a Fellowship of the Royal Economic Society be recognised.
4. That while the whole of the five paragraphs under "University Degrees" be entered in the Conference "Journal" as a direction to the Board of Examiners, the first paragraph only be printed in the Minutes.

QUESTION XXII.—Do we sanction the Alteration or Division of any District or Circuit of this Conference?

A. Districts.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. **WAIKATO MAORI MISSION.**—That the Waikato Maori Mission be transferred to the Auckland District.
2. **TAURANGA.**—That the matter of the transfer of the Tauranga Circuit from the South Auckland District to the Auckland District be deferred for one year.

B. Circuits.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

3. **PUKEKOHE.**—That in view of the future working of the District adjacent to the Waiuku-Runciman Road, now in the Pukekohe Circuit, the matter be remitted to the September Quarterly Meetings of the Pukekohe and Papakura Circuits, to report to next Synod.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

4. **UPPER THAMES.**—That the Upper Thames Circuit be divided as follows:—
 - (A) The Te Aroha Circuit to include Te Aroha, Te Aroha West, Wairongomai, Manawaru, Springdale, Waihou, Eastport Road, Elstow and Gordon, with one Married Minister.
 - (B) Morrinsville Circuit to include Morrinsville, Waitoa, Tahuna, Maungatapere, Tauhei, Motumaoho and Ngarua, with one Married Minister.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

5. **WANGANUI AND ARAMOHO.**—That Dublin Street and Westmere be added to Aramoho Circuit, to be worked by one Married Minister to reside at Aramoho.
- That Wanganui Circuit consist of Wanganui (Trinity), Gonville and Kaitoke Churches, with one Married Minister and one Home Missionary.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

6. **INVERCARGILL (Leet Street).**—That the Invercargill (Leet Street) Circuit be divided as follows:—
 - (A) Invercargill (Leet Street) Circuit, consisting of the Leet Street Church, with one Married Minister.
 - (B) Invercargill (Teviot Street) Circuit to include Teviot Street and Awarua Plains, with one Married Minister, with a suitable grant from the Home Mission Fund.

QUESTION XXIII.—To what Circuits are Additional Preachers to be appointed?

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. AUCKLAND EAST.—That a Probationer be appointed to reside at Remuera.
2. AUCKLAND (North Shore).—That a Probationer be appointed with the least possible delay, to reside at Takapuna.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

3. WELLINGTON SOUTH.—That a Home Missionary be appointed with a suitable grant.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

4. OAMARU.—That a Home Missionary be appointed with a suitable grant.

CHANGES IN STAFF OF CIRCUITS, ETC.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. HOKIANGA.—The request of the Native Quarterly Meeting at Hokianga that the residence of the Native Minister now stationed at Mangungu be transferred to Mangamuka is referred to the Home Mission Executive, with power to act.
2. RAWENE AND KOHUKOHU.—That Rawene and Kohukohu Home Mission Stations for the present be worked as one Station by a married Home Missionary, and that the Home Missionary at Kohukohu be withdrawn.
3. PORT ALBERT.—That the Port Albert Circuit be constituted a Home Mission Station.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

4. WHAKATANE.—That the Whakatane Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit and a Probationer appointed with a suitable grant.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

5. KIMBOLTON.—That the name of the Kimbolton Home Mission Station be changed to Apiti Home Mission Station, and that the Home Missionary reside at Apiti.

NELSON DISTRICT.

6. DENNISTON.—That Denniston be joined to Granity, and that the two places be worked by one agent.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

7. CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION.—That Durham Street South and High Street Churches remain a distinct Circuit, to be known as Durham Street South Circuit.
8. CHRISTCHURCH EAST.—That a Probationer be withdrawn from the Circuit and that the staff consist of two Married Ministers and a married Home Missionary.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

9. TEMUKA.—That the Temuka (King Street) Circuit and the Temuka (Denmark Street) Home Mission Station be amalgamated; that both churches remain open for the present, and that the Circuit be worked by one Married Minister and a Single Home Missionary.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

10.—CAVERSHAM.—That a Home Missionary be appointed to the Caversham Circuit in place of a Probationer.

QUESTION XXIV.—What New Stations are now Constituted?

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

MOKAU.—That as soon as possible an agent be sent to Mokau.

QUESTION XXV.—What Circuits are now Due to Provide for Married instead of Single Ministers?

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

AUCKLAND EAST is due and fulfils its obligation.

WAIUKU.—That the Rev J. Clover having accepted an invitation to remain in the Waiuku Circuit, the appointment to the Circuit of a Married Minister be continued another year.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

PAEROA is due but is relieved for a third year.

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

OPOTIKI is due, but is relieved for a second year.

TAURANGA is due, but is relieved for one year.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

MANAIA.—If required Manaia fulfils its obligation

TAIHAPE is due, but is relieved for an eighth year.

WAIMARINO is due, but is relieved for a fourth year.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CHRISTCHURCH EAST is due and fulfils its obligation.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

TIMARU (Bank Street) is due, but is relieved for a third year.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

DUNEDIN (Dundas Street) is due, but is relieved for a sixth year.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

INVERCARGILL (Leet Street) is due, and fulfils its obligation with a suitable grant.

RESOLUTION.

That the following be the order of Circuits in the taking of Married Ministers:—

Manaia.
Invercargill (Teviot Street).
Paeroa.
Timaru (Bank Street).
Taihape.
Dunedin (Dundas Street).

QUESTION XXVI.—How are the Ministers and Probationers of the Conference Stationed for the Ensuing Year?

LIST OF STATIONS

OF THE

Methodist Church of New Zealand.

President:
REV. ALBERT C. LAWRY.

Secretary:
REV. W. A. SINCLAIR.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1916.

[N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 128 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.]

I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. **Auckland Central.**—Charles H. Laws, B.A., John J. Lewis (Alexandra Street and Eden Terrace), Harry Ranston, M.A., (Kingsland), Percy R. Paris (Dominion Road); Joseph S. Smalley, Joseph Sharp, Cornelius Griffin, Thomas F. Jones, George T. Marshall (Supernumeraries); A. J. Seamer (with the Expeditionary Force).
2. **Auckland West.**—Harold E. Bellhouse; William A. Burley, M.A. (Franklin Road); a Home Missionary
3. **Auckland East.**—James Wrigley (Grafton Road), E. Percy Blamires (Mount Eden), one wanted (Epsom), one wanted (Remuera); John Smith, David McNicoll, George Bond, Henry R. Dewsbury, Thomas G. Carr, George W. J. Spence, Joseph J. Mather (Supernumeraries).

WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE, THREE KINGS—Joseph H. Simmonds, Principal.

HOME MISSION FUND.—Thomas G. Brooke, General Secretary.

THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.—Charles H. Garland, Principal.

4. **Auckland (Avondale).**—Lewis Hudson (Mount Albert), one wanted (Avondale); a Home Missionary (Henderson); Joseph Blight (Supernumerary).
5. **Auckland Methodist Mission.**—Edwin T. Cox, M.A.; James Wilson (without pastoral charge).

6. **Auckland** (North Shore).—William J. Elliott (Devonport); one wanted (Takapuna); John S. Rishworth (Supernumerary).
7. **Auckland** (Birkenhead).—Harold A. Sharp; John D. Jory (Supernumerary).
8. **Onehunga**.—Colin C. Harrison.
9. **Otahuhu**.—William G. Slade, M.A.; William Slade (Supernumerary).
10. **Papakura**.—William S. Potter.
11. **Pukekohe**.—Joseph B. Suckling; a Home Missionary
12. **Waiuku**.—James Clover.
13. **Mahurangi**.—John Southern (Warkworth).
14. **Paparoa**.—William W. Avery.
15. **Northern Wairoa**.—William H. Speer (Dargaville); a Home Missionary (Rehia).
16. **Whangarei**.—Herbert Daniel.
17. **Northern Maori Mission**.—Under the direction of the General Secretary of Home Missions.

William Gittos, Supernumerary (Devonport).
 Hapeta Renata (Kaeo).
 Davis Wilcox (Waihaka).
 Piripi Rakena (Mangungu).
 Te Tuhi Heretini (Whirinaki).
 Eruera Te Tuhi (Reweti).
 A Home Missionary.
 Hamiora Kingi, Supernumerary (Hokianga).

18. **Waikato Maori Mission**.—Under the direction of the General Secretary of Home Missions: Hone M. Hare (Kopua), Paraire R. Paikea (Otorohanga), Hori Kakuere (Raglan).

PORT ALBERT.—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).

MANGONUI.—A Home Missionary.

HIKURANGI.—A Home Missionary.

CHARLES H. GARLAND, Chairman of the District.

II.—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

19. **Thames**.—Samuel J. Serpell; a Home Missionary (Puriri).
20. **Te Aroha**.—John Dukes.
21. **Morrinsville**.—One wanted.
22. **Waihi**.—Percy J. Cossum.
23. **Paeroa**.—One wanted.
24. **Cambridge**.—George S. Cook; a Home Missionary (Leamington).
25. **Hamilton**.—Thomas J. Wallis, Charles Roberts.
26. **Huntly**.—One wanted.
27. **Rotorua**.—Harold T. Peat.

28. **Tauranga.**—One wanted.
 29. **Opotiki.**—Charles H. Kendon.
 30. **Te Kuiti.**—One wanted.
 31. **Taumarunui.**—Ernest E. Sage.
 32. **Te Awamutu.**—John Olphert.
 33. **Whakatane.**—One wanted.

TE PUKE.—A Home Missionary.

MATAMATA.—A Home Missionary.

OHURA.—A Home Missionary.

NGARUAWAHIA.—A Home Missionary.

MARAKOPA.—A Home Missionary.

WAIMIHA.—A Home Missionary.

SAMUEL J. SERPELL, Chairman of the District.

III.—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

34. **New Plymouth.**—Albert B. Chappell, M.A., F.R.E.S., Charles H. Olds, B.A.; a Home Missionary; William Cannell (Supernumerary).
 35. **Waitara.**—George B. Hinton; a Home Missionary.
 36. **Inglewood.**—Raymond Richards.
 37. **Stratford.**—Robert B. Tinsley, one wanted.
 38. **Eltham.**—Archer O. Harris.
 39. **Hawera.**—Ernest O. Blamires.
 40. **Manaia.**—George E. Brown.
 41. **Cape Egmont.**—Robert B. Gosnell (Opunake); a Home Missionary (Rahotu).
 42. **Kaponga.**—Charles Blair.
 43. **Wanganui.**—Henry L. Blamires (Chaplain with the Expeditionary Force), Samuel J. Werren (Supply); a Home Missionary (Gonville).
 44. **Aramoho.**—Charles A. Sims.
 45. **Rangitikei.**—Frederick Rands (Marton).
 46. **Taihape.**—J. A. Lester Minifie.
 47. **Waimarino.**—Robert E. Fordyce (Raetihi).
 48. **West Coast Maori Mission**—
 Thomas G. Hammond (Hawera).
 Robert T. P. Haddon (Normanby).
 Neho Hemi Papakakura (Opunake).
 A Home Missionary (Raetihi).
 A Home Missionary (Pariroa).
 A Deaconess (Okaiawa).
 A Native Deaconess (Pipiriki).
 EAST EGMONT.—A Home Missionary.
 MOKAU.—A Home Missionary.
 PATEA.—A Home Missionary.

THOMAS G. HAMMOND, Chairman of the District.

IV.—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

49. **Napier**.—Thomas R. Richards; a Home Missionary (Greenmeadows).
 50. **Hastings**.—M. A. Rugby Pratt.
 51. **Gisborne**.—William Wills; one wanted (Te Hapara).
 52. **Waipawa**.—Arthur Harding.
 53. **Dannevirke**.—Thomas N. Griffin.
 54. **Woodville**.—Christopher Abernethy.
 55. **Pahiatua**.—Harry Cottom.
 56. **Palmerston North** (Broad Street).—Frederick W. Boys; a Home Missionary (Ashurst).
 57. **Palmerston North** (Cuba Street).—Jonathan H. Haslam.
 58. **Feilding**.—Daniel J. Murray, Thomas Coatsworth (Halcombe); P. W. Jones (Supernumerary).
 59.—**Sanson and Rongotea**.—R. Purcell Keall (Sanson).
 60. **Foxton**.—William Rowe.
 APITI.—A Home Missionary.
 NORSEWOOD.—A Home Missionary.

DANIEL J. MURRAY, Chairman of the District.

V.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

61. **Wellington** (Taranaki Street).—James G. Chapman; a Home Missionary (Brooklyn); William Walker (Chaplain to the Forces at Trentham Camp).
 62. **Wellington Central Mission**.—G. Knowles Smith.
 63. **Wellington** (Thorndon).—Amos Reader (Thorndon), one wanted (Karori); John Dumbell, Charles H. Standage (Supernumeraries).
 64. **Wellington South**.—Edward Drake, James Richards (Donald McLean Street); John Dawson (who has permission to act as Secretary to the N.Z. Alliance); William H. Beck (Supernumerary).
 65. **Johnsonville**.—Matthew J. Evans, one wanted (Porirua).
 66. **Hutt**.—William Beckett; Samuel J. Garlick (Supernumerary).
 67. **Petone**.—Angus McBean.
 68. **South Wairarapa**.—Leslie B. Neale (Greytown) (Chaplain to the Forces at Featherston Camp), E. R. Warburton (Supply).
 69. **Carterton**. Josiah Ward.
 70. **Masterton**.—James A. Hosking, one wanted (Kuripuni).
 71. **Eketahuna**.—Charles B. Jordan, B.A.
 72. **Levin**.—William H. E. Abbey.
 73. **Otaki**.—Hedley White; a Home Missionary (Paraparaumu).

JAMES G. CHAPMAN, Chairman of the District.

VI.—NELSON DISTRICT.

74. **Nelson.**—William Baumber.
 75. **Richmond.**—Arthur Ashcroft; a Home Missionary (Wakefield).
 76. **Blenheim.**—Benjamin F. Rothwell, Thomas R. B. Woolloxall (Tua Marina); a Home Missionary (Picton).
 77. **Hokitika.**—Horace L. Richards.
 78. **Greymouth.**—Ernest D. Patchett.
 79. **Motueka.**—Charles A. Foston.
 80. **Reefton.**—Charles Penney.
 81. **Westport.**—Ben. Dudley, F.R.A.S.
 HAVELOCK.—A Home Missionary.
 MURCHISON.—A Home Missionary.
 RUNANGA.—A Home Missionary.
 DENNISTON-GRANITY.—A Home Missionary.
 TAPAWERA.—A Home Missionary.
 DOVEDALE.—A Home Missionary.

WILLIAM BAUMBER, Chairman of the District.

VII.—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

82. **Christchurch** (Durham Street).—Percy N. Knight, B.A.; Henry Bull, John A. Luxford (Supernumeraries).
 Connexional Secretary and Authorised Representative—Samuel Lawry
 83. **Christchurch** (Durham Street South).—Nicholas Turner.
 84. **Christchurch East.**—William A. Sinclair, Arthur Liversedge (Linwood); a Home Missionary (New Brighton); Robert Taylor, William C. Oliver (Supernumeraries); Richard Wilson (without pastoral charge); Arthur Mitchell (Chaplain to the Expeditionary Force).
 85. **Christchurch** (Cambridge Terrace).—James Cocker; Charles E. Ward (Supernumerary).
 86. **Christchurch** (Woolston).—William Laycock; William Lee, William J. Williams (Supernumeraries).
 Editor "METHODIST TIMES"—William J. Williams.
 87. **Christchurch** (Sydenham).—Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
 88. **Christchurch** (Addington).—Thomas W. Vealie; a Home Missionary.
 89. **Christchurch** (St Albans).—Albert C. Lawry (President of the Conference), Percy Battey (Edgeware Road); Thomas Fee, John Nixon (Supernumeraries).
 90. **Christchurch** (Papanui).—Alfred Peters; a Home Missionary (Riccarton).
 91. **Lyttelton.**—J. Ernest Parsons.
 92. **Springston.**—W. Bramwell Scott.
 93. **Tai Tapu.**—Basil Metson.
 94. **Leeston.**—William Grigg (Chaplain to the Expeditionary Force); a Home Missionary (Supply).
 95. **Kaiapoi.**—Paul W. Fairclough, F.R.A.S.

96. **Ohoka**.—J. Frederick Martin.
 97. **Rangiora**.—James Guy, James R. Clark (Woodend).
 98. **Greendale and Malvern**.—John Harris (Greendale); a Home Missionary (Waddington).
AMBERLEY.—A Home Missionary.
OXFORD.—A Home Missionary (East Oxford).

ALBERT C. LAWRY (President of the Conference),
 Chairman of the District.

VIII.—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

99. **Timaru** (Bank Street).—Thomas A. Joughin, one wanted; Joseph R. Sullivan (Chaplain with the Expeditionary Force).
 100. **Timaru** (Woodlands Street).—Ralph J. Liddell.
 101. **Waimate**.—George F. Stockwell.
 102. **Temuka** (King Street).—John W. Griffin; a Home Missionary.
SOUTH ISLAND MAORI MISSION.—Rakena Piripi.
 103. **Geraldine**.—George P. Hunt.
 104. **Ashburton**.—George Frost, John D. McArthur.
 105. **Willowby**.—Walter J. Oxbrow.
 106. **Oamaru**.—John A. Lochore; a Home Missionary.
METHVEN.—A Home Missionary.
MAYFIELD.—A Home Missionary.

THOMAS A. JOUGHIN, Chairman of the District.

IX.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

107. **Dunedin** (Trinity).—W. Arthur Hay; Francis W. Isitt, Thomas W. Newbold (Supernumeraries).
 108. **Dunedin Central Mission**.—Clarence Eaton.
 109. **Dunedin** (Dundas Street).—Samuel Griffith, one wanted (Glenavon).
 110. **Dunedin** (Cargill Road).—Robert Raine.
 111. **Dunedin** (St Kilda).—Arthur Hopper.
 112. **Dunedin** (Caversham).—Alexander Allen; a Home Missionary.
 113. **Dunedin** (Mornington).—William Greenslade; Frederick T. Read (Chaplain with the Expeditionary Force).
 114. **Dunedin** (Roslyn).—T. Arthur Pybus.
 115. **Mosgiel**.—James T. Pinfold, B.D.
 116. **Port Chalmers**.—Samuel H. D. Peryman.
 117. **Waikouaiti and Palmerston**.—William Lea (Waikouaiti); a Home Missionary (Palmerston).
 118. **Balclutha**.—Benjamin J. James.
 119. **Milton**.—Jacob Featherston.

120. Roxburgh.—One wanted.

KAITANGATA.—A Home Missionary.

LAWRENCE.—A Home Missionary.

CROMWELL.—A Home Missionary.

QUEENSTOWN.—Vacant.

SAMUEL GRIFFITH, Chairman of the District.

X.—SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

121. Invercargill (Leet Street).—William Ready.

122. Invercargill (Teviot Street).—One wanted.

123. Invercargill (Don Street).—Samuel Henderson, one wanted (Woodlands).

124. Invercargill (Elles Road).—George Clement.

125. Bluff.—Albert H. Fowles.

126. Gore.—George H. Mann.

127. Otautau.—Samuel Bailey.

128. Edendale.—Fred. L. Frost.

RIVERTON.—A Home Missionary.

WINTON.—A Home Missionary.

TUATAPERE.—A Home Missionary.

NIGHTCAPS.—A Home Missionary.

WILLIAM READY, Chairman of the District.

N.B.—While the Invercargill (Teviot Street) Circuit is without an appointment, the Invercargill (Leet Street) and Invercargill (Teviot Street) Circuits shall be worked as one Circuit by the Minister of the Leet Street Circuit.

NOTES.

1. J. S. Smalley, Supernumerary, has permission to reside in England.
2. J. Thomas (Supernumerary) has permission to reside in Victoria.
3. J. Wilson and R. Wilson are left without pastoral charge.
4. Ministers are expected to arrive in their new Circuits between the second and third Sundays in April.
5. Probationers and Home Missionaries appointed to separate Stations are under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

1.—CHAPLAINS WITH THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

The following ministers have been appointed Chaplains to the Expeditionary Force:—

John A. Luxford (retired wounded).
 Henry L. Blamires.
 Arthur Mitchell.
 William Grigg.
 Frederick T. Read (Hospital Ship).
 Joseph R. Sullivan.
 Leslie B. Neale (Featherston Camp).
 William Walker (Trentham Camp).

2.—MINISTERS WITH THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

The following Ministers and Probationers, having enlisted, are with the Expeditionary Force and are left without appointment:—

Arthur J. Seamer.
 Frederick B. Lawrence.
 William A. Watson.
 Arthur A. Bensley.
 Oswald Burnet.
 Francis T. Harris.
 Robert B. Speirs.
 Henry H. Marshall.
 Percy I. Cooke.
 Aldwyn R. Gordon, M.A.
 Henry J. Odell.

3.—MINISTERS ENGAGED IN FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

The following Ministers belonging to the New Zealand Conference have been transferred to other Conferences for Foreign Mission Work:—

John W. Burton.
 Fred. Copeland.
 Walter J. Enticott.
 Arthur H. Scrivin.

QUESTION XXVII.—How are the Home Missionaries Employed by the Conference Stationed for the Ensuing Year?

HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS, 1915.**Auckland District—**

Auckland West (Richmond).—One wanted.
 Auckland, Avondale.—T. Dent.

Auckland, North Shore (Takapuna).—One wanted.
 Pukekohe (Taukau).—E. H. Brooker.
 Northern Wairoa (Rehia).—H. Ford.
 Hikurangi.—J. Reid.
 Port Albert.—W. A. Porter.
 Coromandel.—A. Laybourn.
 Helensville (Kaukapakapa).—J. A. Lamond.
 Bay of Islands (Kawakawa).—W. Gatman.
 Hokianga (Rawene).—W. Bowden.
 Whangaroa (Kaeo).—W. S. Neal.
 Mangonui (Oruru).—F. G. Brown.
 Waipapakauri (Native).—H. Hemara.

South Auckland District—

Paeroa.—H. Field (Supply).
 Cambridge (Leamington).—One wanted.
 Thames (Puriri).—One wanted.
 Ngauawahia.—E. H. Pain.
 Whakatane.—H. S. Kings.
 Te Puke.—W. Vickers.
 Matamata.—W. B. Cuming.
 Ohura.—C. Harris.
 Waimiha.—A. Smart.
 Marakopa (Saddle-bag Mission).—One wanted.
 Morrinsville.—C. W. Brown.
 Huntly.—A. Fitchett.
 Tauranga.—H. Ryan (Supply).
 Te Kuiti.—J. Richards.

Taranaki-Wanganui District—

New Plymouth (St. Aubyn).—One wanted.
 Waitara (Urenui).—One wanted.
 Cape Egmont (Rahotu).—T. W. Featherstone.
 East Egmont (Douglas).—C. Aker.
 Wanganui (Gonville).—F. P. Kellow.
 Mokau.—One wanted.
 Patea.—W. Watson.
 Stratford (Midhurst).—G. H. Bridgman.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District—

Napier (Greenmeadows).—One wanted.
 Gisborne (Te Hapara).—T. Flower.
 Palmerston North (Ashhurst).—C. Duncan.
 Apiti.—J. W. Parker.
 Norsewood.—J. Oliver.

Wellington District—

Wellington (Taranaki Street, Brooklyn).—J. H. White.
 Wellington South.—One wanted.
 Masterton (Kuripuni).—One wanted.
 Otaki (Paraparaumu).—J. Crawford.
 Johnsonville (Porirua).—O. S. Pearn.

Nelson District—

Richmond (Wakefield).—L. A. G. Brooks.
 Blenheim (Picton).—One wanted.
 Dovedale.—To be worked from Motueka.
 Denniston-Granity.—M. Ayrton.

Havelock.—J. Common.
 Murchison.—W. Alexander.
 Runanga.—W. A. Hitchinson

North Canterbury District—

Christchurch East (New Brighton).—C. Strand.
 Christchurch (Addington).—W. Harris (Supply).
 Christchurch, Papanui (Riccarton).—Supply.
 Amberley.—H. Spencer.
 Greendale-Malvern (Darfield).—W. T. Hooper.
 Oxford (East Oxford).—F. E. Foote.

South Canterbury District—

Timaru (Bank Street).—J. R. Nelson.
 Waimate (Nukuroa).—One wanted.
 Temuka.—One wanted.
 Oamaru.—One wanted.
 Methven.—J. Tyson.
 Mayfield.—W. E. Sleep.

Otago District—

Dunedin, Dundas Street (Glenavon).—W. Bratt.
 Roxburgh.—T. Skuse.
 Waikouaiti-Palmerston (Palmerston).—W. B. Pickering.
 Lawrence.—S. Keen.
 Cromwell.—J. W. Blackwood (Supply).
 Kaitangata.—J. D. Burnard (Supply).

Southland District—

Invercargill, Don Street (Kennington).—J. H. Combes.
 Nightcaps.—J. H. Edmondson.
 Riverton.—E. Ranson.
 Winton.—One wanted.
 Tuatapere.—One wanted.

N.B.—The work of the Dovedale Station while it remains without an Agent, shall be placed under the direction of the Motueka Circuit.

QUESTION XXVIII.—Who are Elected as Chairmen of Districts and as Statistical Secretaries for the Ensuing Year?

CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS.

Auckland.—Charles H. Garland.
 Auckland South.—Samuel J. Serpell.
 Taranaki-Wanganui.—Thomas G. Hammond.
 Hawkes Bay-Manawatu.—Daniel J. Murray.
 Wellington.—James G. Chapman.
 Nelson.—William Baumber.
 North Canterbury.—Albert C. Lawry (President of the Conference).
 South Canterbury.—Thomas A. Joughin.
 Otago.—Samuel Griffith.
 Southland.—William Ready.

STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

Auckland District—Colin C. Harrison.
 South Auckland District—Thomas J. Wallis.
 Taranaki-Wanganui District—Albert B. Chappell, M.A.
 Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District—Jonathan H. Haslam.
 Wellington District—William Beckett.
 Nelson District—Arthur Ashcroft.
 North Canterbury District—Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
 South Canterbury District—John D. McArthur.
 Otago District—Samuel H. D. Peryman.
 Southland District—Samuel Henderson.

N.B.—Rev. E. O. Blamires is appointed Financial Secretary for Taranaki-Wanganui District.

QUESTION XXIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Welfare of the Church?

REPORT OF THE WELFARE OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE.

STATISTICAL RETURNS.

In presenting the annual General Returns we gladly report an increase of 277 Church members and 483 Junior members. It is, however, puzzling to note a decrease of 250 in the returns given of attendants on public worship. The return of Infant members made for the first time this year is such that no reliable total can be submitted. Many Circuits make no return, and the figures supplied are in some cases so small and in other cases so large that it is evident that there has been something lacking in the method adopted in making the return. It will be necessary for Conference to fix an age limit for infant members, and then if the regulations are carefully carried out there should be no difficulty in supplying a trustworthy report.

While rejoicing in the increase of 483 Junior Members, we regret to learn that so many Sunday-schools return no scholars as received into Church membership during the year. We join with the S.S. and Young People's Board in emphasising the need for a closer spiritual co-operation between the Sunday-school and the Church, and such a patient fostering of the religious life of the young, that year by year large numbers of our Scholars and Junior Members may be publicly admitted into the full membership of the Church.

THE NEED OF THE CHURCH AND HOW TO PROMOTE IT.

Recognising with gratitude, tokens of good in respect to the "Welfare of the Church," we are profoundly convinced that there is need for a great and general quickening, and a marked increase in spiritual effectiveness. With a view to promote this, we have no new methods or principles to advocate, but we desire to place fresh emphasis on the following essential conditions of true success and prosperity:—

1. A fuller surrender on the part of Ministers, and members, and the Church in general, to the personal governance of the Holy Spirit.
2. The adoption of practical and well-considered means for the realisation and expression of the corporate life of the Church.

3. More effective and systematic efforts to utilise the latent resources of the Church for reaching individuals and families now out of touch with the Church, and apparently drifted or drifting into irreligion
4. The faithful carrying out of the recent legislation relating to the Sunday-school and Church Membership.

Your Committee strongly recommends that a special use should be made this year of the Festival of Whitsuntide, and that Conference should appoint the week commencing on Whit Sunday, June 11th, as a sacred season of Prayer and Intercession, and for the holding of special Convocations or inspirational services, for the deepening of the devotional life, and for promoting the highest welfare and increased effectiveness of the Church.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

E. DRAKE, Chairman.

S. GRIFFITH, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. In adopting the Report, Conference acknowledges with thankfulness to God many tokens of good, manifest in the life and work of the Church. We clearly recognise, however, that there is need for a great and general quickening, and a marked increase of spiritual effectiveness, that we may fulfil the great purpose of our existence and worthily meet the special needs, perils and opportunities of this prolonged period of war. To these ends the Conference urges upon all its Ministers, office-bearers and members a deepened spirituality and a full surrender to the governance of the Holy Spirit; also, that renewed endeavours be made to actualize the corporate life of the Church, in worship, in the communion of saints, and in practical Christian philanthropy. The Conference is convinced that if full use were made of the latent working forces of the Church, large numbers of our fellow-citizens might be reached who are now untouched by any Christian agency; and for this purpose, we again urge the formation in all our churches of bands of workers willing to co-operate in the work of the Lord. The Conference requests that every effort be made so that in Leaders' Meetings and Quarterly Meetings as much time as possible may be secured for the earnest and unhurried consideration of the directly spiritual aspects of our work. With a view to promote a richer realisation of the ministry of the Holy Spirit, by Whom alone true revival can be secured, the Conference directs that this year there shall be a special celebration of Whitsuntide, and appoints the week commencing on Whitsunday, June 11, as a sacred season of Prayer and Intercession, during which special conventions or inspirational services shall be held for the deepening of the devotional life, and for promoting the increased effectiveness of the Church.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Committee for their services during the past year, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—The Ministers of the Dunedin and Suburban Circuits, Messrs. E. Rosevear, D. C. Cameron, W. King, J. P. Simon, J. B. Shacklock, J. D. Weir, I. Winton. A. E. Stevens, C. White, E. W. Isbister, and J. H. Malcolm. Convener, Rev. R. Raine.

3. That in each District an Evangelistic Committee be set up to cooperate with the Welfare of the Church Committee, and with Circuits and Home Mission Stations in the District, in arranging for periodical Evangelistic Missions, and in fostering, by all possible means, an earnest evangelism throughout the Dominion.
4. That the Home Mission District Advisory Committees (other than in Otago), be the District Committees for the ensuing year.
5. That the President be requested to publish in the Connexional Paper an inspirational address to the members and adherents of the Church.

REV. VAL. TRIGGE'S MISSION TOUR, 1916-17.

Report of the Committee.

The Itinerary to be presented to Conference, and which will commence in the North in April next, and work South, at present includes the following places, viz. :—Port Albert, Pitt Street, Auckland Methodist Mission, Hamilton, Hawera, Woodville, Waipawa, Hastings, Wellington South, Blenheim, Nelson, East Belt (Christchurch), Woolston, Sydenham, Rangiora, Ashburton, Timaru, and Morningson. Dunedin Central Mission, probably, will also be visited. This will leave time for three or four Missions to be held in smaller places, with the help of the Auxiliary Fund.

FINANCE.

Expenditure.

Stipend (as in Victoria)	£
Travelling to and from Australia	300
Travelling in New Zealand	25
Connexional Charges	20
Petty Expenses	35
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	£385

To meet this a minimum charge varying from £15 to £20 is being made for each ten-day Mission, but Circuits, especially the stronger ones, are requested to note that about £30 will be required above the total minimum charges. The Committee recommends that any final deficiency be paid by the Contingent Fund, and that the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund be authorised to advance any preliminary expenses. Circuits are requested to forward payments promptly after the close of each Mission, to the Treasurer, Mr E. Rosevear, Castle Street, Dunedin.

Printing.—The Committee is printing a large Poster and a Window Bill, and will supply Circuits at cost price.

E. DRAKE, Chairman.

S. GRIFFITH, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the services of the Rev. Val Trigge be accepted for the whole of the connexional year, and that the financial arrangements of the Committee be confirmed, including a minimum charge for each ten-day mission, varying from £15 to £20.

3. In view of the difficulty of arranging missions in the summer months, and also with a view to Mr. Trigge being free to conduct seaside missions, and to visit localities financially weak, it is imperative that a Guarantee Fund of at least one hundred pounds be raised. The Conference requests that a prompt response be made to this need. Relying on the liberality of our people, Conference accepts the ultimate responsibility of the campaign.
4. The Conference extends to the Rev. Val Trigge a cordial welcome, and, gratefully remembering his fruitful labours in 1913, commends his work this year to the prayers and co-operation of our people.

QUESTION XXX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting our Sunday Schools and the Youth of the Church?

The Report of the Sunday-school and Young People's Board was presented and received. The Balance-sheet was received and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the action of the Board in providing a duplicate schedule of Sunday-school and Young People's Returns for annual submission to the Quarterly Meeting be approved, but that the matter of the set of questions for the guidance of the Quarterly Meeting on work relating to the Youth of the Church, be again referred to the Board for consideration.
2. That, provided the Leaders' Meeting is satisfied as to their fitness, Infant Members be transferred to the Junior Roll at the age of eight years, and that Junior Members, subject to the same proviso, be transferred to the Senior Roll, after instruction in preparatory classes, at not later than sixteen years of age, at a public recognition service, such service to be fully provided for in the new Book of Offices.
3. The Conference congratulates the teachers who have this year qualified for the Diploma, but regrets that greater advantage is not taken of this excellent Training Course. It recommends that Ministers and Sunday-school Superintendents be urged to make fresh efforts to bring its claims before the teachers of our schools.
4. That Rev. E. P. Blamires be heartily thanked for his services as Examiner, and that he be reappointed.
5. That, in the event of the Synod Representative for Sunday-schools appointed by Conference being unable to attend the Synod, the Chairman of the District shall have power to appoint a substitute on the nomination of the District Committee.
6. That Annual and Quarterly Tickets for Junior Members be issued, and that it shall be optional which ticket is used by our Societies, the Leaders' Meeting to determine the matter.
7. That the attention of our Sunday-schools be directed to the Conference recommendation re Rolls of Honour, Minutes of Conference, 1915, page 106, par. 7, which shall now read, "That all our churches and Sunday-schools be recommended to procure a Roll of Honour.

8. That with a view to centralisation, the Secretary of Conference shall in future control the distribution of all Membership and Baptismal Tickets.
9. That the attention of Sunday-school Superintendents be drawn to the fact that in December, 1917, the present series of Uniform International Lessons, issued jointly by Britain and America, will be completed, and thereafter the British International Lessons will be quite different from the American. The Sunday-school Board will present a special report to next Conference.
10. That the Board meet in Dunedin in 1916.
11. That the following be the members of the Board for 1916:—The Circuit Ministers and S.S. Superintendents of the Dunedin City and Suburban Circuits; three representatives to be elected by the Y.M.B.C. Union, and three to be elected by the Y.W.B.C. Union; Miss W. Isitt, Messrs. W. Paris, F. W. Parker, J. Davidson, W. Kaler, W. W. Ashby, J. H. Brown, W. King, A. Pearce, E. Aslin, H. Chapman, A. H. Reed and D. C. Cameron, Junr. (appointed by the Conference).
12. That the sum of £30 be granted from the Contingent Fund to meet the expenses of the Board, if required.
13. That, if the Board think it advisable, a Dominion Convention be held this year, the time and place to be left with the Board.
14. That the revision of the Catechism, with a view to its being made more attractive to the Youth of the Church, be referred to the Board for consideration.
15. That while recommending the Wesley Guild to our people, the Conference affirms its conviction that the Christian Endeavour Society has by no means outlived its usefulness, and advises churches to foster its maintenance wherever possible.
16. That while pleased to report an increase of teachers and junior members, the Conference regrets to note decreases in the number of scholars, scholars who are Church members, scholars received into Church membership during the year, and in the membership of the Young Men's and Young Women's Bible Classes. While there are satisfactory explanations of some of these decreases, the Conference urges upon all those engaged in Sunday-school work increasing zeal and faithfulness, that errors may be corrected and weaknesses repaired.
17. That all baptised children of members and adherents of the Church, whose parents consent thereto, be regarded as infant members of the Church.
18. That the matter of preparing a brief statement of the value and importance of the Lord's Supper, for use among junior and adult members, be referred to the Literature Committee for consideration.
19. That the Conference regrets that our Sunday-schools are slow to adopt the graded system of organisation and the International Graded Lessons, and in view of the soundness of the principle, it strongly urges the Schools to make at least a beginning by organising the Primary and Junior Departments with graded lessons.

20. That Ministers and Leaders' Meetings be earnestly requested to give complete effect, as early as possible, to the Conference legislation relating to Infant and Junior Members. (See Minutes, 1914, pp. 51-52.)
21. 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 schools standards form departments corresponding with the above.
22. That the Conference endorse the policy of teacher-training, and adopt Hurlbut's Teacher Training Course as the text-book. 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.
23. 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.
24. That schools be recommended to adopt a supplemental (or fundamental) course of Bible Study, which shall include memorising the names of the Books of the Bible, the Commandments, Beatitudes, and other special portions of Scripture, the questions of the Catechism, and Church Hymns, Bible history, geography, institutions; and that in this course, the "Hammond Sunday School Manual" be used. The Conference also recommends that portions of Scripture, etc., be recited in full school.
25. 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.
26. 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 Board, who shall prepare a Sunday-school Report of the whole Dominion to be laid before the Annual Conference.
27. That Young People's Day be observed on the third Sunday in May, and that the third Sunday in October be observed as the Universal Day of 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, or rededication to Christ; and that, as far as practicable, the Chairman of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits so arrange 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 Connexional Board.
28. 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 com-

petent 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.

29. That on at least one Sunday in every quarter special attention shall be given to the subject of Foreign Missions.
30. That the Superintendents of Circuits, in preparing the Sunday-school returns, shall include in the Circuit totals the Methodist teachers and scholars who are attached to undenominational schools.
31. That definite teaching on the fundamental principles and history of Protestantism be given in the Methodist Sunday-schools of the Dominion.
32. That the Conference heartily commends the Young Worshippers' League to our Ministers, and urges the establishment of such Leagues in connection with all our churches.
33. That the following be appointed Sunday-schools Representatives to Synods, as per Section VII. of Organisation:—

Auckland—Mr. T. E. Price.
 South Auckland—Mr. J. H. Lange.
 Taranaki-Wanganui—Mr. H. V. S. Griffiths.
 Hawkes Bay-Manawatu—Mr. R. H. Billens.
 Wellington—Mr. T. Sims.
 Nelson—Mr. A. G. Nightingale.
 North Canterbury—Mr. W. C. Francis.
 South Canterbury—Mr. J. H. White.
 Otago—Mr. A. H. Reed.
 Southland—Mr. V. H. Brown.

34. That the Sunday-school District Representative to Synod be ex-officio a member of the District Committee.
35. That the following be the District Committees, as per Section III., Scheme of Organisation:—

Auckland—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits and Mr. H. Scott. Conveners: Rev. E. P. Blamires and Mr. H. P. Mourant.

South Auckland.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in the Hamilton and Cambridge Circuits and Mr Wallace. Conveners: Messrs. Wallace and J. Trelôar.

Taranaki-Wanganui.—The Ministers of the Hawera, Stratford and Eltham Circuits, the Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., with Messrs. E. Dixon, T. Hurrell, E. G. Foster and H. V. S. Griffiths. Conveners: Rev. E. O. Blamires and Mr. E. Dixon.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in the Napier and Hastings Circuits. Conveners: Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt and Mr. C. G. Cunnold.

Wellington.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in Wellington City and Suburban Circuits. Conveners: Rev. E. Drake and Mr. T. Sims.

Nelson.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in Nelson and Richmond Circuits. Conveners: Rev. A. Ashcroft and Mr. A. G. Nightingale.

North Canterbury.—The Canterbury Sunday-school Union Committee. Convener: The Secretary of the Committee.

South Canterbury. The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in the Ashburton and Willowby Circuits. Conveners: Rev. George Frost and Mr. W. B. Beaumont.

Otago.—The Sunday-school and Young People's Board. Conveners: Chairman and Secretary of the Board.

Southland.—The Ministers and Superintendents of Sunday-schools in Invercargill and Bluff Circuits. Conveners: Rev. A. H. Fowles and Mr J. Hensley.

N.B.—If any Sunday-school Superintendent be unable or unwilling to occupy his seat on the Advisory Committee, the School shall have power to elect a substitute.

QUESTION XXXI.—What are the resolutions of the Conference with regard to Temperance and Public Morals?

The Report of the Committee was received.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. Gambling.

- (a) The Conference views with alarm the increasing mania for gambling in the community, and condemns the evil principle of State legislation under which Totalisator Betting, Art Unions and Raffles flourish in our midst. It expresses profound regret that, in the guise of Patriotism, license should have been given by those in authority to unworthy methods of raising money for our soldiers. Whilst recommending the members and adherents of our Church to support liberally all legitimate means of raising funds for Patriotic purposes, it strongly urges them to discountenance all forms of gambling as being vicious and detrimental to the best interests of the State.
- (b) In view of the swift and insidious growth of gambling in the Dominion, the Conference impresses upon the Ministers, Sunday-school Superintendents and Junior Leaders of our Church, the necessity for giving definite instruction to the scholars of our Sunday-schools on the evils of gambling.

2. Sabbath Observance.

- (a) That in view of the widespread desecration of the Sabbath, this Conference requests Ministers, Local Prachers, Sunday-school teachers, and members generally to emphasise the necessity of a clearer recognition of the sanctity of the day, and the importance of employing its hours for spiritual purposes.

- (b) That this Conference views with increasing concern the fact that many of our people, through abusing the leisure of week-end trips, are becoming more and more detached from Church life and the rightful observance of the Sabbath, greatly endangering thereby the family welfare. This Conference urges our people to do all that is possible to prevent any neglect of worship, and to secure the reverent observance of Sunday as a day of rest.
- (c) The Conference recommends that the last Sunday in October be a Sabbath Observance Day, when the sacred character and obligation of the day be emphasised in pulpits, Sunday-schools, and Bible Classes, and directs that this resolution be read to all congregations on the day named.
- (d) That the Committee on Temperance and Public Morals be requested to secure suitable literature on Sabbath Observance, for distribution.

3. Censorship of Pictures.—

That, realising the incalculable harm wrought by the class of morbid and morally unhealthy pictures shown in many of our Picture Theatres, Conference heartily co-operates with other Churches and organisations in urging that the Government should establish a strict censorship on all pictures before being screened. (A copy of the above to be sent to the Minister for Internal Affairs.)

4. Temperance.

The Conference, while deeply deploring the awful European War, rejoices that it has more clearly revealed to the nations involved, the demoralising effects of intoxicating liquor. The almost magical success of Prohibition in Russia, the wholly favourable results accruing from the respective legislation adopted in Great Britain, France and the Australian States, the noble example set by King George and followed by Lord Kitchener and many other notable leaders throughout the Empire—all these signs inspire us with thankfulness to God and renewed enthusiasm for this great cause. We grieve that our own Government has been laggard, making no effort in this time of national testing towards diminishing the wasteful and highly injurious effects of the traffic in strong drink. We respectfully urge that it is not yet too late to come into line with other parts of the Empire, and earnestly call upon the Government to legislate so that "shouting" shall be made illegal and all hotel bars closed at 6 p.m.

5. Bands of Hope.

Conference urges upon Ministers and Sunday-school workers the necessity of reviving the interest of our young people in the Band of Hope Movement. In addition to week-night organisation, or where week-night meetings are impracticable, it recommends that a Temperance lesson be given by the Minister or some other competent person once a quarter on Sunday afternoon before the whole school, and that the young people on such occasion be invited to sign Pledge Cards.

6. Temperance During the War.

That this Conference urges upon the National Government through the Prime Minister—

1. The adoption of the same regulation against "shouting" as obtains in England under the "Defence of the Realm Act."
2. That during the progress of the war hotel bars shall be closed at 6 p.m.
3. That these be given effect to by the passing of regulations under the War Act, without delay.
7. That this Conference of the Methodist Church strongly protests against the establishment of wet canteens in the military camps, believing that they would lead to an increase in drinking among the soldiers; it objects to a temptation being placed before the young men and believes it would retard recruiting. In the interests of efficiency among our soldiers and of the successful prosecution of the war, it urges the Government to adhere to its decision to have dry canteens in all military camps.
8. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the retiring Committee, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—The ex-President of the Conference, the Ministers of Wellington Taranaki Street, Wellington South, Thorndon, Petone, Hutt and Johnsonville Circuits, Messrs. C. M. Luke J. Lomas, T. Sims, W. J. Hellyer, E. Kellow, B. J. Lynneberg, H. Oxley, M. Cable, E. Dawson, W. I. Clark, W. Hollis Cocker, J. Raine, G. Petherick, J. H. White, R. G. Denton, Colonel Mackintosh, W. E. Redstone, J. Richards, Mesdames J. L. Wright and Boxall. Convener, Rev. J. Richards.

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

A. GENERAL REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR 1915.

The General Secretary has pleasure in reporting that most of the District Secretaries' Reports and Schedules came to hand in good time, and the latest was ten days earlier than the date on which the latest one was received last year. Probably on account of the failure of the Secretary's health, the Summary of the "A" Schedules for the Auckland District did not come to hand. In the case of the Taranaki-Wanganui District there was no Report from the Secretary, no Summary of the "A" Schedules, and the "B" Summary was incomplete. A letter from the Secretary stated that he could not complete his Returns, as all the Circuit Schedules had not reached him when he sent on to the District Chairman those which had come to hand. For some unexplained reason these Schedules were retained by the District Synod officials for some six weeks after the close of the Synod; and the General Secretary had to correct and complete some of the entries from records which happened to be in the office. Several of the District Secretaries complain of the late date on which Schedules are sent to them. Circuit Superintendents should really

try to comply with these repeated requests, and send in their returns with some degree of promptitude.

Attention is also called to the lack of accuracy in many of the returns. In the absence of the Trust Books neither the District Secretaries nor the General Secretary can audit the accounts. The Trust Deed requires that the accounts be audited by the Superintendent Minister and the Circuit Stewards or their deputies. In most cases the accounts are so comparatively small and simple in their character that auditing should be a very easy matter. But accounts are signed as correct which are manifestly incorrect. In such items as Balances brought forward from the preceding year there are glaring inaccuracies. South Canterbury and Southland Districts are the only ones in which all the Credit balances given in the Returns for 1914 agree with those brought forward in the Returns for 1915. In one District there is a difference in the total of more than £300. The Debit balances show still greater discrepancies. Southland is the only District in which there is complete agreement between the Debit balances carried forward in 1914 and those brought forward in 1915. In one District the total difference amounts to more than £450. These facts, to say nothing of frequent errors in addition, indicate that both the book-keeping and the auditing are at fault. The remedy may not be easy to find or to apply, but something may surely be done by a more careful oversight by the responsible auditors.

Some of the Returns do not include all the facts that ought to be reported. This applies particularly to the Schedules dealing with new enterprises. Sometimes properties acquired after September 30th. appear to be forgotten by the time the next year's Returns have to be made up. In some cases the acquisition of property is not reported because the legal documents have not been received from the Solicitor. This is a very insufficient reason. If there are any documents which give the Church a legal claim on the property it should be reported without waiting for the completion of the transfer. The sale of Property appears to be frequently forgotten when the time comes for making up the annual Returns. Of the cases included in this Report about one-half has to be supplied by the General Secretary from information furnished during the year to the Loan Fund Committee. This is often incomplete, and should not be relied on.

There are some Home Mission Stations which have not sent in any Returns. Possibly in some cases there is no Home Missionary, although there should be some one in charge of the Trust accounts. The following are the Stations from which there are no Returns to hand:—Coromandel, Rawene, Kohukohu, Whakatane, Te Puke, Runanga, Tuatapere. The addition of the Returns from these places would make a considerable difference to some of the totals given. No returns are given of Connexional Properties, nor of properties on Maori Mission Stations. It may be worth while comparing some of the totals for 1915 with those of 1914. The freehold sites acquired are sixteen as against eight last year, and eight new churches are erected as against seven in the previous year. There have been three new Parsonages erected, as against seven in 1914. Enlargements and other improvements have cost about £2500 less than in 1914. The total Trust income reported is nearly £1600 more than in 1914. Credit Balances on current accounts have increased by £350, and the Debit Balances remain nearly the same as last year.

The District Secretaries call attention in their Reports to a few cases where the finance is not quite satisfactory. Te Kuiti reports

a debt of £928, although the cost of the building is stated to have been only £850. The land cost £250. This is a case in which the advice of the Loan Fund Committee was ignored, and the result means a heavy financial burden for years to come. In Dunedin the position of the Central Mission and St. Kilda Trusts will require careful handling to avoid difficulty in days to come.

The Anderson's Bay Property has been sold, and when all assets are realised there will be considerable liabilities to the Loan Fund and the Fire Insurance Fund. Some steps should be taken to deal with these other than the too easy method of writing off the amounts as bad debts.

I desire to acknowledge the great care and labour bestowed on their work by the District Secretaries. Their work is not of the most pleasant nature, and often involves sincere criticism when they would more gladly commend. The Reports which have been sent to the General Secretary show that an earnest endeavour is made to discover the actual position of each Trust account. Much good advice is tendered. Good work is noted, and enterprise is encouraged. These brethren deserve the thanks of the Conference, and the hearty support of all who are responsible for the finances of the various Church properties.

1.—SALES REPORTED.

1. AUCKLAND CENTRAL.—Two Cottages and Land at Eden Terrace, sold for £550; Proceeds used to reduce the debt on Church and Parsonage Property.
2. TE KUITI.—Site sold for £250; Proceeds used to purchase a more suitable site for Church.
3. WELLINGTON CENTRAL MISSION.—Herbert Street property sold for £2,400, the terms being £1,100 cash payment, and £1,300 to remain on mortgage for three years; Proceeds to be used for liquidation of existing mortgage, and the balance towards paying off the debt at Webb Street, and making necessary alterations to the property.
4. GREENDALE AND MALVERN.—Sale of four acres previously held as Parsonage site at Darfield; Proceeds (£145) used towards erection of a Parsonage on an acre of land at Greendale.
5. WAIMATE.—Sale of house and land formerly used as Parsonage, for £350; Proceeds used to liquidate mortgage of £125, and the balance placed on deposit towards erection of new S.S. Hall in brick
6. DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION.—Sale of unused land for £1,800; Proceeds used for liquidating a mortgage of £1,600, and the balance for current expenditure.
7. DUNEDIN (St Kilda).—Sale of land and Church at Anderson's Bay for £610; Proceeds used towards liquidation of liabilities.

Note.—There are unsold assets valued at £140, and liabilities to the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund of £159 5s., and the Church Building and Loan Fund of £46 6s. 4d.; Total, £205 11s. 4d.

II.—NEW ERECTIONS AND PURCHASES REPORTED.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. AUCKLAND CENTRAL.—(1) New Church of brick, seating 300, at Dominion Road; cost £2400. Removal of old Church to another part of section, additions to fit it for Sunday School purposes, and liquidation of former debt made total outlay £2846; present debt, £1130. (2) Purchase of site for Church at Edendale, 55.13 perches, costing £336, of which £188 remains on mortgage.
2. AUCKLAND (Avondale).—(1) Point Chevalier, purchase of 1 rood 13.8 perches; cost £209; debt £79. (2) Te Atatu, gift of Church site; particulars not furnished.
3. AUCKLAND (Birkenhead).—Erection of Church of wood on section previously acquired at Glenfield; seating 140, cost £416 10s. 9d.; no debt.
4. NORTHERN WAIROA.—Gift of $\frac{3}{4}$ -acre for Church site at Rehia, by Mr. W. Simpkin. Value not stated.
5. WHANGAREI.—Rebuilding of Parsonage at a cost of £700; increased debt £300; present debt £400.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. THAMES.—Quarter-acre section at Shortland, formerly held subject to surrender to Native owners if used for other than Church purposes, now secured on Trusts of the Model Deed, at cost of £112 10s.; no debt.
2. TE KUITI.—Erection of Church and Sunday-school, 60 x 30, on site previously reported; cost £850; debt on site and building £928.
3. TE AWAMUTU.—Erection of Church in brick, 45 x 32, with vestries, etc.; cost of building and furnishings, £1686 8s. 6d.; debt, £921.
4. MATAMATA.—(1) Erection of Church and Parsonage of wood, on site previously reported; Church 40 x 26; Parsonage six rooms, with outbuildings, etc. Cost of buildings, £910; debt remaining, £529. (2) Purchase of $\frac{1}{4}$ -acre section at Turanga-Moana; cost £6 0s. 6d.; no debt. (3) Gift of $\frac{1}{4}$ -acre section at Hinuera by Mr. P. Hawke, valued at £5.
5. NGARUAWAHIA.—(1) Purchase of section at Glen Massey, 1 rood 7.8 perches; cost £50; debt £22. (2) Erection of Church on above site by voluntary labour, 36 x 25; value of building £380; no debt.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

1. MANAIA.—A section of land has been purchased as site for a Parsonage, 2 roods, costing £65.
2. EAST EGMONT.—(1) Purchase of about $\frac{3}{4}$ -acre section at Douglas; cost £34 13s. 10d. (2) Erection thereon Parsonage, six rooms; cost £317 13s. 5d.; debt on land and house £100 to the Church Building and Loan Fund.
3. PATEA.—Gift of $\frac{1}{4}$ -acre at Hurleyville, by Mrs. Roots. Value, £15.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

1. HASTINGS.—(1) Erection of four brick shops at a cost of £1653, money borrowed at 4½ per cent., shops all let. (2) Purchase of ¼-acre land at Havelock North; cost £325; no debt.
2. GISBORNE.—Gift of ¼-acre land at Victoria Township, valued at £150.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

1. JOHNSONVILLE.—(1) Seven-tenths of a perch at Tawa Flat, the gift of Mr. Isaac Taylor; value £5. (2) Erection of Vestry, 15 x 12, valued at £100; cost defrayed by the Taylor Family.
2. OTAKI.—Purchase of 20.7 perches of land as site for Church at Waikanae; cost £28 3s. 8d.; no debt.

NELSON DISTRICT.

1. RICHMOND.—Erection of Church of wood at Stoke, 40 x 28; cost £494 8s. 10d.; debt £200.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. CHRISTCHURCH EAST.—(1) Gift of land at Richmond by Mr. J. A. Flesher; valued at £100. (2) Erection of Class rooms in brick at Richmond; cost £356 8s. 7d.; debt £100. (3) Additions to Church and erection of Vestry at Linwood; cost £214 8s. 8d.; debt £150. Note: arrangements made to reduce this by £50 a year.
2. CHRISTCHURCH (Woolston).—Erection of Infant Classroom at Sumner at a cost of £108; no debt.
3. OHOKA.—Church Parlour erected 1914 (not reported then); cost £54 16s.; debt £21 5s.
4. GREENDALE.—Gift of one acre of land by Mr. E. Ridgen as a site for Parsonage; valued at £35.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

1. WAIMATE.—Erection of Choir Gallery and Organ Loft, providing for 100 additional sittings; total cost, including other improvements, £493 14s. 9d.; no debt.
2. GERALDINE.—Improvements to Parsonage, at a cost of £108 17s. 2d.; increased debt of £104 1s. 10d.
3. ASHBURTON.—Erection of Classroom at Baring Square; cost £131 15s.; debt £90

OTAGO DISTRICT.

1. DUNEDIN (Caversham).—Erection of brick Church on site previously reported; cost £2400 11s. 0d.; debt £900.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

1. NIGHTCAPS.—(1) Purchase of ¼-acre site for Parsonage; cost £40. (2) Erection of Parsonage of six rooms, costing £436 10s.; £300 borrowed from Building Society, of which £18 3s. has been repaid during the year.

SUMMARY.

Freehold Sites acquired	...	...	...	16
New Churches erected	...	...	...	8
New Parsonages erected	...	...	...	3
Sunday-School Halls and Class-rooms	...	...	...	3
Churches enlarged	...	...	...	3

III.—ENLARGEMENTS AND MINOR IMPROVEMENTS.

As many items are returned under this head which apparently should be placed under the heading of "Alterations and Repairs," and as a great many others are not particularised, there seems to be no adequate reason for setting these out in the imperfect detail which would be the best possible in the circumstances. Probably it will be sufficient if the total for each District is given, as reported by the District Secretaries; this is as follows:—Auckland District, £805 17s. 8d.; South Auckland, £3014 16s.; Taranaki-Wanganui, £342 5s. 5d.; Hawke's Bay-Manawatu, £1823 5s. 8d.; Wellington, £325 11s. 9d.; Nelson, £62 11s. 11d.; North Canterbury, £717 13s. 8d.; South Canterbury, £848 14s. 8d.; Otago, £1602 8s. 9d.; Southland, £436 10s.; Total, £9,979 15s. 6d.

IV.—CURRENT TRUST ACCOUNTS.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balances in hand from last year	...	4132	17 8
Seat Rents	...	2237	5 9
Trust Collections	...	2208	15 4
Anniversary or Opening Services	...	3254	2 10
Subscriptions and Donations	...	7727	13 3
Loans	...	9743	7 6
All other Income	...	23430	3 0
		<u>£52,734</u>	<u>5 4</u>

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Debit Balances from last year	...	11282	15 11
Lighting and Cleaning	...	4111	8 7
Alterations and Repairs	...	3189	11 11
Enlargements and Minor Improvements	...	10019	15 4
Interest	...	5990	16 5
Insurance Premiums	...	1431	6 10
Paid to Circuit Boards	...	513	16 7
All other Expenses (including debts reduced)	...	22229	13 7
		<u>£58,769</u>	<u>5 2</u>

Credit Balances carried forward, £4435 0s. 6d.; Debit Balances carried forward, £11,517 18s. 9d.; Debts to Loan Fund, £10,027 11s. 10d.; Debts on other securities, £116,503 3s. 2d.; Debts Reduced, £6200 0s. 1d.; Debts Increased, £6894 1s. 7d.; Amount of Insurance, £335,007.

SAMUEL LAWRY,

General Secretary of Church Property.

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:—

Auckland:—Mr. A. Messer.

South Auckland:—Mr. F. C. Daniell.

Taranaki-Wanganui:—Mr. R. Pepperell.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu:—Mr. T. R. Hodder.

Wellington:—Mr. E. Dawson.

Nelson:—Mr. J. Boon.

North Canterbury:—Mr. C. E. Salter.

South Canterbury:—Mr. W. G. Irwin.

Otago:—Mr. E. Rosevear.

Southland:—Mr. A. S. Froggatt.

3. That the Connexional Secretary convey to Mr. F. C. Daniell the thanks of the Conference for his diligent work in devising a new form of Trust Schedule, and that the South Auckland District be permitted to use this form for 1916.
4. That Mr. Daniell's suggestions be referred to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for report to the Synods.
5. That the question of retaining the Takapau, Scarborough and Ngaturi properties be reported to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.
6. That in the case of Home Mission Stations, where there is property, Schedule books be provided free.
7. That the audited balance-sheets be retained by the District Secretaries of Church Property.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. That once in every five years the various Trust Boards be required to make a return of the capital value of the properties under their control, such return to indicate the unimproved value of land and the value of improvements, the returns to be presented to the Synod of the District in which the properties are situated, and by the Synod reported to Conference.
11. That attention be called to the Conference rule, that sanction for the sale, or for an extended lease of Church property, is given only for the current year, or part of the current year, ending February 28th, and must be renewed in order to be operative for a further period.
12. That sales sanctioned by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be ratified by the Conference.

13. That sales, as enumerated in the Church Property Report, Section I., be sanctioned and confirmed.
14. That Circuit Superintendents be directed to see that all sums raised for trust purposes are reported to the Synods.
15. That the best thanks of the Conference be conveyed to the following for gifts of land:—Mrs. Roots, of Hurleyville; Captain W. H. Tucker, of Gisborne; the Taylor family, of Tawa Flat; Mr. J. A. Flesher, of Christchurch; Mr. E. Ridgen, of Greendale; Mr. W. Simpkin, of Rehia, Northern Wairoa; and Mr. P. Hawke, of Hinuera, Matamata.

B.—CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE, 1915.

1. During the year the following Loans have been advanced:—

(1) From the General Fund—	£	s.	d.
Murchison Church	100	0	0
New Brighton Church	150	0	0
Ohoka Parsonage	200	0	0
Kaiapoi Parsonage	400	0	0
Mosgiel Parsonage	350	0	0
Invercargill Jubilee Sunday-school Hall ...	300	0	0
	1500	0	0
(2) From the Special Branch—			
South Spreydon, balance purchase of site ...	107	5	0
Douglas Parsonage and site	100	0	0
Rawene, Purchase of Land	25	0	0
Urenui Church	50	0	0
	282	5	0

The total, £1782 5s., is considerably less than the average amount advanced annually. The difference is to be accounted for partly by numerous overdue instalments of repayments, especially in the early part of the year, and partly by the failure of some of those to whom Loans have been promised to comply with the stipulated conditions. A very large number of Loans have been promised, and will be advanced when the conditions are fulfilled, as far as Funds will allow.

2. A full statement of all Loans current in each District was sent to the respective Synods last November. Special attention was called to all cases where the repayments were seriously in arrears. The Reports from the Synods show that these cases received careful consideration. In some cases the Committee is re-arranging the terms of repayment, so as to bring them within the possibilities created by circumstances which have materially altered since the Loans were advanced. The total amount of arrears due on January 10th, 1916, was £1450 6s. 8d., spread over 49 cases. Several items have been paid since the above date, and others are less than three months overdue.

The usual Annual Circulars requesting contributions by Trust Boards to the working expenses of the Fund were sent out by the Treasurers. These do not always elicit the response that might reasonably be expected. Some of the largest Churches in the Dominion have not made any contribution for several years past, and these include some which have had the benefit of large loans from the Fund. As the

Connexional Office does a large amount of work in connection with Trust Property, for which no charge is made, it is only reasonable that an annual contribution should be made by all Trust Boards with a regular income.

3. There are a few special cases of arrears which call for consideration by the Conference, as well as by the District Synods concerned. In 1899 two Loans, amounting to £275, were advanced in connection with the building of the Coromandel Church. This was in addition to the amounts advanced in connection with the Parsonage, which was subsequently sold, the deficiency due to the Loan Fund being met by the Conference authorising special payments from the Home Mission and Contingent Funds. Of the two Loans now under consideration, £46 19s. 6d. has been repaid, the last payment having been made in January, 1901. There seems no hope of the local congregation being able to pay this off within a reasonable time. At Kuaotunu, in the same circuit, there is a debt of £57 19s. 6d., the balance of a loan of £120, advanced in 1897, and no repayment has been made since November, 1903. The debt on the Eketahuna Parsonage has been rearranged, and it is hoped that this long-standing difficulty will now be dealt with satisfactorily. But there is still a balance of £101 15s. 6d. on a loan of £175 on the Church, the repayment of which should have been completed in 1907. The only other case that requires attention under this head is that of Runanga. A loan of £100 was advanced in 1909, repayable in eight years. During two years repayment was made according to agreement, but nothing has been paid off since November, 1911. On several occasions the Home Missionary has written, stating that money would be sent within a few days, but nothing has been received. The excuse given to the District Synod is that the reduction of the Home Mission grant has made it necessary to concentrate all their effort on raising money for the Circuit Fund. But this hardly seems to account for four years' default.

4. In accordance with the resolution of the last Conference, the Treasurers have written off the sum of £66 due to the Fund on account of the Glenroy Church.

5. The Committee appointed by last Conference to consider the case of Huiakama does not advise the constitution of a local Trust, but recommends that the Loan Fund Committee take over all responsibility. If the Church is to be kept open and services supplied, it does not appear practicable for the administration of the finances to be undertaken by the Committee. If it is thought desirable to dispose of the property, then the Trustees and the Quarterly Meeting should seek permission in the usual way, and endeavour to secure a purchaser for the property. The Committee can see no reason why it should be asked to assume the responsibility of administering the affairs of this Trust.

6. The Wellington District Synod recommends that the sum of £14 18s. 0d., due to the Fund on account of a loan advanced to the Trustees of the Primitive Methodist Church at Island Bay, should be written off. This is the amount left unpaid after discharging all other debts when the property was sold.

7. The Commission appointed by last Conference to report on the Anderson's Bay Trust considered the matter, and recommended that the property be sold. The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee consented to the sale of the property for £610, without the windows, interior fittings, and furniture valued at £140, and added, "This consent is given on the distinct understanding that the Trustees will

within a reasonable time discharge the balance of the liabilities not provided for by the money derived from the sale of the property." The liabilities at present are £46 6s. 4d., due to the Loan Fund, and £150 9s. due to the Fire Insurance Fund. Of the latter amount £19 5s. is due for interest.

8. The duty of nominating the Committee devolves on the North Canterbury District Synod.

9. In addition to the transactions referred to in the General Report on Church Property, the following have been dealt with by the Committee:—

SALES AND EXTENDED LEASES.

The following Sales and Extended Leases have been sanctioned by the Committee:—(N.B.—Sanction lapses if not acted on by December 31st, 1916.)

1. MISSION PROPERTIES at Beach Road and Parliament Street, Auckland.—Acquired by City Council under "Public Works Act" for £12,000, payable in City Debentures with a currency of 10 years, 5 per cent. interest.
2. STUDENTS' LIBRARY TRUST PROPERTY.—Sale to Wesley Training College Board for £621 16s. 4d., plus expenses
3. AUCKLAND CENTRAL.—Sale of cottage property at Eden Terrace for £550, to be applied to reduction of debt on remaining Church property at Eden Terrace.
4. BIRKENHEAD.—Sale of two sections of 150ft. x 50ft. each, adjoining Birkenhead Parsonage, proceeds to pay off mortgage and liquidate debt on Parsonage, the balance, if any, to be added to the fund for erecting S.S. classrooms.
5. PAPAHOA.—Sale of four acres of land to Hospital Trustees, proceeds to be spent in improvements to remaining portion of land.
6. WARKWORTH.—Sale of Parsonage and land, provided the proceeds be used for the purchase of another site and erection thereon of new Parsonage.
7. HAMILTON.—(1) Sale of Parsonage and land at Milton Street for not less than £1500; proceeds to be used for erection of new Parsonage at either Frankton or Hamilton East. (2) Extended lease of ground and two shops to be erected in Collingwood Street; draft of lease to be approved by the Committee.
8. WAITARA.—Renewal of permission to sell Parsonage property, proceeds to be used for new Parsonage in more convenient situation.
9. STRATFORD.—Lease of land in Broadway for 21 years, with right of renewal at valuation. Terms of lease approved by Committee.
10. MANGAWEKA.—Sale of building with quarter-acre of land, reserving portion of land for Church use; proceeds to liquidate debt to Loan Fund, the balance to be held by the treasurers of the Loan Fund till required for Church purposes at Mangaureka.
11. KIMBOLTON.—Sale of Parsonage property, valued at £300, proceeds to be used for purchase of property as a Parsonage at Apati.

12. WELLINGTON (Thorndon).—Sale of land at Sydney and Aitker Streets for £4350, not less than £1200 to be used for erection of S.S. Hall at Molesworth Street.
13. HUTT.—Sale of strip of land in front of Parsonage to Borough Council for street-widening purposes.
14. FEATHERSTON.—Lease of property as motor garage for period of 21 years. Lease to be revalued each seven years.
15. CHRISTCHURCH EAST.—Sale of property at St. Asaph Street, Linwood, proceeds to be used for Church extension within the Circuit.
16. SPRINGSTON.—Sale of land and Church at West Melton, use of proceeds to be approved by the Committee.

The Conference is requested to confirm the consent given by the Committee on its behalf to the Sales and Leases mentioned in the Church Property Report, and those named above.

PROPOSED ERECTIONS, ETC., SANCTIONED.

1. AUCKLAND EAST.—Enlargement of S.S. Hall at Epsom, to cost from £150 to £180; no additional debt.
2. AUCKLAND (Avondale).—Erection of vestry at Henderson according to plans submitted. No debt.
3. AUCKLAND (Birkenhead).—Erection of Church at Glenfield, at estimated cost of £300; debt not to exceed £75.
4. WHANGAREI.—Re-erection and enlargement of Parsonage, according to approved plans.
5. HOKIANGA.—Purchase of land at cost of £50, £25 raised locally, and £25 from Church Building and Loan Fund.
6. HAMILTON.—Erection of two shops on land in Collingwood Street, at a cost of £3600, for approved tenants. Cost to be defrayed by loan on mortgage.
7. NGARUAWAHIA.—Erection of Church at Glen Massey, sanctioned on condition that land is secured on Trusts of the Model Deed.
8. MATAMATA.—Erection of Preaching Room, 24ft. x 15ft, at Hinuera, on $\frac{1}{2}$ -acre given for the purpose. Purchase of additional land recommended.
9. MANAIA.—Erection of Parsonage, according to approved plans.
10. EAST EGMONT.—Erection of Parsonage of six rooms on site secured by Committee of Church Building and Loan Fund.
11. KIMBOLTON.—Purchase of two acres with seven-roomed house at Apiti, for Parsonage, at a cost of £400.
12. HASTINGS.—(1) Enlargement of S.S. Hall, according to approved plans. (2) Enlargement of Young Men's Hall. (3) Purchase of three sections of land at Havelock North. Each case, no debt.

13. WELLINGTON SOUTH.—Purchase of property in Waipori Street, for Parsonage, at a cost of £1100; £200 to be raised, and £900 to remain on mortgage for five years at 5 per cent.
14. SOUTH WAIRARAPA.—Extension of premises used as motor garage at Featherston. Plans approved.
15. OTAKI.—Erection of Church at Waikanae, 30ft. x 20ft., to cost about £160 and free labour.
16. CHRISTCHURCH (St. Albans).—Erection of S.S. Hall in brick, according to plans approved; loan to be advanced when two-thirds of the cost has been raised.
17. CHRISTCHURCH (Woolston).—Erection of Infant Room at Sumner, without debt.
18. GREENDALE.—Erection of Parsonage of six rooms on site given at Greendale, to cost about £700. Plans approved and loan promised when available.

SAMUEL LAWRY, Secretary.

GENERAL 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 1915-16:—The Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch East, Cambridge Terrace, Woolston, Sydenham, St. Albans and Addington Circuits, with Messrs. J. A. Flesher, J. Down, W. H. Seed, Colonel G. J. Smith, A. F. Drayton, W. Henley and F. Thompson.
3. That the thanks of Conference be presented to Mr. J. A. Flesher for his services as Lay Treasurer of the Fund, and that he be re-appointed.
4. That Mr. H. Holland, retiring member of the Committee, be thanked for his valuable services.
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 the Committee be recommended to require that the foundations for all buildings to be erected be of either brick or concrete.
8. EKETAHUNA.—That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee's suggestion re repayment of £200 be approved.
9. ISLAND BAY (Primitive Methodist Church).—That the amount of £8 18s. 0d., plus working expenses — a total of £14 18s. 0d.—owing after the sale of the church, be written off by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

10. BLACKBALL.—That the Loan Fund Committee be authorised to write off the amount due in connection with the Blackball lease.
11. RUNANGA.—That the request of the Runanga Trustees re the wiping off of their liability be not entertained, and that the Trustees be reminded that they are morally bound to fulfil their obligation.
12. COROMANDEL AND KUAOTUNA.—That the Chairman visit these Districts and endeavour to induce the local people to discharge the liabilities.
13. HUIAKAMA.—That the recommendation of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be sustained, viz. :—“That if it is thought desirable to dispose of the property, the Trustees and Quarterly Meeting should seek permission in the usual way.”

C. REPORT OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE, 1915.

The names of all Trustees placed on the Register, and the names of all removed therefrom are sent in due course to the Superintendents of the Circuits concerned. A detailed report of the transactions in each district has also been sent to the several Synods. There is, therefore, no need to repeat these details in this Report.

During the year attention has again been drawn to several cases in which there has been no revision of the list of Trustees for many years. The names of a large number of deceased persons are allowed to continue on the Register, and presumably these remain in the Circuit Schedule Books. In some cases where there is property of considerable value it is doubtful if there is a legal trust. This applies to at least one case of Connexional property whose accounts are annually reported to this Conference. It is not within the province of the Authorised Representative to enquire how such a property is administered, but it is evident that where there is no legal trust the administration must be largely in the hands of persons without legal responsibility.

From time to time there are evidences forthcoming of failure to observe the rule requiring all resignations of Trustees, and removals from the Trust for other causes, to be duly notified to the Authorised Representative. It must be distinctly observed that removals from the Trust do not take effect until the Superintendent of the Circuit has been notified that the names have been removed from the Register. Also, the appointment of Trustees is not complete until the notification of the fact that their names have been entered on the Register has been sent by the Authorised Representative. And, of course, till then they are not entitled to act as Trustees.

In view of the Report of the Committee on Connexional Offices, it may be as well to point out that with the present scale of fees it is impossible at present to pay to the Connexional Secretaryship Fund more than £30 a year. Although during the year the outstanding accounts have been reduced from £8 18s., as reported last Conference, to £2 17s. 6d., which is the amount now due, the receipts for the year have exceeded the expenditure by only £1 18s. 10d. It may be noted in this connection that no charge is made for the removal of names from the Register of Trustees, nor for supplying lists of Trustees when desired for any other than legal purposes.

The following is the Cash Statement for 1915:—Receipts: Balance from 1914; £4 8s. 3d.; cash receipts for new registrations, etc., £34 12s. 6d.; total, £39 0s. 9d. Expenditure: Advertisement in New Zealand

Government Gazette, 4s. 6d.; printing registration forms, £1; stamps and telegrams, £1 19s. 2d.; Connexional Secretaryship Fund, £30; total, £33 3s. 8d., leaving a credit balance of £5 17s. 1d.

SAMUEL LAWRY,

Authorised Representative.

Christchurch, January 6th, 1916.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Cash Statement be received and adopted.
2. That, in accordance with the provisions of "The Methodist Church Property Act," 1887, the Rev. Samuel Lawry be appointed Authorised Representative for the year 1916-17.
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 it be an instruction to the Authorised Representative not to enter in the Register the names of new Trustees until the fees be paid.

D.—REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS.

Comparatively few transactions have taken place in this department during the past year. In all cases where Deeds have been sent to this Office a receipt has been sent to the persons from whom they have been received. These cases were also reported to the District Synods to which they referred. Most of the Deeds which have been removed have been required for mortgage purposes, and one or two for purposes of transfer.

Considerable work has been done during the year in trying to trace the location and particulars of Deeds. In some cases the effort has been successful, but there are still some properties for which the particulars respecting Titles are not available. There are still a few cases in which the Deeds appear to be in private hands, although there is no encumbrance on the property. Where this is known to be the fact the Custodian will continue to urge Superintendents to secure them and have them forwarded to him for safe keeping. In the meantime each Superintendent should endeavour to see that the location of the Deeds of all properties in his Circuit is known, and duly recorded in the Schedule book for future reference.

SAMUEL LAWRY,

Custodian of Deeds.

Christchurch, January 6th, 1916.

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 District Synods and to the Conference.

3. That the Custodian be requested to take the necessary steps for the recovery or replacement 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.

QUESTION XXXIII.—What is the Condition of the various Mission, Educational and General Connexional Properties and Investments?

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. General Connexional Property Trust.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 4
2. Wesley Training College, Three Kings.
See Question XXXVII.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 5.
3. Emsly Theological Endowment Trust.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 6.
4. Probert Trust.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 7
5. Prince Albert College Property.
Balance-sheet directed to be entered in the Conference Journal.
6. Theological Students' Library Fund.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 8

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

7. Grey Institute.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 9
8. Kai Iwi Mission Estate.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 10

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

9. Wellington Methodist Educational Trust.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 11

Report to Conference.

Attached Balance-sheet shows the position of the Trust, and it may be added that the past year has been a very satisfactory one from this aspect.

During the year Mr. R. W. Waterhouse resigned his seat on the Board.

The work at the Kindergarten Schools has, to a large extent, been retarded by the difficulty in obtaining teachers, so much so that the Board deemed it desirable to close up one of the schools (Aro Street)

during the year. A decreased attendance, owing to the opening of an Education Board Kindergarten in close proximity to our school, also influenced this decision.

The Board has for some time past had under consideration the desirability of establishing Orphanage work, instead of Kindergarten, it being considered by the Trustees that such work was of paramount importance, and it was decided to approach the Court, with a view to securing the necessary authority to vary the scheme in this direction.

This has been done, and it is anticipated that there will be no difficulty in obtaining the necessary permission.

If the request is granted by the Court, immediate steps will be taken by the Board towards the establishment of an Orphanage.

For the Board of Trustees,

J. G. CHAPMAN,
Chairman.

W. C. HEMERY,
Honorary Secretary.

WELLINGTON METHODIST EDUCATIONAL TRUST.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Conference place on record its appreciation of the careful and judicious administration and management of the Trust by the Trustees, and that the cordial thanks of the Conference be accorded them.
2. That with a view to a more definite settlement of the purposes and scope of the Trust, and also of the relation of the Trustees and the Conference, the Conference recommends to the Trustees the promotion of a Bill for the future administration of the Trust.
3. That the cost of promoting the Bill be borne equally by the Trustees and the Conference.
4. That such Bill be jointly promoted by the Conference and the Trustees and that the following Committee represent the Conference in the matter:—The President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Conference, with Revs. J. Dawson, J. H. Simmonds, C. H. Laws B.A., and Mr. A. Peak. Convener, Mr. A. Peak.
5. That such Bill should provide, *inter alia*,
 - (a) That the Trust Property and Funds be vested in and held by the Trustees and administered by them under the general control and superintendence of the Conference.
 - (b) That Conference shall annually appoint a person to be Chairman of the Board, who, while so acting, shall be a Trustee. In the event of the Conference not appointing a Chairman, the Trustees shall have power to appoint one of their number as Chairman.
 - (c) That the number of Trustees shall be not less than ten.
 - (d) That all new Trustees shall be appointed by Conference on the nomination of the Trustees. If the number of Trustees falls below ten, and the Trustees fail to nominate new Trustees, the Conference shall appoint without the nomination of the Trustees.

- (e) That the approval of Conference shall be obtained in respect of the exercise of any power to sell or mortgage, and in certain specified classes of leases.
- (f) That, if an Institution is established, the President of the Conference, or his duly appointed deputy, shall be the official visitor of the Institution.
6. That the Conference recommends to the Trustees as a policy for the Trustees to pursue in the framing of the Bill, the constitution of Trusts similar to those declared by the Methodist Charitable and Educational Trusts Act, 1911, Section 31, and designed to benefit—
- (a) Children and youth being descendants of the Native or Maori race of New Zealand.
- (b) Orphan or needy children and youth of any other race being British subjects.
7. That the Trustees be recommended, after the passage of such Bill into law, to confer with the aforesaid Committee on the details of a definite line of policy with a view to reporting a scheme of administration to next Conference.
8. That the aforesaid Committee be empowered to depute certain of their number, if necessary, to meet the Trustees in Wellington, the expenses to be borne by the Contingent Fund.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

10. Canterbury Home Mission Trust.
For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 12.

General Resolutions.

1. That the Reports and Balance-sheets of the above Trusts be received and 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 9 to 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 Treasurers 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 XXXIV.—What is the Report on Connexional Fire Insurance?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE, 1915.

1. The Committee has pleasure in reporting that there has been no loss to the Fund caused by fire during the year.
2. The Assets of the Fund amount to £7874 7s. 9d., as compared with £7194 19s. 7d. a year ago. These assets do not include £108 2s. 5d. unpaid Levies, due when the accounts were closed. The amount received during the year as insurance levies was £809 2s. 6d., being £45 9s. 2d. less than the amount received during the preceding year. This decrease is wholly due to the larger amount of unpaid levies. The reference made in last year's Report to the lack of promptness on the part of some Trust Treasurers in meeting their engagements to this Fund does not appear to have borne any good fruit. The Treasurers will take immediate steps to see that arrears are paid, or else discontinue the risks.
3. As some of the District Synods had expressed the desire to be furnished with a statement of individual insurances, a column was added to the Church Property Schedules, with a request that the name of the office in which the insurance was held should be stated. Most of the Schedules contain the information desired. When there has been time for the detailed examination of these Schedules the Committee will be in a position to learn from what quarters new business may reasonably be expected.
4. There does not appear to be any good reason why every Methodist Church Property in the Dominion should not be insured in the Connexional Office. The Committee takes care that all large risks are adequately re-insured; and in cases where the property is mortgaged, arrangements can generally be made for insuring in the Connexional Office on terms satisfactory alike to the office and the mortgagee. The Fund has been in operation sufficiently long to warrant the Committee in expecting all connexional insurance business to come to the office. In some cases probably it is only an oversight which accounts for business being continued with outside offices. But in some instances Trust Treasurers appear to regard it as the correct thing, when they happen to be agents for insurance companies, to secure the insurance business of the Trustees for the companies which they represent. A few cases have occurred in which business has been withdrawn without notice from the Connexional Office, and transferred to the companies for which the Treasurers were agents. This has at least the appearance of putting private interests before those of the Church. As all the profits of the Fund are connexional property, it is only fair that all who share in the profit should loyally do their part in helping to create it. This is fully recognised by most of our Ministers and Trustees, and the Committee hopes it may become universal.
5. Last year the Committee in its Report referred to the unsatisfactory securities held for some of the Loans which previously had been advanced to Trustees of Church and Parsonage properties. The number of these has been decreased during the year. The remaining cases continue to receive the attention of the Committee, and it is hoped that all of them will shortly be put on a satisfactory basis.
6. There are at present fourteen Trust Boards which have loans

owing to this fund. The following shows the amount of each Loan, and the interest (if any) due on January 10th, 1916:—

	Amount of Loan.		Interest.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Great North Road, Auckland	80	0 0	—	—
Richmond Road, Auckland	215	0 0	—	—
Waterview, Auckland	150	0 0	—	—
Hamilton	327	18 0	4	2 0
Fencourt, Cambridge	69	0 0	0	17 3
Waihi	15	0 0	2	14 9
Fitzroy, New Plymouth	120	0 0	1	10 0
Huiakama, East Egmont	50	0 0	4	7 6
Haicombe	90	0 0	—	—
Madras Street, St Albans	125	0 0	—	—
Denmark Street, Temuka	25	0 0	2	3 9
Woodlands Street, Timaru	150	0 0	3	15 0
Anderson's Bay, Dunedin	140	0 0	19	5 0
Fairfield, Dunedin	50	0 0	1	17 6
	£1606	18 0	£40	12 9

The latest payment of interest by Waihi was in April, 1912, and no interest has been received on account of Anderson's Bay since April, 1913.

7. Mr A. Borrows is the retiring member of the Committee, and Mr E. C. Brown is nominated as his successor.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

SAMUEL LAWRY,

Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet be received and 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 Connexional Secretary, Revs. T. Fee and A. Peters, Messrs C. E. Salter, E. W. Hall, G. Barrell, H. Buttle and E. C. Brown.
3. That the thanks of the Conference be given to Mr. A. Borrows, the retiring member of the Committee.
4. That the Trustees and Treasurers of Connexional and other Church properties be requested to consider the advisability of effecting insurances in the Connexional Office.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

1. The work of the Office in almost all departments continues steadily to increase. With the growth of the Church and the increase of the Funds administered, this must be looked for. The year closed with a credit balance of £14 18s 1d on the working expenses. As a separate Report is given of each of the principal departments of the

work done in the Office, there is no need to refer to these in detail in this Report.

2. During the year the Secretary did a considerable amount of deputation work in connection with both Home and Foreign Missions. This work was done in the Wellington and North Canterbury Districts.

3. In view of the recommendations of the "Committee on Connexional Offices," it may be useful to remind the Conference what the duties of the Connexional Secretary are. The Committee, in its Report, expresses the opinion that "the contribution from the Contingent Fund to this office should cease at the earliest possible date, with a view to the office being maintained entirely from the funds administered therefrom." This appears to assume that all the work of the office is revenue-producing, or ought to be. A brief consideration of the facts will show that this is not the case, nor is it likely to be. The duties of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee are not by any means confined to the management of loans. There are 8 paragraphs in the Rules and Regulations, setting forth the "Duties of the Committee." Of these only one has to do with business which brings in even the small revenue towards working expenses derivable from loans. The duties of the Connexional Secretary also are set out in eight paragraphs, but only one of them specifies duties from which any income is derived. It is therefore hardly reasonable to expect the revenue-producing departments to pay for their own working expenses, and also to provide for the cost of a large amount of work connected with them only by the fact of its being done in the same office. Further, the recommendation that "the Connexional Secretary undertake the Missionary deputation work of at least one District each year," would not add anything to the income of the office, nor relieve the Contingent Fund to any extent whatever, but would really be making other funds contribute to the working cost of the Mission Funds without any return being given. It may further be pointed out that notwithstanding the growth of the general work of the office, the contribution from the Contingent Fund remains the same as it was in 1897; and the contribution from the Home Mission Fund, which was then £150 per annum, has now entirely ceased.

4. The Committee, after carefully considering the whole matter, estimates the expenditure for 1916 at about £700—and recommends the following appropriations to meet the same:—Contingent Fund, £165; Church Building and Loan Fund, £165; Fire Insurance Fund, £190; Supernumerary Fund, £150; Authorised Representative, £30; total, £700.

5. Mr E. C. Brown is the retiring member of the Committee, and the Conference is recommended to appoint the following as members of the Committee for 1916:—The Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Durham Street, Christchurch East, Cambridge Terrace, Addington and St Albans Circuits, with Colonel G. J. Smith, Messrs J. C. Prudhoe, C. E. Salter, J. A. Flesher, A. F. Drayton, G. Barrell and W. Dobbs.

6. In conclusion, the Committee desires to express its high appreciation of the services of the Secretary, the Rev. S. Lawry, who has carried out the duties of this growingly important office with devotion, ability and courtesy.

W. A. SINCLAIR,

Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet of the Committee be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be given to Colonel G. J. Smith for his services as Treasurer, and that Mr. A. F. Drayton be appointed Treasurer for 1916-17.
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 the ensuing year:—The Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch Durham Street, Christchurch East, St Albans, Addington, and Cambridge Terrace Circuits; Colonel G. J. Smith, Messrs. J. C. Prudhoe, C. E. Salter, J. A. Flesher, G. Barrell, A. F. Drayton, and W. Dobbs.
4. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev S. Lawry for his faithful and efficient services in the carrying out of the increasing duties of the office of Connexional Secretary.

QUESTION XXXVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference Respecting the Theological College?

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 15.

A.—REPORT OF PRINCIPAL.

The present year's work has suffered many interruptions. Towards the end of the first term, and during the second term, Messrs S. J. Mogridge (senior student), E. T. Olds, G. B. Sheridan and W. S. Smith, with the president's consent, enlisted with the Expeditionary Forces. Mr Smith, after enlisting, went to Aramoho as "Supply," and there remained until September. The other three went into camp soon after enlisting, and have in each case won promotion. The four have now sailed for the front. These were all students at the University, two of them—Messrs Mogridge and Smith—preparing for the final section of the B.A. degree.

With the opening of the second term, Mr W. G. Slade, B.A., owing to his father's serious illness, was called out by the President to assist his father in Newtown. Mr Slade was preparing for the honours M.A. degree, and is continuing his course of studies, expecting to take the examinations at the close of the year. In August the President again called for assistance, and Mr E. R. Warburton was sent to Levin where he still is.

There are but seven men now in College.

The President visited us early in June, and at the dinner table gave a timely address, commending the men who had felt it their duty to enlist, and commending also the men who, with equal conviction felt it their duty to remain and equip themselves for their life's vocation.

Our chief theological studies have been devoted to the Epistle to the Romans and to Professor Mackintosh's "Person of Jesus Christ."

In Greek it has been necessary to divide the men, even the present number, into four classes. More time has been devoted than in former years to classic Greek, with a view of giving the students a fuller comprehension of the principles of the language than the reading of the New Testament text can supply. I am convinced that if our

candidates' course included a section of such a book as the "Initia Graeca," instead of Green's "Brief Introduction to New Testament Greek," it would be a better preparation for subsequent studies.

The attempt to establish a Hebrew class has ended in failure. The Board of Studies granted exemption to a number of men who found that the extra subject interfered with more urgent claims, and subsequently the departure of the men for the camps ended the class.

Three of the present residents are attending the University, Messrs. E. E. Sage and C. H. Kendon taking Mental Science and Economics, and Mr W. T. Blight first year's term in Economics, Mental Science, Latin and Mathematics. Mr G. E. Brown is preparing for the full Matriculation course, Mr E. E. Sage for the completion of that course in one subject—Latin, and Mr R. E. Fordyce, who has matriculated, but is debarred from sitting for terms because he did not include in his subjects either Latin or Greek, is endeavouring to reach Matriculation standard in Greek.

In the College itself, the men have pursued the studies of Psychology, Logic, English and English History, in addition to Theology, Exegesis and Homiletics.

The Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., and E. T. Cox, M.A., accepted the position of assistant tutors offered by the Board, and have given faithful and efficient service in preparing candidates for Matriculation.

The course of studies has not obscured the supreme object of the Christian ministry. Of their own freewill all the students have taken part in the open-air services conducted by the East Street Mission, the whole band going on alternate Saturday nights and assisting in addressing the crowd, or in leading the meeting. The Rev. E. T. Cox, M.A., speaks in warm terms of appreciation of their help.

They have entered heartily into the "Student Christian Movement," several of them being leaders of the Bible circles in the University College. Mr W. S. Smith was president of the Union until he left Auckland, and Mr W. T. Blight has recently been elected vice-president.

The men who have gone into camp have not forgotten their high calling. Their letters contain refreshing evidence of soul-culture and of zeal. One writes from the camp just before sailing for Europe:—"Am sailing on Saturday night. Had a good time in camp. Saw two men—one a dreadful fellow—soundly converted. Opportunities will increase with further acquaintance with the fellows. Some are unbelievably rough specimens—many are quite splendid—all are interesting."

Another writes:—"The 'B' section are a good lot on the whole, though there is plenty of scope for Christian work. I have spoken twice at well attended meetings. Am glad to record the experience of the growing reality of Jesus Christ."

I have to report that we are indebted to Dr Leslie Thompson, who, at the request of the Committee, undertook to act as honorary medical adviser in the absence of Dr M'Master. Fortunately we have had scarcely any need to call in his aid, but we thank him for his visit, when he gave a practical address on some of the difficulties in a religious teacher's career, and how to overcome them.

After the Doctor's visit, a "first aid" class was formed under the leadership of Mr J. Dennis, but owing to the departures already referred to, the class had but a short life.

Our thanks are also due to Messrs L. J. Comrie, B.A., and E. J. Russell, M.Sc., of the Auckland University, for their willing assistance in teaching the men how to make the best use of the telescope purchased last year by the Library trustees.

The Library trustees still regularly supply the College with magazines and replenish our stock of modern books. They have again awarded gifts of well selected volumes to the most successful student in the Theological and the Greek examinations. The "Edson" prize and the "Lawry" prize were both won by the senior student, Mr E. E. Sage.

Mr W. S. Smith has presented the College with a New Zealand flag, which we shall reserve for a flagstaff on our own property.

Mr G. E. Brown has added to our summer comfort by the erection of a large, well-built ice-chest. In past years several students have contributed their skilful labour in adding to the College equipment, but Mr Brown's services have eclipsed all past contributions.

In conclusion, I beg to assure the Synod that all the men in residence promise to make useful and effective Methodist preachers. Not all have had the literary advantages which have been the privilege of a few; neither are all similarly gifted, but I believe that all are fully consecrated to their life's mission, and are strenuously endeavouring to make the most of their opportunities

C. H. GARLAND.

P.S.—Since submitting the above to the Management Committee, the University College examinations have been held. I am pleased to report that all three students passed in their respective subjects, and of three who sat for the Matriculation Examination, two have been successful.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to the Rev. C. H. Garland for his services as Principal, and to Mrs. Garland for her capable management of the domestic affairs of the Institution during the year.
3. That the following be the Committee of Management for the ensuing year:—Revs. C. H. Laws, B.A., G. Bond, J. H. Simmonds, C. H. Garland, E. P. Blamires, H. E. Bellhouse, J. Wrigley, T. F. Jones (Convener), W. J. Elliott, J. J. Lewis, and E. T. Cox, M.A., Messrs. A. C. Caughey, G. A. Buttle, A. Peak, J. E. Wheeler, J. Veale, T. W. Jones, J. W. Shackelford, S. J. Ambury. The Committee shall meet quarterly.
4. That Mr. G. A. Buttle, Treasurer of the Theological College, be thanked for his services, and re-appointed.
5. That the following appropriations for 1915 be made:—(1) Probert Trust, £500; (2) Contingent Fund, £500; (3) Home Mission Fund, £100; (4) Prince Albert College Trust, £100; (5) Emsly Trust, £90; (total, £1290); and that the amounts in (1), (2), (3), (4) be paid in quarterly instalments in January, April, July and October.

6. That in order to assist in the support of additional Theological Students in the College and to aid in their higher education, the Conference trusts that some of our wealthy laymen will see their way to found bursaries or scholarships, or otherwise contribute to this important object.
7. That the tuition fees of Students on the President's List of Reserve be made a charge on the Contingent Fund, 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.
8. That Students on the President's List of Reserve who receive money from the Contingent Fund be required by the Chairman of their respective Districts to sign an agreement to refund the amount received in the event of their resigning before they enter the College, such agreement to be in the hands of the Treasurers before the money is paid.
9. That the Conference re-affirms its conviction that all candidates for the Ministry should aim at matriculation as an educational standard.
10. That the Conference expresses its appreciation of the good results obtained by the Students in the various examinations during the year.
11. That in the event of a Minister resigning after his ordination there shall be granted for each year of service (reckoning only probationary and ministerial years) a rebate of one-tenth of his personal indebtedness.

REGULATIONS.

1. That a copy of the Annual Report of the Theological College, for the year ending October 31st, be furnished by the Principal to each Chairman of District in time to lay before his Synod.
2. That the Ministers of the Auckland and Onehunga Circuits be a Committee of Discipline for the Theological College (the Principal 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.
3. That the Treasurer be authorised to pay the fees for Theological Students attending University College lectures.
4. That quarterage be allowed to each Student, at the rate of £2 per quarter.
5. That Students be allowed to remain for a period of not less than three years in the College, unless called out in cases of necessity by the President.
6. That Students be required to sign an agreement to repay the cost of training in the event of their retiring from the Ministry within ten years from the commencement of their probation, and that the Principal of the College be authorised to sign the agreement on behalf of the Conference, and be responsible for the custody of such agreement.

B.—NEW THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 15.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Committee has held only one meeting during the year. The Sub-Committee on sites reported that no action had been taken, as the site of the Auckland University had not yet been settled.

T. FRANCIS JONES,

Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet be received.
2. That the following be the General Committee in connection with the proposed New College:—The Revs. C. H. Laws, B.A., G. Bond, J. H. Simmonds, C. H. Garland, H. E. Bellhouse, W. S. Potter, W. J. Elliott, J. Wrigley, C. C. Harrison and T. F. Jones, Messrs. G. Winstone, A. C. Caughey, A. Peak, J. E. Wheeler, S. J. Ambury, G. A. Buttle, T. W. Jones, J. Veale, J. H. Gunson, J. W. Shackelford, F. W. Wilson, G. Winstone, Junr., J. Stanton, LL.B., J. Marsden Caughey, J. W. Court, J. Watkinson and Alfred Trenwith.

Joint Treasurers:—Messrs. A. C. Caughey and A. Peak.

QUESTION XXXVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Wesley Training College?

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 5.

Report to Conference for the Year Ended December 31st, 1915.

There have been in residence during the year 29 boys and youths, ranging in age from 11 years to over 20. All have enjoyed excellent health; and, speaking generally, conduct and progress have also been satisfactory.

Paraire Paikea left early in the year to take up his duties in the Native Ministry. At the call of family circumstances one boy returned to his home in June; another left in October. The school year closed formally on December 11th, when several members of the Board and other friends were present, and the prizes were distributed by the Chairman of the District.

We have had changes in the office of second assistant master; but in each case have been fortunate enough to secure the services of a young man, who in addition to University training, brought to his work a devout mind, combined with enthusiasm for the practical and social aspects of school life. From all members of the Staff the Principal has received loyal and efficient assistance.

The boys have regularly attended the public services at the Mount Eden Methodist Church, and the Minister of the Church, the Rev. E. P. Blamires, has been good enough to spend an evening with them once a month at the College.

Several of the senior students have been occasionally employed on the new farm at Paerata, with a view to giving them wider experience

in farm work than is possible at Three Kings. Four are remaining in residence during the vacation to assist in carrying on the work both at Three Kings and Paerata.

Over 20 of our "old boys" have enlisted for military service, and we have heard good accounts of their behaviour in camp and at the front. Two or three have been severely wounded.

On November 1st the majority of the members of the Board visited the Paerata property to consider plans for the proposed new College buildings. The Board's architect was present, and together with the Principal fully explained the suggested scheme for roads, plantations, and distribution of the buildings. The general impression seemed to be that the site was eminently suitable for the purposes of the College and the scheme a good one.

The only serious regret to be recorded is that the outbreak of war has temporarily made it impossible for the Board to finance the scheme by selling part of the suburban land as was intended. The delay means not only loss of time, but also loss of interest on the purchase price of the new farm. The existing fund for new buildings is securely invested and is annually increasing in amount, the total now being nearly £3,500. As the architect's estimate for necessary buildings and roads more than doubles that sum, it will scarcely be possible to even make a commencement in the present financial circumstances. In the meantime, the new farm is being improved by working and re-laying the paddocks with better grasses, and by planting extensive belts of trees for future shelter and timber. The profits on stock carried cover working expenses and improvements, but cannot under present conditions overtake interest on the Capital Cost of the property. There seems to be no other course open than to work on patiently until a sale of other land be effected, when a situation admittedly trying for all concerned will be changed to one entirely satisfactory.

(Signed) C. H. LAWS, Chairman.

J. H. SIMMONDS, Principal.

The Report and Financial Statement were received and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Conference expresses its continued appreciation of the work of the Principal and of the College.
2. That, where by the provisions of the Methodist Charitable and Educational Trusts Act, 1911, and the Amendments thereof, the sanction, approval, or consent of the Conference is required in respect of any dealing or transaction by the Board of the Wesley Training College in exercise of its powers under the said Act or the Amendments thereof, such sanction, approval or consent may be given on behalf of the Conference by the Committee of the Church Building and Loan Fund.
3. That the Chairman of the District, Rev. C. H. Garland, be the Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

4. The following are the members of the Board:—Frederick Lambert Prime, Thomas McMaster, Geo. Winstone, Senr., Stephen J. Ambury, Andrew Clarke Caughey, James Henry Gunson, Joseph Henry Simmonds, James Edward Wheeler, John Veale, George Bond, George Winstone, Junr., Joseph Stanton, James Wilson Wiseman, Thomas William Jones, Godwyn Dalrympie Smith, Charles Hughlings Garland, William Westney, John Edward Astley, Charles Henry Laws.

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

I.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

For Statement of Receipts and Expenditure see Appendix 17.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT, 1915.

1. During the year the final payment of capital due to New Zealand from Australia has been made. The amount received from Australia, including interest on portions of the capital not paid till after the date of the division of the fund, is £64,972 10s. 1d.

2. A question involving an important point of principle has been under discussion between the two Boards during the year. A minister who was in the mission field at the time of the division of the fund has since returned to New Zealand, and desires to have his interests in the Supernumerary Fund transferred to New Zealand. The two Boards have not been able to agree as to the terms on which such transfer should take place. The Australian Treasurers referred the matter to their Actuary, who advised the payment of a sum so small that the New Zealand Board could not see its way to accept it. Acting on the advice of its Actuary the New Zealand Board has declined to agree to the transfer unless better terms can be arranged.

3. Up to December 31st, 1915, the sum of £10,233 19s. 6d. had been received on account of purchase of benefits in the Fund for Ministers and Probationers previously connected with the Superannuation Funds of the Primitive Methodist Church. From this an amount due for interest on moneys paid after due date has to be deducted. A sufficient sum has been paid to purchase approximately 95 per cent. of full benefits in the fund, and to provide interest as above, for all except those for whom special arrangements have been made. The Committee appointed by the last Primitive Methodist Conference will probably be able to make a statement showing what is proposed to be done in regard to the balance still required.

4. The Cash Account shows that during the year, £1392 15s. 0d. was received on account of Ministers' Subscriptions, and £1781 18s. 6d. account of Circuit Levies. At the end of December nearly all Circuit Levies, except those for the last quarter of the year, had been paid. The following table shows the arrears of Ministers' Subscriptions in each District, with interest due thereon to December 31:—

Districts.	Arrears of Subscriptions.	Interest on Arrears.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	24 18 0	10 18 7	35 16 7
South Auckland ...	8 17 0	0 9 4	9 6 4
Taranaki-Wanganui	50 13 6	—	50 13 6
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	33 13 3	2 6 2	35 19 5
Wellington	70 18 0	7 2 4	78 0 4
Nelson	0 14 0	0 3 10	0 17 10
North Canterbury ...	26 11 0	1 3 11	27 14 11
South Canterbury ...	8 17 0	—	8 17 0
Otago	17 14 0	0 13 10	18 7 10
Southland	1 16 6	0 8 10	2 5 4
Totals	244 12 3	23 6 10	267 19 1

Of the above £70 16s. is owing by Probationers of the first year, who are not required to pay the first year's subscription till the second year. There is a reduction of £43 2s. 2d. on the amount reported last year.

5. On December 31st the amount invested on mortgage was £70,100, all of which is bearing interest at 5½ per cent.; £3000 is invested in New Plymouth Borough Debentures, bearing interest at 5 per cent.; £5600 worth of New Zealand Government Debentures, and £900 of City of Wellington Debentures have been taken over from the Australian Treasurers. These all carry interest at 4 per cent.

6. The payment of moneys at irregular intervals and in varying sums makes it impracticable to state the average rate of interest earned by the Fund under normal conditions. The Board hopes in future Reports to present this item of information.

7. The attention of Conference is called to the fact that no specific provision has been made for the payment of Circuit Levy on account of a Student who may be sent early in the year to supply for a Minister who dies or who is unable through ill-health to continue his work. If the Student is accepted by Conference as having passed the first year of his probation, there are two liabilities to the Fund. The Board therefore recommends that provision be made for the payment of Circuit Levies for "Supplies" who receive a year's status on the Fund, when such are not paid by the Circuits.

8. One annuitant died during the year, and one returned to Circuit work. One Minister in Circuit work has died, leaving a widow who becomes an annuitant on the Fund.

9. There has been no change in the personnel of the Board during the year, and no change is recommended to be made by the Conference

(Signed on behalf of the Board of Management)—

SAMUEL LAWRY,

J. C. PRUDHOE.

Treasurers.

The Report and Balance-sheet, with Revenue Account, were received and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Circuit levies due for Students who may be sent early in the year to supply for a minister who has died or who is unable through ill-health to continue his work, shall be paid by the Contingent and Home Mission Funds.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Rev. S. Lawry and Mr. J. C. Prudhoe, the treasurers of the Fund, for their services during the year, and that Mr. J. C. Prudhoe be re-appointed Lay Treasurer of the Fund.
3. That the following be the Board of Management:—The Connexional Secretary, Revs. W. Lee, A. Peters, W. A. Sinclair, W. Laycock, and J. Cocker; Messrs J. C. Prudhoe, C. E. Salter, J. A. Flesher, W. H. Seed, W. Dobbs, and G. Bowron.
4. That Circuit levies be paid quarterly to the Conference Treasurers.
5. That all moneys in connection with this Fund go through the hands of Chairmen of Districts to the Conference Treasurers.

PLAMPIN BEQUEST.

The Report and Statement of Finance were received and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the sum of £56 be distributed among seven needy cases.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. H. Bull for his long and faithful services in connection with the administration of this Fund:
3. That the Supernumerary Fund Board be the Trustees for the Plampin Bequest.
4. That the whole of the capital of the Plampin Bequest be transferred to the Benevolent Fund to be forthwith established in connection with the Supernumerary Fund.
5. That the Conference authorise the Supernumerary Fund Board to make grants from the Benevolent Fund to any necessitous Supernumerary Minister or widow of any minister of the New Zealand Conference whether an annuitant of the New Zealand Fund or otherwise.

II.— CHILDREN'S FUND.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance-sheet be adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to Rev. W. Beckett and Mr E. Kellow for their services as Treasurers during the year, and that they be re-appointed.
3. That the assessment for the ensuing year be 12 per cent.
4. That the Three Kings Wesley Training College, the Connexional Secretary, and Home Mission Secretary Departments, and the Theological College be assessed in the interests of the Children's Fund on the basis of Circuits.

5. That the payments on account of the Children's Fund be £9 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 Minister in full connexion, the deductions from the taxable amount made under the Children's Fund be based upon the appointments of the current year; and that when a Minister is withdrawn from a Circuit, charges be made for the March quarter only.
10. That when a Circuit is temporarily relieved of supporting a Minister or Probationer, the payment of the usual Connexional Charges shall cease on the 1st of April following the Conference which grants such relief, and that when another appointment is made to the Circuit, Connexional Charges shall begin with the year of such appointment on the basis of the stipend paid.
11. That the travelling expenses of one of the Treasurers to Conference be paid out of the Fund.
12. That one child of Rev. J. Harris be placed on the Fund for eight years, and that two children of Rev. N. Turner be placed on the Fund, one for five years and one for two years.
13. That Ministers who have been permitted by Conference to marry during their probation, and those who have been received as married candidates for the ministry, be entitled to children's allowances for all children who are of the specified ages at the time of their reception into full connexion.

III.—CONTINGENT FUND.

For statement of Income and Expenditure and Table of Levies, see Appendix 19.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Balance-sheet for 1915 be adopted.
2. That the levy for the current year be $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
3. That Rev. W. A. Hay and Mr. E. Rosevear be thanked for their services, and that they be re-appointed.
4. That a compassionate allowance of £25 be paid to the Rev. George Frost for medical expenses.
5. That a compassionate allowance of £25 be paid to Mrs. Benning.

6. That the removal expenses of Rev. N. Turner from Auckland to Gore, of the Rev. W. Stade from Dunedin to Wellington be paid, half by the Contingent Fund and half by the Home Mission Fund.
7. That the sum of £11 10s. be refunded to the Rev. J. Dawson, the ex-President of the Conference, being the amount paid by him as Circuit contribution to the Supernumerary Fund during the year of his presidency.
8. That £165 be voted for the Connexional Secretary's Office, £500 to the Theological College, £40 honoraria to the Editors of the "New Zealand Methodist Times," together with incidental expenses incurred in connection with the paper, and one per cent. on the taxable income of the Fund for the Conference Representatives' Equalisation Fund; also the amounts voted in connection with the appointments of chaplains.
9. That the cost of supplies for deceased or disabled ministers include the Circuit levy for the Supernumerary Fund when this is not paid by the Circuit.
10. For Regulations with reference to the appointment of a Minister in full connexion to a Circuit, withdrawal or temporary withdrawal see Children's Fund, Nos. 9 and 10.
11. That postage allowances for this year be as follows:—President and Secretary, £10 each; Chairmen of Districts, Auckland and North Canterbury, £4 each; South Auckland, Taranaki-Wanganui, Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, Wellington, and Otago, £3 each; Nelson, South Canterbury and Southland, £2 each.

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

The Report and Financial Statement were received and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Conference expresses its gratitude that in spite of the demands made by the war, and the other special circumstances of the year, the income for the year shows an increase of over 40 per cent. The Conference deeply appreciates this mark of loyalty to the great cause and commends our widespread Mission Fields to the continued liberality of our people.
2. That, believing that missionary work is indispensable to Christian civilisation, and that the highest ideals of Christian nations cannot be realised apart from the propagation of Christ's Gospel, the Conference regards the war situation, not as a reason for neglecting missionary operations, but rather as a new incentive to sacrifice for the holy warfare of Christianity against the forces of darkness.
3. That the Conference re-affirms its conviction that it is very desirable that a separate Mission Field be assigned to New Zealand at the earliest practicable date, but, in view of the present unsettled state of public affairs, considers that the question must be deferred until the European war has ended, and indication is given as to the future political arrangements in the Pacific Islands.

4. That in the opinion of this Conference it is expedient that, in connection with the taking over of a separate Mission Field by our New Zealand Church, a Foreign Mission Secretary be set apart.
5. That, although the exact field to be taken over and the date of our assuming responsibility for the same are as yet undetermined, the Conference is of opinion that the designation of a Foreign Mission Secretary should take place in 1917, that he may have ample time, by the study of missionary problems, and especially those relating to the Pacific, and by a thorough consideration of the financial claims of the work and the best methods of meeting them, to prepare himself to lead the new Foreign Mission Movement.
6. That the Conference expresses its strong desire that the Rev. J. W. Burton should return to New Zealand and assume the position of Foreign Mission Secretary, and that earnest representations be made to him through the President of the Conference, with a view to his doing so at a date to be mutually arranged.
7. That, failing such an arrangement, the Conference Foreign Mission Executive Committee be directed to submit three names to the Conference of 1917, with a view to the designation of a secretary.
8. That the Conference tenders its sincere sympathy to Rev. W. Slade, Foreign Mission Secretary, in his continued ill-health, thanks him for his services, and prays that he may be speedily restored to health.
9. That the special thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. W. G. Slade, M.A., for the valuable services which, in addition to successful Circuit and University work, he has rendered as supply for his father.
10. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to Mr. J. Lomas for his services as Lay Treasurer.
11. That for the present year Rev. T. F. Jones be appointed as Foreign Missionary Secretary, with an honorarium of £75.
12. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Rev. W. R. Poole for his effective service as Foreign Mission Deputation.
13. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the retiring Committee, and that the Committee for the ensuing year be located in Auckland, to consist of: Revs. W. Slade, C. H. Laws, B.A., C. H. Garland, L. Hudson, J. Wrigley, H. E. Bellhouse, W. J. Elliott, E. T. Cox, M.A., W. A. Burley, M.A., T. F. Jones, with Mrs H. E. Pacey, Mrs J. W. Court and Miss Madge Buttle, Messrs. G. Winstone, A. C. Caughey, J. H. Gunson, B. Buttle, J. W. Shäckelford, J. Stanton, LL.B., F. W. Stone, W. Trenwith, J. W. Court; the New Zealand representatives to the Mission Board being corresponding members.—Convener, Rev. T. F. Jones.
14. That Mr. J. W. Court be Lay Treasurer to the Foreign Mission Fund.
15. That the following be appointed as District Secretaries for Foreign Missions for the ensuing year—

Auckland.—Rev. E. P. Blamires.
 South Auckland.—Rev. T. J. Wallis
 Taranaki-Wanganui.—Mr. E. Dixon
 Hawkes Bay-Manawatu.—Mr. J. H. Oldham
 Wellington.—Rev. W. Beckett
 Nelson.—Rev. A. Ashcroft
 North Canterbury.—Mr. F. Sheppard Green
 South Canterbury.—Mr. E. Holdgate
 Otago.—Mr. E. Rosevear
 Southland.—Rev. S. Henderson

And that the chairman of the District and the District Secretary be a District Committee with power to associate with themselves other suitable persons for the purpose of arranging for deputations and other matters in the interests of Foreign Missions.

16. That the name of the Reserve Fund for our prospective independent Foreign Mission work be changed to Working Capital Fund.
17. That the Conference directs the Executive not to forward to Australia any legacies left to the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the Foreign Mission Fund, but that these be retained for the Working Capital Fund, subject to the approval of the Mission Board.
18. That any moneys contributed to the Working Capital Fund be invested in any manner authorised for Trust Funds, and that the income arising therefrom shall be available for, and form part of, the yearly income of the Foreign Mission Fund.
19. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the ex-President, Rev. J. Dawson, for his efficient service as representative of New Zealand Methodism at the Australian Methodist Centenary Celebrations held last year.
20. That the Conference, being convinced that the maintenance of a steady increase in the Foreign Mission income will depend largely on the efficient working of home organisation, requests all our Circuits and Home Mission stations to give the closest attention to this matter.
21. That in order to awaken and extend Missionary interest, the Conference directs—
 - (a) That Missionary advocacy be not limited to annual sermons, the visits of deputations, nor to quarterly lessons in the Sunday-schools, but rather interfuse the life of the entire Church the whole year through.
 - (b) That Missionary Study Circles be formed, or that Missionary Study be combined with Bible Study in Bible Classes, Fellowship Meetings, etc.
 - (c) That Missionary Topics be conspicuous in the syllabus of the Wesley Guild and other Societies of the Church.
 - (d) That the reading of Missionary Biography be encouraged in connection with the Sunday-school Libraries and in home reading.
 - (e) That the Editor of the "Methodist Times" be asked to set aside a special page for missionary news.

- (f) That the intercession of the Church be directed habitually to the various phases of the world-wide programme of Christianity.
22. That Circuit Superintendents be requested to call the attention of congregations to Missionary literature, in order to secure a wider distribution; and that the Quarterly Meetings be asked to encourage the sale of the "Missionary Review." That an active agent be appointed in every Circuit by the Quarterly Meeting, who shall secure subscribers, collect subscriptions, and remit the same through the Superintendent to the Conference Treasurer, and that all orders for the "Review" be forwarded through the Foreign Missionary Secretary.
23. That the Conference strongly urges the desirability of placing at least one Missionary box in every Methodist home in the Dominion.
24. That, recognising the importance and value of the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Conference recommends that a retiring collection be taken up in all our churches on Bible Sunday, May 7, or other suitable Sunday, in aid of the Society's Funds.
25. The Conference expresses its cordial appreciation of the services rendered to Foreign Missions by the Ladies' Auxiliaries, and the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and prays that these organisations may be crowned with success. The Conference sends its cordial greetings to the newly-formed Ladies' Missionary Union. It trusts that branches of the Laymen's Missionary Movement will be formed in all centres of population.
26. That the following alterations be made in the instructions for Conference arrangements:—(Minutes, 1915, p. 120.) That paragraphs 3 and 4 be eliminated, provision being made in paragraph 1 for the Young People's Demonstration and its most suitable date. That paragraph 2 shall read:—That a Conference Missionary Meeting be held on a suitable evening in the central week of Conference, the offertory to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Funds.
27. That the Executive Committee be requested to consider whether Circuits should be requested to complete their Annual Foreign Missionary effort by September 30.

REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions was held in Sydney, beginning on Wednesday, February 2nd, and was presided over by Rev. G. Brown, D.D., President of the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia. On account of the illness of the New Zealand Conference Foreign Mission Secretary, and the inability of Mr. C. M. Luke to attend, there was only one Representative from New Zealand present. All the Australian States were fully represented.

The financial position was shown in a series of statements which had been prepared by the General Secretary and the Auditors. These were much more complete and more readily understood than the statements presented in former years. It was gratifying to find that in

spite of war conditions the contributions from all sources were quite equal to the estimates adopted a year ago, and including the amounts raised towards the deficit of the previous year, the amount constituted a record income for any one year. The following shows the amounts (including special offerings for the deficit of 1914) raised by the several Auxiliaries, in the Home Districts and on the Mission Field, and the estimated income for 1916:—

1.—The Home Churches:

	Amount received, 1915	Estimated Income, 1916
	£	£
New South Wales	9,586	8,000
Queensland	1,861	1,850
Victoria	13,004	11,000
Tasmania	1,427	1,200
South Australia	4,744	4,500
Western Australia	632	650
New Zealand	5,647	5,000
Special for Mission to Australian Aborigines	—	1,000
Sundries	346	250
Total for Home Churches	£37,247	£33,450

2.—Mission Districts:

Tonga	—	—
Samoa	271	250
Fiji	6,826	6,100
New Britain	1,657	1,600
Papua	823	600
Solomon Islands	455	450
India	—	50
Total for Mission Districts	£10,032	£9,050
Grand Total	£47,279	£42,500

The estimates for 1916 were very carefully considered. In view of all the circumstances no increase over the amount raised in 1915 by ordinary efforts could be expected. This inevitably meant the elimination of nearly all new work. Each Mission District had developmental work and new enterprises in its programme, but progress in these directions is severely limited.

The one new enterprise of any magnitude sanctioned by the Board was the Mission to the Australian Natives, in the Northern Territory. Special gifts for this purpose made this possible. At the request of the Board the Rev. J. Watson, at present acting as Conference Secretary of Foreign Missions for New South Wales and Queensland, had paid a visit to the far north of Australia during the year, to inspect the country and interview the natives. He had also been in communication with the Commonwealth Government, which is prepared to facilitate the work of the Mission, financially and otherwise. It was resolved to request the New South Wales Conference to release Mr. Watson from his present position, with a view to his being appointed as the Superintendent of the new Mission, for which he appears to be in every way fitted.

As the result of an offer by a member of the Board to give £100 per annum for two years, it was resolved to sanction the extension of the Solomon Island's work to Bougainville, which, until the outbreak of war, belonged to Germany. So far as is known, Bougainville is thickly populated, and hitherto the people have been without any means of learning the teachings of the Gospel.

As usual an "Allocation Committee" was appointed to deal with the proposed expenditure for 1916. This Committee was instructed to bring the allocation of expenditure within the estimated income as already given, plus sundry amounts transferred from special funds to the general fund, making a total of £45,376. This is about £4000 less than the amount asked for by the Mission District Synods, and for the most part represents work to be left undone, which would have been taken in hand had the means been available. The above amount has been allocated as follows:—

Administration and Contingencies	...	...	£	6,227
Fiji (Native Work)	...	...	...	8,440
Fiji (Indian Work)	...	...	...	4,530
New Britain	...	...	...	9,232
Papua (New Guinea)	...	...	...	7,637
Solomon Islands	...	...	...	5,459
India	...	...	...	2,351
Australian Aborigines	...	...	...	1,500
Total Allocation	...	...	...	£45,376

The question of Industrial Missions again received a good deal of attention. The Committee appointed last year had not been able to collect all the information it had sought, and its report was incomplete. The desirability of maintaining industrial training in connection with our Mission work was generally acknowledged. But how to prevent such work from becoming merely commercial enterprises, and how to prevent them from absorbing large sums of money given for the purpose of doing direct Mission work, were not quite so apparent. The whole matter was again remitted to a Committee, to obtain further information and to report to the Board next year.

The proper training of Missionary Sisters was brought before the Board by a communication from the New South Wales Ladies' Auxiliary. The Board decided that a Training Home must be established at the earliest possible date, and appointed a Committee to deal with the matter during the year, and to confer with Ladies' Auxiliaries as to the course to be adopted.

For a long time the Board has been exercised as to the best method of securing a satisfactory legal title to the Mission properties in the several Districts. A report was presented showing that after extensive enquiries it was thought desirable to adopt substantially the same course as that which has been found to work satisfactorily in connection with the English Wesleyan Missionary Society. A Trust Association is to be formed, and registered as a limited liability company. Its shareholders are to be the members of the Mission Board, with six directors. This Company will hold all Mission properties, and do all that is necessary for their administration.

On the recommendation of the New Zealand Committee some time was given to the consideration of matters connected with "Home Organisation." Each of the Conference Secretaries reported on his methods

of work. All of them emphasised the importance of the hearty co-operation of the Circuit Ministers, if Missionary organisation is to be effective. In some places, especially Victoria, the Laymen's Missionary Movement is doing good work; and everywhere the great help of the Ladies' Auxiliaries is recognised. The value of Mission Study Classes was pointed out, also the importance of circulating Missionary Literature. One of the speakers urged the importance of securing, as collectors, persons who had both knowledge of, and interest in, the work of Foreign Missions. These were likely to get pounds, where others would get only shillings.

In the interests of economy an effort was made to stop the publication of the "Missionary Review." This, however, did not meet the views of the majority of the Board, and the "Review" is to be continued. But it is necessary to have at least one agent in every Circuit, whose business should be to collect the annual subscriptions, and to secure additional subscribers.

The Annual Report for this year is reduced to a mere statement of the finances. While recognising the importance of giving as much information as possible, the necessity for exercising rigid economy led the Board to adopt this course for one year. It is hoped that the Connexional Papers will help to supply Missionary information, so as to keep up the people's interest in this sacred cause.

It is expected that the Rev. W. J. Enticott will be on furlough during the latter part of 1916, and that he will be able to give some time to Deputation work in New Zealand next summer. The resignation of Rev. C. L. Carr, a Probationer from the New Zealand Conference, was reported to the Board, and this will no doubt be officially communicated to the Conference.

SAMUEL LAWRY,

N.Z. Representative to the Annual Meeting
of the Board of Foreign Missions.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report of the Representatives to the Board of Missions be received and printed in the Minutes.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. S. Lawry for his services on the Board of Missions.
3. That the members of the Board be appointed for a term of three years.
(The New Zealand representatives are the Revs. W. Slade, S. Lawry and Mr. C. M. Luke.)
4. That in the event of any representative being unable to attend next year, the President be requested to fill the vacancy, and to arrange for an additional substitute if necessary.

QUESTION XL.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?

The Report of the Home Mission Executive, and Balance-sheet for 1915, and also the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916, were presented by the General Treasurers. See Appendix 22.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report of the Organising Secretary be received and adopted.
2. That the Report of the Home Mission Executive be received and adopted.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS.

3. That the office of Organising Secretary be continued, and that the title of the office be altered to that of General Secretary.
4. That the Rev. T. G. Brooke be thanked for his services during the past year and that he be re-appointed.
5. That the present term of his appointment date from 1915.
6. General Treasurer.—That a cordial vote of thanks be accorded to the Rev. Geo. Bond for his services during the year, and that he be re-appointed. Also that the honorarium be £60 per year and £15 for incidental expenses.
7. That the residence of the General Treasurer be connected with the Telephone Exchange.
8. That Mr. J. Veale be thanked for his services as Lay Treasurer and that he be re-appointed.
9. Executive Committee.—That the following be appointed as the Executive Committee for the ensuing year:—The General Secretary, the General Treasurer, the Ministers of the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits, the Rev. W. Gittos and Messrs. F. L. Prime and J. Veale (life members), Messrs. J. E. Wheeler, J. W. Shackelford, T. McMaster, T. W. Jones, T. Caley, A. Peak, J. Purnell, J. Trounson, J. E. Astley, W. Hetherington, J. W. Court, J. Watkinson, H. Dicken, W. S. Stone, J. Burton, W. J. Holdsworth, H. Fraser, H. Crump, T. Clark, J. J. Parker, R. Gunson and M. Harding.
10. That a Special Committee, consisting of the President, ex-President and Secretary of the Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Revs. C. H. Laws, T. A. Joughin and A. B. Chappell, Messrs. A. Peak, J. Veale, E. Dixon, J. G. Cobbe, W. E. Redstone and J. H. Blackwell, be appointed to make recommendations to the Conference of 1917 on the control and policy of the Maori work throughout the Dominion with a view to either—(a) that the work be controlled by an English Minister working under the direction of the Home Mission Executive; or (b) that it be controlled by the General Secretary of Home Missions; or (c) that it be placed under the control of the Conference Foreign Mission Secretary, or (d) that it be directed otherwise that the Revs. T. G. Hammond and T. G. Brooke be called to give information, that the Committee have power to call any other evidence it deems necessary, and that the expenses be borne jointly by the Contingent and Home Mission Funds.

11. That all communications to the Home Mission Executive re the appointments of Home Missionaries be forwarded to the Executive through the chairman of the District in which the Circuit or Station is situated.
12. That the thanks of the Conference be given to the Advisory Committees and that the following be the Advisory Committees for the ensuing year:—

AUCKLAND.—The Home Mission Executive acts, as per rule.

SOUTH AUCKLAND.—The Chairman of the District, the Superintendents of the Hamilton, Cambridge and Te Awamutu Circuits, with Messrs. L. Hames, R. Reynolds and J. A. Clothier. Convener: Rev. T. J. Wallis.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI.—The Ministers in full Connexion belonging to the Taranaki Ministerial Council, together with Messrs. R. Pepperell, G. H. White, E. Dixon, E. O. Chivers, T. P. Hughson and F. J. Denton. Convener: The Secretary of the Council.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU.—The Chairman of the District, the Superintendent Ministers of Feilding, Sandon and Rongotea, Palmerston North (Broad Street) and (Cuba Street) Circuits, Messrs. J. G. Cobbe, T. Masters and T. H. Verry; with the Superintendent Ministers of Napier, Hastings and Gisborne Circuits, and Messrs. J. H. Oldham, W. H. Herd and W. Spooner as corresponding members.

WELLINGTON.—The Ministers of the Wellington City and Suburban Circuits, the Chairman of the District, and Messrs. C. M. Luke, W. E. Redstone, B. J. Lynneberg, J. Lomas, G. Petherick, W. Trueman, J. G. Raine, C. D. Macintosh and F. Chinchin. Convener: The Chairman of the District.

NELSON.—Superintendents of the Nelson and Richmond Circuits, with Messrs. A. A. Lucas, S. Gorman, W. Burrough and T. Bell. Convener: Rev. A. Ashcroft.

NORTH CANTERBURY.—The Chairman of the District, the Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street), Christchurch East, Christchurch (St Albans), Christchurch (Papanui), Christchurch (Woolston), Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace), Christchurch (Sydenham), and Christchurch (Addington Circuits, with Messrs. J. H. Blackwell, F. Thompson, H. E. Peryman, W. C. Francis, C. A. Newman, W. Dobbs, W. L. Thomas and A. R. Sherris. Convener: Rev. J. Cocker.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.—Revs. T. A. Joughin, R. J. Liddell and J. Guy, Messrs. A. Stead, J. T. Boothroyd, R. Grayburn and H. Bell. Convener: Rev R. J. Liddell.

OTAGO.—The Ministers of the District, with Messrs. E. Rosevear, W. Bull, E. Aslin, D. C. Cameron, jun., W. Paris, W. King, W. Clyde, I. Winton, T. W. Hemer, Skene, J. H. Weir, J. P. Simon, C. White, P. Nixon, J. B. Shacklock and A. T. McIndoe. Convener: Rev S. Griffith.

SOUTHLAND.—The Superintendent Ministers of the Invercargill Circuits, Messrs. A. F. Hawke, J. J. Wesley, J. Hensley, A. S. Froggatt and G. Brown. Convener: The Chairman of the District.

SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON WEST COAST MAORI MISSIONS.

The Chairman of the District, Revs. T. G. Hammond, A. B. Chappell, M.A., E. O. Blamires, R. B. Tinsley and the Maori Ministers, with Messrs. E. Dixon, T. P. Hughson and J. Masters. Convener: The Chairman of the District.

N.B.—The Taranaki-Wanganui Synod shall take into consideration the advisability of appointing one Committee to undertake the duties of the District Advisory Committee, and the Special Advisory Committee re West Coast Maori Missions.

13. That the word Treasurer in Paragraph 263, Book of Laws, be altered to read Treasurers.
14. That Rev G. Bond be appointed Home Mission Deputation to the Nelson District.
15. That Rev. Rakena Piripi be appointed Home Mission Deputation to the Otago District.
16. That Rev Hone Hare be appointed Home Mission Deputation to the South Auckland District.
17. That the Connexional Secretary cease to be a corresponding member of the Home Mission Executive.
18. That the matter of the relation of proceeds of the sale of lands administered by the Mission Property Trustees to the Home Mission Fund Executive be enquired into by the Executive during the year, a report to be presented to next Conference.
19. That steps be taken to secure a church site at Whakatane, and that it be a recommendation to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to advance a loan for two-thirds of the cost as early as possible.
20. That in view of special circumstances which have arisen at Taneatua, the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be authorised to take such steps as they may deem necessary to place the finances on a sound footing for a period of not less than five years.
21. That in connection with the appointments to Te Kuiti and Paeroa, there being no Connexional levies to pay, the Circuit Stewards be instructed to add £25 to the stipend.
22. That seeing the changes at Hikurangi and Cromwell have been caused by the Missionaries being required to fill Circuit appointments, one half of the removal expenses be paid by the Contingent Fund, and one half by the Home Mission Fund.
23. That the General Secretary write to the Huntly Stewards and ask them to provide house rent, seeing that they are relieved of the Connexional Funds.

HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND.

Name.

- 1 The name of the Fund shall be "The Methodist Home Missionaries Retiring Fund."

Objects.

2. The object of the Fund is to provide retiring allowances to Home Missionaries and to render financial assistance in cases of distress.

Management.

3. The Fund shall be managed by the Board of the Supernumerary Fund, subject to the direction of the Conference.

N.B.—The question of the representation of the Home Missionaries upon the Supernumerary Board when the Home Missionaries Retiring Fund business is being transacted shall be considered by the Board and reported upon at the next Conference.

4. The Treasurers of the Supernumerary Fund Board shall also be Treasurers of the Fund.
5. The Board shall keep accounts, have them audited annually, and shall submit to the Conference a financial statement and report as to the position of the Fund.
6. The Home Mission Executive Committee shall keep the Board informed of the names of all Home Missionaries and of all necessary particulars relating to them.
7. The Board shall, from the information thus supplied, compile and keep a Register of all contributors to the Fund, showing their years of service and years of contribution, date of retirement, etc.
8. The Board shall settle all claims arising in connection with the Fund.

Income.

9. The income of the Fund shall consist of:—
- (a) A subscription of £9 per annum in respect of each Home Missionary employed, of which the Home Missionary, the Home Mission Station, and the Home Mission Fund shall each contribute £3;
 - (b) Interest from the investment of Funds;
 - (c) Voluntary donations or bequests;
 - (d) Money derived from any other sources.

Contributors.

10. All Home Missionaries shall become contributors to the Fund as a condition of employment. Those who are at present entitled to retiring allowances under previous regulations shall have preserved to them such benefits as have accrued to the date of their joining the Retiring Fund, and such allowances shall continue to be paid by the Treasurers of the Home Mission Fund. When less than five years have been served prior to the establishment of this Fund, £5 shall be paid from the Home Mission Fund for each year, if a total of seven years shall have been served consecutively.

Retiring Age.

11. Home Missionaries shall be required to retire on attaining the age of sixty years, unless the Home Mission Executive Committee deem it advisable to continue their employment thereafter.

Contributions.

12. The contributions to the Fund shall be due quarterly, on the last day of March, June, September and December in each year. If not paid to the Treasurers of the Fund by the end of the following month, interest shall be charged, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, calculated from the actual due date.
13. When a Station is entitled to a grant from the Home Mission Fund, the amount due by both the Home Missionary and the Station shall be deducted from such grant by the Chairman of the District and remitted to the Treasurers of the Retiring Fund.
14. The Missionary in charge of a separate Home Mission Station shall be responsible for forwarding the amount due by his Station (when it is not paid by the Chairman of such District, as provided above), but if a Home Missionary is employed within the bounds of a Circuit the Superintendent Minister shall be held responsible.

Investment of Funds.

15. The Board shall hold a portion of the Funds in liquid securities, so as to have available sufficient to provide for all probable claims, and shall invest any balance in securities of the same class and under the same conditions as are provided in respect of the Supernumerary Fund.
16. The Board shall have power to borrow from time to time any sum of money that may be required for the effective carrying on of the Fund, and to give security in the name of the Fund for the payment of principal and interest, or other charges upon the Fund.

Benefits.

17. Excepting as hereafter provided, each contributor shall be entitled to a retiring allowance according to the years of service for which contributions have been paid.
18. The retiring allowance shall consist of the sum of the three contributions paid by the Home Missionary, the Home Mission Station, and the Treasurers of the Home Mission Fund, together with interest thereon. The interest shall be calculated every year, at the average rate realised on the investments of the Fund for that year, and shall be compounded yearly.
19. A table of Retiring Allowances shall be prepared, showing the probable amount that will be due to each Beneficiary at the time of his retirement, such table to be calculated on a 4 per cent basis.
20. Should the examination of the Fund from time to time disclose a surplus, then such surplus, after setting aside such portion as a Reserve Fund as the Board may deem desirable, shall be used for the following purposes:—
 - (a) Paying the expenses of management;
 - (b) Increasing the retiring allowances;
 - (c) Relieving special cases of distress.
21. If a Home Missionary dies, leaving dependants, the amount standing to his credit in the books of the Fund shall be paid to his legal representatives. If he leaves no dependants, then the amount of his personal contributions only shall be paid to such representatives.

22. If a Home Missionary enters the Ministry or is received as a Candidate in training for the Ministry, he shall be refunded the amount of his personal contribution to the Fund, with accrued interest thereon.
23. If a Home Missionary enters the service of another Church or withdraws after less than seven years' continuous service, unless on account of ill-health or having reached the age of 60 years, he shall be entitled to a refund of his personal contributions without interest.

N.B.—The seven years referred to in this clause shall include those which have been served prior to the adoption of these proposals.

24. If a Home Missionary ceases to be employed through misconduct, he shall be entitled to a refund of his personal contributions without interest.

N.B.—During the first ten years of the operation of this Fund, the contributions of the Home Mission Fund on behalf of the individuals referred to in Sections 21-23 shall be returned to that Fund.

25. A Home Missionary retiring from the work after seven years of continuous service, unless excepted as herein provided, shall be entitled to the full benefits of the Fund.
26. In case of any dispute arising regarding any payment, the decision of the Board shall be final.
27. That the scheme now adopted come into operation on April 1st, 1917.
28. That a circular letter be prepared by the Home Mission Secretary, and a copy forwarded to each Home Missionary, calling attention to this new provision for Retiring Allowances, and more especially to Section 10 of the same, and intimating that the present arrangements with the Home Mission Fund will cease on April 1st, 1917.
29. That a circular letter be sent to all Home Mission Stations, informing them of the contribution required from the Station in working this new scheme, and asking for their sympathetic co-operation in this endeavour of the Church to provide an adequate retiring allowance for its Home Missionaries.

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

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That Maori Sunday Schools, with teachers and scholars, be reported in the annual returns.
2. That the Native work in the South Auckland District be transferred to the Auckland District.
3. That having heard the reports from West Coast Maori Mission, the Conference expresses its unbounded sympathy with its agents in the difficulties of their work, as well as deep joy in the achievements that can be chronicled.
4. That Rakena Piripi be requested to forward a report of his work to the Synods concerned.

5. That Rakena Piripi live at Temuka and be under the direction of the Chairman of the South Canterbury District, who shall consult with the Chairmen of the North Canterbury, Otago and Southland District as to the work to be done.
6. That the Rev. T. G. Hammond have permission to reside during this year in any place that may be most suitable and convenient for him.
7. For appointment of Special Maori Committee see Question XL.

QUESTION XLII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting City Missions?

Reports were received and adopted from Auckland Methodist Mission, Wellington Central Mission, Christchurch Central Mission, Dunedin Central Mission.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Regulations of Conference (Minutes, 1914, page 103), with regard to Missions, be re-affirmed.
2. That the Conference expresses its high appreciation of the work of the Ministers and Laymen associated with the various City Missions.
3. That the Christchurch Central Mission be discontinued.
4. That the following Committees of Management be appointed for the ensuing year:—

AUCKLAND METHODIST MISSION.

The Members of the Mission Quarterly Meeting, with Messrs. S. J. Ambury, J. E. Wheeler, T. Clark, T. Hodgson, A. Peak, J. Burton, G. D. Smith, and T. W. Jones: Convener, the Superintendent of the Mission.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL MISSION.

The Members of the Mission Quarterly Meeting, with Messrs. J. Lomas, W. E. Howe, A. E. Moss, W. C. Burd, C. D. Macintosh, E. Tonks, R. G. Denton and J. R. Burley. Convener, the Superintendent of the Mission.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION.

That the Committee of Management for the ensuing year be confined to the members of the Quarterly Meeting.

5. That the question of the enlargement of the Committee of the Dunedin Central Mission so as to include others outside the Quarterly Meeting, be referred to the Committee of the Mission to report through the Otago Synod to the next Conference.

THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CENTRAL MISSIONS WAS ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:—

I.—STAFF.

That the employment of a Deaconess, to work amongst the poorer classes, and especially the women, be regarded as essential in the staffing of each mission.

II.—MANAGEMENT.

That the Conference regulation for the appointment of a General Committee of Management and Control, representative of the Methodism of the city, be given effect to in each mission where practicable.

Such a Committee of Management is essential to the development of the social work which should be carried on in every mission. The Committee should not be merely in name, but in reality; should not only give advice, but should assume the financial responsibility.

It is also recommended that the chairman of the district have a seat on the Committee.

III.—FINANCE.

No mission which carries on this aggressive and social work in the interests of the whole city should be expected to be self-supporting. It should be able to claim assistance from the whole Church.

There should be an annual special appeal to the city on the lines followed by the great Central Missions of England and Australia. All of these missions have large numbers of regular subscribers, who are not in all cases members of the Methodist Church. This should be regarded as one of the principal sources of income. The Conference believes that if bold, aggressive, and social work is done by the missions, it will afford a sufficient ground of appeal.

Where assistance is given from the Home Mission Fund, it shall be on the distinct understanding that aggressive evangelistic and social work shall be undertaken by the mission receiving such aid.

IV.—METHODS.

The special aim of a mission is to reach the masses of people who are untouched by the ordinary Church. This can only be effected by the use of aggressive agencies and extraordinary methods. New methods should be frequently introduced. The Conference regards it as essential that in every mission there should be:—

1. Definite evangelistic effort.
2. Open-air preaching.
3. Organised work among men.
4. Social and philanthropic agencies.

The Conference pleads for a more sympathetic attitude on the part of the whole Church towards the important and difficult work carried on by our Central Missions.

QUESTION XLIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the Training of Deaconesses?

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Balance-sheet be received and adopted.
2. This Synod places on record its appreciation of the excellent work done for the Institution by Sister Grace Crump. The probationers and the Committee owe a lasting debt of gratitude for her wise and courageous guidance in Deaconess work. The Synod regrets her return to England, and trusts that her future may be crowned with God's richest blessing.
3. That the Committee, and particularly the Convener, be thanked for their services during the year, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—

The Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch, Durham Street, Durham Street S., East, Sydenham, St. Albans and Addington Circuits, with Messrs. E. C. Brown, H. S. J. Goodman, E. Iles, F. Thompson, Colonel G. J. Smith, H. Branthwaite and R. H. Turner. Convener: Rev. A. N. Scotter, B.A.

4. That in future all Deaconesses, prior to being recognised by the Conference, shall be approved by the Central Deaconess Committee, and, except in the case of those who have been trained in the Connexional Deaconess House, shall have passed the following tests:—
 - (a) Three years' probation in Circuit work. (In the case of those at present employed, past years of service shall count for status).
 - (b) During each year of probation an examination to be passed in Scripture Knowledge, Elementary Theology and English.

N.B.—In special cases the Committee shall have power to grant exemption from examination.

- (c) Superintendents of Circuits to report annually to the Central Committee regarding the probationers' efficiency in practical work.
5. That the Central Deaconess Committee prepare the curriculum and make arrangements for the examination of these extra-mural students.
6. That on the completion of the three years' probation, Probationers be admitted as fully accredited Deaconesses of the Church at a special Service of Dedication, to be arranged by the President of the Conference or his Deputy.
7. That the Ministers of our Church be urged to encourage by all means in their power suitable young women to avail themselves of the training offered by the Connexional Deaconess House, and that no Circuit should seek the appointment of a Deaconess without first ascertaining whether a trained agent be available.

8. The Constitutional Laws (see Minutes, 1910, pp. 88-89) were re-affirmed, with the exception of Clause 9, which is to read as follows: "The year begins the third week in January, and closes the third week in December. There shall be five days' vacation at Easter, and three weeks in July."
9. That the special recommendations of the Committee be referred back to the Deaconess Committee for further consideration and to report through the Synods to the Conference.

LIST OF DEACONESSES.

- Sister Mabel—Sister in Charge, South Island Orphanage, Papanui, Christchurch.
 Sister Howard—Resting.
 Sister Jean—Palmerston North.
 Sister May—Taranaki Street, Wellington.
 Sister Lillian—Resting.
 Sister Catherine—Addington, Christchurch.
 *Sister Douglas—Pitt Street Church, Auckland.
 *Sister Ruth
 *Sister Florence—Sydenham, Christchurch.
 Sister Nellie—Okaiawa.
 *Sister Emily—Auckland East.
 *Sister Constance—
 Sister Mildred—Trinity Church, Dunedin.
 Sister Edith Walton—Durham Street, Christchurch.
 *Sister May Barnett—Orphanage, Christchurch.

ON PROBATION.

- *Sister Annie Tocker—Christchurch East.

STUDENTS IN TRAINING.

- Miss White, entered for medical training, Christchurch Hospital.
 Miss Berry entered for medical training, New Plymouth Hospital.
 Miss C. Ashley (second year).
 Miss E. J. Goodall (second year).
 *Trained at Deaconess House, Christchurch.

QUESTION XLIV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference Regarding the Connexional Orphanage?

A.—THE NORTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE.

(Mount Albert, Auckland.)

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 24.

Report for Year 1915.

The Committee of the North Island Methodist Orphanage have much pleasure in presenting their second annual report to the Synods.

At the present time there are twenty-eight children in residence (eighteen girls and ten boys).

Careful consideration has been exercised in dealing with every application for admission, and whilst several have for various reasons been declined, twelve children have been admitted during the year.

Five have been removed by friends, and one, a boy of four years, has been legally adopted, and has been fortunate in getting into a good Methodist home.

The health of the children has been generally good, and it is cheering to note that the Matron reports a manifest improvement, moral and physical, in most of her charges.

Too much cannot be said in appreciation of the capable management, tact and kindness of the Matron (Mrs Blight), ably assisted by her husband (Rev. J. Blight) and their daughter, and of the "Home" atmosphere which is evident to visitors.

The grounds have been considerably improved, and the offer by Mr. A. C. Caughey, to lease an adjoining block of over two acres at peppercorn rent, with a purchasing clause at a low figure, will, if accepted, extend the area of the property to nearly five acres. Owing to the extension of the tramways system, the value of the land has been greatly increased, and the Church is to be congratulated on the possession of such a fine property.

Thanks are due to the Ladies' Committee for their efficient and devoted co-operation in promoting the welfare of the Home.

Mr. Wm. Winstone and Mr. P. Collins, of Mount Albert, have each given a cow. For these valuable gifts we express our cordial thanks.

We have been fortunate in securing the services of Dr Leslie Thompson, F.R.C.S.E., as honorary medical officer, and the Committee desire to place on record its gratitude and thanks to him, and to Mr. F. Brown, for his service as honorary dentist.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge the response made to their last Christmas appeal, and trust that the interest will be sustained. Their sincere thanks are also accorded the many friends who have shown practical interest in the Home, for many and varied gifts, and to those who have contributed to the funds during the year.

C. H. LAWS, Chairman.

WM. ASTLEY, Hon. Secretary.

B.—THE SOUTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE.

(Papanui, Christchurch.)

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 25.

Report for 1915.

In presenting the second annual report we desire to express our appreciation of the success attending the work of this Institution. We are pleased to report the sustained health of Sister Mabel, as Matron in charge of the Home, and to note that after a year's strenuous work she appears well and vigorous.

The Committee has agreed on the policy of employing Deaconesses in connection with the staff, consequently Sister May took up duty in the Institution at the commencement of the connexional year, thus making the whole staff Deaconesses.

We are sorry to report that during the year Sister Dora was compelled, through ill-health, to ask for extended leave of absence. We sincerely hope the rest and change will, in due course, restore her fully to health again.

We are able to report that the number of children has been increased this year, making the present total eighteen, with every prospect of further additions in the near future. We have received a number of applications, but for various reasons the Committee declined these, regarding them unsuitable cases for the Home.

The health of the children has been very good, in fact, can be pronounced excellent, while their conduct has been of a very satisfactory character.

Further improvements have been made during the present year, both in the Home and the grounds. These have very materially added to the comfort and efficiency of the work of the Home, and the whole Church is to be congratulated in the possession of such a splendid property.

The Ladies' Committee has been busy during the year, their help being of a very valuable character, and very much appreciated by the Matron and her staff.

Sister Isabel has been very successful in the prosecution of her work as canvasser for the Orphanage during several months past, and we desire to publicly express our appreciation of her splendid efforts.

The report of the Treasurer is of a highly satisfactory nature, as the annual balance-sheet, which will be presented to Conference, will show.

The Government Inspector has lately visited the Home, and his report, just to hand, speaks in high praise of the Institution and the staff. The following paragraphs are taken from his report:—

“The Institution throughout was beautifully clean and airy. It is in every respect a model of cleanliness and neatness—an excellent Home.”

“All the children were clean, healthy-looking and happy, and all were comfortably and neatly clad. The Institution is a credit to the Trustees and to Sister Mabel, who has the management of it.”

In conclusion the Committee desire to thank the many friends who have contributed so liberally to the funds of the Institution, also the many annual subscribers and the various members of the Young Women's Bible Class who have so willingly assisted the staff of the Institution.

W. A. SINCLAIR, Chairman.

T. W. VEALIE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports and Balance-sheets be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference records its gratitude for the successful work of the Orphanages during the year, and its appreciation of the efforts and generosity of the members of the Committee assisting the work. It commends this form of philanthropic service to the practical sympathy of our members and adherents.

3. That Mr. A. Peak and Mr. H. Buttle be thanked for their services as Treasurers of the North Island and South Island Orphanages respectively.
4. That Mr. W. Percy Winstone be appointed Hon. Treasurer of the North Island Orphanage.
5. That Mr. Geo. Bowron be appointed Hon. Treasurer of the South Island Orphanage.
6. That Mr. W. Astley be thanked for his services as Hon. Secretary of the North Island Orphanage, and that he be re-appointed.
7. That Rev. T. W. Vealie be thanked for his services as Hon. Secretary of the South Island Orphanage, and that he be re-appointed.
8. That the Dunedin Methodist Council be appointed to act as the Otago District Committee for the South Island Orphanage.
9. That a circular be sent to each September Quarterly Meeting, asking that arrangements be made for taking up a retiring collection for the Orphanage funds, and suggesting the Sunday preceding Christmas Day as the most suitable date for such collection to be made.
10. That the term "Committee" be changed to "Board of Management."
11. **NORTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE.**—That the following constitute the Board for next year:—The Ministers of the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits, Papakura and Pukekohe Circuits, together with the Supernumeraries, Miss Harvey, Mesdames F. W. Wilson, J. H. Gunson, A. H. White, J. P. Armitage, J. D. Gibson, H. E. Pacey, J. Burton, J. Trounson and G. H. White, Messrs. T. Hodgson, J. E. Wheeler, T. W. Jones, J. W. Shackelford, A. Peak, A. H. White, S. J. Ambury, J. Veale, J. Trounson, F. W. Stone, H. E. Pacey, T. A. Ashton, W. Astley, W. Percy Winstone, J. Marsden Caughey and A. C. Caughey (life member).
12. **SOUTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE.**—That the following be the Board for the ensuing year:—The Chairman of the North Canterbury District, the Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch and Lyttelton Circuits, the Revs. H. Bull, C. E. Ward and W. J. Williams, Mesdames W. J. Williams, G. Bowron, H. Berry, W. H. Seed, C. E. Salter, J. A. Flesher, and D. Jones, the Trustees of the Institution, with Messrs. T. T. Robson, G. Scott, A. F. Drayton, J. Gilmour, H. Buttle, J. Marshall, W. Dobbs, W. Keith, F. E. Jones, Geo. Bowron and J. H. Blackwell. Convener: Rev. T. W. Vealie.

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

The Report of the Literature Committee was received.

A.—"NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TIMES."

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the best thanks of the Conference be tendered to the Committee and especially to Rev. W. Laycock, the Convener, for their services during the year.

2. That the best thanks of the Conference be tendered to Revs. W. J. Williams and J. Cocker for their efficient services as Editors, and that they be reappointed.
3. That the Circuit Quarterly Meetings be urged to do their utmost to increase the number of subscribers by at least 25 per cent.
4. That owing to the greatly increased cost of printers' paper, involving an additional outlay of from £70 to £80 per annum in the production of the paper, the annual subscription for the present be 6s instead of 5s 6d.
5. That, on the last Sunday of April next, the Ministers and Preachers throughout the Dominion make a special appeal to our people for new subscribers to the "Methodist Times," and announce the name of the local agent.
6. That a Committee, which shall have for its object the increased circulation of the "Methodist Times," shall be appointed in each District by the Chairman of the District, who shall appoint a Convener.
7. That the matter of employing a Canvasser be referred to the Literature Committee with power to act.

B.—GENERAL LITERATURE.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Literature Committee be requested to give special attention to the Rev. T. G. Hammond's booklet, "In the Beginning," with a view to its sale among our people.
2. That we commend to all our Circuits the Rev. T. G. Hammond's booklet, "In the Beginning," urge that copies be circulated among our members, and express our thanks to Mr Hammond for writing this history.
3. That the Literature Committee be recommended to take steps to bring Dr. Fitchett's booklet, "What Methodism Stands For," more prominently before the Sunday-schools and Bible Class authorities with a view to its inclusion in the Bible Class Syllabus and Sunday School Examinations of Senior Classes.
4. That in order that new members be made familiar with the rules of our Church regarding membership, copies of such rules of membership be printed and supplied to all Ministers and Home Missionaries for presentation to all new members on their reception.
5. That the proposal of the Literature Committee to issue a Handbook for Young Christians be endorsed.
6. That the question of the advisability of setting up a Connexional Printing Establishment be referred back to the Committee for fuller consideration.
7. That the Literature Committee be requested to communicate with the British Methodist Book Rooms with a view to the better circulation of their publications in this Dominion.

8. That the Literature Committee, with Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., and Mr E. Rosevear, as corresponding members, be empowered to make enquiries into the whole question of printing Connexional matter, especially in connection with the printing of the Agenda and Minutes, and report to next Conference.
9. That authority be given to the Literature Committee to secure a bookcase, to cost not more than £20, to be placed in the Board Room of the Connexional Office, the cost to be borne by the Contingent Fund.
10. That the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—The Chairman of the North Canterbury District, the Connexional Secretary, the Superintendents of the Christchurch (Durham Street), Christchurch (Durham Street South), Christchurch (East), Christchurch (Sydenham), Christchurch (Woolston) Circuits, the Rev. W. J. Williams, with Messrs. J. A. Flesher, E. W. Hall, F. H. Christian, W. Dobbs, H. Goodman and C. A. Newman. Convener, Rev. W. Laycock.

C.—THE METHODIST HYMN BOOK.

The report of the Committee was presented.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the income during the ensuing year be divided equally between the two branches of the Church Building and Loan Fund.
3. That the Committee be thanked for its services, and that, in future, the Connexional Literature Committee be the Committee for the Hymn Book.

QUESTION XLVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Military and Naval Affairs?

The Report and Balance-sheet of the Wellington Military Committee were received and adopted.

For Balance-sheet, see Appendix 26.

RESOLUTIONS.

I. CHAPLAINCIES OF EXPEDITIONARY FORCES AND MILITARY CAMPS.

1. That the Rev. H. L. Blamires be permitted to be re-appointed to the Wanganui Circuit, with a suitable supply, on the same financial terms as last year.
2. That, in order to facilitate stationing by providing an additional Minister for appointment, the Rev. W. Grigg be re-appointed to Leeston with a Home Missionary as supply.
3. That during the absence of the Rev. A. Mitchell with the Expeditionary Forces, the sum of £75 per annum for house allowance be paid to Mrs Mitchell from the Contingent Fund.

4. That during the absence of the Rev. F. T. Read as Chaplain to the Hospital Ship, the sum of £75 per annum for house allowance be paid to Mrs Read from the Contingent Fund.
5. That the Rev. Leslie B. Neale, having been appointed Chaplain to the Featherston Camp, continue to be Superintendent of the South Wairarapa Circuit, with a Probationer as supply, the Circuit to pay the salary of the Probationer only.
6. That upon the arrival in the Dominion of Chaplain-Major Luxford and Chaplain-Captain Blamires, the President convey to them a hearty welcome home from this Conference, and its appreciation of the arduous and perilous services they have rendered to the Church and Empire.
7. That the Wellington Military Committee be the Advisory Committee to the Methodist Chaplains of the Expeditionary Camps in that District.
8. That the Wellington District Committee be empowered to make an appeal to all our Circuits for the Funds necessary for the carrying on of the work in the Expeditionary Training Camps.
9. That the Government be urged to appoint Eruera Te Tuhi as a Chaplain to the Maori Contingent of the Expeditionary Force.
10. That the ex-President, the Rev. J. Dawson, be associated with the President in the nomination of Chaplains to the Expeditionary Forces and the Military Camps.
11. That the question as to who is responsible for the payment of Circuit Levies in the case of Chaplains in the Expeditionary Camps be referred to the Canterbury Military Committee.
12. That in the event of such Committee deciding that the Contingent Fund pay the said levies, authority is hereby given to the Contingent Fund Treasurers to make the payments.

II.—MINISTERS, PROBATIONERS AND STUDENTS ENLISTING IN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES.

1. That the Contingent Fund pay the Circuit levies to the Supernumerary Fund on account of Ministers and Probationers enlisting in the Expeditionary Forces and holding rank as privates or non-commissioned officers for such time as they are without appointment to a Circuit, and that the interest due on any personal subscriptions overdue shall not be charged while the war lasts.
2. That a letter be forwarded to each of our Ministers, Probationers, Students and Home Missionaries enlisted in the Expeditionary Forces, conveying Conference greetings; and also that a letter of a suitable character be sent to each member and adherent of the Methodist Church now serving with the colours.
3. That letters of sympathy be sent to those members of our Church who have, and to those who may, sustain loss of relatives through the war.

4. That in view of the fact that the Rev. A. J. Seamer is returning to New Zealand, and the uncertainty of his future position in the Expeditionary Forces, the matter of any assistance to Mrs Seamer be left to the Canterbury Military Committee, with power to act.
5. That the Military Committee of the Canterbury District be an Advisory Committee to the President during the year, on all appointments to the Expeditionary Forces and Camps, enlistments, and other matters relating to the Expeditionary Forces; the Committee to have power to act.

III.—THE TERRITORIAL FORCES.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

1. That a Committee for the consideration of Naval and Military affairs be formed in each Military District with power to appoint sub-committees in each important centre for the greater effectiveness of the work.
2. That all Military Chaplains shall be members of the District Committees of the District in which they are stationed.
3. That any Chaplain may be appointed a corresponding member of any Committee of the Military District in which he resides.
4. That the Chairman of the District shall be a member of the District Military Committee.
5. That the Canterbury District Committee consider and arrange for a hymn book suitable for Territorial Camps.
6. That paragraph 5, page 106, Minutes of Conference 1915, be altered to read, "The Senior Chaplain in each District, in consultation with the Military Committee of the District, shall nominate Chaplains to the Territorial Forces."
7. That in the case of a Chaplain's inefficiency or inability through age or ill-health to discharge the duties of a Chaplain, the President of Conference be empowered to approach the military authorities and request that such Chaplain should be placed on a retired list.
8. That Rev. T. Trestrail be supplied with a letter of recommendation from the Conference with a view to assisting him in securing the status of Chaplain in South Australia.
9. That all our Churches and Sunday-schools be recommended to procure a Roll of Honour whereon shall be inscribed the names of the members of our Methodist families who have gone to the front.
10. That Chaplains appointed to Territorial Camps be strongly recommended to co-operate with the Y.M.C.A. with a view to arranging for the social as well as the spiritual needs of the troops in camp.

11. That there be printed each year in the Minutes of Conference a list of the Military Chaplains of our Church, giving their status and the dates of their commissions.
12. That the date when a Chaplain-Major was appointed a Captain be also entered in the Minutes.
13. That the name of Rev. J. A. Luxford be restored to the position of Senior Chaplain in the official addresses printed in the Conference Minutes.
14. That the following be appointed as Chaplains to Methodists on His Majesty's ships of war visiting the undermentioned ports of New Zealand:—

Auckland: Rev. J. Wrigley
 Wellington: Rev. J. G. Chapman
 Lyttelton: Rev. J. Ernest Parsons
 Timaru: Rev. T. A. Joughin
 Dunedin: Rev. W. A. Hay
 Port Chalmers: Rev. S. H. D. Peryman
 Bluff: Rev. A. H. Fowles

15. That the following be the District Committees:—

Auckland District.—The Chaplains in the District and Messrs T. W. Jones, B. Buttle, and W. S. Stone. Convener: Rev. E. T. Cox.

Wellington District.—The Chaplains in the District, Revs. E. Drake and G. Knowles Smith; Messrs J. Lomas, C. D. Macintosh, W. H. Bennett, C. M. Luke, Isaac Clark. Convener: Rev. E. Drake.

Canterbury District.—The President of the Conference and Chaplains in the District; Messrs. A. F. Drayton, C. B. Salter, J. H. Blackwell and W. Dobbs, with power to increase the number of to twelve. Convener: Rev. W. A. Sinclair.

Otago District.—All the Chaplains in the Military District: Messrs E. Rosevear, J. B. Shacklock, D. C. Cameron, J. P. Simon, J. H. Brown, J. J. Kernohan.

OFFICIAL LIST OF METHODIST CHAPLAINS TO THE TERRITORIAL FORCES.

Third Class: Ranking as Major

Luxford, Rev. J. A. ...	...	...	Nov. 27, 1908
		Captain,	Nov. 27, 1898
Murray, Rev. D. J. ...	...	...	May 27, 1914
		Captain,	May 27, 1904
Dewsbury, Rev. H. R. ...	...	...	Sept. 10, 1914
		Captain,	Sept. 10, 1904

Fourth Class: Ranking as Captain

Mitchell Rev. A.	Jan.	27, 1906
Boys, Rev. F. W.	June	27, 1906
Rothwell, Rev. B. F.	"	8, 1909
Reader, Rev. A.	April	25, 1910
Grigg, Rev. W.	"	5, 1911
Blamires, Rev. H. L.	"	27, 1911
Read, Rev. F. T.	"	28, 1911
Pratt, Rev. M. A. R.	"	28, 1911
Laws, Rev. C. H., B.A.	May	1, 1911
Chapman, Rev. J. G.	"	16, 1911
Serpell, Rev. S. J.	"	16, 1911
Baumber, Rev. W.	July	3, 1911
Fairclough, Rev. P. W.	"	27, 1911
Paris, Rev. P. R.	Sept.	8, 1911
Copeland, Rev. F.	May	13, 1912
Cox, Rev. E.	"	13, 1912
Eaton, Rev. C.	"	13, 1912
Elliott, Rev. W. J.	"	13, 1912
Griffin, Rev. T. N.	"	13, 1912
Richards, Rev. T. R.	"	13, 1912
Sinclair, Rev. W. A.	"	13, 1912
Patchett, Rev. E. D.	June	17, 1912
Pybus, Rev. T. A.	"	17, 1912
Wrigley, Rev. J.	July	1, 1912
Strand, Rev. C.	Feb.	19, 1913
Seamer, Rev. A. J.	Mar.	31, 1914
Knight, Rev. P. N.	Aug.	24, 1914
Hay, Rev. W. A.	Sept.	18, 1914
Ready, Rev. W.	"	21, 1914
Joughin, Rev. T. A.	"	30, 1914
Walker, Rev. W.	Mar.	11, 1915
Bailey, Rev. S.	April	7, 1915
James, Rev. B. J.	"	7, 1915
Cook, Rev. G. S.	"	10, 1915
Beckett, Rev. W.	"	10, 1915
Dawson, Rev. J.	"	10, 1915
Haslam, Rev. J. H.	"	10, 1915
Abbey, Rev. W. H. E.	"	26, 1915
Mann, Rev. G. H.	June	26, 1915
Daniel, Rev. H.	"	26, 1915
Burley, Rev. W. A., M.A.	"	26, 1915
Allen, Rev. A.	July	1, 1915
Ashcroft, Rev. A.	"	23, 1915
Chappell, Rev. A. B.	"	23, 1915
Neale, Rev. L. B.	Aug.	5, 1915
Trestrail, Rev. T.	Sept.	10, 1915
Peat, Rev. H. T.	"	10, 1915
Sullivan, Rev. J. R.	Oct.	4, 1915

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

The following documents have been received during the year:—

1. "The Diamond Reign," by Rev. H. Bull, "New Zealand Herald," June 26, 1897.
2. Notes of Early Methodism in Canterbury, by Mr. Henry Flavell.
3. London to New Zealand, 1862, by Rev. H. Bull.
4. Account of Laying Corner Stone, Durham Street Church, Christchurch.
5. Account of Opening Services, Durham Street Church, Christchurch.
6. Statement by Mr. J. T. Smith relating to High Street Church and Sunday School, Christchurch, and of the Removal to Durham Street.
7. "Press" Report of Jubilee of Stone Laying of Durham Street Church, Christchurch.
8. Notes on History of Woodend Methodism, by Mr. S. Ayers.
9. Correspondence in re the Hamilton Trust, from Rev. J. H. Simmonds.
10. Letters relating to Early Wellington Methodism from the Rev. W. Baumber.

Mr. S. Macfarlane, M.A., has done some work in classifying and indexing the Records which are in the Connexional Office, but it is at present incomplete.

HENRY BULL

SAMUEL LAWRY

Custodians.

QUESTION XLVIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Matters Previously Remitted to Synods or Committees for Report?**A.—THE FIVE YEARS' TERM.**

Resolutions of Conference, 1915, Minutes, p. 110.

That as doubt has arisen regarding the validity of the legislation providing for the granting of an extension of the term of appointments to Circuits by 55 per cent., unless the same is remitted to the Synods, and confirmed by the succeeding Conference, it is hereby resolved that the resolution providing for 55 per cent., instead of 75 per cent., be remitted to the forthcoming Synods for report to next Conference.

All the Synods approved of the substitution of 55 per cent, for 75 per cent. The Conference, by a vote of 148 to 3, confirmed the substitution of 55 per cent for 75 per cent.

B. CONNEXIONAL OFFICERS.

Resolution of Conference, 1915, Minutes, p. 117.

That a Committee sit during the year to consider all matters relating to Departmental Officers and Connexional Offices; the Committee to consist of the Chairmen of the Auckland, Wellington, North Canterbury and Otago Districts, with Messrs. J. Veale, C. M. Luke, G. J. Smith and E. Rosevear. Convener: Colonel G. J. Smith.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONNEXIONAL OFFICES.

The last Conference appointed a special Committee to sit during the year to consider all matters relating to Departmental Officers and Connexional Offices.

The Committee met in Wellington on September 14th, the president being in the chair. Two of the members of the Committee were unable to attend, including the convener, Colonel G. J. Smith.

The whole question of Departmental Offices was brought under review because of the proposal which was before the last Conference to establish a third department and appoint thereto a Foreign Mission Secretary. It was thought it might be possible by re-arrangement or amalgamation of offices, to avoid the expense involved in the creation of a third department in the Church.

A report prepared by the Rev. T. G. Brooke, and endorsed by the Home Mission Executive, was read, dealing with the duties and work of the Home Mission Secretary. Similar reports were presented by the Rev. S. Lawry, Connexional Secretary, and the Rev. W. Slade, Foreign Mission Secretary.

The Revs. T. G. Brooke and S. Lawry were in attendance at the meeting of the Committee, and supplemented their reports with further information, also answering a number of questions.

Most careful consideration was given to the proposal to amalgamate the offices of Connexional Secretary and Home Mission Secretary. It was found, however, that the duties of these offices were of such a character as to make this proposal impracticable, if the efficiency of the work is to be maintained. Neither did the proposal, to have one Missionary Secretary working in the interests of both Home and Foreign Missions, find favour with the Committee.

The following are the recommendations of the Committee:—

1.—HOME MISSION ORGANISING SECRETARY.

1. That the office of Organising Secretary for Home Mission be continued.
2. That the title of Organising Secretary be altered to that of General Secretary.

2.—CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY.

1. That the office of Connexional Secretary be continued as at present.
2. That in the opinion of this Committee the contribution from the Contingent Fund (£170 for 1915) to this office should cease at the earliest possible date, with a view to the office being maintained en-

tirely from the funds administered therefrom; and that the Connexional Secretary's Committee be requested to consider the matter and report to the Conference.

3. That the Committee consider the advisability of a more adequate scale of charges being introduced in connection with the work of the Authorised Representative.

4. That the Connexional Secretary undertake the missionary deputation work of at least one district each year.

5. That the Connexional Secretary cease to be a corresponding member of the Home Mission Executive.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY SECRETARY.

In view of the character of the report of the Special Foreign Missionary Committee, with reference to a separate mission field for New Zealand, this Committee has no recommendation to make with regard to the office of Foreign Missionary Secretary.

W. A. SINCLAIR, Secretary of Conference.

The following resolutions were adopted:—

I.—HOME MISSION ORGANISING SECRETARY.

1. That the office of Organising Secretary for Home Missions be continued.
2. That the title of Organising Secretary be altered to that of General Secretary.

II.—CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY.

1. That the office of Connexional Secretary be continued as at present.
2. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be requested to consider the adoption of such methods as will secure contributions to the Fund from all the Church trusts of the Dominion, and to report through the Synods to the next Conference.
3. That the Connexional Secretary undertake the missionary deputation work of at least one district each year.
4. That the Connexional Secretary cease to be a corresponding member of the Home Mission Executive.

III.—FOREIGN MISSIONARY SECRETARY.

For Resolutions see Question XXXIX.

C. EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF SYNOD AND CONFERENCE.

The following resolutions were adopted.

I.—LAY TREASURERS IN SYNODS.

1. That since the Committees of Departments to which Ministers are set apart are, by Conference rule, deemed to stand in the relation of Quarterly Meetings to the said Ministers, and are required to elect representatives to Synod in the usual way, it be resolved that the rule relating to the election of lay representatives by Circuit Quarterly Meetings apply to such Committees, provided that one lay representative must be the Treasurer of the Institution or Fund, or his duly appointed substitute, such Treasurer being a member of the Committee or Board.
2. Lay Treasurers of Connexional Funds and Connexional Trust Funds (Book of Laws, par. 225, g) shall include the following:—
 - Church Building and Loan Fund.
 - Fire Insurance Fund.
 - Supernumerary Fund.
 - Children's Fund
 - Contingent Fund.
 - Foreign Mission Fund.
 - General Mission Property Trust Funds.
 - Deaconess Institution.
 - Orphanages.
 - “Methodist Times.”
3. Where there are two lay treasurers, the Trustees or Committee shall determine which of them shall have a seat in the District Synod.

II.—LAY TREASURERS IN CONFERENCE.

1. That paragraph 237 of the Book of Laws be amended in so far as it refers to the representation of departments by providing that each department supporting a Minister or Probationer appointed there to by the Conference, shall be represented at the Conference by its Lay Treasurer, ex officio.
2. That the rule requiring that two Laymen from the Taranaki-Wanganui District be appointed as members of the Home Mission Executive be rescinded, and that the Taranaki-Wanganui Synod be given power to elect a European Lay Representative for the Superintendent of the West Coast Maori Mission, on the nomination of the District Home Mission Advisory Committee, provided that such representative must be a member of the Church within the bounds of the Taranaki-Wanganui District
3. The Lay Treasurers of the Connexional and Conference Funds or Institutions referred to in Par. 239 (Book of Laws) shall be notified of their having seats in Conference (ex officio) in the following order:—
 1. Supernumerary Fund.
 2. Contingent Fund.
 3. Foreign Mission Fund.
 4. Church Building and Loan Fund.
 5. Fire Insurance Fund.
 6. Children's Fund.

D.—ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF CONFERENCE.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the President and Secretary of the Conference be elected at the Conference preceding that at which they take office.
2. That this legislation shall not take effect until the Conference of 1917.
3. That the election in 1917 shall take place on the fourth day of the Conference.
4. That a Committee consisting of the President and Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary and Messrs. J. A. Flesher and Mr W. Dobbs be appointed to consider all details in connection with such election and to report to the next Conference. Convener, The Secretary of the Conference.

E.—APPOINTMENTS TO CONNEXIONAL OFFICES.

That the Committee set up to deal with Departmental Officials report also on the following:—That the following paragraph follow on Rule 92 in the New Book of Laws: "That elections for these Connexional offices shall be made at the Conference preceding that of the appointment or renewal of the appointment." (Minutes of Conference, p. 121.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee considered the question, "That the elections for Connexional Offices shall be made at the Conference preceding that of the appointment or renewal of the appointment," and unanimously recommends that this be done.

W. A. SINCLAIR,

Secretary of Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report of the Committee be adopted.
2. That the Rev. Samuel Lawry be appointed Connexional Secretary for a further term dating from 1917.

F.—BOOK OF OFFICES.

The Report of the Book of Offices Committee was received, and it was resolved:—

That the Revs. C. H. Garland, C. H. Laws, B.A., and H. E. Bellhouse be a Committee to consider the Australian edition of the Book of Offices, and on what terms the use of it may be secured; also the cost of publishing a New Zealand edition, and the price at which it could be sold. A report to be furnished to the next Conference. Convener, Rev. H. E. Bellhouse.

C.—THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' LIBRARY FUND PROPERTY.

(Minutes, 1915, p. 73.)

The Committee reports as follows:

“That in view of the property being in process of transfer to the Board of Wesley Training College, this Committee has no recommendation to make.”

J. DUKES, Convener.

RESOLUTION.

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

EXTENDED APPOINTMENTS.

Every proposal to make an appointment beyond five (5) years shall be regarded as a special case. A written statement of reasons, signed by the Circuit Stewards shall be presented to Conference, and the Conference shall vote on each case, and the Stationing Committee shall not be permitted to station any Minister for more than five (5) years unless the proposal that it be regarded as a special case be carried by 55 per cent. of those present and voting.

1. An application by memorial from Wellington (Taranaki Street) Circuit Quarterly Meeting, re the appointment of the Rev. J. G. Chapman for a sixth year was received. It was declared a special case by 143 votes to 3.
2. A similar application from the Papanui Circuit, re the appointment of the Rev. A. Peters for a sixth year, was received. It was declared a special case by 131 votes to 4.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON ANDERSON'S BAY CHURCH TRUST.

The Commission met early in the year, taking advantage of the Connexional Secretary's presence in Dunedin, and went exhaustively into the position of the Trust and the need for the Church in that locality. The majority felt that it was bad policy to bolster up a cause so close to St. Kilda Church. Finally the following resolution was carried, “That this Commission recommends the trustees to look into a reported offer of £620 for the site and the buildings—less windows, pulpit, seats, and organ—and if the offer be acceptable to the trustees we recommend it to the favourable consideration of the C.B. and L.F. Committee.” As the trustees favoured the offer, sought and obtained consent of the Committee, and effected the sale, it was not necessary for the Commission to meet again, but the following facts should perhaps be stated for information. The Commission in making the recommendation recognised that practically no provision was being made to meet the two amounts owing to Connexional Funds, viz.: £140 to the ex-Primitive Fire Insurance Fund, and £55 to the Loan Fund, plus a small accumulation of interest. The C.B. and L.F. Committee consented to the sale on condition that these liabilities were met within a reasonable period. The Trustees did their utmost in the matter, and £50 was raised at Dundas Street, and £25 at St. Kilda to assist in making a satisfactory settlement. The mortgage,

£700, has been wiped off, and the Trustees hold the windows, seats, and pulpit, etc. (worth about £120) for sale. The proceeds will be devoted to meeting the liabilities to Church Funds mentioned above.

A. J. SEAMER,

Convener.

The report of the Commission was adopted by the Conference.

QUESTION XLIX.—Who are the Members of the Committee of Privileges?

1. The President, Vice-president, and Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Ministers of the Wellington, Johnsonville, Hutt and Petone Circuits, Rev. H. Bull; Messrs. T. Buddle, F. L. Prime, G. Tiller, H. Brittain, W. E. Redstone, E. Kellow, J. G. Harkness, J. A. Flesher, C. M. Luke, J. Lomas, A. J. Luke, J. B. Shacklock, H. Holland and A. Peak. Convener and Secretary, Secretary of the Conference.

2. The above-named Ministers and Laymen of the Wellington, Hutt, and Petone Circuits are a Committee of Exigency, the Superintendent 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 institutions and by correspondence and otherwise to obtain the co-operation and hearty support of the Committee of Privileges.

I.—COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES.

(The Methodist Law Book, p. 78.)

271. A Committee of Privileges, consisting of an equal number of Ministers and Laymen, shall be appointed by each Conference. The President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Conference shall be, ex officio, members, and the last-named shall be Convener and Secretary of the Committee.

272. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Privileges to guard the civil or religious privileges of the Connexion; to take action during the interval between the meetings of the Conference in regard to any legislation, actual or proposed, which may affect the rights or privileges of the Church; also to forward any legislation deemed necessary; and to deal with any matters of a legal character, which may affect the properties of the Connexion.

273. A Committee of Exigency shall be appointed at each Conference, consisting of members of the Committee of Privileges, to meet and take action in any case of exigency. This Committee shall also 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 L.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on other Questions?

THANKS.

Retiring President.—That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to the Rev. John Dawson for the faithful, diligent and efficient services rendered by him to the Church during the past year.

Retiring Vice-President.—That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the retiring Vice-President, Mr. H. Holland, for the faithful manner in which he has carried out the duties of his office.

Secretary.—That the best thanks of the Conference be given to the Rev. W. A. Sinclair for the efficient and courteous manner in which he has discharged the numerous and important duties of the office during the year.

ORDINATION CHARGE.

That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the Rev. J. Dawson, Ex-President, for his timely, earnest and instructive charge delivered to the newly-ordained Ministers.

CHURCH UNITY AND CO-OPERATION.

That a small Committee be set up to confer with similar Committees representing other non-Episcopal Churches on the question of forming a United Committee, to represent all the non-Episcopal Churches in New Zealand on questions of a national character.

That the following be the Committee:—Revs. C. H. Garland, L. Hudson, C. H. Laws, B.A., J. Wrigley, H. E. Bellhouse, E. P. Blamires, Messrs. J. Veale, T. H. Chapman, W. S. Stone, J. W. Shackelford and A. Peak. Convener: Rev. E. P. Blamires.

OPEN CHURCHES.

This Conference recommends that for the duration of the war (if not always) the doors of our Churches stand open every day.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS.

That the Conference appoint in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin, as official newspaper correspondents, Ministers who shall watch Methodist interests in the leading dailies and contribute articles and letters thereto.

That the following be appointed for 1916-17:—Auckland, Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A.; Wellington, Rev. J. G. Chapman; Christchurch, Rev. W. J. Williams; Dunedin, Rev. W. A. Hay.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM.

That a rubric be inserted in the Book of Offices to the effect that unless prevented by necessity, the Sacrament of Baptism be administered as a part of Public Worship.

REPORTS TO SYNODS.

That all printed reports be in the hands of the representatives to Synods at least seven days prior to the meeting of Synod.

AUDIT OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS.

That the following question be added to the Synod Agenda, viz.,
Has the Annual Audit of Circuit Funds been made?

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS.

1. That in addition to the evenings set apart for the Young People's Demonstration (to be held prior to the opening of Conference), the opening of Conference, the Ordination Service and the Home and Foreign Mission Demonstration, not more than two other evenings should be set apart for local functions, and that before fixing the dates of Conference functions the Secretary of Conference be consulted, as well as the President. The first Monday evening of the Conference shall be left free for business.

2. That a Conference Missionary Meeting be held on a suitable evening in the central week of Conference, the offertory to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Funds.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES TO CONFERENCE.

That lay representatives to Conference be elected by ballot after nomination.

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT.

That the rule governing the election of Vice-President be amended so as to provide that he shall be elected by ballot after nomination.

That nominations for the office be handed in in writing to the Secretary of the Conference, prior to the opening of Conference, signed by two members of the Conference who must have secured the consent of their nominee before nominating him.

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES' EXPENSES EQUALISATION FUND.

1. That the Contingent Fund Treasurers, in consultation with the Rev. S. Lawry and Mr. W. Dobbs, take into consideration the effect of par. 3 (Min. of Conf. 1915, p. 110) on those who are not able to give full attendance at Conference, and report to the next Conference whether a more equitable method of meeting the case be possible.

2. That Paragraph 9, p. 110, Minutes of Conference, 1915, be rescinded and the following substituted:—That the expenses of lay representatives of Connexional Departments which pay Contingent Fund levies be treated the same as representatives of Circuits, and that the Committees of Connexional Funds be authorised to make their own arrangements for the payment of expenses of the Treasurers or their substitutes.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS.

1. That in the election of Chairmen of Districts by the Conference an absolute majority of votes cast be required.

2. That in all cases where an absolute majority is required to secure election to any office, informal votes be excluded in computing the absolute majority.

AMENDMENTS OF LAW.

1.—APPOINTMENT OF CIRCUIT STEWARDS.

That in the appointment of Circuit Stewards (see The Methodist Law Book, Par. 159), should the Superintendent refuse to nominate or cease to do so, any member of the meeting may do so.

2.—TRIAL OF MEMBERS.

That in the event of an accusation being brought against a member of the Church by the Superintendent of a Circuit, the Chairman of the District shall preside at the Leaders' Meeting and conduct the trial. Should the Chairman of a District, in his capacity as Superintendent of a Circuit, prefer a charge against a member of the Church, he shall at once notify the President of the Conference, who shall, either personally or by deputy appointed in writing, preside at the Leaders' Meeting and conduct the trial. In the event of the President preferring a charge, he shall notify the ex-President, who shall personally or by deputy appointed in writing, preside and conduct the trial.

IMMIGRATION.

The Report of the Committee was received.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Committee be thanked for its services, and that the following be the Committee for the ensuing year:—The Ministers of the Wellington and Suburban Circuits, with Messrs. Kershaw, S. Martin, and W. E. Howe. Convener: Rev. G. Knowles Smith.
2. That the following Agents be appointed:—
 - Wellington—Rev. G. Knowles Smith (Chief).
 - Auckland—Rev. E. T. Cox, M.A.
 - Lyttelton—Rev. J. E. Parsons.
 - Dunedin—Rev. C. Eaton.
 - Bluff—Rev. A. H. Fowles.
3. That the Committee be requested to take steps immediately to secure the rights of the respective agents to go aboard steamers with the Health Officers on the arrival of steamers in port.

CONFERENCE VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

That votes of sympathy passed by the Conference be confined to those who are or who have been members of the Conference and their families.

HOMES OF REST FOR MINISTERS.

That a Committee be formed for the purpose of formulating a scheme to establish Homes of Rest for Ministers at the different seaside resorts of the Dominion, or other places suitable for such purpose, the Committee to consist of the ex-President, Messrs B. J. Lynneberg, T. W. Jones, H. Buttle and J. B. Shacklock.

That the best thanks of the Conference be accorded to Mr B. J. Lynneberg for his kind offer of his house, Titahi Bay, near Wellington, in this connection, and for bringing the general question before the notice of the Church.

The Conference expresses its gratification at receiving the information that by a bequest of the late Mr Scott, of Dunedin, a seaside house has been given for the use of Ministers.

WITHDRAWAL OF MARRIED MINISTER.

That in order to obviate misunderstanding as to the position of a Circuit from which a married Minister has been withdrawn, and a probationer appointed, it be resolved that the withdrawal of a married Minister does not confer the right on such Circuit to a new period of four years without a married Minister, and that relief be granted from year to year only.

THANKS TO CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to the President, Vice-President, Secretary and other Conference officers, the hosts and hostesses, the Conference Arrangements Committee, the Press, and the Trustees of the Conference Church.

LEGAL ADVISER TO THE PRESIDENT.

That Mr J. A. Flesher be appointed legal adviser to the President.

AGENDA COMMITTEE, 1917.

That the Secretary of the Conference, with the Rev. E. Drake and Mr E. Kellow, be the Agenda Committee for the Conference of 1917.

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

At Taranaki Street Church, Wellington, on Thursday, February 22, 1917, at 7 p.m.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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 the Second Catechism 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 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.)

STATIONING COMMITTEE.

1. That, in the event of any District not having two Lay Representatives at Conference, the Conference may elect one or more Lay Representatives from any other District or Districts to fill the vacancy or vacancies.

2. That in considering the Station Sheet the Committee begin with the District in which the Conference for the time being sits.

APPOINTMENTS TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That a letter on a printed form be sent from the Conference to each newly-appointed member of a Connexional Committee.

NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT TO CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES.

That the Convener of each Connexional Committee inform each member of his Committee of his appointment and that each Convener be informed of his appointment by the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

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

ANNUAL MINISTERIAL HOLIDAY.

That the officials of the various Circuits make such arrangements as will enable Ministers to have at least two weeks' rest each year.

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 assuring the extension of Methodism.

CIRCUIT MEMORIALS.

The Conference desires that as far as possible all business comprised under the ordinary questions shall be brought before it through the medium of the District Synods, and trusts that the method of sending memorials from the December Quarterly meeting will be adopted only in special cases.

PREPARATION FOR MARRIED MINISTERS' APPOINTMENTS.

Circuits to which a Probationer is appointed shall present a written statement annually to the Synod, setting forth what has been done to prepare for the taking of a married Minister in due course, such statement to be sent on to Committee A through the Secretary of the Conference.

NEW CIRCUITS AND DIVISION OF CIRCUITS.

1. That a Schedule be prepared providing the required information, and that the same be signed by the Superintendent Minister and Circuit Stewards; or, in the case of applications for the taking up of districts without the bounds of any Circuit, by responsible local persons.

2. That in cases where a Probationer is asked for, a careful statement of the prospects of the Station taking a married Minister at the end of four years be supplied on the Schedule.

3. That a rough sketch map be supplied with each application, for the information of Synod and Conference.

4. That in every case the above Schedules and maps, with all other available information, be sent through the Secretary of the Conference to the A Committee.

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.

TENURE OF EX-OFFICIO SEATS IN CONFERENCE.

That no Layman holding an official position entitling him to a seat in Conference shall hold the same position for a longer period than six years in succession, commencing from 1913.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT OF CONNEXIONAL FUNDS.

That the Treasurers of all Connexional Funds and Properties be directed to present annually a Capital Account as well as a Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, setting out the present and prospective value of the properties held by them in trust for the Connexion.

NOMINATION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

That the President, Vice-President, and Secretary of 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.

REPORTS FOR SYNODS.

That Reports of Committees for Synods be sent to the Secretary of the Conference, who, at his discretion, shall arrange for the sending of typewritten or printed copies, in whole or in part, of the Reports to the Synods in sufficient quantities for the use of all the members of the Synods.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

That two Auditors be required for all connexional balance-sheets.

Form of Bequest.

The following FORM OF BEQUEST may be used by persons who wish to bequeath a sum of money to any Institution or Fund connected with the Methodist Church of New Zealand:—

I give unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of _____ the
(Here insert the name of the Institution or Fund to be benefited)

sum of _____ pounds sterling, to be paid out of my personal estate, in aid of the said _____
(Name the Institution or Fund)

now carried on under the direction of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer or Treasurers shall be a sufficient discharge.

PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES OF NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCES.

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.

PLACE.	YEAR.	PRESIDENT.	VICE-PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair

AUSTRALASIAN WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH, N.Z.

PLACE	YEAR.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY
Christchurch	1874	Thomas Buddle	Alexander Reid
Auckland	1875	James Buller	Alexander Reid
Wellington	1876	Alexander Reid	John Crump
Christchurch	1877	William Kirk	William Morley
Wellington	1878	John Crump	William Morley
Auckland	1879	William Morley	Rainsford Bavin
Dunedin	1880	William Lee	William Morley
Nelson	1881	John B. Richardson	Rainsford Bavin
Christchurch	1882	James A. Taylor	William Morley
Auckland	1883	Rainsford Bavin	Henry Bull
Wellington	1884	William Morley	Henry Bull
Dunedin	1885	Joseph Berry	Henry Bull
Christchurch	1886	Henry Bull	William J. Williams
Auckland	1887	William C. Oliver	Henry R. Dewsbury
Wellington	1888	William J. Williams	Henry Bull
Dunedin	1889	William J. Watkin	Henry Bull
Christchurch	1890	John J. Lewis	William Lee
Auckland	1891	Henry R. Dewsbury	William Lee
Wellington	1892	George Bond	Henry Bull
Dunedin	1893	William Keall	Henry Bull
Christchurch	1894	David McNicoll	Henry Bull
Nelson	1895	Joseph H. Simmonds	Daniel J. Murray
Auckland	1896	William Baumber	William J. Williams
Wellington	1897	Paul W. Fairclough	Daniel J. Murray
Dunedin	1898	William G. Parsonson	Daniel J. Murray
Christchurch	1899	John Orchard	Daniel J. Murray
Auckland	1900	Joseph S. Smalley	Daniel J. Murray
Wellington	1901	Charles H. Garland	Daniel J. Murray
Dunedin	1902	Daniel J. Murray	Samuel Lawry

METHODIST CHURCH OF AUSTRALASIA IN NEW ZEALAND.

Christchurch	1903	John A. Luxford	Samuel Lawry
Auckland	1904	Samuel Lawry	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Wellington	1905	Joseph N. Buttle	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1906	Thomas G. Brooke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1907	William Slade	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Auckland	1908	Charles E. Beecroft	Samuel Lawry
Wellington	1909	Thomas Fee	Samuel Lawry
Dunedin	1910	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	Samuel Lawry
Christchurch	1911	George W. J. Spence	Samuel Lawry
Auckland	1912	William Ready	Samuel Lawry

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND (INDEPENDENT).

Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
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PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.

PLACE.	YEAR	PRESIDENT.
Wellington	1873	Rev. W. J. Dean
New Plymouth	1874	Rev. J. Dumbell
Wellington	1875	Rev. S. Antliff, D.D.
Christchurch	1876	Rev. J. Dumbell
Wellington	1877	Rev. W. J. Dean
Auckland	1878	Rev. B. J. Westbrooke
Wellington	1879	Rev. D. Dutton
Christchurch	1880	Rev. W. J. Dean
Dunedin	1881	Rev. Josiah Ward
Wellington	1882	Rev. Joseph Long
Auckland	1883	Rev. C. E. Barley
Dunedin	1884	Rev. C. E. Ward
Christchurch	1885	Mr. David Goldie
New Plymouth	1886	Rev. P. W. Jones
Wellington	1887	Rev. James Guy
Invercargill	1888	Mr. G. Froggatt
Christchurch	1889	Rev. J. Sharp
Dunedin	1890	Mr. C. M. Luke
Auckland	1891	Rev. W. S. Potter
Christchurch	1892	Mr. J. Bellringer
Ashburton	1893	Rev. James Guy
New Plymouth	1894	Rev. C. E. Ward
Wellington	1895	Rev. William Laycock
Timaru	1896	Rev. James Clover
Feilding	1897	Rev. T. H. Lyon
Dunedin	1898	Rev. J. Dawson
Christchurch	1899	Rev. P. W. Jones
Stratford	1900	Rev. J. Cocker
Auckland	1901	Rev. W. S. Potter
Wellington	1902	Hon. C. M. Luke
Ashburton	1903	Rev. G. Clement
Wanganui	1904	Rev. E. Drake
Christchurch	1905	Rev. J. Sharp
Invercargill	1906	Mr. C. E. Bellringer
New Plymouth	1907	Rev. C. E. Ward
Dunedin	1908	Rev. J. Olphert
Auckland	1909	Rev. R. Raine
Timaru	1910	Rev. S. Henderson
Wellington	1911	Rev. G. H. Mann
Christchurch	1912	Rev. G. K. Smith
Wellington	1913	Hon. C. M. Luke, M.L.C.

UNITED METHODIST FREE CHURCHES.

YEAR.	CHAIRMAN OF DISTRICT.	SECRETARY.
1890	Alfred Peters	Mr. J. A. Flesher
1891	Samuel Macfarlane	Mr. J. A. Flesher
1892	John W. Worboys	Rev. A. Peters
1893	Charles Penney	Rev. A. Peters
1894	John H. Hosking	Mr. J. A. Flesher
1895	John J. Pendray	Mr. J. A. Flesher
1896	Alfred Peters	Mr. J. A. Flesher

BIBLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

YEAR.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
1892-3	John Orchard	William Ready
1894-5	William Ready	Barton H. Ginger
1896	Barton H. Ginger	Frederick T. Read

A Chronological List

OF THE

Ministers and Probationers

IN CONNECTION WITH THE
Methodist Church of New Zealand.

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| 1852—Dumbell, John (Supy.) | 1882—Griffith, Samuel |
| 1856—Gittos, William (Supy.) | " Jones, T. Francis (Supy.) |
| 1861—Cannell, William (Supy.) | 1883—Marshall, George T. (Supy.) |
| 1862—Smith, John (Supy.) | " Mather, Joseph J. (Supy.) |
| 1864—Lee, William (Supy.) | 1884—Laycock, William |
| " Rishworth, John S. (Supy.) | " Serpell, Samuel J. |
| 1866—Taylor, Robert (Supy.) | 1885—Lawry, Albert C. |
| 1867—Oliver, William C. (Supy.) | " Ready, William |
| 1868—Bull, Henry (Supy.) | " Rothwell, Benjamin F. |
| " McNicoll, David (Supy.) | " Wallis, T. Jackson |
| " Smalley, Joseph S. (Supy.) | 1887—Blight, Joseph (Supy.) |
| 1869—Beck, William H. (Supy.) | " Clement, George |
| " Simmonds, Joseph H. | " Joughin, Thomas A. |
| 1870—Isitt, Francis W. (Supy.) | " Laws, Charles H., B.A. |
| " Lewis, John J. | " Wrigley, James |
| " Ward, Charles E. (Supy.) | 1888—Dawson, John |
| " Williams, William J. (Supy.) | " Grigg, William |
| 1871—Bond, George (Supy.) | " Olphert, John |
| " Carr, Thomas G. (Supy.) | 1889—Chapman, James G. |
| " Dewsbury, Henry R. (Supy.) | " Knight, Percy N., B.A. |
| " Sharp, Joseph (Supy.) | " Read, Frederick T. |
| " Thomas, James (Supy.) | 1890—Cocker, James |
| 1872—Ward, Josiah | " Harding, Arthur |
| 1874—Clover, James | " Mitchell, Arthur |
| " Fairclough, P.W., F.R.A.S. | " Newbold, Thos. W. (Supy.) |
| " Hammond, Thomas G. | 1891—Boys, Frederick W. |
| " Jory, John D. (Supy.) | " Sinclair, William A. |
| 1875—Guy, James | 1892—Peryman, Samuel H. D. |
| " Murray, Daniel J. | " Raine, Robert |
| " Nixon, John (Supy.) | " Smith, G. Knowles |
| " Standage, Charles H. (Supy.) | 1893—Drake, Edward |
| 1876—Baumber, William | " Elliott, William J. |
| " Garlick, Samuel J. (Supy.) | " Frost, George |
| " Griffin, Cornelius (Supy.) | " Harrison, Colin C. |
| " Jones, Peter W. (Supy.) | 1894—Bellhouse, Harold E. |
| " Luxford, John A. (Supy.) | " Henderson, Samuel |
| " Penney, Charles | " Mann, George H. |
| " Potter, William S. | " Vealie, Thomas W. |
| 1877—Fee, Thomas (Supy.) | 1895—Ashcroft, Arthur |
| " Lawry, Samuel | " Griffin, John W. |
| " Peters, Alfred | " Lochore, John A. |
| 1879—Abernethy, Christopher | " Richards, Thomas R. |
| " Hudson, Lewis | 1896—Blamires, Henry L. |
| " Spence, George W. J. (Supy.) | " Chappell, Albert B., M.A.,
F.R.E.S. |
| 1880—Brooke, Thomas G. | " Hosking, James A. |
| " Dukes, John | |
| " Griffin, Thomas N. | |
| 1881—Garland, Charles H. | |
| " Pinfold, James T., B.D. | |
| " Slade, William (Supy.) | |

- 1897—Cossum, Percy J.
 „ Hay, W. Arthur
 „ Pybus, Arthur
 1898—Beckett, William
 „ Dudley, Ben, F.R.A.S.
 1899—Keall, Robert P.
 „ Southern, John
 „ Wills, William
 1900—Blamires, E. Percy
 „ Greenslade, William
 „ Haslam, Jonathan H.
 „ Hunt, George P.
 „ Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.
 „ Wilson, Richard
 1901—Bailey, Samuel
 „ Cook, George S.
 „ Eaton, Clarence
 „ Featherston, Jacob
 „ Ranston, Harry, M.A.
 „ Reader, Amos
 „ Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.
 1902—Coatsworth, Thomas
 „ Oxbrow, Walter J.
 „ Patchett, Ernest D.
 „ Pratt, M. A. Rugby
 1903—James, Benjamin J.
 „ Liddell, Ralph J.
 „ Seamer, Arthur J.
 1904—Blamires, Ernest O.
 „ McBean, Angus
 „ Sims, Charles A.
 „ Stockwell, George F.
 „ Wilson, James
 1905—Harris, John
 „ Metson, Basil
 „ Richards, Raymond
 1906—Avery, William W.
 „ Clark, James R.
 „ Daniel, Herbert
 „ Paris, Percy R.
 „ Roberts, Charles
 „ White, Hedley
 1907—Abbey, William H. E.
 „ Blair, Charles
 „ Scott, W. Bramwell
 1908—Cox, Edwin T., M.A.
 „ Jordan, Chas. B., B.A.
 „ Martin, J. Frederick
 1908—Rands, Frederick
 „ Speer, William H.
 „ Tinsley, Robt. B.
 1909—Cottom, Harry
 „ McArthur, John D.
 „ Suckling, Joseph B.
 „ Turner, Nicholas
 1910—Allen, Alexander
 „ Burley, William A., M.A.
 „ Harris, Archer O.
 „ Olds, Charles H., B.A.
 „ Richards, James
 „ Sharp, Harold A.
 1911—Fowles, Albert H.
 „ Frost, Fred
 „ Hopper, Arthur
 „ Neale, Leslie B.
 „ Richards, Horace L.
 „ Rowe, William
 1912—Gosnell, Robert B.
 „ Hinton, George B.
 „ Lawrence, Frederick B.
 „ Lea, William
 „ Parsons, John E.
 „ Walker, William
 „ Watson, William A.
 1913—Battey, Percy
 „ Bensley, Arthur A.
 „ Evans, Matthew J.
 „ Peat, Harold T.
 1914—Burnet, Oswald
 „ Foston, Charles A.
 „ Harris, Francis T.
 „ Liversedge, Arthur
 „ Marshall, Henry H.
 „ Speirs, Robert B.
 „ Sullivan, Joseph R.
 „ Werren, Samuel J.
 1915—Cooke, Percy I.
 „ Gordon, Aldwyn R., M.A.
 „ Hocking, William H.
 „ Odell, Henry J.
 „ Slade, William G., M.A.
 1916—Brown, George E.
 „ Fordyce, Robert E.
 „ Kendon, Charles H.
 „ Sage, Ernest E.
 „ Warburton, Egbert R.

NATIVE MINISTERS.

- 1882—Rakena, Piripi
 1894—Kingi, Hamiora (Supy.)
 1896—Heretini, Te Tuhi
 1900—Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki
 „ Renata, Hapeta
 1903—Hare, Hone Marena
 1904—Papakakura, Neho Hemi
 1911—Kakuere, Hori
 „ Te Tuhi, Eruera
 „ Wilcox, Davis
 1914—Piripi Rakena
 1915—Paikaea R. Paiaire

APPENDIX.

The Rev. W. L. Blamires (1858) and the Rev. S. F. Prior (1875).
 Supernumeraries of the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, reside in New Zealand.

Alphabetical List of Ministers and Probationers,

In connection with the Methodist Church of New Zealand, together with their Postal Addresses.

NOTE.—The figures in the first column show the year in which the Minister entered the Ministry; the third column indicates the Circuit (and its number on the Station Sheet) to which the Minister is appointed; the fourth column indicates the first or further annual appointment, or, in the case of a Supernumerary, the year in which he became a Supernumerary.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1907	Abernethy, Christopher	Woodville, 54	4	Parsonage, Woodville
1879	Abbey, William H. E.	Levin, 72	3	Queen Street East, Levin
1910	Allen, Alexander	Dunedin (Caversham), 112	1	66 Fitzroy Street, Kew, Dunedin
1895	Ashcroft, Arthur	Richmond, 75	2	Richmond, Nelson
1906	Avery, William W.	Paparoa, 14	3	Paparoa, North Auckland
1901	Bailey, Samuel	Otautau, 127	4	Parsonage, Otautau, Southland
1913	Batthey, Percy	Christchurch (St. Albans), 89	1	Edgware Road, Christchurch
1876	Baumber, William	Nelson, 74	5	Hardy Street, Nelson
1869	Beck, William H. (Supy.)	Wellington South, 64	1913	16 Russell Terrace, Wellington South
1898	Beckett, William	Hutt, 66	3	Parsonage, Lower Hutt
1894	Bellhouse, Harold E.	Auckland West, 2	1	32 Arthur Street, Auckland
1913	Bensley, Arthur A.			With Expeditionary Force
1907	Blair, Charles	Kaponga, 42	2	Kaponga, Taranaki
1900	Blamires, E. Percy	Auckland East, 3	3	Windmill Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland
1904	Blamires, Ernest O.	Hawera, 39	4	South Road, Hawera
1896	Blamires, Henry L.	Wanganui, 43	3	Wicksteed Street, Wanganui
1887	Blight, Joseph (Supy.)	Auckland (Avondale), 4	1910	Methodist Orphanage, Mt. Albert
1871	Bond, George (Supy.)	Auckland East, 3	1915	Banff Avenue, Epsom, Auckland
1891	Boys, Frederick W.	Palmerston N. (Broad St.), 56	4	126 Church Street East, Palmerston N.
1880	Brooke, Thomas G.	H.M. General Secretary, 3	8	Penryn Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland
1916	Brown, George E.	Manaia, 40	1	Manaia, Taranaki
1868	Bull, Henry (Supy.)	Christchurch (Durham St.), 82	1911	40 Clissold Street, Merivale, Christchurch
1910	Burley, William A., M.A.	Auckland West, 2	4	52 Collingwood Street, Auckland
1914	Burnet, Oswald			With Expeditionary Force

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1861	Cannell, William (Supy.)	New Plymouth, 34	1900	112 Young Street, New Plymouth
1871	Carr, Thomas G. (Supy.)	Auckland (Central), 1	1915	Mt. Eden, Auckland
1889	Chapman, James G.	Wellington (Taranaki St.), 61	6	38 Macfarlane Street, Wellington
1896	Chappell, Albert B., M.A.	New Plymouth, 34	3	Liardet Street, New Plymouth
1906	Clark, James R.	Rangiora, 97	4	Woodend, Kaiapoi
1887	Clement, George	Invercargill (Elles Rd.), 124	2	57 Elles Road, Invercargill South
1874	Clover, James	Waiuku, 12	2	Waiuku, Auckland
1902	Coatsworth, Thomas	Feilding, 58	3	Parsonage, Halcombe
1890	Cocker, James	Ch.Ch. (Cambridge Tr.), 85	1	227 Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch
1901	Cook, George S.	Cambridge, 24	1	Queen Street, Cambridge
1915	Cooke, Percy I.			With Expeditionary Force
1897	Cossum, Percy J.	Waihi, 22	2	Regent Street, Waihi
1909	Cotton, Harry	Pahiatua, 55	1	Pahiatua
1908	Cox, Edwin T., M.A.	Auckland Methodist Mission, 5	2	East Street Hall, Newton, Auckland
1906	Daniel, Herbert	Whangarei, 16	3	Bank Street, Whangarei
1888	Dawson, John	Sec. N.Z. Alliance, 64	—	136 Coromandel Street, Wellington
1871	Dewsbury, Henry R. (Supy.)	Auckland East, 3	1911	Spring Street, Onehunga
1893	Drake, Edward	Wellington South, 64	1	89 Daniell Street, Wellington South
1898	Dudley, Ben, F.R.A.S.	Westport, 81	2	Derby Street, Westport
1880	Dukes, John	Te Aroha, 20	1	Te Aroha
1852	Dumbell, John (Supy.)	Wellington (Thorndon), 63	1885	114 Molesworth Street, Wellington
1901	Eaton, Clarence	Dunedin Central Mission, 108	2	56 Royal Terrace, Dunedin.
1893	Elliott, William J.	Auckland (North Shore), 6	1	17 Church Street, Devonport, Auckland
1912	Evans, Matthew J.	Johnsonville, 65	1	Johnsonville
1874	Fairclough, Paul W., F.R.A.S.	Kaiapoi, 95	3	Parsonage, Kaiapoi
1901	Featherston, Jacob	Milton, 119	1	Milton, Otago
1877	Fee, Thomas (Supy.)	Christchurch (St. Albans), 89	1913	Barbadoes Street, St. Albans, Ch.Ch.
1916	Fordyce, Robert E.	Waimarino, 47	1	Raetihi
1914	Poston, Charles A.	Motueka, 79	3	Pah Street, Motueka
1911	Fowles, Albert H.	Bluff, 125	2	14 Elizabeth Street, Bluff
1912	Frost, Fred L.	Edendale, 127	2	Edendale, Southland

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1893	Frost, George	Ashburton, 104	1	Havelock Street, Ashburton
1881	Garland, Charles H.	Theological College, 3	5	Remuera, Auckland
1876	Garlick, Samuel J. (Supy.)	Hutt, 66	1908	Waterloo Road, Lower Hutt
1856	Gittos, William (Supy.)	Northern Maori Mission, 17	1913	Devonport, Auckland
1915	Gordon, Aldwyn R., M.A.			With Expeditionary Force
1912	Gosnell, Robert B.	Cape Egmont, 41	1	Opunake
1900	Greenslade, William	Dunedin (Mornington), 113	3	56 Lawrence St., Mornington, Dunedin
1876	Griffin, Cornelius (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1914	9 Halston Road, Auckland
1895	Griffin, John W.	Temuka, 102	1	Birkett Street, Temuka
1880	Griffin, Thomas N.	Dannevirke, 53	1	High Street, Dannevirke
1882	Griffith, Samuel	Dunedin (Dundas Street), 109	2	52 Dundas Street, Dunedin
1888	Grigg, William	Leeston, 94	3	Parsonage, Leeston
1875	Guy, James	Rangiora, 97	1	142 King Street, Rangiora
1874	Hammond, Thomas G.	West Coast Maori Mission, 48	30	Campbell Street, Hawera
1890	Harding, Arthur	Waipawa, 52	3	Ruataniwha Street, Waipawa
1910	Harris, Archer O.	Eltham, 38	1	Conway Road, Eltham
1914	Harris, Francis T.			With Expeditionary Force
1905	Harris, John	Greendale and Malvern, 98	4	Greendale, Canterbury
1893	Harrison, Colin C.	Onehunga, 8	1	Grey Street, Onehunga
1900	Haslam, Jonathan H.	Palmerston N. (Cuba St.), 57	4	23 Waldegrave Street, Palmerston North
1897	Hay, W. Arthur	Dunedin (Trinity), 107	3	169 York Place, Dunedin
1894	Henderson, Samuel	Invercargill (Don St.), 123	4	228 Spey Street, Invercargill
1912	Hinton, George B.	Waitara, 35	1	Parsonage, Waitara.
1911	Hopper, Arthur	Dunedin (St. Kilda), 111	1	52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh
1900	Hosking, James A.	Masterton, 70	1	46 Worksop Road, Masterton
1879	Hudson, Lewis	Auckland (Avondale), 4	2	Parsonage, Mt. Albert, Auckland
1900	Hunt, George P.	Geraldine, 103	2	Geraldine, Canterbury
1870	Isitt, Francis W. (Supy.)	Dunedin (Trinity), 107	1911	Selkirk Street, Littlebourne, Dunedin
1903	James, Benjamin J.	Balclutha, 118	3	Parsonage, Balclutha
1876	Jones, Peter W. (Supy.)	Feilding, 58	1901	Kimbolton Road, Feilding
1882	Jones, Thomas F. (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1916	Gardner's Road, Epsom, Auckland

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT	NAME	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1908	Jordan, Charles B., B.A.	Eketahuna, 71	1	Stanley Street, Eketahuna
1874	Jory, John D. (Supy.)	Auckland (Birkenhead), 7	1912	"Navartha House," Birkenhead, Auck.
1887	Joughin, Thomas A.	Timaru (Bank St.), 99	3	Butler Street, Timaru
1899	Keall, R. Purcell	Sanson and Rongotea, 59	3	Sanson, Manawatu
1916	Kendon, Charles H.	Opotiki, 29	1	Opotiki
1889	Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Christchurch (Durham St.), 82	3	54 Chester Street, Christchurch
1912	Lawrence, Frederick B.			With Expeditionary Force
1885	Lawry, Albert C.	Christchurch (St. Albans), 89	1	Rugby Street, St. Albans, Christchurch
1877	Lawry, Samuel	Connexional Secretary, 82	6	P.O. Box 931, Christchurch
1887	Laws, Charles H., B.A.	Auckland Central, 1	3	10 Hopetoun Street, Auckland
1884	Laycock, William	Christchurch (Woolston), 86	4	46 Radley Road, Woolston, Christchurch
1910	Lea, William	Waikouaiti and Palmerston, 117	1	Parsonage, Waikouaiti
1864	Lee, William (Supy.)	Christchurch (Woolston), 86	1907	Sumner, Christchurch
1870	Lewis, John J.	Auckland Central, 1	1	Sherwood Road, Auckland
1903	Liddell, Ralph J.	Timaru (Woodlands St.), 100	3	114 Arthur Street, Timaru
1914	Liversedge, Arthur	Christchurch East, 84	3	165 Ollivier's Road, Linwood, Christchurch
1895	Lochore, John A.	Oamaru, 106	3	Eden Street, Oamaru
1876	Luxford, John A.	Auckland (Central), 1	1916	C/o Methodist Connexional Office, Dominion Buildings, Christchurch.
1909	McArthur, John D.	Ashburton, 104	3	Wakanui Road, Ashburton
1904	McBean, Angus	Petone, 67	1	37 Nelson Street, Petone
1868	McNicoll, David (Supy.)	Auckland (North Shore), 6	1909	Bay View Road, Takapuna, Auckland
1894	Mann, George H.	Gore, 126	1	Irk Street, Gore
1883	Marshall, George T. (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1916	G.P.O., Auckland
1914	Marshall, Henry H.			With Expeditionary Force
1908	Martin, J. Frederick	Ohoka, 96	4	Ohoka, Canterbury
1883	Mather, Joseph J. (Supy.)	Auckland (Central), 1	1915	Henley Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland
1905	Metson, Basil	Tai Tapu, 93	1	Tai Tapu, Canterbury
1915	Minife, J. A. Lester	Taihape, 46	1	Taihape
1890	Mitchell, Arthur	Christchurch East, 84	1	C/o Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Christchurch
1875	Murray, Daniel J.	Feilding, 58	4	West Street, Feilding

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1911	Neale, Leslie B.	South Wairarapa, 68	2	Main Street, Greytown
1890	Newbold, Thomas W. (Supy.)	Dunedin (Trinity), 107	1912	516 Cumberland Street, Dunedin
1875	Nixon, John (Supy.)	Christchurch (St. Albans), 89	1915	St. Albans, Christchurch With Expeditionary Force
1915	Odell, Henry J.			
1910	Olds, Charles H., B.A.	New Plymouth, 34	3	141 Devon Street, New Plymouth
1867	Oliver, William C. (Supy.)	Christchurch East, 84	1909	8 Dudley Terrace, Shirley, Christchurch
1888	Olphert, John	Te Awamutu, 32	3	Parsonage, Te Awamutu
1902	Oxbrow, Walter J.	Willowby, 105	3	Willowby, Canterbury
1906	Paris, Percy R.	Auckland Central, 1	1	Paice Avenue, Dominion Road, Auckland
1912	Parsons, John E.	Lyttelton, 91	1	19 Exeter Street, Lyttelton
1902	Patchett, Ernest D.	Greymouth, 78	2	138 Tainui Street, Greymouth
1913	Peat, Harold T.	Rotorua, 27	3	Rotorua
1876	Penney, Charles	Reefton, 80	2	Parsonage, Reefton
1892	Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Port Chalmers, 116	3	Scotia Street, Port Chalmers
1877	Peters, Alfred	Christchurch (Papanui), 90	6	Matson's Road, Papanui, Christchurch
1881	Pinfold, James T., B.D.	Mosgiel, 115	2	Mosgiel, Otago
1876	Potter, William S.	Papakura, 10	3	Papakura
1902	Pratt, M. A. Rugby	Hastings, 50	2	Queen Street E., Hastings
1897	Pybus, T. Arthur	Dunedin (Roslyn), 114	2	36 Brighton Road, Roslyn, Dunedin
1892	Raine, Robert	Dunedin (Cargill Rd.), 110	1	94 Macandrew Road, South Dunedin
1908	Rands, Frederick	Rangitikei, 45	2	Marton, Rangitikei
1908	Ranston, Harry, M.A.	Auckland Central, 1	1	8 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland
1889	Read, Frederick T.	Dunedin (Mornington), 113	1	Mornington, Dunedin
1901	Reader, Amos	Wellington (Thorndon), 63	1	17 Goring Street, Wellington
1885	Ready, William	Invercargill (Leet St.), 121	3	198 Dee Street, Invercargill
1911	Richards, Horace L.	Hokitika, 77	2	Tancred Street, Hokitika
1910	Richards, James	Wellington South, 64	2	58 Wellington Rd., Kilbirnie, Wellington
1905	Richards, Raymond	Inglewood, 36	1	Parsonage, Inglewood
1895	Richards, Thomas R.	Napier, 49	3	Madeira Steps, Napier
1864	Rishworth, John S. (Supy.)	Auckland (North Shore), 6	1895	103 Vauxhall Road, Devonport, Auckland
1906	Roberts, Charles	Hamilton, 25	2	Hamilton East, Waikato

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1885	Rothwell, Benjamin F.	Blenheim, 76	3	Blenheim
1911	Rowe, William	Foxton, 60	2	Foxton, Manawatu
1916	Sage, Ernest E.	Taumarunui, 31	1	Taumarunui, King Country
1907	Scott, W. Bramwell	Springston, 92	2	Springston, Canterbury
1900	Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.	Christchurch (Sydenham), 87	5	4 Harper Street, Sydenham, Christchurch
1903	Seamer, Arthur J.	Auckland Central, 1	1	C/o Rev. C. H. Laws, Auckland
1884	Serpell, Samuel J.	Thames, 19	1	Queen Street, Thames
1910	Sharp, Harold A.	Auckland (Birkenhead), 7	1	Birkenhead, Auckland
1871	Sharp, Joseph (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1915	C/o Rev. C. H. Laws, Auckland
1869	Simmonds, Joseph H.	Wesley Training College, 3	22	Three Kings, Mt. Eden, Auckland
1904	Sims, Charles A.	Aramoho, 44	2	Aramoho, Wanganui
1891	Sinclair, William A.	Christchurch East, 84	5	173 Fitzgerald Avenue, Christchurch
1881	Slade, William (Supy.)	Otahuhu, 9	1916	Otahuhu, Auckland
1915	Slade, William G.	Otahuhu, 9	1	Otahuhu
1868	Smalley, Joseph S. (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1903	91 St. Paul's Road, Canonbury, London N.
1862	Smith, G. Knowles	Wellington Central Mission, 62	4	21 Hankey Street, Wellington
1862	Smith, John (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1891	35 Fairview Rd., Mt. Eden, Auckland
1899	Southern, John	Mahurangi, 13	2	Neville Street, Warkworth
1908	Speer, William H.	Northern Wairoa, 15	3	Dargaville
1914	Speirs, Robert B.			With Expeditionary Force
1879	Spence, George W. J. (Supy.)	Auckland East, 3	1916	Grange Road, Auckland
1875	Standage, Charles H. (Supy.)	Wellington (Thorndon), 63	1915	Karori, Wellington
1904	Stockwell, George F.	Waimate, 101	5	Coronation Street, Waimate
1909	Suckling, Joseph B.	Pukekohe, 11	1	Pukekohe, Auckland
1914	Sullivan, Joseph R.	Timaru (Bank St.), 99	3	Timaru
1866	Taylor, Robert (Supy.)	Christchurch East, 84	1910	Minchin's Road, Richmond, Christchurch
1871	Thomas, James (Supy.)	Auckland Central, 1	1907	Brockville Road, Toorak, Melbourne
1908	Tinsley, R. Borrowes	Stratford, 37	1	Stratford, Taranaki
1909	Turner, Nicholas	Ch.Ch. (Durham St. S.), 83	1	176 Durham Street, Christchurch
1894	Vealie, Thomas W.	Christchurch (Addington), 88	3	100 Harman Street, Addington, Ch.Ch.
1912	Walker, William	Wellington (Taranaki St.), 61	2	Military Camp, Trentham

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS.—Continued.

ENT.	NAME.	CIRCUIT.	Ann. Appt.	POSTAL ADDRESS.
1885	Wallis, Thomas J.	Hamilton, 25	2	London Street, Hamilton
1916	Warburton, Egbert R.	South Wairarapa, 68	1	Main Street, Greytown
1870	Ward, Charles E. (Supy.)	Christchurch (Cambridge Tr), 85	1910	Canon Street, St. Albans, Christchurch
1872	Ward, Josiah	Carterton, 69	2	High Street, Carterton
1912	Watson, William A.			With Expeditionary Force
1914	Werren, Samuel J.	Wanganui, 43	1	Wicksteed Street, Wanganui
1906	White, Hedley	Otaki, 73	1	Kirk Street, Otaki
1870	Williams, William J. (Supy.)	Christchurch (Woolston), 86	1914	Sumner, Christchurch
1899	Wills, William	Gisborne, 51	1	351 Palmerston Road, Gisborne
1904	Wilson, Jas. (without pastoral charge)	Auckland Methodist Mission, 5	4	C/o East St. Hall, Newton, Auckland
1900	Wilson, Richard (without pastoral charge)	Christchurch East, 84	2	572 Gloucester Street, Christchurch
1901	Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.	Blenheim, 76	3	Tua Marina, Marlborough
1887	Wrigley, James	Auckland East, 3	2	Pukenui Road, Epsom
NATIVE MINISTERS.				
1900	Haddon, Robert Tahu Potiki	West Coast Maori Mission, 48	17	Normanby, Taranaki
1903	Hare, Hone M.	Waikato Maori Mission, 18	9	Te Kopua
1896	Heretini, Te Tuhi	Hokianga, 17	16	Whirinaki, Hokianga
1911	Kakuera, Hori	Waikato Maori Mission, 18	4	Raglan
1894	Kingi, Hamiora (Supy.)	Northern Maori Mission, 17	1914	Hokianga, North Auckland
1904	Papakakura, Neho Hemi	West Coast Maori Mission, 48	2	Rahotu
1914	Piripi, Rakena	Southern Maori Mission, 102	2	Temuka, Canterbury
1915	Paikea, Paraire R.	Waikato Maori Mission, 18	2	Otorohanga, Waikato
1882	Rakena, Piripi	Hokianga, 17	4	Ivydale, Kohu Kohu, Hokianga
1900	Renata, Hapeta	Whangaroa, 17	17	Kaco, Whangaroa
1911	Te Tuhi, Eruera	Kaipara, 17	6	Reweti, Auckland
1911	Wilcox, Davis	Whangaroa, 17	7	Opua, Bay of Islands

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF HOME MISSIONARIES

**WITH THEIR POSTAL ADDRESSES AND THE YEAR FROM
WHICH THEIR ENTRANCE UPON THE WORK COUNTS.**

N.B.—Only complete years of service are counted. The number following the name indicates the number of years in the present appointment

- 1904—Aker, C. Douglas, Taranaki, 3.
 1916—Alexander, W., Murchison, Nelson, 1.
 1910—Ayrton, M., Millerton, Westport, 1.
 1915—Bowden, W., Rawene, Hokianga, 1.
 1908—Bridgman, G. H., Midhurst, Taranaki, 1.
 1916—Bratt, W., Glenavon, Dunedin, 1.
 1916—Brooks, L. A. G., Wakefield, Nelson, 1.
 1908—Brown, C. W., Morrinsville, Waikato, 1.
 1915—Brown, F. G., Mangonui, Auckland, 1.
 1914—Combes, J. H., Cromwell, Otago, 2.
 1913—Common, J., Havelock, Marlborough, 1.
 1914—Crawford, J., Paraparaumu, Manawatu, 2.
 1911—Cuming, W. B., Matamata, Waikato, 1.
 1916—Dent, T., Avondale, Auckland, 1.
 1910—Duncan, C., Ashhurst, Palmerston North, 2.
 1916—Edmondson, J. H., Nightcaps, Southland, 1.
 1903—Featherstone, T. W., Rahotu, Taranaki, 4.
 1913—Fitchett, A., Huntly, Waikato, 1.
 1915—Flower, T., Te Hapara, Gisborne, 1.
 1914—Foot, F. C., Oxford, Canterbury, 1.
 1914—Ford, H., Rehia, N. Wairoa, 1.
 1912—Gatman, W., Kawa Kawa, Bay of Islands, 2.
 1915—Harris, C., Ohura, King Country, 2.
 1915—Hitchinson, W. A., Runanga, Greymouth, 1.
 1904—Hooper, W. T., Waddington, Canterbury, 2.
 1907—Keen, S., Lawrence, Otago, 2.
 1909—Kellow, F. P., Gonville, Wanganui, 4.
 1915—Kings, H. S., Whakatane, Bay of Plenty, 1.
 1904—Lamond, J. A., Kaukapakapa, Kaipara, 3.
 1907—Laybourn, A., Coromandel, Auckland, 2.
 1916—Neal, W. S., Kaeo, Whangaroa, 1.
 1915—Nelson, J. R., Timaru, Canterbury, 1.

- 1899—Oliver, J., Norsewood, Hawkes Bay, 3.
 1910—Pain, E. H., Ngaruawahia, Waikato, 1.
 1909—Parker, J. W., Apiti, Feilding, 3.
 1915—Pearn, O. S., Porirua, Wellington, 1.
 1916—Pickering, W. B., Palmerston, Otago, 1.
 1910—Porter, W. A., Port Albert, Kaipara, 1.
 1915—Ranson, E., Riverton, Southland, 1.
 1916—Reid, J., Hikurangi, Auckland.
 1916—Richards, John, Te Kuiti, King Country, 1.
 1916—Skuse, T., Roxburgh, Otago, 1.
 1908—Sleep, W. E., Mayfield, Canterbury, 3.
 1915—Smart, A., Waimiha, King Country, 1.
 1915—Spencer, H., Amberley, Canterbury, 2.
 1911—Strand, C., New Brighton, Christchurch, 3.
 1913—Tyson, J., Methven, Canterbury, 2.
 1916—Vickers, W., Te Puke, Bay of Plenty, 1.
 1909—Watson, W., Patea, Taranaki, 1.
 1896—White, J. H., Brooklyn, Wellington, 4.

SUPPLIES.

- Blackwood, J. W., Cromwell, Otago.
 Burnard, J. D., Kaitangata, Otago.
 Field, H., Paeroa, Auckland.
 Harris, W., Addington, Christchurch.
 Ryan, H., Tauranga, Bay of Plenty.
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APPENDIX.

CONNEXIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLES' BOARD.

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Balance-sheet for year ending 31st December, 1915.

Treasurer:—Mr. D. C. CAMERON, Junr.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance in hand, 31st Dec., 1914	...	11	17 9	Stamps and Envelopes (Secretary)	...	0	13 10
Convention Collections	...	0	16 0	Typing Circulars	...	0	15 0
Discounts	...	0	7 6	Postages	...	2	1 7
Interest	...	0	6 4	Stationery	...	3	2 11
Sales—				Printing and Books	...	2	19 6
Orders of Service	...	2	14 0	Sunday-school Schedules	...	2	0 0
Declaration Cards	...	4	13 1	Wesley Guild Manuals	...	2	2 0
Wesley Guild Cards	...	1	10 9	Infant Member Cards	...	8	5 0
Wesley Guild Manuals	...	0	13 6	Junior Member Cards	...	1	15 0
Transfer Forms	...	0	2 0	Commission on Sales	...	1	12 2
Contingent Fund	...	30	0 0	Balance in P.O. Savings Bank	...	27	13 11
		<u>£53</u>	<u>0 11</u>			<u>£53</u>	<u>0 11</u>

Audited and found correct, 8/1/16

S. JAMES
 ARCH. T. McINDOE } Auditors

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

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Cash Account from January 11th, 1915, to January 10th, 1916.

Treasurers:—Rev. S. LAWRY and Mr. J. A. FLESHER.

INCOME.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
To Balances forward—							By Balance due to Bank					49	7	7
Invested on Mortgage	600	0	0				Loans Advanced—							
Cash on Deposit	250	0	0				Murchison	100	0	0				
				850	0	0	New Brighton	150	0	0				
Instalments of Loans repaid				1683	13	8	Ohoka	200	0	0				
Interest on Overdue Instalments	27	14	9				Kaiapoi	400	0	0				
Interest on Mortgage	30	0	0				Mosgiel	350	0	0				
Interest on Deposits	4	17	6				Invercargill (Jubilee Hall)	300	0	0	1500	0	0	
Contributions from Trusts	63	19	0				Grant to Secretary's Stipend	155	16	8				
Working Expense Fees	41	7	10				Printing and Stationery	9	8	7				
				167	19	1	Bank Charges and Exchanges	0	10	0				
Profit on Sale of Hymn Books				12	17	2	Travelling Expenses	0	8	10				
							Stamps and Telegrams	1	14	8	167	18	9	
							Amount Invested on Mortgage	600	0	0				
							Cash on Deposit	304	13	7				
							Cash at Bank	92	10	0	997	3	7	
				£2714	9	11					£2714	9	11	

January 19th, 1916.

Examined and found correct,

A. K. ENGLAND }
ARTHUR C. REED. } Auditors.

NOTES.—1. By direction of the 1915 Conference, the balance of £60 owing by the Glenroy Trustees has been written off the Capital Account, being the deficit after the liquidation of the Glenroy Trust Liabilities. £12 17s. 2d. profit on sale of Hymnals has been added to the Fund, making the present Capital £10,186 0s. 4d. 2. The Profit and Loss Account shews a credit of £59 15s. 4d., which is included in the Credit Balance shewn in the Cash Account.

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—LIST OF LOANS.

Place and Object.	Date of Loan.	Amount of Loan.			No. of Years.	Amount Unpaid Jan. 10/16	Date of Last Payment.	Arrears Jan. 10/16
		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.				
Auckland District.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Kuaotunu Church ...	Oct., 1897	120 0 0	...	...	7	57 19 6	Nov., 1903 57 19 6
Coromandel Church ...	July, 1899	250 0 0	...	...	8	203 2 6	Jan., 1901 203 2 6
Coromandel Church ...	Aug., 1899	25 0 0	...	...	2	25 0 0	... 25 0 0
Kamo Church ...	June, 1902	...	...	109 14 6	...	48 0 0	Nov., 1914 48 0 0
Whangarei Church ...	Oct., 1906	235 0 0	...	...	10	76 7 6	Nov., 1914 45 8 10
Birkdale Church ...	Jan., 1908	80 0 0	...	...	8	2 10 0	Oct., 1915 ...
Eden Terrace Parsonage ...	Jan., 1908	...	100 0 0	...	10	Nil	May, 1915 ...	
Birkenhead Parsonage ...	Aug., 1908	275 0 0	...	...	10	74 5 0	Nov., 1915 ...
Eden Terrace Church ...	Feb., 1909	...	100 0 0	...	10	Nil	May, 1915 ...	
Otahuhu S.S. Hall ...	Feb., 1909	255 0 0	...	...	10	82 17 6	Dec., 1915 ...
Manurewa Church ...	July, 1909	50 0 0	...	...	6	Nil	Aug., 1915 ...
Papakura Church ...	Oct., 1909	100 0 0	...	...	8	25 0 0	Oct., 1915 ...
Northcote Church ...	Dec., 1910	100 0 0	...	...	8	41 5 0	Dec., 1915 ...
Te Kopuru Church ...	Feb., 1911	100 0 0	...	...	8	10 0 0	Nov., 1915 ...
Rawene Parsonage ...	Feb., 1911	...	...	125 0 0	6	26 0 10	Nov., 1915 ...
Mt. Albert S.S. Hall ...	Mar., 1911	150 0 0	...	...	7	34 19 4	Dec., 1915 ...
Morningside Church ...	Mar., 1911	...	100 0 0	...	10	80 0 0	June, 1913 22 0 0	
Morningside Cottage ...	Mar., 1911	...	100 0 0	...	10	70 0 0	June, 1914 11 0 0	
Onehunga Parsonage ...	July, 1911	200 0 0	...	...	8	115 11 3	Dec., 1915 24 17 6
Penrose Church Site ...	Sep., 1911	...	...	50 0 0	5	20 15 0	July, 1915 5 18 6
Kaukapakapa Parsonage ...	Feb., 1912	160 0 0	...	...	10	100 0 0	Jan., 1916 ...
Russell Church ...	Sep., 1914	...	...	50 0 0	6	43 15 0	July, 1915 4 6 7
Rawene Land ...	Oct., 1915	...	...	25 0 0	5	25 0 0	... ..
South Auckland District:								
Waitoa Church ...	Aug., 1904	100 0 0	...	...	10	7 18 3	Oct., 1915 7 18 3
Aratiatia (Manawaru) Site ...	Ap., 1905	15 0 0	...	15 0 0	

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND—LIST OF LOANS.

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		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.				
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Otorohanga Church ...	Ap., 1905	50 0 0	6	30 9 9	Aug., 1915	Readjusted
Hamilton Church ...	Nov., 1906	...	50 0 0	...	7	36 0 0	Dec., 1914	36 0 0
Mamaku Church ...	Dec., 1907	22 10 0	...	...	4	1 15 0	April, 1914	1 15 0
Cambridge Church ...	Dec., 1907	190 0 0	...	...	8	14 16 0	Nov., 1915	7 8 0
Waimana Church Site ...	Apr., 1908	...	...	21 10 6	...	21 10 6	...	...
Kakahi Church Site ...	Dec., 1908	...	...	33 3 2	...	33 3 2	...	...
Taumarunui Lease of Site ...	May, 1908	...	...	153 13 9	...	153 13 9	...	...
Taumarunui Pars. Site (Purchase)	May, 1909	...	...	20 2 8	...	20 2 8	...	...
Te Kowhai Church ...	July, 1909	59 4 8	...	...	6	Nil	June, 1915	...
Opotiki Church Site ...	Nov., 1909	...	...	150 0 0	10	112 10 0	May, 1914	27 13 0
Eastport Road Church ...	Nov., 1910	60 0 0	...	...	5	Nil	Feb., 1915	...
Opotiki Church erection ...	Apr., 1912	250 0 0	...	...	10	200 0 0	July, 1914	41 10 0
Hamilton East Church ...	May, 1912	100 0 0	...	...	5	55 0 0	Oct., 1914	26 10 8
Te Kuiti Church Site ...	Nov., 1912	...	...	50 0 0	5	50 0 0	...	...
Waihi Church Enlargement ...	July, 1914	130 0 0	...	...	7	111 8 8	Oct., 1915	9 13 10
Ohura Church Debt ...	Oct., 1914	...	...	200 6 0	10	183 13 6	Oct., 1915	...
Taranaki-Wanganui District.								
Mangaweka Church ...	June, 1898	60 0 0	...	...	8	24 12 11	Sept., 1915	24 12 11
Torere Church and Site ...	Mar., 1902	...	...	31 17 0	5	Nil	May, 1915	...
Hawera Church ...	Feb., 1907	500 0 0	...	...	10	85 0 0	Oct., 1915	14 3 4
Rahotu Church and Parsonage	April, 1908	125 0 0	...	...	8	3 16 10	Jan., 1916	...
Dublin Street, Wanganui ...	April, 1908	...	50 0 0	...	7	Nil	May, 1915	...
Huiakama Church ...	June, 1908	...	60 0 0	...	8	17 10 0	April, 1915	12 0 0
Inglewood Parsonage ...	Aug., 1908	300 0 0	...	...	10	187 10 0	Aug., 1912	118 14 10
Kaponga Parsonage ...	Oct., 1908	250 0 0	10	75 0 0	Oct., 1915	...
Rangataua Site ...	Mar., 1910	44 4 7	...	44 4 7

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		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.				
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Huiroa Church	July, 1910	...	50 0 0	...	10	25 0 0	Sept., 1915	...
Manaia Church	Aug., 1910	...	...	50 0 0	5	27 10 0	Jan., 1916	...
Westmere Church	Jan., 1911	...	50 0 0	...	8	25 0 0	Jan., 1915	7 0 0
Taihape Church	Mar., 1911	188 0 0	...	...	10	122 4 0	Oct., 1915	23 1 5
Rangataua Church	June, 1911	...	...	98 0 0	10	56 7 0	Nov., 1915	2 9 0
New Plymouth Ch. and Parsonage	July, 1911	850 0 0	...	...	10	473 4 6	Nov., 1915	...
Aramoho Ch. and Parsonage	Oct., 1913	...	...	200 0 0	8	162 10 0	May, 1915	13 0 0
Inglewood, Mountain Road Ch.	Jan., 1914	...	...	131 14 9	...	131 14 9	...	...
Normanby Church	June, 1914	150 0 0	...	...	6	112 10 0	Dec., 1915	...
Gonville Church	Dec., 1914	100 0 0	...	...	4	75 0 0	Dec., 1915	...
Eltham S.S. Hall	Jan., 1915	...	...	100 0 0	6	91 13 4	Aug., 1915	8 13 2
Douglas Site and Parsonage	Aug., 1915	...	...	100 0 0	8	100 0 0	...	...
Urenui Church	Jan., 1916	...	...	50 0 0	5	50 0 0	...	...
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:								
Takapau Site	Nov., 1906	...	...	41 15 11	...	41 15 11	...	...
Scarborough Site	Dec., 1906	...	...	28 6 1	...	28 1 1	...	...
Woodville Parsonage	April, 1909	150 0 0	...	...	8	32 10 0	Nov., 1915	6 5 0
Ngaturi Site	May, 1911	...	...	3 0 0	...	3 0 0	...	...
Palmerston N. (Broad St.) Church	Sept., 1911	...	...	250 0 0	10	175 0 0	Dec., 1915	6* 5 0
Foxton Church	June, 1913	200 0 0	...	...	8	150 0 0	Aug., 1915	...
Napier South Church	July, 1913	150 0 0	8	110 10 0	Oct., 1915	4 17 6
Napier Church	Mar., 1914	150 0 0	8	121 17 6	Oct., 1915	4 17 6

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		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.					
Wellington District:									
Eketahuna Church ...	Sept., 1899	£ 135 0 0	s. d. ...	£ 40 0 0	s. d. ...	8	101 15 6	Dec., 1913	101 15 6
Eketahuna Parsonage ...	Oct., 1901	200 0 0	...	...	...	10	200 0 0	Dates readj	usted
Eketahuna Parsonage ...	May, 1902	...	...	50 0 0	...	5	Nil	...	...
Island Bay Church (P.M.) ...	Jan., 1902	...	60 0 0	...	...	8	14 18 0	Aug., 1915	14 18 0
Webb Street Church ...	Mar., 1903	...	400 0 0	...	...	13	35 0 0	April, 1915	...
Northlands Church ...	Oct., 1904	...	50 0 0	...	...	7	8 0 0	...	8 0 0
Karori Parsonage Site ...	Feb., 1906	...	...	140 0 0	...	10	35 0 0	Jan., 1913	15 1 0
Petone (Jackson St.) Church ...	Oct., 1907	...	40 0 0	...	...	6	30 0 0	...	30 0 0
Carterton Parsonage Site ...	Dec., 1907	...	...	100 0 0	...	10	20 0 0	Nov., 1915	...
Wellington (Donald McLean St.)	Mar., 1908	...	50 0 0	...	...	8	43 15 0	...	36 15 0
Wellington (Aro Street)	Nov., 1908	300 0 0	...	...	...	10	97 10 0	Sept., 1915	7 10 0
Brooklyn Church ...	May, 1910	250 0 0	...	...	...	10	112 10 0	Nov., 1915	...
Levin Church and Hall ...	Sept., 1910	300 0 0	...	...	...	10	157 10 0	Aug., 1915	15 8 0
Petone (Nelson St.) Church ...	Sept., 1911	247 10 0	...	...	...	8	116 0 8	Dec., 1915	...
Island Bay Church ...	June, 1912	300 0 0	...	...	...	10	202 10 0	Oct., 1915	7 17 6
Karori Church ...	Jan., 1913	350 0 0	...	...	...	10	284 15 0	Oct., 1915	42 10 3
Otaki Parsonage ...	July, 1913	250 0 0	...	...	...	8	179 13 9	Oct., 1915	...
Te Horo Church ...	Mar., 1914	120 0 0	...	...	...	6	75 0 0	Aug., 1915	...
Nelson District:									
Blackball, Leasehold Site ...	July, 1893	...	...	26 5 0	...	...	26 5 0	...	...
Seddon, Leasehold Site ...	Aug., 1900	...	...	19 1 2	...	...	19 1 2	...	...
Kokatahi Site ...	Dec., 1903	...	...	14 4 7	...	...	14 4 7	...	...
Flaxbourne Site ...	July, 1906	...	...	50 0 0	...	...	50 0 0	...	...
Reefton Church ...	Aug., 1906	275 0 0	...	...	...	8	68 12 0	Sept., 1914	44 10 0
Runanga Church ...	Oct., 1909	100 0 0	...	8	78 2 6	Nov., 1911	60 11 6
Greymouth Church ...	Jan., 1912	600 0 0	10	367 16 3	Oct., 1915	...

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		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.				
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Mahakipawa Church ...	Dec., 1912	100 0 0	10	75 0 0	May, 1915	13 9 6
Picton Church ...	May, 1913	250 0 0	...	...	8	171 17 6	Mar., 1915	...
Richmond Church ...	April, 1914	150 0 0	...	...	6	87 10 0	Dec., 1914	...
Murchison Church ...	Jan., 1915	100 0 0	...	...	8	90 12 6	Oct., 1915	...
North Canterbury District:								
Cheviot Church and Site ...	Oct., 1906	...	...	199 17 0	...	55 0 1	...	...
Richmond Church ...	Nov., 1908	...	...	100 0 0	8	12 10 0	Aug., 1915	...
St. Albans (Madras St.) Ch.	Nov., 1908	...	100 0 0	...	7	Nil	Nov., 1915	...
St. Albans (Edgeware Rd.) Ch.	Jan., 1910	400 0 0	...	...	10	190 10 0	Dec., 1915	32 12 3
Woodend Church ...	Dec., 1911	295 0 0	...	...	10	181 4 0	Dec., 1915	...
South Spreydon Site ...	Feb., 1912	...	...	179 10 4	...	179 10 4	...	...
Clarence Road Church ...	Dec., 1912	...	...	215 0 0	10	155 17 6	Dec., 1915	5 12 6
Addington Church Debt ...	Dec., 1913	300 0 0	...	...	10	240 0 0	Dec., 1915	0 2 9
Papanui Church ...	June, 1914	500 0 0	...	...	8	406 5 0	Dec., 1915	...
New Brighton Church ...	Dec., 1914	500 0 0	...	...	10	462 10 0	Nov., 1915	...
Ohoka Parsonage ...	May, 1915	200 0 0	...	...	8	187 10 0	Nov., 1915	...
Kaipoi Parsonage ...	Aug., 1915	400 0 0	...	...	8	400 0 0	...	13 4 6
South Canterbury District:								
Temuka Parsonage ...	Feb., 1909	...	...	80 0 0	10	26 0 0	Dec., 1915	...
Waimataitai Church ...	July, 1910	195 0 0	...	...	7	45 12 6	Oct., 1913	39 7 6
Methven Site and Church ...	Feb., 1912	...	...	130 0 0	10	81 11 3	Nov., 1915	...
Mayfield Parsonage ...	Nov., 1914	150 0 0	8	131 5 0	Nov., 1915	...
Otago District:								
Highcliff Site ...	Mar., 1899	5 4 0	...	5 4 0

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		General Fund.	P.M. Jubilee Fund.	Special Branch.				
Mornington Church ...	Jan., 1905	£ 600 0 0	£ ... 0 0	£ ... 0 0	10	£ 38 0 0	Dec., 1915	£ 24 16 3
Waikouaiti Church ...	April, 1906	...	100 0 0	...	10	11 0 0	April, 1915	...
Fairfield Church ...	Dec., 1906	...	100 0 0	...	10	Nil	Aug., 1915	...
Cromwell Parsonage ...	Jan., 1907	125 0 0	...	...	8	16 4 0	Sept., 1915	12 5 10
Roslyn Parsonage ...	April, 1909	315 0 0	...	...	10	110 5 0	Nov., 1915	...
Kew Parsonage ...	May, 1909	...	100 0 0	...	10	40 0 0	Nov., 1915	...
Anderson's Bay Church ...	May, 1910	...	50 0 0	...	5	46 6 4	Aug., 1915	46 6 4
St. Kilda S.S. Hall ...	Oct., 1910	500 0 0	...	...	10	250 0 0	Dec., 1915	...
Woodhaugh S.S. Hall ...	Nov., 1910	80 0 0	...	...	8	7 10 0	Aug., 1914	...
Mosgiel Parsonage ...	Oct., 1915	350 0 0	...	...	10	350 0 0	...	...
Southland District:								
Winton Church Site ...	Dec., 1904	...	...	150 0 0	...	150 0 0	...	...
Gore Parsonage ...	Jan., 1906	350 0 0	...	...	10	17 10 0	Oct., 1915	...
Otautau Parsonage ...	Jan., 1907	260 0 0	...	...	10	32 10 0	Oct., 1915	...
Edendale Church ...	April, 1907	...	50 0 0	...	7	Nil	Dec., 1915	...
Invercargill (Teviot St.) Church	Jan., 1908	185 0 0	...	65 0 0	10	75 0 0	Sept., 1915	19 6 0
Gore Church ...	Oct., 1909	350 0 0	...	...	10	157 10 0	Oct., 1915	18 14 6
Tuatapere Church ...	Feb., 1911	...	...	60 0 0	4	Nil	Aug., 1915	...
Winton Church ...	Mar., 1911	...	...	50 0 0	8	25 0 0	Aug., 1915	5 0 2
Elles Road Parsonage ...	Nov., 1911	...	90 0 0	...	9	50 0 0	Sept., 1915	...
Don Street Y.M. Institute ...	June, 1912	...	50 0 0	...	7	28 11 0	Oct., 1915	...
Bluff Church Debt ...	Nov., 1913	...	...	100 0 0	8	75 0 0	Dec., 1915	...
Invercargill Jubilee S.S. Hall	Jan., 1916	300 0 0	8	300 0 0

MISSION PROPERTY TRUST.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, year ending 1st October, 1915.

Treasurers:—F. L. PRIME and J. VEALE.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Rents—			Rents Paid City Council ...	192	7 0
Parliament St., No. 1 ...	85	6 8	Valuation Fee ...	12	12 0
Parliament St., No. 2 ...	69	0 0	Legal Expenses ...	10	16 8
Parliament St., No. 3 ...	48	15 0	Rates, Insurance, etc. ...	21	3 8
Beach Road Cottages (3) ...	51	14 0	Commission ...	14	13 0
Kaeo ...	26	5 0	Inspection of Properties ...	4	2 0
Mt. Wesley ...	10	0 0	Home Mission Fund ...	375	0 0
Newark ...	20	0 0	City Council, 5% Debentures ...	12000	0 0
Interest Savings Bank ...	3	17 11	Bank Commission ...	0	5 0
Interest Whata Whata Property ...	18	0 0	Cheque Book ...	0	2 0
Compensation Parliament St. and Beach Rd. Property, City Council ...	12000	0 0	Balance ...	48	5 7
Interest from City Council, from 28th Nov., 1914, to 28th May, 1915 ...	300	0 0			
Adjustments, Rates, Insurances (City Council) ...	46	8 4			
	<u>£12,679</u>	<u>6 11</u>		<u>£12,679</u>	<u>6 11</u>

Audited and found correct,
Auckland.

ARCH. PEAK }
GEO. BOND } Auditors

WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE.

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Cash Account for year ended 31st December, 1915.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.					
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Dec. 31, 1915—					Jan. 1, 1915—				
To Sundry Tenants for Rent		1534	10	4	By Overdraft, less cash in				
„ Rent of Hill Paddock ...		101	8	0	hand ...				450 18 11
„ E. W. Buckeridge Interest		11	9	6	Dec. 31, 1915—				
„ Sales of Stock and Produce ...		26	3	2	By College a/cs for meat,				
					bread, fuel, groceries,				
				1673 11 0	stationery, tools, seeds,	416	15	3	
„ Overdraft less Cash in					manure, medicine, etc.		163	8	10
hand ...				497 14 3	„ Labour at College ...		410	6	8
					„ College Salaries ...		43	18	0
					„ Connexional Charges ...		80	0	0
					„ Salary Secretary ...		4	15	10
					„ Stamps ...		5	15	5
					„ Stationery and Printing ...				
					„ Professional Typiste (Re-				
					ports, Balance-sheet,				
					Minutes, Quarterly				
					Statements and dupli-		4	0	9
					cates thereof)		22	1	8
					„ Insurance ...				

.. Rates — Auckland	City		
.. Council	...	136	18 0
.. Rates—Mt. Eden Borough	...	30	16 8
.. Rates—Mt. Roskill Bor-	...		
.. ough	...	24	13 5
.. Improvements to Property	...	2	0 0
.. Legal Expenses	...	82	7 4
.. Repairs and Maintenance	...	175	11 0
.. Audit Fee	...	5	5 0
.. Interest	...	50	14 0
.. Survey Fees	...	54	16 0
.. Principal's expenses to Con-	...		
.. ference	...	5	0 0
.. Sundries	...	1	2 6
			<u>1720 6 4</u>
			<u>£2171 5 3</u>

£2171 5 3

EMSLY THEOLOGICAL ENDOWMENT.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending October 1st, 1915.

Treasurers:—Messrs. F. L. PRIME and G. A. BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Interest on Registered Mortgage ...	99	7 5	By Mortgage Tax ...	2	7 10
„ Interest on Deposit at Call ...	5	5 0	„ Management ...	5	4 7
			„ Theological Treasurer ...	97	0 0
	<u>£104</u>	<u>12 5</u>		<u>£104</u>	<u>12 5</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Capital ...	1887	10 0	By Registered Mortgages ...	1800	0 0
			„ Waiting Investment (Deposit at Call)	87	10 0
	<u>£1887</u>	<u>10 0</u>		<u>£1887</u>	<u>10 0</u>

Audited and found correct.

GEO. R. BUTTLE }
L. M. HARE } Public Auditors

THE PROBET ESTATE TRUST.

Balance-sheet 31st October, 1915.

Treasurers:—Messrs. T. BUDDLE and G. A. BUTTLE.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.				
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Capital Account—				Freehold Property—		
Balance at 31st October, 1915 ...	36315	4	6	Great North Road ...	40612	17 1
Income Account—				Queen Street ...	3750	0 0
Balance at 31st October, 1915 ...	1209	16	9			
New Zealand Insurance Co.—				Freehold Mortgage ...		44362 17 1
Amount of Loan ...	5000	0	0	Cash in Hand ...		900 0 0
Bank of New Zealand—						36 0 0
Balance due ...	2773	15	10			
	£45,298	17	1		£45,298	17 1

Audited and found correct,

Auckland, 8th November, 1915.

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

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' LIBRARY FUND.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ending September 30th, 1915.

Treasurer—MR. J. EDSON.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
1913—				1915—			
To Valuation	621	16	4	By Property			621 16 4
October 1, 1914—				„ Books and Periodicals	36	14	9
To Cash Auckland Savings Bank	96	11	9	„ Telescope	25	10	0
March 31, 1915—				„ Legal Charges	8	8	0
To Interest Auckland Savings Bank	3	7	6	September 30—			
September 30, 1915—				By Bank Balance	60	8	6
To Rent (12 months)	31	2	0				131 1 3
			131 1 3				131 1 3
			£752 17 7				£752 17 7

I have examined the above statement and compared it with the Vouchers and Bank Book relating thereto, and find the same to be correct.

Auckland, October 18th, 1915.

J. MUIR BARR.

HOME MISSION FUND—CANTERBURY DISTRICT INVESTMENT.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 1915.

Treasurers—Rev. S. LAWRY and Mr. J. C. PRUDHOE.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Interest on Loan of £750 at 5½% ...	... 41 5 0	By Remittances to Treasurers of Home Mis-	
„ Interest on Loan of £250 at 6% ...	... 15 0 0	sion Fund ... .. .	... 56 5 0
	<u>£56 5 0</u>		<u>£56 5 0</u>

Audited and found correct,

F. SHEPPARD GREEN.

13th December, 1915.

THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ending October 31st, 1915.

Treasurer: Mr. G. A. BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
			£ s. d.				£ s. d.
Probert's Trust	...	...	600 0 0	Bank Overdraft	...	...	38 12 2
Contingent Fund	...	...	864 17 0	House	...	...	614 15 7
Emsly Trust	...	...	97 0 0	Tutors	...	...	57 17 0
Prince Albert College Trust	...	...	150 0 0	Stipend (in addition to House and Board Allowance)	...	...	200 0 0
Home Mission Fund	...	...	100 0 0	Quarterages	...	...	84 0 0
A. C. Randerson	...	...	10 10 0	University Fees	...	...	44 11 0
R. W. Gunson	...	...	14 5 0	Rent	...	...	208 0 0
				Rates	...	...	33 10 0
				Furniture	...	...	89 19 7
				Connexional Charges	...	...	50 7 8
				Telephone	...	...	6 10 4
				Insurances	...	...	5 3 9
				Recreation	...	...	10 12 0
				Stamps, Exchanges, etc.	...	...	2 10 1
				Bank Charges and Interest	...	...	5 4 3
				By Balance	...	...	384 18 7
			<u>£1,836 12 0</u>				<u>£1,836 12 0</u>

Audited and found correct,

November 9th, 1915.

W. D. BUTTLE, Auditor.

"THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TIMES."

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Balance-sheet at 23rd January, 1916.

Treasurer:—Mr. H. S. J. GOODMAN.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.			
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Unexpired Value of Subscriptions	179 11 4	Outstanding Subscriptions ...		118 13 0	
Unexpired Value of Advertisements	17 19 6	Outstanding Advertisements		67 3 2	
"Lyttelton Times" Co., Ltd.,		Sundry Debtors ...		19 3 7	
for printing ...	223 5 3	Stock of Agents' Receipt Books		1 0 0	
Sundry Creditors ...	24 9 0	Balance with P.O.S. Bank ...	152 13 1		
		Balance with Bank N.Z. ...	99 6 8		
	445 5 1			251 19 9	
Balance Profit ...	12 14 5				
	<u>£457 19 6</u>				<u>£457 19 6</u>

We have examined this account with the books, vouchers and bank book, and hereby certify that it is correct.

Christchurch,
7th February, 1916.

FRANK THOMPSON }
L. J. BERRY } Auditors.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.

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Revenue Account for the year ending December 31st, 1915.

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Treasurers:—Rev. S. LAWRY and Mr J. C. PRUDHOE.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Subscriptions refunded ...				159	6	0			
„ Annuities ...	3308	4	1						
Less Amount from English Fund ...	145	7	6						
				3162	16	7			
„ Furniture Grants ...	195	0	0						
Less Amount returned ... 25 0 0									
Less Amount from Melbourne ... 104 7 6	129	7	6						
„ Accident Indemnity and Fire Insurance ... 18 17 7									
Less Premiums received ... 6 5 0									
				12	12	7			
„ General Expenses ...	100	0	0						
„ Stamps and Telegrams ...		4	17						
„ Printing and Advertising ...		7	18						
„ Exchange ...		40	16						
„ Bank Interest and Charges		7	18						
„ Share of cost of Connexional Secretary's Department ...	150	0	0						
„ Valuation Fee ...		5	5						
„ Half cost Transfer of Debentures ...	17	5	4						
				346	8	9			
Carried forward				£3387	15	1			
By Ministers' Subscriptions ...							1733	12	0
„ Circuit Levies ...									
„ Levies on account of Missionaries ...							48	6	6
„ Hymn Book Profits ...									1781 18 6
„ Interest on Ministers' Arrears ...							19	8	4
„ Interest on Deposits ...							179	17	4
„ Interest on Investments ...							3656	1	8
„ Interest on balance of Capital in Australia ...							137	15	2
„ Interest on Primitive Methodist Capital ...							275	4	9
									4268 7 3
„ Amount paid to Melbourne									84 1 6
Carried forward							£7587	10	3

SUPERNUMERARY FUND OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Brought forward	346	8	9	3387	15	1	Brought forward	7587	10	3
To Melbourne Expenses										
1914		61	8	9						
1915		9	19	4						
	71	8	1	417	16	10				
.. Amounts received on ac- count of Melbourne ...				84	1	6				
.. Balance to Accumulated Funds				3697	16	10				
				<u>£7587</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>				<u>£7587 10 3</u>

CHILDREN'S FUND.

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Balance-sheet for year ending December 31st, 1915.

Treasurers:—Rev. W. BECKETT and Mr. E. KELLOW.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
							No.	Rate						
Credit Balance from 1914 ...				163	10	10								
Circuit Levies—														
Auckland District ...	304	17	4											
South Auckland District ...	147	12	0											
Taranaki-Wanganui District	194	8	0											
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	157	18	5											
Wellington District ...	187	16	0											
Nelson District ...	102	18	0											
North Canterbury District ...	278	0	0											
South Canterbury District ...	114	12	0											
Otago District ...	179	8	0											
Southland District ...	95	8	0											
				1760	17	9								
Auckland District	18½	£9							168	15	0			
Arrears ...									2	5	0			
												171	0	0
South Auckland Dist.	13½	£9							119	5	0			
Arrears ...									6	15	0			
												126	0	0
Taranaki-Wanganui District	19	£9							171	0	0			
Arrears ...									20	5	0			
												191	5	0
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	24	£9							216	0	0			
Arrears ...									11	5	0			
												227	5	0
Wellington District	14½	£9							130	10	0			
Arrears ...												130	10	0
Nelson District	16	£9							144	0	0			
Arrears ...									2	5	0			
												146	5	0
North Canterbury District	30½	£9							274	10	0			
Arrears ...									6	15	0			
												281	5	0
South Canterbury District	17	£9							153	0	0			
Arrears ...									6	15	0			
												159	15	0

Otago District	... 26	£9	234 0 0	
Arrears	...			
Funeral Allowance			7 10 0	
				241 10 0
Southland District	... 7	£9	63 0 0	
Arrears	...			
				63 0 0
				1737 15 0
Allowance Motueka Circuit— resolution Conference, 1915			1 16 0	
Rev. P. J. Cossum--Conference Expenses	... ..		2 4 0	
Petty Expenses				
Stamps, Stationery and Ex- changes	... ..		2 1 3	
Bank Charge for keeping a/c.			0 10 0	
				6 11 3
				1744 6 3
Credit Balance	... ..			180 2 4
				£1924 8 7
				£1924 8 7

Audited and found correct,

25th January, 1916

JAMES KELLOW }
ARTHUR P. BAILEY } Auditors.

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended December 31st, 1915.

Hon. Treasurers:—Rev. W. A. HAY and Mr. ERNEST ROSEVEAR.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
January 1, 1915—					930	11	6	By Christchurch Conference—							
To Balance	...							Travelling to Conference (Officials, Ministers and Probationers for Ordination)	...	130	4	2			
„ Sale Conference Agenda	...	7	14	0				„ Printing Agenda, Minutes, etc.	...	145	0	0			
„ Sale Booklet (Dr. Fitchett's Meth- odism)	...	14	0	0				„ Stationery, Bibles, Cables, Tele- grams, Postage, etc.	...	20	4	1			
„ Circuit Schedule Books	1 0 0												295	8	3
„ Members' Roll Books	1 14 6							„ Travelling of Chairmen and other District Expenses (including Exchanges, Cheque Books, Bank Charges, Stationery, Telegrams, etc.)	...						
„ Baptismal Register Books	0 9 0							Auckland District	...	25	4	2			
	3 3 6							South Auckland District	...	31	9	10			
Less Postage—								Taranaki-Wanganui District	...	26	1	10			
Goods sent out	0 15 6							Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	...	11	14	5			
Property Re- turns	1 2 11				1	5	1	Wellington District	...	12	2	6			
„ Interest	...	4	7	6				Nelson District	...	12	3	9			
	1 18 5				37	6	7	North Canterbury District	...	7	17	1			
„ Circuit Levies—								South Canterbury District	...	6	6	9			
Auckland District	...	359	15	8				Otago District	...	9	18	0			
South Auckland District	...	182	5	4				Southland District	...	10	16	8			
Taranaki-Wanganui District	...	222	10	4									153	15	0
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	...	181	18	8											
Wellington District	...	200	10	8											
Nelson District	...	116	13	0											
North Canterbury District	...	296	14	4											
South Canterbury District	...	136	9	8											
Otago District	...	206	19	8											
Southland District	...	120	18	8											
					2024	16	0								
Carried forward					£2992	19	1	Carried forward.					£449	3	3

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.—Continued.

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.				
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Brought forward			2992	19	1		
„ Sale Conference Minutes	1	19 6					
„ Auckland District	0	15 6					
		<u>2 15 0</u>					
South Auckland District	0	11 0					
Taranaki-Wanganui District	0	11 6					
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	0	14 0					
Wellington District	0	12 6					
Nelson District	0	7 6					
North Canterbury District	1	5 9					
South Canterbury District	0	14 0					
Otago District	0	18 6					
Southland District	0	5 0					
				<u>8 14 9</u>			
Carried forward			£3001	13 10			
Brought forward					449	3 3	
„ District Synod Expenses, Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionaries and District Secretaries, travelling to Synod, Stationery, Telegrams, etc.							
„ Auckland District	35	10 4					
„ South Auckland District	22	16 8					
„ Taranaki-Wanganui District	18	7 11					
„ Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	19	2 1					
„ Wellington District	8	5 2					
„ Nelson District	27	6 2					
„ North Canterbury District	3	14 0					
„ South Canterbury District	12	4 10					
„ Otago District	5	10 3					
„ Southland District	5	13 11					
							<u>158 11 4</u>
„ Ministerial Supply (half cost)							
„ Auckland District	11	12 2					
„ South Auckland District	27	19 4					
„ Taranaki-Wanganui District	18	3 6					
„ Wellington District	34	15 10					
„ Otago District	10	12 9					
							<u>103 3 7</u>
„ Compassionate Allowance—							
„ Rev. J. J. Mather	25	0 0					
„ Rev. C. A. Sims	30	0 0					
„ Widow Rev. Job Benning	25	0 0					
							<u>80 0 0</u>
Carried forward					£790	18 2	

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.—Continued.

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RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.			
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Brought forward	3001 13 10	Brought forward		790 18 2	
		.. Grant to Mrs. J. A. Luxford (Chaplain-Major Luxford) House Rent		58 10 0	
		.. Grant Theological College ...	530 0 0		
		.. Education Fees (W. H. Hocking)	3 19 0		
		.. Examinations—		533 19 0	
		Printing Papers, Postages, Medi- cal Fees, etc.		14 5 11	
		.. Grant Methodist Central Mission, Dunedin		12 10 0	
		.. Grant Connexional Secretary's Office		175 0 0	
		.. Grant Connexional Sunday School Board		30 0 0	
		.. Grant Supernumerary Fund Out- standing Liability Young Men's Bible Class Movement ...		25 17 6	
		.. Travelling Expenses Committee, Wellington, re Connexional Offices		19 1 2	
		.. "Methodist Times"—			
		Honoraria Editors	35 0 0		
		Additional Pages (four) ...	3 0 0		
		Postages, Stationery and Period- icals	6 19 3		
				44 19 3	
Carried forward	£3001 13 10	Carried forward		£1705 1 0	

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.— Continued.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Brought forward	3001 13 10	Brought forward	1705 1 0
		„ The Ex-President, Rev. S. J. Serpell, Travelling Expenses, etc.	15 4 3
		„ The President, Rev. J. Dawson, Travelling Expenses ...	25 11 3
		„ The President, Rev. J. Dawson, Postage, Telegrams, Cablegrams, etc. ...	12 13 10
		„ The President, Rev. J. Dawson, Travelling Sydney, Melbourne and Queensland Centenary ...	25 0 0
		„ The Secretary, Rev. W. A. Sinclair (Postage, Cables, Telegrams, etc.) ...	9 14 7
		„ The Ex-Secretary, Rev. C. H. Laws, ditto ...	4 8 6
		„ Printing Certificates Membership	40 0 1
		„ Sundry Printing and Stationery	28 17 2
		„ Welfare Youth Committee, 1914 ...	0 5 6
		„ Welfare Youth Committee, 1915 ...	4 2 3
		„ Temperance and Public Morals Committee, 1914	1 2 0
		„ Temperance and Public Morals Committee, 1915	1 13 6
			2 15 6
			7 3 3
Carried forward	£3001 13 10	Carried forward	1866 10 8

CONTINGENT FUND ACCOUNT.—Continued.

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RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.			
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	3001 13 10	Brought forward	7 3 3	1866 10 8	
		„ Wellington Educational Committee	1 4 6		8 7 9
		„ Sundry Charges	1 0 0		1 0 0
		„ Hon Treasurer—Exchanges	3 2 3		
		Telegrams	0 11 2		
		Postage and Receipt	1 8 9		
		„ Bank Charge, two accounts			5 2 2
		„ Grant Remitted Motueka Circuit			1 0 0
		„ Balance Bank of New Zealand	955 15 3		2 12 0
		„ Balance due by Chairmen of Dis-			
		tricts—			
		South Auckland	39 12 8		
		Taranaki-Wanganui	26 5 11		
		North Canterbury	4 6 4		
		South Canterbury	68 12 1		
		Otago	22 9 0		
					1117 1 3
	<u>£3001 13 10</u>				<u>£3001 13 10</u>

Audited and found correct,

February 18th, 1916.

R. VANES	} Auditors.
WM. PENROSE	

METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA.—NEW ZEALAND AUXILIARY.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Southland—General Fund ...	92	1	5									
Self-denial Fund ...	22	19	8									
				115	1	1						
				4787	19	10						
Ladies' Auxiliaries—												
Auckland Bible Society £10 10s.												
Orphan £5 ...	15	10	0									
Auckland—Mrs. Goldie's Work ...	75	0	0									
Wanganui—Native Baby ...	10	0	0									
Wellington—Sister Margaret's Salary ...	100	0	0									
Blenheim ...	10	0	0									
Canterbury—Salaries: Misses Graham and Brokenshire ...	140	0	0									
Otago Refund Advertisement ...	0	4	0									
				350	14	0						
Bill on Head Office—Rev. W. W. Avery ...	1	13	5									
Legacy late E. D. Collison ...	101	18	7									
				103	12	0						
Reserve Fund—												
Circuit Contributions ...	41	17	9									
"Investor" per Rev. E. P. Blamires ...	100	0	0									
Legacy late Mrs. Lucas ...	100	0	0									
				241	17	9						
"Missionary Review" Account (see B. Report) ...	84	18	0									
Maps Sold ...	6	9	10									
				91	7	10						
Carried forward ...				5575	11	5						
Rev. C. H. Garland £6 10s. 6d., Rev. E. P. Blamires £6 18s. Rev. S. Lawry £1 5s. 6d., Rev. C. H. Laws, B.A., £3 13s., Rev. J. J. Lewis 2/3, A. Peak, Esq. £6 8s. 2d. ...							24	17	5			
										24	17	5
Sundry Payments—												
Printing Self-denial Literature ...	35	9	6									
Printing Annual Reports ...	42	10	3									
Typing Annual Statement, 1914 ...	0	17	6									
General ...	7	6	6									
Stamps, Telegrams, Cables, etc. ...	14	3	0									
Stationery ...	5	9	6									
N.Z. Exchanges ...	8	19	0									
										114	15	3
Miscellaneous Payments—												
Customs dues and Agent's Fee ...	1	0	11									
Freights 17/3, Rev. L. Hudson —Travelling 7/6 ...	1	4	9									
Bank Charges ...	0	12	0									
Dr. Brown's block, per Rev. S. Lawry ...	0	10	6									
Advertisement Otago Ladies' Auxiliary ...	0	4	0									
Refunds—E. J. Holst excess 6d., F. H. Johnson 10/- ...	0	10	6									
										4	2	8
Remittances sent direct to the Head Office—												
N Z Y. Women's Bible Class Union ...	20	0	0									
A Child of our Father ...	1	0	0									
Carried forward ...							21	0	0	4592	18	3

METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALASIA—NEW
ZEALAND AUXILIARY.

B.—Circuit Contributions, 1915.

I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland Central ...	127	13	11	2	7	0	122	15	0	252	15	11
Auckland West ...	45	3	2	3	9	6	79	3	4	127	16	0
Auckland East ...	51	16	6	1	9	10	287	17	1	341	3	5
Auckland (Avondale) ...				5	16	4	69	16	6	75	12	10
Auckland Methodist Mis- sion ...				0	2	0				0	2	0
Auckland (North Shore) ...	27	17	3	1	11	6	94	16	9	124	5	6
Auckland (Birkenhead) ...				0	7	6	119	1	6	119	9	0
Onehunga ...				0	10	6	71	7	5	71	17	11
Otahuhu ...	12	7	0	0	15	0	19	7	2	32	9	2
Papakura ...	8	16	0	1	9	0	20	0	5	30	5	5
Pukekohe ...	3	18	0	2	5	6	116	18	0	123	1	6
Waiuku ...	9	0	0				19	6	8	28	6	8
Mahurangi ...				0	6	0	15	0	0	15	6	0
Paparoa ...	2	10	6	1	19	0	21	10	1	25	19	7
Northern Wairoa ...	8	10	0	2	0	0	10	19	9	21	9	9
Whangarei ...												
Coromandel ...				0	1	6				0	1	6
Helensville ...							2	0	0	2	0	0
Whangaroa ...							1	0	0	1	0	0
Hokianga (Rawene) ...							2	4	0	2	4	0
Hokianga (Kohukohu) ...							3	5	1	3	5	1
Hikurangi ...							7	0	11	7	0	11
Port Albert ...				0	10	6	26	9	9	27	0	3
Bay of Islands ...				0	1	6				0	1	6
	297	12	4	25	2	2	1109	19	5	1432	13	11

£3 3s. 10d. for the British and Foreign Bible Society is included in the Avondale Circuit returns.

II.—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Thames ...	21	15	2	2	17	6	31	7	1	55	19	9
Upper Thames ...	25	13	5	1	2	6	7	5	0	34	0	11
Waihi ...	7	0	6	1	10	0	7	0	0	15	10	6
Paeroa ...	2	3	0	0	18	0	5	0	8	8	1	8
Cambridge ...	10	2	8	0	10	6	10	0	0	20	13	2
Hamilton ...	10	17	3				51	3	4	62	0	7
Huntly ...	4	10	0	0	10	6				5	0	6
Rotorua ...	5	0	0							5	0	0
Tauranga ...	6	12	3				21	18	6	28	10	9
Opotiki ...	6	3	9	0	1	6	2	10	0	8	15	3
Te Kuiti ...												
Taumarunui ...												
Te Awamutu ...	2	2	8				3	4	0	5	6	8
Whakatane ...												
Te Puke ...	1	16	3				1	11	0	3	7	3
Matamata ...	1	2	6							1	2	6
Ohura ...				0	1	6	2	15	0	2	16	6
Ngaruawahia ...							4	0	0	4	0	0
	104	19	5	7	12	0	147	14	7	260	6	0

III.—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

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	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
New Plymouth	17	6	1	0	4	5	41	2	1	58	12	7
Waitara	3	8	0	1	4	0	42	0	3	46	12	3
Inglewood				1	14	0	12	0	0	13	14	0
Stratford							28	17	8	28	17	8
Eltham	9	11	5	3	1	6	13	8	7	26	1	6
Hawera				1	8	6	123	18	7	125	7	1
Manaia				0	1	6	12	13	11	12	15	5
Cape Egmont	19	1	1	1	4	6	27	6	7	47	12	2
Kaponga				0	18	6	15	0	0	15	18	6
Wanganui							38	15	4	38	15	4
Aramoho										Nil.		
Rangitikei				0	10	6	21	6	2	21	16	8
Taihape							9	6	5	9	6	5
Waimarino				0	2	2				0	2	2
East Egmont										Nil.		
Mokau										Nil.		
Patea							6	5	1	6	5	1
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49 6 7 10 9 7 302 0 5 451 16 7												

10s. for the British and Foreign Bible Society is included in the Stratford Circuit returns.

IV.—HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Napier	9	4	6	0	1	6	40	3	6	49	9	6
Hastings				3	8	9	100	5	2	103	13	11
Gisborne	7	9	1	0	1	6	25	13	2	33	3	9
Waipawa							5	17	0	5	17	0
Dannevirke	3	8	0	1	1	0	25	16	8	30	5	8
Woodville	9	14	0				45	18	11	55	12	11
Pahiatua							5	2	7	5	2	7
Palmerston N. (Broad Street)				0	7	6	37	10	3	37	17	9
Palmerston N. (Cuba Street)	18	1	0				7	7	2	25	8	2
Feilding				2	13	6	83	10	2	86	3	8
Sanson and Rongotea	8	13	0				43	12	8	52	5	8
Foxton							14	11	0	14	11	0
Kimbolton				3	0	0	5	8	2	8	8	2
Norsewood							1	7	0	1	7	0
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56 9 7 10 13 9 442 3 5 509 6 9												

V.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wellington (Taranaki Street) ...				1	11	0	150	16	9	152	7	9
Wellington (Central Mission) ...							6	11	6	6	11	6
Wellington (Thorndon) ...	0	15	6	0	6	0	32	9	6	33	11	0
Wellington (South) ...				0	10	6	85	2	5	85	12	11
Johnsonville ...	4	10	4	0	7	6	12	15	9	17	13	7
Hutt ...	11	11	6	0	1	6	41	2	2	52	15	2
Petone ...							6	14	0	6	14	0
South Wairarapa ...	2	13	0	1	0	0	15	3	1	18	16	1
Carterton ...	5	15	9	1	2	0	19	5	10	26	3	7
Masterton ...							64	13	2	64	13	2
Eketahuna ...	9	12	6	0	15	0	12	6	5	22	13	11
Levin ...	7	3	10	0	13	0	12	5	2	20	2	0
Otaki ...	3	13	6	3	2	0	27	11	4	34	6	10
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45 15 11			9 8 6			486 17 1			542 1 6			

10s. 6d. for the British and Foreign Bible Society is included in the Taranaki Street Circuit (Brooklyn) and £1 5s. 6d. for the Hutt.

VI.—NELSON DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nelson ...	12	13	7	1	5	0	26	0	3	39	18	10
Richmond ...							21	2	5	21	2	5
Blenheim ...	9	11	8	4	15	0	71	5	8	85	12	4
Hokitika ...	2	17	6				8	19	3	11	16	9
Greymouth ...	4	3	4	1	5	0	7	16	6	13	4	10
Motueka ...							11	9	7	11	9	7
Westport ...				0	17	0				0	17	0
Reefton ...	8	3	2	0	15	0	0	19	4	9	17	6
Murchison ...							3	0	0	3	0	0
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37 9 3			3 7 0			150 13 0			196 19 3			

VII.—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

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	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Christchurch (Durham Street) ...				0	4	6	92	5	3	92	9	9
Christchurch (Central Mission) ...							4	1	0	4	1	0
Christchurch (East) ...	2	5	0	4	4	6	107	12	8	114	2	2
Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace) ...							15	16	0	15	16	0
Christchurch (Woolst'n) ...	5	18	11	1	8	6	34	16	0	42	3	5
Christchurch (Sydenham) ...	10	16	6	2	5	0	22	11	0	35	12	6
Addington, Christchurch ...	8	15	0	2	0	0	23	5	11	34	0	11
Christchurch (St Albans) ...	7	10	10	3	16	6	46	0	6	57	7	10
Christchurch (Papanui) ...	5	0	8	0	9	0	22	0	0	27	9	8
Lyttelton ...				1	0	0				1	0	0
Springston ...							21	6	11	21	6	11
Tai Tapu ...	3	11	3	1	2	6	19	5	2	23	18	11
Leeston ...	9	3	7	0	10	6	19	6	2	29	0	3
Kaiapoi ...	8	8	3				45	0	5	53	8	8
Ohoka ...				0	15	0	33	1	6	33	16	6
Rangiora ...				1	10	0	42	14	2	44	4	2
Greendale and Malvern ...				0	17	0	31	11	0	32	8	0
Amberley ...							2	8	1	2	8	1
Oxford ...							3	7	0	3	7	0
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	61	10	0	20	3	0	586	8	9	668	1	9

£3 6s. 3d. for the British and Foreign Bible Society is included in the St Albans Circuit returns.

VIII.—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Timaru (Bank Street) ...	17	14	6	1	11	0	80	17	4	100	2	10
Timaru (Woodlands St.) ...							4	10	0	4	10	0
Waimate ...	18	7	0	0	7	6	57	11	2	76	5	8
Temuka (King Street) ...				0	18	0	31	3	8	32	1	8
Geraldine ...	5	11	5	1	11	6	14	3	4	21	6	3
Ashburton ...				3	9	0	40	10	1	43	19	1
Willowby ...				2	0	0	35	18	0	37	18	0
Oamaru ...	14	11	9				27	14	11	42	6	8
Temuka (Denmark St.) ...										Nil.		
Methven ...							4	16	3	4	16	3
Mavfield ...							7	10	0	7	10	0
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	56	4	8	9	17	0	304	14	9	370	16	5

IX.—OTAGO DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dunedin (Trinity) ...	9	11	2	3	3	0	50	0	2	62	14	4
Dunedin (Central Mission) ...	4	5	11				19	1	8	23	7	7
Dunedin (Dundas St.) ...	13	6	5	1	10	6	35	8	6	50	5	5
Dunedin (Cargill Road) ...	3	8	0	1	16	0	67	7	5	72	11	5
Dunedin (St Kilda) ...				0	12	0	10	9	5	11	1	5
Dunedin (Caversham) ...	3	5	3	0	4	6	5	13	2	9	2	11
Dunedin (Mornington) ...							25	3	1	25	3	1
Dunedin (Roslyn) ...				1	13	0	21	7	3	23	0	3
Dunedin (Mosgiel) ...				0	13	6	3	8	7	4	2	1
Port Chalmers ...	5	11	3	0	9	0	13	7	11	19	8	2
Waikouaiti and Palmerston ...				0	1	6	13	12	10	13	14	4
Balclutha ...	2	10	0				5	4	6	7	14	6
Milton ...	7	7	1	1	0	0	11	2	11	19	10	0
Roxburgh ...							4	15	1	4	15	1
Kaitangata ...							1	0	0	1	0	0
Lawrence ...				0	13	6	4	10	0	5	3	6
Cromwell ...				0	4	6	2	2	0	2	6	6
	49	5	1	12	1	0	293	14	6	355	0	7

X.—SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

	Self-denial.			Reviews.			General.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Invercargill (Dee St.) ...	10	15	9	3	16	6	56	14	6	71	6	9
Invercargill (Don St.) ...	0	5	6				8	3	0	8	8	6
Invercargill (Elles Rd.) ...	0	10	0				12	3	0	12	13	0
Bluff ...	5	16	0							5	16	0
Gore ...				0	12	0				0	12	0
Otautau ...	3	3	5	0	15	0	4	18	6	8	16	11
Edendale ...							5	0	0	5	0	0
Riverton ...				0	13	6	3	13	5	4	6	11
South Island Maori Mission ...										Nil.		
Winton ...	1	6	0	0	6	0				1	12	0
Nightcaps ...	1	3	0	0	9	9	1	9	0	3	1	9
	22	19	8	6	12	9	92	1	5	121	13	10

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND. 22

Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1915.

Treasurers—Rev. G. BOND and Mr. J. VEALE.

INCOME.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
AUCKLAND DISTRICT.					
To Cr. Balance, Jan. 31st, 1915				159	17 4
Auckland Central	...	168	7 4		
" West	...	81	12 4		
" East	...	161	17 0		
" (Avondale)	...	49	6 3		
" Meth. Msn.	...	20	0 0		
" (North Shore)	...	63	13 4		
" (Birkenhead)	...	50	0 0		
Onehunga	...	80	14 3		
Otahuhu	...	24	5 7		
Papakura	...	15	8 3		
Pukekohe	...	36	0 0		
Waiuku	...	15	14 2		
Mahurangi	...	14	10 0		
Paparoa	...	14	15 8		
Northern Wairoa	...	21	18 3		
Whangarei	...	12	13 5		
Port Albert	...	12	0 10		
Maori Missions.					
Whangaroa	...	24	15 6		
Bay of Islands	...	21	18 6		
Hokianga	...	41	8 3		
Kaipara	...	40	2 8		
Waikato	...	49	4 3		
Home Mission Stations.					
Coromandel	...	8	13 6		
Helensville	...	7	18 4		
Bay of Islands	...	4	13 10		
Hokianga (Rawene)	...	5	0 0		
Hokianga (Kohukohu)	...	5	0 0		
Whangaroa	...	5	10 6		
Mangonui	...	1	9 0		
Hikurangi	...	8	9 6		
				1067	0 6

AUCKLAND SOUTH DISTRICT.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Thames	...	26	17 6		
Upper Thames	...	12	1 10		
Waihi	...				
Paeroa	...	18	0 0		
Cambridge	...	19	1 7		
Hamilton	...	55	10 0		
Huntly	...	3	0 0		
Rotorua	...	8	7 9		
Tauranga	...	10	4 4		
Opotiki	...	0	3 9		
Te Kuiti	...	5	0 0		
Taumarunui	...	1	2 1		
Te Awamutu	...	18	1 0		
Home Mission Stations.					
Whakatane	...				
Te Puke	...				
Matamata	...	2	18 7		
Ohura	...	4	0 0		
Ngaruawahia	...	7	4 0		
Waimiha	...				
				191	12 5
Carried forward				1418	10 3

EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
MAORI MISSIONS.					
Rev. W. Gittos, Honorary	...	50	0 0		
Whangaroa.					
Native Minister	...	120	0 0		
Travelling	...	10	0 0		
Native H. Missionary	...	30	0 0		
Travelling	...	7	10 0		
Bay of Islands.					
Native Minister	...	92	10 0		
Travelling	...	10	0 0		
Hokianga.					
Native Minister No. 1	...	120	0 0		
Travelling	...	10	0 0		
Native Minister No. 2	...	90	0 0		
Travelling	...	10	0 0		
Kaipara.					
Native Minister	...	92	10 0		
Travelling	...	10	0 0		
				652	10 0
Waikato.					
Native Minister No. 1	...	120	0 0		
Travelling	...	15	0 0		
Rent	...	25	0 0		
Native Minister No. 2	...	100	0 0		
Travelling	...	15	0 0		
Rent	...	17	10 0		
Native Probationer (3 quarters)	...	52	10 0		
Travelling	...	7	10 0		
Removal Expenses	...	0	15 7		
				353	5 7

West Coast Mission.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Superintendent	...	220	0 0		
House Allowance	...	52	0 0		
Travelling	...	20	0 0		
Connexional Chrgs.	...	36	10 0		
Normanby.					
Native Minister	...	160	0 0		
Rent	...	40	0 0		
Travelling	...	20	0 0		
Special	...	20	0 0		
Patea.					
Native H. Missionary	...	50	0 0		
Travelling	...	5	0 0		
Waimarino.					
Native H. Missionary	...	60	0 0		
Travelling	...	20	0 0		
Rahotu.					
Native Minister	...	90	0 0		
Okaiawa.					
Deaconess	...	100	0 0		
Native Probationer	...	30	0 0		
				923	10 0
Carried forward				£1929	5 7

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.
Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1915.—(Continued.)

INCOME.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward		£1418	10	3			
TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.							
New Plymouth	...	79	12	0			
Waitara	...	37	0	0			
Inglewood	...	10	12	0			
Stratford	...	30	7	3			
Eltham	...	26	12	8			
Hawera	...	46	4	0			
Manaia	...	8	4	3			
Cape Egmont	...	26	9	6			
Kaponga	...	15	0	0			
Wanganui	...	70	15	4			
Aramoho	...	16	0	8			
Rangitikei	...	17	0	3			
Taihape	...	10	0	0			
Waimarino	...	5	5	7			
West Coast Maori Msn.	...	8	11	4			
Home Mission Stations.							
East Egmont	...	2	0	0			
Patea	...	4	3	4			
		413	18	2			

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Napier	...	33	0	0			
Hastings	...	81	0	4			
Gisborne	...	27	0	0			
Waipawa	...	10	0	0			
Dannevirke	...	7	12	6			
Woodville	...	33	10	0			
Pahiatua	...	12	5	10			
Palmerston North—							
Broad Street	...	51	10	11			
Cuba Street	...	27	11	2			
Feilding	...	67	9	5			
Sanson and Rongotea	...	23	4	4			
Foxton	...	6	14	10			
Home Mission Stations.							
Kimbolton	...	10	2	4			
Norsewood	...	4	13	0			
		395	14	8			

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wellington (Taranaki Street)	...	75	5	0			
Wellington Cent. Msn. (Thorndon)	...	14	9	6			
" South	...	50	9	0			
Johnsonville	...	20	0	0			
Hutt	...	24	15	9			
Petone	...	17	16	9			
South Wairarapa	...	10	6	8			
Carterton	...	20	11	11			
Masterton	...	49	17	1			
Eketahuna	...	6	7	11			
Levin	...	20	6	8			
Otaki	...	24	13	11			
		335	0	2			
Carried forward		£2563	3	3			

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward		£1929	5	7			
Southern District.							
Native Probationer	...	70	0	0			
Travelling	...	13	15	0			
Removal Expenses	...	4	9	8			
		88	4	8			
Total for Maori Work		£2,017	10	3			
AUCKLAND DISTRICT.							
Home Mission Stations.							
Coromandel	...	23	15	0			
Helensville	...	7	10	0			
Bay of Islands	...	40	0	0			
Hokianga (Rawene)	...	35	0	0			
Hokianga (Kohukohu)	...	32	10	0			
Whangaroa	...	36	5	0			
Mangonui	...	6	5	0			
Hikurangi	...	16	5	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Auckland Meth. Msn	...	87	10	0			
Mahurangi	...	11	5	0			
Waiuku (Special)	...	10	0	0			
		306	5	0			

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Home Mission Stations.							
Whakatane	...	35	0	0			
Whakatane (Special)	...	45	0	0			
Te Puke (5 qrs.)	...	50	0	0			
Matamata	...	35	0	0			
Ohura	...	60	0	0			
Ohura (Rent)	...	26	0	0			
Ngaruawahia	...	26	5	0			
Waimiha	...	75	0	0			
Waimiha (Special)	...	15	0	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Upper Thames (1 qr.)	...	3	15	0			
Waihi (1qr.)	...	3	15	0			
Opotiki	...	12	10	0			
Te Kuiti	...	52	10	0			
Taumarunui	...	75	0	0			
Te Awamutu	...	40	0	0			
		554	15	0			

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Home Mission Stations.							
Patea	...	6	5	0			
East Egmont	...	53	15	0			
Circuits with Home Missionaries.							
Waitara	...	45	0	0			
Cape Egmont	...	16	5	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Inglewood	...	46	5	0			
Inglewood (Special)	...	10	0	0			
Kaponga	...	26	5	0			
Aramoho	...	35	0	0			
Waimarino	...	21	5	0			
		260	0	0			

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Home Mission Stations.							
Kimbolton	...	16	5	0			
Norsewood	...	10	0	0			
Carried forward		26	5	0	3138	10	3

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

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Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1915.—(Continued.)

INCOME.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward		2563	3	3			
NELSON DISTRICT.							
Nelson	...	44	10	0			
Richmond	...	28	5	9			
Blenheim	...	55	3	9			
Hokitika	...	13	12	2			
Greymouth	...	14	8	0			
Motueka	...	4	0	0			
Reefton	...	8	14	6			
Westport	...	18	8	5			
Home Mission Stations.							
Havelock	...	1	3	0			
Murchison	...	3	13	0			
Runanga	...	1	6	0			
Granity	...	0	18	0			
Denniston	...	0	0	0			
Tapawera	...	0	0	0			
Dovedale	...	0	0	0			
					194	2	7
NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.							
Ch.Ch. (Durham St.)	...	141	19	4			
" Cent. Msn.	...	13	0	0			
" East	...	101	19	4			
" (Cambridge Tr.)	...	13	10	0			
" (Woolston)	...	44	13	6			
" (Sydenham)	...	34	4	8			
" (Addington)	...	85	0	0			
" (St. Albans)	...	39	16	7			
" (Papanui)	...	28	18	0			
Lytelton	...	23	6	9			
Springston	...	27	2	1			
Tai Tapu	...	24	0	7			
Leeston	...	31	10	1			
Kaipoi	...	48	9	3			
Ohoka	...	35	14	7			
Rangiora	...	33	13	3			
Greendale and Malvern	...	18	0	0			
Home Mission Stations.							
Amberley	...	8	7	1			
Oxford	...	4	16	0			
Little River (Rent)	...	15	4	4			
					773	5	5
SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.							
Timaru (Bank St.)	...	85	6	7			
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	...	8	15	7			
Waimate	...	37	10	3			
Temuka	...	13	0	0			
Geraldine	...	12	0	0			
Ashburton	...	68	0	6			
Willowby	...	34	18	6			
Oamaru	...	32	9	8			
Home Mission Stations.							
Temuka (Denmark St.)	...	1	6	3			
Methven	...	5	10	0			
Mayfield	...	9	10	0			
					308	7	4
OTAGO DISTRICT.							
Dunedin (Trinity)	...	55	0	0			
" Central Msn.	...	20	0	4			
" (Dundas St.)	...	32	18	3			
" (Cargill Rd.)	...	27	14	6			
Carried forward		135	13	1	3838	18	7

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward		26	5	0	3138	10	3
Circuits with Home Missionaries.							
Gisborne	...	16	5	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Foxton (1 quarter)	...	6	5	0			
Waipawa	...	28	15	0			
Pahiatua	...	28	15	0			
Palmerston North	...	15	0	0			
(Broad Street)	...				121	5	0
WELLINGTON DISTRICT.							
Circuits with Home Missionaries.							
Otaki	...	55	0	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Wellington Cent. Msn.	...	60	0	0			
Wellington (Thorn-	...				12	10	0
don)	...				41	5	0
Johnsonville	...				26	5	0
S. Wairarapa	...				35	0	0
Eketahuna	...				230	0	0
NELSON DISTRICT.							
Home Mission Stations.							
Murchison	...	30	0	0			
Runanga (1 quarter)	...	2	10	0			
Granity	...	18	15	0			
Dovedale (1 quarter)	...	3	15	0			
Circuits with Home Missionaries.							
Richmond	...	25	0	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Westport	...	25	0	0			
Reefton	...	25	0	0			
Hokitika	...	40	0	0			
Motueka	...	22	10	0			
					192	10	0
NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.							
Home Mission Stations.							
Amberley	...	22	10	0			
Oxford	...	30	0	0			
Aided Circuits.							
Christchurch Cent. Msn.	...	83	15	0			
Papanui (Riccarton)	...	30	0	0			
Ohoka	...	21	5	0			
					187	10	0
SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.							
Home Mission Stations.							
Temuka (Denmark St.)	...	3	15	0			
1 quarter	...				15	0	0
Methven	...				31	5	0
Mayfield	...				50	0	0
OTAGO DISTRICT.							
Home Mission Stations.							
Kaitangata	...	17	10	0			
Lawrence	...	6	5	0			
Cromwell	...	12	10	0			
Carried forward		36	5	0	3919	15	3

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.
Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1915.—(Continued.)

INCOME.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	135	13	1	3838	18	7
Dunedin (St. Kilda)		5	18	2		
.. (Caversham)						
.. (Mornington)	17	5	10			
.. (Roslyn)	11	4	3			
.. (Mosgiel)	10	0	2			
Port Chalmers	13	14	8			
Waikouaiti and Palmerston	16	10	0			
Balclutha	15	1	0			
Milton	16	0	0			
Roxburgh	5	5	10			
Home Mission Stations.						
Kaitangata	3	5	0			
Lawrence	4	17	6			
Cromwell	4	17	6			
				259	13	0

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Invercargill (Leet St.)	62	5	2			
Invercargill (Don St.)	23	0	0			
Invercargill (Elles Rd.)	12	18	5			
Bluff	5	2	6			
Gore						
Otautau	13	0	0			
Edendale	3	13	6			
Home Mission Stations.						
Riverton	2	1	8			
Winton	1	7	9			
Tuatapere	0	10	9			
Nightcaps	5	2	0			
				129	1	9
Birthday League	32	15	8			
				32	15	8

Connexional Properties.

Auckland	675	0	0			
Grey Institute	425	0	0			
Kai Iwi	105	0	0			
				1205	0	0

Interest on Investments.

Auckland	237	7	8			
Canterbury	35	12	6			
E. D. Collinson's Legacy	5	15	9			
On Advance to Te Kopua Parsonage	17	10	0			
On Money Awaiting Investment	35	0	0			
				331	5	11

Memorial.

Mrs. Ann Carvell (Blenheim)	6	0	0			
Mr. Francis Terrill (Blenheim)	6	10	0			
Mrs. E. A. White (Blenheim)	6	0	0			
Mr. Richard W. Parker (Blenheim)	3	15	0			
				22	5	0
Mototi Property, Rahotu, Net	8	5	1			
				8	5	1
Sale of Maori Books	7	3	9			
N.Z. Young Women's Bible Class Union	100	0	0			

Carried forward 107 3 9 5827 5 0

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	36	5	0	3919	15	3
Circuits with Home Missionaries.						
Waikouaiti and Palmerston	25	0	0			
Aided Circuits.						
Central Msn. (1 quarter)	12	10	0			
St. Kilda	18	15	0			
Caversham	22	10	0			
Mosgiel	40	0	0			
Balclutha	11	5	0			
Milton	25	0	0			
Roxburgh	25	0	0			
				216	5	0

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Home Mission Stations.						
Riverton	15	0	0			
Winton	10	0	0			
Tuatapere	25	0	0			
Nightcaps	11	5	0			
Aided Circuits.						
Invercargill (Don St.)	36	5	0			
Bluff	25	0	0			
Otautau	38	15	0			
Edendale	36	5	0			
				197	10	0

Departmental.

H.M. Organising Sec.	275	0	0			
House Allowance	80	0	0			
Travelling and Postage	99	7	7			
Telegrams and Cables	2	13	10			
Connex'nal Charges	50	7	8			
				507	9	1
General Treasurer's						
Honorarium	50	0	0			
Incidental Expenses	15	0	0			
				65	0	0
Office Rent	52	0	0			
Office Telephone	7	0	0			
				59	0	0

Special.

Annuity	4	10	0			
Ministerial Supply	79	4	3			
Instalments, Rawene Parsonage	20	18	6			
Theological College	100	0	0			
Rent of Section, Taumarunui	5	0	0			
Advertising N.Z. Methodist Times	2	0	0			
Bay of Islands H.M. Supply	5	0	0			
Waimiha Furniture, Horse, etc.	57	5	8			
Removal Expenses	26	15	7			
Native Minister's Board at Synod	3	0	0			
Treasurer's Expenses to Christchurch Conference	6	8	10			
Organising Secretary's Expenses to Conference	7	2	4			
Deaconess Institution (2 quarters)	25	0	0			
				342	5	2

Carried forward 5307 4 6

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

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Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1915.—(Continued.)

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	107	3	9	5827	5	0
Auckland Methodist Women's Auxiliary Christchurch Conference Collection ...	44	5	0			
Donations ...	12	13	0			
Donations, Special for Waimiha H.M. Station—	127	18	0			
Donations, Anonymous, per Rev. T. G. Brooke	51	0	0			
Donations, Furniture per Rev. T. G. Brooke	38	13	3			
Donations, Horse, etc. per Rev. T. G. Brooke	6	0	0			
Contributions, ... Cliff College Men ...	7	9	4			
Cliff College Refunds	32	17	8			
Discounts, etc. ...	0	11	11			
				428	11	11
				£6255	16	11

LATE PAYMENTS FOR 1914.

The Circuit Income, as above given, includes the following late payments on account of 1914.

Auckland West ...	3	13	2
Auckland East ...	23	17	6
Auckland (Avondale) ...	12	13	5
Paeroa ...	6	0	0
Hamilton ...	50	0	0
Te Kuiti ...	5	0	0
Te Awamutu ...	7	17	6
Ngaruawahia ...	4	8	10
New Plymouth ...	20	17	9
Hastings ...	37	8	3
Johnsonville ...	5	0	0
Hokitika ...	0	5	9
Christchurch (Durham Street) ...	61	9	3
Christchurch East ...	2	1	8
Christchurch (Addington) ...	39	0	0
Leeston ...	1	0	0
Timaru (Bank Street) ...	6	5	0
Birthday League ...	1	0	0
	£287	18	1

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	5307	4	6			
General.						
Printing Reports ...	69	2	1			
Printing H.M. Estimates for Conference	7	10	10			
Printing Circulars, Reports, Cards, etc.	32	7	9			
Typing ...	2	2	6			
H.M. Collecting Boxes	15	12	6			
C. H. Kelly, Printing Maori Hymn Books	135	7	7			
Freight and Duty on same ...	11	7	8			
Mortgage Tax ...	14	9	7			
Bank Charges, Cheque Book and Exchange	8	1	3			
Interest ...	62	16	0			
Postage and Telegrams	5	18	0			
Deputation Expenses	42	7	0			
Rates and Fire Insurance	2	6	11			
Sundries ...	4	4	9			
				413	14	5
To Cr. Balance, Jan. 31st, 1915 ...				534	18	0
				£6,255	16	11

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916.

Treasurers—Rev. G. BOND and Mr. J. VEALE.

INCOME.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Circuits.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland Central ...	160	0	0			
West ...	70	0	0			
East ...	150	0	0			
(Avondale) ...	40	0	0			
Meth. Mission ...	20	0	0			
(North Shore) ...	50	0	0			
(Birkenhead) ...	45	0	0			
Onehunga ...	30	0	0			
Otahuhu ...	15	0	0			
Papakura ...	15	0	0			
Pukekohe ...	30	0	0			
Waiuku ...	15	0	0			
Mahurangi ...	12	10	0			
Paparoa ...	20	0	0			
Northern Wairoa ...	20	0	0			
Whangarei ...	25	0	0			
Port Albert ...	10	0	0			

Maori Missions.

Whangaroa ...	30	0	0
Bay of Islands ...	25	0	0
Hokianga ...	45	0	0
Kaipara ...	40	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Coromandel ...	10	0	0
Helensville ...	7	0	0
Bay of Islands ...	8	0	0
Hokianga ...	10	0	0
Whangaroa ...	5	0	0
Mangonui ...	5	0	0
Hikurangi ...	10	0	0
Total	922	10	0

AUCKLAND SOUTH DISTRICT.

Circuits.

Thames ...	30	0	0
Upper Thames ...	30	0	0
Waihi ...	15	0	0
Paeroa ...	10	0	0
Cambridge ...	20	0	0
Hamilton ...	50	0	0
Huntly ...	5	0	0
Rotorua ...	10	0	0
Tauranga ...	12	10	0
Opotiki ...	7	0	0
Te Kuiti ...	7	10	0
Taumarunui ...	5	0	0
Te Awamutu ...	10	0	0
Waikato Maori Msn. ...	50	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Whakatane ...	3	0	0
Te Puke ...	3	0	0
Matamata ...	6	0	0
Ohura ...	5	0	0
Ngaruawahia ...	7	10	0
Waimiha ...	3	0	0
Total	289	10	0
Carried forward	1212	0	0

EXPENDITURE.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Northern Maori Mission.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Whangaroa—						
Native Minister ...	120	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			
Native H. Missn'y. ...	40	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			
Rent ...	15	0	0			
Bay of Islands—						
Native Minister ...	100	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			
Hokianga—						
Native Minister,						
No. 1 ...	120	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			
Native Minister,						
No. 2 ...	90	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			
Kaipara—						
Native Minister ...	100	0	0			
Travelling ...	10	0	0			

Home Mission Stations.

Coromandel (if stipend £130) ...	30	0	0
Helensville ...	10	0	0
Bay of Islands ...	40	0	0
Hokianga (1 agent) ...	35	0	0
Whangaroa ...	35	0	0
Mangonui ...	10	0	0
Hikurangi (if stipend £110) ...	15	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Methodist Mission ...	75	0	0
Mahurangi ...	7	10	0

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Northern Wairoa (if special arrangements at Rehia cease) ...	20	0	0
Total	922	10	0

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Waikato Maori Mission.

Native Minister, No. 1 ...	120	0	0
Travelling ...	15	0	0
Rent ...	25	0	0
Native Minister, No. 2 ...	100	0	0
Travelling ...	15	0	0
Rent ...	17	10	0
Native Probationer ...	70	0	0
Travelling ...	10	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Whakatane ...	40	0	0
Te Puke ...	40	0	0
Waimiha ...	75	0	0
Ohura (if stipend £130) ...	60	0	0
Ohura (Rent) ...	25	0	0
Matamata ...	40	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Taumarunui ...	100	0	0
Te Awamutu ...	50	0	0
Te Kuiti ...	45	0	0
Total	848	10	0
Carried forward	1771	0	0

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND. 22
Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916.—(Continued.)

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.
Circuits.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				1212	0	0
New Plymouth	60	0	0			
Waitara	25	0	0			
Inglewood	10	0	0			
Stratford	35	0	0			
Eltham	20	0	0			
Hawera	45	0	0			
Manala	15	0	0			
Cape Egmont	25	0	0			
Kaponga	15	0	0			
Wanganui	65	0	0			
Wanganui, Dublin						
St. (if separated)	5	0	0			
Aramoho	15	0	0			
Rangitikei	15	0	0			
Taihape	10	0	0			
Waimarino	10	0	0			
West Coast Maori Mission	50	0	0			

Home Mission Stations.

East Egmont	3	0	0			
Patea	3	0	0			
Mokau	1	0	0	427	0	0

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Circuits.

Napier	30	0	0			
Hastings	45	0	0			
Gisborne	27	10	0			
Waipawa	12	0	0			
Dannevirke	15	0	0			
Woodville	30	0	0			
Pahiatua	15	0	0			
Falmerston N. (Broad Street)	50	0	0			
Palmerston N. (Cuba St.)	27	10	0			
Feilding	55	0	0			
Sanson-Rongotea	25	0	0			
Foxton	10	0	0			

Home Mission Stations.

Apiti	10	0	0			
Norsewood	5	0	0	357	0	0

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Circuits.

Wellington (Taranaki Street)	100	0	0			
Wellington Cent. Msn.	10	0	0			
Wellington (Thorn-don)	25	0	0			
Wellington South	40	0	0			
Johnsonville	15	0	0			
Hutt	22	0	0			
Petone	22	0	0			
South Wairarapa	13	0	0			
Carterton	20	0	0			
Masterton	50	0	0			

Carried forward 317 0 0 1996 0 0

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.
West Coast Maori Mission.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				1771	0	0
Superintendent	220	0	0			
Travelling	20	0	0			
Rent	52	0	0			
Connexional Charges	39	0	0			

Normanby.

Native Minister	160	0	0			
Travelling	20	0	0			
Rent	40	0	0			

Patea.

Native H. Missnry.	50	0	0			
Travelling	5	0	0			

Waimarino.

Native H. Missnry.	60	0	0			
Travelling	20	0	0			

Opunake.

Native Minister	120	0	0			
Travelling	10	0	0			
Furniture	30	0	0			
Removal Expenses	22	6	9			
Rent	25	0	0			
Special, N.H.P.	10	0	0			

Okaiawa.

Deaconess	100	0	0			
Assistant Deaconess	50	0	0			

Home Mission Stations.

East Egmont (if stipend £140)	60	0	0			
Patea (if stipend £130)	20	0	0			

Aided Circuits.

Inglewood	55	0	0			
Eltham (if stipend not less than £180, plus travelling expenses)	20	0	0			
Kaponga (if stipend £180)	30	0	0			
Aramoho (if circuit as at present)	35	0	0			
Waimarino (single man)	20	0	0			
Manala (if married man)	45	0	0			
Taihape (if married man)	45	0	0			

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Waitara (if married H.M.)	60	0	0			
Cape Egmont	15	0	0	1458	6	9

Carried forward 3229 6 9

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916.—(Continued.)

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	317	0	0	1996	0	0
Eketahuna	13	0	0			
Levin	15	0	0			
Otaki	20	0	0			
				365	0	0

NELSON DISTRICT.

Circuits.

Nelson	45	0	0
Richmond	25	0	0
Blenheim	50	0	0
Hokitika	13	0	0
Greymouth	16	0	0
Motueka and Dove-			
dale	6	0	0
Reefton	10	0	0
Westport	25	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Havelock	3	0	0
Murchison	3	0	0
Runanga	2	0	0
Granity	2	0	0
			200 0 0

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Ch.Ch. (Durham St.)	80	0	0
„ Mission	15	0	0
„ East	100	0	0
„ (Cambridge Terrace)	15	0	0
Ch.Ch. (Woolston)	45	0	0
„ (Sydenham)	35	0	0
„ (Addington)	40	0	0
„ (St. Albans)	50	0	0
„ (Papanui)	27	10	0
Lyttelton	20	0	0
Springston	27	10	0
Tai Tapu	24	0	0
Leeston	40	0	0
Kaipoi	40	0	0
Ohoka	25	0	0
Rangiora	35	0	0
Greendale and Mal-			
vern	30	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Amberley	8	0	0
Oxford	5	0	0
			662 0 0

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Circuits.

Timaru (Bank St.)	70	0	0
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	35	0	0
Waimate	40	0	0
Temuka (King St.)	15	0	0
Geraldine	15	0	0
Ashburton	65	0	0
Willowby	35	0	0
Oamaru	30	0	0

Carried forward 305 0 0 3223 0 0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				3229	6	9

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Home Mission Stations.

Apiti	15	0	0
Norsewood	10	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Waipawa (if stipend £180)	35	0	0
Pahiatua (if stipend £180, otherwise £20)	35	0	0
Foxton (if married Minister)	20	0	0
Foxton (Special)	16	0	0

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Gisborne (if Probationer)	20	0	0
(if single Home Missionary, no grant)			151 0

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Aided Circuits.

Wellington Cent. Msn.	80	0	0
Johnsonville	40	0	0
South Wairarapa	30	0	0
Eketahuna	35	0	0

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Otaki	60	0	0
			245 0 0

NELSON DISTRICT.

Home Mission Stations.

Havelock	20	0	0
Murchison	30	0	0
Runanga	20	0	0
Granity (if married H.M.)	25	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Westport	25	0	0
Reefton	25	0	0
Hokitika (if stipend £180)	40	0	0
Mctueka	30	0	0

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Richmond	30	0	0
			245 0 0

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Home Mission Station.

Amberley	30	0	0
Oxford	30	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Lyttelton	25	0	0
Durham St. S.	30	0	0
Durham St. South Special	30	0	0

Carried forward 145 0 0 3870 6 9

HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.
 Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916.—(Continued.)

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	305	0	0	3223	0	0
Home Mission Stations.						
Temuka (Denmark Street)		5	0	0		
Methven		5	0	0		
Mayfield		9	0	0		
				324	0	0

OTAGO DISTRICT.
Circuits.

Dunedin (Trinity) ...	60	0	0
.. Cent. Msn. ...	20	0	0
.. (Dundas St.) ...	25	0	0
.. (Cargill Rd.) ...	30	0	0
.. (St. Kilda) ...	15	0	0
.. (Caversham) ...	15	0	0
.. (Morningside) ...	25	0	0
.. (Roslyn) ...	15	0	0
Mosgiel	10	0	0
Port Chalmers	15	0	0
Waikouaiti and Palmerston	12	10	0
Balclutha	15	0	0
Milton	13	0	0
Roxburgh	10	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Kaitangata	6	0	0
Lawrence	6	0	0
Cromwell	7	10	0
	300	0	0

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.
Circuits.

Invercargill (Leet St.)	50	0	0
.. (Don St.)	20	0	0
.. (Elles Rd.)	20	0	0
Bluff	6	0	0
Gore	15	0	0
Otautau	15	0	0
Edendale	5	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Riverton	4	0	0
Winton	4	0	0
Tuatapere	3	10	0
Nightcaps	5	0	0
	147	10	0

GENERAL.

Birthday League	30	0	0
	30	0	0

Connexional Properties.

Auckland	700	0	0
Grey Institute	500	0	0
Kai Iwi	100	0	0
	1300	0	0

Interest on Investments.

Auckland	230	0	0
Canterbury	55	10	0
Carried forward	285	10	0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	145	0	0	3870	6	9
Circuits with Home Missionaries.						
Papanui (Riicarton)	35	0	0			
				180	0	0

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT
South Island Maori Mission.

Native Probationer	70	0	0
Travelling	10	0	0

Home Mission Stations.

Methven	17	10	0
Mayfield	30	0	0

Aided Circuits.

Temuka	10	0	0
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Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Oamaru (additional Agent)	40	0	0
	177	10	0

OTAGO DISTRICT.

Home Mission Stations.

Kaitangata	20	0	0
Lawrence	10	0	0
Cromwell	15	0	0

Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Waikouaiti and Palmerston— if married H.M.	60	0	0
(if single H.M., £40)			

Aided Circuits.

Caversham (Special)	17	10	0
Port Chalmers	30	0	0
Mosgiel	60	0	0
Milton	25	0	0
Roxburgh	30	0	0
	267	10	0

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Home Mission Stations.

Riverton (if married H.M.)	25	0	0
Winton	10	0	0
Tuatapere	25	0	0
Nightcaps	15	0	0

Aided Circuits

Invercargill (Don St.)	40	0	0
Bluff	30	0	0
Otautau	35	0	0
Edendale	35	0	0
	215	0	0

Departmental.

H.M. Organising Sec.	275	0	0
House Allowance	80	0	0
Travelling	90	0	0
Connexional Charges	53	17	8
	498	17	8
General Treasurer's Honorarium	60	0	0
Incidental Expenses	15	0	0
	75	0	0

Carried forward	5284	4	5
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HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.
Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1916.—(Continued.)

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	285	10	0	5324	10	0
Memorial.						
Mrs. Ann Carvell						
Blenheim	6	0	0			
Mr. Francois Terrill						
Blenheim	6	10	0			
Mrs. E. A. White						
Blenheim	6	0	0			
Mr. Richard W. Parker, Blenheim	6	0	0	310	0	0
Motiti Property	7	0	0	7	0	0
Sale of Maori Hymn Books	15	0	0			
N.Z.Y.W. Bible Class Union	100	0	0			
Auckland Methodist Women's Missionary Auxiliary	30	0	0	145	0	0
				5786	10	0
Cr. Balance, 1915				534	18	0
				£6,321	8	0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				5284	4	5
Special.						
Annuity	4	10	0			
Ministerial Supply	100	0	0			
H.M. Retiring Allowance	100	0	0			
Loan Fund Instalments						
Rawene Parsonage	20	16	8			
Theological College	100	0	0			
Provisional H.M. Grants	50	0	0			
Rev. W. Gittos, Honorary	50	0	0			
Military Camps	100	0	0			
Gore (one-half removal expenses, 1915)	14	0	0			
Deaconess Institution	50	0	0	589	6	8
General.						
Office Rent	52	0	0			
Office Telephone	7	0	0			
Printing Reports, etc.	85	0	0			
Interest and Exchange	75	0	0			
Miscellaneous	150	0	0	369	0	0
				6242	11	1
Cr. Balance, 1915				78	16	11
				£6,321	6	0

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

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Statements showing Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 1915.

Property Account.

Treasurer:—Mr. HENRY BUTTLE.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward from							Sundries						
last year	28	4	7				Hurst Trust in reduction of	37	11	3			
Donations	289	4	7				Mortgage	750	0	0			
Maintenance Fund Reserve—							Balance in hand	279	17	11			
Advance	150	0	0										
Maintenance Endowment A/c—													
Advance	350	0	0										
Maintenance Fund	250	0	0										
				£1067	9	2					£1067	9	2

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

Maintenance Fund.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Balance brought forward from										
last year	252	16	11	Salaries and Wages	355	13	6			
Donations	20	17	3	Furnishing	17	12	1			
Annual Subscriptions	1121	9	3	Interest	104	4	8			
Collections	138	15	5	Food	99	12	4			
Board received for Children	117	14	2	Fire and Lighting	9	10	9			
Interest on Savings Bank A/c	9	16	1	Repairs	39	19	0			
								626	12	4
				Miscellaneous—						
				Rates	10	17	0			
				Printing and Stationery	14	5	8			
				Travelling Expenses	25	3	6			
				Petty Cash	44	0	0			
				Telephone	9	0	0			
				Insurance	7	14	0			
				Cow	10	0	0			
				Sundries	37	2	11			
								158	3	1
				Property Account				250	0	0
				Balance in hand				626	13	8
								£1661	9	1

Maintenance Fund Reserve Account.

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			RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.						
Balance forward	from	last	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
year	150	0	0				Property Account—Loan	...	150	0	0
interest Account	4	2	6				Balance in hand	...	4	2	6
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			£154 2 6						£154 2 6				

Maintenance Endowment Account.

			RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.						
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Sundry Donations	350	0	0				Property Account—Loan	...	350	0	0
Interest Account	9	12	6				Balance in hand	...	9	12	6
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			£359 12 6						£359 12 6				

Summary.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Property Account Balance	...	279	17	11				Bank of Australasia	...	159	18	9				
Maintenance Fund Balance	...	626	13	8				Post Office Savings Bank	...	760	7	10				
Maintenance Endowment Account Balance	...		9	12	6											
Maintenance Fund Reserve Account Balance	...		4	2	6											
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		£920 6 7									£920 6 7					

MILITARY CAMPS COMMITTEE.

Personal.			Sundries—				
Mr. Edson	1	0	0	Communion Wine 4/3, Cart- age 5/6, G. Winder 8/7, W.F.C.A. 10/3	1	8	7
Mrs. M. G. Gatley	1	0	0	Cartage (N.Z. Express Co. and Edwards)	6	7	6
"F.W.H." per Mr. Salter	1	0	0	Advertising (Evening Post)	0	4	0
Mr. G. Pearce	0	10	0	Bank Exchange	1	0	9
Mr. J. C. Prudhoe	1	0	0	Fire Insurance	1	9	8
Mr. A. C. Reid	1	0	0	Postage and Telegrams	0	19	6
Mr. P. D. Simpson	7	0	0	Cr. Balance 31/12/1915	14	14	11
Mr. W. A. Wagstaff	2	0	0				
Mrs. M. N. West	1	0	0				
Mr. D. Williams	0	5	0				
			15	15	0		
Per Capt.-Chaplain Walker			21	0	6		
Donations for Flag and Com- munion Service			3	2	0		
Mr. W. H. Bennett (per contra)			5	0	0		
			<u>£486</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>		
						<u>£486</u>	<u>7 0</u>

Examined and found correct,

January 22nd, 1916.

WM. BECKETT
ERNEST DAWSON } Auditors

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

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1. Auckland District.		Church Membership.														Young People's Societies						Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.		
		CIRCUITS.														Wesley Guild		Senior C.E.		Junior C.E.		Other Societies			Societies	Members
		Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries.	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communicants.	Societies	Active Members.	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies	Members	Societies	Members		Societies	Members
Auckland Central	7	...	5	3	8	...	1	25	2	745	...	295	247	617	...	...	4	52	5	122	1	68	6	805	3086
Auckland West	6	2	6	2	2	...	...	15	2	468	...	145	220	480	...	...	3	65	3	115	...	...	6	560	1790
Auckland East	7	1	5	2	7	...	1	19	6	563	...	111	55	500	4	90	1	12	2	50	...	...	4	300	1900
Auckland (Avondale)	5	4	2	1	3	1	...	12	1	295	4	45	27	225	...	...	...	...	1	34	2	35	5	350	1072
Auckland Meth. Mission	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	8	2	133	...	4	...	50	...	...	1	21	1	30	...	...	1	40	500
Auckland (North Shore)	3	...	1	1	4	...	...	3	...	205	5	57	44	250	1	35	2	25	1	35	...	...	2	236	650
Auckland (Birkenhead)	4	2	3	1	3	...	...	3	...	155	...	55	...	110	...	...	...	...	...	2	75	3	120	550	
Onehunga	3	1	1	2	1	...	...	3	...	130	2	22	41	90	...	...	1	8	1	22	...	...	1	100	650
Otahuhu	3	1	1	...	1	...	...	3	1	108	...	25	32	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	460
Papakura	2	4	...	...	1	...	...	6	...	115	...	42	10	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	412
Pukekohe	7	10	...	1	1	1	...	9	...	180	...	25	50	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	35	870
Waiuku	1	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	69	...	6	32	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	1	18	240
Mahurangi	2	8	...	1	1	...	...	6	...	80	...	20	6	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	400
Paparoa	5	6	...	1	1	...	...	6	...	98	...	17	25	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	100	...	...	470
Northern Wairoa	5	13	...	1	1	1	...	9	...	176	...	28	25	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	24	1	25	850
Whangarei	2	4	1	1	1	...	...	4	...	117	2	12	...	86	1	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	820
Port Albert	2	3	1	1	...	1	...	4	...	68	...	13	20	38	...	...	1	16	...	...	...	...	1	55	262
Coromandel	2	3	3	1	...	1	...	2	...	35	...	22	...	16	...	...	1	8	1	22	...	...	1	30	162
Helensville	4	9	...	2	...	1	...	2	...	56	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	250
Bay of Islands	3	7	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	165
Hokianga (Rawene)	1	8	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	26	...	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	200
Hokianga (Kohukohu)	1	11	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	17	...	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200
Whangaroa	1	3	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150
Mongonui	4	5	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	35	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	220
Hikurangi	1	7	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	37	...	8	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	250
Totals	82	117	29	24	37	12	2	145	14	3966	13	961	854	3146	6	157	14	207	15	430	14	336	33	2674	16579	

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2. South Auckland District.	CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Church Membership.					Young People's Societies.					Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars				
											Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communi-cants.	Wesley Guild	Senior C.E.	Junior C.E.	Other Societies		Societies	Members.					
																Societies.	Active Members.	Societies	Members	Societies				Members.			
Thames	...	2	5	2	1	...	...	...	5	...	127	..	37	57	90	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	570
Upper Thames	...	5	8	2	2	...	...	...	10	...	214	..	7	29	..	140	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	875
Waihi	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	4	...	129	..	..	22	6	70	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	340
Paeroa	...	2	4	..	1	1	...	...	2	...	60	3	23	20	46	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	375
Cambridge	...	4	2	1	1	1	1	...	5	...	98	..	..	..	60	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	350
Hamilton	...	4	6	1	2	2	...	...	11	1	307	..	10	..	286	..	...	..	..	..	..	2	40	1	30	1300	
Huntly	...	1	5	..	1	1	...	...	3	2	45	..	15	..	45	..	..	1	15	1	15	1	10	..	..	..	250
Rotorua	...	2	5	1	..	1	...	...	2	..	78	..	18	20	98	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	..	..	320
Tauranga	...	1	7	1	..	1	...	...	8	..	86	..	18	11	55	2	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	240
Opotiki	...	2	3	..	1	1	...	...	2	..	46	1	4	20	40	1	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
Te Kuiti	...	2	2	1	..	1	...	...	3	2	44	..	..	..	60	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	40	275
Taumarunui	9	..	..	1	...	...	..	..	32	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	175
Te Awamutu	...	1	13	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	101	..	15	12	104	..	..	1	15	1	15	..	..	..	..	..	514
Whakatane	...	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	18	..	3	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80
Te Puke	5	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	24	..	9	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48
Matamata	...	1	11	..	1	..	1	..	8	1	64	..	5	..	39	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	26	..	..	387
Ohura	...	1	7	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	45	5	7	..	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	165
Ngaruawahia	...	3	4	..	1	..	1	..	7	1	68	5	..	43	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	20	..	..	260
Marakopa
Waimana	11	1	22	..	4	4	122
Totals	...	34	110	11	12	15	7	..	84	9	1608	21	219	196	1250	4	97	3	40	3	90	7	126	3	120	6846	

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4. Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District.		Church Membership.										Young People's Societies.						Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.										
		Churches.		Other Preaching Places.		Schoolrooms.		Parsonages.		Ministers and Probationers.		Home Missionaries.		Deaconesses.		Local Preachers.		Class Leaders.			Wesley Guild.		Senior O.E.		Junior O.E.		Other Societies.		Societies	Members
		Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communicants.	Societies	Active Members.	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies		Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	
Napier	...	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	4	310	10	75	41	250	1	45	2	18	2	18	2	80	985	
Hastings	...	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	7	1	283	...	55	108	140	1	54	1	62	...	1	62	730	
Gisborne	...	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	195	...	35	115	80	...	...	...	...	1	30	1	20	2	57	...	530
Waipawa	...	2	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	54	...	2	4	25	...	...	...	...	..	..	2	30	...	...	...	220
Dannevirke	...	1	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	106	3	40	60	40	...	...	...	...	1	42	1	50	...	...	...	375
Woodville	...	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	2	137	...	22	...	137	...	...	...	...	..	..	1	28	1	56	...	300
Pahiatua	...	3	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	87	2	4	12	72	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	375
Palmerst'n N.(Broad St)	...	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	..	259	26	85	...	250	1	15	1	26	2	40	...	...	...	...	...	830
Palmerston N.(Cuba St)	...	3	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	8	..	235	...	72	...	140	...	...	1	12	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	500
Feilding	...	7	5	2	3	3	..	..	..	13	..	273	...	36	...	226	...	...	...	...	1	26	...	...	...	...	...	800
Sanson and Rongotea	...	3	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	137	...	50	...	70	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	1	35	400	
Foxton	...	3	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	77	...	13	35	40	...	...	...	...	..	..	1	15	...	...	...	242
Kimbolton	...	4	4	..	2	..	1	..	..	3	..	56	...	33	20	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	330
Norsewood	...	3	3	..	1	..	1	5	..	99	52	1	54	383		
Totals	...	44	35	11	17	14	5	1	88	8	2308	41	522	395	1537	2	69	4	68	7	203	8	223	7	282	7000				

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8. South Canterbury District. CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries.	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Church Membership.				Young People's Societies.				Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars					
										Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communi- cants.	Wesley Guild	Senior C.E.	Junior C.E.	Other Societies	Societies		Members				
															Active Members.	Societies	Active Members	Societies				Members	Societies	Members	
Timaru (Bank Street)	4	4	1	1	2	...	...	17	...	321	...	65	36	300	...	...	...	...	1	32	...	...	...	...	1130
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	3	2	...	1	1	...	...	5	...	134	...	76	30	100	...	...	...	...	1	40	...	...	1	80	500
Waimate ...	2	6	1	1	1	1	...	6	...	220	10	45	18	130	1	20	...	...	...	...	1	15	2	250	850
Temuka (King Street)	1	5	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	69	...	2	8	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	11	...	...	250
Geraldine ...	1	5	1	1	1	...	...	5	...	102	...	26	...	100	...	1	10	1	15	1	10	...	...	...	450
Ashburton ...	5	3	2	2	2	...	...	11	...	266	...	49	137	160	...	...	34	1	18	1	16	...	...	...	870
Willowby ...	5	1	...	1	1	...	...	14	...	144	...	34	6	147	1	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	50	500
Oamaru ...	4	2	1	1	1	...	...	16	1	175	3	46	13	153	1	21	1	13	1	23	4	41	...	...	532
Temuka (Denmark St.)	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	44	...	8	...	30	...	...	1	12	1	8	...	...	1	40	125
Methven ...	2	2	...	...	...	1	...	6	...	46	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Mayfield ...	1	4	...	1	...	1	...	4	...	45	3	3	7	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	260
Totals ...	...	29	35	8	11	10	3	86	11	1566	16	354	255	1225	3	57	4	69	6	136	8	93	5	420	5567

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

9. Otago District.	CIRCUITS.	Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries.	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Church Membership.					Young People's Societies.						Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.		
											Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communicants.	Wesley Guild.	Senior C.E.		Junior C.E.		Other Societies		Societies		Members	
																	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies	Active Members	Societies	Members				Societies	Members	Societies	Members
Dunedin (Trinity) ...	2	..	2	1	3	..	1	8	..	294	..	70	15	250	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	65	1	60	950
Dunedin Central Missn.	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	150	4	20	30	100	..	..	..	..	1	30	..	..	..	..	..	1400
Dunedin (Dundas St. ...)	3	..	1	1	2	1	..	9	..	226	..	68	54	180	1	15	..	3	72	1	16	1	16	1	40	630
Dunedin (Cargill Road)	1	1	2	1	1	..	..	13	..	170	..	33	35	130	..	..	1	30	1	59	..	..	..	..	..	500
Dunedin (St. Kilda) ...	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	7	..	189	..	62	23	170	1	20	..	..	1	72	..	..	..	..	..	550
Dunedin (Caversham) ...	3	..	1	1	2	..	..	12	6	180	..	62	16	185	1	40	1	30	2	70	1	40	1	120	580	
Dunedin (Mornington)	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	5	1	130	2	49	36	115	1	45	..	..	1	42	..	..	..	..	..	400
Dunedin (Roslyn) ...	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	1	147	..	64	44	75	1	20	..	..	2	69	1	15	..	..	..	400
Mosgiel ...	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	61	..	8	..	40	..	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
Port Chalmers ...	3	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	96	..	20	15	57	..	..	1	18	1	14	..	..	..	1	93	300
Waikouaiti & Palmerston	2	3	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	78	..	10	38	45	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	50	..	..	..	450
Balclutha ...	1	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	49	..	16	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Milton ...	1	4	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	66	1	4	..	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	..	..	280
Roxburgh ...	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	60	..	39	23	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	32	..	..	..	215
Kaitangata ...	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	35	4	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	1	24	1	12	..	..	..	110
Lawrence ...	2	3	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	48	..	11	25	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	180
Cromwell ...	2	4	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	38	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	1	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	130
Totals ...	33	19	13	15	18	4	1	71	8	2017	11	547	354	1514	5	140	4	86	14	478	12	245	4	313	7575	

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

10. Southland District.		Church Membership.										Young People's Societies.						Connexional Bands of Hope.		Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.					
		CIRCUITS.										Wesley Guild		Senior C.E.		Junior C.E.		Other Societies			Societies	Members			
		Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.	Home Missionaries.	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communicants.	Societies.	Active Members.	Societies	Active Members				Societies	Members	Societies	Members
Invercargill (Leet St.)	2	2	2	1	2	..	..	6	2	251	7	27	..	95	..	..	..	2	61	2	25	..	..	800	
Invercargill (Don St.)	3	3	2	1	2	..	..	2	..	171	..	31	..	58	..	..	1	30	1	33	1	30	1	120	630
Invercargill (Elles Road)	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	4	2	135	2	2	..	136	..	..	1	20	1	40	..	..	1	50	620
Bluff	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	86	6	13	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	223
Gore	1	3	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	126	..	6	..	50	1	15	..	..	40	1	70	..	..	..	450
Otautau	3	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	57	1	15	..	50	..	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Edendale	2	4	..	1	1	..	..	5	..	50	..	2	..	22	1	10	..	..	..	1	22	1	24	240	
Riverton	1	3	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	38	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	142
Winton	1	3	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	24	3	6	..	19	..	..	1	8	1	5	..	..	..	..	105
Tuatapere	1	5	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	19	..	5	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	150
Nightcaps	1	4	..	1	..	1	1	18	239
Totals	19	29	5	9	9	4	..	37	4	975	19	107	..	493	2	25	4	70	6	179	5	147	3	194	3899

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11. Maori Mission.		Churches.	Other Preaching Places.	Parsonages.	Native Ministers and Probationers.	Native Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Church Membership.				Bands of Hope.	Attendants on Public Worship, including S.S. Scholars.
									Members on Roll.	On Probation.	Junior Members.	Communicants (non-members)		
CIRCUITS.														
Whangaroa ...	...	1	17	1	1	1	4	...	202	...	102	...	...	480
Bay of Islands ...	...	1	10	...	1	...	5	...	102	...	75	...	...	350
Hokianga ...	...	5	20	1	3	...	27	...	665	...	300	...	...	1500
Kaipara ...	...	5	11	...	1	...	28	...	230	...	257	...	...	650
Waikato ...	...	1	35	1	3	...	8	...	632	...	450	...	...	4000
West Coast Mission ...	...	2	60	1	3	3	10	...	120	...	...	40	...	1200
South Island Mission	...	2	22	...	1	...	1	1	95	...	...	...	...	450
Totals ...	...	17	175	4	13	4	83	1	2046	...	1184	40	...	8630

GENERAL SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

DISTRICTS.	Church Membership.														Young People's Societies.								Connex- ional Bands of Hope		Attendants on Pub- lic Worship, includ- ing S.S. Scholars.
	Churches. Other Preaching Places.	Schoolrooms.	Parsonages.	Ministers and Probationers.		Home Missionaries.	Deaconesses.	Local Preachers.	Class Leaders.	Members on Roll.	On Proba- tion.	Junior Members.	Infant Members.	Communi- cants.	Wesley Guild	Senior C.E.		Junior C.E.		Other Societies		Societies	Members		
				Societies.	Active Members.										Active Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members				
Auckland	82	117	29	24	37	12	2	145	14	3966	13	961	854	3146	6	157	14	207	15	430	14	336	33	2674	16579
South Auckland	34	110	11	12	15	7	..	84	9	1608	21	219	196	1250	4	97	3	40	3	90	7	126	3	120	6846
Taranaki-Wanganui	54	61	18	16	20	6	..	98	2	2324	21	524	468	1741	5	105	6	132	9	174	5	157	4	174	7650
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	44	35	11	17	14	5	1	88	8	2308	41	522	395	1537	2	69	4	68	7	203	8	223	7	282	7000
Wellington	40	33	24	12	21	2	2	84	17	2577	..	536	333	1867	3	42	6	95	15	412	5	126	10	395	8382
Nelson	38	31	11	12	9	6	..	52	5	1441	6	250	368	954	7	96	2	48	3	86	5	206	3	152	5543
North Canterbury	70	23	26	25	31	5	3	118	17	3721	33	839	319	2788	14	310	11	203	16	480	14	288	13	1121	11970
South Canterbury	29	35	8	11	10	3	..	86	1	1566	16	354	255	1225	3	57	4	69	6	136	8	93	5	420	5567
Otago	33	19	13	15	18	4	1	71	8	2017	11	547	354	1514	5	140	4	86	14	478	12	245	4	313	7575
Southland	19	29	5	9	9	4	..	37	4	975	19	107	..	493	2	25	4	70	6	179	5	147	3	194	3890
District Totals	443	493	156	153	184	54	9	863	85	22503	181	4859	3542	16515	51	1098	58	1018	94	2668	83	1947	95	5845	81002
Maori Mission	17	175	..	4	13	3	..	83	1	2046	..	1184	..	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8630
General Totals	460	668	156	157	197	57	9	946	86	24549	181	6043	3542	16555	51	1098	58	1018	94	2668	83	1947	95	5845	89632

GENERAL RECAPITULATION, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

I.—MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS.

DISTRICTS.	Members.	Members on Probation.	Junior Members.	Communicants.	Adherents.
Auckland	3966	13	961	3146	16579
South Auckland	1608	21	219	1250	6846
Taranaki-Wanganui	2324	21	524	1741	7650
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	2308	41	522	1537	7000
Wellington	2577	...	536	1867	8382
Nelson	1441	6	250	954	5543
North Canterbury	3721	33	839	2788	11970
South Canterbury	1566	16	354	1225	5567
Otago	2017	11	547	1514	7575
Southland	975	19	107	493	3890
Totals	22503	181	4859	16515	81002
Maori Mission	2046	...	1184	40	8630
Grand Totals	24549	181	6043	16555	89632
Increase	297	...	220	290	...
Decrease ... ..	...	78	...	...	502

II.—MINISTERS.

DISTRICTS.	EUROPEAN.			MAORI.		Totals.
	Ministers.	Probationers.	Supernumeraries.	Ministers.	Probationers.	
Auckland	25	3	13	5	1	47
South Auckland	9	6	...	3	..	18
Taranaki-Wanganui	14	4	1	2	...	21
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	13	...	1	...	...	14
Wellington	15	2	4	...	...	21
Nelson	8	1	...	...	...	9
North Canterbury	20	2	8	...	...	30
South Canterbury	9	2	...	...	...	11
Otago	13	2	2	...	...	17
Southland	7	2	...	...	1	10
Totals	133	24	29	10	2	198

SUNDAY-SCHOOL RETURNS YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

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1. Auckland District.		TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.						LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES			
		No. of Schools.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Gradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
CIRCUITS.																	
Auckland Central	...	6	110	88	94	1301	845	72	294	9	255	...	1	5	5068	69	103
Auckland West	...	6	85	69	75	906	675	70	145	8	220	...	2	4	1990	43	55
Auckland East	...	6	85	76	78	932	627	70	79	7	269	...	1	5	2438	34	99
Auckland (Avondale)	...	7	58	48	39	548	378	28	32	...	55	...	7	7	1018	19	37
Auckland Meth. Missn.	...	1	12	10	11	103	66	3	4	...	...	...	1	1	900	10	11
Auckland (North Shore)	...	3	38	32	32	306	227	43	57	5	44	...	3	3	930	16	27
Auckland (Birkenhead)	...	3	37	26	26	300	199	16	45	...	46	...	3	3	768	14	45
Onehunga	...	3	28	23	23	269	181	9	22	11	109	...	3	3	740	6	26
Otahuhu	...	3	19	17	16	215	175	13	25	1	32	...	1	2	750	26	32
Papakura	...	2	13	10	13	144	89	2	42	...	10	...	1	...	...	5	9
Pukekohe	...	5	27	24	21	243	170	12	30	...	50	...	1	4	442	6	5
Waiuku	...	2	12	8	11	82	50	...	6	...	...	...	2	2	256	...	...
Mahurangi	...	2	13	11	12	76	54	1	11	4	15	...	2	...	...	...	...
Paparoa	...	3	10	8	10	95	70	2	6	...	20	...	...	...	60	...	...
Northern Wairoa	...	5	20	14	13	268	147	4	12	...	40	...	5	5	130	...	...
Whangarei	...	2	21	15	15	241	190	19	22	4	...	...	1	1	360	8	21
Port Albert	...	1	10	8	9	47	30	3	9	...	...	...	1	1	120	4	6
Coromandel	...	2	8	5	8	71	55	...	22	...	3	...	1	1	525	...	...
Helensville	...	1	5	3	3	45	22	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Bay of Islands	...	1	2	2	1	15	12	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Hokianga (Rawene)	...	1	3	3	3	45	25	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Hokianga (Kohukohu)	...	1	3	3	3	16	10	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Whangaroa	...	2	4	4	3	55	45	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Mangonui	...	2	2	2	1	56	19	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Hikurangi	...	1	9	6	9	82	40	2	7	1	1	...	330
Totals		71	634	515	529	6461	4401	369	880	50	1168	—	7	58	16825	260	476

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2. South Auckland District.		TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.						LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES		
		No. of Schools.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.
CIRCUITS.																
Thames	1	16	12	16	149	116	5	37	...	101	...	1	...	...	...	17
Upper Thames	6	35	30	29	262	212	6	29	...	78	...	...	6	170	11	30
Waihi	1	15	11	14	128	90	6	22	4	15	...	...	1	350	3	5
Paeroa	4	20	18	11	161	117	..	22	...	26	...	...	4	170	4	8
Cambridge	2	11	10	5	135	111	10	...	...	...	...	...	2	410	...	...
Hamilton	4	42	38	35	435	289	25	...	...	35	...	1	3	658	39	45
Huntly	1	13	8	5	72	37	...	23	...	19	...	1	...	...	...	...
Rotorua	1	9	8	6	69	53	4	19	8	22	...	...	1	102	4	6
Tauranga	2	12	11	12	110	75	3	18	...	11	...	...	2	...	16	9
Opotiki	2	6	6	5	53	43	...	4	1	20	...	...	2	70	...	...
Te Kuiti	1	8	7	8	69	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	44	...	7
Taumarunui	1	1	1	1	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Te Awamutu	1	12	9	12	62	42	5	15	1	12	...	...	1	40	...	...
Whakatane	1	2	1	2	10	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Te Puke	...	4	3	2	12	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Matamata	3	9	8	4	90	49	...	5	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Ohura	...	2	2	2	8	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ngaruawahia	3	10	8	9	128	79	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Marakopa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Waimiha	1	1	1	1	12	10	...	2
Totals	35	228	192	179	1973	1394	68	196	14	339	...	3	31	2014	77	127

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3. Taranaki- Wanganui District.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.						LESSONS.		Volumes in Library.	BIBLE CLASSES		
		No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.		Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.	
CIRCUITS.																	
New Plymouth ...	8	57	50	52	515	411	68	172	22	130	...	5	3	1042	36	45	
Waitara ...	4	19	14	13	118	91	...	32	...	4	...	1	...	134	2	4	
Inglewood ...	2	15	13	14	96	70	1	23	1	25	...	1	2	550	...	...
Stratford ...	5	35	29	34	291	186	...	39	...	58	...	...	...	...	12	8
Eltham ...	2	19	15	17	155	75	8	22	1	16	...	1	1	76	8	13	
Hawera ...	3	25	22	24	276	185	59	84	15	95	...	1	2	139	12	36	
Manaia ...	1	9	8	8	82	64	...	5	...	23	...	...	1	600	...	...
Cape Egmont ...	8	22	21	18	168	125	10	...	9	22	...	1	8	1...	3	10	
Kaponga ...	2	10	8	5	84	56	4	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
Wanganui ...	4	37	33	37	383	291	68	66	13	13	...	1	3	80	20	42	
Aramoho ...	1	10	9	10	125	70	25	30	...	65	...	...	1	450	8	11
Rangitikei ...	1	12	10	11	87	64	6	18	...	...	...	...	1	350	7	6
Taihape ...	1	12	10	9	72	50	...	8	...	26	...	...	1	...	...	6
Waimarino ...	3	8	7	5	99	76	3	5	...	...	...	...	3	00	8	13
West Coast Maori Msn.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1...	...	...
East Egmont ...	4	7	7	5	108	87	10	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...
Patea ...	3	8	7	7	119	69	1	6	...	35	50	
Totals	52	305	263	269	2778	1970	263	510	61	512	...	11	32	3671	116	194	

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4. Hawkes Bay Manawatu District.	CIRCUITS.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.						LESSONS.		Volumes in Library.	BIBLE CLASSES		
			No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.		Using Other.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
Napier	...	6	36	33	35	375	267	8	53	10	41	...	1	5	825	10	18
Hastings	...	2	22	19	17	226	167	49	55	24	62	...	...	2	180	34	30
Gisborne	...	3	29	26	26	322	241	11	35	...	115	...	...	3	390	14	27
Waipawa	...	1	4	3	4	31	13	1	...	1	7	...	...	1	...	...	...
Dannevirke	...	1	15	11	10	140	115	10	40	...	60	...	...	1	150	...	10
Woodville	...	3	13	12	12	142	87	20	22	2	48	...	...	3	80	9	15
Pahiatua	...	4	16	14	11	114	91	16	...	1	10	...	...	4	340	...	...
Palmerst'n N. (Broad St)	...	3	41	33	39	320	216	42	84	20	304	...	...	3	701	16	53
Palmerst'n N. (Cuba St)	...	3	42	37	40	383	311	18	72	5	212	...	...	3	350	27	33
Feilding	...	4	27	23	26	246	161	24	36	...	23	...	1	3	369	...	12
Sanson and Rongotea	...	3	14	13	12	121	96	...	50	...	...	...	1	2	150	4	10
Foxton	...	2	13	10	10	137	86	...	13	...	41	...	2	...	177	...	...
Kimbolton	...	2	7	7	6	81	57	2	38	2	...	...	...	2	...	6	...
Norsewood	...	3	12	12	12	102	76	12	24	3	67	5	8
Totals		40	291	253	260	2740	1984	201	498	77	947	...	5	35	3779	125	216

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5. Wellington District.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.							LESSONS.		Volumes in Library.	BIBLE CLASSES		
		No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.		Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.	
Wellington—																	
Taranaki Street ...	3	99	88	99	691	442	172	154	23	115	...	...	3	1635	50	26
Central Mission ...	1	22	19	19	180	136	20	8	4	60	...	...	1	500	...	16
Thorndon ...	5	50	41	37	392	278	76	63	10	64	...	1	4	1651	15	13	
South ...	7	82	61	72	797	488	36	135	5	325	...	1	6	1042	62	45	
Johnsoaville ...	5	23	20	17	244	166	3	15	2	82	...	...	5	663	1	5
Hutt ...	3	21	17	19	241	167	12	60	3	38	...	...	2	300	10	21
Petone ...	3	30	25	28	258	186	10	12	5	59	...	1	2	647	23	9	
South Wairarapa ...	3	9	8	6	73	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Carterton ...	3	22	20	20	141	94	...	16	...	115	...	...	3	540	...	12
Masterton ...	3	46	37	43	476	329	45	66	...	153	...	...	3	1065	23	38
Eketahuna ...	3	12	10	7	108	73	3	1	3	...	...	...	3	95	3	7
Levin ...	1	15	14	15	102	84	1	27	...	28	...	...	1	...	8	18
Otaki ...	4	17	16	13	133	100	...	21	1	3	280	
Totals	44	448	376	395	3836	2598	378	578	55	1039	...	4	39	8418	195	210	

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6. Nelson District.		TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.						LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES.			
		No. of Schools.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
	CIRCUITS.																
Nelson	...	1	20	16	17	228	159	21	10	...	58	...	...	445	10	18
Richmond*	...	6	32	27	27	237	175	7	26	...	...	...	...	280	...	12
Blenheim	...	5	52	38	49	454	280	63	128	6	154	...	...	1338	25	40
Hokitika	...	2	7	6	7	44	40	4	6	1	38	...	...	50	2	5
Greymouth	...	1	13	9	11	165	100	13	2	...	29	...	...	...	...	11
Motuekat	...	2	12	10	4	78	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	...
Reefton	...	2	12	10	12	142	103	...	37	...	55	...	...	...	...	...
Westport	...	1	15	12	13	206	130	7	67	2	26	...	...	150	5	6
Havelock	...	1	2	2	2	30	20	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murchison	...	1	4	3	3	23	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Runanga	...	1	7	5	7	102	69	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...
Granity	...	2	14	13	8	124	90	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...
Denniston	...	2	6	5	6	68	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tapawera	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dovedale	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals		27	196	156	166	1901	1290	118	276	9	370	2363	55	92	

* Includes Tapawera.

† Includes Dovedale

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7. North Canterbury	CIRCUITS.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.							LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES		
			No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
	Ch.Ch. (Durham St.)	1	17	14	17	160	145	46	23	5	45	...	1	...	400	14	47
	Ch.Ch. Central Mission	2	15	12	13	120	72	6	20	3	52	...	...	2	500	...	20
	Ch.Ch. East	6	109	93	100	796	565	64	180	14	143	...	3	3	1952	56	35
	Ch.Ch. (Cambridge Ter.)	2	19	16	19	169	109	21	15	6	36	...	...	1	693	9	23
	Ch.Ch. (Woolston)	4	38	34	32	505	341	13	89	...	107	...	1	3	762	8	51
	Ch.Ch. (Sydenham)	1	32	30	32	344	236	14	28	4	88	...	1	...	490	14	20
	Ch.Ch. (Addington)	5	56	46	55	516	372	31	90	9	55	2	1	3	955	20	26
	Ch.Ch. (St. Albans)	2	39	33	38	342	235	25	101	11	76	...	1	1	980	13	36
	Ch.Ch. (Papanui)	4	38	34	29	282	204	4	51	17	23	...	...	4	616	13	10
	Lyttelton	1	9	8	8	104	70	20	15	...	45	...	...	1	120	8	20
	Springton	5	26	20	20	159	121	2	—	2	...	...	...	5	200	...	...
	Tai Tapu	3	18	17	16	116	80	18	11	4	16	...	1	2	626	6	14
	Leeston	4	15	11	14	157	112	—	3	1	...	...	...	4	240	...	...
	Kaiapoi	3	21	17	20	208	142	40	14	...	67	...	3	...	600	12	29
	Ohoka	3	20	16	18	97	75	1	6	...	21	...	...	3	535	...	1
	Rangiora	5	28	24	28	257	192	16	64	8	70	...	...	5	740	15	7
	Greendale and Malvern	8	23	20	21	177	116	21	70	8	19	...	3	5	446	13	19
	Amberley	1	3	3	3	18	13	—	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
	Oxford	2	6	5	6	62	50	3	...	3	7	4
	Totals	62	532	453	489	4589	3250	345	780	95	870	2	16	42	10855	201	362

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8. South Canterbury CIRCUITS.	TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.								LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES	
	No. of Schools.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
Timaru (Bank Street)	5	45	33	37	371	268	..	83	..	44	..	3	2	600	20	40
Timaru (Woodland St.)	2	26	21	25	224	160	15	76	12	51	..	2	..	..	6	14
Waimate	2	19	16	17	158	129	10	45	12	18	..	..	2	460	10	10
Temuka (King Street)	1	5	5	5	36	30	..	2	..	..	8	..	1	237	..	25
Temuka (Denmark St.)	1	8	8	8	64	50	11	7	..	57	..	..	1	..	..	10
Geraldine	2	20	17	18	112	100	20	26	2	44	..	..	2	..	8	20
Ashburton	2	34	30	31	247	166	43	49	4	137	..	..	2	500	16	38
Willowby	5	23	22	20	144	97	25	31	8	6	..	..	5	639	11	9
Oamaru	2	19	17	17	172	117	13	46	7	37	..	..	2	260	6	21
Methven	..	3	3	3	13	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mayfield	2	9	7	7	62	40	..	3	1	7	2	20
Totals	24	211	179	188	1603	1170	137	368	46	401	8	5	19	2716	77	187

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9. Otago District.	CIRCUITS.	TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.								LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES	
		No. of Scholars.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y.M.B.C.	Y.W.B.C.
Dunedin—																	
Trinity	...	2	31	26	26	192	163	19	97	10	31	40	2	...	200	11	15
Central Mission	...	1	13	11	10	80	60	23	20	3	30	...	...	1	230	13	12
Dundas Street	...	3	34	29	30	295	224	15	72	3	41	...	2	1	1065	...	17
Cargill Road	...	1	27	25	25	250	179	22	32	2	60	...	1	...	900	15	14
St. Kilda	...	2	25	16	23	192	160	14	62	...	37	...	2	...	467	32	25
Caversham	...	2	36	28	36	248	179	19	62	10	68	...	2	2	410	8	18
Mornington	...	1	22	20	22	164	112	...	49	...	36	...	1	...	265	6	8
Roslyn	...	2	25	23	21	202	159	12	64	...	44	...	1	1	604	8	9
Mosgiel	...	1	4	3	4	30	25	5	8	...	...	...	1	1	70	4	7
Port Chalmers	...	2	13	11	13	95	60	8	20	...	26	1	...	2	302	3	14
Waikouaiti and Palmerston	...	3	13	12	8	106	80	3	10	...	9	...	3	366	4	19	
Balclutha	...	1	11	9	6	72	60	...	16	...	...	1	...	...	...	16	
Milton	...	1	9	8	9	48	38	...	1	...	...	...	1	80	...	15	
Roxburgh	...	3	15	13	15	75	65	2	30	...	...	...	3	200	...	...
Kaitangata	...	1	4	3	3	36	22	2	7	...	...	...	1	100	1	3	
Lawrence	...	1	6	6	6	48	45	...	11	...	...	...	1	20	...	...
Cromwell	...	1	5	4	5	30	26	...	5	1	
Totals		28	293	247	262	2163	1657	144	566	28	382	41	10	18	5279	105	192

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10. Southland District. CIRCUITS.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.							LESSONS.		Volumes in Library.	BIBLE CLASSES		
		No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.		Y. M. B. C.	Y. W. B. C.	
Invercargill—																	
Leet Street ...	2	27	24	26	265	199	43	54	7	61	...	...	2	450	32	50
Don Street ...	4	28	23	20	311	221	13	31	3	35	...	...	4	290	25	27
Elles Road ...	2	24	19	21	246	194	21	2	19	60	...	...	2	265	10	15
Bluff ...	2	12	10	9	111	79	2	13	...	18	...	...	2	50	...	5
Gore ...	1	10	6	10	89	60	9	6	...	...	...	...	1	160	...	...
Otautau ...	2	10	9	7	78	44	13	15	6	...	...	...	2	92	5	7
Edendale ...	4	9	9	8	74	60	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...
Riverton ...	1	4	4	4	36	30	...	...	...	27	...	...	1	...	...	...
Winton ...	1	4	4	4	26	20	...	6	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Tuatapere ...	1	3	2	3	39	21	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nightcaps ...	3	6	5	3	99	48	...	...	...	34	...	...	3	...	...	...
South Island Maori Msn.	1	1	1	1	30	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	24	138	116	116	1404	991	101	133	38	235	...	...	22	1307	72	104

SUMMARY SUNDAY-SCHOOL RETURNS, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1915.

DISTRICTS.	No. of Schools.	TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.							LESSONS.		BIBLE CLASSES	
		No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	No. on Roll.	Average Attendance	Church Members.	Junior Members.	Received into Church during the year.	No. on Cradle Roll.	In Home Department.	Using Graded.	Using Other.	Volumes in Library.	Y. M. B. C.	Y. W. B. C.
Auckland ...	71	634	515	529	6461	4401	369	880	50	1168	...	7	58	16825	260	476
South Auckland ...	35	228	192	179	1973	1394	68	196	14	339	...	3	31	2634	77	177
Taranaki-Wanganui	52	305	263	269	2778	1970	263	510	61	512	...	11	32	3671	116	194
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	40	291	253	260	2740	1984	201	498	77	947	...	5	35	3779	125	216
Wellington ...	44	448	376	395	3836	2598	378	578	55	1039	...	4	39	8418	195	210
Nelson ...	27	196	156	166	1901	1290	118	276	9	370	...	...	...	2363	55	92
North Canterbury ...	62	532	453	489	4589	3250	345	780	95	870	2	16	42	10855	201	362
South Canterbury ...	24	211	179	188	1603	1170	137	368	46	401	8	5	19	2716	77	187
Otago ...	28	293	247	262	2163	1657	144	566	28	382	41	10	18	5279	105	192
Southland ...	24	138	116	116	1404	991	101	133	38	235	...	...	22	1307	72	104
Totals	407	3276	2750	2853	29448	20705	2124	4785	473	6263	51	61	296	57847	1283	2210

**RETURNS AND LEVIES FOR CONTINGENT FUND AND
CHILDREN'S FUND, 1916.**

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CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland Central ...	860	0	0	55	18	0	460	0	0	55	4	0
Auckland West ...	425	0	0	27	12	8	225	0	0	27	0	0
Auckland East ...	545	0	0	35	8	8	285	0	0	34	4	0
Auckland (Wesley Col.)	240	0	0	15	12	0	140	0	0	16	16	0
Auckland (H.M. Sec.)	275	0	0	17	17	8	175	0	0	21	0	0
Auckland (Theo. Col.)	275	0	0	17	17	8	175	0	0	21	0	0
Auckland (Avondale) ...	350	0	0	22	15	0	190	0	0	22	16	0
Auckland Cent. Mssn.	225	0	0	14	12	8	125	0	0	15	0	0
Auckland (North Shore)	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Auckland (Birkenhead)	190	0	0	12	7	0	90	0	0	10	16	0
Onehunga ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Otahuhu ...	130	0	0	8	9	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Papakura ...	175	0	0	11	7	8	75	0	0	9	0	0
Pukekohe ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Waiuku ...	135	0	0	8	15	8	60	0	0	7	4	0
Mahurangi ...	175	0	0	11	7	8	75	0	0	9	0	0
Paparua ...	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Northern Wairoa ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Whangarei ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Pt. Albert (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Coromandel "	...			4	0	0	...			...
Helensville "	...			4	0	0	...			...
Bay of Islands "	...			4	0	0	...			...
Hokianga "	...			4	0	0	...			...
Whangaroa (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Mangonui "	...			4	0	0	...			...
Hikurangi "	...			4	0	0	...			...
	5130	0	0	365	10	4	2675	0	0	321	0	0

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Thames	264	0	0	17	3	4	164	0	0	19	13	8
Te Aroha	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Morrinsville	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Waihi	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Paeroa	122	10	0	7	19	4	62	10	0	7	10	0
Cambridge	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Hamilton	445	0	0	28	18	8	245	0	0	29	8	0
Huntly	130	0	0	8	9	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Rotorua	140	0	0	9	2	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Tauranga	140	0	0	9	2	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Opotiki	122	10	0	7	19	4	62	10	0	7	10	0
Te Kuiti	130	0	0	8	9	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Taumarunui	60	0	0	3	18	0	30	0	0	3	12	0
Te Awamutu	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Whakatane (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Te Puke ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Matamata ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Ohura ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Ngaruawahia ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Marakopa ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Waimiha ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
	2534	0	0	192	13	8	1344	0	0	161	5	8

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Circuits.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
New Plymouth	430	0	0	27	19	0	230	0	0	27	12	0
Waitara	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Inglewood	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Stratford	360	0	0	23	8	0	160	0	0	19	4	0
Eltham	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Hawera	225	0	0	14	12	8	125	0	0	15	0	0
Manaia	130	0	0	8	9	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Cape Egmont	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Kaponga	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Wanganui	430	0	0	27	19	0	230	0	0	27	12	0
Aramoho	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Rangitikei	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Taihape	130	0	0	8	9	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Waimarino	120	0	0	7	16	0	60	0	0	7	4	0
West Coast Maori Msn.	220	0	0	14	6	0	120	0	0	14	8	0
East Egmont (H.M. St)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Patea (H.M. Station)	...			4	0	0		
Mokau			4	0	0		
	3305	0	0	221	16	8	1625	0	0	195	0	0

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

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CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Napier	218	0	0	14	3	0	118	0	0	14	3	4
Hastings	210	0	0	13	13	0	110	0	0	13	4	0
Gisborne	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Waipawa	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Dannevirke	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Woodville	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Pahiatua	160	0	0	10	8	0	60	0	0	7	4	0
Palmerston N (Broad St)	240	0	0	15	12	0	140	0	0	16	16	0
Palmerston N (Cuba St)	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Feilding	400	0	0	26	0	0	200	0	0	24	0	0
Sanson and Rongotea	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Foxton	160	0	0	10	8	0	60	0	0	7	4	0
Kimbolton (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Norsewood ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
	2558	0	0	174	5	0	1258	0	0	150	19	4

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Wellington Taranaki St.	300	0	0	19	10	0	200	0	0	24	0	0
„ Central Msn.	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
„ (Thorndon)	290	0	0	18	17	0	130	0	0	15	12	0
„ South	400	0	0	26	0	0	200	0	0	13	0	0
Johnsonville	280	0	0	18	4	0	120	0	0	14	8	0
Hutt	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Petone	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
South Wairarapa	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Carterton	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Masterton	250	0	0	16	5	0	150	0	0	18	0	0
Eketahuna	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Levin	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Otaki	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
	3050	0	0	198	5	0	1530	0	0	172	12	0

NELSON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nelson	250	0	0	16	5	0	150	0	0	18	0	0
Richmond	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Blenheim	385	0	0	25	0	8	185	0	0	22	4	0
Hokitika	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Greymouth	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Motueka	150	0	0	9	15	0	90	0	0	10	16	0
Reefton	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Westport	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Denniston (H.M. Station)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Havelock (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Murchison ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Runanga ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Granity ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Tapawera ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
Dovedale ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
	1765	0	0	142	14	8	905	0	0	108	12	0

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Christchurch—												
Durham Street ...	300	0	0	19	10	0	200	0	0	24	0	0
Connexional Secret'y.	200	0	0	19	10	0	200	0	0	24	0	0
Central Mission ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
East	440	0	0	28	12	0	240	0	0	28	16	0
Cambridge Terrace ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Woolston	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Sydenham	235	0	0	15	5	8	135	0	0	16	4	0
Addington	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
St. Albans	350	0	0	22	15	0	190	0	0	22	16	0
Papanui	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Lyttelton	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Springston	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Tai Tapu	190	0	0	12	7	0	90	0	0	10	16	0
Leeston	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Kaipoi	225	0	0	14	12	8	125	0	0	15	0	0
Ohoka	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Rangiora	377	10	0	24	11	0	177	10	0	21	6	0
Greendale and Malvern	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Amberley (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Oxford (H.M. Stn.)			4	0	0		
	4417	10	0	295	3	4	2297	10	0	275	14	0

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

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CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Timaru (Bank Street)	385	0	0	25	0	8	225	0	0	27	0	0
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Waimate ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Temuka (King Street)	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Geraldine ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Ashburton ...	390	0	0	25	7	0	190	0	0	22	16	0
Willowby ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Oamaru ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Methven (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Mayfield ..	...			4	0	0	...			...
	1915	0	0	132	9	8	955	0	0	114	12	0

OTAGO DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dunedin—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Trinity ...	275	0	0	17	17	8	175	0	0	21	0	0
Central Mission ...	237	10	0	15	9	0	137	10	0	16	10	0
Dundas Street ...	320	0	0	20	16	0	160	0	0	19	4	0
Cargill Road ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Caversham ...	290	0	0	18	17	0	130	0	0	15	12	0
St. Kilda ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Mornington ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Roslyn ...	190	0	0	12	7	0	90	0	0	10	16	0
Mosgiel ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Port Chalmers ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Waikouaiti and Palmerston	160	0	0	10	8	0	60	0	0	7	4	0
Balclutha ...	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Milton ...	180	0	0	11	14	0	80	0	0	9	12	0
Roxburgh ...	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Lawrence (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0	...			...
Cromwell			4	0	0		
Kaitangata			4	0	0		
	2982	10	0	205	17	8	1462	10	0	175	10	0

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

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CIRCUITS.	Stipends.			Contingent Fund Levy 6½%			After Exemption.			Children's Fund Levy 12%		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Invercargill (Leet St.)	370	0	0	24	1	0	210	0	0	25	4	0
Invercargill (Don St.)	320	0	0	20	16	0	160	0	0	19	4	0
Invercargill (Elles Rd.)	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Bluff	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Gore	200	0	0	13	0	0	100	0	0	12	0	0
Otautau	175	0	0	11	7	8	75	0	0	9	0	0
Edendale	170	0	0	11	1	0	70	0	0	8	8	0
Riverton (H.M. Stn.)	...			4	0	0		
Winton "	...			4	0	0		
Tuatapere "	...			4	0	0		
Nightcaps "			4	0	0		
	1605	0	0	120	6	8	785	0	0	94	4	0

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