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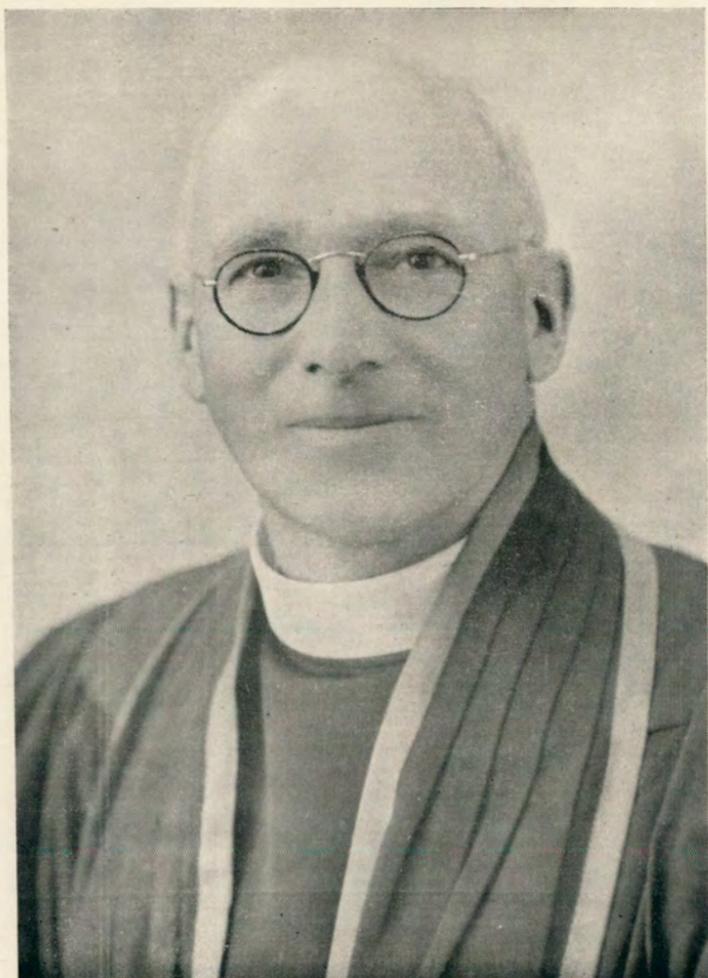
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“The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen’s Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee” were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 “a distinct Connexion, to be denominated ‘The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,’ with an Annual Conference, affiliated to the Parent English Conference.”—(Mins. Brit. Conf., 1854).

First Australasian Conference was held in Sydney in the year 1855.

A Scheme of Annual and General Conferences was determined by the Australasian Conference of 1873.

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### THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

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### THE TWENTY-FOURTH NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church, which was also the First United Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, the United Methodist Free Churches, and the Bible Christian Church in New Zealand, was held in 1897.

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### THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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

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### THE FIRST CONFERENCE

of the Methodist Church of New Zealand was held in 1913, separation from the General Conference of Australasia having become operative on January 1st of that year by declaration of the President of the General Conference.

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The Session was opened by the Rev. W. Walker, Retiring President, after which the Rev. Charles H. Olds, B.A., was inducted to the Presidency.

Mr. Hedley Oldham was elected Vice-President, and was welcomed to that office by Mr. G. H. B. Lill, retiring Vice-President.

The Secretary, the Rev. W. G. Slade, M.A., was introduced, and took up his duties.

QUESTION I.—Who are the Members of this Conference?

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 Reginald Day\*  
 D. J. Donald Hickman\*  
 V. Roy Jamieson\*  
 William C. Jenkin\*  
 Ivan S. Williamson\*  
 Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.\*  
 J. Ainsley Daghish  
 John L. Mitchell\*  
 A. Everill Orr  
 Ralph E. Patchett\*  
 Alfred E. Waite  


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 George H. Goodman  
 John John\*  
 Andrew J. Johnston  
 Howard C. Matthews\*  
 Clifford L. Duder  
 L. Gordon Hanna  
 Clarence T. J. Luxton\*  
 William A. Mills\*  
 Robert Thornley, M.A. Dip.Soc. Sc.  
 Arthur R. Witheford  
 George E. Beckingsale  
 H. Ian K. Hopper  
 Bert M. Tasker, B.A., Dip.Soc.Sc.  
 James S. Willoughby\*  
 John Churchill\*  
 William R. Francis, B.A.\*  
 Robert W. Mayson, B.A.  
 Leslie T. Norwell  
 Howard E. Harkness, M.A.\*  
 Ernest S. Hoddinott  
 William R. Laws, B.A.  
 Wesley L. Long  
 Ashleigh K. Petch  
 John Silvester, B.A.  
 Harris Whitfield  
 Herbert A. Cochrane  
 Reginald Grice  
 Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc. (Agr.)  
 Campbell P. Lucas  
 Charles B. Oldfield  
 Frederick O. Prosser  
 J. Stanley Waite.

**Maori Ministers—**  
 Eruera Te Tui  
 Rakena P. Rakena\*  
 Matarae Tauroa  
 Ngatete Kerei Kukutai\*

## 2.—LAY REPRESENTATIVES.

(a) Vice-President of Conference, 1943, H. Oldham.

(b) Representatives of Circuits.

### Auckland District.

Auckland Central	....	....	....	Mrs. S. E. Chappell
"	....	....	....	Mrs. K. J. Rosser
"	....	....	....	A. Freeman
"	....	....	....	Mrs. Robson
Auckland Central Mission	....	....	....	
Auckland West	....	....	....	Mrs. G. Smith
Auckland East	....	....	....	W. E. Burley, B.A.
"	....	....	....	J. A. Steele
"	....	....	....	Miss E. M. Rishworth
Auckland (Avondale)	....	....	....	G. W. Turley
"	....	....	....	Mrs. Turley
Auckland (Devenport)	....	....	....	S. J. Dadson
Auckland (Takapuna)	....	....	....	J. C. Lewis
Auckland (Birkenhead)	....	....	....	
Onehunga	....	....	....	A. W. Westney
Otahuhu	....	....	....	
Papakura	....	....	....	Mrs. W. S. Neal
Pukekohe	....	....	....	
Waiuku	....	....	....	Miss R. Oldfield
Mahurangi	....	....	....	
Paparoa	....	....	....	
Dargaville	....	....	....	
Ruawai	....	....	....	W. G. Simpkin
Whangarei-Hikurangi	....	....	....	M. R. Edgar
Whangaroa	....	....	....	Miss A. Anderson
Port Albert	....	....	....	L. Bennett
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	....	....	....	Mrs. A. Clifford
Mangonui	....	....	....	
Hokianga	....	....	....	T. P. Lane

### South Auckland District.

Thames	....	....	....	
Hauraki Plains	....	....	....	G. W. Schultz
Paeroa	....	....	....	G. H. Hill
Waihi	....	....	....	J. B. Beeche
Te Aroha	....	....	....	A. Zeigler
Morrinsville	....	....	....	P. K. Hight
Cambridge	....	....	....	W. R. Beer
Hamilton	....	....	....	J. Jebson
"	....	....	....	Mrs. J. Jebson
Hamilton East	....	....	....	Mrs. W. Gatman
Huntly	....	....	....	S. S. Silvester
Matamata	....	....	....	
Putaruru	....	....	....	
Rotorua	....	....	....	Mrs. W. H. Speer
Tauranga	....	....	....	Mrs. A. A. Bensley
Whakatane	....	....	....	
Opotiki	....	....	....	
Te Awamutu	....	....	....	J. T. Johnston
Otorohanga	....	....	....	G. D. Hall
Te Kuiti	....	....	....	G. Elliott
Taumarunui	....	....	....	Mrs. C. L. Duder

### Taranaki-Wanganui District.

New Plymouth	....	....	....	....	C. E. Bellringer
"	....	....	....	....	M. H. Hughson
Waitara	....	....	....	....	
Stratford	....	....	....	....	D. G. Sherson, B.A.
Eltham-Kaponga	....	....	....	....	
Hawera	....	....	....	....	F. J. Hurrell
					Mrs. F. J. Hurrell
Manaia	....	....	....	....	W. Browne
Opunake	....	....	....	....	T. P. Hughson, Jnr.
Wanganui	....	....	....	....	Mrs. Webb Jones
Wanganui North	....	....	....	....	Mrs. M. J. Harris
Gonville	....	....	....	....	E. L. Buxton
Marton	....	....	....	....	
Taihape	....	....	....	....	

### Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District.

Napier	....	....	....	....	L. A. Davis, Mrs. Virtue and E. E. Bott
Hastings	....	....	....	....	Mrs. M. R. Wilson
Gisborne	....	....	....	....	
Wairoa	....	....	....	....	Mrs. J. F. Houghton
Dannevirke	....	....	....	....	
Woodville	....	....	....	....	
Pahiatua	....	....	....	....	
Palmerston North (St. Paul's)	....	....	....	....	C. V. Woodfield
Palmerston North (Cuba Street)	....	....	....	....	F. Collis
Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe	....	....	....	....	
Feilding	....	....	....	....	H. Smithers
					Mrs. W. T. Blight
Sanson-Rongotea	....	....	....	....	Mrs. M. E. Smith

### Wellington District.

Wellington Central	....	....	....	....	T. M. Pacey
"	....	....	....	....	P. E. Pattrick
Wellington (Webb St.)	....	....	....	....	Mrs. Thompson
Wellington (Thorndon)	....	....	....	....	S. N. Roberts
"	....	....	....	....	R. E. Flaws
Wellington South	....	....	....	....	H. W. Smith
Wellington East	....	....	....	....	D. Taylor
"	....	....	....	....	R. W. Miners
					G. Rushworth
Johnsonville-Ngaio	....	....	....	....	Mrs. A. B. Cochran
Hutt	....	....	....	....	Miss Beaumont
					D. Payne
Petone	....	....	....	....	F. Lockwood
Greytown-Featherston	....	....	....	....	Mrs. A. Ross
Carterton	....	....	....	....	H. E. Ordish
Masterton	....	....	....	....	Miss Jackson
Eketahuna	....	....	....	....	
Levin	....	....	....	....	P. W. Goldsmith
Otaki	....	....	....	....	W. G. Taylor

### Nelson District.

Nelson	....	....	....	....	Mrs. W. Wright
Richmond	....	....	....	....	Mrs. Blommaart
Motueka	....	....	....	....	E. S. Wratt
Blenheim	....	....	....	....	H. Oldham
"	....	....	....	....	S. Harris
Reefton	....	....	....	....	Mrs. C. Thompson
Westport	....	....	....	....	W. Taylor
Greymouth	....	....	....	....	F. Lindbom
Hokitika	....	....	....	....	T. W. Duff

### North Canterbury District.

Christchurch (Durham Street)	....	....	....	....	J. E. Purchase
"	....	....	....	....	R. H. Marsh
Christchurch East	....	....	....	....	H. J. S. Harrington
"	....	....	....	....	M. Kershaw
"	....	....	....	....	J. Buxton
Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace)	....	....	....	....	A. Dingwall
Christchurch (Woolston)	....	....	....	....	S. D. McHarg
Christchurch (Sydenham)	....	....	....	....	S. H. Maddren
Christchurch (Addington)	....	....	....	....	H. K. Bowden
Christchurch (Riccarton)	....	....	....	....	H. B. Moore
Christchurch (St. Albans)	....	....	....	....	R. K. Todhunter
"	....	....	....	....	P. A. Le Brun
Christchurch (Papanui)	....	....	....	....	J. Sealby
Lyttelton	....	....	....	....	P. Thornton
Springston	....	....	....	....	Mrs. W. T. Huston
Leeston	....	....	....	....	Mrs. W. T. Wallace
Kaiapoi	....	....	....	....	Mrs. T. W. Brooks
Ohoka	....	....	....	....	Miss S. E. Evans
Rangiora	....	....	....	....	F. A. Sheat
Woodend-Sefton	....	....	....	....	H. A. Bennett
Greendale	....	....	....	....	P. J. Ford
Oxford	....	....	....	....	Mrs. F. G. Early
					L. Watson

### South Canterbury District.

Timaru (Banks Street)	....	....	....	....	Mrs. H. C. Orchard
Timaru (Woodland Street)	....	....	....	....	J. C. Butcher
Timaru South	....	....	....	....	
Waimate	....	....	....	....	M. E. Hayman
Temuka	....	....	....	....	Mr. A. E. Dobson
Geraldine	....	....	....	....	E. Simpson
Ashburton	....	....	....	....	W. J. Brown
Willowby	....	....	....	....	H. C. B. Withell
Oamaru	....	....	....	....	Mrs. F. Familton

### Otago-Southland District.

Dunedin (Trinity)	....	....	....	....	G. S. Gapper
Dunedin Central Mission	....	....	....	....	Mrs. W. Coulter
Dunedin (Dundas Street)	....	....	....	....	J. R. K. Roxburgh
Dunedin (Cargill Road)	....	....	....	....	
Dunedin (St. Kilda)	....	....	....	....	I. Winton
Dunedin (Caversham)	....	....	....	....	P. Nixon
Dunedin (Morningson)	....	....	....	....	Mrs. S. A. Prout
Dunedin (Roslyn)	....	....	....	....	R. Jamieson
Port Chalmers	....	....	....	....	Mrs. W. J. Enticott
Balclutha	....	....	....	....	

Milton	....	....	....	....	C. R. Sheat
Roxburgh	....	....	....	....	Mrs. G. Beckingsale
Invercargill (Central)	....	....	....	....	Mrs. S. Brown
Invercargill (St. Peter's)	....	....	....	....	
Gore	....	....	....	....	

#### Solomon Islands District.

##### (c) Representatives of Departments, Committees and Funds—

Theological College	....	....	....	....	G. Wilson
Home Mission Department	....	....	....	....	F. Penn
Home Missionaries' Representative	....	....	....	....	W. S. Mackay
Foreign Mission Department	....	....	....	....	R. Coombridge
Youth Department	....	....	....	....	F. Sanderson
	....	....	....	....	Miss Purdie
	....	....	....	....	Mrs. C. P. S. Boyer
	....	....	....	....	Mrs. E. L. Masters
	....	....	....	....	Mr. A. E. Bate
	....	....	....	....	Mr. N. R. Seddon
Connexional Secretaryship Committee	....	....	....	....	F. Thompson
Supernumerary Fund	....	....	....	....	R. H. Miles
Contingent Fund	....	....	....	....	J. H. Blackwell
Church Building and Loan Fund	....	....	....	....	H. de R. Flesher
Fire Insurance Fund	....	....	....	....	W. Chas. Francis
Children's Fund	....	....	....	....	*E. W. A. Kellow
Wesley Training College	....	....	....	....	J. Tyler
Removal Expenses Fund	....	....	....	....	H. Chapman
Deaconess Institution	....	....	....	....	Sister Mabel Morley
Methodist Women's Missionary Union	....	....	....	....	Mrs. C. E. Taylor
Local Preachers' Association	....	....	....	....	J. E. Horrell

#### District Secretaries of Church Property.

Auckland	....	....	....	....	S. E. Chappell
South Auckland	....	....	....	....	*H. Wood
Taranaki-Wanganui	....	....	....	....	*G. H. White
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	....	....	....	....	C. E. Taylor
Wellington	....	....	....	....	*S. T. S. Martin
Nelson	....	....	....	....	*W. D. Pike
North Canterbury	....	....	....	....	*J. W. Hillary
South Canterbury	....	....	....	....	*A. L. Hudson
Otago-Southland	....	....	....	....	J. McIndoe

#### Maori Missions.

Taranaki	....	....	....	....	
Waikato	....	....	....	....	
Auckland	....	....	....	....	
South Island	....	....	....	....	Sister E. Dobby

**QUESTION II.—Who are now admitted as Ministers in full Connection with the Conference.**

Herbert A. Cochrane  
Reginald Grice  
Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc. (Agric.)  
Campbell P. Lucas  
Charles B. Oldfield  
J. Stanley Waite  
Who have travelled four years.  
Frederick O. Prosser  
John K. Watson (overseas)

**QUESTION III.—What Preachers remain on Probation?**

Alfred Sanft (overseas)  
John B. Dawson  
Haddon C. Dixon, B.A.  
Leslie R. M. Gilmore  
Lawrence Greenslade  
Alan O. Jones  
Who have travelled three years.  
Charles H. Bell  
Harold K. Brown  
Harold W. Burley (overseas)  
Harold A. Darvill  
Gordon V. Thomas  
Maharaia Winiata, B.A. (without pastoral charge)  
J. Henry Woolford  
Who have travelled two years.  
Robert F. Clement  
Alan F. Collins  
Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B. B.Com.  
John J. Lewis, M.A.  
William J. Morrison  
Leonard V. Willing  
Who have travelled one year.

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

Clifford G. Brown  
George W. Cramond  
William S. Dawson  
Wilfred E. Falkingham  
Edmund D. Grounds  
Albert Jolly

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

Robert H. Allen  
Ronald G. Bell  
Leslie F. Bycroft  
Wesley A. Chambers  
Warren Green  
Who are continued for a second year.

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

William H. Gregory  
Duncan I. A. McDonald  
Harry Moore  
Norman W. Olds  
Ian C. E. Ramage  
Len Shapcott  
Trevor Shepherd

**RESOLUTION.**

“That Ian C. E. Ramage be placed in the President’s List of Reserve for one year, and that he be given suitable supply work.”

**QUESTION VII.—Who are now admitted as Native Ministers?**

John Afu  
Who has travelled six years.

**QUESTION VIII.—Who remain as Native Ministers on Probation?**

Timothy Piani  
Ranginohoola Rogers  
Who have 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 Home Missionary Probationers are there and have they passed their examinations in their respective years?**

Fourth Year—  
H. M. Brasell  
C. S. L. Oliver  
W. G. Peate  
Third Year—  
W. J. Anderson  
W. J. Bryant  
W. M. Jones  
B. H. Riseley  
D. I. Robertson  
C. W. Tolley  
W. T. Withers  
Second Year—  
W. L. Divers  
L. E. G. Sharp  
T. Steele  
J. H. Thompson  
First Year—  
M. H. Taylor

**QUESTION XII.—What Ministers or Probationers have died since last Conference?**

Samuel Henderson  
Albert B. Chappell, M.A., F.R.E.S.  
Percy R. Paris  
Vincent Le C. Binet

Also—

William T. Hooper  
Hari A. Pereiki and Tupito Maruera  
Home Missionaries.

**SAMUEL HENDERSON.**

Samuel Henderson was born in Armagh, Northern Ireland, in 1865. He arrived in New Zealand in 1894 and was appointed to the Primitive Methodist Church at Inglewood. For forty years Mr. Henderson served the Church with great devotion and acceptance. Through the years he added many to the Church such as were being saved.

In 1910 he was President of the Conference and the Church was enriched by his leadership. In the United Church he was for six years Chairman of the South Auckland District.

As a preacher he had a fine gift of eloquence and passion. His interest in the young life of the Church never failed. In eight years of happy retirement he continued to serve the Church to the limit of his strength.

He passed away on April 28th, 1942, at his home in New Plymouth, and at eventide it was light. Samuel Henderson was a choice gift to the Methodist Church, and his memory will be greatly cherished.

**ALBERT BYGRAVE CHAPPELL, M.A.**

Albert Bygrave Chappell was born at Southsea, England, and came to New Zealand at an early age. He was accepted as a candidate for the Ministry in 1894, and spent one year at Three Kings' College, and one year at Prince Albert College. For twenty-six years he was a Minister without pastoral charge, but continued to serve the Church as a preacher and in many other valuable ways. For several years he was registrar of the Auckland University College, and later held an important position in journalism in the same city. In this latter sphere he rendered valuable service to the Kingdom of God. For a short time he was a tutor in the Theological College. He took a keen interest in the Missionary work of the Church, and for several years was a member of the Foreign Mission Board. His "Manual of Missions" and "Missions" were valuable contributions and have been widely used in Dominion leadership training. He was also associated in a timely report on the labour problem in the Pacific, and published an independent review entitled "The Stir in Samoa." He was an authority on the early history of New Zealand. At the time of his death he was engaged on a History of Methodist Missions among the Maoris through fifty years. He passed away suddenly on August 28, 1942, in the 70th year of his age with a faith undimmed and the natural force of his strong mind unabated.

### PERCY R. PARIS.

Percy Reginald Paris was born in Dunedin in 1882. In early life he became associated in active Christian work with the Methodist Central Mission in that city. From that warm evangelical centre he was sent forward as a candidate for the Ministry to the Conference of 1903, entering the Theological Institution at Prince Albert College that year. In 1906 he commenced a Ministry of rich fruitfulness, serving in various circuits in both Islands of the Dominion. His death occurred with dramatic suddenness on the evening of Palm Sunday, March 29th, 1942, the last Sunday of his seventh year as Minister of Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington. Percy Paris was greatly gifted, of gracious and winsome character, and became one of the most esteemed preachers of the Church throughout the Dominion, appealing particularly to the questing spirit of youth and to forward-looking men and women. His preaching was fresh and original, truly evangelical, and ever closely related to the needs of the age. He possessed strong human sympathies and sought to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ as the one means of Salvation for the individual and for society alike. For eight years he was Editor of the New Zealand Methodist Times, a position he filled with marked journalistic ability. Before becoming Editor, he acted for some time as Associate-Editor, during which period he established "The League of Young Methodists." For five years he was Chairman of the Wellington District, and in 1938 he was called to the Presidency of the Conference, filling both offices with gracious and dignified efficiency. The fragrant influence of his character, and the blessed memory of his labours will ever remain the treasured possession of the Church to which he gave his love and devotion.

### VINCENT LE C. BINET.

Vincent le Cornu Binet, who on Sunday, January 10th, was translated to the higher service, was born in the Channel Islands in 1883. Following a period of training at Cliff College he was accepted in 1911 for Methodist Home Mission work in Western Australia, and in 1914 was received as a candidate for the Ministry. After a probationary course he was transferred to the mission field, being appointed to the Choiseul Circuit in the British Solomon Islands, where for 15 fruitful and happy years he, with Mrs. Binet, laboured with great devotion, winning the esteem and love of the native Christians and, indeed, of all with whom they came in contact. To the heartfelt sorrow both of missionary and people, Mr. Binet in 1932 was obliged, for health reasons, to relinquish his work on the field, and was given an appointment in the home work in New Zealand. For terms covering a period of nine years he ministered with much acceptance in several circuits. For six and a half years of his New Zealand ministry, Mr. Binet ably edited the "Lotu." On the mission field, also, his literary aptitude found fitting scope in the translation into the Bambatana tongue of portions of the New Testament, and of selected Methodist hymns, to the spiritual enrichment and inspiration of the native Church. His musical gifts were an asset in directing the worship and praise of his dark-skinned friends.

Mr. Binet's truly notable work in the Solomons, compassing much pioneer evangelism, and leading many hundreds of the native population to Christ, is his best memorial. A faithful and sagacious ambassador of the Master, braving difficulties and dangers with

strong faith and unflinching courage, a man of deep spirituality, transparent sincerity, true humility, and great winsomeness of spirit, Mr. Binet was a brother beloved. The Church's loss is great, but our brother's home-call, following so soon on his decision, for health reasons, to seek superannuation, is the entering of a faithful soul into the joy of his loved Lord.

#### WILLIAM THOMAS HOOPER.

William T. Hooper was born in Moonta, in South Australia, in 1868, and came to Taranaki as a child. He was converted at an early age and soon gave evidence of preaching ability. Then followed two valuable years of training at Way College, Adelaide, after which he took up Home Mission Work in New Zealand. He was the happy possessor of gifts which made his Ministry an enriching one wherever he went. For some years he was set free to conduct Evangelistic Missions, and in this type of work he found much joy and success. On the morning of May 12, 1942, Brother Hooper heard the Home Call and passed peacefully into the presence of the Lord he had loved and served so well.

#### THE LATE TUPITO MARUERA.

The death during the year of the late Rev. Tupito Maruera, of Pariroa Pa, Patea, was a great loss to our Church and to our Maori work in particular. The late brother was a Home Missionary, having been trained for the Ministry at Wesley College, Three Kings, Auckland. He was a chief as well as a leader of great influence, and was a direct descendant of the warrior Titokowaru. Good proof of his Ministry was given in the sanctified oratory under which many Maori people were led to Christ. Being an expert in Maori Mythology and in Maori lore, his advice was always sought after by our Maori people. For many years he was Chairman of the Taranaki Maori Council, and he was still holding that position at the time of his death. He was one of those who were instrumental in setting up, a few years ago, the Commission which inquired into the Taranaki Maori's Land Confiscation Claims. The late brother was an inspiration to our Maori workers in Taranaki, and the hospitality of his home is known to all who labour in that district.

#### HARI AROHA PEREITI.

Hari Aroha Pereiti, whose native home was at Waimiha, in the Maniopotō district, was a keen supporter of all that is good in connection with the Kingite Movement. During the course of his life he showed gifts of leadership, and one of the qualities most noted by his people was his devotion to the Christian religion. So that, with the unanimous recommendation of the Maori workers in the district and the full support of the people, Hari Aroha was given status and became an honorary Home Missionary. He was a young man of promise whose career was suddenly terminated through a tragic railway accident. The people regretfully mourn the loss of a promising Christian man.

**QUESTION XIII.—What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?**

John Nixon  
T. Francis Jones  
T. Jackson Wallis  
George Clement  
Samuel H. D. Peryman  
Arthur Mitchell  
Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D.  
Henry L. Blamires  
George S. Cook  
Jacob Featherston  
William Grigg  
John Olphert  
Robert Raine  
William A. Sinclair  
William J. Elliott  
George Frost  
Colin C. Harrison  
Thomas W. Vealie  
Fred. Greenwood  
Percy N. Knight, B.A.  
Arthur Ashcroft  
Thomas R. Richards  
Arthur Hopper  
Edward Drake

Harold E. Bellhouse  
Thomas R. B. Woolloxall  
Ben Dudley, F.R.A.S.  
T. Arthur Pybus  
William Wills  
Walter J. Oxbrow  
Arthur J. Seamer  
William H. Speer  
Charles A. Foston  
G. Knowles Smith  
R. Purcell Keall  
Jonathan H. Haslam  
George P. Hunt  
Frank E. Leadley  
Arthur Liversedge  
Aldophus N. Scotter, B.A.  
Benjamin J. James  
Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.  
Albert H. Fowles  
Samuel Bailey  
George F. Stockwell  
Raymond Richards  
John John

**QUESTION XIV.—What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?**

Ernest S. Emmitt, M.C.  
Ralph J. Liddell  
Henry Ryan

Moses Ayrtton  
For a third year  
Angus McBean  
For a second year

**ERNEST S. EMMITT, M.C.**

The retirement of Ernest S. Emmitt, M.C., owing to ill-health, brings to a close a gifted Ministry which for the past 18 years has enriched our New Zealand Methodism. Entering Hartley College in 1901, he studied under Dr. A. S. Peake, to whose example and teaching he has always been glad to express his great indebtedness. He married two years after his Ordination, finding in Mrs. Emmitt an unflinching help and inspiration. There followed important pastorates in Glasgow and Edinburgh, and here again his secretarial ability was recognised in his appointment as Youth Secretary for the North British District.

Early in 1915 he enlisted as a private soldier, soon after to be given a Commission as Chaplain. He went to Germany early in 1919, after having rendered splendid service with both infantry line troops and the Second Cavalry Division. During the retreat of 1918 he received an immediate award of the Military Cross. Late in 1919 he returned to England, serving in various capacities until being demobilised in October, 1921. He filled an interim appointment at Manchester until 1922, in which year he took up his appointment to Letchworth Garden City. During this period he was Property Committee Secretary of the Home Mission.

The project of coming to New Zealand matured in 1925, and in May of that year he landed in Wellington, serving in three North Island Circuits. It was while our brother was at Kingsland that a serious impairment of health, due to heart trouble, became chronic, compelling an earlier retirement than was anticipated.

By no means the least service he rendered was his broadcasting work, as well as his service in connection with Trinity College. On the College Council, as Vice-Chairman, Chairman, and then Secretary, and then for two years as Lecturer in Homiletics, he rendered glad and efficient service. For an almost unbroken period of fourteen years he was Conference Precentor.

A varied Ministry of great ability closes to the regret of the whole Church. We hope and pray that for many years to come, he whom we honour in this record, will be spared to further service for Christ and His Kingdom.

#### RALPH J. LIDDELL.

Ralph J. Liddell was born in 1872 at Smythesdale, Ballarat, Australia, where he received his education. His early life was graciously influenced by Primitive Methodism. He was converted in the Smythedale Church and led to take up active Christian work.

In 1898 he entered upon a useful career as a Home Missionary. At Ballarat, Geelong, and Hobart, he had favourable opportunities of developing his gifts as a preacher.

Coming to New Zealand in 1902 he spent one year in Wellington under the Superintendency of the Rev. John Dawson, and was received on Probation in 1903.

In 1907 he was ordained at New Plymouth. Shortly after he married Miss E. Hay, of Hobart, a gracious lady who passed into the Home Eternal some years ago. Possessing a good voice and a forceful, fervent style, Brother Liddell has always preached with acceptance, whilst his kindly style and sympathetic bearing, though somewhat reserved, has made him a helpful pastor and a good friend. He showed "staying power" in his Circuits, his longest term being seven years. As a loyal Protestant he stands fast in the liberty of the Gospel, preaches a true and practical evangelism, inspired by a vision of the colossal needs of humanity and that faith which removes mountains. Although retiring from active Circuit work, our Brother, who is blessed with good health, hopes still to be of service to Christ and His Church.

#### HENRY RYAN.

The retirement of the Rev. Henry Ryan brings to a close an able and successful Ministry of 37 years in the active work. He was born in London, was converted at the age of 18, and immediately engaged in Christian work.

He offered himself as a candidate for the Ministry of the Primitive Methodist Church, and was accepted and entered Hartley College in 1904. He was conspicuously successful as a student, and entered upon his Ministry in 1906.

After a period of successful service he suffered a breakdown in health, and while a Minister "without pastoral charge," came to New Zealand on a visit in 1914. Having decided to remain in the Dominion, he was received by the Conference of 1916.

While faithfully discharging all the varied duties of the Ministry, Mr. Ryan has rendered especial service in the pulpit and in connexional work. In his preaching he has maintained a uniform excel-

lence. His alert and well-informed mind, his spiritual experience and insight, his powers of exposition and gift of convincing expression, all combine to place him high among the preachers of the Church.

Fifteen years of his New Zealand Ministry have been spent in the larger cities. He displayed capacity of the first order in handling the business of the Church. He has served, often as convener, as an influential member of many committees and commissions. He is also a member of the Board of Examiners and was for a time lecturer in New Testament at the Deaconess House.

The whole Church acknowledges the value of so devoted a Ministry, and regrets that owing to ill-health Mr. Ryan is compelled to retire from the active work.

**QUESTION XV.—What Supernumeraries return to Regular Work?**

None.

**QUESTION XVI.—What Home Missionaries are to be—**

(a) Retained on the Retired List?

C. Strand	W. Sussex
J. H. Edmondson	S. Keen
J. Belshaw	C. W. Brown
A. L. Witheford	T. W. Featherstone
J. Common	W. H. Wilson
H. Ashworth	C. Duncan
J. W. Bayliss	

(b) Placed on the Retired List?

**QUESTION XVII.—What Ministers or Probationers have permission to rest during the year?**

Ernest O. Blamires, who is permitted to act as General Secretary of the Bible-in-Schools' League.

E. Percy Blamires, who is permitted to remain in England for another year.

Reginald Day.

**QUESTION XVIII.—What Ministers are left without Pastoral Charge?**

Hedley White

Maharaia Winiata, B.A. (for a second year)

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

None.

**QUESTION XX.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or receive from any other Conference?**

None.

**QUESTION XXI.—Are there any objections to any Minister, Probationer or Home Missionary?**

The Districts were called one by one and the answer in each case was "No Objection."

**QUESTION XXII.—What persons who were in Full Connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of this Conference?**

William B. Cumming (who has voluntarily retired).

QUESTION XXIII.—What are the arrangements for the Annual Examination of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry, Home Missionaries, and Local Preachers?

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Secretary and Convener	Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A.
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(A) Examiners for Probationers.

Elementary Hebrew	....	....	....	Rev. R. Dudley, M.A.
Hebrew (1st and 2nd years)	....	....	....	Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.
Hebrew (3rd and 4th years)	....	....	....	Rev. C. B. Jordan, M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S.
Greek (1st and 2nd years)	....	....	....	Rev. R. Dudley, M.A.
Greek (3rd and 4th years)	....	....	....	Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D.
English Bible (Old Testament) 1st and 2nd years	....	....	....	Rev. W. Walker
English Bible (Old Testament) 3rd and 4th years	....	....	....	Rev. W. Rowe
English Bible (New Testament) 1st and 2nd years	....	....	....	Rev. B. Metson
English Bible (New Testament) 3rd and 4th years	....	....	....	Rev. N. P. Larsen
Theology:				
1st year	....	....	....	Rev. A. H. Fowles
2nd year	....	....	....	Rev. A. M. Costain, Dip. Soc. Sc.
3rd year	....	....	....	Rev. F. J. Handy
4th year	....	....	....	Rev. C. H. Olds, B.A.
Church History	....	....	....	Rev. E. E. Sage
Apologetics	....	....	....	Rev. C. B. Jordan, M.A., B.D.
Religion and Psychology	....	....	....	Rev. D. O. Williams, M.A.
Social Ethics	....	....	....	Rev. O. Burnet
Comparative Religion	....	....	....	Rev. L. B. Neale, B.A.
Religious Education	....	....	....	Rev. E. Drake

(B) Examiners for Students.

Systematic Theology	....	....	....	Rev. C. Blair
Biblical Theology—				
Old Testament	....	....	....	Rev. H. Ryan
New Testament	....	....	....	Rev. G. R. Harris
Homiletics	....	....	....	Rev. W. Walker
Pastoral Theology	....	....	....	Rev. A. Blakemore
English	....	....	....	Mr. J. W. Bennett Mr. K. J. Dellow, M.A.
Elocution and Public Speaking	....	....	....	Revs. T. R. B. Woolloxall, Mr. F. Penn and Mr. Clyde Harris

(C) Examiners for Candidates.

Bible Knowledge I	....	....	....	Rev. E. S. Harkness
Bible Knowledge II	....	....	....	Rev. H. T. Peat
Theology	....	....	....	Rev. E. T. Olds
English and Greek	....	....	....	Rev. Gordon Parker, B.A.
Geography and History	....	....	....	Rev. H. J. Odell
Book-keeping	....	....	....	Mr. C. A. Russell

(D) Examiners for Home Missionaries.

English	....	....	....	Rev. L. A. G. Brooks
Theology	....	....	....	Rev. T. R. B. Woolloxall
Bible Knowledge	....	....	....	Rev. F. J. Handy
Church History and Homiletics	....	....	....	Rev. R. P. Keall

(E) Examiner for Native Probationers.

Rev. A. O. Harris.

(F) Examiners for Local Preachers.

Bible Knowledge	....	....	....	Rev. H. S. Kings
Theology	....	....	....	Rev. J. F. Jack
Homiletics	....	....	....	Rev. A. T. Kent

(G) Correspondence Tutors in Greek.

First Year	....	....	....	Rev. R. E. Patchett
Second Year	....	....	....	Rev. R. Thornley, M.A., Dip. Soc. Sc.
Third Year	....	....	....	Rev. I. S. Williamson
Fourth Year	....	....	....	Rev. W. Parker, M.A.

### (H) Tutors in Theology.

First Year	....	....	....	....Rev. C. T. Symons, M.A. B.D.-
Second Year	....	....	....	....Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade
Third Year	....	....	....	....Rev. L. A. G. Brooks
Fourth Year	....	....	....	....Rev. L. C. Horwood

N.B.—For Rules and Regulations relating to Examinations, Trial Sermons and Book Lists, see new edition Methodist Laws, pp. 78 to 92 and amendments and additions to Laws, pages 1-6.

### COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS.

#### 1. Either (A).—Hebrew Old Testament

1st Year—Genesis 1-5.

2nd Year—Amos, with Robinson's Hebrew Text and Notes (S.P.C.K.)

3rd Year—Psalms 73-88, with Oesterley's Hebrew Text and Notes (S.P.C.K.)

4th Year—Nahum, Habakkuk and Malachi with Century Bible or I.C.C.

#### or (B).—English Old Testament.

1st Year—Exodus 1-34 (Cambridge Bible).

2nd Year—Minor Prophets, with Century Bible.

3rd Year—Isaiah, with Cambridge Bible.

4th Year—Ezekiel, with Century Bible, and Daniel, with Cambridge Bible.

#### 2. Either (A).—Greek New Testament

1st Year—John 1-11, with Cambridge Greek N.T.

2nd Year—Acts 1-9, with Burnside's Notes, Cambridge Press.

3rd Year—1 and 2 Thessalonians, with Cambridge Greek Text.

4th Year—Romans 5-13, with I.C.C.

#### or (B).—English New Testament.

1st Year—Matthew and James, with Century Bible.

2nd Year—Romans, with Moffatt's Commentary (Dodd).

3rd Year—Hebrews and Revelation, with Century Bible.

4th Year—Colossians, Philemon and Ephesians, with Moffatt's Commentary.

#### 3. Theology.

1st Year: The Work of Christ.

The Spiritual Principle of the Atonement (Lidgett).

The Doctrine of the Work of Christ (Cave).

The Doctrine of the Atonement (Mozley).

Wesley's Sermons—  
Salvation by Faith.  
The Way to the Kingdom.  
Wandering Thoughts.  
The New Birth.  
Self Denial.  
On Sin in Believers.  
The Repentance of Believers.  
The Lord our Righteousness.

2nd Year: God.  
The Christian Idea of God (M. Hughes).  
The World and God (Farmer).  
God in Christian Thought and Experience (Matthews).  
Wesley's Sermons—  
The Almost Christian.  
Justification by Faith.  
The Original, Nature, Property, and Use of the  
Law.  
The Law Established through Faith I.  
The Law Established through Faith II.  
Original Sin.  
The Scripture Way of Salvation.

3rd Year: The Holy Spirit.  
The Christian Experience of the Holy Spirit (Wheeler  
Robinson).  
The Holy Spirit in the New Testament (Swete).  
Wesley's Sermons—  
The Almost Christian.  
Scriptural Christianity.  
The First Fruits of the Spirit.  
The Spirit of Bondage and of Adoption.  
The Witness of the Spirit I.  
The Witness of Our Own Spirit.  
The Means of Grace.  
The Circumcision of the Heart.

4th Year: The Doctrine of the Future.  
The World to Come and Final Destiny (Leckie).  
And the Life-Everlasting (J. Baillie).  
Wesley's Sermons—  
The Marks of the New Birth.  
The Great Privilege of Those that are Born of God.  
The Nature of Enthusiasm.  
The Catholic Spirit.  
Christian Perfection.  
Heaviness Through Manifold Temptations.  
The Use of Money.  
The Witness of the Spirit II.

#### 4. General.

1st Year: Church History. Text-book: A History of the Christian Church (Walker).

2nd Year—One of the following:—

1. Apologetics:
  - The Relevance of Christianity (Barry).
  - The Christian Understanding of Man (Church, Community and State, Oxford Conference Series—Allen and Unwin).
2. Religion and Psychology:
  - The New Psychology and Religious Experience (T. H. Hughes).
  - The Psychology of Religion (Selbie).
3. Social Ethics:
  - The Christian Ideal for Human Society (Garvie).
4. Comparative Religion (including Anthropology):
  - Living Religions of the East (Cave).
  - Soderblom "The Living God"
5. Religious Education:
  - The Approach to Religious Education (Yeaxlee).
  - Church Community and State in Relation to Education (Oxford Conference—Allen and Unwin).

3rd Year: One of the subjects listed for 2nd year not already taken. Or a thesis as specified for 4th year.

4th Year: A Thesis of not less than 10,000 words, embodying the results of special study in some religious or theological subject. The subject for research shall be chosen before April 1st, and after consultation, through the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, with the Board of Studies of Trinity College. It shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners on or before November 1st, who shall submit it to a panel of judges. These shall submit a brief report for presentation to the Examination Committee.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. All Probationers who have completed the two-year Hebrew Course in Auckland University College shall take Hebrew Old Testament, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course may substitute in lieu thereof the Hebrew prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.
2. Unless special exemption is granted by the Examination Committee., Greek New Testament shall be compulsory for all Probationers who have been through College, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course, may substitute in lieu thereof the Greek prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.
3. Probationers, to whom (1) and/or (2) do not apply, shall be permitted to take the alternative English Old Testament and/or English New Testament in lieu of Hebrew and/or Greek respectively.
4. The Examination in Hebrew Old Testament and Greek New Testament shall be mainly on translation, grammar, and exegesis, and that in English O.T. and English N.T. shall be mainly on the exegesis of the sections specified.
5. (a). Theology shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors, marks being assessed as follows:—Correspondence work, 40; Examination, 60. Each Tutor appointed shall send out study papers for four consecutive months beginning with June 1. He shall mark the work sent in, return

the corrected work together with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10). Each Tutor shall keep full records of every individual case and, on or before November 1, forward a complete report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.

(b). Any Probationer taking a Theological subject for a B.D. Course shall be permitted to substitute the same for that set down for his Probationary year.

6. Examinations, when not specifically limited to one particular text-book, shall be on the subject as a whole. Text-books are intended to provide a basis for wider and more thorough reading in the subject, and Probationers are encouraged to pursue the more extensive study, rather than limit it to one or two works.
7. Any Probationer pursuing a University Course shall be entitled to exemption from subjects (1) and (4) for two years of his Probation, but such exemption shall not be granted in his fourth year.
8. Examinations in the subjects 1, (Hebrew or English Old Testament) and 4 (General) shall be conducted in July and in the subjects 2 (Greek or English New Testament) and 3 (Theology) be conducted in December. N.B.—This does not apply to the presentation of Thesis as under 4 General.
9. Book List. Every Probationer shall forward to his Chairman, not later than October 15, a classified Book List embodying, in addition to more general reading, the bibliography of his studies during the year.

## II.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR NATIVE PROBATIONERS.

### FIRST YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Mark (Guild T. Books).
2. Hunter's "Notes on the Catechism."
3. McLeod's "Church, Ministry and Sacrament" (first half).

### SECOND YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Luke (Guild T. Books).
2. McLeod's "Church, Ministry and Sacrament" (second half).
3. Telford's "Short History of Methodism."
4. Protestant Missions (Bible Class Primers).

### THIRD YEAR.

1. Bible : Acts of the Apostles (Guild Text Books).
2. Wesley's Forty-four Sermons, 1 to 12 (inclusive).
3. Lilly's "The Principles of Protestantism."
4. Trumbull's "Individual Work for Individuals."

### FOURTH YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Paul's Teaching (Guild T. Books).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 13-20, 40, 43 and 44. (Forty-four Sermons).
3. Fitchett's "What Methodism Stands For."
4. Stalker's "Life of Christ."

### III.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS.

#### CURRICULUM.

Subjects.	Hours per Week
1. Systematic Theology .. .. .	2
2. Old and New Testament Teaching .. .. .	2
3. Old Testament Introduction and Exegesis .. .. .	1
4. New Testament Introduction and Exegesis .. .. .	2
5. Pastoral Theology and Homiletics .. .. .	1
6. New Testament Greek .. .. .	2
7. Hebrew .. .. .	2
8. English Language and Literature .. .. .	1
9. Philosophy .. .. .	1
10. Religious Education .. .. .	1
11. Elocution and Voice Production .. .. .	1

Matriculated Students will often take University classes in addition.

All Students to take numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11. A few selected men will take Hebrew in preparation for University work. English is taken by men not attending the University.

### IV.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES

#### SECTION A.

#### BIBLE KNOWLEDGE AND THEOLOGY.

1. Bible Knowledge I : A General Knowledge of the Old and New Testaments : Text Books, Maclear's Primers.
2. Bible Knowledge II : A detailed Knowledge of the following books of the Bible :—I and II Kings, Hosea, Malachi, Luke, Acts of the Apostles, Galatians. (No questions on Introduction to be set).
3. Theology.—Text Book : Christian Foundations, Maldwyn Hughes (English Edition).  
The New Catechism of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with Hunter's Lesson Helps on the New Catechism.

N.B.—Candidates are required by Conference to read carefully Wesley's Forty-four Sermons and Notes on the New Testament ; but questions on these will not be included in the Candidates' written examination.

#### SECTION B.

1. English—(a) Grammar and Composition, Olifant's "Matriculation and General English Course," (Gregg Publishing Company). (b) An essay on some familiar subject to be named by the Examiner. (A guide to the principles of Essay writing will be found in "English for Pleasure and Profit," Clark's College).
2. Greek.—Initia Graeca, Sections I-XIV, with exercises I-XXVIII (Greek into English).  
N.B.—The Conference urges all Candidates to take Greek.
3. Geography.—Whitcombe's Intermediate Geography.

4. History and Current Events.—History of England, 1714-1921. (Warner and Martin, Part III); and a knowledge of current events, questions on which to comprise one-fourth of the paper.
5. Book-keeping—Whitcomb's Practical Book-keeping, Chaps. 1-11.

All the above subjects are compulsory to non-matriculated Candidates, except Greek and in Book-keeping except in those cases in which a pass has been secured in a Book-keeping examination. Matriculated Candidates are to present themselves for examination in Section A only. All Candidates are strongly urged to take Greek.

## V.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR NATIVE CANDIDATES.

### SECTION A.

1. General Bible Knowledge (Native).
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., Part I and II only.
3. History—Warner and Martin's "Groundwork of English History," Part III.
4. Arithmetic—"New Southern Cross," for Standard V.

## VI.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES.

### FIRST YEAR.

1. English—Nesfield's "Outlines of English Grammar" (pp. 1 to 80).
2. Theology.—New Catechism of Wesleyan-Methodist Church with Hunter's "Lesson Helps on the New Catechism."
3. Bible Knowledge.—Adam Welch's "The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament."
4. Homiletics—Manual for Preachers (Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A. B.D.).

### SECOND YEAR.

1. English.—Nesfield's "Outlines of English Grammar." (pp. 81 to end).
2. Church History.—Cowan's "Landmarks of Church History." (Guild Text Books).
3. Theology.—Hunter's "What a Christian Believes, and Why." (First half to p. 152).
4. Bible Knowledge.—J. S. Stewart's "The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." (First half to p. 105).
5. Homiletics—A Primer of Homiletics (Edwards)

### THIRD YEAR.

1. English.—Nesfield's "Outlines of English Grammar." (whole book).
2. Theology.—Hunter's "What a Christian Believes, and Why." (Second half (p. 153 to end).
3. Homiletics.—Local Preachers' Course (Whittome), Chaps. 1-10.
4. Bible Knowledge.—J. S. Stewart's "The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." (second half, p. 106 to end).

#### FOURTH YEAR.

1. Church History.—Workman's "Methodism" (Cambridge Manuals).
2. Theology.—Maldwyn Hughes' "Christian Foundations." (Revised Edition), omitting small print on pages 38-45, 95-99, 119-122, 139-140, 165-167, 180-186.
3. Homiletics.—Whittome's "Local Preachers' Efficiency Course." Chap. 11-20
4. Bible Knowledge.—The New Testament, its Writers and their Messages. (C. F. Hunter), Chap. 8-14.
5. English.—An essay of not less than 1000 words and not more than 1500 words shall be forwarded not later than September 30th, to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners. The essay shall deal with some subject of current social and religious interest. A choice of three subjects shall be given. The subjects shall be selected by the Secretary of the board of Examiners in consultation with the General Superintendent of Home Missions, and shall be notified to each Home Missionary concerned during the month of May.

#### VII.—CURRICULUM OF STUDIES—DEACONESS INSTITUTION.

##### ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

Theology—The New Catechism with Lesson Helps (Hunter).

Church History—Workman's "Methodism."

Old Testament—McLear's Primer.

New Testament—McLear's Primer.

English—Essay on selected subject, with Caddick's English Course for Junior and Middle Forms.

##### STUDENTS.

##### FIRST YEAR.

Theology—"What a Christian Believes, and Why." (Hunter) p.p. 1-152.

Church History—"The Story of Christianity." (Kinloch), pp. 1-78, and Lectures.

Old Testament—"The Old Testament Writers and Their Messages" (Healing). First Half.

New Testament—"The New Testament Writers and Their Messages" (Hunter), pp. 1-110.

English—Matriculation and General English Course (Oliphant). Classical and Modern Literature.

Elocution and Voice Production—"Speak Out" (Watson), and Lectures.

Psychology—"Introduction to Psychology" (Loveday and Green) and lectures.

Nursing—St. John Ambulance Course; First Aid for the Injured, and Lectures.

##### SECOND YEAR.

Theology—"What a Christian Believes and Why." (Hunter) pp. 153-309.

Church History—"The Story of Christianity." (Kinloch). pp. 79-110, and Lectures.

Old Testament—"The Old Testament Writers and Their Messages" (Healing) Second half.

New Testament—"The New Testament Writers and Their Messages" (Hunter), pp. 111-303.

English—Matriculation and General English Course (Oliphant), Classical and Modern Literature.

Homiletics—Lectures.

Psychology—"Introduction to Psychology" (Loveday and Green) and lectures

Nursing—Home Nursing and Hygiene, Lectures.

## VIII.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR LOCAL PREACHERS.

(Two Hour Papers.)

1. General Bible Knowledge. Text-Books: Maclear's Primers.
2. Theology—"What a Christian Believes and Why"—Hunter.
3. Homiletics—"A Primer of Homiletics"—Edwards.

### DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.

The examinations for 1943 shall commence on the following dates:

Probationers—Tuesday, 20th July, and Tuesday, 7th December.

Candidates for the Ministry—Tuesday, 3rd August.

Home Missionary Probationers—Tuesday, 7th December.

Local Preachers—(I) The first week of June and of December.

- (II) Circuit Superintendents nominating Local Preachers shall notify the Chairman on or before May 1st or November 1st as the case may be.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1944 be the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.

2. That congratulations be extended to Rev. Gordon Parker on obtaining his M.A. degree, and the Rev. Maharaja Winiata on completing the B.A. degree, and that these be printed in the Minutes.

3. The Study of Sociology. That the matter of including this subject in the Curriculum of Trinity College be referred to the Board of Studies.

4. Prospective Candidates. That in view of the large number of ministers being called for service as Chaplains and the possible shortage of ministers after the war, Conference urges all Circuit Ministers and officials to seek out and give every encouragement to suitable young men to offer for this work. That Superintendent Ministers be requested to report at once the names of such possible candidates to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, who shall forward them to the President and to the Board of Studies of Trinity College, in order that due supervision may be given immediately to their candidature.

5. Sub-Committee to Interview Candidates (Conference 1944). That the Committee be the President, the Revs. E. W. Hames, G. I. Laurenson, L. C. Horwood and H. L. Fiebig, and one layman to be appointed by the President.

6. Triennial Visitation of Trinity College. That in view of the size and the representative nature of the Council, the oversight exercised by the Auckland Synod and the frequent visits paid to the College by Connexional officers, such visitation be deemed unnecessary.

7. That the Maori Language be included in the course of study for Probationers under Section 4 (General) as an optional subject.

8. That the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., be thanked for his services as Secretary of the Board of Examiners, and be re-appointed.

**QUESTION XXIV.—(a) Do we sanction the Alteration or Division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station?**

**NORTH CANTERBURY.**

Christchurch Commission.—The Report of the Commission was received by North Canterbury Synod and the following resolution was adopted:—

That in view of the special difficulties, including that of ministerial staffing, created by war conditions, the Commission be re-appointed to watch the whole position, and that the personnel be as shown in Minutes of Con., 1942, page 36.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.**

That in view of the abnormal circumstances caused by the war and for the more efficient working of the Church in certain areas in Otago-Southland District, the preaching places mentioned below be grouped as follows until Conference shall otherwise determined:—

1. Port Chalmers, Sawyer's Bay, Waitati, Waikouaiti, Palmerston, with an ordained Minister at Port Chalmers and a married Home Missionary at Waikouaiti.
2. Dundas Street, Ravensbourne, with an ordained Minister at Dundas Street.
3. St. Kilda, Cargill Road, St. Clair, Company Bay, Broad Bay, and the Kaik, with two ordained Ministers and one married Home Missionary to reside, if possible, at Broad Bay.
4. North East Valley, Woodhaugh, Maori Hill, with a married Home Missionary residing at Maori Hill.
5. Milton and Table Hill—ordained Minister to reside at Milton.
6. Lawrence and Evans Flat—Home Missionary to reside at Lawrence.
7. Balclutha, Kaitangata, and Paretai, married Home Missionary to reside at Balclutha.
8. That the Riverton Home Mission Station be left vacant and the Station placed under the direction of the Superintendent of Invercargill Circuit, services to be held at least quarterly with assistance from the Minister at St. Peter's and Home Missionary at Otautau.
9. That a Commission be appointed to review the whole arrangement during the year, the District Executive to appoint the Commission.

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI.**

- (b) That a Probationer (unmarried) be appointed to Gonville.

**WELLINGTON.**

That subject to the exigencies of stationing, the staffing of Wellington West be a married Minister and a Probationer.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY.**

Rakaia-Methven.—That the Rakaia-Methven Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit with a suitable probationer or single Home Missionary.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.**

That Balclutha become a Home Mission Station.

**QUESTION XXV.—(a) To what Circuits are Additional Preachers to be Appointed?**

**AUCKLAND CENTRAL.**

South Auckland.—That a Probationer be appointed and stationed at Sandringham.

Hamilton.—That the staff of the Hamilton Circuit be two Ordained Ministers and a Probationer, the latter to be stationed at Frankton.

**HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU.**

Norsewood.—That a suitable agent be appointed.

**WELLINGTON.**

Wellington East.—That, owing to the part-time appointment of Rev. R. Thornley as Chaplain and General Secretary of the S.C.M., a Probationer be appointed to Maranui; Mr Thornley to continue at Island Bay.

**QUESTION XXV.—(b) From what Circuits are Preachers to be Withdrawn?**

None.

**QUESTION XXVI.—What New Stations are now constituted?**

None.

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

Auckland East is due, but is relieved for a second year.

Otahuhu (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a tenth year.

Kawakawa-Kaikohe is due, but is relieved for a fourth year.

Morrinsville (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a tenth year.

Huntly is due, but is relieved for an eleventh year.

Hauraki Plains is due, but is relieved for an eighth year.

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

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

Napier (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a seventh year.

Wairoa (H.B.) is due, but is relieved for a fourteenth year.

Greytown is due, but is relieved for one year.

Durham Street (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a sixteenth year.

Woolston (2nd) is due, but is relieved for a fifteenth year.

Timaru South is due, but is relieved for a ninth year.

Christchurch East is due, but is relieved for a year.

QUESTION XXVIII.—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. CHARLES H. OLDS, B.A.

Vice-President: MR. HEDLEY OLDHAM.

Secretary: REV. WILLIAM G. SLADE, M.A.

### STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1943.

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 130 and (1) to (8) for Maori Stations and the Solomon Islands Mission Circuits, is the head of a Circuit or Mission, and the Minister first named is the Superintendent. The Superintendent or 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 and to the existing Laws and Regulations of the Conference.)

#### I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. **Auckland Central.**—E. Thomas Olds, F. Gardner Brown, Herbert Spencer, Howard C. Matthews, C.F.; One Wanted (Sandringham); John Olphert, George P. Hunt, Ralph J. Liddell (Supernumeraries). A Deaconess.

THE FOREIGN MISSION DEPARTMENT.—Arthur H. Scrivin, General Secretary.

THE HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT.—George I. Laurenson, General Superintendent. Harry J. Odell, Assistant Superintendent.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT.—Youth Director (see Question 29).

2. **Auckland Central Mission.**—A. Everill Orr; Arthur J. Seamer (Supernumerary). Maharaia Winiata (without Pastoral charge). A Deaconess.
3. **Auckland West.**—Alfred E. Waite, Arthur T. Kent, C.F., A Home Missionary (Grey Lynn), Percy N. Knight, B.A., John John (Supernumeraries).
4. **Auckland East.**—William Walker, J. Francis Jack (Mount Eden), Basil Metson (Remuera), Lawrence Greenslade (Mission Bay); William R. Francis (C.F. Overseas); T. Francis Jones, Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D. (Fellow of Trinity College), William A. Sinclair, George Frost, Harold E. Bellhouse (Connexional Editor) (Supernumeraries).

Epsom Orphanage Chaplain—William Walker.

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE—Principal: One Wanted; Resident Tutor: Eric W. Hames, M.A.

5. Auckland (Avondale).—Walter Parker, One Wanted (Glen Eden), John J. Lewis, M.A. (Avondale); Arthur Mitchell, Harry Ranson, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College, Henry Ryan (Super-numeraries).  
Mt. Albert Orphanage Chaplain—Walter Parker.
  6. Auckland (Devonport).—Herbert A. Cochrane, Bernard M. Chry-stall, B.A., C.F.; William J. Elliott (Supernumerary), E. Percy Blamires (is a minister resting and with permission to reside in England).
  7. Auckland (Takapuna).—John H. Bailey, Joseph C. Draper (C.F. Overseas), Arthur R. Witheford (C.F.); Thomas R. B. Woolloxall, William Wills, E. S. Emmitt, M.C. (Supernumeraries).
  8. Auckland (Birkenhead).—Andrew J. Johnston (Dominion Organi-ser Centennial Fund), a Home Missionary.
  9. Onehunga.—D. J. Donald Hickman; Frank E. Leadley (Super-numerary).
  10. Otahuhu.—Percy I. Cooke. One Wanted.
  11. Papakura.—Wallace S. Neal.
  12. Pukekohe.—J. Ainsley Daghlich (who shall supervise the Bombay-Tuakau H.M. Station).  
Wesley Training College, Paerata:—J. Ainsley Daghlich, Chaplain.
  13. Waiuku.—Charles B. Jordan, M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S.
  14. Mahurangi.—One Wanted (Warkworth); A Home Missionary.
  15. Paparua.—One Wanted.
  16. Dargaville.—Ivo M. Raynor, V. Roy Jamieson (C.F. Overseas); A Home Missionary (Te Kopuru).
  17. Ruawai.—Clarence T. J. Luxton (Supply).
  18. Whangarei-Hikurangi.—George E. Brown. One Wanted.
  19. Whangaroa.—H. Kilford Brown (Kaeo).
  20. Port Albert.—One Wanted.
  21. Kawakawa-Kaikohe.—One Wanted.
  22. Mangonui.—Leslie R. M. Gilmore.
  23. Hokianga.—Charles B. Oldfield.
- Maori Mission.—Home Mission Department: Eruera Te Tuhi, Senior Maori Superintendent.
- (1) Auckland—  
Rakena P. Rakena (Waima).  
13 Home Missionaries.  
5 Deaconesses.
- BOMBAY-TUAKAU.—A Home Missionary.  
HELENSVILLE.—A Home Missionary.  
KAUKAPAKAPA-SILVERDALE.—A Home Missionary.

ALBANY.—A Home Missionary.  
 BAY OF ISLANDS.—A Home Missionary.  
 NORTH HOKIANGA.—A Home Missionary.  
 COLPORTEUR WORK.—A Home Missionary.  
 E. THOMAS OLDS, Chairman of the District.  
 ALFRED E. WAITE, Financial Secretary.

II.—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

24. Thames.—Francis J. Handy; George F. Stockwell (Super-numerary).
25. Hauraki Plains.—George W. Crammond.
26. Paeroa.—John R. Nelson (who shall supervise the Hauraki Plains Circuit).
27. Waihi.—Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com.; Reginald Day (without pastoral charge).
28. Te Aroha.—Leslie A. G. Brooks.
29. Morrinsville.—John L. Mitchell; One Wanted.
30. Cambridge.—J. Stanley Waite.
31. Hamilton.—Charles H. Olds, B.A., President of the Conference, James W. Parker (who shall supervise the Huntly Circuit and Ngaruawahia H.M. Station); One Wanted.
32. Hamilton East.—William Gatman.
33. Huntly.—Albert Jolly.
34. Matamata.—Howard H. Jeffreys (who shall supervise the Putaruru Circuit).
35. Putaruru.—Harold A. Darvill.
36. Rotorua.—John B. Dawson; Walter J. Oxbrow and William H. Speer (Supernumeraries).
37. Tauranga.—Arthur A. Bensley (who shall supervise the Whakatane and Opotiki Circuits). A Home Missionary.
38. Whakatane.—Gordon V. Thomas.
39. Opotiki.—One Wanted.
40. Te Awamutu.—Hector C. Orchard.
41. Otorohanga.—William E. Moore (who shall supervise the Te Kuiti Circuit).
42. Te Kuiti.—Alan O. Jones.
43. Taumarunui.—Clifford L. Duder (who shall supervise the Ohura Home Mission Station).
- (2) Waikato—  
 One Wanted (Ngaruawahia).  
 Ranginohora Rogers (Kawhia).  
 10 Home Missionaries.  
 3 Deaconesses.

(3) King Country—

Ngatete K. Kukutai.  
12 Home Missionaries.  
2 Deaconesses.

NGARUAWAHIA.—A Home Missionary.

KAWHIA.—A Home Missionary.

COROMANDEL.—A Home Missionary.

OHURA.—A Home Missionary.

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

III.—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

44. New Plymouth.—Ernest D. Patchett, Ivan S. Williamson. A Home Missionary; John Nixon (Supernumerary).  
45. Waitara.—William C. Jenkin.  
46. Stratford.—Gordon R. H. Peterson.  
47. Eltham-Kaponga.—L. Gordon Hanna.  
48. Hawera.—Samuel J. Werren, Wesley Parker, M.A. (C.F. Overseas)  
49. Manaia.—One Wanted.  
50. Opunake.—Robert E. Fordyce. A Home Missionary.  
51. Wanganui.—Ernest B. Chambers (who shall supervise the Raetihi-Ohakune Home Mission Station).  
52. Wanganui North.—J. Frederick Martin. A Home Missionary.  
53. Gonville.—W. Selwyn Dawson.  
54. Taihape.—William J. Morrison.

(4) Taranaki-Waimarino—

Matarae Tauroa (Okaiawa).  
12 Home Missionaries.  
3 Deaconesses.

INGLEWOOD.—A Home Missionary.

MARTON.—A Home Missionary.

RAETIHI-OHAKUNE.—A Home Missionary.

PATEA.—A Home Missionary.

DOUGLAS.—A Home Missionary.

ERNEST D. PATCHETT, Chairman of the District.

IV.—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

55. Napier.—Fred Copeland (who shall supervise Wairoa Circuit), One Wanted (Greenmeadows), Alfred Sanft (on Active Service).  
56. Hastings.—Robert B. Tinsley (who shall supervise Waipawa H.M. Station); Arthur Hopper (Supernumerary).  
57. Gisborne.—Albert Blakemore. A Home Missionary.

58. Wairoa.—One Wanted.
59. Dannevirke.—Herbert Ford.
60. Woodville.—Athol R. Penn.
61. Pahiatua.—Edwin S. Harkness.
62. Palmerston North (St. Paul's).—Clarence Eaton; Arthur Ashcroft (Supernumerary).
63. Palmerston North (Cuba Street).—Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A. (who shall supervise the Foxton-Shannon H.M. Station).
64. Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe.—Frederick B. Lawrence.
65. Feilding.—William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. A Home Missionary.
66. Sanson-Rongotea.—Charles M. Roberts.
- WAIPAWA-WAIPUKURAU.—Two Home Missionaries.
- FOXTON-SHANNON.—A Home Missionary.
- APITI.—A Home Missionary.
- NORSEWOOD.—A Home Missionary.
- WILLIAM T. BLIGHT, B.A., B.D., Chairman of the District.

#### V.—WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

67. Wellington Central.—Ashleigh K. Petch; Campbell P. Lucas (Brooklyn); William Rowe (C.F.), Thomas Skuse (C.F.), Robert Raine, Thomas R. Richards, Fred Greenwood (Supernumeraries). Ernest O. Blamires, is a minister resting and is permitted to serve in connection with the Bible in Schools' League.
- YOUTH DEPARTMENT.—Clifford T. Symons, M.A., B.D., Senior Youth Director.
68. Wellington (Webb Street).—One Wanted.
69. Wellington West.—Frank Bateup, Charles E. Dickens (Thorndon); Thomas H. Carr (C.F.), Moses Ayrton (Supernumerary).
70. Wellington South.—John D. McArthur.
71. Wellington East.—William A. Burley, M.A., Robert Thornley, M.R., Dip.Soc.Sc. (Island Bay), Ralph E. Patchett, Wilfred E. Falkingham, John Churchill (C.F.), Harold W. Burley (on Active Service); Colin C. Harrison (Supernumerary).
72. Johnsonville-Ngaio.—Victor Mead, L.Th., Haddon C. Dixon, B.A. (Porirua), Leonard V. Willing (Ngaio); Samuel H. D. Peryman (Supernumerary).
73. Hutt.—Frederick J. Parker, Wesley L. Long; Thomas W. Vealie, R. Purcell Keall (Supernumeraries).
74. Petone.—Archer O. Harris (who shall supervise the Upper Hutt Home Mission Station).
75. Greytown-Featherston.—J. Henry Woolford; G. Knowles Smith (Supernumerary). Hedley White resides in the Circuit and is without pastoral charge.

76. **Carterton.**—Reginald Grice (who shall supervise the Greytown-Featherston Circuit).
77. **Masterton.**—George H. Goodman, Harry S. Kings (C.F.); A Home Missionary.  
Masterton Children's Home.—Chaplain, George H. Goodman.
78. **Eketahuna.**—Harry V. Utting.
79. **Levin.**—G. Raymond Harris; Charles A. Foston (Supernumerary).
80. **Otaki.**—William B. Pickering (who shall supervise Paraparaumu Home Mission Station); George S. Cook (Supernumerary).  
PARAPARAUMU.—A Home Missionary.  
UPPER HUTT.—A Home Missionary.  
WILLIAM A. BURLEY, M.A., Chairman of the District.

#### VI.—NELSON DISTRICT.

81. **Nelson.**—Charles Blair, One Wanted (Nelson South).
82. **Richmond.**—John D. Grocott (who shall supervise the Wakefield-Dovedale Home Mission Station).
83. **Motueka.**—Thomas Coatsworth (who shall give oversight to Dove-dale area).
84. **Blenheim.**—Harold A. Sharp, E. Clarence Leadley (Picton).
85. **Reefton.**—One Wanted.
86. **Westport.**—Hubert G. Brown (who shall supervise the Granity Home Mission Station).
87. **Greymouth.**—Ernest S. Hoddinott.
88. **Hokitika.**—Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc., Agr.  
WAKEFIELD-DOVEDALE.—A Home Missionary.  
HAVELOCK.—A Home Missionary.  
MURCHISON.—A Home Missionary.  
GRANITY.—A Home Missionary.  
CHARLES BLAIR, Chairman of the District.

#### VII.—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

89. **Christchurch (Durham Street).**—Raymond Dudley, M.A., F.R.E.S., Clifford G. Brown (Somersfield Street); William A. Mills (C.F. on Active Service), William Grigg, Henry L. Blamires, Ben Dudley, F.R.A.S., Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A., Benjamin J. James (Supernumeraries).  
CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.—M. A. Rugby Pratt, F.R.Hist.S.  
Youth Director.—Matthew A. McDowell.
90. **Christchurch East.**—J. Henry Allen, Herbert W. Payne, W. E. Allon Carr, One Wanted, John K. Watson, B.A. (on Active Service), Jacob Featherston, Albert H. Fowles, Raymond Richards (Supernumeraries).

91. Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace).—Norman P. Larsen.
92. Christchurch (Woolston).—Ernest E. Sage, Alan F. Collins (Opawa). A Home Missionary (Sumner).
93. Christchurch (Sydenham).—George B. Hinton.
94. Christchurch (Addington).—John Dennis; Edward Drake (Supernumerary) (Supply); T. Jackson Wallis (Supernumerary).
95. Christchurch (Riccarton).—Harris Whitfield.
96. Christchurch (St. Albans).—David O. Williams, M.A., Charlie O. Hailwood; Arthur Liversedge (Supernumerary).
97. Christchurch (Papanui).—Cecil R. Taylor.  
SOUTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE.—Chaplain, Cecil R. Taylor.
98. Lyttelton.—John Silvester, M.A.
99. Springston.—Harry Cottom.
100. Leeston.—H. Leslie Richards.
101. Kaiapoi.—Gordon Parker, M.A.
102. Ohoka.—H. Ian K. Hopper.
103. Rangiora.—Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc.
104. Woodend-Sefton.—James H. Hall (who shall supervise the Hawarden H.M. Station).
105. Greendale.—Robert McGregor.
106. Oxford.—One Wanted.  
TAI TAPU.—A Home Missionary.  
HAWARDEN.—A Home Missionary.  
WADDINGTON.—A Home Missionary.  
J. HENRY ALLEN, Chairman of the District.

#### VIII.—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

107. Timaru (Banks St.).—James Richards.
108. Timaru (Woodland St.).—Oswald Burnet (who shall supervise Timaru South Circuit).
109. Timaru South.—One Wanted.
110. Waimate.—Henry Benny; Jonathan H. Haslam (Supernumerary).
111. Temuka.—Charles H. Kendon.
112. Geraldine.—Frederick O. Prosser.
113. Ashburton.—Robert B. Gosnell (who shall supervise Rakaia-Methven Circuit); Angus McBean (Supernumerary). A Deaconess.
114. Willowby.—William W. Avery.
115. Oamaru.—Robert W. Mayson, B.A.
116. Rakaia-Methven.—Edmund D. Grounds.  
WILLIAM W. AVERY, Chairman of the District.

IX.—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

117. **Dunedin (Trinity).**—William G. Slade, M.A., Secretary of the Conference; A Home Missionary; George Clement (Supernumerary).
118. **Dunedin Central Mission.**—Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S., Robert F. Clement; S. Bailey (Supernumerary); Two Deaconesses.
119. **Dunedin (Dundas Street).**—George Beckingsale.
120. **Dunedin (Cargill Road).**—Bert M. Tasker, B.A., Dip.Soc.Sc.; A Home Missionary (St. Clair).
121. **Dunedin (St. Kilda).**—Leonard C. Horwood (who shall supervise the proposed Dunedin South Circuit), Harold T. Peat (C.F.).
122. **Dunedin (Caversham).**—William R. Laws, B.A.
123. **Dunedin (Mornington).**—Howard E. Harkness, M.A.
124. **Dunedin (Roslyn).**—James S. Willoughby.
125. **Port Chalmers.**—Walter J. Enticott.
126. **Milton.**—Leslie T. Norwell (who shall supervise the Lawrence H.M. Station).
127. **Roxburgh.**—Charles H. Bell.
128. **Invercargill (Central).**—William W. H. Greenslade (who shall supervise the Riverton Home Mission Station).
129. **Invercargill (St. Peter's).**—Alfred E. Jefferson (who shall supervise the Otautau-Tuatapere and Nightcaps Home Mission Stations).
130. **Gore.**—J. Montgomery Blight (who shall supervise the Edendale Home Mission Station).

BLUFF.—A Home Missionary.

RAVENSBORNE-BROAD BAY.—A Home Missionary; T. Arthur Pybus (Supernumerary).

MAORI HILL.—A Home Missionary.

WAIKOUAITI.—A Home Missionary.

MOSGIEL.—A Home Missionary.

BALCLUTHA.—A Home Missionary.

EDENDALE.—A Home Missionary.

LAWRENCE.—A Home Missionary.

CROMWELL.—A Home Missionary.

OTAUTAU-TUATAPERE.—A Home Missionary.

NIGHTCAPS.—A Home Missionary.

RIVERTON.—A Home Missionary.

WILLIAM G. SLADE, M.A., Chairman of the District.

LEONARD C. HORWOOD, Financial Secretary.

X.—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT.

(5) Roviana Circuit—

John Francis Goldie

One Wanted

One Wanted

Two Missionary Sisters

One Nursing Sister

Paul Havea (Marovo)

Belshazzar Gina, under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

Nathan Kera, under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

John Afu (Roviana)

Eight Native Catechists

Forty-one Native Teachers

Six Native Medical Assistants

Two Native Nurses.

District Training College:

John F. Goldie, Principal.

One Wanted, Vice-Principal.

(6) Vella Lavella Circuit—

A. Wharton E. Silvester (Bilua)

One Missionary Sister Wanted

One Native Catechist

Twenty-four Native Teachers.

(7) Choiseul Circuit—

John R. Metcalfe (Sasamunga)

One Missionary Sister

One Missionary Sister (Nurse)

Three Native Catechists

Thirty-seven Native Teachers.

Two Native Medical Assistants.

Two Native Nurses.

(8) Bougainville and Buka Circuit—

A. Harry Voyce (Buin)

Donald C. Alley (Teop)

Clarence T. J. Luxton (Buka)

One Missionary Sister (Buka)

One Missionary Sister (Buin)

One Missionary Sister Wanted (Teop)

Aaron Kotosoma (Teop)

Usaia Sotutu (Buka)

147 Native Teachers  
Five Native Medical Assistants

N.B.—It is understood that the Chairman of the District shall have discretionary powers regarding new appointments.

**Helena Goldie Hospital—**

Allen G. Rutter, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), D.T.M. & H.,  
Medical Superintendent  
Two Missionary Sisters (Nurses)  
Seven Native Medical Assistants  
Six Native Nurses

JOHN F. GOLDIE, Chairman of the District.

**NOTES.**

Ministers are expected to arrive in their New Circuits between the second and third Sundays in April.

Probationers and Home Missionaries appointed to separate stations are under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

Thomas A. Brady is a superannuated Minister of the British Methodist Church residing in New Zealand.

**QUESTION XXIX.—How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?**

**HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS FOR 1943.**

**Auckland District—**

Youth Director.—Arthur E. Bate, employed by the Youth Department.

Auckland Methodist Central Mission (Franklin Road).—One Wanted.

Auckland Central.—C. W. Brown (Retired).

Auckland West.—One Wanted.

Auckland, Avondale (Glen Eden).—Supply (Student H. Moore), J. Belshaw and C. Duncan (Retired).

Auckland, Takapuna.—W. Sussex (Retired).

Auckland, Birkenhead 2nd (Northcote).—One Wanted. W. H. Wilson (Retired).

Bombay-Tuakau.—R. C. Patchett.

Kaukapakapa-Silverdale.—W. Maitland Jones.

Port Albert.—L. E. G. Sharp.

North Hokianga (Kohukohu).—A. P. Dorrian.

Albany.—One Wanted. J. H. Edmondson (Retired).

Dargaville (Te Kopuru).—One Wanted.

Otahuhu (Second).—One Wanted.

Mahurangi Circuit.—R. Coombridge. One Wanted.

Bay of Islands.—One Wanted.

Whangarei-Hikurangi (Hikurangi).—Supply (M. D. G. Turkington).

Helensville.—One Wanted.  
Kawakawa-Kaikohe.—W. J. Anderson.  
Paparoa.—W. G. Peate.  
Home Mission Department—  
Colporteur Work.—Supply (Sister Rita F. Snowden).  
Maori Mission—  
Matauri Bay, Kaeo.—Supply.  
Batley.—Supply.  
Kawakawa.—Te Riri Kawiti.  
Paihia.—Hone Tamati.  
Punakitere.—Te Hira Ratete.  
Waimate North.—Supply.  
Te Karae.—Rameka Eru.  
Kaikohe.—Wiremu Wi Hongi.  
Whananaki.—Nehana Pu.  
Rewiti.—Supply.  
Dargaville.—Wiremu Paki Tihaka.  
Poutai (Kaipara Heads).—Paraire Paraone Kena.  
Pokere (Bay of Islands).—Piripi Livingstone.  
Matakana.—John Harris.  
Mangamuka.—Paoa Rakena.

**South Auckland District—**

Ngaruawahia.—One Wanted. A. L. Witheford (Retired).  
Tauranga-Te Puke (Te Puke).—One Wanted.  
Coromandel.—C. Aker.  
Kawhia.—Supply (Rev. Ranginohora Rogers).  
Ohura.—M. H. Taylor  
Opotiki.—D. G. Sherson, B.A.  
Morrinsville (Second).—One Wanted.  
Hamilton 3rd.—One Wanted.

**Maori Mission—**

Te Kuiti.—John Nicholls.  
Pukeatua.—Heemi Rihimona.  
Ohiapopoko.—Te Aho-o-te-Rangi Pihama.  
Cambridge.—Supply.  
Mokau.—Supply.  
Ngaruawahia.—Paahi Moke.  
Waimiha.—Supply.  
Aramiro.—Wiremu Tonga.  
Raglan.—Honehone Kereopa.  
Rakaumu.—Wene Herangi.  
Waitomo.—Aihe Huirama.

Otorohanga (Otewa).—Hoani Tonga.  
Whatawhata.—Poo Kingi.  
Hangatiki.—Wetini Hotu.  
Taharoa.—Suply.  
Huntly.—Hori Te Awa.  
Rangiriri.—Supply.  
Tuakau.—Taniora Poihipi Tokoroa and Ngaweke Tuhimata.  
Te Kohanga.—Supply.  
Hauraki Plains.—Supply.  
Thames (Puru).—Supply.  
Hamilton.—Roi Moke.  
Maketu Pa.—Supply.  
Te Kopua (Te Awamutu).—Supply.  
Te Waitere.—Te Paki Kinita.  
Ongarue (King Country).—Huru Wiperi.  
Raglan Rural.—Tuteao Manihera.  
Marokopa.—Wiremu Kamana.

**Taranaki-Wanganui District—**

New Plymouth (St. Aubyn's).—Supply (H. Ashworth) (Retired). T. W. Featherstone (Retired).  
Opunake (Okato).—J. C. R. Ashworth.  
Patea.—C. S. L. Oliver.  
Raetihi-Ohakune.—One Wanted.  
Wanganui North (Second).—One Wanted.  
Manaia.—C. Robinson.  
Douglas (under Stratford Superintendent).—Vacant.  
Inglewood.—A. Currie.  
Marton.—Francis H. Parker.

**Maori Mission—**

New Plymouth.—Supply.  
Rahotu.—Supply.  
Nukumarū.—Supply.  
Urenui.—Supply.  
Hawera.—Paikea H. Toka (on Active Service).  
Pariroa Pa.—Supply.  
Whenuakura.—Rangiira Tumaheeki.  
Kai Iwi.—Hoana Hakaraia Te Uawiri.  
Wanganui.—Supply.  
Rangitikei.—Supply.  
Raetihi.—Supply.  
Wanganui River.—Supply.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District—**

Feilding (Halcombe).—R. T. Alexander.  
Napier (Greenmeadows).—One Wanted.  
Foxton-Shannon.—Supply (H. Thornley).  
Apiti.—J. H. Thompson.  
Norsewood (under Dannevirke Superintendent).—One  
Wanted.  
Waipawa-Waipukurau.—W. J. Henderson (One Wanted).  
Gisborne (Second).—Vacant.  
Wairoa.—P. Ramsay.

**Wellington District—**

Wellington (Webb Street).—Supply (Rev. M. Ayrton).  
Upper Hutt.—Supply (Rev. R. P. Keall).  
Paraparaumu.—H. R. Wright.  
Masterton (Kuripuni).—One Wanted.  
Levin.—J. Common (Retired).  
Otaki.—S. Keen (Retired).

**Nelson District—**

Havelock (under Blenheim Superintendent).—Vacant.  
Murchison.—C. W. Tolley.  
Granity.—K. A. Robinson.  
Wakefield-Dovedale (under Richmond Superintendent).—One  
Wanted.  
Nelson (Nelson South).—Supply (J. W. Bayliss, Retired).  
Reefton.—Supply (J. F. Amos).

**North Canterbury District—**

Christchurch East (Fourth).—One Wanted. C. Strand (Re-  
tired).  
Christchurch.—St. Albans (Bryndwr).—Supply (Rev. A.  
Liversedge).  
Christchurch—Woolston (Sumner).—One Wanted.  
Christchurch—Durham Street (Cashmere).—Supply (Rev.  
A. N. Scotter, B.A.).  
Christchurch—Addington (Lincoln Road).—Supply. (H. J.  
Malcolm, Retired).  
Waddington.—W. T. Withers.  
Tai Tapu.—F. Sanderson.  
Hawarden (under Woodend Superintendent).—Vacant.  
Oxford.—Green Hall.

**South Canterbury District—**

Timaru South.—Supply (Ian C. E. Ramage, Student on  
President's List of Reserve).

## Otago-Southland District—

- Waikouaiti-Palmerston.—E. J. Carter.  
Dunedin—Trinity (North East Valley).—One Wanted.  
Ravensbourne-Broad Bay.—One Wanted.  
Cargill Road (St. Clair).—W. L. Divers.  
Dunedin (Maori Hill).—B. H. Riseley.  
Mosgiel.—N. R. Hooper.  
Lawrence (under Milton Superintendent).—One Wanted.  
Balclutha (under Milton Superintendent).—T. Steele.  
Cromwell.—T. A. Winn.  
Edendale.—D. I. Robertson.  
Otautau-Tuatapere.—W. J. Bryant.  
Nightcaps.—H. M. Brasell.  
Riverton (under Invercargill Central Superintendent).—  
Vacant.  
Bluff.—N. Challenger.

## DEACONESS APPOINTMENTS, 1943.

### I.—Home Work.

- 1920—Sister Mildred West, Ashburton.  
1928—Sister Rita Snowden, Home Mission Dept., Auckland.  
1935—Sister Madeline Holland, Deaconess House, Christchurch.  
1936—Sister Edith K. Beer. Without appointment.  
1938—Sister Constance L. Osborne—Without Appointment.

### II.—Maori Work.

- 1921—Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.  
1921—Sister Nicholls, Te Kuiti.  
1927—Sister Netta Gittos (working under Kurahuna Committee).  
1928—Sister Ivy Jones, Auckland.  
1929—Sister Airini Hobbs, Ratana Pa (Supply).  
1931—Sister Atawhai Wilcox, Bay of Islands.  
1933—Sister Olive Bott, Hokianga.  
1936—Sister Heeni Te Teira, Hamilton and Lower Waikato.  
1939—Sister Evelyn Marriott (working under Rangiatea Committee).  
1939—Sister Dorothy Pointon, Opunake.  
1940—Sister Violet Kruse, Hamilton and Upper Waikato.  
1943—Sister Anne Wilson, Hawera.  
1943—Sister Davidson, outer Auckland.

**III.—Foreign Work—Solomon Islands—**

- 1923—\*Sister Elizabeth Common.  
1924—\*Sister Lina Jones.  
1934—\*Sister Ada Lee.  
1937—\*Sister Effie Harkness.  
1938—Sister Merle Farland.  
1938—\*Sister Joy Whitehouse.  
1939—\*Sister Grace McDonald.

\*Evacuated owing to war conditions.

**IV.—Retired for Special Service—**

- 1908—Sister Ruth Fawcett, Bible Society, Otago.  
1914—Sister Annie Tocker, Government Service, Wellington.

**V.—Retired or Resting—**

- 1907—Sister Mabel Morley, retired.  
1913—Mrs. W. J. Williams, retired.  
1913—Sister May Barnett, retired.  
1918—Sister Winifred Beaumont, retired.  
1918—Sister May Ralph, retired.  
1923—Sister Lily White, retired.  
1928—Sister Olive Coleman, retired.  
1936—Sister Edna White, retired.  
1934—Sister Marama Muriwai, leave of absence for twelve months.  
1914—Sister Ethel McMillan, retired.  
1935—Sister Vera Cannon, retired.

**VI.—Students in Training—**

- Miss Ruth Hilder (2nd year).  
Miss Jean Miller (1st year).  
Miss Winifred Poole (1st year).  
Miss Evelyn Viney (1st year).

**QUESTION XXX.—Who are Elected as Chairmen and Secretaries of Districts and as Statistical Secretaries for the ensuing year?**

**1. CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS.**

- Auckland—Ernest T. Olds.  
South Auckland—Charles H. Olds (President of the Conference).  
Taranaki-Wanganui—Ernest D. Patchett.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.  
Wellington—William A. Burley, M.A.  
Nelson—Charles Blair.  
North Canterbury—J. Henry Allen.  
South Canterbury—William W. Avery.  
Otago-Southland—William G. Slade, M.A.  
Solomon Islands—John F. Goldie.

## 2. DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

General Statistical Secretary—Ernest B. Chambers.

Auckland—Alfred E. Waite.

South Auckland—John L. Mitchell.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Gordon R. H. Peterson.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—Athol R. Penn.

Wellington—Frederick J. Parker.

Nelson—John D. Grocott.

North Canterbury—Cecil R. Taylor.

South Canterbury—Robert B. Gosnell.

Otago-Southland—J. Montgomery Blight.

### QUESTION XXXI.—Who are elected as President and Secretary of the Conference for the year 1944?

President: Robert B. Tinsley.

Secretary: William G. Slade, M.A.

### QUESTION XXXII.—What is the Report of the General Statistical Secretary?

In presenting this, my third report as General Statistical Secretary, I should like to say there has come a growing appreciation of the importance of the work. While it is true that the results of the Church's work cannot be indicated by statistics, at the same time we are surely entitled to draw some conclusions from the figures presented. This emphasises the need for accuracy on the part of those drawing up the District Returns. I would therefore ask Superintendent Ministers and District Youth Secretaries to use the utmost care in filling in the Schedules. If they would make comparisons with the previous year's figures it would often prevent errors from creeping in.

For instance, the decrease in the number of Churches, and the increase in the number of Sunday Schools, in neither case is real. For in spite of the figure supplied, I am assured by correspondence that both remain the same as for last year.

The decline by 9 in the number of Preaching Places, following a loss of 10 last year, is due to the increased difficulties of transport caused by war conditions. No doubt, ministers are keeping in touch by correspondence or other means, with the people who used to worship at the places now closed, so that when travelling becomes easier, it may be possible to re-open such places.

Comparing the staffing of Circuits and Home Mission Stations with last year, there are disclosed the following reductions: 1 Minister, 4 Home Missionaries, and 3 Deaconesses. The number of Local Preachers continues to decrease. Following a loss of 5 last year, we report a further loss of 12 for 1942. More of our Ministers have gone into Chaplaincy work, so that to-day there are 17 serving either in camps in New Zealand or with the Forces overseas. Incidentally, this would indicate that there are about 17,000 people called Methodists serving with the New Zealand Forces.

Last Conference set the Church the task of increasing our membership by at least 10%. While we are glad and grateful to report an increase in the Senior membership, yet we have not reached the goal set us. The number of new members received was 1330, but

losses of various kinds reduced this number to a net increase of 397, which is a 1.56% gain on last year. North Canterbury has done best, having received 281 new members, resulting in a net increase of 204 members, an approximate gain of 5%. Auckland is next with 358 new members received, and a net increase of 215, a gain of just under 5%. Other Districts are as follows: South Auckland, 102 new members, net increase 19. Taranaki-Wanganui, new members 145, net increase 34. Nelson 34, net increase 3. South Canterbury 46, net increase 47. Otago-Southland 104 new members, net increase 3. Wellington District reports 143 new members, but a decrease of 43, accounted for by the severe purging of several rolls. Hawkes Bay-Manawatu shows 117 new members received, and a decrease of 28. Doubtless a proportion of new members has come from those on Probation, hence a reduction of 363 under that heading.

The aim to increase our membership was part of our plan in the Campaign for Christian Order. With the continuation of the Campaign we shall do well to keep the objective still before us. There are indications that interest has been aroused in the Church's message to this age. Next year should provide opportunity for still better things in 1943.

While the Senior membership figures are more encouraging than last year, the gains made in Junior and Infant membership have not been maintained. Only three Districts report increases in Junior membership, and these gains are more than offset by losses in the other Districts, leaving a decrease for the Connexion of 124, while, in spite of the fact that 1914 Baptisms are reported, the net gain in Infant membership is only 46. Such a number of baptisms should mean a considerable increase in Infant membership. Evidently a baptized child is not regarded in every instance as being an Infant member of the Church, otherwise last year's roll of 7949 would have become more than 7995 this year. Until the Conference has declared its mind on the relationship of Baptism to Infant Membership, this unsatisfactory feature of the returns must continue.

#### **Sunday School and Bible Class Returns.**

Although 1500 babes were added to the Cradle Roll during the year, the total roll is now less by 184 than it was a year ago.

In the Sunday School, the Beginners show an increase of 325, the Intermediates an increase of 28, but the Primary and Junior Departments return decreases of 63 and 100 respectively.

There has been a serious drop in the number of Men teachers in the Sunday Schools, which has not been compensated for to any great extent by an increase of Women teachers. The war, no doubt, is chiefly responsible for the loss of 217 men from our Sunday Schools. We note with thankfulness that an additional 32 women have come forward, but a loss of 185 teachers from our staffs must seriously affect the work of the Sunday Schools.

Bible Class work is feeling even more seriously the effects of the war. There is a decrease of 102 classes this year, following a decrease last year of 64. We have lost 275 classes in five years, 229 of them during the war period.

In the Young Women's movement, the only section to report an increase in membership is the Juniors, with 57. The Intermediates have dropped by 110, the Seniors by 259, while there is a decrease in the Leaders of 56.

The Young Men's Classes have suffered even greater losses, the total for the year being 591; the Seniors are the heaviest sufferers with a loss of 436 from their membership, and the Leaders have decreased in number by 105.

It is clear that the post-war period will present the Church with a tremendous task in the building up of classes to pre-war strength.

The brightest spot in the Youth Returns is the remarkable increase of new Societies, 41 of which have been added during the year, with an increased membership of 1085. No indication is given concerning the nature of these new organizations. We trust the development represents attempts by new means to bring Youth under the care and guidance of the Church.

The figures relating to Infant and Junior Church membership are again unsatisfactory when compared with those of the General Returns. I drew attention to this last year. There is again a difference of 1012 Infant and 665 Junior Church members as between the Sunday School and General Returns. These discrepancies year by year indicate the need for the method of determining Infant and Junior members to be reviewed and a uniform practice adopted. District reports plainly show that different methods are used in different Districts. Such a state of affairs cannot produce returns that are reliable.

I regret to report that only one District has sent in any Maori returns.

E. B. CHAMBERS,

General Statistical Secretary.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report of the General Statistical Secretary be received and adopted.

That the Rev. E. B. Chambers be heartily thanked for his report and that he be re-appointed.

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

#### REPORT FOR 1942.

##### (A) PROPOSED PUBLICITY CENTRE.

In considering this matter, the Committee is of the opinion that since the Methodist Church is an organised unit in which every department has the same ultimate object, it should be possible to control its policy, as far as all matters of publicity are concerned, by one executive committee composed of men and women who know the aims, needs, and resources of the Church and who understand modern advertising and journalistic method.

Most will agree that present methods of publicity are inadequate, restricted, and that in large measure they fail to reach the outsider. Hence it appears wholly desirable and wholly to our advantage to establish an agency which will represent the whole Church in its approach both to the general public and to each individual congregation; an agency which will be a headquarters of information on all matters relating to Methodism.

Unfortunately, the Committee can see no possibility of establishing a Publicity Centre with one agent in each Island at present, as there is apparently no immediate way of financing the proposal. It would not, however, give up the scheme altogether on that account, and moves the following resolutions by way of an interim proposal:

That Conference set up a small committee whose work shall be designated as follows:

1. The examination of the finances of all departments of the Church, considering salaries, staffing, overhead costs, etc., and investigating the possibility of the amalgamation of all departments under one office staff, one firm of auditors, etc., with a view to freeing men and money to assist the establishment of the proposed Publicity Centre.

2. The examination of the present deputation system (which so often results in ill-attended meetings) with a view to its improvement or replacement by a one visit per year system, whereat one deputation shall present the claims of the whole Church.

3. To examine the possibility of the production of talking films, records, etc., for such publicity purposes.

4. To consider the cost of production of annual reports, hand-bills, and other matter produced in the collection of annual and other appeals, with a view to ascertaining if economies can be effected in cost or such productions improved and brought into line with modern art and publicity method.

5. To examine the possibility of the production of regular articles of general interest for use in the daily press throughout the country.

6. While appreciating what has already been done in this regard, to investigate the possibility of issuing booklets, etc., for sale as well as for free distribution, and if possible, to make arrangements for the sale of suitable literature in every church and to make available in every church or circuit a lending library of suitable religious literature.

(The Committee feels it has not the right to ask for such information from the various departments as is implied above without first obtaining the sanction of Conference, and furthermore believes that there are men more qualified to consider same when obtained.)

For reasons too numerous to give in this report, the Committee feels that Christchurch is the most suitable location for the proposed Committee and would move the following personnel:

The Chairman of District, the Revs. M. A. Rugby Pratt, E. Drake, D. O. Williams, R. Dudley; Messrs. W. C. Francis, H. Heslop, C. Colechin, W. A. Bascand, F. Thompson, and J. E. Purchase, with power to add.

#### **Welfare Committee for 1943.**

The members of the Otago-Southland District Executive, Rev. J. S. Willoughby, Convener.

L. B. NEALE, Chairman.

J. S. WILLOUGHBY, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the report be received and adopted as amended below.

(a) That the following preamble be substituted for the first three paragraphs:—

“It is recognised that there is need to co-ordinate the work of the Connexion in respect of the approaches to Circuits and Home Mission Stations by Departments and Committees so that overlapping may be avoided and the number of financial appeals made in the course of the year may be regulated.

It is therefore recommended that Conference set up a small committee whose work shall be designated as follows:—

- (b) From Clause 1 delete "with a view to freeing . . . Publicity Centre."
- (c) Clause 2 to read "The examination of the present deputation system with a view to some co-ordination of financial appeals."
- (d) Delete "such" from Clause 3, second line.
- (e) Location of Committee: That the matters raised in the report be referred to the Publicity and Publications Committee.

2. Committee for 1943: The members of the Otago-Southland District Executive. Rev. J. S. Willoughby, Convener."  
Dancing.

That Conference refer the following to the Church Welfare Committee to investigate and report to Synods and Conference, 1944:—

"That dancing as a recreation has a place within the social activities of the Methodist Church and that the inclusion of dancing in any local church be left to the discretion of the Leaders' and Trustees' Meetings."

### (B) LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL REPORT 1942-43.

The work of the Association has been continued during the year by the Executive located in North Canterbury. The members of the Executive regard it as an honour to serve in this way, but regret that circumstances prevent a more vigorous policy being pursued.

Again there have been those faithful preachers who have been called from service on earth to service in the presence of the Master. To the bereaved we extend our sympathy, but we rejoice in the record of achievement of those who have departed.

Long Service Diplomas have been presented as follows:—

W. J. Brown	....	....	....	50	Years
J. Nairn	....	....	....	46	"
A. F. Campbell	....	....	....	45	"
J. E. Frost	....	....	....	45	"
J. H. Dixon	....	....	....	44	"
J. E. Chiles, J.P.	....	....	....	40	"
F. G. Early	....	....	....	40	"
J. Rudd	....	....	....	40	"
G. E. Thompson	....	....	....	40	"
E. Marshall	....	....	....	36	"
J. H. Fowler	....	....	....	33	"
W. S. Thackeray	....	....	....	27	"

We honour these for their many years of labour, and pray that even in declining years they may continue to render fruitful service.

#### Local Preachers' Examination.

As more experience is gained, the wisdom of Conference in introducing the Connexional Written Examination for Local Preachers is being amply demonstrated. The Executive desires to record its appreciation of the work of all who tutor the Candidates for the Examination, of the Examiners, and especially of the helpful co-operation of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.

The names of those who have completed the Examination during the year are reported to the Annual Meeting and to Conference.

### **Public Recognition Service.**

The Executive has continually sought to encourage the holding of Public Recognition Services for all Local Preachers received on Full Plan. In most cases these Services are held with benefit to all. It is regrettable, however, that in some Circuits the value of these Services does not appear to be appreciated. At such Services the Association presents to the new Local Preacher a copy of Whittomes Efficiency Course. As a further means of bringing before those in authority in these matters, Conference is being asked to approve of an additional question being added to those asked at Preachers' Meetings:—

“What arrangement has been made for the public reception and recognition of Local Preachers received on Full Plan?”

### **Reception Certificate.**

As reported last year, Reception Certificates are available. These have been sent to all Superintendent Ministers for presentation to candidates who have successfully completed the Connexional Examination.

### **Women Preachers.**

Again we would suggest that amongst the women-folk of our church are those who could and would render excellent pulpit service if given the necessary opportunity and encouragement. It is interesting here to note that it is young women who have during the last two years scored the highest marks in the written Examinations.

### **Accident Insurance.**

As directed by last Annual Meeting, the Executive have investigated the question of Insurance for Local Preachers while on the work of the church. Personal Accident cover is available at what appears to be a reasonable rate; but the problem of collecting the premiums is a difficult one. However, no cover is available to meet any case similar to the one which has caused the Executive so much concern in the last year or two.

### **Our Brethren with the Forces.**

The President has continued to correspond with Local Preachers with the Forces Overseas, and he wishes to report here that the letters received in reply have been an inspiration. Regret is again expressed that there is difficulty in getting addresses.

### **Location of Executive.**

It is regretted that the Wellington brethren are unable to take the responsibility of the Executive this year. Should the Annual Meeting so desire, the North Canterbury brethren are willing to carry on for another year.

(Signed) J. E. HORRELL, President.  
A. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. (a) That the additional question be asked at all Preachers' Meetings: “What arrangement has been made for the public reception and recognition of Preachers received on full plan?”
- (b) “That in Question 12 of the Law Book the Question should read ‘Approving and publicly receiving persons as accredited local preachers.’” This matter to be referred to the Law Book Revision Committee.

3. That the hearty thanks of the Conference be accorded to the Local Preachers for their faithful work during the year. The Church owes them a great debt for their tireless and willing service, especially in these days of shortage in man-power.

4. That every effort be made by Ministers and Youth Leaders to secure an increase in the numbers of accredited Local Preachers. It is felt that if direct and personal challenge is made many will make response to the urgent need.

### C.—MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.

#### ANNUAL REPORT 1943.

Of the 51 branches of the Fellowship which were functioning in 1936, only 29 are now in existence. Many branches ceased to meet owing to lack of interest and leadership: the greater majority, however, found it impossible to "carry on" during the War period, the reason being that, with few exceptions, officials and members were engaged in War activities of various kinds; for the same reason it has been found well-nigh impossible to revive the branches which had lapsed, or to inaugurate new branches. A notable exception is found in the case of Wanganui, where men in the three Circuits combined in forming a branch; this example might well be followed in other cities and large towns of the Dominion. We thus have 30 branches functioning at the present time, 19 in the North Island and 11 in the South Island.

With the relaxing of the demand upon our men's time for E.P.S., Home Guard, and other activities, it should be possible to revive branches which have ceased to meet, to create new branches, and to re-vitalise the existing Groups. We regard it as being of the utmost importance that there should be in every Church or Circuit a branch of the Men's Fellowship if only for the essential purposes of keeping in close touch with the men of our congregations who are serving with the Forces, and of providing a means of spiritual fellowship to which these men can be invited and welcomed on their return. We have knowledge of many branches whose members regularly correspond with the men on active service, and who, in some instances, raise money to send parcels.

We have been delighted to receive news of branch activities, especially with regard to Groups in Christchurch, who, in spite of depleted numbers, have carried on branch meetings and have been very diligent in Church and Circuit work. In Auckland there are eight branches which are functioning well. These branches, in rotation, send teams of men to render assistance in carrying on a Servicemen's Club at Pitt St., and are also distributing and collecting "Goodwill" bags in aid of the Goodwill Industries associated with the Methodist Central Mission. A prominent feature of our branch meetings in Auckland has been the combining of Groups, the visting Group providing the programme for the combined meeting. To honour the President of the Conference, Rev. W. Walker, about 150 men of the Auckland branches attended a combined meeting at St. Paul's, Remuera, the church of which the President is minister. The President delivered an inspiring address and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Dominion Executive has visited the branches during the year.

We are greatly indebted to ministers of our Church for their hearty co-operation in the fostering and working of the branches,

and commend the Movement, the potentialities of which have not been fully recognised or realised, to those ministers in whose Churches or Circuits branches have not yet been formed.

We presume that District Committees of the Men's Fellowship were set up in each District Synod, and appeal to these Committees to do their utmost to consolidate the existing branches in their Districts, and to make an earnest endeavour to establish new Groups.

G. E. SPOONER, President.  
W. S. MACKAY, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.  
2. That the Dominion Executive be located in Auckland for another year.

3. That the following be the Dominion Executive:—The Chairman of the Auckland District, Revs. W. Walker, J. F. Jack, D. J. Hickman, Messrs. G. E. Spooner, J. A. Steele, W. S. Mackay, V. E. Wills, L. E. Rhodes, A. D. Whitehead, R. Thomas W. Howe, G. Stubbs, S. Burton, J. M. Barker, L. Bare, W. H. Woods, E. P. Gibson, W. E. Burley, A. Williams, E. G. Roberts, L. T. Hayman, H. S. Saunderson, J. Penny, F. Blakey.

4. Auckland District Committee:—The Chairman of the District, Revs. W. Walker, J. F. Jack, D. J. Hickman, Messrs. G. E. Spooner, J. R. Steele, W. S. Mackay, V. E. Wills, L. E. Rhodes, A. D. Whitehead, R. Thomas, W. Howe, G. Stubbs, S. Burton, J. M. Barker, C. P. Gibson, W. H. Woods, W. E. Burley, A. Williams, E. G. Roberts, L. T. Hayman, H. S. Saunderson, J. Penny and F. Blakey. (G. E. Spooner, Convener.)

5. District Committees:—  
SOUTH AUCKLAND.—The Minister and Members of the Matamata Men's Fellowship.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI.—The Executive of Hawera Men's Fellowship.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU.—Messrs. H. S. Tate, C. E. Taylor, A. H. Fisher, Junr., and C. Woodfield (Convener).

WELLINGTON.—The Committee is included in the District Executive.

NELSON.—Messrs. F. Southgate, H. Oldham, V. Smart, E. Smith, W. S. Harris, E. G. Burroughs, H. W. Powell, J. S. White (Convener).

NORTH CANTERBURY.—Appointed by the District Executive. C. C. Sandford, Convener.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.—The Executive of Oamaru Men's Fellowship.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.—Appointed by District Executive.

6. (a) That each branch of the Fellowship have the right to elect annually one representative to the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit in which the branch is located.

(b) That the District Committees of the Men's Fellowship have the right to elect one member of a branch located within the District as a representative to the District Synod.

(c) That the Dominion Executive of the Men's Fellowship have the right to elect annually one member of the Executive as representative to Conference.

7. That the above be referred to the Law Book Revision Committee for formulation.

## D.—LADIES' GUILD FELLOWSHIP.

### PARSONAGE FURNISHINGS.

Law Book Par. 160 (c), Page 41.

Amendments to the Laws, Page 15.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

That the Laws relating to Parsonage Furnishings be amended to read:—

1. An adequately furnished Parsonage shall be provided for each married Minister, in addition to the minimum stipend. It should contain a sufficiency of furnishings for the use of the household, including curtains and kitchen utensils, but excluding linen, blankets, cutlery, and crockery, which shall be owned by the Minister.

2. The Quarterly Meeting shall arrange, through the Ladies' Guild or kindred organisation (but excluding Women's Missionary Auxiliaries), or by other means, for a grant of not less than £2/10/- each Quarter (and not more than £3/2/6 for a larger family), such grant to be shown on the Circuit Balance-sheet as a special item, and to be paid to the Minister's wife or housekeeper, for the purpose of replenishing her own linen, etc. All other replenishments shall be the responsibility of the Quarterly Meeting through the Ladies' Guild or by other means. (It is assumed that the allowance now made in most circuits for replenishments would cease as the new allowance would cover such incidentals.)

3 and 4.—No amendments.

N.B.—(1) That, in order to effect this change from the existing Law, every Minister shall receive, free of charge, any of the linen, etc., from the Parsonage stock, or cash, to the value of £30. Any of the linen, etc., remaining may be (a) either purchased by the Minister at a mutual valuation between himself and his officials or their nominees, consideration being given in this assessment to the fact that a furnished house is part of a Minister's stipend: or (b) disposed of at the discretion of the Circuit Stewards or Guild by arrangement, keeping in mind the desirability of helping needy Circuits.

(2) That this new scheme should come into operation immediately after the Conference of 1943.

(3) That the relation of Chaplains to resolutions (1) and (2) be referred to the President's Committee of Advice in consultation with the Chaplaincy Committee.

**QUESTION XXXIV.—What are the Resolutions respecting our Sunday Schools and the Youth of the Church.**

#### YOUTH DEPARTMENT.

**The Rev. P. R. Paris.**

The Youth Board suffered a grievous loss in the death of the Rev. P. R. Paris, who had been Chairman of the Board for four years. A suitable tribute was included in the Minutes of the Youth Board.

#### Co-ordination.

Considerable progress has been made in the implementation of the co-ordination policy. Leaders are coming to realise the need for the integration of all divisions of the work into one big movement with its accompanying strength and solidarity. The new machinery will operate as from 1st October, 1942.

It is desired to pay tribute in this report to the Bible Class Movements, which have for the past 36 years rendered a very valuable service to our Church in claiming many young people for Christ, and in the development of enterprising leadership in Church and community life. The Movements go out of existence as such, but the good that has been achieved by them will be preserved and prospered in the new scheme of work.

#### **Staffing and War Effects.**

The ballots affecting the higher age-groups have taken a toll of our staffs, especially of Sunday School Superintendents, and have made it extremely difficult in some places for the work to be maintained. Vacancies in Sunday School staffs have been filled principally by women who are going the extra mile to render splendid service. It has not been so easy to fill vacancies in leadership of Young Men's Bible Classes, which have suffered severely, particularly in the senior and intermediate grades. The Department's Emergency Suggestions are recommended to Churches facing difficulties.

#### **Women in War Services.**

The enlistment of a growing number of young women in war services has not only affected the work in some degree, but it confronts the Church with an added responsibility for keeping in touch with young women in camps. Unsuccessful efforts have been made by the Y.W.C.A., supported by our Department, to have workers appointed to the camps.

#### **Campaign for Christian Order, 1942.**

In order to give a lead to Churches in respect of Youth Work in the Campaign, the Department issued a leaflet of suggestions covering a wide field and with a long distance view. Spiritual Advance Committees set up in most districts have given direction to the Campaign, special attention being given to the Church's appeal for an increase in Church membership. Local Youth Councils are asked to keep the leaflet of suggestions steadily in view. Publications issued include—Suggestions for Youth Workers, Cards for B.C. Leaders and Sunday School Teachers, Pamphlets for Parents (Save the Children and The True Centre), Pamphlets for Youth (The Man of the Hour and The Forward March). Others are being prepared.

#### **Temperance Education.**

Further donations have been received, including £35 from the Contingent Fund. Posters are now being prepared, though printing regulations and lack of finance make it impossible to carry out the arrangements formerly contemplated. A film is also in course of preparation.

#### **Film Strips.**

Two film strips have been produced by the Directors of Sunday School work—the Beginners-Primary Department and the Junior-Intermediate Department—and these have been especially useful in giving a vision of modern methods to our workers. A third film is on the Cradle Roll and Home Department. Others being prepared include "The Sand Tray," "Expression Work," "Religion in the Home," "Camps and Schools."

### Missionary Education.

Still films depicting the work of Sister Ada Lee and Sister Margaret Nicholls, who are supported by the Y.W.B.C. Movement, and of Sister Dorothy Pointon, are being prepared for Bible Classes and Sunday Schools.

### Beach Work and Holiday Camps.

Plans are in hand for beach work amongst children during the summer vacation. It is hoped to launch a new venture in the form of Holiday Summer Camps for Youth Workers and parents in some districts during January. Beach work will be included in the programme.

### Parents' Groups.

The Directors have held a number of meetings for parents—chiefly mothers—and have discovered an earnest desire on their part to accept such help as the Church can offer for the moral and spiritual training of their children. Some groups are meeting regularly and efforts are being made to extend this work.

To conserve space, only a brief reference can be made to many other activities connected with our youth work. Where statistics are given, last year's figures are shown in brackets.

Six (9) Summer and Winter Schools catered for 182 (363) Youth Workers. The figures are affected this year by reason of the travel restrictions, which meant the cancellation of all but one Summer School. The usual programme was followed. There were, in addition, 13 one-day rallies for Youth Workers, and a refresher course in one centre extending over seven nights.

Easter Camps were held in 10 (27) places, the number attending being 564 (802) young women and 671 (1,010) young men.

25 (50) leaders and 23 (35) teachers took advantage of the Leaders' and Teachers' Training Course conducted by the Department.

The Social Standards Committee continues to help the work in its special field and 100 (150) requests were attended to during the year.

One hundred and twenty-eight (113) children are receiving lessons through the Correspondence Sunday School. A Superintendent and 60 teachers handle this activity.

Adolescents are provided for by means of the Correspondence Bible Class in which there are 17 (16) workers seeking to meet the needs of 25 (25) young people in isolated places.

The "Bible Class Link" continues to fulfil a useful purpose with the senior section of our Youth Work. There are approximately 820 regular subscribers, and in addition a number of copies are sent to Bible Class men in the Forces and detention camps. This has been made possible through special contributions on the part of interested people.

The Bible Class Syllabus prepared by the Youth Committee of the Council of Religious Education—on which we are represented—continues to be popular among our Bible Classes. Senior and junior syllabuses were issued for this year.

There has been an increasing demand for the Australasian Graded Lesson material. During the year 13 Long Service Diplomas were issued.

Several other matters of importance will be dealt with in a Supplementary Report when the Statistical Returns become available.

### **Directors.**

The Board desires to place on record its appreciation of the devoted services of the Directors during the year; reports from Ministers and Youth Workers throughout the Dominion constantly refer to the effectiveness and helpfulness of their work.

### **Senior Youth Director.**

During June and July, the Senior Youth Director visited the main centres in the South Island and Auckland. Several lectures were given to the students of Trinity College.

### **Co-operation With Other Denominations.**

A pleasing feature of the work is the growing co-operation of our youth leaders with those of other denominations.

### **Finance.**

The general response to the Youth Department's appeal has again been most encouraging.

### **Hospitality.**

The year has been marked by a continuation of the generous hospitality of our Methodist people, and for this the Directors and the Board would tender sincere thanks.

### **Youth Office.**

The Youth Office staff continues to give devoted service not only to the Department, but to the Church generally.

### **Special Reports (Cf. Minutes of Conference, 1942, p. 72).**

1. **Morning Sunday Schools.**—The Board has made enquiries concerning this matter, but through lack of adequate records in local Sunday Schools, it has been found impossible to supply a satisfactory report.
2. **Correspondence Sunday School.**—A Correspondence Sunday School has been commenced for Maori scholars. Sister Effie Harkness is Superintendent. Twenty teachers are assisting. Others are ready to help as names of scholars are provided. There are approximately 40 scholars.
3. **Church Membership Booklets.**—These booklets are being prepared.
4. **"Newsletter" to Men in Forces.**—One "Newsletter" has been despatched and another is in course of preparation, being a Christmas number. As approximately eighty Circuits and Home Mission Stations did not send in any names and addresses, four copies of the "Newsletter" were sent to each of these that they might forward them. The second "Newsletter" will be sent to Circuits and Home Mission Stations for despatch, as many lists have not been sent in and others are not up-to-date. It is suggested that the "Newsletter" be sent to women in the Forces also.
5. **Methodist Youth Movement.**—Separate report.

## **II. CHRISTIAN YOUTH MOVEMENT (METHODIST).**

**Incorporating all Methodist Youth Societies within one Movement.**

### **Introduction.**

In view of the urgent problems which prevail in regard to Youth to-day, and some of the suggestions which are being made to meet them, the Youth Board has given very earnest consideration to the aims and organization of youth work within the Methodist Church. The times call for a thorough consolidation of existing work

and the provision of means for a forward move. The co-ordination of all our youth work provides the basis for a dynamic Movement which may enable the fulfilment of the aims of the Methodist Church in relation to youth. The Board therefore believes that a Christian Youth Movement-Methodist should be inaugurated and submits the following constitution to Synods and Conference for consideration.

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength; and thy neighbour as thyself."

#### 1.—AIM.

To win Youth for Jesus Christ as their Leader, Saviour and Lord.

To bring Youth into Membership of the Methodist Church.

To gain the whole-hearted service of youth for Christ, the Church, and the Kingdom of God.

To relate Christianity to the whole life of Youth—physical, mental, moral, and spiritual.

To apply Christianity to all human relationships—personal, social, national, and international.

#### Motto.

For Christ, His Church and His Kingdom.

#### Pledge.

- a. I accept Jesus Christ as my Leader, my Saviour, and my Lord.
- b. I will be loyal to the Methodist Church and will serve it to the best of my ability.
- c. I will strive to extend the Kingdom of God.
- d. I will endeavour to keep fit in body, mind, and spirit.
- e. I will endeavour to serve my neighbour, my country, and my brother-man in the spirit of Christ.

#### 2.—MEMBERSHIP.

##### Orders.

- (a) **Pledged Members**—who shall consist of those who accept the pledge of membership.
- (b) **Associate Members**—who shall consist of those who, though not pledged members, attend any Youth activities connected with the Methodist Church.

##### Divisions.

The Divisions of Membership shall be—

- (a) **Junior**.—This group shall consist of all Cradle Roll and Sunday School (Junior Church) children up to 12 years of age and shall comprise all classes, societies, clubs, brigades, within the Methodist Church which cater for such children.
- (b) **Senior**.—This group shall consist of all Youth (approximately 12-20 years of age) and shall comprise all classes, societies, guilds, clubs, brigades, within the Methodist Church who cater for such young people.

(N.B. For the formation of groups, classes, etc., within the Junior and Senior Divisions, guidance should be taken from School standards, Play Groups, Friendship Groups, etc.)

- (c) **Auxiliary.**—This group shall consist of all young people who are not included in the Senior Division (b) e.g., Young People's Fellowships, Fireside Clubs, Parents' Groups, or any other organization within the Methodist Church, definitely concerned to promote the welfare of Youth in the Home and the Church.

### 3.—ORDER OF ST. STEPHEN (18 years and over).

This shall consist of young people of 18 years and over who are willing to give to the Church a year of sacrificial Service, without any remuneration beyond the necessities of life. Avenues for such service shall be approved by the Youth Board in consultation with other Church authorities.

### 4.—ACTIVITIES.

Activities shall be such as to promote the fulfilment of the aims of the C.Y.M. (M.).

#### (1) Local Church Activities.

These shall consist of two types:

(a) Sunday activities: e.g. Sunday Schools, Bible Classes.

(b) Week-night (or day) activities: e.g. Clubs, Brigades, etc.

Efforts shall be made to see that every member of the C.Y.M. (M.) takes part in both types of activity.

#### (2) Movement Activities.

##### (a) Leadership Activities.

Youth Convention.

Leadership Schools (Summer, Winter, Spring).

Retreats.

Dominion Leader and Teacher Training Course.

Leader and Teacher Training Classes.

Extension Work, Evangelistic Missions, Beach Work, etc.

##### (b) Membership Activities.

1. Evangelistic Missions and Extension Work.

2. Missionary Objectives—Home and Foreign Missions.

3. District Rallies, Easter Camps, Holiday Camps, Holiday House Parties, Beach Work.

4. Citizenship Projects. Social and Community Service, Factory "Cells," Temperance, Gambling and Moral Education, Vocational Guidance.

5. Youth Hostels, Reserves for Camps and Schools, University Contacts, Settlements, etc.

6. International studies and projects. Ecumenical Movement and Kingdom of God studies and projects.

### 5.—SYMBOLS.

1. **Badges:** There shall be a badge consisting of the letters C.Y.M. upon appropriate background.

There shall be a special badge for the member of the "Order of St. Stephen."

2. **Uniforms:** There shall be distinctive uniforms for Clubs, Brigades, etc.
3. **Banners, etc.:** Sunday School, Clubs, etc. Banners shall be of an approved type.

## 6.—LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS.

There shall be approved literature and publications for the various sections of the C.Y.M.(M.).

These shall comprise:

- (1) Lessons for Sunday Schools.
- (2) Syllabuses for Bible Classes and Study Groups.
- (3) Handbooks for Classes, Clubs, Brigades, etc., such as:—
  - a. Movement Handbook. Aims, etc.—physical, mental, moral, spiritual, ideals and programme.
  - b. Personal Discipleship.
  - c. Church Membership and Doctrine.
  - d. Citizenship Service and Social Questions.
  - e. Ecumenical Movement and the Kingdom of God.
- (4) Publication for a. Children, b. Youth, c. Teachers and Leaders, d. Parents.

## 7.—STAFF.

There shall be five Youth Directors as follows:—

1. **Senior Youth Director:** Headquarters; National matters and organisation; literature and publications; Wellington City and Hutt areas; Central Training Class for leaders and teachers; Trinity College lectures; National Christian Youth Committees.
2. **Area Director:** Auckland; South Auckland; North Auckland.
3. **Area Director:** Nelson; Marlborough; Hawkes Bay; Manawatu; Wairarapa; Taranaki; Wanganui.
4. **Area Director:** North Canterbury; South Canterbury; Westland; Otago; Southland.
5. **Special Director** for organisation of the whole work in large centres, such Director to remain in one centre from three to twelve months as determined by the Youth Board after consultation with such centre.

## FINANCE.

The Board, in giving consideration to the financial aspects of the policy, envisages the continuing in the field of the present three Directors with certain adjustments to their territory, and the appointment of two additional Directors, one to be a woman and the other a male Director who is a specialist. Our present Directors are financed out of Annual Income, but it is recognised that it will take some time before our Annual Income could be built up to cover the cost of the additional two Directors; therefore, with this in view and to give some security to the new proposals, it is being recommended that the cost of the two additional Directors for a period of six years be met by the raising of a Special Fund of £9,532. It is also felt that the work of the Department would be assisted and the ability of the Board to finance the full scheme out of Annual Income at the end of six years assured, if the present mortgage on the Palmerston North Parsonage were cleared and a Parsonage purchased and furnished in Wellington free of debt for the Director stationed there. It is therefore proposed that in the raising of the Special Fund there shall be two objectives as follows:—

- (1) The financing of the additional two Directors for six years.

- (2) Repayment of debt on Palmerston North Parsonage and the purchase of a Parsonage and furniture for Director stationed at Wellington.

The following summary will show the financial obligations involved:—

	Present cost per year of maintaining three Directors in the field	Approximate cost per year under New Proposals	Approximate additional cost over present basis.
Salaries ....	£830	£1,440	£610
Connexional Charges ....	110	135	25
House Allowances ....	313	475	162
Travelling ....	240	350	110
Telephones ....	25	40	15
	£1,518	£2,440	£922

(1) Additional cost of two Directors for six years ....	£5,532
(2) Repayment of debt on Palmerston North Parsonage	1,500
(3) Purchase and furnishing Parsonage in Wellington	2,500
	£9,532

The Board therefore recommends:—

- (1) That Conference authorises the Youth Board to raise a Special Fund of £9,532 for—
  - (a) The cost of two additional Directors as outlined above for six years.
  - (b) The repayment of debt on Parsonage and purchase and furnishing of Parsonage as stated above.
- (2) That Conference authorise the Youth Board to appoint the two additional Directors as soon as one year's finance is in hand.

W. A. BURLEY, Chairman.

N. R. SEDDON, Secretary.

C. T. SYMONS, Senior Youth Director.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received.
2. That all Methodist Youth Societies be incorporated in one Movement, which shall be called "The Christian Youth Movement (Methodist)."
3. That clauses 1 to 6 of the Report be adopted.
4. That clause 7 be referred back to the Youth Board for further consideration and report to Synods and Conference.
5. That this conference strongly recommends Conference to urge Local Churches to consider every possible means of maintaining vital contact with young men and women temporarily absent from the Home Church in the Armed Forces and Detention Camps, and of restoring them to active Church life on their return. To this end Conference offers the following suggestions:—
  1. That in each Local Church a committee comprised of representatives from the Leaders' Meeting and Local Youth Council be appointed to be responsible for this important work.

2. That the following ways and means of maintaining contact with absent members be explored:—

- a. The appointment of a person responsible for compiling lists of names and addresses of men and women absent on account of war conditions.
- b. Monthly or quarterly circular letters of greeting, containing local news, to be signed by the minister.
- c. Person to person letters.
- d. Sending of parcels.
- e. Sending of copies of the Link.

**3. Hospitality.**

- a. The compiling of lists of people willing to hospitable members of the Forces who attend Church Services.
- b. After Church suppers and social hours.

**4. Rehabilitation.**

- a. The appointment of a minister in larger Ports to meet Hospital ships and give a first welcome to returning Methodists.
- b. The continuation of hospitality lists after the war, to give opportunity for the entertainment of returned men and women in private homes.
- c. The use of existing Fellowship Groups, e.g. Men's and Women's Fellowships, Penguin Clubs, etc., for recapturing the interest of returned men and women in the life and work of the Church.
- d. The providing of a definite job for these men and women to do on their return.

**5. Lists of Remembrance.** We commend a practice in many Churches whereby all names of men and women absent on account of war, are read out and these persons prayed for, at Communion Services.

**6. Question at Quarterly Meetings.** That this question be asked at Quarterly Meetings:—

“What is being done to maintain contact with men and women absent from the Church Fellowship on account of war conditions, and what is being done to prepare for their rehabilitation to Church Life?”

**7.** That all existing organisations such as Summer and Winter Schools, B.C. Camps, Retreats, etc., be continued where possible during the war.

**8.** Owing to special conditions pertaining to men in Detention Camps, we recommend the following with the desire to maintain an unbroken fellowship in the Church during these days of war:—

- a. That all circular letters of greeting containing local Church news be sent to members in Detention Camps as well as to men and women in the Armed Forces.
- b. That where possible person to person letters be sent.
- c. That these men be remembered in prayer in public services of worship.
- d. That we recommend the scheme of visitation whereby specially appointed ministers visit Detention Camps for the conduct of Communion Services and personal contact with members of our Church.

9. Above all else, the Church must maintain its fellowship and witness, ever alive to the living issues of the hour, and faithful to its Divine Commission so that returning men and women will feel it abundantly worth their while to pledge afresh their loyalty and service.

10. **Spiritual Oversight of Men in the Armed Forces and Detention Camps.** That the matter of the spiritual oversight of Methodist young men in Detention Camps be the responsibility of District Chairmen who shall select suitable ministers to attend to this work, and that their names be forwarded to the Director of National Services.

11. **Morning Sunday Schools.** That the matter of the relative merit of morning and afternoon Sunday Schools be referred to the Youth Directors for further investigation.

12. **Correspondence Sunday Schools.** Conference records its appreciation of the excellent services of Mrs. W. A. Smith, Superintendent of the Correspondence Sunday School and her band of teachers.

13. **Newsletter to Men of the Forces.** That the Newsletter be continued and the cost be borne by the Contingent Fund.

14. The Youth Board be instructed to consult with the Youth Committees of the Presbyterian and Congregational Churches with a view to setting up a Youth Consultative Committee to promote co-operation in this sphere.

15. **Thanks to Youth Directors.** Conference records its appreciation of the excellent work being carried out by the three Youth Directors.

16. Conference records its appreciation of the booklets in support of the Campaign for Christian Order prepared by the Senior Youth Director, and also to the Youth Board for the Newsletter sent to the men in the Forces.

17. Conference records its appreciation of the outstanding services to the Church of the respective District Bible Class Unions during the past 20 years.

18. In the interests of the moral and religious welfare of the children and young people, Conference requests the Oil Fuel Controller to grant adequate allowances of petrol for cars used in Church Youth work in those districts requiring special consideration. Conference is also of the opinion that adequate supplies for lay preachers should be given sympathetic consideration, and that Revs. C. T. Symons and W. A. Burley approach the Oil Fuel Controller.

19. Conference urges the Government to recognise the position now obtaining in the Methodist Church of New Zealand of the alarming shortage of lay preachers and youth workers, and urges the Government to grant exemption from Home Guard and E.P.S. parades on Sunday to those who are especially needed for Church work.

20. Conference urges that where inexperienced young people are engaged on Sunday School staffs to fill vacancies, and especially where this problem is accentuated by the exigencies of the war, every endeavour be made to ensure the development of their spiritual life through their continuation in the Bible Classes and attendance at public worship.

## ERRATA IN 1942 MINUTES.

- p. 69 Par. 268 (b). Amend to read "The Sub-Council shall be appointed by the Conference on the recommendation of the Youth Board after Nomination by the District Youth Council."  
Par 268 (c), (3). Amend to read: "The District Sub-Council shall with the knowledge of the District Youth Council be in direct touch, etc."
- p. 70 Par. 272. Add sub-clause (f.). "Review in detail its own life and activities.' "
- p. 72. The first "Resolution" to read: "That the Report and Statistical Returns be received and adopted.  
Delete Resolution re "Newsletter" and substitute: "That the Youth Department prepare and forward a 'Newsletter' regularly to Methodist men in the Forces."  
In the following Resolution "overseas" to be replaced by "men in the Forces."  
Additional Resolution: "That Conference recommends the Contingent Fund to make sufficient funds available to enable the Youth Department to carry out the full programme of Temperance Education."
- p. 73. "Co-ordination Report." Delete Resolutions 1 and 2, and substitute the following:
1. That the Report be received and adopted as amended.
  2. That the new Constitution shall come into operation on 1st October, 1942.

**Youth Board.**—Ministers: Rev. W. A. Burley, R. Thornley, J. D. McArthur, R. Patchett, A. K. Petch. Laymen: Messrs. A. Johnston, H. W. Heyhoe, C. A. Russell, N. Seddon. Sunday School: Mrs. E. L. Masters, Miss Young, E. C. Heggie, one other. Y.M.B.C.: Rev. L. T. Willing, Rev. H. C. Dixon, Mr. S. Fellows, Mr. N. Tobin. Y.W.B.C.: Miss Hodder, Miss Bucknall, Miss D. Horwood, Miss O. Clist.

## DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCILS.

**AUCKLAND.**—Ministers: The Chairman of the District, Revs. H. C. Matthews, A. E. Waite and D. Hickman. Lay representatives: Misses E. Booth, R. Joynt, and Mr. D. Whitehead. Y.W.B.C.: Misses L. Hendra, A. Rogers, B. Brooke. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. S. B. Brooker, H. Bunby, J. C. Crawford. S.S.: Misses K. Smith and H. H. Marter, and Mr. B. Verry. Synod representative: Miss E. Booth.

**North Auckland Sub-District Youth Committee.**—Ministers of the Whangarei, Hikurangi, and Dargaville Circuits. Lay representatives: Messrs J. W. George, H. B. Martell, and A. Cameron. Y.W.B.C.: Mesdames G. Mallindine and Miss Slade, and Miss M. McKee. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. A. Lovett, J. Hills, and F. Lawrence. S.S.: Misses L. George, N. Hooper, and M. Lane.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND.**—The Chairman of the District, Ministers: Rev. J. W. Parker, J. L. Mitchell, J. S. Waite. Laymen: Mrs. J. Jebson, Miss Lorna Ewan, Mr. L. S. Hall. Y.W.B.C. representative: Miss Z. Peace, Miss S. Ladd, Miss J. Morrison. Y.M.B.C. representatives: Messrs J. Jebson, A. Clement, A. Mead. S.S. representatives: Mrs. C. Cook, Miss H. Silvester, Mr. H. Fow. Correspondence S.S. Superintendent: Mrs. W. A. Smith. Secretary: Miss Lorna Ewan.

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI.**—Rev. E. D. Patchett (Chairman), Revs. G. R. H. Peterson, I. S. Williamson, and S. J. Werren; Miss P. Tomlin, Messrs. L. V. Hosking and R. Bird. B.C. representatives: Misses K. Ellett, C. Squire, and D. Bennett; Messrs. L. Haycock and A. Symmans. S.S. representatives: Mr. E. J. Yearbury, Mrs. A. Symmans, and Rev. L. G. Hanna. Secretary: Rev. I. S. Williamson, with Committee to assist. Synod Representative: Rev. I. S. Williamson.

**Wanganui Sub-District Youth Committee.**—Ministers: Rev. E. B. Chambers (Vice-Chairman), Ministers of Wanganui North, Gonville, and Marton Circuits. Lay representatives: Messrs. W. Thrush, J. Thompson, a representative from Marton Circuit. Sunday School: Messrs. W. Howells, F. Whitlock, a representative from Marton Circuit. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. W. J. Robinson, E. Bassett, E. L. F. Buxton. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. N. Jones, Misses M. Ginn, R. Blakeley.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU.**—The Chairman of the District, Ministers of St. Paul's, Cuba Street, and Woodville Circuits, Miss M. Cunningham, Mr. O. Bettany (Secretary), Miss I. Highet, Messrs. L. Bycroft, W. A. Boniface, R. Waite (Y.M.B.C.), Mrs. R. Cobbe, Mrs. M. Fisher, Miss M. Tutty (Y.W.B.C.), Mrs. W. A. Boniface, Mr. E. Lock, and one other (S.S.).

**Hawke's Bay Sub. Council.**—Ministers of Napier and Hastings, Mrs. R. Adams, Miss E. Beale, Messrs. C. H. Bisson, H. H. Curry, J. H. Oldham, H. Toothill, H. S. Devenport, Miss G. Avery, Miss Shearer, Miss H. King. Rev. A. Blakemore and Mrs. Mason corresponding members. Chairman, Rev. R. B. Tinsley. Secretary, Mrs. M. Richards.

**WELLINGTON.**—Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., A. K. Petch, R. E. Patchett (Secretary); Miss A. Firth, Messrs. W. E. Howe, J. R. Horn. Sunday School representatives: Mrs. E. Masters, Messrs. A. G. Mackie, and D. Taylor. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. H. R. Laws, N. Tobin, W. G. Eisner. Y.W.B.C.: Misses J. Blackburn, R. Yearbury, and one other.

**NELSON.**—Revs. C. Blair, J. D. Grocott, T. Coatsworth, J. W. Bayliss. Lay members: Mrs. H. R. Holdaway, Mr. G. James (who is Secretary and representative to Synod), Mr. R. Marshall. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. H. R. Holdaway, J. Heatherington, C. Mayson. Y.W.B.C.: Misses J. Bannister, G. Holdaway, S. Pitt, Sunday School: Mr. S. A. M. Haigh, Miss S. Russell, and Mr. L. White.

**NORTH CANTERBURY.**—The Chairman of the District, Revs. M. A. Rugby Pratt, J. Silvester, and E. E. Sage, Messrs. E. H. Smith, F. Allott, D. Lane, T. P. Battersby, W. J. Burnell, A. Dingwall, N. James, G. MacKenzie; Misses H. Wise, D. Caygill, E. Collins, R. Turnpenny. Secretary, Rev. J. Silvester. Synod representative: Mr. F. Allott.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY.**—The Chairman of District. The Ministers of the three Timaru Circuits. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. Burnet, Miss L. Duggan, Miss H. Layson. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. E. J. Thompson, H. Smith, S. Blanchard. S.S.: Mr. J. C. Butcher, Miss R. Hodson, Mr. J. McGeorge. Lay Members: Mr. J. Thompson, Mr. F. Mathews, Mrs. W. Mathews. Secretary and Synod representative: Miss R. Hodson.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.—The Chairman of the District, Revs. W. R. Laws, B.A., J. S. Willoughby, B. M. Tasker, B.A., H. E. Harkness, M.A., Misses O. McCrone, E. Nixon, F. Nixon, R. Prout, H. Clyde, M. Catchpole; Messrs. C. Chirnside, C. Scarf and B. Thompson. Secretary: Mr. C. Chirnside.

Otago-Southland Sub-district Youth Centre.—The Chairman of District, Revs. A. E. Jefferson, W. Greenslade, W. Challenger; Miss E. J. Wright, Mrs. Mercier, Mrs. S. Brown. Y.W.B.C.: Misses B. Farley, E. Mitchell, Mrs. T. Thomson. Y.M.B.C.: Mr. L. Clark, V. Clark, A. Gandell. Sunday School: Mrs. Needham, Mrs C. Jamieson, Mr. D. Brown. Secretary: Miss E. Mitchell.

QUESTION XXXV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to Public Questions?

#### PUBLIC QUESTIONS COMMITTEE.

##### 1.—BIBLE IN SCHOOLS.

The verdict that leaders of the great democracies have given that the war is waged in defence of Christian civilisation suggests the question—why in the curricula of the national schools is the teaching of Christianity forbidden? There is a growing consciousness of this glaring inconsistency. Citizens are also being stabbed broad awake by revelations of juvenile delinquency. It might be asked whether the Church has taken full advantage of the facilities offered for Bible teaching. Inadequate though they are, they are by no means to be underrated. To the extent they are used they give a unique opportunity to Ministers and Christian teachers, they prepare the way for more adequate provisions, and act as an acid test of the sincerity, or at least the practical realism of the demand for a religious system of public school education.

There are evidences of intention on the part of the Christian Churches to institute a Christian order in education. To accomplish this the maintenance of unity is a first essential. Without it the way is open for the secularists and rationalists to gain at the expense of divided Churches. For the preservation of unity—such unity as the Bible in Schools League has helped to gain after long negotiation—two dangers need to be watched. One of them is an aim to open the way for sectarian teaching in the State Schools. The other is sure to appear on the horizon directly any serious move is made; it is the demand for State aid for denominational schools.

The League's policy with respect to the former favours the teaching of Christian doctrine held in common, but excluding anything distinctively denominational. With respect to the latter it has a neutral position, leaving to the several Churches in the League and to its individual members perfect liberty to support or to oppose. National systems with a religious basis are found in countries where State grants are given. They are found also where such grants are withheld. The main claim by Roman Catholics is based on the secular teaching given in their schools, and they agree that the League's Bill, while it does not involve additional public expenditure, does not affect their claim by aiming at Bible teaching for those whose parents desire that such should be given.

The League's work in the public schools has steadily progressed. A big advance is noted in secondary schools in recent years. The Dominion Council seeks a continuance of the support accorded in past

years, and appreciates the practical service in the schools rendered by so many voluntary helpers.

In regard to resolution 4, P. 75, 1942 Minutes, this matter was raised at a meeting of the Dominion Council of the Bible-in-Schools League early in the year, and information was given that the Wanganui Education Board was securing the information requested . . . this information was regarded as satisfactory for the present time.

## 2.—TEMPERANCE.

No person, having the welfare of the citizens of this country at heart, can view without the deepest concern and ever-increasing alarm, the present moral and spiritual landslide in the social life of this Dominion. It is significant that an astounding acceleration in the Drink Trade, the public expenditure on liquor since the war began being somewhere about £30,000,000, is accompanied by an appalling increase in sexual crime and social disease. It was brought to the attention of the Committee that during the period of restricted rail service, needed foodstuffs were held up while liquor was given preference.

The Police Report figures reveal the dangerous inroads which the liquor traffic is making into the social life of this country. The prosecutions for illegal sales of liquor to youths under 21 have increased from 18 in 1933 to 76 in 1941; while prosecutions for illegal sales and supplies to Maoris have increased from 87 in 1933 to 440 in 1941. Charges for drunkenness are reported to have decreased from 5935 in 1939 to 4887 in 1941, but these figures are misleading in that they do not reveal the true position with regard to drunkenness. Since 1939 the man-power of the country has been gradually conscripted for military service, and most of the cases of drunkenness among members of the Armed Forces do not come before the Civil Courts, but are dealt with by the military authorities.

During the year the Government passed the Licensing Emergency Regulations Act, and while the Government is to be commended on the steps thus taken to restrict the advertising and sales of intoxicating liquors, and to eliminate the vulgar habit of drinking such intoxicating liquor on trains, and other public conveyances, much more drastic action is necessary to check the activities of the liquor traffic if the present rapid decline in public morals is to be arrested.

It is a cause of strong disappointment that the carrying out of the Temperance Programme as prepared by the Youth Board of our own Church, has been so long delayed owing to lack of adequate financial support.

The indefinite postponement of the Parliamentary elections, and the present awakening of the public conscience with regard to social evils, afford an excellent opportunity for Temperance Education.

## 3.—JUVENILE DELINQUENCY.

Juvenile delinquency has been under considerable discussion of late, but lack of knowledge has led to confusion of thought and inaccurate reports. The following facts may be instructive:

Juvenile delinquency has been dealt with in special Children's Courts since 1926, which were set up under the Child Welfare Act, 1925. In 1927 an amending Act came into force to cover the omissions in the 1925 legislation.

The ages of the children brought before this Court range from birth to 17 years. Some cases between the ages of 17 and 18 years are referred down from the S.M. Court for hearing in the Juvenile Court at the Magistrate's discretion. The types of charges fall mainly into two categories—(a) environmental causes and (b) defective behaviour.

- (a) **Environmental causes** covers charges of "indigence," "not under proper control," "living in an environment detrimental to physical or moral wellbeing," "living in a place of ill-repute," etc. Thus this class covers the main factors contributing to defective home environment of children serious enough to necessitate action being taken to protect the family concerned.
- (b) **Defective behaviour** is usually an offence committed by the child concerned. The charge may be "delinquent behaviour" or any offence under the Police Offences Act or the Justices of the Peace Act such as "theft," "breaking and entering," "arson," or conversion of car or any indictable offence."

The first group falls mainly within the ages of 1 to 10 years, and the second group within the ages of 10 to 17 years.

A survey taken of the records for the past six years of Children's Court returns shows a steady increase in the number of cases from 2,273 in 1935 to 2,934 in 1941. This, however, does not reveal the true position concerning the increase in juvenile delinquency, as it does not include the returns of the youthful offender between the ages of 17 and 21 years who appears before the S.M. Court.

The types of offence that are on the increase provoke thought as to causes. They are as follows:—

1. **Offences against property**, e.g., theft, breaking and entering, and car conversion. The last mentioned has increased heavily during recent years.
2. **Offences against morality**, e.g., drunkenness, sexual offences and juvenile prostitution. The increases in these charges is causing widespread concern and is partly due to war-time conditions.

It is urgently necessary that both causes and remedies of juvenile delinquency should be thoroughly investigated, as this state of affairs strikes at the roots of the nation's health and standards of life.

Certain factors emerge and present themselves as predominating causes. They are:—

- (a) **Parental irresponsibility and example.** It is challenging that of all the cases that appear in the Courts, it may be stated fairly that in about 80% thereof, the parents are really the culprits. They have not met their responsibilities or given their children proper oversight or training, or they have by their own example, set a bad standard before their families.
- (b) **Lack of religious education and training.** This lack is very evident in the outlook of the children that appear, and is the frequent cause of a wrong outlook on life and work, and of an irresponsible attitude concerning conduct. Without such education and training, a false sense of values prevails in relation to truth, honesty, integrity, and material goods.

- (c) **Need for education regarding the use of leisure.** This is strikingly apparent to all social workers. There is an acute lack of adequate facilities for occupying the leisure time of youth. Cyril Burt, the great authority on child psychology and juvenile delinquency, states that 90% of juvenile crime is committed during leisure time. It is noticeable in Court work, how often the charge reads—"on a Sunday afternoon" such and such an offence was committed, obviously when the child concerned was unoccupied and unsupervised.

Surely the Church should be awake to the problem presented by juvenile delinquency and to her opportunity through youth work to combat its increase, also to stir parents to realise their obligation and responsibilities to child life. If, as stated, a wrong outlook and attitude to life is a basic cause of youth's defective behaviour, the Church has the message that can correct the outlook and help the individual child to adjust its personal relationship to life. Only the Christian message can achieve this transformation and to try to deal with juvenile delinquency without a Christian basis is both hopeless and ineffective.

#### **The Home and the Family.**

The Conference views with concern the trends in our community which endanger home and family life and undermine the responsibility of parents for their children:—

For example, the demand in certain quarters for the setting up of nursery schools by the Government with a view to freeing married women with dependent children for essential work.

A particular plan proposed in Wellington is an experiment with two kindergarten schools in the city. It is suggested that instead of opening from 9 a.m. to 12 noon daily they open from 7.30 a.m. to 5 p.m., the children to be fed on the premises. The staff would be increased to cope with the extra work.

While fully recognising the claims of industry we must affirm the fundamental importance of the home as the basis of our national life. A further conviction is that the first duty of parents is to their children. We feel that the proposals are unwise because they tend to weaken the home and minimise parental responsibility.

In the great majority of cases nothing can adequately take the place of the parent-child relationship . . . a child's chief essential is personal love.

The motives of economic need and the desire for more money can never be sanctioned by the Church when they mean moral hurt to individuals and the nation.

#### **4.—CHRISTIAN ORDER.**

Moved by a deepening conviction that "war is one symptom of a disease of maladjustment resulting from loss of conviction concerning the reality and character of God and the true nature and destiny of man," we reaffirm the resolution on "New World Order" (1942 Minutes, page 80.) We also direct the attention of our Methodist people to the Report of the Conference Peace Committee (1942 Minutes, pp. 80-82).

Every Christian is called to review his Christian discipleship, his thinking, his praying and his living, in the light of the Christian principles set out in the above resolutions. They call for study and action. This war-stricken world challenges every man, in the words

of Professor Zimmern, "to enlarge his vision so as to bear in mind that the public affairs of the twentieth century are world affairs." This surely means that the Christian principle of self-sacrifice must be extended beyond our national frontiers.

We recommend the study of the Christian Order booklets published for the National Council of Churches in New Zealand Campaign for Christian Order, 1942. The following books offer a good introduction to this whole field:—

Christianity and World Order—Bishop of Chichester	1940
The Resurrection of Christendom—J. H. Oldham	.... 1940
Christian and Social Order—William Temple	.... 1942

#### The Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs.

The above Council, which has met many times since it was established in December, 1942, has discussed and taken action upon the following matters, which, while not exhaustive, may be taken as typical of the questions which engage the attention of the Council.

Matters arising out of war, The raising and use of Patriotic Funds, E.P.S. and Home Guard matters, Theological students and Territorial service, The entertainment of U.S.A. Troops, United Churches All-Services' Club, Sunday parades of A.T.C., W.A.A.F.'s, Home Guard, etc., Defaulters' Camps, Chaplaincy matters, Mothers and war work, Wet canteens in Territorial Camps.

#### General Questions.

Moral Purity, Juvenile Delinquency, Prison reform, The State and Youth.

#### Liquor Traffic.

In March, 1942, a deputation from the Council waited on the Ministers of Health and Justice to urge in the interests of National Efficiency:—

1. Strict enforcement of the Liquor Laws.
2. Reduction of alcoholic content.
3. Reduction of the quantity of liquor manufactured.

Representatives from our Church have attended the frequent meetings of this Council. Much time has been given to War problems. On certain questions where there is a diversity of conviction it is recognised that Churches must act on their own initiative and the Constitution of the Council provides for this. When the Council is united on any issue, it is found to be an effective and powerful instrument.

### RESOLUTIONS.

#### I. BIBLE-IN-SCHOOLS.

1. That the Report on Bible-in-Schools with the exception of the final paragraph, be received and adopted.

2. That this Conference appreciates the fact that the statistics called for by Resolution 4, Minutes of Conference 1942, page 75, have been made available through the Wanganui Education Board, and trusts that these will be circulated at an early date. Such circulation to be arranged by the Committee.

3. That the Bible-in-Schools League be recommended to prepare Bible pictures to correspond with the Lesson Syllabus, and that the use of Scripture gift Gospels be developed throughout the Dominion.

4. This Conference records its gratification at the increased facilities being given for Bible instruction under the Nelson system, as a result of the work of the Bible-in-Schools League, but considers that the scheme is weakened by the lack of a generally approved curriculum for the use of those conducting such instruction.

5. That the Conference bring before the notice of the National Council of Churches and the New Zealand Bible-in-Schools League, the necessity for unity and co-operation between the two bodies in dealing with the question of religious education.

6. That we reaffirm Resolution 2 of the Minutes of Conference, 1942, page 75, whereby Conference rejoices to learn of the increasing facilities for religious observance being provided in the schools of the Dominion, but asserting at the same time that it cannot be satisfied until religion is accepted as an integral part of the school curriculum.

7. Conference reaffirms its support of the work and policy of the Bible-in-Schools' League, and commends to Quarterly Meetings a financial appeal on lines similar to those of previous years.

8. That the representatives on the Dominion Council of the Bible-in-Schools' League be by the Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., and A. K. Petch, of Wellington, and the Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt, and J. Haller, of Christchurch.

9. That the Conference records its appreciation of the faithful and successful work of the Rev. E. O. Blamires as organising-secretary of the Bible-in-Schools' League.

## II. TEMPERANCE.

1. That the Report on Temperance be received and adopted.

2. That the Youth Board be instructed to make further attempts to institute the Temperance Programme approved by the Conference of 1941 (Minutes of Conference 1941, page 62), and that Circuits be requested to assist with the necessary finance.

3. That representations be made to the Minister of Education, and that deputations from the Churches and of the New Zealand Alliance wait on Education Boards with a view to securing the implementation of the Temperance teaching already provided for in the curriculum of the primary schools.

4. That representations be made by the Churches of the New Zealand Alliance to the Minister of Health with a view to securing wider publication of authoritative facts regarding the effects of alcohol on health.

5. That the Conference, while congratulating the Government on its attempts to check the consumption of liquor by recent amendments to the Licensing Laws, still expresses concern at the alarming proportions the drink evil has attained; at the very many young men and women in our land who are falling victim to intemperance, and to other evils consequent thereto; and at the adverse effect liquor has upon national health and efficiency. It stresses upon the Government the imperative necessity for a stricter enforcement of its own laws, and urges:

- (i) That more effective measures be instituted to check the numerous breaches of the law in respect of illicit sale and consumption of intoxicants outside hours, and especially at week-ends.

- (ii) That the Government be informed by a Deputation of the Methodist Church in collaboration with the New Zealand Alliance, concerning the necessity of the enforcement of liquor laws in respect of the C.O.D. system, sly-grogging, home-brewing, and the frequent abuses of the law in the proclaimed area of the King Country, and that other Churches should be asked to co-operate.
- (iii) That the Government introduce a system of rationing, similar to that prevailing in the cordial manufacturing industry, in respect to the production and distribution of intoxicant liquor; and in view of the sugar shortage for urgent domestic purposes and large quantities still being used for the manufacture of liquor, a drastic reduction in the supply of sugar, and also of grain, is called for in the brewing industry.
- (iv) That a Royal Commission be set up to investigate questions concerning the production, consumption, and distribution of liquor in New Zealand, and its effect upon the physical, moral, and economic welfare of the land.

6. That more effective measures be adopted to prevent the consumption of intoxicants by minors, whether civilians or in the Armed Forces.

7. That the Public Questions Committee be requested to investigate the "wine" position, and take appropriate action in association with other Churches.

8. The Conference appreciates the restrictions already placed on the use of sugar in the brewing industry, but the staggering fact remains that sugar consumption for the manufacture of alcoholic liquor in the Dominion increased from nearly 25,000 cwt. in 1935 to more than 51,000 cwt. in 1941-42. In view of the severe curtailment suffered by many industries, and by the public generally, and in view of the grave possibilities facing the nation, the Conference feels that sugar, grain, and other essential commodities should be consumed and used towards the maintenance of the life and health of the people.

9. That this Conference, in view of its uncompromising attitude to the liquor traffic and the inherent dangers associated therewith, urges upon our people to refrain from the use of intoxicants as beverages on every occasion, and to encourage in others the practice of total abstinence.

10. The Conference records its confidence that our Methodist people will not permit the changes in the fortunes of the Temperance movement to alter their conviction that the liquor traffic continues to be one of the greatest hindrances to the principle of true religion, and to the temporal well-being of the people; and pledges itself to work and pray for the complete abolition of the traffic.

(11) That Conference arrange through the Youth Board for the printing of suitable pledge cards for young people and adults, and that an active pledge-signing campaign be carried out in all Circuits.

(12) That this Conference expresses its appreciation of the work of the New Zealand Alliance, and assures it of its continued interest and support.

### III. JUVENILE DELINQUENCY.

1. That the report, with the exception of the change from "it is challenging" to "it has been stated," and the consequential omission of "fairly" in 2 (a) of the report, be received and adopted.

2. This Conference expresses its deep concern at the grave incidence of juvenile delinquency. It declares its conviction that such delinquency is largely due to defective family relationships, weakened parental discipline, undesirable conditions of leisure and work, and fundamentally to a lack of that religious training and spiritual basis, without which the legal and moral codes lack meaning. It calls upon the Government to take steps where possible to deal with the growing evil. The Conference further urges our people to exercise more parental control, give closer attention to the religious education of the young, and gravely to instruct our young people in the use of leisure.

3. This Conference rejoices to hear of the work being done by our Youth Directors in the matter of parent education, and urges Ministers to arrange meetings of young mothers, to be addressed by competent parents on the subject of home-life, child nurture, and kindred topics.

4. That in view of the obvious need for a fuller and better education of young people both on the facts of sex and the right attitude towards it, the Department of Education be asked by the Church to investigate the whole problem of providing such instruction in Schools, Colleges, and Training Colleges.

5. This Conference urges upon every congregation, especially by a strong and balanced youth work and a ministry to the home, to become a centre of concern and action in regard to the situation revealed in the Report.

6. That the Rev. R. J. Liddell be nominated to the Child Welfare Department as our official representative in Auckland.

7. That in view of the popularity and potent influence of the radio, this Conference requests the producing authorities to raise the standard of juvenile entertainment.

8. That this Conference, realising the influence of talking pictures on the child mind, requests the Government to take steps to exclude children from pictures that are recommended by the censor as suitable for adult audiences only.

The Home and Family.—That this section be received.

### IV. CHRISTIAN ORDER.

1. That the Report under Christian Order be received and adopted, with the addition of the following words after the final sentence—"and recommend that both sections be printed in the minutes of Conference, 1943."

2. That while recognising the good work being done by the whole Church in helping to build Christian homes, the Conference believes that a still greater effort is needed, and recommends the National Council of Churches to consider the inclusion in the Campaign programme, of a Christian Family Week on the lines of that organised by the United Church of Canada in May, 1942, in order to focus attention upon a matter of fundamental importance.

3. This Conference recommends the study of the Christian Order booklets published by the National Council of Churches in New Zealand Campaign for Christian Order, 1942. The following books offered a good introduction to this whole field:—"Christianity and World Order," Bishop of Chichester, 1940; "The Resurrection of Christendom," J. H. Oldham, 1940; "Christianity and the Social Order," 1942.

4. This Conference views with approval the work of the Campaign for Christian Order, and is convinced that the time has come when the whole Church must consider courageously and impartially how the principles enunciated may best be applied to specific problems. It therefore calls upon our Methodist people to give systematic and thorough consideration to individual and social implications of the Christian message with a view to the formulation of a Gospel practical in form and relevant to the needs of this period of change.

5. That the participation of the Methodist Church of New Zealand in the Campaign for Christian Order be continued during 1943.

#### **The Inter-Church Council of Public Affairs.**

That this section be received and adopted, and that the representatives to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs be as nominated in the Report.

### **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.**

1. That the Revs. M. A. Rugby Pratt and J. H. Allen and Mr. W. Charles Francis be appointed representatives of the Methodist Church on the National Council of Churches; and that after the Annual Meeting of the Council, the representatives be the Revs. W. A. Burley, M. A. Rugby Pratt, and R. Thornley, with the Rev. J. H. Allen as alternative representative.

2. That Conference expresses its pleasure that the National Council of Churches has taken up the matter of the conferring of Degrees in Divinity by the University of New Zealand.

#### **Miscellaneous Resolutions.**

**Gambling:** That we urge our people to abstain from participation in raffles and other forms of gambling, particularly in relation to raising money for patriotic purposes and Red Cross.

**Sunday Observance:** (a) This Conference cannot view with equanimity the continual undermining of Christian standards by the increasing misuse of the Christian Sunday. It urges that in every way possible the claims of the Lord's Day be emphasised in order that our Christian heritage may be safeguarded.

(b) That the Public Questions Committee be asked to draft a pronouncement on Sunday observance for submission to Synods, and the Conference of 1944.

#### **Freedom of Conscience.**

The Conference recognises that the Christian conscience of most of our people constrains them to active participation in the war effort, either at home and abroad. Adhering to the principle of freedom of conscience which should be respected, it declares that any who, for conscience reasons, sincerely held and attested, are unwilling to bear arms, should render some form of alternate sacrificial service to the country in whose privileges they share. Conference assures them of their place within the fellowship of the Church.

### **Non-delivery of letters of greeting sent to men in Prison Camps.**

Resolved to forward the memorial of the Huntly Circuit to the Public Questions Committee in Wellington, together with a statement by Rev. G. I. Laursen of his experiences, the committee being advised to obtain a copy of the letter sent to the men and authorised to take action.

That the Public Questions Committee give consideration to the drawing up of standing resolutions indicating the basic principles dealing with the social evils of the day, such as gambling, conscientious objectors, alcoholic liquor, Bible-in-schools, etc.

### **Public Questions Committee for 1943:—**

Revs. E. O. Blamires, W. A. Burley, M.A., J. D. McArthur, H. C. Dixon, R. Thornley, M.A., A. K. Petch (Convener); Mesdames Maun-der and Steptoe, Miss Tocker; Messrs. A. B. Cochran, C. H. Hain, A. C. Barrington, J. V. Burton, Cyril Burton, G. E. Rushworth, and T. M. Pacey.

### **Representatives to Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs:—**

Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., J. D. McArthur, A. K. Petch.

### **QUESTION XXXVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Church and other Properties?**

#### **A.—GENERAL REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.**

The following matters were reported to Synods and adopted by Conference:—

#### **1. Properties Acquired.**

Astley Home, Mount Albert—1 acre Gift. Value £3500.

Campbells Bay— $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. £140.

Kohukohu—8.3 perches. £250.

Miramar—20.3 perches and dwelling. £1424.

Cargill Road, Dunedin—13.34 perches. £185.

Oteramika Road, Invercargill—38.8 perches. Gift.

Heidelberg, Invercargill—1 rood. Debt £45.

#### **2. Erections and Additions.**

Campbells Bay—Clinic Room. Cost £469.

Dargaville—Additions. Cost 1135. Debt £146.

Springvale—Additions. Cost £274. No debt.

Beckenham—B.C. Rooms. Cost £325.

#### **3. Sales and Extended Leases.**

Otahuhu—Parsonage and  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. £725. Balance over debt for new parsonage.

Pukekohe—2 acres 2 roods 12 perches. £1497. Proceeds held by G.P.T. Board for developmental work.

Wairere— $\frac{1}{2}$  acre. £10. Proceeds for developmental work.

Dargaville—10 acres 3 roods. £760. Proceeds for debt reduction.

Ohakune— $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. £130. Of proceeds £75 to G.P.T. Board for future work; £25 refund to Sites Fund; £30 to Raetihi parsonage debt.

**Belvedere**—Building only, £40. Proceeds for earthquake damage at Carterton.

**Stratford**—Shops leased, 5 years, £5 weekly, plus half rates.

**Blenheim**—10 feet by 132 feet, leased 50 years, for £100, paid in advance.

#### 4. Circuit Accounts.

##### RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Credit Balance from last year—General Account	13,828	14	0
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes	43,198	13	7
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund	3,815	0	0
Loans from Other Sources	2,149	10	11
All Other Receipts	69,826	14	6
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>132,818</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Debit Balances</b>	<b>20,486</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>153,305</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>

##### EXPENDITURE.

Debit Balance from Last Year	24,591	19	1
Loan Fund Instalments	3,224	5	6
Other Loans Repaid	11,571	2	8
Interest on Loans and on Bank Overdraft	5,414	16	8
Purchase of Land, Erections or Additions to Bldgs.	9,799	18	10
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc.	36,698	15	6
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>91,300</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Credit Balances</b>	<b>9,133</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Balances held for Special Purposes</b>	<b>52,871</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>153,305</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>

#### 5. Statement of Debt.

	£	s.	d.
Mortgage Debt at End of Previous Year	136,063	7	9
Add New Loans Received During Year	5,966	19	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>142,030</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>
Deduct Loans Repaid During Year	15,329	4	9
<b>Amount of Mortgage Debt at End of Year</b>	<b>126,701</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>
Unpaid General Accounts	,920	6	6
Unpaid Interest	174	4	0
Contingent Liability	2,000	0	0

#### 6. Fire Insurance.

Total of Fire Insurance Reported	£901,359	15	0
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### 7. District Secretaries for Church Properties.

Auckland.—Mr S. E. Chappell, 61 Valley Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland S.2.

South Auckland.—Mr. W. B. L. Williams, 60 River Road, Hamilton.

Taranaki-Wanganui.—Mr. G. H. White, 329 Devon Street W., New Plymouth.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu.—Mr. C. E. Taylor, Ranfurly Road, Feilding.

Wellington.—Mr. S. T. S. Martin, 11 Millward Street, Wellington, S.1.

Nelson.—Mr. W. D. Pike, "Honiton," Main Street, Blenheim.

North Canterbury.—Mr. J. W. Hillary, P.O. Box 552, Christchurch, C.1.

South Canterbury.—Mr. A. Langdon Hudson, P.O. Box 244, Timaru.

Otago-Southland.—Mr. J. McIndoe, P.O. Box 48, Waimate.

### 8. General.

The General Property Returns reveal reduced activity in the acquirement of properties, a reduction of receipts and a reduction of expenditure on building enterprises. The mortgage debts reported are £11,297/6/8 less than a year ago.

The District Secretaries have served with zeal and ability. All are recommended for reappointment excepting Mr. H. C. Wood, of South Auckland, who is engaged in military service and who is being succeeded by Mr. W. B. L. Williams.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT,

General Secretary for Church Property.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be adopted and printed in the Minutes.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the District Secretaries for their valuable service and that those named in the report be appointed for the ensuing Connexional year.
3. That the Circuit Property Schedules, with the audited Balance Sheets, be sent to the District Secretaries not later than October 31st, and that the revised Schedules with Summaries and Reports be sent by the District Secretaries to the General Secretary not later than December 10.
4. That the Property Schedules from Home Mission Stations be sent to the Chairman of the District not later than October 31st, and after due scrutiny, sent by him to the District Secretary without delay.
5. That with a view to facilitating the work of the District Secretary, Circuit Superintendents be directed to carry out the totals of the several columns, and to see that a correct balance is secured on each Schedule.
6. That the attention of the Auditors be called to the essential importance of seeing that the balances brought forward agree in every case with the balance given in the preceding year's accounts.
7. That where moneys are raised for special purposes, they should not be used temporarily for other purposes, as such breach of trust involves the trustees in personal liability.
8. That all moneys held in Trust for special purposes be invested only in those securities authorised by the "Trustees Act, 1908," or its amendments. (See Minutes 1940, page 90.)

## B.—CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

### REPORT FOR 1942.

The audited financial statements show the position of the Fund. The sum of £3,482/11/7 has been received in repayment of loans. New loans have been advanced aggregating £3,535/3/3. Loans now current amount to £21,469/5/9. The Sites Fund has made grants to Kaitaia £30, Campbell's Bay £30, and to Invercargill (St. Peter's) £30, for acquiring a suburban property. Sixteen loans have been fully repaid during the year and eight new loans advanced.

The Committee has given advice to trustees on many property problems. It has also insisted upon elevating standards of design in church buildings. Action has also been taken for the reservation at Mount Albert of sections for church purposes.

The following are nominated as the Committee for next Connexional year: The Connexional Secretary, the District Chairman; the superintendent ministers of Durham Street, Christchurch East, Woolston and Papanui; The Revs. E. Drake, A. N. Scotter; Messrs. H. de R. Flesher (Lay Treasurer), R. W. Brighting, J. H. Kidd, H. J. S. Harrington, S. Sayers, W. Melville Lawry, S. H. Maddren, S. L. Jones, and H. R. Best.

The Committee has given its sanction to the following:—Sanction to sell will lapse if not acted upon by 31st March, 1944.

#### I.—SALES.

**Wesley College Board:** (a) 3 acres 2 roods 21 perches, and 2 acres 9.9 perches at Paerata for road widening. (b) 293 acres Mount Albert and Greenwood Roads to the Crown for £19,000. Proceeds to pay off capital liabilities.

**Auckland Mission:** 50 feet of parsonage frontage. Proceeds for new Mission premises.

**Brown's Bay:** Section, £80, proceeds for Health Camp.

**Birkenhead:** Parsonage £850, Lot 3 £150; proceeds for new parsonage. Proceeds to be held in trust with the Lay Treasurer of the Loan Fund as one of the trustees.

**Onehunga:** Lot I. Grey Street, not less than £125. Proceeds to G.P.T. Board in trust for Onehunga.

**Kaero:** Small mission section for £40.

**Pukekohe:** Balance of Section 21 for not less than £105. Proceeds to be held in trust for Pukekohe by G.P.T. Board.

**White Hills:** Section for not less than £7.

**Waikato Maori Mission:** Property at Hamilton East. Proceeds for Deaconess Depot at Hamilton.

**Ohakune:** Property for £130. Proceeds to be allocated as follows: £25 refund to Sites Fund; £75 to G.P.T. Board in trust for Ohakune; £30 for repayment of final instalments of Raetihi loan.

**Rongotea:** Old P.M. Property. Proceeds for new school.

**Belvedere:** Property for £45. Proceeds to G.P.T. Board in trust for capital expenditure in Carterton circuit.

**Belmont:** Property for £75. Proceeds towards cost of site at Naenae.

**Ross and Kokatahi:** Sale for best price procurable. Proceeds to reduce Hokitika trust debt.

## II.—LEASE.

Paeroa Hall to the Crown for £78 per annum.

## III.—MORTGAGES.

NIL.

### District Property Advisory Committees.

Each Synod is requested to nominate one minister and one layman to act with the Chairman of the District (convener) and the District Secretary for Church Property as a District Property Advisory Committee.

On behalf of the Committee,  
J. H. ALLEN, Chairman.  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT, Secretary.

Christchurch,  
16th October, 1942.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes.

2. That the sanction given by the Committee for the sale or extended lease of properties as reported, be confirmed and ratified by the Conference.

(N.B.—The sanction above mentioned will lapse if not acted upon by March 31st, 1944.)

### DISTRICT PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

The Chairmen and the District Property Secretaries are in all cases ex officio members of the District Property Advisory Committees. The following additional members are nominated for their respective Districts:—

Auckland.—Revs. G. Frost, E. T. Olds, Messrs. J. Tyler and J. W. Shackelford.

South Auckland.—The Ministers of Hamilton and Hamilton East Circuits; Messrs. E. J. Davey, A. Bettany, and W. B. Young.

Taranaki-Wanganui.—Rev. I. S. Williamson and Mr. M. Barnitt.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu.—The Superintendents of the Palmerston North and Feilding Circuits; Messrs. G. Young and C. Woodfield.

Wellington.—Revs. J. D. McArthur, F. J. Parker, and Mr. C. H. Hain, LL.B.

Nelson.—The Ministers of the Blenheim Circuit; Messrs. H. Oldham, F. H. Southgate, and J. S. White.

South Canterbury.—Rev. O. Burnet and Mr. J. Thompson.

Otago-Southland.—Mr. C. F. Roberts, Rev. W. Greenslade, and Mr. S. Froggatt.

### C.—REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.

During the year a number of church deeds have been received for safe custody. Many trust registrations have been effected and former registrations revised. The customary details have not been tabulated in view of the necessity to conserve space in these abnormal days of paper shortage.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT,  
Custodian of Deeds and Authorised Representative.

Christchurch,  
16th October, 1942.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes.
2. That in accordance with "The Methodist Church Property Trust Act, 1887," the Rev. Major Albert Rugby Pratt be appointed Authorised Representative for the year 1943-1944.
3. That the Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt be appointed Custodian of Deeds for the ensuing year.
4. That it be a direction to all trusts and circuits to deposit their records wherever possible with the Custodian of Deeds.

**QUESTION XXXVII.—What is the Condition of the Various Mission Educational and General Connexional Properties and Investments?**

### 1.—THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.

**Report for the Year Ending 31st October, 1942.**

The Board records a difficult but satisfactory year's work. After contributing £200 to the Theological College and effecting repairs to the various buildings, costing £604, the Bank overdraft was reduced by £365 and now stands at £337.

The members of the Board are:—Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.; Rev. Dr. Laws, Rev. Dr. Ranston, Messrs. W. Ambury, A. J. Buttle, J. H. Blackwell, T. L. Hames, W. E. Lewisham, A. W. Parker, J. Stanton, J. Tyler, and F. Winstone.

JAS. TYLER,  
Chairman.

### 2.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE.

**Report for Year Ending September, 1942.**

The Annual Meeting of Trustees was held in Pitt Street Church Parlour on October 27th.

The Annual Balance Sheet was received and adopted subject to audit.

The Balance Sheet presents a capital reserve of £1700 on loan at call and £229/19/6 balance at Auckland Savings Bank, rents paid to September 30th. The balance is held in accordance with resolution to build up a fund to meet liabilities at end of lease in 1957 for buildings erected.

Rev. Eric W. Hames and Mr. C. K. Wigglesworth were elected Trustees.

E. T. OLDS, Chairman.  
JOHN W. SHACKELFORD, Secretary.

### 3.—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD.

**REPORT FOR 1942.**

The Board of Management has met as needed during the year to deal with applications for assistance.

The sum of £418/19/2 has been distributed as grants. Though the year closes with a credit balance of £171/13/4 the Board has given in grants £8/16/10 in excess of its annual income, and expects the balance to be much reduced in the near future. The Capital

funds amount to £11,554/16/8. During the year 30 different persons have been financially assisted, thanks to the kindly foresight of the late Mr. James Trounson.

When giving this money Mr. Trounson had especially in mind to help such persons (other than ministers in Circuit work) who had rendered long, faithful and active service for the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The present members of the Board are:—Rev. Dr. Ranston (Chairman), Rev. W. A. Sinclair and Mr. J. Stuart Caughey (Treasurers); Revs. W. Walker, G. I. Laurensen, H. E. Bellhouse; Messrs. W. Ambury, J. E. Astley, C. K. Wigglesworth, L. Peak, F. Penn; Miss A. E. Rogers (Secretary).

H. RANSTON, Chairman.

A. E. ROGERS, Secretary.

#### 4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS.

##### ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference the Annual Report of the Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments.

##### Rev. P. R. Paris.

The Board suffered a severe blow in the untimely death of its Chairman, the late Rev. P. R. Paris. The sincere sympathy of the Board is extended to the members of his family.

##### Masterton Children's Home.

It was with regret that the Board accepted the resignation of the Matron, Miss Allan, whose never failing care and understanding sympathy have endeared her to every child who has passed through the Home in the past eighteen years. Miss Allan has been in indifferent health for some time, and it is hoped that now she has been relieved of the worries of her position she may be speedily restored to good health.

It was decided to appoint a Master and Matron at the Home, and Mr. and Mrs. Bateup have now taken up their duties. The Board wishes them every success in their work for the children.

The Board wishes to record its appreciation of the work done by the staff and the Committee during the year, and also to express its gratitude to Dr. Prior for all that he has done to safeguard the health of the children.

##### Bequests.

The Board gratefully acknowledges receipt of bequests totalling £466/7/3 during the year. This sum has been added to the Capital Account of the Home, which now stands at £7,782/16/11.

##### Financial.

Net revenue for the year amounted to £1,286/11/7. Expenses in connection with the Home amounted to £342/10/6, and a grant of £400 was made to the Rangiatea Maori Girls' School. The balance of revenue amounting to £544/1/1 has been transferred to Capital Account, bringing the balance to £42,684/4/7.

Anticipating an early demand for cash for the establishment of the Rangiatea Maori Girls' School the Board has been keeping its funds in the most liquid investments available—mainly in Government Stocks—direction from the Conference as to whether this policy should be continued, or whether the available cash should be invested in securities returning a higher rate of interest, would be appreciated.

#### **General.**

The Board endorses the recommendation of the Masterton Committee as to the personnel of the Committee for the ensuing year.

The Board's Act provides that the Chairman be appointed by the Conference, but that if this office becomes vacant during the year a member of the Board shall be appointed Chairman until the next meeting of the Conference. The Board unanimously recommends to the Conference that the Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A., be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

On behalf of the Board,

E. W. A. KELLOW, Chairman.

J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

#### **5.—EMSLY TRUST BOARD, GREY INSTITUTE TRUST, AND KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE.**

That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

#### **6.—MARTIN BROTHERS—MEMORIAL REST HOME.**

That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

#### **7.—NORTH ISLAND REST HOUSE.**

That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. If it is not inconsistent with the terms of the Trust, that the money be lodged on deposit with the General Purposes Trust Board until such time as it is required by the Trustees to carry out the purposes of the Trust.

2. That all amounts over £250 be left on deposit with the Auckland Savings Bank and dealt with from time to time as thought fitting within the terms and purposes of the Trust.

That Trustees of the Martin Bros. Rest Home and the North Island Rest Home be requested to explore together the possibilities of amalgamation.

#### **8.—THOMAS EVE TRUST (ASHBURTON).**

That the statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

**QUESTION XXXVIII.—What is the Report on Connexional Fire Insurance?**

**REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1942.**

The audited financial statements for the year ended 31st October, show that the income from all sources amounts to £3628/1/8. The Accumulated Fund now stands at £32,500. The Fire Loss Reserve Account amounts to £2565. The Investment Contingency Reserve Account is reduced to £637/13/7 by the purchase of debentures at a premium. A sum of £5857/9/5 is invested on first mortgage security and £30,190 in Government Stock and local body debentures.

The risks carried show an increase on last year. A great deal of unremunerated work has been caused by the operation of the War Damage Insurance Act. Fire losses during the year amounted to £290/3/-, but such losses were fully covered by reinsurance.

**Appropriations.**

After making provision for reserves as required by Conference there is a divisible surplus of £1202/10/5. The Board recommends that the following grants be made:—

**Ordinary.**

Home Acquirement Fund	....	....	....	....	£340
Foreign Mission Fund	....	....	....	....	£100
Home Mission Fund	....	....	....	....	£100
Deaconess House Fund	....	....	....	....	£100
Supernumerary Benevolent Fund	.....	....	....	....	£25
Church Sites Fund	....	....	....	....	£50
Youth Department	....	....	....	....	£50
"Methodist Timès"	....	....	....	....	£150

**Special.**

Foreign Mission Fund	....	....	....	....	£25
H.M. Removal Expenses Fund	....	....	....	....	£25
Deaconess House Fund	....	....	....	....	£25
Trinity College Site Fund	....	....	....	....	£110

**Contingent.**

National Calamities Conditional Reserve	....	....	....	....	£100
<b>Total</b>	....	....	....	....	<b>£1200</b>

**Board of Management.**

The following are nominated as the Board of Management for next Connexional year:—The Connexional Secretary (ex officio), Colonel G. J. Smith, C.B.E., V.D. (Lay Treasurer); Revs. E. Drake, R. Dudley, J. H. Allen, Messrs. E. R. Caygill, C. H. Perkins, P. A. Le Brun, A. A. Dingwall, and W. H. Price.

**Natural Calamities.**

For some years the Board has endeavoured to encourage trustees to make provision against natural calamity. Trustees have been repeatedly approached in relation to earthquake cover, but only 8 out of 971 trusts are thus protected. In this class of insurance the insured must himself bear the first £50 of damage done. Trustees and occupants of all our parsonages have often been advised that provision is available to cover the dwellings and their contents against storm, flood, riots, and similar risks. Two Ministers arranged for this protection. Three trusts made enquiry but took no action.

The heavy cost of compulsory insurance under the War Damage Act is given as one reason for such inaction, but it is clear that there is no general recognition of any need to protect public buildings against natural calamity.

The Conference of 1936 established a Natural Calamities Fund to which this Board contributed £525. In 1938 Conference adopted the Board's proposal that this Fund be built up each year so that relief resources might be available if and when emergencies arose. Out of the Board's accrued profits £50 was allocated by Conference conditional upon a similar sum being contributed from other sources. It was suggested that the condition be fulfilled by grants from the Contingent Fund and the Home Mission Fund. No such contributions were made and the amount allocated was diverted to supplement the grants for ordinary Connexional Funds.

In 1939 consideration of the Basis of the Natural Calamities Relief Fund was deferred at the request of the Home Mission Board. The Conference of 1940 considered placing the Fund on the basis of small contributory levies on the annual revenue of trusts that might desire to share in possible benefits, such levy to be subsidised from various Connexional Funds. This scheme was not favoured because the trusts best able to contribute would be the least likely to need assistance in meeting contingencies.

The Board has considered the voluntary schemes in operation in Queensland and in New South Wales. If Conference, in view of discouraging past experience, deems the time opportune to re-suscitate the Natural Calamities Relief Fund either on a voluntary or a compulsory basis, the Board will give consideration to the preparation of a scheme for submission to the Conference of 1944. The Board had already resolved to recommend Conference to approve of setting aside a Contingent Reserve of £100 conditional upon the adoption by Conference of a scheme to be administered by the Board.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

EDWARD DRAKE, Chairman.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT, Secretary,

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, Revenue Account, and Balance Sheet be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes.
2. That in all cases except where mortgage obligations make it impracticable, Trustees and Boards and Committees in charge of Connexional properties and Institutions be requested to effect all their Insurances with the Connexional Fire Insurance Department.
3. That the Board be requested to watch the position in relation to any Government proposals for the establishment of a Natural Calamities Fund, and report upon the subject to the ensuing Conference.

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

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE, 1942.

The work of the Connexional Office is dealt with briefly in the reports submitted to Conference by the various Departments administered. The war situation has added to the complexity of much of the work. Administrative costs have been increased by legislative enactments and have exceeded the appropriations. The debit

balance on the year is £15/18/8. The appropriations requested for the ensuing year are:—Church Building and Loan Fund £225; Connexional Fire Insurance Fund £395; Supernumerary and Allied Funds £521; "Methodist Times" £170; and Contingent Fund £185.

The following are nominated as the Committee for the ensuing Connexional year:—The Chairman of the District, the Connexional Secretary, the superintendent Ministers of the Durham Street, Christchurch East, and St. Albans circuits, with Mr. Frank Thompson (lay treasurer), and the lay treasurers of the Supernumerary Fund, Fire Insurance Fund, Church Building and Loan Fund, Contingent Fund, and "Methodist Times" Committee, and Messrs. J. E. Purchase and E. R. Caygill.

On behalf of the Committee,

J. E. PURCHASE, Acting Chairman.

FRANK THOMPSON, Lay Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and printed in the Minutes.
2. That Mr. J. E. Purchase be lay treasurer.
3. That hearty thanks be tendered to Mr. Thompson for his services over a long period, and that he be continued as a member of the Committee.
4. That appreciation of the work of the Connexional Secretary in many departments of service be placed on record.

**QUESTION XL.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?**

#### TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

##### A.—REPORT OF ACTING-PRINCIPAL.

The College opened this year with a roll of ten Methodist students. In addition three Congregationalist men were living in, and one non-resident Congregationalist student attended, certain lectures. Unfortunately Mr C. G. Brown has been on sick leave throughout the year, and there have also been some unavoidable interruptions through Territorial service, but, on the whole, the life and work of the institution have been well maintained. Led by Mr Falkingham, the Senior Student, the men have worked diligently and happily, and the tutors have confidence in their suitability for the work of the ministry.

The teaching work of the College has been carried on faithfully and efficiently, the syllabus being similar to that of recent years. (Space does not allow of elaboration.) Five men, Messrs Dawson, Falkingham, Allen, Bell, and Chambers, have attended lectures at the Auckland University College and are sitting the required examinations. During the year Mr J. William Bailey was appointed tutor in elocution and voice production in succession to the late Mr Dennis Johns. Owing to the war there has been an overwhelming demand for the help of students both as Sunday preachers and as vacation supplies. The demand has been met where physically possible, and stronger city circuits have released their men in order that they might go where they are most needed. In view of the urgent need for supplies, and at the request of the President, College is closing five weeks earlier than usual, the men taking their final examinations in the Circuits.

At the beginning of the war many anticipated that the College would soon be closed for lack of students. But the war may last a long time; and it is now evident that we must continue to train every suitable man that offers, if the Church is to be in a position to honour her obligation to provide Chaplains for the Forces and also to staff the Circuits when peace returns. The Government recognises the position, and is prepared to facilitate the reservation of men for theological training, under certain safeguards. Such men are expected to do some Territorial service and to be available for defence in the event of a grave emergency. With this concession open to us it is urgently necessary that ministers and officials in every Circuit should do their best to encourage young men likely to become candidates for the ministry, and that steps be taken to ensure that their services are available to the Church when required.

E. W. HAMES,  
Acting-Principal.

### B.—REPORT OF TRINITY COLLEGE COUNCIL.

In presenting this report, we desire to place on record our gratitude to Almighty God for His guidance and help during the past year.

The Quarterly meetings of the Council have been well attended and the members have shown a keen interest in the affairs of the College.

#### Students.

The arrangements for the training of the students under the prevailing conditions have worked satisfactorily, and the students have co-operated splendidly with the Acting-Principal and the staff in order to secure the best results from their studies. High tributes have been received from many Circuits where they have supplied, concerning the ability and sincerity of the men.

#### The Staff.

The only change in staff during the year was the appointment of Mr J. William Bailey as Lecturer in Elocution in place of the late Mr W. Dennis Johns, M.A.

#### Staffing for 1943.

The Council recommends that Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., continue as Acting-Principal for 1943, and that the present lecturers be re-appointed.

#### The Property.

All the property is being maintained in good order.

#### Personal.

The Council reports with regret the death of Rev. A. B. Chappell, M.A., F.R.E.S., who served as a tutor for some years, and gave valuable service as a member of the Council over a long period. Dr. Griffin, who rendered splendid service, has also passed away. Two members of the Council, Messrs J. S. Caughey and L. W. Peak, have been granted extended leave while on military service.

The Council again expresses appreciation of the excellent work being done by the Acting-Principal and Mrs Hames.

#### Appointment of Principal.

This important matter is being handled by a Committee, and a special report will be sent direct to each Synod.

### Gifts to Trinity College.

Our best thanks are extended to the following for gifts to the College Library and Museum:—Sister Rita Snowden, Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt, Miss Kirk, Rev. C. T. Symons, Miss R. Ward, Misses Arthur, Miss Brooke, Rev. L. B. Neale, Mr Whitcombe, Miss C. Joynt, Miss Harvey, Mrs A. C. Brown, and Dr. C. H. Laws.

### Supplementary.

A Supplementary Report, containing the nomination of members of the Council for 1943, and any other matters yet to be considered, will be submitted to Conference.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Vice Chairman.

J. F. JACK, Secretary.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, 1942.

The following are recommended to Conference as the College Council for 1943:—Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A. (Acting-Principal), Dr. H. Ranston, M.A. (Fellow of Trinity College), Dr. C. H. Laws, B.A. (Fellow of Trinity College), Revs. H. E. Bellhouse, W. A. Sinclair, G. Frost, E. S. Emmitt, M.C., W. Walker, A. H. Scrivin, G. I. Laurensen, F. G. Brown, A. E. Orr, E. T. Olds, J. F. Jack, and the Minister appointed to Remuera.

Messrs. J. W. Shackelford, F. M. Winstone, Jas. Tyler, A. C. A. Sexton, H. Radcliffe, G. Wilson, F. E. Sutherland, T. L. Hames, G. A. White, J. S. Caughey, L. W. Peak, L. E. Rhodes, J. Hargraves, C. K. Wigglesworth, and J. H. Blackwell.

### Officers.

Chairman, Mr. J. H. Blackwell; Vice-Chairman, Rev. E. T. Olds; Treasurer, Mr. F. M. Winstone; Secretary, Rev. J. F. Jack.

### Gifts to Trinity College.

The following additional gifts have been received:—Mrs. A. B. Chappell, Auckland, Maori Hymn Book and Service Book; Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt, Christchurch; Mrs Reeves, Blenheim; Miss Glasson, Papakura.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Vice-Chairman.

J. F. JACK, Secretary.

### APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL

1. It is the purpose of the Council to nominate to the Conference in due course a Principal who shall take up his duties as soon as possible after the conclusion of the War.

2. The aim of the Council is to obtain the nomination of a Principal possessing gifts of personality and leadership; a qualified educationist able to rank among the scholars of the Dominion, and to represent the Church worthily in such circles and elsewhere; a reliable guide in the thought and aspiration of men in the difficult post-war years; and one who will inspire his students with the spirit of scholarly evangelism and with devotion to every part of a Minister's duties.

3. The Council will endeavour to secure an appointment sufficiently early to allow of discussion with the new Principal, before the opening of his first year of office, of any readjustments of the College curriculum or of the classes to be taken by the several members of the staff, and of any other related matters that may arise.

4. The Council is continuing its communications with Great Britain and Australia, and is also in communication with Dr. Hough, of the Drew Theological Seminary, with a view to ascertaining what qualified persons may be willing to accept nomination for the position of Principal, and will also give careful consideration to the eligibility of any of our New Zealand Ministers for the position. When all such names are before it, the Council will select one for nomination to the Conference.

5. The Rev. W. Walker has been appointed Convener of the Committee set up to deal with the matter of the Principalship, and will conduct the necessary correspondence on behalf of the Council.

J. F. JACK,  
Secretary, Trinity College Council.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

For the Year Ended 31st October, 1942.

1. In presenting to Conference the Annual Accounts of the Trinity Methodist Theological College, we have pleasure in reporting that the current year ending 31st March, 1943, should end with a balanced Budget.

2. After meeting all House and Service expenditure from the rent received from the Auckland Hospital Board, a sum of £1,640/2/3 has been transferred to the Site Acquisition Account in terms of the resolution passed by the College Council.

3. During the year the freehold of an area of over two acres adjoining the College Property was purchased from the Wesley College Trust for £1,198/2/5. This land will prove a valuable addition to the College Property, as well as providing a necessary recreation area for the students. Notwithstanding this payment, the Site Acquisition Account Bank overdraft has been reduced from £3,445/7/2 to £2,900/18/4. With the liquidation of the Site Acquisition Account a saving will be made of the interest payment transferred annually from the General Account.

4. The New Organ Fund now stands at £438/7/9, and the Gorman Book Fund at £180.

5. We wish to place on record our thanks and appreciation to the various Trust Boards and Connexional Funds for the continuance of their financial assistance so kindly given to the College.

6. Our thanks are due to Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Hames for their able and efficient attention to the affairs of the College and their careful oversight of the house expenditure.

The College Council proposes that the following be the Budget recommended to Conference:—

**PROPOSED BUDGET.**  
For the Year Ending 31st March, 1944.

**INCOME**

	£	s.	d.
Probert Trust Board	250	0	0
Emsley Trust	96	0	0
Connexional Fire Insurance	125	0	0
Contingent Fund	740	0	0
Home Mission Department	100	0	0
Foreign Mission Department	50	0	0
Students' Contributions	50	0	0
Congregational Church (Hostel Fees)	165	0	0
Collegiate Church	50	0	0
College Sunday and "Friends of Trinity College"	100	0	0
Proportion Auckland Hospital Board Rent	800	0	0
	£2,526	0	0

**EXPENDITURE**

	£	s.	d.
House and Service	800	0	0
Stipends	425	0	0
Tutors' Fees	220	0	0
Connexional Charges	90	0	0
Quarterages	80	0	0
Rates	190	0	0
Insurance	100	0	0
Telephones	24	0	0
University Fees	60	0	0
Furnishings	50	0	0
Repairs	300	0	0
Printing, Stationery, and Postages	30	0	0
Advertising Church Services	8	0	0
Interest	120	0	0
Rent Board Room	14	0	0
Sundries	15	0	0
	£2,526	0	0

FRANK M. WINSTONE.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the reports of Acting-Principal, College Council, and Treasurer, and Treasurer of the Library and Prize Fund, be received and adopted.

2. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the devoted service rendered to the College by officers and members of the Council, the staff, and the visiting lecturers.

3. Conference extends its thanks and appreciation to the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., and Mrs. Hames, for their splendid oversight of the life of the College and for most efficient management of the domestic arrangements.

4. That the following appointments be made for the ensuing year:—Treasurers of the Students' Library Fund and the various Prize Funds: The Acting-Principal and Mr. F. E. Sutherland. The co-Treasurer of the Site Acquisition Fund: Rev. E. S. Emmitt. The Auditors: Messrs. R. Lovie, B. Verry, A. J. Buttle, and P. Dellow.

5. Conference appreciates the support given to the College during the year by a large number of Circuits that have observed College Sunday, and commends this Annual Appeal to our people. Believing that this special approach assists the Institution financially and interests and educates our congregations and may assist in turning the minds of young men towards the Ministry as a calling, we urge its general observance throughout the Church.

6. Conference expresses its appreciation of the valuable gift made by Mrs. A. B. Chappell in memory of her late husband, and that a suitable letter be sent.

7. That the special report on appointment of a new Principal be approved and printed in the Minutes.

8. That this Conference recommends that the Trinity Theological College Council be requested to investigate during the year the cost of College administration with a view to having future Connexional subsidies placed upon a sliding scale in relation to the number of students in training.

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

**REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1942.**

**A. THE BOARD'S REPORT.**

War-time conditions have resulted in the Board passing through a difficult year. The problems faced have been complex, but the outstanding factor has been the furtherance of the national effort.

A portion of the College Farm at Paerata was taken over by the Army Department on the 15th May, and the Board made available for defence purposes the College buildings on the 31st August. This decision involved the closing down of the College at the end of the second term, except for the training of certain senior scholars and the transfer of the Primary Department to the Harding Estate, Mount Wellington.

Leave of absence owing to military service has been granted to another of our Trustees, Mr E. P. Salmon.

The Board has sold to the Trinity Theological College the inner area of the Grafton Road property for £1,300. The proceeds of this sale, and £400 received from the Franklin County Council as compensation for Paerata land acquired for roading purposes, have been utilised in reducing the Board's long term mortgage loan with the Bank of New Zealand to £10,000.

All the frontage sections of the Mount Albert Road subdivision have now been sold and the remainder of the property, comprising 293 acres of farm land, has been acquired by the Department of Housing Construction for £19,000. A condition of the sale is that one acre of this land is to be reserved for the establishment of a Methodist Church, Sunday School, and Parsonage.

The Report of the Principal concerning the College and farm activities is attached.

J. STANTON, Chairman.

L. KNIGHT, General Secretary.

## B.—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

The College has this year shared, in common with the rest of the community, in the dislocation inseparable from a major war effort. The military occupation of last December delayed the opening of the school, but we opened towards the end of February with the largest roll for twelve years. The roll number was further increased when later St. Stephen's School was closed, and we agreed to take up to fourteen of their scholars. This strained the accommodation of the College to its limits, and together with the difficulty in securing a competent domestic staff, brought many problems.

However, in July, we were informed of the desire of the military authorities to take over the buildings as a hospital, and arrangements were finally made for their occupation to commence at the end of the second term. It was found possible to keep a small number of boys at Paerata housed in the masters' residences, and we now have under the headmastership of Mr Marshall a roll of 15 boys, mostly those preparing for external examinations or particularly interested in the agricultural side of the school curriculum.

The junior boys were transferred to Wesley Preparatory School, Mount Wellington, and there are now 24 boys in residence. A school mistress has been appointed, and the boarding side is under the supervision of Mrs Clark and myself. We are very optimistic about the outlook for this new development, and all things considered we believe that the Board has been fortunate in being able to maintain so much of its work in these difficult times.

I would like to pay a tribute to the work of the Headmaster, Mr E. M. Marshall, who now continues at Paerata, and to the Chaplain, Rev. Mayson, whose stay, though short, was marked by keenness and helpfulness in all the phases, educational and spiritual, of the College life.

There is little to report on the farming activities of the College. Owing to the shortage of labour several departments have had to be curtailed, and the occupation of about 40 acres of the farm for other military purposes than those indicated above has necessarily interfered with production. We believe that these difficulties will increase rather than diminish in the near future, but our task must be to maintain intact as far as possible the structure of our work, so that in the happier days that lie ahead we may continue the progressive agricultural educational policy of the Board.

R. C. CLARK,  
Principal.

### WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE TRUST. REPORT TO CONFERENCE IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1942.

28th January, 1943.

The outstanding feature of the year has been the occupation of the College buildings by the military authorities at the end of the second term, necessitating the closing of the College for an indefinite period. While everyone will regret this, it was, in the circumstances, unavoidable.

Another notable event was the opening of the Preparatory School at Mt. Wellington. This property should shortly be transferred to the Board, together with the other assets of the Estate of the late Mr. Maurice Harding.

The Sale of the Mt. Albert farm to the Housing Department for £19,000 was effected during the year. Other sales included the inner area of the Grafton Road property to Trinity College, a small area cut off the Paerata property by a road deviation, and fourteen sections on the suburban estates. During the year, the Board will consider the possibility of selling a considerable area of the College farm for rehabilitation purposes. As a result of these operations, the Board's overdraft with the Bank of New Zealand has been completely repaid, and the Board has a credit balance of £2,705. This amount will shortly be used in connection with the acquisition of the Mt. Wellington property. The Board's capital account has increased during the year by £10,280.

The Board's operations have resulted in a profit of £199/16/7 for the year, but this is dependent on our obtaining for the College buildings the rental we have asked from the Government, but which has not yet been settled.

Leave of absence owing to military service has been granted to another of our members, Mr. E. T. Salmon.

The report of the Principal concerning the College and Farm activities is attached.

J. STANTON, Chairman.

L. KNIGHT, General Secretary.

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1943.

28th January, 1943.

The College has this year shared, in common with the rest of the community, in the dislocation inseparable from a major war effort. The military occupation of last December delayed the opening of the school, but we opened towards the end of February with the largest roll for twelve years. The roll number was further increased when later St. Stephen's School was closed, and we agreed to take up to fourteen of their scholars. This strained the accommodation of the College to its limits, and together with the difficulty in securing a competent domestic staff, brought many problems.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report of the Board and the Principal, and the Financial Statements, be received and adopted.

2. Conference extends grateful thanks to Principal and staff; the College Board and its Chairman, for excellent service rendered under difficult conditions.

3. That the Board for 1943 be:—Mr. J. Stanton (Chairman), Revs. Dr. C. H. Laws, Dr. H. Ranston, W. Walker, A. H. Scrivin, A. J. Seamer, E. W. Hames, M.A., and G. I. Laurenson; Messrs. W. Ambury, J. T. Bryant, Stuart Caughey, T. Clark, P. Rushton, A. C. A. Sexton, J. Tyler, A. W. Wesney, K. J. Dellow, E. H. Burton, and E. P. Salmon.

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

### 1.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1942.

As required by the Regulations the Board presents its report together with the duly audited financial statements for the year ended 30th November, 1942.

### **Annuitants and Membership.**

The Conference of 1942 added three supernumeraries to the list of beneficiaries and gave authority for one Minister to compound for a lump sum in lieu of an annuity. A temporary supernumerary was continued for another year. Another Minister was granted temporary superannuation. The amount paid in annuities and furniture grants was £9188/15/5.

### **Finance.**

The revenue account and balance sheet show the position of the Fund. The Accumulated Fund stands at £151,320/1/-. Mortgage investments amount to £81,232/19/2, and Government Stock and local body debentures to £52,711/5/2. The Allied Funds administered by the Board aggregate £43,134/2/9. The average rate of interest earned as calculated on the actuarial basis is £3/15/2 per cent. A number of contributors previously in arrear have substantially improved their position during the year. In view of the increased cost of living through the reduced purchasing power of money, the Board recognises the inadequacy of present annuities and would welcome such a substantial addition to its resources as would enable it to supplement the benefits of annuitants.

### **Allied Funds.**

The personal accounts of contributors to the Home Acquisition Fund aggregate £14,338/10/5. During the year allowances were paid amounting to £707/16/4. The Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund shows a sum of £6483/13/11 in the personal accounts of contributors. Retiring allowances amounting to £67/1/6 have been paid. From the Deaconess Retiring Fund allowances amounting to £416/12/1 have been paid, leaving a balance in the personal accounts of contributors of £6191/3/7.

### **Board for 1943.**

The following are nominated as the Board for the next Connexional year:—The Connexional Secretary (Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt), Revs. E. Drake, W. Grigg, R. Dudley, J. H. Allen, D. O. Williams; Messrs. G. S. Salter (lay treasurer), M. Kershaw, L. G. K. Steven, R. H. Miles, S. H. Maddren, and W. Charles Francis. The last-named is to fill the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Mr. L. L. Jones.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

L. G. K. STEVEN, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT, Managing Treasurer.

### **REPORT OF THE ACTUARY.**

Wellington, 5th January, 1943.

The Board of Management,

Supernumerary Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Sirs,—In accordance with your instructions, I have valued the Supernumerary Fund as at 30th November, 1942, and have pleasure in reporting as follows:—

1. Both existing and prospective annuities payable to supernumeraries and widows have been reduced since the last valuation by deletion of the 5½ per cent. bonus previously granted. The deficiency disclosed at 1939 was reduced correspondingly from £15,035 to £3,798. There have been no other changes in benefits or in the contributions payable by members and their Circuits.

2. The movements in membership since 1939 are shown in the following table:—

			Contributors.	Supernumeraries.	Widows.
At 30th November, 1939	....	....	173	36	43
Entrants	....	....	21	16	5
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			194	52	48
Died	....	1		4	7
Superannuated	....	16		—	—
Resigned, etc.	....	5	22	7	7
			<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
At 30th November, 1942	....	....	172	45	41

The above 21 entrants as contributors include two supernumeraries who have returned to active work, and one entrant transferred from Australia; the three supernumeraries shown under the heading "Resigned" are the two who have returned to active work and one who has accepted a lump sum in lieu of an annuity.

At 30th November, 1939, two children were attracting benefit; both are now above the age limit and no new children have come on the Fund.

3. The receipts and expenditure for the triennium are shown in the following consolidated revenue account:—

					£	s.	d.
Funds at 30th November, 1939	....	....	....	....	154,044	6	11
Subscriptions	....	....	....	....	5,095	16	0
Levies	....	....	....	....	7,677	8	11
Interest and Rents	....	....	....	....	17,187	14	3
Other Income	....	....	....	....	422	7	6
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					£184,427	13	7

					£	s.	d.
Annuities	....	....	....	....	25,655	5	9
Furniture Grants	....	....	....	....	1,010	0	0
Refunds of Subscriptions	....	....	....	....	400	0	0
Expenses	....	....	....	....	1,430	15	1
Written Off Assets	....	....	....	....	4,089	11	9
Other Outgo	....	....	....	....	522	0	0
Funds at 30th November, 1942	....	....	....	....	151,320	1	0
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					£184,427	13	7

The effective rates of interest earned by the Funds for each year of the triennium were—

1939-40	....	....	....	....	£3 13 10	per cent.
1940-41	....	....	....	....	£4 2 11	per cent.
1941-42	....	....	....	....	£3 15 2	per cent.

The average rate for the triennium was £3/17/3 per cent. as compared with £3/19/6 per cent. for the previous triennium.

4. There is very little margin between the average rate of interest earned during the triennium and the rate used for the 1939 valuation, viz., 3½ per cent., but as there are factors operating to steady the future interest yield, I have used the same rate for this valuation, thereby assuming that the Fund will be credited in future with interest at an annual rate not less than 3½ per cent.

Examination of other aspects of the experience of the triennium indicated that the basis used for the 1939 valuation was appropriate for this valuation, and it has been used accordingly.

5. The results of the valuation are as follows:—

### VALUATION BALANCE SHEET.

As at 30th November, 1942.

Present value of:—	£
Current Annuities to Supernumeraries	46,712
Current Annuities to Widows	20,450
Prospective Annuities to Supernumeraries	81,415
Prospective Annuities to Wives	59,536
Furniture Grants	5,475
Children's Allowances	350
	£213,938
Funds at 30th November, 1942	151,320
Present value of future subscriptions and levies less allowance for future expenses	55,545
Deficiency	7,073
	£213,938

The deficiency of £7,073 disclosed by the valuation is £3,275 greater than the reduced deficiency disclosed in 1939 after deleting the 5½ per cent. bonus on benefits. The increase in the deficiency has been brought about solely by the necessity of writing off over £4,000 of the capital of the Fund; but for this loss the position of the Fund would have improved to a slight extent during the triennium.

6. The increase in the deficiency is not serious enough to call for further reductions in benefits, but it is obvious that if the interest yield falls still lower and is not compensated by other factors operating favourably on the finances of the Fund, it will be impossible to maintain benefits at present rates. It is clear also that the previous bonus on annuities cannot be restored without adversely affecting the Fund.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

S. BECKINGSALE,

Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report of the Board of Management be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes.

2. That there be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes the revenue accounts and balance sheets of the Supernumerary Fund, the Benevolent Branch of the Fund, the Home Acquisition Fund, the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, and the Deaconess Retiring Fund.

3. That the report of the Actuary be received and adopted.

4. That Regulation 16, Law Book page 140, be amended to read: "Ministers' subscriptions shall become due on the 1st day of April

in each year, but may be paid in two equal half-yearly instalments. If these are paid to the Treasurers not later than the first day of May and November respectively no interest on arrears shall be charged. If subscriptions are not paid by the fixed dates interest on arrears shall be charged as from the 1st day of April and October as the case may be, at the rate from time to time fixed by the Conference. In exceptional cases of subscriptions in arrear by Ministers who have not met their commitments on account of factors outside their personal control, the Board of Management may remit the difference between the rate so fixed and the current bank rate of interest. Where application for such remission is made the Board shall, in order to guide its decision, call for evidence concerning the exceptional factors occasioning default. Probationers shall not be charged any interest in respect of their subscriptions if not paid punctually during the first year of their probation, but interest on arrears shall accrue as from the commencement of the second year of probation.

5. That Regulation 65 on page 151 of the Law Book be amended to read:—"That Conference may rescind, amend, or add to the foregoing Rules and Regulations provided that notice of motion therefore shall have been first referred to the Board of Management for its consideration and thereafter considered by the Conference Committee dealing with Supernumerary Fund affairs, and the motion shall have been carried by not less than two-thirds of those present and voting in the Conference. Where financial considerations are involved the Board of Management shall have power to obtain a report from the Actuary to the Fund as to whether such proposal is likely, in his judgement, to affect the stability of the Fund. The printed Minutes of the Conference shall be conclusive evidence of any such rescission, amendment, or addition.

6. That the Board having already made a thorough investigation of the Supernumerary Fund in relation to the Social Security Scheme, and Conference having approved of the results of such investigation as embodied in the comprehensive special report published in the Minutes of 1942, there is no present necessity for further investigation.

7. That the suggested consideration of an amendment of Rule 14 on page 140 of the Law Book relative to exempting certain Ministers from membership of the Supernumerary Fund and permitting their membership of the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, be remitted to the Supernumerary Fund Board for consideration and report to next Synods and Conference.

8. That Rule 11, page 169 of the Law Book be amended by the insertion of the words "The personal subscriptions shall be deducted each month by the Circuit Stewards from the Home Missionaries' stipends and forwarded quarterly to the Chairman of the District, who shall account for such subscriptions and for the Circuit levies to the treasurers of the Fund."

## 2.—METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD.

Several new trusts have been committed to this Board during the year. The most notable was the administration of the George and Mary Winstone Trust Fund created by the generous gift of valuable shop property at Sandringham as a perpetual endowment for the purpose of augmenting the stipends of Ministers, Probationers, and Home Missionaries whose stipends are below the Confer-

ence standard minimum. A Deed of Settlement governs the administration of this trust. The daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Winstone hoped that the trust might be substantially strengthened from other sources, and there are indications that this will be done. The intention of this trust is to supplement, not to substitute for, the ordinary funds of the Church, and priority is to be given to the most necessitous cases. Recommendations may be made by the Home Mission Committee of the Conference in the light of the needs and of local efforts, but the distribution of available moneys is at the discretion of the Board.

Signed on behalf of the Board,

L. G. K. STEVEN, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT, Managing Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, revenue account, and balance sheet be received, adopted, and printed in the Minutes.

2. That the Conference is deeply stirred by the munificent gift of the daughter and sons of the late George and Mary Winstone, namely, Mrs. Edith Mary Blackwell and Messrs. George Winstone, Frank Martin Winstone, and William Percy Winstone, for the purpose of establishing a settled fund to be known as "The Winstone Memorial Trust Fund," such fund having an initial capital value of £25,000, and to be held and administered by the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.) as and for a perpetual endowment, on the trusts and for the purposes set out in a Deed of Settlement entered into between the settlors and the said Board, whereby certain net revenue from the Trust Fund shall be used for the purpose of augmenting the stipends of those Ministers, Probationers, and Home Missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand whose stipends are below the standard minimum as fixed from time to time by the Conference.

The Conference tenders its hearty thanks to the donors for their great and generous gift which furnishes a characteristic illustration of the love they and their honoured parents have ever manifested for the Church and its Ministers. It requests the President to convey by letter to the several donors this resolution of appreciation.

3. **Newbold Bequest.** That the matter of the Newbold Bequest be referred to the General Purposes Trust Board for investigation and report to next Conference after consultation with its legal adviser.

4. That the revenue account and balance sheet of the George and Mary Winstone Memorial Trust Fund be adopted and printed in the Minutes.

### 3.—METHODIST CHILDREN'S FUND.

We have pleasure in presenting to Conference our Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Children's Fund for the year ending 31st December, 1942.

The following payments of £10 each have been made:—

Auckland District	....	....	....	....	51½
South Auckland	....	....	....	....	14½
Taranaki-Wanganui	....	....	....	....	13½
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	....	....	....	....	15
Wellington	....	....	....	....	21½
Nelson	....	....	....	....	10½
North Canterbury	....	....	....	....	30½
South Canterbury	....	....	....	....	3½
Otago-Southland	....	....	....	....	14½
					174½

being 3/4 of one year less than last year's statement.

For many years the grant has been £9 for each child, but last Conference decided that the 1942 grant should be for £10 for that one year only.

On the present Circuit Levy, the increased payment could not be sustained, but a levy of 7% would, we think, provide sufficient to pay £10 in the future. We anticipate that our requirements for the ensuing year will be approximately £1,760.

The Credit Balance of the Fund at date 31st December, 1942, is:

	£	s.	d.
Bank New South Wales, Wellington	215	14	5
Due by Districts	5	12	6
	£221	6	11

E. W. A. KELLOW,  
W. A. BURLEY, Treasurers.

28th January, 1943.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report and statement of receipts and expenditure be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurers of the Fund be thanked and reappointed.
3. That the Scale of Benefits of £10 per child be continued for 1943.
4. That the levy to maintain the above rate be at 7 per cent.

#### 4.—CONTINGENT FUND.

1. The statement of receipts and expenditure was received and adopted.
2. That the following grants be authorised:—

Trinity Theological College	....	....	....	....	£
Connexional Secretary's Department	....	....	....	....	740
Deaconess Institution	....	....	....	....	185
University Fees	....	....	....	....	100
N.Z. National Council of Churches	....	....	....	....	20
Faith and Order—2 years (if required)	....	....	....	....	20
Spiritual Advance Committee	....	....	....	....	10
Methodist Times Editorial	....	....	....	....	25
Methodist Times Special	....	....	....	....	55
Affliction	....	....	....	....	100
					25
					£1280

3. That Regulation 287, Rule 7 (p. 156 Law Book) re Equalisation Fund, etc., as amended by the Contingent Fund Emergency Regulation 7 (p. 38 Supplementary Law Book), be altered by the deletion of the words "and the sum of £1 deducted therefrom."

4. That Regulation 288, Rule 7 (Law Book p. 157) as amended by Equalisation Fund Emergency Regulation 7 (Supplementary Law Book p. 38) be altered to read "a levy not exceeding  $\frac{3}{4}$  per cent." (instead of  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.).

5. That the Consultative Committee for 1943 be the Revs. E. T. Olds, the Treasurers, the Connexional Secretary, the Secretary of Conference, and Messrs. J. Tyler and F. E. Sutherland.

6. That the Auditor, Mr. I. J. Wilson, B.Com., be thanked for his services and be reappointed.

7. That a sub-committee consisting of the Connexional Secretary and Mr. H. deR. Flesher, with the Secretary of Conference, be empowered to determine what matter from the Agenda need not be reprinted in the Minutes of Conference and effect all possible economies in printing costs. This Committee shall also determine what Reports shall be printed for the Synod and Conference Agenda.

8. That the Treasurers, Rev. W. Walker and Mr. J. H. Blackwell, be thanked for their services and be reappointed.

9. That the amount due from the Webb Street Church, Wellington, be remitted.

### 5.—REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND.

#### ANNUAL REPORT, 1942.

During the year 53 removals have been carried out at a cost of £1,451/17/-. The levy for the year will produce approximately £1,210, leaving a deficit of some £240 to be drawn from Accumulated Fund.

The average cost per removal is £29/5/7, compared with the averages for the previous five years as under:—

1941	....	£18/16/10	42 removals	8 Inter-island
1940	....	£18/15/4	62 removals	12 Inter-island
1939	....	£19/4/5	55 removals	12 Inter-island
1938	....	£24/8/9	51 removals	12 Inter-island
1937	....	£15/-/-	40 removals	6 Inter-island

This year there were 15 inter-island removals—costing £732, or £48/16/- per removal. Four of the removals were exceptionally costly, viz.: £75, £72, £69, and £62 respectively. Regarding the £72 item, another minister's removal, almost identical in distance, number in family, etc., cost only £42. The Minister whose removal cost £69, moved in 1938 at a cost of £48 with no sea transport, and in 1935 at a cost of £53. So that in seven years his removals have cost the Fund £170. During the past nine years the levies paid by Circuits on behalf of this Minister amount to only £50/10/-.

There were 11 removals of Circuit Ministers not involving sea transport costing £342, or an average of £31, against £20 last year. Three large amounts, viz. £54, £56, and £41, and the general increase in costs account for the heavier average this year.

It is apparent that the time has arrived when something must be done to safeguard the Fund against cases of unreasonably heavy costs such as have been instanced. This Committee was asked, by a

previous Conference, to suggest a scheme for the limitation of the quantities of effects carried by Ministers on transfer, but was unable to formulate any plan that would not act unfairly in some cases. The Committee feels that the object desired can be obtained by approaching it from the financial angle, and therefore recommends a limit to be fixed for the amount to be paid from this Fund for any one removal. A resolution to that effect is submitted. The operation of this limit last year would have reduced the claims upon the Fund by £185, and the 3% levy would almost have covered the expenses.

Under the new arrangement for Connexional Levies it has been necessary to estimate for the next five years; the Committee has asked for 2½%, but this will be insufficient unless the claims upon the Fund are reduced.

Attention is drawn to the fact that transport has become a serious problem in the Dominion and that it is the duty of our Church to add as little as possible to these difficulties. This applies with greater force to removals requiring shipping space. The General Manager of Railways has also written as follows:—

“Having regard to the heavy calls now being made on transport generally throughout the Dominion, and the calls that are likely to be made during the period of the present conflict, I would suggest that it would be in the national interest if your Committee considered the question of restricting removals to the absolute minimum.”

#### **Supernumeraries.**

Regulations 16 and 19 fix a limit of £25 for the amount of removal expenses to be paid to Supernumeraries or to the widows of Ministers who died in active service. Since this amount was fixed costs have risen substantially, and it is considered the limit should be raised to £30.

#### **Temporary Supernumeraries, etc.**

Regulation 17 provides that a Temporary Supernumerary “shall have no claim on the Fund for removal to his temporary place of residence, but when he returns to the regular work, he shall have his expenses paid from the Circuit to which he was last appointed to the Circuit in which he resumes active work.” Regulation 18 makes similar provision in the case of a Minister receiving permission to rest for a year. Cases have arisen where this restriction has caused hardship and inconvenience to the Minister concerned. Moreover, the Committee is not in a position to calculate the costs in accordance with the latter part of the Regulation. It is considered more reasonable to pay expenses to the temporary place of residence, and from there to the Circuit in which the Minister resumes active work, provided the cost of the two removals does not exceed £30.

#### **Chaplains.**

Last Conference resolved: “That the normal removal expenses of a Chaplain and his wife and family, be borne by the Removal Expenses Fund.” It is considered that no resolution affecting the finances of any Fund should be passed by Conference without first being referred to the Committee concerned. Moreover it is universally recognised as a vicious practice for payments from a contributory fund to be made to non-contributors. It is therefore proposed that a nominal levy should be made on behalf of all Chaplains. The vagueness of the resolution made it difficult for the Committee to decide as to what should, or should not, be paid. Resolutions clarifying the position are proposed.

## RESOLUTIONS.

- (1) That the Report be received and adopted.
- (2) That in the case of any removal exceeding in cost £30 for removal within the Island or £45 for inter-island removals, the Circuit inviting the Minister shall pay the sum in excess of the amounts named. In exceptional cases Circuits may appeal to the Committee whose decision shall be final. This regulation to apply to removals taking place in 1944 and thereafter.
- (3) Regulations 16 and 19—Cancel “£25” and substitute “£30” for removals within the Island and £45 for inter-Island removals.
- (4) That Regulations 17 and 18 be cancelled and the following substituted.

**Regulation 17:** A Minister who is made a Temporary Supernumerary, or who receives permission to rest for a year, may be paid removal expenses from the Circuit in which he was last working to his temporary place of residence, and from there to the Circuit in which he resumes active work, provided that the cost of the two removals shall not exceed £30 for removal within the Islands and £45 for inter-Island removals.

**Regulation 18:** Should such Minister become a permanent Supernumerary his removal expenses to be paid under Regulation 16, or, should he die, the removal expenses of his widow under Regulation 19, shall, in either case, be reduced by the amount already paid under Regulation 17.

- (5) The Conference may, on recommendation of the Committee, rescind, amend, or add to the Regulations governing the Fund. No other proposal affecting levies for, or payments from, the Fund, shall take effect until such proposal has been referred to the Committee for its consideration and has thereafter been confirmed at the ensuing Conference.
- (6) That the resolution of 1942 Conference, re removal expenses of Chaplains be repealed and the following substituted:—

That the removal expenses from the Circuit to their temporary home of the wife and family of a Minister hereafter appointed to be a Chaplain, be borne by the Fund provided that only one such removal shall be paid in each case. That a Levy at the rate of £6 per annum be paid to the Fund on behalf of each Chaplain, from the War Services and Chaplaincy Fund.
- (7) That owing to the serious problem and heavy charges of transport and the heavy drain which would be entailed by removals, no removals be made under five years (except under exceptional circumstances) for the duration of the war.
- (8) That the Committee for 1943 be:—The Connexional Secretary, Revs. J. H. Allen, E. E. Sage, R. Dudley, and N. P. Larsen; Messrs. H. Chapman, M. Kershaw, J. E. Purchase, M. Hosking, and W. G. Wright. Treasurers: Rev. J. H. Allen and Mr. H. Chapman.

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

**FOREIGN MISSION DEPARTMENT.**

**REPORT FOR 1942.**

After the first few months of the last world war there were few places more remote from the conflict than the Solomon Islands. In the present great struggle the Solomons have been headline news for the greater part of the last year, and it appears as if world issues may be decided round these coral shores.

**The Field.**

It is impossible to state exactly the extent to which our Missionary work has been affected, but without doubt it has suffered serious dislocation, and new and grave problems will result. For many months the Japanese have occupied Bougainville and Buka, and practically the whole of the Western Solomons. In almost every case their bases are actually at or very near our Head Stations.

Apart from several courteous and highly appreciated messages from the Solomon Islands Government briefly assuring us of their well-being, we received no word of our workers on the Field from early March until December. In the latter month, however, we received a bright, confident letter from the Rev. A. W. Silvester, reporting that, while inevitably curtailed, the work in the Vella Lavella Circuit had proceeded steadily, services and school had been maintained, and there were no shortage of food. We were uncertain of Mr. Metcalfe's whereabouts until his evacuation in 1943. He reports that the Native Church is standing firm. Our hearts go out in sincere sympathy to the wives, children and relatives of our gallant workers on the Field.

[Later. We regret to report official information that the Rev. D. C. Alley was taken prisoner at Teop on 31st March, 1942, and removed to an unknown destination by a Japanese warship. We are seeking further information concerning him from the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau in Tokio. We pray that Mrs. Alley and her two small boys may be sustained in this time of anxiety.

We have also received unofficial but reliable information that our Fijian ministers on Bougainville and Buka—the Revs. Eroni Kotosoma and Usaia Sotutu—with their wives and families, were well and carrying on their work as recently as early January, 1943.]

**Evacuation.**

There has been some misunderstanding, and even criticism, regarding the evacuation of some of our workers from the Solomons. Ignorance of the facts no doubt explains the misunderstanding, but the criticism is hard to understand. The Revs. J. F. Goldie and A. H. Voyce were on furlough when the Japanese invasion of the Solomons took place and we were unable to secure permits for their return. The Rev. C. T. J. Luxton was commandeered, together with his 9-ton ketch, to evacuate 14 Government officials and planters, and, after taking them 1,000 miles to Port Moresby, sought in vain for permission to return to his work. When the Japanese were reported at Faisi, Dr. Rutter and the Rev. E. C. Leadley were faced with the grave problem of evacuating four Sisters—two of whom were ill—and several other white women. With no other known means available, they, with several other men, brought the women to safety after a perilous open ocean voyage of 1,200 miles, in our 18-ton schooner,

"Fauro Chief." In the face of such outstanding courage and the sacrifice and devotion of years of missionary service on the part of both the men and the women, such criticism is seen to be completely without foundation.

Unaware of the Board's decision that all women workers should be evacuated, Sister Merle Farland gallantly remained at her post, but, with other white women, was brought out in December by the American Navy. We thank God for her safety and the excellent work she was able to do during dangerous months.

### **The Work Goes On.**

Let it not be imagined for a moment that, because many of our white workers have been evacuated, our Missionary work is at a standstill. Assisting the white leaders still on the Field is a trained Native Ministry comprising two Fijian ministers, two Tongan ministers, three Solomon Island ministers, and 280 catechists, pastors-teachers and medical assistants. From pioneering days our missionaries have striven towards the ideal of an indigenous Native Church, and we are fully confident that these grave days will prove both the wisdom and success of their planning. The Native Ministry and the 299 local preachers and class leaders will not fail in this time of trial, nor will the 18,000 members and adherents of the Church. Some of the weaker ones may slip, but, on the whole, there will be a glorious vindication of the past 40 years' work.

### **Rehabilitation.**

Our evacuated workers are ready and eager to return to the Field at the earliest possible moment, and we must see to it that they are not hindered in any way. The rehabilitation of our work in the Solomons calls for our utmost endeavour. There is grim significance in the above-mentioned proximity of the enemy to practically all our head stations. These stations, with their churches, schools, colleges, hospitals, technical plant, houses, etc., are in grave danger. The destruction of every building in the area of our District Institution at Roviana has been announced by official communique, and it is also certain that our head station at Kihili and our property at Gizo have been totally destroyed. If any of our remaining head stations escape destruction at the hands of a ruthless enemy or by the bombs of the Allies, they will suffer serious deterioration owing to war conditions. New buildings, new boats, new equipment will be required—in fact, the Mission Board will face the most serious task of its history.

Methods of reconstruction are already under consideration, and our missionaries have been requested to submit plans, suggestions, etc., regarding rehabilitation and extension. These will be carefully considered by the Board in consultation with Mr. Goldie and his colleagues. The Board submits financial proposals within the scope of which the work must be done. The Church must not fail the Board and the Mission Field in the hour of their vital need. It was against this hour that the Rehabilitation Fund was launched by the last Conference and commended to the earnest consideration of all our people. Any excess of income over expenditure will be credited to the Rehabilitation Fund. If, however, there is to be any substantial excess of income to meet this urgent need, the giving of the Home Church will need to be on a still more generous scale, in order to offset the total loss of income from the Native Church. With a collapsed copra market, the income from the Solomons last year was £1,155, and the normal giving of the district is about £3,000 per annum. For the time

being the whole of this Island's income is lost, but most of our obligations, such as native salaries, etc., remain. It is true that we are saving the stipends and salaries of some of our evacuated white workers, but this will be far more than offset by the above-mentioned loss. It is interesting to note that since the inauguration of this Fund similar funds have been established by British and Australian Methodism. The proposal of the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu Synod to invite a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America or other distinguished man from overseas to assist in the task of Rehabilitation calls for serious consideration.

A war risk insurance scheme for New Guinea has been launched by the Australian Government, and our properties and missionaries' private effects in Bougainville and Buka have been covered. A similar scheme for the British Solomons has been under consideration, but with no definite result so far. In addition to the inevitable delay in consideration and payment of claims, there will be much loss on our Field uncovered by insurance.

Since his return to Australia from deputation work in New Zealand, the Rev. J. F. Goldie has rendered considerable service by keeping in constant touch with military, naval and government officials regarding our boats taken over for war service, war risk insurance, return to the Field by our workers at the earliest possible moment, and all other relevant matters.

#### **Missionary Anniversary.**

May 23rd, 1942, marked the 40th Anniversary of the commencement of our work in the Solomons. At last Conference and during the year we returned thanks to God for the outstanding success that has attended this Mission and for the fact that the Rev. J. F. Goldie, who led the pioneers, is still the trusted and able Chairman of the District.

#### **Higher Service.**

The Board has suffered a severe loss during the year by the passing of Revs. A. B. Chappell, M.A., and V. Le C. Binet. The latter rendered splendid service in the Solomons for fifteen years, and for the past six years has edited "The Lotu" with conspicuous success.

#### **Clara Matilda and Samuel Gorman Bequest.**

This splendid bequest for medical service in the Solomons has been augmented during the year by further generous gifts totalling £2,200. Mr. Gorman has also paid the gift duty representing an additional £198. We thank God for Mr. Gorman's vision and truly noble giving, and assure him of our gratitude. The need of medical service in the Solomons after the ravages of war will be greater than ever and the Gorman Bequest, now totalling £17,986, will prove a source of much strength to the Board.

#### **M.W.M.U.**

Through a difficult year the Mission Board has received the full and generous assistance of the Women's Missionary Union, and we thank God for its leaders and members and their sympathetic understanding of the grave situation in the Solomons. We count much on their co-operation during the process of rehabilitation.

#### **Bible Classes.**

The Young Women's Bible Class Movement has maintained its generous support of Sister Ada Lee, and this fine missionary spirit is a source of strength to the whole Church and the Mission Board in particular.

We are greatly indebted also to the North Canterbury Young Men's Union for its continued support of Nathan Kera—one of our Solomon Islands ministers who plays an increasingly important part in the leadership of the Native Church.

The desire of the Youth Board to further stimulate missionary interest among the children and youth of the Church is much appreciated by the Board.

#### **Financial.**

The impossibility of getting accounts, etc., from the Mission Field has created a difficult situation for the Treasurers, and the financial statements presented must, of necessity, be subject to adjustment.

The Board's policy regarding workers evacuated from the Solomons has been to maintain their stipends and salaries at not less than the amount received when on the Field, with due allowance for housing. In the case of the wives whose husbands are still on the Field, the amount paid has been by arrangement with those concerned, and house allowance or rent also paid.

While grateful that the 1941 level of giving has been maintained in the aggregate, and has been on a generous scale in numerous circuits, the Board hopes that the urgent need of the war-stricken Solomons will call forth a more liberal response in 1943, especially in those places where missionary interest seems to have declined.

We would draw attention to the importance of all monies reaching the Mission Office by December 15th. On January 15th large amounts of which we have been notified were still not paid.

#### **Appreciation.**

The sincere thanks of the Board are extended to the Revs. J. F. Goldie, A. H. Voyce and C. T. J. Luxton, who have rendered valuable deputation service, and to the district and circuit Foreign Mission secretaries and collectors whose devoted service means so much to the Kingdom Overseas.

The Board also expresses its high appreciation of the splendid service rendered by the Rev. F. Copeland during the past five years as Chairman.

#### **Conclusion.**

Through a very difficult year we have been conscious of God's guiding hand. For the miracles of His grace and mercy we give humble thanks and go forward in His Name.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.

A. H. SCRIVIN, General Secretary.

### **THE TREASURERS' REPORT. FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31st, 1942.**

The Treasurers have much pleasure in presenting to the Board of Missions, Financial Statements of New Zealand income and expenditure for the year ended December 31st, 1942.

The income from the Home Church inclusive of the Medical Fund, but apart from other special Funds, amounted to £12,786/16/8, which is £90/8/6 less than the income of the previous year, but is £36/16/8 more than the estimated income for 1942. There was an increase of £66/2/2 on the General Fund account, but a decrease of £156/10/8 on Medical Fund income.

Included in the Medical Fund are contributions from Church Trusts and interest on the Capital of the Medical Fund. The Women's Auxiliaries have again made the fine contribution of £1,355/10/-. From the Young Women's Bible Class Movement £170 was received. The sum of £615/4/- received from Legacies has been placed to the credit of the Equipment Fund. An amount of £200 is held in reserve from the previous year for developmental work on the Mission Field. In addition to these amounts £93 has been received through the Centennial Fund, £152/5/- for the Rehabilitation Fund, and £467/0/4 for the Leper Fund. Included in the Leper Fund is £250 received from the Makogai Leper Trust for Medical work among lepers in the Solomon Islands.

Mr. Samuel Gorman has made a further splendid gift of £2,200 for the "Samuel and Clara Matilda Gorman Bequest," which with gift duty paid by Mr. Gorman, brings the total of the Bequest to the munificent sum of £18,486.

The Boat Insurance Fund has been increased by the transfer of £72/4/4 from the General Fund, and also by interest amounting to £77/15/8.

The working expenses at the Home Base amounted to £1,443/10/3, being £90/4/9 less than the estimate.

Payments have been made to Trinity College, Deaconess Institution and Imperilled Missions or other Missionary Societies in war and conquered areas. An amount of £305/3/6 has been expended in connection with the evacuation of our missionaries from the Mission Field.

Owing to the war and the interruption of communications with the Field it will not be possible to give exact details of income and expenditure. However, such information as is available to Mr. Goldie is now urgently awaited from Australia, when a Balance Sheet will be prepared based on all the information available.

The loss on publications amounted to £17. This small loss has been made in spite of the reduction in the size of the papers. The cost of paper has considerably increased, but no increase has been made in the price of the paper. The circulation of "The Open Door" now amounts to 5,680. The "Lotu" circulation amounts to 7,470.

W. A. SINCLAIR,

T. L. HAMES,

General Treasurers.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports and financial statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference records its thanksgiving to Almighty God for the preservation of European and Native workers in the Solomons during the past critical year.

3. That the cordial greetings of Conference be forwarded to the Native Church.

4. That cordial greetings be extended to Missionaries on the Field, to evacuated workers, with special reference to Mrs. Silvester, whose husband remains in the Solomons, and to Mrs. Alley, whose husband is a prisoner of war.

5. That the sincere thanks of Conference be extended to all collectors circuit and district secretaries, and other workers in the cause of Missions.

6. That Conference records deep appreciation of the further generous gift by Mr. Samuel Gorman of £2200, and convey its sincere gratitude to him for continued support of the work.

7. That the best thanks of Conference be conveyed to the M.W.M.U., to the Bible Class Movements, and to the Youth Board for their energetic and successful support of the Foreign Missionary Cause.

8. That the representation of the Youth Board on the Foreign Mission Board be referred to the Youth Board in consultation with the District Youth Council in the district in which the Youth Board is located.

9. Overseas Visitor. That the Foreign Mission Board be authorised to take steps at an opportune time regarding the invitation to a distinguished overseas visitor to visit New Zealand.

10. Home Base Estimates, 1943.

	£	s.	d.
General Secretary—Stipend	300	0	0
House Allowance	150	0	0
Travelling	70	0	0
Hospitality Allowance	15	0	0
Clerical Treasurer—Honorarium	50	0	0
Connexional Charges	52	0	0
Office Assistance	234	0	0
Rent—Office and Telephone	84	0	0
Printing and Stationery (Reports £90, General £120)	210	0	0
Stamps, Exchange, Cables, etc.	100	0	0
Auditor's Fee	15	15	0
Deputation Expenses	120	0	0
Annual Board Meeting—Travelling	5	0	0
Theological College	50	0	0
Deaconess Institute	25	0	0
"Methodist Times"	10	0	0
National Missionary Council	7	10	0
Sundries, Legal Expenses, etc.	40	0	0
	<u>£1,538</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

General Estimates, 1943.

INCOME.

	£	s.	d.
New Zealand—			
General	12,000	0	0
Medical	1,250	0	0
Solomon Islands			
	<u>£13,250</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Solomon Islands (?)	9,500	0	0
Home Base (as above)	1,538	5	0
Interest	150	0	0
Imperilled Missions	100	0	0
Rehabilitation	1,961	15	0
	<u>£13,250</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Expenditure from Equipment Fund, 1943.

Films .... £50 0 0

11. Appointments.

**Chairman of Mission District.**—Rev. John F. Goldie.

**Treasurers.**—Revs. W. A. Sinclair, Mr. T. L. Hames.

**Board.**—That the following be the Board for 1943:—

The President of the Conference (Rev. C. H. Olds, B.A.), the Chairman of the Auckland District, the Chairman of the Solomon Islands District (Rev. J. F. Goldie), the General Secretary (Rev. A. H. Scrivin), the General Treasurers (Rev. W. A. Sinclair, Mr. T. L. Hames), the Revs. Dr. C. H. Laws, B.A., Dr. H. Ranston, W. Walker, E. T. Olds, F. E. Leadley, E. W. Hames, M.A., G. I. Laurenson, H. E. Bellhouse, F. Gardner Brown, A. E. Waite, E. D. Patchett, W. W. Avery, A. A. Bensley, E. C. Leadley; Messrs. W. S. Mackay, J. P. Blair, W. Ambury, J. W. Shackelford, J. Tyler, J. E. Astley, L. E. Rhodes, R. Thomas, L. Peak, J. H. Blackwell, E. P. Salmon, B. J. Lynneberg, C. E. Taylor, F. Thompson, D. C. Cameron; the President of the M.W.M.U. (Mrs. C. E. Taylor), the President of the Auckland W.M. Auxiliary (Mrs. J. F. Jack), Misses E. M. Rishworth, S. A. Somerville, G. Griffith, Mrs. T. Rowe, Miss E. C. Purdie.

**District Missionary Committees.**

**AUCKLAND.**—The Supts. of the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits, Messrs. W. S. McKay, A. Whitehead, F. G. Steinert, J. P. Blair, the President of the A.M.W.A., Misses Somerville, and E. M. Rishworth. Convener: Rev. F. E. Leadley.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND.**—The Chairman of the District, the Ministers of Matamata, Hamilton, and Hamilton East Circuits; Messrs. C. Raynor, W. B. Young, P. Rushton, Mesdames A. A. Bensley, S. Couch, and Sister Vera Cannon. Convener: Rev. A. A. Bensley.

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI.**—The Chairman of the District and the Ministers and Circuit F.M. Secretaries of the Eltham-Kaponga, Hawera, Manaia, and Opunake Circuits. Convener: Rev. L. G. Hanna. Thanks extended to Rev. E. S. Harkness for six years' service as F.M. Secretary for District.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU.**—The Chairman of the District, Ministers of Napier, Hastings, and Gisborne (corresponding member), Miss McKeown, Mrs. T. Rowe, Messrs C. H. Bisson, A. Tunnicliffe, and J. H. Oldham (Secretary).

Sub-Committee for Manawatu.—Ministers of Feilding, Palmerston North, Sanson-Rongotea, and Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe Circuits, Mesdames Flavall, Hodder, and A. Boniface, Messrs. T. R. Hodder, E. G. Bennett, and C. E. Taylor (convener).

That Conference records its high appreciation of the many years of devoted service rendered to the cause of Missions by Mr. C. E. Taylor during his term as District Secretary.

**WELLINGTON.**—Included in the District Executive. Convener: Rev. A. O. Harris.

**NELSON.**—Chairman of District, Revs. H. A. Sharp and E. C. Leadley, Mesdames H. Sharp, H. J. Harris, E. C. Leadley, E. Burroughs, Miss Blick, Messrs. F. Southgate and H. Oldham.

NORTH CANTERBURY.—Included in the District Executive, Convener: Rev. W. E. A. Carr.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.—The Ministers of Timaru and Temuka Circuits, Mesdames R. McAlister and G. Nelson, Messrs. C. W. Keinan, T. Simmons, and A. A. Dale. Convener: Rev. W. W. Avery.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Incorporated in the District Executive. Convener: Rev. H. E. Harkness, M.A.

#### A.—REPORT RE REHABILITATION.

(a) We are now unfortunately compelled to assume that our workers on their return to the Field will have to face the destruction of:—

- (1) Most of the buildings on Head Stations.
- (2) Boats, except the "Fauro Chief" and "Bilua."
- (2) Stores and plant, such as sawmill, boat repairing equipment, etc.

The cost of replacement of buildings alone has been estimated by Mr. Scrivin as between £30,000 and £40,000. In view of the inevitable war-time inflationary tendency and the upward trend of prices, we had better assume the replacement cost of £40,000. The financing of this large sum will require careful planning by the Board and sacrificial giving by the whole Church.

(b) As it may be possible to commence rebuilding work before the end of 1943, it seems to be necessary for the Board to have a tentative plan now for financing this heavy task.

(c) The Board will immediately consult with the Rev. J. F. Goldie and his colleagues from the Field and decide in broad outline what are the most urgent jobs and how they are to be financed, and plan the order and method of reconstruction.

(d) Viewing the matter purely from the financial angle, the Executive Officers submit the following suggestions for the consideration of the Board, which they hope will be of assistance in clarifying the financial side of the problem.

1. While the Bank overdraft limit will no doubt be a great help, especially in the earlier part of each financial year, the Board suggests that too heavy an overdraft might be a menace, and shall fix annually a limit beyond which it will not borrow under any circumstances.
2. The major rehabilitation expenditure for each reconstruction year should be planned as far as possible at the Annual Meeting of the Board so that arrangements may be made well ahead of the necessary finance.
3. Existing special funds should be used in this time of extreme emergency as follows:—

An amount not exceeding £5000 from the Medical Fund to be applied, if necessary, towards the cost of replacing buildings and equipment for the medical work.

The Equipment Fund to be merged, until otherwise decided by the Board, in the Rehabilitation Fund, and all legacies (except those earmarked by the donors for other purposes) to be used in the Rehabilitation Fund.

4. It is clear that it will be necessary to appeal to the Church for liberal gifts to supplement other available funds. The utmost care will be necessary in administering these funds.
5. While there is a War Risk Insurance cover on property destroyed in Bougainville and Buka (in the Mandated Territory) the position in the British Solomons is very uncertain. Even in the case of assets destroyed in Bougainville there is sure to be considerable delay before insurance monies are paid over, and we therefore recommend that no such monies be included in the Mission budget until actually received.
6. The production of copra should be restarted as soon as possible in the hope of obtaining some advantage from the payable prices now ruling.

**Summary of Estimated Cost of replacing houses, boats, and plantations in the Solomons in the event of their destruction:—**

<b>Buildings:</b>	£
Roviana            ....    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....	18,900
Vella Lavella    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....	8,350
Choiseul           ....    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....	3,900
Bougainville-Buka    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....    ....	5,280
	£36,400

(Note: All buildings at Roviana, Kihili, and Gizo have been destroyed already, and those at Skotolan and Teop damaged.)

**Boats:**

Apart from the "Fauro Chief" and "Bilua," which have been taken over by the Navy    ....    ....    3,500

**Plantation Properties:**

Values as per Property Returns    ....    ....    ....    28,200

Grand Total            ....    ....    ....    ....    £68,130

**RESOLUTION.**

In view of the very heavy loss which the Mission has already suffered, and the urgency of rehabilitation work that is only too apparent, Conference sanctions and commends an urgent special appeal to the Church for not less than £25,000; and that priority be granted for this appeal in 1943.

Conferences urges each District to set up a Special Committee or Committees, to collaborate with the Foreign Mission Board in organising the appeal, while at the time safeguarding the General Fund.

To facilitate the appeal, the Rev. A. H. Joyce be engaged on special deputation work during 1943, until such time as he is able to return to the Islands.

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

**HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1942.**

This has been a full and difficult year, but quiet and faithful service has been rendered in all sections of the work, sowing and reaping for our Master. We are grateful for many evidences of Divine blessing.

**Maori Work.**

A separate report is submitted herewith.

**Staff.**

The war has made grave inroads into available staffing. Many men who would normally by now have been in the work or in Theological College have been prevented from doing so. As a result, we have had vacant appointments where some dozen unmarried men would ordinarily be stationed. In some instances, supply arrangements have been made, but others remains vacant in the meantime. We feel that the stage has been reached where representations should be made to the authorities to release or exempt suitable young men who can be obtained for the ministry or Home Mission work.

**Travelling Difficulties.**

The acute shortage of benzine and tyres, together with the cost of all travelling, has caused a great deal of readjustment in the work. Some preaching places have been temporarily closed in Circuits and Home Mission Stations, but we are glad to notice the number of instances where good plans have been worked out, whereby cottage meetings are being held during the week nights on the same day as pastoral work is being carried out. This saves double travelling for pastoral work and Sunday services, while at the same time it established a very intimate relationship between Minister and people.

**H.M. Removal Expenses Fund.**

Owing to a typist's error, the Minutes of Conference, 1941, page 121, resolution 2a, should read: "Such levy, unless otherwise determined by Conference, to be £4 per year."

**Literature and Colporteur Society.**

We are glad to report another year's useful activity for the Society and its Epworth Bookroom. The Bookroom, and all that it stands for in Methodism, is increasing in favour throughout the Connexion. The increase in orders—which we have unfortunately not been able to meet through shortage of supplies—is an evidence of this.

We deeply regret the unavoidable absence of Sister Rita from "the road" for a large part of the year. However, we are glad to know of her returning health and are grateful for the measure of assistance which she is now giving in the Bookroom itself.

There has been little activity in the matter of publications this year: the Campaign for Christian Order publications being handled by the Spiritual Advance Committee. We look forward to the early publication of our official Maori Mission History—the record of the first half century of our own Church's Missionary enterprise in New Zealand.

The Committee has once again been served by a devoted Manager and staff and, provided adequate books are available, will go forward in the steps of the illustrious founder of Methodist book-rooms—"the preacher on horse-back."

#### **Spiritual Advance Committee.**

During the year the attention of the Committee has been engaged primarily with the Church Membership effort and the Campaign for Christian Order. In the nature of things these worked parallel and simultaneously.

**Membership.** An attractive poster for all Churches and preaching places was prepared and circulated together with supplies of an excellent leaflet "The Church and You," written by Rev. C. O. Hailwood. The success of this Campaign will depend on the efforts put into it. A new handbook, by Rev. C. T. Symons, for Preparation Classes and for guidance of prospective Church members, is in course of preparation.

**Campaign for Christian Order.** In our Church, owing to the relatively late date of our Conference, the Campaign had a late start. However, plans were immediately put in hand for hearty co-operation with the other participating Churches. We have had chiefly to concentrate on supplementary literature. This series is being circulated as each section comes from the printer. The complete series will include:—

1. A Bible-Reading Card, with daily readings.
2. "In God's Name Advance!," a study handbook.
3. A series of four Messages to the Church.
4. A group of six pamphlets prepared by Rev. C. T. Symons, at the request of our Committee, dealing with the Church and Youth, and Religion in the Home.
5. In addition to the above (4), we have sanctioned and cordially endorsed the printing, by the Youth Board, of a further group of pamphlets and Prayer Cards.

With the co-operation of the Editor of the Methodist "Times," a column has been commenced and continued for Campaign news, and we value the services rendered by Rev. J. D. McArthur in this connection.

**Convener.** Owing to his being called into full time service as a Chaplain to the Forces, Rev. B. M. Chrystall relinquished, during the year, his valuable services as convener of the Committee. This meant a great loss to the Committee in the midst of the Campaign.

#### **Conclusion.**

Year by year this work goes on. Quietly advancing where advance is possible, steadying the work when difficulties surge up, but always providing an avenue whereby our people are able to share the responsibility. Seed is being sown—lives are being influenced for good, and we believe we are having some share in the establishment of the Eternal Kingdom. Brethren, pray for us.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.

A. E. WAITE, Secretary.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, financial statements, and estimates be received and adopted.

### 2. Membership.

(a) That the membership campaign be extended to September 30th next, and the whole Church be urged to use the available period for a thorough effort to reach the Conference target of at least ten per cent. increase in membership.

(b) In this connection we would urge that adequate preparation, through catechumen classes and other means, be made prior to the receiving of candidates into membership, and that wherever practicable, proper reception services should be held.

### 3. Campaign for Christian Order:

(a) Conference having heard of the work done under this Campaign, learns with satisfaction of plans being formulated of Churches to continue the Campaign, and Conference directs the whole Church to give wholehearted co-operation in this effort during 1943.

(b) That in response to the request of the National Committee, Conference directs that to assist in the finances of the Campaign, a retiring offering be taken in every Church and preaching place on 30th May next, except where local circumstances make another date necessary.

### 4. Overseas Visitors:

(a) That an effort be made to obtain a brief visit to New Zealand of the next Cato Lecturer during his trip to the next Australasian General Conference.

(b) That the President General be invited to make an inspirational visit to New Zealand, if possible, later in this year.

5. **Constitution of Home Mission Board:** That the clause dealing with Bible Class Movement Representatives on the Home Mission Board be amended to read: "and two representatives of the Youth work of the Church who shall be nominated by the Youth Board in consultation with the Auckland District Youth Council.

6. That the grant of £25 for the Spiritual Advance Committee be subject to a subsidy of £ for £ from the Contingent Fund.

7. **Treasurers for 1943:** That the Treasurers be Rev. H. J. Odell and Mr. Frank Penn. That Rev. E. T. Olds be specially thanked for his services.

8. **Finances:** (a) Conference expresses its gratitude at the evidence of the steadily growing confidence of the Church in the work of the H.M. Department as evidenced in the excellent result of the appeal for funds in 1942; every Synodal district in the Dominion having shown an increase on the previous year, and the aggregate ordinary Circuit income being the highest on record.

(b) In view of the very heavy overdraft anticipated in the estimates of income and expenditure for 1943, Conference draws the attention of the whole Church to the following fact: Conference has passed the estimates only on the understanding that a very special effort be made in every Circuit and Home Mission Station to secure special gifts in addition to a considerably increased general income this year, and commends the campaign for such additional funds to the prayerful consideration of every member and adherent of the Church.

9. **Wellington New Housing Areas:** That in view of the vastness and urgency of the task of our Church in the Hutt Valley, as expressed in the resolutions of the Wellington Synod, Conference resolves that the programme of extension work as subsidised this year by the Home Mission Fund, be carried on with the close co-operation of the Chairman of the District and the Wellington District Executive.

10. **Thanks:** That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the General Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, the Senior Maori Superintendent, the members of the Board and Committees, the Conveners of Committees, the District Home Mission Secretaries and Committees, the Honorary Deputations during the year, the General Treasurers, the Auditors of Department Funds, the Bookroom Manager and members of the staff generally for loyal service rendered to the Church.

11. **Shortage of Agents:** That in view of the serious shortage of agents to supply the Home Mission Stations and Circuits of our Connexion, a shortage shared by other Churches in the Dominion, Conferences authorise the following lines of action:—

That the President of the Conference, together with the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department, be empowered to approach, as soon as possible after Conference, the Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly and the General Superintendent of Presbyterian Missions with a view to possible co-operation, at least as a war measure.

That the following basis be suggested:—

- (a) That where one Church has been compelled to leave a Charge or Circuit without an appointment, while the other Church is represented by a Minister or Home Missionary, the two causes maintain their present organisation and finances, but the Congregations unite and accept the ministrations of the resident Minister.
- (b) That the vacant charge remain under the general oversight of a neighbouring Minister of their own denomination, or, if necessary, in the case of a Methodist Church, the Chairman of the District.
- (c) That offerings be placed in envelopes marked with the denominational preference of the donors, and such offerings be handled by office-bearers of the respective denominations.
- (d) That Mission and other Connexional financial organisation in the respective Churches remain as at present.
- (e) That in the regular meetings of the office-bearers of the Churches without a resident Minister, a grant be made from available funds towards the support of the Church whose Minister is maintaining the local pastoral and pulpit work.
- (f) That the position be reviewed at least annually, and may be altered during the year after mutual discussion between the Superintendents of the two Home Mission Departments.

12. **Stipends of Home Missionaries.** The Convener moved: That the Home Mission Board review during the year the standard of stipends of Home Missionaries and report to next Synods and Conference.

### 13. Married Candidates for the Ministry.

1. That the following be referred to the Examination Committee and the Board of Studies for consideration during the year and report to next Synods and Conference.

In general, in view of the exacting demands made upon the Ministry in these days, it is not desirable that men should proceed to ordination without training in the Theological Institution. At the same time, in view of the fitness of some of the men concerned, and of the needs of the Church, married men should not be debarred from offering themselves as candidates. We therefore recommend that when a married man is accepted as a candidate, except in special cases, he be not placed directly on probation, but that a suitable supply appointment be found for him in Auckland in order that he may pursue a modified course at the Theological Institution as a non-resident student, and that the Home Mission Department be asked to assist with and advise in provision of such appointments.

To this end we recommend the following amendments and additions to the Book of Laws, dealing with relevant sections thereof.

#### A. Book of Laws, Page 16, paragraph 60a.

That a new paragraph be inserted to read:—

That when an accepted candidate is a married man, if possible, a suitable supply appointment shall be found for him in Auckland, where he may pursue a course of study as a non-resident student at the Theological Institution. The status of such an accepted candidate shall be that of a Home Missionary, and his studies shall be under the direction of the Principal of the College and the Committee of Oversight with whom the Circuit Superintendent shall confer in regard to the time to be devoted to Circuit work.

Following such a course of study, on the recommendation of the Board of Studies he may be received for the normal term of probation.

#### B. Page 89, paragraph 2.

That this paragraph be amended to read:—As at present with the addition of the words "But in terms of Para. 81, page 20, the Conference is empowered to accept into full Connexion, men of outstanding qualities who are worthy of ordination, and who offer themselves as candidates.

2. That the following resolution be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board for consideration, and for a full report to next Synods and Conference.

That Page 140, para. 14, be amended by the addition of the following words after "Australasian Fund":—

"and except as provided for in 'A' below."

14A shall read:—

"Any Minister who is received into full Connexion after not less than fifteen years' continuous contribution to the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, may elect to continue his membership in that Fund in lieu of the Supernumerary Fund. His Circuit shall pay the usual Circuit Levy to the Supernumerary Fund, but only the customary subsidy of the H.M. Station and of the H.M. Board shall be credited from this amount to the account of the Minister concerned. (Note: At present the H.M. Station pays £6 and the H.M. Board £6. These would be paid out of the £15 Circuit Levy for the Supernumerary Fund.)

Such Ministers or their wives would have no claim on any benefits from the Supernumerary Fund, but would be entitled to all benefits from the H.M. Retiring Fund.'

#### 14. Home Missionaries Retiring Fund.

That Book of Laws, page 169, Paragraph 11, be amended to read: after "in each year" insert—"The personal subscriptions shall be deducted each month by the Circuit Stewards from the Home Missionaries' stipends and forwarded quarterly to the Chairman of the District, who shall account for such subscriptions with the Circuit levies, to the Treasurers of the Fund."

15. That the Conference requests the Publication Committee of the Home Missions Board to arrange for the printing and distribution of the addresses delivered by Revs. W. T. Blight, B.A., D.D., and R. Thornley, M.A., Dip. Soc.Sc., in the conversation on the work of God.

16. Publications Committee. That the following be the Committee for 1943: Revs. E. T. Olds, W. Walker, A. J. Johnston, A. H. Scrivin, G. I. Laurenson, H. J. Odell, E. W. Hames, M.A., H. C. Matthews; Messrs. W. S. Mackay, F. Penn, J. H. Blackwell, Miss E. M. Rishworth. Corresponding member: Rev. B. M. Campbell, B.A. Convener: Rev. H. C. Matthews.

#### 17. Home Mission Board for 1943.

General Superintendent (Rev. G. I. Laurenson), Assistant Superintendent and Ministerial General Treasurer (Rev. H. J. Odell), Senior Maori Superintendent (Rev. E. Te Tuhi), Chairman of the District (Rev. E. T. Olds), Acting-Principal of Trinity College (Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.), The Lay General Treasurer (Mr. Frank Penn), Revs. A. H. Scrivin, G. Frost, A. Mitchell, J. Olphert, W. Walker, J. H. Bailey, Walter Parker, H. A. Cochrane, A. J. Johnston, J. F. Jack, A. E. Orr, D. J. Hickman, A. E. Waite; Representative of H.M.'s (Rev. C. W. Brown); Representatives of M.W.M.U. (Mrs. I. A. Taylor, ex officio, Mrs. W. Lewis, Miss Rishworth); Representatives of Youth Work (Sister Ivy Jones and Mr. L. T. Hayman). Life Members: Revs. A. J. Seamer and Dr. H. Ranston. Corresponding Members: Rev. M. A. R. Pratt, Mrs. Geo. Smith; Messrs. W. S. Mackay, T. Clark, J. H. Blackwell, L. E. Rhodes, F. G. Steinert, H. S. Crowe, W. Ambury, T. W. Hemer, G. Wilson, A. Williams, W. E. Burley, M.A., C. K. Wigglesworth, S. E. Chappell, D. E. Parton. Secretary: Rev. A. E. Waite.

#### District Home Mission Secretaries.

AUCKLAND—Rev. A. J. Johnston.

SOUTH AUCKLAND.—REV. L. A. G. Brooks.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI—Rev.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU.—Rev. F. B. Lawrence.

WELLINGTON.—Rev. F. Bateup.

NELSON—Rev.

NORTH CANTERBURY—Rev. E. E. Sage.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.—Rev. O. Burnet.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.—Rev. B. M. Tasker, B.A.

SOUTHLAND SUB-DISTRICT—Rev.

### District Home Mission Committees.

**AUCKLAND.**—The Superintendent Ministers of the Auckland City and Suburban Circuits, with the Rev. E. W. Hames, Messrs. W. S. Mackay, W. Ambury, F. Penn, F. W. Stone, T. E. Price, E. A. Astley, and A. Williams. Convener: Rev. A. J. Johnston.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND.**—The Chairman of the District, the Ministers of Hamilton, Hamilton East, Cambridge, Te Aroha, and Morrinsville Circuits, Messrs. R. P. Kilham, W. B. Young, J. T. Johnson, R. J. Melville. Convener: Rev. L. A. G. Brooks.

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI.**—The Chairman of the District, Ministers of New Plymouth, Opunake, Stratford, and Waitara Circuits, the Home Missionary at Okato, Messrs. C. E. Bellringer, G. W. Kirk, M. Barnitt, E. Dixon, and T. P. Hughson, Senr. Convener: Rev.

Wanganui Sub-District H.M. Committee.—The Ministers of the Wanganui Circuits; Messrs. G. Blakely, F. Whitlock, S. Newsome. Convener: Rev. J. F. Martin.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU.**—The Superintendent Ministers of the St. Paul's, Cuba Street, Ashurt-Bunnythorpe, Sanson-Rongotea, and Feilding Circuits, Mrs. E. G. Bennett, Messrs. L. Bycroft, A. H. Fisher, Junr., C. E. Taylor, L. Gwynn, Miss F. Gray. Convener: Rev. F. B. Lawrence.

Hawke's Bay Sub-District H.M. Committee.—The Superintendent Ministers of the Napier and Hastings Circuits, with Messrs. W. H. Shearer and J. H. Oldham. Convener: Rev. \_\_\_\_\_.  
Corresponding Member: Minister of Gisborne Circuit.

**WELLINGTON.**—Included in the District Executive. Convener: Rev. F. Bateup.

**NELSON.**—The Chairman of the District, the Ministers of Blenheim Circuit, together with Messrs H. Penny, F. Southgate, V. Smart, R. McCallum, H. Oldham, J. S. White, S. Harris, H. Bateup, Mesdames Hale and Booth. Convener: Rev.

**NORTH CANTERBURY.**—Included in District Executive. Convener: Rev. E. E. Sage.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY.**—The Chairman of the District, the Ministers of Timaru, Temuka, and Geraldine Circuits, with Messrs. J. C. Butcher, W. G. Irwin, W. Hocking, T. E. Holdgate, F. Metson, and A. W. Barnett. Convener: Rev. O. Burnet.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.**—Included in the District Executive. Convener: Rev. B. M. Tasker, B.A.

Southland Sub-District H.M. Committee.—The Superintendent Ministers of the Invercargill Circuits, together with the Circuit H.M. Secretaries. Convener: Superintendent of Invercargill Central.

### METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

#### A.—ABRIDGED COPY OF ANNUAL REPORT.

As we present the report for the year just closed, we do so with thankful hearts for all the way that the Lord our God has led us. It has been a year of continued uncertainty, yet we have never failed to realise the sureness of God's guidance and the richness of His mercy.

## Sisters.

This year has been one of unprecedented disruption for both our Home and overseas Sisters. During the year the Boards have had to regretfully accept the resignations of Sisters Vera Cannon and Marara Kawhiti and the Kurahuna Committee that of Sister Marama Muriwai. The loss of these workers would have been more keenly felt had our overseas Sisters been still at their stations, but with the temporary appointment of Sister Ada Lee, of Bougainville, to Rangiatea, Miss Joyce Webber as assistant to Sister Ivy, and Sister Madeline Holland transferred to Kurahuna from Rangiatea, the vacancies have been filled.

Although Sisters salaries have not all been needed, the M.W.M.U. have fulfilled the promise made at the last Conference to pay for the present year £1355 to the F.M. Board for salaries and £100 for the Doctor Fund; to the H.M. Board £1048; these amounts for the full salaries of seven Sisters in the Solomons and six in New Zealand.

## Statistics.

Our numbers, both in membership and auxiliaries, have remained practically the same. Waitara, Waimamaku, Leeston, Otautau, and Pukekohe have joined our missionary band, and with two withdrawals, Raetihi and Pleasant Point, our auxiliaries now number 105; these, together with our 83 branches, comprise our membership of 4295, a decrease of eight members.

## Finance.

The income for the year is £5261/4/6, an increase on last year's figures of £416/2/11. £603/3/10 of this amount has been received for the maintenance of Kurahuna. Sales of used stamps have realised £397/19/7, and Gleanings £126/9/-.

## Kurahuna.

A full complement of 12 girls are receiving scholastic and domestic training under the devoted leadership of Sister Netta Gittos, assisted by Sister Madeline. The financial position has been further established, causing us no anxiety. The Kurahuna Booklet project has now practically finished with a credit balance of £14/13/3.

## Conventions.

Conventions have taken a foremost place in the year's activities this year, seeing 12 of these gatherings being held at the following places:—Whangarei, Te Awamutu, Morrinsville, Stratford, Palmerston North, Hastings, Masterton, Nelson, Christchurch, Timaru, Milton, and Invercargill. Eighty-five Auxiliaries have been represented at one or other of these gatherings, which do much to deepen the interest in our work. All report receiving valued assistance from the resident Minister.

## Literature Department.

Regular monthly letters have been sent out to auxiliaries and many Guilds are also kept in touch with our missionary interests by receiving our literature. The President's quarterly letter has been temporarily superseded by a monthly message. The total duplications for the year has been 4625.

### Box Department.

In September, 1941, 22 boxes of goods were sent to the Solomons from the South Island. A total of £52/10/1 has been received from the Wellington depot, and Auckland has £73/16/3 on hand for the purpose when the way opens to send our gifts again.

A total of 135 sacks and sugar-bags of used clothing have been sent to our Home Sisters for distribution.

### In Conclusion.

We can but review the fruits of the year with very full and thankful hearts. Especially in those distressing circumstances surrounding our Sisters' delivery from "perils of" we have been able to trace plainly God's divine goodness and guidance. So we face the year ahead with the certain assurance that no day will be too dark to see His leading.

I. A. TAYLOR, President.

B. A. FLAVALL, Hon. Secretary.

### B.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

In presenting the Report for the year 1941-42 it is again my pleasure to state that it has been a year of progress.

It is pleasing to record an increase of £416/2/11 on the previous year. The total income of £5261/4/6 being made up of contributions £5197/3/6, Doctor's Fund interest £3, Kurahuna Debenture Interest £20/3/10, P.O.S.B. Interest £40/17/2.

Our Sisters' Salaries Fund amounts to £2759/10/4. In addition to this amount the Y.W.B.C. Movement has contributed the sum of £330, being the annual payment for Sister Nicholls and Sister Ada Lee's salaries. To the Movement we tender our grateful thanks for their continued support and interest.

£603/3/10 has been paid into Kurahuna Fund, showing the increasing interest Kurahuna has for our women. Gleanings, too, have shown an increase; our Gleaners have sent forward £126/9/6.

To all who have helped with stamps during the year the result will be most gratifying. We rejoice with our Stamp Secretary that "Stamp Fund" realised £397/19/7.

Special Objective also has been well supported this year. Owing to War conditions and the evacuation of our Sisters from the Solomons quite a number of Auxiliaries sent in their Gift Box money with their end of year payments. These monies, therefore, have had to appear on the Balance Sheet, but as this is not in accordance with our usual practice we would ask that in future gifts be sent direct to the Box Organisers.

To our Auditor who so willingly gives of his time and talent to our work, we offer our sincere thanks.

C. M. GOLDSMITH,

Hon. Treasurer M.W.M.U.

### RESOLUTION.

That Conference records its very high appreciation of the work of the M.W.M.U. and congratulates it on another successful year of service.

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

**MAORI MISSION REPORT FOR 1942.**

We present this report on the Maori work, with thankful hearts for the continued blessing of Almighty God throughout another difficult year. The war has added its problems to the work in countless ways. Many of our men are in the forces, and, as far as addresses have been traced, we have linked them up with the official messages of greeting from the Church.

**Obituaries.**

Again this year our staff has been depleted by death: Mr Tupito Maruera, an honoured veteran Home Missionary of South Taranaki passed away, and Mr Hari Aroha Pereiti, of the King Country, a young Home Missionary of promise, was recently killed in a tragic railway accident.

**New Workers.**

After many years of service, Mr Te Riri Kawiti, of Waiomio, retired from Home Mission work, and at the urgent request of the people, his son, Mr Tawai Kawiti, has been appointed in his place. In the Waikato, Mr Roi Moke has been moved into the Hamilton centre to take some fuller service in that important area. Since the death of Rev. Matene Keepa, Mr Paahi Moke has been appointed to Ngaruawahia, and Mr Poihipi Tokora to Tuakau.

**Mr. Flewellen King.**

Much-appreciated assistance has been given to our Mission by Mr Flewellen King, who has conducted a very extensive series of lantern lectures and services in the Maori settlements. He has given his services free, and we have paid his travelling expenses.

**Correspondence Sunday School.**

The need has much increased during the year for correspondence teaching in our Maori Mission. A separate Maori branch was formed recently under the capable leadership of Sister Effie Harkness, who reports steady growth in the numbers of both teachers and scholars.

**Our Regular Helpers.**

We extend our sincere thanks once more to the M.W.M.U. and the M.Y.W.B.C. Movement for their steady, sustained support of our funds.

**Our Deaconesses.**

At the beginning of this year, both Sister Nicholls and Sister Eleanor Dobby have completed twenty-one years of service in our Mission. All our Deaconesses continue their Christlike ministrations in the face of many problems, not the least of which is the vastness of their areas. We must have more workers as soon as the funds are available, to ease the strain on the present staff.

**Auckland Maori Welfare Centre.**

Owing to the large influx of young Maori folk into the city for employment it has been found urgently necessary to open a centre for them under the auspices of the Church. Plans for this are in course of completion, and it is hoped that as an urgent war measure, a temporary building will be erected in Airedale Street, at a very early date. This will mean additional staff and a rearrangement of duties, and it is hoped that financial gifts will be received in sufficient numbers to open the centre free of debt.

### **Maori Paper.**

For some months, our Maori paper "He Kotuku" has been suspended, owing to cost of production. A very gracious offer by the Presbyterian Maori Mission is making it possible for our two Missions to produce a united paper in January under the title of "Te Waka Karaitiana." We greatly value this gesture.

### **Campaign for Christian Order.**

The Maori folk have been watching with appreciation and approval the development of the above Campaign. Unfortunately some problems have prevented complete unity in production of Maori literature or holding of united gatherings. However we welcome the development of a measure of co-operation which will enable some useful work to be done from now on.

### **Maori Education.**

Good work continues to be done in "Kurahuna" and "Rangiatea" Maori Girls' School. The unavoidable loss of Wesley College, Paerata, for full teaching facilities means a serious blow to the education of Maori boys. Our future leaders must be looked for among the trained lads, and the great need for Maori Theological students makes it urgent that Wesley College should resume its full programme at the earliest possible moment.

### **Liquor in the King Country.**

In spite of repeated protests, the cash-on-delivery system with the Railways continues for liquor. This is in effect, the sale of liquor in this no-license area, and we urge that these facilities be withdrawn as being a disgrace to our country and a continued menace to both races.

### **Missionary Interest Among the Maoris.**

To foster interest in Overseas and Home and Maori Missions, our Ministers and people in Maori Mission areas are urged to endeavour to bring together Maori people to share the inspiration of the services and meetings conducted by visiting deputations.

### **Difficulties of Travel.**

Our depleted staff, together with the difficulties of supply of tyres and benzine, and the greatly increased cost of travelling, is adding to the difficulties of pastoral work by our Maori Ministers. European Ministers in such areas are urged to give every possible co-operation in the pastoral oversight, especially of scattered Maori families.

### **Conclusion.**

We commend our vast task to the prayers and continued practical support of the whole Church.

E. TE TUHI, Senior Maori Superintendent.

F. COPELAND, Chairman of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express its pleasure that arrangements have been made for closer co-operation with the Presbyterian Maori Mission in the joint publication of the Maori Mission paper, and in the declaration on reciprocal Church membership.

3. **Reciprocal Maori Church Membership.** "Any Maori member of the Methodist or the Presbyterian Church moving into an area recognised as the Missionary domain of the other Church, shall be received into the membership of the sister Church, it being noted on admission that the said member came as a member in full standing in the former Church. This fact is also to be noted on the removal certificate to be provided on removal from the said district. Upon receipt of such removal certificates and the admission of the bearer into membership, acknowledgment shall be sent by the receiving minister to the minister in the previous district. Similar arrangements shall be made in respect to adherents of the two Churches."

4. That Conference recognises the urgent need of the appointment of an additional full time agent in North Taranaki at the earliest possible moment.

5. That Conference extend its congratulations to Sister Eleanor Dobby and Sister Nicholls on the completion of 21 years of service as Deaconesses among the Maoris.

6. That a suitable Student or Probationer be urged to proceed with the study of the Maori Language with a view to preparing himself for full-time service in the Maori Work.

7. **Rangiatea Maori Girls' School.** (a) That the report be received and adopted.

(b) That Conference expresses its thanks to the Principal, Staff, and Committee for their services to the School and to the Church.

(c) That in pursuance of the policy of the Conference in raising the Centennial Fund for a Maori Girls' College in Taranaki, a joint Committee of two representatives each of the Home Mission Board, the Wellington Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust, and of the "Rangiatea" School Committee be set up for the purpose of choosing a site with authority to purchase approximately 30 acres, and that the Commission discuss the question of a Board of Governors.

(d) That a local Committee be set up to make preliminary investigations of sites available and that it be composed of the members of the Grey Institute Trust and also the Secretary of the School Committee, Rev. T. W. Featherstone. The Convener to be Rev. E. D. Patchett and that the personnel be recommended to the President.

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

**A.—AUCKLAND METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION.  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th SEPTEMBER,  
1942.**

The Report as printed in the Agenda was received and adopted.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. Conference expresses its appreciation of the services rendered by Rev. A. E. Orr, and his efficient staff, and officials.

2. That Rev. A. E. Orr be appointed as Official Methodist Chaplain to H.M. Prison, Mt. Eden.

3. Conference expresses its thanks to Mr. Hoffman for his generous assistance to the Church in the form of two specimens of ancient Egyptian Art.

#### 4. Board of Management:

The superintendent (Chairman), Superintendent of Home Missions, the Chairman of the District, Revs. A. J. Seamer, A. E. Waite, Dr. H. Ranston, E. W. Hames, Arthur Mitchell, H. J. Odell; Dr. E. G. Sayers (on leave), Mrs. T. Clark, Mrs. R. B. Verry, Miss E. M. Booth, Messrs. W. S. Mackay, F. Penn, J. Tyler, J. J. Parker, E. J. Hutson, and A. Williams, together with the Circuit Officials and Representatives, and Trustees of the Mission Properties.

#### B.—DUNEDIN METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION.

A verbal report by Rev. L. B. Neale was received and adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That we express our deep thanks to God for the wise and sagacious leadership, vision, faith and devotion of the Superintendent and the loyalty of his staff, and congratulate them upon the fruitful work of the past year.

2. That Mr. Johnson be heartily thanked for his painstaking services in the midst of a difficult time.

**QUESTION XLVII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the training of Deaconesses?

#### ANNUAL REPORT 1942.

During the year, there have been three trainees in residence, Misses Davidson, Wilson and Hilder. Lectures have been regularly given by Revs. Drake, Fowles, Williams and Hailwood, while Miss Tahivi has continued lessons in Maori. We expect three other students next year, and Misses Davidson and Wilson will commence work under the Home Mission Board.

Most of the Deaconesses have sent in encouraging reports on their work. Almost all these have been amongst the Maori people.

During recent weeks, Sister Edith has married and her connection with the work has now been severed.

The Committee has had a difficult year owing to staffing problems and the rising cost of living. We shall ask Conference to give a decision on the wisdom of continuing the work as at present. There are twenty-two College students in residence at present.

Owing to ill-health, Sister Ruth Fawcett resigned after a year of valuable work. The Committee has been fortunate in securing the help of Miss Purdie of Dunedin as Matron.

The following grants are recommended for next year:—Fire Insurance Fund, £125; Foreign Mission Fund, £25; Home Mission Fund, £100; Contingent Fund, £100.

J. H. ALLEN, Chairman.

A. N. SCOTTER, Secretary.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Four Trainees will come into the Institution in March, Misses Hilder, Viney, Miller and Poole, the last named being an applicant for Foreign Mission and the others for Home Mission work.

Sister Olive Holland has accepted the position of sub-matron on the staff of the House, and the Committee believe that this appointment of a trained Deaconess will materially assist in solving some of the difficulties faced by the Committee.

## RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. Financial Statement received and adopted.
3. That the attention of Circuits be drawn to the fact that the appointments of Deaconesses are made by the Conference and cannot be terminated except by Conference or by the Deaconess Committee of Conference.
4. That the relationship of Deaconesses to the Order in the event of their marriage be considered by the Deaconess Committee for report to Synods and to the Conference of 1944.
5. That on College Sunday the need for consecrated womanhood to serve the Church as Deaconesses be presented to our congregations.
6. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the splendid services of Sister Edith Beer to the Church.
7. **Committee for 1943:**—The Chairman of the District, Rev. J. H. Allen, the Connexional Secretary, Revs. E. Drake, R. Dudley, A. N. Scotter, D. O. Williams, E. E. Sage, N. P. Larsen; Mesdames G. Bowron, H. E. Lamb, A. A. Sandford, W. Dudley, E. Provost, E. Allen, G. Orchard, O. M. Allen, Sister Mabel Morley; Messrs. C. A. Newman, H. Chapman, J. E. Purchase, E. H. Andrews, M. Kershaw and W. C. Francis.

**QUESTION XLVIII.**—What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting Connexional Orphanages?

**A.—THE AUCKLAND CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE,  
MT. ALBERT AND EPSOM.**

### TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1942.

The 29th Annual Report as printed in the Agenda was received and adopted. Admissions during the year numbered 43, and withdrawals, the net total now in residence being 70, 31 boys and 39 girls.

The Treasurer's Report, showing a satisfactory position, was also received and adopted.

The following Board of Management for 1943 was appointed:—

Mrs. W. R. Emerson and Mr. Wm. Astley, Life Members; Revs. E. T. Olds (Chairman), C. H. Laws, B.A., D.D., E. W. Hames, M.A., G. Frost, H. E. Bellhouse, Ministers of Epsom and Remuera Churches, Revs. W. Parker, F. E. Leadley (Treasurer), A. Everil Orr (Secretary); Mesdames A. H. White, T. Clark, A. Peak, A. L. Caughey, C. H. Burton, C. K. Wigglesworth; Misses A. Mason, E. Mason, E. Waddingham, Ida Buttle, C. E. Wagstaff, C. Veale, B. M. Brooke; Messrs. J. E. Astley, T. Clark, F. Penn, A. Williams, F. L. Rudd (On Leave), R. W. Gillon, J. S. Caughey (On Leave), A. L. Caughey (On Leave), J. H. Whitburn, J. Hargreaves, J. Tyler, R. T. Garlick (On Leave), G. W. Turley, D. E. Parton, W. H. Faulkner, C. K. Wigglesworth, and the Chairman and Secretary of the South Auckland District.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

## B.—MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME.

The Report for 1942 was printed in the Synod Agenda. The number of children decreased from 29 to 25, but satisfactory work had been accomplished notwithstanding sickness of members of the staff and the difficult circumstances occasioned by the earthquake.

The following nominations for the 1943 Committee are submitted:—Mesdames J. Cocker, J. Elliott, F. C. Daniel, Misses Burton, L. Cocker, and R. Elliott; Rev. G. H. Goodman, Dr. Prior, Messrs. D. A. Barnet, A. H. Daniell, J. H. Conly, T. H. Crosbie, W. H. Judd, W. R. Nicol, F. E. Wells, G. F. Whitlock, and W. H. J. Watson.

### Officers.

Chairman, Mr. F. E. Wells; Secretary-Manager, Mr. W. R. Nicol; Physician, Dr. N. H. Prior; Chaplain, Rev. G. H. Goodman; Assistant Secretary, Mr. W. H. J. Watson.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statement be adopted.

## C.—SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME.

The Report for 1942 was printed in the Synod Agenda. In spite of difficulties in securing an adequate staff a successful year was reported, 70 children being in residence. Appreciation was expressed of the services of the staff and outside helpers, especially the sterling service by the General Secretary, Rev. E. Drake.

The following Committee is nominated for next year:—Mesdames Bowron and Seed, with Sister Mabel Morley (life member); Revs. M. A. Rugby Pratt, W. Grigg, A. N. Scotter, C. R. Taylor, J. H. Allen, E. E. Sage, Raymond Dudley, D. O. Williams, and N. P. Larsen; Messrs. M. Kershaw, F. A. Sheat, W. S. Worner, H. Holland, H. deR. Flesher, J. E. Purchase, W. H. Marshall, H. J. S. Harrington, and W. G. Wright; Mesdames Pratt, W. Cock, M. Opie, F. C. Thornton, J. Allen, C. W. Barrell, with Miss Horrell. General Secretary: Rev. E. Drake; Treasurer: Mr. M. Kershaw.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statement be adopted.

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

### “METHODIST TIMES” AND LITERATURE COMMITTEE. REPORT FOR 1942.

In spite of difficulties regarding paper supplies and also shortage of labour our printers have continued to serve the Committee with much acceptance. The paper continues to enjoy the warm appreciation of the Church, and its circulation continues slowly to increase. The Rev. H. E. Bellhouse, as Editor, holds the confidence of the Connexion, and the Rev. G. R. Harris maintains his high standard of service as Associate Editor. Both are cordially nominated for reappointment. To our circuit agents the Committee of Management tenders cordial thanks for their continued co-operation. The Committee has done all that was possible to give effect to the resolutions of last Conference.

The position of the funds is shown in the financial statements. In view of the continued uncertainty in relation to all publishing matters the Committee asks for a grant of £150 from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund and for £100 from the Contingent Fund, in addition to the standing provision of one-half of the honoraria for the Editors and their contingent expenses.

The Committee nominated for the next Connexional year is as follows:—Revs. M. A. Rugby Pratt (ex officio), E. Drake, J. H. Allen, J. Dennis, Mr. H. Holland, C.B.E. (Lay Treasurer), Messrs. W. A. Bascand, E. H. Andrews, and W. G. Wright.

On behalf of the Committee,

M. A. \*RUGBY PRATT,  
Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, Revenue Account and Balance-sheet be received, adopted and printed in the Minutes.
2. That Conference records its appreciation of the valuable editorial services rendered by the Rev. H. E. Bellhouse, and that he be re-appointed.
3. That the Rev. G. R. Harris be heartily thanked for his services as Associate Editor, and that he be re-appointed.
4. That grants be approved of £150 from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund and £100 in addition to the standing grant of one-half of the honoraria for the Editors and their contingent expenses.

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

With the permission of the National Security Department the Chaplaincy Report was printed in the Agenda.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Annual Report of the Senior Chaplain be received and adopted. That a letter of appreciation be sent to each Chaplain.
2. That the Statement of Receipts and Payments of the War Services and Chaplaincy Fund, as submitted, be received and adopted.
3. That, as from 1st April, 1943, the personal subscriptions to the Supernumerary Fund of Chaplains serving in New Zealand be borne by such Chaplains themselves.
4. That, arising out of war disabilities sustained by Rev. R. Day while serving as a Chaplain, his case be regarded as a special case and that his personal subscriptions to the Supernumerary Fund for the current year be borne by the War Services and Chaplaincy Fund.
5. That the recommendation of the North Canterbury Synod relating to the Furniture Allowance, payable to Chaplains, be not sustained.
6. That the appointment of a Naval Chaplain, as raised by the Auckland Synod, be again referred to the Senior Chaplains of the Churches concerned.
7. That the question of Christian ministrations to prisoners-of-war in New Zealand, as raised by the Wellington Synod, be referred to the Chaplaincy Advisory Committee of the Central Command.

8. That a sum of £200 be included in the budget for the ensuing year for the acquisition and distribution of suitable literature among members in the Armed Forces.

9. That an appeal for funds totalling £1500 for the War Services and Chaplaincy Fund, during 1943, be authorised, that the Senior Chaplain and the Central Advisory Committee send out a letter of appeal to Ministers and Home Missionaries for reading to all congregations, and that all Churches take retiring collections at least each half-year.

10. That Rev. F. J. Parker be re-appointed Senior Chaplain.

11. That the following District Committees be appointed:—  
Revs. W. A. Burley (Chairman), Fred J. Parker (Senior Chaplain), J. D. McArthur, Messrs. T. M. Pacey, B. O. Stokes, A. J. Johnston, E. W. A. Kellow, P. E. Patrick, and Angus Jones.

12. That Conference records its appreciation of the outstanding leadership and untiring devotion of the ex-President, Rev. W. Walker, in all matters connected with the Chaplaincy work of our Church. It expresses gratitude for his wisdom, tact and ability in ensuring smooth relationships between the Church and the military authorities.

13. That the Treasurers (Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt and Mr. H. de R. Flesher) be thanked for services and re-appointed.

#### QUESTION LI.—What is the Report of the Custodians on Early Records, Libraries and Museums?

##### A.—THE CONNEXIONAL OFFICE.

During the year the daughter and sons of the late Rev. T. G. Brooke presented to the Connexional Office Museum the mallet and trowel used by Mr. Brooke in laying the foundation stone of Mornington Church on 23rd April, 1904, and the mallet used by him in laying the foundation stone of the Taumarunui Church on 27th September, 1916.

Dr. C. H. Laws has presented some reports on Tongan affairs; Mrs. G. Bowron several missionary maps, and Mrs. P. W. Fairclough newspaper cuttings relating to an Independent Conference for New Zealand. The Rev. F. B. Lawrence handed over a parcel of Christchurch Primitive Methodist records; the Rev. J. A. Daghish records relating to Carterton, Featherston, and Greytown; the Rev. E. S. Hoddinott, Kumara registers and the Greymouth Sunday School Minute Book from 1873 to 1888; Mr. W. E. Bate lodged the Hastings cash book from 1914 to 1938 and the Trust Minute Book 1930 to 1937. Mr. Holland lodged the Lawrence Baptismal Register for 1868 to 1905; Mr. Daghish the Milton Ladies' Guild Minute Book 1893-1900, and Sister Ruth Fawcett the first Deaconess House Minute Book 1907-1923. Mr. J. E. Jones forwarded the Greytown Plan for 1872; Mrs. R. C. Harding, the Local Preachers' Magazine for 1851-2, and Mr. Lancelot Watson, works by Beard and Morley Punshon.

M. A. RUGBY PRATT,  
Custodian.

## B.—TRINITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

Rev. F. E. Leadley: Minute Book of Conference Arrangements Committee, 1929, containing full particulars of Functions connected with the Opening of Trinity College.

Mrs. E. B. Hallon: Very old Greek Bible dated 1545 (on deposit).

Rev. W. A. Sinclair: Compendium of Old and New Testaments; Volume of Hogarth's Cartoons; D'Urville's Voyage Au Pole Sud (1841).

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Craig: Picture-frame constructed from moulding taken from Mangungu Mission Church.

Miss Kirk: Larger telescope of John Hobbs.

Rev. E. S. Emmitt: Petty's History of Primitive Methodism, and Hull P.M. Circuit Plan, 1841.

Mr. R. Mears: Set of Chinese carved ivory chess-men, very old and of considerable value.

Mrs. A. B. Chappell (in memory of Mr. Chappell): Maori Hymn and Service Book, printed at the Wesleyan Mission Press, Mangungu, 1845.

Mrs. Reeves: Queen Anne New Testament with Notes.

In addition to the above, a number of friends have donated books, etc., many of which are of considerable interest and value. Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt has continued to supply the current issues of the "Wyvern" (the Magazine of Queen's College, Melbourne) and Publications of the Royal Historical Society.

E. W. HAMES, Custodian.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt be appointed Custodian for the ensuing year, with the acting-Principal of the College as joint Custodian.
3. That thanks be tendered to those who have sent in various records and gifts during the year.

## WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (N.Z. BRANCH).

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Annual Report for 1942 as printed in the Synod Agenda be received and adopted.
2. That any Churches proposing to issue souvenir historical brochures be urged to refer their manuscripts to the Standing Committee of the Wesley Historical Society before incurring any expense in setting up type for printing.
3. That ministers and Church officials be directed to forward all old Church minute books and other records to the Connexional Secretary for classification and safe custody.

QUESTION LII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Matters Previously remitted to Synods or Committees for Report?

1.—CHURCH UNION.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE, 1942.

Acting on instructions from the last Conference the Committee prepared and issued "an Exposition of the Basis of Union for the information of Quarterly Meetings and Synods, together with the ballot papers and necessary forms for returns."

The following is a summary of the voting by the quarterly meetings in the various Districts.

	For the Basis	For Amendments	Against The Basis	Neutral	Informal.
Auckland ....	26	224	282	7	4
South Auckland ....	32	123	181	4	4
Taranaki - Wanganui	16	121	81	4	—
Hawke's Bay-					
Manawatu	17	105	126	3	—
Wellington ....	89	155	65	—	—
Nelson ....	50	77	42	2	—
North Canterbury ....	16	207	171	—	2
South Canterbury ....	7	124	34	5	1
Otago-Southland ....	22	132	222	10	—
Totals ....	275	1,268	1,204	35	11

The voting in the Synods resulted as set forth below:—

District.	For the Basis.	For Amendments.	Against the Basis.	Neutral.	Informal.
Auckland ....	3	39	41	—	3
South Auckland ....	3	40	8	—	—
Taranaki-Wanganui	1	15	12	—	—
Hawke's Bay-					
Manawatu	1	11	15	—	—
Wellington ....	27	23	4	—	—
Nelson ....	2	17	6	—	—
North Canterbury	3	47	22	—	—
South Canterbury	—	15	4	1	—
Otago-Southland ....	1	8	40	—	—
Totals ....	41	215	152	1	3

On behalf of the Committee,

M. A. RUGBY PRATT,

Chairman and Convener.

Christchurch, 23rd December, 1942.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. The Conference declares its conviction that it is the will of God for His Church in this age that she should seek to express her inner unity in Christ Jesus in terms unmistakable to the world, and also that she should use her resources in a manner that will transcend all denominational rivalry and best promote the interests of the Kingdom of God.

To this end the Conference reaffirms its desire to pursue Church Union with the Presbyterian and Congregational Churches in the hope that a Basis of Union satisfactory as to doctrine and polity can be formulated. Conference rejoices to note that all the Synods expressed themselves in favour of the principle of Church Union.

3. (a) That in view of the voting on the Basis submitted to Quarterly Meetings and Synods a central Committee be set up an empowered to continue negotiations with similar committees of the other two Churches with a view to the production of a more acceptable basis and that the several Committees be asked to give careful consideration to the principle adopted in Canada whereby congregations of the Churches entering union may continue the organisation and practices enjoyed by them at the time of union.

(b) That the Resolutions of the Presbyterian General Assembly relating to joint action between the Churches be referred to the Central Committee.

(c) That the Central Committee meet in Wellington.

#### Committee.

(d) The President of the Conference (Chairman), the Secretary of the Conference, and Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A. (Joint Conveners), Revs. W. Walker, R. B. Tinsley, W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., E. D. Patchett, R. Thornley, M.A., M. A. Rugby Pratt, J. H. Allen, E. W. Hames, M.A., G. I. Laurenson, and R. Dudley, M.A.; Messrs. H. Oldham, J. H. Blackwell, C. E. Taylor, N. R. Seddon, P. E. Pattrick, T. M. Pacey, J. E. Purchase, F. Thompson, J. Tyler, C. E. Bellringer, H. deR. Flesher, A. T. Gandell, and Miss L. Hodder.

The Committee to report to next Synods and Conference.

4. That every effort be made to foster fraternal relations amongst the ministers and people of the negotiating Churches and to explore all possible means for effective co-operation and joint action in matters in which it may be possible to make common cause.

5. That the Resolutions of the Conference on Church Union be forwarded to the Presbyterian and Congregational Churches.

6. That Conference accepts with appreciation the invitation given by the Presbyterian Church to our President to visit the Assembly, and very cordially reciprocates by inviting the Moderator of the Assembly and the Chairman of the Congregational Union to visit Conference as honoured guests.

7. That the matter of the dates of Presbyteries and Synods synchronising be referred to the Central Committee for consideration.

## II.—NEW ZEALAND METHODIST CENTENNIAL THANKS-GIVING APPEAL.

### REPORT.

The outstanding feature of the Appeal this year has been the fine response from many of our smaller Circuits and Home Mission Stations; £26,000 having been added to the total of Promises. We pay tribute to the places concerned and to Rev. G. H. Goodman for his excellent service given in this direction.

The total of payments received to date represents 58% of total monies promised.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. After a full consideration of the issues raised by the Otago-Southland recommendation, and in view of the endorsement of the Committee's recommendations by seven other Synods, the decision of this Conference is that the Appeal should be completed on the present basis, and that no amendments be made to either the aims or objectives.

2. Conference records with gratitude to Our Heavenly Father the splendid Thanksgiving response given to the Appeal by so many individual donors. Gifts ranging from 2/6 to £5,000 all displayed an obvious willingness to render thanks. Conference now calls on all Circuits and friends who have made promises, to maintain the wonderful spirit that has marked the Campaign, by completing the effort as soon as possible.

3. That in order to facilitate the finalising of the Appeal the following district agents be appointed to act in collaboration with the Dominion Organiser.

Auckland.—Rev. A. J. Johnston.

South Auckland.—Mr. W. B. L. Williams.

Taranaki-Wanganui.—Mr. C. E. Bellringer.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu.—Rev. A. R. Penn.

Wellington.—

Nelson.—Rev. J. D. Grocott.

North Canterbury.—Mr. W. C. Francis.

South Canterbury.—Rev. R. B. Gosnell.

Otago-Southland.—Mr. F. G. Marshall.

4. That the Appeal be formally closed on 31st March, 1943.

5. That the present arrangements concerning the Dominion Organiser and office organisation be continued.

6. That the office of Travelling Organiser be discontinued as from 31st March, 1943. In this connection Conference records with gratitude the splendid service rendered to the Church by the Rev. G. H. Goodman. It pays tribute both to his ability to promote the objectives of the Appeal and to maintain a high spiritual level in his approach.

7. That Conference extends its thanks to Rev. A. J. Johnston for his efficient and valued services rendered to the Appeal.

8. That Conference greatly appreciates the inspiration and leadership of Rev. L. B. Neale, who initiated the Appeal.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.

A. J. JOHNSTON, Dominion Organiser.

### III.—COMMITTEE ON BAPTISM AND MEMBERSHIP.

#### INTERIM REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Conference of 1942 adopted the Recommendations of the Committee relating to Baptism, but those dealing with Grades of Membership were referred back.

After consulting with its Corresponding Members and giving the matter further consideration the Committee submits the following Interim Report.

I. There are two major aspects of the question, neither of which should be overlooked. They are not mutually opposed, but complementary. 1. Our children are born into a world redeemed by Christ, into homes sanctified by His presence, into a Covenant of grace, which is signified and confirmed by Infant Baptism. The children of believers are thus closely related to Christ in His Church apart from any volition of their own, and for this reason are properly included under the Church relationship of their parents. 2. The complementary truth is that Christian discipleship involves a conscious self-committment to the Master, the personal response of faith to the grace of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. The Church is a fellowship of professing Christians, and this fellowship is entered by confession of faith. Membership is never inherited or taken for granted or conferred automatically. Each of the above statements (1) and (2) should be read in the light of the other, and both truths find expression in our faith and practice.

II. Our present system of Infant and Junior Membership was introduced in order to give prominence to the status of children within the Church, and to assist in their Christian nurture. But in the judgment of the Committee and on the evidence submitted to us, this graded system has encouraged the "escalator" theory of membership and has tended to obscure or minimise the critical nature of the step taken when young people "join the Church" by confession of faith. The Committee is of opinion, therefore, that without in any way denying the place of children within the Church, it would make for definiteness and clarity in our dealing with young people if the term "Membership" were reserved for those who have "joined the Church" on confession of faith.

III. To replace the present Infant and Junior Rolls and provide for the pastoral oversight of the young we propose the following outline scheme:—

(1) We regard Baptised children as received into the visible Church of Christ, and we exercise pastoral oversight in the following way:—

- a. Baptismal Roll.
- b. Cradle Roll (essential in every congregation). Children aged 1-4 years. Annual greeting on child's birthday, signed by Minister and Primary Super.
- c. Primary Roll, children 4-8. Annual greeting signed as above.
- d. S.S. Roll, children 8-16. Annual greeting designed to remind children of their baptism and the call of their Master for personal response to Him. Signed by Minister, Super, and Teacher.

(2) At a suitable time, generally not later than 16 years of age, young people shall be confronted with the call of Christ and urged to take upon themselves the obligation of membership in the Church. Those who respond shall be gathered into classes and after due instruction and with the approval of the Leaders' Meeting shall be publicly recognised as Members of the Church.

(3) Annual Membership Returns will then be made up as follows:—

- (1) Number added to Baptismal Roll during year.
- (2) Number on Cradle Roll.

- (3) Sunday School Roll  
 Primary 4-8.  
 Junior 8-11.  
 Intermediate 11-16.
- (4) Church Roll.  
 Last Year.  
 Added during year.  
 Deaths.  
 Removals to other Circuits.  
 Ceased to attend.  
 Number this year.

N.B.—(1) to (3) will form part of the Sunday School Returns and (4) only will be presented by the District Statistical Secretary. Detail would need to be worked out in consultation with Youth Department.

F. COPELAND, Chairman.  
 E. W. HAMES. Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Interim Report be received and printed in the Minutes, and that it be referred to the May Synods of 1943 for their careful consideration. Any findings shall be reported at once to the Convener.
2. That the Committee be reappointed, and report through the Synods to Conference of 1944.

#### IV.—CENTRAL FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Committee has ascertained the requirements of the four Funds—Removal Expenses, Contingent, Children's and Supernumerary—for the ensuing five years. The annual amounts required by the Funds during that period are as follows:—

Removal Expenses	....	....	....	£1096
Contingent	....	....	....	3070
Children's	....	....	....	1750
Supernumerary	....	....	....	2700
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				£8610

It should be noted that these amounts have been supplied by the Boards or Committees administering the Funds. The Committee then proceeded to determine the total assessment for each District. No instructions had been given to the Committee as to the manner in which the District assessments were to be made. After careful consideration the following procedure was adopted. The Committee obtained from each Treasurer the amounts paid by the various Districts to each fund over a period of years and thus ascertained the total amounts received in levies and the amounts paid by each District. Averages were then taken and the proportions were allocated on a percentage basis. For example, one District in one year provided 22.66% of the total amount levied, yet the average over the period considered was 22.25%.

The Committee has fixed the District Assessments as follows:—

Auckland	....	....	....	....	£1916
South Auckland	....	....	....	....	1055
Taranaki-Wanganui	....	....	....	....	646
Hawkes Bay and Manawatu	....	....	....	....	671
Wellington	....	....	....	....	1168
Nelson	....	....	....	....	496
Canterbury	....	....	....	....	1310
South Canterbury	....	....	....	....	441
Otago and Southland	....	....	....	....	907
					£8610

The District assessments are divided amongst the various Funds as follows:—

	Removal Ex-	Contin-	Children's	Super-	Total.
	penses Fund.	gent Fund.	Fund.	numery Fund.	
Auckland	.... 242	.... 683	.... 390	.... 601	1916
South Auckland	.... 134	.... 376	.... 214	.... 331	1055
Taranaki-Wanganui	.... 82	.... 230	.... 131	.... 203	646
Hawkes Bay and Manawatu	.... 85	.... 240	.... 136	.... 210	671
Wellington	.... 148	.... 417	.... 237	.... 366	1168
Nelson	.... 63	.... 177	.... 101	.... 155	496
Canterbury	.... 166	.... 467	.... 266	.... 411	1310
South Canterbury	.... 56	.... 157	.... 90	.... 138	441
Otago & Southland	.... 114	.... 323	.... 185	.... 285	907
New Zealand	.... 1090	.... 3070	.... 1750	.... 2700	8610

It is the duty of District Committees to allocate to each Circuit within its bounds the amount of such Circuit's assessment, and in so doing consideration must be given to the five factors as set out in 1942 Minutes, page 167, paragraph 2 (d).

The following are nominated as the members of the Standing Committee:—Revs. J. H. Allen, M. A. Rugby Pratt and R. Dudley, Messrs. M. Kershaw, H. Chapman, F. Thompson, and H. de R. Flesher.

J. H. ALLEN, Chairman.

H. de R. FLESHER, Secretary.

#### District Committees.

AUCKLAND.—The Chairman and Financial Secretary, Messrs. F. Penn, A. Turner, and L. E. Rhodes.

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND.—

TARANAKI-WANGANUI.—The Chairman of District, Rev. Wm. C. Jenkin, Messrs. T. P. Hughson, Jnr., W. H. C. Clemow, L. M. Moss, LL.M.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU.—The Chairman of the District, Rev. H. L. Fiebig, Messrs. W. A. Carthew, O. Bettany, and C. E. Taylor. Convener, Rev. H. L. Fiebig.

WELLINGTON.—The Chairman, Rev. J. D. McArthur, Messrs. A. J. Johnston, T. M. Pacey, N. R. Seddon.

NELSON.—Revs. J. D. Grocott and Mr. R. Marshall, J. Heatherington and C. F. Smith.

NORTH CANTERBURY.—The Chairman of the District (convener), Rev. C. R. Taylor, Messrs. W. C. Francis, E. R. Caygill, and C. H. Perkins.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.—Chairman, Rev. R. B. Gosnell, Messrs. Lill, Bishop and Money.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.—District Committee. Chairman, Rev. L. C. Horwood (convener), Messrs. Alan Gandell, G. A. Lamb, G. S. Gapper.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

#### V.—COMMITTEE ON STIPENDS.

Minutes of Conference 1941, page 120, Resolution 20 (2) and (3).

During the year the Wellington District set up a committee to investigate the question of stipends being paid from a central Connexional Fund. This involves tremendous changes in our present system, and the implications of such a proposal require much thought and consideration.

A certain amount of initial investigation has been done, but the Committee is of the opinion it would be advisable to hold over any report until Conference of 1944, by which time it hopes to place before Conference full details of its findings.

W. A. BURLEY, Chairman.

B. O. STOKES, Convener.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted and referred back to the Committee.

#### VI.—COMMISSION ON WOMEN AND THE ORDAINED MINISTRY.

(1942 Minutes, p. 146.)

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Interim Report as printed in the Synod Agenda be received and that the Committee be reappointed.

#### QUESTION LIII.—Who are the Members of the Committee of Privileges?

(See Law Book, pp. 97, 98.)

The President, Vice-President, Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Revs. W. A. Burley, A. O. Harris, J. D. McArthur, and F. J. Parker; Messrs. J. Stanton, E. W. A. Kellow, N. R. Seddon, S. T. S. Martin, T. M. Pacey and H. de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B. Secretary of Conference, Secretary and Convener.

Committee of Exigency to be the Wellington members of the Committee of Privileges.

**QUESTION LIV.—Who are the Members of the District Executive Committees?**

**WELLINGTON.—**

The Ministers, Probationers, and Home Missionaries in active work in Wellington City and Suburbs, with Messrs. B. O. Stokes, T. M. Pacey, C. J. Freeman, H. N. Vivian, W. A. Heath, S. N. Roberts, A. H. Brooks, J. R. Wright, H. W. Smith, N. R. Seddon, F. Turner, B. T. Clothier, D. Taylor, T. M. Stephens, W. J. Carman, P. Clark, S. Fellows, F. Lockwood, T. W. Treen, D. Payne, E. G. Heggie, E. W. A. Kellow, S. T. S. Martin, A. G. Mackie, W. G. Eisner, Miss P. Yearbury, Mrs. Bramwell Scott, Mrs. M. Denby. Convener: Rev. A. O. Harris.

**NORTH CANTERBURY.—**

Ministers and Probationers in active work in the Christchurch and Lyttelton Circuits, the Connexional Secretary, Revs. E. Drake, W. Grigg, A. Liversedge, A. N. Scotter, B. J. James, M. A. McDowell, A. H. Fowles, Messrs. C. W. Barrell, A. Southey, W. F. Francis, T. W. Armstrong, W. Clothier, R. E. Holloway, G. Wright, Newman Hall, W. Burnell, D. McHarg, H. W. Heslop, S. Sayers, H. A. Purves, C. A. Comber, R. Carter, H. B. Moore, P. A. le Brun, R. K. Todhunter, P. Thornton, T. Walker, R. Norton, F. Coleman, A. Dingwall, E. Smith, M. Kershaw, F. Thompson, J. W. Hillary, H. de R. Flesher, C. C. Sandford, J. E. Purchase, Mrs. T. Hallam, Mrs. W. A. Megson, Misses H. Wise and R. Turnpenny. Convener: Rev. C. R. Taylor.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.—**

Ministers and Home Missionaries of Dunedin and Suburban Circuits, laymen the same as last year. Convener: Superintendent of Trinity Church.

**QUESTION LV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Laws and Regulations of the Church, including the Rulings of the President during the Year?**

**LAW BOOK REVISION COMMITTEE.**

**REPORT 1942.**

The Committee has not been able to deal with all questions referred to it by last Conference. It was unable to complete its revision of the regulations relating to the training of the Ministry.

The Recommendations of the Committee are set out below.

H. DE R. FLESHER,

Convener.

**(a) Constitution of District Executive.**

As directed the Committee has considered the constitution of District Executives. It was obvious to the Committee that the constitution as set out in Minutes 1920, page 119, as amended by Minutes 1921, page 154, is not adhered to. Only three of the nine Districts have District-Executive Committees.

The present Constitution is as follows:—

1. The Committee shall consist of not less than three and not more than 15 Ministers, and a similar number of Laymen, in each District. All other Superintendent Ministers in the district to be Corresponding Members of the Committee. In all cases the Chairman of the District shall be, ex officio, Chairman of the Committee. Each Committee shall determine its own quorum.

2. Each Annual District Synod shall have the right to nominate the members of the Committee for its District, but the appointment shall be by resolution of the Conference, which shall have the power to substitute other names.

3. The duties of the Committee shall be:—

- (1) To exercise the functions now discharged by:—
  - (a) The District Foreign Mission Committee.
  - (b) The District Home Mission Advisory Committee.
  - (c) The District Loan Fund Advisory Committee.
  - (d) Such other Committees as Conference may determine.
- (2) To confer with and advise Circuit Quarterly Meetings and Trustees of Church property within the district respecting any Circuit or other local adjustments that may appear desirable, and make recommendations thereon to the Local Courts and the District Synod, when such action shall be deemed advisable.
- (3) To encourage, and if necessary arrange for, such efforts as may be considered likely to promote the spiritual life of the congregations, or to facilitate the efficient working of the Church and its extension in the District.
- (4) To take action in regard to any public matter that may require attention.
- (5) To deal with any other matters which may be remitted thereto by Conference or the District Synods.
- (6) The Executive shall have power to apportion any part of its duties to sub-committees.

4. The Committee shall meet at least twice a year to review the work of the Church in the District, and to do such other work as may be necessary.

5. The Chairman of the District shall convene the Committee for its first meeting in the Connexional year, when a Secretary shall be appointed, who shall convene all subsequent meetings at such times as may be determined by the Committee, or when requested to do so by the Chairman.

The Committee recommends that the existing provisions shall be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

1. The Committee shall consist of not less than three and not more than ten Ministers and a similar number of laymen in each District. The Chairman of the District shall be ex officio Chairman of the Committee. Each Committee shall determine its quorum.

2. Each Annual District Synod shall have the right to nominate the members of the Committee for its District, but the appointment shall be by resolution of the Conference, which shall have the power to substitute other names.

3. The duties of the Committee shall be:—

- (a) To confer with and advise Circuit Quarterly Meetings and Trustees of Church property within the district respecting any Circuit or other local adjustments that may appear desirable, and make recommendations thereon to the Local Courts and the District Synod, when such action shall be deemed advisable.
- (b) To encourage, and if necessary arrange for, such efforts as may be considered likely to promote the spiritual life of the congregations, or to facilitate the efficient working of the Church and its extension in the District.

- (c) To take action in regard to any public matter that may require attention.
- (d) To deal with any other matters which may be remitted thereto by Conference or the District Synods.
- (e) The Executive shall have power to apportion any part of its duties to sub-committees.

4. The Committee shall meet at least four times a year to review the work of the Church in the District, and to do such other work as may be necessary.

5. The Chairman of the District shall convene the Committee for its first meeting in the Connexional year, when a Secretary shall be appointed, who shall convene all subsequent meetings at such times as may be determined by the Committee, or when requested to do so by the Chairman.

**(b) Memorials to Conference.**

That the last sentence of paragraph 216 Law Book, page 59, be repealed and the following be substituted therefor:—"The President shall satisfy himself that the Memorial is in order in all respects. All Memorials found to be in order shall be referred by him to the appropriate Committee for consideration and report to Conference. On the second day of Conference the President shall table a list of all Memorials received, such list to indicate whether they were rejected or referred to Committees."

**(c) Contingent Fund.**

The Treasurers of this Fund are not yet in a position to make recommendations. The Committee asks that this be referred back to it.

**(d) Children's Fund.**

The Committee has conferred with the Treasurers of the Children's Fund and with their approval recommends that the existing Regulations of the Children's Fund (Law Book page 151) be repealed and the following be substituted therefor:—

1. The Fund shall provide an annual allowance on account of all Ministers' children, including legally adopted children, up to the age of sixteen years for boys and eighteen for girls.

2. The amount of the allowance shall be determined by the Conference and shall be paid quarterly through the Chairman of the District. Exchange on cheques where necessary shall be a charge on the Fund.

3. Allowances for the children of Ministers who were married when received on probation, or who were allowed to marry during their probation, shall be made as from the first quarter after such Ministers have been received into Full Connexion.

4. The Fund shall be raised by any method which the Conference may from time to time determine.

5. The Conference shall annually appoint two Treasurers, a Minister and a Layman, who shall determine upon and register all claims upon the Fund; shall keep a register of the children of all the Ministers, with dates of their birth and death; shall issue to the Chairmen of Districts, prior to the March Quarterly Meeting in each year, warrants for all moneys to be paid during the year; shall present a Report and Balance-sheet annually to the Conference, and shall generally watch over the administration of the Fund in accordance with Connexional Regulations.

6. Ministers shall be required to forward all necessary information for registration to the Treasurers as soon as possible, and in all such cases not later than December 31st in each year.

7. The allowances shall not be payable until the commencement of the year succeeding the birth of a child. The amount then due shall be payable with the first quarter's allowance for the current year.

8. The death of a child entitled to the benefits of the Fund shall be immediately reported to the Treasurer, and the allowance shall cease to be paid at the close of the current quarter; but a grant of £7/10/- for funeral expenses shall be made to the parents or guardians on warrant from the Treasurers, except in cases where the funeral expenses shall have been paid by the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit to which the father is appointed.

9. The financial year shall close on December 31st, and Ministers removing from one District to another shall receive their March quarter's allowance in the District to which they remove. Chairmen of Districts are required to send their statements of the Fund to the Treasurers, together with any balance due, not later than 31st December in each year.

10. In the case of a Minister's resignation, or his expulsion from the Ministry, information thereof shall be forwarded to the Treasurers by the President of the Conference, and thereupon all claims in respect of such Minister's children shall cease.

11. A Minister resting for business purposes, and not on account of ill-health, shall not be entitled to draw any allowance during the time he is not in Circuit work.

12. The Fund shall not be liable for allowances for children born before the usual period of Probation of four years has expired, except as provided for in Rule 3.

13. No payment shall be made in respect of the children of any Ministers who are engaged on the Foreign Mission Field, as they are provided for by the Board of Missions.

14. Allowances for children of returned Missionaries who are no longer under the control of the Board of Missions, shall be paid by the Fund, provided that in the case of such Missionaries becoming Supernumeraries, or dying within five years of their return to this Conference, the allowances shall be regarded as a charge upon the Board of Missions.

15. The amounts received and allowances paid for children of Ministers set apart to Connexional Institutions or Offices shall pass through the hands and accounts of the Treasurers, who shall register the names of the children, and include the claims on their behalf in the usual yearly warrants.

16. The travelling expenses to Conference of one of the Treasurers shall be paid out of the Fund.

17. All matters in dispute regarding this Fund shall be referred to the Treasurers for settlement.

#### (e) Division of Circuits.

The Committee, after giving much consideration to this matter, is of the opinion that Conference as the highest court of the Connexion should have power to divide circuits, and therefore the Committee recommends that paragraphs 211 and 212, Law Book, page 59, should be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

211. No Circuit shall be divided without the consent of the Quarterly Meeting and the recommendation of the District Synod or a Committee thereof, provided always that Conference may act on the recommendations of any Commission appointed by it to consider the division and amalgamation of circuits or alterations in circuit boundaries, the report of which shall have been forwarded to the Superintendent Minister for consideration by the Quarterly Meeting, the resolutions of which shall be forwarded to Conference.

212. The boundaries of existing circuits may be regulated and altered by the authority of the District Synod, whose action shall be reported to the succeeding Conference for confirmation or otherwise.

**(f) Notices of Motion.**

The Committee recommends that the Standing Orders of Conference (Law Book page 228) be amended by deleting all words after "(c) Notices of Motion" in Section I, and by repealing clause 5 of Section II (page 229) and substituting therefor:—

5. (a) Notice of Motion shall be given of any Motion not in the Agenda and not being an amendment to a Motion.
- (b) Every Notice of Motion shall be handed to the Secretary in duplicate as soon as it shall have been read to the Conference.
- (c) The Secretary shall move the reception of each Notice of Motion separately and also its reference to the appropriate Committee for consideration and report prior to discussion by the Conference. His motion to this dual effect shall be taken without discussion.
- (d) No Notices of Motion shall be given at the opening Session of the Conference.

**(g) Training of Ministers.**

The Committee recommends that this matter be again referred to it.

**(h) Matters for Consideration of Committee.**

There is no statement of the functions of the President's Committee of Advice which has now become a well recognised part of the Church's polity. It is recommended that the Committee be authorised to draft clauses re same for inclusion in the Law Book.

The Committee also recommends that it be authorised to draft a clause setting out the conditions under which a minister who retires may retain local preacher status.

**(i) Constitution of Law Book Revision Committee.**

Revs. M. A. R. Pratt and E. Drake and Mr. H. de R. Flesher (Convener), with Revs. Dr. C. H. Laws and W. A. Burley and Mr. J. Stanton as corresponding members.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the Report be received and adopted.

**PRESIDENTIAL RULINGS.**

**1.—Manifesto on Peace and War, 1940.**

Can the Manifesto on Peace and War (Conference 1940) be regarded as one of the laws of the Church? Assuming the answer to be in the affirmative, what is the penalty, and what is the procedure of discipline in the event of any Minister, Probationer, or Home Missionary failing to implement such resolution?

**Ruling:** The Manifesto of 1940 is a resolution of Conference. There is no essential difference between such resolution and a law by the Church. The so-called "Laws of the Methodist Church" are only resolutions of Conference, and as such are embodied in the Minutes of the various Conferences at which they were passed. This is clearly set out in the notes printed at the beginning of the Law-Book. The validity of a resolution of Conference is not open to question by any Minister, Probationer, or Home Missionary of the Methodist Church, each of whom has undertaken to maintain the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church. All resolutions of Conference, which is the supreme body and final Court of Appeal in the Methodist Church, must be observed by its Ministers. Failure to do so would undoubtedly be a breach of discipline, and any such breach would have to be dealt with ultimately by Conference itself.

2. The penalty to be imposed upon any Minister failing to implement the Conference resolution is a matter for Conference itself, which is the final Court of Appeal. The disciplinary procedure is set out in the Law Book, pages 33 to 37.

Resolved that the ruling be sustained.

## **2.—Retired Home Missionaries and Quarterly Meetings.**

### **Also Ministers and Church Membership.**

Resolved: The opinions of the Legal Adviser on these matters were considered, and, with a view to further clarification, they were referred back to him in consultation with the Law Book Revision Committee.

## **3.—What are the powers of Wesley Church Trust, Taranaki Street, concerning the Webb Street property?**

No trustees may close or sell any Church in a Circuit to which a Minister is appointed unless prior consent has been given by the Conference or by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee acting on behalf of the Conference.

Resolved that the ruling be sustained.

## **QUESTION LVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on other Questions?**

### **I.—WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER.**

The Committee, as requested by last Conference, has been keeping in touch with the Intercommunion Group of Australia. The secretary of the Group, Rev. J. W. Burton, of Sydney, has kept this Committee supplied with the Reports and Minutes of the Group. These have been of considerable interest.

There is nothing, however, to report in the way of definite action either in Australia, New Zealand, or the Mission fields. A full report will be made to Conference. Our thanks are due to the Rev. J. W. Burton for his ready help and courtesy in these matters.

### **RESOLUTIONS. \***

1. **Subscription to Faith and Order Movement.** That in the event of the N.Z. Church Council not reaching a satisfactory solution regarding the Annual Subscription to the Faith and Order Movement, we forward this year's and last year's subscription of £5.

2. **Inter-Communion Group.** That the Committee on Faith and Order be requested to enquire into the possibility of arranging for the formation of an inter-Communion Group similar to that of Australia and in harmony with any action taken by the National Council of Churches.

That the Committee be reappointed:—

**AUCKLAND SECTION.**—Drs. C. H. Laws and H. Ranston, Revs. W. Walker, E. W. Hames, M.A., G. Frost, H. E. Bellhouse, B. M. Chrystall, B.A. Convener: Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.

**WELLINGTON SECTION.**—Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., R. Thornley, M.A., J. D. McArthur, F. Bateup, J. Churchill, C.F., and F. Greenwood (convener).

F. GREENWOOD,  
Convener.

## II.—REPORT OF CONVENER OF RADIO COMMITTEE.

Owing to unusual circumstances the Radio Committee has been unable to meet during the year.

The Convener passes on to the Conference the following matters of interest in connection with the Broadcasting of Religious Services.

During the year we have been ably represented on the Central Religious Broadcasting Committee by the Rev. W. A. Burley, M.A.

The Director of National Broadcasting has given every consideration, during the year, to the Broadcasting Religious Services and Devotional Periods.

The Methodist Church, with other religious bodies, appreciates the Director's willingness to broadcast the special service in connection with the Campaign for Christian Order.

The Convener understands that features of special interest to Church people will probably be introduced in the near future, such as Religious Drama, etc.

It will be noticed that a list of Methodist Broadcast Services and Devotional Sessions appear in every issue of the "Methodist Times."

FRANK BATEUP, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee for 1943 be the Wellington District Executive, with Rev. F. Bateup as Convener.

## III. PROVISION OF ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT.

As requested by last Conference (see Minutes p. 176) the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund report as follows:—

In order that the President might render fuller service to the whole Church by visiting Circuits and Home Mission Stations, holding Conferences with officials, conducting inspirational gatherings and giving direction to the wide interest of Methodism throughout New Zealand, last Conference affirmed the desirability of providing an assistant, when the President resided (in one of the four centres).

We estimate that the cost of a Probationary Supply would be in the region of £275, including stipend Connexional and incidental charges. Assuming a probable increase in Presidential travelling and other expenses of £100, would mean a total cost of approximately £375, necessitating an increase in the Contingent Fund levy of 1%.

The Contingent Fund at present defrays the cost of President's travelling, also the cost of supply preachers when he is absent on Connexional duties. The travelling expenses of the Vice-President are also payable when on Connexional service at the request of the President.

In view of the acute shortage of Ministers under war conditions, and the extra costs involved, we consider it impracticable to put the proposal into operation at present.

J. H. BLACKWELL, (Treasurer).  
W. WALKER.

The Report was received and adopted with the following addendum:—"In view of the acute shortage of Ministers this scheme cannot be put into operation immediately but shall operate as soon as supply becomes available.

#### IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE OF ADVICE.

The Ex-President, the President-Elect, and the Secretary of the Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Revs. C. H. Laws, B.A., D.D., H. E. Bellhouse, E. T. Olds, and E. W. Hames, M.A.; the Vice-President and Ex-Vice-President of the Conference, the President's Legal Adviser, Messrs. W. S. Mackay, J. H. Blackwell, H. de R. Flesher, J. Tyler, and L. E. Rhodes.

#### V. PRESIDENT'S LEGAL ADVISER.

That Mr. J. Stanton, LL.B., be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

##### 1.—John R. Gibson Bequest.

Resolved: That the question of the future of the estate of the late John R. Gibson be gone into by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, its opinion being conveyed to the Chairman of the Taranaki-Wanganui Circuit, who is authorised then to instruct Mr. L. M. Moss to take such action as may be necessary.

##### 2.—Centennial of Primitive Methodism.

Resolved: That Conference, with a view to making arrangements for the worthy commemoration of the Centennial of Primitive Methodism in the Dominion on September 1, 1944, appoints the following Committee at New Plymouth:—Revs. E. D. Patchett, John Nixon, and I. S. Williamson; Messrs. C. E. Bellringer, L. M. Moss, and M. Hughson. Convener, Rev. I. S. Williamson. The following to be corresponding members: The Secretary of the Conference, Revs. M. A. R. Pratt and E. Drake, Messrs W. I. Clarke and A. S. Froggatt. The Home Mission Board to be associated with the Committee.

3.—That the following proposition be referred to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for consideration and for the recommendation of suitable action:—That the accounts of all local Trusts which enter into revenue producing projects shall be considered annually by a special Conference Committee of Review.

**4.—Appeal of Ernest A. Crane against his dismissal by Wesley College.**

That Mr. Crane be recommended to submit an application to the Wesley College Board with a view to his dismissal being rescinded and his being granted leave of absence for the duration of the War, without prejudice to the matter of the appointment of staff at the conclusion of hostilities. That Conference commends this case to the sympathetic consideration of the Wesley College Board.

**5.—Visit of President to the General Conference.**

Recommended that this matter be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee to report to next Conference.

**6.—Accessibility of Journal to Members of Conference.**

That the Journal of Conference is confidential. It is in the care of the Secretary of the Conference until deposited in the Connexional Office for safe custody. Information concerning the full sessions of Conference may be given only to members of Conference, and of special Committee discussions only to members of such committees.

**7.—President's Gown.**

That this matter be referred to the Welfare of Church Committee to report to next Conference.

**8.—Ministerial Invitations and Appointments.**

Alteration to the Law (Law Book, p. 21, Sec. 7, par. 89) so that Invitations to Ministers to a Circuit shall be for three years, then annually by ballot. Invitations for a fifth year to be sustained by not less than two-thirds of those present, and all subsequent years by three-fourths of those present.

Resolved: That this matter be referred to the Synods of 1943.

**QUESTION LVII.—When and Where shall the next Conference be held?**

At Trinity Church, Dunedin, on Thursday, 17th February, 1944.

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
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Chas. H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	D. C. Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt: D.	J. A. Flesher, O.B.E.	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Christchurch	1928	William J. Elliott	J. W. Shackelford	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1929	John F. Goldie	T. P. Hughson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.	Arch. Peak	Jonathan H. Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D. Patchett	Wm. S. Mackay	Jonathan H. Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J. Voss	Jonathan H. Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J. Seamer	S. T. S. Martin	Jonathan H. Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J. T. Johnson	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H. Haslam	W. Charles Francis	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1936	E. Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1937	Fred. Copeland	Henry R. French	William A. Burley, M.A.
Wellington	1938	Percy R. Paris	John C. Tietjens	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S.	David J. Wesley	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	Frank Penn, N.D.H. (NZ)	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G. H. B. Lill	William G. Slade, M.A.
Christchurch	1943	Charles H. Olds	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.

\*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August, 1931.

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| <p>1907—Blair, Charles</p> <p>1908—Jordan, Chas. B.,<br/>M.A., B.D. (Hons.), F.R.E.S.<br/>" Martin, J. Frederick<br/>" Speer, William H. (Sup.)<br/>" Tinsley, Robt. B.</p> <p>1909—Cottom, Harry<br/>" McArthur, John D.</p> <p>1910—Burley, William A., M.A.<br/>" Harris, Archer, O<br/>" Olds, Charles H., B.A.<br/>" Richards, James<br/>" Sharp, Harold A.</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J.<br/>" Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.)<br/>" Hopper, Arthur (Sup.)<br/>" Neale, Leslie B., B.A., F.R.G.S.<br/>" Richards, H. Leslie<br/>" Rowe, William</p> <p>1912—Gosnell, Robert B.<br/>" Hinton, George B.<br/>" Lawrence, Frederick B.<br/>" Scrivin, Arthur H.<br/>" Walker, William</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A.<br/>" Peat, Harold T.</p> <p>1914—Burnet, Oswald<br/>" Foston, Charles A. (Sup.)<br/>" Werren, Samuel J.</p> <p>1915—Cooke, Percy I.<br/>" Olds, E. Thomas<br/>" Odell, Henry J.<br/>" Slade, William G., M.A.</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E.<br/>" Fordyce, Robert E.<br/>" Harkness, Edwin S.<br/>" Kendon, Charles H.<br/>" Metcalfe, John R.<br/>" Sage, Ernest E.</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.<br/>" Chambers, Ernest B.<br/>" Dennis, John<br/>" Nelson, John R.<br/>" Parker, Fredk. J.</p> | <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.<br/>" Neal, Wallace S.<br/>" Parker, James W.<br/>" Skuse, Thomas</p> <p>1919—Ford, Herbert<br/>" Gatman, William<br/>" Jefferson, Alfred E.</p> <p>1920—Orchard, Hector C.<br/>" Pickering, William B.</p> <p>1921—Benny, Henry</p> <p>1922—Allen, J. Henry<br/>" Brooks, Leslie A. G.<br/>" Jack, J. Francis</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert<br/>" Hames, Eric W., M.A.<br/>" Spencer, Herbert</p> <p>1924—Ayrton, Moses (Sup.)<br/>" Bailey, John H.<br/>" Bateup, Frank<br/>" Brown, Hubert G.<br/>" Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A.<br/>" Kings, Harry S.<br/>" McGregor, Robert<br/>" Taylor, Cecil R.</p> <p>1925—Brown, F. Gardner<br/>" Peterson, Gordon R. H.</p> <p>1926—Hall, James H.<br/>" Harris, G. Raymond<br/>" Voyce, Arthur H.</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P.<br/>" Laursen, George I.<br/>" Penn, Athol R.<br/>" Raynor, Ivo M.<br/>" Silvester, A. Wharton E.<br/>" Utting, Harry V.</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D.<br/>" Hailwood, Charlie O.<br/>" Handy, Francis J.<br/>" Jeffreys, Howard H.<br/>" Mead, Victor, L.Th.</p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.<br/>" Horwood, Leonard C.<br/>" Kent, Arthur T.<br/>" Parker, Walter</p> |
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1. The figures in the first column mark the year in which each Minister entered on his work; those in the second column the year of Annual Appointment. S denotes that the Minister is a Supernumerary, the year in which he became a Supernumerary being in parenthesis immediately after his address. The number of the Circuit in the Station Sheet is denoted in the right-hand column. The Foreign Mission and Maori Mission Stations are distinguished by numbers in square brackets.

2. H.M.—Home Missions.

F.M.—Foreign Missions.

M.M.—Maori Missions.

C.S.—Connexional Secretary.

Y.P.—Young People's Dept.

Th.C.—Theological College.

Ent.	Years.	Name and Address.	Circuit.
1922	.... 4	Allen, J. Henry, 170 Fitzgerald Ave., Christchurch, C.1.	.... 90
1932	.... 8	Alley, Donald C., c/o. P.O. Box 23W, Auckland C.1	[8]
1895	.... S	Ashcroft, Arthur, 30 Alfred Street, Palmerston North (1935)	.... 63
1906	.... 7	Avery, William W., Willowby, R.M.D., Ashburton	114
1924	.... S	Ayrton, Moses, Karori, Wellington, W.3.	.... 70
1924	.... 1	Bailey, John H., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna	.... 7
1901	.... S	Bailey, Samuel, c/o. P.O. Box 574, Dunedin, C.1	.... 118
1924	.... 3	Bateup, Frank, 235 Karori Road, Wellington, W.3	.... 70
1936	.... 1	Beckingsale, George E., 467 Leith St., Dunedin, N.1.	118
1941	.... 1	Bell, Charles H., Roxburgh, Otago	.... 127
1894	.... S	Bellhouse, Harold E., 12 Ranui Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2	.... 4
1921	.... 1	Benny, Henry, Coronation St., Waimate	.... 110
1913	.... 2	Bensley, Arthur A., Devonport Street, Tauranga	.... 37
1907	.... 2	Blair, Charles, 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	.... 81
1923	.... 4	Blakemore, Albert, 351 Palmerston Road, Gisborne	.... 58
1900	.... 5	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church St., Devonport, Auckland, N.1.	.... 6
1904	.... 9	Blamires, Ernest O., Beerehaven Road, Seatoun, Wellington, E.5	.... 68
1896	.... S	Blamires, Henry L., 23 Aikman's Rd., St. Albans, Christchurch, N.W.1. (1930)	.... 90
1930	.... 4	Blight, J. Montgomery, 5 William Street, Gore	.... 131
1917	.... 4	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., 78 West Street, Feilding	.... 66
1922	.... 5	Brooks, Leslie A. G., Church St., Te Aroha	.... 28
1925	.... 5	Brown, F. Gardner, 11 Horopito St., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1. (C.F. overseas)	.... 1
1943	.... 1	Brown, Clifford G., Somerfield, Christchurch	.... 89
1916	.... 4	Brown, George E., 136 Bank St., Whangarei	.... 18
1941	.... 1	Brown, Harold K., Kaeo, Auckland	.... 19
1924	.... 2	Brown, Hubert G., 112 Derby Street, Westport	.... 87

Ent.	Years.	Name and Address.	Circuit.
1941	.... 3	Burley, Harold W., 18 Matai Rd., Wellington, E.2 (on active service) ....	72
1910	.... 2	Burley, William A., M.A., 18 Matai Rd., Wellington, E.2 ....	72
1914	.... 2	Burnet, Oswald, 142 North Street, Timaru ....	109
1931	.... 1	Carr, Thomas, H., C.F., 28 Ormond Rd., Gisborne	57
1931	.... 5	Carr, W. E. Allon, 22 Union St., New Brighton, Christchurch	90
1917	.... 5	Chambers, Ernest B., 33 Wicksteed St., Wanganui	51
1933	.... 1	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., C.F., Auckland	6
1937	.... 3	Churchill, John, C.F., R.N.Z.A.F. Station, Rongotai, Wellington, E.3	72
1887	.... S	Clement, George, Sandringham Street, St. Clair, Dunedin, S.1 (1923)	117
1942	.... 2	Clement, Robert F., 35 Octagon, Dunedin, C.1	118
1902	.... 3	Coatsworth, Thomas, Pah Road, Motueka	84
1939	.... 1	Cochrane, Herbert A., 17 Church St., Devonport, Auckland, N.1	6
1942	.... 2	Collins, Alan F., 19 Ensor's Road, Opawa, Christchurch, S.E.1	92
1901	.... S	Cook, George S., Otaki Beach, Otaki (1928)	81
1915	.... 8	Cooke, Percy I., Station Road, Otahuhu	10
1905	.... 1	Copeland, Fred, 8 Madeira Steps, Napier	55
1918	.... 3	Costain, Alfred M., 162 King Street, Rangiora	103
1909	.... 6	Cottom, Harry, Springston R.D., Canterbury	99
1943	.... 1	Crammond, George W., Methodist Church, Hau-raki Plains, Waikato	25
1933	.... 1	Daglish J. Ainsley, Wesley Street, Pukekohe	12
1941	.... 2	Darvill, Harold A., Marchant St., Putaruru	34
1940	.... 1	Dawson, John B., 45 Haupapa Street, Rotorua	36
1943	.... 1	Dawson, W. Selwyn, 27 May St., Gonville, Wanganui	53
1932	.... 1	Day, Reginald, Connell Street, Waihi	27
1917	.... 3	Dennis, John, 336 Selwyn St., Addington, Christchurch, S.W.1	94
1929	.... 1	Dickens, Charles E., Methodist Church, Thorndon, Wellington	69
1940	.... 2	Dixon, Haddon C., B.A., Porirua, Wellington	73
1893	.... S	Drake, Edward, 100 Chapter Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1 (1936)	97
1930	.... 1	Draper, Joseph C., C.F. (overseas), Auckland	7
1935	.... 4	Duder, Clifford L., Taitua St., Taumarunui, King Country	43
1898	.... S	Dudley, Ben, F.R.A.S., 149 Rose St., Christchurch, S.W.1 (1938)	89
1931	.... 5	Dudley, Raymond, M.A., F.R.E.S., 54 Chester St., W., Christchurch, C.1	89
1901	.... 5	Eaton, Clarence, 524 Church St., Palmerston N.	63
1893	.... S	Elliott, William J., 8 Ascot Ave., Devonport, Auckland, N.1 (1933)	6
1903	.... S	Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C., 7 Northboro Rd., Takapuna, Auckland, N.2.	
1911	.... 2	Enticott, Walter J., Scotia Road, Port Chalmers	125
1943	.... 1	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Wellington E.	71
1901	.... S	Featherston, Jacob, 442 Cashel St., Christchurch, E.1 (1931)	90

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1924	4	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., 111 Wood Street, Palmerston North	64
1919	3	Ford, Herbert, 230 High Street, Dannevirke	60
1916	1	Fordyce, Robert E., 12 Domett Street, Opunake	50
1914	S	Foston, Charles A., Robinson St., Foxton (1939)	80
1911	S	Fowles, Albert H., 18 Lionel St., Avonside, Christchurch, N.E.1 (1941)	90
1937	1	Francis, William R., B.A., C.F. (overseas)	4
1893	S	Frost, George, 3 Gardner Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1933)	4
1919	4	Gatman, William, 68 Firth St., Hamilton East	32
1940	2	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., Lake Rd., Kaitaia, North Auckland	22
1897	42	Goldie, John F., Solomon Islands	[5]
1934	1	Goodman, George H., 48 Lincoln Rd., Masterton	77
1912	2	Gosnell, Robert B., Havelock Street, Ashburton	114
1940	3	Greenslade, Lawrence, Mission Bay, Auckland	4
1941	5	Greenslade, William W. H., "Homewood," Chapman Street, Invercargill	129
1897	S	Greenwood, Fred., 37 Charlotte Avenue, Brooklyn, Wellington, S.W.1 (1934)	67
1939	1	Grice, Reginald, 304 High Street, Carterton	76
1888	S	Grigg, William, 88 Cranford Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1 (1932)	90
1928	3	Grocutt, John D., Queen Street, Richmond, Nelson	83
1943	1	Grounds, Edmund D., Methodist Church, Rakaia	116
1928	4	Hailwood, Charlie O., 38 Cranford St., St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1	96
1926	4	Hall, James H., Woodend, Canterbury	104
1923	5	Hames, Eric W., M.A., "Leigh House," Trinity College, Grafton, Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1928	4	Handy, Francis J., Queen Street, Thames	24
1935	1	Hanna, L. Gordon, 8 King Edward St., Eltham	47
1916	1	Harkness, Edwin S., 64 Albert Street, Pahiatua	61
1938	2	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., 60 Lawrence Street, Mornington, Dunedin, W.1	123
1910	2	Harris, Archer O., 37 Nelson Street, Petone	75
1926	3	Harris, G. Raymond, Cambridge Street, Levin	80
1893	S	Harrison, Colin C., Waripori St., Berhampore, Wellington, S.1 (1933)	72
1900	S	Haslam, Jonathan H., "Flaxmere," Studholme Junction, South Canterbury	111
1939	1	Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Sc. (Agr.), Tancred St., Hokitika	88
1932	3	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 77 Grey St. East, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5	9
1912	2	Hinton, George B., 67 Brougham Street, Sydenham, Christchurch, S.1.	94
1938	2	Hoddinott, Ernest S., Franklin Street, Greymouth	88
1911	S	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935)	57
1936	1	Hopper, H. Ian K., Ohoka, Canterbury	102
1929	4	Horwood, Leonard C., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin, S.2	121
1900	S	Hunt, George P., 116 Peary R., Mt. Eden, Auckland (1940)	1

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1942	.... 1	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., Regent Street, Waihi	27
1922	.... 6	Jack, J. Francis, 12 Poronui Street, Mount Eden, Auckland, S.1	4
1930	.... S	James, Benjamin J., 22 Winston Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1 (1940)	90
1932	.... 4	Jamieson, V. Roy, C.F. (on active service)	16
1919	.... 2	Jefferson, Alfred E., 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	130
1928	.... 1	Jeffreys, Howard H., Matamata, Waikato	34
1932	.... 3	Jenkin, William C., Mowatt Street, Waitara	45
1934	.... S	John, John, 64 Rose Road, Grey Lynn, Auckland, W.2 (1941)	3
1934	.... 3	Johnston, Andrew J., Pupuke Road, Birkenhead, Auckland, N.5	8
1943	.... 1	Jolly, Albert, Taupiri, Waikato	33
1940	.... 4	Jones, Alan O., Tawa Street, Te Kuiti	42
1882	.... S	Jones, T. Francis, 7 Banff Avenue, Epsom, Auck- land, S.E.3 (1919)	4
1908	.... 1	Jordan, Charles B., M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S., Queen Street, Waiuku	13
1899	.... S	Keall, R. Purcell, 22 Trinity Ave., Lower Hutt, (1940)	74
1916	.... 1	Kendon, Charles H., Birkett Street, Temuka	112
1929	.... 1	Kent, Arthur T., C.F., 37 Warwick St., Grey Lynn, Auckland, W.2.	3
1924	.... 1	Kings, Harry S., C.F., Masterton	78
1889	.... S	Knight, Percy N., B.A., 9 Kerr Street, Devonport, Auckland, N.1 (1935)	3
1927	.... 2	Larsen, Norman P., 237 Salisbury Street, Christ- church, C.1	91
1927	.... 5	Laurenson, Geo. I., 11 Kakariki Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	H.M.
1912	.... 2	Lawrence, Frederick B., Ashhurst, Manawatu	65
1887	.... S	Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D., Foundation Fellow of Trinity College, 4 Tahuri Rd., Epsom, Auck- land, S.E.3 (1931)	4
1938	.... 2	Laws, William R., B.A., 95 Fitzroy Street, Kew, Dunedin, S.W.1	122
1930	.... 2	Leadley, E. Clarence, Picton	85
1900	.... S	Leadley, Frank E., 26 Arthur Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5 (1940)	9
1942	.... 2	Lewis, John J., M.A., 35 Robertson Rd., Auckland, S.W.3	5
1903	.... S	Liddell, Ralph J., Auckland	1
1900	.... S	Liversedge, Arthur, 76 Halton Street, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.2 (1940)	97
1938	.... 2	Long, Wesley L., 86 Porutu St., Lower Hutt	74
1939	.... 1	Lucas, Campbell P., 39 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, Wellington, S.W.1	67
1935	.... 2	Luxton, Clarence T. J., Ruawai, North Auckland	17
1908	.... 6	Martin, J. Frederick, 138 Somme Parade, Ara- moho, Wanganui	52
1934	.... 3	Matthews, Howard C., C.F., 27 Cambrai Ave., Roskill, Auckland, S.2	1
1937	.... 1	Mayson, Robert W., B.A., Eden Street, Oamaru	115
1909	.... 2	McArthur, John D., 24 Colombo St., Wellington, S.1	71

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1904	.... S	McBean, Angus, 2 Winter's Rd., Ashburton (1942)	114
1930	.... 5	McDowell, Matthew A., 77 Port Hills Road, Heathcote, Christchurch, S.E.2	Y.P.
1924	.... 8	McGregor, Robert, Greendale, Canterbury	105
1928	.... 1	Mead, Victor, L.Th., Porirua Road, Johnsonville, Wellington	72
1916	.... 24	Metcalfe, John R., c/o. Box 23W., Auckland	[7]
1905	.... 1	Metson, Basil, 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland,, S.E.2	4
1935	.... 2	Mills, William A., C.F. (on active service)	90
1890	.... S	Mitchell, Arthur, 40 Mt. Albert Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1930)	5
1933	.... 5	Mitchell, John L., Thames Street, Morrinsville	29
1931	.... 1	Moore, William E., Otorohanga, King Country	41
1942	.... 2	Morrison, William J., Taihape	54
1918	.... 4	Neal, Wallace S., 35 Wood St., Papakura, Auckland	11
1931	.... 13	Neale, Leslie B., B.A., F.R.G.S., 56 Royal Terrace, Dunedin, C.2	118
1917	.... 5	Nelson, John R., Arney Street, Paeroa	26
1875	.... S	Nixon, John, Eliot St., New Plymouth (1907)	44
1937	.... 1	Norwell, Leslie T., Johnson St., Milton	126
1915	.... 5	Odell, Henry J., 32 Mt. Albert Road, Auckland, S.W.2	H.M.
1939	.... 3	Oldfield, Charles B., Rawene, Hokianga	23
1910	.... 2	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 18 London St. Hamilton	31
1915	.... 9	Olds, E. Thomas, 10 Hopetoun St., Auckland, C.2 (1932)	1
1888	.... S	Olphert, J., 39 View Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1,	
1920	.... 1	Orchard, Hector C., Banks St., Te Awamutu	40
1933	.... 11	Orr, A. Everil, 10 Eden View Road, Sandringham, S.W.1, Auckland	2
1902	.... S	Oxbrow, Walter J., Ngongotaha, Rotorua (1938)	36
1917	.... 4	Parker, Frederick J., 1 Knights Rd., Lower Hutt	74
1931	.... 1	Parker, Gordon, M.A., 53 Fuller St., Kaiapoi	101
1918	.... 6	Parker, James W., Matai St., Maeroa, Hamilton	31
1929	.... 2	Parker, Walter, 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	5
1930	.... 1	Parker, Wesley, M.A., C.F. (on active service)	48
1902	.... 6	Patchett, Ernest D., 92 Liardet St., New Plymouth	44
1933	.... 2	Patchett, Ralph E., 39 Strathaven St., Wellington, E.5	72
1931	.... 1	Payne, Herbert W., 88 Linwood Ave., Christchurch, E.1	90
1913	.... 2	Peat, Harold T. (C.F.), 108 Prince Albert Road, St. Kilda, Dunedin (on active service)	121
1927	.... 3	Penn, Athol R., 77 Grey Street, Woodville	61
1892	.... S	Peryman, Samuel H. D., Railway Ter., Johnsonville (1928)	73
1938	.... 2	Petch, Ashleigh K., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington, E.1	67
1925	.... 4	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 179 Ryan St., Stratford	46
1920	.... 1	Pickering William B., Kirk Street, Otaki	80
1902	.... 17	Pratt, M.A. Rugby, F.R.Hist.S., 118 Knowles St., St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1	C.S.

Ent.	Years.	Name and Address.	Circuit.
1943	1	Prosser, Frederick O., 112 Ferguson Street, Geraldine	112
1897	S	Pybus, T. Arthur, De Lacy Street, Ravensbourne, Dunedin (1939)	131
1892	S	Raine, Robert, 54 Apuka Street, Brooklyn, Wellington, S.W.1 (1932)	68
1901	S	Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow Trinity College, 34 Alexis Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1941)	5
1927	4	Raynor, Ivo M., Normanby Street, Dargaville	16
1911	1	Richards, H. Leslie, Selwyn Street, Leeston	100
1910	1	Richards, James, 98 North Street, Timaru	107
1905	S	Richards, Raymond (1942), 317 Park Street, New Brighton, Christchurch	91
1895	S	Richards, Thomas R., 53 Clyde Street, Island Bay, Wellington, S.2 (1935)	68
1906	5	Roberts, Charles M., Sanson, Manawatu	67
1911	1	Rowe, William, C.F., Wellington	67
1906	S	Ryan, Henry, "Fernlea," School Road, Titirangi, Auckland	5
1916	4	Sage, Ernest E., 46 Radley St., Christchurch, S.E.1	92
1939	2	Sanft, Alfred, on Military Service Overseas	56
1900	S	Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A., 9 Elmwood Road, Fendalton, Christchurch, N.W.1 (1940)	89
1912	11	Scrivin, Arthur H., Probert Chambers, Queen St., Auckland, C.1. (Private address: 16 Atherton Road, Epsom, S.E.3.)	F.M.
1903	S	Seamer, Arthur J., Probert Chambers, Queen St., Auckland, C.1 (1939)	2
1910	2	Sharp, Harold A., 71 High Street, Blenheim	85
1927	9	Silvester, A. Wharton E., Gizo, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1938	2	Silvester, John, M.A., 19 Exeter St., Lyttelton	99
1891	S	Sinclair, William A., 16 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1933)	4
1918	2	Skuse, Thomas, C.F., Wellington	67
1915	1	Slade, William G., M.A., 149 Tennyson Street, Dunedin, C.2	117
1892	S	Smith, G. Knowles, Main Street, Greytown, Wairarapa (1940)	76
1908	S	Speer, William H., Whakaue St., Rotorua (1937)	36
1923	1	Spencer, Herbert, 10 New Bond St., Kingsland, Auckland, S.W.1	1
1904	S	Stockwell, George F., "Whare Reku," Thornton's Bay, Thames (1942)	24
1930	5	Symons, Clifford T., M.A., B.D., 75 Florence Ave., Palmerston North	Y.P.
1936	4	Tasker, Bert M., B.A., 80 Wesley St., Dunedin, S.1	120
1924	1	Taylor, Cecil R., 156 Matson's Road, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.2	97
1941	3	Thomas, Gordon V., Whakatane	38
1935	3	Thornley, Robert M.A., 22 Mersey St., Island Bay, Wellington, S.2	72
1908	2	Tinsley, Robert B., 801 E. Queen Street, Hastings	57
1927	1	Utting, Harry V., Stanley Street, Eketahuna	78

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1894	.... S	Vealie, Thomas W., 35 Cudby St., Lower Hutt, (1934)	74
1926	.... 18	Voyce, Arthur H., 118 Orakei Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2	[8]
1933	.... 3	Waite, Alfred E., 32 Arthur Street, Ponsonby, Auckland, W.1.	3
1939	.... 1	Waite, J. Stanley, 43 Queen Street, Cambridge, Waikato	30
1912	.... 1	Walker, William, 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	4
1885	.... S	Wallis, T. Jackson, 190 Lyttelton St., Christchurch, S.W.1 (1928)	94
1939	.... 3	Watson, John K. (on active service)	90
1914	.... 1	Werren, Samuel J., Wesley House, 19 Regent Street, Hawera	48
1906	.... 2	White, Hedley, Greytown	75
1938	.... 2	Whitfield, Harris, 15 Nelson Street, Riccarton, Christchurch, W.1	95
1931	.... 2	Williams, David O., M.A., 3 Repton Street, Merivale, Christchurch, N.W.1	96
1932	.... 4	Williamson, Ivan S., 9 Paynter's Ave., Fitzroy, New Plymouth	44
1942	.... 2	Willing, Leonard V., 42 Ngatoto St., Ngaio, Wellington	73
1936	.... 3	Willoughby, James S., 46 Brighton Street, Roslyn, Dunedin, N.W.1	124
1899	.... S	Wills, William, 2 Seacliffe Ave., Takapuna, Auckland, N.2 (1939)	7
1940	.... 2	Winiata, Maharaja, Probert Chambers, Queen St., Auckland	2
1935	.... 2	Witheyford, Arthur R., C.F., Auckland	7
1941	.... 1	Woolford, J. Henry, Greytown, Wairarapa	75
1901	.... S	Woolloxall, Thomas R. B., 12 Tennyson Avenue, Takapuna, Auckland, N.2 (1937)	7

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1914	.... 7	Rakena, Rakena P., Waima, Hokianga	[1]
1920	.... 1	Tauroa, Mataarae, Waihi Road, Hawera	[4]
1911	.... 7	Te Tuhi, Eruera, 519 Mt. Albert Ad., Auckland, S.1	[1]
1942	.... 2	Rogers, Ranginohora, Kawhia, King Country	[2]
1937	.... 6	Afu, John, Roviana, Solomon Islands	[5]
1930	.... 13	Gina, Belshazzar, Roviana, Solomon Islands	[5]
1931	.... 12	Havea, Paul, Marovo, Solomon Islands	[5]
1933	.... 10	Kera, Nathan, Roviana, Solomon Islands	[5]
1932	.... 11	Kotosoma, Aaron, Teop, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea	[8]
1933	.... 10	Sotutu, Uzziah, Buka, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea	[8]
1941	.... 3	Kukutai, Ngatete Kerei, Te Kuiti	[3]

#### MEDICAL MISSIONARY.

1938—Dr. A. G. Rutter, 101 Francis Road, Gisborne.

#### YOUTH DIRECTOR.

1939—Bate, Arthur E., 24 Linwood Ave., Mt. Albert, S.W.2., Y.P.

## HOME MISSIONARIES.

	Years.
1904—C. Aker, Coromandel	6
1907—S. Keen (retired), Kirk Street, Otaki	5
1909—C. W. Brown (retired), 33 Sainsbury Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	5
1909—T. W. Featherstone (retired), 2 Roy Ter., New Plymouth	6
1910—C. Duncan (retired), 24 Marunui Road, Point Chevalier, Auckland	4
1911—C. Strand (retired), Warden St., Shirley, Chch., N.1	13
1913—J. Common (retired), Bristol Street Levin	8
1915—J. H. Edmondson (retired), Albany	10
1917—A. L. Witheford (retired), Ngaruawahia	9
1919—J. W. Bayliss (retired), 98 Waimea Street, Nelson	5
1919—J. Belshaw (retired), 161 Blockhouse Bay Rd., Avondale	12
1922—H. Ashworth (retired), South Road, New Plymouth	7
1922—C. Robinson, Hassard Street, Manaia	4
1924—R. T. Alexander, Halcombe	1
1924—G. Hall, Oxford, Canterbury	3
1924—W. H. Wilson (retired), 19 Rangitoto Ter., Takapuna, N.2	5
1925—W. J. Henderson, Waipawa, Hawke's Bay	1
1925—H. J. Malcolm (retired), 31 St. John St., Chch., N.W.2	3
1926—W. Sussex (retired), Bayswater, Auckland	5
1928—R. Coombridge, Warkworth	1
1929—F. Sanderson, Tai Tapu	4
1930—J. C. R. Ashworth, Okato, Taranaki	3
1935—A. P. Dorrian, P.O. Box 11, Kohukohu, North Auckland	5
1937—N. R. Hooper, Mosgiel, Otago	2
1937—R. C. Patchett, c/o. P.O. Bombay, Auckland	1
1938—H. M. Brasell, P.O. Box 21, Nightcaps, Southland	5
1939—K. A. Robinson, Granity	1
1939—N. Challenger, 28 Elizabeth Street, Bluff	3
1939—C. S. L. Olliver, Patea, Taranaki	1
1939—W. G. Peate, Paparoa, North Auckland	5
1939—H. R. Wright, Riverton, Southland	4

## HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS.

1940—T. A. Winn, Cromwell, Otago	1
1940—W. J. Anderson, P.O. Box 112, Kaikohe	2
1940—W. J. Bryant, Otautau	4
1940—W. Maitland Jones, Silverdale, Auckland	4
1940—D. I. Robertson, Edendale, Southland	4
1940—W. T. Withers, Waddington, North Canterbury	1
1940—B. H. Riseley, 26 Lothian Street, Maori Hill, Dunedin	2
1941—W. L. Divers, St. Clair, Dunedin	1
1941—L. E. G. Sharp, Port Albert, R.D., Wellsford	3
1941—T. Steele, Baluclutha	2
1941—J. H. Thompson, Apati, Manawatu	3
1942—M. H. Taylor, Ohura, King Country	2
1942—Francis H. Parker, Marton	2
1942—Cyril W. Tolley, Murchison	2
1943—E. T. Carter, Waikouaiti, Otago	1
1943—A. Currie, Inglewood, Taranaki	1
1943—P. D. Ramsay, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay	1
1943—J. G. Sherson, Opotiki, Bay of Plenty	1

## HOME MISSIONARY SUPPLIES.

- J. F. Amos, Methodist Parsonage, Reefton.  
 M. B. G. Turkington, Methodist Church, Hikurangi.  
 H. Moore, non-resident Student of Trinity College, Methodist Parsonage, Glen Eden, Auckland.  
 Ian C. E. Ramage, Student on President's List of Reserves, Timaru South.  
 H. Thornley, Methodist Parsonage, Foxton.

## MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES.

1918—Hone Tamati, Paihia, Bay of Islands	....	....	....	10
1920—To-Aho-o-to-Rangi Pihima, Ohiaopako, Raglan	....	....	....	14
1920—Aihe Huirama, Hangatiki, King Country	....	....	....	23
1922—Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, North Auckland	....	....	....	16
1930—Wetini Hotu, Hangatiki, King Country	....	....	....	14
1930—Paahi Moke, Ngaruawahia	....	....	....	3
1930—Rangiira Tumahuki, Whenuakura Pa, Taranaki	....	....	....	14
1932—Hoani Hakaraia Te Uawiri, Ki Iwi, Trnaki	....	....	....	13
1932—Rameka Eru, Te Karae, Hokianga	....	....	....	11
1932—Tuteao Manihera, Ngaruawahia Pa	....	....	....	3
1932—Paikea H. Toka, Egmont St., Hawera (on active service)	....	....	....	8
1934—Huru Wiperi, Ongarue, via Taumarunui	....	....	....	4
1934—Wiremu Wi Hongi, Kaikohe	....	....	....	8
1934—John Nicholls, Te Kuiti	....	....	....	10
1934—Poo Kingi, Whatawhata, Waikato	....	....	....	10
1934—Heemi Rihimona, Selkirk Street, Hamilton	....	....	....	3
1935—Honehone Kereopa, Raglan	....	....	....	9
1935—Hoana Tonga, Otewa, Otorohanga	....	....	....	9
1935—Hori Te Awa, Rakaumanga, Huntly	....	....	....	9
1936—Paoa Rakena, Mangamuka, Hokianga	....	....	....	8
1936—Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau	....	....	....	7
1937—Te Paki Kinita, Marakopa, King Country	....	....	....	4
1937—Roi Moke, 10 Selkirk Street, Hamilton	....	....	....	2
1938—Paraire Paraone Kena, Poutu, Kaipara Heads	....	....	....	6
1938—Piripi Livingstone, Pokere, Bay of Islands	....	....	....	6
1938—Wiremu Paki Ihaka, Dargaville	....	....	....	6
1939—Harris, John, Matakana, North Auckland	....	....	....	5
1939—Nehana Pu, Whananaki, North Auckland	....	....	....	5
1940—Wiremu Tonga, Aramiro P.O., Waitetuna, Waiakto	....	....	....	4
1941—Wiremu Kamana, Marokopa R.M.D., King Country	....	....	....	3
1941—Weni Herangi, Te Manaia, King Country	....	....	....	3
1942—Taniera Poihipi, Tokoroa, Gibson's Road, Tuakau	....	....	....	2
1942—Tawaite Riri, Kaiwiti, Waiomio, Bay of Islands	....	....	....	2

## MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Eleanor Dobby, Main North Road, Styx.  
 Sister Nicholls, Matai Stret, Te Kuiti.  
 Sister Rita Snowdon, 24 Empire Road, Auckland, S.E.3.  
 Sister Hobbs, Ratana Pa.  
 Sister Ivy Jones, 8 Airedale Street, Auckland, C.1.  
 Sister Netta Gittos, Kurahuna School, Onehunga.  
 Sister Atawhai, Kawakawa, Bay of Islands.  
 Sister Olive Bott, Taheke, Hokianga.  
 Sister Marama Muriwai, Utakura, Hokianga (leave of absence).  
 Sister Madeline Holland, Deaconess House, Latimer Sq., Christchurch.  
 Sister Heeni Te Teira, Selkirk Street, Hamilton.

- Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls' College, New Plymouth.
- Sister Dorothy Pointon, P.O. Box 20, Opunake.
- Sister Violet Kruse, Selkirk Street, Hamilton.
- Sister Ethel McMillan, Bambatana, Choisuel, Solomon Islands.
- Sister Lina Jones, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Solomon Islands.
- Probationer Nance Davidson, P.O. Box 23W, Auckland.
- Probationer Anne Wilson, c/o. Mrs. Barkla, Hawera.
- Sister Elizabeth Common, Methodist Mission, Buka, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
- Sister Grace McDonald, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
- Sister Ada Lee, Methodist Mission, Kieta, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
- Sister Vera Cannon, Methodist Mission, Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
- Sister Effie Harkness, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Zizo, British Solomon Islands.
- Sister Merle Farland, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
- Sister Joy Whitehouse, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.

# OMISSIONS

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GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1942.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	On Probation	Received during Year	Junior Members	Infant Members	Infants Baptised	Communi-cants
Auckland Central ..	6	1	5	4	10	1	1	18	..	909	..	79	456	492	80	700
"   Central Mis.	2	1	2	2	2	..	..	5	2	137	3	15	62	77	17	133
"   West ..	4	1	4	1	3	..	..	5	..	194	..	8	46	40	22	190
"   East ..	9	..	7	3	9	..	..	21	..	805	7	52	88	59	42	665
Avondale ..	7	2	3	3	4	3	..	10	..	468	..	..	100	60	21	550
Devonport ..	3	..	2	1	2	..	..	2	..	146	..	4	15	54	13	132
Takapuna ..	1	2	1	1	4	2	..	4	..	194	..	36	32	51	6	150
Birkenhead ..	5	1	3	..	1	..	..	6	..	231	..	26	64	58	16	165
Onehunga ..	4	..	2	1	2	..	..	9	..	224	..	3	80	65	20	243
Otahuhu ..	3	..	2	1	1	..	..	10	6	286	1	21	79	70	23	204
Papakura ..	3	2	2	1	1	..	..	5	..	151	..	6	45	66	16	120
Pukekohe ..	5	1	2	1	1	..	..	10	..	138	4	3	33	54	5	110
Waiuku ..	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	80	..	8	25	34	11	60
Mahurangi ..	3	10	2	1	1	..	..	4	..	99	..	4	31	37	5	111
Paparoa ..	4	9	1	1	..	1	..	6	1	87	..	4	24	31	2	36
Dargaville ..	6	7	1	1	2	..	..	6	..	181	..	18	60	51	10	110
Ruawai ..	1	9	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	98	1	4	25	39	3	60
Whangarei-Hikurangi	4	8	1	1	1	1	..	9	..	248	..	16	30	71	20	170
Whangaroa ..	2	6	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	49	..	1	15	40	16	50
Port Albert ..	3	4	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	66	..	6	47	41	2	89
Kawakawa Kaikohe	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	4	..	74	..	20	..	..	10	120
Mangonui ..	5	2	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	69	..	3	30	56	17	67
Hokianga ..	2	8	2	1	1	..	..	3	..	57	..	4	33	23	6	70
Bombay-Tuakau	3	3	..	1	..	1	..	8	..	104	..	2	35	25	6	110
Helensville ..	1	3	1	..	..	..	..	6	3	47	..	..	6	16	..	9
Kaukapakapa ..	2	7	2	2	..	1	..	2	..	57	..	5	10	30	12	40
North Hokianga ..	3	11	2	..	..	1	..	4	1	92	..	10	123	61	10	72
TOTALS ..	94	101	50	32	49	13	1	165	13	5285	16	358	1594	1692	411	4536

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SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	On Probation	Received during Year	Junior Members	Infant Members	Infants Baptised	Communi- cants
Thames .. .. .	2	1	2	1	2	..	..	1	..	99	..	5	52	46	13	66
Hauraki Plains .. .. .	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	56	..	..	39	36	1	38
Paeroa .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	65	..	7	27	25	10	45
Waihi .. .. .	1	..	1	1	2	..	..	2	..	72	..	..	15	31	14	90
Te Aroha .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	..	..	6	..	243	..	26	65	49	6	210
Morrinsville .. .. .	3	4	1	2	2	..	..	7	..	207	..	6	104	101	33	190
Cambridge .. .. .	3	1	3	1	1	..	..	6	..	131	..	..	28	36	..	..
Hamilton .. .. .	4	1	3	2	2	..	..	14	..	400	..	12	..	..	34	325
Hamilton East .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	..	..	10	..	207	..	11	..	..	21	215
Huntly .. .. .	1	6	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	92	10	..	46	45	9	70
Matamata .. .. .	3	2	..	1	1	..	..	7	..	152	..	16	36	31	6	145
Putaruru .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	60	..	..	17	19	4	48
Rotorua .. .. .	2	1	1	1	3	..	..	1	..	80	..	..	18	10	5	70
Tauranga .. .. .	2	13	1	1	1	1	..	8	..	227	8	7	59	50	10	120
Whakatane .. .. .	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	74	2	2	34	45	7	38
Opotiki .. .. .	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	32	..	..	26	22	1	86
Te Awamutu .. .. .	2	7	1	1	1	..	..	5	..	158	3	3	35	24	10	160
Otorohanga .. .. .	1	6	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	70	..	..	49	42	4	50
Te Kuiti .. .. .	1	7	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	61	..	..	36	42	37	45
Taumaranui .. .. .	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	71	..	1	28	48	10	83
Ngaruawahia .. .. .	3	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	37	..	..	17	14	3	20
Kawhia .. .. .	1	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	45	..	..	11	9	13	15
Coromandel .. .. .	1	7	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	25	..	3	4	3	6	40
Ohura .. .. .	3	7	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	58	1	3	27	41	5	62
TOTALS	49	88	21	23	25	3	..	87	..	2722	24	102	774	769	240	2181

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

New Plymouth .. .. .	9	3	3	2	3	2	2	11	..	540	..	15	117	159	51	340
Waitara .. .. .	3	2	2	1	1	..	..	2	..	97	..	3	55	51	11	110
Stratford .. .. .	5	..	1	1	1	..	..	7	..	180	..	8	43	91	27	170
Eltham-Kaponga .. .. .	2	5	2	2	1	..	..	10	..	158	..	25	30	40	11	108
Hawera .. .. .	3	..	2	1	1	..	..	7	3	238	..	2	40	45	9	220
Manaia .. .. .	2	2	1	1	..	1	..	3	..	77	2	2	25	35	18	69
Opunake .. .. .	6	6	3	3	1	1	..	11	..	225	..	45	74	124	31	260
Wanganui .. .. .	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	323	..	7	53	38	6	250
Wanganui North .. .. .	3	1	3	2	1	..	..	5	1	160	..	4	74	51	7	100
Gonville .. .. .	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	85	..	6	24	24	5	64
Marton .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	62	..	12	22	27	9	43
Taihape .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	42	..	2	12	31	11	35
Inglewood .. .. .	2	1	1	1	..	1	..	3	..	87	..	8	33	27	5	70
Raetihi .. .. .	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	24	..	1	9	10	6	19
Patea .. .. .	2	3	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	51	..	5	12	28	6	32
Douglas .. .. .	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTALS	46	29	22	21	13	6	2	68	5	2347	2	145	623	781	213	1890

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HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	On Probation	Received during Year	Junior Members	Infant Members	Infants Baptised	Communi-cants
Napier .. ..	5	2	1	2	..	..	..	15	..	349	..	27	147	213	23	300
Hastings .. ..	1	2	1	2	..	..	..	10	..	370	..	..	..	113	30	225
Gisborne .. ..	4	..	1	1	1	..	..	6	..	184	..	6	33	47	13	140
Wairoa .. ..	1	4	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	35	..	..	10	38	3	45
Dannevirke .. ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	121	4	11	58	64	7	70
Woodville .. ..	1	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	82	..	3	16	37	6	90
Pahiatua .. ..	3	2	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	100	7	5	30	27	13	98
P.N., St. Paul's .. ..	1	1	1	1	2	..	..	9	..	210	..	10	24	36	12	145
P.N., Cuba Street .. ..	2	..	2	1	1	..	..	4	..	195	..	15	42	60	19	125
Ashurst-Bunnythorpe .. ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	98	..	10	28	12	4	88
Fielding .. ..	6	3	3	2	1	1	..	5	..	372	..	21	148	140	46	240
Sanson-Rongotea .. ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	4	..	100	..	3	34	25	10	84
Waipawa .. ..	2	2	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	54	..	6	34	23	9	32
Foxton-Shannon .. ..	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	64	..	..	7	14	4	30
Apiti .. ..	2	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	75	..	..	19	46	5	30
Norsewood .. ..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	50	..	..	7	12	..	35
TOTALS	39	20	16	16	15	4	..	68	..	2459	11	117	617	907	204	1777

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Wellington Central	3	..	3	2	6	..	..	6	..	427	..	..	10	32	33	320
„ Webb St.	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	40
„ West ..	4	..	3	2	2	..	..	13	..	291	..	11	129	107	21	280
„ South ..	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	2	..	165	..	..	25	148	30	120
„ East ..	5	..	2	3	7	..	..	8	..	415	..	22	130	144	33	290
Johnsonville-Ngaio ..	5	4	2	2	4	..	..	17	..	260	..	20	142	96	18	150
Hutt .. ..	3	..	1	1	4	..	..	10	..	365	..	25	100	185	40	278
Petone .. ..	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	163	..	6	69	75	11	90
Greytown-Feath'rst'n	2	1	2	1	2	..	..	2	..	56	4	..	21	22	3	40
Carterton .. ..	2	..	1	1	2	..	..	4	..	99	..	3	31	32	1	55
Masterton .. ..	3	3	2	1	1	..	..	3	..	262	..	25	214	95	12	260
Eketahuna .. ..	2	7	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	128	4	12	58	67	11	70
Levin .. ..	1	1	2	1	1	1	..	2	..	161	..	9	62	60	8	156
Otaki .. ..	3	..	..	1	2	1	..	1	..	109	5	6	29	34	14	85
Paraparaumu .. ..	4	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	53	..	4	18	9	3	47
Upper Hutt .. ..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	52	..	..	16	54	4	25
TOTALS ..	42	19	23	20	35	3	..	74	..	3036	13	143	1054	1160	242	2306

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NELSON DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	On Probation	Received during Year	Junior Members	Infant Members	Infants Baptised	Communicants
Nelson .. ..	1	1	4	1	1	1	..	10	..	260	..	..	35	25	..	220
Richmond .. ..	4	..	3	1	1	..	..	11	..	151	..	..	78	11	..	90
Motueka .. ..	1	3	2	2	1	..	..	10	..	111	..	..	14	22	..	100
Blenheim .. ..	6	3	4	2	2	..	..	11	..	353	..	..	118	111	..	300
Reefton .. ..	2	2	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	74	..	..	39	66	..	35
Westport .. ..	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	106	..	..	53	75	..	60
Greymouth .. ..	3	3	1	1	1	..	..	5	..	204	3	..	73	48	..	130
Hokitika .. ..	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	76	..	..	22	27	..	40
Wakefield-Dovedale	5	1	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	41	..	..	18	9	..	50
Havelock .. ..	4	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	42	..	..	..	..	..	25
Murchison .. ..	1	5	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	25	..	..	22	16	..	26
Granity .. ..	3	6	..	1	..	1	..	6	..	66	..	..	31	70	..	89
TOTALS	33	37	18	12	9	4	..	57	6	1509	3	..	503	480	..	1165

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street ..	2	1	3	1	10	..	..	4	..	412	..	29	69	53	15	410
Christchurch East ..	7	1	6	3	8	1	..	14	..	662	1	65	222	183	61	528
Cambridge Terrace	3	..	2	2	1	..	..	4	..	137	..	..	26	22	7	125
Woolston .. ..	5	..	5	1	2	1	..	6	..	288	..	25	102	80	22	220
Sydenham .. ..	2	1	3	2	1	..	..	5	..	231	..	5	80	100	35	130
Addington .. ..	2	..	2	1	2	1	..	5	..	271	..	25	94	51	5	265
Riccarton .. ..	3	1	2	1	1	..	..	1	..	161	..	20	80	72	19	142
St. Albans .. ..	3	..	2	2	4	..	..	9	..	436	4	40	118	122	19	325
Papanui .. ..	3	..	1	2	1	..	..	4	..	199	..	11	107	43	5	190
Lyttelton .. ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	66	..	..	33	12	..	50
Springston .. ..	5	2	2	1	1	..	..	8	..	117	..	4	41	21	4	120
Leeston .. ..	7	..	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	259	..	..	46	34	10	180
Kaiapoi .. ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	125	..	6	37	57	18	50
Ohoka .. ..	4	..	1	1	1	..	..	7	..	92	..	4	33	20	..	70
Rangiora .. ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	4	..	163	..	9	32	34	13	115
Woodend-Sefton ..	4	2	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	98	..	10	29	40	13	75
Greendale .. ..	2	5	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	83	..	15	28	32	8	52
Oxford .. ..	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	4	..	77	..	8	20	25	2	65
Tai Tapu .. ..	3	..	1	1	..	1	..	3	..	68	..	..	19	15	6	25
Hawarden .. ..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	24	22	3	12
Waddington .. ..	4	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	59	..	5	10	12	2	50
Totals	66	17	37	27	38	6	..	88	..	4033	5	281	1248	1050	267	3199

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru (Banks St.) ..	1	2	2	1	1	..	..	6	..	176	..	..	46	55	..	140
„ (Woodlands St.)	2	1	2	1	1	..	..	4	..	233	..	..	60	50	..	150
Timaru South .. ..	3	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	91	..	..	25	8	..	50
Waimate .. ..	2	2	1	1	2	..	..	2	..	188	..	..	53	83	..	100
Temuka .. ..	1	2	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	107	..	..	28	39	..	75
Geraldine .. ..	1	3	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	96	..	..	25	25	..	80
Ashburton .. ..	2	3	1	1	2	..	1	11	..	337	2	..	60	41	..	225
Willowby .. ..	6	5	3	2	1	..	..	7	..	148	..	..	25	35	..	120
Oamaru .. ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	134	..	..	24	20	..	120
Rakaia-Methven ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	45	..	..	10	20	..	35
TOTALS	23	19	12	9	10	1	1	38	..	1555	2	..	356	376	..	1095

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1942.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	On Probation Received during Year	Junior Members	Infant Members	Infants Baptised	Communi-cants	
Dunedin, Trinity ..	3	..	3	1	2	1	..	7	..	262	..	5	56	52	14	200
„ Central Mis.	1	..	1	1	3	..	..	3	..	196	..	16	20	83	29	215
„ Dundas St.	1	..	1	2	1	..	..	1	..	107	..	..	35	13	3	130
„ Cargill Rd.	2	1	3	1	1	1	..	3	..	156	10	5	60	70	8	115
„ St. Kilda	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	163	..	7	32	11	5	160
„ Caversham	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	4	..	149	..	..	25	35	8	102
„ Mornington	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	175	..	3	46	27	11	150
„ Roslyn ..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	83	..	5	19	17	2	60
Port Chalmers ..	3	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	77	..	..	27	14	3	40
Balclutha ..	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	58	..	..	23	18	..	40
Milton ..	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	4	78	..	5	14	18	2	25
Roxburgh ..	3	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	49	4	5	14	8	..	64
Invercargill, Central	2	2	2	1	1	..	..	2	..	308	..	12	83	62	40	210
Invercargill, St. Peters	2	2	2	2	1	..	..	3	..	206	..	5	70	39	8	165
Gore ..	2	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	114	..	2	24	65	4	90
Bluff ..	2	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	99	..	12	21	49	12	60
Ravensbourne-Broad Bay ..	3	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	74	..	1	63	41	9	35
Maori Hill ..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	52	..	2	16	19	..	46
Waikouaiti ..	2	4	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	23	..	..	8	6	12	..
Mosgiel ..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	58	..	2	20	27	5	40
Edendale ..	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	67	..	9	34	26	2	40
Lawrence ..	1	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	22	..	..	13	11	..	16
Cromwell ..	2	2	1	1	..	1	..	1	1	43	..	6	21	33	7	33
Otautau-Tuatapere	3	..	2	1	..	1	..	3	..	53	..	1	23	23	4	30
Nightcaps ..	2	2	2	1	..	1	..	2	..	37	1	1	12	..	2	25
Riverton ..	2	3	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	49	..	..	5	11	4	33
TOTALS	48	22	32	27	19	13	..	42	6	2758	15	104	776	780	188	2136

# DISTRICT STATISTICAL RETURN

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS

NAME OF DISTRICT	CRADLE ROLL		SUNDAY SCHOOL											Other Y.P. Organisations		B.C. MEMBERSHIP														CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												
			No. NOW ON ROLL					AVERAGE ATTENDANCE								Y.W. CLASSES							Y.M. CLASSES							RECEIVED		PRESENT ROLL										
	No. on Roll	Recd. during year	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Total	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Total	Men	Women	No. of Teachers and Officers	No. of Societies	Total Roll	No. of Bible Classes	Membership							Av. Attendance	Membership							Av. Attendance	Infant	Junior	Senior	Total	Infant	Junior	Senior	Total
																			Junior	Inter.	Senior	Leaders	Sub-Total	Military Service	Total		Junior	Inter.	Senior	Leaders	Sub-Total	Military Service	Total									
Auckland .. .. .	955	272	830	879	1242	1093	4044	495	582	880	768	2725	131	385	82	1913	129	303	168	182	53	706	21	727	471	242	164	90	53	549	246	795	359	156	114	101	371	1525	1478	613	3616	
South Auckland .. .. .	536	161	421	503	682	560	2166	272	328	495	390	1485	60	202	28	570	50	128	94	83	21	326	8	334	221	107	60	60	21	248	78	326	163	103	97	41	241	473	501	152	1126	
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	401	153	350	328	504	476	1658	231	220	376	339	1166	47	152	11	253	42	75	53	99	21	248	11	259	188	70	58	19	18	165	42	207	115	145	67	43	255	753	634	187	1574	
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	500	118	386	393	528	424	1731	246	264	376	299	1185	48	135	16	280	46	105	59	98	27	289	..	289	205	93	29	17	14	153	106	259	105	140	124	34	298	841	606	149	1596	
Wellington .. .. .	608	169	588	473	790	587	2438	383	316	554	490	1743	87	249	30	393	85	212	92	154	42	500	3	503	348	196	94	37	34	361	186	547	252	165	68	53	286	1111	1052	280	2443	
Nelson .. .. .	292	71	223	227	284	305	1039	153	155	218	221	747	32	136	15	300	35	63	48	48	21	180	8	188	125	43	41	30	13	127	47	174	80	81	24	13	118	391	358	118	867	
North Canterbury .. .. .	610	193	554	474	806	777	2611	374	323	590	538	1825	100	257	58	1148	81	163	83	168	36	450	7	457	293	138	82	58	31	309	160	469	199	190	141	118	449	913	1119	416	2448	
South Canterbury .. .. .	228	52	139	122	196	222	679	88	88	153	174	503	34	77	23	371	35	55	56	48	16	175	2	177	128	46	53	8	10	117	61	178	82	16	1	13	30	316	348	186	850	
Otago-Southland .. .. .	563	159	520	351	583	464	1918	346	250	422	321	1339	63	199	42	865	53	102	60	74	26	262	10	272	190	102	53	26	26	207	114	321	136	144	90	24	258	544	794	235	1573	
Dom. Stat. year endg. 30/9/42	4693	1348	4011	3750	5615	4908	18284	2588	2526	4064	3540	12718	602	1792	305	6093	556	1206	713	954	263	3136	70	3206	2169	1037	634	345	220	2236	1040	3276	1491	1140	726	440	2306	6867	6890	2336	16093	
"    "    "    30/9/41	4877	1500	3674	3803	5700	4836	18040	2327	2535	4006	3581	12449	819	1778	264	5039	659	1141	815	1213	319	3488	3	3491	2493	1069	740	778	324	2911	459	3370	2002	1199	1088	486	2773	6209	6726	4130	17065	
Increase .. .. .	..	..	337	..	..	45	244	261	..	58	..	269	..	14	41	1054	..	65	..	..	..	..	67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	581	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Decrease .. .. .	184	152	..	53	85	..	..	..	9	..	41	..	217	..	..	..	103	..	102	259	56	352	..	285	324	32	106	433	104	675	..	94	511	59	362	46	467	..	..	1794	972	

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Leader's Duties.

- (1) Bible in Schools Retiring Collection.
- (2) Chaplaincy Fund. - Retiring offering.  
2nd Sunday in Oct.
- (3) H.M. Waiman - Lucia  
Waiman Wharfedale - Lucia  
Short campaign - fortnight.
- (4) F.M.

**SUMMARY OF GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30th, 1942.**

DISTRICTS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Class Leaders	Church Membership						
										Members on Roll	New Members	On Probation	Junior Members	Infant Members	Baptisms	Communi-cants
Auckland .. .. .	94	101	50	33	49	13	1	165	..	5285	358	16	1594	1692	411	4536
South Auckland .. .. .	49	88	21	23	25	3	..	87	..	2722	102	24	774	769	240	2181
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	46	29	22	21	13	6	2	68	..	2349	145	2	623	781	213	1890
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	39	20	16	16	15	4	..	68	..	2459	117	11	617	907	204	1777
Wellington .. .. .	42	19	23	20	35	3	..	74	..	3036	143	13	1054	1160	242	2306
Nelson .. .. .	33	37	18	12	9	4	..	57	..	1509	34	3	503	480	84	1165
North Canterbury .. .. .	66	17	37	27	38	6	..	88	..	4033	281	5	1248	1050	267	3199
South Canterbury .. .. .	23	19	12	9	10	1	1	38	..	1555	46	2	356	376	65	1095
Otago-Southland .. .. .	48	22	29	27	19	13	..	42	..	2758	104	15	776	780	188	2136
TOTALS, 1942 .. .. .	440	352	228	188	213	53	4	687	..	25706	1330	91	7545	7995	1914	20285
TOTALS, 1941 .. .. .	444	361	225	189	214	57	7	712	..	25309	..	454	7669	7949	..	19884
Increase .. .. .	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	397	..	..	..	46	..	401
Decrease .. .. .	4	9	..	1	1	4	3	25	..	..	..	363	124	..	..	..

**MAORI RETURNS.**

Churches .. .. .	..	Deaconesses .. .. .	..
Other Preaching Places .. .. .	..	Local Preachers .. .. .	..
Ministers .. .. .	..	Class Leaders and S.S. Teachers	..
Home Missionaries .. .. .	..	Members .. .. .	..
		J. and Infant Members .. .. .	..

**STATE OF CIRCUIT FUNDS (By Districts).**

as at September 30th, 1942.

DISTRICTS	DEBITS		CREDITS	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Auckland .. ..	311	10 0	363	14 0
South Auckland .. ..	255	5 6	417	11 0
Taranaki-Wanganui .. ..	269	11 11	197	11 9
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu .. ..	231	11 6	132	8 4
Wellington .. ..	223	17 3	458	2 8
Nelson .. ..	170	15 4	15	7 11
North Canterbury .. ..	112	8 5	614	0 2
South Canterbury .. ..	17	16 10	222	7 1
Otago-Southland .. ..	665	12 11	215	15 11
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Totals, 1942 .. ..	£2,258	9 8	£2,636	18 10
Totals, 1941 .. ..	£2,644	17 10	£2,501	10 10
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Decrease .. ..	£386	8 2		
Increase .. ..			£135	8 0

**Improvement of Position.**

	£	s. d.
1942 .. ..	521	16 2
1941 .. ..	1257	16 3
1940 .. ..	2420	19 6
1939 .. ..	50	17 2
1938 .. ..	923	10 2

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—YOUTH DEPARTMENT.

Statement of Income and Expenditure for Year Ended 30th September, 1942.

EXPENDITURE				INCOME								
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
To Directors' Salaries .. ..				830	16	8	By Contributions—Circuits .. ..			734	14	11
.. House Allowances .. ..				312	18	4	.. B.C. Movement .. ..			775	0	0
.. Connexional Charges, etc.				119	1	0	.. Connexional Fire Insurance Fund ..			50	0	0
.. Expenses .. ..				250	15	1	.. Proceeds Conference Youth Demonstration			17	7	2
173 .. District Youth Council Expenses ..				19	18	7	.. Interest—P.O.S.B. Account .. ..			12	10	6
.. Contribution to Property Trustees				50	0	0	.. Surplus from supplies, less Administration					
.. Supplies, etc.—							Charges .. ..			53	2	5
.. Correspondence S.S. .. ..	29	7	10									
.. Less Contribution Received .. ..	3	0	0									
				26	7	10						
.. Surplus Transferred to Accumulated Fund .. ..				32	17	6						
				£1,642	15	0				£1,642	15	0

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—YOUTH DEPARTMENT.

Balance Sheet as at 30th September, 1942.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors and Credit Balances				Office Furniture	..	..	32 3 6
Loan—S.S. Executive Council for Publications			82 15 5	Stock Literature and Supplies	..	..	66 1 5
Temperance Education Fund	..	143	9 0	Sundry Debtors—			
Less Amount Expended	..	64	13 4	Current Accounts	..	..	560 16 6
			78 15 8	B.C. Movements	..	..	775 0 0
Depreciation Reserve	..	..	115 19 0				1335 16 6
<b>Capital Account—</b>				Less Sales in Advance	..	..	142 5 11
Budget Fund	..	..	1500 0 0				1193 10 7
Accumulated Fund—				Balance—National Bank of N.Z.	..	..	301 11 4
Balance 31/9/41	£218	6	5	Petty Cash and Imprest Accounts			42 0 10
Surplus for Year	32	17	6	P.O.S.B.—Current A/c.	£327	7	4
			251 3 11	Depreciation Account	115	19	0
			1751 3 11				443 6 4
							786 18 6
							£2,078 14 0
							£2,078 14 0

Audited and found correct.

W. F. STOCK.

2nd February, 1943.

H. W. HEYHOE, Hon. Treasurer.

**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.**

**Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year Ending 31st October, 1942.**

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURE			
1942, Oct. 31st—		£ s. d.	1941, Oct. 31st—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
To Rents and Interest Collected ..	..	4152 7 9	By Balance due Bank of N.Z. ..	..	702 0 6	
„ Bank of New Zealand—Balance due ..	..	337 13 8	1942, Oct. 31st—			
„ Emsly Trust—Receipts ..	..	95 0 0	By <b>General Expenses :</b>			
			Repairs, Maintenance and			
			Renovations ..	..	818 7 6	
			Rates ..	..	663 8 9	
			Insurance Premiums ..	..	194 7 1	
			Interest ..	..	1649 0 9	
			Land Tax ..	..	70 17 0	
			Audit Fee ..	..	8 8 0	
			Secretary's Salary ..	..	50 0 0	
			Commission on Rents and			
			Interest Collected ..	..	103 16 2	
			Sundries ..	..	13 13 0	
			Fire Watching ..	..	21 2 8	
					3593 0 11	
			„ Emsly Trust—Disbursements ..		90 0 0	
			„ Theological College Trustees ..		200 0 0	
		<u>£4,585 1 5</u>			<u>£4,585 1 5</u>	

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Examined and found correct.

J. A. GENTLES, F.P.A.N.Z.  
LEONARD KNIGHT, F.P.A.N.Z. }

Auditors.

Auckland, 12th November, 1942.

JAS. TYLER, Chairman.



**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST  
CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.**

Revenue Account for the Year Ending 31st October, 1942.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Oct. 31, 1941—						
To Balance .....	592	6	0			
Oct. 31, 1942—						
To Rents Accrued .....	4,066	12	9			
„ Interest Accrued .....		9	10			
By Rents Received .....				4,142	17	9
„ Interest Received .....					9	10
„ Balance .....				516	1	0
	£4,668	8	9	£4,668	8	9

Examined and found correct.

J. A. GENTLES, F.P.A.N.Z.  
L. KNIGHT, F.P.A.N.Z.,

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Auditors.

JAS. TYLER, Chairman.

Auckland,

12th November, 1942.





**PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST.**

**Balance Sheet for Year Ending 30th September, 1942.**

Treasurers : MESSRS. J. STANTON and J. W. SHACKELFORD

INCOME			EXPENDITURE		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Sept. 30th., 1941—					
Balance Auckland Savings Bank .. ..	38	11 11	Land Tax .. .. ..	46	4 8
Interest Auckland Savings Bank .. ..	3	0 3	Loan Pitt Street, March 30th, 1942 ..	300	0 0
Interest Pitt Street to March 30th .. ..	24	0 0	Loan Pitt Street, June 30th, 1942 ..	200	0 0
Interest Pitt Street to Sept. 30th .. ..	32	0 0	Commission .. .. ..	17	8 0
Newcomb, 12 Months Rent .. ..	696	0 0	Sept. 30th—Balance Auckland Savings Bank	229	19 6
	<u>£793</u>	<u>12 2</u>		<u>£793</u>	<u>12 2</u>

**Reserve Capital Account.**

Loan to Pitt Street Trustees on Call at Bank Rate, £1,700 0s. 0d.

Audited and found correct.

C. K. WIGGLESWORTH }  
P. DELLOW } Auditors.

J. W. SHACKELFORD, Secretary.

Auckland, 2nd November, 1942

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE COUNCIL.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st October, 1942.

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RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance, 1st November, 1941	140	8 9	House and Service	587	15 4
Probert Trust	200	0 0	Stipends	427	0 0
Emsley Trust	90	0 0	Tutors' Fees	220	0 0
Contingent Fund	740	0 0	Connexional Charges	79	16 6
Home Mission Department	100	0 0	Quartermasters	108	0 0
Foreign Mission Department	50	0 0	Rates	205	10 0
Connexional Fire Insurance	125	0 0	Repairs	44	9 11
Collegiate Church	55	18 6	Insurance	169	8 2
Hostel Fees	13	4 0	Bank Charges	3	19 6
Students' Contributions	140	0 0	Rent (Board Room)	13	10 6
Friends of Trinity College and College Sunday	99	1 7	E.P.S. Expenses	18	19 0
Special Challenge Appeal	109	19 9	Furnishings	35	13 4
Rent	2,310	0 0	University Fees	49	6 0
Estate S. J. Ambury	98	19 0	University Chaplain Fund	5	0 0
Transferred from Site Acquisition Account for			Telephones	24	0 0
Purchase of Land	1,198	2 5	Refrigerator	76	10 0
			Printing, Postage and Stationery	34	17 11
			Bible Class Camp Fees	1	14 6
			Advertising Church Services	8	0 0
			Interest	113	19 6
			Sundries	12	8 9
			Transferred to Site Acquisition Account—		
			Estate S. J. Ambury	98	19 0
			Rent (Auckland Hospital Board)	1,640	2 3
			Purchase of Land (Wesley College Trust)	1,198	2 5
			Balance, 31st October, 1942	293	11 5
	£5,470	14 0		£5,470	14 0

FRANK M. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Methodist Theological College and have compared the same with Bank Books and Statements, and we are of the opinion that they give a true and correct statement as at 31st October, 1942.

(Signed) R. B. VERRY, A.R.A.N.Z.,  
R. LOVIE, Dip. Bkg.

**TRINITY COLLEGE.  
SITE ACQUIREMENT ACCOUNT.**

	£	s.	d.
Bank Overdraft 1st November, 1941	3445	7	2
Add—			
Bank Fee		0	10
Bank Interest		109	13
Purchase Land (Wesley College Trust)	1198	2	5
		£4753	13
			1
Less Deposits:			
Transferred from General Account:—			
Rent	1640	2	3
Interest and Bank Charges	110	3	6
Estate S. J. Ambury	98	19	0
Donation	3	10	0
		1852	14
			9
Bank Overdraft 31st October, 1942	2900	18	4

FRANK M. WINSTONE,  
ERNEST S. EMMITT,  
Hon. Treasurers.

**NEW ORGAN FUND.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fund as at 1st November, 1941				426	17	0
Add—						
Dividends	18	0	0			
Bank Interest	3	10	9			
				21	10	9
					448	7
						9
Less Repairs to Organ					10	0
Fund as at 31st October, 1942				438	7	9

FRANK M. WINSTONE,  
Hon. Treasurer.

**GORMAN BOOK FUND.**

	£	s.	d.
New Zealand Government 1953 Stock	180	0	0

FRANK M. WINSTONE,  
Hon. Treasurer.

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R. R. VERRY, A.R.A.N.Z.  
R. LOVIE, Dip. Bkg.





Stock on Hand, Paerata :				
Live Stock at Valuation	..	7475	5	0
Produce and Sundry Stocks	..	990	0	0
				8465 5 0
Mount Albert Estate and Three Kings Estate Purchasers		..	2565	0 0
Plus Accrued Interest	..	25	18	9
				2590 18 9
Loan on Mortgage	..	120	8	0
Plus Accrued Interest	..	1	10	6
				121 18 6
N.Z. Govt. Stock 4%, 1954/58	..		2000	0 0
Shares in Frank M. Winstone (Merchants) Ltd.	..		1000	0 0
Sundry Debtors :				
For Rent and Rates	..	541	12	9
For Fees	..	453	15	9
For Sundries	..	1590	4	0
				2585 12 6
Less Reserve for Bad Debts	..	65	0	0
				2520 12 6
N.Z. Govt.—For Rent claimed but not confirmed	..		672	12 0
Payments in Advance	..		331	16 8
Cash in Hand—Paerata and Office			33	10 9
				£123,184 14 11

LEONARD KNIGHT, F.P.A.N.Z., etc., General Secretary.

We certify that we have audited the above Balance Sheet, together with the books and vouchers relating thereto, and that in our opinion it exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the Trust as at the 31st December, 1942, as shown by the books. We have obtained from the Solicitors to the Board, Messrs. Peak, Kirker and Newcomb, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order, and have been furnished with certified valuations of the Stock on Hand at Paerata, which we have accepted as correct.

Auckland, 27th January, 1943.

HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE & CAMERON, Auditors.



**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE.**

**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended the 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Loss on College and Preparatory School	1216	8	4	By Rents Received .. .. .	2448	16	0
.. General Expenses .. .. .	997	10	6	.. Profit from Farm .. .. .	920	19	2
.. Interest .. .. .	955	19	9				
.. Excess of Income over Expenditure Transferred to Capital Account ..	199	16	7				
	<u>£3,369</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>£3,369</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>

**Interest Account for the Year Ended the 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Interest on Overdraft .. .. .	585	12	6	By Interest from—						
.. Interest on Long Term Mortgage Loan	446	6	8	Mt. Albert Estate .. .. .	67	14	1			
.. Interest on Scholarship Fund Deposited	21	17	9	Three Kings Estate .. .. .	23	14	6			
				Kawhia Property .. .. .	6	8	7			
								97	17	2
				.. Balance Transferred to Income and Expenditure Account ..				955	19	9
	<u>£1,053</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>					<u>£1,053</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>

**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE.**  
**Rent Received for the Year Ended the 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance Transferred to Income and Expenditure Account .. ..	2448	16	0	By Rents Received form:			
				Grafton Road Property .. ..	990	17	5
				Mount Albert Property .. ..	756	3	8
				Three Kings Property .. ..	155	17	1
				Waikowhai Property .. ..	545	17	10
	£2,448	16	0		£2,448	16	0

**Preparatory School Account for the 4 Months Ended the 31st December, 1942.**

		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
181	To Provisions .. ..	129	10	9	By Fees .. ..	472	0	0
	„ Salaries .. ..	121	19	4	„ Stationery .. ..	3	17	4
	„ Wages .. ..	109	18	5	„ Working Loss carried forward ..	51	10	1
	„ Rent .. ..	97	18	0				
	„ Repairs and Maintenance .. ..	23	3	1				
	„ Sundry Expenses .. ..	18	16	4				
	„ Depreciation .. ..	11	8	3				
	„ Fuel and Light .. ..	9	1	3				
	„ Advertising .. ..	5	12	0				
		£527	7	5		£527	7	5
	To Working Loss brought forward:	£	s.	d.	By Balance Transferred to Income and Expenditure Account .. ..	1216	8	4
	College .. ..	119	14	11				
	Preparatory School .. ..	51	10	1				
		171	5	0				
	„ Beneficiary Work:							
	European .. ..	271	0	0				
	Island .. ..	25	0	0				
	Maori .. ..	749	3	4				
		1045	3	4				
		£1,216	8	4		£1,216	8	4

**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE.**  
**College Account for the Year Ended the 31st December, 1942.**

		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
189	To Advertising .. .. .			81	5			
	„ Bad Debts Written off less Re- coveries .. .. .			188	4			5
	„ Chaplaincy Account .. .. .			25	10			0
	„ Depreciation .. .. .			209	11			8
	„ Fuel and Light .. .. .			284	17			5
	„ Insurance .. .. .			137	16			1
	„ Provisions—Bread .. .. .	220	2					
	Dairy Produce .. .. .	325	15					
	Groceries .. .. .	340	7					
	Meat .. .. .	322	4					
	Sundries .. .. .	172	13					
				1381	2			0
	„ Repairs and Maintenance .. .. .			292	13			4
	„ Salaries .. .. .			1510	5			6
	„ Stationery and Books .. .. .			26	9			7
	„ Sundry Expenses .. .. .			270	11			1
	„ Wages .. .. .			1143	0			2
				£5,551	6			5
	By College Fees .. .. .					4374	17	7
	„ Rent—Army Department (including £600 not yet confirmed) .. .. .					886	1	6
	„ Sports .. .. .					48	14	0
	„ Boys' Stationery .. .. .					36	6	3
	„ Laboratory Fees, less Expenditure .. .. .					17	17	2
	„ Piano Fees, less Expenditure .. .. .					12	15	0
	„ Decrease in Reserve for Bad Debts .. .. .					55	0	0
	„ Working Loss carried forward .. .. .					119	14	11
						£5,551	6	5





METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND.

Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st October, 1942.

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Re-Insurance .. ..			735	7	0		
„ War Damage Premiums on Mortg.			10	4	9		
„ <b>Office Expenses—</b>							
Authorised Appropriation ..	380	0	0				
Stationery and General Exps.	99	19	6				
			479	19	6		
„ Fire Losses .. ..	290	3	0				
Less Re-Insurance Cover ..	290	3	0				
„ Investment Contingency Reserve			200	0	0		
„ Balance to P. and L. Appropriation Account .. ..			2202	10	5		
			£3,628	1	8		
						£3,628	1 8

GEORGE J. SMITH }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers.

C. H. COLECHIN, A.R.A. N.Z. }  
E. H. SMITH } Auditors.

Christchurch, 23rd November, 1942.



Balance Sheet—continued.

Special—

Foreign Mission Fund	10				
H.M. Removal Exs. Fd.	25				
Deaconess Retiring Fund					
Capital Account ..	75				
Church Sites Fund ..	50				
Temperance Education					
Literature Fund ..	15				
Trinity College ..	125				
	—	300			
			1140	0	0
				8	14
					5
Balance from Revenue Account ..			2202	10	5
				2211	4
					10
<i>less</i> Fire Loss Reserve Account			1000	0	0
				1211	4
					10
Levies Prepaid ..				231	5
					6
				£37,145	3
					11
				£37,145	3
					11

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and attached Revenue Account and have compared them with the books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all securities produced to us except those held by the Solicitors of the Fund or deposited with the Bank of New Zealand, whose certificates have been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the fund as at 31st October, 1942.

GEORGE J. SMITH }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers

E. H. SMITH }  
C. H. COLECHIN, A.R.A.N.Z. } Auditors.

Christchurch, 23rd November, 1942.



**SUPERNUMERARY FUND.**

Balance Sheet as at 30th November, 1942.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS					
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Accumulated Funds as per Revenue Account ..			151,320	1 0	<b>Investments :</b> Mortgages ..	81,232	19 2		
<b>Deposit Accounts—</b>					Debentures ..	52,711	5 2		
Allied Funds (5) ..	43,134	2 9						133,944	4 4
Connexional Funds (5) ..	1,614	14 4			<i>less</i> Investment Fluctuation and Doubtful Debts				
			44,748	17 1	Reserve ..	£337	16 0		
<b>Freeholds—</b>					<i>plus</i> further provision	350	0 0		
Rates Accrued ..	350	11 10						687	16 0
Lift Maintenance Accrued ..	4	6 8			<i>less</i> Adjustments				
			354	18 6	(Deb. Premiums)	578	8 11		
General Treasurers, Melbourne ..			8	10 8				109	7 1
Mortgage Insurance Premiums ..			6	17 7				133,834	17 3
					<b>Freehold Properties—</b>				
					Epworth Chambers	48,602	5 11		
					Worcester Street	4,118	15 8		
								52,721	1 7
					<i>less</i> Epworth Cham.				
					Depreciation Res.	4350	0 0		
					<i>plus</i> Further Res.	250	0 0		
								4600	0 0
								48,121	1 7
					<b>Deposit :</b> P.O. Savings Bank ..	2549	8 9		
					Balance at Bank of N.Z.	1044	1 0		
								3593	9 9
					<b>Interest :</b> Mortgages Due ..	283	8 4		
					Mortgages Accrued ..	656	1 1		
					Debentures Accrued ..	588	13 3		
								1528	2 8

<b>Purchase of Benefits:</b>			
Balance Due	.. ..	10 0 0	
Interest Due	.. ..	0 8 0	
			10 8 0
<b>Circuit Levies :</b>			
Arrears	.. ..	22 10 0	
Accrued	.. ..	436 8 8	
			458 18 8
<b>Personal Subscriptions :</b>			
Arrears	.. ..	820 13 6	
Interest Due	.. ..	74 15 11	
			895 9 5
<b>Freehold Properties :</b>			
Rents Due	.. ..	284 13 1	
Rents Accrued	.. ..	119 16 1	
			404 9 2
Properties in Possession	.. ..	6309 0 0	
Mortgagors' Stock and Farm	.. ..		
Working Accounts	.. ..	1257 8 1	
			7566 8 1
Epworth Press	.. ..		26 0 3
			<u>196,439 4 10</u>
		<u>£196,439 4 10</u>	

We have examined the above Balance-Sheet and attached Revenue Account and have compared them with the books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all securities produced to us except those held by the Solicitors of the Fund or deposited with the Bank of New Zealand, whose certificates have been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th November, 1942.

G. S. SALTER }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers.

HARRY R. BEST, F.P.A.N.Z., F.I.A.N.Z. }  
E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z. } Auditors.

Christchurch, 14th December, 1942.

**SUPERNUMERARY FUND—BENEVOLENT BRANCH.**

**Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th November, 1942.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME					
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
To Exchange on Annuities.. ..			10	0	0		760	7	3
„ Authorised Appropriation .. ..	5	0	0						
„ Debenture Commission and General Expenses .. ..	0	5	0			25	0	0	
				5	5	0			
„ <b>Balances :</b>									
Super. Fund : Capital Account..	400	0	0				42	10	0
Revenue Account	448	4	6			25	19	9	
			848	4	6				
			£863	9	6				
							68	9	9
							£863	9	6





**THE GEORGE AND MARY WINSTONE MEMORIAL TRUST FUND.**  
**Revenue Account to 31st December, 1942.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME									
				£	s.	d.							
To Insurance	..	..	..	22	3	9	By Rents to 31st December, 1942	..	..	..	367	15	0
„ Rates	..	..	..	45	18	9	„ Interest	..	..	..	1	9	5
„ Repairs	..	..	..	3	3	6							
„ Commission	..	..	..	18	7	9							
„ Exchange	..	..	..	0	7	3							
„ Balance	..	..	..	279	3	5							
				£369	4	5					£369	4	5

**Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1942.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS									
				£	s.	d.							
Capital	..	..	..	5000	0	0	Freehold Property	..	..	..	5000	0	0
Revenue Account	..	..	..	279	3	5	Deposit with General Purposes Trust Board				279	3	5
				£5,279	3	5					£5,279	3	5

Audited and found correct.

G. S. SALTER }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers.

E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z. }  
HARRY R. BEST, F.P.A.N.Z., F.I.A.N.Z. } Auditors.

Christchurch, 18th January, 1943.

**HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND.**  
**Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th November, 1942.**

**Contributors' Account.**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Retiring Allowances .. ..	707	16 4	By Balances as at 30th November, 1941 ..	13,530	11 2
„ Reserve Account .. ..	38	0 5	„ Personal Contributions .. ..	744	9 0
„ Balance as at 30th Nov., 1942 ..	14,338	10 5	„ Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy .. ..	337	0 0
			„ Interest .. ..	472	7 0
	<u>£15,084</u>	<u>7 2</u>		<u>£15,084</u>	<u>7 2</u>

**Reserve Account.**

	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Interest to Deposit Accounts ..	472	7 0			By Balance as at 30th November, 1941 ..	90	11 1
„ <b>Office Expenses</b> —					„ Contributors' Account .. ..	38	0 5
Authorised Appropriation ..	70	0 0			„ Interest—Supernumerary Fund ..	479	16 8
Stationery & General Expenses ..	8	1 5					
„ Balance as at 30th Nov., 1942 ..			78	1 5			
			57	19 9			
			<u>£608</u>	<u>8 2</u>		<u>£608</u>	<u>8 2</u>

**HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND.**  
Balance Sheet as at 30th November, 1942.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS								
				£	s.	d.						
Personal Accounts	..	..	..	14,338	10	5	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund	..	..	14,440	0	2
Reserve Account	..	..	..	57	19	9						
Subsidy Suspense Account	..	..	..	43	10	0						
				£14,440	0	2				£14,440	0	2

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th November, 1942.

G. S. SALTER }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers

HARRY R. BEST, F.P.A.N.Z., F.I.A.N.Z. }  
E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z. } Auditors.

Christchurch, 14th December, 1942.

**METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND.**

**Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th November, 1942.**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME				
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Retiring Allowances .. .. .	67	1 6	By Balance as at 30th Nov., 1941 ..			5585	15 3
„ Reserve Account .. .. .	31	6 1	„ Contributions: Personal ..	318	10 0		
„ Balance as at 30th November, 1942 ..	6483	13 11	Circuit ..	255	2 6		
			H.M. Board ..	241	10 0		
				815	2 6		
			less Refunded .. .. .	24	0 0		
						791	2 6
			„ Interest .. .. .			205	3 9
						£6,582	1 6
						£6,582	1 6

**Reserve Account.**

	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Interest to Deposit Accounts ..			205	3 9	By Balance as at 30th November, 1941 ..	238	14 5
„ <b>Office Expenses—</b>					„ Interest—Supernumerary Fund ..	220	17 10
Authorised Appropriation ..	56	0 0			„ Contributors' Account .. .. .	31	6 1
Stationery and General Expenses	5	5 10					
			61	5 10			
„ Balance as at 30th Nov., 1942 ..			224	8 9			
			£490	18 4			
			£490	18 4			

**METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND.**

Balance Sheet as at 30th November, 1942.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.		
Personal Accounts	.. ..			6483	13 11	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund	.. ..
Reserve Fund	.. ..			224	8 9		6892 17 8
<b>Accumulated Funds—</b>							
Centenary Gift	.. ..	100	0 0				
Inscribed Stock Profits	.. ..	44	15 0				
Special Donation	.. ..	40	0 0				
				184	15 0		
				£6,892	17 8		£6,892 17 8

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account, and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th November, 1942.

G. S. SALTER                    )  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT            ) Treasurers.

HARRY R. BEST, F.P.A.N.Z., F.I.A.N.Z.    )  
E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z.    ) Auditors,

Christchurch, 14th December, 1942.



**METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND.**

**Balance Sheet as at 30th November, 1942.**

	LIABILITIES				ASSETS					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Personal Accounts .. .. .				6191	3	7	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund .. .. .			7604 16 7
Capital Account 30th Nov., 1941	1126	10	0							
M.W.M.U. .. .. .		60	0							
Fire Insurance Fund .. .. .		75	0							
Reserve Fund .. .. .				1261	10	0				
				152	3	0				
				£7,604	16	7				£7,604 16 7

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We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th November, 1942.

G. S. SALTER }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers.

HARRY R. BEST, F.P.A.N.Z., F.I.A.N.Z. }  
E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z. } Auditors.

Christchurch, 14th December, 1942.

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION.

Statement of Income and Expenditure for 13 Months Ending December 31st, 1942.

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance at Dec. 1st, 1942:				To House Accounts	848	0	7
Bank of New Zealand	197	16	11	„ Renewals	80	7	1
P.O. Savings Bank	179	7	5	„ Repairs	62	7	7
Cash in Hand	8	0	0	„ Salary and Wages	607	19	9
			385 4 4				1598 15 0
By Conference Grants:				„ Telephone	14	5	0
Home Mission	93	15	0	„ Advertising	2	8	6
Home Mission (Special)	25	0	0	„ Stamps, etc.	3	17	10
Foreign Mission	25	0	0				20 11 4
Fire Insurance Board	50	0	0	„ Students' Uniforms, Lectures	44	16	6
Contingent Fund	75	0	0	„ Deaconess Retiring Fund	6	0	0
			268 15 0	„ Rates	58	14	7
„ Rents			124 0 4	„ Insurances	43	2	9
„ Associate Subs. and Donations			26 4 0	„ Interest	68	0	0
„ Hostel Receipts			1338 7 2	„ E.P.S. Equipment	13	15	0
„ Sundries			1 6 2				183 12 4
				„ Balances:			
				Bank of New Zealand	201	13	6
				P.O. Savings Bank	79	7	5
				Cash in Hand	9	0	11
							290 1 10
			<u>£2,143 17 0</u>				<u>£2,143 17 0</u>







**REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND.**

**Cash Statement Year Ended 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	
Cash in Hand 1st January, 1942	..	1079	10	7	Removal Expenses Paid .. ..	1537	18	2
Circuit Levies Paid .. ..	..	1111	8	4	Sundry Expenses .. ..	6	4	5
Interest Earned .. ..	..	24	17	1	Cash in Hand—as per Balance Sheet ..	721	14	8
Refund Removal Expenses .. ..	..	50	1	3				
		<u>£2,265</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>£2,265</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>

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**Revenue Account Year Ended 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	
Removal Expenses .. ..	..	1487	16	11	By Circuit Levies .. ..	1211	3	8
Sundry Expenses .. ..	..	6	4	5	.. Interest Earned .. ..	24	17	1
		<u>£1,494</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	.. Transfer from Capital Account ..	258	0	7
		<u>£1,494</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>£1,494</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>

**REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND.**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1942.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Accumulated Fund 1st January 1942, ..	1282	1	1	Outstanding Levies .. ..			302 5 10
<i>Less</i> Transfer to Revenue Account ..	258	0	7	Cash in Hand—			
				Supernumerary Fund Deposit ..	177	1	0
				P.O. Savings Bank ..	511	1	6
				Bank of New Zealand ..	33	12	2
							721 14 8
							£1,024 0 6
	£1,024	0	6				

Audited and found correct.

H. W. ARMITAGE, A.P.A. (N.Z.), A.I.A. (N.Z.).

17th December, 1942.

J. H. ALLEN, Chairman.

H. CHAPMAN, Lay Treasurer.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CHILDRENS FUND.**

For the Year Ending 31st December, 1942.

RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance 1st January, 1942 ..							
.. <b>Circuit Levies :</b>				<b>Payments as per Warrants :</b>			
Auckland .. .. .	356	16	5	Auckland .. .. .	515	0	0
South Auckland .. ..	202	2	4	South Auckland .. ..	147	10	0
Taranaki-Wanganui .. ..	119	14	8	Taranaki-Wanganui .. ..	135	0	0
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. ..	125	0	7	Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. ..	150	0	0
Wellington .. .. .	221	5	3	Wellington .. .. .	212	10	0
Nelson .. .. .	92	14	6	Nelson .. .. .	102	10	0
Canterbury North .. ..	268	3	10	Canterbury North .. ..	302	10	0
Canterbury South .. ..	83	13	2	Canterbury South .. ..	32	10	0
Otago-Southland .. ..	161	5	4	Otago-Southland .. ..	145	0	0
			1630 16 1				1742 10 0
				By Amount owing by Rotorua Circuit			
				Written off Conference Resolu-			
				tion 1942 page 113 .. ..			17 10 0
				.. Stamps, Stationery and Bank			
				Exchanges (2 years) .. ..			1 5 0
				.. Bank Charge, Keeping Account			0 10 0
				.. Exchange on Chairman's Cheques			2 4 0
				.. Credit Bank of N.S.W. .. ..	215	14	5
				.. Due by Districts .. .. .	5	12	6
							221 6 11
			<u>£1,985 5 11</u>				<u>£1,985 5 11</u>

E. W. A. KELLOW }  
 W. A. BURLEY } Treasurers.  
 28th January, 1943.

Audited and found correct,  
 ERNEST HOBBS }  
 J. M. DALE } Auditors.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 31st December, 1942.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance, 1st January ..				1206	13	6			
.. <b>Current Levies</b> —Districts :									
Auckland .. .. .	634	1	5						
South Auckland .. .. .	355	13	3						
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	232	2	8						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	229	19	1						
Wellington .. .. .	368	9	2						
Nelson .. .. .	171	2	6						
North Canterbury .. .. .	442	0	10						
South Canterbury .. .. .	151	7	2						
Otago-Southland .. .. .	314	13	4						
				2899	9	5			
.. <b>Synod Collections :</b>									
Auckland .. .. .	5	8	9						
South Auckland .. .. .	10	1	7						
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	6	11	3						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	6	7	10						
Wellington .. .. .	3	9	7						
Nelson .. .. .	5	0	0						
North Canterbury .. .. .	9	5	2						
South Canterbury .. .. .	3	6	9						
Otago-Southland .. .. .	9	17	8						
				59	8	7			
.. <b>Sales :</b>									
Agenda .. .. .	21	8	0						
Minutes .. .. .	24	5	4						
Law Books, etc. .. .. .	5	9	11						
				51	3	3			
By <b>Cost of Wellington Conference :</b>									
(a) <b>TRAVELLING :</b>									
Equalisation Fund .. .. .	209	0	0						
Official Representatives .. .. .	111	4	2						
(b) <b>PRINTING :</b>									
Agenda .. .. .	138	14	8						
Minutes .. .. .	151	7	3						
Other .. .. .	6	18	2						
Stationery, etc. .. .. .	29	12	7						
							646	16	10
.. <b>District Expenses, Chairman's Travelling and Other :</b>									
Auckland .. .. .	39	10	9						
South Auckland .. .. .	47	4	11						
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	28	6	5						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	19	15	4						
Wellington .. .. .	26	6	7						
Nelson .. .. .	20	16	0						
North Canterbury .. .. .	26	9	4						
South Canterbury .. .. .	20	12	4						
Otago-Southland .. .. .	56	1	1						
							285	2	9
.. <b>Synod Expenses :</b>									
Auckland .. .. .	49	2	1						
South Auckland .. .. .	59	13	10						
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	20	9	1						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	23	4	10						
Wellington .. .. .	16	14	11						
Nelson .. .. .	35	0	0						

Methodist Church Contingent Fund—Continued.

By Synod Expenses—continued :			
	North Canterbury	..	15 2 6
	South Canterbury	..	10 4 5
	Otago-Southland	..	23 16 1
			<hr/>
			253 7 9
..	<b>Ministerial Supply :</b>		
	South Auckland	..	30 15 0
	Wellington	..	6 0 0
			<hr/>
			36 15 0
..	<b>Connexional Payments :</b>		
	President's Travelling	..	51 0 0
	Postages, etc.	..	12 10 0
	Supply	..	12 0 0
	Secretary of Conference—		
	Postages, etc.	..	12 10 0
	Printing	..	174 19 1
	Youth Board—Temperance		
	Printing	..	35 0 0
	Examination Committee Exps.	..	36 4 4
	Medical Examination	..	2 2 0
			<hr/>
			336 5 5
..	<b>Grants :</b>		
	Theological College	..	740 0 0
	Connexional Sec. Dept.	..	185 0 0
	Deaconess Fund	..	75 0 0
	N.Z. Council of Churches	..	20 0 0
	Affliction	..	10 0 0
	"Methodist Times" Editorial	..	51 15 5
	"Methodist Times" Special	..	100 0 0
	Spiritual Advance Committee	..	25 0 0
	University Fees	..	30 0 0
			<hr/>
			1236 15 5

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 £4,216 14 9

..	<b>Hon. Treasurers :</b>			
	Bank Charges, Exchange, etc.,			
	Postages, Stationery, etc.			7 9 0
..	<b>Balances Due by Districts :</b>			
	Auckland .. .. .			
	South Auckland .. ..	28	1	1
	Taranaki-Wanganui .. ..	20	0	0
	Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. ..	8	19	6
	Wellington .. .. .	44	12	5
	Nelson .. .. .	4	14	6
	North Canterbury .. ..	90	8	9
	South Canterbury .. ..	5	0	0
	Otago-Southland .. ..	36	15	3
..	Total Balances held by or due to			
	Chairman .. .. .	238	11	6
..	Bank of N.Z. Auckland Current			
	Account .. .. .	1175	11	1
				<hr/> 1414 2 7
				<hr/> £4,216 14 9

J. H. BLACKWELL }  
 W. WALKER } Hon. Treasurers.

I have to report that I have audited the foregoing Statement and compared same with the books and vouchers of the Methodist Conference Contingent Fund, and I hereby certify that in my opinion the statement is properly drawn up so as to show a true and correct view of the affairs of the Fund for the year ended 31st December, 1942.

Christchurch,  
 11th February, 1943.

ISAAC J. WILSON, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z.,  
 per H. RUSSELL FOUNTAIN, M.Com., A.P.A.N.Z.,  
 Hon. Auditor.







METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME, MASTERTON.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 30th September, 1942.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 1st October, 1941	..	..	159 1 7	By Salaries and Wages	..	..	477 0 2
.. Maintenance—				.. General House Expenses	..	..	493 6 1
Donations	..	19 1 0		.. Clothing, etc.	..	..	123 4 3
Collections	..	403 4 11		.. Light and Heat	..	..	108 3 1
Fees—Maintenance	..	429 15 6		.. Printing and Stationery	..	..	23 19 4
			852 1 5	.. Repairs and Renewals	..	..	42 16 2
.. Wellington Board—				.. Miscellaneous—			
Grants	..	500 0 0		Dental and Medical	..	12 2 10	
Hessey Estate	..	1 5 0		Telephone Rent	..	13 10 0	
Chism Estate	..	7 13 8		Employers' Liability	..	1 18 11	
R. Foster	..	4 0 0		Bank Fee and Cheque Book	..	1 10 0	
W. Moore	..	14 6 10		Advertising	..	6 7 8	
			527 5 6	Sundry Expenses	..	21 12 4	
							57 1 9
							1325 10 10
				By Balance 30th Sept., 1942	..	..	212 17 8
			£1,538 8 6				£1,538 8 6

Balance Sheet as at 30th September, 1942.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors	..	..	63 17 2	Cash at Bank of N.Z.	..	..	212 17 8
Newcombe Trust	..	..	0 2 6	Furnishings, etc.	..	189 0 0	
Balance being Excess of Assets over Liabilities			318 18 0	Less Depreciation	..	19 0 0	
							170 0 0
			£382 17 8				£382 17 8

Audited and found correct.

W. R. NICOL, Treasurer,

ARCH. H. DANIELL }  
D. A. BARNES, } Auditors.

**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME.**

**Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th September, 1942.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME				
General—		£	s. d.	£		s. d.	£	s. d.
Salaries and Wages .. ..	1285	3	1	Legacies: Estate E. Coleman ..	50	0	0	
House Supplies .. ..	633	7	5	Estate Sara Andrew ..	125	0	0	
Drapery, Clothing and Boots ..	503	2	3	Estate M. M. Dearsley	100	0	0	
Lighting and Heating .. ..	214	14	4	Estate R. E. McDougall	500	0	0	
Renewals and Repairs .. ..	208	12	10					775 0 0
Stationery, Stamps, Telephone, Fees, Advertising and Bank Charges .. ..	140	16	0	Interest .. ..	577	7	8	
Grounds Maintenance .. ..	50	1	7	Donations and Collections ..	736	5	8	
Buildings Maintenance .. ..	22	14	2	Combined Orphanages Appeal ..	569	5	0	
Camp Fees .. ..	30	7	3	Maintenance Fees .. ..	1539	18	10	
Petty Cash—Matron .. ..	86	9	11	Sale of Lime .. ..	2	5	10	
Petty Cash—Secretary .. ..	3	16	6	Refunds .. ..	5	12	3	
Board .. ..	58	2	6	Sundries .. ..	5	9	2	
Subsidy—Papanui Sunday School	26	15	0					3436 4 5
Sundries .. ..	7	7	9	Arthur Hall Fletcher Trust Account	85	0	0	
Insurance—Fire and Accident ..	13	19	10	Surplus Expenditure for year met by Trust .. ..	3	15	7	
Cheer Fund .. ..	5	4	11					88 15 7
			3290 15 4	Capital Account—				
Harewood Road Bungalow A/c.—				A. Cowie Trust .. ..				50 0 0
Rates and Insurance .. ..			11 17 5	Harewood Road Bungalow Account				
Chapel Street Dwelling Account—				Rent .. ..				56 13 3
Rates and Insurance .. ..	17	9	10	Chapel Street Dwelling Account—				
Legal Costs .. ..	17	15	6	Adjustments—Rates and Insurance				12 9 6
			35 5 4	Transfer—Post Office Savings Bank				200 0 0
Arthur Hall Fletcher Trust Account—				Balance .. ..				290 0 11
Bicycles .. ..	50	3	3					
Clothing and Suitcases .. ..	19	10	5					
Fees, Fares, and Sundries .. ..	19	1	11					
			88 15 7					
Depreciation Written off .. ..			457 10 0					
Transfer—Post Office Savings Bank			200 0 0					
Permanent Capital Account—								
Transfer—A. Cowie Trust .. ..	50	0	0					
Sundry Legacies .. ..	775	0	0					
			825 0 0					
			£4,909 3 8					£4,909 3 8

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**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME.**

**Balance Sheet as at 30th September, 1942.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Arthur Hall Fletcher Trust ..				Home and Outbuildings ..	19,427	16	11
Permanent Capital Account ..	8038	0	8	<i>Add</i> Cost of Cubicles ..	68	15	7
<i>Add</i> A. Cowie Trust ..	50	0	0	<i>Add</i> Cost of Aga Cooker ..	365	10	0
<i>Add</i> Sundry Legacies ..	775	0	0		<u>19,862</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
			8863 0 8	<i>Less</i> Cooker Sold ..	100	0	0
Excess of Assets over Liabilities ..	29,628	10	10	<i>Less</i> Depreciation ..	300	0	0
Less Excess of Expenditure over					<u>400</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Income .. .. .	290	0	11				19,462 2 6
			<u>29,338 9 11</u>	Grounds .. .. .			4,363 17 0
				Furnishings .. .. .	774	0	0
				<i>Less</i> Depreciation .. .. .	50	0	0
							<u>724 0 0</u>
				Tennis Courts .. .. .	126	0	0
				<i>Less</i> Depreciation .. .. .	18	0	0
							<u>108 0 0</u>
				Asphalting .. .. .	235	0	0
				<i>Less</i> Depreciation .. .. .	30	0	0
							<u>205 0 0</u>
				Implements and Tools .. .. .	258	0	0
				<i>Less</i> Depreciation .. .. .	22	10	0
							<u>235 10 0</u>

Balance Sheet—continued.

Live Stock .. ..	28 8 6	
Less Sale of Cows .. ..	13 15 9	
	<u>14 12 9</u>	
Add Purchase of Cows .. ..	19 12 6	
	<u>34 5 3</u>	
Less Depreciation .. ..	5 0 0	29 5 3
Harewood Road Bungalow .. ..	801 0 0	
Less Depreciation .. ..	32 0 0	
	<u>769 0 0</u>	
Chapel Street Dwelling— Unpaid Purchase Money .. ..		725 0 0
Accounts Outstanding— Sale of Aga Cooker .. ..		100 0 0
Cash in Hand—Matron .. ..		6 17 1
Balances— Post Office Savings Bank .. ..	837 17 11	
Bank of New Zealand .. ..	242 18 0	
	<u>1080 15 11</u>	
Securities held by S.I.M.O. Invest- ment Board .. ..		10,714 6 0
	<u>£38,523 13 9</u>	<u>£38,523 13 9</u>

I have examined the Books and Vouchers relating to the above Revenue Account and Balance Sheet of the South Island Methodist Orphanage and Children's Home, which I consider are properly drawn up so as to exhibit the true position of the Orphanage, as at 30th September, 1942, as shown by the Books of the Orphanage.

Christchurch, 4th November, 1942

H. W. ARMITAGE, A.P.A. (N.Z.), A.I.A.N.Z., Auditor.

METHODIST CENTENNIAL THANKSGIVING FUND—CENTRAL OFFICE.

Receipts and Payments Account to 30th September, 1942.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance, 1/10/41—													
Post Office Savings Bank:													
General Fund .. .. .	1,750	0	0										
Deaconess Retiring Fund ..	1,750	0	0										
Taranaki Maori Girls' College ..	1,750	0	0										
				5,250	0	0							
.. Commercial Bank of Australia ..				1,478	16	3							
.. Petty Cash .. .. .					2	13	6						
.. General Donations .. .. .				4,708	6	4							
.. Donations for particular Trusts, etc. (already paid out—see Contra.)													
Auckland Central Mission .. .. .	200	0	0										
Springdale .. .. .	128	0	0										
Stratford .. .. .	127	0	0										
Tauranga .. .. .	61	10	0										
Dunedin Central Mission .. .. .	50	0	0										
Roskill .. .. .	50	0	0										
Kingsland .. .. .	47	5	6										
Opotiki .. .. .	41	16	8										
Otakou .. .. .	35	9	2										
Ngatea .. .. .	32	15	0										
Patea .. .. .	31	11	8										
Remuera .. .. .	51	16	6										
Trinity College .. .. .	25	0	0										
Tawa Flat .. .. .	20	0	0										
Porirua .. .. .	18	10	0										
Miramar .. .. .	16	1	0										
Onehunga .. .. .	16	0	0										
Levin .. .. .	14	10	8										
Halcombe .. .. .	10	0	0										
Penrose .. .. .	7	10	0										
Te Kopuru .. .. .	5	0	0										
Manaia .. .. .	2	10	0										
Ngāio .. .. .	2	5	0										
Port Chalmers .. .. .	2	0	0										
Dargaville .. .. .	1	10	0										
				998	1	2							
				£12,437	17	3							
By Travelling Expenses—													
District and Dominion Organisers ..	48	10	4										
Travelling Organiser .. .. .	163	1	4										
.. Salaries—											211	11	8
G. H. Goodman (Inc. £50 All.) ..	300	0	0										
W. H. Wilson .. .. .	104	0	0										
.. Honorarium—Organiser .. .. .											404	0	0
.. Connexional Charges .. .. .											25	0	0
.. Rents: House, Office, Telephone ..											47	17	6
.. Office Wages .. .. .	158	11	0								212	12	6
Less Typing Work done .. .. .		2	2	4									
											156	8	8
.. Printing and Stationery .. .. .											60	16	1
.. Postages, Tolls and Telegrams ..											34	7	2
.. Office Equipment .. .. .											36	19	6
.. Sundry Expenses, Bank Charges, etc.											13	19	2
.. Sundry Trusts (as per Contra) ..											998	1	2
.. Balance, 30/9/42—													
Post Office Savings Bank:													
General Fund .. .. .	1,750	0	0										
Deaconess Retiring Fund .. .. .	1,750	0	0										
Taranaki Maori Girls' College ..	1,750	0	0										
do Furnishing Account .. .. .	1,750	0	0										
Otakou Memorial Church .. .. .	1,750	0	0										
											8,750	0	0
.. Commercial Bank of Australia ..											1,484	4	1
.. Petty Cash .. .. .											1	19	9
											£12,437	17	3

**WAR SERVICES AND CHAPLAINCY FUND.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance as at 12/2/1942 ..			370 13 0	By House Allowances to 30/6/1942 ..			125 0 0
„ Circuit Collections and Donations ..	584	8	0	„ <b>Supernumerary Fund :</b>			
„ Circuit Moieties ..	168	13	11	for Chaplains Personal Subs. ..	140	0	0
			753 1 11	for Circuit Levies ..	135	0	0
„ Interest P.O. Savings Bank ..			8 12 2				275 0 0
				„ Troopship Grant (Chaplain Francis)			10 0 0
				„ Union Jacks (Chaplains Draper and Francis) ..			3 16 0
				„ Service Books for Camp (Chaplain Rowe) ..			0 12 0
				„ President Walker (Petty Expenses)			2 5 0
				„ <b>Wellington Board Expenses :</b>			
				Rev. F. J. Parker (Petty Cash)	15	0	0
				Printing and Typing ..	5	6	6
				Artists' Drawing ..	1	0	0
							21 6 6
				„ <b>Administration Expenses :</b>			
				Cheque Book and Bank Charges	1	0	0
				Exchange, Stamps, etc. ..	2	7	7
							3 7 7
				„ <b>Bank Balances :</b>			
				Bank New Zealand ..	94	18	0
				P.O. Savings Bank ..	596	2	0
							691 0 0
			£1,132 7 1				£1,132 7 1

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M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Trustees.  
 H. de R. FLESHER }  
 Christchurch, 15th January, 1943.

Audited and found correct.

W. A. HADLEE, A.R.A.N.Z. }  
 E. R. THOMAS, F.I.I.A., A.C.S.N.Z. } Auditors.

**METHODIST CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP FUND.**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments, 31st December, 1942.**

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RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance Carried Forward ..			4 6 4	By Stipend .. ..	375	0	0
<b>Appropriations:</b>				House Allowance .. ..	175	0	0
Church Building & Loan Fund ..	220	0	0	Connexional Charges .. ..			550 0 0
Connexional Fire Ins. Fund ..	380	0	0	Clerks' Salaries .. ..			61 5 0
Supernumerary & Allied Funds ..	511	0	0	Office Rent .. ..	150	0	0
"Methodist Times" Fund ..	170	0	0	<i>less Lettings</i> .. ..	13	12	6
Contingent Fund .. ..	185	0	0	Telephone and Post Office Box ..			136 7 6
Registration Fees (per Authorised Representative) .. ..			20 12 0	Bank Charges .. ..			27 5 0
Deficit .. ..			15 18 8	Stationery and General Expenses ..	29	19	6
				<i>less Contras</i> .. ..	7	18	11
							22 0 7
			£1,506 17 0				£1,506 17 0

FRANK THOMPSON }  
M. A. RUGBY PRATT } Treasurers.

Christchurch, 16th December, 1942.

Audited and found correct.

E. H. SMITH, Auditor.

**METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND.**  
**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended December 31st, 1942.**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
<b>To Solomon Islands District :</b>					
Missionaries' Stipends and Allowances .. .. .	2275	14 10			
Doctor's Stipend (1 qr.) and Allowances .. .. .	86	5 6			
Sisters' Stipend and Allowances	606	5 0			
Native Agents (as last Year) and Allowances .. .. .	2342	10 0			
Hospital and Medical .. .. .	424	0 0			
Freights, Customs and Taxes	253	1 9			
Boats and Travelling, etc. ..	1080	17 4			
Educational—Colleges and Schools .. .. .	314	18 4			
Properties and Current Exps.	253	3 2			
Lands Account .. .. .	Nil				
General Expenses .. .. .	42	12 8			
			7679	8 7	
<b>„ New Zealand Working Expenses :</b>					
General Secretary's—					
Salary .. .. .	300	0 0			
Travelling .. .. .	49	0 0			
House Allowance .. .. .	150	0 0			
Hospitality .. .. .	15	0 0			
Treasurer's Honorarium ..	50	0 0			
Auditor's Fee .. .. .	15	15 0			
Connexional Charges .. .. .	51	5 0			
Deputation Exps. and Travel	145	13 1			
Exchange, Postages, etc. ..	99	10 3			
Printing Annual Report .. ..	90	0 0			
Office Rent and Telephone ..	95	12 8			
Printing and Stationery .. ..	101	12 6			
Office Assistance .. .. .	207	4 0			
"Methodist Times" .. .. .	10	0 0			
Sundry Expenses .. .. .	30	0 3			
			1410	12 9	
<b>By New Zealand Contributions :</b>					
General Fund 1941 Account	167	9 1			
General Fund 1942 Account	8977	17 9			
For Native Teachers .. .. .	422	12 1			
For Orphans .. .. .	116	10 0			
Women's Auxiliaries .. .. .	1355	10 0			
Y.W.B.C. Movement .. .. .	170	0 0			
Interest on Working Capital	568	14 10			
Medical Fund .. .. .	1007	2 11			
Debt Reduction .. .. .	1	0 0			
					12786 16 8
„ Solomon Islands Contributions					Nil
„ Equipment Fund Legacies .. ..	635	10 9			
„ Medical Mission Fund :					
Samuel and Clara Matilda Gorman Medical Bequest	2200	0 0			
„ Leper Fund (including £250 from Makogai Leper Trust)	467	0 4			
„ Centennial Fund .. .. .	93	0 0			
„ Rehabilitation Fund .. .. .	152	5 0			
„ Interest Boat Insurance Fund ..	77	15 8			
					3625 11 9

" <b>Miscellaneous Payments :</b>				
Repatriation (Dr. Rutter) ..	50	0	0	
Trinity Theological College ..	50	0	0	
Deaconess Institute ..	25	0	0	
National Missionary Council ..	7	10	0	
Imperilled Missions ..	100	0	0	
Loss on Publications ..	17	0	0	
Evacuation of Workers owing to war ..	305	3	6	
				554 13 6
" Interest on Overdraft and Loans	169	19	6	
" <b>Boat Insurance Fund :</b>				
Transfer .. .. .£72 4 4				
Interest .. .. .77 15 8				
	150	0	0	
" Depreciation, Atherton Road				
Property .. .. .70 0 0				
" Equipment Fund (contra) ..	635	10	0	
" Centennial Fund (contra) ..	93	0	0	
" Medical Mission Fund (contra)	2200	0	0	
" Special Leper Fund (contra) ..	467	0	4	
" Rehabilitation Fund (contra) ..	152	5	0	
		3937	15 7	
" Balance Carried down ..		2829	18 0	
		16,412	8 5	£16,412 8 5
" Debit Balance brought forward from 1941 .. ..	3831	19	5	By Balance brought down .. 2829 18 0
" Loss of stocks and other assets owing to enemy occupation	4217	0	1	" Balance carried forward to 1943 5219 1 6
		£8,048	19 6	£8,048 19 6

**General Secretary's Residence Account.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Interest .. ..	46	17	7	By Balance at 31st December, 1941 ..	469	4	4
" Rates and Maintenance, etc. ..	40	18	6	" House Allowance .. ..	150	0	0
" Balance at 31st December, 1942 ..	531	8	3				
	£619	4	4		£619	4	4

METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND.

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1942 (exclusive of Solomon Islands Properties).

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
<b>Sundry Creditors—Solomon Islands :</b>				<b>Assets in Solomon Islands :</b>			
Circuit Balances .. .. .	2,035	0	0	Sundry Debtors .. .. .		670	4 8
Sundry Creditors .. .. .	619	10	0	Sydney Office .. .. .		355	18 8
			2,654 10 0	<b>Medical Mission Fund Assets :</b>			
<b>Loans at Fixed Deposit and at Call</b>			2,548 5 0	Colonial Sugar Refining Co.—			
<b>Income paid in advance .. .. .</b>			120 0 0	Shares Valued at .. .. .	500	0	0
<b>Special Funds :</b>				N.Z. Govt. Stock 3% .. .. .	1,190	0	0
<b>Medical Mission Fund (including</b>				“ “ 3½% .. .. .	3,595	0	0
Samuel and Clara Matilda				“ “ 4% .. .. .	1,210	0	0
Gorman Bequest, £18,486),				Wellington C.C. Debentures ..	3,100	0	0
Balance 31st Dec., 1941 .. .. .	19,686	3	6	“ Hospital Board .. .. .	400	0	0
Added during 1942 .. .. .	2,200	0	0	“ City Milk Supply .. .. .	1,200	0	0
			21,886 3 6	Nelson C.C. Debentures .. .. .	2,000	0	0
<b>Special Leper Fund :</b>				Mortgage .. .. .	900	0	0
Balance 31st Dec., 1941 .. .. .	1,228	18	1	Loan Pitt St. Church Trustees ..	2,000	0	0
Added during 1942 (including				Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .	1,015	3	6
Special £250) .. .. .	467	0	4	Auckland Gas Co. Shares .. .. .	1,466	10	0
			1,695 18 5	Auckland Gas Co. Deben. Stock ..	3,309	10	0
<b>Equipment Fund :</b>						21,886	3 6
Balance 31st Dec., 1941 .. .. .	646	13	1	<b>Boat Insurance Fund :</b>			
Income, 1942 .. .. .	635	10	9	N.Z. Govt. Stock .. .. .	1,648	0	0
			1,282 3 10	Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .	652	0	0
<i>Less</i> Expenditure, 1942 .. .. .	20	6	9			2,300	0 0
			1,261 17 1	<b>Working Capital Fund Assets :</b>			
<b>Boat Insurance Fund :</b>				Mt. Eden Boro. Deben. 4½% ..	200	0	0
Balance, 31st Dec., 1941 .. .. .	2,150	0	0	Auck. C. Council 4½% .. .. .	200	0	0
Added during 1942 .. .. .	159	0	0	Auck. Trans. Board 4½% .. .. .	1,500	0	0
			2,300 0 0	N.Z. Govt. Stock 4% .. .. .	2,165	0	0
<b>Centennial Fund :</b>				N.Z. Govt. Stock 2½% .. .. .	585	0	0
Balance, 31st Dec., 1941 .. .. .	208	10	0	N.Z. Farmers' Dairy Co. Shares ..	7	10	0
Added during 1942 .. .. .	93	0	0	Mortgages .. .. .	1,950	0	0
			301 10 0	Auck. and P. O. Savings Banks ..	1,902	5	1
				Fuller and Sons Debentures .. .. .	950	0	0





# METHODIST HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT

## ESTIMATES

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE, 1943

### Income

<b>CIRCUITS, HOME MISSION STATIONS AND MAORI CIRCUITS.</b>				£	s.	d.
Auckland District	..	..	..	1,598	0	0
South Auckland District	..	..	..	955	0	0
Taranaki-Wanganui District	..	..	..	589	0	0
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District	..	..	..	706	0	0
Wellington District	..	..	..	899	0	0
Nelson District	..	..	..	490	0	0
North Canterbury District	..	..	..	1,055	0	0
South Canterbury District	..	..	..	401	0	0
Otago-Southland District	..	..	..	673	0	0
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				7,456	0	0
<b>PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS</b>	..	..	..	2,250	0	0
<b>Special for Social and Religious Work Among the Maoris—</b>						
M.W.M. Union	..	..	..	1,136	0	0
Y.W.B.C.'s Through Circuits	..	..	..	175	0	0
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				1,311	0	0
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	..	..	..	250	0	0
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Total estimated ordinary income from all sources				<u>£11,267</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

# Expenditure

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

<b>Maori Work.</b>	
Senior Supt.—Stipend ..	225 0 0
Travelling ..	75 0 0
Special Travelling	25 0 0
Investment Funds	
Board Rent ..	100 0 0
Minister—Stipend ..	200 0 0
Travelling ..	75 0 0
Special Travelling	10 0 0
Investment Funds	
Board Rent ..	20 0 0
Hon. H.M.'s—Grant for Travelling	75 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	159 10 0
Asst. Deaconess—Stipend ..	137 10 0
Auckland Deaconess' Travelling ..	45 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	159 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	154 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	137 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
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	£1,748 0 0

### Home Mission Stations.

Kaukapakapa-Silverdale ..	15 0 0
Bombay-Tuakau ..	15 0 0
Bay of Islands (Single H.M.)	20 0 0

### Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Hikurangi ..	15 0 0
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### Aided Circuits.

Hokiangā-Rawene (if M.O.M.)	60 0 0
Whangaroa (if M.P.) ..	30 0 0
Kawakawa-Kaikōhe ..	45 0 0
Mangonui ..	20 0 0
Ruawai ..	55 0 0
Mahurangi (M.H.M.) ..	10 0 0
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	£285 0 0

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

### Maori Work.

Minister—Stipend ..	150 0 0
Travelling ..	60 0 0
Probationer, M.M. Section—	
Stipend ..	100 0 0
Travelling ..	40 0 0
H.M.—Stipend ..	135 0 0
Travelling ..	60 0 0
H.M.—Stipend ..	130 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
H.M.—Stipend ..	130 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Special Travelling ..	15 0 0
Grant for Travelling, 11	
Hon. H.M.'s and General	
District Expenses ..	533 10 0

Deaconess—Stipend ..	159 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	148 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	143 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess, Kawhia—	
Stipend ..	137 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess Supply—Travelling	24 0 0
To Investment Funds Board	
Rents ..	168 2 6
Circuit Superintendent Supply Travelling ..	100 0 0
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	£2,534 0 0

### Home Mission Stations.

Kawhia ..	45 0 0
Coromandel ..	70 0 0
Ohura ..	30 0 0

### Circuits with Home Missionaries.

Tauranga-Te Puke S.H.M. ...	40 0 0
(If No Agent, £15.)	

### Aided Circuits.

Taumarunui ..	90 0 0
Maori ..	5 0 0
Te Kuiti ..	60 0 0
Hauraki Plains (S.P.) ..	60 0 0
Opotiki (if M.P.) ..	40 0 0
Whakatane (if S.P.) ..	20 0 0
Rotorua (M.P.) ..	25 0 0
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	£485 0 0

## TARANAKI - WANGANUI DISTRICT.

### Maori Work.

Minister—Stipend ..	200 0 0
Travelling ..	75 0 0
Special Travelling	10 0 0
Investment Funds	
Board for Rent ..	50 0 0
H.M.'s—Grant for Travelling	130 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	154 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	143 0 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
Deaconess—Stipend ..	137 10 0
Travelling ..	50 0 0
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	£1,049 10 0

### Home Mission Stations.

Inglewood ..	10 0 0
Patea ..	50 0 0
Marton ..	50 0 0

### Aided Circuits.

Waitara ..	30 0 0
Taihape ..	30 0 0
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	£170 0 0



**EXPENDITURE—Continued.**

<b>Miscellaneous.</b>			<b>General Superintendent.</b>		
Home Missionaries' Removal Expenses Fund, Grant ..	45	0 0	Stipend .. .. .	300	0 0
Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, Subsidies ..	230	0 0	Rent to Investment Funds Board .. .. .	150	0 0
Deaconess' Retiring Fund, Subsidies .. .. .	170	0 0	Travelling .. .. .	100	0 0
Home Mission Deputation Expenses .. .. .	150	0 0	<hr/>		
Ministerial Supplies ..	100	0 0	<b>Assistant Superintendent.</b>		
Theological College ..	100	0 0	Stipend .. .. .	275	0 0
Deaconess' Institution ..	75	0 0	Rent to Investment Funds Board .. .. .	150	0 0
"    "    Special ..	25	0 0	Travelling .. .. .	100	0 0
Interest and Bank Charges	200	0 0	<hr/>		
Church Sites Fund ..	50	0 0	£525 0 0		
Printing and Stationery ..	250	0 0	Connexional Charges ..	100	0 0
Advertising Space "N.Z. Methodist Times" ..	12	10 0	<hr/>		
Spiritual Advance Committee	25	0 0	<b>General Treasurers.</b>		
Subsidy, L. & C. Committee—			Book-keeping .. .. .	125	0 0
Colporteur .. .. .	200	0 0	Incidental Expenses ..	20	0 0
Picture Department ..	30	0 0	<hr/>		
Contingencies .. .. .	400	0 0	<b>Office Expenses.</b>		
Circulating Library ..	5	0 0	Secretarial .. .. .	155	0 0
Auckland University Chapel ..	5	0 0	Rent and 'Phones ..	120	0 0
			Light and Heat .. .. .	10	0 0
			Postages and Telegrams ..	100	0 0
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	£2,072	10 0	£385 0 0		

**SUMMARY OF HOME MISSION ESTIMATES**

<b>INCOME.</b>			<b>EXPENDITURE.</b>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Circuits .. .. .	7,456	0 0	Maori .. .. .	5,884	2 6
Properties and Investments	2,250	0 0	General .. .. .	6,662	10 0
Special Maori .. .. .	1,311	0 0			
Miscellaneous .. .. .	250	0 0			
	11,267	0 0		12,546	12 6
Estimated Deficit ..	2,491	14 2	Dr. Balance, Jan., 1942 ..	1,212	1 8
	£13,758	14 2		£13,758	14 2



**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.  
HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.**

**Statement of Receipts and Expenditure—Continued.**

**RECEIPTS.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ngaruawahia ..	9	0	0			
Kawhia ..	6	0	0			
Coromandel ..	20	2	7			
Ohura ..	5	2	5			
Ditto, 1941 ..	0	7	3			
				1,031	3	11

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.**

**Circuits.**

New Plymouth ..	119	5	8
Waitara ..	10	11	4
Stratford ..	40	0	10
Eltham ..	35	19	3
Hawera ..	76	5	0
Manala ..	8	11	9
Opunake ..	100	10	0
Wanganui ..	65	3	2
Ditto, 1941 ..	5	0	0
Wanganui North ..	52	2	0
Gonville ..	23	0	0
Marton ..	24	10	10
Talhape ..	10	0	0
Maori Mission ..	14	18	6

**Home Mission Stations.**

Inglewood ..	11	13	4
Raetihi-Ohakune ..	20	0	0
Patea ..	10	10	6
Ditto, 1941 ..	1	0	0
			620 2 2

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.**

**Circuits.**

Napier ..	151	8	2
Hastings ..	113	11	8
Gisborne ..	34	10	11
Wairoa ..	10	0	0
Dannevirke ..	10	10	2
Woodville ..	25	11	0
Pahiatua ..	28	2	9
Palmerston North—			
St. Paul's ..	84	10	0
Cuba Street ..	71	0	7
Ashhurst ..	36	8	10
Fellding ..	162	7	0
Sanson-Rongotea ..	36	15	6
Ditto, 1941 ..	2	17	6

**Home Mission Stations.**

Waipawa ..	23	5	8
Foxton-Shannon ..	14	0	0
Apiti ..	32	12	1
Norsewood ..	10	16	9
			848 14 7

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT.**

**Circuits.**

Wellington—			
Central ..	167	17	5
Webb Street ..	5	0	0
Ditto, 1941 ..	3	0	0
West ..	84	1	5
South ..	60	7	5
East ..	117	3	5
Johnsonville—			
Ngaio ..	66	14	0
Hutt ..	87	4	10
Petone ..	36	0	3
Greytown—			
Featherston ..	20	0	0
Carterton ..	25	19	3
Masterton ..	124	18	6
Eketahuna ..	16	10	0
Ditto, 1941 ..	1	0	0

**EXPENDITURE.**

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Apiti ..	45	0	0			
Foxton-Shannon ..	28	15	0			
Waipawa ..	50	0	0			

**Aided Circuits.**

Pahiatua ..	30	0	0			
Wairoa ..	25	0	0			
Woodville ..	36	5	0			
				215	0	0

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Paraparaumu ..	33	15	0
Upper Hutt ..	32	10	0

**Aided Circuits.**

Eketahuna ..	36	5	0
Ditto Special ..	25	0	0
Greytown—			
Featherston ..	21	5	0
Otaki ..	40	0	0
Webb Street ..	20	0	0
Ditto, Special ..	10	0	0
Wellington East ..	86	5	0
			305 0 0

**NELSON DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Granity ..	40	0	0
Ditto, Special ..			
Travelling ..	7	10	0
Havelock ..	15	0	0
Ditto, Special ..	10	0	0
Murchison ..	30	0	0
Wakefield ..	20	0	0
Aided Circuits.			
Reefton ..	45	0	0
Westport ..	18	15	0
			186 5 0

**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Hawarden, 1 qtr. ..	3	15	0
Tai Tapu ..	23	15	0
Ditto, Special ..			
Travelling ..	15	0	0
Waddington ..	36	5	0

**Aided Circuits.**

Christchurch East ..	16	5	0
Lyttelton ..	38	15	0
Oxford ..	26	5	0
Springston ..	30	0	0
Ditto, Special ..	10	0	0
Woolston (Summer) ..	32	10	0
			232 10 0

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

**Aided Circuits.**

Geraldine ..	41	5	0
Temuka ..	36	5	0
Ditto, Maori ..	5	0	0
			82 10 0

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Bluff ..	42	10	0
Cromwell ..	40	0	0
Ditto, Special ..	35	0	0

**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.**  
**HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.**

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure—Continued.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.					
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Levin ..	76	4 0			Edendale ..	23	15 0		
Otaki ..	12	0 0			Maori Hill ..	36	5 0		
<b>Home Mission Stations.</b>						Ditto, Special			
Paraparaumu ..	13	6 9			House ..	37	10 0		
Upper Hutt ..	11	0 0			Mosgiel ..	52	10 0		
			928	7 3	Nightcaps ..	47	15 0		
					Otautau ..	18	15 0		
<b>NELSON DISTRICT.</b>						Ditto, Special			
<b>Circuits.</b>						Ravensbourne-			
Nelson ..	127	16 6			Broad Bay ..	10	0 0		
Richmond ..	27	3 8			Ditto, Travelling	7	10 0		
Motueka ..	41	19 2			Riverton ..	42	10 0		
Blenheim ..	151	19 8			Ditto, Special	15	0 0		
Reefton ..	16	18 10			Waikouaiti ..	28	15 0		
Westport ..	20	0 0			<b>Aided Circuits.</b>				
Greymouth ..	50	11 6			Ealclutha ..	53	15 0		
Hokitika ..	21	10 9			Ditto, Special	20	0 0		
<b>Home Mission Stations.</b>						Cargill Road. St.			
Wakefield-					Clair ..	37	10 0		
Dovedale ..	16	0 0			Caversham, 1 qtr.	2	10 0		
Havelock ..	3	0 0			Milton ..	41	5 0		
Murchison ..	12	1 0			Ditto, Special	25	0 0		
Grantly ..	7	14 4			Ditto, Travelling	8	0 0		
			496	15 5	Port Chalmers	30	0 0		
<b>NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.</b>						Ditto Travelling			
<b>Circuits.</b>						Roslyn ..			
Christchurch—					Roxburgh ..	65	0 0		
Durham Street	118	3 5			Ditto, Special	40	0 0		
East ..	229	16 3						793 5 0	
Cambridge Ter.	38	18 2			<b>Total for Circuits</b>				
Woolston ..	85	14 11						£2,902 0 0	
Sydenham ..	33	14 10			<b>GENERAL.</b>				
Addington ..	49	3 10			<b>General Superintendent—</b>				
Riecarton ..	28	11 2			Stipend ..	300	0 0		
St. Albans ..	129	17 1			Travelling ..	100	0 0		
Papanui ..	62	4 4			Rent ..	150	0 0		
Ditto, 1941 ..	0	0 7						550 0 0	
Lytelton ..	11	2 5			<b>Assistant Superintendent—</b>				
Springston ..	15	19 10			Stipend ..	275	0 0		
Leeston ..	45	3 2			Travelling ..	100	0 0		
Kaipoi ..	52	11 2			Rent ..	150	0 0		
Ohoka ..	50	1 5						525 0 0	
Rangiora ..	41	1 2			<b>General Superin-</b>				
Woodend ..	26	12 3			<b>tendent's Ad-</b>				
Greendale ..	23	7 6			<b>viser ..</b>				
Oxford ..	35	4 4			Incidental Expenses				
<b>Home Mission Stations.</b>						Connexional			
Tai Tapu ..	19	5 3			Charges ..				
Hawarden ..	6	16 11						206 7 6	
Waddington ..	14	2 3			<b>Office.</b>				
			1,117	12 3	Rent ..	79	4 0		
<b>SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.</b>						<b>Telephones and</b>			
<b>Circuits.</b>						<b>Tolls ..</b>			
Timaru—					Electric Power	7	0 2		
Bank Street	27	18 6			<b>Payments to</b>				
Woodland St.	49	19 8			<b>Salaries ..</b>				
South ..	22	15 3						395 7 10	
Waimate ..	37	13 10			<b>Interest, Etc.</b>				
Temuka ..	21	11 8			<b>Interest on</b>				
Geraldine ..	18	14 6			<b>Overdraft ..</b>				
Ashburton ..	124	5 4			Cheque Books,				
Willowby ..	46	10 4			Etc. ..				
Oamaru ..	31	14 5			Deputation Ex-				
<b>Home Mission Station.</b>						<b>penses ..</b>			
Rakala-Methven	12	13 9						235 6 1	
			394	6 3	<b>Printing and Stationery.</b>				
<b>OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.</b>						<b>Annual Reports</b>			
<b>Circuits.</b>						<b>Printing and</b>			
Dunedin—					<b>Stationery ..</b>				
Trinity ..	81	14 2						247 4 4	
Central Mission	57	12 3			<b>Postages, Tele-</b>				
Dundas Street	29	17 3			<b>grams, Ex-</b>				
Cargill Road	39	13 3			<b>change, etc. ..</b>				
Ditto, 1941	1	4 3						121 3 2	
St. Kilda ..	45	17 0							

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HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.**

**Statement of Receipts and Expenditure—Continued.**

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.					
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Caversham ..	31	2 11			Colporteur Stipend			
Mornington ..	28	4 10			and Subsidy	200	0 0	
Roslyn ..	25	3 6			"Lotu" (H.M.)			
Port Chalmers ..	17	4 8			Cost of Share	34	0 11	
Balclutha ..	17	6 1						355 4 1
Milton ..	18	4 3						
Roxburgh ..	11	16 1			<b>Retiring Funds.</b>			
Invercargill—					Deaconess ..	151	10 0	
Central ..	84	2 6			Home Mission-			
St. Peter's ..	56	3 0			aries ..	237	0 0	388 10 0
Gore ..	15	0 0						
					<b>Miscellaneous.</b>			
<b>Home Mission Stations.</b>					Theological Col-			
Bluff ..	10	0 0			lege ..	100	0 0	
Ravensbourne-					Deaconess Insti-			
Broad Bay ..	18	5 0			tute ..	100	0 0	
Maori Hill ..	13	3 3			Office Equip-			
Waikouaiti ..	8	12 6			ments, etc. ..	22	12 7	
Mosgiel ..	12	8 3			"Methodist Times"	12	10 0	
Edendale ..	22	10 8			Church Sites			
Lawrence ..	9	4 10			Fund ..	50	0 0	
Cromwell ..	23	10 4			Lantern ..	22	6 0	
Otautau ..	15	15 0			Ministerial Sup-			
Nightcaps ..	6	6 1			plies ..	36	15 0	
Riverton ..	4	17 11			Picture Dept.			
			704	18 10	Subsidy ..	30	0 0	
Total for Circuits			£7,810	18 8	Bookroom ..	20	11 6	
					Repairs Ratana			
<b>GENERAL.</b>					Pa Cottage	104	16 4	
<b>Connexional Properties.</b>					S.C.M. ..	5	0 0	
Auckland ..	125	0 0			Code "Palpera"	1	10 0	
Grey Institute	200	0 0			Rates Spring			
Kai Iwi ..	360	0 0			Creek ..	1	16 3	
Spring Creek ..	3	0 0			Insurance Office			
			688	0 0	Furniture ..	1	13 2	
					Rent P.O. Box	0	15 0	
<b>Investments.</b>					Spiritual Advance	25	0 0	
H.M.C.E.I.					H.M. Removal			
Funds ..	1,551	19 1			Exes. Fund			
			1,551	19 1	Grant ..	45	0 0	580 5 10
					Maori Missions			5,417 6 11
<b>Special for Maori Work.</b>					Debit Balance, 1941			950 12 8
M.W.M.U ..	1,070	0 0						
Y.W.B.C. Move-								
ment ..	163	15 0						
Sundry Donations	4	10 3						
			1,238	5 3				
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>								
Conference Col-								
lections ..	23	10 0						
Fire Insurance-								
Fund ..	85	0 0						
Duplicating and								
Typing ..	8	10 9						
Refund H.M. Re-								
tiring Fund ..	46	10 0						
			163	10 9				
<b>Sundry Donations.</b>								
Anon ..	25	0 0						
Dunedin Friend	10	0 0						
Fire Ins. Refund								
Ratana Pa ..	18	0 0						
Y.M.B.C. 1941								
Easter Camp	6	16 11						
Y.M.B.C. 1942								
Easter Camp	0	16 6						
Miss L. G. White	5	0 0						
Anon ..	5	0 0						
Sister Lily White	3	0 0						
Miss S. L. Crump	3	0 0						
M.W.M.U. Lower								
Hutt ..	3	0 0						
Mr. Smith Pye	1	10 0						
Helper ..	1	0 0						
A Casual Visitor	1	0 0						

£12,753 5 3

**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.**  
**HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION DEPARTMENT.**

**Statement of Receipts and Expenditure—Continued.**

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Anon .. .. .	1	0	0	Brought Forward	£12,753	5	3
Miss E. R. Thomas	1	0	0				
Anon .. .. .	1	0	0				
A Quiet Giver ..	1	0	0				
Geo. Dennis ..	1	0	0				
Small Amount ..	0	6	5				
			88 9 10				
Debit Balance, 1942			1,212 1 8				
			<u>£12,753 5 3</u>				

We have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Department for the year ended 22nd January, 1943. All our requirements as Auditors have been complied with, and in our opinion the above statement correctly shows the position of the Fund as at the above-mentioned date.

P. DELLOW }  
 J. L. CRAWFORD } Auditors.

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LEGACIES AND MEMORIAL GIFTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Probert Estate .. ..	1,000	0	0	Memorial Gifts (in detail)	1,100	0	0
Elmsley .. ..	1,000	0	0	H. Brittain .. ..	200	0	0
Meredith Wilson .. ..	325	0	0	James Trounson .. ..	1,000	0	0
Jas. Wallace .. ..	100	0	0	Mrs. Hansen .. ..	43	8	6
Hammett Estate .. ..	300	0	0	Mrs. E. King .. ..	50	0	0
E. D. Collinson .. ..	300	0	0	J. W. Heward .. ..	100	0	0
Wilkinson Estate .. ..	300	0	0	Miss Nicholls .. ..	100	0	0
Wm. Winstone .. ..	500	0	0	Rev. and Mrs. Baumber .. ..	100	0	0
Janet Snowden .. ..	401	10	8	J. A. Smith .. ..	100	0	0
Eliza Lucas .. ..	100	0	0	Wake Estate .. ..	2,108	11	8
S. Stone .. ..	100	0	0	Amelia Smith .. ..	32	1	7
Jas. Elliott .. ..	100	0	0	Ellen Smith .. ..	10	0	0
F. L. Price .. ..	100	0	0	G. H. Ward .. ..	50	0	0
Jas. Wallace .. ..	100	0	0	Rev. S. Lawry .. ..	50	0	0
M. Sanson .. ..	90	0	0	Geo. Winstone .. ..	1,000	0	0
W. H. Scott .. ..	175	10	10	G. Sowerby .. ..	829	9	7
C. E. Beecroft .. ..	50	0	0	J. Sheat .. ..	24	2	1
Miss A. Porter .. ..	25	0	0	Mrs. Knell .. ..	50	0	0
Wm. Goldsmith .. ..	25	0	0	J. Allott .. ..	50	0	0
Robson Estate .. ..	20	0	0	Rev. G. Bond .. ..	50	0	0
Benton Estate .. ..	20	0	0	R. B. H. Maxwell .. ..	100	0	0
Miss Rogers .. ..	5	0	0	Uren Estate .. ..	500	0	0
J. Blakely .. ..	12	10	0	A. B. C. Wills .. ..	109	5	2
Nathan Robinson .. ..	100	0	0	S. and the late Mrs. Clara Matilda Gorman .. ..	5,049	0	0
Mrs. W. A. Gifford .. ..	163	6	3	W. Phillips .. ..	100	0	0
Mrs. M. Westney .. ..	10	0	0	Charles Gibbs .. ..	100	0	0
R. Pitken .. ..	12	10	0	S. J. Ambury .. ..	199	19	0
Rev. J. J. Mather .. ..	50	0	0	S. Gillies .. ..	25	0	0
Dorothy Dawson .. ..	325	0	0	M. J. Phillips .. ..	50	0	0
Wesley Gordon .. ..	3,000	0	0	W. Ferguson .. ..	250	0	0
Emily J. Martin .. ..	1,000	0	0	Mrs. Jane C. Throp .. ..	25	0	0
Thos. Burgin .. ..	50	0	0	Mrs. Wood .. ..	5	0	0
Elizabeth Spite .. ..	35	0	0	Mrs. C. Overton .. ..	100	0	0
Sarah Bennett .. ..	4	0	0	Mrs. Ann James .. ..	28	3	0
Elizabeth Saunders .. ..	100	0	0	Duncan McKenzie .. ..	120	0	0
George Butler .. ..	100	0	0	G. R. George .. ..	115	14	8
W. J. Cheverton .. ..	1,000	0	0	G. Pearce .. ..	10	0	0
Margaret Simpson .. ..	200	0	0	R. J. Robinson .. ..	250	0	0
A. P. Queeree .. ..	25	0	0	J. J. Burt Veale .. ..	24	4	3
Miss Butterick .. ..	50	0	0	J. A. Sinclair .. ..	50	0	0
John Smith .. ..	10	0	0	F. B. Hansen .. ..	104	5	10
Edward Holdgate .. ..	50	0	0	Annie Jamieson .. ..	100	0	0
Elizabeth Ward .. ..	25	0	0	Mrs. Boniface .. ..	55	0	0
Mrs. Fanny Hansen .. ..	71	0	7	J. F. Bealing .. ..	25	10	5
Jas. Sinclair .. ..	10	0	0	R. Gordon .. ..	10	0	0
Duncan McKenzie .. ..	1,025	0	0	E. Bridgman .. ..	80	0	0
S. T. Cox, Opanake .. ..	150	0	0	A. A. Lucas .. ..	200	0	0
Mrs. Jane Hoare .. ..	235	11	3	J. H. Gifford .. ..	45	14	9
J. M. Brown .. ..	50	0	0	Miss Sill .. ..	50	0	0
H. Ford .. ..	25	0	0	John Fisher .. ..	5	0	0
A. McKenzie .. ..	100	0	0	S. S. Chapman .. ..	100	0	0
Mrs. A. Rennie .. ..	65	3	10	W. E. D. Beatt .. ..	50	0	0
Miss M. Graham .. ..	116	3	6	Miss E. Qualtrough .. ..	12	10	0
Janet Cameron .. ..	50	0	0	Mrs. M. Moore .. ..	30	0	0
G. J. Bridge .. ..	100	0	0	C. Swiney .. ..	25	0	0
Mrs. Easterbrook .. ..	150	0	0	Miss E. Nixon .. ..	33	6	8

**STATEMENT OF SAMUEL AND CLARA MATILDA GORMAN HOME MISSION BEQUEST.**  
(Abstracted from the aforegone Statement of Receipts and Payments.)

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Capital at 16th January, 1942 .. ..	..	5,049	0	0	By Interest to Home Mission Fund .. ..	..	170	17	3
.. Interest received during year .. ..	..	170	17	3	.. Capital at 15th January, 1943 .. ..	..	5,049	0	0
		£5,219 17 3					£5,219 17 3		

**REV. AND MRS. THOMAS BUDDLE CENTENNIAL GIFT.**

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance at 16th January, 1942 .. ..	..	65	5	0	By Interest expended on Libraries .. ..	..	1	17	1
.. New Capital during year .. ..	..	5	0	0	.. Balance of Principal in Auckland Savings Banks, 15th January, 1943 .. ..	..	70	5	0
.. Interest earned .. ..	..	1	17	1			£72 2 1		
		£72 2 1					£72 2 1		

**REV. GEO. AND MRS. BUTTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT.**

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance at 16th January, 1942 .. ..	..	80	0	0	By Interest expended Wesley College .. ..	..	0	19	6
.. New Capital during year .. ..	..	20	0	0	.. Balance in Auckland Savings Bank, 15th January, 1943 .. ..	..	100	0	0
.. Interest earned .. ..	..	0	19	6			£100 19 6		
		£100 19 6					£100 19 6		

**MISS K. TROUNSON — CENTENNIAL GIFT.**

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance at 16th January, 1942 .. ..	..	165	0	0	By Grant—Kohukohu .. ..	..	25	0	0
					.. Balance at 15th January, 1943 .. ..	..	140	0	0
		£165 0 0					£165 0 0		

**REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND.**

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance at 16th January, 1942 .. ..	..	63	10	0	By Removal Expenses .. ..	..	60	14	2
.. Circuit Levies .. ..	..	171	0	0	.. Balance .. ..	..	243	15	10
.. Home Mission Subsidy .. ..	..	45	0	0			£304 10 0		
.. Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy .. ..	..	25	0	0			£304 10 0		
		£304 10 0					£304 10 0		

METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD.

STATEMENT OF CAPITAL AS AT 15th JANUARY, 1943.

Treasurers: REV. E. T. OLDS and MR. F. PENN.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Capital as at January 15th, 1942—							By Loans on Mortgage ..				9,712	0	0
Legacies and Memorial Gifts ..	39,816	13	6				.. Debentures ..				5,025	0	0
Buddle Memorial Gift ..	65	5	0				.. Auckland Gas Co. Ltd. Shares ..				729	0	0
Buttle Memorial Gift ..	80	0	0				.. Govt. Ins. Stock (excluding Canterbury investment ..				9,450	0	0
Car Replacement A/c. ..	695	3	2				.. Canterbury Inscribed Stock ..				1,100	0	0
Sinking Funds ..	1,668	16	5				.. Properties ..				13,791	18	9
Maintenance A/cs. ..	54	5	5				.. Car Replacement A/c. (lodged with Maori Workers' Car A/c.) ..				695	3	2
				42,380	3	6	.. Buddle Memorial Gift (Auckland Savings Bank) ..				70	5	0
.. New Capital during year—							.. Buddle Memorial Gift (Auckland Savings Bank) ..				100	0	0
On A/c. Legacies:							.. Loan L. & C. Society ..				10	0	0
W. E. D. Beatt ..	50	0	0				.. Balance Bank of New Zealand, Auckland—						
S. S. Chapman ..	23	12	5				1. Maintenance A/c. ..	118	10	3			
F. B. Hansen ..	9	17	3				2. Capital Awaiting Investment—						
Miss E. Qualtrough ..	12	10	0				(a) Sinking Funds ..	1,983	6	3			
J. J. B. Veale ..	4	7	6				(b) General ..	651	16	7			
E. Bridgeman ..	13	6	8								2,753	13	1
Mrs. M. Moore ..	30	0	0										
C. Swiney ..	25	0	0										
A. B. C. Wills ..	2	7	11										
S. J. Ambury ..	98	19	0										
Miss E. Nixon ..	33	6	8										
				303	7	5							
.. Sinking Funds. New Capital Nett ..	314	9	10										
.. Buddle Memorial Gift ..	5	0	0										
.. Buttle Memorial Gift ..	20	0	0										
.. Maintenance A/cs. ..	64	4	10										
.. Deposit by Mission Property Trustees ..	349	14	5										
				753	9	1							
				£43,437	0	0					£43,437	0	0

We have audited the Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board. All our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We have examined the Books and Vouchers, and in our opinion the above Statement correctly sets out the position of the Fund as at January 15th, 1943.

P. DELLOW }  
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