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METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA FONDS 1874-1883. – 1874-1883. – 7.4 m of textual records. – 15 unverified microfilm reels : positive and negative.

The Methodist Church of Canada was established in 1874 with the union of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Eastern British America, and the Methodist New Connexion Church. In 1883, a United General Conference was held a year before the union of the Methodist Church of Canada with the Methodist Episcopal, the Primitive Methodist, and the Bible Christian Churches to form the Methodist Church (Canada) in 1884.

Fonds consists of the following series: Journal of Proceedings of the General Conference, 1874-1883; records of the Missionary Society, 1874-1883; records of the Educational Society, 1874-1877; records of the London Conference; records of the Montreal Conference; records of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference; records of the Toronto Conference; and records of Districts.

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See also fonds 42 Methodist Church (Canada) Manitoba Conference, fonds 43 Methodist Church (Canada) Montreal Conference, fonds 44 Methodist Church (Canada) New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, fonds 45 Methodist Church (Canada) Nova Scotia Conference, fonds 46 Methodist Church (Canada) Saskatchewan Conference, and fonds 47 Methodist Church (Canada) Toronto Conference.

SERIES 1: MINUTES OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE. – 1874-1883. – 10 cm of textual records.

The General Conference was composed of an equal number of ministerial and lay Delegates. It made rules and regulations for the Church, subject to specific limitations and restrictions. It first met in Toronto in 1874, and subsequently met every four years.

Series includes journal of the proceedings of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, 1874 during which meeting the change to the Methodist Church of Canada was approved; and of the proceedings of the General Conference of the above Church, 1878 and 1882; also included in the third volume are the proceedings of the Adjournment General Conference 1883 August 29, handwritten rough copies of records of days 1-18 of the 1882 General Conference and register of delegates (78.068C). Series also includes schedules for the following Districts: Algoma, Barrie, Belleville, Bradford, Cobourg, Collingwood, Owen Sound, Peterborough, Picton, Walkerton, Whitby, 1877; records of the Contingent Fund, 1874-1884 (78.067C); and proposed Basis of Union by the Joint Committee on Union, 1882 December 6 (78.070C). Series also includes correspondence, 1874-1876, and minutes, 1878 July 17, re hymn book (78.069C).

Microfilm copy of 78.068C: Journal of Proceedings, 1874, 1878, 1882 and 1883 is available on 1 microfilm reel (positive and negative). Published Journal of Proceedings, 1874, 1878, 1882 and 1883 is available in Archives library.

SERIES 2: RECORDS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

See Fonds 14/1 and Fonds 14/2 for a complete description of the records of the Missionary Society from 1851-1925. Series consists of minutes of the General Board of Missions and antecedent bodies; and correspondence of the General Secretaries.

SERIES 3: RECORDS OF THE BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

See fonds 18 (Methodist Church (Canada) General Board of Religious Education fonds for description of these records.

SERIES 4: RECORDS OF THE EDUCATION SOCIETY. – 1874-1877. – 2 cm of textual records.

Established in 1874, the Educational Society was to assist in maintaining universities, theological schools, and higher mission schools; to pay the expenses of the examination of candidates for the ministry; and to assist candidates in getting an education.

Series consists of constitution and minutes, 1874-1877, which include information on candidates and the following institutions: Victoria College, Cobourg; Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal; Mount Allison Wesleyan College, Sackville; and the Wesleyan Institute of Manitoba.

See also Methodist Church (Canada) Educational Society fonds (19).

SERIES 5: RECORDS OF THE LONDON CONFERENCE. – 1867-1884. – 20 cm of textual records.

The Conference met for the first time on 1874 June 11 as the London Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada.

Fonds consists of the following series: minutes of Annual Conferences, 1874- 1884, which include minutes of the Special Committee, 1874-1884; minutes, 1875-1883, and financial records and correspondence, 1876-1882, of the Missionary Society Committee; minutes of the Stationing Committee, 1875-1884; treasurer's book and minutes of the Contingent fund, 1867-1884, including in the first volume treasurer's records of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada Contingent Fund to 1874, when the fund was divided into the three Conferences--Toronto, Montreal and London.

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78.071C	OS		Minutes of annual meetings	1874-1884
78.072C			Minutes of the Special Committee	1874-1884
78.073C			Missionary Society Committee : Minutes, 1875-1883, and financial records and correspondence	1876-1882
78.074C			Stationing Committee : Minutes	1875-1884
78.075C			Contingent Fund Committee : Treasurer's book, 1867-1884, and minutes, 1875-1884. The Treasurer's book includes records of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada Fund to 1874	

SERIES 6: MINUTES OF THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE. – 1874-1882. – 1 unverified microfilm reel : positive.

The Conference met for the first time on 1874 June 11 as the Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Reel	Title	Inclusive Dates
78.170C		1	Minutes	1874-1882

SERIES 7: RECORDS OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND CONFERENCE. – 1874-1884. – 2 unverified microfilm reels : positive and negative.

Series includes Journal of Conference and Annual Conference minutes.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Reel	Title	Inclusive Dates
78.165C		1	Journal of Conference	1874-1884
		2	Annual Conference Minutes	1874-1884

SERIES 8: RECORDS OF THE TORONTO CONFERENCE. – 1874-1905, predominant 1874-1883. – 16 cm of textual records

The Conference met for the first time on 1874 June 11 as the Toronto Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada.

Series consists of minutes of Annual Conferences, 1874-1883, with index; minutes of the Board of Examiners Record Book for the Toronto Conference, 1876-1884, which also includes the Bay of Quinte Conference, 1885-1905; and minutes of the Contingent Fund of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada and after 1874 of the Toronto Conference, 1868-1885.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Reel	Title	Inclusive Dates
78.076C	OS		Minutes with separate index	1874-1883
78.077C	1-2, 2os-1		Board of Examiners : Record book, 1876-1884; including that of Bay of Quinte Conference, 1885-1905	1876-1905
	1-1		Contingent Fund : Minutes, 1868-1885; including that of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada to 1874	1868-1885

SERIES 9: RECORDS OF THE DISTRICTS. – 1849-1924. 1 m of textual records. - 11 unverified microfilm reels : positive and negative

Series includes minutes of Annual Meetings/Ministerial Sessions and/or Financial District Meetings for the following Districts: Algoma, Barrie, Belleville, Bowmanville, Bracebridge, Bradford, Brampton, Brantford, British Columbia, Brockville, Chatham, Cobourg, Collingwood, Emerson, Goderich, Hamilton, Kingston, Lindsay, London, Owen Sound, Perth, Peterborough, Picton, Portage La Prairie, Red River, St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Sarnia, Saskatchewan, Simcoe, Stratford, Toronto, Victoria and New Westminster, Victoria College, Walkerton, Wellington, Whitby, Winnipeg, Woodstock. Also included are unverified records on microfilm of the following Districts: Annapolis, Fredericton, Miramichi, Montreal, Prince Edward Island, St. John, St. Stephen, and Sackville.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Reel	Title	Inclusive Dates
<u>Algoma District</u>				
Established in 1875				
78.036C			District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1882
<u>Annapolis District</u>				
78.165C		3	Minutes	1873-1883
<u>Barrie District</u>				
78.043C			District minutes book of annual meetings	1864-1881
			--- 1874-1881, 1883	1874-1883
78.043C			Financial book (1 vol.)	1858-1897
<u>Belleville District</u>				
78.040C			District minutes of annual meetings, 1874-1881, 1883	1874-1883

Acc. No.	Box/File	Reel	Title	Inclusive Dates
<u>Bowmanville District</u> 78.039C			District minute book of annual meetings Includes notes re finances and property matters, 1889	1871-1884
<u>Bracebridge District</u> Established in 1878 78.038C			District minutes of annual meetings	1879-1883
<u>Bradford District</u> 78.153C 78.037C	9-1		District minute District minutes of annual meetings, 1874-1876, 1878-1881 and 1883 Minutes of Financial District Meetings (1 vol.)	1881-1906 1874-1883 1869-1887
<u>Brampton District</u> Established in 1877 78.044C			District minutes of annual meetings, 1878-1880, 1882-1883	1878-1883
78.153C	11-3		Financial District minutes	1877-1901
<u>Brantford District</u> 78.013C 78.045C 78.155C	4-3		District minutes of annual meetings District minutes of annual meetings District minutes of annual meetings	1866-1874 1875-1880 1881-1892
<u>British Columbia District</u> Established in 1875 and dissolved in 1881 78.041C			District minutes of annual meetings, 1876-1879, 1881	1876-1881
<u>Brockville District</u> 78.046C			Financial District Minutes (1 vol.)	1874-1885
<u>Chatham District</u> 78.014C 78.047C			District minutes of annual meetings District minutes of annual meetings	1855-1874 1875-1880
<u>Cobourg District</u> 78.048C			District minutes of annual meetings, 1874-1881, 1883	1874-1883
<u>Collingwood District</u> 78.049C			District minute book of annual meetings District minutes of the annual meetings	1874-1889 1874-1878
<u>Emerson District</u> Established in 1880 78.050C			District minutes of annual meetings	1881-1882

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<u>Fredericton District</u>				
78.165C		4	Minutes	1874-1883
		5	Preacher's Meeting Minutes	1875-1883
<u>Goderich District</u>				
78.052C			District minute book of annual meetings	1858-1880
			Minutes of Methodist Sabbath School	1874-1880
			Conventions	
78.157C	11-1		Financial District minutes	1857-1916
<u>Hamilton District</u>				
78.051C			Financial District minutes	1878-1884
<u>Kingston District</u>				
78.053C			District minute book of annual meetings	1871-1890
<u>Lindsay District</u>				
Established in 1875				
78.054C			District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1883
<u>London District</u>				
78.016C			District minutes of annual meetings	1849-1874
78.055C			District minutes of annual meetings	1875-1877
<u>Miramichi District</u>				
78.165C		6	Minutes	1875-1883
<u>Montreal District</u>				
78.159C		24	District minutes	1873-1883
		26	Financial District minutes	1876-1919
<u>Owen Sound District</u>				
78.056C			District minutes of annual meetings, 1874-1881, 1883	1874-1883
<u>Perth District</u>				
78.019C			District minutes of annual meetings	1859-1874
78.057C			District minutes of annual meetings	1875-1879
<u>Peterborough District</u>				
78.058C			District minutes of annual meetings	1874-1883
<u>Picton District</u>				
Established in 1875				
78.059C			District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1883
<u>Portage La Prairie District</u>				
Established in 1880				
78.060C			District minutes of annual meetings	1881
<u>Prince Edward Island District</u>				

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78.165C		7	Minutes	1874-1884
<u>Red River District</u>				
78.137C	TR		District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1879
<u>Sackville District</u>				
78.165C		11	Minutes	1874-1883
<u>St. Catharines District</u>				
78.155C	15-3		District minutes of annual meetints	1880-1894
78.155C	16-5		Financial District minutes	1877-[1924]
<u>St. John District</u>				
78.165C		8	Minutes	1874-1883
		9	Preachers' Meetings	1878-1881
<u>St. Stephen District</u>				
78.165C		10	Minutes	1874-1883
<u>St. Thomas District</u>				
78.061C			District minute book of annual meetings (1 vol.)	1874-1884
<u>Sarnia District</u>				
78.157C	17-4		District minutes of annual meetings	1880-1886
78.157C	18-2		Financial District minutes	1869-1894
<u>Saskatchewan District</u>				
78.138C	TR		District minutes of annual meetings	1877
<u>Simcoe District</u>				
78.155C	17-1		District minutes of annual meetings	1879-1893
78.155C	19-1		Financial District minutes	1878-1910
<u>Stratford District</u>				
78.156C/1-4			District minutes of annual meetings	1879-1887
<u>Toronto District</u>				
78.062C			District minutes of annual meetings	1875-1878, 1879-1883
			Minutes of Financial District meetings	1875-1893
<u>Victoria and New Westminster District</u>				
Established in 1881				
78.042C			District minutes of annual meetings	1882
<u>Victoria College District</u>				
78.063C			District minutes of annual meeting	1878
<u>Walkerton District</u>				
Established in 1875				
78.064C			District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1883

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78.155C	19-3		District minutes of annual meetings	1876-1877, 1879-1884
78.155C	21-2		Financial District minutes	1882-1897
<u>Wellington District</u>				
78.065C			District minute book of annual meetings	1875-1884
			District minute book of the Financial District	1875-1882
<u>Whitby District</u>				
78.066C			District minutes of annual meetings	1874-1880, 1882-1883
78.158C	22-7		Financial District minutes	1872-1923
<u>Winnipeg District</u>				
78.139C	TR		District minutes of annual meetings,	1880-1881, 1883
<u>Woodstock District</u>				
78.155C	26-1		District minutes of annual meetings	1883-1895
78.155C	28-1		Financial District minutes Methodist Church (Canada)	1882, 1884-1918