

APPENDIX.

Report of the Committee of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society.

At the Ninth Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society, held at Saint Andrews, County of Charlotte, on the 11th July, 1843, the following Report was presented by the Committee, and Resolutions adopted by the Society.

REPORT.

The Committee of Management beg to present to the Society a brief account of their proceedings for the past year, in connection with the Institution of learning at Fredericton.

By a statement of the Accounts herewith furnished it will be seen that the financial affairs of the Institution are nearly in the same position as they were at this time last year; a circumstance which, when the extraordinary depression under which the monetary interests of the Province have been laboring, is taken into account, could hardly have been otherwise expected, and does not of itself seem calculated to awaken any feelings of discouragement or alarm.

Mr. Randall having resigned his charge as principal of the school at the close of the last year, the Rev. Mr. Tupper was employed to take charge of the Institution, and taught for one term at the rate of £200 per annum. He was succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Hall, who also taught one term at the low remuneration of £25, £12 5s. of which he gave as a donation to the Society, leaving himself only in receipt of £12 15s. The Committee beg to notice this instance of generosity in particular, contrasted with the conduct of one of the late Principals of the Institution, Mr. Randall, at present Principal of the Horton Academy, who after receiving all the monies that could be collected from tuition fees and refusing the offers of the Committee to pay the balance of his salary, with the debentures, at a discount of five per cent. and they bearing interest, which they had received for the Provincial grant, and receiving a note signed by three members of the Committee for the balance, resorted to the unchristianlike proceeding of a legal prosecution in order to recover from them an amount due him for services from which he knew they derived no personal benefit, but, on the contrary, that they were spending a great proportion of their time and subjecting themselves to much annoyance otherwise to sustain an object towards which, as a Christian and a man, and more particularly as a Baptist, he should have felt an equal interest, and been willing to submit to some small amount of inconvenience by waiting until funds could be realized.

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