

We would express our deep sympathy with the Churches in India which have been gathered by his exertions; with the Missionaries with whom he has been associated, and who have been accustomed to the fruits of his long experience and extensive information; and also with the Board of the American Union, in the death of a man whose life and labours have been so effectual an argument in soliciting funds with which to prosecute their Missions.

We hope that the Ministers and Churches of this Association will find a fresh incentive to Missionary exertion from this afflictive dispensation; and will be led to beseech the Great Head of the Church to thrust other laborers into the vineyard, gifted with like endowments, to gather the redeemed into his fold.

Adopted.

Resolved. To recommend to the Churches composing this Association, to observe the first day of January next as a day of solemn prayer for the blessing of the Great Head of the Church upon the interests of our Zion in this Province, and throughout the world.

Resolved. That we recommend the practice to be observed hereafter in the organization of this Association, of choosing its officers by ballot.

Resolved. That the cordial thanks of this Association be presented to the Baptist church, and to the friends, and to the community generally in Mangerville, for their munificent hospitality, and their unwearied efforts to facilitate the objects of our Meeting.

The Association thereupon adjourned to meet at Macnaquack, Parish of Douglas, the first Saturday in September, 1851.

Prayer by the Moderator.

WILLIAM HALL, *Moderator*

EDWARD D. VERN, *Clerk*.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

OF THE WESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren,—In directing your attention to a subject of much importance, on which we suggest a few thoughts, it is with hope and earnest prayer that the many Churches and Church members who may peruse this imperfect Letter may measurably profit thereby.

The subject to which we call your attention is:—*The imperfect manner in which the discipline of the Church is employed.*

How frequently do our hearts rejoice, when we see persons professing faith in Christ and pressing into the Kingdom. We present the right hand of fellowship with joy; our hearts overflow with gratitude to God, while we hear them ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, joining themselves to the Lord in a covenant that should not be forgotten.

We love Zion, and pray for the peace of Jerusalem; and when we see the believer obeying the commands of his Master, we hope to see Jacob arise.

If those who have been brought to a belief