

the Halifax Council, yet, with that discretion which is consistent with charity, sought the opinion of experienced Baptist ministers on the whole case. A conference was in consequence held, at which ~~thirteen~~ *eleven* ministers attended, including some of the names most eminent in the Denomination, and also some of the strictest disciplinarians. Their Report I transcribe, and in addition to those who subscribed may be added the names of other Baptist ministers who were prevented from attending by unavoidable engagements; but who, having made themselves acquainted with the case, concurred in the sentiments of the Report. On this Report the Church at Cambridge felt at liberty to fulfil, what their knowledge of Dr. Pryor and their respect and affection for him prompted without any other sanction than their own judgment and feelings; and he was received into the Cambridge Church; of which he is now a member, in cordial union with the Church and his brother ministers.

The following is the Report:—

CAMBRIDGE, 28TH JANUARY, 1868.

The following Resolutions embody the sentiments of a conference of ministers, whose signatures are appended, in reference to a subject presented before them for their advice, by the Baptist Church in Old Cambridge.

BARON STOW, *Chairman*,
AUSTIN J. COOLIDGE, *Secretary*.

In view of all the facts now presented for our consideration, we, the undersigned, are clearly of opinion:—

1. That we have no occasion to go behind the decision of the Mutual Council which unanimously acquitted the Rev. Dr. Pryor of all criminality in act or intent, and thus put him before the public as a man unjustly censured by the Granville Street Baptist Church.
2. That the repudiation by the said Church of the finding of that Council, in flagrant violation of an implied promise to abide by its finding, together with their subsequent proceedings, manifestly unwarranted and vindictive, completely absolves all other Baptist Churches from obligation, to respect their disciplinary action in the case of Dr. Pryor, as valid on any grounds, either of courtesy, or denominational usage.
3. That should any regular Baptist Church receive Dr. Pryor into their fellowship, we could defend their action as every way righteous and honourable.

BARON STOW, D. D.
ROLLIN H. NEALE, D. D., Pastor, 1st Church Boston.
WILLIAM SAMSON, D. D., " Brookline Church.
SUMNER R. MASON, D. D., " 1st Cambridge Church.
DANIEL C. EDDY, D. D., " ————St. Baptist Church.
G. W. GARDNER, D. D., " Charleston, 1st Church.
W. HOWE, " Broadway Church, Cambridge.
C. W. ANABLE, " Old Cambridge Church.
W. V. GARNER, " Charles Street Church, Boston.
W. H. S. VENTRIST, " Hyde Park Baptist Church.
W. HAGY, D. D., " Swanant Avenue Church, Boston.
W. STUBBS, " Watertown Church.
J. N. MORGAN, " ———— for Missionary Society.

To these may be added the following, who were prevented from being present by the examinations at Newton Theological Institution.

A. HOVEY, D. D., Prof. Past. Theology, Newton Theo. Institute.
O. STERNS, D. D., Pastor, Newton Baptist Church.
J. C. WHITEMAN, " North Cambridge Baptist Church.