

and is in a very prosperous state. The capabilities of Miss Bennett as a Teacher appear to be generally acknowledged and appreciated.

The number of pupils in both departments have been fully equal to that of any preceding year,—the Register for the last Term of the past year shewing the number of 69 in actual attendance. No pains or exertions have been spared by the Teachers to make themselves useful to their pupils, but in consequence of the illness of Mr. Miles the public examination was dispensed with at the close of the last Term, which the Committee much regret, as the interest attending such exhibitions and the stimulus afforded to the pupils by the approbation of parents and friends who may visit them have much good effect.

With respect to the Rev. Mr. Miles' agency in England the Committee remark, that although the pecuniary affairs of the Society may not have been relieved to the extent expected by some, they fully believe that his visit will prove highly beneficial to the Institution, inasmuch as the feelings of persons in England deeply interested in the grand cause of education have been enlisted in behalf of the Education Society in this Province, and such arrangements made as will enable the Society to obtain Books and Teachers when required for the Institution. The expenses of Mr. Miles' agency amounted to £250 13 4; the amount collected by him, exclusive of a special donation for a Library, amounted to £415 11s. leaving a nett balance at the disposal of your Committee of £164 17 8.

A grant of £500 was made by the Legislature at its last Session without a dissentient voice in either Branch, by which the financial state of the Society has been greatly improved, and individuals who had made large advances to the Institution much relieved. The harmonious and unanimous manner in which the appropriation was made by the several Branches of the Legislature was even more pleasing to the Committee than the amount of assistance received; and it must be peculiarly gratifying to the friends of the Institution to find, that notwithstanding much difference of opinion prevailed among the several Members of the Legislature during previous discussions of this subject, that by a steady effort on the part of the Society to sustain the Institution, and a strict adherence to the professed principles upon which it was established, all seem now convinced that the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society has aimed at nothing more than to assist in the diffusion of sound and useful instruction through the Province, and that the operations of their plan has proved highly and generally beneficial.

The Committee now annex a full statement of the Accounts of the Society, made up to the 1st instant, shewing a balance due of £772 17 10, out of which a balance of about £60 due on Tuition to be deducted, leaving the real amount of debt £712 17 10, this is sum somewhat exceeds the amount contemplated by the Committee