

submitted and adopted, and directed to be printed in the Minutes. [See Appendix G.]

The Committee on Sabbath Schools presented their Report by their Chairman, Deacon E. D. King, who gave an earnest and able address on Sunday School work. Report adopted. [See App. H.]

The Committee on Arrangements further reported that Rev. Dr. Sawyer, Hon. Judge McCully, Hon. Dr. Parker, Professor D. F. Higgins and D. M. Welton, and Rev. Dr. Cramp, would address the meeting this evening.

The following resolution was moved by Bro. J. Parsons and passed :—

Resolved, That this Association record, with thanksgiving, the steady progress of the important christian virtue of Temperance—that now few, if any of the Churches of our denomination will receive or retain in their communion any member who persists in dealing in intoxicating liquors, or who persists in using such liquors as a beverage—that it is incumbent upon every christian not only to be law-abiding himself, but to use every endeavor to aid in the enforcement of righteous laws ; and that the illicit liquor selling in consideration of the utterly demoralizing effect of the traffic, should be reprobated and put down by the combined effort of christians and right thinking people.

On motion it was resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be hereby given to the members of the Granville Street Church and congregation, and our other Baptist brethren and friends in Halifax, for their hospitality and kindness to us during this Session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be conveyed to the Railway authorities for reduction of fares to delegates.

The Committee appointed at the Saturday afternoon session to draft a resolution in review of the past twenty-five years, presented their report which, on motion, was adopted as follows :—

Seeing it is now twenty-five years since this Association was formed by division of the one Nova Scotia Baptist Association, in 1850, after a quarter of a century of blessing experienced by the churches of which it is composed it becomes us at this time to call to mind the abundant favors bestowed upon the churches of this Association during that period, and the loud call they make upon us for devout gratitude to Almighty God. On our part deep humility should be felt that we have not done our work more efficiently in the vineyard of our Lord and Master. Here would we erect our Ebenezer and say, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." Amid all the changes of life and ravages of death not only have there been continued accessions to our numbers, to fill the places of the departed ; but a growth has been secured so that during those years our numbers have been doubled. In entering on the fourth quarter of a century as Associated Baptists in this Province we would cherish the hope that a much larger ingathering of souls will be seen in the coming twenty-five years than has been witnessed in either the preceding quarters of a century.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Bancroft, and singing of the Doxology and the Benediction, to meet with the Hantsport Church on the Saturday following the 20th June, 1876.

S. W. DEBLOIS, *Moderator*.
B. H. EATON, }
A. J. STEVENS, } *Secretaries*