

might be easily established in the other Province for their own supply.

The Committee are able from the experience of the Colporteur Committee at St. John, to warrant the expectation that several Colporteurs may cover all the expenses of their agencies by their sales, leaving upon the Churches only the expense of their outfit. The Committee would hope that immediate efforts be made to put several Colporteurs into each Province, to accomplish this desirable work, upon which the welfare of so many depends, and in the benefits of which no church, however favourably situated otherways, can fail to participate. All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL ROBINSON,

Chairman.

After several addresses it was adopted.

The arrival of Father T. S. Harding, and Dr. Crawley from Nova Scotia, who had been detained on their passage by inclement weather, was hailed with pleasure by the meeting.

Committee on Union Societies and Quarterly Meetings, presented the following Report :

The Committee view with much pleasure the success which has attended the operations of the Union Societies, especially in Nova Scotia—a success sufficient to prove the efficiency of such organizations as a means of promoting the interest of the Redeemer's kingdom; and they earnestly recommend the immediate appointment of an agency for the purpose of more widely establishing these societies in New Brunswick, and of bringing into more vigorous action those already formed. They would affectionately urge upon the Churches and Missionary Boards the duty of affording all encouragement to such agency.

Your Committee would also express their gratification at perceiving that the attention of the Pastors and Churches has been recently called up to the necessity of universally holding and sustaining Quarterly Meetings; and recommend to the notice of the Churches the suggestions contained in the Circular Letter of the Eastern Association. They also suggest that the Ministerial Conference usually held in connection with the Quarterly Meetings be more immediately directed to the object of rendering our Baptist ministrations more effective; and, as means of accomplishing this object, advise the preparation of Essays, Sermons, and the practical employment of the rules of scriptural interpretation, together with such other modes of mental and spiritual improvement as may be deemed advisable.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL ELDER, *Chairman.*

After the operations of the Union Society in Nova Scotia had been detailed, the following Report of the General Union Society of New Brunswick was read, and Officers appointed.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GENERAL UNION SOCIETY OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.

The Board having so fully explained the arrangements and objects of the Union, in their previous Reports, they do not consider it necessary, at this time, to go over the same ground, and need therefore do little more