

Being thus encouraged, I continued my labours, and God continued to pour down his blessing. Up to this time, I have baptized twenty-one in this place, and others are coming forward. Your's truly,

W. L. BAYLY.

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### BAPTISTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

In this Province there are about 3000 of our brethren; and it appears that they are very commendable for evangelical zeal and enterprise. They have established a Seminary at Fredericton, for classical and theological education, which is now conducted by Mr. C. RANDALL with encouraging prospects of increasing and permanent usefulness. In the establishment and management of this Institution, the Rev. J. W. MILES took a very prominent and laborious part; but he has been recently compelled by ill health to relinquish his office as Principal. From a correspondent of *The Christian Watchman* we learn, that Mr. MILES is the only Baptist Minister of liberal education in the Province, though there is a number of able men in the ministry, whose arduous and disinterested labours have made the majority of the population favourable to Baptist sentiments. The ablest ministers are said to be men, who have succeeded, by their own effort, to unite respectable attainments with natural abilities; and these show great zeal in promoting ministerial education, so that it is now difficult for a young man to obtain their sanction to preach, without first preparing for the work. Respecting the spirit and efforts of this Baptist community, we are happy to gather the following testimony from a recent number of *The Christian Messenger*:—"The increased attention given by the brethren in that Province, to several matters of the first importance, is highly pleasing. We especially refer to the lively interest awakened in favour of Missions, foreign and domestic, and the efforts made for the Sabbath School cause. A few of the active and zealous brethren undertook to raise the sum of £60, to be appropriated towards the support of students preparing for the ministry at the Seminary. The numbers received by baptism in the New Brunswick Churches during the last year

were 253. We rejoice to hear that at the present time, there are several parts of the Province in which most interesting revivals of religion are taking place."

### THE FREE-WILL BAPTISTS.

Having been kindly furnished with *The Free-will Baptist Register* for 1841, we are enabled to state some particulars respecting this branch of the Baptist family. There are on this Continent 41,797 communicants, of whom upwards of 1000 are found in Canada. There are also some churches in the slaveholding part of the Union; but these have been disowned by the general body, on account of their iniquitous treatment of their fellow-men. Thus slavery has been properly denounced as an enormous sin, by this fraternity. They have a very prosperous Foreign Mission in Orissa, besides a variety of benevolent operations at home.

### FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

PETITE BRULÉ.

*Extracts from the journal of D. Amaron, Sept. 1840.*

Behold us, then, on the 16th July, at our fixed destination at Petite Brulé. There we find ourselves also happy, when our hearts are elevated towards the Lord: and above all, when we see that he has already designed to bless our feeble efforts in manifesting some conversions, respecting which I will give several details that may interest the friends of Canadian Missions and of the Good Shepherd. The first who has received the gospel in truth is a Mr. — (twenty-two years of age) newly married, and of a respectable appearance. He lives at —, about two miles from the Mission House. Our brother Moret, in one of his journeys, happened to meet him, and speak to him of his soul's salvation. What was the joy of our brother when he learnt that he had possessed a Bible for a year back! What gave rise to his procuring this precious book, was, that for many years he worked with an American, who spoke to him sometimes of religion, but not of conversion, for he was not himself converted. Mr. — read frequently the Bible without understanding it: he said, however, it was the truth, yet continued to live the same life. Last winter Mr. Lapettrie sold him the Bible I have mentioned, and every time he went to Mass he took it