

the Gospel abroad must spring from an active, healthful piety at home.

We regard New Brunswick as a most needy and inviting field of Home Mission work for Baptists. For the wise occupancy and cultivation of this field, there is required the effectual, fervent prayers of the righteous, enlargement in contributions, and earnest personal efforts. We especially urge the importance of all the churches coming up to the help of the Lord in this matter, by liberal gifts to the general funds of the Home Missionary Society, and by concerted action; while we would give every encouragement to local efforts. There should be no retrograde movements, wherever, the standard is planted let it be upheld. Let the feeble interests be strengthened, and every new church begun, established, and if possible made permanent. Let our motto be, "New Brunswick for Christ." "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few." "He that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal."

In behalf of the Committee,

J. D. POPE, *Chairman.*

Adjourned after prayer.

SEVENTH SESSION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, July 12th, 1877.

The Association resumed its business at 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. S. W. Keirstead.

Rules of Order were read by the Moderator.

Committee on Statistics of Churches report:

The Committee on the Statistics of Churches report that they have examined the letters and find that,

45	Churches report their present membership,.....	4825
18	" " Baptisms,.....	139
23	" " Deaths,.....	49
22	" " Net Loss,.....	95
14	" " Net Gain,.....	142
	Total Gain,.....	47
20	Churches report Home Mission Money,.....	\$223 46
23	" " Foreign Mission Money,.....	298 28
35	" " Minute Money,.....	28 30
	Submitted, E. O. & E.,	

EDW. HICKSON.

On behalf of the Committee.

Moncton, July 12, 1877.

Committee on Religious Literature reported, which was spoken to by several brethren, and adopted.

The Committee on Religious Literature beg leave to say: That, in their opinion greatly increased attention should be given by us, as a people, to the diffusion of a purely denominational Literature in connection with those evangelical doctrines and principles which we hold in common with other Denominations. Our views as to the Kingdom of Christ, Christian ordinances, and Church Polity, should be more fully and extensively set before the people; many among us need fuller information on several matters, and the public, in many cases,

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