

In conclusion, we have only to add that we are contending for the "faith which was once delivered unto the saints," and which, we believe, has hitherto characterized us as a people and strengthened our denominational ties.

We trust that in the deliberations now before us, we shall have an eye single to the glory of God; and that the Church which has given us a home for a little season, all who may come together in this our Annual Meeting, and many, many others, may experience the riches of His grace and love.

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THEO. H. CROWELL,

*Harmony Q. M. Clerk.*

*Resolved*, That the Report be received, and printed in the Minutes.

The report of the Corresponding Delegate from the New Brunswick Free Christian Baptist General Conference was called for, when the Rev. A. Taylor, one of the delegates appointed, came forward and gave a verbal and interesting report. Among other things, the following:

I am happy to be here. Regret my co-delegate is not present. I congratulate you on signs of progress indicated in the Quarterly Meeting Reports, and otherwise. He spoke of the prosperity of the cause in New Brunswick; in doing which he referred to their encouragements and discouragements. He said "We in New Brunswick rejoice in your gain in having ministers from our Conference."

He spoke of the education question as it exists among them at present, and said some good things concerning it. He further said, Our Home Mission work prospers. We are introducing reforms which are working well.

We are doing a good deal in the Foreign Mission work, but lack system; but are about introducing reforms. I request a continuance of correspondence.

Rev. J. McLeod, being present, was called for, and came forward and made some interesting remarks. He said:

We have more than 100 churches. Lack system and ministers. Our ministers could do far more if their labors were systematized. System would induce young men to enter the work. It is the duty of our Conference to take action in this matter. We have seventeen churches in one district which have not had one week's pastoral care during the year. Spoke warmly on the subject of education, and said, If our Conference does not give this subject the attention it demands, our ministry must continue inadequate to the work God has given us to do.

The Corresponding Delegate from the Maine Central Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists, was called for, and Rev. F. Reed came forward and gave a very interesting report:

He spoke of the pleasure which he felt at being present, and of the beauties of the country. The Yearly Meeting which he represented consists of five Quarterly Meetings—6,378 communicants. The Penobscot Yearly Meeting had 4,476 communicants. The Maine Western, 4,079—making in all in the State of Maine, 14,933 communicants. He spoke of the itinerant labors of the first ministers of the denomination; of the Home Mission work; how their system reached every member of the churches, and secured regular contributions. Are seeking and arranging their churches, that they may be better supplied with