

the Association be considered a Missionary Society, and with them be left the whole management of the mission business. This is the first regular Missionary Society constituted by the Fathers.

First Mission Boards. In 1820 a committee was appointed to attend to missionary concerns in Nova Scotia and a similar committee for New Brunswick. This is the beginning of Boards. In this year the Female Mite Society, of the Germain Street Church, St. John, contributed for missions \$60.72.

Advance in Christian Life and Policy. While the foregoing statements may indicate in a general way the numerical growth of the body, the minutes show that the churches were growing in intensity of conviction and righteousness of life. The circular letters from year to year and the references to discussions show that the problems of the Christian life pressed on the consciences of the members. Some of the subjects considered were: The terms of church membership and communion; the qualifications and duties of ministers of the Gospel; the worldly spirit of the churches; the need of a more liberal support of the ministry; the duty of parents and guardians to the youthful part of their families; the need of missionary spirit; the need of greater zeal for God; the nature and excellence of religion; Christian communion; stability in the doctrines of Grace. The years from 1810 to 1821 were not so remarkable for growth in numbers as some other periods, yet in expansion of the body in spiritual life these years were years of the Right Hand of the Most High.

(4) *Leaders.* *Rev. Henry Alline, 1748-1784*, the leader of the New Light movement, is so fully described