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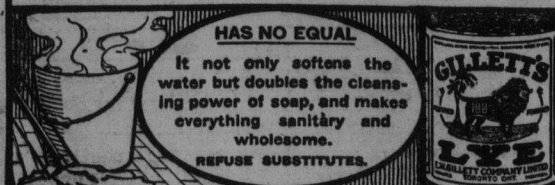
The annual meeting of the St. Vincent Alumnae was held last evening in the St. Vincent High School room. The following officers were elected: President—Mrs. L. A. Conlon. Vice-president—Miss K. McLaughlin. Second vice-president—Mrs. A. P. O'Neill. Secretary—Miss M. J. McGuigan. Assistant secretary—Miss G. Kilham.

Treasurer—Miss M. Corkery. The sum of \$50 was voted to the Infants' Home.

Death of a Child.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kelly, Pleasant Point, will be sorry to learn of the death yesterday at the General Public Hospital of their son, Edward H., aged seven years and five months. The funeral will take place this afternoon from his parents' residence.

GILLETT'S LYE



REPORTS SUBMITTED YESTERDAY SHOWED SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORK BY THE BAPTIST MISSION BOARDS

Maritime Convention's Third Day Largely Devoted to Hearing Statements in Connection With Home Missions—More Men and Additional Funds the Chief Requisite for the Coming Year—Work of Canadian Bible Society Told of in Interesting Address—Matters of Importance Considered by the Convention.

Yesterday was the third day of the Baptist convention and all the sessions were largely attended. The addresses by Dr. DeHols were enjoyed very much by those privileged to hear them. In the morning he spoke on "Treachery to Jesus the Apostasy of Rome," and in the afternoon his subject was "Christ's Programme for the Church of Today."

The evening session was devoted to home mission problems and addresses were delivered by Rev. E. S. Mason, on Local Home Mission Work; Rev. N. A. Harkness and Dr. Whidden on Western Missions, and Mrs. L. A. Therrien on Grand Ligne.

The morning session convened at 9:30 and after the devotional exercises the nominating committee reported as follows:

Ministers' Annuity Board (retiring in 1919)—Rev. G. H. Cochrane, Rev. F. G. Francis, Rev. D. J. McPherson, Rev. Dr. W. C. Kienstead, J. W. Gillespie, B. A. Caldwell, W. A. Pilmore, John Sullivan. Retiring in 1919, in place of Rev. A. F. Newcombe, Rev. H. H. Ferguson.

Ministerial Educational Board—Rev. I. B. Oakes, H. T. DeWolfe, M. P. Freeman.

United Baptist Historical Society (retiring in 1919)—Dr. A. C. Chute, Dr. J. W. Brown, Rev. G. B. MacDonald, Rev. Z. L. Fash, Rev. R. O. Morse, Rev. F. L. Orchard.

Religious Instruction in the Public Schools—Nova Scotia: Dr. S. Spidle, Rev. J. W. Manning, Rev. F. C. Hartley, Rev. F. E. Bishop, Rev. E. D. King, J. P. Gordon. New Brunswick: Rev. D. J. McPherson, Rev. J. H. James, Rev. D. Hutchinson, Dr. C. C. Jones, Rev. S. S. Poole.

Delegate to Social Service Council—Dr. E. D. King, Halifax.

Board of Western Missions—Rev. A. J. Vincent, Rev. I. W. Williamson, Rev. A. J. Prosser, J. A. Clark.

Grand Ligne Mission—Rev. H. W. Cann, R. B. Wallace, Rev. B. H. Thomas, Rev. A. H. Saunders.

Home Mission Reports.

The home mission report for N. B. and E. B. was presented and on the whole was very encouraging. Sixty-seven pastors had been cared for giving an average of 38 weeks to each pastorate. The 67 pastors represented 123 churches with 186 preaching stations. Thirteen preaching stations had not had any pastoral care during the year. The financial report was as follows:

	Received.	Paid.
General Fund	\$11,834.17	\$10,572.06
Church Edifice Fund	668.56	736.93
Trust Funds	692.90	692.90
Minimum salary	392.00	392.00
Total	\$13,587.63	\$12,393.89

R. A. MASON, Treasurer of Home Mission Board.

The home mission report for N. B. was also a most encouraging one. The year had closed without debt and much good work had been done. One hundred and sixty-seven members had been added to the churches by baptism, two of the pastorate had become self supporting and four had reduced the grant from the board by one-half. Three of the pastorate had either constructed or bought parsonages, and the work was in a very healthy condition. There are now eighty-two churches with 123 preaching stations receiving aid from the board. The receipts for the year were \$7,989.15, and they had a balance on hand on Sept. 1. Twenty men and \$2,000 additional were needed for the work of the board in the coming year.

The report of the committee on temperance and moral reform for N. B. was presented by Dr. King, Halifax. Reference was made in the report to "sectarian schools," and some objection was made on the ground that the matter belonged to the educational committee. On motion, it was referred back and will be published in the Year Book.

The report of the treasurer of the Sunday School Board was presented by Rev. A. S. Lewis, Windsor, and was adopted. The total receipts were \$1,549.97; expenditures, \$1,356.68; balance \$193.29. As there are liabilities of \$234.50, the sum of \$41.21 is unprovided for.

Rev. B. H. Thomas, Dorchester, N. B., offered prayer, and the meeting adjourned until the afternoon.

Afternoon Session.

After the devotional exercises led by Dr. DeHols, the president took the chair at 2:30. The first number on the programme was an address by Rev. H. B. Boyer, secretary of the Canadian Bible Society. Mr. Boyer expressed his thanks to the delegates

for the splendid support they had afforded him during the year in his work, and that so many of them had announced their intention to observe Bible Society Sunday which came on October 22. Last year in response to the need that had arisen the society had added ten new translations in which the Word had been printed and distributed, which brought the total number of tongues in which the Bible was now being printed to over 500. Over 11,000,000 copies had been disposed of last year.

In relation to the war the society had distributed to Canadian soldiers over 200,000 copies of the Bible at a cost of \$16,000. The total number of copies which had been distributed free to soldiers, sailors and refugees since the war began was over 5,000,000 in 43 languages.

Western Missions.

The report of the board of western missions was then presented. The work in the west had been somewhat interfered with by the war, but last year had been a very good one. There were signs of better times and the general outlook was encouraging. The educational work at Brandon College was progressing favorably and the receipts for this work had been a little larger than the year before. The following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That this convention authorize its board of western missions to negotiate with the board of western missions for Ontario and Quebec, looking forward to securing the services of Field Secretary Walter Daniels for two or three months during the year in order that fuller information concerning our missionary work in the west might be brought more directly to our churches."

At Grand Ligne.

The report of the Grand Ligne Mission was then read by Rev. E. Bosworth.

During the year there have been employed 24 missionaries, teachers, carpenters and Bible women. Their combined labors would equal that of one man for 21 years and 5 months. They have preached 1,272 sermons to congregations aggregating 60,488 persons, they have conducted 789 prayer meetings with an attendance aggregating 22,624. There have been gathered into the Sunday schools an aggregate attendance of 29,293 scholars. The Word of Life has been taught; almost all of the missionaries are actively engaged in Sunday school work, 1,108 copies of the Bible or portions of it, and 15,000 copies or 60,000 pages of religious literature have been distributed by them, they have also entered 8,472 houses to offer the Word of God, have visited 1,935 Catholic and 2,398 Protestant homes, have held 5,120 prolonged religious conversations on personal religion, and have read to Roman Catholics 2,295 chapters from the Holy Scriptures.

There had been received during the year from all sources \$35,825.02, which had also been expended, but they had been able to close the year without any deficit.

At this juncture Rev. J. H. A. Anderson was introduced and conveyed the greetings of the Presbyterians of St. John to the convention.

The following were appointed a committee on resolutions: Rev. A. S. Lewis, Rev. Z. L. Fash, Rev. M. Addison, Rev. L. A. Fenwick and J. P. Gordon.

J. E. Wilson was appointed to the board of management of the Baptist Young People's Union of America in place of Rev. J. H. McDonald.

A motion was made to present the plan of providing funds for the minimum salary plan was carried.

Denominational Funds.

The report of the treasurer for denominational funds was submitted as follows:

Condensed Statement.
Receipts.

First district, N. B., \$248.33; second district, N. B., \$1,337.12; third district, N. B., \$2,305.22; fourth district, N. B., \$430.26; fifth district, N. B., \$946.41; sixth district, N. B., \$5,398.79; seventh district, N. B., \$1,811.23; eighth district, N. B., \$1,068.58; ninth district, N. B., \$2,037.54; tenth district, N. B., \$535.55; miscellaneous, N. B., \$1,441.58; N. B. Association, \$240; Southern Association, N. S., \$3,639.52; Western Association, N. S., \$4,296.67; Central Association, N. S., \$8,829.01; Eastern Association, N. S., \$2,354.60; Northern Association, N. S., \$4,265.04; African Association, N. S., \$1,666.09; miscellaneous, N. S., \$400.75; legacies, N. S., \$1,535.00; P. E. I. Association, \$1,411.08; miscellaneous, P. E. I., \$27; legacies, P. E. I., \$1,234.80—\$48,870.01.

Payments.
New Brunswick Home Missions, \$4,817.41; Nova Scotia and P. E. I. Home Missions, \$10,242.20; Foreign Missions, \$16,718.92; Acadia University, \$3,758.84; ministerial education, \$941.97; annuity fund, \$2,054.22; Western Missions, \$3,744.96; Grand Ligne Missions, \$3,283.56; Sunday School Board, \$500; year book, \$770.12; secretary of convention, \$50; field secretary's salary, nine months, \$1,125; field secretary's expenses, \$352.60; treasurer's salary, \$400; printing, stationery, postage, etc., \$48.44; war stamps, \$23.40; exchange, \$38.37—\$48,870.01.

Recapitulation.
Minimum salary fund, \$397; Sunday School Board fund, \$870.09; U. B. Women's Missionary Union, \$20,700.94; mission bands, \$5,217.67; convention funds as above detailed, \$48,801.31. Total for the Maritime Provinces, \$76,955.71.

J. Wesley Dimock, treasurer.
On motion the recommendation of the joint meeting of the young peoples and the Sunday school that the present boards be abolished and a new board appointed to be known as the Board of Sunday School and Young People's Work and the general secretary give all his time to the work of the new board, was adopted and the following appointed as members of the new board:

Retiring in 1917, Dr. H. T. DeWolfe, Rev. G. Warren, J. E. Wilson, Rev. E. A. Ockland, P. C. Reed; 1918, Rev. P. R. Hayward, Ross Bethune, Rev. W. C. Machum, J. W. Grant; 1919, Rev. N. A. Harkness, D. C. Clark, Frank Atherton, Rev. A. S. Lewis and Rev. F. L. Orchard.

On motion the section of the young peoples and the Sunday school reports laid on the table were adopted.

The committee on correspondence reported that they had some correspondence in regard to funds collected for the European college fund and reported that the funds were on deposit in trust for the Baptist World Alliance, and recommended that the committee be continued but that no effort be made to collect pledges until after the war.

A communication had been received from the N. S. Central Association advising that a board of religious education be appointed to take the place of the present young peoples and Sunday school boards and they recommended that this be referred to the two boards named.

They had taken no action on a communication received from the Reform Tax League or on one from the committee re trade after the war as they felt that these questions did not come within their province. The report as read was adopted. Convention then adjourned.

Evening Session.

The evening was given to the home mission interests and four addresses were heard by the large audience which was present. The first speaker was Rev. E. S. Mason, superintendent of home missions for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. He spoke on the great opportunity which existed for the Baptist men of the Maritime Provinces to meet some of the money with which God had blessed them and also of the great opportunity for the ministers and student which the home mission fields afforded.

The needs of the western field were presented by Rev. N. A. Harkness and Dr. Whidden. Mr. Harkness spoke of the work which was being done among the Scandinavians and Russians and of the splendid results which had been obtained. The west would be a missionary field for many years yet because of the shifting population and the unstable conditions, and if this Canada was to be made the country she ought the church had to get busy and Christianize the millions of immigrants which would be coming to her shores after the war as well as those already here.

Dr. Whidden took up the five year programme which has been adopted by the Baptists of the west and told of some of the things which they hope to accomplish in the five years. They aim to double the membership of the churches, to raise at least \$40,000 for missions and to get 50 recruits for the ministry.

Mrs. L. A. Therrien told of the work at Grand Ligne in a most interesting manner. She traced the history of the institution from the time of its inception by Mme. Feller 80 years ago until the present time. Like all other educational institutions in Canada it had been hit by the war and over 120 "old boys" from Feller Institute had done the king's farm in this terrible struggle, and some of them had given their lives for the cause, and in this connection she mentioned the name of Major J. L. Duval of this city. The school had increased four fold since it was founded and in the 80 years of its existence had been the scene of converting over 8,000 persons.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the sessions of the day to a close. Three sessions will be held to-day.

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