

Baptist interest generally in this Province, it is to us a matter of deep regret that his present engagements are such as to prevent us from continuing to enjoy the benefit of his labours, counsel, and devoted piety."

A letter was read from Osgood, giving an account of the state of religion in that Township, and complaining much of the want of ministerial visits.

Br. M'Phail was called upon to give an account of the state of religion in Indian Lands, but said there was nothing of importance within his knowledge to communicate.

Br. Wenham expressed his strong conviction, that unless some decided steps were taken, the cause of Christ will languish; and what he recommends is, that a letter be written, containing a strong appeal in behalf of the country, stating its wants. Br. Jamieson and Edwards, jun. appointed to write the letter.

Br. Tucker made a request that a Missionary be sent to labour in Petite Nation and the adjoining settlements. They had made a request to Br. M'Phail, who hesitated, but had not yet given a positive denial.

Br. M'Donald made known a wish that some of the Ministers would visit Osgood at least once in every quarter.

The Circular Letter was read by Br. J. Edwards, jun. It was moved by Br. Davies, seconded by Br. Thomson, that this be adopted as our Letter to the Churches, and printed.

Subject for the next Circular—"On the utility and importance of mental discipline and attainment in those who undertake the work of the Ministry." To be written by Br. Davies.

Place and time of meeting of Association for next year, St. Andrews, on the fourth Wednesday in January. Brethren Davies and Jamieson to preach.

It was proposed that Br. M'Phail be ordained to the work of the Ministry, and resolved generally, to be attended to this evening.

Br. J. Fraser, from Indian Lands, gave a statement of the destitution of the country in his neighbourhood, and their unanimous desire for the labours of Br. M'Phail.

A Resolution was read from the Committee in London, requiring that a Delegate be sent from each Association to meet at Haldimand.

Resolved, That Br. J. Edwards, sen. be the Delegate from this Association to that Committee, and that his expenses be paid by the Missionary Society.

Br. Larwill read thirty minutes on the subject of using alcoholic wine at the Lord's Supper, and was interrupted by the Chair-

man, as more necessary business demanded our time and attention.

Association closed with prayer by Brother M'Phail.

CANADA

BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

At the Anniversary meeting of this Society, held in the Baptist Chapel, rear of Chatham, 24th January, 1839,

Mr. JOHN EDWARDS, sen., in the Chair—

The Report for the last year was read by the Corresponding Secretary, when it was Resolved, on the motion of Rev. J. Edwards, jun., of St. Andrews, seconded by Rev. A. Jamieson, of Hull,

That the Report now read be adopted and printed under the direction of the Committee.

The Treasurer then read an abstract of the accounts since the last General Meeting of the Society, in June, 1838. From this, it appears that the income for the six months has been..... £113 10 3

Balance in hand at the Meeting
in June..... 33 2 6

Total..... £146 12 9

The expenditure during the same period has been..... 117 1 7

Leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of..... 29 11 2

Messrs. J. Wenham, and Thomas M. Thomson were appointed Auditors of the Accounts.

The Corresponding Secretary made an urgent appeal to the meeting on the subject of the Magazine, observing that it had not paid its own expenses, and that, unless 150 additional subscribers were obtained before the 20th of April, it could not be continued. He likewise stated that a proposition had been made to unite the Upper Canada Baptist Magazine with ours; but, as this was an arrangement that could not be gone into until after July next, immediate exertion was necessary to insure its continuance.

Br. James Thomson moved, seconded by Br. Morton, that the allowance for the support of the Students be increased to £25 per annum, from this date.

Br. Wenham moved, as an amendment, seconded by Br. Milne, that the same be increased to £30, which amendment was lost, and the motion carried by a majority.

Moved by Br. Fraser, seconded by Br. T. M. Thomson, That the Committee shall have it in their power to increase the allowance to the extent of £5, when they consider it necessary. Adjourned until five o'clock.