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BAPTISTS IN SESSION.

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Southern Association.

Lively Discussion on the Temperance Question-Statistics of the Churches Pre-

sented.

ST. STEPHEN, July 7. — The fif-teenth annual session of the Southern Baptist association of New Brunswick con-vened in the audience reem of the Union street Baptist church at 10 a. m., Rev. H. E. S. Maider, the moderator of last year, in the chair. After preliminary services the names of the churches of the association were read by the clerk, Rev. A. J. Kempton, the

delegates present responding. On metion the session organized by elect-ing Rev. J. A. Gordon mederator, Rev. A. J. Kempton clerk, and G. A. Lawson much drinking in the country as there used to be; but the trouble with temperance peeple was that there were many to stand up in the ledge reem and few to fight in the (licentiate) assistant clerk. Rev W C Goucher, Rev F C Wright and

Bro J Webber were appeinted a committee en arrangements.

Deacen N B Cottle was appointed treas-urer, and committees were added to as fellews: Foreign missions - Revs H E S Maider and J J Baker.

Sunday school-Rev J J Baker and Deacen

Cottle. Systematic beneficence—Rev FC Wright. Temperance—Bre J Webber and Rev W C Goncher.

Home missions-Rev J Hughes and Bro McLaskey. The clerk and Rev J J Baker read the

letters to the association from the churches, which about occupied the remainder of the merning session. Revs G O Gates, E J Grant and A J

Kempton were appointed a committee en questions in the letters from churches. Rev F Todd and Bre Harry Todd were in-

vited to seats and other visiting Baptists were likewise henored. STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Fellewing figures are tabulated from the letters already received by the association: ship.

Name of Church.	Membership.	
	Last Year.	This Year.
Bartlett's Mills.	32	30
Beaver Harbor	47	44
Brussels street, St John	366	367
Belleişle Creek	. 19	25
Cardwell	91	101
Carleton.	231 148	218 158
Germain street, St John	148	108
Greenwich Hill	61	60
Hammond	51	39
Hampton Station	35	30
Hampton Village	65	64
Kars	135	133
Ledge, Dufferin	24	24
Lake View.	26	24
Musquash	124	122
Main street, St. John	440	521
Oak Bay	62	64
Pennfield	86	90 57
Rollingdam	62 36	57 29
Rothesay	36 76	29 75
Springfield, 2nd St. Martins, 1st.	368	378
2nd	25	37
St. Stephen, Union street	169	179
Studholm	122	142
Sussex	149	148
	CONSIGNOR AND CONSIGNOR	

Afternoon Session.

The meeting opened with devotional ex-ercises for half an hour, after which letters from other churches that had been received since the morning session were read. Prof. Klerstead and Brother Manning

man in the field.

elution as it steod.

St. John was better than some other places in the dominion. In 1893, Canada imported 400,000 mere gal-lons of liquer than in 1892. The importation read THE EDUCATIONAL REPORT of liquor, its manufacture and its consumption is new greater than ever before, and that meant that prohibition was no nearer than it was twenty-five years ago. In re-ply to delegate Fownes from St. Martins, Mr. Grant said Sir Oliver Mowat did not as fellews: The denominational schools at Welfville have a majority in Ontario, and that there, as here, many people drepped their tem-perance principles for party politics. Deacen Cottle knew beth sides were

armed better than ever for the struggle, but armed better than ever for the struggle, but that did net necessarily mean the putting off of prohibition. For thirty years no license had been granted in Queens county, and now all public gatherings there were different from what they were in the olden time. In his boyhood he could see scores of drunkards on St. John streets; new they we may thank Ged and take courage. 2. Acadia university has enrolled 119 students, of whom 22 graduated at the close of the collegiate year. The religious interest has not been so great as in the preceding

years, but an atmosphere of meral carnestness has been apparent. There have been a large number of students for the ministry. were scarce. He knew there was not as It is worthy of special notice that two branch alumni societies have recently been formed, one in Halifax and one in Boston. It is to be hoped that the members of these societies may render tangible assistance to Rev. G. O. Gates said it looked as if their alma mater in the near future. The financial condition of the university is such Bre. Grant had lest hepe in the good cause. He (Gates) believed the time was not far as to call forth the sympathies and enlist distant when a temperance generation would the energies of the members of all our

pessess the land. The moderator-Elijah got under a juni churches. The cellege is crippled at almost every peint en account of its difficulties and per tree and grumbled. Rev. Mr. Grant explained that when he burdens in this respect, and unless its friends rally to its aid and contribute of their means said they were no nearer the goal, he had in his eye the absolute prohibition of the liquer traffic by law. There was grand moral proto its support in this hour of darkness, it will be impessible for it to retain its place of honor amongst the colleges of the marigress in many ways, but none in the directime previnces. ien ef getting men te put prohibition abeve 3. The seminary at St. Martins graduated

Clauses 2 and 3 were lest on division, 18 students at the close of the school year, this being the largest class in its history. The institution has more than paid its run-ning expenses. Every reem in the building enly five voting yea. In discussing the clesing sections, Deacon Cottle said victory wend not come till tem-perance men veted enly for those pledged was occupied last year, including the new reems which were finished during the summer. In the literary departments the grade of work has been excellent. The musical department has been in charge of Frl. Meyer, who is a musician of great ability. Rev. Mr. Grant said that at the next elec ien neither party would have prehibition in its platform and, ergo, each supported the rum interest and any man who veted the tery or liberal ticket thus voted for the liquo 4. At the last meeting of the New Brunswick convention the needs of the school Rev. G. O. Gates warmly resented the were considered, a consultation, with a com-

sephistry of such an argument. There mittee of the Free Baptist conference was held, and it was decided to make an effort demanded the attention of the elector as well as temperance, and as a prohibitionist he refused to be beund down to vote for a Of this amount the Baptists are to be reman no matter what his character becaus sponsible for two-thirds and the Free Baphe was a temperance candidate. Rev. Mr. Baker vias prehibition to the tists for one-third. St. Martins never

needed your help se much as at present. The hand of Previdence has been abunuttermest, but he recegnized other ques-tions whese merals ran their roets down deep in the land, and he wanted to be free dantly manifest in the history of our educational institutions in the past. Through the blackness of darkness the Lord has led on to deal with them. No political party had originated the liquer traffic. Rev. E. J. Grant said Rev. Messrs. Gates to victory and success. So He will ever lead, if His followers are faithful. and Baker assumed that because a man was

On motion the report was taken up see a prehib.cionist he had ne other virtues. Rev. Mr. Gates said he was net fool tion by section. Section 1 was unanimously adopted with-

enough to assume any such thing. This report sought to deprive men of their fran-This out debate. Section 2, relating to Acadia, was dischise whenever there was no temperance cussed by Revs. E. J. Grant, W. E. McIn-tyre, Dr. DeBleis, Rev. G. O. Gates and

Rev. Mr. Howard said that as a Christian others, each of whem, while regretting the financial state of the Wolfville institutions, Nev. Mr. Howard said that as a Christian he could not vote for either party. One of the greatest temperance men in the country told him he would not jeopardize his posi-tion at Ottawa by espeusing prehibition. Temperance was the great question with party candidates; they all premised well before election, but stuck te party after they got in urged united effort for practical help. D. DeBlois said the total debt of Acadia

was about \$100,000, but it could be reduced and wiped out if the Baptists put their hands to the wheel. Rev. G. O. Gates fercibly urged united they got in. Rev. Mr. Manning wanted it made clear to

e and be thankful.

Rev. E. J. Grant said this only showed that b. John was better than some ther places in the dominion. In After devotienal exercises, the secretary The moderator desiring to take part in number of visitors, mostly ladies, present. After devotienal exercises, the secretary the debate, Thos. L. Hay was called to the

> The report was as follows: HOME MISSION REPORT.

As to the amount of work done in this and St. Martins have been doing excellent department of our business your committee cannot report as fully as they would like. and effective work. A spirit of harmony has prevailed, and a sincere devotion to the nas prevaled, and a sincere devetien to the interests in hand has characterized the efforts of both teachers and students. In face of the financial depression which has been so widely felt during the past few A large number of churches, hewever, exist within the bounds of this association, which have hi herro required assistance from beyond themselves, and we have to report our regret that, through inability or ether causes, the demand for help has not been met as it should have been. months, the attendance of students has not perceptibly diminished. For all these things

A number of small churches, both in Kings and Charlotte counties, are still pastorless and without any preaching servce. Whether these can in any way be more conveniently grouped or directly assisted from the heme mission funds is a question that should receive our serious atention. Certain it is that help must ome to many of these weaker interests i our denomination is ever fully to occupy the berritery of this association.

The amendment to the amendment was The ingatherings for the year, though not lost, 24 to 28. general over the whole association, have The amendment was then adopted, 29 to been up to the average,

It is to be heped that recent changes in our deneminational organizations will enable us to bring the work of home missions more closely to the hearts of our people, and call out a desper interest than has hitherte been manifested. The New Brunswick convention, which has been organized to aid espe-cially the interests of home missions and academic education in the province, will, if

rightly directed, afford much needed help in bis direction. A fostering centre or gathering for the annual report of their affairs among the people most directly concerned has, in the minds of many, become a necessity. Let us hope that such help is at length likely to come, and that all our brethren may cerdially co-operate in making the provincial convention a useful auxiliary to the maritime one, thus relieving the ex-cessive burdens and affording more time and attention for the development of local home missionary enterprise. That our churches and members may be divinely led in this important matter is the sincere desire of vour committee. Rev. Mr. Baker took exception to the

most important section of the report and moved an amendment. Rev. Mr. Grant, in seconding the amendment, said there could be no objection to

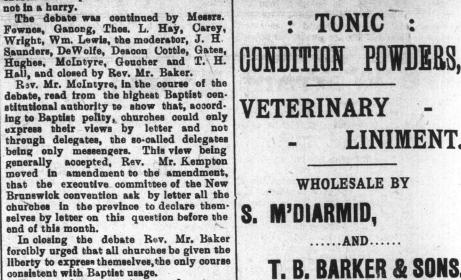
forming an auxiliary board to advise with the general home mission board as to local Several members objected to the amend-

ment as out of order and untimely, until the convention had settled the main issue of nome missions. Oa motion of Rev. Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Fownes, the report was laid on the table and the association adjourned for

All this afternoon was devoted to discussing the question of a separate convention for New Brunswick so far as home missions

and academic education are concerned. Both sides expressed their views with vigor and the debate at times waxed warm but never furious. The result was a clear victory for the separationists who were possibly in a minority in the morning but were strengthened by large re-inforcements from St. John by the noon trains. Rev. Mr. Baker of St. John epened the ball by

work, and counselled the people to take moving the following resolution:



MANCHESTER'S

T. B. BARKER & SONS. St. John, N. B.

ALL DRUGGISTS AND

COUNTRY STORE KEEPERS,

Fellowing is the letter referred to: On Sunday, at 11 a. m., Rev. J. J. Baker, Dear Brethren - The N. B. Southern asso-iation is expected to raise \$2,500 for our M. A., paster of the Leinster street church St. John, preached the associational ser denominational work this year, exclusive of mon, his subject being New Testament Wornoneys raised by the W. M. A. societies. ship and the Baptists. He chese as his text John iv., 24. He said: I would not have The Ministerial association of St. John have carefully considered the matter in conyou possessed of a narrow sectarianism, but of an intelligent denominationalism. If you have no reason for a separate existence you ference with the treasurer for N. B. and P. E. I., and earnestly request the churches to raise the amount set opposite their

have no right se to exist. But you have through all the ages stood for New Testa-ment worship. First let me say that New Testament or spiritual worship is that which Baillie.....Bartlett's Mills..... Bartlett's Mills... Beaver Harbor. Bocabec. Dufferin (Ledge)... Oak Bay... Pennfield. Rolling Dam... St George, 2nd Falls. St Andrews, 1st... St Andrews, 1st... St Andrews, 2nd. St Stephen. Belleisle Creek... Cardwell. the spirit prompts. It must then be the act of the individual. It must be intelligible. Acts performed for others without their consent have no meaning. It must be vel-untary wership. Baptists have stood against all the world for the vol-untary principle. He said in this country no denomination has a right to take money frem the government to Hampton Station Hampton Station Hampton Village Johnston, 1st. carry on their deneminational work. He then gave a brief historical review, shewing how thousands of Baptists had suffered death during a period of 600 years for standing for purely spiritual worship, viz, an open Bible and its sele authority in religious ars.... matters; a regenerate church and the ordinances belonging to the redeemed; full religious liberty and voluntaryism the law in Sussex..... Upham. Brassels street..... religious matters. New Testament is in truth. It must be real in contrast to It is not a question of ceremeny performed for ene, but a regenerate heart and a right life. The false is never accept-ed. A good Christian can never be a bad man. New Testament worship must be ac-cording to New Testament methods. Much Germain street. Greenwich Hill. Leinster street. Musquash, Dipper Harbor, etc. Portland. Rothesay. St Martins, 1st. St Martins, 2nd. is left to the sanctified common sense of the wershipper. But Jesus gave two erdin-ances to his church and in order to do the

kept just where he put them and performed as He intimated in His Word. \$2.485 These amounts are not large except in one or two instances, and all can be raised if ST. STEPHEN, July 10.-The convention there is a disposition to de so. Heme exresumed business at 9 o'clock this merning; penses are heavy just new, and meney is not circulating as freely as at some other with a lighter attendance than yesterday, many of the delegates who came here to times, but we must not let the work of the Lord fail. New, brethren, what church vote on the separation of New Brunswick New, br

J. W. MANNING,

Introducing t cheels and far scheel libraries be found which useless. Befor we advise a ca petent commit would call th chools to the fax. How shall we in our church

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was accepted h Preacher of Rev. A. J. Ken Wright. Circular Lett Obituaries-cens N. B. Cet Education-Donald and Da Home missi J. S. Trites and Missions-H Gates and W. (Sunday scho Duncan Ruper Denominat Gorden, S. Mo Kinnon. Temperanc liam Lewis. Vaughn.

Systematic Hughes, H. E. In re quarte recommended than associa John and Charl

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were added to the committee on education. Rev. Mr. Saunders, chairman of the cemmittee on obituaries, said their report would be a short one, and at his request the ancies in the committee were filled.

THE REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

was read by Rev. E. J. Grant, as follows: The report on temperance will not occupy much time and will not attempt any

display of rhetorical fireworks. We often discourse with fuency and self-complacency on the wonderful advance of the temperance cause in this country. Whis marvelleus advance has been going on of want of confidence in the present govern-ment and weuld be se queted for political purposes. He asked it that was the inten-tion of the committee and of its convener. Rev. Mr. Grant said he was only dealin

fer many years, and yet we seem to be no nearer the goal than when we started. During all the years that we have been with facts. An amendment to substitute the words congratulating ourselves on the rapidity of our forward movement in this moral reform, our forward movement in this moral reform, the evil we so greatly deplore has been con-stantly gaining ground, so that today we find eurselves under the necessity of ex-plaining, if possible, hew it is that both the evil and the suppression of that evil are making steady progress from year to year. None of us pretend to deny that the liquer traffic is a dreadful sceurge, desolat-ing many homes, and destroying thousands amendment, saying the association should not be afraid to condemn the government tionist in its fold, for its record on the uestie

Rev. Mr. Hughes said he had gene 100 niles to vote for that temperance minister, ing many homes, and destroying of our fellow citizens every year. thousands but would now go 500 miles to vote against him because of his unfaithfuness.

We, your committee, cannot deny that the government recegnizes this deadly evil as a legitimate source of revenue. When, a short time age, a delegation of prohibitionists waited on the government to urge the immediate suppression et this traffic by law, they were given to understand that their proposition could not be entertained by the government, as it was net clear how the amount of money new re-cecived from that traffic was to be made up in the event of its being suppressed. New if the representatives of the people did not feel quite confident that the people

would support them in their support of the liquor traffic, they would very soon

of the fiquor trainc, they would very seen pass an act suppressing it. Hence it seems to us impossible for Chris-tian men to support a political party com-mitted to the liquor traffic and escape the responsibility of its existence. If the traffic in strong drink is a curse then the government which refuses to sup-

press it is responsible for that curse and every man who in any way supperts the government must bear his part of the re-spensibility for the existence et the traffic and for the fearful results which flow from

If it be a fact that the liquer traffic is ruining theusands of our fellow citizens, it is certainly a fact that the government incurs guilt in net immediately suppressing it, and it must follow therefore that every man who knowing these facts still continues to support the government must bear his share of the responsibility and the guilt of the traffic.

E. J. GRANT. GEO. HOWARD, JOHN DEWAR.

A LIVELY DISCUSSION. The repert was taken up section by sec-ien. Section I was adopted without de-

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Section 2 was freely discussed. Rev. Mr. Saunders fell some doubt as to the correctness of its statements. Rev. Mr. Grant said they should take

sections 2 and 3 tegether. This was done, and Rev. Mr. Grant then said his report as to the increase of the evil was based on the efficial blue books.

was based on the efficial blue books. Rev. Mr. Baker knew there had been a great temperance advance in his native province, and he went by his personal ob-servation rather than by statistical returns, which were deceptive on this point. Where he knew the ground there was a great tem-perance advance, and today Baptist people were ostracised if they used strong drink. Rev. J. H. Saunders heard the late pro-prietor of the Reyal hotel, St. John, tell the blouer commission that the use of liquor was

liquer commission that the use of liquor was declining, and Canon Brigstocke said it had largely failen off since he came to St. John.

his mind that both parties were committed It came out in the progress of the debate to came out in the progress of the debaie that Acadia would pay expenses this year. The section was adopted, as was section 3, relating to St. Martins. Dr. DeBlois stated that rooms finished last summer had been fixed up from the te the liquer traffic befere he could vote fer the latter clauses. Rev. Mr. Saunders moved in amendmen

to substitute the words "pelitical party" for "government," Deacon Cottle felt there was sufficien

last summer had been fixed up from the surplus of the preceding year. The moderator said he was glad to hear that. The convention should advertise its successes as well as its failures, else people might gather the idea that there were no bright spets, but all was a history of failgeed timber for candidates in the temper ance ranks to make a fight in every con stituency. They wanted to stand tegether Pref. Kierstead felt the report was a veb ures.

Gates, who heartily agreed with the state-ment therein that St. Martins never needed their prayers and help more.

Rev. Mr. MoIntyre agreed with the pre-"any government" for "the government coding speaker that this section was only a statement of fact, and thought that as the developed further discussion. Deacon Dewar of St. George opposed the question of St. Martins condition would me up later in the session, it was not ex-

pedient to discuss it new. The section was then adopted and the rewhich had at least one professed prehibit lique port accepted in its entirety without amend

Rev. Dr. Saunders read the

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

s follows: "It becomes this association with prefeund gratitude to record the mercy of the Lord by which all our pastors have been continued in their work in our churches. The death only of one, enfeebled by age and Prof. Kierstead said the temperance pee-ple were more to blame fer net sending temperance men to Ottawa to stand by and suppert the cabinet minister to whom reference had been made. long since retired from active service, is for us to record. The Rev. James Trimble of Rev. Mr. Grant said he had, in preparing this county, for many years actively en-gaged with the fathers of our denomination in the earlier days of our history, departed he report, tried to avoid all that could be nsed for party pelitical purpeses. D. V. Roberts, whe was a member of the

this life in 1894. It may also be fitting that mention be third party, felt the resolution bound the conservatives of the association, and left the liberals free. He could not vote for the remade in this report of the death of the Rev. Wm. Rideout, a native of this county, at Wilmet, N. S., June 8, 1893. This good Rev. Mr. Grant-I am a tery and in brother was favored with a commission from the Great Head of the church te do extensive evangelistic and pas-teral services in these maritime previnces. Teday his name is held in drawing up the repert did not intend in sing the term government to refer speci-

using the term government to refer speci-ally to the present government. Delegate McIntyre agreed with the con-vener that whatever of sting there was in the repert should not be extracted from it. All propositions to alter the phraseolegy were voted down, and the report was adopted as a whole, after ever two hears discussion. reagrant remembrance in many of our churches. May the watchmen on our walls today well understand the full scope of the commission we hold, and by carefally noting the faithfulness and failings of our prede-cessors, and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and failings of our prede-cessors, and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the faithfulness and by a firm reliance on the Divine the Divine the the subject of a separate convention. A communication from the Peculiar Cleace Communion Baptists of Hillsdale, asking to Communion Baptists of Hillsdale, asking to be admitted to the association, was referred to committee, who reported favorably thereon, and after explanations by licentiate G. A. Lawson, who had ministered unto these people and knew their wants, it was voted to grant the request, the congregation to be known as the Hillsdale church. After the report on systematic beneficence One accomplish the purpose of God in our high calling, which is of God in Christ Jesus.

On motion the report was adopted. The report on home missions evoked

Rev. Mr. McIntyre took the ground that After the report on systematic beneficence had been presented and some routine matthe heme mission field could not be locked after intelligently from Yarmeuth. As well might a New Brunswick association ters disposed of, the convention adjourned till 7.30 p. m. A public educational meeting was held in

attempt to manage home missions in Maine. The proposition to manage our own affairs was no new thing and it was in line with the Union street church in the evening, in-treductory to which licentiate G. A. Lawthe spirit of Baptist work. Fifty and sixty years ago Maine and other states struck out for state conventions, and they had dene well ever en received the right hand of fellewship in connection with the pastorate of the newly admitted Hillsdale church.

The educational report was then pre-sented, and Dr. DeBlois, Mr. MoIntyre and Prof. Kierstead of Acadia addressed the meeting. The addresses were sound and practical and were much appreciated by the

arge gathering. ST. STEPHEN, July 8 — The association sermon was preached in the Union street

whether it was wise or not; but it did not rest with any man to say it was hasty. He looked for great things under a local beard in developing the Christian liberality of the people. The home mission beard in Yar-mouth had done its utmest, but it could not pessibly understand the wants of New Brunswick Baptists as they did themselves. It would be better for New Scotia as well to as New Brunswick for each to the index sermon was preached in the Union street Baptist church this morning by the Rev. Mr. Baker of St. John, te a large congrega-tion, and in the afternoon the Sunday school was addressed by several speakers, each of whem was limited to ten minutes. Rev. Messrs. Howard and Gordon eccu-

kev. Messrs. Howard and Gordon eccu-pied the Pesbyteriam pulpit, morning and evening; Rev. Dr. DeBlois the Methedist pulpit in the morning; Revs. Kierstead and Manning preached in the Calais Baptist church. Rev. Mr. Kempten in the Milltown Methedist, and other members of the con-vention filled pulpits at several entlying places on both sides of the line. as New Brunswick for each to take inde-pendent control of its own work. On geo-graphical grounds also he urged home centrol for the home field, subsidiary or auxiliary be a maritime convention for other work

assembled this morning with an increased

follows:

moving the following resolution: Whereas, The independence of the local church and the dectrine of soul liberty are dis-tinctive principles of our Baptist body which have been maintained and defended against bishop and pope, council and state, not only at the cost of property and position, but even at the sacrifice of life itself, principles which ought not to be less sacredly held by us than by our fathers; and Whereas, The recommendation of a com-mittee presented to the convention held in St. Martins in August last, and endorsed by that body, recognized the principle of church in-dependence; and Whereas, At a meeting held in Brussels street Baptist church in October last, called for the purpose of hearing the report of said commit-tee, a comparatively few brethren proceeded to control the churches of this province with-out the consent of the churches themselves: Therefore resolved. That this association affirms its belief in the necessity of standing most faithfully by the historic Baptist position as indicated above and in harmony therewith; it s

it s Further resolved, That whatever involves our churches in responsibility should be under taken only at the expressed wish of the church es so involved.

Rev. Mr. Grant seconded the resolution. Rev. Mr. Carey defined his position as in faver of having the work done in a way that would accomplish the greatest good for the Master.

Rev. F. C. Wright effered the following mendment to Rev. Mr. Baker's resolution: Whereas, The maritime convention at its

Whereas, The maritime convention at its meeting last year voted to hand over the future management of home missions and academic education to such organization as each prov-ince may prefer; and Whereas, The churches of this province in special meeting called to consider this ques-tion have under an act of incorporation organ-ized a new Brunswick convention to control and promote these interests; Therefore resolved, That while we do not regard it as the prerogative of the association to authorize or condemn such an organization, yet this association desires to put on record its approval of the formation of said convention as competent to carry on in good faith these interapproval of the formation of said convention as competent to carry on in good faith these inter-ests in harmony with the basis agreed upon at the last convention; and Further resolved, That we urge the churches in this association to do all in their power to promote the welfare of the objects still cared for by the maritime convention.

Rev. Mr. McIntyre supported this amend

nent, giving in answer to Rev. Mr. Carey the history of the meetings previously held

ventions that New Brunswick had affair peculiarly its own, which required home entrol, instancing particularly the Union Baptist seminary. Mr. DeBlies had felt it would be disa

trous to divide the maritime convention although home missions and education wer natters for home control. Yet as the New Brunswick convention was now a fact, he, like other good Baptists, would throw in hi ot with it.

Rev. Mr. Kempton would vote against th

resolution as premature. Rev. Mr. Hughes after a historical sketch of what had been done on this subject show ed that New Brunswick was to have a sep the spirit of Baptist work. Fifty and sixty years ago Maine and other states struck out for state conventions, and they had dene well over since. These state conventions were similar to what it was proposed to institute in this province. There had been ne undue haste. For ten years the mevement had been agitated. It was for the brethren to say whether it was wise or not; but it did not rest with any man to say it was hasty. He leoked for great things under a local beard in developing the Christian liberality of the the pulpits of the great cities across the line. Rev. Mr. Gates enlogized the spirit

of the venerable speaker (Hughes) who had preceded, and deprecated taking a vote in the issue as widening the gulf that new existed between churches Rev. Mr. Grant felt if they favored this

provincial organization they were breaking faith with their brethren. The strengest Manning preached in the Ualais Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Kempten in the Milltown Methedist, and other members of the con-vention filed pulpits at several eutying places on both sides of the line. ST. STEPHEN, July 9.—The convention re-assembled this morning with an increased

from Nova Scotfa in home missions and will be the first to raise its quota, and more academic education having returned home. The weather was coel and pleasant. The REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

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29 churches to denominational purposes was

and of this month.

enly \$683, and why then not wait till every church had expressed its views ? God was

A public missionary meeting was held in the church in the evening.

Association Sermon.

Treas. N. B. and P. E. I. On motion to adopt the report, Rev. E. K. Ganong teek exception to the allotment of sums against churches. He said Rothe-say was well able to give more than Smith-teory. The committee on this subject reported as Benevelence, as the word is used, means more than its face value. It means more than wishing well. Real well wishing soon

Yours.

The clerk held it would be well to enquire. comes to mean giving, as true praying soon. means giving. The duty of Christian beneficence, like all Is each church able to give what is se oppeaite its name? Were both Rethesay and Smithtewn able to give \$10 each?

other Christian duties, is 'so curiously and Rev. Mr. Manning said he had prepared this schedule en the basis of what the wondrously adapted to the nature of regenerated man that by proper and scriptural at-tention and exercise it develops and passes through successive stages—from a duty to a privilege; from a privilege to a pleasure; tention and exercise it develops and passes through successive stages—from a duty to a privilege; from a privilege to a pleasure; from a pleasure te a means of grace to the seul, and se to the grace of liberality—a fruit of the Holy Spirit. We therefere recognize the importance of Ubrickies and passes why it should not give in prepertien to its why it should not give in propertien to its ability. The schedule was intended as a basis. The Seuthern association had \$1,100 recognize the impertance of Christian bene-ficence as it affects the presperity and hener of the cause of Christ and the glorifying of yet to raise in a few weeks, and there were 16 churches that had not given a cent. From all New Brunswick and Prince Ed-ward Island they had expected \$8,200, but Ged by the spectators of the church's work, but especially as it affects the spirituality of ward Island they had expected \$5,200, but so far the receipts were only \$3,703.52. Prince Edward Island had contributed mere liberally in prepertion to population than New Brunswick. There was only the bal-ance of this month to finish the work in The admenition of the apestles and the history of the kingdom of Christ teach us

that the best results in Christian beneficence are to be obtained, not by andden, spasmodic efforts based on passing emotion, but by a regular, well-considered system of time and close the year without debt. Dr. Saunders sold he had been in Prince Edward Island last week and there learned that they had contributed 46c. per head, which was higher than that contributed by giving. This system sheuld be based on the proper scriptural motives, namely, regard for the necessities both of saints and these who are bout to be saints; regard for the opinion of

the other provinces. He felt it was due to the island brethren te make this public. Rev. Mr. Grant said if this schedule had Ged (for God loveth a cheerful giver) and ef Christ, who will one day say: Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me; and gratitude to Ged for His unspeakable gift. System in beneficence should be applied te both churches and individuals. Churches

Rev. Mr. Grant said if this schedule had been prepared by the Nova Scotia committee he could understand the source of the errors, but as it had been compiled by ministers familiar with the ground, he could see no excuse for the blundering. Rev. Mr. Ganeng said the trouble was they had not educated the people up to giving according as God has prospered them. Rev. Mr. Baker would put men like the last speaker at this work of training up the people. to both churches and individuals. Uhurches should see that the proportion between the amount spent for "local purposes" and that spent for "denominational objects" so-called, should not be too great for "the fitness of things is supposed to be eternal." Sunday scheels should be trained and en-

courged to think of some beneficence other than their own "supplies," and each mem-ber of the church should, unless receiving help from the church, expect to give some-thing to the church or be disciplined, as the Rev. Mr. Manning suggested referring this part of the report to a special committee representing all sections, to revise the sche-dule and fix the amounts more correctly. Atter some further debate the report was church deems fit, for covétousness. System in beneficence takes into consider depted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

tion both time and proportion. The amount then takes care of itself. The time fer Rev. Mr. Baker read the report of the Sunday schools committee as follows: That the Sunday school through the many years of the past has been doing grand and giorieus work for the Master ne one weuld even venture to doubt. That it has been regular giving should be the first day of the week, and the so-called envelope system is

most convenient. The proportion is very important, and we earnestly recommend: let, that every Chris-tian lay aside regularly from his earnings a certain propertion first for the Lord; 2nd, that every Christian prayerfully, and as he expects to give an account for his steward-ship, consider if that voluntary propertion shall be less than one-tenth of his income. Again, whethere extern is adopted it useful in winning multitudes from dark-ness te light and many have received in-struction in the word of God, the value of which is beyond the human mind to esti-mate. Recognizing these things to be true shall we not pause to consider.

First—Are all our membership deeply in-terested in the Sanday school, and de parents manifest their interest by their at-Again, whatever system is adopted i should be elastic, so that it would expand

endance and helpfulness. Second—Is it an easy task to supply all our schools with deeply interested and superintendents. Third—Is it not often the case that the

sneuld be elastic, so that it would expand, but not contract. The Apostle Paul uses the word "bounty" in writing of liberality to the Cerinthians. His word implies not enly a generous gift but a gift which gives with blessings, a gift and prayers se mingled that they become worship. This idea ef giving would de away with the cent collec-tions for the most part. lunday schoel is left for the few to carry the burden.

ions for the most part. Lastly, to be practical we commend to th While it may be a comparatively easy matter to secure superintendents and teach-ers in the towns and larger villages, are net Lastly, to be practical we commend to the consideration of the association a letter published in the Messenger and Visitor, April 11th, 1894, addressed by the treasurer of the denominational funds for N. B. and P. E. I., Rev. J. W. Manning, drawn up in conference with the Ministerial association of St. John, to the pasters and churches of the Sunday schools in many country districts very much in need of more assistance. This we believe to be a painful fact. Oh, that it were in our power to arouse the churches to a more earnest interest in this work, and to further this we recommend that this matter be referred to district meetings to divide the territory embraced in the association inte We recommend that the churches endea-yor in the coming year to raise at least the amount named in this request. the New Brunswick southern association districts We would desire to emphasize the need of

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Heward have ton of a ner for Charlot This was add Following we Southern Bapt Pres., G. A. Kings Ce.; vice St. Martins; s St. Stephen; cd J. Kempton, 1 McLary, C. Ho of St. John. DENOMI Rev. Mr. M this committe 1. That we leep religiou tone a positive people and in a 2. We would that many of in our Sunda harm by foste religious readi Christian home 3. We heart and Visiter as the same time the necessity formation ab particularly th being done e would interest would tend to this departm When the qu the minutes a motion of Rev. recommend th send up minut ceedings of deakers advis SUN, which wa reports. Rev. Messrs reported they letter written and recomm association at This report Goucher then tion of Kev, D Mr. Hughes, publication in quested. On motion ordered that t churches in the Bres. Maide Grant were southern asso ders and Dead association. Votes of the of St. Stephen, for hospitality When the re over from yes G. O. Gates lowing: "In view affairs in this "Resolved, of seven, wh visory Board, board or board all appointmen the bounds of as a general m sion matters w Rev. Mr. H advisory comm New Brunswic tended to wer vention he we power. Rev. Mr. M this resolution report, and my question. T. H. Hall adepted as bro point an advis tion recommen

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Rev. Mr. G ate convention that would dis

