

visit. At all times he was ready for service, improving opportunities to preach; and he evidently commanded the respect of those who became acquainted with him. At the same time, I was particularly pleased to observe his disposition to study the Scriptures, frequently consulting the notes which he had taken of explanations of the Scriptures given in the class of Biblical instruction, which he attended with me during the last rains. I think he is well worthy to be continued in the support of the Board."

As stated above, funds have been received and remitted, with instructions to sustain this efficient preacher, with several more. As, however, their names are not yet known to us, they cannot be given till further communications are received from Burmah. The list furnished shows, that besides Sister DeWolf and a native female Bible reader (Ma Waing), there were, May 3rd, 1870, seventeen native preachers in actual service. The whole number, therefore, of gospel laborers in Burmah for whom support is furnished from these Provinces, may be estimated at twenty-four. These are dependent on their supporters, and are amenable to them.

Your Board have carried into effect the Resolution passed at the last meeting of the Convention, to pay over to the American Baptist Missionary Union the sum necessary for outfit and transportation of Rev. William George and wife, and also salary for one year—amounting to \$2,300. We are glad to learn that they were favoured with a quick and pleasant passage; and sincerely desire that they may be eminently useful in the service of the Union. Your Board, however, on mature deliberation, and with extensive knowledge of the feeling prevalent among our people, are perfectly unanimous in adopting the view expressed by Rev. Dr. Warren, when he said of the Baptists in these Provinces, "Till they have a field and labourers of their own, toiling under their supervision, and dependent on them for support and sympathy, it is certain their resources will not be called out as they should be." While, therefore, your Board earnestly desire to act in entire harmony with their brethren of the Union, they deem it indispensable, in order to the further extension of the Redeemer's empire in heathen lands, that our people should have a Foreign Mission of their own.

For this, Siam has been regarded as a promising field; but events and discoveries of late appear rather unpropitious. It is, however, remarked by our valued brother, Rev. Dr. Stevens, who kindly took the general oversight of our Missionaries during the absence of Brother Crawley: "I have no doubt, before the brother who contemplates commencing that Mission is prepared to enter upon that work, the way will be clearer than at present." He also observes, respecting Burmah, and the Missionaries of the Union labouring there, "I am sure our brethren will cordially welcome, as fellow-labourers, and of one body, any whom the Board may be disposed to send. The field is abundantly large, and we earnestly desire that it may be occupied by men of our own denomination."

The brother to whom reference is made in these extracts, William F. Armstrong, a Licentiate, whose studies in Acadia College are not yet finished, offered himself to your Board, at a meeting on the 28th Decem-