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The Maritime Baptist Year Book for 1897 has just been issued from the press of Wm. MacNab, Halifax, and which, with an excellent cut of Rev. Dr. Keirstead, of Wolfville, who is the president of the Baptist convention, makes a fine appearance, and sets out in detail the operations of the Baptist people for the year ending August 1, 1897. The book contains a table of statistics, showing that from 14,177 in 1846 the membership of the churches has increased to 50,424 in 1897. The number of churches on the roll is 414.

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