

gave decisive deliverances on the question, yet the general current of opinion expressed at these convocations, and the action taken, were such as to render it obvious to Bro. Boggs, at least, that a re-appointment as missionary could not be given him which would command the hearty endorsement of the denomination at large. He therefore, on the 19th of July last, signified his desire to withdraw his application, and on the 5th inst. the Board formally accepted that withdrawal.

FINANCIAL.

Considering the commercial depression that has prevailed quite generally during the past three years, and that "hard times" have been emphatically and specially experienced during the last year, we have great reason to be thankful for the generous manner in which the denomination has contributed to the financial support of our Mission.

The Treasurer is in consequence able to present an annual report of a very satisfactory character.

The detailed statements of the contributions received during the year, which accompany this report and are to be published in the next Year Book, will exhibit one interesting and noteworthy feature, namely, that the number of churches contributing to sustain our Mission this year has been larger than in any previous year since the denomination engaged in the Foreign Mission enterprise.

The principal increase in this direction has been in New Brunswick, where it seemed most necessary.

We notice this fact as very encouraging, and as indicative of a healthy and intelligent increase of interest in our work.

We should, therefore, resolve to persevere in this line until not only every one of our churches becomes a contributor, but every individual member of our churches, congregations and Sunday schools is enlisted as a supporter of the Telooquo Mission. We believe that such a result is not only desirable, but possible of accomplishment.

The following is a brief synopsis of the amount and sources of the contributions to the Mission during the year:

Nova Scotia Central Association, 49 churches, of which 39 churches contributed.....	\$1,228 83
Eastern Association, 64 churches, of which 37 churches contributed.....	936 14
Western Association, 68 churches, of which 49 churches contributed.....	1,082 82
Total, 181 churches, of which 125 churches contributed.....	\$3,247 79
New Brunswick Eastern Association, 72 churches, of which 56 churches contributed.....	\$858 85
Western Association, 74 churches, of which 42 churches contributed.....	708 20
Total, 146 churches, of which 100 churches contributed.....	1,567 05
Prince Edward Island Association, 17 churches, of which 15 churches contributed.....	445 27
Totals.....	\$5,260 11

In these sums are included legacies amounting to \$120, which is the smallest amount received from such source for several years past.

INVESTMENTS.

In the last annual report an allusion was made to the loss of Debentures in the great St. John fire, and we reported that measures were