

past year, and has much pleasure in recording its high appreciation of the valuable services of the Rev. Charles Stewart, D. D., in his arduous and responsible work of training those young men who have been duly approved as candidates for our Ministry.

5. That we have received the reports which have been submitted to us respecting the successful operations of the past year in all departments of our Educational work at Mount Allison, with a very high degree of grateful satisfaction, as affording indubitable evidence that Divine Providence still smiles upon the work there, for the right conduct of which we have been by Him made responsible.

6. That we fully concur in the opinion of the "Board of Trustees and Governors," that while an Endowment Fund of from seventy-five to one hundred thousand dollars is now exceedingly desirable, one at least of sixty thousand dollars is immediately indispensable for the proper maintenance and advancement of the enterprise.

7. That although it is our deliberate opinion that it is to be reasonably hoped that a few comparatively wealthy individuals among our people will, when the importance of the subject is presented before them, be induced to contribute so liberally of their abundance that the largest sum named may be secured, we do now, as an indication of our strong conviction of the pressing necessity for an Endowment to the extent of at least sixty thousand dollars, pledge ourselves to contribute, from our generally so scanty personal resources, sums to amount in the aggregate to one-fifth of such required minimum sum, or one-eighth of such maximum sum.

8. The Conference has also to record its gratification at the result of the Educational Society during the year, which has been so far successful as to provide the maximum sum for four scholarships for students in attendance, and would earnestly recommend the Educational Society to the more abundant liberality of our people in view of the very great desirableness of a much larger proportion of the candidates for our ministry being allowed to avail themselves of the advantages of a systematic course of study so soon as the exigencies of our Circuit work will at all admit of their attendance at Sackville.

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