

These Conventions were both seasons of rich blessing, and for a time at least gave an impetus to our work at home.

You will bear in mind that the next Convention of the maritime provinces is to be held sometime during the ensuing summer in Halifax, and your committee bespeak for the delegates who shall assemble here as cordial a welcome as was given by the brethren in St. John, last year; trusting that the meetings may be fraught with rich blessing to many in our own loved city.

Dear brethren; the year has closed, its record has been faithfully kept on High, and if some words or deeds have been recorded there, which now we can well wish unsaid or undone, only by penitence and stronger resolves for the future can we atone for them, for the record is closed,—unalterably sealed.

Let us seek strength from the Author of *all* strength that the chapter of our history for this year be a brighter and happier one—keeping steadily in mind that young men are perishing around and among us, and that it is ours to warn them of their danger and to assist them in their escape—for souls are precious.

A. W. EATON,  
*Secretary.*

#### THE LECTURE COMMITTEE

REPORT that since their last annual statement, lectures have been delivered by Rev. A. J. Mowitt on "Ancient Christianity, the True Solution of the Social Reform Question"; Rev. Alex. Falconer on "Lights and Shades of European Church Life A.D. 1520"; Rev. Allan Simpson on "Mental Dyspepsia, its Cause and Cure," and Professor Lawson, "The Origin of the Dominion Flora," (with illustration.)

During the present course there have been five lectures delivered by the following gentlemen:—Rev. A. W. Nicholson, of Windsor, Rev. Dr. Warren, Rev. Geo. J. Caie, of St. John, N. B., Rev. C. Bruce Pitblado, of St. Mary's, and David Allison, Esq., M. A., President of Mount Allison College, Sackville, N. B.

Your Committee have much pleasure in noticing that the attendance at the Hall during the evenings of the lectures has been very gratifying—a marked improvement on last season. Your Committee have also to state that they have secured the services of four other gentlemen who have kindly consented to lecture during the present season.

Your Committee would take this opportunity of cordially inviting and urging each member of the General Committee to take his seat on the platform during the time of the lectures.

D. HENRY STARR,  
*Chairman.*

#### BIBLE CLASS AND PRAYER MEETING.

THE Bible Class has been kept up during the past year on Saturday evening as usual. The Committee regret to find that during the year there has been a falling off in the average attendance from 39 last year