

## R. B. Wallace Is New Moderator

Baptist Convention Elects Officers for Coming Year  
Foreign Work Described

Rev. M. L. Orchard Tells of Work in India and of Need For Funds — Want 1,000 Students at Acadia

The vivid description of the Baptist missionary work in India and the plea for more funds with which to carry it on, which Rev. M. L. Orchard presented to his hearers at last evening's meeting of the Baptist Association was given in a very forceful and convincing manner which won for him an ovation from his audience. The meeting was opened, as all this year's meetings have been, with a devotional address from Rev. Dr. DeWolfe.

Rev. Mr. Orchard, who has been for some years a Baptist missionary in India, made a fine address on the missionary work in India and the scarcity of the men and the money in that field where almost unbelievable progress is being made under the hardest conditions that can be imagined. "The Canadian Baptist missionary field," said Mr. Orchard, "is situated along the coast of the Bay of Bengal and stretches back for miles until it reaches the hill country. This field is divided into twenty-four stations, each approximately twenty-five miles long by the same distance wide. One while missionary is supposed to take one station but there are only sixteen missionaries on the field and consequently the work suffers from lack of men. In this country, there are about five millions of inhabitants and the population is so thick that in a radius of four miles from any village, there are at least sixteen other villages. The people are an agricultural people and the painstaking in their nature makes them take such care of their crops that they get several times as much out of a piece of ground as do the farmers in our own country. But this doggedness of nature makes them the hardest to separate from their national and traditional religion. "But this field has been given to us, the Canadian Baptists, as our part of the non-Christian world, and we have accepted it as our part of the non-Christian world, to evangelize in this generation, and no other denomination will send a missionary or a dollar toward the evangelization of this country. That means that we are directly responsible for the bringing of these people to Jesus."

**Work of Missionary.**  
Mr. Orchard told of the manner in which the work is done and of the help which is afforded by the Indian preachers and teachers. He told just how a missionary goes on a tour of inspection to all the villages in his station, baptizes those who have become convinced of the truth of the gospel, preaches in the streets of the villages and looks into the manner in which the native preachers and teachers are doing their work. He also told how the native converts are taught so that they can again teach to their people, the gospel of Jesus. In that part of India there are twenty-four stations, forty college towns, 760 Indian workers, numbers of schools for boys and some even for girls, 245 teachers (native) and 7,000 pupils. There is also a Christian newspaper with 1,000 subscribers and that means that there are about 8,000 readers. There are five hospitals in which last year there were 40,000 patients treated. The only thing which are urgently needed are men and money. "In three years one church in India has sent to Flanders nearly forty-five men in the cause of Christ. In seven years the maritime provinces have sent one missionary to the field in India to the propagation of His gospel." Notwithstanding all the drawbacks which have beset the pathway, the Christian religion has spread wonderfully in India in the last ten years. In the Baptist field the Hindu religion has increased five per cent, and the Christian religion, in the same place and time has increased by 68.2-3 per cent. On the whole Indian mission field the Christian religion has increased 33 per cent, but the Baptist field has increased its converts by 66 per cent. The work is being hindered inordinately by lack of funds. The field requires \$100,000 a year to pay its helpers enough to live on. It only gets \$80,000. It is the duty of the Baptists of Canada to make up the deficit and give their missionaries a fair chance.

**On Acadia College.**  
When Mr. Orchard had finished his eloquent appeal for the heathen in India, Dr. G. B. Cutten of Wolfville College, spoke on "Education and the five year programme."

"Education," said Dr. Cutten, "is the fundamental part of Christian work, for without it there would be no home missions and no foreign missions." The educational part of the five year programme, he said, may be divided into three divisions. The first is raising the number of students at Acadia College to 1,000; the second is having every year forty young men in the college studying for the Baptist ministry, that is, ten in each class; and the third is having good strong spiritual men in the Baptist ministry of the maritime provinces.

Dr. Cutten remarked that Acadia College has the equipment, faculty and the grounds to take care of 1,000 students at a time and there is no reason why there should not be that number at the college all the time.

The report of the enrollment committee was presented by Rev. J. G. A. Belyea and showed that there had been 124 present at the meetings of the association. They were fifty-eight ministers, sixty-one delegates and five visitors.

Rev. W. G. Brooker moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the pastor of Charlotte street Baptist church, to his congregation, who made the stay in the city so agreeable to the delegates, to the choir and all those who took part in the entertainment of the visitors. The motion was seconded by Rev. D. Hutchinson, with the addition that the vote of thanks be also extended to Rev. Dr. H. T. DeWolfe for the excellent addresses which he has given to the meetings on devotional subjects. The motion and its amendment was unanimously carried by the meeting, and was answered to by D. C. Clark. A collection of over \$60 was made from those present in aid of a Baptist clergyman who has retired and has suffered a paralytic stroke. The last session of the convention was closed by the singing of the hymn "The Lord's Prayer."

and the national anthem, followed by a closing prayer by Rev. Dr. H. T. DeWolfe.

**Afternoon Session.**

The addresses given by the three speakers, Mrs. Taylor, Rev. E. H. Hayward and Rev. I. W. Williamson, were the features of the meeting of the Baptist Association in Charlotte street Baptist church yesterday afternoon. The meeting was opened by a devotional address by Rev. Dr. DeWolfe, in which he dealt with a subject taken from the Lord's Prayer. The subject was "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread." This address was one of the series of such addresses which Dr. DeWolfe has been giving all through the associational meetings and have been a source of inspiration to his audiences. After Dr. DeWolfe's address the election of officers took place and the results were as follows: Moderator, R. B. Wallace; vice-moderator, E. H. Cochran; secretary, J. G. A. Belyea; assistant secretary, J. E. Gosselin; corresponding secretary, R. J. Colpitts; treasurer, James Patterson; and auditor, A. A. Wilson. Additional members were elected to the executive committee who will retire in 1920. They are: Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, Rev. F. L. Atherton, Rev. D. C. Clark and Rev. H. R. Boyer. Dr. J. W. Brown, D. D., presented the report of the letters committee, after which the new moderator was welcomed to the chair by Rev. J. G. A. Belyea, the retiring moderator. R. B. Wallace, the new moderator, replied briefly to the welcome extended to him by his predecessor.

The report of the Sunday school board was presented by Rev. Dr. Brown and was adopted by motion. Mrs. Taylor then delivered a very interesting and instructive address on training teachers for the future and the use and advantage of graded lessons. Rev. L. A. Buckley, who was to have given the address on "A Practical Programme for the Teen Age," was unable to be present and the address was delivered by Rev. P. E. Hayward. A programme for the B. Y. P. U. was the subject on which Rev. I. W. Williamson spoke and all his remarks were seconded heartily by his hearers. The meeting was closed with the singing of a hymn and a prayer.

The committee from the municipal council appointed to deal with the matter yesterday afternoon adopted the plans presented by the military hospitals commission for the building of a wing to the St. John County Hospital to accommodate forty patients, also a home for the nurses, and also to make necessary alterations in the present building to bring it and the wing under one economic administrative head. An agreement was drawn up by J. King Kelley, county secretary, representing the municipality, and J. D. P. Lewin the commission, and it is stated, construction will be proceeded with.

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