

MINUTES
OF THE
TENTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY,

Held at Cape Sable Island, Sept. 1877.

Meeting called to order by the President, Rev. F. Babcock.

After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. Downey.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

After reading Constitution, the Secretary's Report was called for and read.

The Report of the Committee on Education was read by Rev. Mr. Loudon.

Resolved, That the Report of the Secretary, and the Report of the Committee on Education, be adopted and engrossed in the Minutes.

Speeches were then made by Revs. D. Oram, J. F. Smith, Joseph McLeod and G. W. McDonald.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Education be referred to the Conference for discussion and adoption.

Collection was then taken, amounting to the sum of sixteen dollars and sixty-four cents (\$16.64).

WM. M. KNOLLIN, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

CLARK'S HARBOR, Sept. 15, 1877.

As during the ages under God's dispensations, the means used for the extension of knowledge of truth have been found to be various, and that at different times prophets, workers of wonders and apostles, have been appropriate in God's hands for the carrying out of his purposes, we are led to believe that in these later days, besides the direct light of God's word which we have, that it is incumbent upon us to have such adaptation of means to the ends sought, as shall be most conducive to that end. Such is the case in the work of the ministry.

On our new continent rapid changes have taken place, more culture and taste are evident on every hand, and the adversaries of souls are not slow to bring science (falsely so called) to oppose a belief in God's word. Hence we believe, not that culture takes the place of spiritual, but that we add to our faith knowledge, that the minister of Christ, to be all things to all men, must be most comprehensive in his own attainments, and that it is the duty of the Church to encourage education, and to do so earnestly. We believe the principle heretofore adopted of encouraging young men by financial help in pursuing college

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