

Convention Notice.

The Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces will hold its fifty-sixth annual meeting in the First Baptist Church of Moncton, opening on Saturday, the 24th of August, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Notices are now being mailed to the Clerks of all the churches, with blanks for credentials of delegates, to be returned to me before August 17th. Persons desirous of securing entertainment from the Moncton church must send their names to J. J. Wallace, Esq., Moncton. The credential sent to me does not secure this.

HERBERT C. CREED,
Secretary of Convention.

Fredericton, July 19.

Travelling Arrangement for Baptist Convention to be held in Moncton.

The following Railway and Steamboat Lines will carry delegates to the Baptist Convention to be held at Moncton, N. B., from 23 to 28 August, 1901, at one first class fare to be paid going and will be returned free on presentation of certificate of attendance signed by the Secretary of the Convention to the ticket agent or purser.

Star Line, S. S. Co., Central Railway Co. of N. B., Moncton and Buctouche and St. Martins, Upham Ry., S. S. John L. Cann, N. B., and P. E. I. Railway Co., Canada Coals & Railway Co., Ltd.

The Canada Eastern Railway will grant single fare for round trip tickets to delegates. Some will be sold on August 22nd to 26th and will be good to return up to August 30th.

The Charlottetown Steam Navigation Co., will give certificates for return which will require to be signed by some officer of the Convention to be valid.

The Intercolonial, Canadian Pacific, P. E. Island, Dominion Atlantic, Harvey and Salisbury and Central Railway, Ltd., of Nova Scotia, also Steamer Prince Rupert, Halifax and Yarmouth Line will provide standard certificates to delegates at starting station, which, when properly filled up and signed by the Secretary of the Convention will be accepted by the ticket agent at Moncton for a return ticket. Delegates will be careful to secure their certificates when purchasing ticket.

The Cumberland Railway & Coal Company will issue return tickets from all stations on the Company's line (except Springhill) to Springhill Junction at first-class one way fare, good from August 20 to 31. Delegates will require to present certificates from clerk or pastor of their church to procure tickets.

Purchase your ticket through to Moncton at starting station whenever possible so as to avoid procuring more than one certificate and reticketing at Junction Stations. Certificates for all lines good until 31st August, with the exception of the Canada Eastern which are only good till the 30th.

A. H. JONES }
A. E. GROSS } Committee.

Moncton, July 17, 1901.

The Convention.

Will the delegates to the Convention send their names to the undersigned before the 10th August in order that homes may be provided for them. For those who desire to be accommodated at the hotels or boarding houses at their own expense special rates will be arranged. Delegates to the B. Y. P. U. should also be delegates to the Convention to ensure entertainment. The church proposes to entertain only delegates.

J. J. WALLACE, For Committee,
Moncton, N. B., July 15.

The eighth annual session of the New Brunswick Baptist Convention will open at Hartland, Carleton County, on Friday, Sept. 13th, at 10 a. m. The Sunday School Convention will hold its sessions on Thursday preceding the regular meeting of Convention. The Baptist Annuity Association meets with the same body on Saturday at 3 p. m. The churches and Sabbath schools are requested to appoint delegates, so that a full attendance may be assured. Travelling arrangements will be announced later.

W. E. MCINTYRE, Sec'y.

Religious News.

ALBERT MINES, N. B. On July 14th inst., I baptized two sisters and received them into the church. Our congregations are good.

MILTON ADDISON.

Surrey, N. B., July 26th.

GIBSON AND MARVSVILLE. Since my last communication the Lord has blessed our work. The interest in the various departments is well sustained. The ordinance of baptism was administered last Sabbath evening. More to follow.

W. R. ROBINSON.

Lord's day, July 14th, was a 2ND ST. MARTINS very enjoyable and profitable one, being our annual roll call. Our much esteemed pastor, Rev. R. M. Bynon, had the privilege of baptizing and receiving to church fellowship two willing candidates, both men of mature years, John A. Robinson of Fairfield, and George McKay of Shanklin, also Mrs. John A. Robinson by letter. May we remember and act upon the promise that "we shall reap it we faint not."

CHURCH CLERK.

The thirtieth session of the HILLSDALE, N. B. Baptist Sunday School Convention of the parishes of Hammond and Upham met at Hillsdale Baptist church, July 20th, at 2.30 p. m. Pastor D. J. Neily conducted a devotional service. The Holy Spirit was present and remained through every session. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Pastor R. M. Bynon; 1st Vice-President, Francis Tabor; 2nd Vice-President, William Patterson; Secretary, Celia Steeves; Assistant Secretary, Clara Ferguson; Treasurer, Ethel Smith. Some subjects, relative to Sunday School work, such as "How a Teacher Should Teach," were discussed. "Should we Adopt 'Decision Day'?" was opened for discussion. Our Convention, with a unanimous voice, asserted its influence was evil, only, always, ever. Pastor and delegates were of one mind. It had not a friend in the Convention. The evening session was given to temperance and missions. The former was very ably represented by Bro. Patterson, the latter by Pastor Neily. On Sunday morning a model Sunday School was conducted by Bros. Bynon, Howe and Patterson. A Sunday School programme by Hillsdale and an essay by Sister May Floyd largely constituted a good and profitable morning session. The afternoon session was opened by devotional service, conducted by Bro. Herbert Baird. Music and recitations by Fairfield Sunday School were well and appropriately rendered, followed by a church roll call and an able sermon by Pastor Bynon. Evening session opened with social service led by Sister May Floyd. Essays were given by Julia Sherwood on "Missions," Hannah Floyd on "The Mission of the Church," and Celia Steeves on "Baptist Sunday School Convention and Baptist Church Covenant." Pastor Bynon taught a benedical normal lesson on "Types of the Tabernacle." A vote of thanks was tendered to visitors and delegates. The Convention was well attended, interesting, instructive, harmonious and spiritual.

CELIA A. STEEVES, Sec'y.

Rev. Ira Smith closed his labors with the Leinster St. church of St. John on Sunday last, and will go this week to Ottawa, where he will at once enter upon his duties as pastor of the McPhail Memorial church. Bro. Smith has not been long with us in the East, but we are sure that there is very general regret at his leaving us. He is held in high respect as an able and devoted minister of the New Testament, and he is one of those men whom to know is to love. The family will remain here for some weeks, until the heat of the summer is past.

We commenced special meetings at this place July 1st assisted by Evangelist Marble and Bro. Hayward. The Lord is wonderfully blessing us. Sabbath morning, July 7th, five happy disciples were buried with Christ in baptism and two more last Sabbath. The work is

still going on and we trust that many more shall seek an interest in Christ's kingdom. Brethren pray for us.

D. F. MILLIN.

I have resigned the pastoral charge of the Hampton Village and Norton churches to take effect Oct. 1st. Any prospective pastors wishing to visit the field will be cordially greeted and assisted to the best of my ability that the work may continue without interruption. The importance of an immediate settlement will be seen when we remember that the fall and winter months afford the best opportunity for effective work. N. A. MACNEILL.
Hampton, July 15th, '01.

NORTON.

The centennial meetings held in connection with the Norton church Tuesday following the closing exercises of N. B. Southern Association were highly successful. A historical sketch of the church for the past century prepared by the pastor was read in the afternoon followed by reminiscences by the older members of the denomination present. In the evening a public meeting was held, addressed by Rev. H. F. Waring, of Brussels Street, subject: "The Twentieth Century Testament;" and Rev. Geo. Howard, a former pastor of the church, subject: "The Baptists of N. B. during the past fifty years." The proceedings on the whole were exceedingly interesting and profitable.

N. A. MACNEILL.
Hampton, July 16, '01.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B.

Nature has done much for the little point of land upon which this quaint old town is built; but the people upon the whole are not as enterprising as their intelligence and talents enable them to be. They have got into certain grooves and seem content to remain in them. There is not business enough in the place to call out and develop the energies and gifts of the people. There are excellent schools in the town, and when young men and women pass through them they are obliged in a majority of cases to go to other places to secure positions, for which they are qualified. The morals of the town are good, and a very fair percentage of the citizens attend church regularly. The Baptist congregation compares favorably with any other in the place. The interest in all our services is of an encouraging nature. The Baptist church here has in the past had a disheartening experience, and there are some of our good neighbors who are just a little surprised that we are able to hold regular services, even now. The people of other congregations are quite friendly and show no open hostility, but to those who have eyes and ears to hear and see it, there is an undercurrent, discernible of, shall I say, opposition. I hope the word is not too strong. I will say this much, however, there are some of our neighbors who have no use for Baptist principles, but they tolerate us, and that is all we ask.

CALVIN CURRIE.

In a recent communication Bro. Ervine, who is now at Ferth Centre, Victoria Co., writes: "For about six weeks I was on the mend quite rapidly. But another back set has followed. A little cold, some unusual exercise, several attempts to preach, and then another hemorrhage, until I begin to think I shall have to abandon the hope of ever taking up the work of the ministry again. It seems like tearing my life out of me to think I may never be able to tell the old, old story to my fellow men as in the past. I never saw greater need of work and for workers than now. The state of God's cause so low as it is, while many have apparently lost their love for souls, calls for deep humiliation, and then alas, the world is full of blind leaders of the blind. The doctrine of baptismal regeneration, the teaching of grace conferred through sacraments, the laying on of hands, final deliverance to the baptized through future probationary preparation, and of a purgatorial purification, all this is doing its damning work to an alarming extent through this upper region. And these doctrines proclaimed by professed protestants! Oh, how I do want to live to get strong enough