

The Report of Albert Gayton, M. P. P., delegate to the Maritime Convention, was read as follows:

*To the Officers and Members of the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia.*

DEAR BRETHREN—It becomes my duty to report to you briefly as your delegate to the Sabbath School Convention of the Maritime Provinces, convened at St. John in September last.

It was my privilege to attend this Convention, to represent as best I could the Sabbath School work of our Denomination, and assist those assembled in the promotion of this good work.

There was a very good attendance of delegates from the three Provinces. New Brunswick, as would be expected, was the most largely represented. There were large delegations from Halifax and Yarmouth. The Hon. Judge Young was present from Prince Edward Island, and took an active part in the work from day to day. From abroad we had the presence and able services of the Rev. Mr. Parsons of Boston, and the Rev. Mr. Wood of Toronto. Bro. Parsons is the popular Bible reader, and it afforded us great pleasure to meet him and make his acquaintance. He conducted readings in Yarmouth and St. John, at which we were present.

The Convention was in session three days, viz.: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Three meetings were held each day. A number of valuable papers were read on important subjects in connection with Sabbath School work, and discussed at considerable length.

This Annual Convention meeting was considered to be a successful one, and was the means of promoting much interest and zeal in this department of Christian labor.

It is certainly encouraging and inspiring when we see Judges from the bench, lawyers from the bar, merchants from the office, farmers from the plough, and others coming up from all parts of the land, with clergymen from their pastorates and pulpits, to devise more successful means to make the young and rising generation the triumphs of that memorable tragedy on Calvary. The kingdoms of this world shall certainly become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

On Sabbath one of the largest Churches in St. John was filled with the children of the various schools of the City, and addressed by the Revs. Messrs. Parsons and Wood. There were more Sabbath School children together than we ever saw before. This was to our Convention the great day of the feast.

The question no doubt will arise, "Will it be proper to continue this delegation?" Our own opinion, after some consideration, is that we should, whenever we can find some brother who will serve us in that capacity. The principal consideration is the expense. The Convention this year meets in Prince Edward Island.

Hoping that your Sabbath School work in connection with your Conference will be interesting and profitable and to God's glory,

I am yours in Christian fellowship,

ALBERT GAYTON.

Lower Argyle, September, 1876.

Voted that the thanks of this Convention and Conference are due, and hereby tendered to Bro. Gayton for his services as delegate.

Recitation by Stella Horne—"Over There."