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THE CONVENTION.

In the course of one snonth, the Conven-ion will again ascemble. The annual gathering of the Baptist host of the Marisime Provinces is always of great interest and importance. A good, magnetic and esthesiatic Convention is like a strong heart beat which quickers the life of our whole hody, while a lireless and dul mession is most depresenting. Great care should therefore he taken to make our donnal gathering as inspiring as possible.

To do this there must be consthing more than attention to dry business details. Very often the whole of the life is wrung out of assisses by ao exil faculty which brethres have to discuss tridles. If call such matters were referred to committees, and the attength of the sublic gatherings be given to the discussion of principles, to the marshalling of facts is the most effective way, and is the consideration of questions the broadest and most vital to the progress of our work, our Conventions would be mastly more profitable.

# In the anniverenzies of our body in Eng-land and the United States, great care is alson to secure the best talent of the demonsionation for the platform meetings, heir subjects are given them. They are thus is a pointien to give addresses which us pointed and filled with their best hought. These platform meetings are sufficiently a smouth the great are are pointed and filled with their basis thought. These platform meetings are anticipated as among the great events of the year, and the masterful addresses are heard with performed attention, and often make a deep and lasting impression. We with the same windom were exercised among us. Our platform meetings have often been fail of impiration, but at other times their show struck a low layed. What We ever exercised autorm meetings have rull of inspiration, but at other meetings have struck a low-level. What else could have been expected 7 The bissines who ecceptient the rootrum had been notified, for the first time, when they p had heard their names read out when the point at the close of the previous session, the start broad general question of the evening, the broad general question of the evening, it is promittee works, As-ber up a first the

on committee work, Acc., in which to alker up a few thoughts from the surface the broad general topic. This is as against to be bereitren called upos at such dimdvantage to speak, as it is to the addrace and the great interest to receive testion. Why should not our various name arrange, each, for the platform ering to the interest of the object under ering to the interest of the object under erio oversight, select the topics most ggnetics of timely thought, and noily uthere at least a week beforehand— ther a month—who are to discuss there? this way, our platform meeting would In this way, our platform meetings would soon become events of no ordinary interest and profit.

This much is general. But there are some special features which make our Convention gathering this year proutint is character and interest. Lie to be held in Charlotteivon. This is the first reasons on P. E. Island. Our turdy brethren on this garden isle will, no douts, be out in forces. They hope it may terlp to give Bagtists a higher standing there in the symmetric than our elves. This may stronger there than our elves. This must house these our elves. This must of other decomination that ger there; than our elves. To is e reason why it's desirable that a good rally of our forces there, are other and more weighty ones

This promises to be one of the most important convections held for a long time. The Jubiles effort for our college, which has just been begün, it is hoped will receive a great impuse. The rup rt of the com-mittee appointed to confer with our Free mittee appointed to confer with our Free Baptist brethren as to a basis of union, and the Basis to be submitted, will call for the e Basis to be submitted, will call for the set careful, deliberate and prayerin tion. Doublese, also, that question or or denominational funnaces, which in astancy turnsing up, will need further material the set of the set of the set me requiring attention. It is of greas moment that?our gathering be a large any presentative one. There will be much and of the set of th neibility to share, much need of the mature wisdom, of the guidance from

This leads us to another matter. If will the utterly impossible to crowd all that seels to be done, into the small space of inree days. This hurry and rush are the ane of our denominational meetings, committee and other work of the most committee and other work of the most committee the lightning express, on inertiand time. There is no provision for perial exigencies. Our Methodist and

whyterian friends, in their anniversa se to size until the business is done more than the substance is a done were is hante. This Convention a true longer in session, if the busis e done receive acything like adequ-tion. Will not all the brether dones to stay until the business t, and done well 7 It is the Mate T, and should not be slighted."

The Baptist Missionary Magazine has come to hand, containing the report of the annivervary of the American Baptist Mis-sion Union at Minnespolis. From the reports on the vanious missions, we make some gleanings.

## THE EUROPEAN'M have been very successful. The report on

<sup>11</sup> B theorem a memory of the second se Under date, Feb. 15, 1887, he writes from Wass to the chairman of this committee, that he had journeyed to the borders of Russia, and that many of the Finns had gladly received the Word. In a city called Kaopio the cohveris were unwilling to wait for the returns of summer to be bap-tized, but had a rude baptistry construc-ed in which they received the ordinance, and afterwards they were organized into a church."

## THE REPORT ON THE CHINESE MISS

THE REPORT OF THE ORIVERE MIRSION is an able one. Among the reasons why China is to be the strategic position, it gives this "The Chinese are the Yankees of the East, on the alert, with the supreme ense of mastery at home, and of incrnas-ing aggressiveness abroad. They are traversing and colohising all lands, and yet evermore returning, like bees to a hive, to the mother country, laden with the values of the earth. They are as certain to out-strip the slower and more inert Asiatio mained, estably to finally dominate them, as the United States is to dominate America." "Its REFORT ON JAPAN

discovered country of the Redeemer of mankind. "We are not unmindful of difficulties which have yet to be encountered and covercoms. Possibly we must make allow ance for the ardient and enthusiastic temperament of the natives, and so prepare ourselves for a seaso of decline and den appointment which may come. The arostolic endurance, however, of the con-verts to Christianity in other parts of Afri-ca which the last fw years, encourage ua to believe, that, even in the face with the last for reach diacovered coustry of the Redeemer of inankind. "We are not unmindful of diffoulties which have yet to be encountered and overcome. Possibly we must make allow ane for the arient and enthusiantic imperaments of the naïve, and so prepare ourselves for a season of decline and dis appointment which may come. The appointment which may come to be a status the last faw years, encourage an to believe, that, even in the face of presoution, suffering, and death, our westhere will be found faithful. Undouble dfy there is serious reason for anticipating what the aggressions of Mohammedanism will not long spare this promising land; and our missionaries, wilk whom to-day we rejoice will hem need, more than ever, the samerance of our interest, our assistance, and our prayers."

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Another point which especially needs are not strong in Oharlottetown. The besthree make no pidogestaat all elegates to the Convention will be contained failthful. Undoubled that the agreenations, and failthful. Undoubled that the agreenations will be received agreen will be contained failthful. Undoubled that the agreenations will be the strong of Mohammedanism to be set when so the delagate that the agreenations will be submissed the observation will be submissed the observation will be the strong of Mohammedanism to the delagate that the agreenations of Mohammedanism to the submissed the observation will be the strong of Mohammedanism to the submissed the submissed the strong of Mohammedanism to the submissed the submissed the strong of Mohammedanism to the submissed the submissed the strong of Mohammedanism to the submissed the submissed the strong of Mohammedanism to the submissed the submissed the submissed the strong of Mohammedanism to the submission of the submission on whose the submission on the submission of the submission

as God's own institution, to carry torward missions, as well as all things else pertaining to his hingdom? When all throw all their interest into the church and eack to make her whis the should be, instead of drawing off the most of the scal into outide organizations, there will be a great advance. The committee make the following suggestions which, we hope, our readers will poder: "The goopel rule is for 'every one,' not the rich and the well-to-do alone, but all. Upon the first day of the weak let every one of you' lay by him in 'store'. Before this can be stained, our pastors must awake to their responsibilities to an extent very far in drance of present attainments. They must realize that they are alike to teach their people the duty of using their wealth for the cause of God, and of setting them an example. This kind of instruc-tions of the sanctuary just at at ruly as that men should be led to pray or to lead incumpent lives. It is gravily to be fared that many pastors are ready to teach their people to prays and praise the word of God. Wato the just in giving also. That a pastor may do this work well, he must himself study the claims of a periahing world. He must keep himself (ully informed in regard to our mission work, alike at home and abroad; and this information be should give to his people with painstaking care and fidelity. He should amin be first the most himself study the claims of a periahing world. He must keep himself (ully informed in regard to our mission work, alike at home and abroad; and this information give them a clear under-standing of our mission work; should lay before them the facts, and present the motives that should lags them to induce his people to give under the impulse of a powerful appeal, but to give from pinciple, with a full knowledge of the claims of the cance upon them. With wo he sits an only adopt some pina to reach all his people, -the rich and he poor, the old as the young. Let this be done and ance we may "it is on dawn upon our foreign missionary work."

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time immemorial, they are now seeking with an almost despairing hope to reach 'the land of the free' acrose the British boundaries in Alasks. "A considerable sum is yet needed to transport these unhapy natives to their devoutly wished for abode of refuge." We adopt the following strong utterances from our esteemed contemporary, the Can-adian Reptist: "The store is one which will us foll

from our essential contemporary, use con-adian Baytist: "The story is one which will, we feal ure, make the same of every true Canadian who hears it, to tingle with shame and indiganton.""But can it be true ? We cannot bring ourselves to believe it. There must surp-ly be some unitates, some horribid elision. But the matter cannot be left to rest where its, nutil the lale is covered out of mind by zome other will-coming excitament. The Canadian Government, and Sir John A. Macdonald in his two-fold responsibility as premier and as superimedent of thalian affairs, owe it to themselves, to the fair fame of our country, and to the Christian popple of Canada, to esarch out and make nown the bottom fints at the earliest possible moment. If any interested parties have wronght deception and brought about this great wrong, punishment abould be wift, and reparation be swifter." We may add that the missionary society

We may add that the missionary society that can even connive at action of the kind referred to above, need to be made the remered to above, need to be made the object of missionary labor, to issolt the first rudiments of the gospel. This sotion shows that the old persecuting spirit still possesses thems, and is ready to break forth when it is supposed it can do so with impunity.

## RASTERN N. B. BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The Eastern Baptist Association of New Brunswick met with the First Elgin ohurch on Saturday last et 2 p. m. Elgin is a beautiful place nestling among the fills of Albert Country. In common with all this origin is the labors of Father Jos. Orasdall, whose memory is enahrined in the hearts of the older people of Westmorland and Albert, as well as graven on the history of our body. Loving reference was made to him by Dr. Hopper, in the conference which preceded the work of the Association.

but notify . Loving Peterance was made to him by Dr. Hopper, in the conference which preceded the work of the Association. When the time came for organization, the following officers were appointed : Bro, W. B. Hinson, Moderator. " F. M. Young, Clerk. " W. C. Vincest, Asst. do. Dea. Goddard, Treas. Bro, M. Groes, Asst. do. Dea. Goddard, Treas. Bro, M. Groes, Asst. do. Ouite a number of churches have had a large blessing the last associational year. Point Midgic has had 54 added by baptism, New Canasa 26, First Moneton 25, First Hillaboro 23, Salisbury 22, Campbellon 20, Dornhester 19, Backville 17, Alma and 2nd Elgin 14 each. 2nd Harvey 13, New Horton 10. The evening session was devoted to missions. The speakers were Brethres Goodspeed, Cohoon, Swaffield and Hinson. The attendance was good and the addresses were listened to with great attention. Bro. Cohoon insisted, especially, upon the need of a batter groups arranged and not break them up. Bro. Sinson took up some of the verse verified to with great attention. Bro. Cohoon insisted, especially, upon the need of a batter grouping of some of the churches in the Association, and that pastors would respect the groups arranged and not break them up. Bro. Sinson took up some of the objections to missions, and insisted the were required to cagage in this work you the of the command of Christ alone, even though no success might attend the vork. Sabbath was a high day. Six sermons were prechaded in the two houses of worship, and brethren went to all the settlements around, and preached the heissed gapel. At the Baptist church in Elgin, Bro. Hall preached the Associational sermon in the morning. It was an earnest plea for greater oare in the work of the Master, septients Hinson and Hopper preached in broth

Bro. M. Gross believed that we should have the pledge in the Sunday schools, He gave an interesting absolut of the progress of temperana principles in Albert, and urged all to support temperance-commutations.

and urged all to support temperance-organizations. Denominational literature received attan-tion the remainder of the session. The edi tor of Massucons any Drarron, presented its claims, and was followed by brethren Kanpp, Hall, Young, Miles, MoDonald, and dectors Bawyer and Hopper. All presed home the need of religious reading, and especially that our own paper be in all our families. The discussion was listened to with great interest by the people, and quite a number of new subscribers were ob-tainet.

expèlling German employees from Russian manifactories. The Porte has at last refused to ratify the convention with England, and special commissioner Wolfe has left Genetantino-ple. This is the strongest mark of dis-plesaure short of a declaration of war. Herr Kruup, the famous cannon manu-facturer of Besen, is declaration, and had amassed a large fortune. He began with a single factory, left by his father. There is a runcor that the Pope desires to mediate butween France and Germany. He proposes that Germany yield Alsace Lorraise to the French on condition that France give Germany their equivalent in colonial possessions.

Fornce give Germany their equivalent in colonial possessions. Dr. McGlynn has been formally excom-municated. He does not deserve much symmathy from protestants, except on the one point of refusal to be controlled by the Propognads at Rome. He has accepted the communistic theories of Mr. George and advocates the division of all property smong the people. The Mormons are attempting to get Utah admitted as a State. This would relieve them from the control of the federal government. Strange to asy, they offer to abandon polygamy to get state rights. It is supposed to be a subterfuge to get state rights, and to them nullify the provision that no lural marriages shall take place.

### Stray Notes-

July 20.

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but big "astina." Some insturalise any that only the famales will bits. If that interment is correct, they finate be nearly all famales, for 1 aver saw one that would not bits me. Bioddard's, the sumal stopping place on this road, is worthy of rymark. Not many years ago us I was informed, this farm was an unbroken forest. Now it onts farm was an unbroken forest. Now it in farm one of hay, and it has a stock of 17 milch cows and many other catle. If our young men would take up and culti-

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After the exercises of the Island Associa-tion had closed, a few of us who tarried dur-ing a part of the ext day wished to visit the north abore of the Island, which is washed by the Gulf of St. Lawrence. A most besutiful beach stretches from New Lon-don Bay for about five miles. The sands, clean and five, are piled up in great ridges. Here I. J. Skinner, Edward Whitman, J. C. Spurr, Geo. Warren, of Summerside, and the writer, disrobed, and then planged with gies into the rough waters as the with glee into the rough waters as the flowing tide was coming in. And here we nowing the was coming in. And nere we rear neces, while the more noisy of the party vociferated as if the loud sea were speaking within them. This was an unbending of the bow. Of some of our party and old father time we might use the language of Oliver Wendall Holmes :

"How he loves as I he pats our heads, And lo I they are gleaming with silver threads."

Of others, in conn might be said :

"And he's constantly begging a lock of our hair, Till our shining crowns have nothing to wear."

wear." And yet the mind was so young that we thought ourselves boys once more. Ah, me! How time changes everything, but we shall be beyoad his power by and by. There will be no gray hairs in eteroity, and weakness, decreptude and decay will be nuknown. As I had visited a mod mean almost decay.

weakness, decrepitude and decay will be unknown. As I had visited a good many places on the Island, I decided to spead several days on the Alberton field, where I had not been. Bro. Whitman was to join me there, and we agreed to give the people four eer-mons apice. But our plasm were frametrated. The great fire in Charlotterown, which destroyed the tower of the Baptics church, kept him as home. And when at Sam-metride a telegram called me home on importast denominational bunness. I left an early as oposible. At St. Jonn I met important denominational business. I left as early as possible. At St. Juin I met Rev. J. A. Gordon, who had just returned from Boston, whither he had gone for the beuefit of his health. He is somewhat inprover, but a persassent benefit can cartely be obtained without a longer relaxation from labor and care. Individuals and chorches will chose use Conversion and without and the start of the second second

our Convention year. Will any or e conser to have his contributions to this fund less to have his contributions to this find less than they were last year? Now is the it to make a vigorous-fifth all along the line. Some of the Boards have been complied to overfraw their pecounts. There must be a large inflow of fund-tivewent this date and the tenth of August, r a large debt will burden us again. Men of 1-rate, help 1 fielp now, and to the extent of your ability. G. E. Day, July 18.

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