

V.—The Convention shall meet annually, at such place as shall be agreed on by the body, and shall commence its sessions on the first Saturday after the 18th of August, at ten o'clock, a. m.

A special meeting of the Convention may be called at any time by the President, on a requisition signed by the Officers of the Convention and the Secretaries of the three Boards, viz. : of Governors of Acadia College, of Foreign Missions, and of Home Missions, in the Convention.

VI.—There shall be a Board of Home Missions and a Board of Foreign Missions, appointed by the Convention, each consisting of fifteen members of the body, five of whom shall retire each year in the order of their appointment, but shall be eligible for re-appointment. It shall be the privilege of the staff of Foreign Missionaries to appoint annually one of their number who may be at home on furlough to be a member of the Foreign Missionary Board, in addition to the number of members appointed by Convention. Five members shall form a quorum of each Board. In case of the resignation, death or removal of members of the Foreign Missionary Board, between the meetings of Convention, it shall be the privilege of the Board to fill the vacancies thus caused until the next meeting of Convention.

VII.—The Convention shall, once in three years, appoint six new members of the Board of Governors of Acadia College, in place of six who will then go out of office, in rotation, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Convention in September, 1850, and with the Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, 14 Vic., Cap. 37.

VIII.—The Convention shall also appoint a Ministerial Education Board; and a Board for the management of a Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund, each of which Boards shall consist of nine members of the Convention, three of whom shall retire annually, in the order of their appointment, but shall be eligible for re-appointment. Three members shall form a quorum for each Board.

IX.—Vacancies occurring in the Secretaryship, or in any of the foregoing Boards, may be filled by the Convention at any Session.

X.—This Constitution shall not be altered or amended except by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any meeting; written notice of the proposed alteration or amendment having been given at the last preceding annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every sitting shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Persons invited to a seat may speak on all subjects under debate, but vote on none.
3. No person shall speak oftener than twice on any motion, unless by permission of the body.
4. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the Minutes, except so ordered at the time.
5. The government of the body, and the regulations of its proceedings, shall be strictly in accordance with parliamentary usage, so called.
6. Immediately after the opening of the Convention, these rules shall be distinctly read from the chair.