

The action taken on this communication may be found in the following resolution: "*Whereas*, according to the Amended Charter of the Toronto Baptist College, this Convention has been officially requested to appoint a certain number of members to the Senate of that institution; and, *whereas*, this institution has recently become affiliated with the State University of Ontario, the nature and tendencies of which affiliation are not now clearly understood by the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces, and

*Whereas*, it is, in the opinion of this Convention, of prime importance that the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces shall continue to sustain friendly and intimate relations to the Toronto Baptist College,

Therefore, *Resolved*, that the appointment of these senators be deferred for the present; and that a Committee be appointed to confer with the trustees of the Toronto Baptist College, obtain all necessary information, and report to this Convention at its next Annual Session."

This resolution passed the Convention, and a Committee composed of the following names, found on the eighth page of the Year Book, was appointed:—Rev. E. M. Saunders, D.D.; Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D.D.; Hon. D. McN. Parker, D.C.L.; B. H. Eaton, M.A.Q.C."

In view of the foregoing facts, this Committee desires to express as fully as possible the sentiments of the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces, and to make such inquiries as will lead to a thorough understanding of the entire subject, and to the consummation of the union, so full of promise of good to the Baptists of Canada.

Our history, as a denomination, in the work of the higher education covers a period of nearly forty years. During this time various plans have been proposed and examined. Efforts have been made to merge all denominational colleges in a State University. It has also been proposed to have one college for all the sects, practically free from government control. The experience of the past has at times been of a very trying nature; but the Lord has led the denomination and crowned their labors with his blessing. It is now believed that the course pursued has preserved the highest interests of truth and righteousness. A definite policy has been adopted which is now firmly fixed in the public mind. Any project or combination, that might even seem to unsettle it, would be regarded with distrust by the people, and fail to receive their support. The purpose is to foster Denominational Academies and to support an Arts' College. In addition to this, it is believed that theological training on Canadian soil is best for Baptists of the Dominion. Therefore, in connection with Acadia, and its associate schools, provision has been made, as far as practicable for instruction in theology; but care has been taken not to interfere with the efficiency of the mental training in the Arts courses.

As we have not been able to maintain a fully equipped theological school, students, who wished an extended course, have been