

MINUTES

OF

Eastern Baptist Association.

ONSLow, N. S., July 11th, 1885.

The Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association assembled in its Thirty-fifth Annual Session at 10 o'clock, a. m., the Moderator, Rev. J. E. Goucher in the Chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator while the Secretaries prepared a list of delegates.

The following were chosen as the officers of the Association for this year.

Moderator,—Rev. P. S. McGregor, of New Glasgow.

Secretaries,—Revs. T. B. Layton and E. T. Miller.

Treasurer,—Wm. Cummings, Lic.

LIST OF DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

1. *Amherst*,—Revs. D. A. Steele, G. F. Miles, and Dea. James M. Layton.
2. *Acadia Mines*,—Rev. John Miles, Dea. J. D. Cook, Bros. F. H. Johnson, and J. P. McDonald.
3. *Antigonish*,—Rev. F. M. Young.
4. *Brookfield*,—Wm. C. Goucher, Lic., Bro. James King, and Andrew Durning.
5. *Cape Canso*,—Rev. James Scott, Dea. Harris Kirby, and Bro. Enos R. Goodwin.
6. *Centreville and Mount Pleasant*,—Rev. T. M. Munro.
7. *Diligent River*,—Bro. A. B. Smith, Lic., Bros. Thomas Bently, and James Howard.
8. *Great Village*,—Revs. John Miles, T. B. Layton, and Deas. Ezra Layton, and S. C. Layton.
9. *Greenville*,—Dea. D. H. Webb, Bros. Henry Hunter, and George Hunter.
10. *Hawkesbury*,—Bro. H. A. McLeod, Lic.
11. *Linden*,—Rev. T. M. Munro, and Bro. John M. Hunter.
12. *Lower Steviacke*,—Rev. E. T. Miller, Dea. J. H. Sutherland, Bros. R. N. Sibley, E. T. Sibley, Aaron Sibley, and J. E. Taylor.
13. *Lower Economy*,—Dea. Josiah Soley, and Bro. Cyrus McBurnie.

14. *Little River*,—Rev. T. M. Munro.
 15. *Macoon*,—Bro. C. Edwin Atkinson.
 16. *New Glasgow*,—Rev. P. S. McGregor.
 17. *New Annan*,—Bro. E. Lewis Gates, Lic., and Bro. Daniel Fields.
 18. *Onslow East*,—Rev. C. H. Martell, Dea. J. W. Lynds, Bros. Charles Douglas and James Clifford.
 19. *Onslow West*,—Rev. C. H. Martell, Samuel Miller, John C. Wilson, M. J. Staples, and Charles M. Dickson.
 20. *Oxford*,—Rev. T. M. Munro, and Bro. W. R. Slade.
 21. *Parraboro*,—Rev. F. Beattie, Dea. Samuel Spencer, and Bro. Hans Mills.
 22. *Portauipique*,—Dea. Jehiel Carr, Bros. T. D. Davison, and Somerville Fulton.
 23. *Pugwash*,—Bro. Angus McDonald.
 24. *Prince St. Truro*,—Rev. J. E. Goucher, Deas. Wm. Faulkner, C. Eaton, L. J. Walker, and Bro. Wm. Cummings, Lic.
 25. *River John*,—Rev. P. S. McGregor, and Dea. Nelson Sutherland.
 26. *Sydney*,—Rev. E. P. Coldwell.
 27. *Spring Hill*,—Bro. S. E. Miller, Lic.
 28. *St. Mary's, 2nd.*,—C. E. Baker, Lic.
 29. *Upper Londonderry*,—Deas. James McCully, and John Carter.
 30. *Williamsdale & Millvale*,—Bro. D. W. Dimock.
 31. *Wallace*,—Bro. David Higgins.
 32. *Westbrook*,—Bro. S. E. Miller, Lic.
- Delegate from the Central Association*,—Rev. J. W. Manning.
Delegate from the African Association,—Rev. A. W. Jordan.

The following Brethren were invited to seats in Association; Rev. D. M. Welton, D. D. of McMaster Hall, Toronto, Ont., T. H. Rand, A. M., D. C. L. and D. F. Higgins, A. M., D. C. L., of Acadia College, Rev. C. Goodspeed, Editor *Messenger and Visitor*, St. John, N. B. Revs. M. P. Freeman, Samuel Thompson, E. G. Sibley, Bro. E. Hubley, Rev. James A. McLean, of Hantsport, Rev. C. R. B. Dodge, also Rev. B. Sandford and wife.

Committees, were appointed as follows:

- Arrangements*,—Revs. C. H. Martell, P. S. McGregor, T. B. Layton, and John Miles, Bro. Albert Higgins, and Wm. Cummings, Lic.
- Education*,—Rev. J. E. Goucher, Dr. Welton, Dr. Rand, Rev. T. M. Munro, and Wm. Cummings, Lic.
- Circular Letter*,—Rev. M. P. Freeman, (in place of Rev. H. Bool, absent) Rev. G. F. Miles, S. E. Miller, Lic.
- Sabbath Schools*,—Rev. E. T. Miller, Brethren H. B. Smith, C. E. Baker, Wm. Cummings, Lic's. and Bro. A. A. McLeod.
- Missions*,—Revs. C. H. Martell, C. Goodspeed, and D. A. Steele.
- Denominational Literature*,—Revs. P. S. McGregor, E. P. Coldwell, F. M. Young, M. P. Freeman, and Bro. Hans Mills.
- Temperance*,—Revs. G. F. Miles, and F. Beattie, Bro. Thos. Bentley, and Dea. Josiah Soley.

Committee on Arrangements reported in part as follows:

1st. Recommending that the morning session open at 10 o'clock, and close at 12 noon: Afternoon session open at 2 o'clock, and close at 5 o'clock. Evening session open at 7½ o'clock, and close at the pleasure of the Association.

2nd. That there be a prayer meeting in the Vestry each morning at 9 o'clock.

3rd. That the reading of the Letters from the churches be immediately begun, and resumed in the afternoon Session, and continued till 3 o'clock, when the Report on Denominational Literature be received and discussed.

4th. That this evening Session be devoted to Missions. This report as a part was adopted.

The letter from the Onslow West Church was read.
On motion adjourned with prayer.

Saturday—Afternoon Session.

Opened with singing, and Prayer by C. E. Baker, Lic.

The Committee appointed to examine and read letters, were Dr. Welton, Rev. D. A. Steele, and Rev. G. F. Miles, one hour was spent in reading letters, after which Rev. M. P. Freeman read the report on Denominational Literature which was discussed by Revs. E. P. Coldwell, D. A. Steele, C. Goodspeed, Dr. Rand, Dr. Welton, Bro. Wm. Cummings, Lic., and Rev. G. F. Miles. The Report was then adopted. (See App. A.)

Committee on Arrangements reported in part recommending this Evening Session to be devoted to *Missions*. That Sabbath Services be as follows:

Central Onslow,—11 a. m., Rev. C. Goodspeed. 7 p. m. Rev. D. M. Welton, D. D.

Belmont,—11 a. m. Rev. P. S. McGregor. 7 p. m. Rev. D. A. Steele

Truro,—11 a. m. Rev. D. A. Steele. 7 p. m. Rev. C. Goodspeed.

Lower Village,—3 p. m. Rev. F. Beattie.

Central Onslow, Presbyterian,—11 a. m. Rev. T. M. Munro.

Belmont, Presbyterian,—3 p. m. Rev. G. F. Miles.

Coldstream, Presbyterian,—11 a. m. Rev. E. P. Coldwell.

North River,—11 a. m. Rev. John Miles.

Great Village,—3 p. m. Rev. E. G. Sibley.

East Mountain,—3 p. m. C. E. Baker, Lic.

Masstown,—3 p. m. Rev. P. S. McGregor.

Brookfield,—11 a. m. Rev. M. P. Freeman.

The Onslow Sabbath School to meet at 2½ o'clock p. m. Addresses to be delivered by Dr. Rand, Rev. T. M. Munro, E. L. Gates, Lic., Rev. John Miles, S. E. Miller, Lic. and Rev. J. A. McLean.

Rev. E. T. Miller to address the Railway men, at Truro, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Saturday—Evening Session.

Opened with prayer by Rev. F. Beattie.

The Committee on Missions reported through their Chairman, Rev. C. H. Martell.

Interesting addresses were delivered by Dr. Welton, Dr. Higgins, Rev. D. A. Steele, and Rev. C. Goodspeed. A good collection was taken for missions.

The report was adopted. (See App. B.)

Session closed with prayer, by Rev. C. H. Martell.

Monday—Morning Session.

Music by the choir, reading of Scripture and prayer by Rev. D. A. Steele. Annual Sermon preached by Rev. J. A. McLean of Hanteport, from I Peter II. 21. Subject: "Imitating the Imitable in the life of Christ." Prayer by Rev. John Miles.

On motion the order of business was suspended when Rev. R. Sandford returned Missionary, by invitation, gave a short but very interesting address, after which Rev. D. A. Steele, member of the Board of Foreign Missions gave a short address of welcome to Brother Sandford, commending his heroism and fidelity to the work. Rev. J. E. Goucher offered special prayer for these and all our missionaries, especially for Sister Wright, who when last heard from was very ill at Bimlipatam.

The Report on Sabbath Schools was next in order, and presented by the Chairman, Rev. E. T. Miller. Revs. M. P. Freeman, F. Beattie and James Scott, addressed the Association on this subject.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. James Scott.

Monday,—Afternoon Session.

Opened with singing, and prayer by Bro. H. B. Smith, Lic.

The discussion of the report on S. Schools resumed, by Rev. E. T. Miller, Rev. J. W. Manning, Dr. Welton, Dr. Rand, Bro. W. Cummings, Lic., Rev. R. Sanford, and Rev. G. F. Miles. Report adopted. (See App. C.)

Report on Temperance was read by Rev. G. F. Miles, and spoken to by Rev. F. Beattie, Rev. P. S. McGregor, Rev. C. Goodspeed and Bro. J. P. McDonald. Report adopted. (See App. D.)

The Committee on Circular Letter reported that having examined the same, recommend that it be read before this body as the Letter of the Association to the Churches. Report of Committee adopted and the letter read by Rev. T. B. Layton, as the writer Rev. C. H. Haverstock could not be present.

A Collection was taken for the Secretary which amounted to \$11.25 and gratefully received.

An appeal was made for assistance for Brethren, building a meeting House at Meagher's Grant, a collection and donations for the same was taken amounting to \$35.00 which was handed to Rev. E. T. Miller, the Pastor.

On motion the Rev. J. A. McLean, was requested to furnish a copy of his excellent Sermon for publication in the *Messenger and Visitor*. Also that the Circular Letter be printed in the same paper.

Session closed with prayer, by Rev. R. Sanford.

Monday—Evening Session.

Opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. M. P. Freeman.

On motion the order of business was suspended, Rev. J. W. Manning, addressed the Association in behalf of the Baptist Book and Tract Society of the Maritime Provinces. A collection was taken for the Colportage fund amounting to \$11.39.

The order of business was resumed, and Rev. J. E. Goucher, read the Report of Education, which was spoken to by Dr. D. F. Higgins, Dr. D. M. Welton, Dr. T. H. Rand.

The choir rendered several pieces of music. Report adopted. (See App. E.)

Session closed with prayer, by Rev. D. A. Steele.

Tuesday—Morning Session.

This Session opened at 9 o'clock, with singing, and prayer by Rev. E. T. Miller. Reading of the letters resumed and finished.

Resolved, that the Churches be requested to forward their letters to the Secretary, by the first of August, 1886, in order that he may prepare a list of Delegates, fill up statistical tables for Churches, and S. Schools, and thus be able to place these matters before the Association at its first Session, the Letters to be put in the hands of a Committee to examine, and read them.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to confer with a similar Committee to be appointed by other Associations to take into consideration the advisability of preparing articles of faith and covenant which may be adopted by all Churches in the Convention, said Committee to be empowered to bring the subject before the Convention to secure their endorsement, or report back to the Association as may be deemed best. The following are the Committee appointed: Revs. D. A. Steele, J. E. Goucher, F. M. Young, C. H. Martell, and G. F. Miles.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association, be tendered by the people of Onslow and vicinity for their kind hospitality.

Resolved, That the same be tendered to the Railway, and Steamboat authorities, who granted reduced fares to the Delegates attending this Association.

Resolved, That the Secretary prepare the Minutes of this Association for printing, leaving out the Circular Letter, and preparing a digest of the letters to be inserted in its stead, and 800 copies of the minutes be printed.

The final report of Committee of Arrangements was adopted, viz., That this Association hold its next session with the Baptist Church at Parrsboro.

That Rev. F. M. Young, preach the Association Sermon.

That Rev. John Miles, be his Alternate.

That Rev. E. P. Coldwell, write the Circular Letter.

That Rev. F. Beattie and the Secretary be the Committee of Arrangements to prepare for next Association.

Committee on Education,—Revs. D. A. Steele, and C. H. Martell.

Committee on Missions,—Revs. F. Beattie, and J. E. Goucher,

Committee on Sabbath Schools,—Rev. T. M. Munro, and Bro. Wm. Cummings, Lic.

Committee on Denominational Literature,—Rev. E. T. Miller, and Rev. C. H. Haverstock.

Committee on Temperance,—Rev. P. S. McGregor, and Rev. G. F. Miles.

Resolved, The time of meeting be changed from the second Saturday of July, to the second Friday of September.

The Treasurer presented his report which was adopted. (See Ap. F.)

He was directed to pay over the money not otherwise designated to the Treasurer of Convention fund, Rev. G. E. Day.

Resolved, That Dea. Josiah Soley, Bros. Hans Mills, Silas Clarke, C. B. Whidden, and Wm. Cummings, Lic., be delegates to Convention.

Session closed with singing, Doxology and prayer, by Rev. J. E. Goucher, to meet at FARRSBORO, the second Friday in Sept., 1886, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

P. S. MCGREGOR, *Moderator*.

T. B. LAYTON, }

E. T. MILLER, } *Secretaries*.

APPENDIX.

(A)

Report on Denominational Literature.

Your Committee beg to report :—

We have reasons to be greatly encouraged in this department of our work as far as the sources of supply are concerned. We have now one Book Room for the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces ; located in the City of Halifax. From this Depository all our families and Sunday Schools may be supplied with good Denominational Literature as cheaply as from any other source.

We would urge upon our Pastors and Sabbath School Superintendents the importance of having the families and Sabbath Schools under their care well supplied with literature teaching our distinctive principles, for it is too true that the supply of literature of this kind is very limited in many of them.

We would commend the Colporteurs employed by the Baptist Book and Tract Society to the sympathy and co-operation of the churches composing our Association.

We are glad to report that during the past year our denominational newspapers have been united. We are not unmindful of the work rendered to the churches by Bro. Selden in connection with the *Christian Messenger*, and feel that a due meed of praise should be rendered to him for those valuable services, and now that the union has been happily consummated we cordially commend the *Messenger and Visitor* to the favorable consideration of our people, and trust that the circulation of the paper may speedily be so increased as to enable the publishers, as they propose, to supply it to their subscribers at a reduced rate so soon as the number on their list will warrant.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. MCGREGOR,
Chairman.

(B)

Report on Missions.

This is pre-eminently the age of missions, and no church ought to call itself aggressive and evangelical that does not spend part of its income for the support of missions. God has specially blessed missions in connection with the Baptist denomination, of which we have the privilege of forming a small part.

The Home Mission Board have enlarged their sphere of operations

during the year, to meet the growing demand for missionary labor, which necessitates larger contributions from the churches, and individuals that the work may not be embarrassed.

Fifty different fields including about eighty churches have been supplied with preaching during part, or the whole of the year, and about \$300.00 given to the prosecution of mission work in Manitoba.

Some of the churches assisted in former years are now self-sustaining, and other new fields are receiving aid from the Board.

Upwards of twenty young men from McMaster Hall, Newton Theological Institution, Acadia College, and the New Brunswick Baptist Seminary are employed by the Board during vacation, and in this way about all the vacant fields in the three Provinces are supplied with preaching during the summer months.

Revs. Isa. Wallace, A. H. Hayward and D. G. McDonald are employed as general missionaries, and are doing good work. We consider this a very important part of our Home Mission work, and God has signally blessed these men in assisting pastors, and building up the cause of God in our weaker churches.

We record our thanks to the God of all grace for restoring to health our esteemed brother Wallace—for whom special prayer was offered at our last annual gathering,—and hope he may be even more abundantly blessed in the future than in the past.

Rev. F. E. Baulcau a graduate of McMaster Hall has been employed by the Board to labor among the French in Yarmouth, and Digby Counties.

We hope our French Mission which has but little more than held its own for the past few years, may receive a new impetus.

The Foreign Mission force in the field has been weakened during the year by the return of missionaries, Revd. Mr. Churchill, and wife are still in their native land, and in May last Revd. R. Sandford reached his home in Cornwallis, N. S. from Bimlipatam, India after an abstinence of nearly twelve years. But our returned missionaries are doing good service at the various denominational gatherings, and are awakening in the minds of our people a lively interest in the salvation of the Telugus.

In November, 1884, Miss Wright of Halifax, and Miss Grey of New Annan, were sent to India under the auspices of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

They landed at Bimlipatam on the third of January, and received a welcome from the missionaries there to the work to which God had called them, and are now learning the language with fair prospects of being a valuable accession to the mission.

During the past year at the three stations in which we are more especially interested viz. Bobbili, Bimlipatam and Chicacole 19 were baptized. 13 received by letter, 3 excluded. 2 died, present membership 112. But these statistics dimly indicate the amount of good done by earnest Christian men and women, who preach the gospel to hundreds and thousands of heathen people every

month. We trust the day is not far distant when "a little one shall become a thousand and a small one a strong nation, I the Lord will hasten it in his time."

We would record our gratitude to God for the preservation of all our missionaries at home and abroad during the year, for raising up two sisters at a time when help was much needed and their safe arrival at the place where they have chosen to labor, and the safe return of Bro. Sandford to his Nova Scotia home. Let us ask God to increase the spirit of missions among the members of all our churches, and enlarge their liberality so that the great work of sending the gospel to the heathen world may be in no way hindered.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MARTELL,
Chairman.

(C)

Report on Sabbath Schools.

Your committee are of opinion that the proper conduct of Sabbath Schools is of vital importance to the welfare of the churches, and that while this statement may almost be said to have become trite with frequent repetition, our churches as a whole have not yet awakened to its full significance. Only when we fully grasp the idea that a church without a Sabbath School is already on the way to decay and death, will we face resolutely the task of completely organizing and equipping our Sabbath Schools. An examination of our baptismal records will show that the increase in our churches is largely co-ordinate with the interest taken in the Sabbath Schools.

Your committee, while heartily rejoicing over the great interest taken by the parents in many places in the Sunday School, also deplore the indifference too often shown by the parents generally in this great work. Brethren, this should not be. Let us seek some way to overcome this mighty hindrance to the success of our Sabbath Schools.

Your committee view with much regret the neglect of many of our churches in organizing and sustaining Sunday Schools. Several of them have reported that in connection with them there has been no Sabbath School work during the past year. How a church can expect to grow and how they can ask the association to pray for their success, while at the same time they have so little interest in themselves as to neglect the very first principles of successful growth, is more than your committee can imagine.

Your committee would also suggest that an attempt should be made to prevent so many of the Sabbath Schools from closing during the winter term. In the majority of cases your committee

can see no good reason for this, and many weighty ones against such a course.

We also regret that the statistics concerning the Sabbath Schools are so defective, and would respectfully urge upon our churches the necessity of as carefully filling the statistics in this respect as in any other.

Praying that the blessing of God may rest upon us in the future even more abundantly than in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. MILLER,

Chairman.

(D)

Report on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to Report :—

That they regret there are so many obstacles thrown in the way of obtaining prohibition by law, especially the late action of the Senate. But the principles of abstinence are continually progressing with the people. They would devoutly thank God for united action of all the lovers of sobriety, and would urge the churches represented in this association, together with all temperance bodies to continue their efforts with the hope of accomplishing the object so long desired.

GEO. F. MILES,

Chairman.

(E)

Report on Education.

It will hardly be expected, after the elaborate press reports that have appeared of the condition and doings of our Institutions at Wolfville, that your Committee will be able to say anything new.

The past year has been an exceptionally prosperous one. Over seventy students have enjoyed the advantages which Acadia College offers to those entering her halls.

Six young men and one young woman having completed the prescribed course of study and passed successful examinations were admitted to the degree of B. A. The President of the College, in his closing address to the students, spoke in high terms of their deportment and zeal in study.

The denomination is to be congratulated that in the Institutions of learning it has founded and fostered, the relations between the instructors and students are cordial and harmonious. Our sons and daughters may be the more readily surrendered to such hands for both intellectual and moral training.

The male Academy and Ladies' Seminary are believed to have done excellent work during the past year. Twenty students from the Academy passed successfully their Matriculation Examinations, and nine young ladies were graduated from the Seminary.

Your committee are glad to learn, that by careful financiering, both the Seminary and Academy have more than paid working expenses. What is needed to place these schools on a solid financial basis, to put them beyond the possibility of deficits, is that our people should be awake to the great advantages they offer and send their sons and daughters in sufficiently large numbers to fill all the spare room. Neither will our College lack students when the Seminaries are well supplied. Let our youth begin to drink at these streams of knowledge and they will in large and increasing numbers avail themselves of the more liberal culture of the College course.

In regard to the finances of the College, they can hardly be expected to be in the most satisfactory condition without a greatly enlarged endowment, or at least, till the Convention Scheme has realized the reasonable hopes of its originators and promoters.

Your committee would express the hope that the churches and pastors of this Association will not rest content while their part of this work remains undone, and let us unitedly pray that the Divine blessing, which has from the beginning rested upon our Institutions at Wolfville, may evermore crown them.

Your committee are able to state that the past has been a prosperous year at McMaster Hall, 53 young men have been sent out to do missionary and pastoral work during the summer vacation.

We most heartily commend the Institution to the sympathies and prayers of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. GOUCHER,
Chairman.

Statistics of the Churches in the Nova Scotia Eastern

Statistics of the		MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCH.															
NAME OF CHURCH.		Date of Organization.	No. reported last year.	Present Member-ship.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-resident Members.	Ord. Ministers in Churches.	Value of House of Worship.		
					Baptized.	By Experience.	Restored From other Churches.	Died.	Joined other Ch's. in Conv.	Excluded.							
1	Amherst.	1810	367	382	23			4	2	8	2	15		60	3	\$8000	
2	Advocate Harbor.	1840	120	116				4					4	13		1000	
3	Amherst Shore.	1843	29	28				1				1	6			400	
4	Acadia Mines.	1876	41	46	5	1					1					1250	
5	Antigonish.	1823	81	79	3			1	1			2	17	2		4000	
6	Brookfield.	1862	71	69					1	2	1					400	
7	Beulah.	1878		51					1		1	5		14		400	
8	Crow Harbor.	1875	54	59	6					4			4	12	1	3000	
9	Cow Bay, C. B.	1870	48	44					1		4	15		34		800	
10	Cape Canso.	1846	111	127	18	1		1								500	
11	Centreville & Mt. Pleasant.	1870	36	37					1			1		1		1800	
12	Diligent River.	1857	48	52	6				2		3	4	14	50	1	600	
13	Great Village.	1856	116	102					2	1			12	9		2000	
14	Guyssboro & Manchester.	1829	147	144										10			
15	Grand Mira, C. B.	1858		22													
16	Goshen.	1862	26	26							5		5	11	1	500	
17	Greenville.	***	72	67													
18	Glenville & River Philip.	1876	37	36					1	1			1	7	1	300	
19	Homeville, C. B.	1847	46	44					1	1			2			3000	
20	Hawkesbury, C. B.	1847	197	199	2				3	2	1			28		500	
21	Isaacs Harbor.	1847	72	70					1							1100	
22	Linden.	1872	15	26	5	3			3			11		31	2	2500	
23	Little Glace Bay, C. B.	1832	93	106	11				4	2	1	12	7	31	1	3000	
24	Lower Stewiacke.	1828	123	116	1				1	2	2	3		40	1	1000	
25	L. Economy & F. Islands.	1849	95	97	1						1			1		600	
26	Little River.	1844		26												800	
27	Maccan.	1828	32	33	1								15		1	1600	
28	Mabou, C. B.	1835	132	150	13	1	2										
29	Margaree, C. B.	1838		42							1		4			1000	
30	Mira Bay, C. B.	1875	37	41	4		1				3	3		13		350	
31	New Glasgow.	1849	33	36	6												
32	New Annan.	1868		34													
33	New Harbor.	***		180												1800	
34	North Sydney, C. B.	1809	90	161	14				5	2	1	11		30	1	4500	
35	Onslow East.	1791	117	140	24				1		3	23		15		1200	
36	Onslow West.	1868		142					6	3		2	6	1	20	2	1000
37	Oxford.	1869	137	143	4				8		2	2	5	1	20	2800	
38	Parrsboro.	1842	116	121	6				1	6				6		1500	
39	Portapique.	1827	55	49	1				1	2	1	2		12		500	
40	Pugwash.	1846	144	146	4				1							210000	
41	Port Hillford.	1858	350	440	85	1	1	11	1	1	7	90		67	4	105	
42	Prince Street (Truro).	1873	57	57					1				1	9	3	105	
43	River Hebert.	1848	29	32	7		2		1	3	8	5	6	13	43	2000	
44	River John.	1840	98	85											2	1500	
45	Sydney, C. B.	1846	41	50	6	4			8		1	1	1	28			
46	Spring Hill.	1860	40	68	30										4		
47	Seal Harbor.	1846	61	61					1	1					14	600	
48	St. Mary's 1st.	1849	45	45					1	1	8			7	2	35	
49	St. Mary's 2nd.	1822	85	78					1	1	3						
50	Tracadie.	1851	95	102	10												
51	Upper Londonderry.	***												1	2	1000	
52	Upper Stewiacke.	1838	44	43								3					
53	Wentworth.	1854	54	57	2	1					8		8	28		1400	
54	Westchester.	1877	57	49							1	3		4		1000	
55	Williamsdale & Millvale.	1849	69	65							1			1	10		
56	Wallace.		56	55													
57	Westbrook.																
		4113	4750	299	14	6	57	54	57	30	289	97	736	22	88045		

Baptist Association, for the year ending May 31, 1885.

PROPERTY AND FINANCES

No.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Church Parsonage.	Money raised for Local purposes.	Money raised for Denominational Objects.	Other Moneys raised.	CLERKS NAME AND ADDRESS.
1	1000	\$5000 00	\$1439 25	385 57	\$9 45	James Moffatt, Amherst, N. S.
2	200					William Reid.
3	250		50 00	5 00		Charles D. Rockwell.
4	350		320 91	4 25		George H. Lawrence.
5	300	2000 00	904 13	60 00		D. Graham Whidden.
6	225			150 00		Charles D. Carter.
7						Charles H. Travis.
8	160			110 00		Elias Hendsley.
9	250	1000 00	300 00	10 50		R. D. Rice.
10	200	600 00	550 00	10 35		Thomas C. Cook.
11	150		4 64	1 00		John Bigelow.
12	400		123 00	9 00		D. H. Jenks.
13	250	800 00	150 00			A. N. Layton, Highland Village.
14	600	700 00	1450 00	60 00		H. R. Cunningham, Guysboro.
15						C. A. Huntington, Huntington, P. O., C. B.
16						John R. Sutherland, Guysboro.
17	250		1 40	17 63	3 78	Henry Hunter, Westchester Station. (Its existence doubtful.)
18						William Holmes, Cow Bay.
19	150	1000 00	80 00	9 40		Peter Paint, Jr.
20	300	1500 00		10 00		A. McMillan.
21						John M. Hunter.
22				10 83		James C. Hitchens.
23	150		150 00	4 25		R. N. Sibley, St. Andrew's, Colchester Co.
24	350	1000 00	500 00	56 16		Josiah Soley, Lower Economy.
25	475		500 00	50 00		T. M. Johnson, Purdy P. O., Little River.
26				6 00		E. Atkinson.
27			100 00	32 00	5 00	Robert Frizzle, Brookville, C. B.
28	200		150 00	35 00		Joseph Tingley, N. E. Margaree.
29	300	900 00	400 00	20 00		A. J. Spencer.
30						J. B. Sullivan, Stellerton.
31	200	1100 00	460 00	20 00		Daniel Fields, East New Annan.
32	200		50 00		17 00	James S. Nickerson.
33						A. G. Musgrave.
34			300 00			E. Douglass, Truro.
35	250					Charles M. Dickson, Central Onslow.
36	450	1400 00				W. R. Smith.
37	235			10 00		Elijah Spencer.
38		1000 00				T. D. Davidson.
39						S. M. Lowe.
40	400	400 00		14 80		James McConnell.
41	250		500 00			A. J. Walker Truro.
42	600	4000 00	1500 00	700 00		Mrs. John Porter.
43			465 00	52 00		Nelson Sutherland.
44	150		122 00	24 66	10 20	H. C. Harrington.
45	150	2000 00	735 00	123 00		A. G. Purdy.
46	250		775 00			Elijah Crooks.
47			100 00	6 00		Z. H. Hewett, Sonora, Guysboro Co.
48						Robert McKean.
49			100 00			Frederick Bowden, East Tracadie.
50						Richard McCully.
51						
52						
53	300		60 00	2 75		Earnest T. Higgins.
54				2 00	1 00	Alexander Rushton.
55					4 31	Ralph W. Filmore.
56	250				5 00	P. C. Woodland.
57	270		400 00			Stephen Roscoe, Cumberland Co.
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IN ONE YEAR
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1885,

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NAME OF CHURCH		No of Scholars.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.					No. Schools Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Money expended on Schools.	Money raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. Scholars Baptized.
1.	Amherst.	225	Thomas R. Black.	145	18	700	\$50 00	\$30 00	50	3	50	30 00	45	3	50	3
2.	Advocate Harbor.	28	Alfred Knowton.	20	8	100	10 00	10 00	45	2	52	10 00	50	2	52	2
3.	Adelaide Mines.	26	George H. Lawrence.	18	4	50	9 58	46	50	46	46	9 58	46	46	50	46
4.	Artigouish.	33	D. Graham Whidden.	30	4	250	200	48	200	12	12	200	40 00	40 00	48	7
5.	Barnstable.	66	Charles D. Carter.	48	9	145	85	3 00	15	15	15	85	3 00	40 00	24	3
6.	Barnstable.	70	L. G. Spencer.	55	6	50	50	8 00	50	30	30	50	8 00	8 00	24	3
7.	Cape Bay, C. B.	51	Edward C. Whisman.	30	6	100	100	20 00	100	40	40	100	20 00	20 00	50	50
8.	Cape Canoe.	75	John R. Smith.	65	4	100	100	5 00	10	10	10	100	5 00	5 00	25	25
9.	Centreville & Mount Pleasant.	40	D. H. Jenks and James Howard.	16	1	100	100	5 00	10	10	10	100	5 00	5 00	45	45
10.	Diligent River.	55	Ezra Layton.	33	4	60	60	100	12	12	12	60	100	100	52	52
11.	Great Village.	43	J. McG. Cunningham and James Hall.	33	4	10	10	8	8	8	8	70	16 00	16 00	51	51
12.	Guyshoro and Manchester.	30	Charles D. Nichols.	30	3	12	12	8	8	8	8	70	16 00	16 00	51	51
13.	Goshen.	60	Henry Hunter.	30	6	100	100	140	140	32	32	140	140	140	51	51
14.	Greenville.	30	Thomas Holmes.	25	3	8	8	31 00	31 00	7	7	31 00	31 00	31 00	51	51
15.	Homeville, C. B.	30	Peter Palm, Jr.	25	3	8	8	31 00	31 00	7	7	31 00	31 00	31 00	51	51
16.	Hawkesbury, C. B.	30	John M. Hunter.	25	3	8	8	31 00	31 00	7	7	31 00	31 00	31 00	51	51
17.	Lower Stewiack.	63	Aaron Sibley.	44	5	140	140	31 00	31 00	7	7	31 00	31 00	31 00	51	51

	38	28	7	6	70		30
13. Lower Economy.....	38	20					30
19. Little River.....	18	17	5	20	100	25 00	32
20. Macoon.....	18	17	5	20	50	15 00	25
21. Mabou, C. B.....	100	100	10	100	50	20 00	52 11
22. Margaree, C. B.....	100	100	4	10	50	15 00	52 3
23. New Glasgow.....	40	40	5	30	50	8 00	40 1
24. New Annan.....	60	60	5	30	100		51 14
25. Onslow East.....	40	40	5	40	100	40 00	50 1
26. Onslow West.....	125	100	12	20	150	2 78	
27. Oxford.....	140	80	7	20			
28. Pictou.....	90	75	8				
29. Pictou.....	40	35	4				
30. Port Hillford.....	188	120	14	12		20 00	40
31. Prince Street, (Truro).....	84	60	10	30	300	130 00	52
32. River Hebert.....	22	18	3	6	200	10 00	24
33. River John.....	40	35	4	10		35 00	52
34. Sydney, C. B.....	40	35	4	20	150	50 00	51 3
35. Spring Hill.....	30	25	4			5 00	28 24
36. Seal Harbor.....	200	20	3	15			8
37. St. Mary's 1st.....	36	24	4	16			20
38. St. Mary's 2nd.....	30	15	3	7			20
39. Tracadie.....	43	35	6	12			8
40. Upper Londonderry.....	14	12	2				2
41. Westchester.....	32	30	3	11	35	1 00	21
42. Wallace.....	40	30	4	4	50	10 00	45
43. Westbrook.....	2280	1722	241	659	3449	\$532 58	1302
						\$104 75	129

John M. Hunter.....
Aron Sibley.....

Josiah Soley.....
George L. Thompson.....
Amos Atkinson.....
Joseph Hunt.....
Donald McDonald.....
J. F. Morrow.....
M. L. Fields.....
James Douglas.....
W. J. Smith.....
W. R. Smith, Chas. Higgins & C.M. Dickson.....
Thomas J. Seaman.....
Angus McDonald.....
James McConnell.....
L. W. Walker.....
Union - M. K. Pugsley.....
George L. Sillers.....
J. W. Dobson.....
R. E. Miller, (Licentiate).....
Charles Fisking.....
Robert G. Dickson.....
Robert Macken.....
C. H. Parrie.....
Wm. McCully, 4th.....
Alexander Rushon.....
E. Howard.....
Stephen Roscoe.....

15. Hawksbury, C. B.....
16. Lunden.....
17. Lower Stewiacke.....
18. Lower Economy.....
19. Little River.....
20. Macoon.....
21. Mabou, C. B.....
22. Margaree, C. B.....
23. New Glasgow.....
24. New Annan.....
25. Onslow East.....
26. Onslow West.....
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38. St. Mary's 2nd.....
39. Tracadie.....
40. Upper Londonderry.....
41. Westchester.....
42. Wallace.....
43. Westbrook.....

Ministers of the N. S. Eastern Baptist Association.

NAME.	Place of residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. P. S. McGregor	New Glasgow	1877	Newport.
" D. A. Steele	Amherst	1866	Wolfville.
" G. F. Miles	Amherst	1846	Newcastle, N. B.
" D. W. C. Dimock	Truro	1841	Chester.
" Obed Chute	Upper Stewiacke	1850	Wentworth.
" S. Thompson	Advocate Harbor	1852	Westbrook, Cumb. Co.
" J. E. Goucher	Truro	1859	Gagetown, N. B.
" Henry Eagles	St. Mary's	1842	Rempt, Hants Co.
" D. McKeen	Athol	1854	River Hebert.
" J. J. Armstrong	Truro	1874	Greenville.
" J. C. Spurr	Cow Bay, C. B.	1879	Cow Bay, C. B.
" J. W. Bancroft	North Sydney, C. B.	1875	Windsor.
" C. H. Martell	Central Onslow	1878	Onslow.
" H. Bool	Pugwash	1869	Coatbridge, G. B.
" I. R. Skinner	River Hebert	1876	Andover, N. B.
" T. B. Layton	Great Village	1872	Musquash, N. B.
" C. H. Haverstock	N. E. Margaree, C. B.	1882	Lower Stewiacke.
" D. McLeod	New Harbor	1873	Cape Breton.
" Edwin T. Miller	St. Andrews, Col. Co.	1884	Lower Woodstock, N. B.
" E. R. Coldwell	Sydney, C. B.	1880	Argyle.
" W. R. Waters	Lower Economy	1870	Newport, England.
" John Miles	Great Village	1884	Caepphilly, Wales.
" F. Beattie	Parrsboro	1870	Shediac, N. B.
" E. G. Sibley	St. Andrews, Col. Co.	1885	Banning, S. Cal.

LICENTIATES.

James Morrison, Onslow.
 Wm. McKenzie, West Bay, C. B.
 James W. Tingley, Margaree, C. B.
 F. G. Harrington, Sydney, C. B.
 C. R. Harrington, Sydney, C. B.
 Caleb Huntington, Grand Mira, C. B.
 S. E. Miller, Spring Hill.
 Wm. C. Goucher, Truro.
 Wm. Cummings, Truro.
 John Lewis, Amherst Shore.
 A. A. McLeod, Hawkesbury, C. B.

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Treasurer's Report.

THE EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IN ACCOUNT WITH WILLIAM CUMMINGS, *Treasurer.*

July 11 to 14, Cash received from

Amherst Shore.....	\$ 3 00
Pugwash.....	8 00
Westchester.....	3 00
Goshen.....	1 00
N. E. Margaree.....	2 00
Hawksbury, C. B.....	10 00
A Lady at Port Hillford.....	2 00
Williamsdale and Millvale.....	4 31
Linden.....	10 83
Wallace.....	5 00
River John.....	9 75
Greenville.....	17 63
Oxford.....	16 00
Little River.....	6 00
Centreville and Mount Pleasant.....	4 00
Tracadie.....	2 00
Acadia Mines.....	4 25
Manchester.....	5 25
Wentworth.....	2 75
Canso.....	10 35
Maccan, Convention Fund.....	16 00
" Foreign Missions.....	16 00
Lower Economy and Five Islands.....	38 00
J. J. King, (Foreign Mission).....	1 00
Great Village.....	6 00
Abram N. Whitman.....	5 00
Advocate Harbour.....	7 00
Collection.....	45 30

By total receipts.....\$255 42

To paid Bills at Association.....\$10 55

S. Selden, printing 800 copies of
Minutes, postage on the same and

balance of 1884..... 30 00

40 55

Amount forwarded to Treasurer Con. Fund... \$214 87 c

P. S.—Received since the above was in type from Port Hillford,
\$8.25. W. C.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—At each annual meeting the Letters from the Churches shall be handed to the clerk, who shall retire and make out a list of the delegates—the Moderator meanwhile shall conduct devotional exercises.

2nd.—From the list so prepared the Moderator shall be chosen by ballot—no brother shall be chosen two years in succession.

3rd.—The first letter read shall be from the Church with which the Association is assembled.

4th.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded; and no person shall speak on any subject more than twice unless by consent of the Association.

5th.—When any Church is received, the Moderator shall give to one of its delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th.—At the commencement of each sitting the Minutes of the preceding one shall be read and approved, and of the last before the final adjournment.

7th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes except so ordered by the Association.

8th.—All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

9th.—Each meeting for business shall be commenced and concluded with prayer.

10th. The Committee of Arrangements shall, in addition to the provision for the "order of business," provide also for the discussion of the more prominent topics, Education and Missions, by appointing one or more persons to speak upon them. Said Committee shall further recommend the place for the succeeding Association, and the preacher of the Associational Sermon, and the writer of the Circular Letter.

11th.—No delegate shall leave the Association before the business is finished, without permission of the body.

12th.—These Rules shall be read by the Moderator at the commencement of each annual session of the Association.