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OF  
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HELD WITH THE  
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Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, July 12th, 14th, and 15th, 1873.  
TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE  
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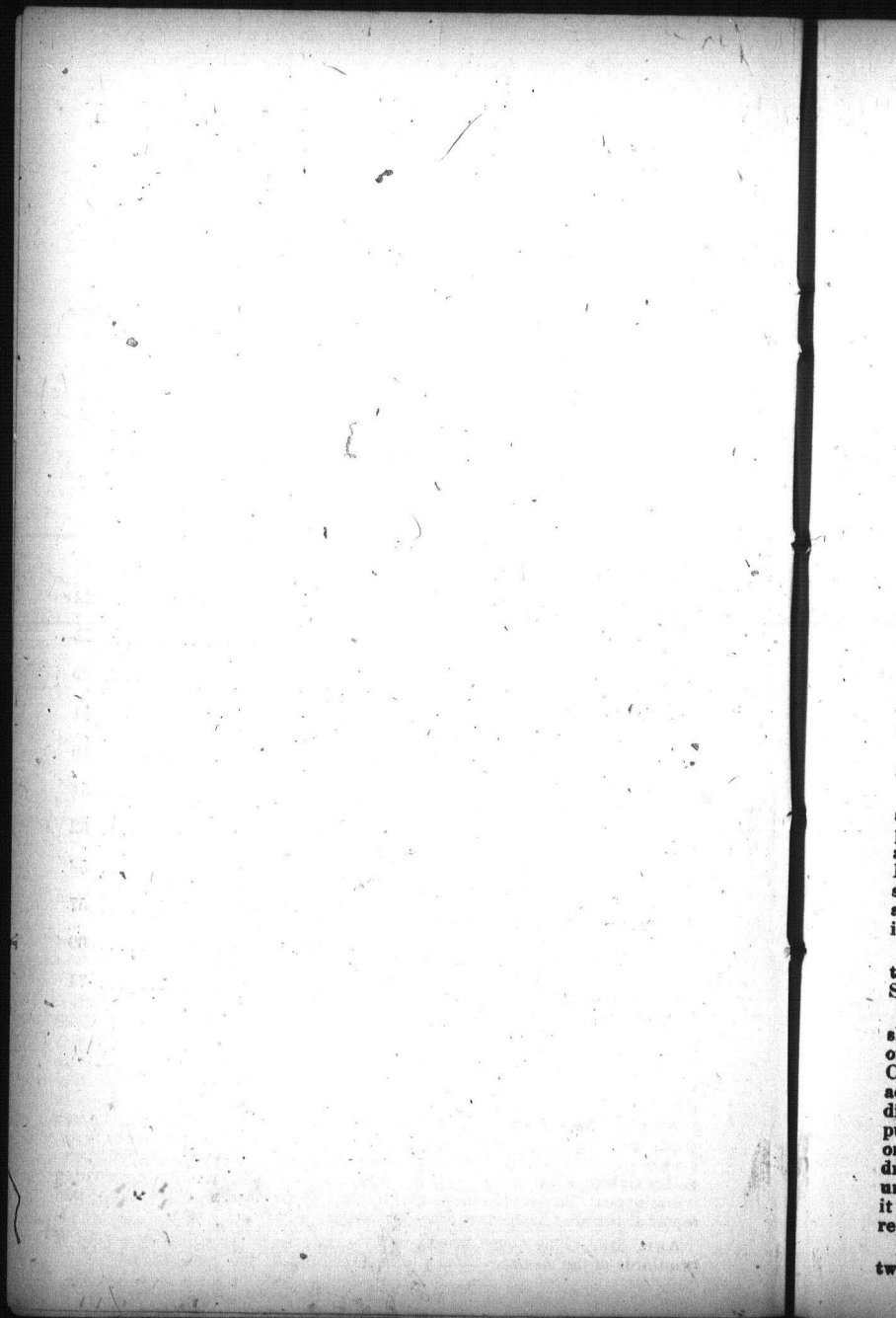
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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1st.—This body shall be called the Eastern Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and shall consist of Delegates representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those churches, together with Delegates from Corresponding Associations, not exceeding five from any one Association; and such others as may, by the Association, be invited to sit in Council; none but delegates being entitled to vote, and such only as represent churches being eligible to office, or to vote for officers.

ART 2nd.—Each church connected with the body may send five Delegates besides its Pastor.

ART 3rd.—The object of this Association being the cultivation of Christian Union, the promotion of individual godliness, and by mutual consultation, to seek, in the use of Scriptural measures, the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom—it disclaims all authority over churches, and shall in no case interfere with their internal concerns, or their entire scriptural independency. Yet it may dissolve its connection with any church that, upon sufficient examination, shall be judged by the Association to have departed essentially from Scripture principles or Baptist faith and practice.

ART. 4th.—This Association shall meet at such time and place as it may appoint, and the meetings shall be opened with devotional exercises.

ART. 5th.—The Officers of the Association shall be—a Moderator, who shall preside at all the meetings, nominate all the Committees not otherwise provided for, and perform all the duties naturally connected with such office; a Clerk who shall keep a record of all the business transacted, prepare the Minutes for the press, and attend to their distribution; and a Treasurer, who shall receive all the moneys contributed for the purposes of the Association, and dispose of them according to its direction. All the officers shall remain in office until their successors are chosen.

ART. 6th.—The religious sentiments of this body are those expressed in the "Articles of the Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia."

ART. 7th.—The Association may receive any Church which, by letter, shall apply for admission, and shall give satisfactory evidence of its faith and order, in agreement with the religious sentiments of this body; and each Church belonging to this body shall send annually a letter, containing an account of its history for the year preceding, particularly of its additions and diminutions, with its number then in fellowship,—also, money to assist in publishing the Minutes. Any Church that for three successive years omits sending any Letter, Delegates, or money, shall be considered withdrawn from the Association, and shall be discontinued from the Minutes, unless sufficient reason may appear to account for the omission, or provided it may appear desirable to make some inquiry, by committee or otherwise, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 8th.—This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members at any annual meeting of the Association.

## 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 Arrangement 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, 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.

# MINUTES.

## **PUGWASH, CUMBERLAND CO.,**

*Saturday Morning, July 13th, 1873.*

The Association assembled in its Twenty-third annual session; at 10 o'clock, A. M. Letters from the churches were handed in, and a list of Delegates obtained from them. In the absence of the Moderator of the past year, Brother R. D. Burgess who had been engaged with the Pugwash Church for several weeks conducted devotional exercises. The names of delegates present were read, and subsequently, as the letters came to hand, completed, as follows:

### **LIST OF DELEGATES.**

*Amherst*,—Rev. D. A. Steele.

*Antigonishe*,—Rev. J. B. McQuillin, Bro. Aaron Harrington.

*Truro*,—Rev. J. E. Goucher, Deacons David Page and Richard Upham, Brethren Wm. Faulkner, and Daniel Eaton.

*Centerville*,—Rev. E. B. Corey, Brethren Wm. Matheson, John Bigelow, and Deacon Walker.

*Upper Londonderry*,—Brethren Charles McCully, Wm. McCully, John Crowe.

*Onslow West*,—Rev. John Coombes, Brethren John Dickson, James McRison, Daniel Blair, Samuel McElheny.

*Greenville*,—Brethren D. H. Webb, Josiah Eagles.

*Pugwash*,—Brethren R. D. Burgess, William Dickie, Wm. Seaman, Wm. McLean, Hance Hollis.

*Merigomish*,—Rev. J. B. McQuillin.

*Portauquique*,—Rev. D. McKeen, Brethren George Davison, Robert Fulton, John Robinson, Thomas D. Davison.

*Little River*,—Rev. G. F. Miles, Brethren Levi Johnson, J. B. Woodland, J. R. Reid, Robert Baird.

*Diligent River, Parrsboro*,—Rev. Samuel Thompson, Bro. Thomas Bentley.

*Lower Economy and Five Islands*,—Rev. D. McKeen, Brethren J. D. McCart, William Simpson.

*Parrsboro Village*,—Rev. D. McKeen, Bro. Martin.

*Sydney*,—Rev. A. F. Chipman.

*Wallace*,—Brethren John Crawford, R. D. Burgess, James Higgins, P. C. Peers, Rev. E. B. Corey.

*Goose River*,—Rev. G. F. Miles, Brethren Horace B. Hunter, Sherwood Mills, John Hunter.

*Onslow East*,—Rev. J. Coombs, Brethren J. W. Lynds, C. Douglass, J. Smith.

*Lower Steviacke*,—Brethren Benjamin Woodworth.

*Brookfield*,—Bro. J. W. Stevens.

*Diligent River*,—Bro. Thomas Bentley.

*Merigomish*,—Rev. J. B. McQuillin.

*Glenville and River Philip*,—Rev. E. B. Corey, J. W. Johnson.

*Westchester*,—James H. Sutherland.

*From the N. S. Central Association*,—Rev. S. B. Kempton and Bro. S. Selden.



*From the N. B. Western Association*,—William Layton.

*From the N. B. Eastern Association*,—Rev. A. W. Barss.

*Invited*,—Bros. Wm. Armstrong, Rufus Sanford, George Churchill, Ephriam Howard, Wm. Faulkner, Revds. Isaiah Wallace, E. C. Corey, and H. Morrow.

The officers of the Association were then chosen as follows:—  
*Moderator*,—Rev. A. F. Chipman. *Clerk*,—Rev. J. B. McQuillin.  
*Treasurer*,—R. D. Burgess. *Assistant Clerk*,—Rev. J. E. Goucher.

The rules of order were then read.

Prayer by Rev. D. McKeen.

The Committee of Nomination and Arrangement consisting of the following brethren was appointed by the Moderator, Revds. E. B. Corey, G. F. Miles, Brethren R. D. Burgess, Wm. Seamen, and A. McDonald.

Revds. S. B. Kempton, J. E. Goucher, and Bro. S. Selden were appointed as a committee to examine and read letters from the churches, which business was forthwith proceeded with.

The following partial report of Committee of Arrangements was presented and adopted:

The Committee on Nominations and Arrangement report, that the morning sessions commence at 10 o'clock, and close at 12.30, and the afternoon sessions commence at 2.30, o'clock and close at 5.30, P. M.

And that all the committees meet on Monday morning at 8.45 o'clock, A. M. That a Prayer Meeting be held each morning at 6.30 o'clock, A. M.

Preaching this evening by Bro. Armstrong if present.

#### *Saturday—Afternoon Session.*

Afternoon sitting commenced at 2 P. M., with singing, and prayer by Rev. J. E. Goucher.

Minutes of previous sitting read and approved.

The reading of Church Letters was then resumed.

A further report of the Committee of Arrangements was presented and on motion adopted:

That the Lord's Day services, be as follows:

*Pugwash Baptist Church*,—At 11 A. M., Rev. J. E. Goucher.

" " 8 P. M., Bro. Rufus Sanford.

" " 7 P. M., Bro. Armstrong.

*Pugwash, Presbyterian Church*,—11 A. M., Rev. D. McKeen.

*Wallace Baptist Church*,—11 A. M., Rev. J. B. McQuillin.

" " 4½ P. M., Rev. J. E. Goucher.

*Goose River Baptist Church*,—11 A. M., Rev. S. B. Kempton.

*Little River Baptist Church*,—11 A. M., Rev. E. B. Corey.

#### **COMMITTEES.**

**MISSIONS.**—Revds. D. McKeen, J. Coombes; Bros. Charles McCully, Martin Hunter, John Bigelow, and Robert Fulton.

**EDUCATION**.—Rev. S. B. Kempton; Bros. George Davison, J. B. Woodland, C. Douglas, David Page, and John Crowe.

**SABBATH SCHOOLS**.—Bros. S. Selden, T. B. Layton, Levi Johnson, Daniel Eaton, and James Higgins.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**.—Rev. E. B. Corey; William Mathison, Daniel Blair, Hance Hollis, and John Robinson.

Your Committee on Nominations and Arrangement recommend that Monday afternoon be given to the subject of Home Missions. That the Association hold its next Session with the Church at Portauipique, that Rev. J. B. McQuillin preach the Associational Sermon, Rev. A. Chipman be his alternate; and that Rev. J. E. Goucher write the Circular Letter.

That a Missionary Meeting be held this evening, that the speakers be as follows:—Revds. S. B. Kempton, E. C. Corey, I. Wallace, J. E. Goucher; Bros. Sanford, Armstrong and Churchill. Your Committee also recommend that a collection be taken up at the close of the meeting for Home Missions.

That the subject of Education be presented immediately after the Circular Letter is read on Tuesday morning. Rev. S. B. Kempton to give the opening address. Report on Sabbath Schools to follow.

The following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That Brother S. Selden be requested to publish the same number of copies of the Minutes and at the same rate as last year, and that 50 copies be reserved for the use of the next annual session of the Association.

A letter in reference to the mission property at Pictou was presented and on motion without being read was passed over to the Committee on special business.

The Committee on Special Business reported advising that the letter in reference to Pictou Mission property be read before the Association. It was accordingly read. After much discussion the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Rev. S. B. Kempton, Bros. Wm. Seaman, John Bigelow Geo. Davison and David Page act as a committee to consider the best manner of disposing of \$450, the remaining portion of the amount received from sale of Mission property in Pictou.

*Further Resolved*, That the Committee hand in their report before the close of the Association.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. David Page.

#### **MONDAY MORNING, July 14th.**

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. A. W. Barss, from 1 Kings xix. 18.

Minutes of previous sitting read and approved.

On motion, Resolved that the Treasurer be requested to retain all monies paid over to him until further ordered.

Reading of Church Letters resumed.

On motion the Association adjourned after singing, and prayer by Rev. H. Morrow.

*Monday—Afternoon Session.*

Opened with prayer by Rev. G. F. Miles.

Minutes of previous sitting read and approved.

Bro. Selden presented a paper from Judge Marshall, referring to a Bible Directory shortly to be published by him. Referred to the Committee on Sabbath Schools.

By request Bro. S. Selden read the Minutes of the N. S. Home Missionary Society recently held at Bridgewater; after which Rev. D. A. Steele presented the following resolution.

*Whereas*, The Home Missionary Society at its late meeting in Bridgewater, passed a resolution to hand over the monies entrusted to its care to the Home Missionary Union, without referring matter to this Association, whose members are an integral portion of said Home Missionary Society,—

*Resolved*, That we on our part, ignore such action of the Home Missionary Society, and further

*Resolved*, That under existing circumstances, we feel bound to expend the monies contributed for Home Missions, by this Association, as heretofore, through our own organization, the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society.

Rev. Isaiah Wallace, a delegate from the Home Missionary Union presented the interests of the Union. An animated discussion ensued, which was participated in by the following brethren:—Revds. D. A. Steele, S. B. Kempton, E. C. Corey, Geo. F. Miles, J. E. Goucher, D. McKeen, and J. B. McQuillin; after which the resolution was adopted, one member voting in the negative.

On motion adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. B. Kempton, to meet in the evening at 7.30, P. M.

*Monday—Evening Session.*

Prayer by Rev. I. Wallace.

The report of the Committee on Missions was read.

A portion of the Annual Report of the Board of the Home Missionary Society was read by Bro. Selden, shewing the amount of labor performed during the year by the Home Missionary Society and the results so far as could be learned from the statistics given by the missionaries.

Addresses were then delivered on Missions—Home, French, and Foreign—by Revds. S. B. Kempton, E. C. Corey, I. Wallace, J. E. Goucher, Bros. R. Sanford, Armstrong and Churchill, Missionaries elect for the foreign field. The report was laid on the table.

*TUESDAY MORNING, July 15th.*

Opened by prayer by Bro. Wm. McCully.

Minutes of last Session read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Missions was then taken from the table and read, and after a slight amendment adopted. (See Appendix A.)

The Committee on Circular Letter reported that the writer had withdrawn his letter, and that there is therefore no letter prepared.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools presented their report which was adopted. (See Appendix B.)

The report of the Committee on Education was presented, and after interesting addresses by Bros. Steele, Miles, and Wallace, it was on motion unanimously adopted. (See Appendix C.)

The following resolutions were presented by Bro. Wm. Faulkner, and unanimously adopted by a standing vote.

*Resolved*, That this Association appoint Delegates to meet the Home Missionary Union at Windsor in August next to confer with that Body; and that these delegates are hereby clothed with full power to treat with that organization in reference to the entrance of this Association into the said Union, and that brethren J. E. Goucher, A. Chipman, J. B. McQuillan, D. McKeen, H. Mills and D. A. Steele, be said Delegates.

Rev. D. A. Steele offered the following resolution which after being spoken to by Bros. D. A. Steele, J. H. Morrow, and special prayer by Rev. J. B. McQuillin, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

*Resolved*, That this Association extend a cordial greeting to brethren Rufus Sanford, Wm. F. Armstrong, George Churchill, present at this Session, who contemplate at an early day proceeding to labor in the far East, and commend these brethren and their work to the prayers and sympathies of our people.

The Committee on Special Business handed in the following report in reference to the Pictou Mission property, which was adopted:

The Committee on the disposal of the four hundred and fifty dollars, available from the sale of the Baptist Mission property in Pictou, beg leave to recommend that the said sum be placed in the hands of a Committee of Trust, to be placed on Interest for the benefit of said Pictou Mission, to be applied as this Association may direct.

Submitted,

S. B. KEMPTON, *Chairman*.

On motion the following brethren were appointed as a Committee of trust to take charge of the monies arising from sale of Pictou property, John P. McDonald, Richard Upham, and Geo. Davison.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the Convention to convene at Windsor in August next, Brethren B. Douglass, Wm. Faulkner, Geo. Davison Lyman Walker, Wm. McCully.

The Report of the Infirm Ministers Fund in account with B. Douglass, submitted and adopted. (See Appendix D.)

The Board of the Infirm Minister's Fund was re-appointed consisting of the following brethren: B. Douglas, J. King, Moses Lowe, A. S. Blenkhorn, Rev. D. A. Steele, and Rev. G. F. Miles.

On motion Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Association be requested to pay over to the Treasurer of the different Societies all monies contributed for the various objects of the Association.

On motion Resolved that the Rev. J. E. Goucher be appointed a Committee to prepare extracts from the various Church Letters for publication in the Minutes.

On Motion Resolved, that a vote of thanks be accorded to the friends of Pugwash for the kindness and hospitality extended to the members and delegates to the Association.

On motion Resolved, that we do now adjourn to meet with the Church at Portauisque on the second Saturday of July, 1874.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Geo. F. Miles.



## Appendix.

### (A) REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee beg leave to report that they are deeply impressed with the importance of this subject, which they think is pre-eminent in importance, receiving a larger share of attention than it ever had since the early days of christianity.

While we have reason to regret the want of a more general missionary spirit among us, yet, it is a pleasing fact that our people are waking up to its importance in many respects. This may be seen in the call from the Eastern Association of 1871, and the ready response from the Western Association of the same year to enter into more close connection for the purpose of carrying out our Home Missionary operations with greater efficiency. This movement meets with a large amount of favor from our people; and although there has been some hesitancy on the part of some to receive the newly formed Home Missionary Union, yet, there is evidently the demand, and the response for more money, more men, more work, and more faith to be employed in our Home field. This department requires greatly increased effort.

We recommend to the churches to encourage young men of talent, and piety to enter the ministry that the missionary field may be occupied.

We learn from the Annual Report of the Home Missionary Board, that during the year 21 missionaries have been employed, who report 248 weeks labor performed, 782 sermons delivered, 393 prayer and conference meetings attended, 2107 family visits made, 7921 pages of tracts distributed and *sixty-six* baptisms, being an increase over last year in the number baptized of about one-hundred per cent. The total receipts for this work were \$1942.35. Of this sum \$909.96 was collected by the missionaries in the more destitute localities.

Your Committee deem it desirable that some wise course be devised by which the French Mission work, now wholly confined to the Western Section of the Province, be extended to the Eastern Section also, where are more French people than in the West, and as truly in the dark night of ignorance as though they were in some heathen land.

Your Committee feel that these people living as they do at our doors ought to have the gospel preached to them.

Your Committee hail with pleasure and gratitude this auspicious period in the history of our Foreign Mission work. For many years the Baptists of these Provinces have longed and prayed for the time to come when they might be in a position to establish an independent Foreign Mission in some portion of the heathen

world. That period has arrived. Three esteemed brethren especially adapted for labor in the Foreign field, having been accepted as Foreign Missionaries by our Executive Board, are now with us, on the eve of their departure for the distant East. The Kingdom of Siam has been selected as the scene of their future labors.

In view of the grave responsibilities of the hour your Committee suggest that the cause of Foreign Missions have still a large place in the prayers and the benevolence of our people. They recommend that the monthly concert of prayer for Missions be faithfully attended to, and that the Pastors take especial care to bring before the people all necessary intelligence on this subject, and that generous collections be taken monthly for this object.

They also recommend the organization of Woman's Missionary Aid Societies in those churches in which they are not already established, as they regard those Societies, when properly conducted, as a means well adapted to foster a missionary spirit.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

D. McKEEN.

### (B)

#### REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee report that they regard the Sabbath School as an essential adjunct of the Church. Every church and congregation should have one or more of these institutions in connection with them, where the Scriptures may be studied and a knowledge of God's will as given to men in his Word, may be obtained. The facilities afforded at the present day for the examination of the Scriptures systematically and consecutively, place christians under additional obligation to more constant effort in giving to the young a knowledge of the Scriptures of truth. Our Sabbath Schools to be complete must have Bible Schools provided for Adults as well as for children of all ages.

You Committee have prepared a table of Sabbath School Statistics from the Letters from the churches. We regret to find but little improvement in the statistics as given in the Letters, and would ask for more attention to this matter by the church clerks.

|                                                     |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| The No. of Schools reported in 1873.....            | 40        |
| "                    "                    1872..... | 38        |
| The No. of Scholars.....                            | 1873 1392 |
| "                    "                    1872      | 1369      |
| No. of Teachers.....                                | 1873 193  |
| "                    "                    1872      | 199       |

We believe that if all the churches had reported themselves there would be quite a number of more schools, more teachers, and more scholars reported, and the reports would shew that there has been a much larger advance in numbers and power in our Sabbath Schools.

The Committee recommend the Bible Directory by Judge Marshall, a prospectus of which is before them, believing that it would

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greatly aid Teachers, and Christians generally, to a more thorough acquaintance with the Word of God.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. SELDEN, *Chairman.*

(C)  
**REPORT ON EDUCATION.**

Your Committee mark some changes for the better in connection with our Educational interests during the past year. The attendance in our institutions at Horton has been in excess of former years.

The plan proposed last year for admitting ladies to the Academic course has been as successful as could have been expected. About nineteen young ladies have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded them of securing the benefit of the thorough teaching that can be secured at the Academy. This department, it is intended to carry forward another year. It is earnestly hoped that Baptists will seek for their daughters as well as their sons the advantages our own Institutions are prepared to give them.

In the Collegiate department a good measure of success has been vouchsafed. No case of death has occurred among the students during the year. A large class of promising young men graduated, and a number have matriculated already to fill their places. The President of the College in his report speaks of the healthy moral tone of the Institutions.

Your Committee notice with pleasure that most of the churches in this Association remember the College in their annual benevolence. We would urge upon our brethren the importance of continuance in well doing. The Endowment Fund has been considerably increased during the year, but large outlays will be needed to be made soon, for building and for the better accommodation of the Female Department. We therefore still would urge upon the churches the claims of our Institution in their prayers, their sympathies and their contributions.

S. B. KEMPTON, *Chairman.*

(D)  
**INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND IN ACCOUNT WITH B. DOUGLAS,**  
TREASURER.

|                                               |     |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|----------|
| 1872.                                         | Dr. |          |
| Aug. 15. Yearly allowance to Mrs. Dobson..... |     | \$ 10 00 |
| 1872.                                         | Cr. |          |
| July 6. By balance in Treasurer's hands.....  |     | 127 84   |
| 1873.                                         |     |          |
| July 11. Balance of interest.....             |     | \$117 84 |
|                                               |     | 7 05     |
| Balance in hand.....                          |     | \$124 89 |
| <i>Amherst, July 11th, 1873.</i>              |     |          |

*Statistics of the Churches in Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association, held at Pugwash, July, 1873.*

| NAME OF CHURCH.                  | Date of Organization. | PASTOR'S NAME.        | Year of Settlement. | CLERK, AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.               |           |       |            | Present Membership. |             |                |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|-------|------------|---------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|
|                                  |                       |                       |                     | Increase.                                     | Decrease. | Died. | Dismissed. | Excluded.           |             |                |           |
|                                  |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     | By Baptism. | By Letter, &c. | Restored. |
|                                  |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             |                |           |
| 1 Advocate Harbor**              |                       | Rev. D. A. Steele.    |                     | B. L. Douglas.                                | 3         | 3     | 5          | 4                   | 5           | 61             |           |
| 2 Amherst.                       |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 245            |           |
| 3 Amherst Shore*                 |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 34             |           |
| 4 Antigonish.                    | 1823                  | Rev. J. B. McQuillin. | 1871                | J. Albert Walker, Antigonish.                 | 2         |       |            |                     |             | 56             |           |
| 5 Brookfield.                    | 1862                  |                       |                     | W. m. Carter, Brookfield.                     |           |       |            |                     |             | 78             |           |
| 6 Cape Canso.                    | 1846                  |                       |                     | Thomas C. Cook, Cape Canso.                   |           |       |            |                     |             | 1              |           |
| 7 Coddle Harbor**                |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 109            |           |
| 8 Cow Bay, C. B.*                |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 23             |           |
| 9 Crow Harbor**                  |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 37             |           |
| 10 Diligent River.               | 1857                  | Rev. Samuel Thompson. |                     | D. H. Jenks, Diligent River.                  |           |       |            |                     |             | 33             |           |
| 11 Five Islands & Lower Economy. | 1828                  | Rev. D. McKeen.       |                     | David P. Soley, Lower Economy.                | 2         | 1     |            |                     |             | 21             |           |
| 12 Glenville and River Phillip*. |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 58             |           |
| 13 Goose River.                  | 1847                  | Rev. G. F. Miles.     |                     | Oliver B. Hunter, Goose River, Cumberland Co. |           | 2     |            |                     |             | 1              |           |
| 14 Goshen.                       | 1802                  |                       |                     | Charles D. Nichols, Goshen, Guysboro Co.      |           |       |            |                     |             | 57             |           |
| 15 Great Mira, C. B.*            |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 92             |           |
| 16 Great Village.                | 1856                  | Rev. D. McKeen.       |                     | Amos Fountain, Great Village.                 |           |       |            |                     |             | 1              |           |
| 17 Greenville.                   | 1868                  |                       |                     | A. S. Purdy, Greenville.                      | 1         | 3     | 1          | 1                   | 2           | 22             |           |
| 18 Guysborough and Manchester.   |                       |                       |                     | H. K. Cunningham, Guysborough.                |           |       |            |                     |             | 20             |           |
| 19 Hantsborough.                 |                       |                       |                     |                                               | 28        | 1     | 4          | 16                  | 2           | 59             |           |
| 20 Indian Harbor.                | 1846                  | Rev. H. Eagles.       |                     | Allen Kennedy.                                |           |       |            |                     |             | 251            |           |
|                                  |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 41             |           |
|                                  |                       |                       |                     |                                               |           |       |            |                     |             | 50             |           |





*Statistics of Sabbath Schools in the Eastern Baptist Association, July, 1873.*

| SCHOOLS.                    | Name of Superintendent. | No. of Schools. |       |         | Av'ge. attendance. |       |         | TEACHERS. |       |         | No. in Bible Class. | Members of Church<br>in B. C. and S. S. | Vols. in Library. | Expended during<br>the year. |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------|-----------|-------|---------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
|                             |                         | Total.          | Male. | Female. | Total.             | Male. | Female. | Total.    | Male. | Female. |                     |                                         |                   |                              |
| 1 Amherst.....              | George Christie.....    | 2               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | \$100 00          |                              |
| 2 Antigonish.....           | T. M. King.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 3 Brookfield.....           | Wm. Carter.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 4 Clarkville.....           | J. G. King.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 5 Forest Glen.....          | Jacob Stevens.....      | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 6 Cape Canso.....           | C. H. Whitman.....      | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 7 Cow Bay.....              | R. D. Rice.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 8 Diligent River.....       | D. H. Jenks.....        | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 9 Earlton.....              | Daniel Fields.....      | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 10 East Onslow.....         | C. Douglas.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |
| 11 Bethel, E. Mountain..... | J. Douglas.....         | 1               | 64    | 55      | 38                 | 47    | 13      | 9         | 32    | 20      | 7                   | 150                                     | 40 00             |                              |

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### Ministers in the N. S. Eastern Association.

| NAME.                   | Present Residence.    | Date of Ordination. | Place of Ordination. |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Rev. M. A. Bigelow..... | Antigonishe.....      | Sept. 14, 1859      | Guysborough.         |
| " Obed Chute.....       | Upper Stewiacke...    | Feb. 7, 1850        | Wentworth            |
| " E. B. Corey.....      | Little River.....     | —, 1868             | Point DeBute         |
| " E. C. Corey.....      | River Philip.....     | Oct. —, 1867        | Canterbury, N. B.    |
| " D. W. C. Dimock.....  | Truro.....            | Dec. 6, 1841        | Chester.             |
| " H. Eagles.....        | St. Mary's.....       | Aug. —, 1842        | Kempton, Hants Co.   |
| " John E. Goucher.....  | Truro.....            | Oct. 5, 1859        | Gagetown, N. B.      |
| " Maynard P. Freeman.   | Great Village.....    | July 5, 1863        | Bedeque, P. E. I.    |
| " Geo. F. Miles.....    | Amherst.....          | Aug. —, 1846        | Newcastle, N. B.     |
| " B. McDonald.....      | Margaree, C. B. ....  | Aug. 23, 1853       | Margaree, C. B.      |
| " D. McKeen.....        | L. Forks, Maccan..    | Sept. 13, 1854      | River Hebert.        |
| " J. B. McQuillin.....  | Antigonish.....       | Nov. 13, 1870       | Hawkesbury, C. B.    |
| " J. B. McDonald, M.D.  | North Sydney, C.B.    | .....               | .....                |
| " Daniel McLeod.....    | St. Ann's, C. B. .... | July 5, 1873        | North Sydney.        |
| " A. Chipman.....       | Sydney, C. B. ....    | Nov. 16, 1862       | River Philip.        |
| " G. Richardson.....    | Sydney, C. B. ....    | March 25, 1822      | Hammond's Plains.    |
| " Hugh Ross.....        | Sydney, C. B. ....    | Sept. —, 1847       | Mira Bay, C. B.      |
| " D. A. Steele.....     | Amherst.....          | June 20, 1865       | Wolfville.           |
| " S. Thompson.....      | Economy.....          | Sept. —, 1852       | Westbrook.           |

#### Licentiates.

Chipman Archibald, Upper Stewiacke,  
 Chas. Martell, Mira Bay, C. B.  
 James Morrison, Onslow West.  
 William McKenzie, West Bay, C. B.  
 D. Spencer, Mira Bay, C. B.

*May 8th 1870 Jayon L.E.I.*

## Extracts from the Letters.

*Amherst.*—Thankful to report an existence, though our life is not as vigorous as it ought to be, seeing we are well fed with the Bread of Life. Our interest in Missions is deepening. Our Monthly Concert is sustained, and collections taken. Would urge sister churches to adopt this plan to create and keep alive an interest in this all-important work. Have licensed two of our best young men to preach the gospel.

*Antigonish.*—Cannot report much progress, yet we enjoy the faithful labours of a pastor, Rev. J. B. McQuillin, three-fourths of the time. We are praying that God's Spirit may be poured out, and that we may soon hear the cry, as in other days, "What must we do to be saved?"

*Brookfield.*—We heartily respond to the call for a letter, though nothing special to communicate. We have no pastor, though we have made arrangements to secure the labors of one, if they can be secured. We rejoice in prayer and conference meetings and Sabbath School.

*Cape Canso.*—Have been without a pastor most of the past year, but have sustained public worship on the Sabbath, and a regular weekly prayer meeting. Sabbath School and Bible Class continue to command much interest. Bro. Thomas is now engaged to labour with us for a time, trust his labours may not be in vain in the Lord.

*Cow Bay.*—Last year we numbered 37, this year 36. Many of our members have moved away. A few of us are struggling along endeavouring to keep the faith. Bro. Chipman, from Sydney, has visited us as often as he could, and strengthened us in the Lord. Bro. S. McCully Black is now here, labouring under direction of H. M. Board. We believe God will own and bless his ministrations.

*Diligent River.*—We have been cheered during the past year by the conversion of sinners. Two have been baptized. We expect others to follow soon. Bro. Samuel Thompson is still our pastor, and his labours have been a blessing to the cause. We trust the Mission Board will still lend us some assistance.

*East Onslow.*—Our church as a whole is in a prosperous condition, a good degree of interest prevails among its members.

Our Pastor, Bro. J. Coombes is labouring with much acceptance. We hope soon to see a great ingathering of souls to Jesus.

*Glenville & River Philip.*—We have to lament the want of a spiritual guide to go in and out before us. Some positions of the Church have been supplied by the county missionary, but his field is so large, we can have but little to what we require. Oh! that it were with us as in days past, "Pray the Lord of the harvest, &c."

*Goose River.*—Our church numbers the same as last year, there is still a good feeling among the members.

Our meetings are well attended, and a good spirit manifested. Rev. G. F. Miles is labouring with us one quarter of the time to good acceptance.

*Goshen.*—We have had very little preaching during the past year. We meet occasionally for prayer. Our church has lost its oldest deacon, Benjamin Stevens, who has been called to the better land. We would be glad to have a visit from any minister.

*Great Village.*—Peace and brotherly love continue and abound amongst us. Rev. D. McKeen has laboured with us a small portion of his time, but while we prize his faithful preaching, he can give us so little of his time, his field being large we have engaged the Rev. M. P. Freeman for half his time. May his anticipated labours be greatly blessed of God.

*Greenville.*—We have nothing encouraging to write of the prosperity of Zion. Without a Pastor. Sheep without a shepherd. Have been favoured with occasional preaching by Rev. E. B. Corey and Bro. James Higgins. Our church is poor and scattered, we need assistance from the Board.

*Guysborough.*—During the past winter, Bro. C. J. Graves has laboured with us, and quite a number of young persons professed conversion, 29 were added to the church. We rejoice and give God thanks.

Bro. Martell is now preaching to us under direction of the H. M. Board.

*Indian Harbor.*—Nothing cheering to communicate, our number decreasing, by death, and spiritual declension. Some going out from us proving they were not of us. Rev. H. Eagles labours with us part of his time.

*Isaac's Harbor.*—We feel very much the need of a shepherd to go in and out before us. We have no regular stated preaching. Bro. C. H. Martell was with us a short time last summer and preached to good acceptance. Bro. A. J. Davison is now on the field, sent by the H. M. Board. None have been added. Our number has been lessened by death.

*Little River.*—Our record though not brilliant, shows progress. Under the ministrations of our beloved Pastor, Rev. G. F. Miles, the business affairs of the church as well as its spiritual condition, have greatly improved.

We enjoyed a revival season last winter, God manifested his power, and souls were converted.

*Lower Economy and Five Islands.*—Rev. D. McKeen labours with us one fourth of the time, and his labors are highly appreciated



by the church and community. We have three prayer meetings and a sabbath school, all well attended and interesting.

*Lower Stewiacke.*—There have been no additions to our number during the past year, but precious seed has been sown, which with God's blessing will yield a glorious harvest. We hope that no change, expect for the better will be made in our H. M. Board. We believe under present management, the wants of the times would be met if men and money were forthcoming.

*Merigomish.*—God has been merciful to us during the past year. For several years previous we had been without a Pastor, and our number always small, had been decreased by death and removals till there was scarcely a nucleus left.

In 1871, our Bro. Rev. J. B. McQuillin came amongst us. The Lord came with him, the church has been resuscitated, many souls converted, and prayer and conference meetings established.

*Mira Bay.*—Without a Pastor. Our members scattered over a large tract of country. We have sabbath meetings in different sections. Bro. Newcomb, Lic., has come to spend a twelve weeks' mission amongst us. We feel thankful that the Board has remembered us.

*Mount Pleasant.*—Little of interest to report. There is not that coming up to the "help of the Lord" as in former days. Rev. E. B. Corey, our Pastor and county missionary is highly esteemed by us. We are deeply indebted to the H. M. Board for their remembrance of us.

*New Annan.*—Nothing that betokens progress to record. But to the contrary, we say sorrowing, our number seems gradually to diminish, as one by one our brothers and sisters, are removed by death and other causes. Have no Pastor, and seldom hear Baptist preaching, except in summer when the Board kindly remembers us and sends a Missionary for two or three months. Bro. Armstrong is now with us. May God bless his faithful ministrations.

*North Sydney.*—Most of the time since last report without a Pastor. This want supplied. Rev. John B. McDonald recently of Bedeque, P. E. I. has come amongst us. We devoutly hope the relationship thus formed may be attended with a large measure of blessing.

*Onslow West.*—We cannot report a large ingathering, yet we are not without encouragment. We have regular preaching by Revd. John Coombes. Our new chapel is approaching completion. It will be opened in the early Autumn.

*Parbora Village.*—Our church is not in a thriving condition. So few to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

*Portaupique*.—We regret that we cannot report the conversion of sinners and the increase of the church. Our number has been lessened by dismissions, discipline and death, yet in the midst of these discouragements we are striving to follow in the footsteps of our Divine Master, and trust, the soul saving truths proclaimed by our pastor, Rev. D. McKeen, will bring forth fruit in God's good time.

*Pugwash*.—We extend to the Association a cordial welcome to our homes and hearts. We have been without regular preaching during the past year till last May, when Bro. Burgess came amongst us. We think his labours will be blest in all this region. Some of our best members have removed to other parts, some to the rest above.

*St. Mary's 1st*.—We cannot report any additions, but hope the seed sown will spring up to God's glory. We welcome Bro. Howe from the Home Missionary Board, and hope his visit will result in good.

*St. Mary's 2nd*.—Have been encouraged by the addition to our number of six by baptism, for which we thank God, though there is not that union amongst us that ought to exist.

*Sydney*.—The present is an important period in our denomination with respect to Home Missionary operations. As a branch of the Baptist cause in Cape Breton, we feel gratified with the provision our present Board has made for the immediate wants of our churches and fields of labor. We are prayerfully hoping for a time of refreshing from the Lord, and thus for greater spiritual enlargement and prosperity.

*Truro*.—As a church we have not made much progress, still we feel that God has not forsaken us. Since our last report eight have been baptized, and seven added by letter. Our late pastor, Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, resigned the pastorate of the church in December last. Rev. H. Morrow has laboured with us for three montus. Rev. J. E. Goucher has accepted a call to become our pastor, and entered upon his duties here the 15th of June, and we trust by the divine guidance he may be made a blessing to the church and community around.

*Upper Londonderry*.—We lament the decline of the cause of God amongst us, owing chiefly to our being without a pastor. We have made several attempts to procure one, but without success, till just now we anticipate the labours of Rev. M. P. Freeman one-third of the time. We trust that the coming of his servant may prove a great blessing to this land.

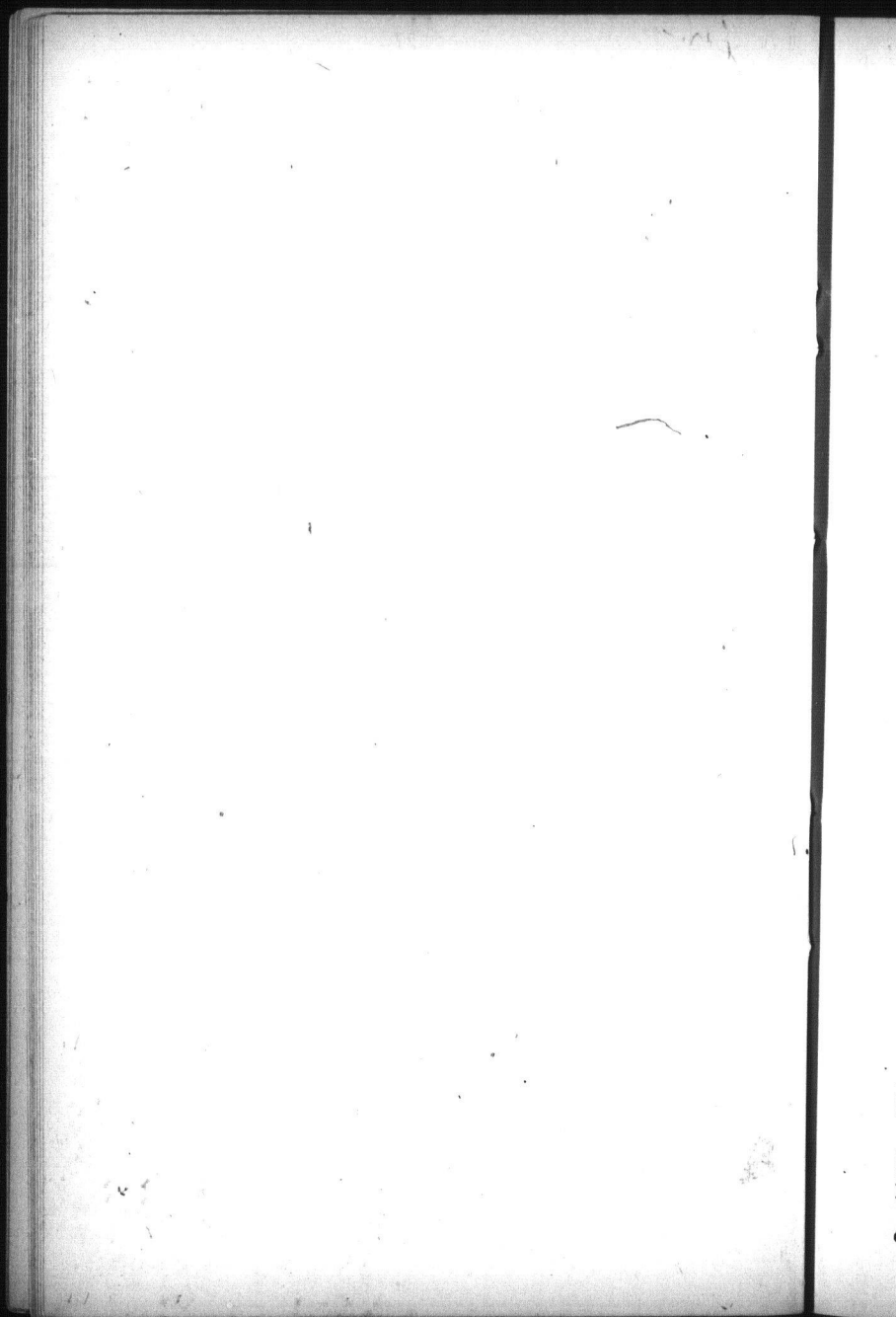
*Upper Stewiacke*.—We have no good report to give of ourselves. We see much that is evil in us, but not all. But Christ is precious, We hope that much of the good seed sown by our pastor will find a lodgement in honest hearts.

*West Bay, C. B.*—As a church, few in number, with very limited pecuniary means, but rejoice to declare our oneness with you. "There is but one body and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling," &c.

*Westbrook.*—Nothing cheering to write. Trying to hold on our way. The love of many waxes cold. No increase. Sometimes hope for a revival. Need to be more faithful in church discipline. Rev. D. McKeen still labours one-eighth of the time.

*Wallace.*—The Lord has been very good to us. Though we have had no stationed pastor for two years, the Rev. E. B. Corey has been preaching to us occasionally during that time. Last February he commenced a series of meetings amongst us, which resulted in a glorious revival. Bro. C. has baptized 42 since the work commenced. Bro. R. D. Burgess has been labouring with us for some time, and is much esteemed.

*Westchester.*—We are much cast down. We have had but one sermon since last Association. We need an ordained minister to visit us, as some would like to join the church. Brethren, pray for us.



# SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

## N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Society.

The Annual Meeting of the Meeting of the Nova Scotia Home Missionary Society was held at Bridgewater on Monday, June 30th. The President, Bro. S. Selden, in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. March. After opening remarks by the President, in absence of the Secretary, the Report of the Board was read by Rev. S. B. Kempton.

*On motion it was Resolved*, That a list of the delegates and members of the Society be made.

Granville Street Church,—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Bros. S. Selden, John Rhuland and Alex. Robinson.

Lunenburg,—Bro. G. Langille.

2nd Halifax,—Rev. J. F. Avery and Bro. J. C. Dumaresq.

2nd Cornwallis.—Rev. E. O. Read.

1st Cornwallis,—Rev. S. B. Kempton.

*Members in their own right*.—Revds. Jas. Parker, I. J. Skinner, S. March, D. M. Welton, W. E. Hall, T. A. Higgins, J. L. Read, D. Freeman, J. F. Kempton, J. F. Murray, Bros. F. Webber, (life member), Geo. O. Gates, John McLearn, Chas. A. Webber, W. J. Gates, M. Curry, Jos. Parker, M. Kinsman, Wm. Faulkner, C. Kennedy, Edward Parker.

*On motion it was Resolved*, That the Reports of the Secretary, and also of the Treasurer, after being audited, be accepted and printed under the direction of the Board.

*Whereas*, in the view of the action of the Eastern Association last year in the subject of the Home Missionary Union and of the acceptance of the principle of Union by this Society at its annual meeting last year at Truro,

*And whereas*, in view of the modifications made in the Constitution of the Union made at its late annual meeting at Bridgetown, and of the action of the Western Association, and its acceptance of the Union as now constituted, and of the action of the Central Association at its present meeting at Bridgewater, and of its acceptance thereof,

*Therefore Resolved*, That this Society, comply with the request of the Nova Scotia Home Missionary Union as presented by its delegate, and that the Board of this Society be hereby directed, after all liabilities are met, and this Society is legally empowered to transfer its funds to the Union, and the Union is, by Incorporation, legally qualified to receive them, to transfer its funds to the Union to be employed by it for the purposes for which they were donated, and to pass over all books and records to the Librarian of Acadia College, and request him to put them in the Library for safe keeping.

*On motion it was Resolved*.—That the officers of the Society and the Board of Managers be the same as last year, substituting the names of Rev. I. J. Skinner, for that of Dr. Cramp, John Rhuland for that of Alexander Robinson, by request, and the addition of Rev. J. F. Avery.

*On motion it was Resolved*, That the Board be located at Halifax for the ensuing year.



*On motion it was Resolved*, That the tabular statement prepared by Rev. E. M. Saunders be attached to and published with the Minutes, and that he receive the thanks of the body therefor.

After prayer by Bro. G. O. Gates, the Session adjourned to meet with the Eastern Association next year.

#### OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

S. Selden, *President*,  
John W. Barss, } *Vice Presidents.*  
John King,

Judge McCully, *Treasurer.*  
R. N. Beckwith, *Secretary.*  
John Steele, *Auditor.*

#### BOARD OF MANAGERS.

|                      |                        |                      |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Rev. J. F. Avery,    | Rev. E. M. Saunders,   | Bro. David Thompson, |
| " Edwin Clay, D. D., | " D. A. Steele,        | " Edwin D. King,     |
| " S. W. DeBlois,     | " I. J. Skinner,       | " H. N. Paint,       |
| " D. W. C. Dimock,   | " D. M. Welton,        | " J. F. L. Parsons,  |
| " J. E. Goucher,     | Bro. H. R. Cunningham, | " L. S. Payzant,     |
| " A. S. Hunt,        | " A. Clark,            | " B. H. Eaton,       |
| " G. F. Miles,       | " Wm. Cummings,        | " John R. Ruhland,   |
| " James Parker,      | " Wm. Faulkner,        | " Francis Webber.    |

R. N. BECKWITH, *Secretary.*

## SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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In again presenting their Annual Report your Board have to state that during the year 21 Missionaries have been employed, who report 248 weeks labor performed; 782 sermons delivered; 393 prayer and conference meetings attended; 2107 family visits made; 7921 pages of tracts distributed; and 66 baptisms, being an increase over last year in the number baptized of about *one hundred per cent.*

These statistics, however, but imperfectly shew what has been accomplished by the missionaries. The accompanying extracts from letters received indicate that the seed has been faithfully sown, and while some fruit has appeared, much yet remains to be gathered in, and the future only will reveal the actual results of the missionaries toil. There is much reason for encouragement from what we do know has been done, but the necessity for continued and increasing effort on behalf of the destitute in our Home Mission fields is still imperative.

The Eastern sections of our Province particularly present one vast field of Missionary labor, and call loudly for help. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he may send forth more labourers into his harvest." There is but one settled pastor in connection with our churches in the whole Island of Cape Breton. Port Hawkesbury, Margaree, Mabou, Cow Bay and adjacent mines, and Mira are destitute; North Sydney has been for some time, but we are glad to learn has recently successfully called a Pastor who will shortly enter upon his duties. Cape Canso, Guysborough Town, and many smaller churches throughout that County are also destitute, as well as parts of Cumberland and Colchester.

Your Board might also refer to the outlying portions of Halifax County, Hants, and Lunenburg in the West. What is to be done? Where are the men to be found to occupy these inviting fields is the all absorbing question?

Your Board have been endeavouring to supply the demand as far as possible, and are largely indebted to students at Acadia, whose services have been secured during their vacations, and more recently have been gratified by receiving applications from students at Newton, who are desirous of giving their talents and energy to their native Province, some of whom have been employed, and others probably will be. Still there is room. Much of the ground yet remains to be occupied.

The Treasurer's account shows an increase over last year of \$42.07 in the receipts from the two Associations, but we regret to state that from other sources they have been diminished by \$146.51, independent of two sums amounting to \$389.33, bequeathed to the Society as in last years report. The total receipts are \$1885.85,

of this sum \$853.47 have been collected by the Missionaries in the more destitute localities. It is evident from these figures that the contributions from more highly favoured churches and individuals, are exceedingly small, very far below what they ought to be; certainly it cannot be said that they have given as the Lord "has prospered" them. Such however is the divine standard—the rule of christian beneficence.

Your Board have had under consideration the increase of compensation to Missionaries in their employ, and have decided to increase their pay from 1st April as follows:—Married and ordained to receive \$10 per week; married Licentiates and unmarried and ordained \$9; unmarried Licentiates \$8.

Referring to the Missionary Union, your Board, for the following reasons, concluded that it would be better to let things remain as they are until the Home Missionary Society at its Annual Meeting should take definite action, on this subject of organized Union for Missionary work.

First—The Eastern Association did not express its unequivocal approval of this institution as conditionally formed at Berwick.

Second—Your Society did not take final action to dissolve its organizations, and merge the elements thereof into that Society, whose formation it was supposed, would have been perfected by the Eastern Association and the Home Missionary Society at their last annual meetings.

For these reasons your Board declined to transfer its funds on application made by the Secretary of the Board of the Home Missionary Union, preferring if this were to be done it should be by the direction of the Society itself, and for these reasons your Board was of the opinion that nothing would be gained by conferring with the Board of the Union, according to the resolution passed by the Home Missionary Society at its last Annual Meeting. In view of this, as well as the general state of the whole subject, there has been no correspondence between the two Boards to accomplish this special end expressed in your Society's directions, as given at its last annual meeting, and awaiting such final action, your Board, as the guardians of the interests of the Society, felt called upon to petition the Legislature against the passage of a Bill submitted during the last Session, asking for an Act to Incorporate the Home Missionary Union, unless said Bill be so amended or modified as to be unexceptionable to the Society as represented by your Board.

#### GROSS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

##### RECEIPTS.

|                                                  |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance in Treasurer's hands June 1st, 1872..... | \$362 99  |
| From Treasurer of Central Association.....       | 371 83    |
| "    "    Eastern Association.....               | 446 40    |
| "    Interest on Government Debentures.....      | 58 40     |
| "    Other sources.....                          | 155 75    |
| Collected by the Missionaries.....               | 909 97    |
|                                                  | \$2305 34 |

## EXPENDITURES

|                                                                         |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid to Missionaries for services to May 31st.....                      | \$737 36 |
| Travelling expenses of do.....                                          | 173 22   |
| Collections received by the Missionaries and retained.....              | 896 96   |
| Paid Secretary for years services including Postage and Stationary..... | 100 00   |
| " S. Selden, printing Reports, &c.....                                  | 55 00    |
| Balance in hand.....                                                    | 342 80   |

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Estimated liabilities of the Board to Missionaries now in the field, \$700, in anticipation of receipts from the Associations.

## Tabular Statement of Missionary Labor.

| NAMES OF MINISTERS & LICENTIATES.               | Weeks Labor. | Sermons. | Prayer & C. Meetings. | Family Visits. | Baptisms. | Tracts Distributed. | Miles Travelled. | Travelling Expenses. | Collections. |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Caleb Spidle, (Licentiate).....                 | 12           | 23       | 28                    | 61             | 150       | 308                 |                  |                      | \$21 77      |
| Rev. John Miller.....                           | 8            | 33       | 2                     | 70             | 4         | 200                 | 309              | 8 75                 | 28 49        |
| Rev. Augustus Shields.....                      | 6            | 34       | 6                     | 125            | 904       | 240                 | 5 25             | 12 50                |              |
| Rev. Obed Parker.....                           | 6            | 20       | 4                     | 50             | 44        | 650                 | 16 17            | 10 35                |              |
| Rev. M. A. Bigelow.....                         | 12           | 32       | 71                    | 86             | 6         |                     |                  |                      | 28 00        |
| J. C. Archibald, (Lic.).....                    | 12           | 29       | 20                    | 91             | 1000      | 300                 | 22 82            | 47 15                |              |
| Daniel McLeod, (Lic.).....                      | 14           | 67       | 33                    | 180            |           | 554                 | 8 00             | 13 30                |              |
| Rev. Alfred Chipman.....                        | 13           | 40       | 3                     | 132            |           | 483                 | 10 00            | 66 00                |              |
| Rev. J. B. McQuillin.....                       | 7            |          |                       | 120            | 5         | 448                 | 2 25             | 33 22                |              |
| Rev. Malcom Ross.....                           | 12           | 48       | 11                    | 115            | 2         | 650                 | 16 74            | 82 53                |              |
| Charles I. Graves, (Lic.).....                  | 9            | 30       | 13                    | 65             | 697       | 354                 | 8 75             | 26 75                |              |
| G. W. Thomas, (Lic.).....                       | 7            | 30       | 9                     | 100            | 525       | 250                 | 17 75            | 15 00                |              |
| Rev. E. B. Corey.....                           | 52           | 216      | 66                    | 165            | 40        | 1650                | 170              |                      | 215 24       |
| C. H. Martell, (Lic.).....                      | 11           | 44       | 36                    | 311            | 40        | 633                 | 12 93            | 91 94                |              |
| A. J. Skinner, (Lic.).....                      | 12           | 34       | 8                     | 124            | 1         | 280                 | 580              | 6 80                 | 54 97        |
| A. J. Stevens, (Lic.).....                      | 12           | 27       | 12                    | 145            | 1         | 831                 | 330              | 23 00                | 80 46        |
| R. D. Burgess, (Lic.).....                      | 14           | 42       | 60                    | 50             | 8         | 500                 | 400              | 5 50                 | 37 50        |
| J. J. Armstrong, (Lic.).....                    | 12           | 33       | 11                    | 117            | 1040      | 743                 | 8 51             | 43 99                |              |
| John Crawley.....                               | 2            |          |                       |                |           |                     |                  |                      |              |
| Rev. H. E. Morrow.....                          |              |          |                       |                |           |                     |                  |                      |              |
| Rev. Samuel Thompson.....                       |              |          |                       |                |           |                     |                  |                      |              |
| Rev. J. B. McQuillin.....                       |              |          |                       |                |           |                     |                  |                      |              |
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1 church organized at Fall River.

## ANTIGONISH COUNTY.

Rev. M. A. Bigelow spent 12 weeks in the service of the Board at Tracadie. Preached 32 sermons, attended 71 Prayer and Conference meetings, made 86 family visits, Baptized 6, collected \$28.00.

Bro. Bigelow reports as follows:—The church at Tracadie thank the Board for the Mission. I found the church in a low state, having been so long without the preaching of the gospel, but a great change has taken place, Bro. Graves has been with me here for several weeks. I trust God was with us. The Church is very much revived. Eighteen expelled members were restored, six were added by Baptism, and some others have obtained a hope. I succeeded in getting a school house 20 x 26 and 10 feet high, nearly finished. I intend returning to Tracadie again soon. This people need a minister much, I hope the Board will remember them.

## CAPE BRETON.

Rev. Malcom Ross again visited Cape Breton in the autumn of last year, and remained 12 weeks and 4 days. Preached 48 ser-

mons, attended 11 Prayer and Conference meetings made 115 family visits, Baptized 2, travelled 650 miles, collected \$82.53, travelling expenses \$16.74.

Bro. Ross spent the greater part of his time at Mira and Cow Bay, and respecting this field says: "It is now or never with us as regards this locality. Shall we relinquish such advantage ground, having won it so fairly with the weapons of truth.

When it is considered that there is but one Minister of our denomination devoted exclusively to the preaching of the Word on this Island, it is to be feared that some of the churches will loose their visibility unless men are obtained to occupy these destitute fields. In the absence of settled Pastors the time of the Missionary is largely taken up in settling grievances and healing breaches in order to keep the churches together. I can say, respecting several of the localities I visited, there is a growing attachment to Baptist principles."

Rev. Alfred Chipman continues to labour one-fourth of his time in mission fields adjacent to Sydney.

On the 29th Nov., 1872, Bro. Chipman reported to the Board as follows:—

"I have, in accordance with your request, spent the chief portion of the time given to mission work at Victoria Mines, including however, during my last appointment, South Bar. The little Church at this place is in a low condition, yet affords some evidence of visibility, and during the summer season maintains an interesting Sabbath School.

At Victoria Mines there are several nominally Baptist families, and a few worthy members of Baptist Churches, also a few hopeful Christians of other denominations. But as a community the place yet contains very little vital and exemplary religion, and christian labor expended there must probably for some time come to be largely a "work of faith and labor of love."

Extracts from letter 26th May, 1873:—

"I have since January been visiting Cow Bay, Glace Bay, and the New Mines, (Lorway and Reserve). My method has been to hold a Sabbath morning service once a month at the New Mines, visiting and having a Conference Meeting on Saturday at Cow Bay each month, and preaching there twice on Sabbath, visiting and holding a service at Glace Bay on the preceding Friday.

I have also twice held a service and visited some of the families at Homeville, Mira, and once at Mira Bay.

In all these places I have found the cause of Christ pretty low. Yet with some regularity and some success prayer meetings are sustained, and at Cow Bay the Sabbath School, though small, is in quite an efficient condition.

The people, especially at Cow Bay, attend our preaching services well, at the other places named the attendance is somewhat promising, and in all these places a disposition is manifested to contribute liberally in proportion to their means towards my mission.



At the New Mines, where a large population is already established, I have been very much gratified and encouraged. The attendance is very good, and attention to preaching excellent. A friendly reception is also given me at their homes. Although immediate saving fruit of our labor be not at present manifest, yet we are bidden to continue to sow the seed."

Bro. Daniel McLeod, (Lic.,) has spent 14 weeks in the service of the Board at West Bay and St. Ann's. Preached 67 sermons, prayer and conference meetings 33, family visits 180, miles travelled 554, collected \$13.30, travelling expenses \$8.00, and reports as follows: "The Church at West Bay hold their regular meetings, and are bearing the cross amidst much opposition. I hope that my labor has not been in vain, the Church has been revived, and our meetings have been interesting.

St. Ann's is a field which should not be neglected, there are many here who are, I believe, not far from the kingdom of God. His word is being read and pondered. Our meetings are well attended, and great interest manifested. I hope that the time is near at hand when the God of all grace will send faithful laborers to this Island, among the people who are perishing for want of the truth as it is in Jesus."

#### COW BAY.

Bro. J. C. Archibald, Lic., had an appointment of 12 weeks at Cow Bay and vicinity, preached 29 sermons, attended 20 prayer and conference meetings, made 91 family visits, distributed 1000 pages of tracts, travelled 300 miles, collected \$47.15, travelling expenses \$22.82.

The following report was received by the Board:

"I entered upon the work in this field on Sabbath, July 7th. The meetings in general have been well attended; have reason to believe that although there has been great declension on the part of professed followers of Christ, there are still many who are offering earnest prayer for the prosperity of Zion.

I visited, a short time, the Reserve Mines, about nine miles distant from Cow Bay. It is somewhat populous, and a rapidly growing settlement, in which there is, as yet, no stated preaching by any denomination.

Held a meeting one Sabbath evening at Big Glace Bay. A large number were present.

The mines at Schooner Pond are now in active operation. They have a meeting-house here, built by the Rev. Hugh Ross. There are loud calls for the preaching of the Gospel in these places. The church at Little Glace Bay take a collection monthly for Home Missions, and thus have always something on hand to aid in supporting the missionary sent among them."

## PORT HAWKESBURY AND WEST BAY.

Bro. Charles I. Graves (Lic.) laboured under the direction of the Board 9 weeks, preached 30 sermons, attended 13 prayer and conference meetings, made 65 family visits, distributed 697 pages of tracts, travelled 354 miles, collected \$26.75, travelling expenses \$8.75, and reports as follows :

"I arrived at Port Hawkesbury June 4th, and at the earnest request of Bro. Peter Paint, Jr., to whom I was referred for direction, laboured with the church there three weeks.

At West Bay found some interest manifested; they sustain a prayer-meeting regularly, and are very attentive to the preached word. We organized a Sabbath School, which bids fair to be a great blessing to the community. Their superintendent is a man that any school might be proud of. He is a Baptist, because the Word of God made him so. He labors with much fidelity and ability to promulgate the pure doctrines of the New Testament.

The field is large and very needy. There are no ministers of any denomination stationed in this region. I preached in the following places: At the church near the Marshes, Marble Quarry, Kempt Road, Grant Ann's, and on the South Shore Road. The people listened attentively to the preached Gospel, and I trust seed has been sown which, under the fostering care of the Holy Spirit, will result in the salvation of souls and strengthen God's children."

MARGAREE, C. B.

*Mr. R. N. Beckwith :*

DEAR SIR,—The field of Missionary labor which the Board assigned to me is a large and interesting one. They have had very little ministerial labor since brother Kempton left them, but have regularly maintained Sabbath services. There are those in the church who are well able to conduct divine service, either in the form of "social prayer meetings" or by "proclaiming the gospel from the sacred desk."

As is generally the case with sheep destitute of a spiritual shepherd, some have wandered from the fold and become cold and unfruitful in the service of the Master; while others, with unshaken confidence in the immutable promises of Jehovah, are praying earnestly, and laboring zealously for the growth of the church.

The brethren gave me a warm reception, and treated me with the utmost kindness throughout. Other denominations welcomed me to their homes and places of worship, and frequently formed a large part of the congregation in our own meeting house. The congregations upon the Sabbath were invariably large and attentive: the Conference and weekly prayer meetings, which for a time has been somewhat neglected, were revived, and steadily increased in interest. A Sabbath school is conducted during the summer months; but the distance which many have to travel in order to attend, renders it necessary to close it during the winter.

I spent a third of my time in Mabou, where the little flock, though mostly all living at a long distance from the place of worship, gladly assembled to participate in the blessings of the gospel. Here, as well as in Margaree, they remember with gratitude the valuable assistance which the Missionary Board has rendered them in the past, and evinced their thankfulness for a continued remembrance of them, by contributing quite liberally for the support of the mission.

It was not without feelings of regret that I took my departure from so warmhearted a people, and from so important a field of labor. It is gratifying, however, to know that the period of cessation from College work has been improved in the service of the dear Redeemer, and to be able to feel the conviction that the seed sown, will, under the fostering care of Him without whose notice not a sparrow falls to the ground, spring up and bear rich fruit.

Yours fraternally,

A. J. STEVENS.

*Horton, Sept. 25th, 1873.*

Twelve weeks service by A. J. Stevens. Preached 27 sermons attended 12 prayer and conference meetings, made 145 family visits, distributed 831 pages of tracts, travelled 330 miles, collected \$80.46, travelling expenses \$23.00.

#### GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.

A report of six weeks mission in the County of Guysborough. I visited the town of Guysborough, Cook's Cove, New Canada, Crow Harbor, Philip's Cove, and Half Island Cove, in all these places there are some Baptists, not a church, but parts of churches. Some belong to the town, and some to the church at Canso, in fact they have no shepherd, neither prayer meeting nor conference meeting for years, except in the town. Here is a little band who have a Sabbath afternoon and Friday evening prayer meeting. I visited all those sections, preached to them and prayed for them. In preaching twenty sermons I never felt nor saw any want of interest. The Conference at Cook's Cove was good, but the last at New Canada was a special one, and my last Sabbath was one, I trust, long to be remembered. I was pressed hard to continue longer. Manchester and Port Mulgrave are destitute, and I was pressed to visit them, but could not for various reasons. And now dear brethren, in reviewing my labors amongst these dear people, I believe good was done, at least those that I visited thought and said so. Now dear brethren, if we wish to possess the land we must send the right men and sustain them, and I do think a mission there would very soon become self-sustaining—For other matters connected with my mission I refer to my account rendered.

OBED PARKER.

*Halifax, Sept. 13, 1872.*

Preached 20 sermons, attended 4 prayer and conference meetings, made 50 family visits, distributed 44 pages of tracts, travelled 650 miles, collections \$10.35, travelling expenses \$16.17. This mission was sustained by Mr. Joseph H. Cook, of Milton, Queen's County.

I have spent eleven weeks in the service of the N. S. Home Missionary Board at Isaac's Harbor and vicinity, viz.; Melrose, Country Harbor, Seal Harbor, Island Harbor, and Isaac's Harbor, spending the greater part of my time in the place last mentioned. I preached as far as I was able Jesus Christ and him crucified, as the only hope for the guilty sinner. Many were interested, some expressed a desire to seek Jesus. I am not privileged to report of any putting on Christ by a public profession, yet I have great reason to believe that some with whom I have conversed have found Jesus to be precious. "The Lord knoweth them that are His." The Baptist Church at Isaac's Harbor was first organized by the Rev. George Richardson, in the year 1840. Since that time God has blessed His little Zion and the number has been increased. For the last few years they have been without much ministerial labor, and as we may expect from such circumstances the church is somewhat scattered, as sheep without a shepherd.

The Harbor is fast increasing in population, and a larger meeting house is indispensable.

C. H. MARTELL.

*Isaac's Harbor, Sept. 11, 1872.*

Preached 44 sermons, attended 36 prayer and conference meetings, made 311 family visits, distributed 40 pages of tracts, travelled 653 miles, collected \$91.94, travelling expenses \$12.93. This mission was more than self-supporting—an overplus of \$13.01 was paid into the treasury.

Rev. Augustus Shields received an appointment of six weeks in destitute parts of this county. The following report has been received:—

"My Mission has not been without deep interest to me as I laboured along the bays and coves from Clam Harbor to Island Harbor, including too many places to mention. Sad faces meet you all along in these places on account of the scarcity of fish, but we feel it to be a delightful duty to point them to the true riches and the heavenly rest, to which God in his infinite love and mercy has chosen the poor of this world.

I preached 34 sermons, attended 6 prayer and conference meetings, made 125 family visits, distributed 904 pages of tracts, travelled 240 miles, collected \$12.50, travelling expenses \$5.25."

ACADIA COLLEGE, Oct. 8th, 1872.

To R. N. Beckwith Sec'y. N. S. H. M. B.

Dear Brother,—As is required I beg leave to submit to the N.

S. H. M. B. the following report of the labour I have performed under their direction during the past summer.

The first part of my mission was spent at Sand Point. The church which was organized in this vicinity a few years ago has now become almost invisible. Some of its members have moved to other localities, while others have passed to their reward. Thus but a few remain who have declared their intention to renounce the world with its deceitful toys, and have been numbered with the church of Christ. Among the few some were found who, through these years of darkness and discouragement, have remained faithful to the principles they once embraced. Although in many instances they are deprived of many of the enjoyments of life, yet we believe that when the master appears to make up his jewels they will be counted worthy of a place at his right hand.

The people seemed unanimous in their expressions of thanks to the Board for the favours they receive from them from time to time. The congregations at Sand Point were not large, but kept steadily increasing, numbering upwards of 40 at my last service.

I next visited Clam Harbour. This station is properly within the limits of the Guysboro' Church. It is, however, a very inviting station for Baptist preaching, and, we believe, a profitable place for mission labour. The few weeks spent at this station passed away pleasantly and, we have reason to believe, profitably. Although there was no professed conversions yet we cannot but feel assured that the solemn influence prevailing in many of our meetings will not be forgotten and lost. The attendance was good and the attention marked.

It was also my privilege to visit New Canada and the Cove, holding a few services at each place.

On my return I tarried a few days with the brethren at Hawkesbury. There seems to be much need of christian labour in this place. Those who are professors need to be awakened and encouraged to renewed endeavors for Christ, and while there is also room for the rescuing of the unsaved and heedless ones. It was sad to see Satan's servants so actively engaged, and so little earnestness manifested on the part of many of the members of the church. May God send our brethren a faithful, zealous pastor to break unto them the bread of life.

Having now returned from my tour in the eastern part of the province, and remembering the scenes which I witnessed, I can only urge upon the Board the importance of this part of our Mission field. The people are favourable to Baptists and Baptist principles, and there is great need of christian labour in their midst.

Be assured, brethren, if the church is not awake and active in the cause committed to her trust, the servants of Satan are alive in their Master's service. Second Adventists, Infidels, Spiritualists, and other equally nefarious sects are eagerly striving to commend their principles to the minds of the people. Shall we then fold our arms



and looking on the scene with a calm indifference, exclaim, "I am not my brother's keeper?"

While I laboured in your service I endeavored to scatter the seed faithfully and prayerfully, looking at all times for guidance to the Great Head of the Church, with whom I desire to leave the results of my weak and imperfect endeavors, knowing that "Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God alone giveth the increase."

Yours in Christ,

G. W. THOMAS.

Statistical report of 7 weeks service:—Preached 30 sermons, attended 9 prayer and conference meetings, made 100 family visits, distributed 525 pages of tracts, travelled 250 miles, collected \$15.00.

### COLCHESTER COUNTY.

Bro. J. J. ARMSTRONG, writes:—

WOLFVILLE, Sept. 14th, 1873.

*To the Board of Home Missions, Halifax.*

DEAR BRETHREN,—Under appointment from your Board I spent twelve weeks in the county of Colchester, under the direction of the Rev. D. W. C. Dimock. My mission was performed in the following places,—Onslow West, Onslow East, Upper North River, East Mountain, DeBert River and Great Village.

I endeavoured, by the help of God, to preach Christ and his truth to the people; and was much encouraged in my work by the large attendance on the services of the sanctuary, and the earnest and solemn attention given to the word preached. I cannot report conversions, but there was evidence that my poor labors were not unprofitable, if the awakening and nurturing of Christian emotion by means of the truth, and the ready contributions of the people in support of the mission are indications of usefulness. It is much to be desired and hoped that coming days will reveal greater fruit in the salvation of sinners, by the word which has been preached in the places named.

I have great pleasure in testifying to the kindness of the people, and their readiness to attend on the ministration of the Gospel. The field is large and important, but there is much destitution of the Gospel. The word of God is prized, and those who proclaim it are respected and loved by the people.

Preached 33 sermons, attended 11 prayer and conference meetings, made 117 family visits, distributed 1040 pages of tracts, travelled 743 miles, collections \$43.99, travelling expenses \$8.51.

*To the Home Missionary Board, Halifax.*

DEAR BRETHREN,—Having spent twelve weeks under your direction in New Annan and at the head of Tatamagouche Bay, I now send you a brief report.

In each of these places there is a regularly organized Baptist

Church with a very small membership. And the members are so widely separated from each other, and living at such distances from the places of worship that it is very difficult for them to keep alive a religious interest among themselves when there is no one laboring with them. And when one visits a people that have been for a length of time without the gospel ministry he is almost sure to find a great degree of coldness and indifference with reference to holy and sacred duties. But the heart of the missionary is cheered when in the performance of his work he finds that his christian hearers are desirous and willing to throw off their sluggishness and again gird on the christian armor. And until this is the case with professed believers in the Lord Jesus, we cannot with consistency hope or pray for an ingathering of souls. The men of the world are not so ignorant as not to know what a christian should be. And when they see the life of Christ exhibited in the lives and conduct of professors, they are attracted and an influence is at work, which, by the power of the Holy Spirit will effect a glorious result.

But when these little churches are left for so long a time without a shepherd the labors of a missionary for a few weeks are to a great extent unavailing to the outside world. For oftentimes as soon, or shortly after, an interest is manifested on the part of the church, a coming up to duty and taking hold and laboring with us, the time allotted for our mission has passed by and other duties force us to come away.

I offer these thoughts as suggestive of my own experience while laboring with those kind people.

I had large and attentive congregations. On one occasion a large assembly of people gathered at the baptismal waters, where a deep solemnity seemed to prevail. And one young man who was determined to follow his Lord and Master, was buried with Christ in baptism by Rev. E. B. Corey.

The churches were thankful to the Board for again remembering them, and they still hope that in the future they may not be forgotten.

ISAAC R. SKINNER.

Preached 34 sermons, attended 8 prayer and conference meetings, made 134 family visits, baptized 1, distributed 280 pages of tracts, travelled 580 miles, collected \$54.97, travelling expenses \$6.80.

#### CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

LITTLE RIVER, May 15th, 1873.

*R. N. Beckwith, Esq.,—*

We commenced special services at Wallace Bridge on the 19th of March. The Lord was pleased to hear and answer prayer in behalf of those who had wandered and poor sinners were quickened and made alive.

We held meetings in the above named place four weeks and much good was done. Eager listeners crowded the building every

night to hear the glad tidings, and many were made to rejoice in Jesus' love who had been brought up in wickedness and surrounded by evil influences all their lives. But the blessed Saviour can use poor feeble means to carry on his work ; and none can hinder.

At Wallace River we had meetings daily for three weeks. The church was much revived, and many sinners converted from the error of their ways. Among them were some very remarkable conversions. Some who came to scoff and make derision were convicted and led to cry out " Lord have mercy upon me."

A few meetings were held in the Crawford settlement with good results.

We have begun special services at the Six Mile Road. God is blessing the people in a wonderful manner there. Three have professed faith in the Lord Jesus, and were baptized on Sabbath last. Thus you see the Lord is working like himself.

We have baptized for seven successive Sabbaths, and, strange to say, there has been no storms to prevent the people from meeting to witness the sacred rite. The congregations have been large and attentive.

Weeks service 14, sermons preached 100, prayer and conference meetings 25, baptized 40, travelled 300 miles, collected for Home Missions at Wallace Bridge, Six Mile Road, and Wallace Church, fifty six dollars and fifty cents.

The good work is going forward in a settlement between Wallace River and the Head of the tide. We expect to baptize next Sabbath.

E. B. COREY.

### HALIFAX COUNTY.

Bro. R. D. BURGESS, wrote :

FALL RIVER, HALIFAX Co., October 1st, 1872.

*To the Home Missionary Board :*

DEAR BRETHREN.—My appointment from your Board having expired, I must send you some account of my work.

The field allotted me was Fall River and Lawrencetown ; but nearly all my labour has been expended at the former place—I had only been there a short time when there were indications of a movement among the people, and I thought it inexpedient to leave when God was blessing his word and the people anxious to hear. I consequently continued preaching, publicly and from house to house, and the power of the Most High was present with us. Eight professed faith in Jesus and were baptized, seven by Bro. Morrow and one by Dr. Clay. They, with a few members from other Churches, were formed into a church on the 25th September. The work is still going on, souls are still seeking anxiously the salvation which Jesus purchased by shedding his own precious blood and if proper effort were put forth a much greater harvest might be reaped. I have promised to visit them during the winter as often as my

studies will permit. I stayed longer than the time specified in my appointment, for the reasons above mentioned.

14 weeks service, preached 42 sermons, attended 60 Prayer and Conference meetings, made 50 family visits, distributed 500 pages of tracts, baptized 8, as above, organized 1 church, travelled 400 miles, collected \$37.50. travelling expenses \$5.50.

Bro. John Crawley has had a mission of 2 weeks to labor among the colored people in Halifax County and has received \$16 from the funds of the Board.

REVIVAL AT FALL RIVER, WAVERLY.—*Dear Brother.*—You will be pleased to learn that God is blessing Fall River with an outpouring of His Spirit. Bro. Burgess has been labouring there under the appointment of the Baptist Home Missionary Board, and has been the instrument of much good. Mr. McNaughton, Presbyterian, spends part of his time with them and renders efficient service. A few weeks ago I had the privilege of baptizing three, and yesterday four more followed Christ in that ordinance. Four of the baptized are heads of families, and promise to be useful in the Redeemer's cause. Our Presbyterian brethren have also had valuable accessions to their numbers. The meetings are conducted together, and the greatest harmony prevails. Yesterday our Presbyterian brother took occasion to refer to their mode of baptism, and we felt called upon to present the New Testament teaching on the subject in the evening. We hope however that understanding each other better they may work still more unitedly in waging war on our common enemy. It is in contemplation to form a Baptist church there on Wednesday next.

Yours &c.,

Sackville, Sept. 23, 1872.

H. MORROW.

#### LUNENBURGH COUNTY.

Rev. John Miller laboured with the church at New Ross 8 weeks. Preached 33 sermons. Attended 2 Prayer and Conference Meetings. Made 70 Family Vists. Baptized 4. Distributed 200 pages of tracts. Travelled 308 miles. Collected \$28.40. Travelling Expenses \$8.75.

On the 12th Nov., Bro. Miller gave the following particulars respecting his mission :

The people at New Ross received me with great pleasure, and were thankful that the Board had remembered them. This is a very proper field for Missionary labor, the church numbers about *fifty* members, but their means are limited. They are a very industrious people, but owing to the distance from a market, and the rocky nature of their land, they are poor. They are anxious to maintain religion and exert a good influence over the young. I was much pleased to find that a number of their young people, give decided attention to spiritual things. The *four* I baptized are young from 20 and upwards,

They might sustain preaching among themselves a fourth of the time, if they could secure a minister. I think the Board would do well to remember them in the future.

Bro. Caleb Spidle had 12 weeks mission in this county under the direction of Revds. S. March & W. E. Hall a part of which time was spent in Bro. March's field of labor and a part at New Ross.

June 20, 1872, Bro. Spidle reports that he was first directed to New Cumberland, a branch of the Bridgewater church. We have reason to be thankful that God revived his work in the hearts of his people here, some who had wandered from their Father's house returned, and I trust seed has been sown that will bring forth fruit to the glory of God. I spent one Sabbath at Crouse Town where there are only two or three Baptists, but had good congregations. I spent one Sabbath at Pleasantville, here they are building a meeting house and expect to finish it this summer, also one Sabbath at Lapland. I believe that Baptist principles are spreading in this county. The fields are white already to harvest but the laborers are few.

At New Ross I found the church in a low and depressed state, we met for worship twice a week besides the Sabbath services, which were well attended.

Preached 23 Sermons. Attended 28 Prayer and Conference meetings, made 61 Family Visits. Distributed 150 pages of tracts. Travelled 368 miles. Collected \$21.77.



**NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN ACCOUNT WITH  
J. MCCULLY, TREASURER.**

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| March                      | 14. | " " "                                                                           | " S. Thompson.....                                   | 20 00     |
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|                            |     | " " "                                                                           | H. Morrow.....                                       | 20 00     |
|                            |     | " " "                                                                           | D. McLeod.....                                       | 8 00      |
|                            |     | " " "                                                                           | D. McLeod.....                                       | 36 00     |
|                            |     |                                                                                 | Cash on hand.....                                    | 342 00    |
|                            |     |                                                                                 |                                                      | \$1408 38 |
| 1862.                      |     |                                                                                 | CR.                                                  |           |
| June                       | 1.  | By balance on hand per account rendered.....                                    |                                                      | \$ 362 99 |
| July                       | 18. | From Central Association, per R. N. Beckwith.....                               |                                                      | 371 83    |
|                            |     | proceeds 2 coupons each £3 stg.....                                             |                                                      | 29 20     |
| Aug.                       | 29. | Eastern Association, per R. N. Beckwith.....                                    |                                                      | 417 94    |
|                            |     | Jeddore Church, additional.....                                                 |                                                      | 4 00      |
| Oct.                       | 15. | R. N. Beckw th from C. H. Martell on account of mission to<br>Isaac Harbor..... |                                                      | 13 01     |
| Nov.                       | 14. | R. N. Beckwith from Clerk of Eastern Association.....                           |                                                      | 28 44     |
|                            |     | S. Selden, Jno. Covey \$1. B. Covey \$2.....                                    |                                                      | 3 00      |
|                            |     | Fall River Church.....                                                          |                                                      | 3 75      |
|                            |     | Lunenburg Co. Ministerial Quarterly Meeting.....                                |                                                      | 2 00      |
|                            |     | Mrs. Noonan, St. Margarets Bay, 50cts.; Geo. Chipman, \$1.....                  |                                                      | 1 50      |
| 1873.                      |     |                                                                                 |                                                      |           |
| Jan.                       | 1.  | Proceeds sterling, coupons as above.....                                        |                                                      | 29 20     |
|                            | 18. | S. Selden, A Friend, \$20; Indian Harbor Church, \$5.....                       |                                                      | 25 00     |
|                            |     | 1st Margarets Bay Church, \$6; 2nd Margarets Bay do., \$5.50.....               |                                                      | 11 50     |
| Feb.                       | 12. | S. Selden, Lunenburg Ministerial Conference per Z. Morton.....                  |                                                      | 5 00      |
|                            |     | 1st Horton Church per Rev. S. W. Deblois.....                                   |                                                      | 48 00     |
| March                      | 12. | S. Selden, J. H. Cook, Milton Queens Co.....                                    |                                                      | 50 00     |
|                            |     | do. F. Webber.....                                                              |                                                      | 2 00      |
|                            |     |                                                                                 |                                                      | \$1408 38 |
|                            |     |                                                                                 | By cash on hand per account.....                     | 342       |
| Audited and found correct, |     |                                                                                 |                                                      |           |
| JOHN STEELE,               |     |                                                                                 | J. MCCULLY, Treasurer.                               |           |

# CONTRIBUTIONS.

## TRACADIE.

(Collected by Rev. M. A. Bigelow.)

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Alex. Bonden.....       | \$0 25 |
| Susan Bonden.....       | 0 25   |
| Judy Bonden.....        | 0 25   |
| Mrs. Joseph Bonden..... | 0 25   |
| Dempsey Bonden.....     | 0 25   |
| Janet Reddock.....      | 0 25   |
| Abraham Reddock.....    | 0 25   |
| Elisha Ash.....         | 0 25   |
| Sarah Ash.....          | 0 25   |
| Elisha Williams.....    | 0 25   |
| Judy Williams.....      | 0 25   |
| Sarah Williams.....     | 0 25   |
| A. Williams.....        | 0 25   |
| Peter Dismen.....       | 0 25   |
| Mrs. P. Dismen.....     | 0 25   |
| Christopher Dismen..... | 0 25   |
| Rebecca Dismen.....     | 0 25   |
| Miss R. Dismen.....     | 0 12   |
| Sarah Fee.....          | 0 25   |
| Mary Jane Roche.....    | 0 25   |
| Susan Elms.....         | 0 25   |
| Mrs. W. Peshier.....    | 0 25   |
| Mrs. S. Hubbert.....    | 0 22   |
| A Friend.....           | 1 12   |
| Ann Silvey.....         | 0 20   |
| Margaret Bowden.....    | 1 00   |
| Simon Bowden.....       | 0 25   |
| Sarah Bowden.....       | 0 25   |
| John Bowden.....        | 0 25   |
| Fred. Bowden.....       | 0 25   |
| Margaret Bowden.....    | 0 25   |
| Gideon Bowden.....      | 0 25   |
| Jane Bowden.....        | 0 25   |
| Mary Reddock.....       | 0 25   |
| Peter Reddock.....      | 0 50   |
| Ellen Reddock.....      | 0 12   |
| Susan Reddock.....      | 0 25   |
| Haliburton Reddock..... | 0 25   |
| Joseph Devose.....      | 0 50   |
| Samuel Devose.....      | 0 25   |
| Caroline Devose.....    | 0 25   |
| Susan Devose.....       | 0 12   |
| Mrs. Isaac Devose.....  | 0 12   |
| Ruth Devose.....        | 0 12   |
| Elisha Devose.....      | 0 25   |
| Hannah Devose.....      | 0 25   |
| Harriet Devose.....     | 0 12   |
| George Douglas.....     | 0 25   |
| Joseph Clie.....        | 0 25   |
| Charles Paris.....      | 0 25   |
| Jane Paris.....         | 0 12   |
| Zoar Paris.....         | 0 25   |
| Mrs. Zoar Paris.....    | 0 25   |
| Isaac Paris.....        | 0 50   |
| Martin Clie.....        | 0 25   |
| Mary A. Clie.....       | 0 25   |
| Lydia Clie.....         | 0 25   |
| Fredrick Ash.....       | 0 50   |
| Mathew Dell.....        | 0 25   |
| Margaret Dell.....      | 0 25   |
| John Dell.....          | 0 25   |
| Samuel Garow.....       | 0 25   |
| David Elms.....         | 0 50   |
| Johnson Elms.....       | 0 25   |
| Catherine Elms.....     | 0 25   |
| Mary Elms.....          | 0 25   |
| Caroline Elms.....      | 0 25   |
| Frank Dismen.....       | 0 25   |
| Jane Dismen.....        | 0 25   |

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Joseph Dismen.....  | \$0 25 |
| Amelia Dismen.....  | 0 20   |
| William Dismen..... | 0 25   |
| C. A. Dismen.....   | 0 25   |

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Total.....      | \$20 19 |
| Collection..... | 3 00    |
|                 | \$23 19 |

## ANTIGONISHIE.

(Collected by Rev. J. B. McQuillin.)

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Margaret McDonald.....  | \$0 35  |
| William Turner.....     | 4 30    |
| Sarah J. Walker.....    | 0 10    |
| Annie Ross.....         | 0 05    |
| M. nnie Ross.....       | 0 05    |
| Jane Olding.....        | 4 00    |
| William Cunningham..... | 5 00    |
| James Ross.....         | 5 00    |
| John Joanson.....       | 3 00    |
| Total.....              | \$21 85 |
| Collections.....        | 11 37   |

\$33 22

## ST. ANNS

(Collected by Rev. Malcolm Ross.)

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Mrs. McLeod.....        | \$ 0 50 |
| Mr. James Morrison..... | 1 00    |
| Mr. John Campbell.....  | 0 96    |

## BADDECK.

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Mr. Joseph Heartz.....              | 2 00  |
| North Sydney Church collection..... | 6 60  |
| " 2nd collection.....               | 8 00  |
| Little Glace Bay Church.....        | 24 00 |
| Mr. Archibald McQuarrie.....        | 0 50  |

## COW BAY.

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Dr. Johnston.....      | 4 00 |
| Mr. R. D. Rice.....    | 3 00 |
| Mr. Samuel Peters..... | 3 00 |
| Mrs. McInnis.....      | 2 00 |
| Mr. McPherson.....     | 1 20 |
| Mr. John Martell.....  | 2 00 |
| Mr. David Spencer..... | 1 00 |
| Miss F. McDonald.....  | 0 50 |
| Mrs. Power.....        | 0 60 |
| Mr. McPhail.....       | 0 74 |
| Mr. Thos. Peach.....   | 0 25 |
| Mr. Williams.....      | 0 25 |
| Collection.....        | 3 73 |

## MIRA & HOMEVILLE CHURCH.

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Mr. Philip Spencer.....   | 4 00 |
| Deacon Martell.....       | 2 00 |
| Mr. Wm. Holmes.....       | 2 00 |
| Deacon Arnold Holmes..... | 1 00 |
| Mr. Stetson Holmes.....   | 1 78 |
| Mr. Joseph Holmes.....    | 1 00 |
| Mrs. Wm. Murrett.....     | 0 50 |
| Mr. Wm. Spencer.....      | 0 50 |
| Miss Spencer.....         | 0 48 |

## SYDNEY.

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Mrs. Dobson.....       | 1 24 |
| Mr. Dobson.....        | 0 60 |
| Father Richardson..... | 0 60 |
| Deacon J. Peters.....  | 1 00 |

\$82 53

CAPE BRETON.  
(Collected by Rev. A. Chipman.)  
VICTORIA MINES & SOUTH BAR.

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| H. J. Crandall, Esq.  | \$ 2 00 |
| John Peters.          | 2 00    |
| Matthew Stubbart.     | 1 50    |
| C. Brown.             | 2 00    |
| Alexander Ross.       | 1 00    |
| Mrs. A. Ross.         | 2 00    |
| Mrs. W. Ross.         | 2 00    |
| Mrs. C. Musgrave.     | 0 50    |
| E. Leslie.            | 0 50    |
| Others.               | 8 75    |
| E. Peters.            | 2 50    |
| Mrs. H. Ross.         | 2 00    |
| Mrs. W. Richardson.   | 1 00    |
| Wallace Richardson.   | 0 25    |
| Arthur R. Richardson. | 0 25    |
| Minnie R. Richardson. | 0 25    |
| Mrs. C. Brown.        | 1 00    |
| Mr. & Mrs. Brown.     | 1 00    |
| D. Rudderham.         | 1 00    |
| Mrs. W. Meech.        | 0 50    |
| J. Leslie.            | 0 50    |
| S. Musgrave.          | 2 00    |
| J. Salter, Esq.       | 1 50    |
| J. V. Ross.           | 1 00    |
| G. Sutherland.        | 1 00    |
| Collections.          | 13 40   |

## GRAND MIRA.

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Mr. W. Huntington.  | 4 00 |
| H. Huntington.      | 2 40 |
| A. Huntington.      | 1 10 |
| J. Huntington.      | 0 50 |
| C. Huntington.      | 0 50 |
| Libbie Huntington.  | 0 50 |
| Mr. J. Huntington.  | 1 00 |
| Mrs. J. Huntington. | 1 50 |
| Mr. F. Huntington.  | 1 00 |
| Mrs. F. Huntington. | 1 00 |
| H. Huntington.      | 1 00 |
| Susie Huntington.   | 1 00 |

## (Collected by Bro. Daniel McLeod.)

|                                 |      |
|---------------------------------|------|
| Alexander McKenzie.             | 1 00 |
| Angus McGregor.                 | 1 00 |
| John Campbell.                  | 1 00 |
| Donald McPhee.                  | 1 00 |
| Collections.                    | 1 00 |
| Hector McLean.                  | 0 50 |
| Donald McLean.                  | 0 25 |
| John McKay.                     | 0 50 |
| Miss McKay.                     | 0 25 |
| From a true Baptist at Arichat. | 1 50 |

## COW BAY.

## (Collected by Bro. J. C. Archibald.)

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Collections taken. | \$6 00 |
| D. Spencer.        | 2 00   |
| S. E. Peters.      | 3 00   |
| R. Rice.           | 3 00   |
| Wm. Shepherd, Sen. | 1 00   |
| Wm. Shepherd, Jr.  | 0 50   |
| Joel Shepherd.     | 0 50   |
| John McPherson.    | 1 00   |
| Albert Shepherd.   | 0 50   |
| Mrs. R. D. Rice.   | 1 00   |
| Mrs. S. E. Peters. | 1 00   |
| Mrs. John Powers.  | 1 00   |
| Mrs. Wm. Shepherd. | 0 25   |
| Mrs. D. Spencer.   | 0 25   |
| Mrs. A. Sheppard.  | 0 25   |
| Mrs. McInnis.      | 0 50   |

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Mrs. Davison.           | \$0 50 |
| Mrs. H. McDonald.       | 0 30   |
| Mrs. John Martell.      | 0 50   |
| Mrs. Benjamin Shepherd. | 0 25   |
| Miss S. Woods.          | 1 00   |
| Miss Mary J. McInnis.   | 0 45   |
| Miss Annie McDonald.    | 0 30   |
| Miss Annie Shepherd.    | 0 25   |
| Wm. Holmes.             | 0 75   |
| Joseph Holmes.          | 0 40   |
| Wm. Munro.              | 2 00   |
| John Menzie.            | 0 60   |
| D. Currie.              | 0 50   |
| R. McDonald.            | 0 58   |

## BIG GLACE BAY.

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Alexander McPhail. | 0 83 |
|--------------------|------|

## RESERVE MINES

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Collection.     | 1 52 |
| Mrs. Penwarden. | 2 97 |
| Mrs. D. McLeod. | 0 25 |
| Wallace McLeod. | 0 05 |
| Emma McLeod.    | 0 10 |

## MIRA.

|                          |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Collection.              | 6 25 |
| Philip Spencer & family. | 2 32 |
| Charles Martell.         | 2 00 |
| Mrs. Edward Dickson.     | 0 30 |
| Mrs. Edward Peters.      | 0 10 |
| Mary J. Dickson.         | 0 24 |

## (Collected by Bro. Charles I. Graves.)

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Mr. J. H. Kennedy.  | \$0 48 |
| Mr. D. F. Forbs.    | 0 50   |
| Mrs. R. McLeod.     | 0 24   |
| Mrs. A. McLeod.     | 0 58   |
| Miss J. McKennin.   | 0 62   |
| Miss H. McKennin.   | 0 60   |
| Miss Mary McKennin. | 1 00   |
| F. Hughins.         | 0 25   |
| Angus McLeod.       | 0 59   |
| Alexander McPhee.   | 0 50   |
| Rebecca McRay.      | 0 25   |
| Kittie McFarlin.    | 0 49   |
| Widow McLeod.       | 0 55   |
| Mary McFarlin.      | 0 25   |
| Walter Flynn.       | 0 77   |
| Anna McLeod.        | 0 24   |
| Sarah McLeod.       | 0 24   |
| Mrs. J. McKenzie.   | 0 50   |
| Wm. McKenzie.       | 0 50   |
| Miss Bew.           | 1 03   |
| Geo. Thompson.      | 2 50   |
| Mrs. Chandler.      | 3 00   |
| Mr. H. McKennin.    | 0 50   |
| John Morrison.      | 0 24   |
| Mrs. J. McDonald.   | 0 25   |
| Morman McIntyre.    | 1 60   |
| Peter Paint.        | 5 00   |
| N. J. Brown.        | 1 00   |
| Solomon Emery.      | 0 50   |
| Isabella McLeod.    | 0 24   |
| Collections.        | 2 34   |

## MARGARKE.

## (Collected by Bro. A. J. Stevens.)

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Mark Croudis.      | 0 50 |
| Joseph Barton.     | 1 00 |
| James G. McDonald. | 1 59 |

|                       |         |                              |         |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|
| John McDonald, Jr.    | \$1 00  | William Frazer               | \$2 00  |
| Murdoch McDonald      | 2 50    | Miss Charlotte Rood          | 1 00    |
| Mrs. Murdoch McDonald | 1 00    | Benjamin Hynes               | 0 91    |
| William Hart, Sr.     | 0 58    | Simon Haley                  | 1 00    |
| Lauchlin McDonald     | 3 00    | James Henderson              | 2 00    |
| William Ingraham      | 3 00    | Henry Myers                  | 1 00    |
| Mary McKenzie         | 0 47    | Benjamin Myers               | 0 50    |
| Joseph L. Ross        | 1 00    | David McPherson              | 1 00    |
| Kenneth McKensie      | 0 48    | Whitman Giffin               | 3 00    |
| James Burton          | 2 00    | Elijah Hynes                 | 0 92    |
| Robert Burton         | 1 25    | Luke Harpel                  | 1 95    |
| Joseph A. Ingraham    | 3 07    | Andrew Blackly               | 1 23    |
| Donald McDonald Esq.  | 3 00    | Allan McMillan               | 1 00    |
| James Frizzle         | 3 00    | Alfred McMillan              | 0 50    |
| Alexander Carmichael  | 1 00    | I. Giffin                    | 1 00    |
| Donald McDonald       | 1 00    | Wm. Pride                    | 1 00    |
| John N. McLeod        | 2 00    | Joseph D. Giffin             | 1 75    |
| Mrs. Wm. E. Hart      | 0 60    | George Blakely               | 1 50    |
| Collections           | 9 00    | John McMillan                | 3 00    |
| Mrs. Fred Hart        | 0 48    | Ruben H. McMillan            | 2 00    |
| David Carmichael      | 1 00    | Isa. P. Giffin               | 1 00    |
| Donald McDermid       | 1 00    | Archy McDonald               | 1 00    |
| Caleb Ross            | 1 00    | Simon Giffin                 | 2 00    |
| John Carmichael       | 1 00    | Spencer H. Giffin            | 2 00    |
| G. P. Murray          | 2 00    |                              |         |
| William Phillips      | 0 37    | EAST SIDE ISAACS HARBOR.     |         |
| Joseph Ross, Jr.      | 0 48    | E. J. Giffin                 | 4 00    |
| John Ingraham         | 0 50    | S. R. Giffin                 | 2 00    |
| William F. Burton     | 1 50    | James McLellan               | 2 00    |
| James M. McDonald     | 0 10    | Harriet J. Giffin            | 1 00    |
| John McDonald, Snr.   | 0 60    | Smith C. Giffin              | 1 25    |
| Mrs. James Ross       | 1 10    | Eunice Giffin                | 0 25    |
| John R. Ross          | 2 00    | Bessie B. Giffin             | 0 15    |
| Martha Ross           | 0 12    | Theresa Pushee               | 0 24    |
| Rachael Ross          | 0 05    | Rachael Giffin               | 0 25    |
|                       |         | Frances Silver               | 1 00    |
|                       |         | Eliza Silver                 | 0 50    |
|                       | \$55 25 | Theodore H. Giffin           | 0 25    |
|                       |         | Simon Giffin                 | 0 25    |
|                       |         | Catharine Doliver            | 0 24    |
|                       |         | Isabella Davison             | 0 24    |
|                       |         | Robert Giffin                | 1 00    |
|                       |         | Joseph Pushee                | 1 00    |
|                       |         | Zebble Giffin                | 0 25    |
|                       |         | George Giffin, Jr.           | 1 00    |
|                       |         | George Giffin, Snr.          | 3 00    |
|                       |         | Howard E. Richardson         | 1 00    |
|                       |         | John McNeill                 | 1 00    |
|                       |         | Sarah McNeill                | 0 50    |
|                       |         | Thomas Do iver               | 1 00    |
|                       |         | Sophia Gunn                  | 0 55    |
|                       |         | Oliver Giffin                | 0 46    |
|                       |         | Stephen Sweet                | 2 00    |
|                       |         | Charlotte N. Prood           | 0 60    |
|                       |         | William Harkles              | 0 60    |
|                       |         | William Johnson              | 0 40    |
|                       |         | Ann Paris                    | 0 50    |
|                       |         | Fanny Clyte                  | 0 60    |
|                       |         | Margaret Harlgan             | 0 50    |
|                       |         | John Keah                    | 0 30    |
|                       |         | Collection at Melrose        | 4 30    |
|                       |         | Collection at Seal Harbor    | 4 00    |
|                       |         | Collection at St. Mary's     | 1 35    |
|                       |         | Collection at Country Harbor | 1 16    |
|                       |         |                              | \$91 94 |

## MABOU.

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Samuel McKeen      | 0 60 |
| Mrs. Samuel McKeen | 0 24 |
| Robbert Frizzle    | 3 00 |
| Edward Irish       | 0 47 |
| Flora McDonald     | 0 60 |
| David Smith        | 3 50 |
| Collection         | 2 46 |
| William Frizzle    | 3 87 |
| Henry Frizzle      | 0 50 |
| Joseph Hunt        | 2 50 |
| Alexander Pushee   | 2 50 |
| Mrs. Potter*       | 4 97 |

\$80 46

\*This kind Sister gave your Missionary  
\$4.50, for Foreign Missions, making in all  
\$9.47

(Collected by Rev. Obed Parker.)

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| Mrs. Joseph Horton         | 0 50 |
| Mr. Cremars                | 1 00 |
| Mr. Nowland                | 0 75 |
| John Ehler                 | 1 00 |
| Albert Horton              | 0 50 |
| Mr. Whitman                | 1 00 |
| Collected at New Canada    | 1 10 |
| Hilbert & John Cunningham  | 3 00 |
| Mr. Bixby                  | 0 50 |
| Bro. Whiden of Antigonishe | 1 06 |

\$10 35

## WEST SIDE ISAACS HARBOR.

(Collected by Bro. C. H. Martell.)

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Peter Sinclair | 4 00 |
| Allan McMillan | 5 00 |
| Simon Rood     | 4 00 |
| John Rood      | 1 00 |
| A. Rood        | 1 00 |
| James Longley  | 2 00 |

## NEW ANNAN.

(Collected by Bro. Isaac R. Skinner.)

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Mr. William Cutten  | 1 00 |
| Mrs. William Cutten | 1 00 |
| Mrs. John Murphy    | 0 50 |
| Mr. George Shearer  | 1 00 |
| Mrs. George Shearer | 1 00 |
| Mr. Luther Fields   | 2 00 |
| Mr. William McCumbe | 1 00 |
| Mr. Jacob Wortman   | 0 50 |
| Mrs. George Cock    | 0 50 |
| Mrs. Peter Hynds    | 0 50 |

|                           |        |                               |        |
|---------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|
| *Miss Rachel Downing..... | \$4 00 | John Biglow, Esq.....         | \$1 50 |
| Mr. George Nelson.....    | 1 80   | Wm. O'Brien.....              | 1 00   |
| Mr. Robert Kent.....      | 2 00   | Alex. McKenzie.....           | 4 00   |
| Mr. Daniel Gray.....      | 4 00   | Mrs. Metcalfe.....            | 1 00   |
| Miss Abbie Gray.....      | 1 50   | John R. Purday.....           | 4 00   |
| Mr. John Cox.....         | 0 50   | Wm. Matheson.....             | 9 00   |
| Mr. Israel Welch.....     | 2 00   | Per John R. Purday.....       | 1 25   |
| Mr. David Wilson.....     | 0 50   | Wm. Carter.....               | 0 50   |
| Mr. Robert Wilson.....    | 1 00   | Collection at Greenville..... | 1 47   |
| A Friend.....             | 2 60   | Mount Pleasant.....           | 10 00  |
| Mr. Daniel Fields.....    | 1 00   |                               |        |
| Mr. Robert Higgins.....   | 7 00   |                               |        |
| Collections.....          |        |                               |        |

\$169 24

(Collected by Bro. G. W. Thomas.)

\$37 00

|                              |      |
|------------------------------|------|
| Collected at Sand Point..... | 0 80 |
| "    Clam Harbor.....        | 1 56 |
| Friend to Mission.....       | 0 88 |
| Collected at New Canada..... | 0 23 |
| "    Cove.....               | 0 72 |
| "    Manchester.....         | 2 82 |
| "    Guysboro Town.....      | 4 00 |
| "    Hawkesbury.....         | 4 00 |

\$15 00

(Collected by Bro. R. D. Burgess.)

\*Also \$5 for Foreign Missions.  
HEAD OF TATAMAGOUCHE BAY.

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| Mr. Geo. Slade.....        | 2 00 |
| Mrs. Geo. Slade.....       | 0 80 |
| Mr. Thomas Roberts.....    | 1 00 |
| Mrs. Thomas Roberts.....   | 0 56 |
| Mr. Henry Roberts.....     | 0 50 |
| Miss E. Dumphy.....        | 0 50 |
| Mr. James Coal.....        | 1 00 |
| Mr. Joshua Slade.....      | 4 00 |
| Mr. Daniel Goodwin.....    | 1 00 |
| Mrs. Daniel Goodwin.....   | 0 50 |
| Mr. Joseph Harrington..... | 0 50 |
| Mr. Joseph Spinney.....    | 0 25 |
| Mrs. William Roberts.....  | 0 50 |
| Mrs. Jane Ceuida.....      | 1 00 |
| Mr. Simon Mallerie.....    | 0 50 |
| Mr. William Holms.....     | 1 00 |
| Collections.....           | 2 42 |

\$17 97

Collected by Rev. E. B. Corey.)

|                                       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Collections at Goose River.....       | \$ 17 |
| John Hunter.....                      | 1 00  |
| Hans Hunter, Esq.....                 | 2 00  |
| Amos Hunter.....                      | 1 00  |
| Martin Hunter.....                    | 1 00  |
| John Mills.....                       | 1 00  |
| Timothy Hollis.....                   | 0 50  |
| John Huskin.....                      | 0 50  |
| Mount Pleasant & Centerville Col..... | 5 29  |
| John Biglow, Esq.....                 | 1 00  |
| Arch. Dickey, Esq.....                | 2 00  |
| John Smith.....                       | 5 00  |
| Collection at Wallace.....            | 5 13  |
| C. R. Smith.....                      | 0 50  |
| Col. at Greenville & Millville.....   | 9 52  |
| Mr. Anger.....                        | 0 50  |
| Collected at Salt Springs.....        | 1 80  |
| Collected by Miss Annie Murphy.....   | 5 00  |
| Col. by Miss L. McKim at Wallace..... | 2 89  |
| do. Miss Charlotte Fisher.....        | 5 50  |
| A Friend.....                         | 0 60  |
| Collection at Pugwash.....            | 1 55  |
| Collected at Goose River.....         | 3 87  |
| Isaac Wallace.....                    | 2 66  |
| Collected by Miss McKim.....          | 1 10  |
| Collected at Pugwash.....             | 3 45  |
| Gilbert Purday.....                   | 1 00  |
| Olivia Hunter.....                    | 1 00  |
| David McKenzie.....                   | 1 00  |

(Collected by Bro. Caleb Spiddle.)

\$37 50

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| William Corkum.....   | 0 50 |
| Mrs. W. Corkum.....   | 0 25 |
| Silvanns Corkum.....  | 0 25 |
| Caleb Corkum.....     | 0 25 |
| Hibbert Corkum.....   | 0 15 |
| Peter Lesley.....     | 0 22 |
| Philip Corkum.....    | 0 25 |
| Trenettia Lohnis..... | 0 50 |
| Christiana Robar..... | 0 25 |
| Jacob Misner.....     | 0 50 |
| Mrs. J. Misner.....   | 0 50 |
| Silas Corkum.....     | 0 25 |
| Theodore Misner.....  | 0 50 |
| Mrs. T. Misner.....   | 0 25 |
| Stephen Misner.....   | 0 50 |
| James Misner.....     | 0 50 |
| Margaret Misner.....  | 0 25 |
| Elenor Misner.....    | 0 25 |
| Mary Corkum.....      | 0 25 |
| Mary E. Cronse.....   | 0 10 |
| Rachel Johnson.....   | 0 32 |
| William Corkum.....   | 0 25 |
| Mrs. W. Corkum.....   | 0 12 |
| Mrs. Mosher.....      | 0 50 |
| Lucy A. Corkum.....   | 0 24 |
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| James Johnson.....    | 0 60   | Susannah Lantz.....    | 0 25    |
| Peter Corkum.....     | 0 50   | Lauretta Lantz.....    | 0 10    |
| Ephraim Corkum.....   | 0 50   | Peter Lantz.....       | 0 50    |
| Mary E. Corkum.....   | 0 17   | Eunice A. Durland..... | 0 25    |
| Peter Corkum.....     | 0 25   | Emeline Brown.....     | 0 25    |
| Winslow Gates.....    | 0 50   | Newton Brown.....      | 0 25    |
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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## N. S. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I. This Society shall be called "The Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society."

II. The object of this Society shall be the preaching of the Gospel throughout Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, the assistance of feeble Churches, and the planting of new ones.

III. Any person may become a member of this Society by contributing five shillings and upwards annually, to its funds. Any person contributing twenty pounds at one time shall be a Life Member. Any person contributing twenty pounds at one time, or whose contributions shall amount to that sum, shall be a Life Director. Every Association or Auxiliary, which contributes annually to this Society shall be entitled to be represented by one Delegate for every five pounds so contributed; and every Baptist Church contributing annually to the funds of the Society, shall have the privilege of sending a delegate. Should the funds so contributed exceed five pounds, such church shall be entitled to send one delegate for every five pounds contributed,—*Provided*: That no Association, Auxiliary or Church, shall be entitled to send more than five Delegates at one time.

IV. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice- Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor, who shall be annually appointed by the Society from among its members.

V. The Society shall annually appoint a Board of Management, consisting of twenty-four members, members of Baptist Churches, seven of whom shall reside in the place designated, from year to year, as the location of the Board, or in its neighborhood, and five shall constitute a quorum. The officers above named shall be *ex-officio* members of the Board. The following shall be the duties of the Board, viz:—To meet from time to time for the despatch of business, due notice of such meeting being given; to appoint missionaries, and assign their respective spheres of labor; to expend the funds for the objects of the Society, providing that all amounts contributed for any specific purpose shall be faithfully applied as far as possible in accordance with the wishes of the donors; to employ agents for the collection of funds, and for the general advancement of the interests of the Society; and to furnish a report of the proceedings of the past year at the Annual meeting.

VI. Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to commit all its funds to the direction of this Society, shall be entitled to receive Missionary labor in such field as it may designate, to an amount at least equal to its contributions; provided that such designation be intimated at the time of payment.

VII. The members of Auxiliary Societies shall be members of this Society. Life Directors shall be entitled to attend and vote at meetings of the Board.

VIII. The Annual meeting of the Society shall be held at such time and place as shall be determined upon at a previous Annual meeting. At that meeting, the officers of the Society for the ensuing year shall be appointed, and such other business transacted as the members then present deem expedient.

IX. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present at an annual meeting.

# BYE LAWS

OF THE

## N. S. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY BOARD.

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ARTICLE 1.—This Board shall meet for the dispatch of business at 4 o'clock, P. M., on the 1st Wednesday of each month,—Also at such other times as duly called by the Chairman, or Secretary, or two other members of the Board.

ARTICLE 2.—Each meeting of the Board shall be opened and closed with prayer, and the minutes of preceeding meetings read and approved.

ARTICLE 3.—None but Licentiates from regular Baptist Churches, and ordained Ministers, recognized as such by a regular Baptist Association, shall be employed as Missionaries for the Society.

ARTICLE 4.—No Missionary shall be at liberty to change his field of labor or to extend the time of his service beyond appointment without consent of the Board.

ARTICLE 5.—The compensation allowed, generally, for married, and ordained Missionaries shall be ten dollars per week, for married licentiates and unmarried ordained Missionaries nine dollars, for unmarried licentiates eight dollars, in each case exclusive of travelling expenses.

ARTICLE 6.—All Missionaries or pastors serving under the Board are empowered and expected to make all reasonable effort during the time, and in the localities of such service, to collect funds in aid of the Treasury, to be transmitted forthwith to the same, or reported to the Board, credited towards labor performed.

ARTICLE 7.—On the expiration of Missions, reports shall be promptly made to the Board, by Missionaries, stating definitely, the number of weeks' service, number of sermons preached, visits made, miles travelled, pages of tracts distributed, baptisms performed, Sabbath Schools visited, other meetings attended, Churches, Sabbath Schools, Temperance Societies and prayer meetings organized; moneys and other contributions, with the names of the donors; and such other facts connected with their labors likely to be of general interest.

ARTICLE 8.—No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, except on an order signed by the Chairman and Secretary.

ARTICLE 9.—The Chairman and Secretary shall sign no orders for moneys from the Treasury unless for accounts checked by the Auditor.

ARTICLE 10.—No accounts shall be audited until ordered by the Board.

ARTICLE 11.—The Board shall not accept and submit accounts to the Auditor, unless presenting full particulars of debits and credits, &c., as specified in Article 7.

ARTICLE 12.—The Secretary of this Board, with the consent of the Editor of the *Christian Messenger*, shall furnish, monthly, for publication in that paper, the following items, viz:—Letters received [during the month], appointments made, amount of funds in the Treasury, amounts due Missionaries, the names of Missionaries and their fields of labour, members of the Board present at last meeting, and such other particulars as may be ordered by the Board.

ARTICLE 13.—A copy of these Bye Law shall be forwarded by the Secretary to each missionary on his appointment.

# MINUTES

## OF THE

### N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union,

CONVENED AT  
BRIDGETOWN,

Friday, June 20th, 1873.

BRIDGETOWN, Friday, June 20th, 1873.

"The Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union," convened at 10 o'clock, in the Baptist Meeting-house, Bridgetown.

In the absence of the President, the Rev. James Parker was appointed President, pro. tem.

The meeting then opened with singing, and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Day.

In the absence of the Secretaries, Brethren J. F. Kempton and Isa. Wallace, were appointed Secretaries, pro. tem:

The Minutes of the last meeting were then read.

The delegates to the Union then reported themselves, as follows:

#### LIST OF DELEGATES.

Milton, Yarmouth,—Rev. I. Wallace, Brethren Charles Kent, Wallace Crosby.

Arcadia,—Rev. I. Wallace.

Cornwallis, 3rd,—Rev. J. F. Kempton, Brother James Bligh.

South Yarmouth,—Rev. W. H. Porter.

Port Medway,—Rev. P. A. Shields.

Halifax, Granville Street,—Brethren Ebenezer S. Hubley, R. N. Beckwith, and S. Selden.

Melvern Square,—Rev. O. Parker, Brother E. Gates.

Springfield,—Brother John Plumb.

Pubnico,—Rev. W. H. Richan.

Great Village,—Brother Ezra Layton.

Upper Aylesford,—Rev. J. L. Bead.

Digby,—Rev. J. M. Parker.

Little River, Digby Neck,—Brother George Cornwell.

Digby Neck, 1st,—Brother Wells Cornwell.

Liverpool,—Rev. J. Jones, and Brother Thomas Nickerson.

Freeport,—Rev. W. L. Parker, Brethren Isa. Thurber, Shippey Lent, Jas. Eldridge.

Middlefield,—Rev. H. Achilles.

*Beaver River*,—Rev. J. H. Saunders, Brethren Robert K. Rose, W. H. Goudey, and H. N. Perry, Lic.

*Cornwallis*, 1st,—Brother E. N. Beckwith.

*Port Williams, Annapolis Co.*,—Rev. P. F. Murray.

*Horton*, 3rd,—Rev. James Parker.

*New Albany*,—Brother B. Miller, Lic., C. W. Sanders, and Albert Oakes.

*East Dalhousie*,—Brethren B. Miller, Lic., and Ainsley Wilson.

*Lower Aylesford and South Wilmot*,—Rev. Henry Bool, Brethren Jacob Neiley, A. Banks, and A. T. Baker,

*Caledonia*,—Rev. G. Ballentine, Brethren L. Telfer, and Robt. Middlemas.

*Kempt*,—Rev. G. Ballentine, Brethren Abial Harlow, James Kempton, and Simon Delong.

*Hantsport*,—Rev. J. Murray, Brother C. I. Margeson, M. D.

*Clements*,—Rev. J. Williams, Brethren J. E. Patton, J. Douglass Potter, and James Potter.

*Cornwallis*, 2nd,—Brethren J. D. Skinner, and Edward Parker.

*Nictaux*,—Rev. M. P. Freeman, Brethren B. H. Parker, and William C. Shaffner.

*Horton*, 1st,—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, J. M. Cramp, D. D.

*Brighton*,—Rev. A. Cogswell, Brethren Charles McNeil, W. McNeil, and John Andrews.

*Newport*,—Brethren Joseph Walley, and Eben Sweet.

*French Mission Church*,—Rev. M. Normondy, Brethren Andrews, Senr., James Wright.

*Mill Village*,—Rev. P. A. Shields, and Brother E. Steadman.

*Yarmouth*, 1st,—Rev. Dr. Day, Brethren P. D. Kinney, and A. C. Robbins.

*Temple, Yarmouth*,—Rev. W. H. Porter, Brethren J. W. Lovitt, J. B. Kinney, W. A. C. Randall, M. D.

*Hebron*,—Rev. John Rowe, Brethren W. R. Doty, John Rose, and W. Durkee.

*Ohio*,—Rev. J. A. Stubbett, Brethren N. Crosby, Isaiah Crosby, J. W. Patten.

*Deerfield*,—Rev. J. A. Stubbett.

*Lake George*,—Rev. J. A. Stubbett.

*Tusket*,—Rev. P. R. Foster, Brethren W. H. Gavel.

*Wilmot*,—Rev. A. Cahoon, Brethren R. Marshall, W. H. Balcom, and Geo. Starratt.

*Brookfield*,—Rev. G. N. Ballentine, Brethren Peleg Murray, James Freeman, and A. J. Leadbetter.

*Members in their own right*,—Revds. G. W. Parker, Edward Whitman, Edw. M. Saunders, and Albert Coldwell.

The following brethren were then invited to a seat with the Union :

Revds. T. C. Delong, R. D. Porter, D. W. C. Dimock, John Chase, Z. Morton, Brethren Eben and Kelley Rose, D. Whitman, U. Johnston, N. E. Patten, N. W. W. Hogg, David Delong, C. D. Randall, Licentiates J. W. Bancroft, and J. A. Durkee.

Meeting then adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Henry Bool.



*Friday--Afternoon Session.*

Met at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Union met again, pursuant to adjournment. Prayer offered by Rev. R. D. Porter.

Minutes of the last meeting were then read.

The Annual Report of the Board of the Union was then called for and read. The Report was adopted.

The Circular sent to the Churches by the Union, was then read and remarks were made by Brethren W. H. Porter, A. Cahoon, George Armstrong, S. W. DeBlois, J. Rowe, E. M. Saunders, D. W. C. Dimock, James Parker, G. E. Day.

The meeting then adjourned by prayer, to meet again at 7½ o'clock, this evening.

*Friday--Evening Session.*

Met at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

The Union again assembled. Prayer offered.

Minutes read. After this a resolution presented by Bro. Cahoon, and discussed by Brethren M. P. Freeman, James Parker, Thomas Delong, J. F. Kempton, Z. Morton, D. W. C. Dimock, and Isaiah Wallace—was withdrawn to give place to another—presented by Dr. Day, viz. :—

*Resolved*, That this meeting approve the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union; with the following modifications:

1. That the French Mission be considered a separate department of the said Union; and all gifts, bequests, etc., made to the French Mission go to that department.

2. That in the Constitution of the Union the word *Ordained Ministers* be substituted for "*Pastors*," and that the Professors in Acadia College and Male Teachers in Horton Academy, who are regular members of Baptist Churches, be members of the Union.

3. That a Committee be appointed to present the cause of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union to the Western, Central and Eastern Associations, at their respective annual meetings, and also to the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, for their acceptance or, if they cannot accept the Union, pure and simple, that they would each suggest the modifications of the Constitution of the Union that would suit each of them.

4. And, that, in the latter case, each body appoint a committee of three, to report at a special meeting of the Union, to be held at Windsor, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the Thursday preceding the next meeting of the Convention.

Remarks were then made by Brethren G. E. Day, A. Cahoon, M. P. Freeman, R. N. Beckwith, E. M. Saunders, and George Armstrong.

The resolution passed, clause by clause.

Moved that Brethren Geo. Armstrong, Isa. Wallace, and E. M. Saunders be a committee to present the cause of the Union to the Western, Central, and Eastern Associations; also the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society in accordance with the above resolution.

*Resolved*, That the Union proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year. The ballot having been taken for President Dr. Cramp was elected to that office.

*Also voted*, That Revds. A. Chipman of the Eastern; D. M. Welton of the Central, and George Armstrong, of the Western, Associations, be Vice-Presidents. That Brother Joseph F. Kempton and M. P. Freeman, be Secretaries. That Brother R. N. Beckwith be Auditor, and that the Directors be the same as last year.

*Voted also*, That the Board be located in Yarmouth. That the Board of the Union be the same as last year, with the substitution of Dr. W. A. C. Randall, for Rev. Warren L. Parker, removed.

On motion of Dr. Day it was resolved, that the Board have power to fill up any vacancies that may occur during the year.

*Resolved*, That the Secretaries request the three Associations to print the Minutes of the Union and their Annual Report with their Minutes.

*Resolved*, That the Committee appointed to visit the Eastern Association respectfully request the Association to hold its next Annual Meeting as far West as they conveniently can.

*Resolved*, That the expenses of Committee to the Association be met by this Union.

*Resolved*, That this Union do now adjourn to meet at Windsor on the Thursday preceding the Convention at 10 o'clock.

Closed with prayer by the President.

J. F. KEMPTON, } Secretaries of the  
M. P. FREEMAN, } Union.

# FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

OF THE

### NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

The Executive Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, beg to present their first Annual Report. Soon after the close of the Home Missionary Convention, held at Berwick, in June, 1872, your Board met in the Vestry of the First Yarmouth Baptist Church, and elected their Officers for the year. The result of the election was as follows:—

A. C. ROBBINS, Chairman.

SAMUEL BROWN, Treasurer.

G. E. DAY, Corresponding Secretary.

W. H. PORTER, Recording Secretary.

J. H. HALEY, }

P. D. KINNEY, } Auditors.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, they adopted for their guidance the following Bye-Laws, based on those of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE 1.—This Board shall meet for the despatch of business at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the 1st Tuesday of each month; also, at such other times as duly called by the Chairman, Secretaries, or three members of the Board.

ARTICLE 2.—Each meeting of the Board shall be opened and closed with prayer, and the Minutes of the preceding meeting be read and approved.

ARTICLE 3.—None but Licentiates from regular Baptist Churches, and Ordained Ministers, recognized as such by a regular Baptist Association, shall be employed as Agents or Missionaries for the Union.

ARTICLE 4.—The Board will not bind themselves to pay any Agent, Missionary, or Colporteur who changes his field of labor or extends the time of his service beyond appointment without consent of the Board.

ARTICLE 5.—The compensation allowed, generally, for married and ordained missionaries shall be \$10 per week, for married Licentiates and unmarried ordained missionaries \$9 per week, and for unmarried Licentiates \$8 per week.

ARTICLE 6.—All persons employed by the Board are empowered and expected to make all reasonable effort during the time of their service to collect funds for the Board, and transmit the same forthwith to the Treasurer, or report to the Board to be credited towards labor performed.

ARTICLE 7.—On the expiration of each four weeks service, or oftener if called for by the Board, reports shall be made to the Board by persons employed by the same, of the number of sermons preached, visits made, miles travelled, pages of tracts distributed, books sold, baptisms performed, sabbath schools visited, other meetings attended, churches, sabbath schools, prayer-meetings, and temperance societies organized; amounts by collection or otherwise, with the names of the donors, and such other information in reference to their labors as may be of general interest.

ARTICLE 8.—The Recording Secretary of the Board shall furnish for the *Christian Messenger*, monthly, an account of the meetings of the Board, the names of the members present, the appointments made, the business of the Board, and the work of its agents, with any other information connection therewith, that he or the Corresponding Secretary may think desirable, or that the Board may direct.

ARTICLE 9.—No money shall be paid, except on an order signed by the Chairman and Corresponding Secretary.

ARTICLE 10.—The Chairman and Corresponding Secretary shall sign no order for money from the Treasury unless for accounts checked by the Auditors.

ARTICLE 11.—The Board shall not accept and submit accounts to the Auditors unless presenting full particulars as stated in Article 8.

ARTICLE 12.—No account shall be audited until ordered by the Board.

ARTICLE 13.—A copy of these Bye-Laws shall be furnished by the Corresponding Secretary to each person employed by the Board.

ARTICLE 14.—Schedules shall be furnished by the Board to each person employed by them to aid him in preparing his reports.

ARTICLE 15.—No change shall be made in these Bye-Laws except by a two-third vote of the members present at a regular meeting; notice of the intended change having been presented in writing at a *previous* meeting.

Being thus equipped for labour, your Board felt anxious to enter fully and at once upon the work assigned them by the Union. They, therefore, hastened to correspond with the Western Domestic Missionary Board, and with the Board of Management of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, to learn if they would transfer their work and funds to your Board. As replies in the negative reached them from both those Boards, your Board felt somewhat disheartened, and perplexed. Applications for appoint-

ment to destitute fields had been made to them by worthy brethren from different parts of the Province. And it was with no little regret and sorrow that they were now forced to inform these brethren of their inability to appoint them.

Your Board had intended to put in the field a General Agent, who, before the winter set in, would commence his operations in the extreme East, and then urge his way westward. They had selected for this important work the Rev. Isaiah Wallace, and offered him the appointment. But the failure of the Board to obtain the assistance of the other Home Missionary organization compelled them to desist for a time from this highly important undertaking.

What then could your Board do? They were willing, yea even anxious to work, but they had no field for their operations. The path of duty, however, soon opened before them. On the 6th of August, 1872, in accordance with the vote of the Western Nova Scotia Baptist Association at its last Anniversary, and in harmony with the Constitution of the Union, the Acadian French Mission Board transferred their work and funds to your Board, who thereupon assumed the responsibility and control of the French Mission.

In order that your Board might be more fully acquainted with the wants of the French Mission, and the condition of the French Mission Church, and be prepared to work intelligently in that field, they appointed a Committee of enquiry to investigate matters touching the interest of the Mission. That Committee attended to their duty promptly, and presented the subjoined interesting report.

"The Committee appointed to visit the French Mission Church at Wagoner Settlement, with a view to obtain information as to the operations of our Missionary in that vicinity, beg to submit the following Report:—

They met an orderly and attentive audience on Tuesday, the 15th October, 1872, of 40 or 50 persons—6 or 7 of whom were converted French people. The new Meeting House in which we met is quite comfortable, but greatly needing better seats.

After holding a regular preaching service, the Committee stated the object of their visit, and elicited the following information:

1. That a great change had taken place in that community under the labors of the French Missionary, when he entered upon his labors in that locality, but two or three of the English were converted, now nearly all have been converted and baptized under his instrumentality. In connection with his labours, some 25 of the English people have been reclaimed and baptized, and 15 of the French.

2. That Bro. Normanday is held in very high esteem by the members of the French Mission Church as well as by the community generally, and the continuance of his services in that region is greatly desired by the people.

3. That of the surrounding population consisting of about 89



families, two-thirds are French people, and these are all accessible to our Missionary, welcoming him to their homes, and receiving from him religious instruction.

4. That preaching stations have been partly established between Doucet Settlement and Moclar Settlement four miles from the Mission Chapel, where about 25 French families and 25 Irish Catholic families reside, and at Burton Settlement, six miles from the Mission Chapel where about 15 English and French families reside. There is also a Settlement of 11 French families residing in St. Mary's Bay, contiguous to Wagoner Settlement where preaching services have been held for several years, and where several members of the French Mission church reside.

5. That 8 of the children of the French Converts, and about 17 of the children of other French families, in all 25, could be gathered into a School at Wagoner Settlement, besides several children of English families. The practicability as well as the vast importance of establishing an efficient School in that community must consequently be apparent.

6. That in view of the need of preaching at Wagoner Settlement and the surrounding Settlements, and especially the great need of Colporteur work, it would seem desirable that our Missionary spend at least one-fourth of his time in that part of the French Mission field.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SAUNDERS,  
ISAIAH WALLACE.

In view of the favourable report of the Committee concerning that portion of the French Mission field known as the Wagoner Settlement and the Burton Settlement, and the pressing want of buildings that should serve, in one case, the double purpose of school house and place of worship, and in the other as a school house only, your Board contributed \$100 towards the erection of such buildings,—\$75 for the Wagoner Settlement, and \$25 for the Burton Settlement. They are happy to state that one house has been so nearly completed that religious service has been held in it, and the other is so far advanced as to be nearly ready for use. Your Board believe that the money expended there will be a good investment.\*

Feeling themselves shut up almost entirely to their own County as a field of Missionary effort, in the early part of the winter the Board requested the Rev. Isa. Wallace to devote a few weeks of ministerial labor to Argyle and vicinity. These places were then almost entirely destitute of religious services. Bro. Wallace entered upon his work with faith and zeal, and the Lord crowned his labors with abundant success. His report to the Board is so interesting that we give it in full. He says:—

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\*This amount arose from the interest on a legacy for this purpose, and donations for this object.

"I have performed four weeks missionary labor at Argyle, and have witnessed glorious displays of Divine grace. When I entered upon my labors at the Head of Argyle, I found the cause of religion exceedingly low, but the Spirit was poured out in connection with my efforts, and blessed results followed. Knowing that the term of my labor there must be short, I consecrated myself most laboriously to the work before me. I attended, on an average, two meetings a day, often preaching at both services, besides visiting extensively, and conversing with many individuals personally upon the interests of their souls. My labors were extended to Central Argyle, where I also witnessed the power of God.

Rev. H. Achilles came as I was leaving, and will, I hope, carry forward the work so graciously commenced, and settle as Missionary Pastor in that interesting field. The fields all along that Atlantic coast are white, ready to the harvest. Oh for more laborers to gather the whitening sheaves. The following is a brief summary of my labors :—

Sermons preached 41; Social and Conference meetings 18; Family visits 128; Miles travelled 96; Baptized 42; Received by letter 1; Received by subscriptions and collections \$42.50.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAIAH WALLACE.

In order to collect funds sufficient to meet their engagements, and to awaken an increased interest in Home Missions, your Board decided to hold a series of Home Missionary meetings, one at least with each Church in the County of Yarmouth. On account of unusually stormy weather and the prevalence of a fearful disease, they did not, however, carry out their original programme. But a large number of meetings was held with the most encouraging results. Great interest was manifested in the subject of Domestic Missions, and large amounts in collections and subscriptions were raised.

As your Board were appointed to perform the missionary work of the Union, they thought it within their province to take any legitimate steps that would aid them in the discharge of their duty. Believing that they could more successfully fulfil their mission by having the Union incorporated, they prepared a draft Act of Incorporation, and submitted it to the Legislature in the earliest part of the session. As the Bill to Incorporate the Union was entirely permissive, and did not encroach upon the rights of any Societies or individuals, your Board had no reason to expect any opposition to its passage. They were somewhat surprised, therefore, to learn that a few gentlemen had constructed a petition against the passage of the Bill, and laid it before the Legislature. Subjoined is the draft Act of Incorporation, and the petition that accompanied it.

(COPY.)

TO THE HONORABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF NOVA SCOTIA  
IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

The petition of Abel C. Robbins, Samuel Brown, William R. Doty, John H. Haley, Pearl D. Kinney, George E. Day, William H. Porter, Isaiah Wallace, James A. Stubbert, Joseph H. Saunders, John Rowe, and Paoli R. Foster.

Respectfully sheweth, That whereas certain religious societies connected with the community of christians, known as the Baptists of Nova Scotia, now exist, and were Incorporated by the Legislature of Nova Scotia. And whereas there has been a generally expressed desire by the Baptists of Nova Scotia, that these societies should be consolidated. And whereas the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia did at its last annual meeting, order the Home Missionary Board which it annually appoints, to transfer their work and funds to the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, as soon as convenient :

Your petitioners humbly pray that an Act may be passed Incorporating the said Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, and empowering the other societies when they choose to transfer their work, funds and property to the said Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union after the manner set forth in the accompanying draft. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

(Signed.)

ABLE C. ROBBINS,  
SAMUEL BROWN,  
JOHN H. HALEY,  
PEARL D. KINNEY,  
JAMES A. STUBBERT,  
GEORGE E. DAY,  
JOSEPH H. SAUNDERS,  
PAOLI R. FOSTER,  
WILLIAM H. PORTER,  
ISAIAH WALLACE,  
JOHN ROWE."

Yarmouth, N. S., Feb. 24th, 1873.

(DRAFT.)

An Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.

(PREAMBLE)

1. Incorporation powers.
2. Chap. 47, Acts 1868, Chap. 59 and 68, Acts 1865, conditionally repealed and property of Corporations established thereby vested in Union.
3. Present Bye-Laws valid.

Preamble,—Whereas certain religious Societies now exist, and are established in connection with the religious community known as the Baptists of Nova Scotia, and which said Societies are res-

pectively incorporated under and by virtue of 31 Vic. chap. 47, 1865—28 vic. cap. 59, 1865, and 28 vic. cap. 68, 1865 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia; and by the names respectively of the Board of Managers of the French Mission of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, the Domestic Missionary Board of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia; and the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society :

And whereas, there has been a general expression by the respective Baptist Churches and Associations of this Province of the desirableness and expediency of an Union of the said Societies, and that the same would tend to the further and better promotion of the objects of the said Societies, and the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom in this Province.

And whereas, the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia at its last Annual Meeting, did by unanimous vote express its assent and willingness to and for the said Board of Managers of the French Mission of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia and the said Domestic Missionary Board of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia to transfer their work and funds to such Union when formed.

And whereas, at a Convention duly called and composed of delegates from the said respective churches of Nova Scotia, and held at Berwick on the 21st and 22nd days of June, 1872, a basis of Union was agreed upon, and a Society formed under and by the name of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, and having for its object the promotion of the spread of the gospel throughout the Province of Nova Scotia, the fostering of feeble churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature, and which said Society is now composed of the Pastors of Baptist Churches of the Province, and Delegates appointed by the churches, each church in good standing with its respective Association, sending not more than three delegates, and governed by rules and regulations made at such Convention, and its business and affairs managed by an Executive Board, and it is desirable that the said Society shall be and become incorporated.

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly as follows :—

1. George E. Day, William H. Porter, Isaiah Wallace, James A. Stubbett, John Rowe, Joseph H. Saunders, Warren L. Parker, Paoli R. Foster, Abel C. Robbins, Samuel Brown, William R. Doty, John H. Haley, Pearl D. Kinney, and such other persons as now or may hereafter become members of such Union according to the rules and regulations thereof, shall be and hereby are appointed a body politic and corporate in deed and in name, under and by the name of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, and by that name shall have successors and a common seal, and by that name shall sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded at law and in equity, and in all courts and places, and be capable in law to accept legacies and donations, to have, hold, purchase, get, receive

take, possess, and enjoy lands, tenements, hereditaments and rents in fee simple or otherwise, and also goods, chattels, and all other things, real, personal and mixed, and also by deed or other proper conveyance duly signed under the hands of the Chairman and Corresponding Secretary of the Executive Board of such Union, or such other officer or officers as may from time to time be duly appointed for such purpose, and under seal of such Union to give, grant, sell, let, assign, mortgage, convey or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof, and the rents and proceeds and profits to dispose of for the use of the said Union, but according to the intention of the grants or donors, and to execute all other things in and about the same as shall or may be thought necessary and proper, and also shall have from time to time, and at all times full power, authority and license, to constitute, make, establish, and amend such constitution, bye-laws, rules, regulations and ordinances as may be thought necessary for the rule and good management of the said Union, the choosing of officers proper for the management of its affairs, and declaring the extent, duration, and authority of the offices and officers of the said Union, and the mode of appointment and generally for promoting the objects of the Union, provided such constitution, bye-laws, regulations and ordinances be not contrary or repugnant to the laws and statutes of this Province, or those in force within the same at the time such constitution, bye-laws, rules, regulations and ordinances may be constituted, established or amended.

2. The Board of Managers of the French Mission of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and the Domestic Missionary Board of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, (incorporated respectively under chap. 47, Acts N. S., 1868, and chap. 59, Acts N. S., 1865) by vote or resolution of a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of said respective Boards, and the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society, (incorporated under chap. 68, Acts, N. S., 1865) on a vote or resolution of a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of the said Society, and duly convened for such purpose, may be and are hereby empowered to transfer their work, funds and property into the corporation hereby established, and thereupon the existence of such Board or Boards, Society or Societies, or either of them shall cease and determine, and the Act or Acts creating or incorporating them or either of them shall be and is, and are hereby repealed, and all the real, personal or other estate which the said Board or Boards, Society or Societies, or either of them is, or are, or at any future time may be interested in or entitled to, shall be vested in the Corporation hereby established, and every conveyance, grant, bequest, devise or gift of any lands, goods, chattels, or real, personal or mixed estate whatsoever that may have been made of, to, or unto, any, either, or all of said Board or Boards, Society or Societies, or may hereafter be made unto them or either of them, shall be deemed to be made to and vested in the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Mission-



ary Union, hereby incorporated by operation of law, in the same manner and as fully to all intents and purposes as if specially given, granted, bequeathed, devised, or conveyed to the said Union by its proper title, and such Union shall have full power and authority to sue for and recover the same, either at law or in equity, and to assign, transfer, sell, incur, lease, change, or otherwise dispose thereof, but shall appropriate the sum, proceeds and profits thereof to and for the purposes and objects for which the same was or were specially given or intended to be given by the donors or grantors.

3. The Constitution and Bye-laws now in force, and which were adopted at the Convention, held at Berwick, the 21st and 22nd days of June, A. D., 1872, shall be valid and continue in force until altered or repealed in accordance with the provisions of the said Constitution and Bye-laws, and the Officers of the said Union and appointed thereat shall remain in office until others be appointed in accordance with the said Constitution and Bye-laws.

The petition that was presented against the passage of this Bill, was, in the opinion of your Board, calculated to produce a wrong impression on the minds of the Legislators. They, therefore, prepared a letter of information, and addressed a copy to each member of the House of Assembly. But as a strong and direct influence was brought to bear upon the members of that body, the Bill to incorporate the Union was finally rejected by a majority of one.

The following is a copy of the letter referred to.

YARMOUTH, March 31st, 1873.

*Honorable Sir,—*

We, the undersigned, presented to the Honorable the House of Assembly, through Samuel Freeman, Esq., M. P. P., a petition praying that an Act might be passed incorporating the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union. A draft Act of Incorporation accompanied our Petition.

We have been surprised to learn that a Committee of the Board of Management of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Society have presented a counter Petition asking that our Bill may not pass your Honorable House. Permit us therefore, to invite your attention to the following facts:

First. The Society that appoints the Board which is represented by the Petitioners against our Bill. ordered at its last annual meeting that Board to correspond with us who pray to be incorporated, with a view to a complete Union of the Societies. This fact is acknowledged in the Petition against our Bill.

Second. Our Bill, as you will perceive by careful examination, is only permissive. It does not interfere, in any particular, with any chartered rights and privileges of any society or individual. It merely grants a privilege which may or may not be used, just as the parties themselves choose.

Third. The Bill is in perfect harmony with the Constitution of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union; and two of the three petitioners against our Bill were members of a Committee that framed that Constitution. They are really petitioning against their own work.

We, therefore, respectfully ask your assistance toward passing our Bill the *present session*, and without any modification, as delay in this matter would seriously interfere with our prospective operations in Home Mission work.

We are, dear sir,

Your obedient servants,

(Signed)

A. C. ROBBINS.  
SAMUEL BROWN,  
PEARL D. KINNEY,  
JOHN H. HALEY,  
GEORGE E. DAY,  
JOHN ROWE,  
W. H. PORTER,  
J. H. SAUNDERS,  
ISA. WALLACE,

*Members of the Executive Board of the Union.*

Your Board, anxious to do all in their power to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom, appointed a Committee to visit the Churches in Argyle and Pubnico, to hold missionary meetings with them, and, if possible, to assist them in the settlement of a pastor. The Committee attended to their duty, and reported very favourably. They were impressed with the fine appearance of the places visited, the improvements that have been made of late, and the great necessity of having them supplied with ministerial labor. They believe that with even a small amount of Missionary and Colporteur work given to these sections strong Baptist interests would be seen where now the cause is comparatively feeble.

Your Board, believing that a system of Colportage is of absolute importance in prosecuting successfully the Home Missionary work, endeavored to make a beginning in this department of labor. For this important work they sought the services of Bro. A. H. Lavers, a young man of zeal and energy, of tact and talent. Quite recently he left the Methodist Society, and united with us. He expects to devote his life to the work of the christian ministry. In view of his many good qualities your Board thought it advisable to give him an appointment as Colporteur for six months. He will be ready to commence his labors under the direction of the Board on the 1st of August next.

In connection with this matter your Board corresponded with Howard Gannet, Esq., of the Bible and Publication Society. His reply was indeed cheering. He offered to select personally all books and papers ordered, to make a discount of 25 per cent. on catalogue prices of all books purchased, to wait for remittances a convenient

time, to furnish gratuitously a number of French tracts, to aid with his advice, and, if necessary, to be present at some of the meetings of the Board. With circumstances so favourable at the commencement, your Board believe that there is a bright future before the Baptists of Nova Scotia in Colporteur work, if they seize with hopefulness and vigor the present opportunity.

Your Board, thinking it desirable to spread before the Baptist public of Nova Scotia all possible information about the Union, in the early part of the winter instructed their Corresponding Secretary to furnish for the *Messenger* an account of the steps that led to the formation of the Union, and the minutes of its first meeting; to state the Society's aims and its prospects. The Board report that he has attended to that duty to their entire satisfaction.

Your Board thought it necessary, also, to urge the churches to attend by their delegates the Annual Meeting of the Union. They, therefore, addressed a circular to each Baptist Church in the Province, requesting that a full delegation be sent to the Anniversary meeting of the Union at Bridgetown.

The following is a copy of that circular :

TO THE ——— BAPTIST CHURCH IN ———

*Beloved Brethren,—*

Permit us to invite your attention to the fact that there is to be a meeting of the N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union at Bridgetown, on Friday, June 20, 1873, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The Constitution of the Union providing "that this Union be composed of the Pastors of the Baptist Churches in the Province and Delegates appointed by the Churches—each Church in good standing with its respective Association sending not more than three delegates.

You will see, therefore, that you can send to the meeting of the Union three delegates beside your Pastor, who is a member of the Union in his own right.

Matters of great importance are to be brought before the Union at its Annual Meeting in June next. Permit us, therefore, to urge you to send to that meeting your full number of delegates, and instruct them to vote for the consolidation of all our Home Missionary organizations into one body, or for the continuance of separate societies, or with such modifications and improvements in either case as may be agreed upon at the meeting.

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|----------------|----------------------------|
| J. M. CRAMP,   | <i>President of Union.</i> |
| A. C. ROBBINS, | <i>Chairman of Board.</i>  |
| G. E. DAY,     | } <i>Secretaries.</i>      |
| W. H. PORTER,  |                            |

*Yarmouth, May 2, 1873.*

In conclusion, your Board beg to report that they have had but two Missionaries employed. Rev. Mr. Normandy, the French Missionary, has labored for the Board 45 weeks, and Rev. I. Wallace 4 weeks. The result of this labor has been of the most cheering character.

Summary of labor performed:—Visits made, 309; sermons preached, 137; other meetings attended, 30; miles travelled, 2213; tracts distributed, 3415; Bibles given, 19; testaments given, 14; Subscribers to "C. Messenger," 3; Baptisms, 42. Several conversions have taken place in addition to the baptisms reported. Amounts collected by Missionaries, \$62.50. Receipts from all sources, \$658.44.

In view of what has been done during the past year, your Board desire to be abundantly thankful to God.

With but little more than one County for a field of operation, and with but 49 weeks of labor expended thereon, 42 have been baptized, an additional number has been converted, and there are many inquirers after the truth.

The French Mission, too, never presented a more favourable appearance, or had before it brighter prospects. Many are gradually breaking away from the bonds of Popery. Others are beginning to realize their bondage, and to desire the liberty of the Gospel. The French Missionary never at any time during his lengthened service had a wider influence among the French people than he has to-day, or a more favorable opportunity for doing them good.

But in the midst of their thankfulness your Board feel humble. The fact that they would have done much more for God had the way been open before them, causes them no small amount of sorrow. They trust, however, that what has been done this year is but the first fruits of an abundant harvest which their successors shall gather in, when existing obstacles shall be removed, and when the churches North, South, East, and West shall vie with each other in seeking to extend throughout the whole Province the Kingdom of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive Board,

G. E. DAY, *Cor. Secretary.*

# N. S. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION IN ACCOUNT WITH SAMUEL BROWN, TREASURER.

1872.  
Dec. 19. By collection at Missionary Meeting at Ohio.....\$ 4 75

1873.  
Jan. 25. " " " " South Yarmouth.. 5 35

Feb. 7. " " " " Tusket..... 16 44

March " " " " Deerfield..... 4 61

" " " " Ohio..... 2 00

" " " " Miss Amelia Kendrick, Barrington, donation..... 3 88

" " " " Collection at Missionary Meeting at Argyle..... 1 00

" " " " Lower Pubnico... 7 61

" " " " Head Pubnico.... 6 80

" " " " James Cain, donation, South Yarmouth..... 2 50

" " " " Rawdon Church, per Jos. H. Robbins, French Mission. 0 50

May " " " " Collection at Missionary Meeting at Arcadia..... 2 46

June " " " " Milton..... 4 59

" " " " Hebron..... 1 05

" " " " " 2 90

" " " " " \$65 92

" " " " First Yarmouth Col., Missionary Meeting....\$ 17 73

" " " " J. A. Trefry, \$5.00. A. C. Robbins, \$100.00.. 105 00

" " " " P. D. Kinney, \$10.00. Capt. J. Crosby, \$10.00. 20 00

" " " " W. H. Wyman, \$5.00. Jos. R. Wyman, \$3.00. 8 00

" " " " C. W. Saunders, \$10.00. Capt. B. C. Robbins, \$1.06 11 06

" " " " Mrs. J. J. Brown, \$5.00. Mrs. J. W. Wyman, \$1.00 6 00

" " " " Mrs. B. Sterrett, \$1.00. Miss M. O. Sterrett, 50c. 1 50

" " " " Mrs. J. R. Ryerson, \$20.00. John Turner, \$1.00. 21 00

" " " " Mrs. S. M. Ryerson, \$10.00. Miss E. Poole, 50c. 10 50

" " " " Mrs. C. Pinkney, \$2.00. C. Pinkney, \$4.00.. 6 00

" " " " James Durkee, \$2.50. Edward Huestes, \$5.00. 7 00

" " " " Miss H. McGill, \$1.00. Miss Eliza Lewis, \$1.00. 2 00

" " " " P. H. Durkee, \$5.00. Prince Robbins, \$2.00.. 7 00

" " " " Mrs. S. F. Raymond, \$1. Mrs. A. D. Raymond, \$1. 2 00

" " " " Alexander Sime, \$10.00. Miss Lois Hays, \$1.00. 11 00

" " " " J. B. Weddleton, \$3.00. M. Coldwell, \$2.00.. 5 00

" " " " D. A. Vaughan, \$2.50. Mrs. D. A. Vaughan, \$2.50. 5 00

" " " " Nathan S. Crosby and wife..... 3 00

" " " " Capt. W. Churchill, \$5.00. W. H. Gridley, \$10.00. 15 00

Feb. " " " " Temple Church, col., Missionary Meeting.... 9 15

" " " " Collected by Miss Annie Crocker..... 9 50

" " " " Capt. J. Cain, \$10.00. Maggie Crosby, 25c... 10 25

" " " " Mrs. E. Perry, \$5.00. Chas. Weddleton, \$1.00. 6 00

" " " " Mrs. E. Purdy, \$2.00. Miss A. Purdy, \$2.00.. 4 00

" " " " N. W. W. Hogg, \$5.00. Thos. Cain, \$2.00... 7 00

" " " " Andrew Goudey, \$1.00. Samuel Brown, \$25.00. 26 00

" " " " John H. Haley, \$25.00. Wm. Haley, \$20.00.. 45 00

" " " " Jos. O. Haley, \$10.00. Alvin Haley, \$4.00... 14 00

" " " " Amos W. Allen, \$4.00. J. B. Kinney, \$4.00.. 8 00

" " " " " \$403 19

June 16. " " " " Col. per Rev. J. H. Saunders, Beaver River Church.. 60 33

" " " " Donation from Mrs. Shaw, Feb. 13..... 10 00

" " " " Amount collected in Argyle by Rev. I. Wallace..... 42 50

" " " " Donation from Mrs. Shaw for French Mission..... 5 00

" " " " " for Bibles..... 5 00

" " " " Amount from French Mission Board..... 24 00

" " " " from Derrfield Church..... 22 67

" " " " from Ohio Church..... 19 83

" " " " " \$658 44

" 17 " By balance in hand..... 93 19



| 1872.     |                                                                                        | Dr.    |          |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Nov. 3.   | To paid Rev. Isa. Wallace expences to Saulnierville and Waggoner Settlement.....       | \$     | 2 50     |
| 1858.     |                                                                                        |        |          |
| Feb. 10.  | To paid Rev. W. H Porter, bill for Record Books, Stationery and Postage.....           | \$     | 1 00     |
| "         | " Rev. M. Normandy, verbal order of Secretary...                                       |        | 30 00    |
| "         | " do. balance salary " "                                                               |        | 87 75    |
| Mrch 20.  | " do. per A. C. Robbins, \$100.00 } quarter sal.                                       |        |          |
| April 22. | " do. " 50.00 } in advance.                                                            |        | 150 00   |
| May 6.    | Rev. Dr. Day, bill printing.....                                                       | \$1.25 |          |
| "         | " " printing and postage.....                                                          | 3.00   |          |
|           |                                                                                        |        | 4 50     |
| June 12.  | " Rev. M. Normandy to aid in building School Houses in Waggoner and Burton Settlements |        | 75 00    |
| "         | " " " same purpose.....                                                                |        | 25 00    |
| "         | " " " per Rev. J. H. Saunders on account, salary due Jan. 1873....                     |        | 82 25    |
| "         | " " " per Mrs. Shaw, Feb. 13..                                                         |        | 10 00    |
| "         | " Rev. Isa. Wallace.....                                                               |        | 42 50    |
| "         | " For French Bibles.....                                                               |        | 5 00     |
| "         | " Rev. M. Normanday, salary to June 20, 1873....                                       |        | 50 00    |
|           | Balance .....                                                                          |        | 98 19    |
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|           |                                                                                        |        | \$658 44 |

SAMUEL BROWN, *Treasurer.*

Audited the above account and found the same correct,

P. D. KINNEY,

JOHN H. HALEY,

*Auditors for Board of N. S. B. H. M. Union.*

Yarmouth, June 17th, 1873.

# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union:

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1. The Consolidation of our Home Missionary organizations, both English and French, would in the estimation of this Convention tend to the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom in this Province;—the French Mission to be considered a separate Department, and all gifts, bequests, &c., made to the French Mission to go to that Department.
2. This Convention shall be called the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.
3. The object of this Union shall be to promote the spread of the gospel throughout the Province of Nova Scotia. the fostering of feeble churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature.
4. This Union shall be composed of ordained Baptist ministers in good standing with their respective churches in this Province, and delegates appointed by the Churches, each Church in good standing with its respective Association sending not more than three delegates, together with the President of Acadia College, the Principal of the Theological Institute, and the Principal of Horton Academy, the same being members of Baptist Churches in good standing.
5. The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be elected annually by ballot; three Vice-Presidents, one from each Association, two Secretaries and an Auditor, all of whom shall be appointed by open vote.
6. The Union shall annually appoint and locate an Executive Board of thirteen suitable men, seven of whom shall form a quorum; and every Baptist Pastor in the Province shall have the privilege of meeting with the Board, and taking part in its deliberations, but not voting; the officers of the Society named above to be ex-officio members of the Board.
7. The duty of this Board shall be to conduct the Missionary work of the Union, and report yearly to the same, or oftener if required.
8. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Union held with each of the Nova Scotia Baptist Associations, in turn, to assemble the day previous to the meeting of the Association with which it is held, at 10 o'clock, a. m.
9. This Union shall appoint annually a Board of Directors to consist of 24 members, eight to be taken from each Association, whose duty it shall be to give advice to the Executive Board in cases of emergency, and by the written requisition of 8 or more of whom, the President shall call a special meeting of the Union.
10. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made unless by a two-third affirmative vote of the members present at an annual meeting.