

MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTH SESSION
OF THE
WESTERN NEW-BRUNSWICK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
HELD AT FREDERICTON, N. B.

SATURDAY, MONDAY, AND TUESDAY,

September 2nd, 4th, and 5th.

Minutes of Corresponding Associations, and other Documents relating to the W. N. B. Baptist Association, and Letters of General Correspondence, may be directed to the Editor of the Christian Visitor, St. John, N. B.

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MINUTES.

FREDERICTON, 2nd Sept. 1854.

The Ministers and Delegates composing the Western New Brunswick Baptist Association convened in the Baptist Chapel at Fredericton, at 2 o'clock, P. M. A short time was spent in religious conference, when the following officers were appointed :

REV. A. D. THOMPSON, *Moderator.*

REV. THOMAS TODD, *Secretary.*

REV. A. H. MUNROE, *Assistant Secretary.*

REV. JAMES WATSON, *Treasurer.*

It was Resolved, That the Visiting Brethren from different localities be invited to sit with us and participate in our deliberations.

The following Brethren then took their seats, viz :

Rev. James A. Smith, J. H. Hughes, A. Thorp, Hugh Ross, T. H. Porter, and Thomas Locky.

The following Committees were appointed :

Committee of Management—Brethren Spurden, Smith, and Thos. Magee.

On Letters—Brethren Hughes, Miles, Porter, and J. Francis.

On Circular Letter—Brethren Harris, and J. Magee.

On Special Business—Brethren Robinson, Burton, Spurden, Smith, Thos. Magee, and W. Harris.

On Domestic Missions—Brethren Porter, Hughes, Jewett, G. W. Curry, Rigby, Marsters, Blakeney, and Stewart.

On Foreign Missions—Brethren Emmerson, John Magee, Harris, Tupper, Hoben, Robinson, Green, Smith and Chaloner.

On Bible Cause—Brethren Burton, Thos. Magee, Jewett, W. A. Robinson, A. Hartt, John Magee, G. F. Miles, and J. Francis.

On Sabbath Schools—Brethren Munro, Emmerson, W. Troop, Harris, Cogswell.

On Colportage—Brethren Miles, Thorpe, Locky, S. Robinson, W. S. Estey, Francis, Saunders, Richards, Troop, and Mutch.

On Christian Visitor—Brethren Hughes, Hoben, Rees, Watson, A. Estabrooks, T. W. Saunders, and Deacon Everitt.

On *New Churches*—Brethren Goldrup, Bailey, Annis, T. W. Saunders, J. Magee, and Fitch.

On *Union Societies*—Brethren Davis, Porter, and White.

On *Education*—Brethren Spuden, Munro, Todd, J. Magee, G. F. Miles, Day, A. Estey, White, Hoben, Hughes, Smith, Harris, Emmerson, Robinson, and Fitch.

On *Claims of Seamen*—Brethren Harris, Walker, W. A. Robinson, W. Estey, and DeLong.

On *Temperance*—Brethren Watson, Porter, Smith, Harris, W. A. Robinson, Davis, Munro, Todd, Tupper, J. Magee, G. F. Miles, A. Hartt, and Hoben.

On *the State of the Churches*—Brethren Francis, Lockey, T. Magee, Harris, Bill, Thompson, and Spurden.

On *List of Ministers*—Brethren Todd, S. Robinson, Emmerson, Thompson, and Hughes.

The following Brethren appeared from the letters as Delegates from the Churches named, and took their seats accordingly :

St. Andrews.—

Maugerville.—Rev. R. H. Emmerson, Brethren Reuben Cowperthwaite, John H. Day, and G. C. Miles.

Carleton.—Rev. John Francis, and Deacon J. C. Clark.

Douglas.—

Woodstock.—Rev. Thos. Todd, and Deacon Everett.

Solmon Creek.—Rev. G. F. Miles.

Portland.—Alexander Sime.

1st St. George.—Rev. G. F. Miles.

Jacksontown.—Rev. Thomas Todd.

Nashuaak.—Rev. J. Magee.

Simonds.—Rev. W. Harris, and Brother J. Cogswell.

2d St. George.—

2d St. Patrick.—

Newcastle.—Brethren W. A. Troop, D. Rees, and A. Bailey.

Prince William.—Rev. Thos. W. Saunders.

Kingsclear.—W. Estey, Joshua Curry, and Aaron Hartt.

Jerusalem.—Rev. E. Webb.

1st St. Patrick.—

Cardigan.—

Frederickton.—Rev. C. Spurden, Deacons W. S. Estey, J. C. Watson, Brethren A. H. Munro, W. J. Hoben, and C. Stewart.

Pennfield.—

Brussels Street, St. John.—Rev. S. Robinson, Deacons W. A. Goldrup, W. A. Robinson, J. F. Masters, Brethren Thomas Davis, and J. Titus.

Canning.—Rev. W. D. Fitch, and Alex. Estabrooks.

Brighton.—

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Douglas. } —Brother G. Weary.

Branch, Salem, St. John.—Rev. W. Burton.

Andover.—Rev. G. Rigby.

Germain Street, St. John.—Rev. I. E. Bill, and Brother John Chaloner.

Little River.—Rev. J. Bleakney, and Brother David DeLeng.

Howard Settlement.—Brother W. Annis.

Hodgden and Richmond.—Brother J. Green.

Sand Point.—Brother B. R. Smith.

Resolved, That Elder A. D. Thompson be our Delegate to the Eastern New-Brunswick Association, and G. F. Miles his alternate, and that his expenses be paid from the Domestic Mission fund.

Resolved, That Brethren C. Spurden, Emmerson, Miles, and Porter, be our Delegates to the Convention held in St. John, and that they go at their own charges.

Resolved, That Brother I. E. Bill, superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that one thousand copies be furnished.

The Committee of Arrangement, then made the following report, viz. :—Brother G. F. Miles to preach at 7½ o'clock, P. M., this evening, Saturday; Brethren A. D. Thompson, at 11 A. M.; T. H. Porter, at 3 P. M.; and S. Robinson, at 6 P. M.

Prayer by J. Magee.

Adjourned to meet on Monday at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Monday Morning Session.

Introductory Sermon by Elder Thos. Magee, from 2d Tim. i. 13.—“Hold fast the form of sound words which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.”

Moderator took the chair.

Prayer by Brother Harris.

The Committee proceeded to read the letters from the Churches.

After the letters were read, the Moderator gave the delegates from new Churches the right hand of fellowship in the usual way.

Prayer by Brother Hughes.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Brother Annis.

Afternoon Session.

Resolved, That Brethren Miles and Burton be a delegation to wait upon Elder Magee, requesting him to publish in the Minutes his introductory Sermon, with such abridgement as he may approve.

Resolved That the next Association be held with the Baptist Church in Carleton.

Resolved, That Brother W. Harris preach the introductory Sermon, and Brother T. Todd be his alternate.

Resolved, That Brother A. D. Thompson write the Circular Letter.

Resolved, That the three Pastors on the Carleton side, with the Deacons of the Carleton Church, be the Committee of Arrangement.

Resolved, That G. F. Miles be our delegate to the Washington Association.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows :

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report—

That having ascertained that nothing practical has been done since the last Association in reference to the Foreign field, therefore recommend, that the Resolution passed at this Association at its last Session relative to Australia, be carried into effect.

R. H. EMERSON, CHAIRMAN.

Report adopted.

Committee on the Christian Visitor, reported as follows :

The Committee on the *Christian Visitor* beg leave to report—

That with much satisfaction they learn that the churches generally, in both Associations, have forwarded the amounts apportioned them of its debt due the Estate of the late Rev. E. D. Very, and trust the remainder will be speedily paid.

They are also much pleased with its recent improvement in Editorial matter, and general management, and believe it to be highly worthy of the patronage of the public generally, and especially the members of our own denomination. They, therefore, commend the *Visitor*, and its worthy and beloved Editor to the prayers, support, and co-operation of the churches of this Association, and to the reading community at large.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. HUGHES, CHAIRMAN.

Report adopted unanimously.

Committee on Special Business reported as follows :

The Committee on Special Business beg leave to report—

They would recommend to the Association to apply to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, as for want of such an Act many of our Churches might be brought into serious trouble, and if thought advisable that such Act be extended to include our Benevolent Institutions.

That the following brethren be appointed to carry the above recommen-

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J. F. Marsters, A. Sime, E. H. Duval.

S. ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN.

Report adopted.

Resolved, That the above Committee petition the Legislature that all Religious Bodies be put on the same footing, with regard to the fees paid for license to be married.

Committee on the Bible Cause reported as follows :

Resolved, That this Association render unfeigned thanks to Almighty God, for the encouraging success which He has been pleased to give to the various Bible Societies during the past year, in the circulation of the word of God; and would earnestly recommend to all our churches, prayerful and increasing effort, to hold forth the word of life to our perishing fellow-men in all lands, and more especially that the claims of Seamen may not be overlooked in this work of Christian effort.

Adopted.

W. BURTON, CHAIRMAN.

Committee on Colportage reported the following :

The Committee on Colportage report—
That they are exceedingly gratified to know that the subject of Colportage has taken such a deep hold on the feelings and sympathies of our denomination. And they rejoice at the Resolution passed by the Eastern New-Brunswick Association, to authorise the N. B. B. Home Missionary Board to carry into operation the intention of a report passed at that session of the Association, recommending the dissemination of religious truth. We are pleased to learn that the necessary arrangements, to obtain Books, &c., &c., has been made; and we hope the men will ere long be in the field to carry into effect the objects of Colportage.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. MILES, CHAIRMAN.

Sustained by stirring addresses.

Adopted.

Moved to adjourn to 7½ o'clock, P. M.
Prayer by Brother Lockey.

Evening Session.

Preaching by Bro. R. H. Emmerson at 7½ o'clock.

Committee on Home Missions then reported as follows :

The Committee on Home Missions report—
In grateful acknowledgment of the Divine blessing, which has given so

much success to this department of Christian benevolence and labor heretofore, both among the English and French in the Province; from the very liberal contributions of individuals, and churches, the N. B. B. H. M. Society has been enabled to sustain several Missionaries in the field, occupying some prominent positions where Baptist preaching could not otherwise be sustained, and rendering a partial support to a number of Churches, destitute of pastoral oversight. But, your Committee are deeply impressed with the fact, that this supply has been limited indeed, compared with the means and wants of the country; they would, therefore, most implicitly, yet humbly, commend to the liberal and prayerful consideration of ALL the churches, the living claims of undying souls that are perishing for lack of knowledge. The growing state of the country calls for powerful and systematic exertion to sustain and perpetuate this glorious enterprise, which has been blessed, and proved a blessing to many. We know of no means by which the great commission can be carried out so effectually as the one now adopted by the denomination, if sustained by all the churches as auxiliaries to the Parent Society.

Upon Ministers and leading members of our churches rests the responsibility of working this effective agency in the final triumphs of the Redeemer's kingdom, throughout the Province.

There is one final thought, which your Committee would suggest, i. e. : the propriety of seeking Divine aid, in selecting suitable missionaries to the work assigned us by our Heavenly Father.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. H. PORTER, CHAIRMAN.

The following Brethren most appropriately addressed the meeting, viz. : Elders S. Robinson, I. E. Bill, A. D. Thompson, W. Harris, John Francis, J. Blakney, Brethren J. Everitt, and Alex. Sime.

Tuesday Morning, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Preaching by the Rev. J. Francis.

In the absence of the President of the Education Society, Elder S. Robinson, Vice President, took the Chair.

The report was then read, which is as follows :

The Committee on Education beg leave to report—

That they learn with sincere satisfaction that the Educational Institutions of the Provinces are in a healthy condition.

The fact that the Endowment on Acadia College has been secured to the amount of £10,000, and that nearly £3,000 has been realized towards the enlarged endowment of £5,000 is a plain indication of the interest taken by the Denomination in this important subject.

It would be a great satisfaction to all if the endowment were extended to £20,000, and the two Academies allowed to share in the benefits accruing from such a permanent source of income.

In relation to the Seminary at Fredericton, they desire to express thankfulness to God for the measure of prosperity granted to it during the past year, and they recommend the following resolutions for adoption by the Society.

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Report :

That the Churches in the Western Association be affectionately invited to agree with the proposal made by the Eastern Association to divide the debt proportionally among the Baptist Churches in this Province.

That whereas the Hon. J. McCully of Halifax, has liberally offered to be one of one hundred to secure the removal of the debt; that the thanks of the Society are hereby given to that gentleman for his spontaneous kindness, and that the Directors would be grateful to any friends who may be disposed to render them similar aid.

The Ladies of Brussels Street Church having furnished a bed for the use of the Ministerial Students who may be in attendance at the Seminary, that the thanks of the Society be presented to these Ladies for their welcome gift, and that this mode of aiding the same be recommended for imitation.

That the charge for board be Eight and Sixpence a week, exclusive of washing, and that the thanks of the Society be given to Mr. and Mrs. Gunter for their excellent management of the Steward's department, since they have had it in charge.

C. SPURDEN, CHAIRMAN.

Annimating addresses were then delivered by Brethren Spurden, Thompson, E. N. Harris, Tupper, Bill, and Francis.

Adopted.

Resolved, That the Rev. C. Spurden be Treasurer *pro tem.* for the Education Society.

Resolved, That the Report be printed in the Minutes.

The following Brethren were then appointed as a Committee to apportion the Education Debt on the Churches: Elders Miles, Hughes, Todd, W. Harris, Francis, and Blakeney.

Moved an adjournment to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Brother Saunders.

Afternoon Session, 3½ o'clock, P. M.

Circular Letter read by Brother Bill, adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Introductory Sermon by Brother Thomas Mabee be printed in the Christian Visitor, instead of the Minutes, as before ordered.

The Committee on Temperance presented the following Report:

The Committee on Temperance and Tobacco beg leave to report—
That while they have great reason to rejoice that the subject of Temperance is enlisting the attention and sympathies of good men, and that so much has been done to counteract the evils of Intemperance; yet they have reason to fear, that the subject has been treated too much as a moral and social evil, and not as a sin against God; although drunkenness is ranked in the word of God among the worst crimes of which mankind can be guilty. (See 1 Cor. vi. chap. 9, 10; Gal. v. chap. 20, 21.)

Your Committee would earnestly recommend to the Ministers, composing this Association, to bring the subject frequently before their congregations in its true light, as a sin against the Eternal God. Your Committee also rejoice that the subject of Legislative enactments, against the manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors is attracting the attention of influential men, not only in America, but also in Great Britain, in which movement we desire to express our fullest sympathy and confidence.

Now in reference to the use of Tobacco, we most firmly believe it to be a great evil in society, both socially, morally and religiously, and earnestly, in a brotherly spirit, call upon the leaders of the armies of Zion and all the hosts thereof, to abandon its use, and assist in abolishing it from society. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES C. WATSON, CHAIRMAN.

Addresses by J. C. Watson, W. A. Robertson, A. H. Munro, T. Todd, W. Annis, and Hughes. Adopted.

Resolved, That the past history of the Church in Fredericton, their zeal and liberality in the cause of Education and religion in our denomination, demand from this Association, sympathy and assistance in its present depressed state.

As a token of sympathy for the Church in Fredericton, G. F. Miles contributed £20, and R. H. Emmerson £10.

The Committee on Union Society report as follows :

Your Committee feel pleased that the Churches have adopted the course which they recommended last year, believing it to work better than the old system, and it seems to them that the object which calls most especially for the liberality of the Churches this year, is the New-Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society, to which your Committee especially call their attention.

Which is respectfully submitted.

T. P. DAVIES, CHAIRMAN.

Addresses by Brethren Robinson, Bill, and W. A. Robinson. Adopted.

Resolved, That the following brethren be a Committee to appropriate the unappropriated monies belonging to the Union Society, viz. : R. H. Emmerson, T. H. Porter, and J. Blakeney.

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Preaching by Brother Bill, after which the Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows :

Your Committee beg to report that they regret that so few Churches have furnished in their letters, information respecting their Sabbath Schools. Nineteen Schools are mentioned in the letters; nine are stated to have liberal attendance at the above Schools.

Your Committee cannot help feeling that it is of the utmost importance that more interest should be entertained with respect to Sabbath Schools than is at present displayed, and that more attention should be paid to them than they at present receive. To facilitate this desirable end, and thus to give Sabbath Schools to destitute districts as well as to impart greater efficiency to those Schools which are already established. Your Committee beg to recommend that a Sabbath School Agent be appointed as early as possible; and further, that this Sabbath School agency be united with the duties of Colporteur in one and the same person, as is usual with the Agents of the American Religious Tract Society.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Adopted.

A. H. MUNRO, CHAIRMAN.

The Committee on the Claims of Seamen reported :

We have great cause of thankfulness to Almighty God for the deep interest now manifested in the community at large, in the social and spiritual happiness of the Seamen of all nations visiting the various parts of this prosperous Province, as exemplified in providing a Seamen's Home, and an efficient and active Chaplain, by which Seamen are blessed with an asylum from the evils of boarding-houses, in which intoxicating drinks of a poisonous quality are supplied. Your Committee would constantly recommend the claims of Seamen to the sympathy, and active exertion of the community in general, and this Association in particular.

All of which your Committee respectfully submit.

W. A. ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN.

Address by Captain W. A. Robinson. Adopted.

Resolved, That the Letters be placed in the hands of Brother Bill, to make a digest therefrom, to be printed in the Visitor.

Rev. H. Ross then addressed the body on the importance of the Gaelic Mission.

The committee on the disposal of Union money reported as follows :

The Committee on the disposal of Union Money recommend that the sum tendered to this Association for that purpose, be devoted to Superannuated Ministers.

R. H. EMMERSON, CHAIRMAN.

Resolved, That in the judgement of this Association, it is the duty of Ministers of this body to exercise a watchful care over the destitute Churches in the localities where they reside. And if any Church is in a scattered state, without the government or ordinances of Christ's house, that Minis-

ters in the locality where such Church exists be recommended to inquire into its state, and labour to restore it to the order of the Gospel; and if their case requires aid, that they will represent it to the Home Missionary Board, for such assistance as they may require. And at all meetings of this Association it will be expected that the Ministers will be prepared to report the state of any Church in their vicinity that may not have reported itself.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this Association to take into consideration the destitute Churches and districts, between Fredericton and St. Francis, above the Grand Falls, and to report to the New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Board, in relation to the spiritual necessities of these districts, and the best means of supplying them with the provisions of the Gospel; and that Brethren Todd, Harris, and Rigby be such Committee.

Resolved, That the Colporteur Society be requested to instruct their Colporteurs to encourage and strengthen existing Sabbath Schools, and endeavour to establish others where they are wanted; also to promote the circulation of the "Christian Visitor," by obtaining subscribers, collecting dues, &c.

Resolved, That this Association cannot close its present session, without expressing a grateful sense of the cordial welcome and liberal hospitality with which its members have been entertained by the friends at Fredericton.

Adjourned to meet with the Church in Carleton on the first Saturday in September, 1855.

Prayer by H. Ross.

A. D. THOMPSON, *Moderator*.

THOMAS TODD, *Secretary*.

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CIRCULAR LETTER,

To the Churches composing the Western Baptist New-Brunswick Association.

BELOVED BRETHREN IN CHRIST,—

We design in this annual epistle to call your attention to the importance of cultivating brotherly love. And in doing so, we shall notice some reasons why we should cultivate a spirit of love to one another.

First. The children of God are all one family, they are all born from above, they can look up to God with confidence and cry Abba Father. They can claim Christ as their elder brother, and the Holy Spirit as their comforter. They are all travelling one way—their joys, sorrows, and anticipations are one. They expect to spend an eternity together, singing the high praises of God and the Lamb. When a contention arose between the servants of Abraham and Lot, the old Patriarch Abraham referred to this family connection, and did it in such a way as to shew that he thought the relationship was sufficient to silence all contention. "Let there be no strife I pray thee, between me and thee, and between thy herdsmen and my herdsmen, for we are brethren." If the spirit of discord and strife in the domestic circle is unpleasant and injurious in its tendency, how much more so when it enters the sacred precincts of the Christian Church, disturbing the peace of the spiritual brotherhood, and introducing confusion into the family of Christ! When Christians fail to love each other, they furnish food for the infidel, and cause the enemies of the truth to blaspheme.

Again. Brotherly love is the proof of our union with Christ. The Apostle says—"We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren." "He that loveth not his brother abideth in death; whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer, and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him." "He that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" Love is the very essence of true religion. Were an individual to possess the wisdom of a Paul and the eloquence of an Apollas, and all the gifts and tongues of men and angels, without love he would be as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. Love suffereth loss and is kind. love envieth not, love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth—beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Love never faileth, but will live when faith and hope shall cease. Love is the golden chain that links together in the bonds of enduring fellowship the

glorified spirits before the throne: it is the theme of their praise, and the source of their happiness. "Unto him that hath loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood." If a spirit of disunion exist amongst the Lord's people on earth, there must be some cause which it is necessary to enquire into. One cause, doubtless, is, an incorrect view of Christianity. We sometimes meet with members of the church who are censorious in their temperament, and who are disposed to condemn all who happen to differ from them in their religious opinion. Where such a disposition is manifest, its tendency is subversive of the law of Christian love. The Scriptures evidently teach that difference of opinion on points in theology, which do not vitally effect Christian character, are in this imperfect state, compatible with the full exercise of brotherly love. See Romans xiv. and xv. chapters. We must not condemn a brother who does not in our judgment perceive the truth as clearly as we do ourselves.

Again. The church is Christ's school on earth, where Christians are to be taught the doctrines of the Bible, that they may grow up to spiritual manhood. But even here, members of long standing may be found to be but babes in Christ, and, consequently, have need of milk, and not of strong meat. Then let us not lay a stumbling block before those whom God hath received. We never ought to express a doubt in reference to our brethren without scriptural reasons for it, least we be found guilty of evil surmising, and thereby disturb the unity of the church.

Again. Disunion often arises from the want of faithfulness to each other. We never ought to say any thing about a brother when he is absent, that we would not say were he present, and instead of exposing the imperfections of our brethren, do all in our power to hide them. True love will do this, it covers a multitude of evils. Not that we should conceal a real crime, but there are imperfections which we may see in each other, and to which all are more or less subject, that are not criminal in themselves, but when spread abroad by a brother may do a vast amount of injury. Any impropriety that we see in our brethren, ought to be treated according to the nature of the offence. This faithfulness to our brethren, and fidelity to the truth, require. If the offence is personal, the Saviour in the 1st chapter of Matt. has told us how to proceed—"If thy brother trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between him and thee alone." From this passage, it is plain that we are not to tell it to a neighbour or brother, but to the individual; and then if our object be not gained, we are to take two or three brethren, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word may be established; if he still prove incorrigible, we may tell it to the church, but not before. What a vast amount of disunion would be avoided in our churches, if the word of God were always made our rule of faith and practice. May we all take heed to the impressive admonition of the Apostle—"Let brotherly love continue!"

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Kingsclear Church,	0 8 0	George Miles,	1 0 0	
Woodstock, do.	0 6 3	Mr. Troop,	0 5 0	
Simonds, Carleton, do.,	0 7 6	Thomas Lockey,	0 5 0	
Nashwaak Church,	0 5 0	John C. Green,	0 5 0	
Pennfield, do.,	0 5 0	J. F. Marsters,	0 5 0	
1st St. George Church,	1 0 0	— Blakeney,	0 5 0	
Newcastle, Grand Lake, do.,	0 10 0	— McFee,	0 1 3	
New Jerusalem Church,	0 5 0	Chas. Banks,	0 2 6	
Canning Church,	0 8 4	Chas. Tozer,	0 1 3	
African Church, Douglas,	0 5 0	Alex. Estabrooks,	0 5 0	
Andover, do.,	0 5 0	Gilbert Spurr,	0 5 0	
Prince William Church,	0 5 6	A Friend,	0 1 0	
Howard Settlement, do.,	0 5 0	David Reed,	0 1 3	
Germain St. Ch. St. John,	1 5 0	David DeLong,	0 1 3	
Hogden and Richmond, do.,	0 10 0	Elder Webb,	0 5 0	
Jacksontown Church,	0 9 0	A Friend,	0 0 3	
Br. Brussels St. Ch. St. John,	0 6 0	Robert Ogden,	0 1 3	
Little River Church,	0 5 0	<i>Amt. received for Home Mis-</i>		
Cardigan, do.	0 2 6	<i>sions at Grand Falls.</i>		
Fredericton, do.	0 15 0	George F. Mills,	2 10 0	
Maugerville, do.	0 10 0	Abraham Bailley,	1 0 0	
Saint Andrews Church,	0 10 0	W. D. Fitch,	1 0 0	
1st St. Patrick, do.	0 6 0	Thomas Magee,	0 5 0	
2nd St. Patrick do.	0 6 3	James White,	1 0 0	
Sand Point Bethel,	0 6 6	George Rigby,	1 0 0	
<i>Received for Union Society.</i>		Robert Ogden,	0 1 3	
Kingsclear Church,	0 10 0	Thomas Lockey,	1 0 0	
Pennfield, do.	2 10 0	A Lady,	0 5 0	
Amount of Collections at the		<i>Amt. received for Education</i>		
Association,	15 0 4 ¹	<i>Society Debt.</i>		
<i>Amt. for Home Missions.</i>		Gilbert Spurr,	5 0 0	
New Jerusalem Church,	2 10 0	T. H. Porter,	1 0 0	
African Church,	0 5 0	Thomas Lockey,	1 0 0	
Branch Brussels St., do.,	0 7 6	<i>Amt. received for the Debt on</i>		
Maugerville Church,	7 0 0	<i>the Fredericton Chapel.</i>		
Elder McMahon,	0 10 0	Geo. F. Miles,	20 0 0	
<i>Amt. received for Foreign</i>		Robert H. Emmerson,	10 0 0	
<i>Missions.</i>		<i>Amt. received for Gaelic</i>		
Elder McMahon,	0 10 0	<i>Mission.</i>		
<i>Amt. received for Visitor</i>		Rev. G. F. Miles,	1 5 0	
<i>Debt.</i>		" Jas. Blakeney,	0 5 0	
1st St. Patrick Church,	1 10 0	" Chas. Spurden,	1 0 0	
Prince William, do.	3 5 0	" Thos. Magee,	0 5 0	
<i>Amt. received for Colportage.</i>		" I. E. Bill,	1 0 0	
Rev. Chas. Spurden,	0 5 0	" T. H. Porter,	0 5 0	
" Geo. F. Miles,	0 5 0	" R. H. Emmerson,	0 10 0	
" A. D. Thompson,	0 5 0	" S. Robinson,	0 10 0	
" Thos. Magee.	0 10 0	" J. H. Tupper,	0 3 0	
		" A. D. Thompson,	0 5 0	
		Abram Bailley,	0 5 0	
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Thomas Loekey,	0	7	0	Elias Yerxa,	0	5	0
David Scott,	1	0	0	A. H. Batey,	0	5	0
P. Winters,	1	0	0	A. Thorp,	0	5	0
A. T. Colburn,	0	5	0	J. F. Goldroop,	0	3	1 ⁴ / ₈
A Friend,	0	1	10 ³ / ₈	Miss Clark,	0	2	0
W. Annis,	0	0	7 ³ / ₈	J. H. Dikeman,	0	5	0
A Friend,	1	0	0	Mrs. H. S. Batey,	0	5	0
Jas. White,	0	2	6	J. T. Masters,	0	10	0
J. Chaloner,	0	5	0	Mrs. Masters,	0	10	0
J. P. Davis,	0	10	0	Collection,	1	1	10
John Annis,	0	5	0	William Bridges,	1	0	0
Mrs. Hampton,	0	5	0				
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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS,
 IN CONNECTION WITH THE EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST
 ASSOCIATION.

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	DATE OF ORDINATION.
James Tozer,	Ladlow.	March, 1820.
William Harris,	Simonds,	February, 1730.
Thomas Magee,	St. James,	March, 1831.
T. W. Saunders,	Prince William,	July, 1832.
S. Robinson,	St. John,	August, 1832.
James Walker,	St. George,	January, 1830.
A. D. Thompson,	St. Andrews,	May, 1835.
John Magee,	Nashuaak,	January, 1840.
Charles Spurden,	Fredericton,	April, 1841.
George Rigby,	Tobique,	March, 1842.
J. H. Tupper,	Queensboro'	March, 1844.
W. L. Hopkins,	Pennfield,	March, 1845.
W. D. Fitch,	Sheffield,	November, 1845.
R. H. Emmerson.	Maugerville,	January, 1852.
G. F. Miles,	St. George,	August, 1844.
G. Estabrooks,	Simonds,	October, 1847.
Thomas Todd,	Woodstock,	July, 1848.
E. Webb,	New Jerusalem.	October, 1850.
E. McInnis,	Grand Manan,	1852.
I. E. Bill,	St. John,	1852.
E. N. Harris,	St. John,	March, 1820.
John Francis,	St. John,	
W. Burton,	St. John,	
George Seely,	Carleton,	
D. McPhail,	Carleton,	
	Northesk,	August, 1852.

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| Isaiah Wallace, | W. Annis, | James Goldrup, |
| W. Gremly, | A. H. Munro, | James White, |
| Richard Wells, | W. G. Hoben, | Thomas Lockey, |
| G. R. Campbell. | | |

The following Missionaries labour in connection with both Associations:

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| Rev. T. H. Porter, | Rev. J. Trimble, | Rev. D. Crandal. |
| " B. Scott, | " J. Blakeny, | " James Tozer, |
| French Missionary—Bro. P. Knight. | | |

ABSTRACT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

STATIONS.	Date of Formation.	Add's By Bapism.	By Letter.	Restored.	Removed.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Total.	Money for Printing the Minutes.		
Woodstock,	1842	14	5	3	1	81	0	6	3			
Hodgden and Richmond, (new,) .	1854	5	..	..	..	36	0	10	0		
St. John, (Brussels street,)	1850	12	6	..	7	8	12	366	1	0	0	
1st Saint Patrick, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48	0	6	0
Canning,	1800	1	..	5	..	82	0	8	4			
Jacksontown,	1833	8	..	..	1	..	1	55	0	9	0
Andover,	1832	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	0	5	0
Little River, .....	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	12	0	5	0
Howard Settlement, (new,) .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	0	5	0
St. Andrews,	1806	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	0	10	0
Pennfield,	1819	2	..	9	..	..	..	82	0	5	0
Brighton,	1833	..	..	2	..	..	..	19	0	10	0
Portland,	1842	2	..	..	2	..	3	152	0	10	0
2nd Falls, St. George,	1851	3	..	..	..	..	..	86	0	15	0
Maugerville,	1839	2	67	0	10	0
Bethel, Sand Point, St. John, new	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	0	6	6
Newcastle,	1846	..	..	1	..	..	..	45	0	10	0
Nashwaak,	1804	..	..	..	..	1	..	58	0	5	0
Cardigan,	1820	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	0	2	6
Germain Street, St. John,	1810	4	7	2	1	5	2	186	1	5	0	
Kingsclear,	1825	..	..	..	..	1	..	41	0	8	0
1st St. George,	1806	1	..	..	..	1	..	141	1	0	0
2nd St. Patrick, .....	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	58	0	6	4
New Jerusalem,	1848	..	..	..	..	1	..	23	0	5	0
Salmon Creek, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	0	15	0
Prince William,	1800	..	..	5	..	..	..	47	0	5	5
Douglas,	1844	8	..	..	1	..	3	34	0	6	3
Fredericton,	1814	1	1	..	..	6	..	94	0	0	0
African Church, Douglas, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	0	5	0
Brussels Street Branch, Salem, ..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	11	0	6	0
Simonds,	1845	19	5	1	1	..	1	50	0	7	6	
Carleton,	1841	5	..	..	8	..	1	119	0	0	0
*Grand Manan, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
*2nd St. George,	1845	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
*Ledge St. Stephens, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42	0	0	0
*Oak Bay, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	0	0	0
*Dipper Harbour,	1847	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	0	0	0
*Arestook,	1843	..	..	..	..	..	..	43	0	0	0
*Tobique, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	0	0	0
*Chipman,	1845	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	0	0	0
*Dumfries, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63	0	0	0
*Keswick, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57	0	0	0
*Little South West,	1845	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	0	0	0
*Northesk, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	43	0	0	0
*Rushagornish,	1846	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	0	0	0
*St. David,	1806	80	0	0	0	
*St. James,	1842	18	0	0	0	
*Greenwich,	1832	22	0	0	0	
*Blissville,	132	0	0	0	
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APPENDIX.

NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

FOUNDED A. D., 1836.

President, Elder Joseph Crandal.

Vice Presidents, Elders Samuel Robinson and A. D. Dhompson.
Hon. W. B. Kinnear.

Treasurer, Solomon Hersey, Esq.

Secretaries, Elder I. E. Bill and Asa Coy, Esq.

Principal, Elder Charles Spurden.

Assistant Teacher, Mr. A. H. Munro.

Every Minister of the Denomination is a Member of the Board of Directors.

Managing Committee, for the ensuing year, Elder Charles Spurden, Messrs. Samuel W. Babbit, William S. Estey, William Sewell, Thomas Stewart, and J. F. Gale.

The Tuition Fees are 10s., 15s., and 20s. a term, according to the age of the Pupil. Fuel 2s. 6d. a Term.

Board in the Seminary 8s. 6d. per week. Each Student makes his own arrangement for bed and bedding, and also for washing.

The course of Study comprises the usual branches of a Commercial, Classical and Mathematical Education.

REPORT.

In presenting their annual report to the friends of the Society, the Committee are thankful in being able to say, that the Institution is still in a thriving state. The number of Pupils who entered during the year has been 82; the number actually in attendance each week has been on an average 46 all the year round; this is a larger average than has been reached for many years past.

The Principal has much satisfaction in bearing testimony to the diligence and good conduct of the young men and of the lads generally; the annual examination was conducted in the presence of the Rev. I. E. Bill and other gentlemen, on which occasion, besides the usual tests of proficiency in the branches studied during the year, original Essays were read by the Senior Students on various subjects.

The office of Assistant Teacher became vacant in October. This office had been ably filled for a period of eight years by Mr. T. B. Smith. On his retirement the Committee were so fortunate as to secure the services of Mr. A. H. Munro, a gentleman of considerable experience in Tuition, with whom they have entered into an engagement, which they doubt not will prove highly advantageous to the Institution.

The internal arrangements of the School have undergone some modification during the past year. The small School-room has been furnished with separate desks and chairs for the use of the young men who enter the Seminary. By these means they are provided with every convenience for study. This change has involved an outlay which the Committee however felt justified in incurring on behalf of a plan of such obvious utility.

The Steward resigned his charge at the end of the last term. Mr. Gunter has, for the last four years, managed that department with the utmost

satisfaction to the Committee. They are now using their endeavours to secure the services of a competent person to take charge of this important branch of the Institution.

The proposal made at the Association in Hillsborough to liquidate the debt, by shares entitling the holder to the value in tuition, has not been carried into effect. The Committee very much regret this; as they are convinced that in the present state of the denomination, a debt so small as £575 might easily be removed, while the payment of upwards of £30 interest every year, very seriously cripples their resources, and prevents them from adopting plans of improvement which might be of material benefit to the School.

The Committee rejoice that while rendering their due share of service to the Province in general, by the unrestricted and unsectarian education which they furnish, they have also been able to help forward the young men who have devoted themselves to the ministry of the word. They well know that the pious and reflecting members of the body feel a deep interest in this subject; it will ever be their desire, while meeting every other just claim, to increase the usefulness of the Institution in this respect, and they pray that the great Head of the Church will bless their efforts, and make the young men eminently serviceable to his cause.

CHARLES SPURDEN.

The Baptist Education Society, in account with the Committee of Management.

1853		Dr.	
	Balance,.....		£7 19 8
July	Whitewashing, Painting, &c.....		6 9 4
Aug.	Repairs,.....		2 13 3
1854	Desks, Benches, &c.....		10 16 9
Febv.	Chairs and Table,.....		5 14 0
	4½ Loads dry Wood,.....		3 6 6
	6 Cords green at 17s.....		5 2 0
	Cutting Wood,.....		2 7 0
	Insurance on £500,.....		7 10 0
	Glass,.....		9 0
	Postage,.....		4 11
	Sundries, Well, Stoves, Stationery, &c.....		2 17 4
	Assistant Teacher's Salary,.....		56 18 0
	Principal's do.		230 0 0
	Steward for attendance,.....		8 0 0
	Interest Fire Insurance Company,.....		22 10 0
	Do. Note,.....		12 0 0
	Books for Library,.....		1 10 6
			£356 8 0
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Dec.	Treasurer of General Union,.....		£10 8 7
	Tuition Fees,.....		91 14 0
1854	Do. in Books,.....		1 10 0
June	Legislative Grant,.....		250 0 0
	Balance,.....		2 14 11
			£356 8 0
<i>Debts due by the Education Society 1st July, 1854.</i>			
	Central Fire Insurance Company,.....		£375 0 0
	Note of Hand,.....		230 0 0
			£575 0 0

I have examined the above amount and find it correct.

June 26, 1854.

SAMUEL W. BABBITT.