

THE
BAPTIST YEAR BOOK

OF THE
MARITIME PROVINCES

OF
CANADA

1897.

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THE BAPTIST CONVENTION

OF THE

MARITIME PROVINCES.

ORGANIZED 1846.

CONSTITUTION.

ADOPTED, 1878 ; AMENDED, 1885, 1886, 1897.

I.—This Convention shall be known as the BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

II.—The object of the Convention shall be to maintain the educational and missionary operations of the body, and to advance the general interests of the denomination.

III.—The membership of the Convention shall be as follows :

1. Each of the Baptist Associations in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island shall be entitled to send to any meeting of the Convention two of its own members as delegates to represent it therein.

2. Each Church connected with any of the above named Associations, and contributing annually towards the objects of the Convention, shall be entitled to send one of its own members to represent it at any meeting of the Convention, and an additional delegate for every twenty dollars contributed to those objects during the year ; but no church shall be entitled to send more than five delegates.

3. Every ordained Baptist minister connected with one of the churches above mentioned, either in the relation of pastor or member, shall be a member of the Convention.

4. Any member of any of those churches who shall have contributed towards the objects of the Convention fifty dollars at any one time previous to the 27th of August, 1879—or one hundred dollars at one time after that date, shall become a life member of the Convention.

5. The President and Faculty of Acadia University, being members of any of the churches above mentioned, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Convention.

IV.—The officers of the Convention shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and Assistant Secretaries, all of whom shall be elected annually from among the members, except the Secretary, who shall be elected triennially.

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

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

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

VII.—The Convention shall, once in three years, appoint eight new members of the Board of Governors of Acadia University in place of eight who will then retire from office, in rotation, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Convention in 1891 and with the act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed May 19th, 1891, entitled "An Act respecting Acadia University." No one shall be eligible for appointment to or service upon the Board of Governors who is not a member in good standing of one of the Churches composing the Convention.

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

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

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

RULES OF ORDER.

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

LIST OF OFFICERS, 1897-'98.

PRESIDENT.

REV. E. M. KEIRSTEAD, M. A., D. D., WOLFVILLE, N. S.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

REV. DAVID PRICE, TYRON, P. E. I.

RUPERT G. HALEY, Esq., ST. JOHN, N. B.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARIES.

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R. C. ELKIN, Esq., ST. JOHN, N. B.

TREASURERS OF DENOMINATIONAL FUNDS.

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REV. A. COHOON, M. A., WOLFVILLE, N. S.

FOR NEW BRUNSWICK AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND :

REV. J. W. MANNING, B. A., ST. JOHN, N. B.

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REV. E. M. KEIRSTEAD, D. D., PRESIDENT OF CONVENTION 1897-98.

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Bayview, N.
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Berwick, N.
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LIST OF MEMBERS.

I.—DELEGATES FROM ASSOCIATIONS.

- Nova Scotia Western.—J. Elliott, B. H. Parker.
 New Brunswick Southern.—C. F. Clinch.
 “ Eastern.—A. E. Wall.
 Prince Edward Island.—Rev. David Price.

II.—DELEGATES FROM CHURCHES.

- Advocate Harbor, N. S.—Rev. L. A. Cooney.
 Alma, N. B.—Rev. M. B. Whitman, W. Rommel.
 Amherst, N. S.—Rev. J. H. McDonald, T. R. Black, G. W. Christie.
 Andover, N. R.—Rev. H. D. Worden.
 Annapolis Royal, N. S.—J. A. Bancroft, Mrs. Geo. Wells, Mrs. Gilbert White.
 Antigonish, N. S.—Charles S. Archibald.
 Arcadia, N. S.—Rev. P. R. Foster, Mrs. P. R. Foster.
 Argyle, N. S.—Rev. M. W. Brown.
 Aylesford, Lower, N. S.—Rev. H. H. Saunders.
 Aylesford, Upper, N. S.—Rev. J. B. Morgan, Mrs. J. B. Morgan, N. P. Spurr, Mrs. N. P. Spurr.
 Bayview, N. S.—D. H. McQuarrie, Mrs. McQuarrie, Cyrus Durkee, Mrs. Cyrus Durkee.
 Bedeque, P. E. I.—Rev. W. H. Warren.
 Berwick, N. S.—Isaiah Shaw, James Read, Mrs. Jas. Read, S. C. Parker, Mrs. S. C. Parker.
 Bridgetown, N. S.—Rev. F. M. Young, Silas Whitman, Mrs. S. Whitman.
 Bridgewater, N. S.—Rev. A. H. C. Morse, Miss Fannie Manning.
 Brookfield, Colchester, N. S.—Rev. J. J. Armstrong, Mrs. Ezra Stevens.
 Brookfield, Queens, N. S.—Rev. E. C. Baker, Mrs. E. C. Baker.
 Butternut Ridge, N. B.—Rev. F. T. Snell, C. I. Keith, S. W. Thorne.
 Caledonia, N. S.—B. L. Telfer.
 Cambridge, N. S.—Rev. E. O. Read, Mrs. E. O. Read.
 Cambridge, First, N. B.—Hiram Humphrey, Mrs. H. Humphrey.
 Cambridge, Second, N. B.—Rev. A. B. McDonald, W. H. White, E. G. McLean.
 Canning, N. S.—Rev. W. N. Hutchins.
 Centreville, Carl. Co., N. B.—Rev. Jos. A. Cahill.
 Charlottetown, P. E. I.—Rev. C. W. Corey.
 Clements, N. S.—Rev. S. Langille.
 Cornwallis, First, N. S.—Harold T. Eaton, Mrs. L. Eaton, Miss A. Dickey.

- Dartmouth, N. S.—Rev. S. B. Kempton, D. D.
 Digby, N. S.—Rev. B. H. Thomas, C. E. Burnham.
 Dorchester, First, N. B.—F. W. Palmer, C. E. Knapp.
 Dorchester, Second, N. B.—Wm. Buck.
 Elgin, First, N. B.—Robt. J. Colpitts
 Fairville, N. B.—C. F. Baker, Dan'l. Duplissie.
 Florenceville, N. B.—Rev. A. H. Hayward.
 Forest Glen, West'd, Co., N. B.—Rev. H. C. Todd
 Fredericton, N. B.—J. T. Clark, H. C. Creed, Mrs. H. C. Creed, Mrs. J. D. Freeman, Chas. McNally.
 Freeport, N. S.—M. G. Crocker.
 Gagetown, Upper, N. B.—Rev. Charles Henderson.
 Gibson, N. B.—Rev. F. D. Davidson, Allan Hoben, M. S. Hall.
 Granville Ferry, N. S.—Rev. G. J. C. White.
 Granville, Lower, N. S.—Rev. Jas. A. Porter.
 Halifax, First, N. S.—Miss Sara L. Norton.
 Halifax, Second, N. S.—J. Parsons, Geo. Parsons.
 Halifax, West End, N. S.—Rev. G. A. Lawson, Miss F. Blakeney.
 Hampton Station, N. B.—Wm. Purdy.
 Hampton Village, N. B.—Rev. M. A. McNeill, S. H. Flewelling, S. E. Frost.
 Harvey, 1st, N. B.—J. B. McAlpine.
 Hebron, N. S.—H. H. Crosby, Mrs. H. H. Crosby.
 Hillsboro, 1st, N. B.—Rev. W. Camp, Miss Annie Duffy, Miss Annie Mollins, John T. Steves.
 Hillsburg, 1st, N. S.—Rev. B. N. Nobles.
 Hillsdale, Hammond, N. B.—Rev. R. M. Bynon, W. Fowler.
 Hopewell, N. B.—Rev. I. B. Coldwell.
 Isaac's Harbor, N. S.—Rev. A. J. Vincent, Mrs. A. J. Vincent, S. R. Giffin, Mrs. S. R. Giffin.
 Kempt, Queen's Co., N. S.—Rev. E. P. Churchill, C. E. Allison, Mrs. Allison.
 Kentville, N. S.—A. A. Pineo, W. E. Porter, Mrs. W. E. Porter.
 Kingsclear, 2nd, N. B.—Rev. L. J. King.
 Kingston, N. S.—Miss Jessie Eaton.
 Lake View, N. B.—Rev. T. W. Kierstead.
 Liverpool, N. S.—Rev. Z. L. Fash.
 Long Creek, P. E. I.—Rev. M. C. Higgins.
 Lunenburg, N. S.—Rev. E. N. Archibald, Mrs. E. N. Archibald, Mabel E. Archibald.
 Middleton, N. S.—Rev. E. E. Locke, J. A. Gates, Mrs. J. A. Gates.
 Milton, Queen's Co., N. S.—Rev. W. L. Archibald.
 Moncton, 1st, N. B.—Rev. W. B. Hinson, Jas. Doyle, J. D. Steves. Benj. Crandall.
 New Glasgow, N. S.—Rev. G. P. Raymond.
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 Olivet (African), N. B.—Everett Johnson.
 Onslow, East, N. S.—C. M. Baird, S. C. Morrison.
 Paradise, and Clarence, N. S.—Rev. E. L. Steeves, Joshua Ray, S. N. Jackson, Israel Balcom, C. Morse.
 Parrsboro, N. S.—Rev. E. H. Howe, C. Cook.
 Petitcodiac, N. B.—Rev. H. G. Estabrook, S. L. Colpitts.
 Point de Bute, N. B.—Rev. D. A. Steele, D. D.
 Port Elgin, N. B.—S. Trenholm.
 Sackville, N. B.—Rev. J. G. A. Belyea, Miss Annie Lawrence, Walter Cahill.
 Springfield, 1st, N. B.—Rev. S. D. Ervine, David Crandall.
 Springhill, N. S.—Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Miss Melissa Schurman.
 St. Francis, N. B.—C. H. Schutt.
 St. George, 1st, N. B.—Rev. A. H. Lavers, A. H. Gillmor, Miss Amy Epps.
 St. George, 2nd, N. B.—James McLeod.
 St. John, Brussels St., N. B.—N. B. Cottle, Wm. Alwood, E. M. Sipperell, Ira B. Keirstead, Z. A. Hopper.
 St. John, Germain St., N. B.—T. S. Simms, J. H. Harding, Wm. Lewis, James Clerke, L. M. Duval.
 St. John, Leinster St., N. B.—R. G. Haley, T. L. Hay, J. Vincent, J. F. Masters, Gilbert Davidson.
 St. John, Main St. N. B.—Robert C. Elkin, E. M. Spragg, W. H. White, W. F. Roberts, M. D., W. J. McAlary.
 St. John West, N. B.—John F. Ring, John R. Richards, Israel E. Smith.
 St. Martin's, First, N. B.—Rev. S. H. Cornwall, E. A. Titus, Mrs. E. A. Titus, A. W. Fownes, Mrs. A. W. Fownes.
 St. Mary's Bay, N. S.—Rev. Geo. C. Crabbe, Miss Alice Crabbe, Alex. McDonald.
 St. Stephen, N. B.—Rev. W. C. Goucher, D. A. Vaughan, G. L. Vaughan.
 Summerside, P. E. I.—J. B. Russ.
 Sussex, N. B.—W. H. White, Mrs. W. H. White, R. Hunter, J. S. Trites, Sydney, N. S.—Rev. H. B. Smith.
 Tiverton, N. S.—Howard Ossinger.
 Truro, Prince Street, N. S.—L. J. Walker, Wm. Cummings, Wm. A. Dickson.
 Truro, Immanuel, N. S.—Rev. H. F. Waring, W. A. Dixon.
 Tryon, P. E. I.—W. B. Howatt.
 Tusket, N. S.—E. C. Simonson.
 Weymouth, N. S.—W. C. Hankinson.
 Windsor, N. S.—Rev. A. A. Shaw, Mrs. A. A. Shaw, Miss B. M. Sharp.
 Woodstock, N. B.—Mrs. Archibald.
 Wolfville, N. S.—C. W. Roscoe, I. B. Oakes, J. Edmund Barss.
 Yarmouth, First, N. S.—Rev. J. H. Foshay.
 Yarmouth Temple, N. S.—Rev. W. F. Parker, D. R. Hilton.
 Yarmouth, Third, N. S.—Rev. T. A. Blackadar.

III.—ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Revs. E. A. Allaby, J. Howard Barss, S. Mc. C. Black, W. A. J. Bleakney, G. M. W. Carey, D. D., A. Cohoon, John Coombs, E. C. Corey, E. E. Daley, J. D. Freeman, G. O. Gates, J. A. Gordon, J. E. Goucher, N. P. Gross, E. Hickson, W. V. Higgins, Geo. Howard, J. H. Hughes, J. Harry King, J. W. Manning, J. A. Marple, C. H. Martell, W. E. McIntyre, W. H. Robinson, E. M. Saunders, D. D., G. W. Schurman, D. H. Simpson, G. R. White, J. L. M. Young, G. R. Baker, E. K. Ganong, C. P. Wilson.

IV.—LIFE MEMBERS.

E. D. King, Q. C.

V.—FACULTY OF ACADIA UNIVERSITY.

President Rev. Thos. Trotter, D. D., Profs. Rev. E. M. Kierstead, D. D., A. E. Coldwell, D. F. Higgins, Ph. D.

INVITED.

Rev. E. E. Chivers, D. D., Chicago, Ill ; Rev. G. B. Ilsley, D. D., Bangor, Me. ; Rev. C. Goodspeed, D. D., Toronto, Ont. ; Rev. J. V. Osterhout, D. D., Providence, R. I. ; Rev. W. B. Wallace, Utica, N. Y. ; Rev. W. H. Porter, Brantford, Ont. ; Rev. R. O. Morse, Lawrencetown, N. S. ; Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D., New York ; Rev. H. H. Hall, Portage La Prairie ; J. S. May, (Lic), St. John, N. B. ; G. U. Hay, St. John, N. B. ; M. Baghdasarian, Kharpoot, Armenia ; Hon. Judge Buchanan, Trenton, N. J. ; T. H. Hall, St. John N. B., (representing the N. B. Baptist Convention.)

SUMMARY.

	Ordained Ministers.	Laymen and Women.	Totals.
Delegates from Associations	1	4	5
“ Churches.....	66	158	224
Ordained Ministers not Delegates	32	..	32
Life Members .....	.	1	1
Faculty of Acadia University.....	2	2	4
Invited.....	9	5	14
Totals	110	170	280

LIST OF MEMBERS.

	DELEGATES.		OTHER MEMBERS.		INVITED.		TOTALS.
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From N. B.	23	77	20	3	123
“ N. S.	40	80	13	3	1	137
“ P. E. I. ..	4	5	1	10
“ Abroad	8	2	10
	67	162	34	3	9	5	280
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No. of Churches represented by 5 delegates ..	N. B.	N. S.	P. E. I.	Total
6	6	2	..	8
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MINUTES OF CONVENTION.

FIRST SESSION.

ST. JOHN, N. B.,

SATURDAY, Aug. 21, 1897.

THE FIFTY-SECOND Annual Meeting of the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces was opened in the Main Street Baptist Church this day, at 10 o'clock, a. m., with Rev. G. O. Gates, the President, in the chair.

After the singing of hymn 382 in the "Baptist Hymnal," Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D., read psalms 133, 134 and 135, and led the Convention in prayer.

The Secretary read the list of delegates and other members, and noted those present.

President Gates then read the rules of order.

The first report of the Committee on Arrangements was read by Rev. J. A. Gordon, Chairman of the Committee, and adopted. This consisted of the first part of the provisional programme for the sessions of Convention, which had been prepared by the secretary, printed and distributed.

The President appointed the Nominating Committee as follows:—E. D. King, Rev. J. W. Manning, N. B. Cottle, Rev. C. W. Corey, C. E. Knapp, Rev. G. R. White, Rev. D. G. McDonald.

Prof. E. M. Keirstead, D. D., was nominated by Rev. Dr. Saunders for President of the Convention, and the nomination was seconded by several, and carried by acclamation.

President Gates addressed suitable words of welcome to the newly elected President, to which Dr. Keirstead responded.

Rev. G. M. W. Carey, D. D. then led in prayer.

A number of visitors were invited to seats in the Convention.

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The retiring President then delivered his address, of which the subject was "A Forward Move."

The Secretary of the Nominating Committee submitted its first report, making the following nominations, which were adopted :—

1st Vice-President.—Rev. David Price.

2nd Vice-President.—R. G. Haley.

Assistant Secretaries.—Rev. W. N. Hutchins, and Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.

Treasurer.—R. C. Elkin.

Committee on Estimates.—Rev. J. W. Bancroft, N. B. Cottle, J. B. Russ, and the Treasurers of Denominational Funds.

The annual report of the Home Mission Board was laid on the table, and printed copies distributed.

A telegram addressed to the Convention from the acting Superintendent of the Manitoba and North West Missions, referring to the recent sudden death of Rev. Alex. Grant, was read by the President, as follows :—

WINNIPEG, Man., Aug. 20.

President Baptist Convention, St. John :

Our leader fallen. Take us to your hearts. We never needed help so much. Galatians 6 : 2.

(Signed). A. J. VINING.

Rev. J. D. Freeman, of Fredericton, led in prayer for our afflicted brethren. It was moved and seconded that a suitable telegram in reply be sent by our President. Passed.

Session adjourned, after prayer by William Cummings, of Truro.

SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Session opened at two o'clock with devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. W. Bancroft, of Springhill, N. S.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

By permission of Convention, Rev. C. H. Martell, on behalf of the committee appointed in 1887 to revise the "Articles of Belief and Practice" of our churches, made a verbal report relative to the absence of a definite report heretofore, and presented the New Hampshire articles (so called), with a recommendation that the same be adopted as a standard by the Association and Churches. On motion,

the matter was laid on the table, to be presented in writing at a subsequent session.

The Secretary presented the following communications, which were severally dealt with as indicated :

1. From Rev. J. B. Morgan, Secretary of the Central Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, concerning the revision of the articles of Faith and Practice. Referred to the committee above mentioned, of which Rev. C. H. Martell is chairman.

2 From B. H. Eaton, Secretary of the Halifax District Committee, relative to the desirability of enlarging the Church Edifice Fund. Referred to the Committee on Communications, yet to be appointed.

3. From Rev. E. J. Grant, now resident in Manitoba, resigning his position as a member of the Board of Governors of Acadia University. Resignation accepted, and referred to Nominating Committee.

4. From Claude de L. Black, printer, of Amherst, N. S., enclosing tender for the printing of the Year Book and reports of Convention. Referred to the Committee on Year Book.

Moved and seconded that a committee on Credentials be appointed. Passed.

The reports of the Committee on State of the Denomination and Publication of Year Book being called for, the Secretary stated that they were in his hands, having been sent to him by B. H. Eaton, chairman of the Committee, who was unable to be present. On motion, these reports were referred back to the committee, to be examined and signed by the other members. Only two members being present, J. Parsons and L. J. Walker were added to the committee.

The report of the Home Mission Board was then taken from the table. On motion, it was considered as read, and taken up section by section. Section 1 adopted. Section 2 adopted after the insertion of the word "fully" before the word "knows" in the sixth line. Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 adopted. Section 8 submitted to the Committee on Communications. Report adopted as a whole.

The Treasurer's report was then considered and adopted clause by clause, and as a whole. In connection with this the following resolution was passed :—

Resolved, That in future the amount of income from the Howard Fullerton Fund be entered in the Treasurer's general account.

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At this point an appropriate hymn was sung, and prayer was offered in behalf of Home Mission work by Revs. C. H. Henderson and J. A. Marple.

The reports of the Committee on Home Missions in New Brunswick were read by R. G. Haley, Treasurer of the Committee. In the absence of Rev. G. O. Gates, the Secretary, who prepared the first report, both this and the financial statement were laid on the table.

The Nominating Committee submitted its second report, which was adopted as follows:—

Committee on Credentials.—Revs. M. C. Higgins, G. R. White, and F. M. Young.

Committee on Communications.—Revs. W. Camp, J. H. Foshay, and W. C. Goucher.

The report on the Missions in Manitoba and the North-West was read by Rev. F. M. Young, and after prayer by Rev. J. V. Osterhout, D. D., of Providence, R. I., was adopted.

A communication from Mrs. H. Atkinson, of Moncton, Corresponding Secretary of the Dominion W. C. T. U., was read by the Secretary. On motion it was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion, five minutes were allowed for Rev. Dr. Osterhout to convey to this Convention the greetings of the Baptist Ministers' Conference held in the First Baptist Church in Providence, R. I. It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be extended to the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Providence for the greetings conveyed to us from them by Rev. Dr. Osterhout. Passed.

The report of the Committee on printing the Year Book was read by J. Parsons, and adopted.

The financial statement of the Treasurer of the Ministerial Education Board was read by the Secretary, and adopted.

The Secretary of Convention submitted his account of expenditures for stationery, postage, etc., amounting to \$18.83, which was accompanied with vouchers. On motion, it was ordered that the bill be paid by the Treasurer.

A bill from the Baptist Book Room in Halifax was presented by the Secretary as follows:—

The Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces to the Baptist Book and Tract Society, Halifax.

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On motion, ordered that the bill be paid.

The annual report of the Foreign Mission Board was laid on the table by Rev. J. W. Manning, Secretary, and printed copies were distributed.

Session adjourned after prayer by C. E. Knapp, of Dorchester.

THIRD SESSION.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Session opened with the singing of a hymn, and prayer by Rev. J. A. Cahill, of Centerville, N. B.

Minutes of the afternoon session read and approved.

The report of the Committee on the State of Denomination was read by the Secretary, and on motion was laid on the table.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. J. D. Freeman, and adopted:—

Resolved, That we place on record our high appreciation of the valuable service rendered this Convention of the Maritime B. Y. P. U., by the presence of our beloved brother, the Rev. E. E. Chivers, D. D., General Secretary of the B. Y. P. U. of America. The addresses which he has delivered during the sessions of this Convention have been marked by strength of thought, depth and spirituality of feeling, chasteness and beauty of diction, and have been used of God to the clarifying of our understanding, the deepening of our convictions, and the enkindling of our enthusiasm concerning the work in which we are engaged. We would also assure our brother of the great satisfaction with which we view his work as editor of *The Baptist Union*, the official organ of our international organization. We trust that the good Providence of God may bring him to many future meetings of our Convention; and we pledge him, in all his manifold labours, our prayerful sympathy and loyal support.

Dr. Chivers very kindly and feelingly replied to the resolution.

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Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D., of New York, was invited to a seat in the Convention, and at the invitation of the President, came to the platform and made a few remarks.

The hymn, "Go, ye messengers of God," was sung by the congregation.

Rev. J. A. Gordon, as Pastor of Main Street Church, in a few hearty words extended a welcome to the Convention.

Rev. Calvin Goodspeed, D. D., of McMaster University, was then introduced by the President, and addressed the body on Home Mission work.

The collection for denominational objects was taken up, during which Mr. H. A. McLean favored the audience with a vocal solo.

Chas. H. Schutt, missionary of the N. B. Home Missionary Board, spoke on the work among the French Catholics in the north-western part of New Brunswick.

Rev. W. Camp, of Hillsboro, spoke on the Grande Ligne Mission.

Mrs. H. G. Mellick uttered a word of greeting as a representative of the North West Mission, and referred to the sad affliction that had befallen them.

Rev. G. J. Coulter White spoke on the North West mission work.

The session adjourned, after prayer by Rev. J. L. M. Young.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Prayer and preparation meetings were held from six to seven o'clock, and from nine to ten o'clock, a. m.

At eleven o'clock the Convention sermon was preached in the Main Street Baptist Church, by Rev. Thomas Trotter, D. D., President of Acadia University, from the text—Gal. 5: 1 and 13. Revs. G. P. Raymond, Dr. Morehouse, Dr. Keirstead and W. E. McIntyre took part in the services.

In the afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, the Convention Sunday-school meeting was held in the Main Street Church, the principal proceedings at which were as follows:—Lesson taught by E. D. King; address on "The Graded Supplemental Lesson," by T. S. Simms; address on "Soul Saving," b

Rev. Dr. Chivers; address on "Normal Training," by Rev. J. H. McDonald; address to the children by Rev. Dr. Keirstead.

At 7 p. m. the usual public service took place, when a sermon was preached by Rev. W. B. Hinson, from John 3 : 16; after which an evangelistic meeting was conducted by Rev. D. G. McDonald and Hugh A. McLean.

The Committee of Arrangements furnished preachers for other churches in the city and elsewhere, as follows:—

BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Brussels Street.—Rev. D. G. McDonald and Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D.
Leinster Street.—Rev. P. S. McGregor and Rev. W. N. Hutchins.
Germain Street.—Rev. F. M. Young and E. E. Chivers, D. D.
Tabernacle.—Rev. E. C. Baker, and Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.
Carleton.—Rev. J. A. Cahill and Rev. D. H. McQuarrie.
Fairville.—Rev. J. D. Freeman and Rev. J. H. Foshay.
Moncton.—Rev. H. H. Saunders.

FREE CHRISTIAN BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Waterloo Street.—Rev. I. B. Colwell and Rev. F. D. Davidson.
Victoria Street.—Rev. Z. L. Fash and Rev. B. H. Thomas.
Carleton.—Rev. F. T. Snell.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Union Street.—Rev. A. A. Shaw and Rev. Geo. A. Lawson.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

St. Philip's.—Wm. Cumming, (Lic.) and Rev. S. Langille.

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Centenary.—Rev. W. V. Higgins and Rev. C. W. Corey.
Exmouth Street.—Rev. J. L. Young and Rev. J. B. Morgan.
Zion.—Rev. E. O. Read and Rev. C. P. Wilson.
Carmarthen Street.—Rev. J. W. Brown and Rev. M. C. Higgins.
Queen Square.—Rev. H. F. Waring and Rev. J. D. Freeman.
Portland.—Rev. L. A. Cooney and Rev. A. H. Lavers.
Carleton.—Rev. W. C. Goucher and Rev. R. O. Morse.
Fairville.—Rev. David Price and Rev. D. H. Simpson.
Courtney Bay.—Rev. W. L. Archibald and Rev. M. B. Whitman.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

St. David's.—Rev. C. Goodspeed, D. D. and Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D.
St. John.—Rev. S. B. Kempton, D. D. and Rev. A. H. C. Morse.
Calvin.—Rev. J. W. Bancroft and Rev. E. E. Locke.
St. Stephen.—Rev. J. H. McDonald and Rev. W. H. Warren.

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FOURTH SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING.

Convention resumed business at 9.30 o'clock.

After the singing of a hymn, the President recited the 23rd Psalm, and Rev. M. C. Higgins, of North River, P. E. I. offered prayer.

Minutes of the Third Session read and approved.

Rev. J. A. Gordon read a telegram from Rev. A. J. Vining, acting Secretary of the North West Baptist Convention, informing this Convention that Rev. H. H. Hall was coming east, and asking that a place on the programme be given him.

The report on Obituaries was read by Rev. D. G. McDonald, and on motion was adopted.

Rev. E. O. Read led the Convention in prayer.

The report of the Treasurer of Denominational Funds for Nova Scotia was presented and copies distributed.

After the reading and adoption of the introductory clause the report was laid on the table for future consideration.

C. E. Knapp moved a resolution relative to the prominence given to the display of alcoholic liquors at the Exhibition in St. John. On motion this subject was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The report of the Treasurer of Denominational Funds for New Brunswick and P. E. Island was presented and copies distributed. On motion, this report was laid on the table for future consideration.

On motion the report of the Board of Foreign Missions was taken from the table and considered section by section. Sections 1, 2 and 3, were adopted; sections 4 and 5 referred back to the Board for further consideration; clauses 6, 7, 8, and 9, adopted.

Session adjourned after prayer by Rev. W. F. Parker, of Yarmouth.

FIFTH SESSION.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The President took the chair at two o'clock, and after the singing of a hymn recited a passage of scripture from the 2nd Chapter of Ephesians. Prayer was offered by M. Baghdasarian, of Kharpoot, Armenia, a graduate from the theological department of McMaster University, Toronto.

Minutes of the Sunday services and of the Monday morning session read and approved.

M. Baghdasarian, by invitation of the President, spoke of his work, and informed the Convention of his desire to address our churches on the persecutions among the Armenians.

Rev. N. P. Gross, missionary of the New Brunswick Home Mission Board, working chiefly among the Danish population in the northern part of this province, spoke briefly on this work.

Convention resuming consideration of the Foreign Mission Board's report, adopted the 10th and 11th clauses. Clause 12 was referred to the Committee on Estimates. Clauses 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 were adopted.

On motion, the financial statement of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board was adopted.

Rev. H. H. Hall, of Portage La Prairie, was invited to a seat.

Moved by Rev. A. Cohoon and seconded by E. D. King, that the Foreign Mission Board be requested to bring in a statement of the trust funds in their possession before the close of the Convention, and if not able to do so, to prepare such statement for the Year book. Adopted.

On motion, the Foreign Mission Board's report was again laid on the table.

The reports of the Treasurers of Denominational Funds were, on motion, taken from the table. Rev. A. Cohoon presented the report for Nova Scotia, which was considered section by section; each section was adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole. Rev. J. W. Manning presented the like report for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, which was dealt with in a similar manner, and adopted.

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The hymn "Ye Christian Heralds" was here sung, and Rev. Dr. Trotter led the Convention in prayer.

Rev. W. E. McIntyre moved the following resolution, which was seconded by M. S. Hall:—

Whereas, The New Brunswick Baptist Convention has for the last three years been engaged in Home Mission work, receiving in the support of the same the indorsement of the three associations of the province, and holding in accordance therewith an act of incorporation for the legal management of such business;

And whereas, Said Convention now seeks to enlarge its operations in opening up missions among the French and Scandinavian people of New Brunswick, in the prosecution of which objects it is becoming the recipient and possessor of important donations;

And whereas, It is of the highest importance to all interests that unity and concentration of effort be maintained in this department of our work;

Therefore resolved, That this Maritime Convention relegate to the said New Brunswick Convention the control and management of all funds for Home Mission work in New Brunswick, and request the Home and Foreign Missionary Boards of this Convention to pay over to the said New Brunswick Convention the interest of all trusts held by them, the proceeds of which are intended for missionary work in New Brunswick; the New Brunswick Convention accounting to these Boards for the use and expenditure of the interest of such trust funds annually received.

It was moved by H. C. Creed, and seconded, that this resolution be laid on the table until the report of the Committee on Home Missions in New Brunswick has been disposed of. Passed.

On motion of Dr. Trotter, the report just named was taken from the table and adopted.

On motion, the resolution moved by Rev. W. E. McIntyre was then taken from the table for discussion.

It was moved by Rev. W. C. Goucher, seconded by Rev. A. H. Lavers, that this resolution be tabled for one year, in order that the changes which it suggests may be referred to the churches interested for their consideration.

Discussion continuing until the hour for adjournment, it was voted that the time be extended fifteen minutes.

The Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements read the following communication:—

CENTENARY CHURCH,

ST. JOHN, August 23rd, 1897.

The following resolution was passed at the St. John Methodist Preachers' meeting this morning,—

"That a cordial vote of thanks be tendered to the Baptist Convention for the very efficient and acceptable supply of the Methodist pulpits in the

city on the past Sabbath, and that the Rev. Mr. Gordon, who so kindly secured the said supply, present this vote of thanks to the Convention."

JAMES CRISP,
Sec'y of Preachers' Meeting.

Session adjourned after prayer by Rev. Lewis F. Wallace of Lawrencetown, N. S.

SIXTH SESSION.

MONDAY EVENING.

The hymn "Abide with me" was sung; the President recited the 46th psalm, and Rev. W. H. Porter of Brantford, led in prayer.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

Rev. W. H. Porter conveyed to the Convention the fraternal greetings of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

The hymn "Arm of the Lord, awake!" was sung by the choir and congregation.

Miss Mabel Archibald, our missionary elect to the Telugus, was then introduced in a few appropriate remarks by the President. After offering a short prayer, Miss Archibald addressed the meeting on God's providence in leading her to a decision to become a missionary to the heathen.

Rev. G. O. Gates, President of the Foreign Mission Board, offered prayer on behalf of Miss Archibald and her work.

The male quartette of the Germain Street church sang a sacred selection.

Rev. H. H. Hall, of Portage LaPrairie, spoke in behalf of the interests of our work in Manitoba and the North West.

Rev. W. B. Hinson, of Moncton, followed and spoke at considerable length and with great power, of the work of foreign Missions.

The Germain Street quartette again favored the Convention while the offering was taken up.

A hymn was sung, and the public platform meeting was closed with prayer and the benediction by Rev. J. W. Manning, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

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On resuming business, prayer was offered by the Rev. J. H. Foshay.

The first Vice-President took the chair, by request of the President.

On motion of Dr. Keirstead, David Allison, L.L.D., President of Mount Allison University, Sackville, N. B., was invited to a seat in Convention. Dr. Allison briefly acknowledged the courtesy.

Rev. J. H. Foshay presented the report of the committee appointed last year to confer with the Ministers' Annuity Board (see Year Book of 1896, pp. 16, 21), which was, on motion, taken up clause by clause.

The hour for closing having arrived, the time was extended indefinitely.

On motion, the subject under discussion—the revision of the constitution of the Ministers' Annuity Fund—was referred back to the Committee and Board to report as soon as possible.

Convention adjourned at 12.15 o'clock, after prayer by Rev. D. G. McDonald.

SEVENTH SESSION.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The session opened at 9.30 with the usual devotional exercises, the President reciting psalm 95, and Rev. E. K. Ganong, of St. John, leading in prayer.

Minutes of sixth session read and approved.

Moved by H. C. Creed, seconded by Rev. A. H. Lavers, that the resolutions relative to the Home Mission policy in New Brunswick be the order of the day for this afternoon, and that the report of the Board of Governors of Acadia University be taken up this morning. Carried.

Rev. S. B. Kempton, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Governors of Acadia University, read their annual report.

The report of Rev. A. Cohoon, the Treasurer of the Board, was presented and distributed in printed form.

On motion, the Treasurer's report was considered as read, and the report of the Secretary (Dr. Kempton) was taken

up clause by clause. The several clauses from the first to the ninth inclusive were adopted after discussion, President Trotter speaking particularly upon clause 5; clause 7 being adopted enthusiastically by a rising vote, and clause 9 being spoken to by Principal Oakes, and also by Dr. Morehouse, Secretary of the American Baptist Education Society, and by Dr. Saunders.

The Convention expressed to Dr. Morehouse, by a rising vote, their thanks for his inspiring address.

Hon. Judge Buchanan and wife, of Trenton, New Jersey, were here introduced to Convention and invited to seats.

The Secretary informed Convention that several representatives of the Methodist Preachers' Meeting of St. John were now present, and moved that opportunity be given to Rev. Dr. Pope to convey the greetings of that body. The motion having passed, Rev. Dr. Pope was called to the platform, and addressed Convention. He was followed by Rev. John Read, minister of the Centenary Methodist Church.

It was moved and seconded that Dr. Morehouse be urged to remain, if possible, until after the public meeting this evening. Passed.

Session adjourned, after prayer by the President.

EIGHTH SESSION.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

A hymn was sung, the President recited a part of the 1st Chap. of Hebrews, and Rev. S. H. Cornwall, of St. Martin's, N. B., offered prayer.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

It was moved and seconded that the report of the Foreign Mission Board be taken from the table at four o'clock, in order to consider the clauses which were referred back to the Board. Carried.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the discussion on the resolutions concerning Home Mission work in New Brunswick was resumed.

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The motion made by Rev. W. C. Goucher on Monday afternoon was, with the leave of the seconder, withdrawn.

R. G. Haley moved as an amendment to Mr. McIntyre's resolution, which was seconded by T. L. Hay, that all after the words "Therefore resolved" be struck out, and the following substituted :

That, for the current year, the Home and Foreign Mission Boards be instructed to pay over to the New Brunswick Convention the interest of all trust funds held by these Boards for the promotion of Home Mission work in New Brunswick.

At 4.10 o'clock, in accordance with the resolution passed at the opening of this session, discussion on this subject was suspended, and the report of the Foreign Mission Board was taken from the table, for consideration of the clauses which had been referred back to the Board on Monday morning for amendment. The first part of clause 4, relating to the resignation of Miss Wright, was read and adopted. The second part of the same, relating to the resignation of Mr. Higgins and his decision yesterday to withdraw this and return to India for three years, called forth a very impressive speech from Rev. G. O. Gates, and was adopted by a rising vote.

Rev. Dr. Saunders led the Convention in prayer on behalf of our Brother Higgins and his wife.

The fifth clause of the report, on "Reinforcements," was then read and adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole.

The third report of the Nominating Committee was read and on motion laid on the table.

Discussion on the subject of Home Mission work in New Brunswick was resumed, and continued so that the time was extended for fifteen minutes, and afterwards for ten minutes, when the matter was again tabled.

On motion, the programme submitted by the chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the evening session was adopted.

After prayer by Rev. S. McC. Black, the Convention adjourned.

NINTH SESSION.

TUESDAY EVENING.

At the opening of the session, the hymn "Nearer, my God, to Thee!" was sung, and Rev. J. B. Morgan, of Aylesford, read part of the 103rd Psalm and offered prayer.

After a selection by the Germain Street male quartette, the hymn "O Jesus, King most wonderful!" was sung by the choir and congregation.

The President introduced Miss Adelaide F. True, Principal of Acadia Seminary, who spoke on the work of that institution.

Rev. Dr. Trotter, President of Acadia University, gave an address on "The Task before us, and the Conditions of Success."

Mr. Hugh McLean, our "singing evangelist," sang a solo while the offering was being taken, after which the hymn "Pour out Thy Spirit from on High" was sung.

Rev. J. H. McDonald, of Amherst, then spoke on the question, "How to increase the number of students."

The next speaker was Rev. W. B. Hinson, and his subject, "The Value of Acadia University to the Denomination."

Rev. C. W. Corey, on behalf of the Maritime B. Y. P. U. Convention, read a series of resolutions passed by that body, expressing their appreciation of the many privileges and kindnesses enjoyed during the sessions of their Convention, the valued benefits received from the *Messenger and Visitor* and the *Baptist Union*, their devoted attachment to our educational institutions, etc.

It was moved and seconded that a hearty vote of thanks be extended to the Main Street Church, to their Pastor, and to the friends generally in this vicinity, for the great courtesy and kindness shown to the delegates attending this Convention. This was passed by a standing vote.

The public meeting was then closed with prayer by Rev. J. H. Foshay.

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On resuming the business of Convention, Rev. W. A. J. Bleakney led in prayer.

The President read a list of the items of business still to be dealt with by the body.

It was moved and seconded that the session adjourn at 11 o'clock. Passed.

On motion, the resolutions relative to Home Mission work in New Brunswick were taken from the table for further consideration.

The following was moved as an amendment to the amendment by Rev. J. B. Morgan, and seconded by Rev. D. H. Simpson :—

That in view of all the interests involved, it is the firm conviction of this convention that it is our duty, so long as churches in New Brunswick voluntarily entrust us with their contributions to Home Missions, to disburse the same, along with interest upon existing trusts, through our appointed agency.

On motion, permission was granted to withdraw the original resolution and the amendments relating to this matter, and they were all accordingly withdrawn.*

Convention then adjourned, after prayer by Rev. M. W. Brown, to meet at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

TENTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

At the opening of the session, the President read as a scripture lesson, Eph. 6: 10-17, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. Coombs and Rev. Dr. Osterhout.

The minutes of the meetings of Tuesday afternoon and evening were read by the Secretary and approved.

On motion, the report of the Board of Governors was made the order for 10 30 o'clock, a. m.

The third report of the Committee on Nomination was taken from the table and considered section by section. The several clauses were adopted, with the exception of those relating to Committees on Publication of Year Book

*It was agreed, however, that these should nevertheless be recorded in the minutes.

and on State of the Denomination, which were referred back in order to have but one committee named for both these objects, agreeably to the terms of a report adopted by the Convention last year. (Year Book of 1896, p. 102.)

Moved by the Secretary, seconded by A. E. Wall, that the thanks of this body be conveyed to J. J. Wallace, Esq., Gen'l Freight Agent of the Intercolonial Railway, Moncton, for his valuable services for a number of years as chairman of the Committee on Travelling Arrangements. Passed.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. G. O. Gates and seconded by Rev. Dr. Carey and others :—

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Denominational Funds for N. B. pay over, for the current year, to the Treasurer of the New Brunswick Convention all undesignated Home Mission money coming into his hands from New Brunswick churches, and that the former so notify the churches.

Before the seconding of the foregoing resolution was noticed by the President, Rev. J. B. Morgan moved a series of preambles and resolutions on the same subject, which was duly seconded, and afterwards discussed by several speakers. [See next session.]

At the appointed hour, the annual report of the Board of Governors was taken from the table and further considered clause by clause. On the clause relating to changes in the staff of teachers, it was voted, on motion of H. C. Creed, that the Secretary of the Board add a similar statement regarding changes and appointments in the Ladies' Seminary. The report was finally adopted as a whole.

Moved by Rev. G. P. Raymond, seconded by Rev. G. J. C. White, and carried unanimously by a rising vote :—

Resolved, That this Convention place on record our appreciation of the inestimable value of the presence and co-operation in the meetings of this body of Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D. D., L.L.D., during the long term of his presidency of Acadia University. His keen insight, combined with his rare powers as a debater, have aided in the solution of many difficult problems. We miss his familiar face and wise counsel at this annual meeting, and pray that he may be spared many years more, not alone to the work of the class-room, but also to his accustomed place in the meetings of this Convention.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to Dr. Sawyer.

The report of the Treasurer of Acadia University was taken from the table and considered section by section as far as the eighth section which was under consideration at the hour of adjournment.

Adjourned at 12.15 p. m. until 1.30 p. m. Prayer by Rev. G. R. Baker.

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ELEVENTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Session opened at 1.35 p. m. After the singing of a hymn and reading of Psalm 67, prayer was offered by E. M. Sipprell of St. John and C. W. Roscoe of Wolfville.

Minutes of tenth session read and approved.

The third report of the Nominating Committee, which had been laid on the table on Tuesday afternoon, was now taken from the table, and after some discussion, adopted as follows:—

Home Mission Board.—In place of those whose term now expires,—Rev. P. R. Foster*, Rev. D. H. McQuarrie*, Rev. P. S. McGregor*, Rev. M. W. Brown, Rev. W. F. Parker.

Foreign Mission Board.—In place of those whose term now expires—C. F. Clinch*, T. S. Simms*, Rev. J. A. Gordon,* Ira B. Keirstead, Thomas L. Hay.

Board of Governors.—H. H. Ayer, in place of Rev. E. J. Grant, resigned,—for the term ending 1898.

Ministerial Education Board.—The three whose term now expires—re-elected.*

Ministers' Annuity Board.—The five whose term now expires—re-elected.*

To represent Convention on Board of Grande Ligne Mission.—Rev. D. A. Steele, D. D.

To represent the North-West Missions in Convention.—Rev. H. B. Smith, together with the appointees of the several Associations.

Committee on Arrangements.—The President and Secretary of Convention, the Secretaries of the different Boards, and the Pastor of the church in which the Convention meets.

Committee on Obituaries.—Rev. W. H. Warren, Rev. E. N. Archibald, and Rev. G. M. W. Carey, D. D.

Committee on Publication of the Year Book and State of the Denomination.—B. H. Eaton,* J. Burgoyne,* A. H. Chipman,* Rev. A. C. Chute,* and Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D.

Committee on Temperance.—Rev. W. Camp, Rev. C. C. Burgess, Rev. J. C. Spurr, Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Rev. B. N. Nobles, Rev. Jos. Cahill.

Committee on Sunday Schools.—E. D. King,* together with the Chairmen of the Sunday School Committees of the several Associations.

Committee on Travelling Arrangements.—J. J. Wallace,* J. E. Price,* and Thos Boggs *

Press Committee.—Rev. J. D. Freeman,* Rev. C. W. Corey, Prof. A. E. Coldwell,* W. F. Roberts, M. D.,* and G. H. Parsons.

Treasurers of Denominational Funds.—The Secretary-Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board to act for N. B. and P. E. I.,* and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Home Mission Board to act for N. S.*

To preach the Convention Sermon.—Rev. J. D. Freeman.

Alternate.—Rev. W. H. Robinson.*

*Re-appointed.

Rev. J. B. Morgan, by permission, withdrew the resolutions moved by him at this morning's session, relative to the disposal of money for Home Mission work in New Brunswick.

The resolution on the same subject, moved at the same time by Rev. G. O. Gates, was now again presented, and after a short discussion was passed.

[At this time there were about fifty persons present.]

Convention resumed consideration of report of Treasurer of Acadia University. Section 8, 9 and 10 were severally adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Committee appointed in 1895 and re-appointed in 1896 to confer with the Board of the Ministers' Annuity Fund, which report had been referred back to the Committee and Board on Monday evening, was now presented again, and read clause by clause by Rev. J. H. Foshay. (For the Report, see Index.) Clause 1, referring to Articles 7, 9, 11 and 14 of the Constitution, was adopted. Clause 2, amending Art. 15, was adopted, Mr. J. Parsons voting in the negative and desiring to be so recorded. Clause 3 adopted. Clause 4, specifying the conditions of the consolidation of the Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund and the Ministers' Annuity Fund, was laid on the table. The report, with this exception, was adopted as a whole.

Rev. Dr. Saunders, Treasurer of the Board of Ministers' Annuity Fund, read their annual report, embodying the financial statements of the Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund and the Ministers' Annuity Fund. After discussion the report was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Saunders moved the following resolution, which was seconded and passed, viz. :—

Resolved, That the Board of Ministers' Annuity Fund be directed to give to ministers who have withdrawn from the fund, taking out half of the amount they had paid in rates, credit for the amount they severally left in the fund, should they desire to have such credit.

The report of our representative on the Grande Ligne Mission Board—Rev. W. B. Hinson—was read by A. E. Wall, and, after discussion, in the course of which a statement was made by Rev. G. C. Crabbe, of Plympton, Digby Co., in the neighborhood of the French population among whom Rev. C. W. Grenier labours, the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by the Secretary, having been placed in his hands by the chairman of the committee. On motion the report was adopted.

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The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read by E. D. King, chairman, and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Estimates was read by Rev. J. W. Bancroft, chairman, and adopted as follows:—

Your committee recommend that the following be the estimates for the present year:—

FROM NOVA SCOTIA, \$15,000, divided as follows:—		
Western Association	5,300
Central	“	6,000
Eastern	“	3,500
African	“	40
General	160
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		\$15,000
FROM NEW BRUNSWICK, \$5,600, divided thus:—		
Western Association	1,700
Southern	“	2,200
Eastern	“	1,700
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		\$5,600
FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, \$1,000.		
	TOTAL.....	\$21,600

Moved by Rev. A. H. Lavers, seconded by Rev. Dr. Carey, that the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) be handed by the Treasurer of Convention to the Secretary, for expenses of office during the coming year. Carried.

On motion of E. D. King, the hearty thanks of Convention were voted to ex-President Gates, for his valuable address, with a request that he furnish a copy of the same for publication in the *Messenger and Visitor*.

On motion of C. W. Roscoe, a like expression was voted to Rev. Dr. Trotter for the Convention sermon, accompanied with a request for its publication in the *Messenger and Visitor*.

On motion, the location of the meeting of the Convention next year was delegated to the President and Secretary.

The report of the committee on the Articles of Faith, etc., was presented by the Secretary as follows:—

The Committee appointed on the unification of the Articles of Faith and Practice beg leave to submit the following report to Convention:—

We recommend the churches to adopt and use, so far as possible, the Declaration of Faith prepared by J. Newton Brown, D. D., commonly known as the New Hampshire Articles of Faith and Practice, a copy of which is submitted herewith;

And we further recommend that, if adopted by the Convention, this Declaration be printed in a form similar to the sample accompanying this report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MARTELL, *Chairman*.

On motion the report was adopted, and the chairman and other members of the former committee on this matter were appointed a committee to confer with the Baptist Book and Tract Society relative to printing the documents. [Of the original committee of seven, those now within the bounds of the Convention are, Rev. J. W. Manning, Rev. C. H. Martell, Arthur Simson and Rev. F. M. Young.—SEC'Y.]

The Treasurer of the Convention, R. C. Elkin, read his report, which was forthwith adopted, and it was ordered that the balance be paid to the treasurer of Denominational Funds for New Brunswick.

The report on the State of the Denomination was taken from the table, and considered. In view of the lack of time for deliberation, the sections relating to Temperance, and to the proposed change as regards the Associations were referred back to the Committee, and the remainder of the report was adopted.

On motion the report on Ordinations was allowed to remain on the table for another year, in view of the absence of the chairman and secretary of the Committee, and the lack of time for consideration. It was voted that this report be published in the *Messenger and Visitor*, the editor consenting, at least four weeks previous to the next meeting of Convention.

The motion to amend the Constitution of the Convention, notice of which was given by a committee last year [Year Book of 1896, p. 25], was now formally made by E. D. King, and duly seconded, whereupon all the amendments therein proposed were severally adopted.

Notice of motion to amend the constitution was given by Rev. J. B. Morgan, seconded by Rev. W. C. Goucher, as follows:—

That the following be substituted for Sec. 2 of Art. III of the Constitution of this Convention: "Each Church connected with any of the above named associations and contributing annually towards the objects of the Convention, shall be entitled to send one of its own members to represent it at any meeting of the Convention, and one additional delegate, provided it shall have contributed one hundred dollars or upwards to those objects during the year."

On motion, the thanks of the body were voted to the officials of all the railroad and steamboat companies for their kindness and courtesy in arranging for reduced rates of travel in connection with this annual meeting.

It was moved by Rev. G. W. Schurman, seconded by Rev.

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D. G. McDonald, and passed—that the Secretary be requested to forward to the editor of the *Messenger and Visitor* for publication a copy of the resolution adopted at this session relative to the disposal of undesignated Home Mission contributions in New Brunswick.

On motion, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to President Keirstead for the admirable manner in which he presided over the Convention throughout its sessions.

The minutes of the closing session were read and approved after a slight correction.

There were thirty-six persons present when the Convention closed.

After the singing of the hymn "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," prayer by N. B. Cottle and Rev. J. W. Bancroft, and the benediction by the President, Convention stood adjourned, to meet next year on Saturday, the 20th day of August, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

E. M. KEIRSTEAD, *President.*
HERBERT C. CREED *Secretary.*

FUNDS FOR DENOMINATIONAL WORK.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR NOVA SCOTIA.

In presenting this Fifth Annual Report, as your Treasurer for these funds, it is pleasing to be able to state that there has been some advance over the amount contributed last year. Only two departments have profited by this, viz: the North-West and Foreign missions. In the other departments there has been a falling below last year's contributions.

I have endeavored to get statements from Treasurers of Foreign, North-West and Grand Ligne Missions, and the amounts reported to me have been incorporated, excepting the following from Treasurer of Foreign Mission Board, received after the books were closed: Lower Aylesford, \$31.50; Mrs. Chas. Wilton, \$2.50; Lydia Churchill, Hebron, \$2.00; per S. C., July 3, \$5.00; and Billtown S. S. \$35.00.

I am not sure that I have always credited the amounts to the right churches, as in some cases the information is not sufficient to enable me to tell where they should go.

After entering a few amounts sent for Famine fund, the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board objected, hence, the smallness of amount reported for that fund. Other sums sent to me were forwarded to Treasurer of Foreign Mission Board, who will report them.

The amounts contributed for work in British Columbia, per Rev. Ralph Trotter, are not included in the report.

Mrs. Smith, Treasurer of W. B. M. Union, has furnished the figures that appear in the W. M. A. Societies column. I have done my best to credit them to the right churches, I have had to guess some cases.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.

Annapolis Royal
 Arcadia
 Argyle
 Bridgetown
 Barrington
 Bay View, Yar. Co.
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 Caledonia
 Carleton
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 Digby Neck, 1st.
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 Dalhousie, East.
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 Forest Glen
 Freeport
 Granville Ferry
 Greenfield
 Hampton
 Hebron
 Hillsburg, 1st
 Hillsgrove
 Jordan Falls
 Kempt
 Lake George
 Lawrencetown and
 Valley West...
 Lower Granville...
 Lewis Head ...
 Litchfield
 Liverpool
 Lockport
 Middletown
 Milford & Greyw...
 Mill Village
 Milton, Queens Co.
 " Yarmouth
 Middlefield
 Nictaux
 New Albany
 New Tusket
 North Temple...
 Ohio
 Parker's Cove ...
 Port Medway ...
 Port Clyde
 Pubnico
 Ragged Isl'd, 1st.
 " 2nd...
 Sable River, 1st.
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TABULAR STATEMENT.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Amount from Churches, &c.	HOW APPROPRIATED.								Total amt. from Churches and Societies.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Arcadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Aid and Relief.	North-West Mission.	Grande Ligne Mission.	Amt. contributed by W. M. A. Societies.	
Annapolis Royal..	143 24	37 95	49 88	17 27	4 57	7 57	19 14	6 86		143 24
Arcadia	96 69	13 70	49 17	5 73	1 43	1 43	20 67	4 56	52 35	149 04
Argyle	15 00	4 95	3 75	3 00		75	1 20	60		15 00
Bridgetown	106 30	22 58	40 33	11 88	2 97	2 97	23 19	2 38	143 19	249 49
Barrington	11 55	4 47	3 49	1 19	29	29	48	1 34		11 55
Bay View, Yar. Co.	60 59	2 82	57 77						26 50	87 09
Brookfield	32 69	3 40	24 96	2 06					93 50	131 19
Caledonia	9 68	1 97	4 51	1 20	29	29	82	41	94	9 68
Carleton	17 00	11 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	2 20		17 00
Clements	88 23	26 58	22 13	7 29	1 82	1 82	22 16	6 46	34 85	133 11
Clementsport	8 00	2 31	1 75	1 40	35	35	56	1 28	29 35	37 35
Digby	140 93	27 77	29 16	25 90	2 73	2 73	34 21	18 43	29 00	169 93
Digby Neck, 1st..	11 00	2 48	2 88	1 50	37	37	3 10	30	6 00	17 00
" 2nd..	15 00	4 95	3 75	3 00	75	75	1 20	60	5 00	20 60
Dalhousie, East ..	16 00	5 96	4 00	2 40	60	60	96	1 48		16 00
" West..	5 34	5 34								5 24
Forest Glen	1 00							1 00		1 00
Freeport	54 46	17 96	13 62	10 90	2 72	2 72	4 36	2 18	50 90	105 36
Granville Ferry ..	46 77	11 53	14 37	5 79	1 43	1 43	8 06	4 16		46 77
Greenfield	32 87	8 59	12 38	5 20	1 29	1 29	2 08	2 04	19 83	52 70
Hampton	39 45	13 94	14 60	3 60	90	90	4 89	72	17 17	56 62
Hebron	375 72	110 73	97 36	59 52	14 88	14 88	61 20	17 15	24 99	400 71
Hillsburg, 1st ..	164 55	37 38	42 31	22 65	5 66	5 66	44 28	6 61	54 91	219 46
Hillsgrove	27 15	8 97	6 77	5 43	1 36	1 36	2 17	1 09		27 15
Jordan Falls	23 90	7 08	5 38	4 30	1 07	1 07	1 73	3 27	7 25	31 15
Kempt	22 50	6 43	4 88	3 90	98	98	1 56	3 77		22 50
Lake George	9 67	5 00	4 67							9 67
Lawrencetown and Valley West..	77 83	20 21	29 76	7 65	1 91	1 91	12 66	3 73	74 05	151 88
Lower Granville..	18 00	5 94	4 50	3 00	90	90	1 44	72	6 20	24 20
Lewis Head	3 00	99	75	60	15	15	24	12	8 00	11 00
Litchfield	3 44	2 47	36	29	7	7	12	6		3 44
Liverpool	109 79	24 79	50 45	15 03	3 75	3 75	6 01	6 01	28 75	138 54
Lockeport	88 48	33 24	20 63	16 49	4 12	4 12	6 59	3 29	75 55	164 03
Middleton	154 30	29 25	66 42	15 00	3 75	3 75	32 13	4 00	51 15	205 45
Milford & Greyw'd	5 00	5 00								5 00
Mill Village	2 57		2 09					48	8 10	10 67
Milton, Queens Co.	52 14	6 50	31 31	8 95	98	98	1 58	1 84	55 80	107 94
" Yarmouth..	84 67	44 70	21 50	8 20	2 05	2 05	4 53	1 64		84 67
Middlefield	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	20		5 00
Nictaux	165 86	35 84	29 47	21 73	5 44	5 44	62 61	5 33	102 63	268 49
New Albany	6 03	1 83	63	50	12	12	1 73	1 10	12 10	18 13
New Tusket	51 03	3 98	43 26	1 80	45	45	73	36	22 00	73 03
North Temple	78 38	22 65	20 91	13 72	3 43	3 43	11 49	2 75	6 89	85 27
Ohio	33 54	5 05	6 71	3 06	76	76	15 59	1 61	4 72	38 26
Parker's Cove	3 29	2 25	39	31	08	08	12	06		3 29
Port Medway	29 00	6 60	14 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 60	80	18 87	47 87
Port Clyde	4 60	50								50
Pubnico	4 60	1 52	1 15	92	23	23	37	18	5 00	9 60
Ragged Isl'd, 1st..	25 60	7 92	6 00	4 80	1 20	1 20	1 92	2 56	24 70	50 30
" 2nd..										
Sable River, 1st ..	10 60	3 50	2 63	2 12	53	53	85	42	5 00	15 60
" 2nd..	2 00	66	50	40	10	10	16	08		2 00

Western Association—Continued.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Amount from Churches, &c.	HOW APPROPRIATED.							Amt. contributed by W. M. A. Societies.	Total amt. from Churches and Aid Societies.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Aid and Relief.	North-West Mission.	Grande Ligne Mission.		
Shelburne	1 00							1 00	7 25	8 25
Sandy Cove	12 42	4 10	3 11	2 48	62	82	99	3 50		12 42
Springfield	68 41	13 82	28 49	8 39	2 09	2 09	9 85	3 68	26 85	95 26
Smith's Cove	21 64	6 48	4 91	3 93	98	98	3 57			21 64
St. Mary's Bay	66 15	19 13	14 30	11 44	2 86	2 86	12 27	3 29	21 75	87 90
Temple, Yarmouth	225 59	64 72	49 04	39 22	9 80	9 80	40 18	12 83	40 36	265 15
Tiverton	16 00	5 22	4 00	3 20	80	80	1 28	64		16 00
Tusket	25 86	12 82	8 00	2 40	60	60	96	48	20 09	45 95
Upper Wilmot	120 35	32 62	29 98	19 15	4 77	4 77	25 22	3 84	52 95	173 30
Weymouth	45 84	16 88	9 65	3 72	93	93	1 49	12 24	11 50	57 34
Westport	43 00	2 64	17 00	1 60	40	40	10 64	10 32	47 50	90 50
Wood's Harbor	10 80	3 57	2 70	2 16	54	54	86	43	23 94	34 74
Wilmot	203 96	57 72	45 77	26 12	6 53	6 53	51 34	9 25	87 30	291 26
Wilmot Mountain	44 17	10 76	9 50	11 53	1 63	1 63	3 35	5 77	59 45	103 62
Yarmouth, 1st	288 29	124 90	54 63	31 50			36 74	40 52	222 29	510 58
" South	29 00	4 76	16 61	2 89	72	72	1 16	2 14	29 58	58 58
" West	90 61	24 42	22 30	14 90	3 70	3 70	18 73	2 96	9 34	99 95
" 3rd	115 30	29 18	40 43	17 70	4 43	4 43	7 09	12 04	21 65	136 95
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>										
C. Newcomb, Weymouth	6 00		3 50					2 50		6 00
Annapolis County Conference	2 67			2 67						2 67
Rev. J. C. Morse, Sandy Cove	15 00	5 00	10 00							15 00
Queens Co. District Meeting	12 00	3 96	3 00	2 40	60	60	96	48		12 00
Rev. C. I. McLean	13 00		13 00							13 00
Shelburne Co. Dist. Meeting for Port Clyde Church	25 00	25 00								25 00
Yarmouth Co. District Meeting	7 00	2 31	1 75	1 40	35	35	56	28		7 00
Association Collections	34 66	11 44	8 67	6 93	1 73	1 73	2 77	1 39		34 66
Wilmot Station	6 00						6 00			6 00
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CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Aylesford, Upper..	130 87	34 92	27 06	19 64	4 92	4 92	33 89	5 52	58 60	189 47
" Lower..	2 75		2 00					75	159 50	162 25
Berwick	81 83	23 54	19 29	10 63	2 66	2 66	20 93	2 12	116 19	198 02
Billtown	38 74	11 59	9 75	4 60	1 15	1 15	9 58	92	94 97	133 71
Bridgewater	37 40	5 77	24 29	3 50	87	87	1 40	70	15 04	52 44
Brooklyn	1 22	40	31	24	6	6	10	5	28 00	29 22
Burlington	26 71	8 82	6 68	5 34	1 33	1 33	2 14	1 07		26 71
Cambridge	103 11	20 89	41 88	12 66	3 17	3 17	11 56	9 78		103 11
Canard	311 25	47 94	47 79	22 64	5 65	5 65	177 07	4 51	87 15	398 40
Canning	49 96	16 19	13 75	8 60	2 15	2 15	3 94	3 18	15 25	65 21
Chelsea	7 12	2 35	1 78	1 42	36	36	57	28	6 00	13 12
Chester	66 65	21 99	16 66	13 33	3 34	3 34	5 33	2 66	24 40	91 05
Dartmouth	186 90	57 15	54 55	34 03	8 51	8 51	15 61	8 54	79 72	266 62
Dayspring	6 00		6 00							6 00
Fall River, African										
" East										

NAMES OF CHURCHES

- Falmouth
- Gaspereaux
- Halifax, 1st
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- Hantsport
- Indian Harbor
- Jeddore
- " East
- Kempt
- Kentville
- Kingston
- Lucasville
- Lunenburg
- Mahone Bay
- North-West
- Maitland
- Moser River
- Musquodoboie
- New Canada
- New Cornwall
- New German
- New Minas
- Newport
- New Ross
- Pereaux
- Pleasantville
- Rawdon
- Sackville
- St. Marg't Bay
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- Tancook
- Walton
- Waterville
- Windsor
- Windsor Plain
- Wolfville

Miscellaneous

- Samuel Pears
- Billtown
- J. W. Bars, E
- Wolfville
- B. Y. P. Hall
- Dist. Union
- W. S. Redden
- G. N. Knowles
- Wolfville
- " C. H. H "
- Col. Farewell M
- Hx, Tabernacl
- Mrs. Thos, Stee
- Kingston
- F. F. Eaton, M.
- Rose Bay
- Shubal J. Dimoc
- Newport

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NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Amount from Churches, &c.	HOW APPROPRIATED.							Amt. contributed by W. M. A. Societies.	Total amt. from Churches and Societies.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Aid and Relief.	North-West Mission.	Grande Ligne Mission.		
Legacy, late Mrs. M. Curry, Wn'sr.	50 00	25 00					25 00		50 00	
Walbrook Coll....	3 05		3 05						3 05	
Miss Ida Parker, Berwick	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	05	05	08	04	5 20	
Wm. Jefferson	3 00		3 00						3 00	
Y.M.C.A., Acadia Seminary	24 25		24 25						24 25	
Y.M.C.A., Acadia University	64 42		64 42						64 42	
Miss Marshall Saunders	21 00		21 00						21 00	
Coll. at Ass'n....	22 00	7 26	5 50	4 40	1 10	1 10	1 76	85	22 00	
	5026 71							2006 20	7122 91	

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Amherst	345 32	85 61	78 02	44 01	11 00	11 00	100 27	15 41	403 25	748 57
Amherst Shore ...	11 93	3 70	5 73			1 00		1 50	17 00	28 93
Advocate Harbor.	56 00	23 00	33 00						2 00	58 00
Acadia Mines	13 86						12 76	1 10	39 77	53 63
Antigonish	112 07	24 20	18 34	14 66	3 66	3 66	43 37	4 18	31 39	143 46
Apple River.....	6 25	1 73	1 32	1 05	26	26	42	1 21	23 53	29 78
Brookfield.....	68 56	6 08	8 32	3 69	92	92	40 31	8 32	48 00	116 56
Cole Harbor.....										
Crow Harbor										
Canso.....	108 10	20 18	53 25	10 59	2 64	2 64	16 68	2 12	19 00	127 10
Centreville and Mount Pleasant										
Country Harbor..	12 00	3 96	3 00	2 40	60	60	96	48		12 00
Debert	115 78	31 68	24 00	19 20	4 80	4 80	27 46	3 84	63 32	179 10
Diligent River.....	35							35		35
Fouchie	5 20						5 20		7 65	12 85
Great Village	65 83	14 00	16 27	8 48	2 13	2 13	20 12	2 70	20 25	86 08
Guyshoro'	40 00	13 20	10 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	3 20	1 60	43 00	83 00
Grand Mira	2 77	92	69	55	14	14	22	11		2 77
Goshen	2 00							2 00		2 00
Greenville	7 75	82	5 87	50	13	13	20	10	28 80	36 55
Gabarouse									5 25	5 25
Homeville									13 70	13 70
Hawkesbury.....	11 76	2 31	1 75	1 40	35	35	5 32	28		11 76
Isacc's Harbor....	242 73	65 49	113 30	30 45	7 61	7 61	12 18	6 09		242 73
Little Glace Bay..	36 93	10 54	12 98	6 38	1 60	1 60	2 56	1 27	41 60	78 53
Linden	2 00	66	50	40	10	10	16	08		2 00
Lower Stewiacke..	11 50	3 30	2 50	2 00	50	50	80	1 00	8 00	19 50
Lower Economy & Five Islands....	27 00	4 29	16 25	2 60	65	65	1 04	1 52	15 18	42 18
Little River.....	21 60	7 13	5 40	4 32	1 08	1 08	1 73	86		21 60
Little Hope.....	3 00	3 00								3 00
Maccan	12 08	2 34	6 77	1 42	35	35	57	28	69 78	81 86
Mabou	20 00	6 60	5 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 60	80	4 00	24 00
Margaree	22 15	8 35	9 54	2 03	51	51	81	40	5 00	27 15
Mira Bay	1 00							1 00		1 00
Manchester	8 80	2 91	2 20	1 76	44	44	70	35	11 32	20 12
New Glasgow	24 00	4 29	8 25	2 60	65	65	1 04	6 52	27 76	51 76
New Annan	13 80	4 22	4 19	2 56	65	65	1 02	51		13 80
North Sydney....	157 47	32 25	50 41	17 13	4 28	4 28	45 70	3 42	46 55	204 02
New Harbor.....	6 97	1 20	91	73	18	18	3 63	14		6 97

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.

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 C. H. Harring
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 Bass River ..
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Eastern Association—Continued.

Total amt. from Churches and Aid Societies.	NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Amount from Churches, &c.	HOW APPROPRIATED.						Amt. contributed by W. M. A. Societies.	Total amt. from Churches and Aid Societies.	
			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Aid and Relief.	North-West Mission.			Grande Ligne Mission.
50 00	Onslow, East	18 41	6 08	4 60	3 68	92	92	1 47	74	23 25	41 66
3 05	" West	88 61	9 48	7 19	5 75	1 44	1 44	62 16	1 15	11 01	99 62
5 20	Oak, River John	19 70	7 57	6 49	2 70	67	67	1 07	53	.....	19 70
3 00	Oxford	18 72	4 49	5 25	60	15	15	6 19	1 89	20 00	38 72
24 25	Parrsboro	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50	19 25	25 75
64 42	Portauquique and Upper Economy	53 68	11 38	12 62	6 90	1 73	1 73	17 94	1 85	55 04	108 72
21 00	Port Hilford	29 55	7 35	8 86	8 45	1 11	1 11	1 78	89	.....	29 55
22 00	Port Greville	4 00	1 32	1 00	80	20	20	32	16	31 23	35 23
7122 91	Port Morien	6 66	2 20	1 67	1 33	33	33	53	27	.....	6 66
	Pugwash	31 45	6 98	13 23	4 24	1 06	1 06	1 69	3 19	45 03	76 48
	River Hebert	90 40	27 72	21 00	16 80	4 20	4 20	16 72	8 76	71 94	171 34
	Sydney	64 07	8 52	6 46	5 16	1 29	1 29	38 73	2 62	17 60	81 67
	Springhill	48 00	8 44	32 00	3 60	90	90	1 44	72	28 00	76 00
	St. Mary's, 1st (Sonora)	17 00	5 61	4 25	3 40	85	85	1 36	68	.....	17 00
	St. Mary's, 2nd	6 00	1 98	1 50	1 20	30	30	48	24	.....	6 00
	Seal Harbor	2 00	66	50	40	10	10	16	03	.....	2 00
	Tatamagouche	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Tidnish	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Truro, Prince St.	278 09	48 42	36 69	29 35	7 34	7 34	139 23	9 72	151 15	429 24
	" Immanuel	147 95	45 19	34 23	27 39	6 85	6 85	16 96	10 48	87 99	235 94
	Tracadie	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
	Upper Stewiacke	26 80	4 58	13 10	2 28	2 02	2 02	1 44	1 36	14 09	40 80
	Wentworth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Wallace	19 59	4 46	7 35	2 70	67	67	1 08	2 54	1 00	20 58
	Westchester	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	West Brook	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	White Head	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	<i>Miscellaneous.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Libbie A. Hattie, South Riv. Lake	15 00	1 99	7 75	60	15	15	24	4 12	.....	15 00
	P. R. MacIntyre, Lime Hill	5 00	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	5 00
	C. H. Harrington, Esq., Sydney	80 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	80 00
	Mrs. S. Fulton, Bass River	100 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	100 00
	John Bew, Arichat	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
		2805 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1571 59	4377 24

AFRICAN ASSOCIATION.

Halifax	5 30	1 74	1 32	1 07	27	27	42	21
Coll. at Assoc'n	10 00	3 30	2 50	2 00	50	50	80	40
	15 30	15 30

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GENERAL RECEIPTS.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Amount from Churches, &c.	HOW APPROPRIATED.								Amt. contributed by W. M. A. Societies.	Total amt. from Churches and Aid Societies.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Aid and Relief.	North-West Mission.	Grande Ligne Mission.			
"Two Friends"...	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	20			
Convention Coll...	153 21	47 72	63 73	30 44	2 58	2 58	4 11	2 05			
Bessie E. A. Hatfield, Somerville, Mass.	2 00	66	50	40	10	10	16	08			
"J. McA."	5 00	5 00									
Rev. W. A. Snelling	2 23	73	56	45	11	11	18	09			
Eliza H. Burton, Milton, Mass.	3 00	2 60	1 00								
Mrs. C. W. Saunders	1 00		1 00								
D. N. Slack	5 00		5 00								
"A Friend to Missions," per Mrs. E. D.	100 00		100 00								
"A Friend to Missions," per Mrs. Sanford	20 00		20 00								
Rev. J. E. Tiner	5 00		5 00								
Miss Bessie Eaton	5 00		5 00								
M. L. Doane	5 00		5 00								
L. B. Bligh	5 00		5 00								
"Two friends part of the Lord's tenth."	4 00	1 32	1 00	80	20	20	32	16			
"A Sister"	5 00	2 50	2 50								
"A Sister"	5 00		5 00								
"Two friends part of the Lord's tenth."	7 00	3 50	3 50								
"Two friends part of the Lord's tenth," Famine Fund	10 00		10 00								
"Two friends part of the Lord's tenth."	10 00		10 00								
"A Brother"	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	20			
Rev. J. A. Marple	10 00	3 30	2 50	2 00	50	50	80	40			
Wm. Lent, Epson, N. H.	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	20			
"S. C." a friend to Missions	5 00		5 00								
Miss Grey	1 00						1 00				
Rev. Mr. Gates, re S. A.	2 00						2 00				
Mr. Jones	1 60						1 60				
"Eden Ch and S. S.?"	2 00							2 00			
"Metcalf S. S.?"	1 55							1 55			
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CONDENSED STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

From Western Association.....	4139 68
" Central "	5026 71
" Eastern "	2805 65
" African "	15 30
General Receipts.....	389 99
	<u>\$12377 33</u>

PAYMENTS.

Postage, Stationary, Exchange.....	23 04
Geo. A. McDonald's bill, Associational Envelope, &c.....	39 72
To Home Mission Board General Fund.....	3118 77
" " " Church Edifice Fund.....	10 00
	<u>3128 77</u>
" Foreign Mission Board, Famine Fund.....	67 75
" " " General "	2893 72
" " " " " per Treas....	1260 24
	<u>4221 71</u>
" Acadia University.....	1485 18
" Ministerial Education Board.....	330 32
" " Relief and Aid.....	334 32
" North West Mission Board.....	2194 47
" Grand Ligne Mission Board.....	619 80
	<u>\$12377 33</u>

NOTE.—Add to the above the \$5459.49 contributed by the W. M. Aid Societies, and the \$76.00 reported by Treasurer F. M. Board, too late to be included as mentioned before and we have as the total from Nova Scotia, \$17912.82

A. COHOON,

Treas. for Nova Scotia.

Wolfville, N. S., Aug. 7th, 1897.

I have audited the books and examined the vouchers of the Treasurer of the Denominational Funds for Nova Scotia, and testify to their correctness. The moneys received from the various churches and individuals have been compared with the acknowledgments in the *Messenger* and *Visitor* and found to agree.

JOHN NALDER, Auditor.

Wolfville, August 4th, 1897.

Total amt. from Churches and Aid Societies.

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A Statement of Moneys received from the Churches of N. B. and P. E. I. for the Denominational Work of the Convention.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION NEW BRUNSWICK.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Am't contributed.	HOW APPROPRIATED.							Am't contributed by W. M. Aid Societies.	Total.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions	Grand Ligne Mission.		
Andover.....	7 00		7 00						3 25	10 25
Bloomfield.....									3 25	3 25
Blissfield.....	3 00		3 00						7 50	10 50
Bristol.....	7 18	3 09	3 09					1 00	4 50	11 68
Benton.....									4 00	4 00
Cambridge, 1st ..	7 25		7 25						20 41	27 66
" 2nd.....	26 85		26 85						66 26	93 11
" Low.....	4 00		4 00						41 00	45 00
Carlisle.....										
Centreville.....	5 86						1 00	4 86	31 75	37 61
Chipman, 1st ..	14 00		6 00					8 00	6 00	20 00
" 2nd.....	37 50		20 00				17 50		90 50	128 00
Cardigan.....										
Dumfries.....										
Esk, North.....										
Florenceville, West	16 10	3 30	2 50	2 00	50	50	5 60	1 70		16 10
" East.....	4 13						2 26	1 87		4 13
For. Glen.....									7 50	7 50
Fredericton.....	804 46	243 82	215 68	147 48	36 87	36 87	62 98	61 26	156 67	961 13
Gagetown, Upr.,..	6 00	33	3 25	20	5	5	1 08	1 04	14 54	20 54
Gibson.....	33 70		19 00				14 70		18 00	51 70
Grand Falls.....										
Grand Lake, 1st..	2 32		2 32							2 32
" 2nd.....	13 21		9 01				4 20		57 75	70 96
Hainesville.....										
Hartland.....	12 73		3 90				8 83		4 00	16 73
Jacksontown.....	12 50		7 50					5 00	13 72	26 22
Jacksonville.....	24 70	2 88	5 23	1 55	38	38	7 55	6 73	15 90	40 60
Johnston, 2nd....	3 12		3 12							3 12
Jemseg.....	8 87		5 17					3 70	13 25	22 12
Keswick, 1st.....										
" 2nd.....										
Kingsclear, 1st ..										
" 2nd.....	2 75		2 75						6 80	9 55
Little South Esk..										
Ludlow.....									6 70	6 70
Macnaquac.....	6 50		6 50						16 00	22 50
Maple Grove.....										
Maple Ridge.....										
Marysville.....	15 40						2 65	12 75	9 75	25 15
Mill Cove.....	9 27		8 77					50	5 00	14 27
Nashwaak.....										
Newcastle, Lower,									2 00	2 00
Newcastle, Upr.,										
Grand Lake.....	4 10		2 10					2 00	15 00	19 10
New Jerusalem ..										
New Salem.....										
Olivet, African ..										

NAMES OF CHURCHES,

Prince William
Queensbury,
Richmond, S
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Hodgdon,
Kenzie Cor
Rockland ..
Scotchtown ..
Simonds Mid
Springfield, Y
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Sheffield ..
St. Francis ..
Temperance ..
Wakefield ..
Wickham, U
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Wiggins Cove
Windsor ..
Woodstock ..
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Miscellaneous

Leverett Es
brook ..
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and others ..
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and wife ..
Alice Clark ..
Dea. Elkins ..
Coll. N. B. W
Ass'n ..
A. Watson ..
Thos. Bridges
John Moser ..
A. D. Yuxer ..
Mrs. A. E. I
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Harry King ..
Dr. and Mrs.
Donald ..
Rev. Calvin C
Mrs. R. J. R
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Western Association New Brunswick.—Continued.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Am't contributed.	HOW APPROPRIATED.						Am't contributed by W. M. Aid Societies.	Total.
		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N.W. Missions			Grand Ligne Mission.
Prince William ..	5 25	.....	3 25	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	5 25
Queensbury, Upr.	1 25	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 25
Richmond, South, Union Corner	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 25	7 25
Richmond and Hodgdon, McKenzie Corner	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	13 00
Rockland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	20 00
Scotchtown	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Simonds Middle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springfield, York	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Carltn.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sheffield	7 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	7 00
St. Francis	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Temperance Vale	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wakefield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wickham, Upper	3 32	.....	3 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 32
" Lower	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 25	19 25
Wiggins Cove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Windsor	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodstock	66 77	13 00	36 00	.....	.....	.....	13 01	4 76	58 69
" Lower	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 46
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>									
Leverett Estabrook	7 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	7 00
Queens Co. Q. M.	17 88	.....	13 38	.....	.....	.....	4 50	.....	17 88
Carl. Vic. & Mad. Q. M.	13 50	.....	13 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50
York & Sunbury Q. M.	13 26	.....	11 72	.....	.....	.....	1 54	.....	13 26
Mrs. A. D. Hartley and others	22 88	11 44	11 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 88
R. L. Phillips	20 00	4 95	8 75	3 00	75	75	1 20	60	20 00
Emma Estabrook	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Rev. C. Henderson	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Rev. J. B. Seeley and wife	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Alice Clark	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	7 00
Dea. Elkins	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Coll. N. B. West, Ass'n	16 20	.....	16 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 20
A. Watson	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Thos. Bridges	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
John Moser	11 40	.....	11 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 40
A. D. Yuxer	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Mrs. A. E. Kilburn	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Mrs. A. B. Watson	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
G. A. Wilson, sup. of R. E. Gullison	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Mrs. Stead Crandall	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Harry King	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Dr. and Mrs. McDonald	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Rev. Calvin Currie	2 00	2 00	2 00
Mrs. R. J. Estabrook	2 50	2 50	2 50
Miss Della Dickin-son	5 00	5 00	5 00

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Western Association New Brunswick.—Continued.

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		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions.	Grand Ligne Mission.		
Rev. W. E. McIntyre.....	5 00		5 00						5 00	
J. L. Coldwell.....	5 00		5 00						5 00	
Mr. and Mrs. G. G. King.....	10 00		10 00						10 00	
Rev. A. H. Hayward.....	5 00		5 00						5 00	
Emma and Nettie Second.....	2 00		2 00						2 00	
Mrs. R. H. Corey..	1 00		1 00						1 00	
	1304 74	282 31	607 73	154 23	38 55	38 55	152 60	120 77	760 19	2154 93

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION NEW BRUNSWICK.

Baillie	5 00		5 00						8 00	13 00
Bartlett's Mills... ..	11 84		11 84							11 84
Beaver Harbor ..	1 00		1 00							1 00
Brussels St	36 21		26 00	2 00			4 50	3 71	164 80	201 01
Bocabeo.....										
Bayside.....										
Cardwell	5 07		4 07					1 00		5 07
Carleton	79 02	9 17	50 60	5 40	1 35	1 35	2 67	9 08	63 70	142 72
Fairville	70 26		57 00				11 00	2 26	54 91	125 17
Germain St.....	493 20	121 66	220 16	61 61	25 40	25 40	24 64	17 33	167 75	663 95
Greenwich Hill.....										
Hampton Station..	13 00		8 00					5 00		13 00
Hampton Village..	27 54		12 46				8 68	6 40		27 54
Hillsdale, Ham- mond.....									7 00	7 00
Johnston, 1st	6 63		6 63							6 63
Kars	13 79		12 79	1 00						13 79
Ledge Dufferin ..	7 70		6 58					1 12		7 70
Lake View										
Leinster St.....	113 59	7 18	87 27	4 35	1 09	1 09	1 74	10 87	72 00	185 59
Musquash and Dipper Harbor..	22 26		22 26						13 00	35 26
Main St.....	91 65	24 65	35 60	14 95	3 73	3 73	5 90	3 00	41 00	132 65
Norton	1 00							1 00		1 00
Oak Bay	7 58	2 00	5 58							7 58
Pennfield	17 49		16 49					1 00		17 49
Peskehagan										
Rolling Dam	2 65		2 65							2 65
Rothsay										
Salt Springs.....										
Second Falls, St. George	8 76		8 76						31 00	39 76
St. Andrew's, 1st..										
2nd.....										
Springfield, 1st ..	32 24		26 96				1 63	3 62	15 00	47 24
2nd	12 56		12 56							12 56
3rd.....	2 64		2 64						35 00	37 64
St. George, 1st... ..	46 48	9 65	17 09	5 85	1 46	1 46	7 35	3 62	41 27	87 75
2nd.....										
St. Martin's, 1st..	21 03		13 33					7 70	33 00	54 03
2nd.....	14 00		11 00					3 00		14 00
St. Stephen.....	123 87	22 81	69 61	10 39	1 94	1 94	15 35	1 83	102 38	226 25
Studholm	95		95						27 48	28 43
Sussex	133 98	24 02	77 80	14 56	3 63	3 63	5 82	4 52		133 98
Tabernacle									12 00	12 00
Upham										
Willow Grove										

NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.

Miscellaneous

J. B. Seeleys
Mrs. John Da
Rev. S. D. Erv
Rev. F. C. Wri
St. John & K
Q. M.,
Rev. T. M. Mu
Mrs. C. F. Clin
N. B. South, A
C. & E. Bleak
Rev. T. W. K
stead

Alma

Bayside

Blackville

Buctouche

Butternut Ridg
Caledonia

Cape Torment
Centreville

Cocaigne

Cookville

Coverdale, 1st.
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Campbellton ..

Dorchester, 1st
 2nd

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Southern Association New Brunswick.—Continued.

Total.	NAMES OF CHURCHES, ETC.	Am't contributed.	HOW APPROPRIATED.						Am't contributed by W. M. Aid Societies.	Total.	
			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions			Grand Ligne Mission.
5 00	Miscellaneous.										
5 00	J. B. Seeleys	5 00		5 00					5 00		
10 00	Mrs. John Dann...	3 00		2 00					3 00		
5 00	Rev. S. D. Ervine.	2 00			2 00			1 00	2 00		
2 00	Rev. F. C. Wright.	5 00	5 00						5 00		
1 00	St. John & Kings Q. M.	2 68		2 68					2 68		
19 2154 93	Rev. T. M. Munro.	1 00		1 00					1 00		
	Mrs. C. F. Clinch.	3 00		3 00					3 00		
	N. B. South. Ass'n.	8 95	2 95	2 24	1 79	45	45	71	8 95		
	C. & E. Bleakney.	28 25		28 25				36	28 25		
	Rev. T. W. Keirstead	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	Coll. N. B. Con	45 00		45 00					45 00		
	Col. at Brussels St.	32 65		32 65					32 65		
	Mrs. Jas. Allaby...	3 00		3 00					3 00		
	L. L. Sharpe's Bible Class	57 18		57 18					57 18		
	Rev. S. McC. Blæk	3 00		3 00					3 00		
	W. E. Worden ...	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	John McKinnon...	10 00		10 00					10 00		
	W. F. B. Patterson	1 00		1 00					1 00		
	"A friend"	25 00					25 00		25 00		
	Support of Rev. R. E. Gullison—										
	John McIntyre...	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	Jesse Tabor	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	C. E. Vail	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	Rev. E. A. & Mrs. Allaby	10 00		10 00					10 00		
	Rev. S. D. Ervine	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	Wm. A. Keirstead.	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	Mrs. A. T. Dyke-	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	man	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	A. W. Nobles	5 00		5 00					5 00		
	E. L. Perkins	5 00		5 00					5 00		
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EASTERN ASSOCIATION NEW BRUNSWICK.

39 76	Alma	6 30	1 00	1 00			1 30	3 00	9 52	15 82
	Bayside									
	Blackville	33 00		33 00						33 00
47 24	Buctouche	4 00		4 00						4 00
12 56	Butternut Ridge	15 49		8 37				7 12	27 00	42 49
37 64	Caledonia									
87 75	Cape Tormentine.									
54 03	Centreville	1 30		1 30						1 30
14 00	Cocaigne									
226 25	Cookville									
28 43	Coverdale, 1st	24 70		11 23			9 56	3 91		24 70
133 98	" 2nd	1 01		1 01						1 01
12 00	" 3rd									
	Campbellton									
	Dorchester, 1st								13 00	13 00
	" 2nd								34 50	34 50

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		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions	Grand Ligne Mission.		
Elgin, 1st	117 41	29 63	50 78	6 00	.....	.....	7 00	24 00	30 00	147 41
“ 2nd	3 70	1 85	1 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 70
“ 3rd .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forest Glen	24 48	5 17	7 41	7 00	.....	.....	3 50	1 40	20 25	44 73
Germantown	13 68	2 00	11 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	22 68
Harvey, 1st	12 00	.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	22 40	34 40
“ 2nd	8 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Hillsboro', 1st	109 84	8 84	56 00	6 86	2 84	3 84	24 89	6 57	134 29	244 13
“ 2nd	22 98	2 67	8 92	.....	.....	.....	11 39	.....	20 00	42 98
“ 3rd	12 26	.....	5 61	.....	.....	.....	6 65	.....	.....	12 26
“ 4th	2 76	.....	2 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 76
(Baltimore.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hopewell	247 07	56 85	105 17	32 14	8 03	14 03	12 86	17 99	79 17	326 24
Moncton, 1st	382 00	66 00	100 00	40 00	19 00	10 00	16 00	140 00	210 00	592 00
“ 2nd	8 95	.....	8 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 95
New Canaan .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newcastle	1 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 67	3 87	5 54
New Horton	1 85	.....	1 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 85
North River	8 35	2 75	2 09	1 67	41	41	63	34	.....	8 35
Petitcodiac	27 61	3 26	2 47	1 97	50	50	77	18 14	10 25	37 86
Point de Bute	41 44	41 44
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Sackville	78 25	13 83	27 48	26 72	2 10	2 10	3 35	2 67	143 56	221 81
Salisbury, 1st	4 66	4 66	22 20	26 86
“ 2nd	7 40	2 44	1 85	1 48	37	37	59	30	.....	7 40
Shediac	4 85	.....	4 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 85
St. Mary's	5 50	.....	5 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50
Underhill .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Valley	19 17	4 00	9 25	.....	.....	.....	5 92	.....	11 75	30 92
Weldford .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>										
Albert Q M	5 00	1 65	1 25	1 00	25	25	40	20	.....	5 00
M. Fillmore	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	.....	85
J. C. Jones	2 00	66	50	40	10	10	16	8	.....	2 00
C. Calhoun	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
L. B. W. Corey	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
A friend (Albert)	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Coll. N. B. East. As.	55 91	.....	22 96	22 95	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	55 91
H. & R. Colpitts	1 75	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75
A friend of Mis'n's	7 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00
John Wilbur	50 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00
Rev. J. B. Colwell	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
A brother (Harvey)	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
O. Jones & Son	60 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00
J. R. Dickie	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
G. Russell & wife	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. T. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whit Colpitts	7 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	7 00
Rev. J. B. Colwell	1 00	1 00	1 00
Rufus Tingley	5 00	5 00	5 00
Mrs. Atkinson	50	50	50
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Rev. M. B. Whitman	1 00	1 00	1 00
Rev. M. Addison	5 00	5 00	5 00

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Mattie Phillip

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A. F. McNeill
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W. S. Clark
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Eastern Association New Brunswick.—Continued.

Societies.	Total.	Am't contributed.	HOW APPROPRIATED.						Am't contributed by W. M. Aid Societies.	Total.	
			Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions			Grand Ligne Mission.
Mrs. H. H. Saunders.....	147 41	5 00		5 00						5 00	
From Abroad—	3 70										
A N B Baptist, Hartford.....	44 73	4 00	2 00	2 00						4 00	
Sup. of R. E. G.—	22 68										
S. R. McCurdy.....	34 40	5 00		5 00						5 00	
Mattie Phillips ..	8 00	5 00		5 00						5 00	
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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION.

Alberton										17 41	17 41
Alexandra	11 86	3 91	2 97	2 37		59	59	95	48	45 01	56 87
Annandale										25 60	25 60
Bedeque	10 50	1 98	2 50	1 20		30	30	48	3 74	56 00	66 50
Belfast	21 20	6 78	5 14	4 11		1 03	1 03	1 64	1 47		21 20
Belmont											
Bonshaw	9 00	3 32	2 76	1 40		34	34	56	28	28 30	37 30
Charlottetown.....	61 71	19 48	17 43	11 80		2 95	2 95	4 73	2 37	73 55	135 26
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Clyde River	4 36		1 75						2 61	17 00	21 36
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East Point	59 00	11 88	30 00	7 20		1 80	1 80	3 88	2 44	37 00	96 00
Fairview											
Hazel Brook	20 15	6 65	5 04	4 03		1 01	1 01	1 61	80	8 25	28 40
Long Creek	25 15	6 24	8 98	3 78		94	94	3 51	76	15 00	40 15
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Montague	24 50	6 60	5 00	4 00		1 00	1 00	1 60	5 30	5 00	29 50
Murray River	19 00	6 27	4 75	3 80		95	95	1 52	76		19 00
North River	54 32	15 34	17 44	9 30		2 33	2 33	3 72	3 86	77 73	132 05
Springfield	3 00	99	75	60		15	15	24	12	40 81	43 81
Summerside.....	39 85	11 82	8 97	7 17		1 80	1 80	6 86	1 43	31 79	71 64
Souris											
St. Peter's Road.....											
Tryon	33 25	9 75	7 43	5 80		1 45	1 45	2 32	5 05	66 71	99 96
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John Nichols and wife.....	20 50	6 77	5 13	4 10		1 02	1 02	1 64	82		20 50
A. F. McNeill and wife.....	3 00	33	2 25	20		5	5	8	4		3 00
W. S. Clark and wife.....	2 00	1 00	1 00								2 00
Coll. at P. E. I. Conf	1 50	50	38	30		7	7	12	6		1 50
A friend	10 00	3 30	2 50	2 00		50	50	80	40		10 00
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Mrs. J. C. Clark ..	5 00		5 00								5 00
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lambert & family	6 50		6 50								6 50
Sup. of R. E. G.—											
Rev. J. E. Limer ..	5 00		5 00								5 00
Amos H. Hubley ..	2 00		2 00								2 00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ASSOCIATIONS AND PAYMENTS TO BOARDS.

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		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Acadia University.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief and Aid.	Manitoba and N. W. Missions.	Grand Ligne Mission.			
N. B. West. Ass'n	1394 74	232 31	607 73	154 23	38 55	38 55	152 60	120 77	760 19	2154 93	
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P. E. I. "	531 09	155 47	180 33	92 89	23 21	23 21	44 15	41 83	580 21	1141 30	
*Total Receipts..	5136 78	871 47	2573 67	519 21	125 41	132 41	406 46	508 15	3079 89	8216 67	
Expenses, Postage, etc.....	10 53	3 48	2 64	2 11	52	52	84	42	
Total payments to Treasurers of several Boards..	5126 25	867 99	2571 03	517 10	124 89	131 89	405 62	507 73	

J. W. MANNING, *Treas. of Cm. N. B. and P. E. I.*

We have examined the books of the Treasurer of the Convention Funds for New Brunswick and P. E. Island, and find the receipts, \$5,136.78, correctly given, as compared with the published statement in the *Messenger and Visitor*, and the statement of expenditure according to the vouchers.

St. JOHN, N. B., Aug. 7th, 1897.

B. A. STMNERS,
A. H. CHIPMAN,

Auditors.

The following sums have been received for the Manitoba and N. W. Missions, as collected by the Rev. H. G. Mellick:—

New Brunswick.—Sackville, \$33.32; Josiah Anderson, \$1.00; Dorchester 1st, \$8.70; Dorchester 2nd, \$3.62; Hopewell, \$2.68; Havelock, \$3.25; Moncton, \$8.56; Brussels St., \$5.25; T. L. Hay, \$5.00; E. M. Sipprell, \$10.00; Dr. B. Price, \$5.00, Mrs. E. Spencer, \$10.00. Total, \$96 38.

P. E. Island.—East Point, \$8.00; Souris, \$5.17; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Mellick, \$1.25; Mrs. Donald Robertson, \$1.00; Charlottetown, \$14.00; Collection at Q. M., Springfield, \$2.47. Total, \$31.89.

*Of the amount credited to F. M., the sum of \$811.32 was paid direct to the Treasurer of the F. M. Board.

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NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE

Home Mission Board.

DEAR BROTHERN :—The 19th Annual Report of the Home Mission Board is herewith submitted.

VACANCIES FILLED.

When the Board received from the Secretary of the Convention the names of the members of the Board, it was found that one place had not been filled by the Convention, or had been omitted from the record. Rev. P. R. Foster was then appointed to that place. Subsequently Rev. Truman Bishop and Rev. B. H. Thomas, removed from the county, resigned and Rev. W. F. Parker and Rev. M. W. Brown, were appointed to their places.

GENERAL MISSIONARIES.

Rev. I. Wallace continued his labors till Dec. 31st. At that time, according to the intimation previously given to the Board, his term of service as General Missionary ended. Without repeating what was said in our last report, of the labors of this devoted servant of God, we cannot refrain from expressing the opinion that the good that has been accomplished through his ministry, only the Master himself fully knows.

When it became known to the Board that Bro. Wallace intended to retire from this work, Rev. A. F. Baker was offered an appointment, which he accepted and entered upon his work in September last. He has met the expectations of the Board, and a good measure of blessing has resulted from his labors. Bro. J. A. Marple has been continued in the service and has done good work.

These brethren are in great demand, and we suppose that pastors are sometimes annoyed because their requests for their help are not granted. It should be borne in mind that the chief object in appointing these Missionaries is to give to new and weak interests the evangelistic services they so much need. The carrying out of this object prevents the Board from granting many of the requests above referred to.

REVIEW OF THE FIELDS.

It is not possible in a report of this kind to go into details. The following brief review, together with the tabular statement that follows, gives some idea of the fields cared for, assistance given, labors performed and some of the results.

IN THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Port Clyde Church.—A grant of \$50 was given to assist them in securing a portion of the services of Rev. E. Quick, pastor of the Barrington group. The little church has held on its way, and some have been added by baptism. It should be added that the Shelburne County Quarterly meeting have undertaken to make up by an extra offering, the amount of this grant.

The Carleton and Forest Glen churches hitherto grouped with the 3rd Yarmouth or Deerfield church, have been attached to the Tusket and Argyle churches, and the pastor of this large group has been given an assistant. It is hoped that this arrangement will make better provision for the numerous stations of the Tusket and Argyle churches. Special meetings were held for a short time at Forest Glen, the members were revived and some added to the church.

The Granville Mountain group was supplied during the summer of 1896 by Bro. W. H. Dyas whose faithful labors were highly appreciated and did much towards restoring the field to a better condition. Bro. Irad Hardy of Acadia is ministering to them at present. He reports considerable interest and hopes to see many turning to the Lord before the end of his mission. Continuous pastoral labor is much needed on this field, but a large grant would be required to make up even a small salary.

West Dalhousie.—This little church has been under the oversight of pastor Young of Bridgetown for the past two years. During the year now under review great advance has been made. Finding themselves shut out of the meeting-house, in which they had been accustomed to

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worship, and in which they supposed they had some rights, they determined, by the advice of the Annapolis County District Meeting, to arise and build. Through the efforts of pastor Young and the assistance of the churches of the County, they now have a neat and comfortable church home. Their Sunday-school and prayer meetings are regularly organized and they have taken a foremost place in the religious work of the community.

East Dalhousie.—Pastor Webb has continued to care for this church in connection with the Springfield and Albany churches. A small grant has been given them to assist in making up his salary. Some of the faithful few have been called to their reward.

Kempt and Milford.—Bro. A. F. Newcomb remained with this group till the opening of the College in October. Efforts were made to find a man to take the pastoral charge, but without success, so that save occasional visits of Bro. Newcomb to Milford, but little work was done on the field till June, when Bro. E. P. Churchill, a graduate of McMaster University, commenced his labors. It is hoped that he may remain with the churches for a year at least and that the good work done during the time of Brother Newcomb's service, will be established and extended.

This is a large field with several stations and with continuous faithful labor, ought at no distant day become self-supporting.

IN THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Burlington, Kings Co.—This church has had a successful year under the leadership of Bro. G. L. Bishop. Special meetings were held for some weeks, Rev. D. H. Simpson, of Berwick and General Missionary Marple assisting the pastor. About 40 united with the church and its general condition was greatly improved. It is hoped that the mountain station of the Cambridge church may in some way be connected with this church so as to increase the financial support of the pastor.

New Minas.—This field has been cared for by student labor according to the custom of past years. Work has been kept up at New Minas, Blue Mountain, South Alton and Canaan. Bro. C. W. Rose continued his labors with them except for a few months in the winter, when Bro. P. J. Stackhouse acceptably filled the appointments. Bro. Rose reports some parts of the field ripe for another ingathering which he hopes to witness before many weeks.

Brooklyn Church.—Rev. J. W. Keirstead, student at Acadia had the pastoral charge of this church from June 1896 to June 1897. The several stations received the usual amount of labor and some were added by baptism. It was felt, however, that the interest of some previous years was not sustained. Bro. John Hardy is now on the field and will supply them through the year.

Windsor Plains (African).—Pastor Johnson has been unable to do very much work during the year. The small grant of \$40 has, however, been continued and brethren from Windsor have assisted in keeping up the Sunday School and other services. It is hoped that the income from the legacy of the late G. P. Payzant will enable the church to do without further aid from the Board.

Rawdon.—Pastor Bezanson closed his labors with this church in September. In December Bro. Marple was sent to them for a short season.

His labors resulted in considerable quickening of the church, and some additions to its membership. Student Meritt spent his Christmas vacation with them and made occasional visits afterward. On the recommendation of the Board, Rev. R. Mutch was called to the pastorate and commenced his labors with them early in May.

The drain upon it by removal of members keeps this church weak and dependent. But those enlisted in the Master's service here go to strengthen His forces elsewhere.

Maitland-Walton—Pastor Roop still continues his faithful labors on this long field. The most important event of the year was the opening of the new place of worship at Noel, which is in some sense the central station of the field. The building of this house has taxed them to their utmost, and they will no doubt greatly enjoy it. A few have been added to the membership, and a spirit of hopefulness pervades.

New Ross-Waterville.—Pastor Bleakney has done a large amount of faithful work on this field during the year. Extra services were held at New Ross, Waterville and Sherwood. A few were gathered in at New Ross and Sherwood, but at Waterville there were no apparent results. Death and removals have greatly weakened the church at this station, so that all interested in its welfare greatly desire to witness a work of grace in their midst. May this desire soon be satisfied. The large bequest of the late G. P. Payzant to this church will enable them to make up their part of the pastor's salary. A small grant to New Ross will still be necessary.

New Canada-Chelsea.—This group has not had a very happy experience during the year. Chelsea did not care to have the pastor for a second year, and New Canada did, so they parted asunder with the result that Chelsea was without ministerial labor during the winter months. Under this condition of things the Board hesitated for some time about granting any aid, but at length decided to help both churches, in the hope that time would improve the situation. A small grant was accordingly given to New Canada, and the student missionary sent to Pleasantville was directed to spend a portion of his time at Chelsea. Brother Marple, General Missionary, was also directed to spend a short time at Chelsea, in the hope that the condition of the church might be improved. This hope was fully realized. Differences that had long hindered the peace and prosperity of the church were removed and a goodly number professed conversion and united with the church. It is expected that the meeting-house that has been under way for some time will shortly be completed, and a brighter future is looked for.

Lunenburg.—This church has had a prosperous year. The meetings held in the town by Evangelists Crossley and Hunter were helpful in quickening its spiritual life and leading a number of the congregation to take their stand for Christ, by uniting with the church. Bro. Caleb Spidell, who took an active part in the establishment of our cause here, has been called to his reward.

West End Church, Halifax.—Pastor Lawson has continued to minister to this flock during the year. He reports the work in an encouraging condition. Attendance at preaching services and Sunday-school good, and a few added by letter and baptism.

St. Margaret's Bay Churches. Owing to the failure of fishing and other sources of income, the 2nd St. Margaret's Bay Church, which as a part of the St. Margaret's Bay group, had for some time been self-supporting,

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At the close of Brother Brown's pastorate, the question of the division of the field again came up for consideration. As the whole field has found itself unable to make up the salary of Pastor Brown, and as neither side of the Bay was prepared to assume the responsibility of full support for the pastor, the Board did not favor the division. However, as the churches on the East side of the Bay seemed anxious to settle Pastor Ingram, and to have all his time spent with them, and as the Halifax District Committee approved of the division, the Board reluctantly consented, and a grant of \$50 for the year beginning January 1st, 1897, was voted. Brother Geo. C. Durkee, student, is spending his vacation with the church on the West side of the Bay, and it is hoped some suitable provision may be made for them at the close of his labors.

Moser River.—Brother W. S. Redden continued his labors with this church for fourteen weeks. After he left, the field was without pastora labor till the first of June, when Bro. H. L. Kempton, student of Acadia, was sent to them. The Board was unwilling to have this needy field pastorless, but an empty treasury ties the hands of the Board in cases where large expenditures are required.

Besides the work done by General Missionary Marple on the Mission fields of this association already indicated, he spent some time with the church at Pleasantville Lunenburg Co., where his visit was most timely in preventing threatened inroads, assisted pastor Weathers on some of the stations of Kempt church, pastor Martell at Port Williams, and pastor Hutchins at Lower Pereaux.

IN THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Little Hope Church, Guysboro Co.—Bro. W. M. Field closed his labors with the Port Hilford Church early in the year, and this church, which is associated with Port Hilford in the support of a pastor, was left without a shepherd. In a few weeks, however, Rev. R. B. Kinlay became pastor of the group and so the work has been kept up through most of the year. There is some improvement in the condition of the church and some progress is being made towards the completion of the meeting-house at Fisherman's Harbor.

Country Harbor, 2nd St. Mary's and Goshen.—Rev. I. Wallace spent some days with these churches last autumn, rendering good service. Since that time Bro. W. M. Field has been with them. A grant of \$100 has been given to assist in his support. The prospects of the field are improving. Steps are being taken towards building a meeting house at Aspen. The old one has about served its day. At Country Harbor they have a comfortable hall in which they worship, but a meeting-house will be needed before many years.

New Harbor and Seal Harbor.—Brother J. O. Vince continued his labors with these churches till the 1st of October. His salary was gathered on the field. Good work was done, and Bro. I. Wallace, who visited them shortly after, baptized quite a number. Bro. A. G. Colborne recommended by Bro. Wallace, commenced his labors with them early in the spring. His services are proving very acceptable.

Crow Harbor, White Head and Cole Harbor.—Bro. C. W. Turner has kept up the work on this field, so well begun last year. Having no team his task has been by no means an easy one. The meeting-house commenced last year at Half Island Cove, has been completed and opened for worship. It is a neat well finished building and will be a suitable church home for the large number of the members living there. Only a small debt remains on the building. Bro. Turner deserves great praise for his energy in accomplishing this work. Some improvements have been made in other meeting-houses on the field.

Gabarouse, Fouchie and Grand Mira.—Pastor W. A. Snelling left this field about the first of September, to take up his studies at Newton. Bro. Gordon Baker went to this field not many weeks after, and is still with them. He is not receiving aid from the Board.

Port Morien, Homeville and Mira Bay.—After Pastor McPhee left this group last autumn it became known to the Board, that in consequence of the financial depression at Port Morien, the churches did not feel able to make up a pastor's salary without help. Bro. Marple spent a short time with them, but was called away sooner than was intended because of the urgent need at Pleasantville. By the advice of the secretary, Bro. Simeon Spidell of Acadia, class of 1895, visited them and received a hearty call to the pastorate, which he accepted. The Board is assisting in his support. It is hoped that by a little timely assistance this field may again become self-supporting.

Little Glace Bay.—The work on this field has been well sustained under the leadership of pastor Beattie. A few united with the church. The salary has been paid regularly, and a respectable sum contributed for denominational work.

Margaree and Mabou.—As was intimated in our last report, it was expected that this field would take its place among the self-supporting. They failed to do this however, and in response to their application for aid, a grant of \$60, was voted to assist them in making up the salary of Bro. C. W. Allan, for the current year. Bro. A. F. Baker held a few extra meetings in June. A few were baptized, but there was no general awakening. The visit, though requested by the pastor, was not timely.

Before leaving Cape Breton, it may be well to notice that the Port Hawkesbury church, which has for a long time supported its own pastor, now feels itself unable to do so, and has been recommended to the Board, by the Cape Breton District meeting for a grant of \$100.

Tracadie, (African,) Antigonish Co.—An arrangement was made with Rev. R. Mutch, pastor at Port Hawkesbury, to visit this people monthly and give them a mid-week service. This was kept up during the autumn and early winter. In May, Bro. W. J. Gordon, Lic., of Oxford church was sent to them for a mission of three months. He reports two conversions.

Lower Stewiacke and Musquodoboit.—Bro. F. M. Clay has very acceptably served these churches throughout the year. Repairs and improvements have been made in the church property, and a new house is being built at Little River, one of the stations of the Musquodoboit church.

River John and New Annan.—This group is a large one, lying partly in Pictou and partly in Colchester counties. Our families are few and much scattered, making it difficult to keep up the social services and Sunday schools. Pastor Dimock reports good congregations, however, at most of his stations.

Greenville, Wentworth, Westchester.—The work on this field was interrupted by the removal of pastor Atkinson early in January. Bro. McCabe, recommended to the Board by Rev. H. F. Adams, of Truro, was afterwards introduced to the field but no financial aid was given. He withdrew

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West Brook, Diligent River and Port Greville.—Pastor McLeod has continued to minister to these churches during the year. Good work has been done. The meeting-house at Southampton has been completed and opened for worship. The outlook for the field is hopeful.

Linden, Amherst Shore and Tidnish.—In our last report we expressed a wish to have these churches organized into a group. This has been accomplished. During the vacation of last year, Bro. W. I. Morse labored with them. During the winter the churches had little pastoral labor, as the men sent to them with a view to remaining failed to do so. In June, Bro. H. S. Mason, Lic., of Springfield church, and student of Acadia, went to them with a view to remaining for a year if agreeable to all parties. It is hoped that the Centreville church will join the group, and thus ensure its becoming self-supporting at an earlier date. Bro. A. F. Baker, General Missionary, held some meetings with the Linden Church in September last, which were very helpful to the church.

Besides the general Missionary work already referred to in the limits of this association, Bro. Baker spent some time assisting the pastors of the Oxford, De Bert and Maccan churches in special meetings. The services proved helpful to the churches.

P. E. ISLAND ASSOCIATION.

Last year we were able to report all save one of the mission fields of this Association as having had continuous pastoral labor. From what follows it will be seen to have been quite different this year. Nevertheless, through the labors of General Missionary Baker, who spent the winter on the Island large blessings have come to some of our mission fields.

Alberton and Springfield.—Pastor Carter, to whose abundant labors we referred to in our last report, has, we regret to state, been laid aside from active service for most of the year. In consequence of this the work has suffered somewhat. Bro. P. J. Stackhouse, now stationed at Tyne Valley, has during the last few weeks given a portion of his time to this field. It is hoped that Bro. Carter may soon be able to take up the work.

Tyne Valley, Belmont and Lot 10.—Brother P. J. Stackhouse remained on this field till the opening of the College in Oct. last. His faithful services were much appreciated by the churches and very helpful to them. In Jan. Bro. Baker held some special services with the Belmont church. At first the prospect was very discouraging, old difficulties before referred to in our reports seeming to completely block the way. But the Lord appeared for the deliverance of this little church and a very gracious season was enjoyed. Bro. Baker reported the meetings as among the best he ever attended. Upwards of thirty-five were added to the membership and old things appeared to pass away and all things become new. During the remainder of the winter the pastor of the Summerside church visited them frequently and subsequently an arrangement has been made for this church to become a part of the Summerside field. This greatly weakens the financial strength of the Tyne Valley group but may be the best arrangement all things considered. Bro. P. J. Stackhouse is with the Tyne Valley and Lot 10 churches for the vacation, and is extending his labors to the Alber-ton group as before noticed.

Summerside.—Pastor Robinson has continued faithfully to feed and shepherd this flock. At his earnest request our general missionary was sent to assist in some special service in December last. The church was considerably revived and some added by baptism, but the general work of grace so earnestly longed for by the pastor was not witnessed. As Bel-

mont church is now grouped with this church, further aid will not be needed.

Fairview and St. Peter's Road.—For the first time in eleven years these churches have been left for some months without pastoral labor, Brother Spurr having closed his labors with them July 31st, 1896. After considerable correspondence with the Cavendish church, with which these churches are grouped, in reference to the settlement of a pastor, Bro. C. W. Jackson, of Newton Seminary, was called to the field and has entered upon his work. It is hoped that his services may be a blessing to these little flocks.

Georgetown.—In our last report we referred to the opening up of an interest at Georgetown. This work developed even better than we hoped. Nine were baptised during Bro. Corbett's mission. Bro. Baker spent a short time there and though the place of meeting was small and unsuitable good work was done, and a number more brought in. The brethren are now moving in the matter of building a meeting house which they greatly need.

As the Montague-Murray River field was already very large the opening of this station seemed to make it necessary to divide the group. At the request of the churches and with the concurrence of the P. E. Island Conference this has been done. Montague, Georgetown and Sturgeon will form one field, and the Murray River church, with its numerous stations, the other. For a time grants will be required for both churches, but the added labor will, we believe, give a great impetus to our work over the whole field.

Souris.—The removal of Pastor Shaw from the East P. E. I. church left Souris pastorless, but only for a short time, as Rev. E. A. McPhee was soon called to the pastorate of the group. He has continued to give them a regular monthly service. In March General Missionary Baker conducted special services for a short time. These services were well attended, and in the opinion of the pastor were very helpful to our cause, though there were no additions to the church. It is hoped that there may yet be a bright future for this little church.

Annandale and Dundas.—On the recommendation of the P. E. I. Conference this group has been assisted during the year. Bro. N. A. Whitman was with them from May 1896 to May 1897. The few Baptists residing at St. Peter's Bay have been organized into a church. Rev. A. C. Shaw, of Newton, is spending his vacation with the group.

Besides the work of the General Missionary already referred to in this association, some meetings were held with the Cavendish church, but the condition of the roads was such as greatly to hinder the attendance at the meetings.

SUMMARY.

Summing up the work and results as reported to us, we have: 1,235 weeks of labor distributed among 94 churches; 3,114 preaching services; 2,420 other meetings; 6,675 religious visits; 2,600 pages of Tracts distributed; 419 baptized and 59 received by letter and experience.

A church has been organized at St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I. Meeting houses have been completed and opened at West Dalhousie, Anna. Co., Noel, Scotia; 3383.09 to 6 fields in P. E. Island, and 924.06 for general Missionary or Evangelistic work.

The supplements of general Missionaries' salaries and grants to the churches amount to \$3,813.05, divided as follows: \$2,505.90 to 30 fields in Nova Scotia; \$338.09 to 6 fields in P. E. Island, and \$924.06 for general Missionary or Evangelistic work.

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GENERAL TABULAR STATEMENT OF LABORERS AND LABOR 1896-'97.

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General Missionary	I. Wallace	1				22	72	9	145	29	102	1	1	1	105	98	144
"	J. A. Marble	12				42	156	28	238	102	36	6	6	1	221	36	361
"	A. F. Baker	13				48	267	30	260	88	12	12	12	1	281	33	418
Alberton and Springfield, P. E. I.	H. Carter	2				4	25	69	48	5	5	5	5	106	106	310	
Annandale and Dundas, "	N. W. Whitman	3	42	140	4	250	118	117	100	6	6	6	6	107	235	143	
Brooklyn Church, Kings Co., N. S.	G. W. Kerstead	1	46	95	4	180	52	123	52	9	9	9	9	132	190	50	
Burlington "	G. L. Bishop	1	73	147	3	109	148	153	153	41	41	41	41	136	275	40	
Carlton and Forest Glen, Yar. Co., N. S.	T. A. Blackadar	2	24	26	2	90	8	26	20	48	3	3	3	186	275	116	
Country Harbor, Goshen, etc., N. S.	Supply	2	36	66	5	190	5	13	22	50	3	3	3	20	50	50	
Crow Harbor, Cole Harbor, Dalhousie East, N. S.	W. M. Field	3	60	150	4	215	59	120	60	233	1	1	1	83	281	20	
Dalhousie West, "	C. W. Turner	1	9	21	1	40	13	27	12	240	7	7	7	281	25	75	
Gabarus, Fonthie, etc., N. S.	Josiah Webb	1	20	30	2	60	13	22	31	45	28	28	28	50	50	41	
Georgetown, P. E. I., N. S.	F. M. Young	3	40	96	3	125	9	18	18	60	5	5	5	25	50	50	
Greenville and Wrentham, N. S.	W. A. Snelling	2	58	80	5	17	45	50	86	9	9	9	9	52	75	28	
Greenville and Wrentham, N. S.	G. Corbett	1	46	96	4	245	19	41	46	78	100	8	8	84	63	40	
Little Hope Church, Guys. Co., N. S.	W. H. Dyas	3	33	57	1	75	52	102	98	218	100	8	8	99	119	51	
Lower Stewiecke and Musquodoboit, N. S.	F. Reattie	1	23	21	2	100	3	8	5	23	1	1	1	71	417	100	
"	W. M. Field	1	23	21	2	100	3	8	5	23	1	1	1	71	15	18	
"	R. B. Kinlay	2				8	26	9	79	1000	1	1	1	56	39	50	
"	F. M. Clay	1				210	52	156	128	210	1	1	1	52	325	157	
Maitland and Walton, N. S.	E. N. Archibald	1	50	77	1	120	52	103	137	410	4	4	4	73	450	150	
Margaret and Mabou, N. S.	F. E. Roop	2	40	76	6	369	52	125	120	269	24	24	24	111	250	225	
Moser River, Hal. Co., N. S.	C. W. Allen	2	76	107	2	190	33	86	151	69	2	2	2	73	440	60	
New Canada and Chelsea	W. S. Redden	1	60	60	5	400	14	44	31	130	1	1	1	52	61	105	
New Canada, Lun. Co., N. S.	S. Spidle	3				30	158	118	118	30	11	11	11	225	36	45	
New Minas, Kings Co., "	D. W. Drandall	1				4	200	10	92	11	14	14	14	127	0	62	
New Boss and Waterville, N. S.	D. W. Rose	1	50	100	6	225	52	122	104	245	14	14	14	213	85	122	
Port Clyde, Shel. Co., N. S.	P. J. Stackhouse	1	19	19	60	8	16	30	51	51	2	2	2	35	4	8	
"	J. E. Bleakney	1	19	19	60	8	16	30	51	51	2	2	2	35	4	8	
"	C. I. McLean	1	19	19	60	8	16	30	51	51	2	2	2	35	4	8	
"	Ernest Quick	1	19	19	60	8	16	30	51	51	2	2	2	35	4	8	

GENERAL TABULAR STATEMENT OF LABORERS AND LABOR : 896-'97.—(Continued.)

FIELDS.	LABORERS.	Number of Churches.	Number of Families.	Resident Membership.	Number of Stations.	Total average Attendance.	Weeks of Labor.	No. of Preaching Services.	No. of other Meetings.	Number of Religious Visits.	Pares Tracts distributed.	Number Baptized.	No. Rec'd by Letter, &c.	Number of Schools.	Number attending S. S.	Salary raised on the Field.	Amt. of Aid given by Board.
Rawdon, Hants Co., N. S.	W. B. Bezanson	1	57	80	9	556	10	23	17	35	..	..	..	..	85	40 05	16 66
River John and N. Annan, N. S.	R. Mutch	2	60	78	5	550	17	42	33	152	..	..	..	..	86	47 14	50 00
S-t. Margaret's Bay 1st and Indian Harbor	J. T. Dincock	2	50	146	5	260	17	85	79	225	..	5	1	..	99	300 60	150 00
" " 2nd	A. E. Ingram	1	70	131	1	..	23	78	102	100	..	..	..	..	90	88 41	29 16
Souris, P. E. I.	M. W. Brown	1	8	100	1	..	10	13	6	31	..	..	..	..	93	70 00	100 00
Summerside, P. E. I.	F. A. McPhee	1	6	100	1	..	42	78	78	282	..	..	..	..	93	416 68	73 34
Tyne Valley and Belmont, etc., P. E. I.	W. H. Robinson	2	56	110	6	475	15	60	28	230	..	3	..	..	95	67 49	46 00
Tracadie (African) N. S.	E. J. Stackhouse	1	40	50	1	50	4	8	..	16	..	..	..	..	95	500 00	70 00
West Brook, Diligent River, N. S.	E. Mutch	3	65	121	4	480	52	126	110	205	..	..	..	..	50	60 00	40 00
Windsor Plain, N. S.	W. H. McLeod	1	30	..	1	100	6	10	..	31	..	..	..	..	77	479 20	150 00
West End, Halifax	J. W. Johnson	1	57	60	1	70	52	104	114	775	..	4	419	..	3813 05
	Geo. A. Lawson	94	1235	314	2429	6675

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CHURCH EDIFICE FUND.

A grant of \$50.00 has been given to the brethren at Half Island Cove Guysboro Co., to assist them in the erection of a house of worship. Other deserving applications have been refused because this fund was overdrawn.

If the Board could have even a few hundred dollars per year for this department it would be of great assistance to our mission fields, for a church home is a necessity to the growth and prosperity of a church.

FINANCIAL.

The executors of his estate have paid over to the Board \$900.00, the bequest of the late G. P. Payzant, Esq., of Windsor, less the succession duties paid to the government of Nova Scotia.

The income from the churches, W. B. M. Union, etc., was \$3578.59, a falling off of \$852.82 as compared with last year. Had the \$6500 asked for been given us much of the destitution referred to in the report could have been prevented and the debt paid off. As it is there has been an increase of the debt and it now amounts to \$1412.89.

The Treasurer of the W. B. M. Union paid to us last year \$114.81, which should have been paid to the Home Mission Committee in New Brunswick. By her order that amount has been paid over to that Committee and becomes a charge against the funds this year.

The amount from the 2nd Bradshaw Trust and the income from the Noah Webb fund have been paid to the same Committee to be expended for work in New Brunswick.

CONCLUSION.

As has been indicated in the report, five fields that have not been receiving aid from the Board will next year receive assistance, amounting to not less than \$550.00. On the other hand there are but few cases where the grants now given can be reduced. In view of these facts and the present indebtedness the need for larger offerings for this work is apparent. The several district meetings seem anxious, and rightly so, that all the destitute sections in their districts should be cared for. But are you doing all that you can, brethren, to enable the Board to care for them? We do not blame you for pointing out the needs, though in many cases they are already well known. What we ask is that you seek to put the Board in a position to supply the needs. Let the teaching and practice be in accord with the declaration of the Convention, viz., that Home Missions has the largest claim on the regular beneficence of the churches.

A. COHOON,

Cor. Secretary.

Wolfville, Aug. 10th, 1897.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hand last report	118 76
From Bradshaw Trust, No. 2, 1895-96	139 09
From Interest Noah Webb Fund	8 40
	147 49
Legacy G. P. Payzant, less succession dues	900 00
Denominational Funds, N. S.	3118 77
" P. E. I.	154 82
Special Donation, P. E. I.	5 00
W. B. M. Union	300 00
Dividend, Avon Marine Insurance Co.	25 00
Late Treasurer Convention Funds	35 28
Collections for Supplies	28 42
	\$4833 54

PAYMENTS.

R. G. Haley, Bradshaw Trust, No. 2, 1895-96	139 09
" Interest, Noah Webb Fund	8 40
" Order, Treasurer W. B. M. Union	114 81
Missionaries for 1895-96	593 66
General Missionaries and Grants to Fields	3018 64
Salary Cor. Secretary	500 00
Travelling Expenses	79 05
Post Office Order, Postage, Stationery, etc.	27 27
West Dalhousie Church	116 86
Interest, \$37.90 ; Guarantee Bond, \$37.50	75 40
Proportion, cost of Year Book	81 57
	\$4754 75
Balance in hand	78 79

FINANCIAL POSITION.

Board owes on Notes	640 02
" Missionaries	851 66
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TRUST FUNDS.

The Howard Fullerton Fund, \$3,500. The income of this fund is paid to New Glasgow Church.

The Noah Webb Fund, \$140.02. The income is paid to New Brunswick Home Mission Committee.

The James Burgess Fund, viz.: One share of Avon Marine Insurance Co. stock. Dividends for work in South Maitland. Expended by the Board.

French Mission Fund, \$1006.40. The interest of this fund is added to principal. Also \$50.00 balance due on mortgage. West Dalhousie Church Fund \$116.86 mentioned in last report has been paid over to the church and expended by them in building their meeting house.

A. COHOON,
Treas. H. M. Board.

Wolfville, N. S., Aug. 9th, 1897.

This certifies that I have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board of the Maritime Baptist Convention for the year ending Aug. 7th, 1897, and find them to be correct.

A. E. COLDWELL,
Auditor.

Wolfville, N. S., Aug. 11th, 1897.

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Home Missions in New Brunswick.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSION WORK IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

Your Committee report that during the year now closed they have met, in so far as they were able, with the Home Mission Board of the N. B. Convention in their monthly meetings. By mutual agreement with that Board we have discussed with those in attendance the needs of our N. B. field, and have given thought and attention to the work specially submitted to us. Through our Treasurer, Bro. R. G. Haley, we have assisted financially as we were able, as his account will show.

During the year two General Missionaries have been employed and twenty-two mission fields have received help. On some of these, missionary pastors have been at work during the whole year and on others for but three months. So far as your Committee are able to report for eleven months, dating from Sept 1st, 1896, to Aug, 1st, 1897, there have been on these mission fields and through the special work of the general missionaries, 216 baptisms and 51 received into churches by letter.

About thirty-four hundred dollars will be expended during the year. This includes the salaries of the two general missionaries.

New Brunswick has many small and weak interests belonging to our denomination, and these for years yet, if they are to be kept ours, must receive help. Our principles are not unpopular in this Province, and with care and attention good results must follow faithfully performed work.

Respectfully submitted,

G. O. GATES,
Sec'y Committee.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF H. M. WORK IN N. B.

H. M. FIELDS, N. B.
For Eleven Months Ending Aug. 1, 1897.

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TABULAR STATEMENT OF H. M. WORK IN N. B.

H. M. FIELDS, N. B. For Eleven Months Ending Aug. 1, 1897.	LABORER.	BAPTISMS.	ADDED BY EXPERIENCE AND LETTER.	YEARLY AID.
General Missionary	J. W. S. Young (8 mos. work).....	43	12	\$ 650 less Coll'ns.
Aberdeen	E. A. Allaby (11 mos. work).....	44	4	650
Baillie	R. W. Demmings (lic.) 6 mos.....	14	7	100
Buctouche	J. A. Glendenning (lic.) 3 mos.....	..	..	50
C. Tormentine	Rev. R. M. Bynon (part of year)	5	..	100
Cookville	H. G. Colpitts (lic.) 3 mos.....	..	..	100
Doaktown	Rev. W. A. Allen (part of year) 4 mos ..	..	..	75
German town	Rev. M. P. King	25	..	150
Grand Falls and New Denmark.....	Rev. M. B. Whitman	3	1	75
Harcourt	N. P. Gross (lic.) 6 mos .....	..	..	200
Jerusalem	F. W. Patterson (lic.)	15	3	100
Nashwaak	S. W. Schurman (lic.) 4 mos.....	..	..	75
Newcastle, North. Co.	H. B. Sloat (lic.) 3 mos	9	..	100
Otnabog	Rev. O. E. Steeves .....	..	3	100
Oromocto	Rev. M. Neales .....	..	3	40
St. Eilgin	Rev. C. Henderson	10	..	50
Queensbury	Rev. C. P. Wilson (6 mos.).....	16	3	100
Shediac	C. N. Barton (lic.) .....	..	1	100
St. Andrew's	Rev. E. C. Corey	6	..	50
St. Francis	Rev. W. A. Allen (8 mos.).....	6	8	150
St. Martin's, 2nd	C. H. Schutt, B. A., (4 mos.).....	..	..	250
Tabernacle	Rev. A. H. Washburn (9 mos.).....	50
Tobique	Rev. E. K. Ganong	17	6	100
	C. G. Blackburn (lic.)	3	..	100
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N. B. HOME MISSION COMMITTEE *in account with* R. G. HALEY,
Treasurer.

1896-97.

Receipts.

Balance from year 95-96	469 17	
Bradshaw Trust Fund per A. Cohoon	139 09	
Interest Noah Webb Fund	8 40	
W. B. M. Union per A. Cohoon, \$114.81		
" Mrs. M. Smith, \$131.42...	246 23	
J. W. Manning, Denom. Treasurer	713 17	
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Expenditure.

Salaries of General Missionaries	380 00	
Grants to Student Missionaries and Mis'n Fields	1108 25	
Cost remitting ditto.	3 42	
	<u> </u>	1491 67
Balance on hand		84 39
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R. G. HALEY, *Treasurer.*

St. John, N. B., August 21st, 1897.

I certify that I have examined and compared the books and vouchers of R. G. Haley, Esq., Treasurer of the N. B. Home Mission Committee and find the total receipts to be \$1,576.06, and the expenditure to be \$1,491.67, leaving a balance on hand of \$84.39, as stated in his report.

G. J. COULTER WHITE,
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St. JOHN, Aug. 21, '97.

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Report of Committee on North-West Missions.

Your Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Convention to represent the North-West at the Associations, and report to this body concerning the same, beg to submit the following report:—

That we have striven to keep the needs and demands of our Mission in the North-West before the people as occasion has presented itself, and after studying the question of need and supply, we feel that though our churches in the province have contributed more during the year just closed than at any previous year, we still have much to do for this branch of our mission work.

The fruitfulness of the country has attracted many, both from our own provinces and other lands, the number thus far this year, far exceeding that of any previous one. Souls are there from almost every nation under the sun. They are still coming in large numbers. This brings to the brethren there increased responsibilities, and in order to give these people the Gospel, they must have the assistance of their brethren in the east.

That they themselves are doing nobly, may be seen from the reports received at their last Convention. While there are but seven of the fifty-three churches self-supporting, they have raised for mission work over \$2,000, and over \$40,000 for home work. Their membership being but little more than 3,000, it will be seen that their spirit of benevolence reaches far beyond that of the membership of our eastern churches.

We are glad to be able to report that the year, as a whole, has been a successful one, 474 having been added to the membership of the churches, 236 of whom were by baptism. The visits of Brethren Hall and Mellick were well received by our churches, and the total amount of \$3132.74 was forwarded to our brethren for their work during the year, thus assisting them to close the year free of debt.

We cannot but commend the aggressive policy of our Western brethren and wish that their high ideals may be realized. It is with pleasure that we greet the re-appearance of the *North-West Baptist*, and, as the business management of the paper is in the hands of the sisters, its success seems to be assured.

We regret to say that Bro. Mellick has found it necessary to resign the Superintendency of Mission Work, but we are glad for the work's sake that the brethren will still have the benefit of his valued advice and assistance in the work, and trust that the Lord may soon raise up one who may be able to take up the work and carry it on as energetically and successfully as did our brother. Rev. Mr. Vining is, for the present, acting in the double capacity as Secretary and Superintendent.

It is with heartfelt sorrow that we have to record the sudden death of our beloved brother Rev. Alexander Grant, a great and good man, whom many of us have met and known but to love for his work's sake. He

visited our Convention in Bridgetown five years ago and is to us as a passing shadow. He was, is not, and yet still is. His train of helpful influence fills the temple. He seemed to be indispensable to the success of the work in the Northwest, but God took him. Himself hath done it, and shall we not submissively say: "It is the Lord; Let Him do what seemeth him good."

In conclusion, we would recommend that, in so far as it is possible, the work in the Northwest have a more prominent place in our Convention plans and schemes for the furtherance of the Redeemer's Kingdom. The work is worthy a larger proportion of our Convention funds than that now given. We believe that seed sown here will most surely take root and as speedily grow into fruitfulness for God as in any other part of our mission field.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. YOUNG, *Chairman.*

GRANDE LIGNE REPORT.

In his report to the last Annual Meeting of the Grande Ligne Mission Secretary Lafleur said:

It has often been said that this Province of Quebec is the most thoroughly Roman Catholic portion of the papal church. If by that is meant that among the million and a quarter of Roman Catholics living on the banks of the St. Lawrence there are more truly devout, sincere, living members of that persuasion than among the same number in other countries, I think it is true. It is less tainted with infidel ideas than in France; less an external varnish than in Italy and Spain; less ignorant than Mexico; and, though very superstitious, it is a little less so than some parts of Belgium or Germany. Though far removed from the headquarters of Catholicism, they are in very direct and intimate communication with it; they have here a prince of the church, a Cardinal; they have Jesuits who are the essence of Roman Catholicism, assiduously working among them; bishops and priests are incessantly going to or coming from Rome. There are no sayings or movements of any importance in Rome but we have the echo and the rebound on our shore. Monks—white, grey and black, with their strange uncouth garments, eccentricities and effrontery, parade our streets in order to accustom our eyes to the garb of dark gone bye days and doings, and stealthily implant themselves in the finest quarters of our city. They come to reinforce the army which fights to perpetuate ignorance, superstition and false pretensions.

We find this sixtieth report of the Grande Ligne work to be full of interest.

FELLER INSTITUTE.

The session of 1895-6 was one of the most successful in the history of the school. There were enrolled among the regular boarders 75 boys and 38 girls, with 10 day pupils, consisting of 5 boys and 5 girls, bring up the total attendance to 123. Of these 12 were Roman Catholics.

Principal Masse says:—The progress of the students in scholarship was generally satisfactory; while their improvement in manner and deportment was most gratifying. Four of the students completed the work for

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University matriculation and intend to take up their studies this autumn in McMaster University or elsewhere. Two of our young men have secured admission into Newton Centre Theological Seminary, and another is entering the Laval University, Medical Department.

Two of the young ladies took their diplomas last June. One of these is now teaching a Protestant dissentient school in the Eastern Townships, and the other is coming to the Institute as assistant teacher.

An excellent spirit seemed to prevail throughout the year, and twenty-two of the students professed conversion, among whom were two who had come to the school as Roman Catholics. Six only joined the Grande Ligne church by baptism, the others preferring to be baptized and join their respective home churches.

Of the French Baptist church at Grand Ligne village Pastor Parent reports :

A great amount of work has been done, but the results do not yet appear. Of the twenty persons who have testified to having been converted only seven have been baptised, less than half the number of last year. As to finances, the church and congregation have a good report :— towards pastor's residence, including interest, \$160 ; pastor's salary, \$180 ; general church expenses, \$100 ; Sunday collections, \$52.14, making a total of \$492.14.

In this village, as a result of difficulties connected with the erection of a Catholic Church in direct opposition to our work, nine prominent Catholics have seceded and formally sent in their resignations ; and though remaining aloof from Protestants, and apparently uninterested in religious matters, it is hoped through the rent caused by disaffection the truth of the Gospel may find an entrance.

At Marieville, a field embracing 6 parishes, there are 124 French Protestants, 40 of whom are members of the church. The services of the church are quite freely attended by Roman Catholics, and three young people of the congregation were baptized last winter. Nine of the young people of this church are pupils at Feller Institute. The church raised for all purposes \$340.54, a total of \$8.50, per member.

At St. Pie, with its small church of but 7 resident members, there is an average attendance of about twenty at the services, and 7 have formally severed their connection with Romanism, while they regularly attend the meetings of the Protestant Church, and gladly receive the visits of the missionary.

Of Roxton Pond, we regret to report a decrease of members from 59 to 47. This decrease has been caused by emigration and death. Four have died, the deacon of the church, the wife of the missionary, the father of our Grande Ligne Pastor, Brother Parent, and Colporteur Gendreau, who was imprisoned at Sorel recently for asserting that " Jesus alone could save the souls of men."

Still there is evidence that encourages us, for several young Romanists are receiving instruction in our school, while many Catholics assert in private as in public that Protestantism is the more reasonable and purer faith.

South Ely, rejoices in the fact that Roman Catholics frequent the Baptist Church ; sometimes as many as a dozen at a time. This constituency contains some eighty Protestants, counting the children. About 40 are members of the church, and all are French Canadians, most of them having family relations. Mr. Malboeuf, who quite lately celebrated with his wife their golden wedding, is a convert of Mr. Roussy. He was the means of his wife's conversion. They have brought up a family of

eleven children, 8 boys and 3 girls, who have all become believers. They themselves are now heads of families. So that out of the conversion of one, we have now some 50 adherents to the faith of the gospel.

Maskinonge, has more than held its own. It rejoices in the conversion from Romanism of a prominent farmer; also in the return to the joyful fellowship of the church of an important member, who by the triumphant Christian death of his son, found the courage to resist the opposition of his wife, who for years has been the tool of the priests to hinder him. The pastor says that every one of the converts remain very much attached to the gospel and to the church, growing in their spiritual life.

From Sorel, where Pastor Cote labors comes cheering news. During this year at least five hundred Romanists have heard the gospel at the services or in personal interviews. A good many copies of the Holy Scriptures have been placed in good hands, and some six thousand religious tracts distributed. As the result of the labours of Pastor Cote and his young helper, J. Nicole, five converted Roman Catholics were received into membership by baptism. Three others who were candidates for baptism died after a short illness, thus preventing their making a public profession of their new faith.

A beautiful chapel has been built at the cost of six thousand dollars, including the land, on which \$1400. remains to be paid. The congregation contributed over \$300 to the building and church expenses. In July the chapel was dedicated with impressive services, at which a large number of Roman Catholics were present.

At Quebec, where our missionaries were stoned 3 years ago, nine have been baptized, and 3 young men and 1 young woman belonging to this mission are pursuing their studies at Grande Ligne Institute.

To the Montreal church, three have been added by baptism. In the Hall the gospel has been proclaimed to 3,241 persons, of whom 1,625 were Roman Catholics.

COLPORTAGE.

This work has been carried on during the whole year at some places and a shorter time at others. Twelve evangelists, including the two Bible women, Mrs. Scott and Miss Northwood, have been engaged by the Board, but some of them being students, could only work during their summer vacation.

As illustrative of this branch of the work, listen to the report of Madame Scott, a Bible woman, with weak body but brave heart, who assiduously labors in the City of Montreal: Testaments sold, 146; Portions of Scriptures sold, 26; Chapters read, 1,185; Religious Conversations, 547; Houses entered, 8,987; Special visits, 355; Tracts distributed, 1,118.

Concerning the labours of Brother and Sister Grenier I am able in reply to my request that they report as to work in their district, to read you the following letter.

WEYMOUTH, N. S., Aug. 11th, 1897.

MY DEAR BROTHER,—The French Mission has two meeting houses where I preach every Sunday alternately, and preaching and prayer meeting at one of these every Wednesday. Lately I was invited to speak at Weymouth Falls, where there are a large number of French Catholics. I hope by the grace of God, to make arrangements to preach there every fortnight. About visiting, our field is exceedingly large. It comprises thirteen sections, Waggoner, Burton, North Range, Weymouth, St. Bernard, New Edinburgh, Beliveau's Cove, Church Point, Comeauville, Saulnierville, Keteghan, Cheticamp, and Salmon River. There are no Protestant

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churches from Weymouth to Beaver River, but all along we meet fine Catholic churches. All we can do is to grope our way and visit where we can. I assure you it is not in every house that we are privileged to read and pray. Remember us at the throne of grace.

C. W. GRENIER.

Early in May Bro. C. H. Schutt, B. A., a student of Toronto Baptist College, began work in Madawaska County, occupying St. Francis, Edmunston and St. Leonard's with several outstations, some of which are on the American side. Bro. Schutt has found six Baptist families in Edmunston, where he has had the honor of opening the first Baptist services held in that place. As he is familiar with both French and English, services have been conducted in both languages. The prospects of the work are good and several give good evidence of conversion.

In conclusion we have only to answer a few questions.

The Grande Ligne Mission operates chiefly in the Province of Quebec, where out of a population of one million and a half, one million and three hundred thousand are under the teaching of darkest Romanism. A growing spirit of restlessness under priestly control is manifesting itself among the thinking classes. Mandements and proscriptions are being received with a sullen independence which promises much for future work among this people. Dissatisfaction with the educational status of the Province has resulted in a demand that the educational system shall be wrested from the control of the church, where it has always been. These and many other things fill the missionary with hope. However, this struggle for liberty of conscience and freedom of thought is only just beginning.

About 6000 persons have been converted and added to the churches, many of whom, however, have been compelled to leave their native land because of the vigorous application of the boycott. More than 60 young people have received training for mission work in the school at Grand Ligne, some of whom are laboring in foreign lands. About one half of the ordained missionaries now laboring among the French in the United States were trained in our schools.

During the past year over 100 Romanists professed conversion as the results of our missionaries' labors. During the past six years, upwards of 120 young persons have given evidence of conversion in Feller Institute at Grand Ligne. About 60 per cent of the Catholic pupils in this institution profess conversion.

There are now nearly 20,000 French Protestants in the Province of Quebec.

Our opportunities to-day are only limited by our means. We ought to have \$50,000 this year, and every cent could be profitably spent in the enlargement of this work.

To continue the work as at present, the board requires \$22,000 for the year 1897. Say \$12,000 from Ontario and Quebec; \$4000 from pupils fees, etc.; \$4000 from the United States, and \$2000 from the Maritime Provinces.

The interest on \$1000 will provide a permanent scholarship. Fifty dollars will provide an annual scholarship which will pay for the education, board, room, light, heat and laundry of a Catholic boy or girl for the school year of nearly eight months.

Twenty-five dollars will provide a half scholarship. If you cannot give thus largely, give "as the Lord hath prospered you," and thus become a co-laborer in this Christ-like work.

W. B. HINSON.

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Report of the Foreign Mission Board.

TO THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES :

Dear Brethren,—

Four great commissions were given to the Apostles; first, on the mountain of Galilee; second, on Mt. Olivet before the Ascension; third, to Paul near Damascus; and fourth, again to Paul in a vision of the night in Western Asia Minor. It was this great work of missions that led Christ to overcome Peter's race prejudices and widen his conceptions by the vision at Joppa. It was in this, that He especially promised to be in the midst of his disciples, even unto the end of the world. The Acts of the Apostles are a missionary record. The theology of the churches was written in missionary letters.

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Within the last one hundred years the work of Foreign Missions has evoked the greatest transformation in the experience and life of the people of God that any thing short of the direct power of the Holy Spirit could have wrought. A contemporary of Carey tells us that up to the time that the attention of the English Baptists was called to the subject of missions there had been great depression on the minds and hearts of his parishioners. They had been thinking only of their own personal salvation. But they found that looking at their own frames and feelings was a starveling and shriveled sort of Christian experience. The new missionary spirit which was enkindled just then was like a flash of light in a cloudy day. Men stopped worrying about their own personal condition. Their souls rose and expanded with the thought of reclaiming a lost world—and coming thus into the very line of Christ's own life and activity, they felt the touch and the joy of a Christ-like spirit. It was easy then to lay down the question of their personal salvation at the foot of the cross while they asked: "What will Thou have me to do?" That transformation has been worth more to Christendom, a thousand times, than all the cost of all the missionary enterprises of the world.

Is it not strange that men—even confessedly Christian men do not see this? There is improvement, growth on this point even in this material age. The members of our churches are feeling that the life worth living is a life of service for others, and that the most Christ-like life is the one which serves where the need is greatest. In order that this spirit shall obtain more generally, the Lord Jesus Christ must be lifted up as the only hope of a lost world and the great example for His people to copy. To do as Jesus did—to feel as He felt and to love what and whom He loved is beginning to be accepted as *the rule of the Christian life*. This is as it should be—and is the only true ideal. More and more are we called to come up higher—and get an enlarged view of the spirit and scope of the Master's plans. *The world for Jesus Christ* is the watchword of the Christian. The great problem to-day is how shall the vast multitudes on the earth be brought into living touch with the Christ of God. This is the question that is occupying the mind and heart of your Board—a question which we would press upon the heart and conscience of the members in all our churches.

SAILING OF MISSIONARIES.

In October last, after a farewell meeting, which was held in the Tabernacle church, Halifax, Rev. R. E. Gullison and wife, Miss Maud E. Harrison and Miss Ida M. Newcomb sailed in the steamer St. John City for India. They reached their destination late in December and were most joyfully welcomed by the missionaries on the ground. Fresh courage was given to the wearied toilers by this accession to their ranks. It would be equally gratifying if your Board could send an equal number this year.

ON FURLOUGH.

There have been on furlough during the year Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, Miss Gray and Mrs. Sanford.

Mr. Higgins, who returned to this country a year ago last spring on account of the very serious illness of his wife, has been visiting the churches in different sections of these Provinces in the interest of the work.

The service which our brother has rendered has been most helpful. He has been well received wherever he has gone.

Miss Gray has also been in this country enjoying a well earned rest. She, too, has been giving some time and strength, more especially among the

sisters, to the awakening of a deeper interest in world-wide evangelization.

Miss Gray expects to return to India this autumn.

Mrs. Sanford is still with her children at Wolfville, where they are pursuing their studies. It is one of the trials incident to missionary life for families to be divided. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford have the sympathy of all who know them for the sacrifice which they are making for the Master.

RESIGNATION OF MISS WRIGHT.

Miss H. H. Wright, after eleven years of faithful service, has been compelled to withdraw from the work, owing to a complete break-down in health. She has tendered her resignation, and it also has been accepted. Miss Wright has not spared herself in the service of the Board. She has been diligent, painstaking and self-sacrificing, and has done good work which will be more apparent in years to come.

RETURN OF MR. HIGGINS.

Your Board has been very desirous to have Mr. Higgins return to India this autumn. The condition of the work there—the fact that he has the language and can speak it with ease—and that some of the older missionaries are soon to return to this country worn out in the service—all seemed to point to this as the only course to pursue. It was felt that Mr. Higgins could enter upon the work immediately upon his arrival with all the ardor of youth and the efficiency of experience. It was therefore with no small degree of sorrow that the Board learned that Mr. Higgins did not see his way clear to meet their desires in this respect. After much deliberation and being assured that the health of his wife was so impaired as to render it certain that she could not accompany, nor even expect to follow him, in the near future, with the hope of living in India, Mr. Higgins believed that it was his duty to withdraw from the service of the Board; but after a prolonged and prayerful consultation with the Board Mr. Higgins expressed his willingness to return this autumn for a period of three years, he being at liberty to return at the end of that time in case his wife is unable to rejoin him in India.

The Convention is asked to make Brother and Sister Higgins the subjects of special prayer in their churches and in their families, that the God of missions may sustain and comfort them, in this time of heroic self-sacrifice and renewed consecration to our missions and if it be His will that He graciously grant to Mrs. Higgins such a restoration to health as will enable her to rejoin her husband at any early date.

REINFORCEMENT.

It has been the conviction of your Board that two new families ought to be sent to India this autumn. This is the least that ought to be sent if we want to hold the ground already occupied. One of the oldest of our missionaries is expected to return to this country next spring for a much needed rest. He may have to come sooner.

It is also to be feared that another mission family may be compelled to leave their work at no distant day. The health of these missionaries is far from good. With the greatest care and prudence they may continue a little longer, but the time for rest is not far off.

Miss Mabel Archibald, at present a teacher in Demill College, St. Catherine's, and a recent graduate of Acadia University, has received an appointment by your Board upon the recommendation of the Women's

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Baptist Mission Union, but she will only take the place of Miss Wright. This is no advance. We only hold our own. Your Board would most earnestly express the conviction that the great need of the mission field at the present hour is more families, and it is their purpose to send with Mr. Higgins another man *if* he can be found. We are led to believe that the churches will come to our help and make this possible.

FOREIGN MISSION DAY.

The result of efforts made by the churches, Sunday-schools and Young People's Societies, as well as other organizations connected with the church in the observance of Foreign Mission day were so satisfactory, where the day was observed, that your Board would ask that the same day—the last Sunday in March be observed this year wherever practicable, that missionary sermons be preached on that day and that Sunday-schools, B. Y. P. U's., and Mission Bands observe the day with appropriate exercises, and if possible, that special offerings be made for the work of a world's evangelization, and especially that it shall be a day of prayer to the God of Missions for a fuller realization of the claims of those who sit in darkness upon those who have the light of life.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

At the suggestion of Rev. O. N. Chipman of Great Village, N. S., who was the Associational Secretary for Foreign Missions in the N. S. Eastern Association, a Missionary Conference was held in Truro. Pastor Adams of the 1st Baptist Church rendered invaluable aid and also Mr. Chipman in this effort to awaken a deeper interest in the work of world-wide missions. The hospitality of this church was fully extended to all delegates whom the churches of that Association should appoint. The papers and addresses which were given were most excellent. The presence of Dr. Barbour of Brooklyn, Mass., the chairman of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence, was a great help and stimulus by his timely utterances on the stewardship of money. Your Board is of the opinion that more of such gatherings in different centres would be most helpful to the work, and pastors and churches participating therein would be great gainers.

FAMINE FUND.

The great distress in India on account of the failure in the crops, due to the lack of rain, appealed to the sympathy of the christian people in Europe and America. Contributions were raised all over the country and many thousands of dollars were quickly gathered and sent forward to relieve India's starving multitudes.

As the people on our mission field were more or less affected by the famine, it was deemed wise to ask the churches to forward their offerings to your Board, who would transmit them to the missionaries on the ground for distribution as they should deem best. Besides it was felt that more of the money would be likely to reach those for whom it was intended through this channel than in any other way. It will be gratifying to learn that the response was quite general, though a large number of the friends sent their offerings through other agencies.

The total amount received was \$2478.06, of which amount there was sent from churches and friends in Nova Scotia, \$1,287 67; in New Brunswick, \$1,053.88, in Prince Edward Island, \$74.30; and from outside these Provinces, \$62.21. There have been remitted to India \$2,369.13, which leaves a balance on hand for distribution of \$108.93. with the cry of distress from our own field ringing in our ears worse than ever.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

At the last Convention held in Berwick there were special pledges given of \$5.00 each for the support of R. E. Gullison. These pledges are to continue as long as the parties who made them feel able to do so. They may be withdrawn at any time, but the understanding is that they are of a permanent character. At the N. B. Convention, held a few weeks later, there were similar pledges given at a most enthusiastic missionary meeting. The total contributions received for Mr. Gullison's support have been \$385.51. The Board is very grateful to these brothers and sisters for this timely help and trust that the number of contributors may be so increased that provision shall be made for the entire support of Mr. Gullison.

FINANCES.

As usual these have given your Board much concern. The impulse which was given to the work at the last Convention, the presence of the outgoing missionaries, and later at the New Brunswick Convention, has had a good effect upon our people. Then the visitation of the churches by Mr. Higgins, who has been indefatigable in his efforts, as well as other agencies employed—have all resulted in an increase of funds. This increase, however, has not been sufficient to meet the increased expenditure and wipe out the deficit of last year. The total receipts have been \$19,752 37, which includes \$2478 06 received on account of Famine relief—and the total expenditures have been \$20,605.59—which includes the deficit of last year of \$782.29, and the amount expended for Famine relief of \$2369.13, which leaves a net deficit of \$962.15.

The amount received from the treasurer of convention for N. B. and P. E. I. has been more than was received for the past year, while the receipts from the churches in Nova Scotia show a decrease. This is more than offset however by the amounts which were sent direct to the Treasurer of the Board.

The interest received from the Bradshaw Trusts (1 and 2) have amounted to \$1,349.52, of which \$505.00 was from Trust No. 1, and \$844.52 from Trust No. 2. There has been paid to the Treasurer of the New Brunswick Convention the sum of \$237.50, less expenses incurred, to be expended by that body for the Foreign Mission Board, for Home Mission work in New Brunswick.

There has been paid to the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces, in accordance with the provisions of the 2nd Trust, \$208.80, less expenses incurred, to be expended for Home Mission work in New Brunswick.

LEGACIES.

The bequest of the late G. P. Payzant of Windsor for \$1000 has been paid, but owing to the succession tax the amount has been reduced 10 p. c. The exact amount which came to the Board was \$898.87.

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LITIGATION.

The equity suit brought by the administratrix of the late Jacob Bradshaw against your Board to set aside the conveyances made to them by Mr. Bradshaw, and to compel your Board to pay the plaintiff the moneys received by them with such conveyances, has been decided in favor of your Board. The plaintiff applied for a new trial of the case, but her application has been refused, and as the time for appeal has expired the case may now be considered as finally determined.

Your Board are not in a position to report the amount of their expenses of this litigation.

THE FIELD.

Bimlipitam.—This is our oldest Mission station. The work in this field has been full of encouragement. Of the *six* who were baptized, one was the son of a native preacher, and five came directly from heathenism. This is the largest number that has been gathered in on this field from Hinduism in any one year since Mr. Morse took charge of the work.

The baptism of a young man of the Weaver caste on March 15th, of whose conversion, K. Appalaswamy, the native preacher, was the instrument, makes a new link in the Weaver caste.

There is a large number of these people around Bimlipitam, and the way is opening to reach them with the Word as never before. Appalaswamy, who came out from that caste is now working among them with renewed courage and telling effect. Mr. Morse says, 'He is striking while the iron is hot and you will hear more from this quarter in the near future.'

During 1896 the missionary spent 97 days on tour. Mr. Morse says: 'On many of these tours the presence of Mrs. Morse with our organ was a great help in getting the ear of the people.' In quite a number of the villages which were visited the preaching of the Gospel seemed to be having a powerful effect upon some of the hearers. He says, 'We never marched over the field with more hopeful tread. Each successive visit has been more encouraging than the one before it. The God of hope 'has caused us to abound in hope,' and even where we have sowed in tears there has been an unquenchable hope that we yet should reap in joy.

The mission school is doing a good work. There are over 35 Hindu boys in attendance, most of whom are caste boys, although it has been repeatedly advertized that the purpose of the school is to lead the pupils to Christ. Besides the Bible classes taught by the teacher there is a gospel

service of half an hour every morning led by the missionary when he is at the station. These boys make a most inspiring congregation, and doubtless many of them will look to this school as the beginning of eternal life.

In the opinion of Mr. Morse there is no one way in which a missionary can do more towards influencing his whole field than by training his native helpers in the study of the Word of God. He says: "I regard our Bible Classes during the past year as one of the most important branches of our mission work. I believe that the chief victories of the year have been fought and won during the hours when we have been sitting together at the feet of Jesus and listening to His Word." Several most interesting cases are referred to by Mr. Morse in his report, which show that the gospel leaven is working, and ere long we shall hear the good news of many others making confession of Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord. To do this means much to these people, more, a great deal, than to any of us, but by God's grace it will be done.

It is therefore not at all surprising that the missionary is led to say as he looks over his field of labor, "Never before since we came to India has there been so much light on the horizon nor so much hope in our hearts."

Bobbili.—The work at this station has been carried on as usual.

During the early part of the year some time was given to the preparation of materials for completing the verandah of the chapel schoolhouse in town. This and the work of building later on, left much less time for touring and more direct evangelistic work.

The working force, always small on this field, has been weakened by the death of Bhagavan Behara, the only ordained preacher in our mission, with which he was connected since its commencement. His faith and hope in Christ were firm to the end.

The other preacher, C. Bussavana, was also ill and unable to work for a considerable time. But though the working force has been so weakened, and the work done comparatively small, yet there have been seven additions to the Bobbili church.

At Chekkagurda, a small village near Royaghada, a work has started that has filled all hearts with gladness, through the efforts of one who might be considered a weak if not unworthy instrument. 16 persons have been led to confess their faith in Christ by baptism. This is the largest number who have been baptized on any of our fields in any one year since the mission was established, and is an index of what may be expected in the years to come.

For some time the heathen neighbors did everything in their power to injure the little band of christians, and the prospect before them seemed dark indeed.

But they stood firm through all and showed no inclination to go back again. The young man Yerrakardoo, who has been the humble instrument in leading these souls to Christ, has been very ill and it was feared at one time that he would die. The need for more workers is great. This young man ought to be sent to the Seminary for further instruction. He has done well with his limited knowledge, but he greatly needs more training to guide and educate the people who have so much yet to learn.

It is one thing to get disciples, it is quite another thing to train them for service.

But as the reading and exposition of God's Word has been the genesis of this work, we have every reason to believe that it will endure.

But our prayers should ascend daily to the throne of grace for the christians of Chekkagurda.

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The last half of the month Mrs. Churchill, accompanied by her Bible women, were able to render most valuable help in reaching the women of the places visited. Several seemed near the Kingdom and professed a desire to be baptized but were kept back by their people.

The girls' school at this station is most interesting. It is full of promise. It has increased from 84 to more than 100 pupils.

Mrs. Churchill says:—"The Bible is taught daily and nearly all the pupils come to the Sunday School. The older girls show an increasing interest in Bible study and prayer. In some of the homes of these pupils the mothers are asking the Bible women to teach them to pray as the children are being taught. The attendance at the Sunday School is from 100 to 110, with six teachers, so that the new chapel is fully occupied."

There can be no doubt that by means of this school a great and good work will be done, for the promise is, "my word shall not return unto me void."

The colportage work still lags on this field, owing entirely to the need of a suitable agent.

In December last Miss Harrison was welcomed as a lady missionary for this field.

Mr. Churchill expects to return to the home land next spring. While we are reluctant to have him leave this work in India yet we are convinced that the time has come for rest and change. But who will care for Bobbili when the present mission family withdraws from the work? There ought to be more workers on the way to relieve the worn out veteran.

Chicacole and Palcondah.—These two stations are referred to as one because they have been under the direction of the missionary at Chicacole. And this has been so because there was no missionary to take up work at Palcondah.

Notwithstanding the many difficulties through which Mr. Archibald has been called upon to pass, and the heavy responsibilities which he has borne, his heart is filled with gratitude to God for His abounding goodness as he reviews the past.

The visible results of the work of the year have not been great. Four believers have confessed their allegiance to Jesus Christ.

One hundred and nineteen days were spent in touring on the Chicacole field and fifteen on the Palcondah field. The main centers of work were Tekkoli, Sompet, Calingapatam and Palcondah.

At Sompet the missionary held three public meetings in English and six in Telugu. These were full of promise. On this Chicacole field there should be at least three families—one at Chicacole, one at Tekkali, and one at Sompet.

Mr. Archibald says that he finds "the knowledge of the Gospel is becoming more widely known."

More religious literature has been sold than in any previous year. Books, tracts and papers to the number of 7072 were sold for \$168.36. Included in the above were 39 Bibles, 162 New Testaments, and 279 Scripture Portions, and 6630 other Christian books, tracts and papers. When books are bought they are usually read, which is not always the case when they are given away. The colportage work on this field is of a most encouraging character and is a potent factor in the work of evangelization.

There have been ten boys and four girls and one woman at the Boarding School—whose deportment has been excellent.

There are three day schools on this field. These are located at Chicacole, Jalmur and Gopalpore, which have had an average attendance of about 32. The school inspector speaks of the station school as the best of its class in the town. The head teacher is very devoted to his work.

The Gopalpore school is attended by Savara children and is taught by a Christian Savara girl from the Boarding School at the station.

The Sunday Schools, of which there are three, located at Chicacole, Palcondah and Tekkoli, have had an average attendance of about 60.

The pastor of the Chicacole church, B. Subbraidu, has been poorly during the greater part of the year, which has prevented him from discharging his pastoral duties with his usual zeal and energy. There is a good spirit in the church and the members are looking for the manifestations of the Spirit's power in the conversion of souls.

The spirit of benevolence seems to be on the increase. Since the New Year came in the contributions of the Chicacole church have been larger than ever before. The Tekkoli church is also doing well.

The contributions of each resident member in both churches amounts on an average to about \$1.32.

In speaking of the needs of this great field Mr. Archibald says: 'The Palcondah field with its 212,000 perishing souls and its handful of Christians needs a resident missionary urgently. I cannot devote to it a tithe of the labor that it needs. Then the Sompet and Tekkali fields should be struck off from the northern part of the old Chicacole field. They would have between them 416,000 people, while the Chicacole field proper would still have left a quarter of a million of people for its missionary to look after.'

There are two acres of land in Tekkali for a mission compound, and the missionary says that if the expected rains do not come it is his intention to give work to those suffering from hunger by proceeding with the erection of a mission house and other buildings there.

At Sompet, which is a county town and a fine centre for Christian work, an effort is making for the purchase of four acres of land for a mission compound, and the missionary says with a tearful soul, 'May the God of Missions hasten the time when there shall be a mission family laboring, if by any means the benighted in that region may be rescued from perishing.'

The outlook is most encouraging. The Gospel leaven is working. There is a marked change for the better in the way the people receive the missionaries, and the message which they bring. There is an increase in the number of inquirers. Mr. Archibald says: 'We pray that soon there may come a break and that a great harvest of souls may be gathered in.'

Miss Wright was the lady missionary in this field. She reports that work has been done in all the villages surrounding the station. That two tours have been made. The first was to Tekkali where the outlook seems to be very hopeful. The members of the little church are growing in grace. The example of the colporteur and his wife, who reside here, is having a marked effect upon the little flock.

The second tour was made at Gara and was full of interest. Conversations on the all important subjects were frequent, and the missionary came away with the feeling in her heart that many are not far from the kingdom.

Some effort was made to do work at Calingapatam. There was not as much touring done as in some other years, because attention had to be given to the boarding department at the station on account of the absence of Mrs. Archibald.

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In reviewing the work of the year a hopeful view is taken, because the word of the Lord is being read as never before in many places, and there is a greater knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus. The need is the converting power of the Holy Spirit.

The following is a summary of the work done :—

Number of days spent on tour	30
“ villages visited	44
“ visits made (including Bible women)	4960
“ hearers (probably)	19670
“ hand bills distributed	5570
“ Bible lessons	70
“ miles travelled	535

Parla, Kimedi.—This is the field over which Mr. Higgins had charge, and the oversight of which he was compelled to relinquish last year. Rev. H. Y. Corey and wife are the missionaries in charge at the present time. The responsibility thrown upon Mr. Corey was a heavy one, with his imperfect knowledge of the language. But he has given himself to the work with his well known fidelity and zeal.

He says of the work as it appeared to him :—“ A little band of Christians needed counsel and instruction, a handful of preachers of the Word required encouragement and direction in work and study. The needs of a few school children demanded attention, the physical requirements of some of our destitute ones, made so by the total failure of their crops, was a matter for serious concern. The oversight of workmen in repairing of buildings, and in the erection of compound walls, stole a portion of time. The preparation for, and the teaching of a class of boys, in the Rajah's College, in the English Bible, all conspired to pick up the spare moments.

During the year, three months were spent on the hills, principally on account of the health of Mrs. Corey and child. But there was time for a half dozen trips from nine to forty miles into the surrounding districts, and a short tour among the heathen villages. This, with all the routine of station life and with the burden of time and strength given to the study of the language, has taxed the energy of brain and heart to the fullest extent.

The year has not been without results. Four believers were baptized and received into the fellowship of the Parla-Kimedi church. Two others have presented themselves to the church and asked for baptism, but before the hour of service their courage gave way and they failed to follow Christ in His ordinance. They could not face the dreadful opposition and persecution which such a profession would bring them. We are not to wonder at this. It is just what we might and ought to expect from the nature of things. It is only the grace of God that can help any of these people to stem the tide which sets so strongly against one forsaking the religion of their ancestors for that of Jesus Christ. Mr. Corey says on this point, “The people have no sense of aught arising from conviction. When the truth of a position is admitted they have scarcely any sense of obligation to act in accord with the admitted fact. And so it is with the greatest difficulty that any impression whatever is made, and to lead them to an intelligent decision to accept Christ as their Saviour requires long and steady effort. Strong faith and patience are prime factors in the equipment for missionary service. The grace that *gets hold* and *holds one* must obtain.

Miss Clarke is associated with Mr. Corey at Parla-Kimedy.

The year has been a broken one for her, but we trust the time has come when she may be enabled to give some continuous effort to the work which lies so near her heart. Her health is much improved, and besides studying the language she has had a class in Sunday-school and has visited the day school almost daily.

She has spent the hot season again in the hills. A Bible woman was engaged the first of December. She can neither read nor write, but is an earnest Christian and seems to have a love for the work.

Twenty-two days were spent on tour with Auklatampara as a centre. The pastor's wife here has been active during the past year and has gotten hold of quite a number of the women of the place.

Miss Clark says: 'A Bible class for the Christian 100 men has been held at the station since July, and we have enjoyed the study of the 'Life of Christ' and hope that as we learn more about Christ, the longing for souls may fill the hearts of the women and make them a blessing to their lost sisters.'

VIZIANAGRAM.—At this station a lone missionary is toiling on, cheered and encouraged by God's grace as he goes forth to his daily duties. He does not spare himself, but as if he felt the uncertainty of life he crowds into the passing moments all the energy which he can command.

Five months of the year were occupied principally in touring with the native helpers. There were seven district tours in all, which occupied 101 days. The missionary himself spent 96 days, and visited 152 towns and villages. Work has been done in about 300 different towns and villages. In touring much has been found to encourage. Many thousands have heard the Gospel. The native preachers have rendered good service. Mr. Sanford says:—'What the Lord has wrought through them we are not able to define. We have good evidence that the Holy Spirit has been present during the year, but his operation has not been manifested in the conversion of the heathen.'

Church meetings have been held regularly every month. *Four persons* have been added by baptism and *one* by letter and *two* by experience. Telugu Sunday-school was established on the first Sunday in May.

Four Quarterly Meetings have been held during the year. These have proved a means of blessing. At each meeting a review and examination have been made on the work assigned for the previous three months. During the year the greater portion of all the christians who can read have read repeatedly the New Testament from Luke to Collossians, inclusive. In addition to this, ten chapters in the Gospel of Mark have been studied in the Sunday School. They have committed to memory and have recited the Lord's Prayer, the ten Commandments, the names of the books of the Bible in their order, the names of the tribes of Israel, the first, second and twenty-third Psalms, the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah, and the second chapter of Ephesians. The four native preachers also have preached sermons at these meetings on texts previously assigned to them.

During the last three and a half months of the year a little day school of ten pupils has been in operation.

About 15,000 pages of tracts and handbills have been distributed and 818 books have been sold. Among these were 9 English Bibles, 7 Telugu Old Testaments, 5 Telugu New Testaments and 15 Scripture portions.

The mission buildings were very much out of repair and Mr. Sanford found it imperatively necessary to see that something was done in order to make them habitable. About Rs. 1000 were laid out on them during the hot season. The compound and buildings are now in a fairly good condition.

Mr. Sanford says:—'I am endeavouring to meet the needs of this field as best I can, but of course it is attempting an impossibility. Oh, how much and how grand a work could be done from this centre if we only had the means and the help to organize and prosecute a proper system of missionary operations. With two missionary families here constantly and one or two lady missionaries with means at their disposal to carry on the

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work efficiently, by God's grace, I think the force of our christian efforts could be brought to bear on this whole field in such a way as to produce grand results. This one central station, with outstations as the work required, would meet fairly well the needs of the field, that is speaking comparatively, and *considering the present supply of missionary agencies.*

Mr. Sandford's health is of such a nature that he has been able to prosecute his work without interruption a single day during the last year.

SUMMARY.

A review of the field shows that there have been 47 additions to the churches—41 by baptism and 6 by letter and experience. There are six mission families and 4 single ladies—one of whom is on furlough. There are 19 preachers and evangelists, 6 colporteurs and 15 Bible women. There are 6 day schools, with an average attendance of 159, and 13 teachers, 4 of whom are not Christians. There are 2 Boarding Schools and 33 pupils. There are 8 Sunday Schools and 21 teachers, with an average attendance of 246. There are 7 churches with a membership of 194, and 10 outstations reported at the close of the year. Since then the membership has increased to more than 200.

This affords some idea of what is being done and the kind of men that is needed to do it. There is a great deal expected from our missionaries and sometimes we grow impatient because the results seem so small in comparison with the outlay of men and means which are expended,—but do we consider truly the condition of things on the field and how vitally we ourselves are related to this work. That the work is our very own has not begun to dawn upon many in the homeland. It is well to remember that success or failure, from our view point may be due very largely to ourselves and not to those who represent us on the field. The blessing may be withheld because we are not able to utilize it if it came in full measure.

GRATEFUL MENTION.

Your Board desires to record its full appreciation of the work of the W. B. M. U. for continued financial support and for the unflagging zeal which the Union shows in the work of missions.

We are also grateful to the many pastors who are doing so nobly in leading their churches to consider the claims of heathen peoples upon them, for what renders life in these lands so sweet and blessed.

APPEAL OF MISSIONARIES.

A most moving appeal has been received from our missionaries to which we desire to refer. A copy has been sent to the pastors of our churches.

The brethren say: "We all with one accord feel pressed in spirit to make an appeal in the name of the Lord to the churches of the living God in the in the Maritime Provinces, that they would join us in earnest and persevering prayer to the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest.

In view of the possibility that in the near future the Bobbili and Chica-cole fields may be deprived of their present missionaries for at least a time, we have but slight hopes that the services of Bro. Gullison will be available for opening up a new station. * * * * *

With all this inexpressable and inconceivable destitution spread daily before our eyes we dare not represent the urgent and instant needs to be less than 31 additional families and a corresponding number of single ladies, making one mission family to every 50,000 Telugus.

Relying upon the promise of our Lord, recorded in Matt. 18: 19, we all are pleading in agreed prayer with God to send this very autumn three families chosen and sent forth by Himself, and to give us three new mission houses, a family and a mission house for Palcondah field with its 212,000 souls, a family and a mission house for the Tekkali field with its 216,000 inhabitants, and a family and a mission house for the Semapit field with its population of 200,000 souls."

These brethren make large demands upon our faith. And yet in view of the fact that nearly \$2,500 was raised by our people for the relief of the sufferers from famine in India without any special effort to raise the same, it is clear to your Board that our people could easily send three additional families this autumn if they only had the mind to do it.

Brethren of Conventions, messengers of the churches, it is for you to say what answer shall be given to this appeal! It is in your minds now, may the Holy Spirit lay it upon your hearts.

Respectfully submitted,

G. O. GATES, *President.*

J. W. MANNING, *Sec'y.-Treasurer.*

August, 1897.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER
OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OF THE BAPTIST
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Receipts.

Denominational Work :—	
New Brunswick and P. E. Island.....	\$1762 35
Nova Scotia	2889 92
	4652 27
W. B. M. U	6700 00
Mission Bands and Sunday Schools.....	99 90
National Bible Society of Scotland	298 08
For Rev. Mr. Gullison's Support	385 51
From Churches and Individuals	1886 74
Refunds on Outfit and Travelling Expenses	248 80
Sale of Maps, \$82.25 ; Pulpit Supply, \$35.00.....	117 25
On Dr. Day's balance	33 37
On Indebtedness (M. B. S.)	10 00
	2979 75
Legacy :—	
G. P. Payzant Estate	\$1000 00
Less Succession Tax, \$100.00 ; Discount, \$1.13..	101 13
	898 87
Interest :—	
David Shaw Trust	207 00
Jacobs' Bequest.....	60 00
C. R. Bill Bequest	27 00
	294 00
Bradshaw Trust, No. 1	\$ 505 00
“ No. 2	844 52
	1349 52
Dr. Bradshaw Trust	300 00
Famine Fund	2478 06
	\$19752 37

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Missionaries' Salaries	\$9267 87	
General Purposes	3073 86	
Travelling Expenses	1757 22	
	14098 95	
Famine Fund	2369 13	
Outfit	586 21	
Home :—		
Rev. W. V. Higgins, Travelling Expenses	\$ 143 65	
Lantern, etc	97 87	
	241 52	
Mr. Gullison's allowance, 2 months	\$ 100 00	
" for Travel Expenses	35 49	
	135 49	
Secretary-Treasurer, Salary	\$1000 00	
Travel Expenses	56 75	
	1056 75	
Year Book	112 21	
Expenses on Trusts :—		
Insurance on Rothesay Property, No. 1	\$ 30 00	
Queen St. House, No. 2	22 50	
Water Rates	19 70	
Taxes	43 51	
Repairs, \$102 40 ; Plumbing, \$30 00	132 40	
	248 11	
Interest :—		
Bank Interest	\$ 78 66	
On Note	30 00	
	108 66	
Dr. Bradshaw Trust	300 00	
Home Missions—Trust No. I	\$ 237 50	
" II	208 80	
	446 30	
Miscellaneous :—	\$19703 33	
Printing, \$37.35 ; Postage, \$18.20 ; Discount, \$10.42	\$ 65 97	
Rent, \$40.00 ; Audit, \$10.00 ; Miss. Reports, \$1.80	51 80	
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Total expense, 1896-'7	19823 30	
Deficit, Aug. 1896	782 29	
Balance due Fam. Fund	108 93	
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Total receipts, 1896-'7	19752 37	
Deficit, August 1897	\$962 15	
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Overpaid by Treasurer	\$ 70 93	
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J. W. MANNING, *Treasurer.*

We have examined the books of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces for the year, compared the entries with the vouchers, and find the services properly classified, the additions correct and everything satisfactory.

B. A. STAMERS, }
A. H. CHIPMAN, } *Auditors.*

MISSION DIRECTORY.

MISSIONARIES.	RESIDENCE.	DEPARTURE TO INDIA.
Rev. L. D. Morse and wife	Bimlipitam	October, 1891.
Rev. Geo. Churchill and wife....	Bobbili	September, 1873.
Rev. I. C. Archibald and wife ...	Chicacole	October, 1882.
Rev. H. Y. Corey and wife	Parla-Kimedy	October, 1894.
Rev. R. Sanford	Vizianagram	September, 1873.
*Miss Carrie A. Hammond .....	.....	September, 1878.
Miss Martha Clark	Parla-Kimedy	October, 1894.
Miss Maud E. Harrison	Bobbili	October, 1896.
Miss Ida M. Newcomb.....	Bimlipitam.....	October, 1896.
<i>On Furlough.</i>		
Rev. W. V. Higgins and wife...	Wolfville, N. S.....	October, 1889.
Mrs. R. Sanford.....	Wolfville, N. S.....	September, 1873.
Miss A. C. Gray	New Annan, N. S.....	November, 1884.
<i>Under Appointment.</i>		
Charles H. Schutt.....	.....	1897.
Miss Mabel Archibald	Chicacole	October, 1897.

*Miss Hammond became the wife of Rev. I. C. Archibald in October, 1883.

MISSION STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1896.

STATIONS.	No. of Churches.	Baptisms.	Membership Dec. 31st, 1895.	Membership Dec. 31st, 1896.	NATIVE PREACHERS.		Colporteurs.	Bible Women.	Day Schools.	Teachers.	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Average attendance	Outstations.	
					Ordained.	Unordained.									
Bimlipitam.....	1	3	24	27	.....		3	1	..	1	2	1	2	24	1
Bobbili	1	14	30	43	.....		1	..	5	1	6	1	6	104	1
Chicacole	2	4	55	55	1		5	2	6	2	3	2	6	56	4
Parla-Kimedy	2	4	44	44	1		4	1	3	..	2	5	40	1	
Vizianagram	1	2	25	25		4	1	..	1	1	2	22	3	
Falconda		1	1	1	1
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Contributions for the Indian Famine Fund sent through the Foreign Mission Board :—

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Portaupique Church.....	\$ 4 25
Little River, W. M. A. S.	2 50
Mrs. J. C. McNeill, (Waterford)	1 00
'Ruth'	2 00
Mahone Bay	7 00
Edgar D. Shand.....	5 00
Mrs. G. R. Marshall	5 00
New Germany Station	4 55
Mr. Baker (Riverside)	1 00
North Baptist Church Sunday-school	10 00
'C,' Bridgetown.....	1 00
Rev. J. C. Morse and others.....	6 73
'Two friends'.....	65 00
West Yarmouth.....	25 00
Amherst Shore.....	11 60
Little River (Digby Co)	3 50
'Nellie' (Advocate).....	10 50
Stephen Cook	5 00
Henry Allen	2 00
W. Coffin	25
'A Sister'	5 00
Middleton Church	25 50
Greenfield Church	7 34
Bay View Church and others.....	4 27
Milton, Queens Co., B. Y. P. U.....	2 00
Queens Co. B. Y. P. U. (coll).....	8 49
Rev. W. L. Archibald and others	10 55
North Sydney Church.....	20 75
Chas. Crisp	2 00
Hampton, N. S.....	15 16
W. C. Hankinson.....	1 00
Truro Ist. Church	32 02
Lockeport W. M. A. S	23 00
Temple Church, Yarmouth	41 25
A. J. Soley	1 00
Tabernacle Church Halifax	25 00
Wilmot Mountain Church	12 75
Hampton Church, N. S	1 85
Wolfville Church.....	91 38
North Baptist S. S.....	30 00
Sydney Church	22 00
A Friend per Mrs. Smith.....	2 00
Clarence Church.....	30 50
Jordan Falls S. S	4 70
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Westport Miss. Band	\$ 15 00
Westport, Tyro Division of S. of T	5 00
Amherst Church	29 44
West Jeddore Church	6 00
West Jeddore S. S.	1 61
Mrs Grace Arnold	50
Berwick B. Y. P. S. C. E.	44 00
Emna Purdy ..	1 00
Guysboro Church ..	10 00
Newport Church	6 95
North Temple Church, S. Ohio	39 51
B. Y. P. U., No. Temple and Ohio Church	7 49
Mahone Bay Church	3 00
Gaspereaux B. Y. P. U.	3 00
W. M. A. S. Forbes Point	13 25
Woods Harbor Church	7 75
"P"	60
Wilmot Church, Paradise Section	18 73
Bear River	27 34
Bridgetown	7 65
Yarmouth 3rd	6 30
Upper East Pubnico	5 50
Liverpool Church	5 50
Per. Rev. A. Cohoon	24 00
Upper Wilmot Church, Milburn Square	18 58
Kempton Church	20 85
W. M. A. S. Yarmouth Ist	17 83
W. M. A. S. Oyster Pond, Jeddore	2 40
N. E. Margaree	35 53
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Wilmot Mountain Church	1 00
Immanuel Church, S. S.	6 60
Margaretville Coll.	6 20
Mrs. McDougall	5 00
Per A. Cohoon	6 00
Capt. Cook	5 00
A Friend	3 00
In His Name	2 00
Little River Juv. Workers (Yarmouth Co)	6 25
Eva Hervy	1 60
Knowles Porter	2 00
Gertrude B. Daily and others	13 00
North Brookfield Mission Band	7 00
Chas. Skinner	5 00
Division S. of T., West Jeddore	5 10
A Sister, Falmouth	1 00
Dartmouth Church	15 37
'Charity,' Bridgewater	3 00
Mill Village Church	2 62
Town East Jeddore S. S.	1 00
Nictaux Church, Torbrook Section	10 25
Mrs. Fannie Hart, Baddeck	2 00
Smith's Cove Church	3 00
Clementsport Church	2 00
Antigonish Church, 'Little Helpers'	11 00
W. M. A. S., Sable River	6 00
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New Harbor Church	3 00

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Mrs. A. N. Giffin, per A. C.	\$ 1 50
Robt Ingraham	1 00
Mary C. Ingraham	2 00
J. W. Ingraham	2 00
1st St. Margaret's Bay Church	1 54
Teachers and Scholars Milford Cove School	3 85
Mrs. Benj Palmer	1 00
Mrs. Rainsforth	1 00
Mrs. Huntington	2 00
Mrs. Leander Palmer	50
Mrs. Grant Parker	50
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NEW BRUNSWICK.

C. E. Vail	\$ 1 00
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Trites	7 00
Germain St. Church	179 00
Rev. J. W. Manning	2 00
'A brother,' Harvy	1 00
Rev. S. McC. Black	2 00
Blissfield (Doaktown Sec.)	6 25
James Boyle	2 00
Main St. Church, St. John	40 00
Lizzie M. Bleakney	1 00
Forest Glen	6 00
Moneton 1st Church	150 00
Lewisville Sec.	16 27
R. L. Phillips	5 00
Elgin 1st Church	25 25
'A friend,' St. George	1 00
Mrs. J. B. Hamm	5 00
Chipman 2nd, Miss Bond	5 00
Brussels St. Church	27 00
Leinster St. Church	59 00
Jesse Tabor	5 00
'A friend,' St. John	1 00
Rothesay Church, per J. W. K. and others	11 00
Mr. and Mrs. D. Thompson	1 00
Carleton Church and B. Y. P. U.	17 00
Woodstock Church and M. B.	21 25
Hopewell Church	182 45
Prince William B. Y. P. U.	9 00
Mr. and Mrs. Cook Kitchin	2 00
Havelock Coll. by Pearl Mullin	40 00
Sussex	28 70
Germantown	7 00
Lower Wickham	11 00
Mr. and Mrs. T. Whit. Colpitts	4 00
Oak Bay, per W. H. Morgan	24 00
Alma	2 00
W. W. Price	1 02
North River	13 09
Petitcodiac Church and S. S.	27 26
Hillsdale-Hammond W. M. A. S.	15 70
Rev. E. A. Allaby	1 00
Martha J. Hay	20 00

Alice Clark	\$ 3 00
1st Salisbury	5 50
Harvey 1st Church	19 65
Harvey 2nd Church	7 50
Upper Gagetown W. M. A. S.	2 50
Proceeds of sale by Effie Sipprell, Barbara Dobson, Ella and Katie Murray	2 14
Upham Station, by Mrs. J. M. Titus	21 35
Albert Mission Band, Little Givers	1 00
Oak Bay Coll. by Mabel V. Morrell	5 00
Fred. and Aggie Coonan	1 00
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P. E. ISLAND.

Hazelbrook Church	\$ 18 36
Charlottetown Church	29 94
Springfield Church	4 00
Alberton Mission Band	4 00
Bedeque per Mrs. Smith	10 00
North River Mission Band per Mrs. Smith	5 00
Summerside Church	1 00
Rev. W. N. Robinson	2 00
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Miss H. M. Lockhart	\$ 1 00
Miss Barnford	1 00
Miss Crump	5 00
Mrs. C. W. Morton	5 64
Down South	2 00
Students Wayland Sem., per Miss B.	2 00
Mrs. John Rowe	1 00
A. N. B. Baptist, Hartford, Conn.	2 00
Mrs. Worden Hubley	1 00
Alice Churchill	1 00
Miriam Leoane	2 00
Mrs. A. S. Everett	1 00
North Head, Grand Manan (Ref. Bap.)	17 00
Seal Cove, Grand Manan (Ref. Bap.)	16 57
Annie Lewis	1 00
Matilda Grant	1 00
Lizzie H. Good	2 00
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WOMEN'S BAPTIST MISSIONARY UNION *in account with* MRS. MARY SMITH, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31ST, 1897.

1896.

Aug. 1. By balance on hand.....	1477 10
Amount received from Nova Scotia W. M. A. S....	4670 94
“ New Brunswick W. M. A. S.	2140 56
“ P. E. Island W. M. A. S....	501 59
“ Mission Bands, N. S.....	657 32
“ “ N. B.....	282 38
“ “ P. E. I.....	70 97
“ Sunday Schools, N. S.....	187 99
“ “ N. B.....	80 84
“ “ P. E. I.....	5 00
“ Young People's Societies, N.S.	31 75
“ Donations	172 30
“ Annual Reports	30 00
“ Tidings.....	32 42
“ Annual Collection.....	24 83
“ Collection N. B. Convention.	25 00
“ N. B. Western Association.. ..	20 00
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Paid J. W. Manning, Treasurer F. M. B.....	6700 00
H. E. Sharpe, “ N. W. M.....	700 00
Joseph Richards, “ G. L. M.....	400 00
A. Cohoon, “ H. M. (N. S. & P. E. I)	300 00
J. S. Titus, “ N. B. Convention	68 98
Fupert Haley, “ N. B. H. M.....	131 42
Mrs Cox, Pro. Sec'y New Brunswick	175 00
Miss Harrison.....	25 00
Miss Newcombe	25 00
Miss Gray, travelling expenses (Asso'n)	13 36
Miss Johnstone, “	13 04
“ postage.....	14 00
Mrs. Cox, postage	5 00
Printing Annual Reports	54 00
Postage and Wrapping.....	10 73
Printing Tidings.....	21 66
Printing tracts and blank forms.....	7 00
George Day.....	1 00
County Secretaries	9 05
Blank Book.....	40
Drafts, discounts and postage.....	20 43
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Amherst, Aug. 6th, 1897.

MARY SMITH, *Treas. W. B. M. U.*

Audited and found correct,

T. R. BLACK.

Amherst, Aug. 16th, 1897.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

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ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1897-'98.

Foreign Missions	7300 00
Home Missions.....	2000 00

Appropriations:—

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Miss Clark's salary	500 00
" work	75 00
Mr. Morse's salary	1200 00
Miss Harrison's salary	500 00
" teacher and touring	75 00
Miss Newcombe's salary	500 00
" teacher and touring	75 00
Miss Gray's passage.....	300 00
" work.....	100 00
" salary	500 00
Miss Archibald's passage	300 00
" teacher	50 00
" salary	500 00
Bobbili	100 00
Books and Tracts	100 00
Schools	250 00
Helpers and Bible-women	500 00
Home Literature	75 00
Contingent Fund	200 00
Passage of Male Missionary	300 00
Salary	800 00
Tekkæli Building Fund	300 00
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HOME MISSIONS.

N. W. Missions.....	600 00
G. L. Missions	400 00
Home Missions, N. S. and P. E. I	450 00
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Indian work	200 00
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Report of the Board of Governors of Acadia University for the Year ending August 1st, 1897.

A review of the year furnishes some cause for devout thankfulness to Him, who has guided the affairs of our Institutions and who, amid all our mistakes and failures, has continued to bless our schools with a good measure of success and usefulness.

MEETINGS.

Your Board met four times during the year. Patient and painstaking deliberation has been given to the business that has been before the Board. The Executive Committee has met on the first Friday of each month regularly, and has carried forward the business passed upon by the Board, and has also attended closely, to such matters as required immediate attention between the meetings of the Board. The Senate held their annual meeting on the 31st of May. The suggestions and recommendations sent by them to the Board, have received careful attention, and, as far as conditions will permit, will be carried into effect.

ASSOCIATED ALUMNI.

The Associated Alumni held their thirty-seventh Annual Meeting, on the 2nd of June. While many graduates and former students continue to manifest a deep interest in the aims of the Association there are many others who do not. Your Board would gratefully acknowledge the aid received from the Association, still it is a matter of regret that the salary of the Alumni professor, pledged to the Board, is not more promptly paid, and that their published accounts show so large a balance on the wrong side. Your Board have learned, however, with satisfaction that the Alumni are addressing themselves with new resolution, to the cancelling of their accumulated indebtedness to the Board, and to the prompt discharge of future obligations.

The New England Branch Association held their annual meeting in Boston in April. There were many expressions of satisfaction on account of the presence at this meeting of the President elect of the University. They report a membership of about twenty-five. Their Secretary says, "the influence of Acadia College is becoming better known among the American people, and they are disposed to give it a friendly hand." The Association sent their annual contribution of \$200.00 to the Alumni professorship.

During the year a branch association for New Brunswick was organized at St. John. This too, will aid in developing an interest in your university.

THE COLLEGE.

The College opened on Wednesday the 30th of September. During the year one hundred and twenty-four students were enrolled as follows:—Seniors, thirty; Juniors, thirty-two; Sophomores, twenty-nine; Freshmen and General Students, thirty-three. The work of the college was prosecuted with regularity and success. The Professors met their appointments without interruption, except that Dr. Sawyer was laid aside by indisposition for two weeks. This occurred however, when the students were engaged in review work, so that his enforced absence from class, was of less serious matter than had it occurred at another time.

The Acting President for the year in his report says: "The Committees of the Faculty, invited by the Board to undertake some special duties for the year, and indeed, all the members of the Faculty have cheerfully borne the responsibilities incident to the present state of the college." "The committees on discipline, and on admissions and promotions have attended faithfully to their work, and have contributed much to the general success of the year." He also says, "I wish to speak in terms of commendation of the body of students. They have been marked by the manifestation of a worthy purpose and devotion to their proper work."

The College closed with appropriate public exercises, on Wednesday, the first of June. Thirty students having completed the prescribed course of study, received, in due form, the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Certificates for work done in the Honor Course were given to nineteen in the Senior class; eight in the Junior and three in the Sophomore class. Mr. Charles E. Morse received the Governor General's Medal, for the highest average during four years.

Eleven having passed satisfactory examinations, received the degree of Master in Arts.

Honorary Degrees.—The honorary degree of Masters in Arts was bestowed upon Rev. W. B. Hinson, of Moncton, N. B.; W. E. Roscoe, Esq., Q. C., of Kentville, and Hon. H. R. Emmerson, of N. B. The degree of Doctor of Civil Law was bestowed upon J. W. Longley, Esq., M. A., the Hon. Attorney General of Nova Scotia; and of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. O. C. S. Wallace, M. A., Chancellor of McMaster University, Toronto.

Lectures on Law.—Mr. W. E. Roscoe has continued his lectures on "Contracts," and Prof. Tufts on "Constitutional History and International Law." Seven students elected to take these studies last year, and have successfully passed the examinations assigned by the Faculty of the Dalhousie Law School, and been admitted to the second year, in that Institution.

Your Board are under very great obligations to Mr. Roscoe for his services so freely and cheerfully rendered, in the courses of lectures on law. Dr. Gumbart, of Boston, gave last year \$25 for the purchase of a book of reference, for those taking this course.

THE G. P. PAYZANT LEGACY.

The executors of Mr. G. P. Payzant, deceased, have paid over to the Treasury of the Board the bequest made by him to the University. A full statement of the amount received, and the disposition made of it so far, will be given you in the report of the Treasurer.

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THEOLOGY.

In view of the bequest of Mr. Payzant, and of the evident desire on the part of many among the constituency of the University for a Department of Theology at Acadia, your Board after long and careful deliberation have adopted the following:—

1. To accept the bequest of Mr. Payzant and apply it, in behalf of instruction in Theology, in accordance with the terms of the will.

2. To arrange for the opening of regular courses in Theology, not later than the autumn of 1899, provided the then financial condition of the University will warrant it.

The purpose is to establish a four years' course in Theology, answering in its essential features to the B. Th. course already outlined in the College Calendar; and also to open a second course of three years, to be known as the English Course, with certificate. This last will include all the English studies of the B. Th. course, and such other English studies of the Art Course as will complete a three years curriculum.

As the studies in the first year in each of these courses are almost identical with those of the Freshman year in the Arts course, the President can carry the Theological work of both these courses for the first year. For the second year beginning with the Autumn of 1900, an additional professor will be required; and for the year following, a third should be appointed.

The Payzant fund will supply full salary for one professor, and also, that portion of the President's salary chargeable to the Theological fund, and it is hoped by your Board that, by the time the third professor is needed, the endowment for Theology will have so increased or the general beneficence of the churches towards the college will have so enlarged as to make it possible to carry out the purposes above indicated.

NEW PRESIDENT.

At the meeting of the Board in November, on the unanimous recommendation of a committee appointed in August to secure the nomination of a successor to Dr. Sawyer, the retiring president, Rev. Thos. Trotter, was unanimously appointed president of the University, and Professor of Pastoral Theology and Homiletics. He was offered the same salary as that paid to the former president, and asked to accept office on the first of August then ensuing. After several weeks of anxious enquiry, Mr. Trotter asked for a conference with the Board. This was given him at a special meeting called for the purpose on the third of February. At the close of the conference, Mr. Trotter intimated that he was prepared to accept the appointment of the Board, which he did, in a more formal way, in a letter to the Secretary of the Board under date of February 5th. Since Mr. Trotter's appointment to the Presidency, the degree of Doctor of Divinity has been bestowed on him by McMaster University. Dr. Trotter was for five years Professor of Pastoral Theology and Homiletics in that institution.

HORTON ACADEMY.

The Academy opened on the second of September. The number of students enrolled during the year, was eighty-six. Thirty-one were in the senior grade; forty-seven in the middle year, and eight were junior. Seventeen received diplomas of graduation and will enter college next year. The closing exercises of the Academy, were held in College Hall on the first of June, and were of much interest.

In his report of the year, the Principal says; "we have had on the whole, a good year. The students have displayed commendable industry and earnestness in study. The teachers have been faithful and efficient in the discharge of their duties. The health of all in the school has been exceptionally good, which he says we note, with sincere gratitude to God."

Mr. Shirley J. Case, who has taught in the Academy for two years, resigned at the close of the term in June, and Mr. Charles E. Morse, a graduate of this year, and Governor General Medallist of his class, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Case.

Mr. G. W. Bashaw, who was instructor of Manual Training last year, resigned, and Mr. Geo. D. McKinnon, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., has been appointed to the place. Mr. McKinnon is a graduate of the department of Applied Science at McGill University. He also was Governor General Medallist of his class in McGill. He comes to us with very high recommendations.

During the summer the rooms in the Academy have been newly painted and papered, and new furniture has been provided for each room, so that the place may seem as home-like as possible for the students.

Your Academy has rendered important service to the denomination that has sustained it, and to the country during a long series of years. More than 3000 young persons have taken a more or less extended term of study in its classes. The amount of benefit received by these, it is impossible to know. The Academy has furnished more than one half the Matriculation class in college each year, for many years, and notwithstanding the many County Academies and high grade schools now doing such noble service in the cause of education. Your Academy is a very important feeder to the college. It certainly deserves the hearty support of the denomination.

It will be manifestly impossible for the Academy to do much longer without a new building for class rooms, as the introduction of a new department in the college, will render it necessary to use for college purposes the rooms hitherto occupied by the Academy.

ACADIA SEMINARY.

The Seminary opened on the second of September. In many respects the past year was a prosperous one. The Principal, Miss True, reports very favorably of the staff of teachers and of the students. It is painful to have to record the death of one of the students. Miss Mamie E. Nickerson, of Forbes' Point, died in March after a brief illness. All that medical skill could effect was done for her, but without avail. Her mother, who was with her during her illness and death, expressed much gratitude for the loving attention and care shown toward her daughter and herself in their time of trial. Miss True referred to Miss Nickerson as "one of our brightest and best pupils."

The enrolment for the year was eighty-four. The greatest number of boarders at any one time during the year, including eight ladies attending college, was sixty-four.

The closing exercises were held in College Hall on the 1st of June. Dr. Sawyer presided, introduced the speakers, and presented the diplomas. Five young ladies graduated; three in the Collegiate course, one in Piano and one in Vocal Music.

Leave of absence for one year has been granted to Miss Higgins, teacher of French and German, in order that she may have opportunity for further study; and her place is taken by Miss Ida E. McLeod of Fredericton. Miss Ellen M. Freeman of the Art School, Cooper Union, New York, has been appointed teacher in drawing and painting, in place of Miss Chipman,

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who also goes abroad for further study. Miss Burnett, teacher of Elocution, resigned in the spring on account of ill-health, and Miss Mabel C. Hall, of Halifax, has been appointed in her place.

As Miss True has desired to have some one of experience in caring for the sick, appointed to have the charge of cases of any serious illness, Miss Sadie B. Fales of Roslindale, Mass., has been engaged for that purpose. She will take some studies in the school, as opportunity may permit.

The following is from the report of Dr. Sawyer, the Honorary Principal of the Seminary, to the Board:—"For the past year I have conducted weekly exercises with two classes in Bible-study, one numbering fifteen, the other about forty. The first studied the Life of Christ, the second, the early history of the Jewish Monarchy. I have also met a class in Psychology and Ethics three times a week. Examined in its relation to the grades of the students, I must consider the quality of their work in those studies very satisfactory.

"In accordance with the plan outlined to the Board last year, I met the teachers of the Seminary a few times in the first part of the year, to consider with them the general interests of the school. Owing to some necessary limitations of my efforts since February, such meetings have not been as frequent as I had intended. But something has been accomplished in the way of promoting co-operation on the part of the representatives of the different sub-divisions of our work towards a common end; and also in promoting a more definite and reasonable classification of the school. Many pupils enter the Seminary intending to take a little of this subject and a little of that, but with no clear purpose of any definite course of study. The teachers have taken considerable pains to speak to the young ladies on the wastefulness of such a manner of study. As a consequence, it is probably true, that at no time in the past has so large a portion of the school permitted themselves to be classed as candidates for the completion of the full collegiate course. I consider this a great gain. If the effort in this direction is consistently continued, it will give promise of most valuable results in the education of the young women of these provinces.

"The Faculty of the college have agreed to admit to matriculation any young lady who presents a certificate from the Seminary, that she has satisfactorily completed the work of the collegiate course including Latin, to the close of the third year. The collegiate course of the Seminary carries the student one year further in study than the grade of Matriculation."

Dr. Sawyer adds:—"Having now obtained a somewhat intimate acquaintance with the general management and character of the Seminary, I can commend with confidence the wisdom of its administration, the fidelity and earnestness of the teachers, and the fine spirit so generally manifested by the young ladies of the school."

Religious Life.—The spiritual condition of your Institutions during the past year is matter for devout gratitude. A number of the students in the College, and in each of the other departments, professed faith in Christ. Some of them united with the Baptist Church in Wolfville, and some preferred to wait until their return home, before making church connections. The visit of Mr. Gale, the Evangelist, who, at the invitation of the College Y. M. C. A., held some special services in College Hall in March, was blessed to the quickening and strengthening of the spiritual life of many.

Both Mr. Oakes and Miss True report an unusual interest in their Bible-class and prayer-meeting services. In the Seminary special meetings for Bible study were held with the Principal, by request of the young ladies.

Twenty-nine students in the College last year and six in the Academy are candidates for the Christian Ministry.

Canvass for Pupils.—The Executive Committee requested Dr. Trotter, the new President, to give his services to the Board during the months of June and July, so as to attend the Associations, and do such other work as he might be able, in the interests of the Institutions. He therefore agreed to attend the New Brunswick Associations, the Prince Edward Island, and the Nova Scotia Western Association. The Executive Committee also arranged for Dr. Keirstead to attend the meeting of the Nova Scotia Eastern, and Professor E. W. Sawyer the Nova Scotia Central Association. Prof. Tufts was engaged to visit Annapolis, Colchester, Cumberland and Kings Counties, Sackville, N. B., and other places if possible. Principal I. B. Oakes was to visit Albert, parts of Westmoreland, Carleton, and Charlotte Counties. Mr. A. F. Newcomb, of the Senior class, was directed to visit Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens and Lunenburg Counties. Your Board confidently expect a large increase in the attendance of each of the departments of your Institutions, as a result of these efforts.

FINANCE.

The accounts of the business of the year will be placed before you by the Treasurer, but your Board have thought it advisable to call especial attention at this time to the financial conditions of your Institutions.

The indebtedness upon your Board is, in round numbers, nearly \$70,000. It is distributed as follows: The College, \$6,326; Chipman Hall, \$4,856; Horton Academy, \$10,656; Gymnasium, \$1,094; Acadia Seminary, \$46,170—a total of \$69,102.

The largest part of this debt is on the Seminary. It was incurred in erecting and furnishing the new building. The interest on \$26,000 of this debt was provided for at the time the money was expended, by pledges running over ten years. There has been, of course, some shrinkage in these, so that they meet now only the interest on \$20,000, and those pledges that are good are for only four more years, so it becomes a matter of serious concern to your Board to provide for the cancelling of this debt as soon as possible.

The debt on the College is due to accumulation of deficits in current expenses. There is no such satisfactory way of putting an end to this matter of an annual deficit as to increase the Endowment Fund by an addition of \$40,000. or \$50,000. This would place your College in the position, that while not independent of the annual contributions from the churches, it could then do its work, without the embarrassment of debt, and despite the fluctuations incident to the income from the Convention Fund.

The debt on Horton Academy is nearly all due to capital account; for with \$800.00 a year paid by the Board, as a rental for Chipman Hall, the Academy has, by strict economy, met expenses. It is exceedingly desirable that the Academy be furnished with a new building for class rooms, and that it be free of debt.

In view of these facts your Board have decided to make a vigorous effort to secure the attendance of a large number of students, and to increase the annual contributions from the churches. They have further decided to undertake a campaign for the raising of a special fund of \$75,000.00—\$25,000.00 to be applied to the Seminary for the reduction of its debt, \$10,000.00 to the Academy for the erection of new building and the reduction of its debt, and \$40,000.00 to the college for the increase of its endowment, the subscription to this fund to be payable in instalments, extending over four years. The Board are of the opinion that while it will be desirable and necessary to appeal to the entire constituency, they must,

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in order to succeed, look to the wealthier friends of the Institutions to provide \$50,000,00 of the sum contemplated by generous donations.

It has been arranged that the President, while carrying his administrative duties in the College shall do no class-room work for the current college year, in order that he may have freedom to lead in the financial undertaking. Your Board feel that this action is imperative and confidently anticipate the enthusiastic co-operation of the denomination in carrying the effort forward to success.

Your University has grown up during the century. It was founded by our fathers in faith and prayer, and in the full persuasion that the churches needed it. By the Divine blessing it has been instrumental in helping the denomination to its present condition of influence and usefulness. Ought we not to signalize the close of the century, by speedily raising the amount above named and so placing our Institutions above need. The God of our fathers is our God. He helped them. He will help us, if we seek His aid.

August, 1897.

S. B. KEMPTON,
Secretary of Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING AUG. 1ST, 1897.

COLLEGE.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>		
To balance last report.....		7235 41
Professors' salaries.....	10925 00	
Treasurer's salary.....	200 00	
Librarian's salary.....	100 00	
Janitor's services.....	208 45	
Fuel and light.....	228 20	
Repairs and furnishing.....	103 34	
Printing, travelling expenses, postage, etc.....	219 11	
Expenses on properties taken over.....	251 78	
Expenses mortgage foreclosure.....	102 32	
Interest.....	241 58	
Insurance.....	87 38	
Laboratory supplies.....	94 10	
DeWolf Aid Fund, added to principal.....	90 71	
DeWolf Scholarship.....	200 00	
DeWolf Library Fund, 1895-'96.....	96 00	
Ralph Manning Scholarship.....	18 00	
Year Book.....	54 22	
Miscellaneous.....	63 36	
	13313 55	
		\$ 20548 96

Cr.

By borrowed on notes.....	4241 85	
Interest from investments	4587 23	
" from donation notes	679 31	
" J. W. Barss, Professorship Fund	1177 34	
Associated Alumni.....	749 03	
Students' fees, College	2342 37	
" Academy (gymnasium)	137 50	
Rents, properties taken over	527 21	
" Assembly Hall	76 10	
" piano, \$80; farm, \$75	105 06	
Miscellaneous	80 79	
Denominational Funds, Nova Scotia.....	1485 18	
" N. B. and P. E. I.....	517 10	
" Dr. Day.....	21 41	
Donations	183 74	
		12669 31
Balance		3637 80
		<u>\$ 20548 96</u>
Deficit for the year	\$644.24.	

FINANCIAL POSITION.

Dr.

To owing on notes	4241 85
" not included in the above	445 00
Debit balance above	3637 80
	<u>\$ 8324 65</u>

Cr.

By amount due from Alumni Association	1343 97
Accrued mortgage interest	454 28
Rents of estates overdue	199 98
	<u>1998 23</u>
	<u>\$ 6326 42</u>

There is a debt of \$1,094.15 on Gymnasium Building, which is carried by note.

ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To invested in mortgages	15137 78
Balance	6951 48
	<u>\$ 22089 26</u>

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By balance last year	7281 01
Executors Mark Curry estate	4300 00
Payments on donation notes	1000 00
" other	82 00
" mortgages	5682 34
Chipman Hall loan returned	2516 74
Gymnasim	1094 15
DeWolf interest account	90 71
Associated Alumni, principal	20 00
Late Treasurer	23 31
	\$22089 26

CHIPMAN HALL.

Dr.

To balance last year	466 57
Returned to Endowment	2516 74
Academy, rent for 1895-'96	800 00
Old bills	273 86
Table supplies	2328 71
Services	1078 59
Fuel and light	430 21
Repairs and furnishings	697 23
Farm account	534 18
Interest and discount	349 66
Academy, for rent	400 00
Miscellaneous	23 59
Refund	76 91
	5919 08
	\$ 9976 25

Cr.

By borrowed on note	2376 17
Old bills	415 12
Board	3430 87
Farm account	612 88
School of Horticulture, rent	25 00
Miscellaneous	27 30
	4096 05
Balance	3088 91
	\$ 9976 25

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR.

Total earnings	4612 14
" expenses, including \$400 rent paid Academy	6140 38
	\$ 1528 24

BAPTIST YEAR BOOK.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

Dr.

To owing on notes	3876 17	
Bills	221 20	
Debit balance above	3088 91	
		<u>[\$ 7186 28</u>

Cr.

By note for students' bills	2069 53	
Stock on farm	260 00	
		<u>2329 53</u>
Deficit		<u>\$ 4856 75</u>

HORTON ACADEMY.

Dr.

To balance last report	669 09	
Old bills	206 91	
Salaries	2838 35	
Table supplies	1624 92	
Services	923 64	
Fuel and light	307 68	
Repairs and furnishings and Manual Training supplies	214 35	
Interest	718 22	
Insurance	92 50	
Advertising, travelling expenses, postage, etc . . .	207 06	
College, gymnasium fees	137 50	
Miscellaneous	127 07	
Refund	22 03	
Balance	7213 32	
	231 96	
		<u>\$ 8321 28</u>

Cr.

By old bills	366 24	
Chipman Hall, rent 1885-'96	800 00	
Tuition, board, etc.	6524 42	
Donations to M. T. Department	198 00	
Chipman Hall rent	400 00	
Miscellaneous	52 02	
	7155 04	
		<u>\$ 8321 28</u>

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BUSINESS OF THE YEAR.

Total earnings, including \$400 from Chipman Hall and \$198 donation to Manual Training.....	7620 93
“ expense, including \$718.22 interest	7457 18
Surplus.....	<u>\$ 163 75</u>

FINANCIAL POSITION OF INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To owing on notes	2500 00
“ bills	243 86
	<u>\$ 2743 86</u>

Cr.

By bills due to Academy.....	585 00
Credit balance given.....	231 96
	<u>816 96</u>
Debit.....	<u>\$ 1926 90</u>

MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To old bill for Equipment	186 68
Balance.....	13 32
	<u>\$ 200 00</u>

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By donation W. A. Spinney, Class 1871	<u>200 00</u>
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FINANCIAL POSITION OF THIS ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To note	742 00
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BAPTIST YEAR BOOK.

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By credit balance.....	13 32
Deficit.....	<u>\$ 728 68</u>

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To mortgage.....	<u>\$ 8000 00</u>
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ACADIA SEMINARY

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To balance	*3857 22
Interest on mortgage (1895-'96)	900 00
Old bills	465 37
Salaries.....	5318 97
Table supplies.....	2225 56
Fuel and light.....	1117 91
Services	1350 45
Repairs and furnishing.....	418 57
Piano rents	667 49
Interest	2125 83
Insurance	98 56
Advertising, printing, postage, etc.	184 52
Library and laboratory.....	58 17
Miscellaneous	151 36
Refund	23 00
	<u>13740 39</u>

\$ 18962 98

Cr.

By borrowed on note	2128 77
Old bills.....	412 37
Board and tuition	10749 49
Donations to interest account	863 06
Rents	389 00
Miscellaneous	234 61
	<u>12236 16</u>
Balance	4185 68
	<u>\$ 18962 98</u>

* This amount is \$262.92 more than reported last year, because the balance of principal and furnishing accounts credited in account last year are now added to that balance, making true balance as above.

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BUSINESS OF THE YEAR.

Total earnings, including \$863.06, donated to interest account..	12610 79
" expense, including \$2123.83, interest	14196 40
Deficit.....	<u>\$ 1585 61</u>

FINANCIAL POSITION OF INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	
To owing on notes	4628 77
Unpaid bills.....	456 01
Debit balance, above.....	4185 68
	<u>\$ 9270 46</u>
<i>Cr.</i>	
By bills due Seminary	959 77
Deficit.....	<u>\$ 8310 69</u>

FURNISHING ACCOUNT.

<i>Cr.</i>	
By balance.....	28 19
Alumnae Association	120 00
Antigonish Church, per Alumnae Association	40 00
	<u>\$ 188 19</u>

FINANCIAL POSITION OF THIS ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	
To owing on note	782 40
<i>Cr.</i>	
By credit balance.....	188 19
Deficit.....	<u>\$ 594 21</u>

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To mortgage	36000 00
Note	1500 00
	\$37500 00

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By credit balance.....	234 73
Debt on building.....	\$37265 27
	\$37500 00

GODFREY P. PAYZANT FUND.

Dr.

To Executors G. P. Payzant estate, for succession dues.....	7850 00
Balance	72150 00
	\$ 80000 00

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By Executors G. P. Payzant estate.....	78500 00
Endowment Fund, Acadia University	1500 00
	\$ 80000 00
Net amount G. P. Payzant Fund.....	\$ 72150 00 .

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To blank books, exchange, travelling expenses, etc	33 37
Balance	32 74
	\$ 66 11

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By interest from deposit receipts.....	\$ 66 11
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ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

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To deposits and investments.....	88150 00
Balance ..	521 23
	<u>\$ 88671 23</u>

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By net amount G. P. Payzant Fund	72150 00
Cash from deposit receipts	16521 23
	<u>\$ 88671 23</u>

TRUST FUNDS.

General Endowment, less \$4,116.89 due from late Treasurer ...	64553 32
Mark Curry	11000 00
DeWolf Aid Fund	3000 00
" Library Fund.....	1600 00
Alumni Professorship Fund	740 00
Ralph Manning Scholarship	300 00
G. P. Payzant Fund (Theology)	72150 00
" Prize Fund (Seminary).....	900 00
	<u>154243 32</u>
J. W. Barss, Professorship (Special Trustees)	20000 00
	<u>\$174243 32</u>

In addition to the above there are Donation Notes amounting to \$10,800, bearing interest at six per cent., which is a part of the Endowment of the College.

Wolfville, N. S., Aug. 16, 1897.

A. COHOON, *Treasurer.*

I have audited the books and accounts of the Treasurer of Acadia University and the other Institutions for the year ending Aug. 1st, 1897, and have found them to be correct.

August 16, 1897.

JOHN NALDER, *Auditor.*

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MINISTERIAL EDUCATION BOARD

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J. W. BARSS, ESQ., *Treasurer.*

Retiring in 1898.

REV. J. W. BANCROFT ; I. B. OAKES ; J. W. BARSS.

Retiring in 1899.

REV. A. W. SAWYER ; REV. W. N. HUTCHINS ; G. H. WALLACE, ESQ.

Retiring in 1900.

REV. A. A. SHAW ; REV. JOSEPH MURRAY ; JOHN S. TRITES, ESQ.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION BOARD *in account with* G. H. WALLACE,
Treasurer.

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June 1. By balance rendered		54 42
4 quarterly payments from Rev. A. Cohoon, Treasurer of Denominational Funds for N. S		344 57
4 quarterly payments from Rev. J. W. Manning, Treasurer of Denominational Funds for N. B. and P. E. I.		102 85
Amount from late Treasurer (Dr. Day)		5 27
Interest on deposit (Bank)		7 94
		\$ 515 05
	DR.	
To Bank exchange		75
Paid 35 students, \$14 each		490 00
Balance in hand		24 30
		\$ 515 05

Wolfville, June 1st, 1897.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Ministerial Education Board, with G. H. Wallace, Treasurer, and find the above statement to be correct.

Wolfville, N. S., Aug. 14, 1897.

A. E. COLDWELL, *Auditor.*

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Report of the Year Book Committee, 1897.

The Committee for publication of the Year Book beg to report as follows :--

Two thousand copies were printed and distributed as in previous years. The account stands thus :

RECEIPTS.

Net proceeds of advertisements	149 00
Received from H. M. Board	81 57
" F. M " 	112 21
" College " 	54 22
	\$397 00

PAYMENTS.

Paid printing 2000 copies, 248 p. p. at \$1.35 per page....	334 80
Printing reports for Convention	9 30
Complimentary slips with Year Books	50
Postage, expressage, etc.	52 40
	\$ 397 00

The net cost of the Year Book for 1896 was somewhat less than that of the preceding year, though containing 36 pages more.

The total cost is just \$1.00 per page for 248 pages.

This result followed from extra exertions made by the Committee to obtain advertisements.

It will be noticed that 19 pages were given to reports and statistics of B. Y. P. U. The larger portion of the expense thereby incurred was met by advertisements obtained by the President of the Union.

Your Committee have found two thousand copies of Year Book are an inadequate supply for the Churches, Associations and Boards, etc. We therefore recommend the printing of three thousand copies this year, which will involve an increase of forty cents per page on the present rate of \$1.35.

The Year Book last year was issued Oct. 12th, the earliest date on record as far as your Committee are aware. It would have been issued in September if all material had come promptly to hand.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. EATON,
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Report of Treasurer of Convention.

MARITIME BAPTIST CONVENTION *in account with* R. C. ELKIN,
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		“ H. C. Creed, Sec’y Convention, as per vote of Convention	25 00
			57 67
		“ balance	\$41 57

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. ELKIN,
Treas. Mar. Baptist Con.

St. John, N. B., Aug. 25, 1897.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School has been defined to be “the church at work teaching and studying God’s Word.” If this definition be intended to include soul winning as it undoubtedly is, it puts the Sunday School into the very highest plane of Christian effort, and renders it by far the most important factor in the religious life of our churches. Do our Sunday Schools respond to this definition? Teaching, as defined by Dr. Trumbull in his admirable work on Teachers and Teaching, is causing another to know.

What about our Sunday School teachers? Well, as a rule, they possess at least one great and essential qualification for their work. For the most part they are most earnest, devoted, consecrated Christians, the very cream of our churches; thank God for that. They are successful soul-winners; that is excellent; but do our teachers teach? Is it not a fact

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that for the most part they are wholly untrained and altogether unqualified for the important work of teaching God's Word? Is it not, also, equally true that our children, after taking a seven years' course in our Sunday Schools, graduate therefrom with no attainment so remarkable as their most profound ignorance of the Bible? Ofttimes we can affirm that they have given their heart to Christ and joined a Baptist church, and we are glad and rejoice. But should we rest satisfied here? Dr. Morehouse's alliterative statement, made in hearing of our Convention yesterday, was loudly applauded, and is profoundly true, "Evangelization without education is evaporation." The pastor of one of our largest churches, in addressing the B. Y. P. U. Convention last week, uttered a loud note of warning when he stated that ignorance and neglect of God's Word was very marked in our Young People's meetings. The members of your Committee are not alarmists, but they cherish the most profound conviction that with few exceptions the people in our Sunday Schools are not receiving the kind of instruction that is needed to ground them in the doctrines of God's Word, and to make them intelligent Christians and Baptists, simply because our teachers do not teach, and in most cases in addition to ignorance of the most elementary principles of teaching, have no systematic knowledge of the Bible.

Is the Church at work: studying God's Word in our Sunday School? In connection with a few—very few of our churches, we are glad to believe that this may be affirmed, but in respect to the great majority it is quite otherwise. In most of our Sunday School our youth and young men are distinguished by their absence, largely because fathers and mothers and grown up members of the church have outgrown the Sunday School.

Your Committee believe that of all Christian people in the world, Baptists, who are proud to affirm that their only text book is the Bible, should set a better example. At the present day there is no excuse for such inefficiency and neglect. Our teachers may secure a fair amount of knowledge and training for their work if they so desire. In every town and hamlet, if not in every church, there might and should be a S. S. "Normal Teachers' Training Class," with a course of instruction specially adapted to the teachers' needs, and they should be encouraged to take such a course. Our Sunday Schools are, for the most part, running in the grooves of fifty years ago, and should be remodelled. At present they are graded on the principle of the age or color of the pupils and the clothes worn by them, and are often degraded.

Your Committee recommend that wherever possible our Sunday Schools be graded on the well-known principle of supplemental lessons, according to the knowledge and intelligence of the pupils. A suitable series of books, commencing with the primary class and extending to the most advanced of the Bible classes, can easily be secured and, indeed, is already in use in some of our leading Sunday Schools. Such a course of lessons adapted to occupy not more than ten minutes of the teaching hour each session will be found to be most helpful to our denominational Sunday School work. It will create a feeling of progress, and in addition to the impartation of much valuable information in respect to the Bible and its doctrines, will arouse the enthusiasm and stimulate the school to a degree that those who have not tried it cannot easily imagine.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN D. KING, *Chairman.*

St. John, Aug. 24th.

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Report of Committee on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance ask for the privilege of reporting as follows :

The attitude of the Maritime Convention toward the liquor traffic in all its details remains unchanged. It is an attitude of positive hostility. We stand together and declare for "no compromise" with the evil until absolute and entire prohibition is realized. We re-affirm the position taken by the Committee of last year that "total abstinence is the only safe and right thing for the individual, and that whoever persists in a different course is unworthy of church membership."

Your Committee views with alarm the tendency of many of our churches to regard the question of prohibition as being political, and therefore to refrain from any positive activity on the question lest they be accused of mixing religion and politics. We believe that prohibition has to do with a clean and pure citizenship, and that it is the duty of every church and every individual to give his whole energy to the bringing in of a better era of larger and cleaner citizenship.

As a Committee we suggest that when an Association, or other important body connected with the denomination, votes to petition, or take any action relative to the question, the officers shall obey, even though such officer's private opinion might oppose. He may not see as far or as clearly as the body adopting the resolution.

For years our denomination has demanded prohibition. Let us not now descend to ask for anything short of it. The plebiscite is not our child, it is not prohibition, not even total abstinence. If, however, the government of Canada gives a chance to speak "yes" or "no," we must do our best and make our reply most emphatic. We are not asking for a second edition of the "Royal Commission," and declare that such a question as the plebiscite should not stop our demands for prohibition.

We have the conviction that the liquor traffic would be glad to get all the churches and temperance people to go racing for plebiscite and forget the real issue.

If parliament proposes to give a plebiscite mixed with something else, 50,000 Baptists in Maritime Canada should unite in a mighty protest. We believe that if our people would get the ear of parliament straight, they should take a thoroughly active part in their own political party convention of whatever name, and thereby secure the nomination of good and true temperance candidates on all sides. Then whichever side loses temperance wins.

We further state that at the Provincial Exhibition in this city (St. John) in September, A. D. 1896, there were exhibited in one of the most conspicuous places and in the most ostentatious manner, intoxicating drinks in all their varieties, and placards were distributed by the persons who had such exhibits in charge, recommending their use as conducive to

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health and calculated to prolong life, such exhibits and placards being intended to increase the sale by advertising such drinks so as to make their use more general, and this Convention believing that the use of such drinks injures every community where the sale is allowed, and spreads broadcast poverty, misery and crime, temporal and eternal death as the results, and should be condemned by all who have the temporal and eternal welfare of their fellow beings at heart.

Therefore resolved, That this Convention, while it most emphatically disapproves of the exhibition of such drinks in this city at the Exhibition held last Sept., and the action of those who had the management and control in allowing it to be done, now asks those who have the management and control of the Exhibition to be held in this city next month, viz., the Exhibition advertised as "Canada's International Exhibition, St. John, N. B., to commence on the 14th September, 1897," to positively exclude from said Exhibition all exhibits of intoxicating drinks, and all advertisements of such drinks, so that the money of the citizens of St. John, and that of the Province of New Brunswick, given with the consent of the people for the purpose of encouraging trade, commerce and manufactures calculated to benefit society may not be used to enable men to advertise and recommend that the use of which is hostile to our social, political and moral welfare, and in all its forms evil and evil continually.

And further resolved, That the declarations in this resolution are equally applicable to the Exhibitions to be held in Halifax, N. S., and Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. THOMAS, *Chairman of Com.*

Report on Obituaries.

An unusually large number of our standard bearers in the ministry have been called to their rest and reward during the Convention year just closed. The number is so large that our notice of each must of necessity be brief. Their names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life, and the record of their lives in God's Book of Remembrance.

In less than one month after the close of Convention last year, our brother

REV. W. T. COREY

was called up higher. He was stricken with partial paralysis Oct. 22nd, 1892, kept gradually growing weaker until he passed peacefully to his rest, Sept. 16th. He was born at New Canaan, Queen's Co., N. B., Oct. 15, 1829. He was baptized by the Rev. James Bleakney, uniting with the New Canaan Baptist Church in 1842. About fifteen years later he felt he could no longer resist the Lord's call to the work of the christian ministry. He was ordained on the 3rd day of November, 1860, as pastor over the Range church, Queen's Co., N. B. His longest pastorate was over the Hillsboro church, which he served for eleven years, during which period 243 souls were added to the church by baptism. One of his sons has entered the ministry, and is now the esteemed pastor of the church in Charlottetown, P. E. I.

D. W. C. DIMOCK, M. A.

On the 13th day of Oct. this venerable father in Israel heard the call of the Master and entered into his rest. Like a shock of corn fully ripe, and very fruitful, he was gathered home.

Mr. Dimock was converted in early youth, and it soon became apparent that the gifts and calling of God, which in turn made sturdy and successful preachers of the gospel out of his father, his grand-father, and his great-grandfather before him, were to find in him a worthy heir to this divine family legacy. With the belief that God's call to the ministry includes also a call to prepare for it, he entered Acadia College to receive mental training, and at Chester, on Dec. 6th 1841, he was ordained and publicly set apart for the christian ministry. His father preached the ordination sermon from the text in Tim. 2: 1, "Thou therefore my son be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." Shortly after his ordination Bro. Dimock became the pastor of the mother Baptist Church, of Colchester county, the Onslow church. With headquarters at Onslow, he labored all over a parish that reached from Five Islands on the west, to the county line on the east, and from Tatamagouche on the north, to Stewiacke on the south. Here he labored with great success for about 16 years. Churches sprang up and grew strong under his faithful oversight, and the highest honors of his denomination were upon several occasions conferred upon him.

In 1872 Acadia conferred on him the honorary degree of M. A. In 1858 he became the pastor of the Truro church, then newly organized—his pastorate continuing for about 14 years. Three years at Billtown closed his active work in the pastorate. His last years were spent in the home of his children in Truro, and from this comfortable home of his son he was called into the mansion of his Father.

REV. I. R. SKINNER, B. A.

Three days after the departure of Bro. Dimock this devoted servant of the Lord was also called into higher service, Oct. 16th.

He had come with his family to the home of his boyhood at Weston, Kings Co., N. S., to attend the Convention last August. But almost immediately upon his arrival home he was stricken down with disease of the heart, from which he was not to recover.

Bro. Skinner was born at Weston in 1846. At the age of fifteen he was converted, and baptized by Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D. It was at this early period that he determined to devote himself to the ministry of the Word. He graduated from Acadia College in the class of 1873, and became assistant to Rev. Dr. Steele in the pastorate of the Amherst church. After two or three years in Amherst he was called to the pastorate of the church in Andover, N. B., where he was ordained in 1876. At River Hebert and Wittenburg, N. S., he spent fourteen prosperous years. Three years before the day of his departure he was called to the pastorate of a group of churches in Charlotte Co., N. B. Here he settled at Oak Bay, and after three delightful and successful years of work, his pastorate ended on the same day of the month on which it had begun, by his removal to the service that never ends. In all these pastorates our brother greatly endeared himself to his people. Faithful in the work God gave him to do, tender and sympathetic in his ministrations, Christ-like in his character, consecrated to the service of his Master and those for whom he labored, his memory will be long and lovingly cherished as a good minister of Jesus Christ.

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REV. B. N. HUGHES,

after a tedious year of suffering, on Nov. 22nd passed to "the rest that remains for the people of God." Mr. Hughes was born in what is now called Cambridge, lower part of Grand Lake, Queens Co., N. B., on the 17th January, 1832. In the spring of 1850 he experienced a change of heart, and in the autumn of the same year he was baptized by the late Rev. James Trimble, at the Narrows. He was an exemplary young man, keeping up family worship in his father's home until he entered fully upon his Master's work, for from the time of his conversion he was impressed with a strong conviction that it was his duty to enter the Christian ministry.

He spent some time in study under Dr. Spurden, after which he accepted a call to the Baptist church at Mangerville, where he was ordained in Oct., 1858.

Bro. Hughes was a faithful minister of the New Testament, and the constant consistency of his life added emphasis to his ministry, and made him more than ordinarily successful as a winner of souls. He rests from his labors and his works follow him. His daughter has gone forth, in the spirit of her father, to tell the gospel story to the perishing heathen.

REV. AARON COGSWELL

had his birthday in Kings Co., N. S., on the 26th of May, 1820. He was converted at the age of 18, and baptized by the Rev. E. Masters. At this early age he entered upon his life's work in the public ministry. The opportunity for education at this date in these provinces was quite limited, and the demand for intellectual culture not as imperative as at the present day. Our educational institutions at Wolfville were just beginning to supply for the Baptists the needed aid. Bro. Cogswell entered upon his studies there, at the same time supplying for the church at Hantsport. His educational plans however soon gave way to a pressure to give all his time to the direct work of the pastor. He was ordained over the Port Lorne and Hampton churches.

The ministry of Bro. Cogswell was characterized by intense zeal. His early religious convictions and training were under the old "New light" regime, and his religious experiences and preaching were true to type. The three R's of the gospel supplied the theme of his sermons—Ruin by the fall, Redemption by Jesus Christ, and Regeneration by the Holy Spirit. When under the special influences of the Spirit he would give no uncertain sound on these subjects, in his own impassioned manner, with wonderful effect. His ministry was crowned with extensive and powerful revivals. It was the custom of his day to associate with neighboring pastors in special services, known then as "protracted meetings." These were occasions of great religious awakenings. Bro. C.'s gifts and graces were well suited to these methods of work. On the 24th day of Dec. Bro. Cogswell was called home, in the 68th year of his age.

REV. DAVID BLAKNEY

died at Elgin, N. B., on the 15th March, in the 78th year of his age. He did not enter the regular ministry until he was 39 years old, but for a number of years prior to this he did the work of a calporteur. He loved the word of God and faithfully sought its distribution, and failed not to press its claims upon those to whom he sold it. Bro. Blakney was ordained pastor over the church at

Caledonia, Albert Co., N. B., in the year 1858. During his ministry he did some valuable work in destitute places. He was a man of great power in prayer. His faith in the eternal purposes of God was strong. His theology was strongly calvanistic. He sought to glorify his Lord in life, and when the end came he was ready to depart and be with Christ which is very far better.

REV. R. R. PHILP, B. A.,

was born in Halifax, August 1st, 1824, and born again in the 21st year of his age. He was baptized into the fellowship of the Granville Street Church, March 12th, '45, graduated from Acadia in 1856 and ordained at Margaree, C. B., in October of the same year.

After spending one year at Margaree and about four on the Port Medway field, during which periods over 100 souls were added to the churches by baptism, he took up his residence in the City of Halifax and labored most energetically in the surrounding churches of the county. Hammond's Plains, Sackville, St. Margaret's Bay and Indian Harbor shared the benefits of his labors and were all blessed by his ministry. After spending a year at Hebron and another at Antigonish and Guysboro' he was called to Maitland, Hants Co. While at Antigonish, all in the congregation over eleven years of age were added to the church. After two years of service at Maitland he accepted the position of Inspector of Schools for Hants.

Two crushing trials came into our brother's life—First, the loss of his devoted wife, and nine months afterwards the total loss of his eyesight. Thus bereaved of the light of his home and the sight of his eyes, and with three little girls to care for, with heroic faith he faced the conflict, having made his home in the City of Halifax—his native city. Cheerfully and resolutely, with confidence in God that seemed to be unwavering, he went on in darkness, training and educating his children—making periodical visits among the churches, proclaiming with much acceptance the gospel that saved and sustained himself.

On the morning of the 19th of April our brother passed peacefully away from what has been to him, for about 20 years, a land of perpetual physical darkness to the land of unclouded light.

The three daughters whom he fathered and mothered, and who, in turn, most affectionately ministered to him, are consistent, honored and active members of the church into whose fellowship he was baptized and in whose fellowship he died. Two of them are teachers in the public schools of Halifax.

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BOARD OF MINISTERS' ANNUITY FUND.

Hon. D. McN. Parker, M. D., *Chairman.*
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Retiring in 1898.

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Hon. D. McN. Parker, M. D., R. N. Beckwith, J. Parsons, Rev. W. E.
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Report of Committee on Ministers' Annuity Plan.

Your Committee make the following report :—

1. For the amendment of the Constitution of the Baptist Ministers Annuity Fund, we recommend that Articles 7, 9 and 11 be omitted; and that all the words in Article 12, after the word "advance" in the third line, be omitted; and that the following article be substituted for Article 14 :

"Every minister qualified for uniting with the Annuity Fund, according to Article 3, shall pay into the fund as rates any amount that he may decide to invest in this way; but no more than ten dollars of the yearly payments of any such minister shall be used for paying annuities, the balance to be added to the capital fund."

2. That the following article be substituted for Article 15 :

"Each annuitant shall receive yearly as a maximum amount the sum of his payments made to the fund; but in no case shall the amount be more than two hundred dollars; the widow of a minister having a right to annuity shall receive one half of said amount, and each orphan of an annuitant under sixteen years of age shall receive one-twelfth of the same amount."

3. If the fund should not be sufficient to pay the full amount of the maximum above specified, then a *pro rata* amount of the available funds shall be paid.

4. (*Not adopted.*) The Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund and the Ministers' Annuity Fund shall be united into one fund under the following conditions:

The beneficiaries of the Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund in the future shall not receive yearly a sum greater than \$1100.00 in the aggregate.

The consolidated fund shall receive ten per cent. of the proceeds of the Convention plan, which shall be made up as follows:—The 5 p. c. now given to the Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund and the 5 p. c. now given to the Ministerial Education Fund.

THE BOARD OF MINISTERS' ANNUITY FUND *in account with E. M. SAUNDERS, Treasurer, 1896-'97.*

Dr.

To balance from last year	377 61
Paid annuitants	634 37
Returned half rates to ministers	135 00
Paid interest to donor of \$1000 ..	40 00
Paid for one ledger	5 00
Circular to churches	28 75
Postage, stationery and discount	8 96
Guarantee company for Sec'y-Treas	7 50
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By ministers' rates	440 00
Collections from churches	291 86
Interest	469 15
Balance	36 18
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By balance from last year.....	60 00
Collected on mortgage	100 00
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Mortgages	6300 00
Real estate leased to donor for life	800 00
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THE BOARD OF MINISTERS' ANNUITY FUND *in account with E. M. SAUNDERS, Treasurer of the Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund, 1896-97.*

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To paid ministers and widows	785 00	
Postage, stationery and discounts	7 72	
Premium to guarantee company.....	7 50	
Salary of Sec'y-Treasurer	50 00	
Balance	593 36	
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By balance from last year	610 08	
Rev. A. Cohoon, C. T. for N. S.....	388 29	
Rev. J. W. Manning, C. T. for N. B. and P. E. I....	131 89	
Interest	343 32	
Returned cheque	20 00	
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Mortgages.....		\$6148 67

Audited the accounts as per Cash Book and Ledger, and find them correct.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 16th, 1897.

GEO. A. McDONALD.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS.

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MILTON, QUEENS CO., June 19th, 1897.

The Western Baptist Association convened with the Milton, Queens Co., Baptist Church at 10 a. m., in its 47th Annual Session.

Rev. J. W. Brown led the devotional service, after which in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. L. J. Tingley, Rev. H. N. Parry was called to the chair.

Rev. J. H. Saunders led in prayer. The Clerk, Rev. Z. L. Fash, read the list of delegates, and the Constitution and Rules of Order of the Association.

The following officers were elected:—*Moderator*, Rev. H. N. Parry; *Clerk*, Rev. Z. L. Fash; *Assistant Clerk*, Rev. F. E. Bishop; *Treasurer*, Bro. J. N. Freeman; *Assistant Treasurer*, Dea. B. H. Parker.

The following were invited to a seat in the Association:—Revs. A. Cohoon, Dr. T. Trotter, J. W. Manning, C. B. Freeman, A. H. C. Morse, D. W. Crandall, Bros. A. H. Chipman, G. A. McDonald, and all other members of Baptist churches in good standing in attendance.

The report of the Chairman of Committee on Arrangements was adopted.

The following additions were made to Committees:—

Obituaries,—Rev. J. T. Eaton.

Systematic Beneficence,—Rev. J. W. Tingley and H. A. Giffen.

Denominational Literature,—Rev. J. W. Brown.

Education,—Rev. B. H. Thomas, Dea. L. J. Leadbetter.

Foreign Missions,—Dea. E. J. Elliott.

Temperance,—Bro. Elias Barteaux.

Resolutions,—Rev. M. W. Brown.

Sunday Schools,—Bro. I. T. Whyman.

On Circular Letter,—Rev. J. H. Saunders, N. B. Dunn, E. P. Coldwell.

Revs. B. H. Thomas, M. W. Brown, and J. T. Eaton were appointed to read the Church Letters.

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Motion passed that Rev. P. R. Foster extend hand of welcome to new pastors coming into Association. Brethren E. P. Churchill, (Lic.), Revs. C. W. Sables, E. L. Steeves, H. N. Parry, E. Quick, W. L. Archibald, F. E. Bishop, M. W. Brown were welcomed.

Resolved, That the Association receive the delegation from the Methodist Conference in session at Liverpool, and that a delegation be appointed to carry fraternal greetings to Conference. Revs. J. H. Foshay and J. H. Saunders were thus appointed. Dr. Trotter was selected to respond to delegation from the Methodist Conference.

Motion passed that session of Association close at 12 o'clock noon, five in afternoon and at pleasure in evening.

Reading of letters begun.

Voted that in statistics of Church Letters those not of special interest be omitted.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. T. W. Tingley.

Saturday Afternoon—second session.

2 o'clock. A. H. Chipman of *Messenger and Visitor* led the devotional services in charge of the Associational B. Y. P. U.

Regular session opened with prayer by Rev. E. P. Coldwell. Minutes of morning session read and approved.

The clerk, Rev. Z. L. Fash, was requested by Moderator to extend invitation to W. B. M. U., then in session in vestry, to attend while Association received delegation from Methodist Conference. Invitation accepted.

Rev. G. A. Rogers and Bro. A. B. Black were introduced and presented fraternal greetings from Conference.

Dr. Trotter responded.

The report on Home Missions was presented by Rev. J. W. Tingley, and on motion, was received for discussion.

The following brethren took part in the discussion:—Revs. J. H. King, E. L. Steeves, A. F. Browne, D. H. McQuarrie, N. B. Dunn, A. Cohoon and Dea. C. Durkee.

Voted that report on Home Missions be laid on table until meeting Sunday evening.

Session closed with prayer.

Saturday Evening—third session.

Opened with Scripture Lesson by Rev. E. C. Baker and prayer by Rev. C. W. Sables.

Minutes read and approved.

The report on Obituaries was presented by Rev. J. H. Saunders.

Summary:—All pastors continued in service. Rev. A. Cogswell, for nearly half a century engaged in pastoral labors chiefly in this Association, had been called to his heavenly home on Dec. 24th, 1896, in the 78th year of his age. His first pastorate at Hantsport in 1841. Ordained at Chute's Cove in 1843. The churches of his charge experienced many revivals and many were added to their membership.

After report a tribute was paid to memory of Bro. Cogswell by Rev. J. H. King.

On motion report was adopted.

The report on Temperance was presented by Rev. Z. L. Fash, and laid on table.

Addresses were given by Rev. A. F. Browne, subject—"The Real Meaning of Temperance and Prohibition"; Rev. P. R. Foster, subject, "The Economy of Prohibition;" Rev. D. H. McQuarrie, subject—"The Pastor's Attitude towards the Temperance Question."

Motion passed that Temperance Report be taken from table.

Discussion of report by Revs. E. C. Baker, J. H. King, D. H. McQuarrie, B. H. Thomas, J. H. Saunders, N. B. Dunn.

Resolved, That report on Temperance be adopted.

Summary:—The report re-affirmed the position of the 12,000 Baptists of the N. S. Western Association as one of constant antagonism to the liquor traffic. It gave the following recommendations: 1. A new and persistent campaign in temperance training in our churches. 2. The formation of Bands of Hope in connection with each one of our S. Schools and the pledging of our S. School pupils against intoxicating drinks. 3. The observance of Temperance Sunday in connection with at least one of the S. School lessons on the subject of temperance, with a temperance sermon on the same day. 4. That this Association petition the Provincial and Dominion Parliaments at their next sessions to enact and enforce prohibitory laws within their constitutional powers. 5. That special and continued organization and preparation be made for the promised plebescite on prohibition.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. J. Webb.

Lord's Day.

Morning.—Rev. T. Trotter, D. D., preached in the Baptist Church, Milton, from the text, "What is the Almighty, that we should serve Him? and what profit should we have if we pray unto Him?"—Job. 21: 15.

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Afternoon.—Opened with Scripture Lesson by Moderator and prayer by Rev. J. T. Eaton.

The Report on Sunday Schools was presented by Rev. D. H. McQuarrie, after which the following addresses were given:—
 “Normal Sunday School Work,” by Rev. J. H. Saunders; “Doctrinal Teaching in Sunday Schools,” by Rev. J. H. Foshay.

Open discussion in which the following brethren took part:—
 Revs. J. W. Brown, H. A. Giffen, J. W. Tingley, E. C. Baker, D. W. Crandall, E. L. Steeves, N. B. Dunn, Deacons C. Durkee, A. J. Leadbetter, and Bros. G. A. Macdonald, E. P. Churchill.

Report on S. Schools adopted.

Summary:—S. S. work is at the foundation of Christian work. Statistics show necessity for increased interest here. The program of Christianity cannot be completed without the christian education of men and women for life. Sabbath School teaching should furnish scholars a grasp of truth, a noble purpose, and the ability to extract whatever is redeeming in the world and reject the worthless.

Session closed with benediction by Moderator.

Sunday Evening.—Fifth Session.

Bro. G. A. McDonald led a short praise service.

The Scripture was read by Rev. M. W. Brown. Bro. E. P. Churchill, (lic.) offered prayer.

Addresses were made by Rev. J. W. Manning and Miss A. C. Gray on Foreign Missions; Rev. B. H. Thomas, “Grand Ligne”
 Rev. A. Cohoon, “Home Missions in the Maritime Provinces”
 Rev. J. H. King, “Manitoba and the North-West.”

Rev. H. N. Parry dismissed with benediction.

Sixth Session.—Monday Morning.

Devotional service led by Rev. E. Quick.

The business session opened with prayer by Rev. P. R. Foster.

Minutes of Saturday evening and Sunday's sessions approved.

Reading of letters continued.

Motion passed that the report on Denominational Literature be postponed until after Associational sermon.

The Associational sermon was preached by Rev. E. P. Coldwell, from the text, 2 Cor. 10: 4, 5. Theme, "The weapons of our warfare." The sermon set forth—1. Their nature. 2. Their effectiveness. 3. Victories to be achieved by them.

Rev. J. Webb read the report on denominational literature.

The session was closed with prayer by Rev. J. W. Brown.

Monday Afternoon—seventh session.

Opened with prayer by Rev. B. H. Thomas.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Voted that report on denominational literature be laid on the table.

Reading of letters continued.

Prayer was offered by Revs. A. Cohoon and A. F. Browne for Rev. Geo. Crabbe, who was dangerously ill.

Voted that the \$5.00 sent to the Association by the Middlefield Church be given to Convention fund.

Resolved, That the report on Foreign Missions be taken from the table and adopted.

Summary,—Extent of territory worked. Needs, (a) More workers. (b.) More money. (c.) Earnest prayer. Success,—Not large ingathering, but souls won and reports encouraging. Recommendations,—Giving to missions according to Convention plan.

Voted that report on Home Missions be taken from the table and adopted.

This report furnished a practical review of Home Missions, both at home and in the North-west and at Grand Ligne. It gave the following recommendations:—1. Giving at least four prayer meetings yearly to special prayer for God's blessing on this work. 2. Distribution of pure Baptist literature by Home Missionaries, the literature to be furnished by Home Mission Board. 3. Increased contributions without diminishing from other interests, to carry on the work without financial embarrassment.

The report on Systematic Beneficence was given by Rev. P. R. Foster.

Voted that report be received for discussion clause by clause.

The following brethren took part in the discussion:—Revs. J. H. Saunders, D. H. McQuarrie, A. F. Browne, H. A. Giffen, J. W. Brown, E. L. Steeves, J. Webb, Dr. Trotter, and Dea. C. Durkee and Bro. J. Freeman.

The report was adopted clause by clause and in whole. Summary:—Systematic giving develops spiritual life. Review of

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figures in connection with Associational work. Argument for system and order in all God's work. Argument for giving one tenth to the Lord's work. Each pastor following 1 Tim. I: 4-12 would lead to better condition of affairs. Each church should seek a scriptural plan of raising money, and should be asked to gather the offerings for denominational work at least quarterly.

Motion passed that report on Denominational Literature be taken from the table and considered clause by clause.

Discussion by Revs. J. H. Saunders, A. Cohoon, D. H. McQuarrie, J. H. King, J. W. Brown, E. L. Steeves, B. H. Thomas, J. W. Tingley, Z. L. Fash and Bro. G. A. McDonald.

After a slight amendment the report was adopted as a whole.

Summary:—The *Messenger and Visitor* and the Baptist Book Room received favorable mention, and a recommendation was given that a booklet on Baptist Doctrine of no uncertain sound be prepared and placed on sale. The report favored the distribution of pure Baptist literature through the home missionaries.

Voted that Circular Letter be read at beginning of evening session.

Rev. E. L. Steeves closed with prayer.

Monday Evening.—Eighth Session.

Bro. E. P. Churchill led the devotional service. Rev. A. H. C. Morse opened with prayer.

Voted, that the report of Committee on Circular Letter be adopted.

Rev. B. H. Thomas read the Circular Letter. "Responsibility," was the subject.

Resolved, That Circular Letter be adopted, and that *Messenger and Visitor* be requested to publish the same.

Moved that a hearty vote of thanks be extended to Rev. E. P. Coldwell for his Associational sermon, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for the *Messenger and Visitor* for publication. Carried.

Rev. J. W. Brown read the report on Education.

Voted that it be received for discussion.

Addresses were given on "Our Educational Institutions"; 1. "The View of their President," Rev. T. Trotter, D. D.; 2. "The View of a Pastor," Rev. D. H. McQuarrie; 3. "The View of a layman," Deacon E. J. Elliott; 4. A short address by Rev. A. Cohoon.

Report on Education adopted.

Summary:—Attendance:—At Academy, 86; Seminary, 84; College, 124; Total, 294. Work done, fully up to average. Spiritual interest:—

Most encouraging, many converted. The report spoke of esteem in which Dr. Sawyer, the retiring President, is held, and expressed confidence in the new President, Dr. T. Trotter. For first time Bible study included in regular Matriculating Course of Academy. The necessity of developing an educational spirit amongst the people was emphasized.

The final report of the Committee on Arrangements was adopted as follows:—

Foreign Missions,—Rev. P. R. Foster, Rev. T. A. Blackadar, Deacon Edwin Crosby.

Home Missions,—Rev. W. F. Parker, Deacon W. R. Doty, Deacon Wm. Corning.

Education,—Rev. J. H. Foshay, Rev. E. E. Locke, Bro. J. A. Gates.

Denominational Literature,—Rev. M. W. Brown, Rev. C. P. Wilson, Deacon E. C. Simonson.

Sunday Schools,—Rev. B. N. Nobles, Rev. N. B. Dunn, Rev. E. Quick.

Obituaries,—Rev. E. C. Baker, Rev. S. Langille, Deacon Jas. Roop.

Temperance,—Rev. E. L. Steeves, Deacon E. J. Elliott, Rev. C. E. Pineo.

Systematic Beneficence,—Rev. H. N. Parry, Deacon C. Durkie, R. C. Cann.

Circular Letter,—Rev. H. A. Giffen.

Committee on Circular Letter,—Rev. P. S. McGregor, Rev. E. P. Coldwell.

Associational Sermon,—Rev. J. W. Brown; Alternate, Rev. A. F. Browne.

Resolutions,—Rev. B. H. Thomas, Rev. G. J. C. White, Deacon J. S. Saunders.

Travelling Arrangements,—Burton Cain, Dr. Joel Fritz.

Committee of Arrangements,—Pastor of entertaining church, two nearest pastors, Moderator and Clerk.

The Committee further recommend that next year the time of meeting extend from Saturday morning through Tuesday evening.

Voted that the business of the Association be concluded this night.

The invitation of Milton Church, Yarmouth County, to hold the next Association with them was accepted.

The Chairmen of the County Organizations reported as follows: Queens, Rev. Z. L. Fash; Shelburne, Rev. H. A. Giffen; Yarmouth, Rev. P. R. Foster; Digby and Annapolis, Rev. J. T. Eaton.

The Committee on Resolutions reported through Rev. H. A. Giffen as follows:—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be extended to the Milton Baptist Church and congregation for their hospitality in entertaining the delegates, the choir for excellent music, and the steamboats, railways and coach lines for reduced fares. Passed.

Whereas, Baptists have ever taken a firm stand on the question of Prohibition; *And whereas*, the Federal Government has virtually given a moral pledge to submit the question of prohibitory legislation directly to the people; *And whereas*, the pledge has been deferred of fulfilment; *Therefore Resolved*, that we express our disappointment at this delay, and place on record our earnest protest against the entertaining by the government of any representation that might result in having the question placed before the electorate in any other than in the simplest and most direct form.

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advancement in social, moral and religious life; *And whereas*, our Queen has ever manifested a deep interest in her subjects, and is in her own life an embodiment of many queenly and Christian virtues; *Therefore Resolved*, That we express our appreciation of her personal character and the beneficence of her reign, that we express our gratitude to God for having spared to us for so long a time a Sovereign so gracious, praying that it may please Him to continue her in life yet many years and grant her at last an abundant entrance into His Kingdom.

Passed.

Voted, that the Moderator and Clerk petition the Federal and Provincial Parliaments at their next sessions to enact and enforce prohibitory laws within their constitutional powers.

Thanks were voted to *Messenger and Visitor* for printed programmes.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted and the money was ordered to be paid over to Rev. A. Cohoon for Convention fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Money received from collections.....	34 66
" " Paradise and Clarence Church...	39 10
Total.....	\$78 76
Money paid Rev. A. Cohoon.....	78 76

J. N. FREEMAN, } *Treasurers.*
B. H. PARKER. }

Voted, that the Chairmen of County Organizations be the Associational Chairmen.

Delegates were appointed as follows:—N. S. Central,—Revs. E. C. Baker, H. N. Parry; N. S. Eastern,—Any of our ministers with credentials from Moderator and Clerk; Convention,—Dea. E. J. Elliott, Dea. B. H. Parker.

Minutes read and approved.

Voted, that we adjourn to meet in Milton, Yarmouth Co. Baptist Church, the third Saturday in June, 1898.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. C. Freeman.

H. N. PARRY, *Moderator.*

Z. L. FASH, *Clerk.*

F. E. BISHOP, *Assist. Clerk.*

NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Acadia French Mission	C. W. Grenier, Plympton, Digby Co., N. S.	1895	Delbert Everett, Plympton Station.
2 Annapolis Royal	G. J. C. White, Annapolis, N. S.	1894	Maggie A. Litch, Annapolis.
3 Arcadia	P. E. Foster, Arcadia, Yar. Co.	1895	J. Frank Allen, Arcadia.
4 Argyle	M. W. Brown, Tusket,	1897	Heman Nickerson, Argyle Head, Yar. Co.
5 Bridgetown	F. M. Young, Bridgetown, Annap. Co.	1889	Abraam Young, Bridgetown.
6 Barrington	E. Quick, Barrington Passage, Shelb. Co.	1896	Geo. Wilson, Barrington, Shelb. Co.
7 Bay View	D. H. McQuarrie, Beaver River, Yar. Co.	1896	H. P. Crosby, Port Maitland, Yar. Co.
8 Brookfield	E. C. Baker, North Brookfield, Queens Co.	1894	A. J. Leadbetter, North Brookfield.
9 Caledonia	M. W. Brown, Tusket, Yar. Co.	1894	B. L. Telfer, Caledonia, Queens Co.
10 Carleton	P. R. Foster, Arcadia,	1897	F. M. Normandy, Carleton, Yar. Co.
11 Central Chebogue	S. Langille, Clementsvale, Annap. Co.	1895	F. L. Marshall, Central Chebogue, Yar. Co.
12 Clements	J. T. Eaton, Clementsport,	1894	Joseph Potter, Clementsvale.
13 Clementsport	B. H. Thomas, Digby	1897	John Hicks, Clementsport.
14 Digby	J. C. Morse, D. D., Sandy Cove, Digby Co.	1841	J. Chaloner, Digby.
15 Digby Neck, 1st	" " " "	1841	W. C. Denton, Waterford, Digby Co.
16 " 2nd	" " " "	1841	Harding Denton, Little River, Digby Co.
17 " 3rd	" " " "	1841	Edward McKay, Sandy Cove, Digby Co.
18 Dalhousie, East	J. Webb, Springfield, Annap. Co.	1889	Thomas S. Wilson, Dalhousie East.
19 " "	F. M. Young, Bridgetown, " "	1895	Wm. McGill, Dalhousie, Annapolis Co.
20 Forest	L. J. Tingley, Freeport, N. S.	1896	E. B. Haines, Freeport.
21 Forest Glen	M. W. Brown, Tusket, Yar. Co.	1897	Mrs. Norman Moss, Forest Glen, Yar. Co.
22 Granville Ferry	G. J. C. White, Annap.	1895	J. M. Reed, Granville Ferry, Annapolis Co.
23 Greenfield	J. E. Bishop, Port Medway, Queens Co.	1896	J. M. Freeman, Greenfield.
24 Hampton	E. P. Coldwell, Fort Lorne, Annap. Co.	1894	Isaiah Brown, Hampton, Annap. Co.
25 Hebron	J. W. Tingley, Hebron, Yar. Co.	1895	James Crosby, Wellington, Yar. Co.
26 Hillsburg, Ist.	W. L. Parker, Digby	1895	John A. Nichols, Lansdowne, Digby Co.
27 Hillgrove	C. W. Sables, Shelburne	1895	James D. Goodick, Lower Sand Point, Shelb. Co.
28 Jordan Bay and Sand Point	" "	1895	Charles Hayden, Jordan Falls, Shelb. Co.
29 Jordan Falls	" "	1895	Wm. E. Freeman, Kempt, Queens Co., N. S.
30 Kempt	T. A. Blackadar, Pleasant Valley, Yar. Co.	1895	Josiah A. Porter, Lake George, Yar. Co.
31 Lake George	Lewis F. Wallace, Lawrence town, Annap. Co., N. S.	1897	T. G. Bishop, Lawrence town, Annap. Co.
32 Lawrence town	Irad Hardy (Lic.), Parker's Cove, Annap. Co.	1897	S. Sprout, Litchfield, Annap. Co.
33 Litchfield	" "	1897	G. Kempton, Liverpool, N. S.
34 Liverpool	A. F. Browne, Lockeport	1893	Austin Locke, Lockeport.
35 Lockeport	" "	1893	Thomas D. Giffen, Louis Head, Shelb. Co.
36 Louis Head	" "	1893	" "

37 Lower Granville	James A. Porter, Granville Ferry, Annap. Co.	1895	Alfred T. Mills, Granville Ferry.
38 Middlefield	F. E. Bishop, Port Medway	1896	S. F. Waterman, Middlefield, Queens Co., N. S.
39 Middleton	E. E. Locke, Middleton, N. S.	1896	J. H. Charlton, Middleton.
40 Mill Village	F. E. Bishop, Port Medway	1888	F. P. Christopher, Mill Village.
41 Milton, Queens Co.	W. L. Archibald, Milton, Queens Co.	1896	F. B. Shields, Milton, Queens Co.
42 " "	J. H. Saunders, Yarmouth, N. S.	1893	R. H. Durand, Yarmouth.
43 Milford and Greywood	" "	1895	Wallace Longacre, Milford, Annap. Co.
44 New Albany	J. Webb, Springfield, Annap. Co.	1895	" "
45 New Tusket	H. A. Giffen, W. "	1895	" "

37 Lower Granville	James A. Forter, Granville Ferry, Annap. Co.	1895
38 Middlefield	F. E. Bishop, Port Medway	1896
39 Middleton	E. E. Locke, Middleton, N. S.	1898
40 Mill Village	F. E. Bishop, Port Medway	1898
41 Milton, Queens Co.	W. L. Archibald, Milton, Queens Co.	1896
42 " " "	J. H. Saunders, Yarmouth, N. S.	1896
43 Milford and Greywood	J. Webb, Springfield, Annap. Co.	1895
44 New Albany	H. A. Giffen, Weymouth, Digby Co.	1895
45 New Tusket	J. W. Brown, Nictaux Falls, Annap. Co.	1894
46 Nictaux	P. S. McGregor, South Ohio, Yar. Co.	1896
47 North Temple	" " "	1896
48 Ohio	" " "	1896
49 Parker's Cove	Irad Hardy (Lic.), Hillsburn, Annap. Co.	1897
50 Port Medway	F. E. Bishop, Port Medway	1896
51 Pubnico East	E. Quick, Barrington Passage, Shelb. Co.	1896
52 Port Clyde	" " "	1896
53 Paradise and Clarence	E. L. Steeves, Paradise, Annap. Co.	1896
54 Ragged Island, 1st	N. B. Dunn, Lydgate, Shelb. Co.	1897
55 " " 2nd	" " "	1894
56 Sable River, 1st	" " "	.....
57 " " 2nd	" " "	.....
58 Shelburne	C. W. Sables, Shelburne	.....
59 St. Mary's Bay	G. C. Crabbe, Barton, Digby Co.	1895
60 Smith's Cove	J. T. Eaton, Clementsport, Annap. Co.	1895
61 Springfield	J. Webb, Springfield, Annap. Co.	1894
62 Tiverton	L. J. Tingley, Freeport, Digby Co.	1895
63 Tusket	M. W. Brown, Tusket, Yar. Co.	1896
64 Westport	C. E. Pines, Westport, N. S.	1897
65 Weymouth	H. A. Giffen, Weymouth, N. S.	1895
66 Winnot Mountain	E. P. Coldwell, Port Lorne, Annap. Co.	1894
67 Upper Wilnot	H. N. Parry, Melvern Square, "	1896
68 Wood's Harbor	E. Quick, Barrington Passage, Shelb. Co.	1896
69 Yarmouth, 1st	J. H. Foshay, Yarmouth, "	1896
70 " " Temple	W. F. Parker, "	1896
71 " " 3rd	T. A. Blockadar, Pleasant Valley, Yar. Co.	1895
72 " " West	C. P. Wilson, Cheggoggin, Yar. Co.	1897

Alfred T. Mills, Granville Ferry.	1895
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Phineas Whitman, New Albany, Annap. Co.	1894
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E. M. Patten, Nictaux West, Annap. Co.	1896
Emma M. Crosby, South Ohio, Yar. Co.	1896
Austin S. Caswell, Hillsburn, Annap. Co.	1896
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James Strong, Port Clyde.	1896
S. N. Jackson, Clarence, Annap. Co.	1896
Jacob Giffen, Lydgate, Shelb. Co.	1897
Elbridge Hardy, Lockport.	1894
James Dunlop, Sable River, Shelb. Co.
Daniel McAdams, "
David Nickerson, Shelb.
N. R. Westcott, Brighton, Digby Co.	1895
John S. Thomas, Smith's Cove, Digby Co.	1894
J. H. Freeman, Springfield, Annap. Co.	1895
C. J. Pyne, Tiverton, Digby Co.	1896
E. C. Simonsen, Tusket, Yar. Co.	1897
W. A. Pugh, Westport.	1895
C. H. Hankinson, Weymouth.	1894
J. P. Foster, Port Lorne, Annap. Co.	1896
C. C. Chute, Melvern Square, Annap. Co.	1896
J. Dixon, Wood's Harbor, Shelb. Co.	1896
C. W. Saunders, Yarmouth, Box 473.	1896
J. H. Huestis, Yarmouth.	1895
Edwin Crosby, Pleasant Valley, Yar. Co.	1895
Wm. Corning, Cheggoggin, Yar. Co.	1897

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STATISTICS OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS IN THE CHURCHES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Schools.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
1 Acadia French Mission	1	Delbert Everett	14	6	4	3	240	\$ 6			
2 Annapolis Royal	1	W. M. McVicar, Joseph Bancroft	85	60	7	15	17 40	9 41		52	6
3 Arcadia	1	Aaron Shaw	84	50	9	22	23 42	18 12		50	3
4 Argyle*	1	O. W. Slocumb	35	30	8	15	100	15 00		20	3
5 Bridgetown	3	G. H. Dixon, Chas. Withers, E. Brooks	275	200	25	60	100 00	5 25		52	5
6 Barrington	1	Geo. Wilson	16	10	5	4	50	29 40	6 58	45	
7 Bay View	2	R. Gallison, E. H. Goudy	216	145	22	90	150			47	
8 Brookfield	1	Rufus Hendry, A. J. Leadbetter	125	80	13	50	140			50	
9 Caledonia	1	E. K. Teifer	50	30	8	11	150			45	
10 Carleton, 2*	1	W. G. Nichol	35	30	5	10	40			50	
11 Central Chebogue	1	F. G. Cook	40	33	6	12	200	10 00		40	
12 Clements	6	J. Potter, E. Dondale, E. Banks, E. Robbins	388	228	48	10	325	30 00		48	
13 Clementsport	3	J. F. Saunders, L. Whitman	100	75	15	30	200	15 00	10 00	52	4
14 Digby	1	J. F. Saunders, J. Ross	100	55	10	20	200	2 80			2
15 Digby Neck, 1st	1	Geo. A. Holmes	59	40	10	10	60	6 00		30	
16 Digby Neck, 2nd	1	J. R. Denton	44	30	10	10	50				
17 Digby Neck, 3rd	1	Mrs. J. C. Morse	50	40	10	9	100		1 34	37	
18 Dalhousie, East	1	Elton H. Saunders	17	9	4	5	15			52	
19 Dalhousie, West*	2	J. Jackson, Wm. McGill	30	20	5	15	50	150 00	20 00		
20 Freeport	1	W. H. Brooks	200	175	18	50	100				3
21 Greenfield	1	Archibald Sweeney	25	20	3	3	80	2 54	1 86	40	10
22 Hampton	2	S. F. Hunt	74	56	13	22	150	4 00	5 00	46	6
23 Hebron	2	E. F. Foster	45	35	7	20	500	27 67	17 70	52	15
24 Hillburg, 1st	2	N. Durkie, J. Crosby	235	120	28	137	200	84 00	13 00	80	5
25 Hillburg, 2nd	1	W. J. Shields	230	70	16	20	80			26	
26 Hill Grove	1	R. Bell	50	25	5	5	10 00		1 00	43	
27 Jordan Bay and Sand Point	1	Wm. McClure	50	35	6	8	34		6 00	50	
28 Jordan Falls	1	Chas. Hayden	69	48	8	12					
29 Kempf	3	Simon Delong	110	80		15					

30 Lake George	2	H. H. Crosby	96	64	17	35	225	8 00		40	
31 Lawrencetown	2	W. E. Fairley, A. Dunn	150	115	15	35	350				3
32 Litchfield*	1	S. Spron	30	24	5	6	50			26	
33 Liverpool	2	S. C. West, T. Annis	190	135	22	16	400	10 50		51	1
34 Lockport	1	C. Locke, J. Locke	135	105	15	10	100	5 00		51	
35 Louis Head	1	A. Freeman	30	20	4	10	100	10 00		46	
36 Lower Granville	5	W. E. Armstrong, H. Hudson, B. W. Shaaf	160	100							
37 Middleton	4	Wm. E. Ryder, Mrs. E. Hinds	160	100							

27	Jordan Bay and Sand Point	2	Wm. McClure	50	25	5	80	10 00	1 00	43	20
28	Jordan Falls	1	Chas. Hayden	50	35	6	25	10 00	1 00	43	43
29	Kempt	3	Shimon Delong	69	48	8	34	60	15 00	6 00	50
				110	80	12	15				23
30	Lake George	2	H. H. Crosby	96	64	17	35	8 00			40
31	Lawrencetown	1	W. E. Palfrey, A. Dunn	150	115	15	225	35 00			52
32	Litchfield	1	S. Sprout	30	24	5	50	5 00			25
33	Liverpool	1	S. C. West, T. Annis	190	135	22	400	45 00	10 50		52
34	Lockport	2	C. Locke, J. Locke	135	105	15	100	8 00	5 00		51
35	Louis Head	1	A. Freeman	30	20	4	10	10 00			1
36	Lower Granville	5	W. E. Armsstrong, H. Hudson, B. W. Shaffert, E. Ryder, Mrs. E. Hinds	160	100	15	300	78 47			35
37	Middleton	4	F. E. Bentley	117	75	15	18	23 40			51
38	Mill Village	1	C. E. McKenna	42	22	6	19	5 00	1 56		5
39	Milton Queens Co.	1	E. G. Freeman	140	115	21	65	58 50	3 88		46
40	Milton, Yarmouth Co.	1	C. L. Kent	73	60	12	21	20 00	12 08		35
41	Milford and Greywood	2	S. Floyd	26	20	6	30	1 00			51
42	New Albany	4	John B. Merry	50	40	6	25	1 01			10
43	New Tusket	1	Wm. Mullen	110	80	11	20	8 00	8 00		46
44	Nictaux	5	B. H. Parker, R. J. Woodward, W. C. Parthos Eldridge	300	200	27	225	100 00	8 00		52
45	North Temple	1	Alvin Rose	130	80	17	45	35 40	39 00		8
46	Ohio	1	A. S. Caswell	51	38	9	21	6 77	7 68		9
47	Parker's Cove	1	John Wyman	20	15	4	5	2 00			5
48	Port Medway	1	Thos. Atkins	65	45	11	27	28 24			25
49	Provincetown, East	1	Jas. Strong	20	20	4	4	6 00			49
50	Port Clyde	1	J. Longley, S. N. Jackson	34	25	4	15	4 00			52
51	Paradise and Clarence	3	S. Allen, A. D. Giffen	225	147	33	75	37 00	6 27		1
52	Ragged Island, 1st	2	Jas. Dunlop	170	100	18	80	110	30 52		2
53	Sable River, 1st	1	Abram Loyd, R. McAdams	60	50	10	20	50	15 00		4
54	Sable River, 2nd	2	Z. Bower	56	45	8	12				52
55	Shelburne	1	Wm. Smith, E. Marshall, N. R. Westcott, J. H. McNeil	45	25	7	25	26 02	1 30		30
56	Saint Mary's Bay	4	Wm. Smith, E. Marshall, N. R. Westcott, S. Allen, A. D. Giffen	165	125	25	60	36 50			52
57	Smith's Cove	1	C. W. Koop, C. R. Marshall	53	30	10	10	325	47 00		45
58	Springfield	2	C. E. Lent	174	98	16	79	210	47 50		48
59	Tiverton	4	E. C. Simonsen, A. Giffrey, W. Gavel	30	25	6	9	8 00			14
60	Tusket	1	W. A. Pugh	132	100	14	9	9 78	6 92		48
61	Westport	2	W. C. Hankinson, C. W. Sbean	225	150	20	200				48
62	Weymouth	2	Walter Graves, C. Grant	75	58	9	40				52
63	Wilnot Mountain	2	L. Baker, C. Stronach, J. E. Baker, J. Clark	95	80	10	30	10 00			32
64	Wilnot, Upper	4	J. Dixon	245	160	30	15	18 00			25
65	Wood's Harbor	2	C. S. P. Robbins	90	75	12	40	18 00			52
66	Yarmouth, 1st	1	Geo. N. Spinney	185	130	24	40	67 78	105 03		52
67	Yarmouth Temple	1	Edwin Crosby, Cabot Cook	205	140	23	40	130 00	27 36		51
68	Yarmouth, 3rd	2	S. Churchill, J. C. Corning	150	110	18	64	16 00	71 18		32
69	Yarmouth, West*	2		150	120	19	70	300			48
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NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL.

CHESTER, Friday, June 25th, 1897.

The 47th Annual Session of the Nova Scotia Central Association was held with the church at Chester, Lunenburg Co., and opened at 2 p. m. The Moderator, Rev. D. H. Simpson, occupied the chair. After opening prayer by Rev. A. E. Ingram, a short time was spent in devotional exercises. A partial report of the Committee of Arrangements was read and adopted.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:—

Moderator,—Rev. C. H. Martell.

Clerk,—Rev. J. B. Morgan.

Assistant-Clerk,—Prof. E. W. Sawyer.

Treasurer,—Chas. A. Smith.

A request of the church at New Canada for admission to the Association was presented by the pastor and referred to committee.

An hour was then spent in reading church letters by Committee, Revs. A. Cohoon and D. H. Simpson. Committee reported favourably, upon request of New Canada church. Report was adopted. The Moderator thereupon extended the hand of fellowship to Pastor D. W. Crandall as representative of the church.

The pastors who had entered the Association during the year were welcomed to the Association by the Moderator, as follows: Revs. J. B. Morgan, A. H. C. Morse, G. L. Bishop, W. H. Jenkins and A. E. Ingram. Each made fitting response.

By motion, A. H. Chipman of the *Messenger and Visitor*, Revs. J. A. Marple, and H. N. Parry, Wm. Chase and Jos. Crandall were invited to seats in the Association.

A very excellent report on Denominational Literature, presented by Prof. E. W. Sawyer, was received and taken up section by section. Questions relative to the B. Y. P. U. department of the *Messenger and Visitor* by Revs. D. W. Crandall and W. N. Hutchins, were answered by A. H. Chipman. Rev. D. H. Simpson inquired about music edition of *The Canadian Baptist Hymnal*, and was answered by Geo. A. McDonald.

By motion, Revs. A. A. Shaw, E. O. Read, A. Cohoon, and W. E. Hall were appointed to draft committees for next year.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. A. A. Shaw.

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Friday Evening Session.

The evening session was called to order by the Moderator at 7.30 and opened with prayer by Rev. A. E. Ingram.

Minutes of afternoon session read and adopted.

The chair was then given up to Rev. W. N. Hutchins, President of the Associational B. Y. P. U. who conducted a platform meeting in the interests of the B. Y. P. U. The choir led the large audience in heartily rendering "Blest be the tie that binds," etc., after which scripture was read by Rev. G. A. Lawson and prayer offered by A. H. Chipman.

In the absence of the Secretary, her report was read by the Vice-President.

Reports had been received from 16 Unions and 4 junior unions, the former with a membership of 1,130, of whom 857 were active and 253 associate. In 12 Unions culture work had been done and 12 conversions were reported by the Unions. After adoption of this report addresses were given by Rev. D. E. Hatt upon "The benefit of the B. Y. P. U. to the Pastor," by Rev. J. B. Morgan upon "The Benefit of the B. Y. P. U. to the Church," and by Prof. E. W. Sawyer upon "The benefits of the B. Y. P. U. to the Young People." The addresses were earnest and practical and calculated to awaken interest in the B. Y. P. U.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30 with benediction by the Moderator.

Saturday Morning.

Refreshing prayer services were held at 6 and 9 o'clock.

The regular session of the Association opened at 10, with prayer by J. F. L. Parsons.

Report on Denominational Literature was further discussed by Revs. D. E. Hatt, J. Murray, D. W. Crandall and J. F. L. Parsons, Prof. E. W. Sawyer and Geo. A. McDonald. It was all adopted except last clause referring to S. S. Libraries, which was deferred for further consideration along with the report on Sunday-schools.

Voted that this afternoon at 3 o'clock the Association give place to the W. B. M. U.

Report on Obituaries read by Rev. W. E. Hall, remarked upon by Moderator, J. F. L. Parsons and Rev. A. Cohoon and adopted.

Report on Benevolent Funds presented by Rev. A. Cohoon, spoken to by J. F. L. Parsons and Revs. A. Cohoon and D. H. Simpson, and adopted.

A history of the Indian Harbor Church prepared by Rev. M. W. Brown was read by the Clerk and spoken upon by Rev. W. E.

Hall. By motion, the history was referred back to Committee for condensation and publication in *Messenger and Visitor*.

Mrs. C. H. Martell then addressed the Association for five minutes in the interest of the Book-Room.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. March.

Saturday Afternoon.

Session opened at 2 o'clock with prayer by Rev. W. N. Hutchins.

Minutes of previous session adopted.

Half-hour was spent in reading letters from churches.

Report on Education presented by Rev. A. A. Shaw, upon which Prof. E. W. Sawyer was given fifteen minutes for presentation of claims of the Wolfville institutions. He made an urgent and forceful appeal to the body, showing how much the denomination was indebted for its progress to our Educational institutions.

Report was adopted.

At 3 p. m., Moderator gave up the chair to Miss Amy Johnstone who conducted a most interesting session of the Associational W. B. M. U.

The programme consisted of reports from its societies, and addresses by Miss Johnstone, Miss Gray, Mrs. D. H. Simpson and Mrs. C. H. Martell. After adjournment of this meeting at 5 p. m., the B. Y. P. U. held an adjourned session, at which the report of Nominating Committee was received and adopted as follows:—

President.—Rev. G. A. Lawson.

1st Vice-President.—Prof. E. W. Sawyer.

2nd Vice-President.—Rev. J. B. Morgan.

Secretary.—Miss Florence Blakney.

Treasurer.—Harold S. Freeman.

Executive Committee.—Rev. W. N. Hutchins, Rev. H. S. Shaw and Rev. A. A. Shaw.

Resolved, That the members of the Board of Managers be a special committee in their respective counties to attend to the organization of District Unions.

Adjourned.

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N. B.—A session of B. Y. P. U., was held Saturday, A. M., of which the following are the minutes:—2nd Session of Associational Union called to order at 8.30 a. m. The report of the Executive Committee was presented, giving notice of the following changes and additions to the Constitution.

1st. "That Pastors of Churches be delegates to the Associational B. Y. P. U. in their own right."

2nd. "That the words 'by ballot,' be omitted from Article V of the Constitution."

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3rd. "That County rallies be held in September of each year, for the purpose of stimulating interest in C. C. Courses"; and 4th, "That a banner be procured for competition in the S. L. Course among the Unions of the Central Association—the banner to be awarded to the Union having the largest number of successful examination papers in proportion to its membership." All recommendations were adopted after some discussion. Meeting adjourned at 9.30 a. m.

Saturday Evening.

Association assembled at 7.30 p. m., with Moderator in chair.

Half-hour spent in reading letters from churches.

Report on Temperance presented by Rev. G. A. Lawson. Its adoption was moved and addresses made by Rev. W. N. Hutchins, Rev. D. H. Simpson and J. F. L. Parsons.

Report adopted.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. J. B. Morgan and seconded by Rev. J. Murray:

Resolved, That this Association by its Moderator and Clerk petition the Legislative Council and House of Assembly at their next session, setting forth the evils resulting from our present license law, enabling licensed counties to sell into Scott Act counties and counties in which licenses are not granted, and urging the desirability of a prohibitory act being passed and praying for as large a measure of prohibition as may be constitutionally granted.

Carried.

Adjourned at 9.40 p. m.

Sunday Services.

Prayer services were held at 6 a. m. led by Prof. E. W. Sawyer, and at 9 a. m. led by Rev. G. A. Lawson. At 11 a. m. the Associational sermon was preached by Rev. M. P. Freeman, from Dan. 9: 4,—a thoughtful discourse upon the subject of "Prayer," which was very helpful and highly appreciated.

A public meeting in the interests of Sunday-school work was held at 3 p. m. Report on S. Schools was presented and adopted and addresses given by Mrs. Nalder, J. F. L. Parsons, Rev. W. H. Jenkins and Rev. J. A. Marple, interspersed by solos by Mrs. Crandall and G. A. McDonald. At 4.15 an open air meeting was held on the parade, addressed by Revs. D. H. Simpson, D. E. Hatt and J. A. Marple.

The evening session was devoted to missions.

The report on Missions was read by Rev. D. H. Simpson. Our Home Mission interests were ably set forth by Rev. A. Cohoon and Foreign Missions did not suffer at the hands of Rev. A. A. Shaw and Miss A. C. Gray.

Report was adopted and a collection taken for Convention Fund. An after meeting followed, conducted by Rev. J. A. Marple.

Monday Morning.

Session opened with prayer by Rev. W. E. Hall.

Report of Committee on Denominational Literature, taken from table and adopted.

Report on Education adopted. The remaining letters from the Churches were read.

Report of Halifax District Committee presented and adopted.

Report of Hants District Committee presented and adopted.

The following resolution was passed by unanimous standing vote:—

Resolved, That in this Diamond Jubilee year, the sixtieth of the reign of Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, this Association place on record an expression of gratitude to God for the manifold blessings that have come to the nation during her reign, and of love and loyalty to the Queen and the Empire.

In the absence of Rev. A. C. Chute, no circular letter was presented. It was resolved, That he be requested to prepare and publish the circular letter at earliest convenient date.

Resolved, To renew our request to the Maritime Convention to provide a revision of our articles of Faith and Covenant and that the latter embody a pledge of total abstinence from intoxicating liquor as a beverage, and a promise to make an early transfer of membership on removal of residence to another place.

Monday Afternoon.

Rev. S. March offered the opening prayer.

The report of Committee on Nominations was read and adopted as follows:—

Education.—Revs. W. N. Hutchins, C. H. Martell and C. W. Rose, Lic.

Missions.—Revs. A. C. Chute, W. E. Hall and Dea. J. C. Dumaresq.

Denominational Literature.—Rev. A. A. Shaw, and Bros. T. H. Mitchner, C. E. Young and James Craig.

Benevolent Fund.—Revs. H. S. Shaw, S. March, and W. R. Barss.

Obituaries.—Revs. Jos. Murray and E. N. Archibald.

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Temperance,—Revs. M. P. Freeman, D. H. Simpson and Chas. Patriquin.

History of Churches,—Rev. S. B. Kempton, D. D., for Dartmouth, and Rev. Jos. Murray for Falmouth.

Statistics,—B. H. Eaton and J. F. L. Parsons.

Circular Letter,—Prof. E. W. Sawyer and Rev. F. E. Roop.

Arrangements,—Pastors of entertaining church and President of B. Y. P. U. with power to add to their number.

Delegates to the Convention,—A. A. Pineo and Chas. A. Smith.

Delegates to the N. S. Western Association,—Revs. E. O. Read and A. Cohoon.

Delegates to N. S. Eastern Association,—Any two brethren who may attend.

Delegates to P. E. Island Association,—Revs. T. Trotter, D. D., and D. H. Simpson.

Delegates to New Brunswick Convention,—Any brethren who may attend.

Associational Sermon,—Rev. W. H. Jenkins; Alternate, Rev. C. H. Martell.

Chairmen of Districts,—No. 1. Rev. E. O. Read; No. 2. Rev. A. A. Shaw; No. 3. Rev. G. A. Lawson; No. 4. Rev. H. S. Shaw.

Report of District of Kings presented by C. H. Martell and adopted.

On motion, leave was granted Moderator and Clerk to retire. Rev. M. P. Freeman was moved to the chair and J. F. L. Parsons to fill clerk's place.

Nominating Committee reported following special committee on Finance:—B. H. Eaton, Revs. D. H. Simpson and W. H. Jenkins, A. P. Shand and Rev. A. C. Chute. Report adopted.

By motion, Rev. G. A. Lawson was appointed to preach at 7.30 p. m., to be followed by short addresses.

On motion adjourned.

Monday Evening.

Acting Moderator Rev. M. P. Freeman, presided.

Vote of thanks extended to Chester church members and friends for their kind hospitality, and to the choir for rendering excellent music, and to other friends who have rendered assistance.

An offering of \$12.00 was then made as a donation to the building fund of the Noel Baptist church. By vote the Treasurer was authorized to pay this amount over to Rev. F. E. Roop, pastor of Noel church.

Rev. G. A. Lawson preached from John ii: 18-19.

An evangelistic service followed, led by Rev. D. H. Simpson.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES IN THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.										PROPERTY AND FINANCE.												
	Date of Organization.	Present Membership.	No. Reported Last Year.	Baptized.	On Experience.	Restored.	From Chrs. in Conv'n.	From Chrs. elsewhere.	Diad.	Joined other Churches in Convention.	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Members.	Total No. removed from the roll.	No. of Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational Objects.	Other Moneys Raised.
1 Aylesford.....	1846	428	413	22			10	2	2	8	3	19	8	113	13	2	4000	450	1650	\$975 94	\$135 22		
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4 Hilltown.....	1835	465	472	3			2	4	1	1	3	7	204	3	10	2500	400	800	400 00	600 00	95 25		
5 Bridgewater.....	1848	188	162	24			1	1	1	1	4	24	8	39	15	7	1500	200	2000	145 31	17 22		
6 Brooklyn.....	1876	151	138	9			1	1	1	1	1	33	1	77	44	11	1500	400		327 00	30 57		
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8 Cambridge.....	1874	348	332	18			1	2	2	8	2	39	8	21	43	4	3700	1300	2500	1000 00			
9 Canard.....	1803	348	272	79			4	2	2	2	1	1	1	8	1	1	4000	250		650 00	59 00	25 00	
10 Chelsea.....	1853	118	103	38			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	8	1	4000	250		653 00		15 00	
11 Chelsea.....	1811	428	448	25			2	6	6	16	1	23	1	16	29	7	4000	400	1200	1453 57	236 21	104 65	
12 Chester.....	1843	176	154	25			3	1	1	3	1	1	1	14	1	1	1800	400		37 24		6 00	
13 Dartmouth.....	1833	45	40				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	500	100		20 00			
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15 Fall River, East.....	1809	23	23				5	5	5	4	4	4	4	40	6	3	4000	700	1600	800 00	53 78		
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21 Halifax, West End.....	1890	65	57				1	1	1	1	1	2	1	7	1	1200	200		1112 00	127 00	220 00		
22 Hammonds Plains, 1st*.....	1843	41	41				1	1	1	1	1	20	79	31	11	2500	630	1800	165 00	400 00	11 63		
23 Hammonds Plains, 2nd.....	1878	15	17				1	1	1	1	1	33	7	33	3	3000	500	275	275	165 00			
24 Hantsport.....	1830	288	288	24			4	4	4	5	2	33	2	22	1	3000	500	600	400 00	400 00		20 00	
25 Indian Harbor.....	1843	132	165				1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	1	2000	500		150 00				
26 Jeddore.....	1819	161	164				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2000	500		200 00				
27 Jeddore, East.....	1885	90	94				1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	1	4000	650						
28 Kempf.....	1842	160	160	9			1	1	1	1	3	18	9	18	9	3	4000	650					

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80 Kentville.....	1874	129	81	27	2		17	2	2	1	1	48	33	48	1	5000	300	3000	962 50	100 00	97 00	
81 Kingston.....	1894	108	108				2	2	2	1	1	6	6	4	4	1	2500	300		270 27	57 65	
82 Lucasville.....	1890	28	28				5	5	5	2	2	13	13	21	12	1300	300		639 00	118 86	15 00	
83 Lunenburg.....	1885	95	86	14	2		5	5	5	1	1	9	9	3	2	2500	300		629 00	111 89		
84 Malone Bay.....	1809	211	216	5			3	3	3	1	4	5	5	37	3	7000	600	1000	703 32	111 89		
85 Matiland *.....	1854	57	57				1	1	1	1	1	5	5	5	2	1800	450		200 00			
86 Moser River.....	1867	50	59				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1500	400					
87 Musquodoboit *.....	1882	34	34				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1500	400					
88 Musquodoboit.....	1867	34	34				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1500	400					

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30 Kentville.....	1874	129	81	27	2	17	2	3	1	48	33	48	1	5000	300	3000	962 50	100 00	97 00
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33 Lunenburg.....	1885	95	86	14	2	5	3	1	1	9	13	21	1	2500	300	1000	703 32	111 39	
34 Mahone Bay.....	1809	211	216	3	3	3	3	2	1	5	37	3	2	7000	600	1000	200 00	15 00	
35 Matfield *.....	1854	57	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1800	450	400	350 00	18 00	
36 Meser River.....	1887	50	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1750	150	150	400 00	15 00	
37 Musquodoboit *.....	1862	34	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1800	200	1500	350 00	18 00	
38 New Canada.....	1895	114	101	11	3	3	1	3	1	13	2	15	1	1800	200	1500	700 00	200 00	15 00
39 New Cornwall.....	1856	63	61	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	14	3	1	700	125	550	400 00	15 00	
40 New Germany.....	1842	331	300	35	1	1	1	1	1	31	65	36	2	2000	400	1000	303 00	22 61	15 60
41 New Minas.....	1856	184	182	5	1	1	1	1	1	2	5	5	2	5000	600	1500	400 00	15 00	
42 Newport.....	1799	187	178	7	3	3	1	1	1	9	65	10	1	350	140	1500	400 00	22 61	15 60
43 New Ross.....	1831	85	80	5	1	1	1	1	1	5	19	5	2	2400	400	400	60 50		
44 Pearsantville.....	1861	212	186	27	1	1	1	1	1	26	100	29	3	1200	700	1000	3068 61	962 23	
45 Rawdon.....	1875	66	86	9	1	1	1	1	1	20	30	10	2	1400	440	440	298 00	14 62	
46 Sackville.....	1823	151	151	17	1	1	1	1	1	9	18	18	1	1000	200	500	501 73	30 84	
47 St. Margaret's Bay, 1st.....	1827	74	62	7	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1500	200	500	150 00	9 50	
48 St. Margaret's Bay, 2nd.....	1872	158	161	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	19	17	5	2150	1000	1000	150 00	17 00	
49 Tanook.....	1855	292	298	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	32	3	4	2000	375	375	40 00		
50 Walton.....	1811	35	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	14	4	1	1900	225	200	110 00	17 00	
51 Waterville.....	1857	80	60	6	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	6	1	800	200	200	150 00	9 50	
52 Windsor.....	1819	485	422	64	1	15	1	10	6	4	42	9	5	12000	1100	1100	150 00		
53 Windsor Plains.....	1874	29	22	7	1	1	1	1	1	63	81	18	3	900	170	170	40 00		
54 Wolfville.....	1778	459	428	43	1	10	4	9	13	7	86	59	28	8000	550	4000	3068 61	962 23	
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* No Letter this year.

P. S.—Discrepancies in "No. reported last year" and last year's Year Book due to revisions of church rolls.

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Aylesford	J. B. Morgan, Aylesford, N. S.	1896	G. W. Eaton, Auburn, Kings Co., N. S.
2 Aylesford, Lower	H. H. Saunders, Kingson, N. S.	1897	J. Alonzo Banks, Kingston Village, Kings Co., N. S.
3 Berwick	D. H. Simpson, Berwick, N. S.	1895	H. J. Chute, Somerset, Kings Co., N. S.
4 Billtown	M. P. Freeman, Billtown, Kings Co., N. S.	1895	J. E. Dunham, Lakoville, Kings Co., N. S.
5 Bridgewater	E. P. Churchill, Bridgewater, N. S.	1897	E. J. Manning, Bridgewater, N. S.
6 Brooklyn	John Hardy, Wolfville, N. S.	1897	Walker Hutchison, Lockhartville, Kings Co., N. S.
7 Burlington	Geo. L. Bishop, Burlington, Kings Co., N. S.	1896	Thomas Graves, Gorland, Kings Co., N. S.
8 Cambridge	E. D. Read, Waterville, Kings Co., N. S.	1893	James Craig, Upper Dyke Village, Kings Co., N. S.
9 Canard	C. H. Martell, Upper Canard, Kings Co., N. S.	1894	A. S. McDaid, Upper Dyke Village, Kings Co., N. S.
10 Canning	W. N. Hutchins, Canning, N. S.	1894	E. M. Beckwith, Canning, N. S.
11 Chelsea	W. H. Jenkins, Chester, N. S.	1897	Wm. Faulkner, Chelsea, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
12 Chester	S. B. Kempton, D. D., Dartmouth, N. S.	1897	Chas. A. Smith, Chester, N. S.
13 Dartmouth	S. March, Bridgewater, N. S.	1895	W. H. Fielding, Box 204, Dartmouth, N. S.
14 Dayspring	A. Whitman, sackville, Halifax, N. S.	1895	Levi Hewitt, Dayspring, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
15 Fall River, East	"	1895	Aaron W. Williams, Waverley, Halifax Co., N. S.
16 Fall River	"	1895	Arnie Leatham, Waverley, Halifax Co., N. S.
17 Kalmouth	Joseph Murray, Falmouth, Hants Co., N. S.	1895	John Caldwell, Falmouth, Hants Co., N. S.
18 Gaspercaux	John Williams, Gaspercaux, Kings Co., N. S.	1895	B. H. Eaton, Halifax, N. S.
19 Halifax, 1st	A. C. Chute, 30 Victoria Road, Halifax, N. S.	1893	George A. McDonald, 13 Maynard St., Halifax, N. S.
20 Halifax, 2nd	Z. L. Fash, Halifax, N. S.	1892	Owen P. Hill, 88 Upper Water St., Halifax, N. S.
21 Halifax, 3rd	W. E. Hall, 93 North St., Halifax, N. S.	1897	Amos Bezanson, English Corner, Halifax Co., N. S.
22 Halifax, West End	George A. Lawson, 29 Allen St., Halifax, N. S.	1891	Francis W. Jackson, English Corner, Halifax Co., N. S.
23 Hammonds Plains, 1st	A. Whitman, Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S.	1895	C. L. Marston, M. D., Hantsport, N. S.
24 Hammonds Plains, 2nd	"	1895	Horatio Inor, Indian Harbour, Halifax Co., N. S.
25 Indian Harbor	D. E. Hatf, Hantsport, N. S.	1895	P. W. Maskell, West Jeddore, Halifax Co., N. S.
26 Jeddore	A. E. Ingram, French Village, Halifax Co., N. S.	1897	Enos Baker, Lower East Jeddore, Halifax Co., N. S.
27 Jeddore, East	Geo. Weathers, Summerville, Hants Co., N. S.	1896	Joseph D. Masters, Summerville, Hants Co., N. S.
30 Kentville	B. N. Nobles, Kentville, N. S.	1897	Henry Lovitt, Kentville, N. S.
31 Kingston	J. B. Morgan, Aylesford, N. S.	1896	L. S. Tufts, Kingston, Kings Co., N. S.
32 Lucasville	A. Whitman, Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S.	1895	Alfred Johnson, Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S.
33 Lunenburg	E. N. Archbald, Lunenburg, N. S.	1891	Geo. A. Parker, Lunenburg, N. S.
34 Mahone Bay	H. S. Shaw, Mahone Bay, N. S.	1893	J. E. Lantz, Mahone Bay, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
35 Maitland	"	1893	Cyrus Weldon, Noel Hants Co., N. S.
36 Moser River	"	1893	A. W. Moser, Ecum Secum, Guysboro Co., N. S.

37 Musquodoboit	F. M. Clay, (Lic.), Wittenburg, Col. Co., N. S.	1896	A. McBain, Meacher's Grant, Halifax Co., N. S.
38 New Canada	D. W. Crandall, New Canada, Lun. Co., N. S.	1895	T. B. Meldrum, Upper Branch, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
39 New Cornwall	H. S. Shaw, Mahone Bay, N. S.	1894	Isaac S. Holmum, New Cornwall, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
40 New Germany	J. L. Read, Barss' Corner, Lun. Co., N. S.	1896	J. W. Langille, Barss' Corner, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
41 New Minas	E. W. Rose, New Minas, Kings Co., N. S.	1897	W. H. Seaman, New Minas, Kings Co., N. S.
42 Newport	W. W. Rees, Scotch Village, Newport, Hants, N. S.	1892	J. A. Dimock, Scotch Village, Newport, Hants, N. S.
43 New Ross	J. E. Blakeney, New Ross, Lun. Co., N. S.	1895	Joseph Lantz, New Ross, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
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37 Musquodoboit	F. M. Clay, (Lic.), Wittenburg, Col. Co., N. S.	1896	A. McBain, Mcagher's Grant, Halifax Co., N. S.
38 New Canada	D. W. Crandall, New Canada, Lun. Co., N. S.	1895	T. B. Meldrum, Upper Branch, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
39 New Cornwall	H. S. Shaw, Mahone Bay, N. S.	1894	Isaac S. Hollimore, New Cornwall, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
40 New Germany	J. Read, Barrs' Corner, Lun. Co., N. S.	1896	J. W. Lawgille, Barrs' Corner, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
41 New Minas	E. W. Rose, New Minas, Kings Co., N. S.	1897	W. H. Seaman, New Minas, Kings Co., N. S.
42 Newport	W. W. Bees, Scotch Village, Newport, Hants, N. S.	1892	N. A. Dimock, Scotch Village, Newport, Hants, N. S.
43 New Ross	J. E. Blakeney, New Ross, Lun. Co., N. S.	1895	Joseph Lantz, New Ross, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
44 Pereaux	W. N. Hutchins, Canning, Kings Co., N. S.	1894	W. M. Stanford, Upper Pereaux, Kings Co., N. S.
45 Pleasantville	Re. Nutch, South Rawdon, Hants Co., N. S.	1897	Benj. L. Sarty, Pleasantville, Lunenburg Co., N. S.
46 Rawdon	A. Whitman, Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S.	1895	John McLearn, Mt. Uniacke Station, Hants Co., N. S.
47 Sackville	A. E. Ingram, Hubbley's Settlement, Halifax, N. S.	1897	Francis Webber, Hubbley's Settlement, Halifax Co., N. S.
48 St. Margaret's Bay, 1st	Wm. McGregor, Tancook, N. S.	1896	Harvey Hubbley, Hubbley's Settlement, Halifax Co., N. S.
49 St. Margaret's Bay, 2nd	F. E. Roop, Noel, Hants Co., N. S.	1892	Hibbert Hubbley, Black Point, Halifax Co., N. S.
50 Tancook	J. E. Blakeney, New Ross, Lun. Co., N. S.	1895	Amos H. Stevens, Tancook, N. S.
51 Walton	A. A. Shaw, Windsor, N. S.	1896	E. A. Bancroft, Walton, Hants Co., N. S.
52 Waterville	James W. Johnson, Newport Sta., Hants Co., N. S.	1885	James V. Schweinmer, Waterville, Hants Co., N. S.
53 Windsor		1896	Edgar D. Hand, Windsor, N. S.
54 Windsor Plains		1885	Everett W. Sawyer, Wolfville, N. S.
55 Wolfville			

A. W. Moser, Ecum. Secum, Guysboro Co., N. S.

26 Indian Harbor	3	Benj. Covey, Chas. Zisc, Norman Fader	52	80	1	42	00	3 67	52
27 Jeddore	1	P. W. Maskell	60	50	2	2	15 00	3 00	48
28 Jeddore, East	2	Leonard Harpell, George Hartling	120	84	8	45	5 00	1 00	52
29 Kempt	3	Sam. Caldwell, Geo Smith	205	84	13	249			52
30 Kentville	1	S. E. Strong	95	50	9	20	54 00	11 00	52
31 Kingston	1	Joseph H. Eaton	150	85	10	50	25 00	20 35	52
32 Lucasville	1	Urban Spidle	75	65	9	19	19 00		52
33 Lunenburg	3	Jos. Ham, Aaron Jodrey, Mrs. Aaron Frank	212	114	18	59	496	25 15	52
34 Mahone Bay	2	A. W. Moser, Robt. Nogler	60	40	6	25	10 00	21 00	52
35 Maitland	1	Samuel Mader	45	60	7	20	125	6 00	52
36 Mover River	1	Ezra Rafuse	45	36	7	15	60	2 00	26
37 Muscodobit	3	W. R. Barrs, Simeon Wentzell, R. T. Taylor	250	200	19	14	500	7 00	52
38 New Canada	4	Chas. Turner	75	59	9	8			25
39 New Cornwall	1	N. A. Dimock	35	35	5	3	150	17 00	34
40 New Germany	1	Elijah E. Fox	40	34	5	14	85	3 00	12
41 New Minas	1	Benj. L. Sarty	60	48	9	20	100	12 00	50
42 Newport	1	P. B. Lantz	33	26	4	10		4 50	47
43 New Ross	1	Adolphus Knowles	80	40	6	60	17 0	3 00	95
44 Pearsantville	1	Rhoda Pulsifer	30	23	6	11	60		52
45 Pearsantville	1	A. W. Hubley	30	25	6	17	30	4 33	50
46 Rawdon	3	Hibbert Hubley, Chas. Shankle, Lou. Borne	46	60	10	25	7 00	3 00	52
47 Sackville	1	Benjamin Hisler	80	61	7	50	16 00		30
48 St. Margaret's Bay, 1st	1	Loran Smith	150	43	7	16	95	10 00	52
49 St. Margaret's Bay, 2nd	1	Edward Levy	20	15	2	10	150	5 00	28
50 Tancook	1	W. H. Curry, C. H. Dimock, Jno. Nalder	509	335	39	160	1250	179 57	52
51 Walton	1	Richard Hamilton	50	35	5	20		142 27	52
52 Waterville	2	Geo. H. Wallace, Noble Crandall	322	210	25	100	300	27 78	52
53 Windsor Plains	2							196 84	15
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The Treasurer reported as follows :—

CHESTER, June 28th, 1897.

THE N. S. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION *in account with* CHARLES A. SMITH,
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June 27.	By cash collections	22 00
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June 28.	To cash paid Rev. F. E. Roop	12 01
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	Balance in hand.....	\$22 00

Balance ordered to be paid to Rev. A. Cohoon, N. S., Treasurer of Convention Fund.

Adjourned to meet on the Friday following, June 20th, 1898, at such place as shall be announced by the Executive.

C H. MARTELL, *Moderator.*

J. B. MORGAN, *Clerk.*

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NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN.

NEW GLASGOW, Friday July 9th, 1897.

The N. S. Eastern Baptist Association met in its forty-sixth annual session with the church at New Glasgow, at 2.30 o'clock, p. m.

Rev. D. G. McDonald, Moderator of last year, called to order, and conducted devotional exercises for half an hour. The Secretary read the names of delegates, from which the following officers were appointed :—

Moderator—Rev. H. F. Adams ; *Secretary* (re-elected)—Rev. T. B. Layton ; *Assistant Secretary*—Rev. O. N. Chipman ; *Treasurer*—Will. H. Rennie, Esq.

Ministers present.—Revs. D. G. McDonald, H. B. Smith, F. Beattie, F. H. Beals, G. P. Raymond, H. F. Adams, H. F. Waring, J. D. Spidell, John Clark, O. N. Chipman, T. B. Layton, J. H. McDonald, J. T. Dimock, J. M. Parker, A. J. Vincent, A. Clements, R. B. Kinlay, Howard P. Whidden, A. G. Colbourne (*Lic.*), C. M. (*Lic.*), Allen Spidell, (*Lic.*)

Invited Brethren and Sisters.—Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D. of Acadia University, Rev. W. V. Higgins, returned Foreign Missionary, Bro. George A. McDonald, of the Baptist Book-Room, Halifax, Sister A. E. Johnston, Provincial Secretary of W. B. M. Union, Sister Mrs. G. B. Smith, Treasurer of the W. B. M. Union, Bro. A. H. Chipman, Business Manager of the *Messenger and Visitor*, Rev. A. Cohoon, of the Home Mission Board, Mrs. John Gunn, Baird, Secretary of the W. M. A. Society for Colchester County.

The Committees were completed as follows :—

Arrangements.—Revs. G. P. Raymond, T. B. Layton.

Education.—Rev. H. F. Adams, Prof. Keirstead, W. V. Higgins.

Denominational Literature.—Rev. H. F. Waring, Brethren George A. McDonald and Howard Rice.

Sabbath Schools.—Rev. J. D. Spidell, Rev. C. H. Haverstock, W. S. Porteous, and Josiah Soley.

Temperance.—W. D. McCallum, Samuel McKinlay, Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

Obituaries.—Rev. C. H. Haverstock, M. W. Ross, Rev. J. D. Spidell.

B. Y. P. U.—Revs. J. H. McDonald, H. B. Smith, O. N. Chipman.

To Examine and Read Letters.—Rev. D. G. McDonald, Bro. B. J. Lawson, Rev. J. D. Spidell, Bro. G. A. McDonald.

On Questions in Letters.—Revs. F. Beattie, John Clark, C. H. Haverstock.

On Letter to the Churches.—Revs. J. H. McDonald, H. F. Waring, H. B. Smith.

The letters from the churches were read, and by extension of time were finished.

The session closed with prayer by Bro. Geo. A. McDonald.

Friday—Evening Session.

Opened with devotional exercises.

Bro. Allen Spidell, (Lic.), read the scriptures, and Rev. Howard P. Whidden, offered prayer.

The report on Education was presented by Rev. H. F. Adams, Chairman. Very interesting addresses were delivered. Rev. O. N. Chipman spoke on Higher Education. Rev. H. F. Waring, on Christian education for bible interpretation. Prof. Keirstead, on the reciprocal relation of higher education to missions.

On motion, the report was then adopted and the session closed.

Saturday—Morning Session.

Opened with prayer by Rev. O. N. Chipman.

The chairmen of districts made reports.

Rev. J. D. Spidell read an interesting report of work done in Colchester and Pictou counties.

Rev. F. H. Beals gave a verbal report for Guysboro' county. Bro. M. W. Ross read a report of work done in Cape Breton.

Rev. A. Cohoon spoke on district work, referring to the original plan introduced, aiming to awaken a deeper interest in our Denominational work and increased financial help from the churches to extend our general work.

Remarks were also made by Revs. J. H. McDonald, D. G. McDonald, Professor Keirstead and R. B. Kinlay.

The Committee on Questions in Letters presented their report :

1st. Recommending that the request of Zion Baptist church, (colored), asking admission into this Association be granted as follows:—"That in view of all the circumstances, your committee recommend that the Zion church be received, with the recommendation to the church to consider the advisability of uniting with the African Association, with a view of strengthening that body."

On motion, this part of the report was adopted, and the Moderator gave the hand of fellowship to Rev. A. Clements, pastor of said church.

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2nd. In answer to the question,—“should persons be retained as members of a church who positively refuse to support the finances of their church and their denomination?” Your committee recommend that such members be labored with faithfully and kindly, and urge them to consider their responsibility to God, to the church, to the perishing world. If all such efforts fail to bring the desired results, then a church is justified in withdrawing fellowship.”

Rev. H. F. Waring, chairman, presented the report on Denominational Literature, recommending the literature of the Baptist Book Room, the reading and increased circulation of the *Messenger and Visitor*, the use of the Revised Version of the Scriptures, and the supplanting of fiction by biographies in the library of every Sabbath School. This report was discussed by Rev. J. Miles, Bro. Geo. A. McDonald, Bro. A. H. Chipman, Rev. J. H. McDonald, Rev. W. V. Higgins, Rev. A. Cohoon, Rev. F. Beattie, Rev. D. G. McDonald, Bro. F. M. Clay, (*Lic.*), Geo. W. Christie, Rev. T. B. Layton, and Prof. Keirstead.

The report was then adopted.

Saturday—Afternoon Session.

Opened with prayer by Bro. C. M. Baird, (*Lic.*).

The Secretary reported having attended to the printing and circulating of the letter to the churches last year.

On motion the Secretary was directed to have the minutes of several years past, now in his hands, bound and preserved.

The Committee on Obituaries reported by the chairman, Rev. C. H. Haverstock, Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, being the only one of our ministry who died during the past year.

Rev. J. D. Spidell read the report on Sabbath Schools. It was taken up clause by clause, spoken to by Revs. J. H. McDonald, J. W. Bancroft, R. B. Kinlay, Dea. W. S. Porteous, Revs. F. H. Beals, D. G. McDonald, J. T. Dimock, Bro. F. M. Clay, (*Lic.*), Rev. C. H. Haverstock, Rev. F. Beattie, and on motion adopted.

A circular from the Seal Harbor church asking financial help to build a place of worship, was read. On motion, this Association endorsed their appeal and recommended this request to the church.

On motion, a nominating committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. H. B. Smith, R. B. Kinlay, D. G. McDonald, to recommend Chairmen of Committees, Preacher of the Sermon, etc., for next year.

Closed with prayer by Bro. A. J. Walker.

Saturday—Evening Session.

Opened with singing, reading of the scriptures, prayer by Bro. Geo. A. McDonald.

The Moderator announced to the large congregation that the subject of temperance would be discussed by several speakers

Rev. F. H. Beals gave the first address. He asked the question: "What do we, as temperance workers, most need?" His answer was:—

- 1st. We need a revival of the spirit of benevolence.
- 2nd. A revival of the spirit of chivalry.
- 3rd. A revival of the spirit of liberality.

Rev. J. H. McDonald spoke of "How we do it in Amherst." He told how the law and order league was introduced, and worked successfully.

Rev. A. W. Nicholson, pastor of the Methodist Church of New Glasgow, delivered one of the most interesting and forceful addresses of the evening.

Dr. Keirstead referred to the \$7,000,000 of revenue the opposition said would be lost if prohibition is made a law, and advised spending the amount of the drink bill in developing the corn and wheat lands of the North-west, thus millions of sad hearts would be made glad. He also asked, if in asking for seven millions to extend I. C. R. to Montreal, the government had asked for direct taxation to defray the cost. He strongly urged training the young, that their bodies are sacred, and should not be defiled.

Session closed with singing and the benediction.

Sabbath.

Services were held in the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches at the usual hours. Pastor H. F. Adams preached the associational sermon at 3.30 p. m. Text—Romans, 1-4, "I am debtor," etc.

A platform missionary meeting was held in the evening. Interesting addresses were delivered by Rev. F. Beattie on the Grand Ligne Mission, Rev. A. Cohoon on Home Missions, and Rev. W. V. Higgins and Miss Gray on Foreign Missions.

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Monday—Morning Session.

In the absence of the Moderator, Rev. J. H. McDonald took the chair by request of Pastor Adams, who was obliged to return home.

Session opened with prayer by Rev. W. V. Higgins.

The report on Temperance was read by Rev. J. W. Bancroft, and on motion taken up for discussion clause by clause, after speeches by Rev. F. Beattie, Bro. C. N. Nelson, W. S. Porteous; Bro. Chas. Fanning, and Rev. J. W. Bancroft, it was adopted.

Reports of Associational Secretaries, Rev. O. N. Chipman, reported active work done in his department. A missionary conference was held at Truro with success, remarks were made on the work by Brethren Bancroft, D. G. McDonald, Miles, Soley, the Secretary and Beattie.

Rev. F. Beattie read a report on the Grand Ligne Mission.

Rev. J. W. Bancroft regretted that he had no report on Ministerial Education.

Session closed, prayer by Rev. J. M. Parker.

Monday—Afternoon Session.

Rev. J. W. Bancroft occupied the chair.

Session opened with prayer by Rev. J. Miles. Rev. D. G. McDonald read a report on the Northwest, which was discussed by Revs. A. Cohoon and G. P. Raymond, and on motion adopted.

On motion the County of Guysboro was divided in two sections—East and West—for convenience in holding district meetings. Antigonish Co. to unite with that section most convenient.

The report on B. Y. P. U. work was given by Rev. J. H. McDonald. The following resolution was passed:—

“That this Association appreciates the effort made during the past year by the management of the *Messenger and Visitor* to supply our young people with C. C. Literature, and hopes that the efforts now being made by the Executive of the Maritime B. Y. P. U. Convention may result in a separate programme of C. C. Literature being published by the *Messenger and Visitor*.”

Report of nominating committee recommended that Rev. F. Beattie preach the Associational Sermon, Rev. J. H. McDonald be his alternate.

Chairmen of District Meetings:—

Cumberland County,—Rev. J. W. Bancroft.

Colchester and Pictou,—Rev. G. P. Raymond.

Guysboro' East,—Rev. F. H. Beals.

Guysboro' West,—Rev. R. B. Kinlay.

Cape Breton,—Rev. F. Beattie.

Associational Secretaries :—

Foreign Missions,—Rev. H. F. Adams.*Home Missions*,—Rev. J. Miles.*Grand Ligne*,—Rev. H. F. Waring.*Manitoba*,—F. M. Clay, (Lic).*Ministerial Education*,—Rev. C. H. Haverstock.*Chairman of Committee on Denominational Literature*,—Rev. R. B. Kinlay.*Committee on Sunday-schools*,—Rev. J. M. Parker.*Temperance*,—Rev. D. G. McDonald.*Obituaries*,—Rev. D. A. Steele, D.D.*B. Y. P. U. Work*,—Simeon Spidell, (Lic).

The Secretary of Association and the pastor of the church where the Association may meet will be the Committee of Arrangements, with power to add to their number if necessary.

On motion, the locating of the next Association was left to a committee consisting of the Moderator, the Secretary, Rev. H. F. Waring, Bro. F. M. Clay, (Lic.), and Rev. J. D. Spidell.

A motion passed directing the Secretary to convey the thanks of this Association to the Pastors of this town, acknowledging their courtesy in extending a cordial welcome and inviting our ministers to occupy their pulpits on the Sabbath.

The following resolution was passed :—

Resolved,—That the Committee of Arrangements, in conference with the various Associational Secretaries, be requested to prepare the programme for our annual gathering with the names of speakers upon the various subjects, whose consent shall be obtained at least three weeks before the date of meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

NEW GLASGOW, July 12th, 1897.

The N. S. E. B. Association in Account with W. H. RENNIE.

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By amounts received :—

From Westchester church for Con. Fund	\$ 2 25
Millvale church for Home Missions	2 00
Homeville church for Con. Fund	3 40
Secretary, balance from last year	2 73
Amount of collections	25 17
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To paid Secretary's salary	\$ 25 00
Amount paid Rev. A. Cohoon	\$ 10 55

The hearty thanks of the Association were tendered the New Glasgow Baptists and other friends for their cordial and hearty

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entertainment, and especially to Pastor Raymond for his wise and successful management of the work.

The thanks of the Association were tendered Rev. H. F. Adams for his excellent sermon.

On motion the committee on circular letter was authorized to prepare a digest of letters, and forward the same to the churches in the near future.

Pastor Beals closed the session with prayer.

Monday—Evening Session.

Opened with singing, reading of Scriptures by Bro. Howard Rice, prayer by Bro. Allen Spiddell, (Lic).

Rev. J. H. McDonald delivered a timely address upon the educational work of our B. Y. P. U. Rev. H. F. Waring had for his subject "The wisdom of soul-winning," each speaker was heard with acceptance and profit. A consecration service was conducted by Rev. D. G. McDonald ; in this way the meeting closed.

H. F. ADAMS, *Moderator.*
T. B. LAYTON, *Secretary.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES IN THE N. S. EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 3, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.											PROPERTY AND FINANCE.									
	Date of Organization.	Present Membership.	No. Reported Last Year.	Baptized.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.				Total Additions.	No. of Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational Objects.	Other Moneys Raised.		
					Restored.	From Chrs. in Conv'n.	From Chrs. elsewhere.	Disch'd.	Disch'd other	Disch'd in Convention.	Disch'd elsewhere.									Excluded.	
1 Amherst	1810	638	503	58	12																
2 Amherst Shore	1843	46	46																		2482 00
3 Advocate Harbor	1840	94	90																		13 35
4 Acadia Mines	1876	36	34	3																	40 15
5 Antigonish	1823	63	63																		300 00
6 Apple River*	1890	63	63																		80 48
7 Brookfield	1862	130	130	1	1																315 35
8 Toie Harbor	1888	17	15	2																	25 75
9 Crow Harbor	1875	104	101	5																	84 00
10 Country Harbor	1893	44	43	3																	700 00
11 Canso	1840	148	146	4																	280 00
12 Centreville & Mt. Pleasant**	1876	44	44																		1484 65
13 DeBert.	1851	121	111	14																	35 27
14 Diligent River	1857	44	44																		189 82
15 Fourchee, C. B.**	1888	62	62																		125 00
16 Great Village.	1856	97	98																		263 75
17 Guysboro'	1829	68	71																		64 72
18 Grand Mira, C. B.*	1859	25	25																		80 00
19 Goshen	1862	30	31																		25 00
20 Greenville	1848	118	119																		190 32
21 Gabarus, C. B.	1888	32	32	8																	5 00
22 Homeville, C. B.	1876	73	73																		8 40
23 Hawkesbury, C. B.*	1847	62	62																		90 00
24 Isaac's Harbor	1840	258	244	19																	1171 00
25 Linden	1840	47	43	4																	159 00
26 Little Glace Bay, C. B.	1872	58	57	8																	85 00
27 Lower Stearns	1832	121	117	6																	563 22
28 Lt. Economy & Five Islds	1828	121	121	9																	41 00
29 Little River*	1841	71	71																		350 00
30 Little Hope	1887	95	95	2																	375 00
31 Maccan	1844	27	27																		196 31
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32 Mahon, C. B.*	1885	25	25																		300 00
33 Marconi, C. P.	1885	158	159																		850 00
34 Mira Bay, C. B.	1858	44	48																		600 00
35 Manchester	1857	80	83																		57 15
36 Millvale	1877	29	29																		600 00
37 New Glasgow	1875	116	98	19																	13 00
38 New Ahan*	1849	42	42																		100 00
39 North Sidney, C. B.	1825	230	271	24																	4000 00
40 New Harbor	1862	105	82	25																	1500 00
41 Onslow, East.	1809	113	115																		25 00
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STATISTICS OF N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

28	Lr. Economy & Five Isl's	1828	25	121	2	1	1	4	20	2	2500	350 00	750	16 00															
29	Little River*	1841	71	71	1	1	1	3	8	3	2	3000	450	12 50															
30	Little Hope	1887	25	22	2	1	3	8	3	1	500	150	196 31	40 00															
31	Maccan	1844	27	27	1	1	3	4	4	2	1700	400	.....	.....													
32	Mahou, C. B.*	1826	25	121	2	1	1	4	20	2	2500	350 00	750	16 00															
33	Margaree, C. P.	1838	193	169	1	1	1	4	16	1	900	300	600	350 00															
34	Mira Bay, C. B.	1838	44	43	2	2	3	4	4	1	600	150	600	57 15															
35	Manchester	1887	80	83	3	3	3	3	17	3	1750	250	600 00	13 00															
36	Milvale	1875	29	29	1	1	1	4	8	1	1000	200	1000 00	23 93															
37	New Glasgow	1875	11	11	1	1	1	18	48	22	7000	350	4000	25 00															
38	New Annan*	1849	42	42	1	1	1	5	4	1	175	200	1500 00	25 00															
39	New Sydney, C. B.	1825	220	271	1	1	1	61	41	29	8000	600	3450	1769 66															
40	Onslow Harbor	1809	103	82	1	1	1	1	19	25	8000	300	3000	181 00															
41	Onslow, East	1822	113	115	1	1	1	24	8	2	1000	300	3000	3 00															
42	Onslow, West*	1791	148	148	2	2	2	8	8	2	2000	300	3000	37 49															
43	Oak, River John	1848	37	31	1	1	1	6	6	1	6000	500	1500	7 00															
44	Oxford	1876	151	138	1	1	1	13	14	6	700	300	400 00	8 00															
45	Parrsboro'	1876	31	31	1	1	1	7	38	14	1	700	300	400 00	8 00														
46	Portauquique and Upper Economy*	1859	96	89	1	1	1	7	46	12	1	2300	200	1300	900 00														
47	Pugwash	1842	166	166	2	2	3	7	38	14	1	700	300	400 00	8 00														
48	Port Hillford	1827	105	109	1	1	1	3	5	8	3	4000	500	1200	465 69														
49	Port Greenville	1846	135	139	1	1	1	3	4	5	2	1300	300	1200	46 00														
50	Port Morien, C. B.	1888	35	36	1	1	1	2	1	25	1	2000	200	800	125 00														
51	River Hebert	1870	64	68	1	1	1	4	6	9	1	2000	200	800	125 00														
52	Sydney, C. B.	1873	73	73	1	1	1	4	8	8	1	3000	250	2000	85 00														
53	Springhill	1846	118	106	1	1	1	12	10	10	1	2400	300	2000	827 00														
54	St. Mary's, 1st	1833	161	156	1	1	1	1	35	12	3	6000	500	2000	1427 65														
55	St. Mary's, 2nd	1849	45	50	1	1	1	2	5	19	1	1500	250	1450	835 73														
56	Seal Harbor	1849	47	48	1	1	1	2	13	1	500	150	1500	130 00															
57	Tatamagouche	1863	43	35	1	1	1	8	4	4	1	300	100	100	60 45														
58	Turo, Prince St.	1849	14	14	1	1	1	4	4	8	1	50	100	163 00	46 00														
59	Turo, Inmanuel St.	1858	241	269	1	1	1	4	3	17	2	10000	600	1525 00	611 47														
60	Turo, Zion (Coloured)	1890	157	133	1	1	1	28	24	18	1	12000	450	2063 86	415 97														
61	Tracadie	1896	50	49	1	1	1	4	13	14	1	1200	150	500 00	7 00														
62	Tuinash	1822	51	49	1	1	1	2	15	2	1	400	150	7 00	100 00														
63	Upper Stewiacke	1892	21	21	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	400	150	7 00	100 00														
64	Wentworth	1842	31	31	1	1	1	3	5	3	1	1200	200	22 90	26 63														
65	Wallace	1838	34	34	1	1	1	3	5	3	1	600	100	100 00	2 25														
66	Westchester	1849	142	165	1	1	1	2	14	6	1	1300	350	425 00	17 50														
67	West Brook*	1869	42	42	1	1	1	2	6	4	1	1300	350	425 00	17 50														
68	White Head	1817	62	62	1	1	1	2	9	2	1	400	150	75 00														
68	White Head	1888	35	34	2	2	2	2	9	2	1	400	150	75 00														
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*No letter, Figures from last report.

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Amherst	J. H. McDonald, W. H. McLeod, Amherst, Ass't.	1806	W. E. Harding, Amherst.
2 Amherst Shore	A. L. Cooney, Advocate	1806	Chas. D. Rockwell, Amherst Shore.
3 Advocate Harbor	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	A. W. Atkinson, Advocate.
4 Acadia Mines	H. P. Whidden, Antigonish	1807	Geo. W. Lawrence, Acadia Mines.
5 Antigonish	A. L. Cooney, Advocate	1806	J. Payson, Antigonish.
6 Apple River	J. J. Armstrong, Brookfield	1806	H. H. Mosher, Apple River.
7 Brookfield	C. W. Turner (Lic.), Half Island Cove, Guys. Co.	1806	Mrs. Ezra Stevens, Brookfield.
8 Cole Harbor	Wm. M. Field (Lic.), Aspen, Guys. Co.	1806	Fredk. L. Myers, Cole Harbor, Guys. Co.
9 Crow Harbor	F. H. Beals, Canso	1806	Alfred Hurdabee, Half Island Cove,
10 Country Harbor	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	E. S. Grant, Cross Roads, Country Harbor, Guys. Co
11 Canso	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	E. K. Goodwin, Canso.
12 Centreville and Mt. Pleasant	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	Wm. Walker, Eel Brook, Cum. Co.,
13 DeBert	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	D. A. Carter, DeBert Station.
14 Diligent River	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	D. H. Jenks, Diligent River.
15 Fourchee, C. B.	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	Abram Cann, Fourchee, C. B.
16 Great Village	O. N. Chipman, Great Village	1806	J. A. McDorman, Great Village.
17 Guysboro'	J. W. Gardner, Guysboro'	1805	Burton Josk, Guysboro'.
18 Grand Mira, C. B.	Wm. M. Field, Aspen, Guys. Co.	1806	Caleb Huntington, Huntington P. O., C. B.
19 Goshen	Wm. M. Field, Aspen, Guys. Co.	1806	J. R. Sutherland, Eight Island Lake, Guys. Co.
20 Greenville	G. H. Baker (Lic.), Gabarus, C. B.	1807	H. G. Purdy, Westchester Station, C. B.
21 Gabarus, C. B.	Simeon Spidel, Port Morien, C. B.	1807	Lewis W. McGiverty, Gabarus, C. B.
22 Homeville, C. B.	A. J. Vincent, Isaac's Harbor	1804	Wm. L. Holmes, Homeville, Port Morien C. B.
23 Hawkesbury, C. B.	F. Beattie, Little Glace Bay, C. B.	1806	Fred. L. M. Paint, Hawkesbury, C. B.
24 Isaac's Harbor	F. M. Clay (Lic.), Wittenburg, Col. Co.	1806	W. H. Giffen, Isaac's Harbor.
25 Linden	R. D. Nowlan, Oxford	1807	A. McLezide Smith, Linden, Cum. Co.
26 Little Glace Bay	K. E. Kinlay, Port Hillford	1807	John W. Ross, Reserve Mines, C. B.
27 Lower Stewinacke	C. W. Allen (Lic.), Margaree, C. B.	1806	L. N. Miller, Wittenburg, Col. Co.
28 New Economy and Five Islands			Josiah Soley, Lower Economy.
29 Little River			Geo. J. Thompson, Little River, Cum. Co.
30 Little Hope			E. F. Horton, Port Beckerton, Guys. Co.
31 Maccan			Hans Mills, Althol.
32 Mabou, C. B.			Robt. Frizzle, Brook Village, C. B.

33 Margaree, C. B.	C. W. Allen (Lic.), Margaree, C. B.	1806	Albert Ingraham, Frizzleton, N. E. Margaree, C. B.
34 Mira Bay, C. B.	John Miles, Boylston	1803	A. J. Spencer, Mira Gut, C. B.
35 Manchester	P. D. Nowlan, Oxford	1801	Hamilton L. Morrow, Boylston.
36 Hillville	G. P. Raymond, New Glasgow.	1801	John K. S. Purdy, Lily P. O., Cum. Co.
37 New Glasgow	J. T. Wood, River John	1805	W. H. Torry, New Glasgow.
38 New Annan	D. G. McDonald, North Sydney, C. B.	1804	Jno. A. Wilson, Central New Annan.
39 North Sydney	A. C. Colbourne (Lic.), New Harbor, Guys. Co.	1805	Jno. E. Lewis, North Sydney.
40 New Harbor			
41 Onslow, East			

28 Lower Economy and Five Islands	C. W. Allen (Lic.), Margaree, C. B.	1895
29 Little River	F. D. Nowlan, Oxford	1893
30 Little Hope	R. B. Kinlay, Port Hillford	1897
31 Maccan	.....	1895
32 Mabou, C. B.	C. W. Allen (Lic.), Margaree, C. B.	1895
33 Margaree, C. B.	C. W. Allen (Lic.), Margaree, C. B.	1896
34 Mira Bay, C. B.	John Miles, Boylston	1893
35 Manchester	P. D. Nowlan, Oxford	1891
36 Hillville	G. P. Raymond, New Glasgow	1895
37 New Glasgow	J. T. Dimock, River John	1894
38 New Annan	D. G. McDonald, North Sydney, C. B.	1895
39 North Sydney	A. G. Colbourne (Lic.), New Harbor, Guys. Co.	1897
40 New Harbor	J. D. Spidell, Onslow Station	1895
41 Onslow, East	.....	1894
42 " West	.....	1894
43 Oak, River John	J. T. Dimock, River John	1894
44 Oxford	P. D. Nowlan, Oxford	1894
45 Parrsboro	E. H. Howe, Parrsboro	1894
46 Portauptique and Upper Economy	John Clark, Bass River	1893
47 Pugnash	C. E. Haverstock, Pugnash	1895
48 Port Hillford	R. B. Kinlay, Port Hillford	1890
49 Port Greenville	.....	1896
50 Port Morien, C. B.	.....	1888
51 River Hebert	J. M. Parker, River Hebert	1896
52 Sydney, C. B.	H. B. Smith, North Sydney, C. B.	1896
53 Springhill	J. W. Bancroft, Springhill	1896
54 St. Mary's, 1st	R. B. Kinlay, Port Hillford	1896
55 St. Mary's, 2nd	Wm. M. Field (Lic.), Aspen, Guys. Co.	1896
56 Seal Harbor	A. G. Colbourne (Lic.), Seal Harbor, Guys. Co.	1897
57 Tatamagouche	J. T. Dimock, River John	1894
58 Truro, Prince St	H. F. Adams, Truro	1892
59 " Immanuel	H. F. Adams, Truro	1897
60 " Zion (Colored)	A. Clements, Truro	1897
61 Tracadie	W. J. Gordon (Lic.), East Tracadie	1897
62 Tidnish	F. S. Mason (Lic.)	1897
63 Upper Stewiacke	J. J. Armstrong, Brookfield, Col. Co.	1895
64 Wentworth	.....	1890
65 Wallace	C. H. Haverstock, Pugnash	1890
66 Westchester	.....	1896
67 West Brook	.....	1896
68 White Head	C. W. Turner (Lic.), Half Island Cove, Guys. Co.	1896
	Alberrt Ingraham, Frizzleton, N. E. Margaree, C. B.	
	A. J. Spencer, Mira Gut, C. B.	
	Hamilton L. Morrow, Boylston.	
	John K. S. Purdy, Lily P. O., Cum. Co.	
	W. H. Torry, New Glasgow.	
	Jno. A. Wilson, Central New Annan.	
	Jno. A. Lewis North Sydney.	
	Albert Sangster, New Harbor, Guys. Co.	
	Cyrus Douglas, North River.	
	Chas. M. Dickson, Central Onslow.	
	Henry Allen, River John.	
	A. H. Henderson, Oxford.	
	Elijah Spencer, Parrsboro.	
	Geo. A. Fulton, Bass River.	
	C. F. DeWolf, Pugnash.	
	Jas. McConnell, Port Hillford.	
	Mrs. H. W. Elderkin, Port Greenville.	
	Jno. J. McInnis, Port Morien, C. B.	
	Mrs. John Porter, River Hebert, West.	
	H. C. Harrington, Sydney, C. B.	
	A. G. Purdy, Springhill.	
	James Dickson, Sonora, Guys. Co.	
	Alfred S. McKeon, Aspen, St. Mary's, Guys. Co.	
	John Crooks, Seal Harbor, Guys. Co.	
	Thomas Roberts, Tatamagouche West.	
	C. F. Layton, Truro.	
	Bret Black, M. D., Truro.	
	Alex. F. Borden, East Tracadie.	
	W. E. King, Tidnish, Cum. Co.	
	C. B. Bentley, Upper Stewiacke.	
	D. J. Higgins, Wentworth Station.	
	James Cozer, Hartford, Cum. Co.	
	R. N. B. Sutherland, Acadia Mines.	
	Havelock Atkinson, West Brook.	
	T. F. Hentshbee, Half Island Cove, Guys Co..	

Josiah Soley, Lower Economy.
Geo. J. Thompson, Little River, Cum. Co.
E. F. C. Horton, Port Beckerton, Guys. Co.
Hans Mills, Athol.
Robt. Frizzle, Brook Village, C. B.

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25	Lr. Economy & Five Islands	1	John Nicoll	38	28	3	10	36	4 23	2 25	51
30	Mira Bay, C. B.	1	J. T. Anderson	50	30	4	100	100	16 00	5 00	50
32	New Glasgow	1	K. Stewart	118	67	7	25	20 00	20 00	5 00	52
33	New Annan, * *	1	J. W. Ingraham	120	70	10	23	47 10	47 10	12 00	52
34	North Sydney, C. B.	1	Thomas Luddington	40	35	5	15	75			35
35	New Harbor	3	J. W. Lynds, Edw. Douglass, C. L. March,	55	40	9	4	150			25
36	Onslow, East	2	C. M. Dickson, J. M. Slade	110	75	8	20	100			25
37	Onslow, West	1	A. H. Henderson	35	25	5					52
38	Oak River John	1	Elijah Spencer	130	90	13	55	150	60 00		52
39	Oxford	1	S. Fulton, C. T. Davison	47	87	14	20	280	40 00	17 00	52
40	Parrboro'	1	S. M. Lowe	80	60	12	30	25 00	14 43		50
41	Portauisque & Up. Economy*	1	Freeman Rood	75	55	11	25	15 00	6 00		47
42	Pugwash	1	Smith Canning	49	40	5	25	70	12 00	2 00	26
43	Port Hillford	1	John J. McInnis	50	40	4	8	200	6 00	11 50	50
44	Port Greville	1	E. B. Christie	40	25	6	15	120	57 00		52
45	Port Morten, C. B.	1	J. W. Dobson	70	40	8	14	120			45
46	River Hebert	1	Amos Hunter	58	28	5	17	120			45
47	Sydney, C. B.	2	John Dickson	120	70	9	5	120			45
48	Springhill	1	Alfred S. McKeen	25	15	3	5				18
49	St. Mary's, 1st	1	C. W. Shafner, S. Johnson	27	12	3					18
50	St. Mary's, 2nd	1	J. E. Price	147	113	19	16	300	60 00	50 00	52
51	Seal Harbor*	1	Miss Louise Byard	109	106	14	40	350	11 50	11 50	52
52	Truro, Prince St.	1	Charles Farris	115	75	8	67	100	5 00	5 00	18
53	Truro, Immanus ¹	1	W. A. Copp	15	10	3	5	100			30
54	Truro, Zion (Colo-ed)	1	P. R. Peers, John Baker	50	47	6	20	55	12 00		22
55	Tracadie	2	H. Atkinson	100	50	10	30	9 00	9 00		52
56	Tidnish	1	James Snow	25	20	3	8	25	5 00		50
57	Wallace	1	James Johnson	30	20	5	8	50			40
58	West Brook*	1	C. B. Bentley	30	25	3	15				55
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*No report. Figures from last year.

NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN.

The N. B. Western Baptist Association assembled with the 2nd Grand Lake Baptist Church, Range, Queens, Co., June 25th, 1897, 2.30 p. m., in its 50th Annual Session. Meeting called to order by the Secretary of 1896. After conference the business of the Association was taken up.

The following officers were elected :—

Deacon H. U. Clark, *Moderator.*

C. N. Barton, (Lic.), *Secretary.*

R. W. Demmings, (Lic.), *Assist.-Secretary.*

Deacon N. Branscombe, *Treasurer.*

A motion was passed giving the Moderator power to invite visiting brethren of other Associations to a seat.

Bros. J. Blakney, J. W. S. Young, Charles Henderson, were appointed a committee to fill up vacancies on old committees.

Session closed with prayer by Bro. F. B. Seeley.

2nd. Session—9 o'clock, p. m.

The following was moved by Rev. G. W. Springer, seconded by R. W. Demmings, and carried :

“That a book be procured by the Secretary to contain the minutes of this Association from year to year, if there is not one on hand at present.”

Report of Committee on Arrangements was received and adopted.

Your Committee on Arrangements report as follows :—

We recommend that the printed programme be carried out as far as possible.

Collections to be taken at the close of each service. Prayer-meeting 8 o'clock each morning.

Report of Home Missions was called for. Home Missions was discussed by Rev. J. W. S. Young, Rev. A. Freeman. Rev. J. W. Manning spoke in his usual earnest and convincing manner on Foreign Missions.

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Rev. E. Bosworth, Field Secretary to Grand Ligne Missions, spoke on Grand Ligne Missions.

Session adjourned with prayer to meet again at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Saturday, 3rd Session.—9 o'clock, A. M.

Rev. Geo. Howard offered prayer.

Bros. Geo. Howard and A. Freeman were appointed a Committee on Nominations.

Bros. F. B. Seeley, J. W. Manning, R. W. Demming were appointed to read Church letters.

Bros. M. S. Hall, W. J. Bleakney, C. Henderson, Committee on new Churches.

Rev. A. Freeman, Chairman of Committee on Denominational Literature, read an excellent report. Spoken to by Revs. S. McC. Black, J. H. Hughes, Geo. Howard.

A motion was passed adopting the report and requesting its publication in the *Messenger and Visitor*. The remainder of this session was spent in hearing the letters from the churches.

Committee on Arrangements reported.

Adjourned with prayer.

Saturday, 4th Session.—2 o'clock, P. M.

Rev. Dr. Trotter offered prayer.

Minutes of the former session read and approved.

Upon motion, Rev. W. E. McIntyre was added to the Committee on Arrangements.

Rev. G. R. Baker submitted the following report on Sunday-schools :—

“As to the statistics of the Sunday-schools, you will be able to judge from the reading of the Association letters. We believe there has been a growth of interest in our schools.

Our churches are realizing that in the Sunday-schools there are great possibilities for good.

They are realizing that if our church members of fifteen, twenty, twenty-five years from now are to have a knowledge of God's word, the Sunday school work must be done faithfully and well.

It was because this feeling was upon the hearts of our people, that the N. B. Baptist Association was founded. It was founded in response to a real need of our people. We hope it will receive their enthusiastic support.

It would be indeed a sad thing if we, as Baptists, had always to seek counsel and direction, yes, and submit to dictation too. We have got beyond it in other lines, and we believe that in the future our Sunday-

schools will be increasingly effective and to this end the Association have in prospect the engagement of a Field Secretary, that the Association may be brought into touch with the schools, that it may be helpful to them in the highest degree. As to lesson helps, we share the common pride that all Baptists feel when lesson helps are mentioned, for we believe that the series of graded helps from the Baptist teacher to the Primary Quarterly published by The American Bap. Pub. Society stand at the head of Sunday School helps.

A Baptist school which uses Cooks helps or other colorless denominational literature loses much, especially loses whatever opportunities are given by our international lessons to indoctrinate the children with our distinctive New Testament principles.

G. R. Baker, Chairman.

This report was favorably spoken to by Rev. J. Coombs, J. H. Hughes, Bro. C. W. Barton. Report unanimously adopted.

Upon motion, the report of the Committee on Arrangements was accepted.

Resolved, That the deed of trust to the Andover Baptist church be accepted.

Motion carried.

The report on Grand Ligne by C. W. Townsend, was read by Rev. J. W. S. Young, as follows:

We regard the problem of the evangelization of the Roman Catholics of the Dominion of Canada as of the utmost importance to all patriotic Protestants, Christians, and especially Baptists.

From whatever standpoint it is viewed, it demands our most serious and prayerful attention.

We believe that the Grand Ligne Mission has made a wise, noble and largely successful effort to solve that problem, and is worthy of our hearty sympathy and support.

We, as New Testament Christians, stand at the very antipodes to Rome in doctrine, policy and practice, and are therefore the best qualified to counteract its evil influence and win its superstitious votaries to a purer faith and a higher life. It has been well said that the way to mend the bad world is to create the good world, and assuredly the best way to overthrow error is to proclaim the truth. Give the word of God free course and it will run and conquer. In order to its triumphant progress, workers are needed to prepare the way of the Lord, and funds are urgently required to equip and maintain such workers.

Your committee would respectfully submit the claims of the Grand Ligne Mission to the generous consideration of our churches.

Many of them are already interested in its efforts and have responded liberally to its appeals for help. We pray that the interest of this great work may become more deep and universal, and that the amount raised for its prosecution may be greatly increased.

Signed in behalf of Committee,

C. W. TOWNSEND, *Chairman*.

Upon motion, this report was laid over until after the address on Education.

The report on Education was called. Dr. Trotter, President elect of Acadia, delivered an address on education, which was listened to with marked attention and profit. Bro. M. S. Hall

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Rev. W. E. McIntyre submitted the following resolution :—

Resolved, That we give our hearty support in aid of raising the sum of \$3,000 due Bro. Mont McDonald.

A resolution submitted by Rev. W. E. McIntyre was adopted, conveying the thanks of this Association to Dr. Trotter for his address.

The following resolution was adopted :—

That while we have lost our esteemed and worthy President, Dr. Sawyer, from the leadership of Acadia, we welcome Dr. Trotter as leader of Acadia College and pledge him our earnest support.

Rev. Charles Henderson brought before the Association, Systematic Beneficence in an earnest and effective address.

Rev. J. W. S. Young submitted the following resolution :—

Whereas, A Baptist church consisting of 14 members, having James Carville for its Deacon, W. H. Colwell, Clerk, was organized at Northampton, Carleton Co., in the month of April last ;

And Whereas, It is the unanimous wish of the said church to be received into the fellowship of this Association ;

Resolved, That its prayer be heard and granted.

Spoken to by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, C. W. Barton, J. W. S. Young. Resolution adopted.

The following resolution was submitted by Bro. M. S. Hall :—

Whereas, Many objectionable features have crept into the procedure of the ordination of brethren to the ministry ;

Therefore resolved, That a committee of 3 or 5 be appointed by this Association with whom the church shall be asked to confer.

After an earnest discussion pro. and con. it was adopted.

On motion, the following committee were appointed :—Revs. Thomas Todd, W. E. McIntyre, Geo. Howard, Charles Henderson, Rev. W. J. Bleakney.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. J. W. S. Young.

5th. Session.—Saturday Evening, 7.30

Rev. J. H. Hughes offered prayer.

Minutes of last session adopted.

The subject of Temperance was discussed by Messrs. R. T. Babbitt, Z. O. Wilson, Rev. Geo. R. Baker. Votes of thanks were presented to the church and people of the community for their kindness, and to the Moderator for the courtesy and ability with which he presided over the meeting. The Moderator and Clerk

were appointed a committee to arrange for the place of the next annual meeting.

Committee on Nominations reported as follows:—

Denominational Literature,—Revs. Joseph Cahill, J. W. Rutledge. Bro. H. C. Creed.

Sabbath Schools,—Rev. F. D. Davidson, Bros. W. A. Bradley, J. W. Spurden.

Systematic Beneficence,—Revs. J. Coombs, A. B. MacDonald, Bro. C. N. Barton.

Grand Ligne Missions,—Bros. H. C. Creed, M. S. Hall, Rev. A. Freeman.

Home Missions,—Revs. T. Todd, H. D. Worden, F. N. Atkinson.

North West Missions,—Revs. M. P. King, A. B. MacDonald, Bro. C. N. Barton.

Committee on Arrangements,—Bros. M. S. Hall, J. W. Bridges, Rev. C. W. Townsend.

Writer of Circular Letter,—Rev. J. D. Freeman.

Ordinations,—Revs. T. Todd, W. E. McIntyre, Geo. Howard, Charles Henderson, W. J. Blakeney.

Education,—Revs. J. D. Freeman, Geo. Howard, Bro. Allen Hoben, M.A.

Temperance,—Rev. J. H. Cahill, Bro. Hiram Clark.

New Churches,—Revs. Charles Henderson, W. J. Blakeney, J. W. S. Young.

Associational Sermon,—Revs. Jos. A. Cahill, W. J. Blakeney. (alternate).

The Moderator appointed the following delegates to attend the Eastern and Western Associations convening at Albert Co., and St. George, Char. Co., respectively:—Revs. W. E. McIntyre, Geo. Howard, Bro. T. H. Hall, Bro. W. G. Clark, Revs. F. D. Davidson, J. D. Freeman, Bros. M. S. Hall, Havelock Coy.

The following are appointed as delegates to the N. B. Convention to be held at Gibson, N. B.:—Revs. C. Henderson, J. W. Rutledge, J. W. S. Young, J. D. Freeman, Bros. C. N. Barton, (Lic.), H. L. Sloat, (Lic.), F. B. Seeley, Dea. D. C. Parent, Bro. T. H. Hall.

Session closed with prayer.

Sunday Morning Session.—10.15.

Prayer and praise service from 9.30 to 10.15.

Associational sermon was preached by Rev. A. Freeman Text: Luke 10-42.

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Sunday Afternoon Session.—2.30.

The following service was under the direction of the W. B. M. Union. Mrs. M. S. Cox, Provincial Secretary, presided. After singing, Mrs. H. B. Hay read Psalm 72. Rev. J. W. S. Young offered prayer.

Mrs. M. G. McLean read an excellent paper on "Our prayer meeting." Rev. E. Bosworth advocated the claims of Grand Ligne Mission.

Mrs. L. H. Crandall read an instructive paper on "Woman's work in Missions."

Rev. J. W. Manning set forth the duties of Christians-towards carrying the Gospel to the Telugus.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. C. Henderson.

Sunday Evening Session.—7.45

Rev. Geo. Howard preached an excellent discourse from Gal, 6-2. "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ."

After the sermon, earnest addresses were delivered by Revs. J. H. Hughes, E. Bosworth, H. D. Worden, Bro. C. N. Barton and others.

The collections at the meetings of this Association amounted to \$52.42.

Session closed with singing and benediction by Rev. Geo. Howard.

(Signed), H. U. CLARK, *Moderator.*
C. N. BARTON, *Secretary.*
R. W. DEMMINGS, *Assist.-Sec'y.*

STATISTICS OF N. B. WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

31 Gibson	1889	197	13	13	93	1	1	1	1	2	1	8	14	12	4	1	3000	400	800	281 56	5 00	
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33 Grand Lake, 1st	1824	94	93	93	94	1	1	1	1	1	1	39	500	120	1	500	120	500	60 00		
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35 Hayneville	1891	45	45	45	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000		
36 Hartland	1895	27	27	27	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000		
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39 Johnston, 2nd	1853	59	59	59	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	600	400	350 00		
40 Jrmseg	1824	188	196	188	188	2	3	3	3	1	1	6	4	4	2	2000	1000	30 00		
41 Keswick, 1st	1812	39	32	39	39	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3000		
42 Keswick, 2nd	1861	58	58	58	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	100 00		
43 Kingsclear, 1st	1825	51	51	51	51	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	100 00		
44 Kingsclear, 2nd	1859	56	57	56	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	100 00		
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48 Maple Grove	1881	25	25	25	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	250	250 00		
49 Marysville	1892	73	60	73	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
50 Mancerville	1885	64	64	64	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1200	225	382 00	9 75		
51 Mill Cove	1845	96	99	96	96	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1200	200	200 00		
52 Newbank	1864	71	71	71	71	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	250	250 00		
53 Newcastle, Lower, G. L.	1846	177	178	177	178	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	250	250 00		
54 Newcastle, Upper, G. L.	1871	92	97	92	97	2	2	2	2	1	1	5	2	2	1	1000	250	250 00		
55 New Jerusalem	1845	40	40	40	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
56 New Maryland	1827	46	30	46	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
57 New Salem	1873	46	46	46	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
58 Northampton	1897	14	14	14	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
59 Olive, African	1872	26	26	26	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
60 Prince William	1800	60	61	60	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
61 Queensbury, Upper	1873	45	43	45	43	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
62 Richmond, South	1849	30	30	30	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
63 Richmond and Hodgdon	1843	38	38	38	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	19 00		
64 Rockland	1833	224	229	224	229	4	4	4	4	1	1	5	1	1	1	1300	200	275 00		
65 Scotchtown	1856	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	200	250 00		
66 Springfield, Car. Co.	1864	46	46	46	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	150	60 00		
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73 Wickham, Upper	1803	115	120	115	120	3	3	3	3	2	2	5	8	8	2	600		
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75 Wiggins Cove	1888	20	20	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500		
76 Windsor	1881	40	40	40	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500		
77 Woodstock	1880	253	253	253	253	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500		
78 Woodstock, Lower	1894	134	134	134	134	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500		
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NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Aberdeen	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville, N. B.	1800	Alfred Corey, Knowlesville, Car. Co., N. B.
2 Andover	H. D. Worden, Andover, N. B.	1807	T. H. Manzer, Andover, Vic. Co., N. B.
3 Arburyville	T. N. Atkinson, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1807	C. W. Vincent, Maple View,
4 Avondale	Thos. Todd, Woodstock, N. B.	1804	C. A. Phimmer, Waterville, Car. Co., N. B.
5 Benton	M. P. King, Doaktown, N. B.	1805	Harry Mills, Benton,
6 Blissfield	J. A. Cahill, Centreville, N. B.	1804	Wm. Swini, Doaktown, N. B.
7 Bloomfield, Car. Co.	M. P. King, Doaktown, N. B.	1802	C. L. Merrithew, Good Corner, Car. Co., N. B.
8 Bloomfield, North, Co.	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville	.....	E. Mercereau, Blissfield, North, Co.
9 Birch Ridge	C. W. Townsend, Narrows, N. B.	1806	Abraham Chronkite, Birch Ridge, Car. Co.
10 Bristol	No pastor	1807	J. W. MacDonald, MacDonald's Corner, Q. Co.
11 Cambridge, 1st	W. J. Blakeney, Upper Jemseg	.....	Fred. E. McDonald, Central Cambridge, N. B.
12 " " 2nd	" " " "	.....	Alonzo Dow, Eel River, N. B.
13 " " Lower	" " " "	.....	Geo. Jameson, Canterbury Station, N. B.
14 Canterbury, 1st	J. A. Cahill, Centreville, N. B.	1892	S. H. Dow, Canterbury, Y. Co., N. B.
15 " " 2nd	W. E. McIntyre, Chipman.	1891	F. G. Burt, Centreville, Car. Co.
16 " " 3rd	" " " "	1891	A. L. Flemming, Gaspercaux, Q. Co.
17 Centreville	" " " "	.....	E. E. Crandal, Chipman,
18 Chipman, 1st	" " " "	.....	Woodford Jones, Cloverdale, N. B.
19 " " 2nd	" " " "	.....	Wentfield Shaw, Carlisle, Car. Co., N. B.
20 Cloverdale	" " " "	.....	John Sanson, Hampton, Y. Co.
21 Carlisle	" " " "	.....	Gideon T. Bailey, Little River, Sun. Co.
22 Cardigan	" " " "	.....	John Haugh, The Barony, York Co.
23 Canning and Sheffield	" " " "	.....	R. Curtis, Sumner's Office, N. Co., N. B.
24 Dumfries	" " " "	.....	C. T. Bowyer, East Florenceville, N. B.
25 Esk, North	" " " "	.....	C. T. Hendry, Florenceville, N. B.
26 Florenceville, E. St.	" " " "	.....	Mrs. D. Currie, Tobique River, N. B.
27 " " West	" " " "	.....	H. C. Cress, Fredericton, N. B.
28 Forest Glen	" " " "	.....	James Babbitt, SwanCreek, Sunbury Co.
29 Fredericton	" " " "	.....	T. D. Babbitt, Gibson, N. B.
30 Gagetown, Upper	" " " "	.....	Ward C. Burpee, Grand Falls,
31 Gibson	" " " "	.....	Wm. G. MacLean, Cumberland Point, Q. Co., N. B.
32 Grand Falls	" " " "	.....	Samuel E. Barron, Cumberland Bay, N. B.
33 Grand Lake, 1st	" " " "	.....	Alex. Allen, Lower Haynesville, Y. Co.
34 " " 2nd	" " " "	.....	W. D. Keith, Hartland, N. B.
35 Hainesville, Lower	" " " "	.....
36 Hartland	" " " "	.....

37 Jacksonville	F. N. Atkinson, Jacksonville, N. B.	1897	Wm. R. McCready, Jacksonville, Car. Co., N. B.
38 Jacksontown	" " " "	1897	C. D. Dykeman, Jemseg, N. B.
39 Jemseg	W. A. J. Blakeney, Upper Jemseg	1837	Albert Vincent, Long Creek, Q. Co., N. B.
40 Johnston, 2nd	O. P. Brown (Lic.), Johnson, Q. Co.	1896	W. H. Lawrence, Barr's Corner, Y. Co., N. B.
41 Keswick, 1st	Geo. Howard, Macnaquac, Y. Co.	1896	Lester Hawkins, Mouth Keswick,
42 Kingsclear, 1st	" " " "	W. Ecorston Everett, " "
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40	Keswick, 1st	Geo. Howard, Macnaquac, Y. Co.	1896	W. H. Lawrence, Burt's Corner, Y. Co., N. B.
41	" " 2nd	F. B. Seeley, Burden, Y. Co.	1896	W. Egerton Everett, Jr. Fr. Village, "
42	Kingsclear, 1st	M. P. King, Doaktown, N. B.	1896	G. A. Hammond, Up. Kingsclear, "
43	" " 2nd	Geo. Howard, Macnaquac	1895	W. H. Tozer, Lytleton, South Esk, North. Co., N. B.
44	Little South Esk	F. D. Davidson, Gibson	1896	Alex. Long, Ludlow North. Co., N. B.
45	Ludlow	A. Freeman, Mangerville	1893	James F. Clark, Macnaquac, Y. Co.
46	Macnaquac	C. W. Townsend, Cambridge	1894	J. C. McPherson, Martsville, N. B.
47	Marysville	U. J. Steeves, Upper Newcastle	1896	J. A. Day, Upper Sheffield, N. B.
48	Mangerville	Thos. Todd, Woodstock	1897	J. F. Wright, White's Cove, N. B.
49	Mill Cove	M. P. King, Doaktown.	1895	Luther Goodspeed, Peniac, Y. Co.
50	Maple Grove	F. B. Seeley, Burden, Y. Co., N. B.	1896	D. J. Bailey, Newcastle Creek, N. B.
51	Nashwaak	Manuel Nates, Woodstock	1896	Mrs. J. O. Miller, Up. Newcastle, Q. Co., N. B.
52	Newcastle, Lower, G. L.	Calvin Currie, Green Road, Car. Co.	1893	W. H. Colwell, Northampton, Car. Co.
53	Newcastle, Upper, G. L.	Calvin Currie, Green Road, Car. Co.	1896	Adam Noble, Russongish, N. Maryland, Y. Co., N. B.
54	Northampton	C. J. Steeves, Up. Newcastle, Q. Co.	1896	El Mercereau, Blissfield, North. Co., N. B.
55	New Maryland	C. N. Barton (Lic.), Millville, Y. Co.	1896	Leverett Estabrooks, Lr. Prince William, Y. Co.
56	New Salem	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville	1896	Howard McIntyre, Queenston, Q. Co., N. B.
57	New Jerusalem	C. N. Barton (Lic.), Millville, Y. Co.	1893	D. C. Parent, Up. Queensbury, Y. Co.
58	Prince William	A. Freeman, Up. Mangerville	1896	Thomas F. Henderson, Debec, Car. Co.
59	Olivet, African	Charles H. Sciutt (Lic.), Connors Station, N. B.	1893	A. W. Estabrooks, Cold Stream, "
60	Queensbury, Upper	C. N. Barton (Lic.), Millville	1896	W. I. Green, Green Road, "
61	Richmond, South	H. D. Worden, Andover	1896	Brazilia Balmah, Scotchtown, N. B.
62	Rockland	J. C. Blakeney, Woodstock	1897	F. H. Palmer, Middle Simonds, Car. Co., N. B.
63	Richmond, Hodgdon	C. W. Townsend, Narrows	1896	Sherman Gordon, Springfield, Y. Co., N. B.
64	Richmond, Middle	Wm. Rutledge, Woodstock	1896	Thaddeus Porter, Eel River, Car. Co.
65	Scotchtown	Lower	1897	Abraham Bridges, Sheffield, Sunbury Co., N. B.
66	Simonds Middle	Upper	1896	Mrs. Chas. Morrison, Mouth St. Francis, Mad. Co., N. B.
67	Springfield, York, Co	Lower	1897	Gardiner Corey, Temperance Vale, Y. Co.
68	Springfield, Car. Co	Upper	1893	C. W. Vincent, Maple View, Vic. Co.
69	Sheffield, 1st	Lower	1896	F. R. Shaw, Victoria Cor., Car. Co.
70	St. Francis	Upper	1896	Alfred MacDonald, Pelyca's Cove, N. B.
71	Temperance Vale	Lower	1896	G. W. MacDonald, McDonald # Et. Q. Co., N. B.
72	Tobique Valley	Upper	1896	J. C. Connelly, Windsor, Car. Co., N. B.
73	Wakefield	Lower	1896	R. M. Dennison, Box 290, Woodstock, N. B.
74	Wickham, Upper	Upper	1896	Maurice Scott, Eel River, N. B.
75	" " Lower	Lower	1896	
76	Wiggins Cove	Upper	1896	
77	Windsor	Lower	1896	
78	Woodstock	Upper	1896	
79	" " Lower	Lower	1896	

STATISTICS OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS IN THE CHURCHES OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Scholars.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
1 Andover.....	1	Levi Sherwood.....	46	30	9	6	70	.....	.....	.....	.....
2 Avondale.....	1	.....	30	20	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 Benton.....	1	James Hendry.....	105	80	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 Blissfield.....	1	.....	55	32	9	20	110	.....	.....	52	.....
5 Bristol.....	1	Freeman MacDonald.....	70	46	6	24	120	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 Bloomfield, North Co.....	1	John Carmichael.....	30	25	4	.....	8 00	.....	.....	52	.....
7 Bloomfield, Car. Co.....	1	James A. MacDonald.....	30	17	4	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
8 Cambridge, 1st.....	1	W. H. White.....	30	20	4	16	80	.....	.....	52	.....
9 Cambridge, 2nd.....	1	.....	66	40	6	19	.....	12 00	17 07	52	.....
10 Canning and Sheffield.....	1	Jacob Cummings.....	70	15	5	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11 Canterbury, 2nd.....	1	James Sloat.....	40	27	4	13	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....
12 Canterbury, 3rd.....	1	Charles E. Langin.....	45	35	4	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13 Centreville.....	1	.....	60	50	10	25	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....
14 Chipman, 1st.....	1	John Briggs and E. E. Crandal.....	40	30	60	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15 Chipman, 2nd.....	2	.....	95	55	3	.....	150	15 00	6 00	51	.....
16 Carlisle.....	1	.....	35	25	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17 Esk, North.....	1	C. T. Hendry.....	20	16	3	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18 Florenceville, West.....	1	A. D. Hartley.....	65	36	7	12	150	16 00	.....	52	.....
19 Florenceville, East.....	1	G. L. Corey.....	60	33	6	25	125	17 00	.....	.....	.....
20 Forest Gln.....	1	J. W. Spourden.....	70	45	12	3	115	10 00	4 00	53	.....
21 Fredrickton.....	1	John T. Hoben.....	290	135	27	80	350	.....	.....	52	3
22 Gagetown, Upper.....	1	W. A. Bradley.....	40	31	10	15	90	6 00	.....	52	3
23 Gibson.....	1	C. W. McLean.....	167	103	17	30	150	52 00	25 00	45	5
24 Grand Lake, 1st.....	1	T. H. Branscombe, Asa. F. McVicar.....	20	15	4	10	.....	5 00	.....	52	1
25 Grand Lake, 2nd.....	2	.....	85	65	10	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26 Haynsville.....	1	David Porter.....	50	44	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
27 Hartland.....	1	Joseph McCready.....	38	32	7	12	.....	6 00	7 00	52	.....
28 Jacksonville.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

29 Johnston, 2nd.....	2	Wm. Noddin.....	34	25	5	22	.....	.....	.....	26	2
30 Jensenig.....	1	A. Lindsay Dykeman.....	40	40	7	20	.....	5 00	.....	52	2
31 Keswick, 1st.....	1	.....	50	35	5	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
32 Keswick, 2nd.....	1	.....	30	40	5	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33 Kingsclear, 1st.....	1	.....	50	20	5	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34 Kingsclear, 2nd.....	1	.....	30	20	5	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35 Ludlow.....	1	.....	40	25	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36 Macnaquac.....	1	Stephen Hovey.....	20	14	4	10	103	7 00	.....	.....	.....

NEW BRUNSWICK SOUTHERN.

ST. GEORGE, N. B., July 10, 1897.

The N. B. Southern Baptist Association assembled with the St. George Baptist Church in its eighteenth annual session, retiring Moderator in the chair. After devotional exercises the following officers were elected:—

Moderator, Rev. G. R. White.

Vice do., J. S. Trites.

Clerk, Rev. J. B. Champion.

Assistant Clerk, S. W. Schurman.

Treasurer, N. B. Cottle.

The following were invited to a seat in the Association:—Revs. T. Trotter, D. D., F. M. Young, E. Bosworth, J. W. Manning.

The Committee of Arrangements was appointed as follows:—Revs. A. H. Lavers, T. M. Munroe, W. C. Goucher, G. O. Gates, and Bro. John Lever.

The following additions were made to the various Committees:

On Obituaries,—Rev. W. E. McIntyre, J. S. Trites.

On Education,—Rev. T. Trotter, D. D.

On Foreign Missions,—Revs. G. O. Gates, W. C. Goucher.

On Denominational Literature,—Rev. J. A. Gordon, Joshua Prescott.

On Temperance,—Revs. W. C. Goucher, J. H. Hughes, W. A. Allen.

On Systematic Beneficence,—E. V. Buchanan.

On Church Music,—Rev. T. Trotter, D. D.

The Committee of Arrangements made a report which was adopted.

The Committee to read church letters was elected as follows:—Revs. W. E. McIntyre, G. O. Gates, W. C. Goucher.

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Saturday Afternoon—Second Session.

Opened with prayer by N. B. Cottle.

The reading of church letters was first taken up, on completion of which it was suggested that an additional question in letter form,—How many copies of the *Messenger and Visitor* are taken by the members of the church?—would be advisable.

Rev. J. H. Hughes presented the Report on Obituaries. Rev. I. R. Skinner was the lamented subject of the report, which was followed by appreciative words by Rev. G. O. Gates, speaking from the classmate's standpoint, and by John Lever, as an office-bearer in the church over which the deceased was pastor previous to his death.

The report of the Committee on publishing the Minutes was read and the balance ordered to be paid.

A motion, expressing the prayerful sympathy of the Association was fittingly tendered by the Moderator to the esteemed pastor of Bridgetown Baptist church, Rev. F. M. Young, who had just buried his beloved wife in this, his native place.

An additional report by the Committee of Arrangements was adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Trotter.

Saturday Evening—Third Session.

Opened with Devotional service.

Report on Systematic Beneficence was read and spoken to by Rev. W. C. Goucher.

Report on Education was presented by Rev. J. A. Gordon, followed by the appointed speakers:—Principal I. B. Oakes, who gave a comprehensive view of the life and work at Horton Academy; Rev. W. E. McIntyre, who urged the pressing necessity of meeting honorably our debts in connection with the late Seminary at St. Martin's; and Rev. Dr. Trotter, who gave a winning address on the present needs of our educational work.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. W. E. McIntyre.

Lord's Day Services.

9.30 a. m.—A Devotional Service led by the Moderator.

11 a. m.—Associational Sermon by Rev. G. O. Gates, subject "The Love of Christ which passeth Knowledge."

2 p. m.—Sunday School services, speakers J. S. Trites and S. W. Schurman.

3 p. m.—Sermon by Rev. T. Trotter, D. D., subject "Counting the Cost."

Evening—Fourth Session.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. J. W. Manning, who as one of the appointed speakers gave an address on the subject.

Rev. E. Bosworth spoke on Grand Ligne and Rev. S. D. Ervine on Home Missions.

Monday Morning.—Fifth Session.

The Association resumed business at 9.30.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Hughes.

The reports on Education, Foreign Missions and Systematic Beneficence received further discussion and were adopted.

The report on Church Music was read by Rev. G. O. Gates, and a paper on the same subject was presented by T. H. Hall. Report adopted.

On motion, the clerk was charged with the duty of notifying the chairmen of the several committees of their assigned work one month before meeting of the Association.

Rev. J. A. Gordon presented the report on Denominational Literature.

Session adjourned with prayer.

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Monday Afternoon.—Sixth Session.

Opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. Morgan.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements for the next annual gathering was adopted as follows:—

Associational Sermon,—Rev. N. A. McNeil; Alternate, Rev. G. W. Schurman.

Circular Letter,—Rev. J. B. Champion.

Committee on Obituaries,—N. B. Cottle, J. Dewar, Rev. J. D. Wetmore.

Home Missions,—Rev. S. D. Ervine, C. F. Clinch, John Webber.

Foreign Missions,—Revs. J. A. Gordon, J. H. Hughes, T. M. Munroe.

Education,—R. G. Haley, Revs. W. C. Goucher, S. McC. Black.

Sunday-schools,—T. S. Simms, J. B. Keirstead, Chas. Baker.

Systematic Beneficence,—Revs. A. H. Lavers, W. H. Morgan, J. S. Trites.

Temperance,—Rev. S. H. Cornwall, Wm. Lewis, J. S. Titus.

Denominational Literature,—Rev. E. E. Daley, T. H. Hall, A. H. Chipman.

Travelling Arrangements,—Revs. A. H. Lavers, E. E. Daley, J. S. Trites.

Rev. G. R. White was appointed representative to Grand Ligne Mission.

The following committee was appointed to look after the churches which have not reported to the Association.

St. John, Co.,—Ministers Meeting of St. John.

Charlotte Co.,—Ministerial Conference.

Kings Co.,—Revs. S. D. Ervine and J. D. Wetmore.

The Home Mission Report presented by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, was discussed at length and adopted.

The matter of change in the day of week of time of annual meeting was by general consent laid over till next year's session.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by Rev. S. D. Ervine, and adopted.

C. F. Clinch and Jas. McLeod were appointed delegates to the Maritime Convention, and Revs. J. A. Gordon and G. O. Gates to the New Brunswick Convention.

The Moderator and Clerk, were appointed a committee to locate the place of next Annual Session.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. F. M. Young.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES IN THE NEW BRUNSWICK SOUTHERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.										PROPERTY AND FINANCE.												
	Date of Organization.	Present Membership.	No. Reported Last Year.	Baptized.	Restored.	On Experience.	From Chrs. in Conv.	From Chrs. elsewhere.	Died.	Joined other Churches in Convention.	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-resident Members.	Total No. removed from the roll.	No. of Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Pious Objects.	Other Moneys Raised.
1 Baillie	1831	78	78										6	8	1	1	\$1800	1	1000	125 00	30 00		
2 Bartlett's Mills	1888	41	21	6									6	9	1	1	1000	1	1000	125 00	30 00		
3 Beaver Harbor	1801	44	45										11	5	1	1	2000	1	2000	161 00	2 50		
4 Bayside	1838	74	60	13									11	30	14	2	700	200	70 00				
5 Bocabec*	1884	16	14										6	23	17	1	1000	200	2446 00				
6 Brussels St., St. John	1859	292	10	2									6	3	5	2	12000	500					
7 Cardwell	1823	110	107	5									3	50	5	1	2000	400	954 00				
8 Carleton	1841	246	245	1									1	2	6	1	5000	400	1745 00				
9 Fairville	1881	221	235	2									2	26	6	4	8000	650	3630 00				
10 German St., St. John	1810	459	453	12									6	150	22	16	30000	850	4000				
11 Greenwich Hill	1876	66	69										3	27	4	1	700	200	129 00				
12 Hampton Station	1883	27	23	1									4	17	3	4	2500	250	582 00				
13 Hampton Village	1877	98	98										8	14	8	1	2000	250	259 00				
14 Hillside, Hammond	1835	101	93	6									5	29	6	1	1000	300	150 00				
15 Johnston, Ist*	1823	112	112										8	17	3	4	2000	250	582 00				
16 Kars	1858	144	139	6									5	29	6	1	1000	300	150 00				
17 Lake View	1892	25	25										5	10	4	1	800	160	179 00				
18 Ledger Dunferin	1830	47	47										4	47	4	1	2000	700	31 37				
19 Leinster St., St. John	1868	368	312	2									16	146	32	4	9000	775	2500				
20 Main St., St. John	1842	651	599	25									13	36	5	19	2400	700	17700 00				
21 Musquash	1867	157	171	3									3	18	5	1	1000	150	200 00				
22 Norton	1800	61	48	5									3	21	5	4	1500	1800	154 00				
23 Oak Bay	1831	68	65	5									3	10	3	1	1200	200	250 00				
24 Pennfield	1841	98	95	5									3	4	4	1	1300	150	150 00				
25 Peskaghan	1841	15	15	15									3	11	1	4	1000	175	50 00				
26 Rolling Dam	1869	52	56										3	11	1	4	1000	175	50 00				
27 Rotheray	1855	42	39	3									1	3	4	1	300	200	201 00				
28 Salt Springs	1876	27	27	3									1	40	6	4	800	184	15 61				
29 Second Falls	1857	111	100	4									2	31	3	1	3000	300	536 00				

30 Smithtown	1821	33	26										1	6	1	1	500	100	60 00				
31 Springfield, Ist	1809	180	178										4	30	10	6	1600	150	400 00				
32 Springfield, 2nd	1760	107	101	6									4	21	13	7	600	150	335 00				
33 Springfield, 3rd	1888	31	25	5									6	7	1	1	400	200	17 00				
34 St. Andrews, 1st	1888	55	55										6	7	1	1	800	250	32 64				
35 St. Andrews, 2nd	1865	117	23										3	31	3	1	3000	300	536 00				
36 St. George, 1st	1806	117	113										5	31	3	1	3000	300	536 00				
37 St. George, 2nd	1845	24	19	8									3	31	3	1	3000	300	536 00				
38 St. Martin's, 1st	1814	393	393										5	31	3	1	3000	300	536 00				

STATISTICS OF N. B. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

30 Smithtown	1821	33	26	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	500	100	60 00	44 95	68 00												
31 Springfield, 1st	1809	180	178	1	4	30	10	6	1	1	1600	550	400 00	400 00	400 00												
32 Springfield, 2nd	1750	107	101	1	6	21	13	7	1	1	600	150	353 00	36 57	13 00												
33 Springfield, 3rd	1858	31	25	1	6	7	1	1	1	1	400	300	17 00	32 64	17 00												
34 St. Andrews, 1st****	1838	55	55	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	800	300	836 00	86 59	100 00												
35 St. Andrews, 2nd****	1865	23	23	1	3	31	3	3	1	1	3000	300	100 00	882 00	110 17												
36 St. George, 1st	1806	117	114	2	3	10	9	4	1	1	800	300	100 00	145 00	43 10												
37 St. George, 2nd	1845	24	19	1	5	32	15	13	2	2	11000	700	882 00	182 00	172 40												
38 St. Martin's, 1st	1814	302	302	1	9	13	6	2	1	1	10000	250	145 00	145 00	1000 00												
39 St. Martin's, 2nd	1841	41	35	1	1	17	23	3	2	1	6500	450	2000	204 28	42 50												
40 St. Stephen, Union St.	1870	222	239	1	4	40	8	5	2	1	1000	300	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
41 Studholm	1840	140	133	1	1	20	4	1	1	1	1000	250	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
42 Sussex	1871	153	163	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	800	32	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
43 Tabernacle, St. John*	1891	100	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	300	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
44 U-gham	1856	38	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	250	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
45 Willow Grove*	1866	31	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	800	32	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00												
Total	5298	5200	13623	7	68	11	65	38	55	20	62	48	1009	246	171	53	142	100	131	150	18100	\$38144	00	\$2172	14	123	50

*No letter received. Previous figures used.

NEW BRUNSWICK SOUTHERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Baillie	W. H. Morgan, Oak Bay, Char. Co., N. B.	1867	Gertie Robinson, Baillie, Char. Co., N. B.
2 Bartlett's Mills	T. M. Munroe, Pennfield, "	1866	Ed. Bartlett, Bartlett's Mills, "
3 Beaver Harbor	W. A. Allen, St. Andrew's, N. B.	1867	Elias Bates, Beaver Harbor, "
4 Bayside	G. M. W. Carey, D. D., 24 Paddock St., St. John, N. B.	1863	C. B. Laurence, Bay Side, "
5 Bocabec	G. W. Schurman, 66 Middle St., St. John (West)	1864	D. Cameron, Bocabec, "
6 Brussels St., St. John	G. R. White, Fairville, St. John, N. B.	1886	H. S. Cossman, 8 Sydney St., St. John, N. B.
7 Cardwell	G. O. Gates, 55 Queen St., "	1894	Asa Sprague, Penobscus, N. B.
8 Carleton	S. W. Schurman, Greenwch Hill, Kings Co., N. B.	1897	Ernest Gardner, St. John (West) N. B.
9 Fairville	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station, N. B.	1886	J. F. Black, Fairville, N. B.
10 Germain St., St. John	N. A. McNeil, Hampton Village, N. B.	1897	Donaldson Hunt, 72 Queen St., St. John, N. B.
11 Greenwch Hill	R. M. Bynon, Lewisville, Moncton, N. B.	1896	Edward J. Neal, Greenwch Hill, Kings Co., N. B.
12 Hampton Station	S. D. Ervine, Hatfield's Point, Kings Co., N. B.	1896	J. J. Bazley, Hampton Station, N. B.
13 Hampton Village	W. H. Morgan, Oak Bay, N. B.	1893	A. A. Mahee, Hampton Village, N. B.
14 Hillsdale, Hammond	E. K. Ganong, St. John, N. B.	1896	L. N. Faulkner, Hammond's Vale, Kings Co., N. B.
15 Johnston, 1st	J. A. Gordon, 223 Main St., St. John, N. B.	1893	Isaac T. Hetherington, Jenkins, Queens Co., N. B.
16 "	A. A. Rutledge, Clinch's Mills, St. John, N. B.	1896	Miles G. Jenkins, Downeysville, Kings Co., N. B.
17 Lake View	W. H. Morgan, Oak Bay, Char. Co., N. B.	1897	Joseph Stackhouse, Up, Loch Lomond, St. John, N. B.
18 Ledge Duferin	E. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station	1896	John Webber, St. Stephen, N. B.
19 Leinster St., St. John	A. H. Lavers, St. George, N. B.	1895	Amos A. Wilson, St. John, N. B.
20 Main St., St. John	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station	1896	A. W. Gay, 97 Main St., St. John, N. B.
21 Musquash	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station	1896	C. F. Clinch, Clinch's Mills, St. John, N. B.
22 Norton	S. D. Ervine, Hatfield's Point, N. B.	1896	J. G. Hayes, Notton Station, N. B.
23 Oak Bay	S. D. Ervine, Hatfield's Point, N. B.	1897	M. C. Doteu, Oak Bay, Char. Co., N. B.
24 Pennfield	O. P. Brown, Collins, Kings Co., N. B.	1897	A. C. Poole, Pennfield Centre, "
25 Peskehagan	W. H. Morgan, Oak Bay, Char. Co., N. B.	1896	E. F. McLaskey, Rolling Dam, Char. Co., N. B.
26 Rolling Dam	E. K. Ganong, St. John, N. B.	1896	James Keirstead, Rothsay, N. B.
27 Rothsay	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station	1896	Chas. S. Allaby, Salt Springs, Kings Co., N. B.
28 Salt Springs	A. H. Lavers, St. George, N. B.	1895	Dom. S. Milliken, Second Falls, Char. Co., N. B.
29 Second Falls	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station	1896	Henry Beyca, Centre Hampton, N. B.
30 Smithtown	S. D. Ervine, Hatfield's Point, N. B.	1896	Alfred Hatfield, Hatfield's Point, N. B.
31 Springfield, 1st	S. D. Ervine, Hatfield's Point, N. B.	1896	Justus H. Gray, Springfield, Kings Co., N. B.
32 "	O. P. Brown, Collins, Kings Co., N. B.	1897	C. B. Miller, S. Scotch Sett'mt, Springfield, Kings Co.
33 "	O. P. Brown, Collins, Kings Co., N. B.	1897	

34 St. Andrew's, 1st	W. A. Allen, St. Andrew's, N. B.	1896	G. B. Laurence, Bay Side, Char. Co., N. B.
35 "	A. H. Lavers, St. George	1896	Geo. Herbert, St. Andrew's, "
36 St. George, 1st	S. H. Cornwall, St. Martin's, N. B.	1895	H. V. Dewar, St. George, N. B.
37 "	R. M. Bynon, Lewisville, Moncton, N. B.	1895	Alex. Dick, "
38 St. Martin's, 2nd	W. C. Goucher, St. Stephen, N. B.	1896	S. S. Titus, St. Martin's, N. B.
39 "	O. P. Brown, Collins, Kings Co., N. B.	1897	W. R. Floyd, Fairfield, St. John Co., N. B.
40 St. Stephen, Union St.	J. B. Champion, Sussex, N. B.	1888	Chris. A. Lantman, Box 210, St. Stephen, N. B.
41 Studholm		1897	Wm. A. Keirstead, Rothsay, N. B.
42 Sussex			
43 "			

34	St. Andrew's, 1st	W. A. Allen, St. Andrew's, N. B.	1896
35	" " 2nd	" " " "	1896
36	St. George, 1st	A. H. Lavers, St. George	1895
37	" " 2nd	" " " "	1895
38	St. Martin's, 1st	S. H. Cornwall, St. Martin's, N. B.	1896
39	" " 2nd	R. M. Bynon, Lewisville, Moncton, N. B.	1897
40	St. Stephen, Union St.	W. C. Goucher, St. Stephen, N. B.	1888
41	Strudholm	O. P. Brown, Collina, Kings Co., N. B.	1897
42	Sussex	J. B. Champion, Sussex, N. B.	1895
43	Tabernacle, St. John	E. K. Ganong, St. John, N. B.	1894
44	Upham	J. D. Wetmore, Hampton Station, N. B.	1896
45	Willow Grove	" " " "

G. B. Laurence, Bay Side, Char. Co., N. B.
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W. R. Floyd, Fairfield, St. John Co., N. B.
Chris. A. Laubman, Box 210, St. Stephen, N. Bs
Wm. A. Keirstead, Snider Mountain, Kings, N. B.
J. S. Trites, Sussex, N. B.
James Brown, Westmoreland Road, St. John, N. C.
Judson Beeble, Passakeag, N. B.
John Davidson, Willow Grove, St. John Co., N. B.

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STATISTICS OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS IN THE CHURCHES OF THE N. B. SOUTHERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Schools.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. of Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
1 Baillie	1	T. A. Mann	130	100	12	75	60	10 00	5 00	36	5
2 Bartlett's Mills	1	Edward Bartlett	25	20	5	12	60	20 00	4 50	50	6
3 Bayside	1	Joseph McFarlane	60	45	8	10	40	5 00		96	
4 Beaver Harbour	1	Elias Bates	40	32	9	15	100	40 00	3 30	52	
5 Brussels St.	1	Ira B. Keirstead	275	150	21	50	1000	86 00	21 40	52	
6 Cardwell	1	E. C. Corey, I. Takles, S. F. Morton	111	63	17	20	45	20 00	7 60	52	3
7 Carleton	1	John McKinnon	200	135	23	40	300	113 00	30 00	52	5
8 Fairville	1	Chas. F. Baker	253	131	22	65	353	108 00	28 14	51	2
9 Germain St.	1	T. S. Simms	408	235	28	133	600	356 00	105 00	52	5
10 Greenwic Hill	1	Collins Pitt	35	28	4	12	100	12 00		24	1
11 Hampton Station	1	Wm. Purdy	40	20	8	6	100			52	1
12 Hampton Village	1	Wm. H. Frost	63	47	8	20	100			52	5
13 Hillside Hammond	1	A. U. Pickles, J. Storey, W. Fowler, J. Taber	140					20 00		5	2
14 Kars	3	J. W. Fowler, Wm. Jones, Jas. Jones	100		12	40	225		1 05	50	2
15 Ledge Dufferin	1	Jas. Young	48	38	5	22	50	11 00		52	2
16 Leinster St.	1	R. G. Haley	157	90	16	120	900	75 00	50 00	52	2
17 Musquash	2	D. Thompson	49	40	6	14		9 00	18 00	52	2
18 Main St.	1	J. W. McAlary	500	408	37	75	500	2 85	150 00	52	12
19 Norton	1	Jas. Allaby	50								
20 Oak Bay	1	O. B. Doten	30	21	3			8 00	2 75	52	1
21 Pennfield	1	S. J. Munroe	50	30	9	15	100	5 00		52	
22 Rolling Dam	1	J. Joice, N. McDermott	95	62	13	15	80	10 00	2 70	52	
23 Rothsay	1	Albert Burgess	28	24	4	6	90			35	
24 Second Falls	2	Ed. Stewart, David Nichols	40	30	8	10	100	6 00		45	
25 Salt Springs	1	F. R. Allaby	20	15	3	12	40	1 00	3 25	25	
26 Smithtown	1	N. D. Bonnie	35	20	8	10	100			26	
27 Springfield, 1st	2	D. Crandall, Geo. McIntyre	75	60	8			7 00	1 74	52	2

28 Springfield, 2nd	1	Andrew Leonard	45	30	5	25	52	3 00		52	2
29 Springfield, 3rd	1	William Harmer	40								
30 St. George, 1st	1	John Dewar	50								
31 St. George, 2nd	1	John Stewart	40	35	6	12					
32 St. Martin's, 1st	3	A. W. Fowles, J. S. Titus, Geo. White	210	170	32	45	1000	75 00	25 58	52	
33 St. Martin's, 2nd	1	W. R. Floyd	26	20	4	10	50	2 50		52	
34 St. Stephen, Union St.	1	Edward Price	26	20	4	10	50	2 50		52	

24 Second Falls	40	30	8	10	100	6 00	45
25 Salt Springs	20	15	8	12	40	1 00	25
26 Smithtown	35	20	8	10	100	7 00	26
27 Springfield, 1st	75	60	8	8		1 74	52

28 Springfield, 2nd	45	30	5	25	52	3 00	52	2
29 Springfield, 3rd	50							
30 St. George, 1st	50							
31 St. George, 2nd	40							
32 St. Martin's, 1st	210	170	6	12				
33 St. Martin's, 2nd	26	20	32	45	1000	75 00	25 58	52
34 St. Stephen, Union St.	280	220	4	10	50	2 00		3
35 Stadhohn	55	35	20	80	400	3 87	126 80	52
36 Sussex	90	59	5	13	70	10 00	7 00	12
37 Upham	48		8	27	378	30 00	10 85	52
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1 Andrew Leonard
 2 William Harmer
 1 John Dewar
 1 John Stewart
 3 A. W. Fownes, J. S. Titus, Geo. White
 1 W. R. Floyd
 1 Edward Price
 1 Francis Keirstead
 1 J. S. Trites
 1 Judson Bettie

Monday Evening—Seventh Session.

Opened with devotional exercises.

Rev. G. R. White preached, subject, "The clothing of the soul in the garments of the Christian grace,"

An enjoyable and very profitable social service followed.

After the usual vote of thanks the Association adjourned to meet next year, July 9th, at 10 o'clock, at the place determined by the committee appointed.

G. R. WHITE, *Moderator.*

J. B. CHAMPION, *Clerk.*

S. W. SCHURMAN, *Assistant Clerk.*

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NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN.

The 50th Annual Session of this Association took place with the Albert Church at Albert, Albert County, N. B., on July 17th, 1897, at 10 a. m.

In consequence of the absence of Rev. H. H. Saunders, the moderator of last year, the Clerk of the Association, Rev. H. G. Estabrook, called the meeting to order.

The following officers were elected for the present year, viz:—

Moderator.—Rev. W. B. Hinson.

Clerk.—F. W. Emmerson.

Assist. Clerk.—Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.

Treasurer.—W. Calhoon.

Committee on Arrangements.—Revs. I. B. Colwell, T. Bishop, S. W. Keirstead and W. Camp and Rufus Tingley.

Visiting members of Baptist Churches were invited to seats.

After the vacancies in various committees were filled a short devotional meeting was held.

Afternoon Session 2 o'clock.

Opened by a very interesting social meeting. Rev. E. Bosworth invited to a seat in the Association.

Church letters read for half an hour.

The report on Home Missions read by Rev. W. Camp was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions read by Chas. E. Knapp, Esq. Tabled until after public meeting.

Reading of Church letters completed.

Evening Session 7 o'clock.

Meeting opened by singing. Rev. Mr. Snell lead in prayer. Rev. T. Bishop read the Report from the Committee on Education, after which interesting addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Trotter on Educational Institutions at Wolfville.

Rev. W. E. McIntyre on Home Missions and Rev. E. Bosworth on the work of the Grand Ligne.

Sunday Morning.

Prayer Meeting in the Church at Albert at 9.30. Sabbath School led and taught by Rev. W. E. McIntyre.

At 10.30 Rev. Dr. Trotter, President of Acadia University, preached the Association Sermon from the text, Phil iii : 10.

Afternoon—3.30.

Rev. J. W. Manning gave a touching missionary address from the text, Rom. x : 13.

Mrs. Cox delivered a strong appeal to the Sisters of the W. M. A. Society.

Evening—7.30.

Rev. W. B. Hinson, M. A., delivered a very powerful sermon from the text "Christ the Power of God." This was followed by a very helpful social service.

Monday Morning—9.00.

Opened by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. T. Bishop. Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted.

Committee on questions in letters reported that the questions asked in the letters referred to them are purely local in character and outside the province and power of this Association.

The Moderator, Clerk and Rev. H. G. Estabrook were appointed a committee to communicate with those churches who did not report this year, and try to get them to make a report next year.

Report of Committee on Ordination read by A. E. Wall, Esq., adopted.

Report on Denominational Literature read

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Afternoon—3.00.

Opened by prayer by Rev. E. C. Corey,

Report on Denominational Literature adopted. Also the report on Temperance read by Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.

On motion of G. M. Peck the following resolution was adopted.:

“Resolved that this Eastern N. B. Baptist Association convened at Albert, Albert Co., July 1897, strongly express their opinion and request to the Parliament of Canada that the Plebiscite on Prohibition be given to the electors free and untrammelled with any rider or hindrance, which might be calculated to influence the electors against the adoption of Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic for Canada.”

Rev. E. C. Corey read the Report on Obituaries, announcing the death during the year of Rev. B. N. Hughes and Rev. W. T. Corey.

Reading of circular letter dispensed with.

Report of Committee on Nominations read by Rev. I. B. Colwell and adopted as follows:

Home Missions.—J. T. Steeves, W. Camp, W. C. Newcomb.

Foreign Missions.—J. G. A. Belyea, C. C. Burgess, Alpheus Palmer.

Education.—Harry Todd, H. G. Estabrook, J. H. Colpitts.

Temperance.—M. Gross, S. W. Keirstead, J. S. Dawson.

Denominational Literature.—Deacons Gilbert Peck, Rufus Tingley and W. Calhoon.

Circular Letter.—M. Addison.

Questions in Letters.—T. Bishop, C. E. Knapp and R. A. Smith.

Association Sermon.—Rev. F. T. Snell, Alternate Rev. E. C. Corey.

Digest of Letters.—Clerks of Association.

Obituaries.—Rev. W. B. Hinson.

Examine Circular Letters.—S. W. Keirstead.

Travelling Arrangements.—Clerk of Association.

To represent the N. B. E. Association and the G. L. Mission.—Rev. W. Camp.

Delegates to Maritime Convention.—Dea. W. Calhoon, A. E. Wall.

Systematic Benevolence.—Rufus Tingley, J. Hewett Colpitts, Michael Gross.

On motion of Rev. E. C. Corey this Association decided to appoint two delegates to the N. B. Convention which meets at Gibson, York Co., in September 1897.

Revs. E. C. Corey and W. B. Hinson were appointed such delegates.

25	1852	147	149	2	1	3	1	2	2	2	41	7	5	1	1600	900	800	212	00	28	00	.....	
26	1855	147	149	2	1	3	1	2	2	2	53	7	5	1	500	300	300	300	00	.....	27	00	
27	1857	147	149	2	1	3	1	2	4	4	28	1	5	1	700	200	.....	135	00	.....	5	57	
28	1857	147	149	2	1	3	1	2	5	6	00	11	18	4	6000	930	.....	800	00	137	58	183	00
29	Hopewell	1818	329	336	2	3	5	6	7	7	00	11	18	4	6000	930	.....	800	00	137	58	183	00
30	Lumsden	1879	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
31	Little South	1845	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	Moncton, 1st	1827	1027	1016	23	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	" " 2nd	1850	162	147	15	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	New Canaan	1806	103	107	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35	Newcastle	1855	40	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36	New Horton	1876	31	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
37	North River	1847	190	181	9	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
38	Petitcodiac	1867	175	175	14	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	Point de Bntie	1862	89	75	14	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
40	Point Midgie	1860	90	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	Pellet River	1866	27	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
42	Port Elgin	1883	55	45	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43	Rockport	1876	51	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
44	Sackville	1763	591	399	199	1	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
45	Salisbury, 1st	1800	242	232	13	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
46	" " 2nd	1847	54	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
47	Shediac	1863	22	16	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
48	St. Mary's	1860	70	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
49	Underhill	1889	26	26	
50	Valley	1877	160	164	1	2	
51	Witneyville	1885	18	18	
52	Weidford	1880	28	28	
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NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Albert	M. B. Whitman, Alma, Albert Co.	1896	D. C. Cleveland, Alma, Albert Co., N. B.
2 Alma	A. C. Lewis (Lic.), Port Elgin	1897	C. F. Allen, Bayside, West. Co., N. B.
3 Bayside			
4 Blackville			
5 Buctouche			
6 Butternut Ridge	F. T. Snell, Havelock, N. B.		I. N. Alward, Butternut Ridge, N. B.
7 Caledonia	S. W. Keirstead, Dawson Settlement	1894	Wellington Wilbour, Caledonia, Albert Co., N. E.
8 Cape Tormentine	H. G. Colpitts (Lic.), Cape Tormentine	1897	A. W. Bent, Bayfield, West. Co., N. B.
9 Centreville	Emmerson Carpenter (Lic.), Midgic	1896	Geo. I. Read, Centre Village, West. Co., N. E.
10 Cocagne			
11 Cookville	J. G. A. Belyea, Middle Sackville.	1897	Boyd Kinnear, Cookville, N. B.
12 Coverdale, 1st			Bainford Patterson, Berrinton, Albert Co., N. B.
13 " 2nd			
14 " 3rd	W. W. Corey, Boundary Creek, N. B.		Philip Brown, Nixon, West. Co., N. B.
15 Campquellton			
16 Dorchester, 1st	C. C. Burgess	1896	Humphrey Bowser, Dorchester, N. B.
17 " 2nd		1896	A. T. Hicks, Upper Dorchester, N. B.
18 Elgin, 1st	H. C. Todd, Elgin	1897	LeBaron Goddard, Elgin, Albert Co., N. B.
19 " 2nd	Ezekiel Hopper, Dawson Settlement		B. L. Prosser, Prosser Brook, Albert Co., N. B.
20 " 3rd			Wm. B. Collicut, Pleasant Vale, Albert Co., N. B.
21 Forest Glen			Henry B. Fletcher, Forest Glen, West. Co., N. B.
22 Germantown	M. B. Whitman, Alma, N. B.	1896	No Clerk.
23 Harvey, 1st	Trueman Bishop, Harvey, Albert Co.	1896	G. E. Smith, Harvey, Albert Co., N. B.
24 " 2nd		1896	W. C. Anderson, Waterside, Albert Co., N. B.
25 Hillsboro, 1st	Wellington Camp, Hillsboro, N. B.	1896	R. E. Steeves, Hillsboro, N. B.
26 " 2nd	S. W. Keirstead, Dawson Settlement.	1897	Isaiah S. Jonah, Hiram, Albert Co., N. B.
27 " 3rd	M. V. Davis, Surrey, Albert Co.	1897	F. Sinclair, Albert Mines, N. B.
28 " 4th	S. W. Keirstead, Dawson Settlement	1896	A. D. Jonah, Irving Settlement, Albert Co., N. B.
29 Hopewell	I. B. Colwell, Riverside, Albert Co.	1895	W. A. West, Hopewell Hill, N. B.
30 Lunsden			
31 Little South	O. E. Steeves, Newcastle		W. H. Tozer, Littleton, North. Co., N. B.
32 Moncton, 1st	W. B. Hinson, Moncton, N. B.	1896	A. E. Wall, Moncton, N. B.
33 " 2nd	F. W. Patterson (Lic.), Little Mountain	1896	Joshua McFeters, Siles Village.
34 New Canaan			R. H. Corey, New Canaan, N. E.
35 Newcastle	O. E. Steeves, Newcastle	1896	Jared Tozer, South Est, North. Co., N. B.
36 New Horton	Trueman Bishop, Harvey, Albert Co., N. B.	1896	Edgar Corning, New Horton, N. B.

37 North River			Israel McPhee, Wheaton's Mills, N. B.
38 Peticoodiac	H. G. Estabrook, Peticoodiac.	1896	David Jonah, Peticoodiac, N. B.
39 Point de Bute		1896	Wm. Tingley, Upper Point de Bute, N. B.
40 Point Midgic	J. G. A. Belyea, Middle Sackville	1897	Isaac Anderson, Midgic Point, West. Co., N. B.
41 Pollet River	Ezekiel Hopper, Pollet River, Platford		J. C. Martin, Pollet River, Platford, N. B.
42 Port Elgin	A. C. Lewis (Lic.), Port Elgin	1897	Chas. A. Read, Port Elgin, N. B.
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37 North River	H. G. Estabrook, Petiscodiac.	1896	Israel McPhee, Wheaton's Mills, N. B.
38 Petiscodiac	"	1896	David Jonah, Petiscodiac, N. B.
39 Point de Bute	"	1897	Wm. Tingley, Upper Point de Bute, N. B.
40 Point Midgie	J. G. A. Belyea, Middle Sackville	1897	Isaac Anderson, Midgie Point, West Co., N. B.
41 Pollet River	Ezekiel Hopper, Pollet River, Platford	1897	J. C. Martin, Pollet River, Platford, N. B.
42 Fort Elgin	A. C. Lewis (Lic.), Port Elgin	1897	Chas. A. Read, Port Elgin, N. B.
43 Rockport	"	1897	W. A. Lund, Sackville, N. B.
44 Sackville	J. G. A. Belyea (Assistant Pastor)	1892	Alex. Bleakney, Salisbury, N. B.
45 Salisbury, 1st	Milton Addison, Salisbury	1896	Wm. A. Humphreys, Keat's P. O., N. B.
46 " 2nd	H. G. Estabrook, Petiscodiac	1897	James I. Evans, Shediac.
47 Shediac	E. C. Corey, Penobsquis	1897	Wm. Millett Underhill, North. Co., N. B.
48 St. Mary's	"	1896	W. H. Gross, Surrey, Albert Co., N. B.
49 Underhill	H. V. Davis, Surrey, N. B.	1896	Robt. Critis, Summer's Office, N. B.
50 Valley	"		
51 Weldford	O. E. Steeves, Newcastle, N. B.		
52 Whitneyville	"		

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1 Alma	1	J. A. Cleveland	85	51	10	31	110	48 30	4 4	51	3
2 Bucfouche	1	Asa Perry	48	32	7	16	135	8 67	3 50	72	
3 Baternut Ridge	4	Alex. Prosser	94	68	10	39	150	10		26	6
4 Caledonia	1	A. W. Bent	45	33	3	2	60	9 88		20	
5 Cape Tormentine	1	Chas. Wigmore	22	10	5	12	60			25	
6 Centreville	1	Edward O'Brien	37	30	3	17	60			25	
7 Cookville	1	Alfred Berry and Banford Patterson	40	35	6	10				25	
8 Coverdale, 1st	1	F. C. Palmer, J. C. Bishop, Bedford Card	40	30	3	10				25	
9 Coverdale, 2nd	1	S. S. Smith	130	100	20	50	20 00			52	10
10 Dorchester, 1st	1	W. A. Colquhoun, D. Doull, J. H. C. Graves	26	26	7	20	200			43	6
11 Dorchester, 2nd	4	Ralph Power, Deac. Beamer, T. H. DeMille	265	200	36	91	350	40 00	67 56	52	4
12 Elgin, 1st	3	Wiley H. Smith	140	85	18	30	150			30	
13 Elgin, 2nd	1	J. W. Colquhoun	60	44	7	8	80	6 09		35	2
14 Elgin, 3rd	3	H. H. Tinley	66	47	9	27	75	65 50	9 50	49	
15 Forest Glen	1	Florence Murphy and Kinnear Wilbur	50	30	14	22	60	41 54	8 44	49	13
16 Germantown	2	David Barbour	75	30	6	12	150	15 00		35	
17 Harvey, 1st	1	John I. Steeves, J. M. O. Steeves, John F.	50	149	29	75	435	36 75	7 67	52	12
18 Harvey, 2nd	3	H. V. Davis	227	80	10	25	8 00	8 00	7 50	48	1
19 Hillsboro', 1st	1	H. V. Davis	100	75	13	35	160	40 00		52	
20 Hillsboro', 2nd	1	H. V. Davis	35	20	4	10					
21 Hillsboro', 3rd	4	H. V. Davis	100	75	13	35	160	40 00		52	
22 Hillsboro', 4th	1	H. V. Davis	35	20	4	10					
23 Hopewell	1	H. V. Davis	202	166	19						
24 Moncton, 1st	5	H. V. Davis	900	700	70	250	500	151 71	25 56	50	80
25 Moncton, 2nd	1	H. V. Davis	60	45	7	20	100	12 00	2 00	50	9
26 New Canaan	2	H. V. Davis	45	40	4						
27 Newcastle	1	H. V. Davis	55	50	5	10	250	15 00		52	

BAPTIST YEAR BOOK.

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29 North River	1	Israel McFie	70	44	10	100	100	83 00	1 60	32	
30 Petticoodiac	1	D. A. Jonah	105	75	8	13	100	8 00		33	10
31 Point de Bute	2	Joseph Dixon and Walker Miner	51	36	8	10	100	5 00		23	
32 Point Midgie	2	Isaac Anderson, Bedford Richardson	110	100	8	20	5 00			25	
33 Pollet River	1	A. C. Horsman	31	29	6	20	5 00			25	
34 Port Elgin	1	Chas. A. Read	73	41	6	26					
35 Rockport	1	Chas. A. Read	73	41	6	26					

25	Moncton, 2nd	100	70	230	500	151 71	25 55	50	80
26	New Canaan	60	45	20	100	12 00	2 00	50	9
27	Newcastle	55	40	5	250	38 00		52	
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28	New Horton	1	35	3	50	20 15		46	9
29	North River	1	44	10	100			52	
30	Peticodiac	1	75	8	100	33 00	1 60	33	10
31	Point de Bute	2	36	13	100	8 00		21	
32	Point Midgie	2	100	8	100	5 00		28	3
33	Pollet River	1	29	6		9 00	11 00	52	2
34	Port Elgin	1	41	3				28	3
35	Rockport	2	60	8				52	2
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39	Shediac	1	12	11				30	
40	St. Mary's	3	110	15				52	4
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42	Valley	1	15	3	40			45	
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- 3 Alex. Bleakney
- 1 Noah Mann
- 1 J. I. Evans
- 3 W. S. Underhill
- 1 John Barnett
- 1 John Curtis

The following resolution was on motion of Rev. E. C. Corey unanimously adopted :

"Whereas Mr. Mont. McDonald of St. John has incurred heavy liabilities on account of the late St. Martins Seminary ; and whereas the denomination is in honor bound to see this debt paid,

"Therefore Resolved, that each Church in the Association be asked to contribute its quota of the above indebtedness and to forward the same to Rev. G. O. Gates, St. John, N.B., the Secretary of the Committee, at an early date."

Of the sum of over \$81.00 collected at the sessions of the Association the sum of \$10.00 was paid to the Grand Ligne Missions, \$2.50 for expenses of postage and printing R. R. Certificates and the balance was equally divided between the Home Mission work of the New Brunswick Convention, Foreign Missions, and Acadia University.

Vote of thanks tendered Church and people for their cordial hospitality.

Singing and benediction.

W. B. HINSON, *Moderator.*

F. W. EMMERSON, *Clerk.*

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RULES OF ORDER.

Rule 1.—At each Annual Meeting the letters from the Churches shall be first handed in, from which the Clerk shall immediately make out a list of Delegates.

2.—After religious worship the officers shall be chosen. The choice of the Moderator shall be made by ballot. No brother shall be chosen Moderator two years in succession.

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

4.—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.

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

6.—At the commencement of each sitting, subsequent to the first, the minutes of the preceding one shall be read and approved; and of the last before the final adjournment.

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

8.—Resolutions shall be presented in writing when so required.

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

10.—No delegation shall leave the Association before the business is finished, without permission of the body.

11.—These rules shall be read by the Moderator, at the commencement of each annual session of the Association.

The P. E. Island Baptist Association met at Bedeque, Friday July 2nd, 1897, at 10.30 a. m., the Moderator Rev. C. W. Corey presiding.

After devotional exercises, the Secretary read the list of delegates after which the following Officers were elected.

Moderator.—Rev. David Price.

Secretary.—Arthur Simpson.

Assistant Secretary.—C. W. Jackson, (Lic).

Treasurer.—Cornelius Leard.

The Moderator appointed the following a committee on Arrangements: Revs. W. H. Warren, C. W. Corey E. A. Macphee, Bros. Peter Scott, and W. B. Caulbeck.

On motion Rev. Dr. Trotter, President of Acadia University Rev. S. McC. Black, Editor M. and V., Bro. F. M. Clay and other visiting Brethren were invited to seats in the Association.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements was adopted.

The following were appointed a committee on Nominations: Revs. J. C. Spurr, M. C. Higgins, A. B. Shaw, Bros. L. MacCabe, A. Schurman, C. W. Warren and J. Nicols.

Friday Afternoon Session.

Committee on Obituaries reported no deaths in the Ministerial ranks nor of any of the more active members of our Churches.

By request of the Moderator prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Rev. W. H. Warren and also prayer on behalf of Rev. H. Carter, who has been for months laid by from serious illness. Report adopted.

Rev. C. W. Corey presented the report on Sunday Schools. By request of the Committee Rev. W. H. Warren read a paper on the relation of children to the Church.

After a lengthened discussion in which Revs. A. C. Shaw, E. A. Macphee, W. H. Robinson, C. W. Corey, W. H. Warren, Bros. L. MacCabe, J. Nicols and others participated, the report was adopted, and Rev. W. H. Warren requested to furnish a copy of his paper for insertion in the M. and V.

Prayer was offered in behalf of our Sunday Schools by Rev. W. H. Robinson and F. M. Clay.

Closed with prayer by Rev. M. C. Higgins.

The Friday evening meeting was under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U., Rev. M. C. Higgins occupied the Chair. Stirring speeches on the different phases of the work were delivered by Revs. W. H. Robinson, C. W. Corey, David Price and J. C. Spurr.

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Saturday Morning Session.

Prayer by Bro. W. B. Caulbeck.

Digest of letters was presented by Rev. J. C. Spurr. After discussion it was voted that the Digest be adopted and that the thanks of Association be tendered Rev. Mr. Spurr for its preparation.

By request prayer was offered on behalf of the Souris Church by Rev. C. W. Corey.

Rev. E. A. Macphee and C. W. Jackson (Lic.) were called to the platform and welcomed as co workers and each briefly addressed the Association.

Rev. Dr. Trotter, was called to the platform, and briefly addressed the Association.

Saturday Afternoon Session

Prayer by Rev. S. McC. Black.

Report on Denom national Literature presented by Rev. W. H. Robinson and after discussion by Revs. S. McC. Black, W. H. Warren, Dr. Trotter, W. H. Robinson, Bros. G. W. Warren, J. Nicols, S. Burns and others was amended and adopted.

Bro. G. W. Warren submitted the report on Systematic Beneficence. Spoken to by Bros. J. Nicols, J. B. Ross, Revs. C. W. Corey, Dr. Trotter, W. H. Warren, J. C. Spurr, S. McC. Black and others and adopted.

Prayer in closing by Rev. J. C. Spurr

Saturday Evening Session.

Prayer by Rev. A. C. Shaw.

Report on Education was read by Rev. W. H. Warren. Ordered to lie on the table.

Public Education meeting then took place, the following addresses were given :

1st.—By Rev. C. W. Corey on Nonsectarian Public Schools and Denominational Colleges ;

2nd.—Address by Rev. J. C. Spurr on the benefits we have derived from the Institutions at Wolfville ;

3rd.—Address by Rev. Dr. Trotter on the purposes of the higher Education and the means by which we may most efficiently promote these purposes in our Institutions at Wolfville.

Music at intervals by the Choir.

Benediction by Rev. M. C. Higgins.

Lord's Day Services.

The Associational Sermon was preached at 10.30 a. m., by Rev. M. C. Higgins, text Haggai 2 : 23.

A Missionary Meeting took place at 3 p. m.

The report on Missions was read by Rev. M. C. Higgins. Rev. W. V. Higgins gave an address on Foreign Missions, Rev. J. C. Spurr spoke on Home Missions and the Rev. Dr. Trotter on the Unity of our Work in the Lord's service.

In the evening an evangelistic service was led by F. M. Clay.

Ministers from the Association supplied numerous pulpits within reach.

Monday Morning Session.

After devotional service the report on Education was taken from the table and after a lengthy consideration in which the following Bros. took part was adopted, Revs. C. W. Corey, W. H. Warren, J. C. Spurr, S. McC. Black, Bros. John Nicols, L. MacCabe, G. MacNeil, S. Burns.

Report on Missions was then considered. Spoken to by Rev. M. C. Higgins, W. H. Robinson, W. V. Higgins, J. C. Spurr, C. W. Corey and several others and adopted.

Prayer in closing by Rev. W. V. Higgins.

Monday Afternoon Session.

Prayer by Rev. M. C. Higgins.

Report on Temperance presented by Rev. J. E. Tiner discussed by Revs. Warren, Black, Robinson, Bros. W. Bagloe, G. W. Warren, L. MacCabe, S. Simpson, J. B. Russ, G. MacNeil and others. Adopted.

Committee on Arrangements reported a public Temperance Meeting this evening. Speakers, Rev. C. W. Corey, Arthur Simpson, Rev. J. W. Keirstead and Rev. A. C. Shaw. Adopted.

Committee on Nominations reported committees for next year as follows :

Education.—Rev. J. C. Spurr, L. MacCabe, Wm. Judson.

Missions.—Rev. C. W. Corey, A. M. Sterns and Wm. Warren.

Systematic Beneficence.—C. W. Jackson, (Lic.) George McNeil, Joseph Bagnall.

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Denominational Literature.—Rev. D. Price, W. B. Howatt, Albert Schurman, C. W. Crosby.

Obituaries.—Rev. W. H. Warren, W. G. Schurman, W. T. Costin.

Digest of Letters.—Rev. J. C. Spurr.

Sunday Schools.—Rev. M. C. Higgins, A. Simpson, R. Jenkins, C. L. Jones.

B. Y. P. U.—R. H. Jenkins, J. K. Ross, Rev. M. C. Higgins.

Temperance.—Rev. E. A. MacPhee, T. S. Robertson, M. Macleod.

Travelling Arrangements.—R. H. Jenkins, E. D. Stearns.

Annual Sermon.—Rev. W. H. Robinson, alternate Rev. W. H. Warren.

Circular Letter.—J. K. Ross. Adopted.

Closing prayer by Bro. R. Scott.

Monday Evening Closing Session.

Prayer by J. Nicols.

Thanks of Association were voted to the Bedeque Church, and other friends who have so kindly entertained the Association.

A public Temperance Meeting then proceeded according to programme, after which Rev. C. W. Corey seconded by the Secretary, moved the following which passed unanimously :

Resolved, that this Association express confidence in the efficiency of the Canada Temperance Act, and tender our sympathy with the Temperance friends in Charlottetown in their efforts to sustain the Act on July 22nd. We furthermore put ourselves on record as deadly opposed to the License system and will refuse our support to any Political party or Candidate that will advocate license as a measure to deal with the Liquor problem.

The Moderator and Secretary were appointed a Committee to locate the Association for next year.

The Treasurer reported received in collections \$35.05. Disbursements \$3.75. Ballance \$31.30. Ordered to be paid to Treasurer for Denom. Work.

Thanks of Association were voted to the Moderator and Secretary and suitably acknowledged by them.

Voted to adjourn to meet at a place to be chosen by the Moderator and Secretary on the Friday previous to the first Sunday in July 1898 at 10 o'clock, a. m.

DAVID PRICE, *Moderator.*

ARTHUR SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES IN THE P. E. ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.										PROPERTY AND FINANCE.												
	Date of Organization.	Present Membership.	No. Reported Last Year.	Baptized.	On Experience.	Restored.	From Chrs in Conv'n.	From Chrs elsewhere.	Diad.	Joined other Churches in Conv'n.	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-resident Members.	Total Additions from the roll.	No. of Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational Objects.	Other Moneys Raised.
1 Alberton	1876	42	42															\$400			\$83 18	11 80	45 56
2 Alexandra	1881	49	84	5					39		2							300			150 00		15 00
3 Annandale	1844	66	67															200			60 00		
4 Bedeque	1826	81	81															4000					
5 Belfast	1840	55	56															1100			179 27	19 85	50 00
6 Belmont	1876	74	40	2														500			73 50	21 00	30 00
7 Bonshaw	1891	46	43	3														200			85 00		00 00
8 Charlottetown	1886	268	275	1					9									16000			2271 77	87 40	160 00
9 Cavendish	1869	56	58	1					1									500			60 00		00 00
10 Clyde River	1878	51	50						1									800			100 00		00 00
11 Dundas	1880	56	49						1									200			100 00		00 00
12 East Point	1832	179	182						1									900			184 00		16 00
13 Fairview*	1880	65	65						1									700			350 00		65 00
14 Long Creek	1861	72	77						4									200			175 00		19 05
15 Lot 10	1886	36	36						4									100			23 77		
16 Montague	1812	98	81	14	5				17									3000			350 00		
17 Murray River	1875	144	130	5					5									4000			285 00		30 00
18 North River	1832	150	137	11					13									1600			325 00		5 00
19 Springfield	1893	96	95	5					1									1000			102 00		38 50
20 Summerside	1868	125	117	10	3				2									1200			580 00		82 00
21 Souris	1869	8							2									900			42 00		5 17
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23 St. Peter's Bay	1806	30							1									1800					
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25 Tyne Valley	1885	71	69	2					1									650			35 00		00 00
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27 Hazelbrook	1896	43		5	38				1									5200			24 32		13 40
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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Alberton	Rev. H. Carter, Springfield, Prince County	1894	J. P. Fielding, Alberton.
2 Alexandra	" J. C. Spurr, E. A., Pownal, P. E. I.	1896	W. F. Dockendorff, Alexandra.
3 Annandale	" A. C. Shaw, Annandale, P. E. I.	1897	John Howlett, Annandale.
4 Bedeque	" W. H. Warren, Central Bedeque	1894	W. G. Schurman, Freetown.
5 Belfast	" J. C. Spurr, Pownal	1896	Norman MacLeod, Eldon.
6 Belmont	" David Price, Tryon	1897	Henry Barrett, Belmont.
7 Bonshaw	" C. W. Corey, Charlottetown	1894	C. W. Crosby, Bonshaw.
8 Charlottetown	" C. W. Jackson, (Lic.), Cavendish	1893	E. D. Sterns, Charlottetown.
9 Cavendish	" M. C. Higgins, North River	1897	Arthur Simpson, Bay View.
10 Clyde River	" A. C. Shaw, Annandale	1897	Robert A. MacPhail, New Haven.
11 Dundas	" E. A. MacPhee, Kingsboro', P. E. I.	1896	A. D. Matheson, Dundas.
12 East Point	" C. W. Jackson, (Lic.), Cavendish	1896	William MacVicar, Hopewell.
13 Fairview	" M. C. Higgins, North River	1897	Robert Andrews, Ebenezer.
14 Long Creek	" P. J. Stackhouse, (Lic.), Northam	1897	A. K. MacPhee, Long Creek.
15 Lot 10	"		John Chuloden, Lot 10
16 Montague	"		N. J. Macdonald, Montague Bridge.
17 Murray River	" M. C. Higgins, North River	1893	Francis Cook, Murray River.
18 North River	" H. Carter, Springfield	1894	Jacob Bain, Cornwall.
19 Springfield	"	1844	W. T. Costin, Cape Wolfe.
20 Summerside	" E. A. MacPhee, Kingsboro'	1896	G. W. Warren, Summerside.
21 Souris	" A. C. Shaw, Annandale	1896	Mrs. M. Brehant, Souris, East.
22 St. Peter's Road	" David Price, Tryon	1897	Donald Stewart, Marshfield.
23 St. Peter's Bay	" P. J. Stackhouse, (Lic.), Northam	1894	Crawford Hayden, St. Peter's.
24 Tryon	" J. C. Spurr, Pownal	1897	W. B. Howlett, Tryon
25 Tyne Valley	"	1896	Jos. H. Macdonald, Eilerslie.
26 Uigg	"	1896	John MacLeod, Uigg, Kinross.
27 Hazelbrook	"	1896	James D Jenkins, Pownal.

* No letter from the Churches marked thus.

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STATISTICS OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS IN THE CHURCHES OF THE PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. of Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
1 Alberton	W. G. Clarke	80	60	7	20	80	26 00		50	5
2 Alexandra	Lemuel Wood	36	18	2	13					
3 Annandale	John Houlett	29	18	5	18	50			46	
4 Bedeque	Wellington Mutch									
5 Belfast	A. J. MacCormack	40	30	6	20				20	15
6 Belmont										
7 Bonshaw										
8 Charlottetown	A. W. Sterns	195	130	24	20	400	63 00			
9 Cavendish	Arthur Simpson	35	25	5	12	100	3 00		52	
10 Clyde River	Donald Macnevin	30	20	5	10	20	5 00	3 00	35	
11 Dundas	A. D. Matheson	42	27	6	14		8 00	1 40	24	
12 East Point	T. S. Robertson	90	40	5	20		10 00		47	
13 Fairview	Robt. Andrews	15	10	2	5				48	
14 Long Creek	W. E. Stretch	50	35	6	20		4 00		25	
15 Lot 10	John MacArthur	15	12	2	7		1 75		26	
16 Montague	N. J. Macdonald, E. Stewart, F. J. Creed	124	68	12	60		24 00		46	
17 Murray River	A. J. Maclean and Reuben Cohoon	45	30	6	15				52	
18 North River	Jacob Bain and Wm. Ward	110	85	10	20	70	38 00		25	4
19 Springfield	W. T. Costin and Jas. Gay	65	50	4	20				40	6
20 Summerside	C. L. Jones	80	41	11	10	90	27 00	9 00	20	
21 Souris									52	6
22 St. Peter's Road										
23 Tyne Valley	W. B. Howlett, W. B. Caulbeck, A. Lefurgey	135		15	40	100	9 00	5 00	35	
24 Tryon	M. Macleod and A. McKinnon	45	30	6	30		9 00		40	
25 Uigg	J. B. Jones	84	45	7	38		11 00			
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SEPTEMBER 4th, 1897.

The African Baptist Association convened at Inglewood, Annapolis Co., in its Forty-fourth Annual Session. Rev. F. R. Langford presiding. Devotional exercises were engaged in by singing Hymn 514 from the Psalmist "Ye servants of the Lord, each in his office wait." Scripture read, Isaiah, Chap. 55. Prayer by the ex-Moderator.

Letters from the various Churches were handed in from which the Secretary made out the list of delegates, and officers were elected for the year 1897-8 as follows :

Moderator.—Rev. J. E. Jackson, Assist. Rev. A. Clements.

Sect.-Treasurer.—P. E. MacKerrow, Assist. Bro. T. Langford.

COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 1897-8.

On Arrangements.—Revs. F. R. Langford, J. A. Smith, A. Clements-Jas. Borden and Secretary.

On Letters.—Bro. Wm. Johnson, A. Emmerson, and Wm. Joseph.

State of Denomination.—Revs. A. C. Clements and Smith, Bro. Jacob Flint.

Obituary.—Rev. James Borden, Deacons G. Ackerson and Joseph Flint.

Ministerial Education.—Revs. J. A. Smith, Langford and Clements.

Temperance.—Bro. Wm. Johnson, J. Glasgow, A. David, and C. Stevenson.

Sabbath School.—Wm. T. Joseph, J. Bundy, I. Hawkins, M. Barnes.

Missions.—Revs. A. Clements, Langford, Borden, and Jacob Flint.

Finance.—Bros. A. Emmerson, T. Langford, W. Johnson, David and Glasgow.

Saturday Evening.—2nd Session.

Consecration Service in which a large assembly took part. Many friends and relatives who had been separated for years met, and embraced each other in loving and Christian fellowship.

The meeting closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

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J. E. Jones	2
Hazelbrook	30

Lord's Day Services.

11 a. m. Preaching by the Rev. J. E. Jackson, Text, Rom 8 : 32, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ." Spoken to by Bro. Jacob Flint, (Lic). Prayer offered by the Preacher.

3 p. m. Preaching by Rev. A. Clements from Genesis ; 26 : 18, "And Isaac digged again the wells of water." Prayer offered by Rev. J. A. Smith.

7 p. m. Preaching by Rev. F. R. Langford. Text : Joshua 1st ch. latter clause of 5th verse, "I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

Large audiences greeted all the services.

Monday Forenoon.—11 a. m.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. James Borden. Text from Heb : 13 : 8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever." Prayer and benediction by Rev. F. R. Langford.

Monday Afternoon.—2.30.

Opened with prayer by Rev. A. Clements. Minutes of previous Session read and approved. Report on Letters read, and received for discussion. The Secretary read a letter from the Halifax district committee recommending a change of the time of our Annual Meeting in order to keep in closer touch with the other Associations. The matter was discussed at considerable length, the same having been tried on a former occasion, which did not work satisfactorily to all concerned but on motion it was resolved that the churches close the years work in June in order that the business of the Association can be accounted for in the Convention reports.

A committee was appointed to locate a suitable spot to erect a monument to commemorate the memory of Father Preston the organizer of the Association. The Church Yard at Preston was looked upon as a suitable place. When all the churches throughout the Association were expected to contribute as liberally as their means would allow.

Session closed with Benediction by the Moderator.

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Monday Evening Session.—7 o'clock.

Report on Missions received.

Missionary meeting opened by singing Hymn 623 from the Psalmist "Take the name of Jesus with you." Prayer by Rev. A. Clements. A short sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Smith followed by Rev. Clements, and several others. Text chosen—Luke 24 : 27 "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached to all nations beginning at Jerusalem." The addresses were spirited and profitable as the need of means to do Missionary work was largely debated. Very good singing was rendered by the audience.

Services closed with Prayer and Benediction by the Rev. John A. Smith.

A collection was taken and forwarded to the Home Mission Secretary.

Tuesday Forenoon Session.—Sept. 7th 9.30.

Session opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of previous session read and approved. Report on State of the Denomination received and discussed. Never was there a time that our Churches in the Denomination are more threatened by invasion than the present, which necessitates our Churches to look well after their young people. The committee earnestly urged upon the delegates the importance of advising their young to establish Young People's Societies among themselves thereby strengthening their own Church home. Also to contribute as freely as their means will admit to denominational work through the Mission Board this being the great lever which moves the work to a successful issue, especially when we can see with open eyes the desire of the Home Mission Board to assist.

Report of Committee on Education received and discussed. The needs of an educated Ministry are severely felt from a race standpoint and it is hoped that our young men who are now attending the various places of learning will turn their attention thitherward to their better equipment than in the past.

Report on Obituaries received and discussed. One licensed brother, James Downey, who for over fifty years was a member and exhorter in his Church had passed from labour to reward. Humble in his office, meek in his general deportment; always ready to do what he could for his Master, his life was one of a humble child of God. True to his convictions, nothing could

seemingly separate him from what he termed his duty to his Church.

Session closed with Prayer and Benediction by Rev. A. Clements.

Tuesday Afternoon, Sept. 7th.—2.30.

Opened with prayer by Rev. Clements. Minutes of previous session read and approved. Report on Sabbath Schools was presented, and fully discussed. The great needs of Sunday Schools being established in every church, was forcibly debated by brother Joseph. The speaker showed the importance, the needs, and the possible good that would result, where in many of the churches, preaching is held but once on the Lord's day, the Sabbath School would fill an important gap. Other speakers also supported the Chairman, when they hoped every church in the Association would report a school in their midst by next yearly report.

Circular letter written by Rev. Clements was read by him, its importance discussed and by motion ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Committee on Temperance reported. This report had a good airing, it being apparent that although the avenues seemed closed against the nefarious traffic, yet a large and elusive trade is carried on by the violators of the law. No measure has been adopted by the legislature to prohibit the increasing evil. We will hail with joy the day when the Prohibition Act shall pass in the Dominion Parliament.

The invitation from the Cornwallis Street Church, Halifax, for the Association in 1898 was accepted.

The same number of copies of minutes was ordered to be printed as last year.

Voted that Rev. J. A. Smith write the Circular letter.

Session closed with Prayer and Benediction by the Moderator.

Tuesday Evening Session.—7.30.

Temperance Meeting opened with prayer by Bro. Jacob Flint, Text chosen for the subject, Prov. 17 : 29, "Who hath sorrow, who hath woe." Bros. Wm. Joseph, Jacob Flint, Rev. A. C. Clements, and Smith, all took part in the Temperance discussion which was profitable, and pleasant. The meeting was largely attended. Much earnestness manifested by all present.

Session closed with the Benediction by Revd. Langford.

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Wednesday Forenoon Session.—9.30.

Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of previous Session read and approved. Voted that Rev. A. Clements preach the Annual Sermon, Rev. Smith be his alternate.

Report from the Committee on Finance was received showing that the receipts barely covered the expenses with nothing to carry forward. After paying delegates travelling fares, printing of minutes and other amounts.

A vote of thanks was passed to the friends at Inglewood, for kindness shown the delegates and attendants. Also to the Railway officials, for free return fares.

The Association adjourned to meet at Halifax on the first Saturday in September of 1898, D. V., at 3 p. m., with prayer and benediction by Moderator.

J. E. JACKSON, *Moderator.*

ABRAHAM CLEMENTS, *Assistant.*

P. E. MACKERROW, *Secy'-Treas.*

T LANGFORD, *Assistant.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES IN THE AFRICAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.										PROPERTY AND FINANCE.												
	Present Membership.	No. Reported Last Year.	Baptized.	On Experience.	Restored.	From Ch'rs in Conv'n.	From Ch'rs elsewhere.	Disd.	Joined other Churches in Convention.	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-resident Members.	Total Additions.	Total No. removed from the roll.	No. of Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational Objects.	Other Moneys raised.
1 Halifax, Cornwallis St.	132	115	3	3	4	3	3	3	1	1	2	6	6	10	4	4	2000	500	1600	800 00	60 00	40 00	
2 Dartmouth	81	79	1	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	2	4	2	3	3	3	600	250	250 00	250 00			
3 Preston, East	95	101			3	3	3	1	2	4	4	6	3	3	3	3	600	250					
4 St. Thomas, N. Preston	70	73			3	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	500	100					
5 Campbell Road	33	33			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500	100					
6 Beech Hill	7	8			3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	100					
7 Hammond's Plains	56	48			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500	300					
8 Falmouth	6	6			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	100					
9 Forest St, Cornwallis	18	18			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500	200					
10 Inglewood, Bridgetown	16	16			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	200					
11 Bear River	13	13			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	150					
12 Digby Joggins	20	20			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500	200					
13 Granville Ferry	42	44			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	150		40 00			
14 Weymouth Falls	16	18			2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	400	200		18 00			
15 Greenville, Yar. Co	15	15			2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	400	200					
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AFRICAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Year of Settlement.	CLERK'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Halifax (Cornwallis St.)	J. Francis Robinson, Halifax.	1887	P. E. Mackerrow, Halifax, N. S.
2 Dartmouth Lake	James Borden, Dartmouth	1886	F. J. Bauld, Dartmouth.
3 Preston, East	Edward Dixon, Campbell Road.	1884	J. M. Thomas, Preston.
4 St. Thomas, North Preston	" "	1884	Joseph Thomas, Preston.
5 Beech Hill	" "	.....	Geo. H. Brown, Margaret's Bay Road, Halifax Co.
6 Falmouth	" "	.....	B. Gray, Falmouth, N. S.
7 Forest St., Cornwallis	John A. Smith, Centreville, Cornwallis	1877	Willington States, Kentville, N. S.
8 Bridgetown (Inglewood)	" "	.....	Isaac Clements, Inglewood.
9 Bea River	" "	.....	Israel Hawkins, Bear River.
10 Digby Jogging	" "	.....	M. Miller, Pleasant Valley.
11 Granville Ferry	" "	.....	George Owens.
12 Weymouth	Bro. Everett [Supply]	1886	T. Langford, Weymouth Bridge.
13 Greenville, Yarmouth Co.	" "	.....	W. Crawford, Hebron P. O.
14 Musquodohoit	Edward Dixon, Campbell Road, Halifax	1894	George Smith.
15 Campbell Road	No pastor. Help from the City Churches	.....	William Joseph.
16 Hammond's Plains	Edward Dixon, Campbell Road, Halifax	1894	A. Emmerson, Hammond's Plains.

STATISTICS OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS IN THE CHURCHES OF THE AFRICAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Schools.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
1 Cornwallis St.	1	Horace G. MacKerrow	75	50	6	12	150	12 00	13 50	52	2
2 Beech Hill	1	G. H. Brown	30	20	4	12	..	..	..	..	..
3 Campbell Road	1	W. J. Palmer	50	26	3	7	..	5 00	..	30	..
4 St. Thomas, Preston	1	Joseph Smith	35	30	3	8	..	..	..	..	..
5 Hammond's Plains	1	Isaiah Wilson	45	30	3	8	..	5 00	..	..	..
6 Cornwallis	1	Sidney Firman	25	12	2	5	25	5 00	..	20	..
7 Weymouth	1	T. Langford	40	30	6	5	75	..	..	52	..
8 Bridgetown	1	W. Miller	25	25	3	15
9 Digby Joggrins	1	Wm. Saunders	40	35	6	6	300	20 00	..	50	..
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**Baptist Young People's Union of the Maritime
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Organized Aug. 19th, 1892.

OFFICERS :

President—A. E. WALL, Moncton.

1st Vice-President—HUGH COX, Bear River, N. S.

2nd Vice-President—JOHN GORDON, Charlottetown, P. E. I

Sec'y-Treasurer—REV. H. G. ESTABROOK, Petitediac.

Asst.-Secretary—REV. G. A. LAWSON, Halifax, N. S.

Auditor—F. E. FLEWELLING, St. John, N. B.

Transportation Leaders—Dr. Roberts, L. B. Lusby, J. K. Ross.

Associational Secretaries :

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N. B. Western—F. W. Porter, Fredericton, N. B.

N. B. Southern—W. F. Roberts, M. D., St. John.

N. S. Eastern—Rev. G. P. Raymond, New Glasgow, N. S.

N. S. Western—Rev. B. H. Thomas, Digby, N. S.

N. S. Central—Rev. J. B. Morgan, Aylesford.

Editors—Revs. J. A. Freeman, G. R. White.

MINUTES.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Aug. 19th, 1897.

The Sixth Annual Convention of the Maritime B. Y. P. U. held its first session in the vestry of the Main Street Baptist Church at 6 o'clock on Thursday morning, August 19th. In the absence of Rev. O. N. Chipman, Rev. G. O. Gates conducted the service. Subject—"The Advent of the Spirit." At nine o'clock another meeting was held. Rev. J. D. Freeman, of Fredericton, presided and delivered an admirable address on "The Formation of Christian Character." A short time was then spent in prayer and praise.

At 10 o'clock President A. E. Wall took the chair. Rev. G. M. W. Carey, D. D., read the 90th Psalm, and Rev. S. McC. Black engaged in prayer, after which the President declared the Convention open for the transaction of business. Rev. G. A. Lawson, Halifax, was appointed Assistant-Secretary *pro tem*. On motion, it was decided that the minutes, as recorded on pages 199-203 of the Year Book, be adopted.

The next item of business was the adoption of the Constitution prepared by the Executive Committee. On motion, this was taken up article by article. Some of the sections were well discussed and a few amendments were made, after which the Constitution as a whole was adopted.

Adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

Prayer by Rev. G. O. Gates.

Thursday—2 p. m.

Session opened with devotional exercises. Bro. C. M. Baird of Onslow engaged in prayer. Minutes of morning session read and adopted. Pres. A. E. Wall then delivered a splendid address in which he urged the young people to maintain family worship. On motion the Union tendered Bro. Wall, a hearty vote of thanks.

Rev. H. G. Estabrook Secy.-Treasurer read his report. It shows a successful year with healthy action along all lines. Number of societies 136, with a membership of 6380. The finances of the Union showed a small surplus in the treasury. Report adopted.

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The Treasurer's report was adopted subject to audit.

Rev. Z. L. Fash read the report of the N. S. Western Association and Dr. W. F. Roberts reported for the N. B. Southern. These reports were received and placed on file.

Bro. A. E. Wall gave a verbal report of the work done by the Transportation leaders. Report adopted. The following were appointed a committee on Nominations:—Revs. W. H. Warren, M. C. Higgins, C. W. Corey, G. R. White, J. D. Freeman, B. N. Nobles, Z. L. Fash, G. A. Lawson and W. F. Roberts, M. D.

On motion a committee, consisting of Revs. W. H. Warren, G. R. White and W. L. Archibald was appointed to report on the pledge.

The adoption of the Programme provided by the Executive Committee was next discussed. Through some misunderstanding the services of Friday, if carried on, would interfere with the meeting of the Institute. On motion the programme was adopted, with the recommendation that it be handed to a committee, who would confer with the officers of the Institute, and if possible make such arrangements as would be satisfactory to all. The following were appointed on this committee:—Bros. A. E. Wall, H. G. Estabrook, Z. L. Fash and G. A. Lawson.

Mr. A. H. Chipman read the report of the B. Y. P. U. Editors. It was adopted. Rev. H. G. Estabrook read the report of the Executive Committee. This was taken up clause by clause and adopted. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in discussing the C. C. courses.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. M. Keirstead.

Thursday 7.30 p. m.

The meeting was opened by a male quartette singing. "Lead kindly Light." The choir sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name," and Rev. Geo. B. Illsley, D. D., of Bangor, Me., read the 145th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Rev. Z. L. Fash of Liverpool, N. S.

Mayor Robertson of St. John gave an address of welcome on behalf of the citizens.

W. F. Roberts, M. D., president of the local B. Y. P. U. welcomed the visiting members of the Maritime convention.

Rev. D. A. Steele, D. D., replied on behalf of the convention.

After singing a verse of the hymn "From Distant Places of Our Land," President A. E. Wall read an address of welcome to Rev. E. E. Chivers, D. D., Gen'l. Secretary of the B. Y. P. U. A.

Dr. Chivers, in replying thanked the Union for their hearty welcome. He then delivered a magnificent address on "Our B. Y. P. U., What it Stands For." In closing he said "The aim of the B. Y. P. U., is to educate and train the young people of the churches to an intelligent and loyal acceptance and assertion of the truths and principles for which the Baptist denomination stands."

Hymn 501 was sung, after which Rev. Dr. Jillsley addressed the meeting and extended to the Maritime Convention the greetings of the Maine Union.

Rev. W. B. Hinson, M. A., when called upon to speak on "Our Young People United," declined to do so on account of the lateness of the hour. The male quartette sang "Dear Father in Heaven" while the collection was being taken.

Meeting closed with the benediction by Dr. Chivers.

Friday Morning—6 o'clock.

At this hour a preparation service was held. Rev. J. H. McDonald of Amherst, N. S., presided. Subject presented "The Embodiment of the Spirit."

At 9 a. m., Rev. A. A. Shaw, of Windsor, N. S., took charge of the Educational meeting and delivered a splendid address on "The Young People and Public Worship." A short discussion followed after which President Wall took the chair.

Dr. Chivers led in prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

The committee appointed to confer with the officers of the Institute reported that satisfactory arrangements had been made, and the greater part of the provisional programme would be carried out.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows: President, A. E. Wall, Moncton; 1st Vice-President, Hugh Cox, Bear River; 2nd Vice-President, John Gordon, Charlottetown; Secretary, Treasurer, Rev. H. G. Estabrook, Pettitcodiac; Assistant Sec'y.-Treasurer, Rev. G. A. Lawson, Halifax; Auditor, F. E. Flewelling, St. John. Associational Secretaries, N. S. Western, Rev. B. H. Thomas, Digby; N. S. Central, Rev. J. B. Morgan, Aylesford. N. S. Eastern, Rev. G. P. Raymond, New Glasgow; N. B. Eastern, Albert Weldon, Moncton; N. B. Western, F. W. Porter, Fredericton; N. B. Southern, W. F. Roberts, M. D., St. John; P. E. I., R. H. Jenkins, Charlottetown. Transportation Leaders, Dr. Roberts, L. B. Lusby, J. K. Ross. Editors, Rev. J. D. Freeman, Rev. G. R. White. Report adopted.

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On motion all Baptist Ministers in *good standing* within the convention together with Rev. E. E. Chivers and wife, Rev. G. B. Illsley and wife, Rev. J. V. Osterhout and wife and other visiting brethren, were invited to seats in the convention.

Rev. G. O. Gates informed the Union that Rev. E. E. Daley's youngest child had died, and moved that through the Secretary we extend our sympathy to Bro. Daley and his wife. This motion passed. Rev. W. B. Hinson engaged in earnest prayer in behalf of the sorrowing parents.

Rev. J. A. Gordon, President of the Institute, announced that Dr. Chivers, would deliver his address, "Training for Service," before the Institute, thus giving every one the privilege of listening to him.

Meeting closed with singing and prayer.

Friday.—2 p. m.

Meeting opened with singing, "Nearer My God to Thee."
Prayer by Bro. S. K. Colpitts.

Verbal reports were given from the N. S. Central and the N. B. Western Associations. Reports adopted.

On motion a committee was appointed to confer with the managers of the Messenger and Vistor, in regard to making the paper the official organ of the Union. Revs. A. H. Lavers, B. N. Nobles, and M. C. Higgins were appointed.

Revs. C. W. Corey, J. H. McDonald, and J. D. Freeman were appointed a committee on resolutions.

Moved and seconded "That the Union pay one-half of the expenses incurred by the Executive Committee in attending their regular meeting." This called forth quite a lively discussion. On motion it was laid over until the next session.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Saturday.—6-7 a. m.

Rev. W. V. Higgins, conducted a preparation service. Topic considered, "The Enduement of the Spirit." At 9 o'clock, Prof. Edmund Barss, of Conn. presided over the Educational meeting. Topic, "Types of Christian Character." Bro. Barss delivered a very forcible address. A hymn was sung, and Rev. C. W. Corey offered prayer, after which, the business of the Union was attended

to. Rev. A. H. Lavers, chairman of the committee on Messenger and Visitor, reported progress.

Rev. W. H. Warren, chairman of Pledge Committee, reported as follows:—

“Your Committee beg leave to state that in their opinion it would be unwise to recede from the position, taken by our B. Y. P. Union from the first respecting the Pledge. In a large measure the Pledge has become woven into the texture of our Young People’s work. Many societies have for years maintained it with a fair degree of fidelity, and others, whilst hesitating to formally obligate themselves to keep it, are nevertheless impressed by its simple and reasonable statement of duty. We would therefore recommend, that the Pledge be retained, as at least a continued object lesson for our young people, leaving to individual societies the right of deciding for themselves, whether they shall at once adopt it formally, or retain it as an ideal pledge for future adoption.”

Report adopted.

The discussion re-Executive Committee’s expenses was resumed after a large number had taken part, the question was called for. The motion passed almost unanimously.

Meeting closed with prayer by Dr. Chivers.

Sunday—6-7 a. m.

A preparation service was held, Rev. D. H. Simpson of Berwick, conducted this service. “The Communion of the Holy Spirit,” was the subject presented.

At 9 o’clock, Rev. H. F. Waring of Truro, N. S., took charge of the Educational meeting, and delivered a grand address on “The Young Christian’s Reading.”

Monday—6-7 a. m.

Rev. W. C. Goucher of St. Stephen, took charge of the preparation service at this hour. Topic, “The administration of the Spirit.”

At 9 o’clock, Rev. W. N. Hutchins, of Canning, delivered a practical address on “Consecrated Recreation.”

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet at 1.30 p. m. Closed with singing.

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Monday—1.30 p. m.

Meeting opened with singing, and prayer.

Rev. A. H. Lavers on behalf of the Messenger and Visitor Committee read the following report, which after quite a lengthy discussion was adopted:—

“Your Committee, after carefully considering the matters involved, beg leave to recommend, that under existing circumstances, the question submitted to them, to report upon, be not brought forward for discussion at this session of the Convention of the B. Y. P. U.”

Meeting closed with prayer by Rev. J. M. L. Young.

Monday.—7 a. m.

Meeting opened with singing. Rev. G. R. White offered prayer. Minutes of previous session read and adopted.

The matter of printing our minutes, was then discussed, and on motion, a committee consisting of the Secretary, Ass't.-Secretary and Rev. G. R. White, was appointed to arrange with the “Committee on the publication of the Year Book,” for the printing of the minutes of this convention, and if necessary, to pay our share of the expenses.

On motion the thanks of the Union were tendered the leaders of the morning meetings, and also to Dr. Trotter, and Pastor Adams for their valuable assistance in procuring these speakers. Accompanying the vote of thanks, was the request, that the different addresses be handed to the B. Y. P. U. Editors, for publication in the Messenger and Visitor.

On motion, a committee, consisting of Revs. W. V. Higgins, W. H. Warren and Mr. A. H. Chipman, was appointed to bring in a resolution *re* the support of a missionary in the Foreign Field.

Adjourned to meet at 8.30 Tuesday morning. Prayer by Mr. A. H. Chipman.

Tuesday.—6 a. m.

At this hour a devotional service was conducted by Rev. R. Osgoode Morse, Topic, “Relation of the Scriptures to Human Life.”

At 8.30 a business meeting was held. The committee appointed to bring in a resolution, *re* support of a missionary was not in a position to report, and on motion the resolution of last year was

taken from the table and discussed. The following resolution was then moved :—

“That instead of an effort to raise the salary of a Foreign Missionary, as B. Y. P. U. organizations, we pledge ourselves to an earnest, honest, effort to increase the Missionary spirit and contributions in the churches to which we belong.”

This was spoken to by several of the brethren, after which it was adopted.

Rev. C. W. Corey, was then called upon to take charge of the Educational meeting. Dr. Kempton offered prayer, after which the leader delivered a splendid address on “Doc trine and life.” Meeting adjourned to meet at 1.15 p. m.

Tuesday.—1.15 p. m.

Meeting opened with singing and prayer. Minutes of morning session read and adopted.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. C. P. Wilson, seconded by Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.

Resolved, “That we consider the advisability of securing an efficient man, to visit the Unions of the Convention, with a view of arousing greater interest in the Master's work and also organizing new Unions ; also to assist in Sunday School work, so far as he possibly can.”

This was laid on the table for one year.

Rev. C. W. Corey read the several resolutions, prepared by the committee. These referred to the generous entertainment which had been accorded the delegates. The kindness shown by pastors and young people throughout the city. The pleasure of having Dr. Chivers present with us and thanking all who had contributed to the success of the meetings. An expression was also given of the attachment of the young people to the educational interests at Acadia, and pledging hearty support of them. Appreciation of the efforts of the Messenger and Visitor to advance the interests of the B. Y. P. U. and attachment to the Baptist Union, with a plea for the publication of the C. C. courses in separate sheets, as a means of extending the scope of these studies. The following resolution passed unanimously.

Resolved, That we express our hearty appreciation of the work done during the past year by our Executive Committee, with special mention of the indefatigable efforts of our President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editors.

A letter from the Rev. A Grant, referring to the engaging of an evangelist, was referred to the Executive Committee.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at the call of the Executive. Closed with prayer.

GEO. A. LAWSON,
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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

DEAR BRETHREN:—I am sure it will not be regarded presumption, for me to say that a measurably successful year has just closed. The watchword of the International B. Y. P. U. for the year has been "co-operation," and to a considerable extent the spirit of it has been realized throughout our constituency, and a degree of progress is manifest along most all lines of our work.

MEMBERSHIP.

At the last annual meeting, (122) one hundred and twenty-two societies were enrolled; of these, (95) ninety-five have sent in statistics this year. Some of the non-reporting societies are among our most flourishing, and we have reason to believe that others are as well doing good and efficient work. But we would emphasize the importance of collecting and forwarding statistics from every Young People's Society within the bounds of this Convention. We are making history, and such data is of real worth.

The membership of the reporting societies is (4470) four thousand four hundred and seventy. The reports indicate the organization of fourteen new societies, and as none have been reported to me as defunct we may infer that there are about one hundred and thirty-five societies in the Maritime Union, with a probable membership of (6,000) six thousand or more.

ASSOCIATIONAL UNIONS.

There are (6) six Associational Young People's Unions within the bounds of the Maritime Convention. The N. B. Western alone is un-organized to-day. The N. S. Eastern B. Y. P. U. was organized in 1893. During the past year or two it has been dormant, but this summer it was resuscitated at New Glasgow with a hopeful outlook for good work. In the absence of the Associational Secretary from the E. N. B. Association, at the call of President A. E. Wall, delegates were summoned to Albert, Albert Co., in July, and a vigorous union was organized.

We believe that through the Associational organizations our work can be much more efficiently carried forward, and the limits of our broad field thus be cultivated.

JUNIOR WORK.

The junior work in our churches does not seem to have that general impetus that it would seem to merit, as but nine (9) reports from junior societies have been received. There are a few other such societies, but this department is not generally taken hold of by our workers.

THE C. C. WORK.

We have to yield the "Palm of Victory" this year in our C. C. Work. The students reported are (71) seventy-one in the Bible Readers course, (166), one hundred and sixty-six in the Conquest Missionary course, and (730) seven hundred and thirty in the Sacred Literature course. There are doubtless several others not reported. The official returns from Chicago give the number of successful examination papers in the different courses as follows:—(51) Fifty-one in the Bible Readers course, (45) forty-five in the Conquest Missionary course, and (207) two hundred and seven in the Sacred Literature course. It will be of interest to the Maritime Union to know that the Records at Chicago show over (600) six hundred persons in the Maritime Provinces have begun the C. C. Work and taken up one, two or three departments and then dropped out. Of these (450) four hundred and fifty are from Nova Scotia, (100) one hundred from New Brunswick and (60) sixty from Prince Edward Island. Our Christian Culture work being second in importance in no particular, but rather *the*

distinctive feature of our organizations, the reason for this decrease in student enrolment is a matter worthy of consideration by this delegation.

May we not reasonably conclude that a very much larger number in our churches participate in the benefits of these courses?

SURVEY.

The reports indicate that the utility of this movement in our churches is being recognized more and more each year. Our young people are being stimulated in service and are coming to apprehend the possibilities of their time and are cheerfully enlisting their energies towards the advancement of the Masters reign in the land, through our own existing denominational agencies. Our young people in greater numbers are turning towards our own "Acadia" while our institutions of learning have an ever increasing large place through the Young People's Societies in our churches.

Indeed it seems manifest that God is very signally using this movement among the young life of our churches to the building up of a more intelligent devotion of our denomination to His cause.

Fraternally Yours,

H. G. ESTABROOK.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Maritime Baptist Young People's Union has now completed the fifth year of its existence, the organization was effected at Bridgetown, N. S., Aug. 19th, 1892. Dr. F. L. Wilkins, Gen. Sec'y of the B. Y. P. U. being present as organizer.

Five annual conventions have marked the periods of its advance, and we are gathered for the sixth. Then, our members were but small, to-day we constitute a host of over six thousand young people organized within our churches, having a single purpose as expressed by the object of our organization.

MEETINGS.

The only full Executive meeting during the year was held in Moncton, Nov. 17th, 1896, when the different matters of the year's business were carefully considered.

Individual members however have come together at different times and places as occasion offered, and in this way, together with a voluminous correspondence, the work of the year has been kept constantly before us and thus mutual help has been afforded in carrying it forward.

NOTABLE FEATURES OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

1.—*Constitution.*

The International State Constitution not being suited to our needs, one has been specially drafted for the Maritime B. Y. P. U. Copies were sent to several prominent B. Y. P. U. workers throughout the provinces. Profiting by the suggestions and criticisms thus gathered, the constitution has been printed in present form for your adoption at this Convention.

2.—*Programme.*

In accord with the direction of the Convention last year, the programme now in distribution amongst you has been arranged for the present gathering. Realizing the need of more time at our annual gatherings than is

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ordinarily at our disposal, upon receiving a cordial invitation from the Baptists of Union St., St. John, to their commodious and beautiful house of worship, and to enjoy their hospitality for one day prior to the usual gathering of delegates to the Maritime Baptist Convention, the programme was arranged to commence with Thursday and extend over Friday. It seems unfortunate that when complete an unforeseen difficulty should arise, due to our Friday programme conflicting with that of the Ministers' Institute which meets at the same place and hour. We regret that such a misarrangement should be made, but trust that an harmonious re-arrangement may yet be effected between the Young People and the Ministers' Institute. as both societies are upon the ground.

We congratulate ourselves on being able to announce the Rev. E. E. Chivers, D. D., Genl. Sec'y. of the B. Y. P. U. as occupying a prominent place upon our programme. We look forward with bright anticipations for his visit at this time. He will receive a whole-hearted welcome at our hands.

Special arrangements have been made to realize the largest possible good from the morning social meetings throughout the entire Convention.

Pastor H. F. Adams of Truro, and Rev. Dr. Trotter of Wolfville have respectfully assumed charge of the conduct of the 6-7 and 9-10 series, which arrangement is for six consecutive days. The speakers and subjects are according to their arrangement. The leading thought of the 6-7 series is "*an intelligent devotion*"; that of the 9-10 series being "*a devout intelligence*." It is hoped that the subjects as arranged will furnish courses of a helpful character to the seeker after the truth.

EXPENSES.

The importance of our work as a Young People's Union in our churches is so great that your executive feel that some better means should be provided for its extension. The financial problem with us is perhaps the one of greatest moment just now. There being no provision made whereby your officers in the discharge of their duties can be reimbursed for the expense they are under especially in attending one or more of executive meetings in the year. We suggest that steps be taken at this gathering to have this obstacle to our more efficient work in so far as possible removed and that such expense be born by the Maritime Union.

OUR COLUMN AND THE BAPTIST UNION.

During the year your committee have endeavoured to place all of their work before the people through the B. Y. P. U. column of the Messenger and Visitor. We believe that this column should be a bureau of information from all our Unions, and would urge upon all our workers the desirability of making the most of it, thus standing by our editors in the truest sense. We wish to place on record our appreciation of the extra interest manifest in our work by the management of the Messenger and Visitor in arranging for us a special B. Y. P. U. number of that paper.

We wish also to express our satisfaction in the work being done by the editor of the Baptist Union and of the policy being adopted by that paper that is destined to make it a very potent factor towards the closer federation of the Baptists of the entire continent of America.

Respectively submitted,

H. G. ESTABROOK, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The Maritime Baptist Young People's Union in acc't. with H. G. Estabrook, Treasurer for year ending Aug. 18th, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Balance carried over from last year	\$ 79 70
Annual per. capita fees up to Aug. 18th	52 60
" " " " since " "	26 20
Collection at Convention in St John.....	36 47
	\$194 97

EXPENDITURE.

Paid J. H. McDonald, Transportation expenses	\$ 5 00
" " " " for Educational purposes	10 00
" Bill of Miss Hubley	15
" Rev. W. N. Hutchins, for distribution, Tracts by D. G. McD. ..	2 60
" G. A. McDonald, printing	11 79
" Editor (B. Y. P. U.) A. H. Chipman, exp. incurred in his dept. ..	10 00
" "Times Print," for stationary, constitutions, programs, &c. .	40 50
" A. E. Wall, for badges etc	6 80
" Expense. Drs. Ilsley and Chivers, visit to Convention	57 00
" Telegram to Dr. Chivers	85
" Expenses of Secretary, needed material, correspondence	22 02
	\$166 71

Balance in Treasury \$28 26

Petitcodiac, N. B.,
Sept. 14, 1897.

H. G. ESTABROOK,
Treasurer.

I have audited the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct.

Petitcodiac, N. B.,
Sept. 14, 1897.

S. L. COLPITTS,
Auditor, pro tem.

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MARITIME BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JULY 31st, 1897.

NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY.	Form.	When Organized.	MEMBER-SHIP.		PASTOR.	PRESIDENT.	C. C. COURSES.			FINANCES.			JUNIOR SOCIETIES.		MEMBER-SHIP.		
			Active.	Associate.			Total.	Bible Readers.	Conq. Missionary.	Sacred Literature.	Total.	Per capita.	Other.	Total.	Name.	When Organized.	Active.	Associate.	Total.
Amherst	U	1891	106	3	J. H. McDonald.	Charles Lewis	16	16	\$3	\$24	\$79	02	\$82	28			
Andover	U	1891	25	15	H. D. Worden	Geo. E. Saville			75								
Annandale	U	1894	45	5	A. C. Shaw	Margaret Litch											
Annapolis	U	1895	28	4	J. C. White	Wm. Crowell			87								
Argyle	U	1892	29	2	M. W. Brown	J. S. Bishop											
Aylesford	U	1897	67	56	J. B. Morgan	Bradford Crowell											
Barrington	U	1895	15	13	E. Quick	W. H. Warren											
Bedeque	U	1896	22	28	W. H. Warren	F. D. Wilson											
Belmont	E. W.	1891	30	2	J. D. Spidell	Lottie Parker	2	2	96								
Berwick	U	1891	70	2	D. H. Simpson	Elsie Newcomb	2	2									
Bridge town	U	1894	51	4	F. M. Young	Stewart Freeman	38	38									
Brookfield	U	1895	29	18	E. C. Baker	W. N. Hutchins			2	00							
Canard, Upper.	U	1893	43	18	W. N. Hutchins	H. A. Rice			1	83							
Canso	U	1887	21	2	F. H. Beals	Miss Ethel Simpson	20	20									
Cavendish	E. W.	1891	2	11	C. W. Jackson		34	34									
Chance Harbor	U	1895	37	20	W. E. McIntyre	Mrs. W. E. McIntyre			2	82							
Charlottetown	U	1891	42	25	C. H. Martell	Ida Germain			1	110	12						
Chipman, 2nd	U	1891	43	5	B. H. Thomas	W. W. Osshoboom			3	2	7						
Corwallis, 1st.	U	1892	25	4	C. Morse, D.D.	Edgar Weidon											
Digby	U	1897	24	8	J. C. Burgess	Margaret A. McLeod											
Digby Neck, 1st.	U	1894	11	4	C. C. Shaw	W. H. Smith											
Dorchester	U	1895	28	2	H. C. Todd	Alvoretta Estabrook											
Dundas	U	1896	21	21	H. Hayward	Augustus Forbes											
Eglin, 1st	U	1895	28	2	E. Quick												
Florenceville	U	1896	21	8													
Forbes Point	U	1895	10	10													

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Torbrook Branch	1896	16	14		30	W. C. Parker		
Ohio	1896	44	19		63	P. S. McGregor		
Oshorne	1896	75	39		114	N. B. Dunn		
Paradise	1894	39	1		40	E. L. Steeves		
Petitcodiac	1894	91	12		103	H. G. Estabrook		
Port Maitland	1896	30	10		40	D. H. McQuarrie		
Port Medway	1891	45	23		68	F. E. Bishop		
Queensbury, Upper	1894	24	3		27	C. N. Barton		
Kawson, South	1895	20	16		36	Robt. Mutch		
Sable River, Ist	1895	24	4		28	Jos. E. Wier		
Sackville	1892	25	30		55	Marion Dunlop		
Sussex								
St. Stephen								
St. George								
Sackville, Bethel								
Shelburne	1896	75	21		96	J. G. A. Belyea		
Smith's Cove	1894	21	5		26	C. W. Sables		
Springfield	1893	45	5		50	J. T. Eaton		
Springhill	1897	50	20		70	J. Webb		
Summerside	1894	44	7		51	J. W. Bancroft		
Fydney	1892	25	3		28	H. Robinson		
Stewiacke, Lower	1896	34	3		37	H. B. Smith		
St. Martin's	1896	28	7		35	H. B. Smith		
St. John, Main St.	1897	16			16	F. M. Clay (Lic.)		
Truro, Innamel								
Tryon, Prince St.								
Waterville	1891	96	6		102	H. F. Waring		
Westport	1895	20	31		51	David Price		
Wilmot	1896	29	9		38	E. O. Read		
Wood's Harbor, Sr.	1894	54	60		114	C. E. Pince		
Wolfville	1893	20	10		30	H. N. Barry		
Wittenburg	1896	151	10		161	E. Quick		
Yarmouth, Ist.	1892	20	13		33	Mrs. S. L. Dixon		
Temple	1896	50			50	E. J. Baker		
West, Chegoggin	1891	62	1		63	W. F. Parker		
" Pembroke &	1894	29	10		39	C. P. Wilson		
Overton	1894	45			45			
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N. B. - No statistics have been received from the following this year: - Bear River, Billtown, Carleton, Fairville, Forest Glen, Vic. Co., German St., St. John, Halifax Ist, Halifax Tab., Half Island Cove, Hampton, Knutsford, Lunenburg, Ledger Dufferin, Lower-Prince William, Leinster St., St. John, Mahone Bay, New Canada, North Sydney, Overton, Port Lorne, South Rawdon, Sussex, Torbrook Windsor, Woodstock, Montague Bridge, Williamston, Pubnico, Coldstream, River Hebert, Rockland St. Marys, Ipperville, Alexandria, Borden, Brussels St., St. John, Brenton, Centreville, Upper Falmouth, Freeport, Fairview, Hillsdale, Hazel Brook, Jeddore West, Marysville, Margaree, Murray River, New Germany, Port Hillsford, Bridgewater.

Middleton	41	41	5	98
New Glasgow	1	53		
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	138	W. E. Hinson		
	47	J. W. Brown		
		H. Christopher		
		Bertha Pickles		

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	Date of Ordination
Achilles, Henry	Parker's Cove, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1854
Adams, H. F.	Truro, N. S.	1883
Addison, Milton	Salisbury, N. B.	1892
Allaby, E. A.	St. John, N. B.	1888
Allen, W. A.	St. Andrew's, N. B.	1896
Archibald, E. N., B. A.	Lunenburg, N. S.	1866
Archibald, I. C., M. A.	Chicacole, Madras Presidency, India.	1882
Archibald, W. L., M. A.	Milton, Queens Co., N. S.	1896
Armstrong, J. J.	Brookfield, Col. Co., N. S.	1874
Atkinson, F. N.	Jacksonville, Car. Co., N. B.	1892
Baker, E. C.	North Brookfield, Queens Co., N. S.	1888
Baker, G. R.	2nd Grand Lake, N. B.	1896
Baker, H. S.	Yarmouth, N. S.	1891
Bancroft, J. W., B. A.	Springhill, N. S.	1875
Bars, J. Howard, B. A.	Wolfville, N. S.	1891
Beals, F. H., M. A.	Canso, N. S.	1887
Beattie, Frank	Little Glace Bay, C. B.	1870
Bishop, Frank E., B. A.	Port Medway, Queens Co., N. S.	1897
Bishop, George L.	Burlington, Kings Co., N. S.	1897
Bishop, R. H., B. A.	Wolfville, N. S.	1879
Bishop, Trueman, B. A.	Harvey, N. B.	1879
Belyea, J. G. A., B. A.	Middle Sackville, N. B.	1897
Black, S. McC., M. A.	St. John, N. B.	1878
Blackadar, T. A., B. A.	Pleasant Valley, Yar. Co.	1865
Bleakney, J. C.	Woodstock, Car. Co., N. B.	1861
Bleakney, J. E.	New Ross, Lun. Co., N. S.	1867
Bleakney, W. A. J.	Upper Jemseg, N. B.	1860
Bluett, William	Springfield, Kings Co., N. S.	1894
Bool, Henry	Truro, N. S.	1869
Borden, James	Dartmouth	1895
Brown, A. F.	Campbellton, N. B.	1889
Brown, J. W., M. A.	Nictaux Falls, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1886
Brown, M. W., B. A.	Tusket, Yar. Co., N. S.	1876
Browne, Addison F.	Lockeport, N. S.	1888
Burgess, C. C.	Dorchester, N. B.	1877
Bynon, R. M.	Lewisville, Moncton, N. B.	1895
Cahill, Jos. A.	Centreville, N. B.	1872
Camp, Wellington	Hillsboro', Albert Co., N. B.	1883
Carey, G. M. W., D. D.	St. John, N. B.	1856
Carpenter, I. W.	Canterbury Station, York Co., N. B.	1871
Carter, Henry	Springfield, Prince Co., P. E. I.	1893
Champion, J. B.	Sussex, N. B.	1893
Charlton, H. A.	Centreville, Carleton Co., N. B.	1856
Chipman, O. N.	Great Village	1896
Churchill, George	Bobbili, Madras Presidency, India.	1872
Churchill, E. P.	Bridgewater, N. S.	1897
Chute, A. C., B. D.	Halifax, N. S.	1884
Clark, John	Bass River, N. S.	1866
Clements, Abraham	Truro	1895

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Cornwall, S.
Cox, J. H.
Crabbe, G.
Crandall, D.
Currie, Cal.
Daley, E. H.
Davidson,
Denovan, J.
Dimock, J.
Dixon, Edw.
Dunn, N. B.
Eaton, J. T.
Ervine, S. D.
Estabrook, J.
Fash, Zenas
Fields, M. L.
Foshay, H. J.
Foster, P. R.
Freeman, Au.
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Gardner, Jam.
Gates, G. O.
Giffen, H. A.
Goodwin, Jos.
Gordon, J. A.
Goucher, J. F.
Goucher, W.
Gross, Michael
Gross, N. P.
Gullison, Ralph
Hall, W. E., J.
Harvey, J. G.
Hatt, Daniel
Haverstock, C.
Hayward, A.
Henderson, Ch.
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Hinson, W. B.

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	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	Date of Ordination.
	Cohon, Atwood, M. A.	Wolfville, N. S.	1872
1854	Coldwell, E. P., B. A.	Port Lorne, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1880
1883	Colwell, I. B.	Riverside, Albert Co., N. B.	1891
1892	Coombs, John.	Cumberland Point, Queens Co., N. B.	1870
1888	Cooney, L. A.	Advocate Harbor, N. S.	1890
1896	Corey, C. W., B. A.	Charlottetown, P. E. I.	1890
1866	Corey, E. C.	Penobsquis, N. B.	1867
1882	Corey, Hebron Y., M. A.	Vizianagram, Madras Presidency, India.	1894
1896	Corey, W. W.	Boundary Creek, West. Co., N. B.	1864
1874	Cornwall, S. H., B. A.	St. Martin's, N. B.	1889
1892	Cox, J. H.	Canning, N. S.	1892
1888	Crabbe, George C.	Barton, Digby Co.	1892
1896	Crandall, D. W.	New Canada, Lun. Co., N. S.	1864
1891	Currie, Calvin.	Green Road, Car. Co., N. B.	1888
1875	Daley, E. E. B. A.	St. John, N. B.	1891
1891	Davidson, F. D.	Fredericton, N. B.	1884
1887	Denovan, J.	Wolfville, N. S.	1858
1870	Dimock, J. T.	River John, Pictou Co., N. S.	1895
1897	Dixcn, Edward	Africville, Halifax City, N. S.	1881
1897	Dunn, N. B.	Lydgate, Shel. Co., N. S.	1894
1879	Eaton, J. T.	Clementsport, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1876
1879	Ervine, S. D.	Hatfield's Point, Kings Co., N. B.	1888
1897	Estabrook, H. G., B. A.	Petitcodiac, N. B.	1893
1897	Fash, Zenas L., M. A.	Halifax, N. S.	1894
1878	Fields, M. L.	Brookfield, Col. Co., N. S.	1888
1865	Foshay, H. J., M. A.	Yarmouth, N. S.	1877
1861	Foster, P. R.	Arcadia, Yarmouth Co., N. S.	1868
1867	Freeman, Augustus, B. A.	Maugerville, Sun. Co., N. B.	1880
1860	Freeman, J. D.	Fredericton, N. B.	1890
1894	Freeman, M. P., B. A.	Billtown, Kings Co., N. S.	1863
1869	Ganong, E. K.	St. John, N. B.	1885
1895	Gardner, James W.	St. John, N. B.	1873
1889	Gates, G. O., M. A.	Weymouth, Digby Co., N. S.	1891
1886	Giffen, H. A.	St. John, N. B.	1892
1876	Goodwin, Joshua	St. John, West, N. B.	1895
1888	Gordon, J. A., M. A.	Digby, N. S.	1859
1877	Goucher, J. E., M. A.	St. Stephen, N. B.	1884
1895	Goucher, W. C., B. A.	Surrey, Albert Co., N. B.	1880
1872	Gross, Michael.	St. Leonard's Grand Falls, N. B.	1897
1883	Gross, N. P.	Vizianagram, Madras Presidency, India.	1893
1856	Gullison, Ralph E.	Halifax, N. S.	1864
1871	Hall, W. E., B. A.	Centreville, Car. Co. N. B.	1878
1893	Harvey, J. G.	Hantsport, N. S.	1893
1893	Hatt, Daniel E.	Pugwash, N. S.	1882
1856	Haverstock, C. H.	Florenceville, Carleton Co., N. B.	1879
1896	Hayward, A. H.	Upper Gagetown, N. B.	1877
1872	Henderson, Charles.	Carleton, St. John, Co., N. B.	1862
1897	Hickson, Edward, M. A.	North River, P. E. I.	1892
1884	Higgins, M. C., B. A.	Wolfville, N. S.	1857
1866	Higgins, Thos. A., D. D.	Wolfville, N. S.	1889
1895	Higgins, Walter V., M. A.	Moncton, N. B.	1879

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Hopper, Ezekiel.....	Dawson Settlement, N. B.....	1875
Howard George.....	Macnaquac, York Co., N. B.....	1867
Howe, Edwin H.....	Parrsboro, N. S.....	1876
Hughes, John H.....	St. John, N. B.....	1854
Hutchins, W. N., M. A.....	Canning, N. S.....	1894
Ingram, A. E.....	Hubley's Settlement, Halifax Co., N. S.....	1874
Jackson, J. E.....	.....	1887
Jenkins, E. C.....	Andover, N. B.....	1895
Jenkins, W. H., B. A.....	Chester, N. S.....	1889
Johnson, J. W.....	Windsor Plains, Hants Co., N. S.....	1885
Keirstead, Elias.....	Collina, Kings Co., N. B.....	1849
Keirstead, Prof. E.M., D.D.....	Wolfville, N. S.....	1876
Keirstead, J. W.....	Wolfville, N. S.....	1894
Keirstead, S. W.....	Dawson Settlement, N. B.....	1876
Keirstead, T. W.....	Rothesay, Kings Co., N. B.....	1893
Keith, Oswald N.....	Havelock Corner, N. B.....	1875
Kempton, S. B., D. D.....	Dartmouth, N. S.....	1863
Kidson, F. A.....	Dundas, P. E. I.....	1867
King, M. P.....	Doaktown, N. B.....	1882
Kinlay, R. B.....	Port Hilford, Guys. Co., N. S.....	1883
Knight, Peter R.....	Lower French Village, N. B.....	1874
Langford, F. R.....	Weymouth Falls, N. S.....	1872
Langille, Stephen.....	Clementsvale, Annapolis Co., N. S.....	1889
Lavers, A. H.....	St. George, N. B.....	1876
Lawson, Geo. A.....	Halifax, N. S.....	1894
Layton, T. B.....	Truro, Colchester Co., N. S.....	1872
Lewis, Millege.....	Lumsden, Albert Co., N. B.....	1873
Locke, E. E.....	Middleton, Annapolis Co., N. S.....	1888
Manning, J. W., B. A.....	St. John, N. B.....	1868
Manzer, W. D.....	St. Mary's, N. B.....	1867
March, Stephen.....	Bridgewater, N. S.....	1856
Marple, J. A.....	Truro, N. S.....	1892
Martell, A.....	Wolfville, N. S.....	1849
Martell, C. H., B. A.....	Upper Canard, Kings Co., N. S.....	1878
Miles, John.....	Boyleston, N. S.....	1884
Moore, S. C.....	Waterside, Albert Co., N. B.....	1868
Morgan, John B., B. A.....	Aylesford, N. S.....	1894
Morse, J. C., D. D.....	Sandy Cove, Digby Co., N. S.....	1842
Morse, L. D., B. A.....	Bimlipatam, Madras Presidency, India.....	1891
Morse, R. O., M. A.....	Lawrencetown, N. S.....	1894
Munro, T. M.....	Pennfield Centre, Charlotte Co., N. B.....	1868
Murray, Jos., M. A.....	Falmouth, N. S.....	1865
Mutch, Robt.....	South Rawdon, Hants Co., N. S.....	1864
McArthur, Alex.....	St. John, N. B.....	1868
Macdonald, A. B.....	Jemseg, Queens Co., N. B.....	1858
McDonald, D. G., B. Th.....	North Sydney, N. S.....	1873
McDonald, J. H., B. A.....	Amherst, N. S.....	1891
McGregor, P. S.....	South Ohio, Yarmouth Co., N. S.....	1877
McGregor, Wm.....	St. Mary's Bay, N. S.....	1883
McIntyre, W. E., B. A.....	Chipman, N. B.....	1884
McKeen, David.....	Athol, Cumberland Co., N. S.....	1854
McLeod, W. H., B. A.....	Amherst, Cum. Co., N. S.....	1895
McNeil, N. A., B. A.....	Hampton Village, N. B.....	1890

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 Springer, G.
 Spurr, J. C.,
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McPhee, E. A.	Kingsboro', P. E. I.	1896
McQuarrie, D. H., M.A.	Beaver River, Yarmouth Co., N. S.	1889
Nales, Manuel	Woodstock, N. B.	1869
Nobles, B. N.	Kentville, N. S.	1883
Normandy, M.	McLauchlan Road, Kent Co., N. B.	1859
Nowlan, P. D.	Oxford, Cum. Co., N. S.	1890
Parker, D. O., M. A.	Wolfville, N. S.	1861
Parker, J. M., B. A.	River Hebert, Cumberland Co., N. S.	1865
Parker, W. F.	Yarmouth, N. S.	1883
Parker, W. L.	Digby, N. S.	1862
Parry, H. N.	Melvorn Square, Ann. Co., N. S.	1877
Pineo, C. E.	Westport, N. S.	1887
Pineo, David	Long Point, Kings Co., N. S.	1844
Porter, J. A.	Granville Ferry, Ann. Co., N. S.	1889
Porter, R. D., M. A.	Middleton, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1857
Price, David	Tryon, P. E. I.	1882
Quick, Ernest	Barrington Passage, Shel. Co., N. S.	1896
Raymond, G. P., M. A.	New Glasgow, Pictou Co., N. S.	1890
Read, E. O.	Waterville, Kings Co., N. S.	1858
Read, James L.	Barss' Corner, Lun. Co., N. S.	1858
Rees, P. O.	Zealand Station, York Co., N. B.	1873
Rees, W. W.	Newport, N. S.	1890
Robinson, W. H., M. A.	Antigonish, N. S.	1882
Robinson, J. Francis	Halifax, N. S.	1889
Roop, Fred. E., B. A.	Noel, Hants Co., N. S.	1895
Rutledge, Adam A.	Clinch's Mills, I. B.	1895
Rutledge, J. W.	Woodstock, N. B.	1893
Sables, C. W.	Shelburne, N. S.	1872
Sanford, Rufus, M. A.	Vizianagram, India	1858
Saunders, E. M., D. D.	Halifax, N. S.	1893
Saunders, H. H., M. A.	Kingston, N. S.	1858
Saunders, J. H.	Milton, Yarmouth	1893
Sawyer, A. W., D. D., LL.D.	Wolfville, N. S.	1858
Schurman, G. W.	66 Middle Street, St. John (West)	1853
Scott, James	Crow Harbor, N. S.	1890
Shaw, A. A., M. A.	Windsor, N. S.	1883
Shaw, A. C.	Annandale, P. E. I.	1896
Shaw, H. J.	Windsor, Carleton Co., N. B.	1895
Shaw, H. S., M. A.	Liverpool, N. S.	1871
Shaw, J. L.	St. John, N. B.	1893
Simpson, D. H., M. A.	Berwick, N. S.	1871
Slaughenwhite, L. J., B. A.	Kempton, Queens Co., N. S.	1883
Smith, H. B., M. A.	Sydney, C. B.	1894
Smith, John A.	Cornwallis, N. S.	1887
Snell, Frederick T.	Havelock, Kings Co., N. B.	1881
Spidell, J. D.	Onslow Station, Col. Co., N. S.	1880
Spidell, Simeon, B. A.	Port Morien, C. B.	1892
Springer, G. W.	Jemseg, Queens Co., N. B.	1897
Spurr, J. C., B. A.	Pownal, P. E. I.	1856
Steadman, J. C.	Salisbury, N. B.	1879
Stearns, Charles S.	Ingram River, Halifax Co., N. S.	1863
Steele, D. A., D. D.	Amherst, N. S.	1889
Steeves, O. E.	Newcastle, N. B.	1865
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Steeves, Caleb J.	Upper Newcastle, N. B.	1897
Steeves, Edwin L.	Paradise, Ann. Co., N. S.	1890
Thomas, B. H.	Digby, N. S.	1888
Tiner, J. E.	Westchester Station, Cumb. Co., N. S.	1890
Tingley, J. W., M. A.	Hebron, Yar. Co., N. S.	1886
Tingley, L. J.	Freeport, Digby Co., N. S.	1888
Todd, Thomas.	Woodstock, Carleton Co., N. B.	1849
Townsend, W. C.	Narrows, N. B.	1881
Trotter, Thomas, D. D.	Wolfville, N. S.	1887
Vincent, A. J.	Isaacs Harbor, N. S.	1891
Wallace, Isa., M. A.	Lawrencetown, N. S.	1856
Wallace, Lewis F., B. A.	Lawrencetown, Ann. Co. N. S.	1897
Waring, H. F., M. A.	Truro, N. S.	1894
Warren, W. H., M. A.	Central Bedeque, P. E. I.	1872
Washburn, Abel.	St. Martin's, N. B.	1861
Weathers, Geo. A.	Summerville, Hants Co., N. S.	1864
Webb, Josiah, S. T. B.	Springfield, Annapolis Co., N. S.	1885
Wetmore, J. D.	Hampton Station, N. B.	1888
Whidden, H. P., B. A.	Antigonish.	1894
White, Geo. R., B. A.	Fairville, St. John, N. B.	1887
White, J. G. Coulter, B. A.	Annapolis Royal, N. S.	1894
Whitman, Asaph.	Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S.	1890
Whitman, M. B., B. A.	Alma, N. B.	1897
Williams, John.	Gaspereaux, N. S.	1862
Wilson, C. P., B. D.	Cheggoggin, Yar. Co., N. S.	1891
Worden, H. D.	Andover, N. B.	1864
Young, F. M., Ph. B.	Bridgetown, N. S.	1882
Young, J. W. S.	Green Bush, York Co., N. B.	1876
Young, J. L. M.	Hillsburg, N. S.	1882

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N. S. AFRICAN ASSOCIATION.—James Downey, Jacob Flint, J. Jones, G. Dize, James Saunders, Joseph Flint.

Report on the State of the Denomination.

The No. of churches reported last year as belonging to the eight Associations was 405. It is now 414. The following shows the particulars of this increase:—

No. of Churches in 1896.....	405
Additions this year: N. S. Central; New Canada, Lunenburg Co., organized in 1895.....	
N. S. Eastern; Zion Church (colored), Truro, organized Nov. 5th, 1896.....	1
N. B. Western; Northampton, Cloverdale, Tobique Valley..	3
N. B. Eastern; Little South and Whitneyville.....	2
P. E. Island; St. Peter's Bay, organized Sept. 15th, 1896, and Hazelbrook, organized Dec. 29th, 1896.....	2
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Present number of Churches.....	414

In the N. B. Western Association the Maple Ridge Church is omitted and Bloomfield, North. Co., Church is added.

The total membership reported last year was 48,830. It is now 50,424.

The number of additions by baptism for the year is 2,324, being somewhat less than last year.

The following are the ordinations to the ministry since the last meeting of the Convention:—

Alfred H. C. Morse, B. A.....	Sept. 29, 1896.....	Bridgewater, N. S.
W. L. Archibald, M. A.,.....	Nov. 24, ".....	Milton, Queens, N. S.
Frank E. Bishop, B. A.....	Dec. 22, ".....	Greenfield, N. S.
M. B. Whitman.....	Jan. 13, 1897.....	Alma, N. B.
J. G. A. Belyea.....	May. 19, ".....	Sackville, N. B.
George L. Bishop.....	May 12, ".....	Burlington, Kings, N.S.
E. J. Steeves.....	June 2, ".....	Newcastle, N. B.
N. P. Gross.....	Aug. 11, ".....	Andover, N. B.

NEW HOUSES OF WORSHIP have been opened during the year as follows:—

Blandford Shore, Lunenburg Co....	N. S. Central.....	Aug. 30.
Mount Denson, Hants Co.....	" ".....	Sep. 15.
Main St., St. John.....	N. B. Southern.....	Dec. 27.
Hazelbrook, P. E. Island.....	P. E. Island.....	Dec. 27.
Half Island Cove, Guysboro Co....	N. S. Eastern.....	Jan. 12.
New Glasgow, N. S.....	" ".....	Feb. 7.
Southampton, Cuni. Co.....	" ".....	Feb. 24.
West Dalhousie, Annapolis Co....	" Western.....	May 23.

Other buildings are also in course of erection in various localities.

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The following is a summary of the statistics of the Churches and Sunday Schools for the year ending May 31st, 1897.

SUMMARY OF THE STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Associations	No. of Churches	Church Memb'ship	No. of Baptisms	Expended for Ch. Support.	Contributed to Denom'l Work.
N. S. Western	72	11955	540	31942 75	4139 68
" Central	55	10500	673	32512 98	5026 71
" Eastern	68	6151	290	26369 65	2805 65
" African	16	624	11	1108 00	15 30
Totals for N. S.	211	29230	1514	\$91933 38	\$11987 34
N. B. Western	79	6172	155	10245 12	1394 74
" Southern	45	5298	136	38144 00	1721 70
" Eastern	52	7402	369	16266 79	1459 25
Totals for N. B.	176	18872	690	\$64655 91	\$4575 69
P. E. Island	27	2322	120	88413 00	\$561 09
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" 1896.	405	48830	2580	178159 59	17785 09
" 1895.	404	47180	2729	150923 94	\$6228 20

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Reference Page.	No. of Schools.	Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. Teachers.	Adults Enrolled.	No. Baptized.
N. S. Western	132	129	6895	4995	882	1737	292
" Central	144	95	6197	4110	600	1423	381
" Eastern	158	71	3637	2456	388	927	141
" African	208	11	430	283	37	65	2
Totals		306	17159	11844	1907	4157	816
N. B. Western	170	62	3016	1973	379	803	30
" Southern	180	53	3951	2393	281	1018	52
" Eastern	190	79	3458	2952	466	1101	171
Totals		194	10425	7318	1126	2922	253
P. E. Island	200	30	1330	786	148	312	40
Totals for 1897		530	28914	19948	3181	7391	1109
" 1896		532	30095	20966	3271	6925	1396
" 1895		530	28237	19922	3215	7607	1284

The statistics and minutes of Associations have been received by your committee with so much delay as to preclude a careful study and analysis of the results shown by them. This, however, is a task which every reader of the Year Book may pursue for himself with much profit and advantage, especially if the statistics for a number of years past are carefully compared. Such a study will throw great light upon the state of the Denomination and upon the state of religion in the Denomination.

One matter suggested by the statistics may be mentioned as cause for serious reflection. In 1895 the additions by baptism were 2729; in 1896 they were 2580, and this year 2324. Why this decrease? "Is the Lord's Arm shortened that He cannot save?" Or is the fault ours? Have we given ourselves to the work of Christ with as much devotion as we should have done? Have we as a Denomination holding principles which distinguish us from other bodies and which principles we regard as founded upon the divine word, have we stood for these principles as we should? Or is there a tendency among us to sink our individuality and go with the multitude?

It is always profitable to review our past. 'Tis greatly wise to talk with our past hours and ask them what report they bore to Heaven, and how they might have borne more welcome news." 'Tis greatly wise at times to call a halt and pass before us all our shortcomings, all our lack of faith and devotion, all our neglect of opportunities.

We therefore recommend that the first Sunday in December next be set apart in all our Churches as a day for review of God's dealings with us during the year, for thanksgiving to Him for all His manifold mercies, for humiliation for our lack of earnestness in His service and for prayer that the incoming year may be marked by the outpouring of greater blessings than any that have preceded it. And we further recommend that the same subject be introduced at all our Prayer or other Social Meetings during the same week.

Aug. 1897.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. EATON, *Chairman of Com.*

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The Sessions of the Institute were held in the Main Street Baptist Church, St. John, and were full of interest, the addresses and papers which were presented being of exceptional worth.

At the morning session a paper was read by Rev. Geo. R. White on "Messianic Prophecy," and Rev. W. H. Warren read a paper on "A Baptist Adverb: Acts 16: 34."

Following these papers was an address by Rev. Dr. Chivers on "Training for Service." At the afternoon session Rev. D. A. Steele, D. D., read a paper on "Biblical Preaching," and Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D., spoke on "The Study of Literature, an aid to the Preacher."

The next meeting of the Institute will be held on Friday preceding the annual meeting of the Maritime Convention and in the church in which the Convention shall meet.

B. N. NOBLES, *Sec'y. Treas.*

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1	1846	St. John, Germain St.	Rev. T. S. Harding	49
2	1847	Nictaux	" T. S. Harding	80
3	1848	Fredericton	" T. S. Harding	17	88
4	1849	Bridgetown	" T. S. Harding	38	.....
5	1850	Portland	" T. S. Harding	46	.....
6	1851	Wolfville	" T. S. Harding	49	.....
7	1852	Sackville	" Charles Tupper	58	.....
8	1853	Nictaux	" Samuel Robinson	117	110
9	1854	St. John, Brussels St.	" John Davis	47	.....
10	1855	Liverpool	" Joseph Crandall	55	.....
11	1856	Portland	" Joseph Crandall	63	.....
12	1857	Yarmouth	" Joseph Crandall	46	.....
13	1858	St. John, Germain St.	" C. Tupper, D. D.	90	128
14	1859	Canard, Cornwallis	" C. Tupper, D. D.	90	145
15	1860	Sackville, N. B.	" I. E. Bill	60	139
16	1861	Nictaux	Hon. J. W. Johnstone	105	144
17	1862	Moncton	" J. W. Johnstone	87	155
18	1863	Amherst	Rev. I. E. Bill	81	149
19	1864	St. John, Leinster St.	" John Davis	109	164
20	1865	Berwick	" S. Robinson	104	167
21	1866	St. John, Brussels St.	Hon. J. W. Johnstone	137	166
22	1867	Pine Grove, Wilnot	Rev. C. Spurden, D. D.	115	161
23	1868	St. John, Germain St.	" E. A. Crawley, D. D.	134	165
24	1869	Halifax, Granville St.	" J. M. Cramp, D. D.	133	158
25	1870	Fredericton	Hon. D. McN. Parker, M. D.	117	155
26	1871	Yarmouth	J. H. Harding	124	162
27	1872	St. Stephen	Rev. G. E. Day, M. D.	101	164
28	1873	Windsor	" I. E. Bill	199	170
29	1874	Portland	Hon. Jonathan McCully	183	176
30	1875	Hillsburg, N. S.	T. H. Rand, D.C.L.	143	187
31	1876	Sackville, N. B.	Avard Longley, M.P.P.	160	188
32	1877	Wolfville	Rev. George Armstrong, M.A.	193	187
33	1878	Fredericton	" S. W. DeBlois, M.A.	136	197
34	1879	Truro	Charles F. Clinch	176	198
35	1880	Hillsborough, N. B.	Avard Longley, M. P.	185	194
36	1881	Yarmouth	T. H. Rand, D.C.L.	218	202
37	1882	St. John, Leinster St.	T. M. King	276	265
38	1883	Halifax, Granville St.	John March	258	218
39	1884	Moncton	Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D.D.	252	226
40	1885	Amherst	Arthur Simpson	240	222
41	1886	St. John, Brussels St.	B. H. Eaton, Q. C.	281	226
42	1887	Charlottetown	Prof. R. V. Jones, Ph.D.	193	227
43	1888	Wolfville	Herbert C. Creed, M.A.	300	235
44	1889	Fredericton	E. D. King, M.A., Q.C.	270	248
45	1890	Yarmouth, Temple	Rev. C. Goodspeed, D.D.	280	217
49	1891	Moncton	Charles B. Whidden	310	222
47	1892	Bridgetown	Rev. J. A. Gordon, M.A.	367	224
48	1893	St. Martins, N. B.	" D. G. McDonald, B.Th.	244	226
49	1894	Bear River, N. S.	" J. H. Saunders	291	228
50	1895	St. John, Germain St.	Jonathan Parsons, B. A.	358	229
51	1896	Berwick	Rev. G. O. Gates, M. A.	353	230
52	1897	St. John, Main St.	Rev. E. M. Keirstead, D. D.	280	236

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3	" I. E. Bill and Samuel Elder.	" Edward D. Very	173	14,142
4	" I. E. Bill and Samuel Elder.	" Samuel Robinson	173	15,128
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8	" I. E. Bill and G. Armstrong	" George F. Miles	202	16,580
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10	" J. Davis and D. Nutter	" David Nutter	200	17,831
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12	" S. W. DeBlois and A. H. Munro	" A. D. Thompson	248	18,976
13	" S. March and H. Angell	" S. W. DeBlois, M. A.	251	19,506
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16	" S. W. DeBlois and E. B. DeMill	" John Pryor, D. D.	266	22,908
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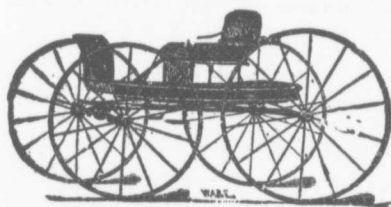
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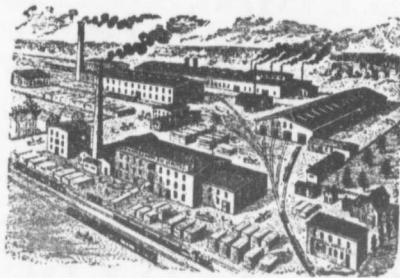
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