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OF THE

TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT HOPEWELL, ALBERT COUNTY,

ON

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY, 11th, 12th, and 13th July, 1872.

WITH THE

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

N. B. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY, UNION,

AND

EDUCATION SOCIETIES.

The next Session will be held at Cambridge, commencing on the second Tuesday of July, 1878.

Minutes of Corresponding Associations, and all Documents relating to the Western N. B. Baptist Association, and Letters of General Correspondence may be addressed to the Rev. I. E. Bill, Saint John, N. B.

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Constitution and Rules of Order of the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association, composed only of Ministers and Delegates, who shall be members of the Churches which they represent, shall be styled "The Eastern N. B. Baptist Association."

Arrons 2.—The objects of this Association shall be the collection of statistical and other information from the Churches, the cultivation of mutual acquaintance and fraternal unios, the promotion of individual godliness, and the spiritual prosperity of the Churches; and, in the use of scriptural means, the en-

largement of the Redeemer's kingdom

ARTICLE 3 .- The Association shall meet annually, at 2 o'clock, A. M., on the second Tuesday in July, at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes. The meeting shall be opened with Social Conference; after which, the Officers and Committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of

the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

Arright 4.—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one Delegate, or more; but no Glurch, however numerous, shall be entitled to a greater number than five, in addition to their Pastor.

ARTICLE 5.—At each meeting of the Association, the Delegates shall deliver to the Clerk of the preceding year immediately on their arrival, the Letters from the Churches; a flist of the Delegates having been prepared by the Clerk, their names shall be called, and they shall take their places. The Moderator of the preceding year shall call the vote for a Moderator, by ballot, without nomination, and they shall be absent to the called the vote for a Moderator, by ballot, without nomination. and the person who shall be chosen by a majority of the members present, shall, upon his acceptance, lead the meeting to the choice of a Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the transactions of the meeting, and maintain due order among the members. The Association shall appoint two Committees—one on Arrangements, and one to nominate all other Committees. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a fair and impartial record of all the do-

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ARMOLD 6.—It shall be the duty of each Church to send by its Messengers a
letter to the Association, giving an account of its state, particularly of the addition and diminution within the last year; and generally, of whatever relates
to its peace and prosperity, together with the whole number of members in
communion. It shall also forward money for the printing of the Minutes.

ARMOLD 7.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of their faith
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and order: this being done, and a vote of acceptance taken, the Moderator shall, on behalf of the Association, give to one of their Messengers (if any be present) the right hand of fellowship.

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Arricle 8.—When a Church shall neglect to make any communication to the Association for three years successively, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members request its continuance, and shall engage to enquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ARRICLE 9.—Although as an Association, we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church or Minister in our connexion, which to us shall appear to be unscriptural in principle, or irregular in practice. In order, however, that we may not withdraw our fellowship without sufficient reason, from any Church or Minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a Committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the result of their enquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

ARRICLE 10.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution from time to time, such as experience may dictate.

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- 1. That each meeting be opened by prayer.
 2. That motions be made and seconded, according to parliamentary usage.
 3. That no delegate speak more than twice to the same motion.
 4. That every resolution be written out and handed to the Clerk.
 5. That motions which are lost be not recorded.
 6. That invited members enjoy all the privileges of Delegates, except voting.
 7. That these regulations be read at each session.

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The Eastern N. B. Baptist Association met with the Hopewell Baptist Church, on Thursday, the 11th day of July, 1872, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Spent an hour and a half in an interesting religious conference; after which the Rev. W. A. Coleman, the retiring Moderator, took the Chair, and the following Officers were appointed:

REV. THOMAS TODD, Moderator; W. A. COREY, Clerk; P. R. MOORE, M. D., Treasurer; DRA. JOSEPH CALHOUN, Asst. Treasurer,

Prayer was then offered by Rev. I. E. Bill, Sen.

On motion-The following brethren were then invited, and took seats in the Association, viz.:

Western Association—Revs. I. E. Bill, Sen., T. H. Porter, D. W. Craudall, George Seely, and Brethren J. W. Hartt, W. T. Reed, and Dea. Jonathan Titus; Rev. Elijah Foshay, of P. E. Island; and Rev. A. W. Barss, Eastern Nova Scotia Association.

The following Committees were then appointed:

On Arrangements-Revs. W. T. Corey, T. Blackadar, W. A. Coleman, and Dea. Tingley, Joseph Calhoun, and R. Wilbur.

On Nominating Committees—Revs. John H. Hughes, Jas. Irving, Jas. F. Goldrup, D. Orandall, W. A. Orandall, and Bros. James Bishop and John

Committee on Arrangements reported from time to time, as follows:

That this Association adjourn at 5 P. M., and resume at 72 P. M.; resume

again at 10 A. M., and adjourn at 12; resume at 2 o'clock, P. M.
Prayer meeting each morning at 6 A. M.; preaching this Thursday evening. by Rev. T. H. Porter; Association sermon on Friday morning, at 10 o'clock, by Rev. T. Todd; 2 P. M., Periodicals and Education; evening, Home Missions; Saturday, 10 A. M., Foreign Missions, and general routine business.

Preaching at half-past 10, by Rev. I. E. Bill, Sen.; at 3 P. M., Rev. D. Crandall; at 7 P. M., Rev. T. H. Porter. At the Methodist Chapel, half-past 10, Rev. J. H. Hughes. At Harvey, half-past 10, Rev. George F. Miles; at 7 P. M., Rev. George Seely. At Hopewell Corner, 3 P. M., Rev. I. E. Bill, Jun. A. Germantown, half-past 10, Rev. E. C. Corey. At Hopewell Cape, half-past 10, Rev. W. A. Corney. At Hillsborough, 7 P. M., Rev. A. B. Macdonald. At the Methodist Chapel, Hillsborough, 7 P. M., Rev. W. A. Capadall.

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Prayer by Rev. E. F. Foshay.

Rev. T. H. Porter preached a good sermon from Psalm lxxxvii. 5, "And of Zion it shall be said, this and that man was born in her; and the Highest himself shall establish her."

After which the Committee on Nomination of Committees, reported as follows:

On Home Missions—Revs. I. E. Bill, David Crandall, W. T. Corey, and Brethren Wm. Colpitts, Oswald Keith, Asa Perry, and J. W. Carpenter.
On Special Business—Dea. John E. Cahil, Peter Duffy, J. Irving, W. A.

Coleman, G. F. Miles, and Solomon Smith.

On Religious Periodicals—Revs. J. H. Hughes, D. Crandall, D. W. Crandall, A. Blackadar, and Dea. R. Keith, John Mitten, Edward Berry, and J. L. Shaw.

On Sabbath Schools+Revs. Thos. Todd, Geo. Seely, T. H. Porter, and Dea.

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On Departed Brathren—Revs. J. F. Goldrup, D. Crandall, I. E. Bill, and Bro. Joseph Calhoun.

Bro. Joseph Calhoun. On Finances-Dea. John E. Cahil, John Peck, Gilbert White, and Rev. W.

On Foreign Missions-Revs. E. F. Foshay, W. A. Crandall, T. H. Porter, J.

H. Hughes, and A. W. Barss. To Examine Circular Letter—Revs. T. A. Blackadar, Jas. Irving, W. A. J. Blackadar, G. F. Miles, I. E. Bill, T. Todd, T. H. Porter, and J. H. Hughes.

On New Churches-Revs. David Bleakney, W. W. Corey, D. W. Carpenter,

and E. C. Corey.

On Digest of Letters—Clerks of the Association.

To Read Letters-Revs. G. F. Miles, Geo. Seely, and W. T. Corey.

Report adopted.

On motion-Resolved, That we meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock, to read letters.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. D. Crandall.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. James Goldrup. Business—Reading Letters.

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Report a Remarks Miles, J. H Coleman, H sent, at 10 o'clock, it was, on motion, Resolved, That Rev. Thos. Todd be requested to preach the Association sermon; to which duty he at once proceeded; and preached an excellent sermon, founded on John viii. 12, "I am the light of the world."

After which a collection for Home Missions was taken, and reading of letters concluded.

Adjourned.

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Prayer by Rev. P. Duffy.

Friday Afternoon Session, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. E. F. Foshay.

On motion, the Association resolved itself into the Education Society.

Education Society adjourned.

Association resumed business.

Committee on Religious Periodicals reported:

That they have much pleasure in putting on record their high appreciation of the Baptist Periodicals now in circulation throughout the Dominion, namely, the Canadian Baptist, Christian Messenger, and Christian Visitor, with others that come to us from the United States, such as the Watchman and Reflector, the Christian Era, the Examiner and Chronicle, and the Macedonian and Record; all of which contain articles of sound logic, scriptural truth, and good family reading, But especially would we call the attention of our brethren in this Association to the claims of the Christian Visitor, as the organ of our associated churches, in which we should feel the deepest interest, inasmuch as it has always ably defended our peculiar denominational principles against the attacks of those who would oppose or misrepresent us. Most nobly has the Visitor maintained its position through the recent communion controversy; and we think the discussion with F., on the gospel dispensation, has in no wise lowered the standard of its contributors. We believe it is steadily gaining in strength of thought and power of influence; and if taken by all our Baptist families, and promptly paid for by them, would be the means of doing them incalculable good, and of strengthening the hands of our esteemed and time-worn Editor. Brethren, rally around the Christian Visitor; give it your unreserved sympathy and support.

Respectfully submitted.

Report adopted.

J. H. Hughes, Chairman.

Remarks were made upon the Report by Brethren G. F. Miles, J. H. Hughes, D. Crandall, C. E. Knapp, W. A. Coleman, E. F. Foshay, and I. E. Bill.

Resolved, That this Association heartily approve of the discussion of the Communion question, in the Christian Visitor, by Rev. C. Goodspeed, A. M.; and would earnestly request that when it is completed, he re-write and re-publish, so that there may be given to the world, in a convenient and permanent form, this original and conclusive defence of one of the fundamental principles of our denomination.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain the place for holding the next Association, and to nominate the preacher of the Association sermon, and writer of the Circular Letter; and that Revs. W. T. Corey, J. H. Hughes, and A., B. Macdonald, be that Committee.

On motion-Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report at the first session of the Association next year, as to the best mode of conducting the business of this body.

Resolved, That Revs. J. H. Hughes, W. T. Corey, and

W. A. Coleman, be that Committee.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to revise the list of ministers in this Association, consisting of Revs. E. F. Foshay, W. W. Corey, and D. Crandall.

Resolved, That the number of Minutes printed and circulated, be according to the monies received from the Churches; and that Minutes be sent to Churches, according to the amounts sent by them.

And further Resolved, That Revs. I. E. Bill and W. S. McKenzie be a Committee to superintend-the printing and

circulating the same.

The Committee on Education reported.

Remarks and earnest addresses on the Report by several

It was then moved that the Report lie on the table till to-morrow morning. Manage admiss religion than variation feder and

Adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. George Seely.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION, 71 o'clock.

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Prayer by Rev. I. E. Bill.

Resolved, That the Association now give place to the Annual Meeting of the Home Mission Society.

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Home Mission Society adjourned. Moderator of Association took the Chair. Adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. T. Todd.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION, 10 o'clock.

Home Mission Board met at 8 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. James Irving.

Resolved, That the Association now give place to the Home Mission Society.

Home Mission Society in session.

Association again resumed business.

On motion-Resolved, That the Report on Education be now taken from the table.

Your Committee cannot fail to perceive the magnitude of the interests involved in the great question of Education, as it concerns the Baptists in these Maritime Provinces, and especially as it relates to New Brunswick. The Seminary at Fredericton-the offspring of the New Brunswick. The Semmary at Frederiction—the onspring of the prayers and self-sacrificing exertions of a past generation, who, while they lived, toiled indefatigably for its support and prosperity—is now presented before us in a new and critical position. Recent Legislative action forces upon us the necessity of a change of policy with regard to the future operations of the institution. Every Baptist in the Province must desire the maintenance and increased usefulness of a Seminary sharing so largely in their affections.

Were it not for the perilcus condition of Acadia College, which is calling loudly for immediate aid from New Brunswick, as well as from the other Provinces composing the Convention, but one course would be presented for immediate action, namely, the endowment of the Seminary at once, or otherwise raising the means of support till the endowment could be effected.

Your Committee consider the least relaxation of effort on the part of the Baptists of New Brunswick sustaining our denominational institutions is not to be thought of. What'is to be done is a question to be most carefully, calmly, prayerfully pondered by this Association. We are to consider whether to continue the Seminary on its present footing, by concentrating our efforts solely towards its support, and thereby incur the very probable risk of the shutting up of Acadia College, or to consolidate all our exertions in the sustaining of the Academy and College at Wolfville.

Your Committee, in conclusion, in view of the difficulties of recommending any definite course for this Association to pursue, would refer the whole subject to the Executive for discussion, after having obtained the views of the Baptist churches in the Province on this Respectfully submitted.

J. W. HARTT, Chairman.

Report adopted.

The following Resolution was moved by Bro. Z. G. Gabel, and passed.

Whereas the Executive Committee of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society reported to the Western Association at its assembling in St. John, on

the 21st, 22d, and 23d days of September, 1871, as follows:—
"Having secured the Rev. Calvin Goodspeed, B. A., as Principal of the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton, and the Executive Committee deeming it essential to the best welfare of the Seminary, that the Principal should have entire charge and oversight of the Steward's department. Mr. Goodspeed consented to do so, provided that the Institution should be put in good and attractive repair; that the rooms for students and the entire Steward's department be supplied with suitable furniture? plied with suitable furniture.

The Committee concluded to do so, and completed the arrangement most fully. The necessary funds to accomplish this were advanced by the President and the Principal. The President, as it was well understood would be the case, made, on the 21st December last, an appeal to all the churches in our two Associations, and sent to each church a copy of the Christian Visitor that con-

tained the appeal.

And whereas only 59 out of the 110 churches have as yet responded to the

This Association, now in session, would earnestly request our brethren of the churches in both Associations to respond to so reasonable a request, and pay those brethren who have advanced the funds.

Committee on Temperance reported:

Your Committee rejoice at the noble stand that the Baptists of these Provinces have hitherto occupied in the great work of Temperance reformation, and believe that their efforts have been eminently conducive towards bringing this important movement to its present high position.

The Baptists have taken the front ranks in this great contest against the reign of King Alcohol, and your Committee, believing that intemperance is the great curse of our land, do feel that the time has fully come when the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage should be made the subject of discipline in all our churches; therefore our membership should be alive and active in forwarding this good cause to its final glorious issue.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE SEELY, Chairman.

Report adopted.

On motion—Resolved, That in Article 3 of this Association referring to the time of meeting, the word Thursday be struck out and Tuesday inserted.

Committee on Departed Brethren reported:

That in the providence of God we are again called to record the death of one of our ministering brethren. Rev. Henry McLatchy (Licentiate), during the past year, has gone to his reward. He was an humble and devoted man of God, and in his removal the church has sustained a great loss. His labours were principally confined to Albert County, though he often visited other places; and his labours, so far as

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in a flourish: funds for the our knowledge extends, have been well received and appreciated. He took a lively interest in Sabbath Schools. Being called away from his labours, we trust that the seed by him sown will yet spring up, and bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

All of which is submitted.

Report adopted.

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J. F. Goldrup, Chairman.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Crandall,

On motion—Unanimously Resolved, That this Association feels itself called upon to express its perfect approval of the general principle of the present School law in its relation to the withdrawment of all sectarian grants for Education.

On motion—Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare blank forms, and send them to the Churches of this body, on which to write their letters to this Association.

And further Resolved, That the Clerks of the Association be the Committee to confer with a Committee appointed by the Western Association for this purpose.

Report on Home Missions was read:

Your Committee on this subject beg to report that they regard Home Missions as based upon direct scripture precept and example, and as absolutely essential to an efficient propagation of "the fath once delivered to the saints." That, as associated Baptist churches, we are pledged by every principle that is sacred, to do what we can to sustain the faithful preaching of the gospel in all our rising towns and villages, as well as in the more scattered and outlying districts of the country. Our aim should be to save souls and to multiply healthy and vigorous Baptist churches in all parts of this growing country where such churches do not now exist. But to do this we must have a very large increase to our present Missionary staff, and a large addition to our Missionary Treasury. To secure the former we must look to the Lord of the harvest, and to accomplish the latter we must appeal to the churches. Oneness in prayer and unity in enlarged christian offering cannot fail to secure both objects.

I. E. BILL, Chairman.

Spoken to, and adopted.

Report on Union Societies was read:

Your Committee are sorry to have to report that this Society is not in a flourishing condition, the contributions of the churches to its funds for the present year being less than one half of what they were

last year. This may be owing to the fact that last year we had an agent in the field that stirred up the minds of the people upon this important subject. This year the interests of the Society have been left entirely in the hands of the people, without any one in particular, but every body in general to look after its prosperity; therefore its failure.

Your Committee, therefore, feel that some special effort must be put forth in this department, and would recommend one of two courses

to pursue.

First, the employment of a suitable agent, whose heart and soul will be in this great work, determined to make it a success, going every where carrying with him a missionary spirit, and by God's help infusing the same into the minds of the people, the funds of your society would be replenished and become a complete success.

Second, that every pastor go home determined to take hold of this matter and work it up to the best of his ability, striving to get a missionary spirit himself, then endeavoring to infuse the same into the minds of his people; for this we feel is the great want of the age, a greater missionary spirit, then there would be no lack of funds to carry on our missionary enterprises.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Spoken to by several, and adopted.

On motion—Resolved, That the Association meet next year with the second Cambridge Baptist Church; and that Rev. J. H. Hughes be requested to preach the Association sermon, and Rev. James Irving be his alternate; and that Rev. T. A. Blackadar write the Circular Letter.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported:

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg to report, that having examined the letters from the churches of this Association, we gather the following statistics, viz.: There are 60 Sabbath Schools reported in healthy operation, with 250 Teachers, 2,500 Scholars, and 34,000 volumes in Libraries. We rejoice that so much good is being done through this instrumentality which God has so highly honored in advancing His kingdom. We hope this work and labor of love will go forward with increased influence. Yet your Committee is of pinion that there is still much more to be done in this department of the church's mission. The consideration of which we would respectfully urge upon the attention of all. The importance of promoting the spiritual welfare of the youth committed to our guidance cannot be too highly estimated.

Submitted.

Thos. Todd, Chairman.

Adopted.

The Committee to revise list of Ministers in this Association reported.

[See list of Ministers, page 18.]

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The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Convention: Bros. John Wallace, Gilbert White, J. Cahil, and Revs. D. Crandall and W. A. Crandall.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported:

From the days of Carey, of England, and Judson, of America, Baptists have been accustomed to contribute regularly men and means to spread the blessed gospel of the grace of God in heathen lands. Responsibility in this direction is increasing every hour. Time is hastening-eternity is drawing nigh-the Judge is at the door, and, therefore, what is to be done should be done quickly.

The decision of the Baptist Convention of these Provinces to establish an Independent Foreign Mission in some section of the great heathen world, calls loudly for earnest prayer that the Board may be guided by wisdom from above in the choice of a field, and appeals to the churches, as in trumpet tones, to greatly multiply their free-

will offerings to this heaven-appointed work.

The Board in charge are actively engaged by correspondence and by all proper means in making the needful preparation to inaugurate this enterprise so soon as God in his providence shall open the way. Churches, pray more earnestly for our Foreign Mission and give more liberally to rescue the perishing heathen from ruin.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. E. BILL, Chairman.

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The Committee on Circular Letter, reported:

Your Committee beg leave to report on the Circular Letter. While there are many excellent points in it, yet in consequence of its extreme length, together with a misconception of the nature of a Circular Letter, the difficulty of the separation of its parts, and the unwillingness of the writer to condense or modify it, your Committee cannot recommend its adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. A. BLACKADAR, Chairman.

Report adopted.

On motion—Resolved, That Bro. C. E. Knapp read the Circular Letter before this body.

The Treasurer of the Association (Dr. Moore) presented his Report of moneys received from the various Churches of the body, and collections taken in the meetings of the Association.

Report adopted.

Resolved, That the above Report be printed in the Minutes.

[See Appendix.]

Bro. C. E. Knapp then read the Circular Letter prepared by him.

Resolved, That the Articles of Faith and Practice, and the Covenant, be published in the Minutes.

Resolved, That we extend our hearty thanks to the good people of Hopewell for their whole-hearted hospitality in entertaining all who have attended this Association.

Association then adjourned, to meet with the Second Cambridge Baptist Church, on the second Tuesday in July, 1873, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

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LICENTIATES.— Jacob Steeves, G Edgar Hatfield.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

BELONGING TO THE EASTERN N. B. BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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ALMA, 1st-Pastor, J. W. CARPENTER.—Religion is low, but peace generally prevails.

ALMA, 2d-Pastor, Solomon Smith.-Labours of our pastor highly appreciated.

BUTTERNUT RIDGE—Pastor, J. H. Bughes.—Have secured the valuable services of Pastor Hughes, and are looking to God for a blessing.

CALEDONIA—Pastor, Jas. Invinc.—Meetings well attended, and the people seem interested in the gospel preached,

CAMBRIDGE, 1st-Pastor, G. W. Springer.—See statistics.

CAMBRIDGE, 2d.—Pastor.—A. B. MACDONALD.—We follow the plan of taking monthly collections for Foreign Missions. Woman's M. Aid Society doing a good work. Union prevails.

COVERDALE, 1st-No Pastor.—Brother George Beckwith, Licentiate, has been labouring with us for a few months, with good acceptance.

COVERDALE, 2d—Pastor, James Goldbur.—Beg to acknowledge our remissness in neglecting to report to the Association for the last few years. We still cling to you in the fellowship of the gospel, and are looking for better

DORCHESTER-Pastor, J. L. SHAW.—See statistics.

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ELGIN, 1st-Pastor, W. A. CRANDALL.-Thirty-two have been added by baptism; yet we mourn that many forget their vows, and neglect the Lord's

ELGIN, 2d-Pastor, J. C. STEADMAN. - See statistics.

ELGIN, 3d.—Pastor, DAVID BLEAKNEY.—Prayer meetings gone down, but preaching meetings well attended.

GRAND LAKE, 1st-Pastor, JAMES TRIMBLE, Last winter the Church was somewhat refreshed and comforted.

GRAND LAKE, 2d-Pastor, H. A. CHARLTON.-Nothing special to write. Labouring in hope.

GERMANTOWN-Pastor, T. A. BLACKADAR.-Some mercy drops have fallen—two baptized. Something has been accomplished in the way of aye-

GLENVILLE-Pastor, W. A. J. BLEAKNEY.-Still holding on our way.

HAMPTON—Pastor, I. E. Bill, Jun.—Some who had wandered have returned; and a little band is still struggling on toward the kingdom.

HAMMOND VALE—Paster, J. M. CURRY.—The presence of the Lord has been manifest among us-thirty-four added by baptism. Five Sabbath schools.

HARVEY, 1st-Pastor, T. A. BLACKADAR,-Pastor highly esteemed for his work's sake. Sabbath school large and interesting.

HARVEY, 2d-Pastor, J. W. CARPENTER.-Struggling amid many discouragements. Religion generally low; yet meetings well attended.

HILLSBORO, 1st.—Pastor, W. T. Coney.—No ingathering of souls to report; yet the bow is still in the cloud; it spans the heavens as of old; therefore we

HILLSBORO, 2d-Pastor, James Inving.—See statistics.

HILLSBORO, 3d-Pastor, JAMES IRVING.-Church revived, and walking in the fellowskip of the gospel of Christ.

HOPEWELL.—Pastor, W. A. COLEMAN.—We take great pleasure in welcoming the sister Churches, through their pastors and delegates, in meeting with us at this Association, praying that the Divine blessing may rest upou you all in your deliberations,

JEMSEG.—No Pastor.—Meetings well attended, and a good degree of spiritual life manifest.

JOHNSON, 2d-Pastor, G. W. Springer,-Statistics.

MONCTON, 2d-No Pastor.—Our late pastor, in consequence of ill health, has resigned his charge.

MILL COVE-Pastor, A. B. MACDONALD.—Statistics of Church and Sabbath school.

NEW CANAAN-Pastor, W. A. J. BLEAKNEY.-Nothing special to write.

NORTON—Pastor, I. E. Bill, Jun.—Although the love of some has waxed cold, yet a number are still holding on their way.

POLLETT RIVER—Pastor, W. A. CRANDALL.—Have enjoyed the presence of Christ from time to time; still feel the blessed results of last year's revival.

SACKVILLE, 1st—Pastor, Thomas Todd.—We have also an interesting Woman's Missionary Aid Society in good working order, which has lately remitted \$25 for the purpose of constituting our pastor's wife a life member.

SACKVILLE, 2d—Pastor, T. Topp.—Our pastor preaches three times every Sabbath, and sometimes in the week. He has been with us nearly eleven years; is beloved and respected by all.

SALISBURY, 1st—Pastor, W. W. Corey.—A refreshing season has been enjoyed; twenty-six added by baptism.

SPRINGFIELD, 1st-Pastor, W. A. Corry.-Nothing special; meetings well attended.

SPRINGFIELD, 2d.—Pastor, W. A. Corry.—Sometimes faint, yet pursuing. STUDHOLM.—Bro. Oswald Keith (Licentate) labours with us one-half the time; good has been accomplished; ten added by baptism.

ST. MARTINS, 1st-Pastor, Jas. A. SMITH.-Statistics.

ST. MARTINS, 2d-Pastor, Jas. A. SMITH.

SHEDIAC —Pastor, Frank Beattle.—Pastor labours faithfully, and is beloved by the community.

SUSSEX, UPPER-Pastor, E. C. Corey.-Hoping for better days.

SUSSEX—Pastor, E. C. Corex.—We feel an interest in all our denominational institutions, and are ready and willing to support them.

WICKHAM, UPPER—Pastor, DAVID CRANDALL.—Meetings and communion seasons well and often attended.

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MISSIONARY AND UNION SOCIETY REPORT FOR 1872-73.

Your Board have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the very responsible duties assigned them, in the fear of their Master; and now they beg to submit the Report of their operations in the

FIRST-BLACKVILLE AND BLISSFIELD.

Rev. Wm. M. Edwards has continued to labor in these churches during the past year, and received aid from your Board. His reports, up to June 1st, state that he has travelled one thousand six boundred and eighty-nine miles, preached ninety-nine sermons, attended forty-five conference and prayer meetings, made two hundred tended forty-five conference and prayer meetings, made two hundred tended forty-five conference and prayer meetings, made two hundred tended forty-five conference and prayer meetings. and forty-three religious visits, administered the Lord's Supper fourteen times, and delivered one temperance lecture. Brother Edwards has labored steadily onwards, amidst many trials and discouragements; and "yet," he says, "I feel sure that the precious seed that has been sown, will spring up and bear a rich harvest, to the glory

SECOND—SHEDIAC. This church has been assisted the past year in supporting Rev. F. Beattie, their pastor. The amount of salary the church was able to raise, together with the grant formerly made by your Board, proving insufficient to sustain Bro. Beattie, he was resolved to accept an invitation to a more inviting field. Your Board, having been informed of his intention, and feeling that it would be disastrous to the interest of the cause at Shediac, if a servant of the Lord so useful and so much beloved by his flock, should leave them, resolved to raise the yearly grant to one hundred dollars instead of fifty. Detailed information furnished your Board by Bro. Beattie, confirms them in the opinion expressed by him, "that this outpost should be held at all hazards. Blow out this little light, and you extinguish almost the only clear light that shines on the North Shore. This watch-fire should be trimmed with your sympathies and prayers."

THIRD-WOODSTOCK AND RICHMOND STATION.

The late lamented Thomas Bleakney, after laboring six months in connection with this field, and receiving aid from your Board towards his support, was suddenly called from his toils on earth to his heavenly reward.

FOURTH-HARDING SETTLEMENT.

Your Board have much pleasure in reporting that the labors of Rev. J. M. Currey, Missionary in this field, have been greatly blessed. He, assisted by Revds. Beattle and Titus, held a series of meetings, "which resulted in the reviving of the Lord's work, and in the salvation of sinners." Four were baptized by Bro. Currey.

FIFTH-MUSQUASH AND DIPPER HARBOUR.

Rev. T. B. Layton, Licentiate of North Sidney Church, Cape Breton, has been laboring as missionary of your Board since October last. He was ordained in January to the work of the ministry. His preaching stations are-Prince of Wales, Musquash, South Musquash, Chance

Harbour, Dipper Harbour, and Lepreaux. During the first quarter, ending 31st December, 1871, he preached twenty-eight times, visited seventy families, and distributed a goodly number of tracts. The attendance at the services was small at first. In his next report, he says: "The congregations are very attentive, and are larger than they were at first, especially at Clinch's Hall. Some of my hearers are seeking Jesus."

SIXTH—BENNETT SETTLEMENT AND SHEPODY ROAD (A. C.)

The Missionary, Rev. Solomon Smith, reports that he has travelled during the three quarters, ending March 1st, five hundred and eighty three miles, made two hundred and twenty-nine visits, and attended seventy-two meetings.

SEVENTH-SAINT ANDREWS, BAY SIDE, AND BOCABEC.

These important localities are still aided by your Board, in supporting Rev. George Seely, as their pastor. St. Andrews is a difficult field for a Baptist missionary. Brother Seely, in his report of December last, says: "Our congregation in St. Andrews has of late increased to some extent, which is a little encouraging in this very discouraging place. The few Baptists here are doing all they can to uphold and support the cause of truth among them. On the whole, Bro. Seely seems encouraged with the prospects, especially at Chamcook and Bay Side. He is evidently the right man in the right place. During the year he delivered one hundred and sixty sermons, attended one hundred or more social meetings, ten funerals, made hundreds of visits from house to house, and travelled thousands of miles."

EIGHTH-CENTREVILLE AND FLORENCEVILLE.

These Churches are represented as very weak, and unable to do much for the support of a gospel minister. Your Board have, therefore, continued to aid them in sustaining Rev. T. M. Munro, their pastor.

NINTH-JERUSALEM AND KINGSTON.

Rev. David Crandall devoted three-fourths of his time for three months in Missionary labour at Jerusalem and Kingston. He travelled three hundred miles, preached twenty-five sermons, held five Conference meetings, administered the Lord's supper three times, made two hundred family visits, sold twenty six volumes, and sold and distributed gratuitously two thousand pages of religious tracts.

TENTH-MIRAMICHI.

Your Board deeply regret that, since Rev. E. Hickson left his field at Miramichi, they have found it impossible to secure a constant supply of Missionary labour there. Brother G. F. Currie, who laboured with so much acceptance in those destitute localities last summer, has again been employed as a Missionary there during his College vacation. Brother Currie's salary for his three months' labour last year was wholly made up by the Churches; so that the sum (\$25.00) voted to be paid him by your Board, was not drawn. Unless "a strong and experienced man" is soon found to take charge of these Churches permanently, the Baptist cause in Miramichi will suffer incalculably

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Rev. W. C. Rideout, who has for the last eighteen years laboured most successfully as a Missionary in Charlotte County, was, at the late meeting of the Association in Fredericton, employed as Missionary under the direction of your Board, with the liberty to select his field of labour among any of the Counties embraced in the Western Association, with the exception of Charlotte County. It is expected that his mission will be mostly, if not wholly, self-sustaining.

The little Church at Willow Grove, near Loch Lomond, in the County of Saint John, is composed largely of colored members. E. H. Duval, Esquire, by preaching for them occasionally, and otherwise keeping them in sustaining the cause, has been greatly instrumental in Church, your Board have arranged to supply the pulpit. The expense to the Board has been small. Brother J. S. May and other lay brothern from Saint John have supplied this out-station from Sabbath to Sabbath since the first of October last, and much good has been the result.

For the want, on the part of the Missionaries, of giving in their reports an exact account of the amount of labour performed, it is impossible for your Corresponding Secretary to prepare a satisfactory summary of the aggregate amount of Missionary work for the year. The Report of your Treasurer will be laid before you, from which inform Ministers, Ministerial Education, &c., not included in this Report road before a summary and activate the summary of the summary of

Your Board have pleasure in reporting that in every case they have been enabled to respond to the applications made to them to as great an extent as their funds would permit. Two great wants have pressed upon them continually, namely: the want of men, and the want of means. The field is wide; the openings for the diffusion of Baptist principles are extending; and the spiritual destitution throughout the land is truly lameatable. The Macedonian cry, "come over and help us," reaches us from every quarter, especially is vastly greater than the supply. And then if we had the men where are the means to sustain them? O, that the whole baptized Church throughout the Province might join in one long-continued, effectual ferrent prayer to the Lord of the harvest to send forth more labourers, and to cause the contributions to the treasury of the Lord to come up.

Respectfully submitted.

Saint John, July 8th, 1872. J. W. HARTT, Corresponding Secretary.

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APPENDIX-No. 2.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK

BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

FOUNDED A. D. 1836.

OFFICERS FOR 1872-73.

President-Z. G. Gabel, Esquire.

Vice-Presidents— { Rev. C. Spurden, D. D. Hon. A. McL. Seely.

Treasurer-R. G. Lunt, Esquire.

Secretary-James A. Estey.

Board of Directors—A. F. Randolph, A. D. Yerxa, W. S. Estey, C. F. Clinch, A. Young, James H. Moran, Wm. Vaughan, R. T. Babbit, J. R. Bradford, Wm. Swim, James Titus, A. W. Masters, C. E. Burnham, C. G. Berryman, G. M. Steeves, John Fisher, John H. Harding, Henry Vaughan, R. G. Lunt, John Smith, D. V. Roberts, E. Read, Joseph Crandall, Esquires, and Hon. Judge Steadman.

Trustees of the Seminary—Rev. C. Spurden, D. D., and Asa Coy, Z. G. Gabel, A. F. Randolph, and Henry Vaughan, Esquires.

Executive Committee—Rev. T. H. Porter, A. F. Randolph, Hon. Judge Steadman, T. H. Rand, A. D. Yerxa, C. L. Hartt, and W. S. Estey, Esquires.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY,

AT THE EASTERN N. B. BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

Convened at Hopewell Hill, Friday afternoon, July 12th, 1872, at two o'clock, p. m.

The President, Z. G. Gabel, Esquire, in the Chair.

Prayer by the President.

On motion—It was voted that J. W. Hartt take the Minutes, in the

absence of the Secretary.

The President presented a written and verbal Report of the Executive Committee for the year. He also tendered his resignation; but as he and the other officers of the Society had recently been appointed by the Western N. B. Baptist Association, the Society convened at the Eastern N. B. Association declined acting in the matter.

On motion-Unanimously Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Society be given to Z. G. Gabel, Esquire, for the indomitable perseverance and energy he has exercised in behalf of the Seminary at Fredericton, during the period he has acted as President of this Society. Prayer by Brother Goldrup.

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APPENDIX-No. 3.

A DECLARATION

Of the Faith, Practice, and Covenant of the Church of Christ, composing the Western New Brunswick Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1. We believe that there is but one only living and true God. who is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth: Deut. vi. 4; John iv. 24; Ps. xc. 2, cxlvii. 5; James i. 17; 1 Tim. i. 17; Mark x. 27; Isaiah vi.

3; Deut. xxxii. 4; Ex. xv. 11, xxxiv. 6, 7.
2. That there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost-who are but one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory: Matt. xxviii. 19; John xv. 26; 1 Cor. xii. 4-6; 2

Cor. xiii. 14; Eph. ii. 18.

3. That the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, in which He hath given us our only rule of faith and practice: Luke xvi. 29-31; 2 Tim. iii. 15-17; 1 Thess. ii. 13; 2 Peter i. 21, iii. 2; Rom. iii. 2; Isa. viii. 16, 19, 20.

4. That God, who is infinite in knowledge, and perfectly views all things from the beginning to the end, has foreordained that whatsoever comes to pass, either by his order or permission, shall work for the eternal glory of his great name: Acts xv. 18, ii. 23; Ps. lxxvi. 10, xxxiii.

11; Rom. ix. 17-23, xi. 36.

5. That in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that in them are; and he upholds and governs all things by the word of his power: Gen. i.; Ex. xx. 11; Dan. iv. 35;

6. That God made man in his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and true holiness; and made with him a covenant of life, the condition of which was perfect obedience: Gen. i. 26, 27; ii. 16, 17; Ecc. vii. 29;

7. That man being left to himself soon fell from that happy and glorious estate in which he was made, by eating the forbidden fruit, by which he brought himself and all his posterity into a state of death: Gen. iii. 6; Rom. v. 12-19.

8. That man being thus dead, his help and recovery are wholly in and

from God: John vi. 44; Eph. ii. 4, 5, 7-10; 1 John iv. 10.

9. That God the Father has chosen a great multitude of the human family, whom no man can number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, and given them to his Son in the covenant of his grace, that he might redeem them from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works, which is the only foundation of salvation for lost and helpless sinners; and thereby the Ministers of the Lord are encouraged to preach the Gospel to every ra-tional creature, because the purposes of God, and the infinite value of Christ's atonement, secure the increase and establishment of Christ's kingdom, so that the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever.

Rom. viii. 29, 30; Eph. i. 4, 5, 11; John vi. 37-39; Rev. vii. 9; Titus
ii. 14; Mark xvi. 15; 2 Tim. ii. 19; Isa. ix. 7; Rev. xi. 15.

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11. That the Holy Ghost, and he only, can and doth make particular application of the benefits of the atonement made by Christ to every elect soul: John iii. 5-8, xvi. 7-15; 1 Cor. xii. 8.

12. That the Spirit of God applies the benefit of this atonement, by convincing us of our sinful, lost, and miserable condition; and then discovering the glorious Saviour, as he is exhibited in the gospel, in his suitableness and sufficiency, and enabling us to embrace him with our whole souls, by which he is made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption: John xvi. 8-11, 18-15; Gal. v. 22-28;

13. That the life of religion consists in the knowledge of God, and conformity with him in the inward man, which necessarily produceth an external conformity to his commands, and brings us to live in obedience to his holy will in all our ways, and in our several places and relations: John xvii. 8; 1 Cor. x. 31; Eph. ii. 10; Col. iii. 2, 8; Gal.

14. That true believers being united to Jesus Christ, shall never perish, but live and reign with him for ever. with God, and by his Spirit they are united with each other, and have communion one with another, whereby they are made partakers of each other's gifts and graces: John vi. 89, x. 28; Rev. iii. 21; John xvii. 7, 11, 21, xiv. 8; Rom. viii. 38, 39; 1 John, i. 8.

15. That the first day of the week, commonly called rhe Lord's day, is the Christian Sabbath : John xx. 19; Acts xx. 7; 1 Cor. xvi. 2;

16. That God hath appointed the ordinance of civil government for defending the poor as well as the rich, in their civil rights, without infringing upon the consciences of any, or attempting to dictate or govern in the worship of the eternal God, which belongs only to Jesus Christ, the great lawgiver and head of his church : Mark xii, 17; Rom. xiii, 1-

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6; I Peter ii. 18-15; Mat. xxii. 10; Rom. xiv. 4.

17. That there will be a general resurrection, both of the just and the unjust; and that God hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, and will reward every man according to his works; when the wicked will be sent away into everlasting punishment, and the righteous received into life eternal: John v. 28, 29; Acts xvii. 31, xxiv. 15; Rom. ii. 15; Matt. xvi. 29, and

PART THE SECOND.

Concerning a Visible Church of Christ, and its Discipline.

1. We believe that a particular visible Church of Christ is a number of Saints and people, by mutual acquaintance and communion voluntarily and understandingly covenanting and embodying together, for upholding and promoting the worship and service of God, to shew forth

his glory, and for their own edification: 1 Peter, ii. 5; Acts, ii. 42, ix.

31 Hebrews, x. 25; Eph. iv. 15, 16.

That Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ to be continued until his second coming, and that the former is requisite to the latter—that is to say, that those are to be admitted into the communion of the Church, and to partake of all its ordinances and privileges, who upon profession of their faith have been baptized by Immersion, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Matt. xxviii. 19, 29; 1 Cor. xi. 28-26; Acts ii. 41, 42, and ix. 18-26; and viii. 12, 35-39; Matt. iii. 6-16; Rom. vi. 4; Col. ii. 12; Gal. iii. 27; Matt. xxvi. 26-28; Acts xx. 11; 1 Cor. x. 16.

3. That since none but true believers can rightly partake of the ordinances, therefore the door of the church should be carefully kept against all such who cannot give scriptural evidence of their union with Chris:

1 Cor. xi. 27-29; Matt. vii. 6, 15-20; 1 Peter, ii. 5.

4. That a Church thus gathered hath power to choose, and by Elders to ordain those officers that Christ hath appointed in his Church, viz.: Bishops or Elders, and Deacons; and also to depose such officers who walk contrary to the rules of the Gospel; and to discipline their members, though in some cases it may be convenient and profitable to request the advice of the neighboring Churches of Christ: Acts i. 21-26, viv. 3-6, xiv. 28, and xv. 6-31; 1 Cor. v. 18; 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14, 15; Titus, iii 10.

That a Bishop or Elder hath no more power to decide any case or controversy in the Church than any private brother, yet they, having superior gifts for teaching and ruling, ought to exercise and improve the same for the benefit of the Church; and the Church ought to be subjected to the gifts bestowed on the Minister from the Lord, while he is rightly administering in his place; whose place it is to lead in the actings of the Church, and to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, and devote himself to the work of teaching, warning, rebuking, and exhorting the people publicly, and from house to house: Matt. xx. 25-29; 1 Peter v. 3; Acts xx. 20-28, 31; Heb. xiii. 17; 1 Thess. v. 12, 18.

6. That the Descon's office or work is to take care of the poor, and to have the oversight of the temporal affairs of the Church, and to min-

ister at the Lord's Table: Acts vi. 1-5; 1 Tim. iii. 8-14.

7. That every believer is commanded to be faithful, to improve every gift and talent which is bestowed on him; in order to which, there ought to be such a Gospel freedom that the Ohurch may know where every particular gift is, that it may be improved in its proper place, and to its right end, viz., the glory of God and the good of his people; and the Ghurch ought to be subject to such improvements: 1 Peter iv. 10, 11 and v. 5; 1 Tim. iv. 14; 1Cor. 12th and 14th chapters; Rom. xii. 8-8.

8. That there is a mutual obligation between Minister and peoplemone to administer in things religious and spiritual, according to the gifts God has given. The Church to communicate of their temporal or worldly substance for his comfort and support, and that by an equality, as nearly as can be ascertained, that one may not be burthened and another cased. But this is not to be effected by force or compulsion, or by the sword of civil power; but it is to be a free-will offering, agreeably to the Scriptures of truth; and every member deficient in this matter ought to be disciplined by Gospel rule, as for any breach of covenant, or neglect of performing Christian duty: Luke x. 7; Rom. xv. 27; 1 Cor. ix.; Gal. vi. 6.

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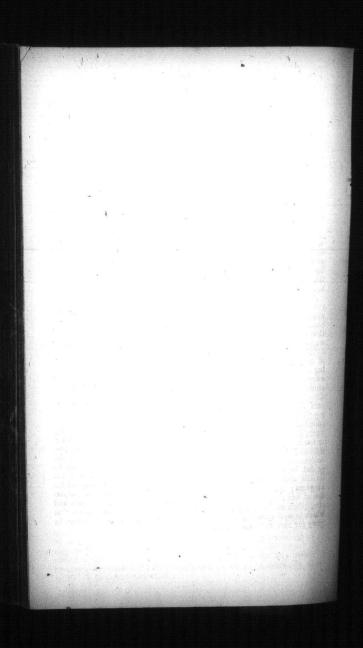
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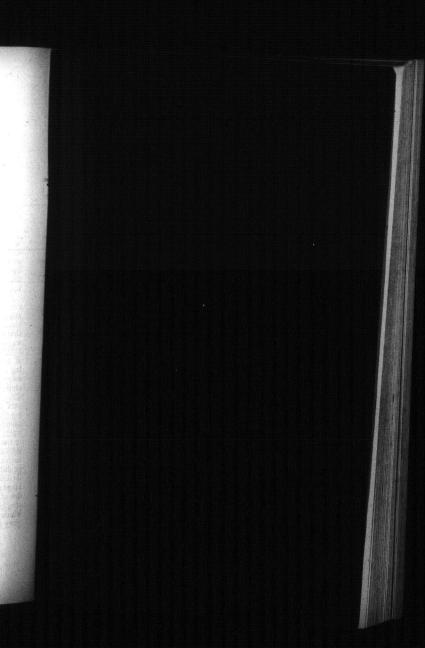
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his of m. We do now, in the presence of the great, all-seeing and most glorious God, and before angels and men, give up ourselves to the Lord Jeho-God, our Father, our Saviour, and avouch him this day to be our Portion for ever. We give up ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ, and grace, and rely on him as our Prophet, Priest, and King, to bring us to eternal blessedness.

We acknowledge our everlasting and indispensable obligations to glorify God by living a holy, righteous, and godly life, in this present world, in all our several places and relations; and we engage by the assistance of the Divine Spirit, to improve our time, strength, talents, and advantages to his glory and the good of our fellow-men; promising, by Divine help, to walk in our houses as becomes those professing godiness, and to maintain the worship of God in our families, and to train

up those under our care in the ways of religion and virtue. We also give up ourselves to one another in covenant, promising to conduct towards each other as brethren in Christ, watching over one another in the love of God—reproving, rebuking, and admonishing one another for good as occasion may require; and if we at any time know that any members of the church are guilty of immoral conduct, that we will not expose it by tattling it to others; and if we have any personal difficulty with our brethren, we will not cherish enmity or speak of our grievances to others, but will faithfully labour with them, according to the direction of our Lord—Matt. xviii. 15, 17—that sin may be put away from among us, and that iniquity may not be harboured in the We engage to watch not only against the most gross evils, but also against all foolish talking and jesting, which are not convenient-jain disputing about words and things which gender strife—disregare Jan disputing about words and things which gender said backbiting, promises, and not fulfilling engagements—tattling and backbiting, spending time idly at tayerns, or elsewhere, and vain, unnecessary worldly conversation on the Sabbath, and whatsoever else is contrary to sound doctrine, according to the glorious gospel of Christ. We promise to hold communion together in the worship of God, and in the ordinances and discipline of his church, according as we are or shall be guided by the Spirit of God in his word—expecting that He will yet further and more gloriously open his word and the mysteries of his kingdom; applying to the blood of the everlasting covenant for the pardon of our many errors, and praying that the Lord would prepare and strengthen us for every good work to do his will, working in us that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. - Amen.





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