

MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTEENTH SESSION
OF THE
Eastern Baptist Association
OF
NOVA SCOTIA.

HELD AT BEDFORD, P. E. I.,
Saturday, Monday & Tuesday, July 4, 6 & 7, 1863.

TOGETHER WITH
THE CIRCULAR LETTER:

ALSO,
THE MINUTES OF SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION,
THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NOVA SCOTIA
BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY,

AND
THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NOVA SCOTIA
BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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MINUTES.

BEDEQUE, P. E. I., JULY 4, 1863.

The Association met in the new Baptist meeting-house, at 2 P. M., this day.

Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, the Moderator, opened the meeting by giving out the 165th hymn, and reading the 145th Psalm. Rev. J. Davis engaged in Prayer. The following were elected the officers:

Moderator, Rev. Jno. Davis.

Secretary, Rev. Alfred Chipman, M. A.

Assistant Secretary, D. A. Steele.

Treasurer, John King.

Brethren Rev. G. F. Miles, Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, and S. Selden were appointed a Committee to examine and read the letters from the Churches.

The letters were then read, from which the following list of delegates was compiled:

Great Village.—Rev. J. E. Balcom, Brethren Joseph Layton, Ezra Layton.

Cape Canso.—Bro. D. A. Steele.

Strait of Canso.—Bro. D. A. Steele.

Westbrook.—Bro. Thos. B. Layton.

Greenville.—Rev. J. E. Balcom.

Truro.—Rev. D. W. C. Dimock.

Guysborough and Manchester.—Bro. D. A. Steele.

Parisborough Village.—Bro. T. B. Layton.

Amherst.—Rev. G. F. Miles, Dea. A. S. Blenkhorn, Jos. Layton, Thos. Lasby.

North River, P. E. I.—Rev. J. Davis, Bro. Alex. McInlay, Ezra Warren.

St. Peter's Road, P. E. I.—Rev. J. Davis.

Sand Point.—Bro. D. A. Steele, Chas. Myers.

Charlottetown.—Rev. J. Davis, D. Nicholson, Thos. Fairbairn, J. Desbissay, G. Davies, Dr. Tremaine.

Onslow.—Rev. B. Scott, Dea. Blair, Bro. J. King.

Pictou.—Rev. Alfred Chipman.
East Point, P. E. I.—Rev. John Shaw.
Three Rivers, P. E. I.—Rev. John Shaw.
River John.—Rev. A. Chipman.
Tracadie.—Bro. C. F. Myers.
West and Clyde Rivers, P. E. I.—Rev. M. Ross, Bro. J. Darrach.
Tryon, P. E. I.—Rev. Maynard P. Freeman, Dea. Jos. Callbeck,
 Brethren Jas. Callbeck, Jos. Foy, Jos. Roblee.
Upper Stewiacke.—Bro. Jacob Layton.
Brookfield.—Rev. T. H. Porter, Jr.
Lot 49, P. E. I.—Bro. Thos. Wood.
Little River.—Rev. Wm. Dobson.
Bedeque, P. E. I.—Rev. M. P. Freeman, Dea. Solomon Schur-
 man, and Artemas Hooper, Brethren P. Baker, Jos. Bradshaw,
 E. Lidstone.
Belfast, P. E. I.—Rev. Samuel McLeod, Bro. John McDonald.

Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., Rev. David Freeman, A. M.,
 Rev. S. W. deBlois, A. M., and Bro. S. Selden, took their
 seats as Delegates from the Central Association; also Rev. G.
 Armstrong, Rev. N. Vidito, A. M., as Delegates from the
 Central Association.

Brethren Robt. V. Jones, A. M., and J. Simpson, took their
 seats, by invitation.

Brethren Balcom, M. P. Freeman, deBlois, Scott, and Dob-
 son were appointed a Committee of Nomination.

Resolved, That eight hundred copies of the Minutes be pub-
 lished, and that Bro. Selden print them and he be paid the sum
 of forty-four dollars.

Resolved, That the name of the River Philip Church be struck
 from the Minutes.

The Nominating Committee reported the following list of
 Committees, which was adopted :

ON THE CIRCULAR LETTER:—

Revds. S. Armstrong, B. Scott, W. Dobson.

ON DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE:—

Revds. Dr. Cramp, J. E. Balcom; brethren Ezra Layton, D.
 Blair, M. P. Freeman, Edward Lidstone.

ON MISSIONS:—

Revds. D. Freeman, John Shaw, S. McLeod, D. W. C.
 Dimock; brethren T. B. Layton, Jos. Layton, Joseph Brad-
 shaw, D. Lamond, J. Darrach.

ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS:—

Revds. D. W. C. Dimock, G. F. Miles, M. Ross, Dea. Solomon Schurman, John King.

ON EDUCATION:—

Revds. S. W. deBlois, Dr. Cramp, J. E. Balcom, B. Scott; brethren R. V. Jones, J. Simpson, Philip Baker, J. Desbri- say, G. Davies.

ON UNION SOCIETIES:—

S. Selden, A. S. Blenkhorn, S. Nichol's, Artemas Hooper, Alex. McInlay, D. Nicholson.

The Nominating Committee also suggested the following resolutions, which were adopted, slightly amended.

Resolved, That all the Committees meet here on Monday morning, at 8 o'clock, that the morning sittings commence at 9½ o'clock, and close at 12; that the afternoon sittings commence at 2 o'clock and close at 6.

2. That the Circular Letter be read immediately after the annual sermon is preached.

3. That the Home Missionary Society hold its Annual Meeting on Monday afternoon, from 2 to 4 o'clock, the subject of Education to be then taken up, and occupy the remainder of the sitting; and the Sabbath School Convention be held at the commencement of the sitting on Tuesday morning.

Resolved, That the next Session of the Association be held with the Church at Truro.

Resolved, That the following brethren be Delegates to the Convention: Wm. Faulkner, Geo. Davis, Philip Baker.

Resolved, That any members of this Association attending the Western, Central, or N. B. Associations, be considered our representatives to those bodies.

Resolved, That Bro. S. F. Miles preach the Introductory Sermon next year, Rev. M. Freeman to be his alternate. That Rev. B. Scott write the Circular Letter.

Rev. Geo. Armstrong, being requested by the Moderator, gave a short account of what had taken place at the Western Association.

Brethren Cramp and Selden also spoke concerning the Central Association.

After prayer by Rev. S. deBlois, adjourned till Monday morning.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			Total.
	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.		
1 Amherst	8	3	..	5	3	8	211
2 Amherst Shore*	..	..	..	..	..	..	34
3 Antigonish	..	..	..	..	4	..	23
4 Bedeque, P. E. I.	1	..	..	2	1	..	86
5 Brookfield	1	6	..	..	..	..	44
6 Belfast†	..	..	..	..	..	..	58
7 Coddle Harbor	1	..	..	..	2	..	18
8 Charlotte Town, P. E. I.	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
9 Canso	..	..	..	..	1	..	84
10 Earltown	..	1	..	..	1	..	24
11 East Point, P. E. I.	4	..	..	1	1	..	77
12 Great Village	27	4	..	1	..	..	85
13 Goshen	..	..	..	2	..	..	31
14 Guysboro	10	..	..	1	7	1	162
15 Greenville	10	2	..	2	2	3	86
16 Lot 49, P. E. I.	1	..	..	..	..	..	16
17 Little River	6	1	1	..	3	3	53
18 Lower Stewiacke	2	1	..	12	..	..	65
19 Maccan	..	..	..	2	2	..	108
20 New Harbor	..	..	..	..	..	..	33
21 North River, P. E. I.	..	..	..	..	1	..	38
22 Onslow	25	2	..	2	1	1	150
23 Portauquique	12	..	..	3	3	..	119
24 Pictou†	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
25 River John	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
26 Strait of Canso	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
27 St. Peter's Road, P. E. I.	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
28 Sand Point	..	..	..	..	..	..	32
29 St. Mary's 2nd*	..	2	..	..	..	..	58
30 Tracadia	..	..	..	1	7	4	103
31 Truro	3	6	..	..	1	..	33
32 Three Rivers, P. E. I.	2	2	..	..	..	..	43
33 Tryon	3	..	..	3	..	..	90
34 Upper Londonderry	6	1	..	..	1	4	44
35 Upper Stewiacke	4	1	..	3	..	..	48
36 West and Clyde Rivers	..	..	..	4	..	..	47
37 Westbrook	10	..	2	..	..	..	2215
*Letters received after adjournment.	136	32	3	35	39	35	1229
†New Churches.	..	..	..	..	..	..	3444
Total in Churches sending no letter,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

The following twenty-seven Churches sent no letter to the Association, probably, in some cases, from the difficulty in reaching Prince Edward Island. The number of members appended are those given in last year's Minutes:—Advocate Harbor, 31; Crow Harbor, 33; Five Islands, 30; Goose River, 44; Grand River, P. E. I., 20; Grand Mira, P. E. I., 21; Glenville, 31; Isaac's Harbor, 66; Indian Harbor, 75; Lakeland, 20; Mira, C. B., 134; Margaree, C. B., 57; Mabou, 18; Merigomish, 16; North Sydney, C. B., 163; Parrsborough, 35; Parrsborough Village, 47; Pugwash, 117; St. Mary's 1st, 32; Sydney, C. B., 30; Schooner Pond, 10; Salmon River, C. B., 19; Tatmagouche, 30; Wallace River, 82; Wentworth, 53; Westchester, 15. Total, 1229.

On Lord's day, Bro. Maynard Freeman, A. B., was ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry. The Bedeque and Tryon Churches had asked the Brethren attending the Association to sit in Council with them; and on the day previous the brethren, after examining the candidate, unanimously resolved to recommend his ordination.

The order of exercises was as follows:

Singing, Prayer and reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. M. Ross, of North River.

Ordination Sermon from 1 Timothy iv. 16, by Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., of Wolfville.

Relation, by Bro. Freeman, of his christian experience and call to the ministry.

Questions asked by Rev. John Davis, of Charlottetown.

Ordaining Prayer, by Rev. John Shaw, of Three Rivers.

Right hand of fellowship, by Rev. D. Freeman, A. M., of Canning, N. S., brother of the candidate.

Charge by Rev. S. Armstrong, A. M., of Bridgetown, N. S.

Charge to the Church by Rev. G. F. Miles, of Amherst.

Services were held in the various places of worship in Bedeque, on the Sabbath, viz. 11 A. M., Baptist House, Rev. G. F. Miles; Methodist Chapel, Rev. S. W. deBlois; Presbyterian House, Rev. J. Davis; Tryon, Rev. G. Armstrong; Summerside, Rev. D. Freeman; 7 P. M., Freetown, Bro. J. E. P. Hopper; Summerside, Rev. N. Vidito.

Monday Morning Session, July 6, 1863.

Met by appointment at 9½ o'clock. After the usual devotional services, the Rev. J. E. Balcom preached the Introductory Sermon. Text, John i. 42, "And he brought him to Jesus." After prayer by Bro. deBlois, a collection was taken for Home Missions.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bro. R. N. Beckwith, Secretary of the Home Mission Society, being present, took his seat with the Association.

Letters from Sand Point, Tryon, Lower Stewiacke, Brookfield, and Upper Stewiacke, having arrived since the previous Session, were read.

The Committee on new Churches reported recommending the Association to accede to the request of the Churches at Belfast, P. E. I., and at Pictou, be received into this body, which was adopted. Reyds. Samuel McLeod and Alfred Chipman, as the representatives of those churches respectively, then received the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Resolved, That all monies not appropriated be handed over to the Home Missionary Society.

The Committee on the Circular Letter recommended that it be read by the writer, adopted, and published in the Minutes.

Resolved, That Bro. Miles read the Letter this afternoon.

Dr. Cramp presented the Report of the Committee on Denominational Literature. After discussion, in which Brethren Scott, Dimock, Miles, Selden, D. Freeman, deBlois, and Cramp took part, the report was adopted after amendment.

After prayer by Bro. Scott, adjourned till 2 o'clock.

Afternoon Session, July 6.

Met at 2 o'clock. Brethren Fullerton, of Onslow, Elisha P. Hopper, and Wilbur, of Shediac, and Duval of N. B., were invited to a seat with the Association.

The Circular Letter was read by Rev. G. F. Miles. The Association then suspended its sitting in order to give place to the Annual Meeting of the Home Missionary Society. (See Appendix.)

The Association resumed, when Bro. deBlois read the Report of the Committee on Education. (Appendix B.) Remarks were made by Brethren deBlois, Cramp, J. King, after which unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Introductory Sermon be printed in the *Messenger*.

Prayer by Bro. Miles.

Adjourned till 9½ to-morrow.

Tuesday Morning, July 7.

Met at 9½ o'clock.

Bro. D. Freeman offered prayer.

Brethren Dobson and Fairbairn obtained leave of absence.

Report of Treasurer of monies paid into Association read.

Resolved, That after deducting necessary expenses the Treasurer place the balance in the hands of respective Treasurers.

Rev. G. F. Miles moved a resolution on Temperance, after being seconded, spoken to by brethren Vidito, Miles, Armstrong, Cramp, then passed. (Appendix C.)

Committee on Union Societies reported. After amendment, adopted. (Appendix D.)

The Association then suspended its sitting for a Meeting of the Sabbath School Convention.

The Association resumed, and the Report on the French and Foreign Missions was read and spoken to by Dr. Cramp, after which it was adopted.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be hereby given to the members of the Baptist Church and congregation, and also to friends of other denominations for their kind hospitalities to the Delegates and other friends accompanying them.

Resolved, That brethren Miles, Balcom, and Scott be a Committee to visit the following Churches, from which no letters have been received for three years, and report to the Association next year, viz.: Advocate Harbor, Amherst Shore, Lakeland, Mabou, Merigomish, Tatamagouche, Westchester, Wentworth, Glenville.

Resolved, That this Association do now adjourn to meet next year with the Church at Truro.

The Union hymn was sung. Prayer by Moderator.

JOHN DAVIS, *Moderator.*

A. CHIPMAN, *Secretary.*

D. A. STEELE, *Assistant Sec'y.*

Bedeque, P. E. I., July 7, 1863.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

THE NECESSITY OF ATTENDING TO SCRIPTURAL DISCIPLINE.

DEAR BRETHREN,—

The subject to which your attention is directed, may not be of so pleasing a character as some, but it may be quite as profitable. If we are sincere in our joy, at the admission of members into our fellowship, we should also be willing to bear the responsibilities connected with discipline.

We fear that too many of our Churches have among their number members who are fit subjects of discipline. There may be a variety of reasons why the work is not accomplished, and the Church purified from those who bring contempt and disgrace upon the cause they once professed to love. Pastors in too many cases have to insist upon the application of the law of Christ as respects discipline, and the influence and power of the transgressor is made to recoil on the head of the faithful and unflinching advocate of truth. Family connection often exerts its influence and throws in the way of Scriptural Discipline a barrier not easily removed or overcome. Such should remember that, under the law, "He that was nearest of kin was required to cast the first stone." Indifference to certain sins that have been of long standing in the Church, and are almost looked upon as constitutional, or winked at as infirmities and weaknesses, have an injurious effect, and tend to neutralize the influences of the gospel.

The use of intoxicating drink, as a beverage, by church members, being the source of so many sins, should be considered, in our opinion, deserving the cen-

sure of all who love the Zion of our God, and pray for the peace and prosperity of Jerusalem. The disposition of the Apostle is desirable, "If meat make my brother to offend I will eat none while the world standeth." Other sins of a damaging character may also be referred to. Cases, we believe, may be found where professed christians if not actually entering into the evil work, yet countenance and approve of such a course. Reference is now had to those who mingle with the attendants at the ball room, the race course, the circus and the theatre, to which may be added, gambling in its various forms.

And as for covetousness the forms in which it appears among us are legion. The influence and power that certain church members possess seem to give liberty to sin and trample under foot the laws by which they should be governed. Wealth, power, position, should never be allowed to interfere with the exercise of Gospel discipline, and Churches should not be influenced by them to retain members who are disorderly in conduct, irregular in practice, and unscriptural in doctrine. There is an idea in the minds of some as injurious as it is unscriptural, that the tares should be allowed to grow in the Church with the wheat, until the final separation. Hence they neglect or oppose discipline. Rather let us examine and be governed by the Scriptures, given by inspiration of God, which are profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, and instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. True, we that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not please ourselves. Christ pleased not himself. If a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself lest thou also be tempted.

"If thy brother trespass against thee go tell him his fault between him and thee alone, if he hear thee thou

hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear the Church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican."— Now we exhort you brethren warn them that are unruly, and if any man obey not our word, by this epistle note that man, and have no company with him that he may be ashamed. Now we recommend you brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly.

If these passages of divine Revelation were allowed to have their full force and meaning upon the Church of God, would we not behold a beauty and consistency shining forth from all parts of the Spiritual building, reflecting honor and glory upon the Divine Being who in his word has encouraged us to walk about Zion and go round about her, tell the towers thereof, mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces that ye may tell it to the generation following. Then, indeed, would Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad.

So long as the discipline of the Church is neglected, we may expect to hear the enemy say "Is this Zion that no man careth for." Her walls will be broken down and her pleasant fields laid waste. The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it. The preached word falls powerless on the ear of the unconverted; coldness, formality and worldly-mindedness creep into our midst. Doubts and fears arise in the minds of those who once thought their hope could not be shaken. The faithful in Christ are in trouble, and they that cry and sigh for the abominations of Jerusalem are ready to exclaim in the language of Scripture, "O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments, then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea."

APPENDIX.

(A)

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

The Committee on denominational literature beg to report as follows:—

I. They regard with much satisfaction the manner in which the *Christian Messenger* is conducted, and have pleasure in recommending the continued support of that periodical, which, in their opinion, deserves a place in every Baptist family.

II. Information having been communicated to them to the effect that the Rev. John Davis has prepared a Memoir of Father Harris Harding, which is now ready for the press, the Committee hope that measures will be taken to secure the publication of that work, feeling assured that it will be found to contain facts and observations of deep interest to the Baptists of these Provinces.

III. Many persons having expressed their desire that the Letters which have appeared in the *Christian Messenger*, bearing the signature of "Menno," should be separately published, the Committee recommend the Association to concur with the Western Association in requesting the author to prepare for publication those of the Letters which contain the history of the Baptists of Nova Scotia.

IV. With reference to some recent correspondence in the *Christian Messenger*, the Committee are of a opinion that a Manual of Biblical Theology, comprising systematic statements of christian truth and practice, and also a Manual of Church History, on christian principles, would be valuable additions to our denominational literature.

J. M. CRAMP, *Chairman.*

(B)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows :

The subject of general education is one which demands our attention as citizens and patriots. We should, however, feel a special interest in our own Institutions inasmuch as the only true basis for sound and healthy culture will be found in a pure and spiritual Christianity.

Your Committee have been gratified to learn that these Institutions are in a high state of efficiency.

The Academy at Horton still continues under the able management of Rev. T. A. Higgins, aided by competent teachers. The attendance during the past year has exceeded that of previous years; the largest number in both departments was 176. The average attendance in the male department 80, in the female 60.

The female department is under the supervision of Miss Townsend, of whose services your Committee cannot speak too highly. The increased attendance indicates that the Institution has only to become better known to be more fully appreciated.

The religious influences so continually recurring in our history have again been experienced and quite a number of the pupils and one of the teachers have professed faith in Christ.

The work in the College has been conducted during the past year with its wonted regularity. The course of study, the efficiency of the professors, and the general character of its graduates, may well challenge comparison with any other Institution of a similar character.

Dr. Pryor having accepted the pastorate of Granville Street Church the College will necessarily be deprived of his valuable services. Provision has been made, however, to supply the vacancy thus caused.

Rev. A. D. Thomson has been engaged a portion of the year on the Endowment with some encouragement.

The appeal to the Churches has been, to some extent, satisfactorily responded to, and will probably be still more largely met before the meeting of the Convention.

Let this truth be known and felt that these are *our* Institutions; that every Baptist in these Provinces has an interest of

no ordinary character in their continued existence, and we have no fears for their prosperity.

We owe a debt of unfading gratitude to those who in fear and much trembling founded our Halls of study; a debt we can only repay by our determined purpose to make them what our fathers, with far reaching sagacity, intended they should be.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, *Chairman.*

(C)

TEMPERANCE

Whereas, it has always been the custom of this body to pass at its Annual Sessions Reports expressive of the Temperance movement, and

Whereas, it was deemed expedient to omit the appointment of a Committee to furnish such report the present year. Nevertheless this Association, in view of the evil effects of the use of Spirituous Liquors, either imported or distilled and vended largely on this Island, as well as in Nova Scotia, cannot allow this opportunity to pass without giving an expression of their opinion.

Therefore Resolved, That we tender to our friends engaged in the Temperance movement our warmest sympathies and most fervent prayers, assuring them of our cordial support in a work so laborious yet deserving the good will and co-operation of all.

(D)

ON UNION SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Union Societies report :

That your Committee cannot find that any of the churches in this Association have Union Societies, for the purpose of raising funds for benevolent objects, existing in them. It would, doubtless, be most desirable to have such contributions collected as frequently as originally provided for in the Union Society plan. It is, however, most important that systematic methods, suited to the circumstances of each church, be adopted to secure the benevolent offerings of the members. The suggestions given last year and successfully pursued in some places—that of

Quarterly subscriptions for these purposes,—we deem more practicable ; and would urge general attention to this matter. If the pastors or deacons would place it before their people it might be carried into operation with but little trouble. The principle laid down in the New Testament : " On the first day of the week let each lay by in store according as God has prospered him," would, doubtless, in general, be the most effective in raising funds for christian purposes. If these amounts were " stored" and paid into the Treasurer quarterly, it would be found that they would supply abundance for the furtherance of the gospel far and near.

S. SELDEN, *Chairman.*

(E)

REPORT ON FOREIGN AND FRENCH MISSIONS.

These two missions are in one sense the same. They are both to a people of a strange language, but one is in our own land, the other is far off beyond the sea. Each has its peculiar claim upon us. The French of these Provinces are our neighbors, as they have been identified with us in the past, so will they be with our children in the future. The heathen abroad, by their greater destitution, send to us the Macedonian cry. All have souls to be saved. For all Christ died. To all the gospel must be sent by us. Awful will be our account of their blood shall be found on our skirts !

The French Mission, located in Western Nova Scotia, was never in a more promising condition than now. Bro. Normondy has baptized several since he became our missionary. Among the rest a brother Tromble from Canada who is educated, and bids fair to be of service in the mission. The missionary hopes at no distant day to be able to visit other French settlements of Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and Cape Breton, to preach the gospel. Let us give of our means and pray that the work of the Lord may spread among that people.

Our Foreign mission, also, is now assuming a more promising aspect. Native preachers in Burmah, and a female school in Henthada, all under the direction of Bro. A. R. R. Crawley, and sustained by our people, are doing their work effectually. Besides there is now a prospect of soon sending a

missionary from these Provinces to labor for us in the Foreign field. We hope that our Foreign Mission will soon be reinforced, and we shall have the privilege of more faithfully executing our great commission, "Go ye unto all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Your Committee would recommend that all proper means be adopted to diffuse information as to the state of missions, and raise funds for their support. Among other means, let the monthly concert of prayer for the heathen be observed on the first Sabbath evening of each month, and collections be taken. Let sermons be preached on that day and collections taken in all the churches in aid of missions. Let Union Societies be worked and every effort be made to keep the mission treasuries full. Let us begin with the opening year and work all the time. When we give, then we can pray "thy kingdom come." If we use this prayer we ought to give. Let us magnify our office as laborers together with Christ. Let us be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as we know that our labor is not in vain in the Lord.

D. FREEMAN, *Chairman.*

MINISTERS IN THE EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1863.

Names.	Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. J. Balcom,.....	Great Village,...	March 26 1853	Long Island.
" M. A. Bigelow,...	Antigonishe,....	Sep. 14, 1859	Guysboro.
" Obed Chute,....	Up. Stewiacke,...	Feb. 7, 1850	Westchester.
" A. Chipman	Pictou	Nov. 10, 1862	River Philip.
" D. W. C. Dimock	Truro,.....	Dec. 6, 1841	Chester.
" J. Davis,.....	Ch. Town, P.E.I.	June, 1829	South-sea, G. B.
" W. Dobson,.....	Wallace River,...	July 15, 1859	Little River.
" H. Eagles,.....	St. Mary's,.....	Aug. 1842	Kempt, Hants,
" M. P. Freeman,...	Bedeque, P. E. I.	July 5, 1863	Bedeque.
" Geo. F. Miles,...	Amherst,.....	.....	.....
" D. McKeen,.....	L. Forks, Maccan	Sep. 13, 1854	River Hebert.
" R. McDonald,...	Margaree, C. B.,	.....	.....
" Sam'l McLeod,...	Uigg, P. E. I. ....	.....	.....
" W. McPhee,....	Badleck, C. B.,...	July 10, 1863	Guysboro
" D. P. McQuillan,	Mira Bay, C. B.,	July, 1836	Baddeck, C. B.
" A. F. Porter,....	Guysborough,...	July 19, 1858	Billtown.
" T. H. Porter Jr.,	Brookfield,	Nov. 6, 1861	Lr. Stewiacke.
" Malcom Ross,...	Bedeque, P. E. I.	June 3, 1843	N. River, P.E.I
" Hugh Ross,.....	N. Sydney, C. B.,	Sep. 1847	Mira Bay, C.B.
" Geo. Richardson	Sydney, C. B.,...	March 5, 1822	Hmds. Plains.
" James Reid,.....	Bass River,.....	June, 1840	Onslow.
" John Shaw,.....	East Point, P.E.I	Oct. 14, 1832	Three Rivers.
" Benj. Scott,.....	Onslow,.....	Sep. 18, 1832	P. E. Island.
" S. Thompson,...	Economy,.....	Sep. 1852	Westbrook.
" John Whidden,...	Antigonish,.....	Nov. 4, 1832	Antigonish.

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION in account with JOHN KING, Treasurer.

Bedeque, July 7th, 1863.

To paid Rev. S. W. deBlois for Acadia College,	\$15 30
R. N. Beckwith, for Home Missions,.....	\$268 35
Less proportion of expenses,.....	22 26
Rev. G. Armstrong for Foreign Missions,.....	237 37
Less proportion of expenses,.....	20 00
S. Selden for Minutes,.....	44 00
Less bal. of sum advanced last year for postage,	1 74
W. Churchill, for French Mission,.....	5 00
Dr. Parker for Ministerial Education,	8 15
Rev. G. F. Miles for Treasurer Inform Ministers Fund,	18 34
	<u>\$553 51</u>

NOTE.—The Treasurer begs to state that he finds some of the above sums do not exactly correspond with those acknowledged by the Treasurers of the several funds. This he believes has arisen from the difference between the P. E. I. and N. S. currencies, which, in the hurry of making payments, were not adjusted.

ACCOUNT OF MONIES RECEIVED AT THE EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION AT
BEDEQUE, P. E. I., JULY 4TH, 1863.

CHURCHES.	Home Mission.	Foreign Mission.	French Mission.	Ministerial Education.	Academy.	Ministers.	TOTALS.	\$7 64 for Female School in Barnab.
Amherst	\$67 78	\$28 19	.....	.....	.....	\$2 25	\$86 22	
Bedeque	3 90	4 25	.....	0 90	.....	1 64	10 69	
Lot 48, P. E. I.	1 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60	
Cape Canoe .....	.....	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00	
Greenville .....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 95	3 95	
Farrsborough Village	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	
Guyabore	9 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	.....	2 00	24 00	
Marcan	16 00	3 25	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	27 25	
Antigonish	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	
Great Village, Londonderry	18 16	6 00	.....	.....	.....	4 00	28 16	
Onslow Church	17 18	3 83	.....	0 25	7 00	.....	28 26	
West and Clyde River	0 85	.....	.....	.....	8 30	.....	9 15	
Little River	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 25	
Straits of Canoe	6 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 10	
Turo Church	56 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 00	
Collection for Home Mission	17 38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 38	
Charlottetown	2 00	103 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	105 55	
Collection at Association	7 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 35	
Lower Steviacke	17 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 50	
Tryon	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	
Brookfield	6 50	3 00					9 50	
Upper Steviacke	6 50					2 50	12 00	
Earlton	6 00	4 00					10 00	
North River	2 00						2 00	
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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

ARTICLE 1ST.—This body shall be called the Eastern Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and shall consist of Delegates representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those churches, together with Delegates from corresponding Associations, and such others as may, by the Association, be invited to sit in Council.

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

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

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

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

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

ART. 7th.—The Association may receive any Church which, by letter, shall apply for admission, and shall give satisfactory evidence of its faith and order, in agreement with the religious sentiments of this body; and each Church belonging to this body shall send annually a letter, containing an account of its history.

for the year preceding, particularly of its additions and diminutions, with its number then in fellowship—also, money to assist in publishing the Minutes. Any Church that for three successive years omits sending letters, Delegates, or money, shall be considered withdrawn from the Association, and shall be discontinued from the Minutes unless sufficient reason may appear to account for the omission, or provided it may appear desirable to make some inquiry, by committee or otherwise, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

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

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—At each Annual Meeting the letters from the Churches shall be first handed in, from which the Secretary shall immediately make out a list of Delegates.

RULE 2nd.—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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

RULE 10th.—No delegate shall leave the Association before the business is finished, without permission of the body.

RULE 11th.—These rules shall be read by the Moderator at the commencement of every annual session of the Association.

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1. The first of these is the fact that the Government has not yet decided whether it will accept the offer of the United States to purchase the rights in the patent for the atomic bomb. This decision is of great importance, for if the Government does not accept the offer, the United States will be unable to use the patent for the atomic bomb in the United States, and the Government will be unable to use the patent for the atomic bomb in the United States.

PROVINCIAL Baptist Sabbath School Convention.

THE Annual Meeting of the Provincial S. S. Convention was held with the Eastern Association at Bedeque, Prince Edward Island, July 7th, 1863.

Reports from the Western, Central, and Eastern sections were presented, and addresses given by Revds. D. W. C. Dimock, D. Freeman, J. E. Balcom, and John Davis.

The following officers were chosen :

GENERAL BOARD FOR THE PROVINCE :—S. Selden, President ; Rev. A. H. Munro, Secretary ; Dr. Pryor, Treasurer.

WESTERN BOARD :—Rev. H. Angell, Chairman ; Rev. J. H. Saunders, Secretary ; S. Brown, Treasurer.

CENTRAL BOARD :—J. W. Barss, Chairman ; Rev. D. Freeman, Secretary ; Rupert Eaton, Treasurer.

EASTERN BOARD :—Rev. J. E. Balcom, Chairman ; T. H. Rand, Secretary ; David Page, Treasurer.

Adjourned to meet with the Association to be held at Paradise, Wilmot, June, 1864.

The experiment made to obtain correct statistics of the Sabbath Schools connected with the Baptist Churches in this Province, by means of Circulars addressed to the superintendents, has not been so successful as might have been anticipated, but it has secured a marked improvement in the returns which are more numerous and full. Last year only 56 churches out of 153 sent in reports of their S. Schools. This year 91 churches furnished reports, 17 of the Circulars sent by mail have not been returned. The following statistics therefore, though as perfect as can be obtained, do not contain by any means, a full statement of all that is done by our churches in the great work of S. School instruction.

A. H. MUNRO, Sec. S. S. Convention.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF SABBATH SCHOOLS connected
with the Baptist Churches in the three Associations.

Associations.	No. of Schools.	Scholars.			Average attendance.	Teachers.			In Bible Classes.	Pupils Members of Church.	Volumes in Libraries.	Amount expended.
Western.	38	1484	1594	3078	2582	237	213	450	264	589	6580	\$549.75
Eastern.	25	501	461	962	799	79	80	159	141	111	2768	167.29
Central..	31	1099	1060	2159	1861	171	167	338	171	124	4846	352.15
	94	3084	3115	6199	5242	487	460	947	576	824	14194	1069.19

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New Harbour.....
Pictou.....
Coddle Harbor.....
Westbrook.....
Charlotte Town.....
North Sydney.....

REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society.

THE Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society have much satisfaction in again presenting their Annual Report. The Institution which, for more than thirty years, has enjoyed the confidence and support of the Baptist Denomination, continues, your Committee believe, to deserve the enlarged patronage of all who love the cause of education. There is reason to cherish the assurance that, to this great work of supplying to the youth of Nova Scotia means for a liberal education, God has given His sanction and blessed the efforts put forth. The labor and time already spent but lay the foundation for the future of the Institutions at Horton, and your Committee hope and believe that the Academy is but entering upon a career of usefulness that shall in coming years identify it with the best interests of this land. In reviewing the past year, your Committee have no fault to find, while at the same time many improvements demand our attention and continued labor. The teachers who began the year have continued in the untiring discharge of their duties, always, as your Committee believe, devoted to the best interests of those under their instruction, and imparting, in accordance with the views of those most experienced as educationists, such a course of education as will not be likely to fail in developing the powers of the youthful intellect. Nor have your Committee to complain of the attendance. It has been larger than in any former year, as follows:

MALE DEPARTMENT:—

Whole number during the year,.....	150
Greatest number in attendance at one time,.....	105
Least " " " ".....	58
Average " " " ".....	81

FEMALE DEPARTMENT:—

Whole number during the year,.....	94
Greatest number in attendance at one time,.....	60
Least " " " ".....	35
Average " " " ".....	47

The branches studied and the course generally pursued have been much as last year. The year was marked with general and a good degree of prosperity. Eight of the pupils have health entered College. Two of the young women of the Seminary have completed the course of study marked down in our curriculum, and now hold Certificates to that effect.

The religious aspect of the school has been more encouraging during the past year than the year previous. Meetings for exhortation and prayer have been kept by the pupils in the rooms from time to time, and good has resulted therefrom. Two young men belonging to the Academy and quite a number of the pupils of the Seminary have, during the last quarter made profession of religion and have been received into the Baptist Church. Your Committee regard these facts as significant, and believe that there is in this large Denomination, as well as in other christian communities, a growing demand for education. Be assured that an important point is reached, when the people generally value this blessing. We, however, are far from that measure of success at first aimed at, but trust the growing desire for knowledge will excite the increased activity of the many who have, at Horton, been furnished with means of enlarged usefulness.

Reasonably may your Committee rely upon those who go out from Horton to aid in the work of education. If each and all lay the claims of this Society faithfully before their several communities, many more would be found encouraged in the laudable ambition of seeking knowledge.

Your Committee would express their increased conviction that the Principal and his associates are well prepared for their work; the experience of each year adds to their worth; and that the course of instruction is sound and judicious, fitting those instructed at the Institution for the various places of usefulness daily presented.

While the Baptists of this Province may justly congratulate themselves on having, in years past, taken such a high and decided stand in popular education, and while expressing our grateful thanks to the Dispenser of all good, they must

not forget that success necessitates an enlargement of means for a yet higher course of instruction; for education in any country will always seek a higher or lower range. If associated with the religious affections and prayers of the Church of Christ, the tendency will be upward; dis severed from the religious element, the moral range will be downward. The work of education in this and the neighbouring Province is now employing a large number of young men, educated at Horton, and the demand will yet for a long time exceed the supply.

The Committee would direct attention especially to the Female Department of the Horton Institution. For a number of years the idea of an institution for young ladies was before this Society, but the way for the inauguration of this scheme, did not present itself until two and a half years since, when, as a mere experiment, a House was rented, Teachers obtained, and the attempt made to supply female education of a high character and within reach of a larger class of society.

Your Committee had fears and hopes,—the former have not been realized, the latter have.

The Female Seminary in Horton is no longer an experiment, but a successful and necessary part of our great educational scheme. The building now occupied has been purchased at a reasonable rate, and furnished. It, however, was found insufficient to accommodate those seeking the benefits of the Seminary, and last winter, at a limited expense, some apartments additional were provided, so that the premises will now accommodate forty.

A Hall adjacent is rented for a day-school, which school is no insignificant part of the entire institution, and has been under the instruction of Miss Anna Shaw. The Principal of the Seminary, Miss Townsend, has proved herself in every way suited to her responsible station. The Committee are persuaded that their choice of a Principal was most happy and advantageous, and feel that they can assure the community at large, that in placing young ladies under the care of Miss Townsend, every reasonable expectation will be realised. At the examination during the year the classes manifested an acquaintance with the different branches, creditable alike to teacher and pupil. Miss Townsend will resume her duties in August.

Your Committee must keep before the mind of the Denomi-

nation the necessity of having an Academical Edifice, adequate to the growing demand for Female instruction. The building now occupied, though large, is by far too small, and in many respects inconvenient and unsuited to the system of domestic management. At any time the property can be sold without loss, perhaps with gain, but a large additional sum would be needed. We trust the time is not distant when the necessary contribution will be cheerfully made. Your Committee feel happy in being prepared to supply, in both departments, a superior education, at an exceedingly low rate. The charge in the Female Department being but about \$80 for Board and instruction.

Let us humbly and gratefully acknowledge the arm that has hitherto helped us, and trace all success to God. With His help we shall do valiantly; without that help our labour is in vain. To-day, as the past is reviewed, we must exclaim, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." Let all our duties be contemplated in the light of truth, and success is certain.

NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY in account
with S. SELDEN, Treasurer.

1862.		Dr.	
Octr.	9. To repairs of Academy,	£6	5 0
Nov.	8. To do. do.	20	0 0
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Jan.	2. To alterations, &c., do.	46	0 0
Mar.	5. To repairs do.	6	6 4
Jan.	1. To settees for Seminary,	78	11 8
	To Rev. T. A. Higgins' salary,	7	10 0
	To do. towards Mr. Jones' salary,	125	0 0
	To 2700 copies of Annual report,	40	0 0
	To balance,	40	8 1
		<u>£295 19 4</u>	
1862.		Cr.	
June 12.	By balance,	45	19 4
July 5.	By 1 st Provincial Grant,	62	10 0
Oct. 7.	By do. do.	62	10 0
1863.			
Jan. 5.	By do. do.	62	10 0
April 9.	By do. do.	62	10 0
		<u>£295 19 4</u>	
By balance in hand,		40	8 1

SIXTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Society.

The N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Society held their Sixth Annual Meeting in the Baptist Meeting house at Bedeque, P. E. I., on Monday 6th July, 1863, at 2 P. M.

John King, Esq., Vice President, in the chair.

The Secretary read the report of the transactions of the Board during the year.

The Report was adopted and ordered to be printed under the direction of the Board.

Remarks were made by Brethren S. Selden, Revds. John Davis, N. Vidito, J. E. Balcom, Geo. Armstrong, G. F. Miles, and Alfred Chipman.

On motion of Rev. G. F. Miles, seconded by Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, *It was resolved*,

That the thanks of this Society be tendered to Bro. R. N. Beckwith, for his efficient and gratuitous services as Secretary during the past year.

On motion of Bro. R. N. Beckwith, *It was resolved*,

That the Fifth Article of the Constitution be amended by causing five instead of seven to be a quorum at the meetings of the Board.

The following were appointed the officers of the Society and Board of Managers for the ensuing year :

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

J. W. Nutting,	President.
J. W. Barss,	} Vice Presidents.
John King,	
D. McN. Parker,	M. D., Treasurer.
R. N. Beckwith,	Secretary.
George Robbins,	Auditor.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Rev. J. E. Balcom,	W. Ackhurst,
" J. M. Cramp, D. D.,	J. F. Burnham,
" S. W. DeBlois,	H. R. Cunningham,
" D. W. C. Dimock,	Hon. J. W. Johnston,
David Freeman,	Hon. J. McCully,
" A. S. Hunt,	H. N. Paint,
" G. F. Miles,	Alex. Robinson,
" A. H. Munro,	S. Selden,
" Jas. Parker,	Francis Webber,
" T. H. Porter, Jr.	Thos. Wesley.
" R. R. Philp,	
" John Pryor, D. D.,	
" I. J. Skinner,	
" D. M. Welton,	

Adjourned to meet next year with the Central Association
at Chester.

REPORT.

THE General Board entrusted with conducting the missionary operations of the Central and Eastern Associations of the Baptist Churches of Nova Scotia, beg to submit their 6th Annual Report.

They would have rejoiced in being able to exhibit more satisfactory results of their stewardship during the past year, than the circumstances will admit of their doing. While the general amount of success which has attended missionary labor during the past has not materially varied from that of the preceding year, they regret to say the difference does not indicate increasing prosperity.

The only ground upon which the Board feel that they have any right to congratulate the denomination is, that they are at length for the first time for some years past, unembarrassed by debt, the amount of funds in their hands being about sufficient to meet their out-standing liabilities.

The summary of missionary operations during the year, which is annexed, will afford the Churches the needful information on this subject.

The constant appeals, as well as those contained in our Annual Reports, as in the frequent communications of various individuals addressed to the Churches, do not exonerate us from repeating our earnest hope that the friends of our Home Mission may be aroused to a deeper concern for its interests. With the fast increasing population of the Province, the zeal to supply their spiritual necessities should not surely be diminished.

In reviewing the fruits of the Society during the year, although it cannot be denied that great good has been done, yet taking into account the numbers and wealth of the denomination and the spiritual destitution which exists to so great an extent in many parts of the Province, it is evident that both as to the supply of funds and of the number of labourers there has been a large deficiency.

We would, as on former occasions, urge the necessity of every church considering itself a missionary agency, and charged by its very constitution and character, with the special object of extending beyond its own social sphere, the blessings which itself enjoys in the hopes and privileges of the Gospel.

Emphatically the offspring of missionary zeal and labour, the Baptist Churches of N. S. are called on by every tie of gratitude to God, and of respect for the memory of the fathers of the denomination, to contribute liberally of their means, and volunteer their services, in the sacred cause to which those excellent men devoted so large a portion of their self denying and useful lives. Until some such spirit as this shall pervade all our churches, we shall fall far short of the task which has been assigned us by the Providence of God, and be looked on by other bodies as loiterers in the path of christian duty.

The abstract of the year's receipts and expenditures, and extracts from the letters received from the missionaries employed, are appended.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

Bro. Jas. Palmer performed 4 weeks missionary labour in Sherbrooké.

Travelled 190 miles; preached 18 sermons; baptized 7; attended 6 Conference and Prayer meetings; visited 45 families; collected in aid of the mission \$18.80.

HANTS COUNTY.

Bro. Jas. Palmer laboured 4 weeks in the service of the Board at Walton and Kempt Shore.

Travelled 180 miles; preached 17 sermons; attended 6 social meetings; visited 64 families; collected \$6.75.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

Bro. Wm. Boggs performed 6 weeks missionary labour at Jeddore and Musquodoboit Harbour.

On the 22nd Aug. the following report of his labours was sent in to the Board.

I was received very kindly by the people, and found them extremely anxious to have the Gospel preached among them, a privilege which had not been theirs for some time.

On Sabbaths the congregations were large, and many seemed anxious for the return of God's Spirit to the church. The population is almost entirely Baptist. In numbers the church is large, I wish that it was as large in genuine Christianity.

I would earnestly recommend the visit of some experienced man of God to Jeddore at an early day.

Most of my time has been spent here. I visited Musquodoboit Harbour, and preached once, where there are a few who belong to the flock.

Although I have not the pleasure of reporting any cases of conversion, still I feel that I have not laboured without encouragement. I have endeavoured, as far as I was enabled, to present the truths of the Gospel of Christ plainly and affectionately, hoping in God that the labours may not be in vain.

Travelled 325 miles; preached 17 sermons; attended 8 Conference and Prayer meetings; visited 41 families; collected on behalf of the Board \$28.75.

Rev. Jacob Allan spent 8 weeks in the service of the Board at Hammonds Plains, Preston, and Guysborough Road.

Preached 17 sermons; baptized 3; collected in aid of mission \$6.22½.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Rev. Alfred Chipman performed 13½ weeks missionary labours at Glenville, River Philip and Little River.

Preached 44 sermons; attended 34 Conference and Prayer meetings; collected in aid \$48.50.

On the 30th of March, the following report was received:

My meetings were chiefly held in private houses. The great external want of the cause of Christ at Glenville, now, is a suitable place of worship.

The people would not be long in erecting, at least, a School House to replace the one recently destroyed by fire, were they rallied to that object a little more. When will the right man, burning with compassion and the spirit of self sacrifice for souls, that are now perishing in that region, be sent thither? The Lord hasten it in his time continues to be my prayer.

It is my firm conviction, that the length and breadth of

River Philip including East Branch, presents a very hopeful prospect for faithful Baptist effort.

But the truth, as sown, through the instrumentality of Baptists, has not been lost there. Secret fruits of it still exist; and shall not our former ground on that River be more than regained at no distant day. Brethren of our denomination let your prayers and pecuniary contributions secure this result. I may add that ere this it is probable Bro. Miles has baptized and received into the fellowship of the Amherst Church, one very interesting convert, living in River Philip. She desired to be baptized at the River, but unite with the Amherst Church.

I must be brief about Little River. Here I spent my most discouraging and most happy hours during those three months. When I went to Little River last August, the cause there could scarcely be in a much lower state, and yet maintain a nominal existence, and so it continued for several weeks. But the Lord was gracious to Little River last autumn. I proposed holding some extra meetings, and the only encouragement to do so, outward at least, seemed to be the growing desire among the people to have them. Bro. Miles came over according to promise, and there was much encouragement given to continue the meetings. Suffice it to say, that in the course of a fortnight, the Church became greatly revived, and six very hopeful converts were received into the Church; others also gave evidence of Conversion.

I must not omit to mention that on the last evening I spent at Little River, a meeting of the inhabitants was called in reference to building a suitable house expressly for divine worship, and the liberal sum for that people of £120, was subscribed on the occasion.

I could wish the mission had been entirely self sustaining, but had I not taken contributions of grain and socks, I should have obtained less than I did. The receiving of grain &c. is, I presume, a novel feature in our Home Missionary operations, but in this case they were quite successfully exchanged into money.

PICTOU COUNTY.

Rev. E. F. Foshay was engaged in the service of the Board, in the above county, for 6 weeks.

Travelled 150 miles; preached 16 sermons; attended 4 Conference and Prayer meetings; visited 23 families; delivered 2 Temperance Lectures; collected in aid of the Society \$87.41 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The places visited were River John, Pictou Town and Merigomish.

Under date 29th Sept., 1862, he writes to the Board, "In Pictou the few Baptists ~~seem~~ to be trying to hold on their way as best they can. They have a Prayer meeting every Sabbath at Bro. Griffith's, notwithstanding their numbers and few. I think if a good judicious minister were placed on the ground, making the town the centre of operations, it would not be many years before the cause would be self-sustaining. The congregations are quite good in all the places.

Missions of six or eight weeks cannot accomplish much good. Nothing short of a permanent mission will succeed.

Rev. Alfred Chipman laboured 6 months in the above county.

July 6th.—The following report was received:

"On the first week of December last, I went, in accordance with your appointment, to Pictou county, and laboured there without intermission until the first of June. I was enabled to hold Sabbath services, during the six months, without intermission; endeavoured to preach in all 56 times, in addition to which brethren D. W. C. Dimock, J. E. Balcom, and T. H. Porter, Jr., each kindly spent a Lord's day in Pictou Town, while I was at River John or Merigomish. I conducted, with few exceptions, a weekly Prayer meeting in town; attended 4 Conference meetings there, and 3 at River John. With the assistance of brethren organized a Sabbath School in town; myself and Mrs. C. visited from house to house almost daily. I may mention also that, by invitation, I delivered 2 Temperance Lectures.

In Merigomish, particularly at Barney's River, our congregations are large and attentive, and I look on that settlement as the most hopeful as regards immediate success, in which for us to expend labour at the present time; quite a general desire is manifested to hold extra meetings, and some now seem nearly ready to unite themselves with us by an open profession.

At River John I spent somewhere about three separate weeks. In the *village* our congregation was small, and I can-

not say our prospect there is encouraging; but along what is called the *Gulf Shore* it appears to me exceedingly so; all, with the blessing of God, that seems to be requisite to at least some in-gathering of precious souls, are faithful and somewhat constant labour and visitations.

In Pictou Town, where I remained the larger proportion of my time, I had a congregation to address, variable in numbers and interest, at first large, but afterwards averaging from 60 to 100. In this congregation are some candid enquirers after the truth, and at least two or three have, I trust, found the Saviour within the last few months, but the cross required to be taken, in order to their joining us, seems to them great, and, although in the main convinced that such is their duty, they are slow in coming to our Prayer meetings which have been hitherto held in private houses, new ones have come in from time to time, some to take part with us in prayer and exhortation, others evidently to get a blessing to their souls; and although the attendance has never been large, we have in these meetings some seasons of especial tenderness and interest, as also in our Monthly Conference meetings of the little church. Our Sabbath School in town continues small, but is of a growingly interesting character.

Mrs. C. has gathered around her a large and very interesting Bible Class. We have in attendance in all from thirty to thirty-five scholars, and through the generosity and diligence of some friends in Amherst, have been materially helped towards a valuable library. Now we have not the pleasure of reporting at the present time any baptisms, either in the town or County, one candidate, however, waits at River John to follow her Lord in that ordinance, and unite with us in Church fellowship. We humbly, and with some confidence, hope also that a few others have almost made a similar decision.

It would doubtless be greatly for the benefit of the cause of Christ, had we a suitable place of worship in our own possession in this county; we hope when the proper time appears to have come for erecting one or two such houses, aid from brethren abroad will be forthcoming.

In conclusion let me entreat the Board and our Churches generally, *not to give up labour in Pictou County. Send whomsoever you may choose; but send, oh send, some one or two labourers from this time forward into that region.* There is lamentable need, there is abundant encouragement, if not in

present visible indications, in the character and promises of God. There is a future for the Baptists and the cause of God in this county."

GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.

Bro. Chas. F. Myers performed 9 weeks labour in the above county, under the direction of Rev. A. F. Porter.

Preached in the following places: Crow Harbour, Half Island Cove, Cole Harbour, Torbay, New Harbour, Seal Harbour, Island Harbour, and Sand Point.

Preached 43 sermons; attended 12 Prayer and Conference meetings; organized 2 Sabbath Schools; made 170 family visits; travelled 760 miles; distributed 450 pages of Tracts; collected \$41.29.

He writes Aug. 25, "I believe the Lord was with me and trust he has blessed my labours. I found a very interesting Church at New Harbour, consisting of about 23 members, endeavoured faithfully to preach to them of Jesus, and before leaving found a number believing in Christ, and ready to obey his commands.

Visiting Seal Harbour I found the church and people in a cold state, but a few days after saw the beginning of a great and good work, several were awakened from a prayerless condition, sinners were alarmed. One young man made a public profession, a number being under concern of mind, some of whom were seriously enquiring the way to Zion. (I have heard since that Bro. Bigelow has baptized a number in those places.)

At Sand Point I found the Baptist interest very good, and in all the Harbours above mentioned. Truly the harvest is great and the workmen are few. I believe if the services of an ordained minister, could be secured on this ground, the Redeemer's kingdom would be greatly advanced. "Now is the time to thrust in the sickle and reap," much of the seed which has been sown, will yet spring up and bear fruit to the glory of God.

Rev. M. A. Bigelow is performing missionary labour in the above county, and receives towards his support from the H. M. Board \$50 for one year. The following account of his labours for a portion of the year has been received:

I have laboured as a missionary in this county since the 1st

of Sept., 1862. Visited the following places, Sand Point, Canso, Crow Harbour, Salmon River, Tor Bay, New Harbour, Coddle Harbour, Isaac's Harbour, Goshen and St. Mary's.

Preached 116 sermons; attended 110 Prayer and Conference meetings; baptized 15; organized 4 Sabbath Schools.

He remarks: "I feel much encouraged to labour on. The past winter and spring has been a precious season to *my* soul, and I trust to many others. A number have professed to be converted in New Harbour, who have not yet been baptized."

CAPE BRETON.

Rev. Ronald McDonald laboured 6 weeks at Big Intervale and vicinity among the Gaelic people.

Travelled 169 miles; preached 36 sermons; visited 47 families; collected \$20.86.

The following account of his mission appeared in the *Messenger*, April 18th, 1863.

This is the first mission that was appointed to this locality by our Board, but I hope not the last. Your missionary was greatly revived in fulfilling the time specified, by the presence of such large gatherings that attended the meetings especially among the Gaelic people. I did not see such gatherings to hear the word of God preached in the place since the first year I came here. The people turned out to hear the Word, young and old, especially when they saw that their condition was taken into consideration by the Board. They listened with great care. I hope it will be blessed to many.

There is also a new settlement adjoining the Big Intervale, with a mixed population of Protestants and Roman Catholics. Your missionary visited their houses and read a portion of the Word of God, and prayed with them. They all manifested kindness and respect. They were not the least bigoted in any sense. May God bless them.

My services in general, I hope, were beneficial to the people. The field of labour was on both sides of the Margaree River, so no time was lost in travelling. A Baptist minister may read and expound the whole Word of God to the inhabitants without reserve. The place is without a minister of any denomination. It requires far more labour if there were means and labourers.

A Sabbath School was organized, also a promising Bible

Class. Missionary labour on this Island will need patience, perseverance, piety, prayer and faith.

The Board guaranteed \$100 towards the support of a missionary in Sydney for one year. Bro. Joseph F. Kempton and Rev. D. A. Steele, have been labouring there.

The following is a brief account of Bro. Kempton's labours for a portion of the time, June 3, 1863 :

"I have spent six months on this field, every alternate week of which has been spent in Sydney. During that week I have generally preached three times; twice on Sabbath and once on Tuesday; attended two Prayer meetings, one on Sabbath, and the Union Prayer meeting on Wednesdays.

I have also sought and found frequent opportunities for private conversation on the subject of religion, and a good many tracts have been distributed. The monthly Conference meetings have also been attended. The weeks spent at Mira were very laborious. Besides travelling upwards of 50 miles (to and from) I have generally preached five times during that week. A great deal of visiting from house to house was done. I made it a point in those visits to spend the principal part of the time in religious conversation, reading either the Scriptures or tracts, and in prayer. The monthly conferences of the Church have been well attended. We have also monthly Concerts, both for the Sabbath Schools and the Foreign Missions.

I cannot report great success in connection with either of the churches. In this place (Sydney) two have avowed their attachment to Christ. One of them was immersed by Bro. Geo. Richardson, a few weeks since, and the other expects to be on the coming Lord's Day, both had been convicted of sin and one had found peace in months gone by.

In the Mira district the Church is, I think, in a better state than when I came. There seems to be a deep interest in the things of religion. The services of the Lord's house are better attended to. One addition was made by immersion. The ordinance was administered by Rev. D. P. McQuillan, under whose labours the young person was led to seek Jesus nearly four years ago. Recently she was enabled to exercise a "lively hope" and then joyfully united with the Church.

The Sabbath School in that district is in a much better state now than ever before. The Concert is well attended and a nice library has been sent for.

The field has ample room for two labourers, one centred in Sydney and the other at Mira Gut or Cow Bay. Unless this can be effected the interests of the cause will suffer. It would be much better, I think, for the Board to render such churches a *continued* aid than to expend their funds in four or six weeks' missions. With a little yearly assistance the churches here could and would support two labourers.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Rev. Wm. Dobson spent 3 months in the service of the Board on the Island.

He writes to the Board, Jan. 2, 1863, "My health did not permit me to labour and travel so extensively as I would, but I humbly hope my efforts were not altogether in vain. I travelled over 300 miles, preaching occasionally and visiting destitute places, baptized 2, and others professed to have been converted, others awakened.

I hope the "good seed" will take deep root and bring forth fruit. 2 others requested baptism at Cavendish and were baptized by Bro. Ross, 2 at Threé Rivers by Bro. Shaw. Wherever I went the people received me gladly and there were visible manifestations of God. This mission was self sustaining."

**Condensed Account of Missionary work performed
during the Year.**

No. of Missionaries employed, of whom 8 were ordained Ministers	10
Weeks services.....	145½
Sermons reported.....	458
Prayer and Conference Meetings held.....	259
Family Visits.....	390
Baptisms.....	27
Miles travelled.....	2074
Tracts distributed.....	450

7 Sabbath Schools and 2 Bible Classes organized.
4 Lectures on Temperance delivered.

Gross Receipts and Expenditures.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasurer's hand June 1862.....	\$52 47½
Received during the year, by the Treasurer.....	777 78½
Collected by Missionaries.....	508 07
	<u>\$1338 33</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Collected and retained by Missionaries.....	\$490 74½
Travelling expenses do	17 32½
Disbursed by Treasurer for labour performed to May 31, 1863.....	187 84
Do for labour performed to May 31, 1863.....	166 25
" S. Selden, for printing Reports &c.....	32 50
Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	443 67
	<u>\$1338 33</u>

Present Liabilities of the Board say..... \$450 00

CONTRIBUTIONS.

KINGS COUNTY.

Collected by Rev. Jas. Palmer at
Sherbrooke.

Frederick Lantz.....	\$1 00
Benjamin Lantz.....	1 00
John Legg.....	0 40
Ann Bezanson.....	0 50
William Brown.....	1 50
Samuel Brown.....	1 50
James Lantz.....	0 50
Henry C. Barnaby.....	0 25
George Brown.....	1 00
Henry Brown.....	2 00
Moses Brown.....	0 50
Samuel Turner.....	0 40
Margaret Lantz.....	0 25
Peter Lantz.....	0 25
Joseph Lantz.....	0 25
George Brown.....	0 50
William Corcoran.....	1 00
Alex. Myser.....	0 50
David Brown.....	1 00
George Elliott.....	1 50
A Friend.....	1 50
A Friend.....	1 50

\$18 80

HANTS COUNTY.

Collected by Rev Jas. Palmer.
At Walton and Kempt Shore. 6 75

HALIFAX COUNTY.

Collected by Rev. Jacob Allan.

At Chebogue.....	0 47
" Oliver Settlement.....	1 00
" Hammond Plains.....	1 17 1/2
" Preston.....	0 73
Guysboro Road.....	1 10
Caledonia Road.....	1 73

\$6 20 1/2

Collected by Mr. Wm. Boggs at
Jeddore.

E. Hopkins and family....	2 50
B. Arnold.....	0 62 1/2
Wm. B. Arnold.....	0 25
Harris Arnold.....	0 62 1/2
C. Slade.....	0 12 1/2
Seth Arnold.....	0 50
M. Arnold.....	0 25
M. Stripes.....	0 50
W. Arnold.....	1 00
Mrs. W. Arnold.....	0 12 1/2
Mrs. Palmer.....	0 25
Luke Harpell, Jr.....	1 00
Stephen Harpell.....	0 50
Mrs. Harpell.....	0 37 1/2
Jeremiah Harpell.....	0 50
Mrs. G. Harpell.....	0 25
J. Maskill, Senr., and family	0 87 1/2
C. Bleakney, Senr.....	0 50
D. Bleakney and family..	0 62 1/2
Wm. Bleakney.....	0 37 1/2
George Faulkner.....	0 12 1/2
Sabbath Collections.....	4 75
John Jennex.....	0 50
P. Jennex.....	0 62 1/2
F. Baker and family.....	0 87 1/2
C. Bleakney, Jr.....	0 50
J. Maskill, Jr.....	1 50
S. Richardson.....	0 50
Geo. Baker.....	0 25
Peter Mitchell.....	0 50
Mrs. Weston.....	0 12 1/2
Wm. Hawkins, Senr.....	1 00
Wm. Hawkins, Jr.....	0 50
Isaac Hopkins.....	0 75
Samuel Hopkins.....	0 50
David Baker.....	1 00
Daniel Baker.....	0 25
Luke Bleakney.....	0 50
Elijah Moser.....	1 00
Mrs. Moser.....	0 25
John Baker.....	0 50
Mrs. Baker.....	0 50

Total.....\$28 75

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Collected by Rev. Alfred Chipman.

LITTLE RIVER.

Charlotte Weatherbe.....	0 50
Holland Rushton.....	0 75
E. Rushton.....	0 25
A. Rushton.....	0 25
Lucy Johnson.....	0 25
Thomas Seaman.....	0 25
Robt. Reid.....	0 50
Mark Patten.....	1 00
W. Brundige (in oats).....	0 70
Rufus Brundige (in buck- wheat).....	0 50
Angus Gillis (in oats).....	1 05
Mark Patten (in oats).....	1 05
Isaac Patten (in oats).....	0 70
Joseph Thompson (in oats).....	2 40
Geo. Thompson.....	4 00
Wm. Taylor.....	0 25
Nelson Rhodes.....	0 25
Ralph Thompson (in buck- wheat).....	0 50
T. Patten (in oats).....	0 70
Levi Johnson.....	4 00
Margaret Betts.....	0 25
Amelia Dobson.....	0 25
Mrs. W. Dobson (in socks).....	0 25
Rev. W. Dobson.....	1 00
Joseph Dennings (in oats).....	0 70
Mrs. Dennings.....	0 25
Mrs. Dennings (in socks).....	0 25
Nancy Johnson (in socks).....	0 25
S. Johnson (in socks).....	0 25
Thos. Johnson (in oats).....	2 10
Mrs. G. Thompson (in socks).....	0 25
Collections.....	3 00

GLENVILLE.

Mrs. Donkin.....	1 00
Henry Davidson.....	0 50
Weatherbe Johnson.....	2 00
R. Black.....	0 50
G. Black.....	0 50
Mrs. Donkin.....	0 50
A Presbyterian Friend.....	0 70
Collections.....	2 00

RIVER PHILIP.

J. Heuston.....	0 25
J. Dimock and others (in oats).....	2 10
Miss Perrigo.....	0 50
J. G. Dimock.....	1 40
Collections.....	1 60

AMHERST POINT.

Collection.....	2 50
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Total.....\$44 70

PICTOU COUNTY.

Collected by Rev. E. F. Foshay.

PICTOU.

Mrs. Little.....	0 87½
Mr. Little.....	1 00
J. P. McDonnell.....	1 25
A Friend.....	4 00
Mrs. West.....	0 50
A Friend.....	2 00
Mrs. Harris.....	0 50
R. J. Griffith.....	11 50
Collections.....	8 20

RIVER JOHN.

Collection.....	1 50
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MERRIGOMISH.

Collection.....	1 50
Mrs. Magee.....	0 25
Nicholas Turner.....	0 37
Widow Fullerton.....	1 00
A Friend.....	1 00
John Olding.....	2 00

Total.....\$37 44½

Collected by Rev. Alfred Chipman.

PICTOU.

Collections.....	11 37½
Mrs. McKinnon.....	4 50
" Renton.....	2 00
" J. Fullerton.....	2 00
" Harris.....	0 75
" Brown.....	0 90
R. Griffiths.....	4 00
J. McDonald.....	2 70
H. R. Narraway.....	3 00
Jas. Munro.....	3 00
Mrs. A. McQuarrie.....	0 50
Geo. J. Hamilton.....	2 00
D. Fullerton.....	1 50
C. McKenzie.....	4 00
Wm. Henderson.....	0 50

MERRIGOMISH.

Alex. Meldrum.....	0 50
J. Murray.....	1 50
J. Olding.....	2 12½
R. Lowden.....	2 00
Sister Magee.....	0 62½
" McMillan.....	0 50
" N. Turner.....	0 50
Mr. W. Turner.....	0 62½
" W. Cunningham.....	1 00
Collections.....	0 67

RIVER JOHN.

N. Sutherland.....	2 50
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Jacob Allart.....	1 00
Subscriptions and Collections.....	8 80
N. Sutherland.....	2 50
Rev. J. E. Balcom.....	4 00
Albert Walker, (Truro)....	0 75

Total.....\$70 32

GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.

Collected by Mr. Chas. Myers.

CROW HARBOUR.

John C. Ehler.....	1 50
Mrs. J. C. Ehler.....	0 50
C. L. Ehler.....	0 50
Esther A. Ehler.....	0 50
Christian A. Ehler.....	0 25
Mrs. Arthur Ehler.....	0 25
Reuben Ehler.....	0 12½
Mrs. Joseph Horton.....	0 25
Esther Horton.....	0 12½
Joseph Horton.....	0 25
James C. Horton.....	0 12½
Martha M. Pyles.....	0 25
Mrs. E. C. Horton.....	0 25
Emeline L. Horton.....	0 50
Mary M. Horton.....	0 25
Isaac Horton.....	0 50
Mrs. Isaac Horton.....	0 50
Sarah P. Horton.....	0 12½
Spurgeon Horton.....	0 12½
Mrs. Lavinia C. Horton....	0 50
Theodore Horton.....	0 25
Robt. H. Shields.....	0 50
John H. Shields.....	0 50
Miss Mary Shields.....	0 25
Mrs. John Ehler, 3rd.....	0 50
Catherine M. Ehler.....	0 25
Eliza L. Ehler.....	0 25
Martha L. Ehler.....	0 25
Henry Creamer.....	1 00
Mrs. Henry Creamer.....	0 25
John Hendsbee.....	0 50
Mrs. Abigail Hendsbee.....	0 25
Elias Hendsbee.....	0 25
Thomas Carter.....	1 00
Mrs. Thomas Carter.....	0 25
Geo. Grencom.....	0 50
Collections.....	0 50

NEW HARBOUR.

Wm. Luddington.....	0 75
Mrs. Marg. Luddington....	0 50
George Luddington.....	1 00
Joseph Songster, Senr....	0 50
Miss Alice Songster.....	0 25
Edwd. Ohara.....	0 50
Mrs. Edwd Ohara.....	0 25

Wm. Songster, Senr.....	0 50
Mrs. Wm. Songster, Senr..	0 25
A Friend.....	0 75
Little Margery.....	0 03
Mrs. Hannah Stropple....	0 25
Mrs. Mary Gilly.....	0 25
John P. Songster.....	0 50
Mrs. J. P. Songster.....	0 25
Mrs. Andrew Songster....	0 25
Miss Lucretia Songster....	0 25
Wm. Henderson.....	0 50
Samuel Hull.....	1 00
Mrs. Samuel Hull.....	0 25
Collection.....	0 30

GUYSBOROUGH.

Rev. A. F. Porter.....	2 00
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SAND POINT.

Robt. C. Grant.....	0 62½
Mrs. R. C. Grant.....	0 25
Levi Carter.....	0 50
Mrs. Levi Carter.....	0 25
Collection.....	0 43

SEAL HARBOUR.

John H. Manthorn.....	0 50
Elijah Manthorn.....	0 25
Mrs. Mant orn.....	0 12½
James Manthorn.....	0 37½
Mrs. J. Manthorn.....	0 25
John Fanning.....	0 50
Mrs. John Fanning.....	0 25
William Fanning.....	0 25
Miss Lucy Fanning.....	0 25
James Crooks.....	0 25
Mrs. Sophia Crooks.....	0 25
Charles Crooks.....	0 50
Little Mary Jane.....	0 05½
Little Truny.....	0 05
Wm. Lathern.....	0 60
Mrs Wm. Lathern.....	0 25
Wm. B. Sponagle.....	0 50
Mrs. W. B. Sponagle.....	0 50
Elijah Sponagle.....	0 25
Alex. Sponagle.....	1 00
Mrs. Alex. Sponagle.....	0 25
Ephraim Jarvis.....	0 50
Mrs. E. Jarvis.....	0 25
James Fanning.....	1 00
Mrs. Jas. Fanning.....	0 25

ISLAND HARBOUR.

John Barks.....	0 50
Mrs. John Barks.....	0 50
Elizabeth Barks.....	0 25
James Barks.....	0 50
Mrs. James Barks.....	0 25
Patrick Mason.....	0 50

John Hutson.....	0 25
Mrs. John Hutson.....	0 25
Henry Hutson.....	0 37½
Mrs. H. Hutson.....	0 25
Mary Jane Davidson.....	0 25
Mrs. Ellen Darby.....	0 12½

Total.....\$41 29

P. E. ISLAND.

Collected by Rev. Wm. Dobson.

LOT 49.

Collection.....	2 50
Mrs. James Woods.....	0 30
William Jones.....	4 80

CAVENDISH.

Jeremiah Simpson.....	1 55
John McNeill.....	2 00

BEDEQUE.

Caleb Schureman.....	5 00
Mrs. Wm. Crawford.....	1 00
Miss Maria Crawford.....	0 30
Artemas Hooper.....	0 70
Miss Anna Crawfo d.....	0 50
Frederick Mois.....	1 00

SOUTH SHORE.

Mrs. Jas. Ransy.....	2 50
Mrs. Wm. Baker.....	1 00

TRYON.

Joseph Roblee.....	3 00
Horatio Howatt.....	0 90

THREE RIVERS.

Collection.....	2 30
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Total, P. E. I. Currency. \$29 35
N. S. Currency. \$24 46

CONSTITUTION OF THE N. S. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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

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

III. Any person may become a member of this Society by contributing five shillings and upwards annually to its funds. Any person contributing five pounds at one time shall be a Life member. Any person contributing twenty pounds at one time, or whose contributions shall amount to that sum, shall be a Life Director. Every Association or Auxiliary, which contributes annually to this Society, shall be entitled to be represented by one Delegate for every five pounds so contributed; and every Baptist

Church contributing annually to the funds of the Society, shall also have the privilege of sending a Delegate. Should the funds so contributed exceed five pounds, such church shall be entitled to send one Delegate for every five pounds contributed,—*Provided*: That no Association, Auxiliary or Church, shall be entitled to send more than five Delegates at one time.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY
in account with D. McN. PARKER, Treasurer.

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1862.			
Aug. 18.	To cash paid Secretary, for Postage,	\$1 93	
23.	do. for Rev. John Davis,	27 33	
Sept. 4.	" " Rev. M. A. Bigelow,	68 00	
4.	" " Rev. A. F. Potter,	18 77	
Oct. 18.	" " Rev. E. F. Foshay,	18 38	
18.	" " Wm. Boggs,	5 75	
18.	" " C. F. Myers,	3 71	
Nov. 4.	" " Rev. Jacob Allen,	41 77½	
27.	" " Rev. Hugh Ross,	71 81	
1863.			
Jan. 17.	" " S. Selden printing Reports, &c.	32 50	
May 4.	" " Rev. A. Chipman,	69 50	
29.	" " Rev. Ronald McDonald,	27 14	
	Balance,	443 67	
			<u>\$830 26</u>

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1862.			
June 2.	By balance brought down from May 31,	\$52 47½	
	Rev. Dr. Cramp,	4 00	
	A Well-wisher, per Dr. Cramp,	5 00	
	Windsor Church,	27 00	
20.	bal. from late Treasurer, W. L. Evans,	88 47½	
July 7.	Central Association, for Gaelic Mission, ..	\$10 33	
3.	do. do. for Home Mission, ..	265 51—275 84	
3.	do. do.	4 00	
Aug. 15.	A friend, per Miss McLearn,	8 62½	
	Nictaux Church, for Gaelic Mission,	15 00	
	Members of Wilmot Church for Gaelic Mission, ..	258 71½	
7.	Eastern Association,	33 35½	
	Western Association, for Gaelic Mission, ..	\$1 00	
Oct. 9.	Warren Longley,	0 50—1 50	
	do. for Gaelic Mission,	1 25	
27.	David Lyons, Cornwallis,	4 00	
Decr 3.	Hon. J. McCully,		
1863.			
Jan. 17.	A friend in Liverpool,—to be expended within the limits of the Eastern Association,	20 00	
	Isaac Lloyd, Locke's Island	4 00	
	Henry Paint, for Rev. Ronald McDonald,	7 00	
Feb. 5.	Rev. I. J. Skinner,	4 00	
11.	Wm. Frizzle, Mabou,	2 00	
	Granville Street Church,	69 50	
24.	J. W. Barss,	20 00	
	North Baptist Sabbath School,	3 00	
May 29.	Onslow Church—Amanda Blair,	\$8 44	
	Isabella Smith,	1 00	
	A Friend,	0 56—10 00	
			<u>\$830 26</u>

Examined and found correct,

G. ROBINS, Auditor.