

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-FOURTH SESSION

OF THE

Eastern Baptist Association,

OF

NEW BRUNSWICK,

Held at Harvey, Albert Co., July 12, 13, and 14, 1881.

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Constitution and Rules of Order.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association shall consist of Delegates, representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those Churches, and shall be styled the "Eastern N. B. Baptist Association."

ARTICLE 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 union, the promotion of individual godliness, and the spiritual prosperity of the Churches; and, in the use of scriptural means, the enlargement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

ARTICLE 3.—The Association shall meet annually, at 2 o'clock, p. m., on the second Tuesday in July at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes, and in the denominational paper. 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.

ARTICLE 4.—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one Delegate or more; but no church, 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 list 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 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 doings of the Association during the session and furnish a correct copy for the press.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 7.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of their faith 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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 connection, who 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.

ARTICLE 10.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular session.

Rules of Order.

- 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 motion be written out and handed to the Clerk.
- 5 That motions which are lost be not recorded.
- 6 That invited members enjoy the privileges of delegates, except voting.
- 7 That these resolutions be read at each session.

MINUTES.

HARVEY A. Co., N. B. July 12th, 1881.

The Eastern Baptist Association, according to appointment, convened with the Harvey Church, this day at 2 p.m., in its 34th Anniversary.

In the absence of the Moderator of last year, the pastor of the church Rev. T. A. Blackadar, called the Association to order.

Quite an interesting season was spent in devotional exercises.

A list of Delegates for 1881 having been prepared. (See Appendix A.)

On motion, the Association proceeded to the election of officers for the current year, which election resulted in the appointment of

REV. G. E. GOOD, *Moderator*.

" A. CHIPMAN, *Clerk*.

" C. B. WELTON *Assistant Clerk*.

BRO. J. M. STEVENS, *Treasurer*.

" J. J. WALLACE, *Assistant Treasurer*.

These brethren having taken their places, the Moderator read the Rules of Order, and Rev. G. O. Gates offered prayer.

The committee on Arrangements, namely, Revs. T. A. Blackadar, G. O. Gates, J. H. Hughes, M. Gross, I. J., Skinner, E. C. Corey, Bro. G. R. White, was, on motion, appointed.

The committee on Nomination, namely, Bro. Isaiah Tingley, Revs. S. C. Moore, T. M. Munro, I. J. Skinner, I. W.

Carpenter, M. Gross, E. H. Howe, John Gammon was appointed.

On motion, Rev. Atwood Cohoon, Corresponding Sec. of the Home Mission Board, Revs. J. E. Hopper and W. P. Everett, Delegates from the Southern Association, and Rev. A. Estabrooks were cordially invited to sit with us.

Com. on *Home Missions* was completed by the following names: Revs. G. O. Gates, A. Chipman, A. Cohoon, Brn. J. J. Wallace, Nathaniel Peck.

Education.—Revs. G. E. Good, W. T. Corey, J. E. Hopper, John Gammon, Brn. Geo. Dickson, Titus Hicks.

Denominational Literature.—Revs. H. Foshay, E. H. Howe, J. H. Hughes, Brn. J. J. Wallace, C. E. Knapp, C. W. Richardson, J. E. Trites.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. J. H. Hughes, I. W. Carpenter, J. E. Fillmore, W. P. Everett, J. E. Hopper, Dea. Losa Wheaton.

Sunday Schools.—Revs. C. B. Welton, J. Gammon, I. J. Skinner, Rev. G. O. Gates, Dea. Peter Duffy, Brn. W. Beckwith, G. R. White, Theo. Constantine, Michael Kelly, Dea. J. E. Marshall.

Temperance.—Revs. T. A. Blackadar, E. H. Howe, Ezekiel Hopper, M. Gross, Dea. G. M. Peck, Brn. Michael Kelly, Ashael Wells, C. E. Knapp, W. H. Wortman, James Stewart, D. J. McMackin, Obed Tingley, Rufus Tingley, Isaac N. Dawson.

Com. on Arrangements reported in part ;

We recommend that this session adjourn at 5 p.m. : Meet at 7.30 ; Rev. A. Cohoon preach this evening ; that there be a prayer meeting each morning at 6 a.m. ; that the morning sessions commence at 9 a.m. ; that the Associational sermon be preached to-morrow morning, (Wednesday) at 10 o'clock and that the morning session between 9 and 10 o'clock be given to the reading of letters.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. C. Corey.

SECOND SESSION.

TUESDAY EVENING, July 12th.

Opened with singing, reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. I. J. Skinner, and prayer by Rev. W. P. Everett. Rev. A. Cohoon preached a highly interesting and profitable sermon from 1st Jno. 4 : 9.

Collection taken, \$7.15.

Business resumed.

Bro. T. M. Munro offered prayer. Rules of order read. Minutes of previous session read and approved.

Com. on Nomination reported:

Com. to examine and read letters.—Revs. G. O. Gates, I. J. Skinner, M. Gross, I. W. Carpenter.

Com. on Circular Letter.—Revs. T. M. Munro, E. C. Corey, E. H. Howe.

Com. to revise List of Ordained Ministers.—Revs. S. C. Moore, J. E. Hopper, J. Gammon.

Com. on New Churches.—Rev. J. E. Fillmore, Brn. H. Fillmore, J. J. Wallace.

Report adopted.

Com. on Arrangements further reported: That each morning session adjourn at 12 o'clock; that each afternoon session begin at 2.30, close at 5; and that each evening session begin at 7.30, and close at the pleasure of the Association; that Wednesday afternoon be devoted to the S. S. Convention according to the following programme:

I. Election of officers. II. Reports of S. Schools. III. Discussion. 1st, S. S. Helps, Rev. J. E. Hopper. 2nd, Should S. Schools be discontinued during the winter? Rev. G. E. Good. 3rd, Mission S. Schools and Home Mission Society, Rev. A. Cohoon. In the evening the following:

1st, The Sunday school—its mission, Rev. A. Chipman.
2nd, The Relationship of the church and Sunday School, Rev. W. P. Everett. 3rd, The Teacher and his Qualifications? Rev. I. J. Skinner. 4th, Who shall attend the Sunday School, G. R. White.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. Howe.

THIRD SESSION.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, July 13th.

Opened with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner. Rules of Order read, minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That Bro. J. J. Wallace be appointed to prepare the blank certificates for Delegates.

Reading of the Letters proceeded with.

Com. on Circular Letter reported, recommending that the Letter of the Association be adopted.

The hour for the Association Sermon having arrived, Rev. J. H. Hughes, the appointed preacher, discoursed very

interestingly on John 3: 3 or 5. Bro. Everett followed with remarks. Collection \$16.32.

The Circular Letter was read.

Resolved, That it be printed in the minutes.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. Foshay.

FOURTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, July 13th.

Opened with prayer by Rev. W. P. Everett.

Rules of order read, minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That one hour be now devoted to Home Missions.

Com. on Home Missions reported, (See App. B.) Report received and discussed by Bro. M. Kelly, Revs. A. Cohoon, W. P. Everett, Bro. C. E. Knapp, Revs. J. E. Hopper, G. O. Gates, A. Chipman, C. B. Welton.

Resolved, That this report for the present lie on the Table.

Adjourned to give place to the S. S. Convention.

FIFTH SESSION.

THURSDAY MORNING, July 14th.

Opened with prayer by Rev. T. M. Munro, rules of order read, minutes read and approved.

Com. of Arrangements further reported; that Thursday morning be occupied by reading the remaining letters, and presenting reports; that the afternoon be occupied by reports and general business.

A communication from the chairman of Com. of Convention respecting the printing of Minutes in the Year Book, having been read.

Resolved That it be laid on the table and be taken up in the routine business.

Rev. J. H. Hughes was on motion, added to committee to examine and read letters.

Reading of the letters resumed.

Com. on Denominational Literature reported, after an interesting discussion by Brn. Knapp, Gates, Hopper, Gammon and others, report adopted.

Bill of Indebtedness to Rev. J. E. Hopper (\$4.49) read, ordered to be paid out of the collections.

Com. on Education reported. Report somewhat inhar-

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moniously, but vigorously discussed by Brn. Gates, Hopper, Everett, Knapp, and afterward adopted. (See App. D.)
Com. on Nomination report; for 1882.

Com. on Home Missions.—Revs. G. E. Good, J. H. Hughes, E. H. Howe, Bro. A. Palmer.

Education.—Revs. I. J. Skinner, A. Chipman, Ezekiel Hopper, J. J. Wallace.

Denominational Literature.—Revs. C. B. Welton, J. Gammon, I. W. Carpenter, Bro. Wm. Wortman.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. T. M. Munro, T. A. Blackadar, J. E. Fillmore, Bro. A. P. Wilson.

Temperance.—Bro. C. E. Knapp, Revs. E. H. Howe, M. Gross, Bro. John Marshall.

Obituaries.—Revs. I. J. Skinner, J. H. Hughes, W. W. Corey, Bro. J. S. Trites.

Preacher of the Association Sermon, Rev. I. J. Skinner, Alternate Rev. E. C. Corey, Circular Letter to be written by Rev. T. M. Munro. Report amended and adopted.

In view of the fact of the annual meeting of the S. S. Convention with us:

Resolved, That the report of the S. S. Committee for this year be dispensed with, and its future appointment be omitted.

Rev. W. P. Everett was appointed Auditor of the Treasurer's account.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Gammon.

SIXTH SESSION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, July 14th.

Prayer by Rev. G. O. Gates. Rules of order read. Minutes approved.

Resolved, That the request of the New Canaan church to remain in the Association be cheerfully granted.

Com. on Temperance reported. Spoken to by Bro. Knapp, H. R. Emmerson, Esq., Rev. I. J. Skinner.

Report adopted. (See App. E.)

Report of Com. on Foreign Missions read and laid on the table for discussion. (See App. F.)

Treasurer's report audited and certified.

Resolved, That 800 copies of the minutes be printed, that the minutes of the S. S. Convention be incorporated in those of the Association, and that Bro. J. E. Hopper receive \$40 for publishing the same.

The following resolution was passed.

Whereas, In view of the delays that have attended the enforcement of the C. T. Act of 1878, there is in certain counties, likely to be a strong opposition to the Act at the next Session of the Dominion Parliament; and whereas such delays have been in part due to the administration of justice in this Province:

It is therefore *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Association in council that the said act should not be repealed, and that every effort should be put forth to induce all members of the Dominion Parliament to vote for the retention of the Canada Temperance Act of 1878.

Resolved, That in future each church receive Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed by it for that purpose, and no funds be taken for Minutes except those contributed for that purpose.

Resolved, That Bro. Hopper be a committee to distribute the Minutes.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association, the holding and propagating by members of this Body of such errors as the unconscious state of the soul after death, and the annihilation of the wicked after the resurrection, and kindred false notions, are entirely at variance with the plain teachings of the Word of God, and the Articles of this Association, and should be discountenanced by every well-wisher of the cause of God and Truth.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be hereby authorized to pay to the Sec. of the Convention Scheme for this Province, John March, St. John, the balance on hand after paying for Minutes and incidental expenses.

Resolved, That Bro. John Gammon and C. E. Knapp be a committee to arrange for the place of Association for next year, and report shortly. Committee reported, recommending that the next Association be held with the church in Havelock. Report adopted.

Resolved, That any of our members attending the Sister Associations be our delegates to the same.

Resolved, That Brn. J. J. Wallace, J. Ford, C. E. Knapp, J. C. Robinson, and Isaiah Tingley, be our delegates to the Convention to meet at Yarmouth.

On motion, letter from Bro. Woodlud, Sec. of Convention Com., was taken from Table, and the Association resolved, That, In view of the want of information in regard to the comparative cost of printing the Minutes of the Associations conjointly with the Year Book, we are compelled to decline any change at present in publishing Association Minutes.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner.

SEVENTH SESSION.

THURSDAY EVENING, July 14th.

Session opening with singing — Prayer by Rev. E. H. Howe.—*Resolved*, that Rev. G. O. Gates be committee

to arrange with the Railway Authorities for travel next year.

The committee appointed to revise the list of ordained ministers reported.

On motion, the reports on Home and Foreign Missions were taken from the table, read and spoken to by the following Brethren—Rev. A. Estabrooks,—returned missionary, from Burmah,—I. J. Skinner, W. P. Everett, E. H. Howe, John Gammon, Geo. Gates, and the Moderator. The addresses were interspersed with appropriate music from the choir.

Reports of Home and Foreign Mission adopted.
Collection amounted to \$13.

Vote of thanks—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the members of the Baptist Church and congregation in Harvey for their kindness and hospitality in caring for and entertaining the delegates and visitors in attendance. Also to the choir for their excellent music.

Adjourned after prayer and the benediction by the Moderator, to meet with the Church at Butternut Ridge, on the 2nd Tuesday in July, 1882.

G. E. Good, Moderator.

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THE NEW COMMANDMENT.

*The Circular Letter of the Eastern N. B. Association
to the members of the Churches of which it is composed:*

DEAR BRETHREN.—This subject is not chosen because the
writer of your annual letter thinks the members of the Bap-
tist Churches do not love each other, but for the reason he
would have them love each other more. "By this shall all
men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to
another."

When this "new commandment" fell from the lips of the
Master—who was himself the grandest expression of love—
he well knew there was a tender bond of union uniting his
immediate followers. The common hopes they were enter-
taining, the treatment they, as the disciples of the despised
Nazarene, were receiving at the hands of the great body of
the people, alike drew them toward each other. But were
they as mindful of each other's interests, of each others feel-
ings—as also failings—as they might have been? Were
they exhibiting that love for one another that as Christians
they should? Perhaps as much so as are many in our
churches to-day; but they were not so considerate, so mind-
ful the one of the other, as it is for those who are united in
the sacred bonds of church covenant to be.

They often showed by the way as they journeyed from
place to place with their Saviour, those little petty jealous-
ies that marks the absence of that spirit that in honor pre-
fers another. Now if this un-christ-like spirit is exhibited
in the very presence of the Master, at the time when his words
of wisdom are being spoken, and his love beaming eye rest-
ing upon them, where his near personal presence would
seem to be a sufficient reproof to the slightest appearance of
anything like envy or hatred; what may then be expected of
them where they will no longer see his face, listen to his words,
and be kept by the restraining influence of such a Teacher?
He was soon to go away from them. They would, after
his departure, be placed in circumstances of severest trial;
they will be the object of the world's hatred, for, said he
"if they have persecuted me they will also persecute you."
They are to show in their lives, in their outward daily life,
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and forbear with one another, to exhibit the New Testament religion in its fulness and beauty. How, unless they love as brethren, how endure the hardships theirs unless they can deeply sympathize with one another; how unless the spirit of love exhibited by the Master, who in love and humility dwells among them to serve, is theirs; how unless they truly and tenderly love each other?

The Saviour well knew the need each of his disciples had of the other's love, and also the need of this exhibition of his spirit in world on the part of his followers, in convincing men of the truthfulness of his religion.

No less to-day is there needed among Christians the loving obedience to this command, "Love one another."

Though in the world the Christian is not of the world. His profession separates him in a great measure from the many by whom, under most favored circumstances, he is surrounded. In his loyal allegiance to Jesus, in his adherence to the principles taught in Scripture, in his consistent walk, "worthily of the Lord," he will find himself from a mere worldly point of view in no enviable position. His course, if thoroughly consistent with his profession, will not be understood. He finds a gulf ever widening separating him from the worldly companions of days gone by.

No longer seeking his pleasures in the halls of gaiety, the ball room, the theatre, leaving these things behind, breaking away from such associates, and uniting with the people of God, it is needful, more, it is an imperative necessity for his comfort, stability, growth, that he find in the new society, in the church sympathy and love. It is necessary that he find a purer atmosphere than that he has left. It is necessary that he shall find in the lives of those among whom he casts his lot the highest exhibitions of that Saviour's spirit, at whose feet a willing captive he had fallen. How much it adds to the spiritual comfort of the new made members of the church to find themselves loved by those who have longest been followers of Jesus. How attractive it makes the new home, where there is found abiding in the heart of each, love. Love, mutual love; love that leads to acts of self-denial; love, the grand motive power of action; love for Christ's sake; love, Christ-like.

The absence of this grace has often in the past, made the church less attractive than other societies not making one half so grand a profession, has caused the finger of scorn to be pointed at the church of Jesus Christ and his professed followers. The heart of love has often been the cause of invidious comparison between the one Divine institution and those of only human origin.

Christians need the love of the brethren. None so strong, so brave, as to face the enemies of his soul alone. The strongest are made the stronger by the fact there clusters around them the love of the brethren. If this be so for the strong, if the dauntless ones whose lion-like hearts would lead them on, though none stood by them, what for the many trembling ones, the fearful ones, the weak ones? What will not this brotherly love do for the tempted and tried one? Many a one remembering the fact that he stands not alone, that he lives in the affections of his brethren, that while he loves them he is loved by them, even in his weakest moments can use the apostle Paul's language: "When I am weak then am I strong." The knowledge of this love is a shield to the tempted, an inspiration to the weak and discouraged. There is also in brotherly love a grand restraining power. Its golden chains are keeping many near the cross to day. Its heavenly influences are leading men upward. Its pure atmosphere makes the church more and more like Heaven. We shall not fully know here what the love of brethren has done for us; nor shall we know how much real injury has been done the cause of God in the failures to obey the command, "love one another."

Christians are to regard in the whole human family a universal brotherhood, and are to have love for the whole world. They are not supposed to ask who is my brother, for man needing human sympathy, needing as well an interest in the atoning blood, wherever found, under whatever conditions or circumstances, as also those with them united by a living faith to Christ are their brothers. As such they are to do for all, all the good they can. But there is a sense in which members of the "household of faith" are most intimately connected with each other; ties invisible and tender, even ties of the most sacred blood. A special relationship, indeed "ye are brethren." The word of God emphasizes the fact of this relationship and on this ground enjoins the performance of sacred duties. There are, and long will continue to be, worldly distinctions, such as those resulting from birth, the position given by wealth and education, but in the church these distinctions in a great measure are lost sight of, in the church all stand on an equality, "One in Christ." This oneness,—too often too sadly forgotten—the closeness of the relationship when we are "severally members one of another," demands and must have love one for the other. Love so unselfish that there is seen in ever present exhibition "in honor preferring one another."

Brethren for this Unity, this oneness among the members

of our churches, I would most earnestly plead. Not for a mere sentiment, not for the loud voiced professions of attachment, but the love itself one for the other in our hearts, finding expression in our lives. Love so pure, so glowing, so Christ-like, taking such complete possession of the whole nature, that there shall be no room for envy or hatred or any of that spirit of worldly policy acting, of that spirit which says and does not. Love is the very life and inspiration of New Testament Religion. This, the one grace of all others that is never to die, and the best exhibition of this that can be given to the world, ever carrying into conviction as to the reality of religion is that love, so true, so sincere that will compel the world to say of us, "See how those church members love each other."

This love for the Brethren is made by that disciple who in spirit was most like his Master, the test of true discipleship. "We know that we have passed out of death unto life, because we love the brethren."

This the best evidence many most godly men and women have of there being "new creatures" in Christ. This, the only experience some of us have to relate—we do not know when the great change took place; we do not remember anything remarkable in our conversion, this we do know, thank God for the knowledge, that "we love the brethren." We must keep in mind that he is not a Christian simply because he is known as a professor of religion, or because of membership in any church. Nor is one to think himself a Christian because he reads his Bible every day, and loves to go to meeting.

Only those are Christians who have been born again—among fruits of which birth are a Christ-like Spirit, and love for all and toward all who are Christ's. He is not necessarily the best Christian who is most eloquent, who is most fervent in prayer, who as an orator may surpass all his brethren; nor is he who is even allowed to be the most active and the strongest in faith; but he is the peer of all whose soul is fullest of love.

This grace Jesus would have us abound in, even exhibiting the same for one another. He would not have us limit ourselves by comparing our actions of love with those the best of men have performed for each other, but placing himself and his sacrifice before as the ideal, commands, "that ye love one another as I have loved you"—what a oneness indeed in our churches, should the command be heeded—a unity for which our Saviour so earnestly prayed in the garden. This command obeyed would prove to be the most eloquent

of all sermons, the most convincing of all arguments to the Divine reality of the religion of the Cross.

The love of the brethren—a true test of discipleship, is a result—the cause being the love of God shed abroad in the heart. This grace is a fruit of our regeneration, a grace susceptible of continual development. It grows with Christian growth. Its budding form is seen in the life of the young Christian, its maturity, its ripeness, in the mellowed age of the one long living near the Cross. It is a boon, a grace sought after, a prize worthy of the ambition of all, nothing can take its place. No grace so adorning, either old or young. No influence in the church so potent for the churches good, no attraction so inviting to those whose weary and sin sick souls long for that Jesus alone can impart. No light shining so brightly at home in the individual soul, and sending its cheering rays so far out into the dreary world as this grace of love for the brethren. No power that we can exert so constraining to the wanderer from home, so winning to the unconverted. If in the church there were more love there would not be so many wandering ones from the fold. If the churches were more home like, if there were not such seemingly impassable gulfs between the members, if the Dear Brethren would but throw wide open their heart's doors, if they would cultivate one another's acquaintance, and exhibit in many ways as their good natures prompt them, their kind regards for each other, less and less would be the number yearly reported as straying away from the fold, a loss to the church as also wronging their own souls. Who can picture the state of the church when the "new commandment" shall be lovingly obeyed. What a mellenium; what burdens lifted from toiling pastors; what strength imparted to the weakest; what joy and peace would dwell with the soul of each; what conversions, who can tell their numbers, for then as in the early days of Christianity there would be added to the church "day by day those that were being saved."

No institution should be as attractive as the church, none can be if we love as brethren. But if the grace is wanting, in vain the gilded spires, the sweetest of music, the most beautiful service, the most eloquent pulpit, in vain all. Would that there was more love in our churches, refining our natures, drawing us nearer each other, making us what we should be, our churches what they might be, homes of peace, union, love, ever more and more attractive centres of influence and power. Let me urge the obedience to this "new commandment," a loving and loyal obedience on the part of the members of the churches of this Association. We profess

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dear brethren, to make the Bible our guide. As a denomination in all our history we have professed allegiance to God's Word. You know that in our earnestly contending for the truth in our seeking to carry out the commands of our Master, we have been the especial object of the gaze of men, We have been censured, counted illiberal because we would not change any of the cherished precepts of Christ. On the other hand by those best able to judge our denomination has been admired for consistency. God has smiled upon us, the small one has become great and to-day the Baptists are a recognized moral power in the world. Ours an illustrious past. We have had our martyrs and saintly confessors. Our members have been distinguished for loyalty to the State and to God. In the past they contended for freedom to worship God, as dictated by their own consciences, they have rejoiced in seeing this boon granted to many from whom it was long denied. They have sought the diffusion of truth. To carry out the great commission, Baptists have made many and precious sacrifices. The gold and silver of many have been laid on the Altar of Consecration, and many in the past and many now at work have given themselves to the work of saving the heathen. At home and abroad the smile of God has ever rested upon our denomination. The cherished principles for which our fathers contended are our inheritance and by us are to be perpetuated. We are to be loyal to truth. Much is expected of us; seeking the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, our souls fired with a Heavenly zeal, let us prove our allegiance to truth. While we seek the diffusion of our principles, unitedly contending for the faith once delivered to the Saints; while we have for our sister denominations that love that envieth not, while recognizing them in their grand moral work, and while for them we cultivate Christian kindness, by no means let us forget one another. Drawn toward each other by the most tender of relationships, let us see to it that we love one another fervently. Brethren, we who are in some respects the leaders of the people should have nothing but words of love and sympathy for each other. Of each other's reputation we should be jealous, we should love one another. The fathers in the ministry should lay the loving hand on the heads of those who in after years shall take their places. The young men should cultivate the kindest feelings of love for those who have, amid many discouragements and sacrifices, helped make our denomination what it is.

Brethren of the Churches love one another. Let the world see what Christianity really is. "Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love." If there have

been hard feelings extorting, if in any case unkind and hence unchristian words have been spoken, even as Christ has forgiven you so forgive. See to it that in your respective churches there is union and love, then God, even our God, will bless us.

Blessed that man who with advancing years finds "his bosom glow with love," blessed indeed that ripening for glory, love, brotherly love; it is good to live on, it is good to die on. This of all graces brings one near and yet nearer Christ. This the secret of true success, this among the noblest and purest traits of Christian character. This will open to the redeemer, the shining gates, through which there shall be an abundant entrance into glory; this the grand introduction into the assembly of the first born; this like a crown shall rest upon the Christian's head, a king and priest unto God forever.



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APPENDIX.

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List of Delegates.

- Harvey*—Rev. T. A. Blackadar, Deacons Asahel Wells, Joshua Bishop, Ezra Bishop, Bre'n Geo. Coonan, Isaiah Tingley.
- Weldford*—Rev. J. H. Hughes.
- Little Roche*—Rev. S. C. Moore, Deacons William Barbour, Bre'n Samuel Copp, Geo. W. Fillmore, Michael Kelly.
- Blackville*—Rev. O. N. Keith.
- Alma*—Rev. I. J. Skinner, Deacon John Cleveland, Bro. D. Cleveland.
- Elgin, 1st*—Rev. E. C. Corey, Bre'n T. R. Constantine, LeBaron Goddard, W. P. Robinson.
- Salisbury, 2nd*—Rev. E. C. Corey, Bro. Geo. White, (Lic.)
- Germantown*—Rev. J. E. Fillmore, Bre'n John Fullerton, R. W. Stevens, Amos A. Tingley, John Edgett.
- Shediac*—Rev. T. M. Munró, Bro. Henry Fillmore.
- Hillsborough, 3rd*—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Bre'n Hugh Steeves, Isaac Milton, Henry Steeves, W. H. Murray, T. McLaughlan.
- Pollet River*—Rev. W. W. Corey, Bre'n J. C. Martin, James L. Gildard.
- North River*—Rev. E. C. Corey, Bre'n Geo. Ayer, Whitfield Jonah, Charles E. Gammon.
- Butternut Ridge*—Rev. John Gammon, Bre'n John F. Alward, Wm. Beckwith.
- Sackville, 1st*—Rev. D. McKeen, Bre'n Geo. Dixon, Edward Barnes.
- Caledonia*—Rev. T. A. Blackadar, Deacons James Read, John Tromer, Bre'n James Stewart, Alfred Read.
- Lumsden*—Rev. Milledge Lewis, Deacon Beverly W. Fillmore.
- Coverdale, 3rd*—Rev. Michael Gross.
- Valley, (Hillsborough)*—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Michael Gross, Bre'n John Marshall, John Cameron.
- Hillsborough, 4th*—Bre'n John Stuart, A. D. Jonah, Moses Osburn.
- Hopewell*—Rev. A. Chipman, Deacons G. M. Peck, Joseph Calhoun, Bre'n John Peck, Geo. Milburn, Rufus Tingley.
- Hillsborough, 1st*—Elder C. B. Welton, Deacons J. L. B. Steeves

- Levi T. Steeves, P. Duffy, Bre'n J. T. Steeves, Mariner T. Steeves.
Sackville, 2nd—Rev. G. E. Good, Deacons Wm. Ayer, Losa
 Wheaton, C. W. Richardson.
- Moncton*—Rev. G. O. Gates, Bre'n W. H. Wortman, J. J. Wall-
 ace, D. J. McMackin, H. H. Ayer.
- Point DeBute*—Bre'n Obed Tingley, Wm. Tingley.
- Moncton, 2nd*—Rev. E. H. Howe, Bro. Hazen Trites.
- Buctouche*—Rev. E. H. Howe, Bro. C. P. Ward.
- St. Mary's*—Rev. E. H. Howe, Deacon Ira Hicks.
- Cocaigne*—Rev. E. H. Howe, Bro. Nathaniel Crawford.
- Forest Glen*—Rev. W. W. Corey, Bre'n Joshua Jonah, R. R. Col-
 pits, John Colpitts.
- Dorchester*—Rev. T. M. Munro, Deacon Alphius Palmer, Bro.
 Charles E. Knapp.
- Albert*—No Delegates.
- Salisbury, 1st*—Rev. S. C. Moore, Bro. Amos P. Wilson.
- Hillsborough, 2nd*—Rev. E. Hopper, Bre'n Joshua Jonah, Enoch
 Dawson, J. P. Dawson.
- Elgin, 3rd*—Rev. J. C. Steadman, Bre'n Peter Collicutt, R. A.
 Smith, L. N. Colpitts.
- New Horton*—Deacons Rufus Reed, Wm. Bray, Miner Reed, Bro.
 J. W. Reed.
- Salisbury 3rd*—Rev. W. T. Corey, Bro. R. F. Keith, Esq.
- New Canaan*—No Delegates. (Request of this church to join
 the Western Association granted.)

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Report on Home Missions.

Your Committee regard the present as a period of great moment in the history of our Home Missionary Enterprise.

There is needed at the present the earnest prayer and the united co-operation of the whole membership of our churches. In this Province in particular there is a great field as also a great need of Missionary work. In the past when the Fathers, the pioneers lived and labored, under their leadership scores of churches were founded. Many of them are very weak, so much so that unless aided by the stronger churches, they will lose their identity. In addition to these churches are outlying sections of the country where are to be found Baptists, but without preaching. These should be cared for. We rejoice that under the wise management of the Home Missionary Board many of these fields have been occupied. During the past year the H. M. Board has made grants to nearly 50 fields, 18 of these in this Province. The estimated expenditure of the year is nearly \$5000, upwards of \$1500 of this amount will be expended in New Brunswick.

The blessing of God has rested upon the efforts put forth. During the year three new churches have been organized and quite a large number of Baptisms reported.

We are sorry to learn that the funds for the prosecuting of this work have come in so slowly and have to report that unless our

churches come up more unitedly to the aid, the year will close with a heavy debt resting upon the Board. Brethren if this is so, it will mean the withdrawal of grants for the next year—the abandoning of a work that will tell injuriously on us as a body.

Your Committee would most urgently press upon the attention of the churches of this association the necessity of urgently and consecratedly coming to the aid of the Home Missionary Board, so that instead of withdrawing from fields now occupied, there may be the branching out in new directions. To this end we hope the pastors and delegates will go home to urge upon the churches the Convention Scheme. This scheme claims one dollar from each member of the churches, 40 per cent. of which is devoted to Home Mission work, and which was adopted by our body in good faith some two years since. All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEO. O. GATES,
Chairman.

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Report on Denominational Literature.

Your Committee cannot in the time at their disposal do this subject the justice it deserves.

We fear that as Baptists and especially as Christians we are not sufficiently careful about the literature we place, or allow to be placed, in the hands of our children. We should always remember that if good we plant not, vice will fill the place, and in this day when the world is flooded with literature, we cannot discriminate too nicely when selecting books.

In this report we can only refer to tracts, Sunday-school books and denominational papers.

Tracts cost but little and offer a ready means of attracting attention to our principles and the truths of Christianity. Many will read a tract who could not be induced to peruse more lengthy productions, and some means should be devised to circulate them more extensively in this Province.

The task of selecting the books which we place in the hands of our Sunday-school teachers and scholars, should not be left to those not well acquainted with our principles as Baptists. We concerning the important truths we hold in erroneous ideas literature. We are told that there are as many as forty publishers of Sunday-school books, &c., in the United States, and that many of the books published are mere trash, having nothing to recommend them but their cheapness. In this as in other cases cheapness is too often the evidence of worthlessness.

It is presumed that all read newspapers, and that each Baptist family takes one or more. The denominational paper has to compete with the secular paper, and as many of the latter are subsidized by political parties and as all can admit, advertisements not fit for a Christian sheet we cannot expect the latter at as low a price as the other. The price of the denominational paper can, however, be materially reduced by increasing its circulation. If the religious paper has not the full support of the denomination it represents, it must, to keep within its finances, be comparatively

small and devote much of its space to advertisements. These last pay well, for it is too true that men will pay more to advertise their wares and merchandise than to circulate the truths of Christianity.

In New Brunswick we have as our organ *The Christian Visitor*. It has kept on its way for many years and been loyal to our principles. Does it find a place in all our homes, or is it supplanted by some trashy fifty cent purveyor of romance from across the line, or the political weekly? If it does not have our united support it cannot, even under the most able management meet the requirements of the times, and come up to the proper standard in size and matter.

As Christians we ought to know what is transpiring in the world, and more especially as it relates to the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. This information comes to us through the press, and is it not better to receive it from a paper under the control of a Christian minister of our own denomination who, by proper comments will be careful to see that we are not misled, than from other papers. We know some of the difficulties the editor and proprietor of the *Visitor* has to contend with. He cannot place himself in the hands of a political party and receive its pecuniary support. He cannot admit to his paper many advertisements that would pay well, because they are not strictly moral. He cannot expect much support outside of our denomination in New Brunswick, and he must within it, to some extent, compete with Baptist papers from the U. S. and elsewhere.

We expect our paper to meet all assaults hostile to our belief, and to watch carefully that nothing passes unchallenged detrimental to our interests.

As the mouth piece of this Association we ask all Baptists within its limits to rally to the support of our recognized organ, and hold up the hands of Brother Hopper and thus enable him to make it all we desire. This can be done by its introduction into each Baptist family in N. B.

In closing we also recommend the Sabbath-school literature published by Brother Hopper to the consideration of parents and Sunday-school organizations. In providing this he has to compete with houses that publish similar literature in the U. S., and his enterprise has no protection but our support. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. E. KNAPP,

Chairman.

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Report on Education.

The system of Free Common Schools supported by the Province is meeting with increasing favor, and extending the blessings of Education. These schools have increased the demand for Higher Education, and whilst we are not prepared to sanction the imposition of additional burdens upon our taxpayers to provide it, we have been in the past and are now willing to provide for the instruction of the youth of our land in Academic and Collegiate studies in the institutions founded by our Fathers and sustained by our benevolence.

Baptists have a thoroughly equipped Male Academy and Female Seminary at Wolfville. They offer unsurpassed advantages to the youth of these Maritime Provinces, and we commend them anew as worthy of the fullest confidence and patronage.

Acadia College is still the peer of the best College in the land, and the Board of Governors, by constant additions to its staff of instructors and by securing the best appliances for their successful work, intend that its status shall not only be fully maintained, but raised as necessity demands it. We desire to express our hearty approval of the policy of the Board of Governors in deciding to reject all overtures in the line of consolidation with other colleges in State affiliation and support. Baptists will best promote their own and the interests of the whole country by adhering to their past clearly defined policy as to Higher Education.

We are pleased to learn that the desire for the re-opening of the Baptist Seminary in this Province is becoming stronger, and trust that in the near future the funds held by the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society will be used with others donated for the purpose, to provide an Academic Institution in this Province affiliated with Acadia College.

We regret to learn that little progress is being made to wipe off the large debt on our Institutions and trust that soon effort will be made to relieve them of this clog on their full efficiency.

In the meantime we learn that an effort is being made to raise \$20,000 endowment for a Theological Department. In view of pressing claims upon us to sustain efficiently what we already possess in Academies and College. We would urge the Board of Governors to consider well whether it would not be wiser to raise the amount named for the general College Endowment, and maintain as in the past a partial course of Theological Instruction.

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Report on Foreign Missions.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions are pleased to learn that the Divine blessing rests upon the work of our Society. During the year Bro. Sanford has done considerable touring. Bro. Churchill is still engaged in building, but his work is nearing completion. Sister Hammond is holding on bravely at Chicacole, and is doing good work in the Christian organization of the Schools under her care.

We are further glad to learn that the Board has appointed Bro. Hutchinson to go at an early date and relieve Miss Hammond of the burden of the Chicacole Mission. We wish that funds were coming in sufficient amount to send another family for the relief of any of our present staff of missionaries in case of failure of health.

Your Committee believe that the action of the Board in accepting the resignation of Bro. Armstrong was the only course left open to them, and rejoice that so soon they were able to secure so worthy a successor as our young missionary elect.

To give the gospel to the all world is the great work of the church and to the accomplishment of this end we earnestly urge all our churches to gird themselves.

J. H. HUGHES.

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Report on Temperance.

It seems to your committee very just and proper for us as a body to keep this subject before us by the presentation of a report from year to year. Yet this does not go far enough. Total abstinence is of such prime importance that writing and talking is not sufficient, for this is often very cheap; but it should be practiced by each and every member of every Baptist Church; upheld and enforced in our churches, in our homes and in our land; and that each member should use all the influence and strength they may possess against not only the use, but also the sale of all intoxicants. These intoxicants must be regarded as the greatest mischief to our race, and the use and abuse of them resulting in the greatest evils to humanity.

Your Committee also believe, that it is the duty of this body to stand united in this matter, availing ourselves of every advantage given us, by the powers that be, to rid our land of the fearful blight of intemperance. In fact every opportunity ought to be urged upon, and if the law is not all that we could desire, do the very best we can with what we have, and ask for a better law, a law which will not license men to engage in this wretched traffic, sending ruin and desolation to so many hearts and homes, a law that will neither allow our country to import or distil the accursed stuff, — a prohibitory law. All of which is respectfully submitted.



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Treasurer's Report.

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Albert, (Harewood),							25	1 00
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Caledonia,			15 00				50	15 50
Point DeBate,							1 00	1 50
Moncton, 1st,							3 10	3 00
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New Horton,				12 80			50	15 85
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Pollet River,				10 50			1 00	11 25
Forest Glen,							75	50
Valley,							50	75
Coverdale, 3rd,	9 00						80	9 50
Shediac,	1 50						50	2 00
Moncton, 2nd,							50	00
Buctouche,							1 05	1 50
Cocaigne,							75	05
St. Mary's,							20	75
Sackville, 2nd,							60	20
North River,				75			1 00	1 60
Hillsboro' 1st,				6 58			40	6 75
Harvey, 1st,							2 00	2 98
John Wilbur,	1 00	1 00						2 00
Butternut Ridge,			5 00					5 00
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Total,	\$1.40	\$34.23	\$145.78	\$127.14	70	70	\$44.49	\$354.44
							Less paid out	44.49
								<u>\$309.95</u>

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the N. B. Eastern Baptist Association, and find the entries, and computations, and vouchers all correct and the total amount received to be Three Hundred and Fifty-four dollars and Forty-four cents.

W. P. EVERETT,
Auditor of Accounts.

STATISTICS OF CHURCHES.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Date of Organization.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Date of Settlement.	CLERKS.		INCREASE.				Last Report.	Now Reported.	
				NAME.	P. O. ADDRESS.	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.			Included.
Albert,	1871	G. T. Shaw,	1871	J. C. Rider,	Harewood, Salisbury, W. C.	4					32	36
Alma, 1st,	1859	L. J. Skinner,	1880	David Cleveland,	Alma, A. Co.,	2	2			1	63	66
Blackville,		O. N. Keith,	1881	Lewis W. Dunphy,	Blackville,	24					21	21
Buctouche,	1838	E. H. Howe,	1879	Charles P. Ward,	Buctouche,	1					1	23
Butternut Ridge,	1836	John Gammon,	1881	Isaac N. Alward,	Butternut Ridge, K. Co.,	19					82	85
Caledonia,	1824	T. A. Blackadar,	1879	James Stewart,	Caledonia,	4					2	8
Cocaigue,	1862	E. H. Howe,	1879	S. A. Weed,	Cocaigue, K. Co.,							
Coverdale, 1st,												
" 2nd,												
" 3rd,												
Dorchester,	1838	Michael Gross,	1880	Wm. Leeman,	Little River, Coverdale,	1					134	128
Dundas,	1845	T. M. Munro,	1881	A. T. Hicks,	Rockland Station,	1					115	114
Elgin, 1st,	1860	E. H. Howe,	1879	Elijah G. Vincent,	St. Mary's, Dundas,	2					79	70
" 2nd,	1855	E. C. Corey,	1873	James Hovanin,	Elgin, Albert Co.,						254	243
Forest Glen,	1835	J. C. Steadman,	1873	John C. Galdert,								
Germanstown,	1876	W. W. Corey,	1880	R. B. Smith,	Forest Glen, A. Co.,	5					51	219
Harvey, 1st,	1866	J. E. Fillmore,	1880	R. Wilbur,	Hopewell Corner,	2					39	29
" 2nd,	1841	T. A. Blackadar,	1870	Judson Bishop,	Harvey, A. Co.,						1	170
Hillsboro', 1st,	1822	C. B. Welton,	1879	E. Corp,	Little Kocher,						1	167
" 2nd,	1852	E. Hopper,	1878	E. Steeves,	Hillsboro', A. Co.,	3					14	368
" 3rd,	1855	J. H. Hughes,	1881	Isaiiah Jonah,	Dawson Settlement,	2					1	373
" 4th,	1857	E. Hopper,	1881	Patrick Sinclair,	Demolsele Creek,	1					4	92
Hopewell,	1818	A. Chipman,	1878	John Stewart,	Rose Vale, A. Co.,	2	1				117	111
Lunston,	1839	M. J. Lewis,	1880	J. B. Calhoun,	Hopewell, A. Co.,	2					1	106
" 1st,	1829	O. G. Gates,	1839	F. Canore,	Hopewell Corner,	10	18				10	111
" 2nd,	1830	E. H. Howe,	1839	H. F. Chadall,	Kocher, A. Co.,	3	4				32	37
" 3rd,	1830	E. H. Howe,	1879	D. P. Slices,	Stille's Village,	9	1				7	144

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

NAME.	Present Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
George Beckwith,	Havelock,	Dec. 1874,	Edin.
T. A. Blackadar,	Harvey,	Sept. 1865,	Millville.
Alfred Chipman,	Hopewell,	Nov. 1862,	River Phillip,
W. T. Corey,	Havelock,	1860,	Grand Lake,
W. W. Corey,	Salisbury,	Jan. 1863,	Keswick,
E. C. Corey,	Petitcodiac,	Oct. 1867,	Canterbury,
D. D. Carpenter,	Point Midgie,	July, 1868,	Boyside,
D. W. Carpenter,	New Horton,	Feb. 1871,	Pollet River,
I. W. Fillmore,	Turtle Creek,	Feb. 1876,	Large Mountain,
John Gammon,	Havelock,	1873,	Liverpool, N. S.
Geo. O. Gates,	Moncton,	Oct. 1860,	Pollet River,
James Golding,	Coverdale,	Nov. 1878,	Sackville,
G. E. Good,	Sackville,	1880,	Little River,
M. Gross,	Hillsboro',	1849,	Havelock,
James Heritt,	Havelock,	Feb. 1876,	Johnston,
O. Keith,	Springhill,	Sept. 1872,	Stuholm,
E. Hopper,	Dawson Set.,	Feb. 1875,	Pollet River,
J. H. Hughes,	Havelock,	Jan. 1854,	Hillsboro',
M. Lewis,	Lumsden,	June, 1873,	Albert,
T. M. Munro,	Shediac,	1869,	Hammond Vale,
S. C. Moore,	Salisbury,	1858,	Alma,
I. J. Skinner,	Alma,	1871,	Alma,
S. Smith,	Mapleton,	1863,	Kentville, N. S.
J. C. Steadman,	Elgin,	1876,	Caladonia,
C. B. Welton,	Hillsboro',	April 1858,	
D. Bleakney,	Kinnear,	Nov.	

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OF
THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION,

Held in connection with the Eastern N. B. Baptist
Association, at Harvey, July 13, 1881.

Sunday-school Convention convened at 4 o'clock, p.m.,
on Wednesday. The President and Vice President being
absent, Rev. I. J. Skinner was chosen chairman.

On motion :

Resolved, That the delegates from the churches composing the
Eastern N. B. Association be the delegates to this Convention for
this year.

On motion the following officers were elected for the en-
suing year :

REV. G. O. GATES, President.
G. M. PECK, Vice President.
J. J. WALLACE, Sec'y-Treas.

Letters and Statistics were read from part of the schools,
only eleven schools having sent letters. Letters read from
the following schools :

Alma, 1st, Butternut Ridge, Buctouche, Elgin, 1st, Har-
vey, 1st, Lumsden, Moncton, 1st, Moncton, 2nd, Hopewell,
Salisbury, 1st, Sackville, 2nd.

The following Topics were ably discussed :

"Should Sabbath-Schools be discontinued in Winter," by
Rev. G. E. Good.

"Sunday-school Helps," by Rev. J. E. Hopper.

Adjourned at 5.15, p.m.

Opened at 7.30, p.m.

Prayer, by Rev. G. E. Good.

"The Mission of Sunday-schools," by Rev. A. Chipman.

"Mission Sunday-schools and Home Missions," by Rev.
A. Cohoon.

"The Relationship of the Sunday-school to the Church,"
by W. P. Everett.

"The Teacher and His Qualifications," by I. J. Skinner.

"Who shall Attend the Sunday-school," by G. R. White.

Short addresses by several Delegates.
Collection \$4.70.

On motion, adjourned to meet with the Association next
year.