

MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTEENTH SESSION
OF THE
BAPTIST CONVENTION
OF
NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, AND
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Held at Moncton, N. B.,

SATURDAY, MONDAY & TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 25 & 26, 1862.

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MINUTES.

MONCTON, N. B., August 23rd, 1862.

The Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, assembled this day at two o'clock, P. M. Chair taken by Rev. S. Robinson. Prayer by Rev. C. Tupper D. D.

The following is a list of Delegates and Members present :

NEW BRUNSWICK CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

Brussels St., St. John.—Rev. S. Robinson, Brethren Z. Gabel, T. H. Hall, T. Hicks, Chas. H. Estabrooks, Jonathan Titus.—
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S. Alward, Jas. Read, Jr.

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Sackville.—Rev. Thos. Todd.

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Chester.—Rev. I. J. Skinner.

Great Village, Londonderry.—Rev. J. Balcom.

Amherst.—Rev. G. F. Miles, Brethren W. F. Cutten, J. A. Black.

Bridgetown.—Rev. Geo. Armstrong, Dea. W. H. Chipman.

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Milton.—Rev. R. D. Porter.

Fifth Cornwallis.—Bro. Walter Witt, L. C. Woodworth, J. C. Shaffner.

Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmot.—Bro. E. J. Stronach, (Lic.)

Lower Stewiacke.—Rev. T. H. Porter, Junr.

Pine Grove.—Rev. W. H. Porter.

Baptist Education Society.—Rev. A. S. Hunt.

Ministerial Education Board.—Rev. A. H. Munro.

Acadia College.—Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D.

MEMBERS IN THEIR OWN RIGHT.—Revds. J. Pryor, D. D., E. M. Saunders, E. F. Foshay, J. A. Moore, S. W. DeBlois, E. O. Read, Jas. Spencer, D. McKeen, Brethren Geo. Dodge, C. E. Atkinson, Rev. J. L. Read, Hon. J. W. Johnson, Hon. J. McCully, Rev. D. M. Welton.

DELEGATES FROM ASSOCIATIONS.

Western Association.—Revs. Isaiah Wallace, W. G. Parker, Dr. Tupper.

Central Association.—S. Selden, Dea. A. Parker.

Eastern Association.—A. S. Blenkhorn.

DELEGATE FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Charlottetown,
North River,
St. Peter's Road. } Rev. J. Davis.

A Committee of Nomination, consisting of the following brethren, was then appointed. Revds. Geo. Armstrong, E. C. Cady, Jas. Herrit, E. F. Foshay, A. D. Thompson, S. W. DeBlois.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENT:—

Revds. E. N. Harris, D. Crandal, J. Newcomb, G. F. Miles and Bro. Lovel Lewis.

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Revds. J. M. Cramp, D. D., I. E. Bill, J. Davis, A. S. Hunt, J. Pryor, D. D., Brethren S. Seden, A. Parker, W. Eaton, W. Chipman, M. Beckwith, E. H. Duval, S. Alward, D. Lyons, L. C. Woodworth.

ON OBITUARIES:—

Revds. J. A. Smith, E. M. Saunders, J. E. Balcom, A. H. Munro, L. H. Marshal, A. B. McDonald, J. Rowe, J. Spencer, A. S. Hunt, W. H. Porter, W. G. Parker, C. Spurden, D. D., J. C. Hurd, J. A. Moore, W. A. Corey, J. Bleakney, E. O. Read, Brethren W. Witt, B. Eaton, W. Snow, T. H. Hall, E. Hopper, Abner Jones.

The Committee on Nomination of Officers presented their Report, which was adopted. See third page.

The Committee of Arrangements presented the following report, which was adopted.—That Sabbath Services be held in Salem Chapel at 10½ A. M., 3 o'clock, P. M., and at 6½ in the evening. Sermons by Rev. Drs. Pryor, Spurden, and Tupper.

At the Methodist Chapel, morning and evening, Sermons by Revds. John Davis and Abraham S. Hunt, A. M.

At Aeon Chapel, Morning and Evening by Brethren Cady and Hurd.

At Shediae by Revds. E. M. Saunders and Balcom.

At the Mountain Chapel, by Revds. Irving and Blakeney.

That the Introductory Sermon be preached by Dr. Cramp, and that there be meetings for prayer every morning during the Session at 6½ o'clock.

Also, that at the close of the sermon on Monday, the subject of Education be discussed, and that the evening be devoted to Foreign Missions.

E. N. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

On the Sabbath, meetings were held as above arranged.

Letters from the Amherst and Fifth Cornwallis Churches were read, requesting the next Meeting of the Convention to be held with them.

Resolved. That this Body hold its next Session with the Amherst Church. That the Rev. E. B. DeMill preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. C. Spurden be his alternate.

Resolved. That the following brethren constitute a Committee to make arrangements for conveying Delegates and others to and

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from the Convention next year. Said arrangements to be published, at least, one month previous to the time of meeting, viz:—Revds. S. Robinson, St. John; J. Davis, P. E. I.; Brother S. Selden, Halifax; John McKenzie, Moncton, and W. F. Cutten, Amherst, N. S.

A request being presented from the Moncton Total Abstinence Society, asking the attendance of members of this body at their regular Monthly Meeting on Tuesday Evening next.—Voted that said request be complied with and that Brethren G. F. Miles and E. N. Harris be a Committee to attend to the matter.

On motion, adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. J. Herriot.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION, August 25th.

The Convention Sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., from Romans xiii. 11.

After prayer, by Rev. J. Spencer, the Convention resumed business.

The Annual Report of the Board of Governors was read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Dr. Cramp which was accompanied by an interesting communication from J. W. Barss Esq., Treasurer.

Resolved, That these documents be received and laid on the Table for further consideration. Remarks by W. F. Cutten.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address of Condolence to our Gracious Queen, and that the following brethren be that Committee:—Revds. Dr. Cramp, Dr. Tupper, Dr. Spurden, J. Davis and I. E. Bill.

On motion, adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. J. Rowe.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 O'CLOCK, (private.)

In the Old Chapel.

Hon. J. W. Johnson in the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. S. Robinson.

Resolved, That the Report of the Board of Governors be adopted.

Acadia College.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The Anniversary was held in the Baptist Meeting House, Wolfville, on Friday, June 6th, 1862, in the following order:

Prayer by Rev. Thomas Angwin.

Music.

ORATIONS BY UNDER-GRADUATES.

Revelation and Science,—Samuel B. Kempton, Milton, Queen's Co.

The Mission of Art,—Augustus Freeman, Harmony, Queen's Co.

Music.

The Æsthetic in Nature,—J. Melbourne Parker, Nietaux.

Patriotism,—Amasa Fisk, Wolfville.

The Divine in History,—E. I. Stronach, Wilmot.

Music.

Beneficence of Literature,—Charles E. Harris, Cornwallis.

Strength in action,—James N. Fitch, Wolfville.

The Anglo-Saxon Race,—J. E. P. Hopper, Salisbury, N. B.

Music.

Antagonism,—Joseph F. Kempton, Kempt, Queen's Co.

Platonism and Christianity,—M. P. Freeman, Harmony, Queen's Co.

Music.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

Music, - - - - - *The National Anthem.*

Benediction by Rev. John Storrs, A. B.

Messrs. S. Bradford Kempton, Maynard P. Freeman, Joseph F. Kempton, John E. P. Hopper, Augustus Freeman, J. Melbourne Parker, Amasa Fisk, Enoch J. Stronach, Charles E. Harris and James N. Fitch having fulfilled the prescribed term of study and passed the usual Examination, were respectively admitted to the degree of Bachelor in Arts.

J. Leander Bishop, M. D., Rev. David Freeman, A. B., Harris O. McLatchy, M. D., Rev. Obed Chute, Brenton Eaton, A. B., Andrew D. Barss, A. B., Dugald Thomson, A. B., were respectively admitted to the degree of Master in Arts—in course.

The Honary degree of Master in Arts was bestowed on—D. McNeil Parker, M. D., Charles Tupper, M. D., both of Halifax, and Simon Fitch, M. D., of Portland, Me.

The Honorary degree of Doctor in Divinity was conferred on the Rev. Charles DeWolf, A. M., of Sackville, N. B.

At the Meeting of your Board in August last, the following brethren were appointed an examining Committee,—Rev. G.

Armstrong, A. M., Rev. S. W. deBlois, A. M., Rev. David Freeman, A. M., Rev. A. S. Hunt, A. M., Rev. Charles Tupper, D. D., and Rev. D. M. Welton, A. M.

In accordance with the above appointment, the Committee present the following report:

Your Committee regret that the pressure of other duties prevented them from giving that attention to the work which it required. The quarterly examinations were attended, however, by one or more of your Committee, and it gives them pleasure to bear their united testimony to the impartiality and thoroughness with which the recitations were conducted.

The result of the examinations indicate on the part of the Professors a conscientious discharge of their duties combined with an earnest purpose to awaken literary enthusiasm, and on the part of the students generally an intelligent appreciation of their efforts.

The studies of the College were arranged during the past year as nearly as possible in agreement with the new Curriculum which will henceforth be strictly observed.

The Rhetorical Department together with Intellectual Philosophy formed a somewhat burdensome addition to Professor deMill's duties, one hundred and four Essays were written by the students under his direction.

It has not been usual to require Essays from the Freshman Class, but as it seemed desirable that the students should be exercised in English Composition during their whole course, the Freshmen were directed, while studying history with Dr. Crump, to prepare papers, amounting to the number of thirty.

There was a Rhetorical Exhibition on Friday evening, Dec. 20th, Orations were delivered by members of the Junior and Sophomore Classes in the following order:—

The prospects of British America,—Israel B'air.

The influence of Hope,—Harding Bligh.

Mathematics,—E. M. C. Rand.

Lord Bacon,—John F. Godfrey.

Classics,—Edwin D. King.

The influence of the Bible on English Literature,—William Hall.

In the Theological Department, Lectures were read daily, on Theology or Ecclesiastical History. The Course of weekly Lectures on Ministerial and Pastoral Duties, commenced in the second term of the preceding year was concluded, and another course, on Baptism, was begun, which will be continued

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next term. Instruction was given in Hebrew, and Exegetical Exercises on the Greek Testament were attended to once a week.

The Candidates for the Ministry, both in the College and the Academy, were frequently engaged in preaching during the year. Two hundred and twenty sermons were delivered, and many families visited. The following is a list of the Matriculated Students arranged in the order of their standing in their respective classes at the end of last term :—

SENIORS.

Samuel B. Kempton,
Maynard P. Freeman,
Joseph F. Kempton,
John E. P. Hopper,
Augustus Freeman,

J. Melbourne Parker,
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E. I. Stronach,
C. E. Harris,
J. N. Fitch.

JUNIORS.

Israel A. Blair, } Equal.
Edwin D. King. }

SOPHOMORES.

William E. Hall,
Harding Bligh,

Edward M. C. Rand,
John F. Godfrey,

FRESHMEN.

Herbert C. Creed,
Charles T. Andrews,
Silas McVane,
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Enoch T. Dimock,
William Boggs,
Thomas A. Blackader,
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Joseph Murray,
Thomas Corning,
Simeon Kempton,
Samuel Fisk,
Seth D. Shaw,

Your Committee learn that six students matriculated at the close of the last term, and several more are expected to enter College at the beginning of the ensuing term.

The Faculty of the College, as empowered by the Governors, have raised the standard of admission, both as regards age and other qualifications. This is necessary both for the Academy and College and will ensure a class of graduates well prepared by maturity of intellect as well as by extended range of information to enter upon the duties of life.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES TUPPER,
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From the DeWolf Legacy Fund,—Sir William Hamilton's Lectures on Metaphysics and Logic,—two volumes. Bengel's *Guomon of the New Testament*,—five volumes. Marcon's *Geology of the United States*, Becker's *Gallus*, Hugh Miller's *Footprints of the Creator*. Rawlinson's *Herodotus*,—four volumes. Alford's *Greek Testament*, with notes,—five volumes. Angus's *Hand-book of the English Language*, Sprague's *American Pulpit*, Vol. 7. Sir Thomas Browne's works. *Annual of Scientific Discovery for 1862*. In all, - - - 23

PRESENTED.

By W. Randall, Esq.:—The Laws of Nova Scotia.

By Rev. E. N. Harris:—Michaelis on the Laws of Moses,—four volumes. T. Watson's *Practical Divinity*. Leighton's *Select works*. Swedish Bible. Löwth's *Sacred Poetry*. Stuart on the Romans and the Hebrews,—two volumes. Suddard's *British Pulpit*, Vol. 2.—11 volumes.

By Mr. Richard Upham, Stewiacke:—Collinge's *Cordial for a fainting soul*.

By Mr. S. Kinsman, St. John:—Gregory's *Mechanics*,—three volumes.

By the Provincial Secretary:—*Journals of the House of Assembly for 1861*. *Census of Nova Scotia*.

By Mr. Christopher Walton:—*Introduction to Theosophy*. *Memorial of William Law*.

By J. L. Bishop, A. M., M. D.:—His *History of American Manufactures*, Vol. 1.

By J. W. Barss, Esq.:—Hovey on the *Impenitent Dead*. *Benedict's 50 years among the Baptists*.

By the Smithsonian Institution:—*Results of Meteorological Observations*, Vol. 1. *Patent Office Report*. *Agriculture*.

By Dr. Cramp:—*Milner's History of England*. *Christian Observer*,—20 volumes. In all, - - - 46

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DONATIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

By Mr. J. R. Willis, Halifax:—A fragment of rock containing garnets, &c., from the Arctic Regions. A carved fragment of marble, from "the parts about Cyrene."

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By Mr. Thomas Cramp, Montreal:—A large framed engraving of a series of scriptural subjects, copied from a MS. in the British Museum.

By Mr. James Page, Truro:—A specimen of go'd from Tangier, embedded in quartz.

By Mr. T. L. De Wolfe, Wolfville:—Specimens of the same kind.

By Mr. T. R. De Wolfe, Halifax:—A tusk of a Walrus, found on Magdalen Island.

By Mr. C. F. Hartt, St. Jchn, N. B.:—A valuable collection of minerals and fossils.

In accordance with the invitation of this Board, at the suggestion of the Associated Alumni, Dr. Pryor arrived in this Province on the 26th of April last, and is expected to commence his duties in the Metaphysical and Rhetorical departments on the first of September next. Your Board feel satisfied that this appointment will be hailed with joy, and the return of Dr. Pryor so long and so closely identified with our educational movements will be considered an auspicious omen.

The Treasurer has performed, on behalf of the College, since the last Convention, a most arduous and useful series of labors. Every note has been carefully examined and classified. Applications have been made and arrangements entered into for the satisfactory settlement of a large portion of them, and four thousand dollars of Principal have been paid in and safely invested.

While, however, this indispensable work demanded the continued attention of the Treasurer, it was also deemed necessary that the effort for increasing the Endowment should still be continued.

In this work your Board have been favored with the valuable services of the Rev. A. D. Thompson.

Sometime in December last he commenced his labors in Horton and Cornwallis, and in a very few weeks had the pleasure of reporting nearly four thousand dollars of principal subscribed to the permanent fund. Since then, although his labours have of necessity been intermitted, yet he has met with a gratifying degree of success.

Your Board cannot report quite so favorably of the appeal to the Churches as last year, yet the results of that appeal have been by no means discouraging. Wherever the pastors of Churches have interested themselves and presented the matter suitably and forcibly before their people, a warm re-

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response has been given. It will be necessary to continue, from year to year, this application, until the Endowment is secured. Your Board would therefore impress upon the Churches the necessity of making provision for this as for other benevolent denominational efforts. We cannot feel too strongly that the College is the Churches' property,—sustained by their prayers and sympathies, kept up by their free-hearted offerings, it will flourish ;— deserted by them, it would need no prophet to predict its downfall.

But we will not anticipate such a result. Let the coming year be one of faith and trust, of prayer and work, that at its close we may be enabled to look back and say "What hath God wrought !"

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of Incorporation six members of the Board of Governors retire from office this year, subject, however, to re-election or otherwise, as the Convention may think proper. Their names will be announced at the proper time.

All which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, *Secretary.*

Rev. A. H. Munro submitted the following resolution :

Whereas some years ago, the sum of £925 of the endowment fund of Acadia College was appropriated to the payment of current expenses,

Therefore Resolved, That this money be refunded and invested out of donations made specially for that object.

After a free and animated discussion, in which the following brethren took part,—Munro, Saunders, Armstrong, Robinson, Cady, Balcom, D. Lyons, Thompson, Alward, Miles and Duval—the resolution passed unanimously.

The hour for public meeting having arrived, adjourned.

SALEM CHAPEL, 3½ o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. J. Davis.

Rev. I. E. Bill presented the following :

Resolved, That the subject of Education in its connexion with the interests and progress of the Baptists of these Provinces, be now considered and discussed.

In the discussion of which the Hon. J. W. Johnston made

the opening address. Remarks were also made by Brethren Dr. Pryor, Deacon Chipman, Rev. E. N. Harris, Rev. G. F. Miles, Z. Gabel, Dr. Spurden, C. Knapp, and Rev. S. Robinson.

On motion adjourned.

EVENING SESSION, 7½ o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. D. Crandal.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was read by the Secretary, Rev. Dr. Tupper. Also the Treasurer's Report.

After stirring speeches upon the subject of Foreign Missions, by Brethren Rev. A. D. Thompson, Rev. G. Armstrong, Dr. Pryor, S. Selden, Rev. W. G. Parker, Rev. J. Davis, Joseph Shaw, and Dr. Cramp, these Reports were unanimously adopted.

Foreign Missions.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD.

As the Board had given an express and written pledge to Rev. R. E. Burpe, before he went to India, that in the event of his leaving a widow and orphans, they should be provided for agreeably to the usages of the American Baptist Missionary Union, in accordance with a Resolution passed at the last meeting of Convention, your Secretary has ascertained, by correspondence, "the usages" of the Union with reference to the allowance made to the widow and children of their deceased missionaries when returned.

The Rule communicated by Rev. Dr. Warren, the Corresponding Secretary, (which it is not necessary to copy in full,) says, "A suitable allowance shall be made for their personal support. . . . A widow without children is allowed \$150." Dr. Warren remarks, that as "the allowance for all children is \$81.81 per annum, a widow with three children would be entitled to \$395.43 per annum." But he states that the Executive Committee has "power to reduce from the *maximum* at their discretion." He adds, "You observe 'a suitable allowance shall be made;' and what that is the Executive Committee must judge. . . . They look at the age and capacity of the widow, the ability of her family, friends, &c.,

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Your Board, therefore, with these facts before them, and with the knowledge that our late Brother Burpe's eldest son was 16 years old in April last, have deemed it incumbent on them to reduce the allowance to Sister Burpe and her children proportionally, namely, from \$200 to \$175 for the current year. They recommend that \$140 be allowed for the year to come. This sum will, of course, be farther diminished, in proportion as the other children respectively attain to the age of sixteen years.

It appears that on the breaking out of the disastrous war in the States, a Circular was issued by the Executive Committee of the Union, and sent to their Missionaries, apprizing them of the liability that they might be obliged to make provision for their own support. It seems, also, that the remittance for Bro. Crawley's support did not reach him at the usual time; nor did any intelligence of its being forwarded. Under these circumstances, as his removal must have left the native preachers employed by you without a superintendent, and consequently their labors must have ceased, he deemed it necessary to sustain himself for a time from funds transmitted for their support. Of this he immediately apprized your Board; and appealed to the Churches and people in these Provinces for assistance, to enable him to pursue his work, and continue to instruct and superintend the native assistants under his care.

It was hence naturally inferred, that an amicable arrangement, satisfactory to all concerned, might be made, by which our esteemed brother Crawley would become our missionary. Your Secretary was instructed by the Board to correspond with those interested, in relation to this matter. By this correspondence, however, information was elicited, that the Union had made provision for Rev. A. R. R. Crawley's support, and desired to retain him still in their service.

The circumstances narrated above, occasioned a temporary suspension of the direct labors of the native preachers in your employment. After a short interval, however, they were again employed and supported as formerly. Indeed, Bro. C. states that these devoted men of God, continued to labour in His cause, as much as possible, while they were receiving no salary. Your Board have, therefore, instructed

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Whatever donations may have been given in answer to the special appeal made on behalf of Brother Crawley, will now be appropriated, unless otherwise directed by the givers, to the support of native laborers.

It is highly cheering to learn, that these faithful and zealous servants of Christ are now laboring with an encouraging measure of success, and with brightening prospects of increased usefulness. With reference to present indications our beloved brother writes, May 1st, "I have had three visitors in this morning, who strike me as being more earnest in the spirit of their inquiries than the generality of those who come to see me."

It is highly gratifying to perceive, that, hard as times unquestionably now are, the funds contributed for the Foreign Mission are increasing. A considerable amount has been received from New Brunswick. The receipts from the Western, Central and Eastern Associations of Nova Scotia are in advance of those of the year preceding. While the contributions of different individuals and bodies of people, presented in the Treasurer's Report, demand acknowledgement, the zealous and successful efforts of our esteemed brother, Rev. John Davis, in Charlottetown and adjacent parts of Prince Edward Island, with the liberality of the people, deserve especial notice and commendation. May this worthy example be imitated by many! Your Board have also much pleasure in recording the fact, that the Baptist Church of Truro have undertaken the support of a Burman preacher; and has made a remittance of \$50.

This increase of funds enables your Board, that had with great reluctance reduced the appropriation last year, to raise it again this season with real gratification, to \$600, for the support of native preachers in Burmah. Of this sum \$200

were remitted last winter, and \$400 in July. By this means Brother Crawley will have it in his power to employ an increased number of laborers, who are anxious to enter the Lord's vineyard there.

The contributions received for our Foreign Mission encourage the hope, that we may soon be able to send a Missionary from these provinces to Burmah, or some other foreign field. On learning that Bro. Crawley would still be supported by the Union, your Secretary published a statement of this fact, with a call for some suitable man to engage in this work. As yet there has been no response. It is to be hoped there may be soon.

There is, however, ample room for the enlargement of our useful efforts, by the employment of zealous and efficient missionaries already on the ground, acquainted with the language of the people, and desirous to devote themselves to the work of preaching Christ, under circumstances in which not less than six of them can be supported by the same amount that would be required to sustain one missionary sent from this country.

This Report can not be consistently closed without a grateful recognition of the Divine blessing very speedily attending the Female School lately commenced in Burmah. Brother Crawley writes to your Secretary from *Henthada*, May 1st, 1862, "I will add a line to let you know, what I am sure you and all interested in our recently established School will be glad to learn, namely, that the blessing of God seems already to rest upon it. Three of the young girls have expressed a wish to be baptized; and their conduct and manner lead us to believe that they have actually experienced a change of heart. What can be more encouraging to us than to see the seal, as it were, of the Divine favor thus resting upon our undertaking? Who can calculate the blessing of these children thus early in life being led to the Saviour?" Under date of May 16th, he adds, "The three girls alluded to in my last were baptized last Sabbath. There are four more candidates, who will probably be received next Sunday. We feel that we have great reason to thank God, and take courage."

Bro. Crawley urgently requests immediate assistance toward this promising department of labor; or which must be relinquished, if it be not sustained by us. Your Board sincerely hope that the worthy example of the Baptist Church of

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Amherst in contributing \$20 for this important object, will be imitated by many individuals and churches. So disastrous would be the suspension of the School under existing circumstances, that your Board beg to recommend the making of an immediate appropriation for it, and the adoption of measures to ensure its continuance.

“ Let us not be weary in well-doing ; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.”

CHARLES TUPPER *Secretary.*

A collection was then taken.

The following Resolution, moved by Dr. Cramp, seconded by Bro. J. Davis, passed unanimously.

Resolved, That the Foreign Missionary Board be instructed to institute inquiries respecting a distinct missionary field to be occupied by a Missionary or Missionaries of our own ; and to take such measures as they may deem proper to call forth a missionary spirit among our churches, and stimulate and direct the zeal of young men, who may be prepared by divine grace to engage in the work.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Old Chapel, 8 o'clock, Aug. 26.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Pryor.

A Resolution was presented by the Rev. A. H. Munro, seconded by Bro. W. F. Cutten in reference to the financial affairs of the College that elicited an animated discussion, in which the following brethren took part,—Rev. A. H. Munro, W. F. Cutten, A. W. Masters, Revds. E. M. Saunders, G. Armstrong, I. E. Bill, A. S. Hunt, S. Robinson, J. C. Hurd and others.

At the request of the brethren generally, Bro. Munro withdrew his resolution.

On motion adjourned.

SALEM CHAPEL, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. G. Parker.

Resolved, That \$30 be added to \$20 now in the hands of J. W. Barss Esq., for the support of Female Schools in Burmah, with power to increase the sum if necessary.

Resolved, That the appropriation of Foreign Missionary Money be left in the hands of the Board as last year.

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ELECTION OF GOVERNORS OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to nominate brethren to fill the vacancies in the Board of Governors, occasioned by the six brethren who retire this year by rotation. The following were the Committee appointed:—Brethren J. C. Hurd, A. B. McDonald, S. Todd, J. Davis, H. Angell, A. Parker and A. S. Blenkhorn.

The Committee having submitted their report the following brethren were elected by ballot,—M. Beckwith, C. Spurden, D. D., Hon. W. B. Kinnear, Revds. J. A. Smith, G. F. Miles, and James Parker.

Ministerial Education.

The Committee on Ministerial Education submitted the following Report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF NOVA SCOTIA BOARD FOR 1861-2.

The amount of funds placed at our disposal since the last Convention,	-	-	-	-	-	-	£39	7	0
Amount expended,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	5	3
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The number of young men who have received aid during the past year is 10. On December 30, 1861, five received £5 each, and two received £4 each. On February 6, 1862, two others received £4 each. On June 4, 1862, nine of the foregoing received £2 5s. each.

In reference to a Resolution passed at a meeting of various educational Boards, held in the library of Acadia College in June, 1861, we have to report that the extract from the Will of the late W. S. DeWolff, Esq., has been submitted to the Hon. J. W. Johnston, and his opinion thereon received, of which the following is a copy :

“A resolution has been handed me requesting my opinion ‘As to the expediency of appropriating any portion of the DeWolff bequest to the salary of the Theological Professor of Acadia College.’

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I have examined the clause in Mr. DeWolf's will, and my opinion is that by the sound construction of the direction, that "half the yearly interest shall be appropriated for and towards the education, at the said College, of destitute young men of good character and standing," this fund should be appropriated *directly* in aid of the education of specific young men of the character and circumstances indicated, not indirectly and in aid of all the students. And I am of the opinion that an appropriation towards the salary of the Theological Professor was not in contemplation by the Testator, and would not be conformable with the bequest."

J. W. JOHNSTON.

This Board, will, therefore, from this date draw upon the Governors of Acadia College for the sum of £30 per annum.

It having been proposed to this Board to unite with the other benevolent organizations of our denomination in Nova Scotia in the employing of an agent for 3 or 6 months, we deem it desirable to accede to such a proposition, and recommend the adoption of that course as soon as the preliminary arrangements with other Boards are concluded.

At a meeting of the Ministerial Education Board, held June 4, 1862, the following resolution was passed :

Resolved, That this Board deeply regrets the loss of Brother Rev. W. H. Humphrey, the late Secretary, now removed from the province on account of ill health, and pray that the means used may be attended with the Divine blessing, that his health may be restored so that the valuable services of our brother may be long spared to the Church of Christ and the world."

In presenting the above report we would beg to state that another year's experience in dispensing the funds entrusted to this Board has deepened our conviction of the importance of the object sought to be attained by its formation, the immense benefits conferred on our denomination by the accomplishment of that object, and therefore the desirableness of our churches appreciating it more highly and contributing to it more liberally. The number of young men who have applied for aid, the high character and satisfactory progress of those to whom it has been given, the fact that without it some of the most promising of the students at our institutions would not be able to continue there, are things which compel us to feel grateful to Almighty God for what it has been the privilege of this Board to accomplish, and to desire for it such an increase of

its funds as will enable it to greatly extend its operations.— We feel assured that all that is needed to induce our Churches to promptly and generously furnish such an enlargement of our finances, is a due consideration of the claims Ministerial Education has on their christian liberality.

We appeal for aid, to the intelligent friends of Acadia College, on the ground that the disbursement of the ministerial education funds, more than anything else will tend to render that institution valued, popular and beloved, by supplying it with students of the right kind, studious and godly young men, chosen and recommended to us by the Churches themselves, on account of their distinguishing piety and gifts. We appeal for aid to every Baptist who desires to see our denomination doing great things for God, by the proclamation and defense of the truth, for the work on behalf of which it is solicited, is, the seeking out and keeping on of young men whom churches and pastors confidently believe are called of God to labour for Him. We appeal for aid to all who can sympathise with youth thirsting for knowledge and struggling with insurmountable hindrances, for it is to such and only such that assistance is given. We appeal for aid to those who love to see the evidences of their liberality not having been in vain, for in what more satisfactory way could these results be seen than in that in which the operations of this Board are adapted to present them, of pious, thoroughly educated men filling highly useful and important and influential positions. We appeal for aid to our churches, who wish to see a spiritual, sound and intelligent ministry occupying their pulpits, for the very object for which this organisation exists is to provide for these pulpits men whose only passport to them has been their special fitness for them.

Brethren, we ask you to reflect on these things, and then in the fear of God and love of the Saviour's cause decide what you ought to do for the increase of the funds devoted to Ministerial Education.

On behalf of the Board,

A. H. MUNRO, *President.*

Resolved, That the Board of Ministerial Education for the ensuing year be brethren S. Selden, President; Dr. Parker, Treasurer; A. H. Munro, Secretary; R. N. Beckwith and T. Wesley.

Resolved. That the Treasurer's Report and Letter be adopted and printed in the Minutes, subject to his revision.

ACADIA COLLEGE.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF 'ACADIA COLLEGE AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING, AT MONCTON, N. B.

Not being able to meet you in person, I deem it my duty to place before you some information respecting the financial position of the Institution you are chosen to watch over. In assuming the office of Treasurer to your body in August last it was with a sincere desire of aiding the finances of the College, by arranging the accounts, and collecting as much of the outstanding Interest and Principal as could be possibly gathered together, the former to meet Current Expenses of the Institution, the latter for investment in respectable sized sums to be a foundation for permanent support. The duty has been much more arduous than I anticipated, as working without a collecting agent in the field, it devolved upon your treasurer to act in various capacities and not only to take care of funds paid in, attend to the collection of rents, repairs of buildings and a general supervision of the Property of Wolfville, but finding several hundred Notes-of-hand scattered over three Provinces it took much time and labour to classify and arrange them, and a large amount of correspondence in trying to collect, where it was practicable, and where not, to ascertain the character of the same. In this latter pursuit I have written no less than 450 letters, besides preparing and forwarding 100 Circulars to our Churches, many of which were accompanied with letters personally written. The result of my year's labour will be *partial/y* seen by the accounts accompanying this report; during the last twelve months, from the sums gathered in, £1000 have been invested in three Mortgages, the interest of which is payable half yearly. In investing I am aided by one of the best business men at your Board, and we make it a practice to have some legal practitioner search titles and prepare the papers, and ascertain other particulars in reference to safe and profitable security.

I have been able to pay all the current expenses of the year; your Board will therefore be able to meet the Convention *free of debt*. But to do this I have had to use about £100 received for rents; which should have been expended on the buildings, fences, &c., which are now needing extensive repairs, much of which cannot be longer delayed.

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I anticipated, owing to getting in arrearages, some time standing, this must not be overlooked in providing for the incoming year, as I fear less will be realized from this source the next year. By the valuable assistance of Rev. A. D. Thompson who has travelled in aid of the *Endowment* a good part of the year, and by unsolicited Contributions, about \$5000 have been added to that fund independent of all expenses for agency.— Where this has not been paid in money it has been secured by Notes-of-hand, all of which I consider of the best description, and which will doubtless be paid as they mature.

I regret to state that your second appeal to our Churches did not meet with the hearty response you had a right to expect when considering the manner your former application was received. We required £250 to bring us through the financial year, knowing that *all* to whom application was made would not be likely to reply favourably, it was necessary to apportion £300 among the Churches, but we have received of this sum a little less than one half. The amount asked of each Church was so small that we feel with a very slight effort in every instance it could be raised. The list published of the contributing churches will show that those which declined or neglected aiding in this matter are many of them among those best able to contribute. The inference then is that *indifference* and not *inability* is the true cause.

I would advise that the most effectual method be adopted by your Board to urge forward and complete the Endowment either by a vigorous agency or otherwise. It is my firm belief from mature consideration that our College must be based on a permanent and solid foundation by ENDOWMENT or it must be given up, as *annual* appeals to our Churches for deficiency of income are uncertain and not to be relied upon.

I would suggest that a *stringent* resolution be passed by your Board, making it *imperative* on all those owing Notes some time over due, to pay them up within a definite time, say six or twelve months, and not leave it to be pursued by your Treasurer so as to become a personal matter.

An impression prevails pretty generally, that the principal of the notes may be paid or remain unpaid at the convenience of the parties owing. This is an error I have tried to overcome, as it must be seen by every reflecting person acquainted with business, that no true or correct estimate of the value of our Notes can be depended upon till they are paid in, the in-

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I would suggest to your Board the propriety of passing a resolution authorising the *rents* to be reserved as a fund to meet repairs and incidental expenses only; and not be taken to meet the salaries of the Professors. But in doing this you will have to make fuller provision for meeting your engagements with the Professors who ought to have their quarterly payments made punctually.

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The Interest on the Mortgages may be relied on punctually, say £150, the Interest on the Notes will not likely be all collected; we may estimate it at £150 more, making Investments £300. You can judge of the *certain* income towards your engagements and should make arrangements to raise that part which is not certain.

Our Real Estate is unencumbered and is valuable for educational purposes, but should not be looked to for income, for the reasons before stated. In reviewing the past we have great cause for thankfulness, we have hitherto kept out of debt and our permanent resources are increasing. We have much to encourage as regards the future, but mere speeches and resolutions of your body or the Convention will not avail to meet our present circumstances and future requirements.—Our churches are expected to *act*, let each man—each church member—build the wall against his own house. In conclusion I would add that in assuming the duty of Treasurer I never contemplated holding the office permanently—nor could it be reasonably expected that I should devote the time and attention necessary to manage successfully the financial affairs of the College, except on the occasion of an emergency, I would therefore ask your Board to seek some competent person to fill the office I hold, and as soon as it can be done, relieve me of the duty of financial agent.

J. W. BARSS, *Treasurer.*

Wolfville, Aug. 20, 1862.

The State of the Denomination.

The Committee on the State of the Denomination submitted the following Report, which was adopted.

The Committee on the state of the Denomination report that the Minutes of the last Annual Meetings of the Associations comprised in this Convention, furnish the following statistical results, viz :—

NOVA SCOTIA :—

Western Association,	52 Churches.	353 Baptized.	7160 Members.
Central	“ 39 “	123 “	4725 “
Eastern	“ 62 “	81 “	3400 “
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NEW BRUNSWICK :—

Eastern Association,	70 “	322 “	4403 “
Western	“ 60 “	131 “	3989 “
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Total,	283 “	1010 “	23677 “

This shews an increase of not quite, $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Six brethren have been ordained, viz. :—

Sept. 24,	1861.	Lawrence B. Gates, New Cornwall, N. S.
Nov. 6,	“	T. H. Porter, Brookfield, Lower Stewacke, N. S.
Jan. 15,	1862.	W. H. Burnham, Coles Island, N. B.
“ 19,	“	Henry Vaughn, St. George, N. B.
July —,	“	John Williams, Presqu'ile, N. B.
“ 27,	“	Edward Hickson, North Esk, N. B.

Eight new Churches have been constituted :—at Graywood, Pine Grove, Brookfield (Colchester Co.) Cornwallis (the *fifth* of that name), Goshen (Guysborough Co), New Harbour, and Litchfield, Lower Granville, in Nova Scotia; and at Millstream, Studholme, Kings Co. N. B. Five new meeting houses have been opened :—In Nova Scotia, at New Germany, Granville Ferry, and Indian Harbour; In New Brunswick, at Harvey and the Parish of Kars, Springfield.

The religious aspect of the Denomination, your Committee feel compelled to state, is still of a comparatively unfavourable character. The gloom that hung over us last year is not yet dispelled. Our progress is at present but slow. Zion does not prosper and prevail as in former days. How is it to be accounted for?

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In whatever manner these questions may be answered, the facts of the case ought to be very seriously pondered by us all. The Committee, therefore, deem it their duty to renew the recommendation of last year, respecting the observance of a Day of Humiliation and Prayer throughout the Churches of the Convention, that we may confess our sins before God, and implore the restoring influences of his grace.

And the Committee beg further to suggest that the management of denominational assemblies of all kinds might be greatly improved. They have become too dry and formal. Extraneous subjects sometimes occupy too much time and attention. There is not religion enough in our meetings. A larger infusion of the spiritual element is required; so that while business is conducted with due regularity and despatch, the gatherings of the Churches and of our Institutions may be truly "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord," and each place of meeting a scene of victory over sin and the world.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CRAMP, *Chairman.*

Voted, That the first Thursday in December next be appointed as a day of Humiliation and Prayer according to the suggestion in the above Report.

Voted, That the thanks of the Board of Governors are due and are hereby tendered to the Treasurer, J. W. Barss, Esq., for his valuable and gratuitous services; and that he be respectfully and urgently requested to continue in the office of Treasurer.

Voted, That the Treasurer of the College be directed to devote all the rents over the sum of £60, to making necessary repairs on the College premises.

Address to Her Majesty.

The Committee to prepare an address of condolence to the Queen read their Report. Adopted.

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TO HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY, VICTORIA, QUEEN OF
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May it please Your Majesty,

The Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, in their annual meeting assembled, beg to convey to Your Majesty, the expression of their hearty sympathy and condolence under your heavy affliction.

By the death of His late Royal Highness the Prince Consort, your Majesty has been bereft of the affections, and counsels and care of one who was eminently qualified to render aid and support in the discharge of duty, and whose constant endeavours to promote your Majesty's happiness will ever be gratefully remembered.

The Members of the Convention share with their fellow-subjects in every part of the Empire in the deep regret which this loss has occasioned.

In the character and public conduct of His late Royal Highness, the Prince Consort, they saw much to admire. They observed his laborious efforts to encourage education, science, and the arts; his discriminating benevolence; his patronage of useful Institutions; and the moral and religious tone of his addresses on public occasions. They regard his death as a great national calamity.

Your Majesty has needed, under this trial, such strength and consolation as God only can impart. The bestowment of these blessings is implored continually by the millions who own your Majesty's sway.

The members of this Convention unite with their christian brethren of all denominations in praying that your Majesty may be enriched with heaven's best gifts and choicest comforts; that your reign may be long, peaceful, and prosperous; and that at length "an entrance" may be "ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

On behalf of the Convention,

J. W. JOHNSTON, *President.*

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Voted, That the Address be prepared and signed by the President and Secretaries of the Convention, and forwarded at an early date.

Obituaries.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Obituaries presented the following Report, which was adopted.

During the past year it has pleased the Almighty to remove from our ranks two of our ministerial brethren who had given good evidence of being faithful soldiers of Christ, and whose works of faith and labours of love will long be gratefully remembered by many who received from them the Word of life.

BROTHER JAMES BLEAKNEY was called to his rest on the 14th December, 1861. He had long been known as one of the most successful missionaries of our body. His labours were widely diffused, and in scarcely any instance without apparent results, over which all good men and angels must rejoice. The characteristics of Brother Bleakney's mind were rather of the useful order than the brilliant. Social in his views and judicious in his measures, his chief excellencies were his meek earnestness and affectionate zeal. He has gone to his reward, and having been, while on earth, by the grace of God, the honoured instrument of turning many to righteousness, will doubtless in heaven shine like the stars forever and ever.

BROTHER JOHN MAGEE was taken home on the 23rd of December, 1861. He was a native of Cork, Ireland, and at an early age was removed with his parents to New Brunswick. Being brought up under the ministry of his father, the Rev. Thomas Magee, his mind from childhood was habituated to reflect upon the most important of all subjects. During a revival at St. Stephens, where his father was labouring he experienced a change of heart, and was baptized. He began his ministry as a licentiate with the church at St. George, and after studying for a time at the Fredericton Baptist Seminary, he was ordained pastor of the Church at Maugerville. Subsequently, after labouring a short time at Macknaquaack, he was called to preside over the Church at Nashwaak, of which he continued pastor till failing health compelled him to resign his charge. The remaining two years of his life were spent chiefly in Missionary work. Brother Magee's labours in all these various fields were blessed to the conversion of many souls. But it was as pastor that he was most highly es-

teemed by those best acquainted with him and his work. His conversation animated and cheering, his counsel judicious and prompt, his exhortations faithful and earnest, were valued by the people of his respective charges more than his pulpit labours, as the successful means, under God, of awakening sinners, leading sou's to Christ and uniting the Church.

BROTHER WILLIAM JOHNSON, of Wolfville, has finished his course and taken his departure. Though not a preacher of the gospel, was one whose demise demands mention in this record. He was one of the founders of the Baptist Education Society of Nova Scotia. The cause of education ever lay near his heart, and received invaluable aid from his personal exertions and liberality. His life was made lovely by christian graces, and his death joyous by christian hopes.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Committee,

A. H. MUNRO, *Secretary*,

Voted, That the Minutes of Convention this year be printed in Halifax, under the direction of Brethren S. Selden and J. W. Barss. That 1200 copies be printed, and that £15 be paid, and if the amount of matter renders it necessary, a larger sum.

The following resolutions were submitted by Dr. Cramp and unanimously adopted.

Whereas this year is the bi-centenary of the Act of Uniformity, which came into operation Aug. 24th 1662, and in consequence of which two thousand ministers of the gospel were ejected from the Church of England, and exposed to severe suffering, losses, and punishment for their non-conformity ;—

Therefore Resolved,

1. That inasmuch as the Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church, has not given to any man, or body of men, the power of legislation in matters of religion, the usurpation of such power ought at all times to be met with uncompromising defiance.
2. That the attempt to enforce obedience to ecclesiastical law, or to impose religious opinions or practices by civil penalties, is altogether antichristian, and requires to be strenuously resisted by every loyal subject of the King of kings.
3. That the conduct of those christian worthies who refused to submit to the impositions of the Act of Uniformity, on conscientious grounds, and chose to obey God rather than men, although by so doing they exposed themselves to poverty and penal inflictions, deserves to be held in admiration by all lovers of soul-freedom.

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4. That the progress of civil and religious liberty in the British Empire since that period,—including the gradual enlightenment of men's minds, the defeat of sundry attempts to re-introduce persecution by law, the repeal of many obnoxious enactments, and the near approach to an equality of all sects, cannot but be regarded with gratitude, and joy, and hope.
5. That since, in these provinces, a greater amount of religious freedom is enjoyed than even in Great Britain itself, christians of all denominations having equal powers and privileges, and no sect being allowed to vex another, or tax the property of others, the servants of God should hold themselves bound to sympathise with those who are less favoured in this respect, and to aid them in acquiring their rights, and should show their thankfulness for superior advantages by unremitting activity in the cause of the Redeemer.

Resolved, That the Honbls. J. W. Johnston and W. B. Kinnear, and Rev. Dr. Tupper be a Committee to settle the respective claims of the Governors of Acadia College and the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society, about the property of the College and that Society, and that the Committee take into consideration the Constitution and condition of the different bodies that constitute the Educational Institutions of the denomination, with a view to suggest any alterations that may have become necessary or desirable for the advancement of the interests of Education under the influence of the denomination, and report at the next meeting of this Convention.

Resolved, That the cordial and hearty thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the Baptist Church and Congregation at Moncton, and to the friends belonging to other denominations, for the very generous hospitality and kindness shewn to the Delegates during our present session.

J. W. JOHNSTON, PRESIDENT.
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FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD in account with JOHN
WHEELOCK, Treasurer.

1862.		DR.	
Oct. 30.	Paid for printing Minutes of Convention,.....	\$60	00
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Feb. 22.	Remitted to Rev. A. R. R. Crawley, for Native preachers,.....	200	00
	Paid Mrs. Bu-pe's allowance to Sept. 22, 1862,.....	175	00
July 15.	Rem. to Rev. A. R. R. Crawley, for Native preachers,	400	00
	Paid premium on money,.....	2	21
19.	Rem. to Rev. A. R. R. Crawley from Truro Church to support a native preacher,.....	50	00
	Do. from Amherst Church for Female School,.....	20	00
Aug. 15.	Postage and Stationery,.....	2	30
		909	51
	Balance in hands of Treasurer,.....	581	39½
		<u>\$1490</u>	<u>90½</u>

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Aug. 26.	Received from Treasurer of Convention,.....	\$30	55
27.	A Friend, 50 cts. J. D. Marsters, \$1 00.....	1	50
Sept. 7.	Received from former Treasurer,.....	334	00
Oct. 1.	Paid by J. W. Nutting, Esq., in full,.....	32	59
1862.			
Jan. 22.	Received from S. Hersey, Esq., Treasurer in N. B.,...	184	76
Feb. 27.	Central Argyle Juvenile Missionary Society,.....	9	00
	A Friend in Newport,.....	4	00
April 11.	Interest received,.....	0	75
30.	Mrs. Charles Clinch, St. George, N. B.,.....	5	00
May 6.	Prince Edward Island, per Rev. J. Davis,.....	129	40
June 5.	George Dodge, Wilmot,.....	4	00
16.	Per Joseph Rogers,.....	3	60
28.	Western Association,.....	292	22
	Central do., (including \$100 from Granville Street Church, to support Ko Eing,).....	289	75½
July 15.	Collected by Rev. J. Whidden, in Antigonish,.....	8	00
19.	Eastern Association, (including \$50 from Truro Church to support a native preacher, and \$20 from Amherst Church for Female School).....	132	38
Aug. 14.	Amherst Church, contributed in 1861,.....	27	40
	G. Christie, River Hebert,.....	2	00
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	Paid Rev. A. D. Thompson, acct. salary as Endowment Agent,	£54 8 4
	Paid Mayhew Beckwith, Esq., Manning Fund,	6 3 9
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	Invested in Mortgages, £300, £300, £400,	1000 0 0
	Cash in hands to new account,	38 12 9
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Wolfville, Aug. 20th, 1862.

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Dr. Parker, Halifax,.....	\$400 00	Jas. M. Layton, Amherst,	\$100 00
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College Students, to found		S. N. Binney, Halifax,.....	20 00
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Scholarship,	440 00	T. P. Calkin, Liverpool,..	20 00
W. S. Jacobs, Liverpool,..	200 00	Whitman Freeman, Milton,	20 00
Pupils in Horton Academy,	129 00	Nathan Utley, Yarmouth,.	20 00
John Whitman, Nictaux,.	120 00	Aaron Goudey, do.,.....	20 00
B. O. De Wolf, Liverpool,.	100 00	Abe. C. Robbins, do.,.....	20 00
H. K. Eaton, Cornwallis,.	100 00	G. S. Brown, do.,.....	20 00
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Asahel Bentley, do.,.....	100 00	Benjamin Eaton, do.,.....	4 00
Chas. Thomas, Wolfville,	100 00	C. F. Eaton, do.,.....	4 00
Geo. V. Rand, do.,....	100 00	Dr. Lyons, Truro,.....	4 00
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STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.	NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.
Amherst,	1	221		*Merrigomish, .....	..	16	
*Advocate Harbor, .....	..	31		New Harbor, .....	..	24	
*Amherst Shore, .....	..	45		North River, P. E. I., .....	..	39	
*Antigonish, .....	..	27		North Sydney, C. B., .....	..	163	
Bedeque, P. E. I.,	3	103		Onslw,	2	125	
Brookfield, .....	..	38		Parrsboro, .....	..	35	
Cape Canseau,	3	91		Parrsboro Village,	21	47	
Coddle Harbor, .....	..	19		Portaupique, .....	..	113	
Charlottetown, P. E. I., .....	..	40		Pugwash, .....	..	117	
Crow Harbor, .....	..	33		*River Philip, .....	..	10	
Diligent River, .....	..	23		*River John, .....	..	14	
*Earlton, .....	..	34		Sand Point, .....	..	23	
East Point, P. E. I., .....	..	73		St. Mary's 1st, .....	..	31	
Five Islands, .....	..	30		Sydney, C. B., .....	..	30	
Greenville, .....	..	83		St. Mary's 2nd, .....	..	30	
Goose River,	6	44		St. Peter's Road, P. E. I., .....	..	10	
Goshen, .....	..	33		*Schooner Pond, .....	..	6	
Great Village,	3	57		*Strait of Canso, .....	..	19	
Grand River, P. E. I., .....	..	20		*Salmon River, C. B., .....	..	97	
G and Mira, P. E. I., .....	..	21		Truro,	3	60	
Guysboro and Manchester,	20	151		*Tracadie, .....	..	60	
*Glenville, .....	..	31		*Tatamagouche, .....	..	60	
Isaac's Harbor,	1	66		*Three Rivers, P. E. I., .....	..	60	
Indian Harbor,	75		*Tryon, P. E. I.,	60	
*Lakeland,	20		Upper Londonderry,	5	60	
*Little River,	51		Upper Stewiacke,	1	60	
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Lower Stewiacke,	10	74		West & Dog Rivers, P.E.I.,	15	
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Mira. C. B.,	134		*Wentworth,	60	
*Margaree, C. B.,	57				81	338
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NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.	NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.
Annapolis & Up. Granville,	25	224	Nictaux,.....	44	421		
*Argyle, .....	..	48	New Albany,.....	10	65	
Brookfield,	18	113	New Tusket, .....	..	96	
*Barrington .....	..	41	Ohio,	11	132	
Beaver River,.....	7	203	Port Medway,.....	14	188		
Clements, .....	..	327	Parker's Cove,.....	6	44	
Chutes Cove,.....	18	105	*Pubnico, .....	..	29	
Dalhousie,	1	29	Ragged Islands,.....	4	110		
Digby,	3	37	Sissaboo, .....	..	117	
*Digby Neck 1st,.....	..	118	*Springfield,.....	..	37		
*Digby Neck 2nd, .....	..	100	St. Mary's Bay,.....	28	133	
Digby Joggins, (now Hill Grove,)	25	72	Sable River,.....	..	40		
Greenfield,	2	69	Sherbrook West,.....	..	36		
Hillsburgh 1st,	4	154	Tusket,	2	90		
Hillsburgh 2nd, .....	..	89	Tusket Lakes,.....	2	34	
*Jordan Bay,.....	..	42	Wilmot,.....	5	365		
Jordan River,.....	..	25	Wilmot Mountain,.....	17	173		
Kempt, .....	..	150	Westport,	2	98	
Lake George,.....	19	167	Yarmouth 1st, Town,	3	427		
Liverpool, .....	..	182	Yarmouth 2nd, Hebron,..	..	273	
Lower Aylesford & Upper Wilmot,.....	1	504	Yarmouth 3rd, Deerfield,..	34	215		
Lower Granville,.....	13	200	Yarmouth South, Chebogue	7	164		
Long Island,	5	191	Yarmouth West, Gegogin, ..	22	142		
Lewis Head,.....	..	85	Pine Grove,.....	..	268		
Milton,.....	..	175	Litchfield,	36		
Middlefield,	22	Graywood,	25		
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NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.	NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.
Aylesford, Upper, .....	..	207	Indian Harbor,.....	..	58	
Bridgewater,	1	117	*Jeddore, .....	..	122	
Burton, .....	..	31	Kempt, .....	..	55
*Chelsea,.....	..	84	LaHave, .....	..	40	
Chester,.....	11	262	Lunenburg,	12	91		
Cornwallis 1st, (Revised)..	6	355	New Cornwall, .....	..	38	
Cornwallis 2nd,.....	1	409	New Germany,	3	102		
Cornwallis 3rd,	3	321	Newport, West,.....	11	151		
Cornwallis 4th,	1	104	Newport East,.....	..	80		
Cornwallis 5th, .....	..	53	Preston,.....	7	65	
*Dartmouth,.....	..	42	Ravdon,	40	125		
Falmouth,.....	..	50	Sackville, .....	..	32	
Halifax 1st,	1	142	Sherbrooke,	7	51		
Halifax 2nd,.....	..	174	St. Margaret's Bay, .....	..	136	
Hammonds Plains 1st,.....	..	65	*Tancook,.....	..	87		
Hammonds Plains 2nd,.....	..	40	Walton,.....	1	14		
Hantsport,	299	Waterville,.....	..	8		
Horton 1st,.....	2	187	Windsor,.....	4	125		
Horton 2nd,.....	..	260	Windsor Plains,	12	26		
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NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION.		NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION.	
Baptized.	Members.	Baptized.	Members.
Andover,.....	4 24	Newcastle, Grand Lake,...	55
Blackville, Blissville and Ludlow,.....	10 115	Oak Bay, Saint David,....	25
Becaguimic,.....	13 66	Portland, Saint John,.....	4 188
Brussels Street, St. John,.	4 459	Prince William,.....	55
Chipman,.....	23 70	Queensbury,.....	24
Canterbury,.....	.. 80	Richmond,.....	10
Canning,.....	.. 95	Simonds,.....	16
Carleton, St. John,.....	26 224	Saint Andrews,.....	11 98
Cardigan,.....	.. 33	Scotch Town,.....	15
Douglas, African Church,.	2 80	Saint Patrick,.....	1
Dumbarton,.....	.. 48	Upper Gagetown,.....	115
Dipper Harbor,.....	7 15	Woodstock,.....	20
Fredericton,.....	.. 133	*Black River,.....	22
German Street, St. John,.	8 311	*Falls, (2nd,) Saint George,...	87
Hodgdon and Richmond,.	1 44	*Howard Settlement,.....	32
Jacksontown,.....	3 94	*Ledge, Saint Stephen,....	43
Jacksonville,.....	.. 32	*Little River,.....	32
Kingsclear 1st,.....	.. 25	*Little South West,.....	36
Kingsclear 2nd,.....	1 54	*Middle Simonds,.....	....
Keswick 1st,.....	1 119	*Northampton,.....	40
Keswick 2nd,.....	5 35	*Newcastle, Miramichi,...	10
Lower Woodstock,....	.. 42	*Oromocto,.....	40
Marsh Bridge, Saint John,.	.. 82	*Pennfield,.....	54
Macknaquack,.....	8 90	*Presque Isle, Maine,....	37
Maugerville,.....	.. 98	*Rushagornish,.....	31
New Zealand, (Upper Kes- wick).....	.. 23	*Saint David's,.....	26
Nashwaak,.....	3 54	*Saint Francis,.....	81
New Jerusalem & Green- wich,.....	6 74	*Saint James',.....	24
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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. H. Angell, Yarmouth.	Rev. S. March, Port Medway.
H. Achilles, Parker's Cove.	R. S. Morton, Nictaux.
G. Armstrong, Bridgetown.	J. McKenne, Sable River.
A. W. Barss, Ragged Islands.	M. Normonday, Tusket.
W. Burton, Chebogue.	Obed Parker, Aylesford.
A. Cogswell, Beaver River.	W. G. Parker, Nictaux.
T. C. DeLong, New Germany.	D. O. Parker, Brookfield.
W. G. Goucher, Hebron.	R. D. Porter, Milton.
J. E. Goucher, Port Medway.	C. Randall, Weymouth.
W. Hall, Long Island.	J. H. Saunders, Ohio, Yarmouth.
W. Jackson, Beaver River.	J. A. Stubbart, Deerfield do.
J. C. Morse, Digby Neck.	James Spencer, Digby.
A. Martell, Tusket.	A. Stronach, Aylesford.
John Miller, Long Island.	C. Tupper, D. D. Aylesford.
J. A. Moore, Hillsburg.	N. Vidito, Wilmot.
P. F. Murray, Chute's Cove.	J. A. Walker, Aylesford.

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. J. Bancroft, Newport East.	Rev. E. M. Saunders, W. Cornwallis.
W. Chipman, Pleasant Valley.	I. J. Skinner, Chester.
J. M. Cramp, D.D. Wolfville.	J. Stevens, Rawdon.
Geo. Dimock, Newport West.	B. Taylor, New Germany.
S. W. deBlois, Wolfville.	B. Vaughan, Kempt.
D. Freeman, Canning.	D. M. Welton, Windsor.
T. A. Higgins, Wolfville.	John Pryor, D. D., Wolfville.
A. S. Hunt, Canard, Cornwallis.	T. DeLong, New Germany.
A. H. Munro, Halifax.	R. R. Philp, Halifax.
J. Parker, Billtown, Cornwallis.	D. G. Shaw, Falmouth.
S. T. Rand, Hantsport.	D. Pineo, Long Point.
E. O. Read, Gaspereaux.	R. Walker, Aylesford. [Road]
J. L. Read, Upper Aylesford.	Jacob Allan, New Guysboro.

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. J. Balcom, Great Village.	Rev. A. F. Porter, Guysborough.
M. A. Bigelow, Atigonishe.	T. H. Porter, Canso.
Obed Chute, Up. Stewiacke.	T.H. Porter Jr. Lw'r Stewiacke.
D. W. C. Dimock, Truro.	Malcom Ross, Bedeque, P. E.
J. Davis, Ch. Town, P. E. I.	Hugh Ross, N. Sydney, C. E.
W. Dobson, Wallace River.	Geo. Richardson, Sydney, C. E.
H. Eagles, St. Mary's.	James Reid, Bass River.
E. F. Foshay, Pugwash.	John Shaw, East Point, P. E.
Geo. F. Miles, Amherst.	Benj. Scott, Onslow.
D. McKeen, Lit.Forks, Maccan.	A. Shields.
D. McDonald, Margarce, C. B.	S. Thompson, Economy.
D.P. McQuillen, Mira Bay, C.B.	John Whidden, Antigonish.

NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. I. E. Bill, St. John.
 George Burns, Jerusalem.
 J. W. Blakeney, Up Gagetown
 Joseph C. Blakeney, Richmond.
 E. C. Cady, A. M. Portland.
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 G. R. Campbell, Lr. Woodstock.
 E. B. DeMill, A. M., St. John.
 G. Estabrooks, Simonds.
 Wm. M. Edwards, Blissfield.
 William Harris, Keswick.
 W. L. Hopkins, Pennfield.
 J. C. Hurd, M. D., Fredericton.
 J. G. Harvey, Woodstock.
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 John Magee, Nashwaak.
 E. McInnis, Carleton.
 D. Outhouse, Dumfries,
 Samuel Robinson, St. John.
 P. O. Reece, Mougerville.
 Jarvis Ring, St. John.
 T. W. Saunders, Prince William.
 C. Spuraen, D. D. Fredericton.
 James Tozer, Blissville.
 A. D. Thompson, St. Andrews.
 J. H. Tupper, Queensborough.
 Thos. Todd, Woodstock.
 James Walker, St. George.
 E. Webb, Nerepis.
 E. N. Harris, Moncton.

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 Sml. Bancroft, Butternut Ridge.
 George Burn, Upham.
 David Blakeney, Salisbury.
 Judson W. Blakeney, Jemseg.
 T. Blakeney, Caledonia
 David Crandall, Springfield.
 Nathaniel Cleveland, A. M.
 W. A. Coleman, Shediac.
 D. V. Crandall, Elgin.
 W. A. Corey, Springfield.
 W. T. Corey, Brunswick.
 John Chase, Harvey.
 H. Charlton, Harvey.
 Patrick Duffy, Hillsborough.
 J. E. Filmore, Up. Coverdale.
 Jas. F. Goldrup, L'r Cove Dale.
 H. P. Guilford, Shediac.
 Jas. Herritt, Butternut Ridge.
 J. H. Hughes, Hillsboro.
 James Irving, Baltimore.

Rev. Elias Keirstead, Studholm.
 Peter Knight, Grand Lake.
 Donald M'Phail, Buctouche.
 Levi H. Marshall, Hopewell.
 Alex. Mutch, Gondola Point.
 A. B. M'Donald, Upham.
 James Newcomb, Moncton.
 Wm. Puffer, Hillsborough.
 J. Rowe, St. Martins.
 J. A. Smith, Butternut Ridge.
 Peter Sprague, Springfield.
 Titus Stone, Sussex.
 Caleb Sprague, L'r Coverdale.
 George Seely, Salisbury.
 G. W. Springer, Jemseg.
 James Trimble, Elgin.
 W. A. Troop, Johnson.
 J. V. Tabor, Johnson.
 James Wallace, Coverdale.
 Abel Washburn, St. Martins.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE BAPTIST CONVENTION

OF

NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, & P. E. ISLAND.

I. That the Convention be called "The Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island," and shall consist of the Members and Delegates hereinafter specified.

II. That the objects of the Convention shall be to maintain the following Institutions, namely, Acadia College, and Foreign Missions; and to advance the interests of the Baptist denomination generally, by devising and carrying out, as far as possible, such means as may by the Divine blessing, tend to promote its welfare.

It is earnestly recommended that at the Annual meetings of the Associations, brethren be appointed to furnish reports to the Convention on the State of Religion and the progress of the cause of God, within the limits of those Associations, respectively.

III. That the business of the Convention shall be conducted by a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, two Secretaries, (one residing in Nova Scotia, and the other in New Brunswick), and a Board of Directors, consisting of twenty-five members, all of whom shall be members of Baptist Churches, in good standing, (in addition to Life Directors) to be chosen annually by the Convention. The Board to have the power to fill up any vacancies that may occur previous to the next meeting of the Convention.

IV. That every member of a Baptist Church, in good standing, who shall pay annually ten shillings or upwards, towards any of the objects embraced in the Union Societies, or into the funds of the Convention, and also every ordained Baptist minister in the three Provinces, in good standing, shall be a member of the Convention; any person paying five pounds, or upwards, shall be a life member; and the payment of twenty pounds, or upwards, at one time, shall constitute a Life Director. Every Church connected with an Association, and contributing ten shillings towards any of the objects embraced in the Union Societies, shall be a member of this Convention, and be at liberty to send one Delegate to represent such Church, and if five pounds are collected

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two Delegates. Every local Union Society collecting annually five pounds, or upwards, shall be a member of this Convention, and shall be at liberty to send two Delegates to represent them therein, and one Delegate for every additional five pounds collected; so as no Church or Union Society be at liberty to send more than five Delegates; and that each Association connected with the Convention be allowed to send five Delegates. The Missionary and Educational Board shall also be at liberty to send one Delegate each.

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V. That all monies contributed by individuals for membership, or for the general purposes of the Convention, shall be appropriated, after the payment of incidental expenses, as the Convention shall direct, unless otherwise ordered by the donors.

VI. That the Board of Directors shall be empowered to meet quarterly or oftener for the despatch of business, at such place as the Convention shall from time to time appoint; nine members shall form a quorum. The Board shall also be empowered to convene special meetings of the Convention, whenever the same may be judged necessary by a majority of its members.

VII. That the Convention shall meet on the first Saturday after the 18th day of August, annually, at such place as shall be agreed on by the Body; when, in addition to the appointment of the Office-bearers and Board of Directors, and the transaction of such business as may be brought before the meeting in accordance with Article 2 of this Constitution, a Missionary Board or Boards shall be chosen, each consisting of fifteen members of the Convention, all of whom shall be members of Baptist Churches, in regular standing. These Boards shall hold their meetings at such places as the Convention shall annually appoint; at least one-third of the members of each Board shall reside in the place of meeting, or in its vicinity; and five shall constitute a quorum.

The Convention shall also appoint, once in three years, six Governors of Acadia College, in place of six who will then go out in rotation, in accordance with the resolution passed by this Convention at its annual meeting in September, 1850, and in accordance with the Act 14 Vic. of the Legislature of Nova Scotia: Chap. 37.

VIII. That this Constitution may be altered or amended at any Annual Meeting of the Convention, by two-thirds of the members present.

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RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1.—At every sitting, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer.

RULE 2.—Ministers and members of Churches, not Delegates, invited to a seat with us, may speak on all subjects under debate, but vote on none.

RULE 3.—No member of the Convention shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.

RULE 4.—The names of Delegates leaving the Convention without permission of the body before the conclusion of the business shall be publicly reported in the Minutes.

RULE 5.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded.

RULE 6.—No person shall speak oftener than twice on any motion unless by permission of the body.

RULE 7.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes except so ordered at the time.

RULE 8.—The Moderator of the Convention shall nominate all Committees, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE 9.—These Rules shall be distinctly read from the Chair immediately after the opening of the Convention.

TIME OF MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATIONS FOR 186

NOVA SCOTIA.

The WESTERN ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet with the first Church of Yarmouth, at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the 2nd Saturday in June.

The CENTRAL ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet with the Church at Upper Aylesford, on the 3rd Saturday in June.

The EASTERN ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet with the Church at Bedeque, Prince Edward Island, on the 1st Saturday in July.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The EASTERN ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet with the Church in _____, on the second Thursday in July, 186

The WESTERN ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet with the Church at Lower Kingsclear on the third Thursday in Sept. 18