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OF THE

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OF THE

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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association, composed only of Ministers and Delegates, who shall be members of the Churches which they represent, shall be styled *The Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.*

ART. 2. The Association shall meet Annually, at 10 o'clock, A.M., on the third Monday after the twentieth of June, at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes. The Meeting shall be opened with public worship, after which there shall be a collection made for Missions. Every meeting, held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

ART. 3. 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.

ART. 4. At each meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding year shall call for the vote for a Moderator, 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, nominate Committees, and maintain due order among the members. It shall be the duty of the Clerk, to keep a fair and impartial record of all the doings of the Association during their Session, and furnish a correct copy of the same for the Press.

ART. 5. 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 additions 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.

ART. 6. 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, in behalf of the Association, give to one of their Messengers, if any be present, the right hand of Fellowship.

ART. 7. 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neglect to make any communication to the Association for three years successively, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and shall engage to inquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 8. Although, as an Association, we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independency and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church or Minister in our connexion, which to us shall appear to be *heterodox 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 inquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

ART. 9. Alterations or amendments may be made in this Constitution, from time to time such as experience may dictate.

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MONCTON, Monday, 10th July, 1848.

INTRODUCTORY Sermon preached by Elder JOHN FRANCIS, from 138th Psalm, 2d verse: "Thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name."

Elder Joseph Crandal was appointed Moderator.

Elder J. C. Skinner, and Brother J. Newcomb, Clerks.

Elder Jarvis Ring, Treasurer of General Union.

Brother L. Constantine, Treasurer of Domestic Missions and Minute Money.

The following Committees were then appointed:

To Examine Letters—Elders Peter Spragg, D. Crandal, and A. McDonald.

To Read Letters—Elders G. W. Miles, C. Spurden, and W. Sears.

On Special Business—Elders J. Blakeney, S. Robinson, J. Bunting, J. Francis, J. Farquharson, J. Marsters, and Brother P. Duffy.

To Examine Circular Letter—Elders W. D. Fitch, A. McDonald, and G. W. Miles.

On Sabbath Schools—Elders J. Herritt, R. Cunningham, and Brother J. V. Tabor.

On the Christian Visitor—Elders S. Robinson, W. Jackson, C. Spurden, W. G. Parker, and Brother Grinby.

On Domestic Missions—Elders J. Herritt, J. Bunting, M. Keith, J. Blakeney, J. Francis, and Brother Vidtsoe.

On Foreign Missions—Elders J. Reid, T. Stone, M. Keith, R. Cunningham, J. Farquharson, and Brother Muoh.

On the Bible Question—Elders C. Spurden, E. D. Very, W. Sears, J. Farquharson, and D. McPhail.

To Audit Accounts—Brethren Prince, Frost, and McPhail.

On the Union Society—Elders A. McDonald, E. D. Very, and J. Francis.

On New Churches—Elders J. Blakeney, D. Crandal, A. McDonald, and Deacon Reid.

The following brethren, having been invited by the Association previous to the appointment of the Committees, then took their seats, to participate in its deliberations :

Elder Richard Cunningham, Delegate from Nova Scotia Association.
Brother James Farquharson, Agent of the American and Foreign Bible Society.

Elder S. Robinson, Delegate of the Western N. B. Baptist Association.

Elders E. D. Very, A. McDonald, G. Spurden, G. W. Miles, W. D. Fitch, Brethren Viditoe, Haywood, W. Gramley, and J. V. Tabor of the Western Association.

After prayer by the Moderator, adjourned to half past two o'clock.

Monday, 21 o'clock, P. M.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder S. Robinson. The Letters from the following Churches were then read, and the Delegates took their seats as members of the Association:

- Moncton—Elder J. Crandal, Deacon Prince, L. Constantine.
- 2d Springfield—Elder Peter Spragg.
- Hopewell—Elder W. Sears, Alton Oathorn.
- New Canaan—Elder J. Herritt, A. McDonald, D. Perry.
- 2d Dorchester—Elder W. G. Parker, Joseph Smith.
- 2d Grand Lake—Elder J. Marsters.
- 1st Sackville—Elder W. G. Parker, F. Seam, Thomas Sears, John Sears.
- 3d Salisbury—Elder J. Crandal, W. Kay, C. Hottelman.
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- 1st Salisbury—Brother O. Jones, R. Hopper.
- Jemseg—Elder E. Crandal.
- 1st Springfield—Elder Jarvis Ring.
- 1st Wickham—Elder J. G. Skinner.
- Upham—Elder J. Bunting.
- Norton—Elder J. Reid, E. Frost, E. Pechay.
- 3d Salisbury—Elder J. Herritt, J. Kay, D. Blakeney.
- Gondola Point—Elder J. Blakeney.
- 2d St. Martins—Elder W. Jackson, J. Newcomb.
- Elgin—Brother R. Smith, R. Sales, J. Proser.
- Studholm—Elder P. Spragg, E. Keirstead, J. Bennett.
- Buclouthe—Elder D. McPhail.
- 1st Grand Lake—
- Butternut Ridge—Elder M. Keith.
- 2d Sackville—Elder W. G. Parker, Deacon Read, M. Gole, M. McDonald.

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Resolved, That Elder J. Herritt, W. Colpits, D. Fillmore.

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2d Wickham—Elder J. A. Smith.

Hillsborough—Elder J. Wallace, P. Dahey, W. Gross.

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After which it was

Resolved, That this Association hold its next Annual Session with the Baptist Church in Hopewell, on the 3d Monday after the 20th June, 1849; that Elder D. Crandal preach the Introductory Sermon; in case of failure, Elder J. Bunting; and that Elder J. A. Smith write the Circular Letter.

Resolved, That the Moderator extend the hand of fellowship of this Association to the delegate from the 2d Baptist Church in Salisbury, and that said Church be admitted according to the recommendation of the Committee on new Churches to this body.

Resolved, That Elder W. Sears, with such brethren as he may choose, be a Committee of Arrangement for the next year.

Resolved, That Elder W. Sears be our Messenger to the Western N. B. Baptist Association; in case of failure, Elder J. Herritt. That Elder J. Francis be our Messenger to the Nova Scotia Baptist Association; in case of failure, Elder W. Jackson. That Elder Joseph Crandal, John Marsters, and Titus Stone, be the Delegates of this Association to the Union Convention.

Resolved, That this Association, confiding in the prudence of its Delegates, will defray their expenses to their several appointments.

The Committee appointed last year to correspond with Elder J. M. Cramp, read his reply to their letter. Report accepted.

The Colporteur Committee appointed last year submitted their Report, which was accepted. (Vide Appendix A.)

The Committee to attend to the preliminaries for a new, cheap, Religious Periodical submitted a Report, which was accepted.

Resolved, That a Standing Corresponding Secretary be appointed to correspond in behalf of the Association, with our Foreign Missionary, Elder R. E. Burpe; also to conduct any other necessary correspondence for the Association.

Resolved, That Elder E. D. Very be our Corresponding Secretary, and that the Delegates of this Association request the Western Association to unite with us in this appointment, and assist in defraying the expense.

Resolved, That Elder E. D. Very be appointed to superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that eight hundred copies be immediately printed for circulation.

Resolved, That a regard be had in distributing the Minutes to the several Churches, to the amount contributed by each to defray the expense of the same.

After prayer, by Elder J. Marsters, adjourned to Tuesday morning.

Tuesday, A. M., 10 o'clock.

Met according to adjournment; prayer by Elder Cunningham.

The Committee of the Education Society for 1847-8, presented their Report, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Minutes. (Vide Appendix B.)

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented their Report, which was accepted. (Vide Appendix C.) Interesting addresses were delivered by Elders Cunningham, Robinson, McDonald, Farquharson, Very and Jackson.

The Committee on the Bible question presented their Report, which was accepted. (Vide Appendix D.) Elder Farquharson, in submitting the Report, addressed the Association at considerable length upon the measures and successes of the Am. & For. Bible Society, during which address the hour arrived for adjournment. Bro. Farquharson yielded to adjourn. Prayer by Elder D. Crandal. Adjourned to 2½ P. M.

Tuesday, P. M., 2½ o'clock.

Met pursuant to adjournment; prayer by Elder E. D. Very.

Bro. Farquharson concluded his address upon Bible translation.

The Financial Committee submitted their Report, which was accompanied by interesting remarks from Bro. A. McDonald, who for eight weeks has journeyed as Agent for the General Union. (Vide Appendix E.)

The Committee on the Christian Visitor submitted their Report, which was followed by remarks from several brethren expressive of their satisfaction with the paper and of its encouraging prospects. (Vide Appendix F.)

The Committee on Special Business presented a Report embracing several objects of importance, which excited considerable attention, and remarks were made by many of the brethren. (Vide Appendix G.)

Resolved, That this Association retain as their Articles of Faith and Covenant those hitherto recognized by the New Brunswick Baptist Association.

Resolved, That Elder Titus Stone be the Treasurer of the Association for the ensuing year for the Domestic Missionary Funds.

The Circular Letter was read, after which it was unanimously

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Resolved, That it be adopted and printed in the Minutes, also that it be published in the Christian Visitor.

Adjourned, after prayer by Elder Francis, to Wednesday morning, at half past five:

Wednesday, A. M., 5 o'clock.

Met pursuant to adjournment; prayer by Elder Keith.

Resolved, That the Churches be requested to express in their letters to the next Association their wishes in regard to the time when the Association shall be held, and the length of its continuance; some having expressed a wish that it might be held in September, and commence Tuesday, P. M., instead of Monday, A. M.

The Committee on Domestic Missions presented a Report, which was accepted.

Resolved, That the Albert County Missionary Board be transferred to Norton, and that the following brethren be members of said Board: viz:— Brother Christopher Burnet, John Hays, Ezra Frost, W. C. Snow, W. F. Wetmore, Zebulon Davis, Jas. McLean, Simon Vaughan, David Stone.

Resolved, That the following brethren be members of Westmorland Co. Board, James Calhoun, William Gross, Isaac Steves, James Brewster, Esq. Lewis Constantine, Thomas Prince, Martin Wortman, F. Joyce, John Smith, Deacon Read, Christopher Harper, Cyrus Black. (Vide page 15.)

The Committee on Sabbath Schools presented their Report, which was accepted. (Vide Appendix H.)

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be respectfully presented to the Minister and Trustees of the Wesleyan Society at Moncton, for their kindness in allowing us the use of their Chapel on the Sabbath for religious service.

Resolved, That the thanks of this association are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members of the Church and to the friends generally, in Moncton, for their hospitality and kindness to the members and messengers of the Churches composing this body.

After which, and following a suitable address from the venerable Moderator, the Association adjourned to meet at Hopewell, the third Monday after the 20th June, 1849.

JOSEPH CRANDAL, Moderator.

**J. C. SKINNER, } Clerks.
J. NEWBORN, }**
Moncton, July 12th, 1849.

CIRCULAR LETTER,

To the Christian Brethren composing the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.

DEAR BRETHREN,—In glancing at different subjects for your consideration in this our annual epistle, at a time like the present, when union and Christian co-operation are so imperatively required, that of "Quarterly Meetings" pressed its peculiar claims. The events which the present day is revealing, and which, from existing appearances we are still further to look for, call with no ordinary voice on us for joint labor and frequent simultaneous gathering, as well for the edification and unity of our Ministry, as for the devising and maturing of Scriptural measures for the furtherance of the Gospel abroad, and the confirmation of our Churches at home. Although it is not our intention to dictate to the brotherhood respecting the best mode of conducting these meetings, we would however, invite your attention to some of the results which may be expected, if they are conducted according to the word and spirit of the Gospel.

The influences which attend these united efforts of the Ministers and the Churches, are quite apparent even to casual observers of the workings of truth for the last year, in connexion with the Churches with whom we have assembled on these occasions. Persons that have continued for years disobedient to the faith from various influences, have been in these meetings instructed and overcome by the innate power of the word of truth through the Spirit, not only to believe with the heart, but to confess with the mouth, their attachment to Christ, and disposition to obey all things whatsoever he has commanded. Almost every Minister or Pastor has his own peculiar method of exhibiting truth, and unless his mind is particularly enlarged with sound knowledge, he carries this identity into every department of his public instruction. Now, at these gatherings various gifts are brought to bear on the condition of those that are without the knowledge of God, and such as have received the Gospel in the love of it have their duties enforced by new arguments, their faith enlarged, and their hopes quickened. The members of distant Churches will, in being present at these meetings, have frequent opportunities of forming acquaintance with each other, and in interchanging of Christian sentiments and feelings, sympathies of a lasting character, cannot fail to be called into existence, while all would be thus growing "in the oneness of the faith, and knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." In the absence of intercourse of this nature being called into existence between our churches, ignorance of each others sentiments, interests, and condition, must exist, and hence the impossibility of joint effort, which the signs of the times most emphatically demand.

As things exist among us at present, much time and expense are necessarily and unavoidably consumed by our Agents, who are at no small sacrifice in absence from their families and charges, travelling to collect the contributions of the Churches to the cause of God and humanity. If our Quarterly Meetings were only conducted more efficiently, and with a more

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extended view to the enlargement of the reign of Christ, not only within our own little horizon, but from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth, these *now indispensable visitations* would be effectually superseded by our own local efforts. We are sensible of the difficulty on the part of the Pastors of Churches to bring subjects of a pecuniary nature before their people, however strong the claims. These occasions will afford relief from the delicacies to which we have alluded, by the presence of neighboring Elders and other brethren, who will be able to exhibit the commanding character of these institutions to which we are pledged in this Province. Extracts from the communications of our beloved Missionaries, Foreign and Domestic, as well as from the Bible Translation Societies, would both instruct and awaken feelings of an undying character in our Churches in behalf of Missions.

Another subject of no ordinary magnitude, that of "*Pastoral Conference*," should occupy a large share of our time at these convocations. And tho' a meeting of this description may awaken jealousy in the minds of superficial thinkers, and persons who have not fully considered the weighty responsibilities connected with the Minister's office, nevertheless those who have for any time been engaged in the work, or such as have any acquaintance with the workings of a Christian congregation, will not fail to regard the interview otherwise than imperative. Who has ever taken the oversight of a Church of Christ where so many different modes of thinking exist, and predilections to be found of almost endless contrariety, and did not feel that he needed the sympathies and counsel of kindred spirits, whose knowledge and experience, communicated at the Conference, would aid him either in correcting or confirming his former views? Frequent interchange of sentiments among the Ministry will not fail to be a fruitful means of unfolding and circulating the truth; our work is to understand the whole truth. Oneness of sentiment respecting the doctrines, discipline, and order of the House of God is of supreme importance at this stage of our history. Subjects of a grave moment are now, and will be increasingly urging their claims, and which we are unprepared to meet in the absence of mature thought and consolidated effort. Such of our Ministers as are comparatively young and inexperienced in teaching and superintending their churches, will be greatly aided by the superior knowledge and enlightened judgment of their elder brethren and fathers in the Gospel. Intercourse, and frequent interchange of sentiments are necessary to the maintaining of the "unity of the spirit," and increase of Christian sympathy and co-operation, which are essential to our success in the extension of Christ's kingdom, at home or abroad.

The Churches from among our own number that are deprived of pastoral oversight, either from the paucity of their means, or from mistaken views respecting the Eldership, as well as the numerous sections of this Province that are destitute of a preached Gospel, but are looking to us for the word of Life, should call us frequently and prayerfully together to bring the word of God to bear upon their circumstances. The necessity of more enlarged views on the part of our Ministers and Churches respecting their relative duties—the *foresight of brethren from among our Churches* who are looking forward to the work of the Ministry, notwithstanding the demand for laborers, should, with many other considerations we might urge, influence us to attend with more promptness to our general meetings.

Let us then, as christian men and Ministers of the Lord lay hold on every measure that will promote the honor of God, and the union of his Churches. "By purity, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left." Much depends on our present acts, which not only affect our own destiny, but that of an innumerable number of others. May we all be one—that the world may believe that the Father sent his Son to redeem it.

**LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.**

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	DATE OF ORDINATION.
* Joseph Crandal,	Salisbury,	1798
* James Blakeney,	Gondola Point,	
* John Marsters,	Grand Lake,	November, 1824
* William Sears,	Hopewell,	June, 1825
* James Tozer,	Blackville,	March, 1826
* James Wallace,	Hillsborough,	August, 1826
* James McPhee,	Salisbury,	
* Benjamin Coy,	1st Grand Lake.	July, 1828
* Titus Stone,	Sussex Vale,	July, 1828
* David Crandal,	Waterborough,	January, 1831
* J. C. Skinner,	Wickham,	August, 1836
* Peter Spragg,	Springfield,	1840
* J. A. Smith,	Wickham,	February, 1842
* Charles Thorne,	Johnstone,	March, 1842
* W. G. Parker,	Sackville,	January, 1843
* Joshua Bunting,	Upham,	July, 1843
Nathaniel Cleveland,	Shepody,	
* John Francis,	Norton,	January, 1841
James Herritt,	Butternut Ridge,	August, 1845
Merritt Kejth,	Butternut Ridge.	August, 1845
* Samuel Bancroft,	Hampton,	
Donald McPhail,	Buctouche,	August, 1846
* Jarvis Ring,	Springfield,	January, 1847
James Reid,	Hampton Ferry.	

NOTE.—Those marked thus * are licensed to Solemnize Marriage.

LICENCED TO PREACH.

Patrick Duffy, James Newcomb, John Sears, Daniel Perry,
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ABSTRACT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

STATIONS.	DATE OF FORMATION.	Additions		REMOVED.	DISMISSED.	EXCLUDED.	DIED.....	TOTAL.....	Money for Printing the Minutes.		
		Restored. By Letter.	By baptism						£	s.	d.
Butternut Ridge,.....	1836	..	..	..	..	5	131	0	6	0
Buctouche,.....	1844	..	..	..	..	..	28	0	5	0
Coverdale,.....	1842	..	..	..	..	..	24	0	5	0
1 Dorchester,.....	1835	..	..	..	..	..	62	0	3	7
2 Dorchester,.....	1845	..	..	..	..	..	15	0	2	6
Elgin,.....	1839	1	..	1	3	..	134	0	2	0	
1 Grand Lake,.....	1834	..	..	..	..	..	26	0	0	0
2 Grand Lake,.....	1842	..	..	3	..	3	30	0	5	0
Gondola Point,.....	1841	..	..	..	..	1	17	0	3	9
Hampton,.....	..	1	..	..	3	..	40	0	3	9
Harvey,.....	1841	7	..	..	..	..	103	0	0	0
Hopewell,.....	1818	13	1	..	3	1	173	0	7	3	
Hillsborough,.....	1822	4	..	..	..	8	120	0	10	0
Jemseg,.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	0	7	6
Johnston,.....	1824	2	2	1	1	7	72	0	7	0	
Moncton,.....	1828	2	..	..	..	3	121	0	5	0
Norton,.....	1805	..	2	..	1	1	72	0	10	0	
New Canaan,.....	..	..	..	2	..	..	110	0	6	6
1 Springfield,.....	..	..	..	2	1	..	99	0	10	0
2 Springfield,.....	1842	..	..	..	1	2	17	0	4	2
1 St. Martins,.....	1819	3	2	2	3	3	149	0	4	5	
2 St. Martins,.....	1840	4	2	..	..	1	24	0	0	0
1 Salisbury,.....	1798	..	..	..	..	..	41	0	0	0
2 Salisbury,.....	1847	25	0	0	0	
3 Salisbury,.....	1839	37	0	5	0	
Sussex,.....	1848	67	0	6	6	
1 Sackville,.....	1798	55	4	2	..	2	141	0	7	0	
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* £7 5s 6d only paid in to the Treasurer.

NOTE.—Whole number of Churches composing the Association, 32; Ordained Ministers in the Association, 24; Licentiates, 8.

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE UNION.

Rev. John Francis accompanied me for five weeks; his advocacy and influence were of great service to the cause, and more good has been accomplished through his visitations to the churches than any casual observer can at all appreciate. I have spent eight weeks and three days in the service of the Board, details of which have been published in the Christian Visitor; during this time we have attended 72 public meetings, and collected in behalf of the cause the following sums, viz:—

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“ Norton,	0 17 8	to the Association at Moncton for	
“ New Canaan,	0 9 6	the Union Society:—	
“ Butternut Ridge,	0 5 2	Mrs. Diana Peck,	£0 6 2
“ Upper Salisbury,	0 9 0½	Jonathan Blakeney,	0 6 2
“ Lower Salisbury,	0 10 1	3d Salisbury Church,	0 4 6
“ Hillsborough,	2 10 0	Hillsborough “	5 0 0
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“ Jas. Moran,	0 10 0	Hopewell “	4 7 0
Union Soc. at St. Martins,	4 14 2	1st St. Martins “	5 5 4
“ “ Upham,	1 3 8	Richard Titus, and wife,	0 12 4
“ “ Hampton,	1 9 6	2d Sackville Church,	5 17 0
“ “ Norton,	0 12 4	1st Wickham “	6 6 2
Donation per J. L. Willmot,	0 5 0		
“ Mrs. Sinton,	0 2 6	Total,	£33 18 0
“ Olivia Rogers,	0 2 6		
“ N. Wells,	0 6 2		
“ R. Cole, Esq.,	0 10 0		
“ G. M. Black,	0 6 2		
“ W. Stone, Esq.,	0 16 0		
“ Eliz. Sinton,	0 10 0		
“ Mrs. D. Taylor,	12 6		
“ Saml. Keith,	0 16 0		
Total,	£23 10 3½		

Collected for Foreign Missions.

Upham Church,	£0 13 9
Hampton (Little River),	0 8 0
Mrs. Ann Wallace,	0 3 0
Merritt Harris,	0 10 0
Elder Titus Stone,	1 0 0
Judson Tingley,	0 2 6
Thomas Dickson,	0 5 0
James Dickson,	0 5 0
Friend in St. Martins,	0 2 5
Total,	£3 9 8

Expenses on the Agency, £2 2 9

For Foreign Missions.

Hampton Ferry, (Coll.)	£0 2 7
Elder J. Bunting,	0 5 0
1st St. Martins Church,	1 0 0
Wm. Gremley,	0 8 0
	£ 1 10 7
	33 18 0
Total,	£35 8 7

A. McDONALD.

Collections for Domestic Missions.

Taken up at the Association,	£3 7 2
Minute monies paid in,	7 5 6
Postage for past year,	0 9 3
Paper, Pens, &c. at Association.	0 1 3
	£11 3 2

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**The Baptist Education Society for New Brunswick,
In Account Current with Executive Committee.**

1847.		—Dr.—		
July 26,	Paid 3 mos. Advertising in St. John Courier,	£0	18	0
Sept. 24,	do. do. do. Morning News,	1	2	6
" 30,	Paid for 6 yards Cloth, at 3s 9d,	1	6	3
Oct. 23,	Paid for cutting 8 cords of wood, at 2s. 6d.	1	0	0
Nov. 1,	Paid J. T. Smith, Esq. balance due			
	in 1843,	£3	17	5
	For Paint, in 1845,	4	6	3
				8 3 8
	Paid Mrs. Sally Smith Interest on Note due to her,	10	0	0
1848.				
January,	Paid for sundries,	1	9	9
Mar. 13,	Paid for 8 cords of Wood, at 12s,	4	16	0
May 1,	Paid D. Richards his account in full, for making new Fence and Gate, repairing old do., re- pairing Out Houses, and for repairs not be- fore entered,	21	14	8
	Paid Interest on Mortgage at the Central Fire Insurance Company,	40	0	0
	Paid Steward for one year's services, sweeping School Room, lighting fire, &c.	8	0	0
	Paid Mr. T. B. Smith one year's salary, end- ing 7th June, 1848,	50	0	0
June 7,	Paid A. F. Miller balance of his account,	4	5	0
	Paid James P. A. Phillips for Printing,	4	7	4
	Paid Rev. C. Spurden one year's salary, ending 7th June, 1848,	200	0	0
	Paid per centage on collecting School Bills,	1	0	0
				£358 3 4
1847.		—Cr.—		
July 1,	By Balance in hand,	£3	18	8
October,	By amount received from the Treas- urer of the General Union,	25	0	0
	By amount received for Tuition,	77	9	0
June 30,	By amount of Legislative Grant,	250	0	0
	Balance due,	1	15	8
				£358 3 4
1848.		—Dr.—		
June 30,	To balance due the Committee,	£1	15	8

Z. G. GABEL,
Secretary to the Committee.

*Statement of Debts due by the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society,
June 30th, 1848.*

Amount due the Central Fire Ins. Co. on Mortgages,	£375	0	0
Interest on ditto,	10	0	0
Amount due Mrs. Sally Smith, (Note.)	200	0	0
Interest on ditto,	24	0	0
Amount due Rev. C. Tupper,	7	13	4
Amount due the Estate of the late F. W. Miles,	19	3	4
Total amount due,	£635	16	8

Z. G. GABEL, *Secretary to the Committee.*

*Statement shewing the Decrease of Debt for the past three years on the
Baptist Seminary, Fredericton.*

1845. The amount of debt due was,	£798	1	7
1846. Ditto ditto was,	690	12	0
By less difference, and paid,			£37 9 7
1847. Amount of debt due was,	659	18	7
By less difference and paid,			30 13 5
1848. Amount of debt is,	635	16	8
By less difference and paid,			24 1 11
Total am't. reduced on Debt for last three years,	£92	4	11

Z. G. GABEL, *Secretary to the Committee.*

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The Westmorland Domestic Missionary Board, in Account with Cyrus Black.

	1846.	—Dr.—	
0 0	July 22,	To cash paid John Sears, Licentiate, for three weeks' Missionary Labor,	£4 10 0
0 0	23,	Paid Rev. C. Tupper for 1 week at Miramichi,	1 10 0
0 0	1848.		
13 4	March 9,	Paid J. Sears for Missionary Labor at North Joggins, Dorchester Cape, and Fairfield,	2 7 7½
3 4	29,	Paid Daniel Crandal, Licentiate, for two weeks' Missionary Labor,	3 0 0
16 8	May 11,	Paid Rev. D. McPhail, for Missionary Labor at Buctouche,	2 0 0
ttc.	June 9,	Paid ditto, ditto, ditto,	1 0 0
		Paid Postages,	0 3 0½
		Balance due Licentiate John Sears,	0 12 4½
		Balance in the Treasurer's hands,	0 4 4½
			<u>£15 7 5</u>

9 7	1847.	—Cr.—	
13 5	July,	By Balance per last year's Account,	£6 19 10½
	22,	Amount collected by Licentiate John Sears at Shemogue,	0 11 0
1 11	23,	Collected by Rev. C. Tupper at Miramichi,	0 12 7
4 11	24,	Received from C. Harper, Treasurer of the Sackville 2d Church Union Society,	2 12 0
ttc.	Dec. 27,	Collected at Quarterly Meeting at Sackville,	3 4 4
	1848.		
	March 9,	Collected by Licen. J. Sears, at the Joggins, &c.	0 17 7½
	28,	Collected by Licen. D. Crandal, at Shemogue,	0 10 0
			<u>£15 7 5</u>

CYRUS BLACK, *Treasurer.*

The Albert Domestic Missionary Board, in Account with Peter Duffy.

	1846.	—Dr.—	
	July	To balance due Treasurer last year on account,	£4 8 4½
	1847.		
	Feb. 20,	To paid Elder Pulcifer,	6 0 0
		Paid Brother Patrick Duffy,	6 0 0
	July	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	2 13 3
			<u>£19 1 7½</u>

1846.	By received from Elder Wallace, per the Union Society, and division of money at the Association,	£11 15 0
Nov. 2,	Collected at Quarterly Meeting,	2 4 1½
	Do. do. held at Hillsborough,	2 15 10½
1847.		
Feb. 3,	Do. do. held at Hopewell,	1 11 7½
30,	Received from Elder Pulcifer,	0 15 0
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		£19 1 7½

PETER DUFFY *Treasurer.*

This Account was not forwarded last year, there being no Delegates from this Church at the Association.

Hillsborough, July, 1848.

PETER DUFFY.

The Albert Domestic Missionary Board, in Account with Peter Duffy.

1848.	—Dr.—	
July,	To Balance in Treasurer's hands,	£3 18 3
1847.	—Cr.—	
July	By Balance in Treasurer's hands from last year,	£2 13 3
1848.		
June 16,	Collected at Quarterly Meeting in Hillsborough,	1 5 0
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		£3 18 3

PETER DUFFY, *Treasurer.*

NOTE.—The returns for the Union Society are incomplete, as several of the Churches engaged in raising funds have not sent in their subscriptions to the Association; others have sent but a part, the remainder not being collected.

A. McDONALD.

REPORT

To the Eastern Association held at Hillsborough, 1848.
The Colporteur, who was appointed, and Baptist, and also with secured from

Any quantity and three months Tract Society

Upon these 6530 Volumes Besides Maps Exclusive, all

British and Foreign Bibles amount of

There is no demand for the

The Association Colporteur, who failed him in no longer. He employed, who and with such

Previous to since, there has necessary furnished, harness made by frigate of the entire Committee, but except by the

The travelling committee of our brethren Colporteur for a day.

The Committee stood, and its this particular

APPENDIX.

(A.)

REPORT OF THE COLPORTEUR COMMITTEE.

To the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.—

The Colporteur Committee appointed at the last Session of the Association held at Jacksontown beg leave to report:

That they entered at once upon the work to which they were appointed, and corresponded with the American Tract Society, American Baptist Publication Society, and American Sabbath School Union, and also with several private Publishing Houses in the States, and secured from them very liberal terms, viz:

Any quantity of Books at their order, for twenty per cent. discount, and three months credit. This is the extreme limit to which the Tract Society, or Sabbath School Union ever went.

Upon these terms the Committee have procured,	
6530 Volumes of Books at a cost of	£414 7 4
Besides Maps, Cards, &c., for Sabbath Schools,	11 16 9
Exclusive, also, of Bibles and Testaments from the	
British and Foreign Bible Society,	54 0 0
And Bibles and Testaments from the American and	
Foreign Bible Society, recently received, to the	
amount of	13 17 2
	£494 1 3

There is now a good variety of Books on hand, and an increasing demand for them.

The Association, by vote, accepted Brother Richard Crabbe as its Colporteur, who has, in all, laboured about six months. His health failed him in November last, to such a degree that he could serve us no longer. Before his resignation, Brother James V. Tabor was also employed, who is now faithfully and zealously prosecuting the work and with such success as must gratify every friend of the enterprise.

Previous to the adoption of the enterprise by the Association a year since, there had been considerable outlay of expense towards the necessary furniture for the Colporteur, including Poney, carriage, sleigh, harness, &c., &c. Towards this some contributions had been made by friends, though by no means adequate, and since the adoption of the enterprise, when its concerns came into the hands of the Committee, but a mere trifle of a few shillings have been contributed except by the committee.

The travelling expenses of the Colporteur have been greater than the committee hoped they might have been; and we regret that many of our brethren have appreciated the work so lightly as to charge the Colporteur for meals and for board where they have tarried but a day.

The Committee doubt not, however, that as the enterprise is understood, and its advantages seen, there will be more liberality shown in this particular; nor can they refrain, in this place, from stating that

in some parts of the States, where the work has been extensively prosecuted, the cars upon the railroad, and the best accommodation of the Steamers upon the rivers have been frequently at the gratuitous service of the Colporteur. The committee are bound to acknowledge the liberality of Capt. Rogers of the Steamer Admiral, by which boat their books are brought in charging much below his usual rate for the encouragement of the work.

Until April last, the duty upon books was eight per cent, and the freight and cartage amounted to about two per cent more, leaving about ten per cent of the discount upon the books, towards meeting the expenses of the Colporteur; more than half of the books imported indeed three fourths, came in under those terms, since which time, there has been a reduction of seven per cent in the duty, so that there is every reason to believe, that in ordinary times the enterprise will fully sustain itself, if economically conducted.

The remuneration which the committee felt allowed to pay a Colporteur has been at the rate of £40 per year, which is as little as one could expect its labors, exposures, and cares to be sustained for, whilst again, it was as much as our circumstances would warrant us, at present, to allow. The Committee feel bound to express their satisfaction at the diligence and faithfulness of both the brethren whom they have employed.

Besides the sale of books the Committee have also made arrangements to introduce the Religious Monthly Paper of the American Tract Society, which is a large and valuable paper, to which the Committee now have 450 subscribers, which they can extend, to meet the wishes of their friends, to any number. The price of the paper at St. John all expense covered is 9d per annum. The committee will put them up in packages of twenty for any part of the Province; if parties will make up the sum of 15s. in advance, and make the necessary provision to obtain them from St. John. They can be had only for advance pay and packages of twenty.

In conclusion, the committee would express the hope, in view of the success which has attended the work thus far, and the abundant promise of good which this enterprise presents in the increase of knowledge and in reaching so many with the word and truth of God who could be reached in no other way, that the friends of the enterprise will feel disposed by their contribution to assist them—giving them the ability to circulate gratuitously to such as are not able to purchase, and also relieve the Colporteur's furniture from encumbrance.

The committee would hope that during the ensuing year, circumstances will warrant such expense as might give them the use of a suitable and conveniently situated room for a Depository where their books may be more accessible, and be displayed to better advantage. It is ascertained that such a convenience would allow the committee to supply their friends in the Province with school books now in use in the Province, and stationary, at as great a reduction upon the ordinary prices as their religious books are now furnished.

All, of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee.

Adopted. Edward B. Veaz.

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- 1 Edmund
- 2 Arthur C
- 3 Stephen
- 4 Enoch B
- 5 John Sh
- 6 Joseph T
- 7 Cornelius
- 8 George C
- 9 Joseph A
- 10 Robert E
- 11 David H
- 12 John C
- 13 Joseph M
- 14 Ward H
- 15 Henry A
- 16 John H
- 17 Dow Y
- 18 Donald
- 19 Duncan
- 20 John B
- 21 George
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(B.)

REPORT OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

The President of the Education Society having taken the Chair, Rev. Charles Spurden, Principal of the Seminary at Fredericton, read the following Report:—

Officers and Board of Directors of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society:

President—Elder Joseph Crandal.

Vice Presidents—Elders John Marston and Samuel Robinson.

Treasurer—Solomon Hersey, Esq.

Secretaries—John T. Smith and Samuel W. Rabbit, Esq'rs.

Principal—Rev. Charles Spurden.

Assistant Teacher—Mr. Thomas B. Smith.

Every Minister of the Denomination is a Member of the Board.

STUDENTS**SENIOR CLASS,**

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 Edmund Knight, St. George. | 28 William Blizzard, Fredericton, |
| 2 Arthur O'Connor, Fredericton. | 29 James A. Kinnear, " |
| 3 Stephen H. Estabrooks, Canning | 30 William F. Kinnear, " |
| 4 Enoch Barker, Sheffield. | 31 William J. Taylor, " |
| 5 John Skinner, Wickham. | 32 Francis J. McBeath, " |
| 6 Joseph B. Peck, Hopewell. | 33 William A. McBeath, " |
| 7 Cornelius Flower, Wickham. | 34 Richard Phillips, " |
| 8 George Gerow, St. John. | 35 Timothy O'Connor, " |
| 9 Joseph A. Wetmore, Springfield. | 36 Francis W. Turney, " |
| 10 Robert Emerson, North Esk. | 37 William Nisbet, " |
| 11 David Horsman, Salisbury. | 38 Robert Davis, " |
| 12 John Cutton, Amherst. | |
| 13 Joseph McDonald, Wickham. | |
| 14 Ward H. Estabrooks, Fredericton. | |
| 15 Henry A. Vradenburgh, Wickam. | |
| 16 John H. Watson, Fredericton. | |
| 17 Dow Yandine, Wakefield. | |
| 18 Donald Livingstone, St. George. | |
| 19 Duncan McDougal, Woodstock. | |

MIDDLE CLASS,

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| 20 John Barker, Fredericton. | |
| 21 George Barber, " | |
| 22 Richard W. Thomas, " | |
| 23 Alex. McPherson, " | |
| 24 Enoch W. Chestnut, " | |
| 25 William H. Richards, " | |
| 26 Henry Hale, " | |
| 27 Frederick R. Harris, " | |

TUITION FEES

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|------------------------|----|----------------------------|
| Under 10 years of age, | 10 | for each term of 11 weeks. |
| Between 10 and 14, | 15 | " |
| Above 14 years, | 20 | " |

2c. fd. for fuel each Spring, Winter, and Autumn Term.

Accommodations are provided in the Seminary, at the rate of 25.00 per

week. This includes board, the washing of six articles, and necessary attendance. Each student provides his own bed and bedding. Every attention is paid to the moral behaviour and correct deportment of the students.

At the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Society, held at Moncton on the 11th July, 1848, the following Report was presented by the Committee :

REPORT.

As the names of the Scholars who have attended at the Seminary for a longer or shorter period, during the past year, are subjoined, it is needless for the Committee to enter into any further detail. A classification according to the studies pursued has not been attempted, because of the difficulty of doing so with precision; when a variety of subjects engage the attention of the same student.

The Principal bears his testimony to the indefatigable industry, as well as the excellent behaviour which has marked the young men of the Senior Class, whether studying as School Teachers, or with some other object in view.

The friends of the Society will be gratified to learn that the debt upon the Institution has been gradually diminishing during the last three years. It appears from a statement in the Cash Account, that since the year 1845, when the Committee published the liabilities of the Society as nearly as they could be ascertained, there has been a reduction of debt to the amount of £92. This has been in part effected by means of the assistance afforded by the Union Society, for during the two years that the Union has been in operation, this Society has received £49 from that source; they must observe, however, that the formation of Union Societies has prevented their receiving the sums which had been promised several years ago, and which the Rev. C. Tupper was collecting at the rate of £20 a year. They leave these statements with the friends of the Society, in the confidence that when these facts are known, the Union Society will meet with no hindrance in any quarter from the circumstance of its combining education among its other important objects.

The interest upon Mortgages, &c., amounting to £35 every year, necessarily cramps the exertions of the Committee, and they are extremely anxious to be free from the incumbrance of a debt which draws so largely upon their annual income; the sum now paid in interest, if it could be appropriated to the purchase of books for the Library, would soon furnish a variety of interesting reading, which would be an attractive source of instruction and improvement.

The Committee referred in their last Report to the repairs which would be required to secure the property, and fence in the premises, they judged it absolutely necessary to incur some considerable expense this year, in the erection of a new fence, painting and repairs; the income of the Society, together with the tuition charges to the parties who have done the work, has enabled the Committee to meet this outlay, without incumbering the Society with debt. Some trees were planted in front of the building about three years ago, and the Committee rejoice in having been able to tender the external appearance of the building an ornament to the part where it is situated, and worthy of the object for which it was founded.

The following Resolutions were therefore unanimously adopted, viz: *Resolution 1st.* That the Report now read be received and laid before the Churches.

Resolution 2d. That the friends of the Society rejoice in the measure of

prosperity with which it has pleased God to bless their efforts, and anticipate the time when young men of piety will be found to enter the Institution, in order to cultivate their talents for the Ministry of the Gospel.

Resolution 3d. That the Executive Committee for the ensuing year consist of G. Spurden, S. Elder, Hon. W. B. Kinnear, Z. G. Gabel, S. W. Babbit, Aaron Hartt, and W. Sewell.

(C.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report—
That they have learned that the latest accounts received from Brother Burpe were favorable as respects the state of his health, and of his success in the great object of his mission—that he had baptized eleven converts,—was beginning to preach to the benighted Karens, in their vernacular tongue the wonderful truths of the gospel—and also that the Mission Board are in correspondence with a suitable brother who is likely, if approved of by the Board, to soon proceed to join our beloved Missionaries, accompanied by an amiable and devoted partner.

Resolved, therefore, that this Association feel that our utmost gratitude is due to the God of our salvation, for the cheering accounts which have come to our knowledge, and recommend the churches connected with us to make the greatest possible exertions to provide money for sustaining an enterprize of such magnitude as the Foreign Mission.

All which is respectfully submitted.

(D.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause beg leave to report the following preamble and resolutions.

Whereas, this Association entertain a unanimous sentiment and deep conviction of the indispensable need of the Word of God for the culling, comforting, and sanctification of God's people, and also of the duty of those to whom these lively oracles are committed, to employ every practicable means for their universal circulation; and, whereas, we recognize the principle of the American and Foreign Bible Society as the only one through which the whole mind of God can be made known to man, viz: "that the original in the Hebrew and Greek are the only authentic standards of the Sacred Scriptures; and that aid for the translating, printing, and distributing of them in foreign languages should be afforded to such versions only as are conformed, as nearly as possible, to the original text; it being understood that no words shall be *translated* which are susceptible of being literally translated.

Resolved, therefore, that as the Agent of the American and Foreign Bible Society, is at present in this Province, we cordially recommend him to our churches to receive collections and such donations as may be obtained without injury to the General Union Society.

(E.)

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE.

The Financial Committee beg leave to Report:—That arrangements under the direction of the General Board have been made, for appealing by deputation, consisting of Elders McDonald & Francis to all the Churches of this Association. The Deputation visited all the Churches except a few on the Grand Lake and vicinities. The Committee are happy to be able to report that the Deputation have been received with kindness, and their appeal responded to with a good degree of liberality considering the general pecuniary depression. Some impediments to the successful operation of the Union plan have been discovered, among which appear to have been an impression that the effort was special and temporary instead of permanent, and the amount subscribed to be continued from year to year as God shall give ability. Unless this character of permanency is admitted, not only must there be a new organization from year to year, but the services and expense of a special agent must be continued, which throws us back again upon our former uncertainties. The Committee regret that some Churches have not forwarded their full amount, and others nothing at all, which will not permit of a complete report at this end of our financial year, which we consider of great importance, and which can be remedied only by an immediate attendance to collections and forwarding the amounts to Mr. Hersey, the Treasurer of the General Board in St. John, to which we call special attention. Your Committee, are however, gratified to learn, that the want of cash has not restricted the liberality of some of the friends of our cause, but articles of produce and domestic manufacture which are equally acceptable and valuable have been contributed. We beg leave to call special attention to this method and hope that considerable collection of this description will be made. Such articles of any description forwarded to St. John, can be immediately converted to money and will doubtless in some cases command an increased price in consideration of the objects.

(F.)

REPORT ON THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

The Committee upon the *Christian Visitor* beg leave to report: That they highly approve of this paper as a religious publication. That in their opinion its continuation will be productive of great good to the cause of God in this Province. The Committee would recommend it to the support of Ministers, Deacons, and members of all the Churches of our Eastern Association, and also to our congregations. The Committee would express their hope, that the paper may not suffer any embarrassment through the want of pecuniary support—that those who can, will contribute to enrich its columns with original matter, and that all who are in arrears will forward their dues which is necessary to sustain properly the undertaking.

The Committee would further express its approbation of the manner in which the *Christian Visitor* is conducted by its talented and wiser

ny Editor, ELDER E. D. VERY, and hope the Lord may sustain him
in his duties as an Editor and as a Pastor.

W. JACKSON, *Chairman.*

In behalf of the Committee.

Adopted.

(G.)

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Special Business beg leave to report:—

1. That this Association caution the Churches against receiving or recognising as a Baptist Minister, Mr. Mathew Smith, who is in this Province professing himself to be such, as he has never been ordained as such, and has furthermore been excluded from membership in the denomination.

2. The Committee are happy to express their satisfaction with the doings of the Colporteur Committee appointed at Jacksontown last year, and regard it as one of the most efficient agencies for good in operation in these days. We earnestly commend their work and their Colporteur to the Churches, to adopt them as their own, and hope they will be liberally sustained.

We further recommend that a special effort be immediately made to raise a sum of money sufficient to pay the expense of the Colporteur furniture, including Poney, Waggon, Sleigh, Harness, &c., each Church taking up a collection or making subscriptions and forwarding the same to the Committee at St. John.

3. The Committee would beg further to report: That they conceive no Minister is warranted to form a Church, or dissolve a Church, or ordain a Pastor or Elder without council, except he is so far remote as to make it impracticable to obtain counsel or assistance. They would recommend to the Association, to advise the Church in Sussex to assume their former position, which they occupied before their resolution to dissolve, and that it stand in our Minutes as it did last year.

4. They would further recommend to every Church, the regular and stated administration of the Lord's Supper, in obedience to his dying command: "This do in remembrance of me."

5. That this Association earnestly recommend the Churches that are destitute of the Pastoral care of an Elder, to secure a Pastor according to the word of God, by the time of our next annual meeting.

J. BLAKENY, *Chairman.*

In behalf of the Committee.

Adopted.

(H.)

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed to examine into the state of Sabbath Schools Report, That a General Agent, devoted exclusively to this object, is much needed in this Province, and that other information than that contained in the letters from the Churches, cannot be obtained for want of such an Agent. That according to the letters from the churches, there are only 11 churches enjoying the benefit of Sabbath School instruction, and 18 that make no mention of Sabbath Schools.

That in 7 schools there are 500 scholars, 74 teachers, nearly 300 vols. of the Holy Scriptures, and 1124 vols. in their libraries. That the Colporteur committee had remedied the great want of proper books for Sabbath Schools, and that interest had been given and much benefit realized therein through said committee. That this committee deeply regret that so many churches deprive themselves of this very efficient method of mental training by S. Schools, and insist that the advanced state of religion in our favored Province, makes it imperatively necessary that every Pastor, Licentiate, and member of our churches do engage in this cause, and endeavor to impress the mind with the necessity of every church engaging therein. The committee feel highly gratified that our Colporteur has rendered such valuable assistance to this department, and beg the continuance of his labors.

They would request the churches yearly to answer the following questions in their letters:—Have you any Sabbath School? How many Scholars? How many Teachers? How many vols. in your library? How many Bibles and Testaments used therein? What is the general state of the School? All which is respectfully submitted.

J. HERRITT.

ACCOUNT OF THE SABBATH SCHOOLS FOR THE PRESENT YEAR.

CHURCHES.	No. of Schools.	Scholars.	Teachers	Volumes.	Testm'ts. and Bibles.	REMARKS.
Hopewell,.....	4	105	18	27		Prosperous.
2 Dorchester,.....	1	30	5	140		Active operation.
1 Sackville,.....	1	90	11	169	18—37	Encouraging.
2 Sackville,.....	1	100	15	300	27—57	do.
2 Grand Lake,.....	1	80	5	100	22	do.
3 Salisbury,.....	1	48	7			
Johnston,.....	1	20	3		12	New but increasing
Jemseg,.....	1	50	6	100		Increasing.
Springfield,.....	1	60		300		Encouraging.
Upham,.....	2	57	8		36	do.
Hillsborough,.....	1	108	27	170	94	do.
From old report.						
1 Dorchester,.....	3	88	13	45	24—9	
1 Grand Lake,.....	1		1			Then newly formed
Harvey,.....	1	50	6	100		
Norton,.....	2	40		80		
1 Salisbury,.....	2	50	8			
1 St. Martins,.....	1	50	5			
2 St. Martins,.....	1	17	2			
16 Churches, total,.....	26	990	140	1531	836	Course advancing.