

MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTIETH SESSION
OF THE
EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
HELD AT HILLSBOROUGH, A. C.,
ON
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY,
11th, 12th, and 13th July, 1867.
WITH THE
ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
N. B. B. HOME MISSIONARY UNION,
-AND
EDUCATION SOCIETIES.

[Next Session to be held at Sackville, July 9th, 1868.]

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CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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

ARTICLE 2.—The Association shall meet annually, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the second Thursday of July, at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes. The meeting shall be opened with Social Conference; after which, the Officers and Committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 4.—At each meeting of the Association, the Delegates shall deliver to the Clerk of the preceding year immediately on their arrival, the letters from the Churches; a list of the Delegates having been prepared by the Clerk, their names shall be called, and they shall take their places. The Moderator of the preceding year shall call the vote for a Moderator, by ballot, without nomination, and the person who shall be chosen by a majority of the members present, shall, upon his acceptance, lead the meeting to the choice of a Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the transactions of the meeting, 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 the session, and furnish a correct copy of the same for the press.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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 request its continuance, and shall engage to enquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE 8.—Although as an Association, we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church or Minister in our connexion, which to us shall appear to be unscriptural in principle, or irregular in practice. In order, however, that we may not withdraw our fellowship without sufficient reason, from any Church or Minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a Committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the result of their enquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

ARTICLE 9.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution from time to time, such as experience may dictate.

RULES OF ORDER.

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

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MINUTES.

The Eastern N. B. Baptist Association met with the First Baptist Church in Hillsborough, on the 11th day of July, 1867, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

After a Conference of two hours, the Association was called to order; and the following brethren appointed officers:—

REV. THOMAS TODD, *Moderator*;
" A. B. MACDONALD, *Secretary*;
" W. A. COREY, *Ass't. Secretary*;
BRO. MICHAEL GROSS, *Treasurer*;
" WILLIAM WALLACE, *Ass't. Treasurer*.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. W. A. Coleman.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2½ o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. Kierstead.

Rules of Order read.

Brethren G. F. Miles, D. A. Blackader, William George, and Joseph Murray, took their seats as delegates from the Eastern N. S. Association.

By invitation, the following brethren took seats with the Association:—

Professor F. Higgins, of Acadia College; Revs. I. E. Bill, G. W. M. Carey A. M., Dr. Spurden, W. H. Beckwith, W. A. Coleman, J. Wallace, W. A. Troop and Brethren P. McLeod, J. A. Steadman, J. S. May, E. E. Burnham, W. E. Lookhart, of New York, Calvin Goodspeed, A. B., I. E. Bill, Jun., and Thos. McHenry.

Rev. J. Chase took his seat as delegate from the Central, and Rev. G. Armstrong delegate from the Western N. S. Associations.

The following Committees were then appointed:—

On Arrangements—Brethren W. T. Corey, Wm. Wallace, Michael Gross, and W. A. Coleman.

To Read Letters—Revs. G. Seely, J. Chase, and J. Steadman.

To Examine Circular Letter—Revs. W. A. Coleman, and D. Crandal.

On Home Missions—Revs. D. Crandal, E. F. Foshay, W. George, J. Herritt, J. Irving, I. E. Bill, Dr. Hurd, and Prof. Higgins.

On Special Business and New Churches—Revs. W. A. Coleman, W. T. Corey, W. W. Corey, Thos. Bleakney, and Brethren W. Knapp, and Joseph Sears.

On Religious Periodicals—Revs. E. Foshay, D. Crandal, J. Trimble, J. E. Fillamore, J. Chase, G. Seely, and Brethren J. E. Hopper, and Wm. Knapp.

On Sabbath Schools—Dr. Hurd, Rev. G. Seely, and Brethren E. Hopper, P. McLeod, L. Wheaton, Joseph Sears.

On Education—Revs. Dr. Hurd, T. Bleakney, I. E. Bill, J. Chase, Dr. Spurden, Prof. Higgins; Brethren W. Knapp, J. E. Hopper, and C. Goodspeed, and Rev. G. F. Miles.

On Temperance—Revs. I. E. Bill, J. Herritt, W. A. Coleman, H. Charlton, and Brethren W. Wallace, Peter Duffy, and Levi Steeves, J. E. Steadman, J. Irving, — Scott, E. Fillamore.

On Union Societies—Revs. W. T. Corey, G. Seely, E. Kierstead, H. Charlton, J. Chase, E. Foshay, and Brethren W. Wallace, D. Bagley, R. Colpitts, J. J. Steeves, W. George, and — Scribner.

To Prepare Digest of Letters—J. E. Hopper.

On Departed Brethren—Revs. I. E. Bill, J. Herritt, Thomas Bleakney, and W. H. Beckwith.

On Finance—Deacons Duffy, Israel Steeves, Solomon Thome, Joseph Calhoun, Andrew Bishop, — Sears, Lewis Smith, and Balsor.

Letters from the Churches read.

Resolved—That the next session of the Association be held with the 2d Baptist Church in Sackville.

Resolved—That Rev. W. A. Corey preach the Introductory Sermon, and that Rev. G. Seely be his Alternate.

Resolved—That Rev. T. Todd write the Circular Letter.

Resolved—That the number of Minutes printed this year be in accordance with the amount paid by the churches for that purpose; and that each church receive Minutes in proportion to the amount paid by each; and that Brethren Bill and Gady superintend the printing of the same.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Bill.

EVENING SESSION, 7 1/2 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. G. F. Miles.

Preaching by Bro. William George. Text, John vi. 10: "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." A spirit-stirring sermon, accompanied by warm-hearted exhortations.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Blackader.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, 10 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. G. Armstrong.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. Dr. Hurd, from Joshua xiii. 1: "There remaineth very much land to be possessed." The sermon was heard by the Association with great satisfaction.

Resolved—That Dr. Hurd be requested to publish the sermon in the *Visitor*.

A collection for Home Missions was taken up.

Reading of Letters resumed.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. G. Murray.

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. Gooldrop.

The report of the Committee on the Circular Letter having been adopted, the letter was read by its author, Rev. A. B. Macdonald.

Resolved—That the Circular Letter be published in the *Christian Visitor*.

Committee on Education submitted the following report, which was adopted.

Your Committee have much pleasure in reporting that our Seminary at Fredericton is, on the whole, in a state of healthy and advancing prosperity.

During the year ending June 6th, the Institution has been working satisfactorily, with a full staff of efficient officers: as many students were in attendance as, in the present condition of the building, could be accommodated.

As stated in the report of the Education Committee, liabilities have been incurred which ought to be met at once, and which, your Committee trust, will not be overlooked during the present session of this Body.

The importance of the question of Endowment has also been alluded to elsewhere, and we most earnestly recommend some definite action in the matter, by which, at least, one half of the amount proposed—\$10,000—may be secured, to relieve the Institution from present embarrassments.

Your Committee are pleased to know that Acadia College is also doing a good and noble work; that it has been the means of bestowing immense blessings on our denomination in these Provinces; that it promises to exert in the future a still more potent influence, to insure which it is necessary that the staff of professors should, with as little delay as possible, be increased by the addition of at least two to its number.

Your Committee would, therefore, most cordially commend these Institutions to the entire confidence and liberal support of their numerous friends in this Province.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HURD, Chairman.

The Association suspended its business to allow the Education Society to hold its annual meeting.

Rev. I. E. Bill, President, in the Chair.

The report of the Society was read, which, after a long discussion, was adopted. (See Appendix).

The Moderator resumed the Chair.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Miles.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION, 7½ o'clock.

Resolved—That the Association suspend business, and give place to the annual meeting of the H. M. Society.

Rev. Dr. Spurden, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Prayer by Bro. Bill.

The Corresponding Secretary, Rev. I. E. Bill, read his

annual report, which was followed by addresses from Revs. G. Armstrong, P. O. Reece, Dr. Spurden, T. Todd, and G. F. Miles.

Collection taken for Home Missions.

Report adopted.

Resolved—That Brethren J. Herritt, W. T. Corey, W. A. Coleman, and T. Todd, be a Committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

A letter from O. D. Everett, Esq., was read by the Corresponding Secretary, tendering his resignation of the Treasurership of this Society; whereupon it was—

Resolved—That our Treasurer's resignation be accepted; and that the thanks of this Society be tendered to our esteemed Brother for the courtesy and fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Coleman.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION, 8 o'clock.

The H. M. Board met at 8 o'clock, continuing in session till 10 o'clock; when the H. M. Society met and received the report of the Committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

At 10 o'clock the Moderator took the Chair.

Prayer by Bro. Beckwith.

The Committee on departed brethren submitted the following report:—

Your Committee beg to report that Elder Titus Stone, for many years a minister of our denomination, has passed to the spirit world. Our esteemed brother was emphatically given to hospitality, and many a weary traveller found in his hospitable dwelling refreshing food and rest. As the last enemy drew near, he met him with composure and christian confidence; and we doubt not that death to our departed Bro. Stone was "The gate to endless joy."

The late Rev. Samuel Robinson, though not a minister of this Association, yet he was generally present at our annual gatherings, and by his judicious counsel, earnest prayers, and scriptural admonitions, rendered efficient service, and was always esteemed by us as a devout Christian, an able minister of the New Testament, and as one of the "Fathers" of our denomination. His sudden and unexpected death created a profound sensation in our ministers and churches generally; and the memory of his life and labors is cherished by us with the deepest interest.

We tender to his sorrowing widow and to his bereaved children our christian sympathies, and commit them, by faith and prayer, to the gracious care of him who has promised to be "a father to the fatherless, and the widow's God."

I. E. BILL, Chairman of the Committee.

Report adopted.

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The Committee on Special Business submitted the following report:—

Whereas, a letter put into our hands, written by the clerk of the 1st Studholm Church, preferring a charge against W. A. Troop, charging him with having interfered with the discipline of said church, which charge is sustained by Rev. E. Kierstead, we recommend that the Association cannot treat the matter without further information from said church; but advise said church to call a council from neighboring churches to assist them in adjusting matters. Further recommend that the letters from Rockport, Bayside (Botsford), be read, and the names of said churches be inserted in the Minutes, they having been known as 1st Dorchester Church, and Cape Tormentine Church; but for the future to be known as Rockport and Bayside Churches. Further recommend that the Association cannot recognize the letter written by George E. McLean, clerk of Cumberland Bay Church, as the letter of said church, but that statistics, as given by him, be inserted in the Minutes, and Minutes sent to him according to money paid.

W. A. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Report adopted.

Resolved—That the letter from Bro. Geo. McLean, of 1st Grand Lake, be read before the Association.

Resolved—That the hand of fellowship be extended to the new churches referred to by the Committee on Special Business.

The Committee on Religious Periodicals submitted the following report:—

Your Committee beg leave to report that, in their opinion, few, if any of the agencies of the present day, have more to do with the well-being of communities than religious periodicals; and therefore the necessity of their being all, in every respect, that the cause of truth demands.

Our respect for the Editor of the *Christian Visitor*, and an appreciation of his laborious efforts to make the paper all that is desirable, and knowing the small amount of support he has received in the editorial department, or in contributions from the denomination, would lead us to suggest that, without delay, the paying subscribers to the *Visitor* be so increased as to enable the Editor to employ such assistance as shall make the *Christian Visitor*, in all respects, equal to any religious periodical on the American continent.

The *Christian Visitor*, as the organ of our denomination, reaches not only the Baptists, but others outside of our communion, and is taken as an index of our denominational standing. This being the case, it ought to be an exponent of our views, a staunch advocate and supporter of our principles, and a defender of our civil and religious rights and privileges, and therefore its contents may at times receive the disapprobation of those who differ in sentiment from us.

While your Committee notice with pleasure the able contributions of many of its correspondents, they, notwithstanding, would suggest that a deeper interest taken in this department of its labors, would increase its value to its readers.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. F. FOSHAY, Chairman of Committee.

Several speeches, manifesting great interest in the *Christian Visitor*, accompanied the reception of this report.

Report adopted.

Committee on Arrangements reported the following appointments for the Sabbath:—

In this place—Preaching by Rev. G. W. M. Carey, at 10½ o'clock; by Rev. J. Murray, at 8 P. M.; by Rev. G. F. Miles, at 7½ P. M.

Preaching in the 2d meeting-house, at 10½ A. M., by Dr. Spurden; at 3 P. M., by Rev. A. B. Macdonald; at 7½ P. M., by Rev. W. Lockhart, of New York.

Preaching at Salem, at 10½ A. M., by Rev. A. Blackader; at 3 P. M., by Rev. W. A. Corey.

Preaching at Dawson Settlement, by Brethren J. M. Curry, and P. McLeod.

At the Mines—Preaching by Rev. I. E. Bill.

At the Cape—Preaching by Bro. W. D. Manzer.

At Hopewell—Preaching by Brethren J. E. Hopper, and C. Goodspeed, and by Rev. Dr. Hurd.

At Harvey—Preaching by Rev. Dr. Hurd and Prof. Hopper.

At Stony Creek—Preaching by Rev. J. Herritt.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Kimble.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. J. Wallace.

The Committee on Home Missions reported that—

In our opinion, there are no Christian duties of more importance in the promotion of the Redeemer's kingdom in the world, than our Home and Foreign Missions; and as their financial support is dependent on our Union funds, we therefore recommend that greater efforts be put forth by our ministers, deacons, and churches, to increase the Union funds; and that the small amounts already handed in from several of our churches, be considered only a commencement of what shall be done hereafter.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. CRANDAL, Chairman.

After a number of earnest speeches, expressing full sympathy with the report, it was adopted.

The Committee on Union Societies reported that—

It is painfully evident that there is not that amount of interest taken in our benevolent enterprises, by the churches generally, that the necessity of the case demand. The statistics of the present year show that the amounts contributed to the Society, is but little in advance of the past year; and upon the whole, it has not prospered as we might have anticipated, from the fact that its objects each appeal loudly to the sympathy and benevolence of every Christian. If their pleadings find no place in our hearts, and stir up our souls, then our religion must be sadly covetous. Your Committee feel that there is a wrong somewhere. Does it rest with the ministers or the people? Our people are generally willing to give if called upon, and duly set before them. We would, therefore, recommend that every minister engage in this enter-

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prise heart and soul, as his conscience and his God may dictate; and during the coming year rally around the standard of the old Union, not only in name but in action, until, by the help of God, its coffers be filled to overflowing.

All of which is respectfully submitted,
W. T. COREY, Chairman.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows:

Your Committee are pleased to mark the increasing interest taken by our churches in the subject of Sabbath School instruction. The letters read before the Association represent many of the schools in a state of growing prosperity, while in others there is room for considerable improvement.

Your Committee would recommend to all the churches the importance of still more earnest effort to increase the number and efficiency of these auxiliaries to Christian labor: and that so desirable an object may be realized, we are of opinion that the pastors, deacons, and other influential members of our churches, should manifest a greater interest in the matter than many of them do, and endeavour, by every means in their power, to enlarge the libraries, and furnish the schools with such other reading matter as may tend to interest and improve both teachers and scholars.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HURD, Chairman.

Adopted.

Bro. Wilbur, of Shediac, was heard by the Association in reference to the debt against the Baptist meeting-house in that place.

A subscription was taken up towards paying the debt of \$400 against the Shediac meeting-house.

Resolved—That it be ascertained how many pastors and others will pledge themselves to collect the balance of the \$400 asked for by Bro. Wilbur.

A letter was received from Rev. J. Hughes, sick of typhoid fever in St. John. By order of the Association the letter was read, exciting the deepest sympathy among the people. The Association, led by Bro. Bill, spent a time in fervent prayer for our afflicted brother.

Resolved—That a subscription list be circulated for the liquidation of the debt due to Prof. Hopper, on account of the Seminary.

Resolved—That we recommend the churches of this Association to take a collection in behalf of the Seminary, in the first Sabbath in January, 1868; and that those collections be more general and liberal than in the past.

Report on Temperance read.

Your Committee on this important subject rejoice to report progress in the Temperance reform in Europe, the United States, and in all

the provinces of the New Dominion. Baptists, from the beginning, have taken a prominent part in the extension of this cause; and we trust they will fight the foe valiantly until the victory is won. Notwithstanding all the labor and all the success, our cities, towns, villages, and sparsely settled districts, are still suffering immensely from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks. This fact calls urgently upon us as patriots and as Christians, for continuous and decided action. Every organization, having for its object the salvation of the people from the crushing evils of intemperance, claims our sympathy and support. Especially would we commend to the confidence of our ministers and churches, the Ministerial Temperance Alliance of New Brunswick. The one simple object of this Alliance is, to persuade all the people, old and young, to abstain from the use, as a beverage, of the maddening cup. Moral suasion is the right arm of its strength. By the policy of this agency, the Alliance is striving to create everywhere such a healthy moral sentiment as will, with the Divine blessing, prepare the people, through their representatives, to inscribe the law of prohibition upon the Statute Books of the New Dominion. We would, therefore, respectfully suggest the propriety of forming branches of the Alliance in all our communities, and that by precept and example they push forward this mighty conflict to a successful issue.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

I. E. BILL, Chairman.

On motion, the report was ordered to lie on the table till the evening session.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. J. E. Fillamore.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION, 7½ o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. Manzer.

Resolved—That the report on Temperance be taken from the table and discussed.

Interesting Temperance speeches were made by several brethren.

Report adopted.

Resolved—That we tender our warmest thanks to the people of Hillsborough for their unbounded hospitality in entertaining all who have attended this Association.

Adjourned to meet with the 2nd Baptist Church in Sackville on the second Thursday in July, 1868, at 10 o'clock.

THOMAS TODD, *Moderator*.

A. B. MACDONALD, *Secretary*.

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CIRCULAR LETTER.

BY THE REV. A. B. McDONALD.

To the Churches composing the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association—their Delegates convened at Hillsborough, wish grace, mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BELOVED BRETHREN—We wish to address you concerning the work of training the churches of Christ planted among us.

By "training the churches," we mean what is thus expressed in the fourth chapter of Ephesians: "The perfecting of the saints, the work of the ministry, the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

As the divinely appointed agencies for carrying on this definite work, God has given apostles, prophets, evangelists, and pastors and teachers. Apostles and prophets have laid down the Holy Scriptures as a foundation; while a succession of evangelists, and pastors, and teachers reaching to the end of time, are to carefully build the churches on that foundation.

None of these agencies can be slighted without impeaching the wisdom of God, by virtually saying that He has commanded that to be done which had better not be done. To look for churches, united, instructed, and progressing in holiness without the aid of pastors and teachers, is the same as to expect all these results without the teachings of the Bible. So reason concludes, and observation confirms the conclusion.

As the Bible, representing apostles and prophets, and the pastor or teacher are to accomplish the same result, there should be perfect agreement between them in all things. Their testimony concerning the same thing should always be the same. If this agreement exists, they will receive similar treatment. If the Bible be neglected, the pastor whose teaching agrees with it will also be neglected. If your Bible condemns you for living in sin which you are unwilling to forsake, while your pastor, who knows your way of life, leaves you uncondemned by his teaching, it is an evidence that he is unfaithful. Your soul is in danger. If Bible and pastor both condemn you, and you silence their testimony by forsaking them, what can you expect but to lose your soul.

Unity in the faith, knowledge of Jesus, and perfection, are constantly opposed by selfishness, self-righteousness and sin. The last must be destroyed that the first may be built up; but these things which the Bible and the pastor seek to destroy, are the world's idols, and many professors have a lingering love for them. We may therefore expect that the faithful employment of these agencies will always arouse the hatred and opposition of ungodly sinners and worldly professors. How great a wrong, then, must be done when the adverse clamour of such persons induces a church to dismiss her faithful pastor. With equal propriety she might, for the same reason, burn all her copies of God's word. Were a godless, Bible-neglecting community to demand of a church that she should banish the word of God, how astounding would it seem; yet they have the same right to do that as they have to demand the removal of a pastor who does his duty and preaches the truth. A change of pastors under such circumstances can do no good. If the new minister succeeds in pleasing the persons alluded to, he displeases God; if he offends them, another change is

clamored for. Indeed, this accounts for the frequent changes in some churches. It is to be feared that we are too much under worldly influences; the covetousness of many professors leaves the church too dependent for pecuniary support on her unconverted neighbours; the result is evil continually. A church, to be safe, must at any expense maintain her independence of the world.

In view of all that we have now said, is it not evident that the pastor or teacher is intended to exercise some authority in the church? A company of believers enter into church covenant. The Holy Spirit creates in them desires for unity and for growth in knowledge of Jesus and in holiness. They perceive that means have been appointed for accomplishing these desires. Satisfied that the Bible is the genuine and authentic record of what apostles and prophets taught, they reverently receive it as the only rule of faith and practice. Convinced also of their pastor's divine consecration from a comparison of his character and qualification with the scriptural standard, they accept him with equal reverence; and while he preaches the word, reproving, rebuking and exhorting with all long suffering and teaching, they bear with meekness and submission—repenting, confessing, and forsaking their sins. Such is a short description of a church walking in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord.

Must we not confess that such is not a description of some of our Churches? Is there not among us an impatience of pastoral control? It may be replied, that very often a church has but little previous acquaintance with the man whom she accepts as her pastor, and that intimate acquaintance discovers his incompetence.

But why should a church enter into so sacred a union without fully satisfying herself that he possesses Scriptural qualifications. It may also be replied, that there are but few pastors among us who are worthy of bearing such authority, or of receiving such reverence as is here required. If this be true—and if it be also true, that we here claim no more than the Bible grants, then we reach the startling conclusion that we have carelessly accepted as pastors, men whom God had not chosen to that office.

We shall find no substitute for these means of grace. The Church that neglects pastoral oversight, depending upon periodical revivals to fill her ranks with converts, whose scriptural training she wilfully neglects, is in an awful condition. The blood of souls, perishing for lack of knowledge, is even now staining all her garments.

Let it be always remembered, that apostles and prophets have laid a complete foundation; other foundation can no man lay. No evangelist, pastor, or teacher, since their day, has had any authority to originate a doctrine, or sacrament, or practice, nor to change in the least degree those which they originated and taught in holy Scripture. The opposite opinion is the foundation of the great anti-christian apostacy.

While the overseers and teachers of the Church can show that their teaching is in agreement with the Bible, their authority is to be acknowledged with Christian meekness.

Dear beloved, we have read your letters with great interest—we return your fraternal greetings—we love you as brethren, and will walk with you in this goodly heritage, till we become joint partakers of the eternal weight of glory.

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Pastor

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- Bancroft, S.
- Blakeney, I.
- Crandal, D.
- Crandal, W.
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- Coleman, W.
- Corey, W. A.
- Corey, W. T.
- Corey, W. V.
- Charlton, H.
- Currey, John
- Duffey, Patri
- Fillamore, J.
- Foshay, E. F.
- Goldrup J. F.
- Herritt, Jame
- Harris, H.
- Iring, James
- Kierstead, Eli
- McPhail, Don
- Mitch, Alexan
- Macdonald, A
- Pulcifer, W.
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- Smith, J. A.
- Spragg, Peter
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- Springer, G. W.
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- Seeley, George
- Todd, Thomas
- Trimble, Jame
- Troop, W. A.
- Wallace, James
- Washburn, A.
- Williams, J.

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Latchy, Robert
Moore, John Se

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Pastors

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

BELONGING TO THIS ASSOCIATION.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	PLACE OF ORDINATION.
Bancroft, Samuel	Butternut Ridge,		
Blakeney, David	Elgin,	1858,	Caledonia.
Crandal, David	Springfield, K. C.,	Jan., 1831,	Hammond Vale.
Crandal, W. A.	Ossekeag,	April, 1858,	Amherst Shore, N. S.
Cleaveland, N.	Alma,		
Coleman, W. A.	Pétitcodiac,	Sept., 1848,	North Esk, N. C.
Corey, W. A.	Springfield, K. C.,	Dec., 1859,	Kars.
Corey, W. T.	Hillsborough,	Nov., 1860,	Range, Grand Lake.
Corey, W. W.	Moncton,	Jan., 1853,	Keswick.
Charlton, Henry	Range, Grand Lake.	Mar., 1855,	Greenville, Cum. C., N.S.
Currey, John M.	Kars,	July, 1864,	Norton.
Duffey, Patrick	Hillsborough,	May, 1849,	Hillsboro'.
Fillamore, J. E.	Turtle Creek, W. O.,	Feb., 1859,	Coverdale.
Foshay, E. F.	Hopewell,		
Goldrup J. F.	Stoney Creek, Coverdale,	1860,	Polit River.
Herritt, James	Havelock,	Aug., 1849,	Butternut Ridge.
Harris, H.	Cambridge,	Aug., 1865,	Cumberland Bay.
Iring, James	Baltimore, A. C.,	Oct., 1860,	Baltimore.
Kierstead, Elias	Collina Corner,	1849,	Studholm.
McPhail, Donald	Buctouche,	Aug., 1852,	Buctouche.
Mutch, Alexander	Fairfield,	July, 1848,	Norton.
Macdonald, A. B.	Cambridge (Narrows),	Oct., 1858,	Hampton Ferry.
Pulcifer, W.	Hillsborough,	1837,	
Reece, P. O.	Salisbury,	Oct., 1858,	Canning.
Smith, J. A.	St. Martins,	Feb., 1842,	Wickham.
Spragg, Peter	Springfield, K. C.	Jan., 1840,	Springfield.
Spragg, Caleb	Lute's W.O., Moncton,	June, 1858,	Elgin.
Springer, G. W.	Jemseg, Cottle's W.O.,	Aug., 1856,	Richmond.
Steadman, J. C.	Elgin, Little River.	Oct., 1863,	Elgin, Little River.
Starritt, Manning	Elgin,	1865,	Elgin.
Seeley, George	Harvey, A. C.,	1854,	Carleton.
Todd, Thomas	Sackville,	Oct., 1848,	Woodstock.
Trumble, James	Elgin,	Feb., 1845,	
Troop, W. A.	Springfield,	June, 1855,	Newcastle, G. L.
Wallace, James	Coverdale,	Aug., 1826,	
Washburn, A.	St. Martins,	May, 1861,	Loch Lomond.
Williams, J.	Hopewell,		Centreville.

LICENSEES.—Solomon Prince, W. L. Prince, Michael Gross, Henry Melchly, Robert Howe, John W. Titus, J. W. Carpenter, J. E. Hopper, S. C. Moore, John Sears, Daniel Carpenter.

ABSTRACT STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES AND CLERKS.	PASTORS WITH DATE OF THEIR SET- TLEMENT, AND DELEGATES.	CHURCH STATISTICS.							S. S. STATISTICS.					
		Date of Formation	Baptized	By Letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Total	Minute Money	No Schools	No Teachers	No Sch'rs	No. Vol'ns in Library
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BUTTERNUT RIDGE,.....	S. H. Scribner.								218	1 00	3	12	95	
COCAIGNE,.....		1836							18					
CALEDONIA,.....	G. W. Spranger, 2-3. R. Thorn, S. H. Scribner, Jas. Irving, † James Reed, Newton Wells, J. Tingley.	1864												
CAMBRIDGE, 1st, Philip Huestis.		1856							2	74	1	6	40	120
CAMBRIDGE, 2d, Frank Wilson.	HEZEKIAH HARRIS.	1825	11						1	77	1	4	175	
CAMBRIDGE, LOWER,.....	A. B. Macdonald, †, 1866.	1856							1	80	1	9	70	150
COVERDALE, 1st, Peter Jonah.	J. C. STEADMAN, P. Jonah, Solomon Berry, R. Milton, G. A. Fillamore.	1860							29					
COVERDALE, 2d, M. Steves.	JOHN FILLAMORE, † John Scott, Wm. A. Balsor, Ezra Steeves.	1856							47	40				
COVERDALE, 3d, H. L. Dryden.	J. C. STEADMAN, † Jos. Haley, H. L. Dryden.	1858							1	58	2	5	36	
DORCHESTER,.....	THOS. BLAKNEY, † Charles Knapp, Esq., DAVID CHANDAL, †, 1867. R. Colpitts, James Horsman.	1846	1						2	62	1	8	60	400
ELGIN, 1st, James Horeman.		1839							1	150	2			
ELGIN, 2d, Lewis Smith.	J. C. STEADMAN, † 1863. Wm. Wilson, Wm. Parks, Wm. Prosser, L. Smith.	1857							1	40	1	5	35	192
ELGIN, 3d, R. A. Smith.	DAVID BECKETT, †, 1866. Solomon Smith, James Leeman.	1856	4	3					7	1 00	2	9	116	164
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FLATLANDS,.....														
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HAMMOND VALE, J. Tabor, J. C. Moore, 1867. William Finkle,
HARVEY, 1st, James E. Wells

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SALISBURY, 3d, J. W. Lonsbury.	JAMES HERRIOT, P.	1862	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 38	—	—	—	—	56	184
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AN ACCOUNT OF THE BENEVOLENCE OF THE CHURCHES AT HOME AND ABROAD.

CHURCHES.	For Preaching at Home.	For building and re- pairing Houses of Worship.	For the Union Society, and its Objects.	For Acadia College.	For other Objects.	For Sabbath Schools at Home.
Hillsboro', 1st,	\$600 00		\$85 31			
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Sackville, 2d,	400 00	50 00	11 00			
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APPENDIX.

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MISSIONARY AND UNION REPORT FOR 1866-67.

In the winter of 1853, more than fourteen years ago, the N. B. B. Home Missionary Society was called into existence. Rev. Samuel Robinson, of precious memory, was unanimously elected its first President; and by the choice of his brethren, as expressed at our anniversaries from year to year, he continued to fill this important office until the 16th of September, 1866, when his Divine Master called him to a higher sphere of action in his heavenly kingdom. Faithfully did he discharge the duties of his position while on these lower grounds. He loved the missionary enterprise in its varied departments. His pastoral life, from the beginning, partook largely of the missionary element. His plans, his toils, his ministrations, and his success, all tended in this direction; and he was therefore all the more eminently qualified to fill the Presidential Chair of this Society: but his seat is now vacant; and we have to mourn that we shall no more look upon his smiling face, or listen to his utterances of wise counsel, in this militant state. It only remains for us to be stimulated, by his brilliant example, to increasing earnestness and devotion in the cause of Christian missions, until we, like him, shall be called to lay our armour by, and to enter upon the rewards of Christian fidelity in the *better land*.

In relation to the missionary labors of the past year, your Board can only say that they have expended the funds placed at their disposal in such a way as in their judgment seemed most conducive to the glory of God and to the salvation of immortal souls.

The monthly reports of the Missionaries in the field, for the most part, have been encouraging; but the conversions and baptisms have not been equal to some previous years.

REV. T. W. CRAWLEY

continued his labors in St. Andrews and St. Stephen until April of the present year, when he accepted a call from the Baptist Church in Reading, Mass., to become their pastor. With the divine blessing, he accomplished a good work for the Master in St. Andrews during his residence there; and there is reason to hope that the good seed of the kingdom sown by him in St. Stephen will in due time produce precious fruit. We are informed that Rev. B. Franklin Rattray has accepted a call to the pastorate of the St. Andrews Church; and we pray God to make his ministry eminently successful. St. Stephen as yet is not supplied; but the brethren there have purchased a site for a chapel in a prominent part of the town, and intend, as soon as the state of the funds will justify, to proceed with the erection of a house for God. They are now looking out for a minister of the Gospel to break to them the bread of life. This field especially claims the fostering care of the Board.

THE WOODSTOCK AND RICHMOND STATIONS,

supplied by Rev. J. C. Bleakney until the 7th of April last, are both without a Baptist ministry. Our Bro. Bleakney felt that his salary was insufficient to meet the growing demands of his family; and he therefore accepted a call to Princeton, State of Maine. The stations rendered vacant by his removal should be immediately supplied.

THE GRAND FALLS

continues to enjoy the ministrations of Rev. W. A. J. Bleakney a portion of his time; and the time not occupied there he devotes to the Tobique instead of St. Frances. Your Board regretted to leave St. Frances destitute, but this arrangement in regard to the Tobique

seemed absolutely necessary, in order to secure a suitable support for the Missionary. But in adopting this plan St. Frances is left without pastoral labor. Who will carry to them the messages of mercy?

REV. DAVID CRANDAL

was employed for some months, during last summer and autumn, to preach at Musquash, Dipper Harbour, and vicinity, South Bay and Grand Bay, and Loch Lomond. He not only taught the people publicly, but from house to house; and, we doubt not, much good was done in the name of the Lord Jesus. Feeling that the field was too laborious during the winter months, he resigned his trust, and Rev. A. Washburn was appointed in his place. He was much encouraged in his first visit to the different stations, and was expecting an immediate increase; but circumstances over which he had no control interrupted the regularity of his appointments, and thereby, to some extent, interfered with his success. The stations occupied by this Brother are all interesting and important, and ought not to be neglected.

SUSSEX VALE

is efficiently supplied a portion of the time by Rev. W. A. Corey; and the prospect of a speedy enlargement of the cause is very hopeful. A new chapel is in course of erection, towards which has called forth liberal contributions from several brethren who are deeply interested in the establishment of a permanent and self-sustaining Baptist interest in that place. Success to their laudable efforts.

NORTH RIVER CHURCH

has received a small contribution from your Board to aid in the support of the Rev. James Herritt, whose labors for the spiritual welfare of that people are highly appreciated by them.

SHEDIAC

was supplied last summer by Bro. Manzer, licentiate, for nearly three months. His ministry was highly acceptable to the people. He was partly sustained by the Board.

REV. W. A. CRANDAL

succeeded Bro. John Currey in the Hampton Mission, and received the small balance due on the appropriation of the Board to that station.

THE CHURCH AT LUDLOW

made application for assistance towards the support of their pastor, Rev. A. Estabrooks, which your Board granted to the extent of \$50 per annum. Our Brother labors with zeal and diligence, but as yet with no very marked encouragement. He hopes for brighter days.

REV. W. M. EDWARDS

is still engaged in Blissfield, Doaktown, and adjacent districts, with some degree of success. The past year has been less productive of fruit than some of its predecessors; but he anticipates a rich harvest in the future. May his most sanguine expectations be fully realized.

REV. E. HICKSON

as usual, lifts the standard of truth with a steady hand at Newcastle, North Esk, Little South West, and neighboring stations. Some have bowed to its heaven appointed claims during the year, and others are seeking for guidance from above. Our Brother's quarterly reports have indicated occasional clouds, as well as the bright sunshine of hope and promise.

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REV. W. MCKENZIE

by the urgent request of liberal brethren in St. John, consented to leave his church at Providence, R. I., and to accept a mission in the northern counties of the Province. Having surveyed the field, he decided to make Chatham his seat of operation, and to extend his labors, as far as possible, to Richibucto and intervening places on the one hand, and taking in Bathurst and adjacent stations on the other. To this mission the Board contributes at the rate of \$100 per annum. Our Brother has labored indefatigably—has preached the Gospel to crowded congregations, and scattered the seed of inspired Christianity broadly over that northern country. There have been no signal tokens of saving mercy given; but the word proclaimed with sacred fidelity, and accompanied with such earnest prayers, will not return void.

“ Though seed lie buried long in dust,
It shan't deceive the hope:
The precious grain can ne'er be lost,
For grace insures the crop.”

Bro. McKenzie having accepted a call to the pastorate from the Leinster Street Church, St. John, he will leave the North early in August. Some one should be sent with the least possible delay to take his place, and to carry forward, with the Divine blessing, the work so auspiciously began.

THE FOREIGN MISSION FUND

yielded for the support of native preachers in Burmah, under the direction of Rev. A. R. R. Crawley, \$260.87.

This fund should be largely augmented. How shall the benighted heathen believe in Him of whom they have not heard? How shall they hear without a preacher? How shall they preach except they be sent?

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Two brethren only have received appropriations during the year, from the M. E. Fund, viz., brethren Manzer and Forester, to aid them in the prosecution of their studies at Fredericton.

Brother Manzer has left the Institution, and accepted an invitation from the church at Shediac. He was much benefitted by his Seminary course of study, and has entered upon the Shediac field with every prospect of success. Bro. Forester, a licentiate of the church at Newcastle, Miramichi, is working at his business, during vacation, to earn some money so as to be able to resume his place in the Institution at the opening of the next term. These brethren received from the funds \$25 each.

THE GENERAL EDUCATION FUND

paid towards the repairs of the Fredericton Seminary, \$64.05.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL FUND

supplied contributions as follows, viz. :—

Sabbath School at Wellington		Sabbath School, Simonds,	\$8 00
for books,	\$5 00	“ “ Ludlow,	5 00
Sabbath School, Sussex Vale,	10 00	“ “ Musquash,	6 00
Sabbath School, Little River,		“ “ Scotchtown,	5 00
Sun. Co.,	5 00	“ “ Up. Coverdale,	5 00
Sabbath School at Mechanics'		“ “ near Norton,	1 00
Settlement,	5 00		

INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

Contributions from this fund as below, viz:—

Widow of the late Rev. E. McInnis,	\$15 00
Rev. E. M. Starratt,	10 00
Widow of the late Rev. — Lawrence,	20 00
Rev. J. Pulcifer,	10 00

At a meeting of the Board on the 7th of January, 1867, Brethren H. Todd and T. Mason, executors of the estate of the late Mrs. A. T. Corey, of Cambridge, paid over to our Treasurer \$250 for Home Missions, in accordance with the provisions of the will of our late esteemed sister, who bequeathed all her personal property to the N. B. B. Home Missionary Society. This property consists principally in accounts and notes of hand, and will be available so soon as they can be collected by the executors. The brethren having this matter in charge are managing to the best advantage to save, as far as possible, from ultimate loss. Only for the income arising from this source, the Board could not have met their engagements to the Missionaries for the past year. We cannot but feel, in view of the pressing claims of the Home Mission field, that we ought to be deeply grateful to the God of Missions that he put it into the heart of our dear sister departed, thus to remember, in the prospect of her heavenly home, the claims of his precious cause. May others be stimulated by her noble example to do likewise.

It will be seen by the Treasurer's report that the amount raised for the Union last year, does not speak very favorably for the benevolence of our churches. The sum certainly should be doubled this coming year. It is true that individuals have contributed generously to Bro. McKenzie's mission and to other objects, whose offerings do not appear in the Union report; but we must not close our eyes to the fact that many of our churches have done little or nothing for the Union during the year now closing. Can they be induced to give? If so, by what agency? These questions touch the main spring of action; and we therefore submit them to the calm and prayerful deliberation of the body. *United, benevolent action will accomplish great good; but in the absence of this there must be comparative failure.*

from the church at Spedden. He was in the
 course of study, and had completed the
 proposed course of study in the
 college. He is working in the
 field of his studies, and will
 be able to be of service to the
 church in the next year.

Wilmington School	10 00
for books	5 00
Wilmington School, Sussex Vale	10 00
Wilmington School, Little River	10 00
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Baptist Missionary Society of New Brunswick in account with
C. D. Everett, Treasurer.

1866.		Dr.		
August	7.	To paid P. McLeod, services and expenses, U F,	....	\$27 52
	8.	R. G Lunt, Treasurer of Education Society, G E F,	....	40 00
	8.	Rev. E. Hickson,	H M F,	25 00
	8.	Bailey, S. S. at Little River,	S S F,	5 00
	8.	Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney,	H M F,	25 00
	8.	White, S. S. at Sussex Vale,	S S F,	10 00
	8.	Thos. Hicks, S. S. at Mechanics' Settlement,	S S F,	5 00
Sept.	7.	Rev. J. C. Blakeney,	H M F,	15 00
	8.	" I. E. Bill, for postages,	U F,	6 62
	10.	Barnes & Co., for printing Minutes,	M F,	34 59
	13.	Sabbath School at Simonds,	S S F,	3 00
	13.	Rev. J. Pulcifer,	S M F,	10 00
	13.	Mrs. Lawrence,	S M F,	20 00
	17.	Sabbath School at Springfield,	S S F,	7 00
Oct	8.	postage on letter from J. H. Harding,	U S,	39
	11.	Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney,	H M F,	25 00
	11.	" T. W. Crawley,	"	50 00
	16.	" E. Hickson,	"	25 00
	16.	" E. Hickson,	"	8 00
	16.	" W. M. Edwards,	"	26 00
	16.	" J. Rowe, expenses collecting,	U F,	38 00
	16.	J. Titus,	M E F,	11 25
	20.	D. Manzer,	H M F,	20 00
	20.	Rev. W. M. Edwards,	"	25 00
	20.	" Herritt,	"	15 00
Nov.	6.	Mrs. McGinnis,	S M F,	10 00
	8.	Rev. E. C. Cady,	M F,	2 10
	8.	Barnes & Co., printing Minutes of Convention,	F M F,	71 00
	8.	Barnes & Co., printing Minutes of Western Association,	M F,	50 00
	9.	Rev. J. C. Blakeney,	H M F,	15 00
	9.	Mrs. G. T. Godsoe,	S M F,	10 00
	9.	Rev. John Williams,	M E F,	12 50
	9.	" John Williams,	H M F,	12 50
	9.	D. Manzer,	M E F,	12 50
	12.	Rev. D. Crandall,	H M F,	12 50
	17.	A. F. Randolph, Treasurer of Education Society,	G E F,	24 05
	20.	Rev. A. Washburn,	H M F,	10 00
Dec.	4.	" A. H. Washburn,	"	20 00
	5.	" W. A. Corey,	"	25 00
	5.	" D. Crandall,	"	4 17
	7.	" A. Estabrooks,	S S F,	5 00
1867.	9.	" T. W. Crawley,	H M F,	25 00
Jan'y.	9.	" A. Estabrooks,	"	25 00
	9.	" Charles Tupper,	F M F,	73 24
	11.	" T. W. Crawley,	H M F,	25 00
	11.	" M. Starrett,	S M F,	10 00
	14.	" E. Hickson,	H M F,	42 00
Carried forward,				\$953 93

		<i>Brought forward,</i>			\$953 93
1867.	Jan'y.	15.	To paid Rev. W. A. J. Blakeney,	H M F,	25 00
		26.	" " W. S. McKenzie,	"	25 00
	Feb'y.	8.	" " J. C. Blakeney,	"	15 00
		8.	" D. Manzer,	M E F,	12 50
		8.	" Rev. J. H. Tppper,	H M F,	20 00
		8.	" " Thomas Blakeney,	"	34 30
		8.	" " W. A. Crandall,	"	5 00
	March	5.	" " A. Washburn,	"	12 50
		16.	" " A. Washburn, S. S. at St. Martins,	S S F,	6 00
	April	12.	" " T. W. Crawley,	H M F,	50 00
		12.	" " W. A. J. Blakeney,	"	25 00
	May	9.	" " W. N. Edwards,	"	24 00
		9.	" " J. E. Blakeney,	"	15 00
		9.	" Forester,	M E F,	25 00
		10.	" Rev. E. Hickson,	H M F,	25 00
		10.	" " E. Hickson,	"	25 00
	June	4.	" Mrs. McGinness,	S M F,	5 00
		19.	" Rev. A. Washburn,	H M F,	12 50
	July	12.	" S. School at Scotchtown,	S S F,	5 00
		2.	" S. School at 1st Coverdale,	"	5 00
		4.	" Rev. A. Estabrooks,	H M F,	25 00
		4.	" " W. A. J. Blakeney,	"	25 00
		4.	" " E. Hickson,	"	25 00
		4.	" " W. S. McKenzie, paid by Mr. Steeves in May,	H M F,	25 00
		4.	" " James Spencer, expenses collecting, U F,	12 00	
			1st Springfield, " F M F,	1 00	
	July	8.	" balance in hands of Treasurer,	238 23	
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July	6.	By balance on hand,	\$50 02
	17.	By cash per A. Branscombe, Treasurer of Association, viz —		
		Minute money from the Churches,	M F,	30 61
		2d Johnston Church,	U F,	2 68
		2d Grand Lake " "	"	12 40
		New Canaan " "	"	7 90
		1st Salisbury " "	"	10 22
		Hammond " "	"	8 42
		1st Cambridge " "	"	4 25
		3d Hillsboro' " "	"	3 00
		Caledonia " "	"	1 53
		1st Moncton " "	F M F,	4 00
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		D. McVicar,	"	50
		Petitcodiac Ch, by Rev. W. A. Coleman,	"	22 46
		Coverdale, Ch, by Rev. J. Fillamore,	"	1 00
		Rev. J. E. Hopper,	"	5 00
		Sussex Vale Church,	H M F,	11 32
		Newcastle " "	"	3 00
		Collection at Cumberland Bay,	"	2 73
		Collection at Association,	F M F,	20 00
		Do. Do.	H M F,	29 72

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July 19.	By cash collected by P. M. McLeod:—	\$257 05	\$1,685 96	
	Norton Church,	UF,	10 59		
	Upham " "	"	1 00		
	1st Springfield " "	F M F,	1 50		
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	Do. " "	UF,	12 78		
	2d Springfield " "	"	1 65		
	Kars " "	"	2 00		
	Lower Wickham " "	"	7 18		
	Upper Wickham " "	"	6 00		
	Lower Cambridge " "	"	7 15		
	1st Cambridge " "	"	1 00		
	2d Cambridge " "	"	14 06		
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	Do. " "	F M F,	1 00		
	Do. " "	H M F,	50		
	Do. " "	UF,	11 05		
	Mill Cove " "	"	4 25		
	Cole's Island " "	"	40		
	Butternut Ridge " "	"	10 00		
	Collection at New Canaan, Cumberland Bay,	"	1 60		
	Do. " "	"	50		
20.	By Cash subscription from P. McLeod,	"	3 00		
31.	" Cash collected by Rev. D. Orandal:—				
	Upper Sussex Church,	"	16 66		
	St. Martins,	"	2 00		
Aug. 8.	" Cash per Rev. I. E. Bill:—				
	3rd Elgin Church,	M F,	1 00		
	2d Hillsboro' " "	UF,	40		
9.	" Cash subsc'ed by Hon. W. B. Kinnear,	UF,	10 00		
24.	" Cash per Rev. I. E. Bill:—				
	D. Ferguson,	"	4 86		
	W. A. Wheaton,	"	9 00		
	Collection at Mascareen by Rev. B. N. Hughes,	UF,	7 00		
	3rd Elgin Church,	"	2 00		
	Kars " by Rev. J. Curry,	"	2 25		
	Mrs. G. P. —, Kingsclear,	H M F,	10 00		
29.	" Cash of Rev. E. F. Foshay, returned money, got March 21, 1866,	S M F,	20 00		
Sept. 5.	" Cash per Rev. E. C. Cady, viz:				
	A Lady, through hands of Rev. J. E. Hopper,	F M F,	2 50		
	A Lady, through hands of Rev. J. E. Hopper,	H M F,	2 50		
	Dea. Alex. Smiley, 2d Salisbury,	F M F,	5 00		
15.	" Cash per Miss Francis, from Germain Street Church,	UF,	29 90		
15.	" Cash subscribed by C. D. Everett,	"	10 00		
25.	" Cash per J. W. Hart:—				
	Brussels Street Church,	F M F,	98 08		
	Portland " "	"	2 34		
	Leinster Street " "	"	22 54		
	Pitt Street " "	"	2 88		
	Germain Street " "	"	11 95		
	Mr. Wills, St. Catherine's, C. W., per Rev. G. W. Carey,	F M F,	12 00		
	<i>Carried forward,</i>	...	\$628 98	\$1,685 96	

1866.	<i>Brought forward,</i>		....	\$628 98	\$1,685 96
Oct. 15.	By Cash per Rev. E. C. Cady:—				
	Portland Church,	H M F,	20	00	
	New Jerusalem “	U F,	10	00	
	Minute Money,	M F,	9	25	
15.	By Cash collected by Rev. J. Rowe, per Rev. E. C. Cady.—				
	Jacksonville Church,	U F,	29	44	
	Florenceville “	“	2	12	
	Jacksonville “	“	16	78	
17.	By Cash per Rev. I. E. Bill:—				
	Harvey Church, per A. B. Reid,	“	2	05	
	Geo. Tabor, per Rev. J. Hughes,	“	2	00	
17.	By Cash subscribed by W. Lewis,	H M F,	4	00	
17.	Cash from J. H. Harding, Treasurer of Western Association:—				
	Minute Money,	M F,	34	59	
	Foreign Missions,	F M F,	7	15	
	Home Missions,	H M F,	68	88	
	Union Fund,	U F,	42	64	
20.	By Cash of Brussels Street Church, per Miss Parker:—	U F,	18	48	
20.	Cash subscribed by James Robinson,	“	20	00	
Nov 16.	Cash per Rev. James Spencer:				
	Hon. W. H. Steeves,	H M F,	100	00	
	Hillsboro' Church,	U F,	26	26	
16.	Cash of Brussels Street Church,	M F,	5	00	
16.	Cash of Jacksonville “	“	2	00	
Dec. 1.	Cash per Rev. I. E. Bill:				
	W. Blizzard,	U F,	5	00	
	Ludlow Church,	“	4	00	
6.	Cash subscribed by Rev. W. A. Coleman,	H M F,	4	00	
6.	Cash “ Rev. W. Corey,	F M F,	9	75	
6.	“ “	H M F,	9	75	
18.	Cash from Baptist friend at Indian Island, per Rev. I. E. Bill,	F M F,	1	00	
18.	Cash from Baptist friend at Indian Island, per Rev. I. E. Bill,	H M F,	1	00	
1867.	By Cash from Enoch Luut, Esq.,	“	10	00	
Jan. 8.	“ “	U F,	20	00	
24.	“ A. Moffit, Esq.,	“	5	00	
1866.	“ Henry Vaughan, Esq.,	“	40	00	
Sept. 13.	“ Benjamin Vaughan,	“	10	00	
1867.	“ Mrs. Corey's estate, per Deacon Henry Todd,	H M F,	250	00	
Jan. 24.	“ J. H. Harding,	“	20	00	
24.	“ Rev. C. Spurden,	“	5	00	
Feb. 2.	“ James Mahoney,	U F,	8	00	
Mar. 25.	“ Upper Gagetown Church, per W. H. Beckwith,	U F,	12	00	
27.	“ M. Francis, Esq.,	H M F,	10	00	
May 6.	“ James Clerke,	M E F,	1	00	
6.	“ Rev. G. W. Carey,	H M F,	4	00	
8.	“ John Smith, Esq.,	U F,	25	00	
31.	“ Rev. I. E. Bill,	“	25	00	

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May 31.	By Cash from David Ferguson,	U F,	5 00	
31.	" C. G. Berryman,	H M F,	10 00	
June 21.	" J. H. Harding, collection at Germain Street Church,	H M F,	9 48	
28.	" J. H. Harding, from Germain Street Church,	U F,	12 60	
July 2.	" D. Crandal, collected at Elgin and Sussex,	U F,	20 00	
2.	" Portland Church, per Rev. E. C. Cady:—			
	Super. Ministers' Fund,	S M F,	1 00	
	Home Mission	" H M F,	7 50	
	Union	" U F,	4 00	
2.	" James Robinson, Esq.,	"	20 00	
2.	" collected at Brussels Street Church, per J. Titus,	H M F,	16 04	
Jan. 4.	" from Leinster Street Church, for Rev. T. W. Crawley,	H M F,	25 00	
July 4.	" G. M. Steeves,	U F,	25 00	
8.	" Germain Street Church per J. H. Harding,	U F,	2 12	

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July 8. By balance in hands of Treasurer, \$258 23

C. D. EVERETT, TREASURER.

I have examined the above account, and find the debits and credits all correct, with vouchers for sums paid. A. McL. SEELY, Auditor.
St. John, July 8, 1867.

Received since the Accounts were Audited.

July 9.	By Cash per Rev. I. E. Bill, viz:—			
	James Clark per D. Crandal,	H M F,	\$4 00	
	Deacon E. Dawson,	"	1 80	
10.	" per Rev. I. E. Bill, for Emily Jones, Westmorland Bank \$1 bill,	F M F,	50	

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C. D. EVERETT, TREASURER.

The Several Special Funds, Baptist Missionary and Union Society, in account with C. D. Everett, Treasurer.

UNION SOCIETY.

DR.

1867.	July 8.	To paid Collecting Expenses,	....	\$84 53
	"	credit of Home Mission Fund,	....	244 87
	"	Ministerial Education	....	91 81
	"	Foreign Missions	....	76 53

Carried forward, \$497 74

1867.		<i>Brought forward,</i>	....	\$497 74
July 8.	To paid credit of	General Education Fund,	76 58
	"	Sabbath School " "	61 22
	"	Superannuated Ministers' " "	61 22

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1867.		Ca.		
July 8.	By receipts to this Fund during year,	<u>\$696 71</u>

SABBATH SCHOOL FUND.

1867.		Dr.		
July 8.	To paid orders on this Fund,	\$51 00
8.	" balance on hand,	61 64

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1866.		Ca.		
July 6.	By balance on hand,	\$51 92
6.	" from Union Fund,	61 22

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SUPERANNUATED MINISTERS' FUND.

1866.		Dr.		
July 6.	To balance due Treasurer,	\$6 82

1867.				
July 8.	" paid orders on this Fund,	....	....	65 00
8.	" balance on hand,	....	....	15 90

\$87 72

1867.		Ca.		
July 8.	By subscriptions, &c., during year,	....	....	\$26 60
8.	" from Union Fund,	....	....	61 22

\$87 72

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND.

1866.		Dr.		
July 6.	To balance due Treasurer,	\$3 88

1867.				
July 8.	" paid orders on this Fund,	73 75
8.	" balance on hand,	15 68

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1867.		Ca.		
July 8.	By subscriptions during year,	\$1 00
8.	" from Union Fund,	91 81

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GENERAL EDUCATION FUND.

1867.		Dr.		
July 8.	To paid orders on this Fund,	\$64 05
8.	" balance on hand,	31 86

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1866.		Ca.		
July 6.	By balance on hand,	\$19 88
1867.				
July 8.	" from Union Fund,	76 53

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FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1867.		DR.		
July 8.	To paid orders on this Fund,			
8.	" balance on hand,	\$144 24
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1866.		CR.		\$284 43
July 6.	By balance on hand,		
1867.				
July 8.	" subscriptions to this Fund,	\$23 56	
8.	" from Union Fund,	.....	184 34	
			<u>76 53</u>	\$284 43

HOME MISSION FUND.

1866.		DR.		
July 6.	To balance due Treasurer,			
July 8.	" paid orders on this Fund,	.....	.....	\$37 72
				<u>878 47</u>
1867.		CR.		\$916 19
July 8.	By subscriptions to this Fund,	.....	\$644 54	
8.	" from Union Fund,	.....	244 87	
8.	" balance due Treasurer,	.....	<u>26 78</u>	\$916 19

MINUTE FUND.

1867.		DR.		
July 8.	To paid orders on this Fund,			
1866.		CR.		\$86 69
July 6.	By balance on hand,	.....	
1867.				
July 8.	" collections for this Fund,	.....	\$3 68	
8.	" balance due Treasurer,	.....	82 85	
			<u>16</u>	\$86 69

Cash on Hand.

1867.				
July 8.	Sabbath School Fund,	.....	
8.	Superannuated Ministers' Fund,	.....		\$61 54
8.	Ministerial Education "	.....		15 90
8.	General "	.....		15 68
8.	Foreign Mission "	.....		31 86
				<u>140 19</u>
				\$265 17
1867.				
July 8.	Home Mission Fund,	.....	
8.	Minute "	.....	\$26 78	
			<u>16</u>	26 94
				<u>\$288 23</u>

C. D. EVERETT, TREASURER.

I have examined the above account, and find it correct. The amounts placed to the credit of the several funds of the Society agree with the balance on hand last year, and the amount received for the Society this year.

A. McL. SERLY, Auditor.

An account of Funds collected for the Union Society in the Eastern Association during the past year :—

<p style="text-align: center;">JEMSEG.</p> <p>Coll. by Misses D. A. Colwell, and Catherine Dykeman.</p> <p>Joshua Dykeman, \$1 00 Jacob Dykeman, 1 00 Hiram A. Clark, 50 Deborah A. Colwell, 20 Catherine Dykeman, 20 Henrietta Camp, 06 Richard Curry, 06 Amanda P. Camp, 20 James Young, 08 Margaret Young, 20 Alice Springer, 15 James Springer, 12 Rachel Springer, 20 Gilbert W. Colwell, 20 Jacob Burns, 20 Tamar Burns, 10 Mrs. G. W. Springer, 50 George W. Colwell, 45 Charles Titus, 20 Sarah Dykeman, 25 Charles Young, 10 Elizabeth Dykeman, 10 Manzer Dykeman, 25 Mrs. Manzer Dykeman, 20 Henry Watts, 25 Charity W. Currie, 25 Mary E. McLean, 20 Nancy Sparks, 20 Abigail Parlee, 20 John Colwell, 20 Lucretia Colwell, 20 Mary Allen, 30 John McC. Camp, 20 William Colwell, 20 Mrs. W. Colwell, 20 Benjamin Titus, 50 Jonathan Titus, 10 Merrit Titus, 10 Devenport Colwell, 20 Nelson Smith, 20 Johanna Titus, 20 Frances Dykeman, 25 John Colwell, 20 Mrs. John Colwell, 20</p>	<p>Charles D. Dykeman, \$0 10 John Farris, Esq., 50 N. B. Cottle, Esq., 40</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LOWER CAMBRIDGE.</p> <p>Coll. by Miss Ruth Hendry and Miss M. McAlpin.</p> <p>Deacon John Colwell, \$1 00 Mrs. John Colwell, 1 00 James Colwell, 1 00 Charles Leonard, 52 George L. Colwell, 1 00 A Friend, 24 Deacon John Hendry, 1 00 D. A. B. McDonald, 50 Mrs. A. B. McDonald, 25 Mary McDonald, 24 Mrs. E. Broad, 50 Melvin Hendry, 50 Hattie Mott, 20 William Straight, 19 Eleanor Straight, 10 Bertha E. Eddes, 10 Henry Straight, 25 Howard Mott, 24 Donald McDonald, 25 Mrs. Cameron, 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CAMBRIDGE, 1st.</p> <p>Coll. by Miss E. McDonald.</p> <p>Allen McDonald, \$1 00 James McDonald, 1 00 James McAlary, 1 00 William Gilchrist, 1 00 John Bylea, 1 00 A Friend, 1 00 George Keist, 50 Mrs. T. A. Heustes, 50 William Coas, 25 Isaac Case, 25 A Friend, 25 Edward Dewar, 25</p>	<p>Edward Guigin, \$0 25 Simeon Bonnell, 50 W. H. Black, 25 Amos P. Wilson, 26 A. D. Wilson, 25 Mrs. D. Fowler, 25 William Black, 25 T. O'Donnell, 25 William Wilson, 25 By Miss Matilda Todd,— Deacon Henry Todd, 1 00 Deacon N. Cottle, 30</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UPPER WICKHAM.</p> <p>Coll. by Mrs. S. A. Reid.</p> <p>Deacon John Gerow, \$1 00 Dea. Abraham Bulyea, 50 E. D. Gilchrist, 50 John S. Bulyea, 40 Abigail E. Brown, 20 Deborah A. Vradenburg, 20 Melissa E. Mott, 20 Mrs. Susan Foster, 24 Mrs. Harriet Bulyea, 24 Edward J. Webster, 40 Mrs. Margaret Webster, 25 Henry McCready, 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CAMBRIDGE, 2d.</p> <p>Coll. by Miss M. A. McDonald and Miss E. McDonald.</p> <p>Jacob Day, \$1 00 George Day, 50 Andrew Watson, 45 Cornelius McDonald, 25 J. W. Bulyea, 60 Hazen Hustis, 22 B. B. Wright, 25 Mrs. B. B. Wright, 25 A. W. McDonald, 10 Mrs. G. H. McDonald, 10 M. H. McDonald, 25 Mrs. George Bulyea, 15 Mrs. Daniel Smith, 20 Nehemiah McDonald, 15 John H. McDonald, 24 P. C. Bulyea, 34 James McDonald, 25 Robert J. Smith, 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GRAND LAKE, 2d.</p> <p>Coll. by Miss R. Branscomb.</p> <p>William Milroy, \$1 00 Arthur Branscomb, 1 00 William Barton, 40 A. G. McLain, 30 Mrs. W. Barton, 20 Jane Orchard, 25 William Barton, jun., 15 John Barton, 20 James A. Branscomb, 25 Jacob Cox, 30 Susannah Colwell, 20 Robert Colwell, 14 Emoch Wasson, 24 Martha A. Fanjoy, 15 Sarah Wasson, 20</p>
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 George Elken, \$0 50
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 Edward Elken, 50
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 Anna B. Davis, \$0 50
 Phoebe Davis, 50
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 John Davis, 50
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 Mrs. James Jones, 50
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 George Hay, 1 00
 Ralph Hurder, 50
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 Janet Corey, 1 00
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 Dea. D. H. Crandall, 20
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 Isaac Spragg, 20
 Samuel Spragg, 14
 Mrs. D. O'Dell, 24
 George F. Case, 15
 Alford Hatfield, 20

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 Mrs. Y. A. Crandall, 50

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 Francis Nobles, \$0 75
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 John Tingley, Jun., 1 00
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 Mrs. Ruth Estabrooks, 48
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 Mrs. Nancy Harper, 1 00
 Mrs. E. Bell, 1 00
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 Mrs. E. Evans, 40
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 Deacon John Scott, 1 00
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 Susan Rogers, 25

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 Levi Steves, \$0 50
 Mrs. Levi Steves, 75
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 Mrs. Joseph Steves, 25
 Aaron Steves, 25
 Mrs. A. Steves, 50
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 John Mullins, 25
 Isaac Duffy, 80
 Michael Duffy, 50
 Elizabeth Steves, 15
 Martha E. Steves, 15
 Isaiah J. Steves, 60
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 William Shaw, 25
 Mrs. Abraham Steves, 44
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 Joshua Steves, 25
 Abraham Steves, 56
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Mrs. Moffat, 50	Dea. George Steves, \$1 00	Dea. Ferris Constantine, 1 00
Robert Duffy, 75	William Carlisle, 50	Stephen Hopper, 1 00
Jane Steves, 30	Mrs. W. Carlisle, 50	Mrs. Stephen Hopper, 1 00
Judson Steves, 50	Widow Carlisle, 50	E. D. Robinson, 50
Howard Davis, 25	Mrs. Walters, 50	Robert Colpitt, 1 00
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George Carlisle, 50	John Marshal, sen., 1 00	Mrs. John Wayman, 25
Joel Gross, 25	Robert Walters, 50	John Horsman, 25
Robert Darling, 1 00	David McWilliams, 50	John Horsman, 25
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Angus McCasby, 25	Thomas Sage, 1 00	Mrs. Robert Sidles, 20
Mrs. Boaz Gross, 50	Mrs. Russell, 25	Master Wm. P. Demill, 50
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REPORT.

Your Committee have much pleasure, on presenting this their thirty-first Annual Report, in stating that the attendance at the Seminary during the year, has been one hundred and fourteen; which must be gratifying to every one connected with the denomination, and proves the wisdom of an increase in our staff of instructors. The indications are, that the next academic year will witness a still greater increase. We aim at placing the Seminary in the position of one of the first literary institutions in the country; and we hope there will be found enthusiasm and liberality enough to give effect to such measures as will tend to place it above all difficulties, and ensure still greater success. Shall we have such support?

Two public examinations have been held during the academic year—at both of which His Excellency General Doyle attended; also Dr. Jack and Professor Campbell, of the New Brunswick University, and Rev. Dr. Brooke, the esteemed pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, who expressed themselves much pleased with the general proficiency of the Students. Many other gentlemen of our own and other denominations were present. The attendance of so many friends at these examinations, is most gratifying, and worthy of note.

During the past year, previous to the opening of the school, extensive repairs were made, which were necessary for the comfort of the Students, and the respectable appearance of the place. Your Committee did not go as far as necessity required, but thought it best not to incur additional outlay the present year, until an expression of opinion was had from the Association. While there has been so much during the past year to cheer your Committee, it is to us a matter for regret that the appeal to the Churches for money to pay off our indebtedness for repairs, met with such a poor response. We do most sincerely hope that the stain of past indifference and apathy will be wiped out by energetic action and liberal giving in the future.

The cost of repairs, &c. amounted to \$688.45; of which sum, \$455.24 has been met—leaving a balance of \$233.21. We need for repairs the present year (to put new floors in the school rooms, to paper the walls and varnish them, to paint the buildings, and to enlarge two of the rooms, by removing partitions and throwing the hall into them; also to make an additional room for the Steward in the basement) \$600. Additional desks will also be needed, which will require an additional outlay. If the repairs and alterations are

made, and more desks placed in the building, we can then accommodate one hundred and fifty Students. This is an important matter, and we hope that it will receive that consideration at your hands which the necessity demands.

We would again draw the attention of the denomination to the debt upon the Institution, and hope that some decision may be arrived at, whereby we may be freed from this as well as other financial burdens. While our aim is to have an Institution *second to none*, so long as we are content to go along year after year doing so very little for it, we can never accomplish it. Is it too much to expect of the nearly ten thousand Church members (to say nothing of adherents) of this Province, that they wipe out this and all other debts, and place at our disposal funds for repairs the present year? We think not. Let the effort be put forth—a strong pull, and a pull altogether, and the thing is done.

The endowment of \$20,000 ought to be commenced immediately. The endowment raised, our debts paid, we at once have a strong and healthy Institution. One gentleman has offered to give \$1,000 when \$10,000 is raised. Several others have promised in aid of this fund. Over \$2,000 are pledged now, provided an effort is made to raise the amount. If we are to advance, it is absolutely necessary that this fund be raised. Our denomination must and should look for its ministry among the young men of the Province, and to our Seminary and College for their preparation. The general diffusion of knowledge demands that the Baptist ministry be educated; and we believe if the matter is placed before our people *now*, that they will readily respond. The benefits accruing from a well endowed and vigorous educational Institution, are too apparent to require further comment.

During last spring, God, in his mercy, was pleased to visit the Seminary with a revival; and nearly all boarding there, were, we trust, savingly brought to a knowledge of Christ. Parents must rejoice that good religious influences surround their children; and we doubt not, that in answer to prayers offered up in many a home throughout the Province, these blessed results have followed.

At Committee meetings held previous to and at the close of the Institution, when the subject was under discussion, it was resolved that Rev. Dr. Spurden's time be given wholly (instead of one-half, as under last year's arrangement) to the Theological department, and that the whole of his salary be raised by the denomination. To carry out this plan, \$300 were pledged in Fredericton, and Rev. Dr. Hurd invited to visit the Churches with special reference to raising the balance (\$500); and also to excite a more general interest in favor of secular and ministerial education. Dr. Hurd has expressed his willingness to comply with such invitation. Your attention is drawn to the Treasurer's account, which shows a balance due Theological Professor.

Mr. Calvin Goodspeed, B. A., and Mr. Wilbur, have resigned. Their places will be filled by other competent tutors. These gentlemen carry away with them from the Institution the good wishes of all for their future success in life, and are highly esteemed for their abilities as thorough and able instructors.

An Alumni Society was formed on the 17th May last, which promises to do good service. Its object is the awarding of prizes, and the fostering of the general welfare of the Institution. Although so recently organized, they gave a prize of \$10 to the best in Classics. In addition, six other prizes were given by the following gentlemen:—Dr. M. G. McDonald, Rev. P. McLeod, Rev. B. F. Rattray, J. E. Hopper, C. Goodspeed, and S. C. Wilbur.

At the closing examination, the prizes in books were awarded to the following Students:

- Classics—L. A. Cliffe, Kingsclear, \$10 00
- Natural Science—James Coy, Nashwaak, 5 00
- French—L. E. Wortman, Salisbury, 5 00
- English Language and Literature—Miss Bell Yerra, Fredericton, 5 00
- Spelling—William Biggs, Fredericton, 2 50
- Geography—George Turner, Fredericton, 2 50
- Roman History—William Biggs, Fredericton, 2 50

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The prizes were distributed by His Excellency General Doyle, who expressed the pleasure he had in being present, and his regret that his expected removal from the Province would, in all probability, prevent him from meeting them on similar occasions in the future.

The Library needs further additions. Donations of books have been received the past year. A little thought on the part of our friends would, in a very short time, put us in possession of a good Library. Contributions of books were received from the following persons:—Revs. G. M. W. Carey, B. F. Ratray, Dr. Hurd, and J. E. Hopper, Messrs. George Lewis, T. H. Hall, W. S. Estey, and Richard H. Phillips.

A Museum could be collected in the same way. Several gifts have been received. from Jesse Harding, Esquire; and several old copper coins from Miss E. Phillips. from Principal Hopper;

We cannot close this Report without expressing our gratification with the indications of an awakened interest among our people throughout the Province, and our faith in the future of our Seminary, if Baptists will faithfully and honestly set to work. Brethren, pray for the Institution, talk for it, and give to sustain it.

N. B. Baptist Education Society in account with A. F. Randolph, Treasurer

1866.				
Nov.	J. L. Harris, account	\$287.25,	do. \$3.55,	
"	R. Winter, account	\$27,	1 table cover, \$2.50,	1 doz. chairs, \$6.60,
"	Wood, \$39.70,	cutting do.,	and work, \$19.62,	
"	Callis, making fires	80 weeks,	at \$1.20,	
"	Advertising for year	1865 and 1866,		
"	Pagan & Babbitt, bill	glazing,		
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Mar 16.	" subscription—	A. F. Randolph,		
16.	" " Dr. Spurden,	\$20, Z. R. Everett,	\$19.48,	
		A. D. Yerxa,	\$20,	
16.	" collection	Kingsclear,	\$3.80,	1st Salisbury, \$5.80,
16.	" Keswick,	\$4.80,	Rev. Mr. Carey's lecture,	\$16.60,
16.	" Portland,	\$8.60,	Nashwaak,	\$2.10,
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16.	" Exhibition proceeds,	\$19.90,	John Farris,	\$5,
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16.	" Rev. E. C. Cady,	for St. John,	to J. E. Hopper,	
16.	" Kars,	\$2.10,	1st Wicklow,	\$1.80,
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In addition to the above balance due Treasurer, there are several small accounts still unpaid.

N. B. Baptist Education Society in Account with A. F. Randolph, Treasurer.

THEOLOGICAL CHAM—		—Dr.—	
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9.	“ Elias J. Yerxa,	10 00
9.	“ Z. R. Everett,	10 00
9.	“ James Hodge,	5 00
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Jan. 8.	“ S. W. Babbitt,	10 00
10.	“ W. Wheeler,	20 00
Feb. 1.	“ Hopewell Church,	50 00
April 8.	“ J. E. Hopper,	10 00
May 28.	“ Z. G. Gabel,	10 00
June 5.	“ G. W. Currie,	10 00
5.	“ J. E. Hopper,	10 00
10.	“ S. W. Babbitt,	10 00
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Balance due Treasurer,			\$25 00

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A DECLARATION

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

ARTICLE 1. We believe that there is but one only living and true God, who is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth: Deut. vi. 4; John iv. 24; Ps. xc. 2, cxlvii. 5; James i. 17; 1 Tim. i. 17; Mark x. 27; Isaiah vi. 3; Deut. xxxii. 4; Ex. xv. 11, xxxiv. 6, 7.

2. That there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—who are but one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory: Matt. xxviii. 19; John xv. 26; 1 Cor. xii. 4-6; 2 Cor. xiii. 14; Eph. ii. 18.

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

4. That God, who is infinite in knowledge, and perfectly views all things from the beginning to the end, has foreordained that whatsoever comes to pass, either by his order or permission, shall work for the eternal glory of his great name: Acts xv. 18, ii. 23; Ps. lxxvi. 10, xxxiii. 11; Rom. ix. 17-23, xi. 36.

5. That in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that in them are; and he upholds and governs all things by the word of his power: Gen. i.; Ex. xx. 11; Dan. iv. 35; Heb. i. 3.

6. That God made man in his own image, in knowledge, righteousness and true holiness; and made with him a covenant of life, the condition of which was perfect obedience: Gen. i. 26, 27; ii. 16, 17; Ecc. vii. 29; Gal. iii. 10.

7. That man being left to himself soon fell from that happy and glorious estate in which he was made, by eating the forbidden fruit, by which he brought himself and all his posterity into a state of death: Gen. iii. 6; Rom. v. 12-9.

8. That man being thus dead, his help and recovery are wholly in and from God: John vi. 44; Eph. ii. 4, 5, 7-10; 1 John iv. 10.

9. That God the Father has chosen a great multitude of the human family, whom no man can number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, and given them to his Son in the covenant of his grace, that he might redeem them from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works, which is the only foundation of salvation for lost and helpless sinners; and thereby the Ministers of the Lord are encouraged to preach the Gospel to every rational creature, because the purposes of God, and the infinite value of Christ's atonement, secure the increase and establishment of Christ's kingdom, so that the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever; Rom. viii. 29, 30; Eph. i. 4, 5, 11; John vi. 37-39; Rev. vii. 9; Titus ii. 14; Mark xvi. 15; 2 Tim. ii. 19; Isa. ix. 7; Rev. xi. 15.

10. That Jesus, the eternal Son of God, hath come, and taken on him, our nature, and in that nature hath yielded a perfect obedience to the law which we have transgressed, and suffered death for our sins, and

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hath brought in a complete and everlasting righteousness, and hath risen and ascended to the right hand of God, and ever liveth to make intercession for us : John i. 1, 14 ; Heb. i. 1-3, vii. 25, x. 5-10 : Rom. i. 4 ; Dan. ix. 24.

11. That the Holy Ghost, and he only, can and doth make particular application of the benefits of the atonement made by Christ to every elect soul : John iii. 5-8, xvi. 7-15 ; 1 Cor. xii. 3.

12. That the Spirit of God applies the benefits of this atonement, by convincing us of our sinful, lost and miserable condition ; and then discovering the glorious Saviour, as he is exhibited in the gospel, in his suitability and sufficiency, and enabling us to embrace him with our whole souls, by which he is made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption : John xvi., 8-11 13-15 ; Gal. v. 22, 23 ; 1 Cor. i. 30.

13. That the life of religion consists in the knowledge of God, and conformity with him in the inward man, which necessarily produceth an external conformity to his commands, and brings us to live in obedience to his holy will in all our ways, and in our several places and relations : John xvii. 3 ; 1 Cor. x. 31 ; Eph. ii. 10 ; Col. iii. 2, 3 ; Gal. ii. 20 ; Rom. xii. 1, 2.

14. That true believers being united to Jesus Christ, shall never perish, but live and reign with him for ever. They have communion with God, and by his Spirit they are united with each other, and have communion one with another, whereby they are made partakers of each other's gifts and graces : John vi. 39, x. 28 ; Rev. iii. 21 ; John xvii. 7, 11, 21 ; xiv. 3 ; Rom. viii. 38, 39 ; 1 John i. 3.

15. That the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's day, is the Christian Sabbath : John xx. 19 ; Acts xx. 7 ; 1 Cor. xvi. 2 ; Rev. i. 10.

16. That God hath appointed the ordinance of civil government for defending the poor as well as the rich, in their civil rights, without infringing upon the consciences of any, or attempting to dictate or govern in the worship of the eternal God, which belongs only to Jesus Christ, the great lawgiver and head of his church : Mark xii. 17 ; Rom. xiii. 1-6 ; 1 Peter ii. 13-15 ; Matt. xxiii. 10 ; Rom. xiv. 4.

17. That there will be a general resurrection both of the just and the unjust ; and that God hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, and will reward every man according to his works ; when the wicked shall be sent away into everlasting punishment, and the righteous received into life eternal : John v. 28, 29 ; Acts xvii. 31, xxiv. 15 ; Rom. ii. 16 ; Matt. xvi. 29, and 25-46.

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Concerning a Visible Church of Christ and its Discipline.

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

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2. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Ordinances of Christ to be continued until his second coming, and that the former is requisite to the latter, that is to say, that those are to be admitted into the communion of the Church, and to partake of all its ordinances and privileges, who upon profession of their faith have been baptized by Immersion, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Matt. xxviii. 19, 20; 1 Cor. xi. 23-26; Acts ii. 41, 42, and ix. 15-26; and viii. 12, 36-39: Matt. iii. 6-16; Rom. vi. 4; Col. ii. 12; Gal. iii. 27; Matt xxvi. 26-28; Acts xx. 11; 1 Cor. x. 16.

3. That since none but true believers can rightly partake of the Ordinances, therefore the door of the church should be carefully kept against all such who cannot give scriptural evidence of their union with Christ: 1 Cor. xi. 27-29; Matt. vii. 6, 15-20; 1 Peter ii. 5.

4. That a Church thus gathered hath power to choose, and by Elders to ordain those officers that Christ hath appointed in his Church, viz.: Bishops or Elders, and Deacons; and also to depose such officers who walk contrary to the rules of the Gospel; and to discipline their members, though in some cases it may be convenient and profitable to request the advice of the neighbouring Churches of Christ: Acts i. 21-26, vi. 3-6, xiv. 23, and xv. 6-31; 1 Cor. v. 13: 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14, 15; Titus iii. 10.

5. That a Bishop or Elder hath no more power to decide any case or controversy in the Church than any private brother, yet they, having superior gifts for teaching and ruling, ought to exercise and improve the same for the benefit of the Church; and the Church ought to be subjected to the gifts bestowed on the Minister from the Lord, while he is rightly administering in his place; whose place it is to lead in the affairs of the Church, and to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, and devote himself to the work of teaching, warning, rebuking, and exhorting the people publicly, and from house to house: Matt. xx. 25-29; 1 Peter v. 3; Acts xx. 20-28, 31; Heb. xiii. 17; 1 Thes. v. 12, 13.

6. That the Deacon's office or work is to take care of the poor, and to have the oversight of the temporal affairs of the Church, and to minister at the Lord's Table: Acts vi. 1-5; 1 Tim. iii. 8-14.

7. That every believer is commanded to be faithful, to improve every gift and talent which is bestowed on him, in order to which, there ought to be such a Gospel freedom that the Church may know where every particular gift is, that it may be improved in its proper place, and to its right end, viz., the glory of God and the good of his people; and the Church ought to be subject to such improvements: 1 Peter iv. 10, 11, and v. 5; 1 Tim. iv. 14; 1 Cor. 12th and 14th chapters; Rom. xii. 3-8.

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

COVENANT.

We do now, in the presence of the great, all-seeing and most glorious God, and before angels and men, give up ourselves to the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and avouch him this day to be our God, our Father, our Saviour, and our Leader, and receive him as our Portion for ever. We give up ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ, and engage to adhere to him as the head of his people in the covenant of grace, and rely on him as our Prophet, Priest, and King, to bring us to eternal blessedness.

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

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