

MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTY-THIRD SESSION
OF THE
WESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
HELD AT GAGETOWN,
ON
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY,
15th, 16th, and 17th September, 1870.
WITH THE
ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
N. B. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY, UNION,
AND
EDUCATION SOCIETIES.

The next Session will be held in Brussels Street Church, St. John, commencing
third Thursday in September, 1871.

Minutes of Corresponding Associations, and all Documents relating to
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CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER
OF THE
WESTERN 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 W. N. B. Baptist Association."

ARTICLE 2.—The Association shall meet annually, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the third Thursday in September, 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, and to maintain due order among the members. The Association shall appoint two Committees—one on Arrangements, and one to nominate all other Committees. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a fair and impartial record of all the doings of the Association during the session, and furnish a correct copy for the press.

ARTICLE 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 addition and diminution within the last year; and generally, of whatever relates to its peace and prosperity, together with the whole number of members in communion. It shall also forward money for the printing of the Minutes.

ARTICLE 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, on 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, except voting.
7. That these regulations be read at each session.

MINUTES.

Gagetown, Q. C., September 15, 1870.

The Western N. B. Baptist Association met with the Baptist Church at Gagetown, Q. C., on the 15th day of September, 1870, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

The Moderator of the previous year not being present, Rev. E. C. Cady was requested to preside. Two hours were occupied in social conference and prayer. Rev. G. M. W. Carey, the Moderator, having arrived, led the Association in the choice of his successor.

The following officers were appointed:—

REV. CALVIN GOODSPEED, *Moderator*;

“ EDWARD HICKSON, *Clerk*;

“ GEORGE SEELEY, *Ass. Clerk*;

HON. A. McL. SEELY, *Treasurer*;

REV. E. C. CADY, *Ass. Treasurer*.

The following Committees were then appointed.

On Arrangements.—Rev. B. Hughes, G. Seeley, E. C. Cady, Wm. M. Edwards; Bro. E. Cowperthwaite, and George Coy.

To Read Letters.—Revs. W. S. McKenzie and T. Harley.

To Examine Circular Letter.—Revs. I. E. Bill and G. M. W. Carey.

To Superintend Printing of Minutes.—Rev. W. S. McKenzie.

Home Missions.—Rev. E. C. Cady, Deacons M. Harrison, C. D. Everett, Z. G. Gabel, Wm. Buchanan and James Colwell.

Special Business.—Deacon Z. G. Gabel, and Hon. A. McL. Seely, Revs. J. Strang, Tupper, and Saunders.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. W. S. McKenzie, A. B. McDonald, and Brethren J. W. Hartt, Henry Rees, Isaac Webb, A. McL. Seely, John Brown.

Sabbath Schools.—Brethren R. T. Babbitt, Adam Noble, S. Leonard, Revs. E. C. Cady, Titus, George Howard, and George Rigby.

Christian Visitor.—Revs. John R. Strang, T. M. Munro, J. G. Harvey, J. E. Hopper, E. Hickson, Brethren W. A. Estabrooks and J. H. Dykeman.

Education.—Deacons J. W. Hartt, E. H. Duval, Z. G. Gabel, Revs. E. C. Cady, I. E. Bill, W. S. McKenzie, T. W. Saunders and Bro. George Good.

New Churches.—Revs. J. G. Harvey, Geo. Howard, James Bleakney, T. M. Munro and W. D. Manzer.

Temperance.—Revs. Wm. Edwards, G. Springer, J. R. Strang, Alex. Estabrooks, Benj. Jewett, Brethren Wm. Swim, W. A. Estabrooks, J. H. Dykeman and Isaiah Webb.

Union Society.—Hon. A. McL. Seely, Revs. E. C. Cady, W. A. Corey, Jas. Tremble, Brethren M. Dykeman, Benj. Richard, Z. Esty and C. D. Everett.

Departed Brethren.—Revs. I. E. Bill, J. E. Hopper, and J. H. Tupper.

To Prepare Digest of Letters.—Rev. W. S. McKenzie.

On motion—

Resolved—That visiting brethren be invited to take seats in the Association. The following brethren were reported visitors: Revs. W. A. Corey, A. B. McDonald, G. W. Springer, J. M. Curry, Bro. Moses Dykeman and Deacon O. B. Rideout, of Maine, and Rev. Thos. Lockey.

Committee of Arrangement report—

That all meetings of this Association shall convene at 10 o'clock, A. M., 2 P. M. and 7 P. M., and adjourn at 12 A. M., 5 P. M. and 9 P. M., except otherwise ordered.

The Association Sermon be preached by Rev. T. Harley, to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock, A. M.

The Missionary Meeting be held Friday evening, at 7 o'clock. The addresses to be delivered by Revs. I. E. Bill, E. C. Cady, J. E. Hopper, W. S. McKenzie, G. Rigby, J. H. Tupper and George Howard. To whom were added Revs. Calvin Goodspeed, G. Payson (Wesleyan), and J. E. Reud (Free Baptist).

Rev. I. E. Bill preach in this house at 2.30 P. M., Friday.

Rev. E. C. Cady preach Saturday, at 7.30 P. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. S. McKenzie.

Adjourned to 7.30 o'clock.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION, 7.30 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. George Howard.

Moved by Rev. W. S. McKenzie, seconded by Rev. G. M. W. Carey—

Resolved—That we learn with deep regret, that a Sunday excursion is in contemplation for the next Lord's day, from St. John and Fredericton, to this Association, and that we emphatically disapprove and condemn this wicked desecration of the Sabbath.

The Letters from the Churches were then read.

Committee of Arrangement report—That a Prayer meeting be held in this Chapel at 8 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow, and the meeting of the H. M. Board be held here at 8.30 o'clock.

Adjourned to 10.30 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Timothy Harley.

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FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, 10.30 o'clock.

Rev. Timothy Harley delivered the Annual Sermon. Text, Phil. iii. 8. "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord." The preacher exhibited the superlative excellence of the knowledge of Christ: the comparative worthlessness of all things else; and the positive proof of Paul's sincerity.

Reading of Letters continued.

Adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

Prayer by Rev. T. W. Saunders.

FRIDAY SESSION, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Reading of Letters continued.

The Committee on Circular Letter report—

That they have discharged that duty, and recommend that it be adopted, and published in the Minutes and in the *Christian Visitor*.

Report adopted.

Resolved—That the next Annual Association be held in the Brussels Street Baptist Church, Saint John. That Rev. George Rigby preach the Introductory Sermon; that C. Spurden, D. D., be his alternate; and that Rev. W. S. McKenzie, A. M., write the Circular Letter.

On motion of Rev. J. E. Hopper, seconded by Rev. I. E. Bill—

Resolved, That a Committee of five, three laymen and two ministers, be appointed to take into consideration some plan for making provision for an Assurance on the lives of our ministers, and report to our next Association.

The following brethren were appointed the Committee: Hon. A. McL. Seely, Deacons Z. G. Gabel, H. Vaughan, Revs. W. S. McKenzie, and I. E. Bill, sen.

On motion—

Resolved, That Rev. W. S. McKenzie publish in the *Christian Visitor* such portions of the Letters of the Churches as he shall deem of interest to the denomination.

At 3 o'clock, P. M., the Association adjourned, and the Baptist Education Society convened.

At 4.30 o'clock the Association resumed business.

Resolved, That we recommend the churches which we represent to take a collection for the benefit of the Baptist

Seminary on the first Sabbath of divine service after the day of prayer for Colleges—the last Thursday in February.

Committee on New Churches report—

That they have examined the Letters of the Union Street Baptist Church, St. Stephen, and the Third Richmond Baptist Church, and recommend their reception into this Association.

Report adopted.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Hopper.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION, 7 o'clock.

Prayer by Bev. Thos. Lockey.

Minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Foreign Missions report as follows :

The Baptists of the three Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island have been for several years unitedly, though with variable ardor and interrupted action, engaged in carrying on the work of Foreign Missions, chiefly, since the death of the lamented Burpee, by furnishing contributions for the support of native preachers, under the superintendency of Rev. A. R. R. Crowley. About two years ago we began to renew our earlier zeal and to extend our operations in this sphere of Christian activity, by sending out Miss DeWolf as a Missionary to the heathen women. Soon after the departure of Miss D., Rev. Wm. George was accepted for Foreign Mission service by our Board, but, appointed to a field occupied by Missionaries of the Baptist Missionary Union in the United States. It was, therefore, deemed advisable that Bro. George should, in the prosecution of his work as a Missionary, come under the supervision of the Society with whose mission families he would co-operate, and consequently he with his wife were sent out under the auspices of that organization. The money requisite for their outfit, and to sustain them on the field, was voted from the funds of our Foreign Mission Treasury, at the Convention in Halifax, one year since. We still continue to support Rev. Mr. George in his mission, though his mission is under supervisory instructions from the Missionary Rooms in Boston. The conviction is prevalent and settled among us that, as we cannot, owing to our limited funds and other circumstances, work independently on some unoccupied foreign field, we may and should avail ourselves of the facilities furnished us by our brethren in the neighboring Republic to send the Gospel to the perishing Pagans. In this way we are doing something, and can yet do more for Christ and for souls, until the way is opened for us, in the providence of God, to establish and conduct a mission entirely under our own direction.

During the past summer Miss Norris, a young woman of sterling piety and intelligence, has received an appointment from our Board, and is soon to set out for some foreign field, probably in Burmah, the funds for her support being provided by "*Women's Missionary Aid Societies*," some thirty or forty of which organizations have been

formed in the Churches within the limits of the Convention. With the arrival of Miss Norris at her destination we shall have four Missionaries from our shores in the service of the foreign field, and twenty-three native preachers supported by funds from our Missionary treasury. There are two young men, yet engaged in their studies, who have been conditionally accepted by our Board for the foreign field, to be sent out (D. V.) when they shall have completed their course of study.

It will be observed that we, as well as our Baptist brethren in Quebec and Ontario, are working on the foreign field in conjunction with the American Baptist Missionary Union in the United States. But those who have gone forth from our Churches in the Maritime Provinces are our Missionaries, appointed and sustained by us, though not directly and exclusively under our supervision. To some this matter of mere supervision is of little moment. So long as we are laboring for the salvation of the heathen, whether conjointly with another society, or independently through a society of our own, we ought to be satisfied. But there are among us those who feel that we should at once open a new and independent Foreign Mission. A large majority, however, as appeared at our recent Convention in Fredericton, while they desire and are ready to favor an independent mission, are satisfied that the time has not yet arrived to enter upon such an enterprise. At that Convention a Committee was appointed to take the whole question under special consideration, and to report at the next Convention, to be held in Yarmouth, N. S.

We believe that our denomination in the Maritime Provinces is entering upon a new and more promising era in the history of its efforts in aiding the evangelization of the heathen world.

W. S. MCKENZIE, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

The Missionary Hymn—"From Greenland's icy mountains"—was sung by a large and enthusiastic congregation.

Missionary addresses were then delivered by Revs. I. E. Bill, E. C. Cady, J. E. Hopper, W. S. McKenzie, George Rigby, J. H. Tupper, C. Goodspeed, G. Payson (Wesleyan), and J. E. Reud (Free Baptist).

At the close of the meeting the usual collection was taken.

The Moderator then extended the hand of fellowship to Bro. Wm. Vaughan, as representative of Union Street Church, St. Stephen, and to Rev. J. Bleakney, on behalf of 3rd Richmond Church.

Home Mission Board to meet at 8 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Titus.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION, 10 o'clock.

Moderator in the chair. Prayer by Rev. W. D. Manzer.
Minutes read and approved.

On motion of Bro. B. Hughes—

Resolved, That the Constitution be so changed that the Association, and not the Moderator, nominate Committees.

Resolved, That the following brethren be a Committee to report, at the next Association, whether any further Constitutional changes are necessary: Revs. Edward Hickson, I. E. Bill, and T. Harley.

Committee on Union Society report:—

In view of the importance of the several branches of Christian operation embraced by this Society, and the necessity of funds to carry out the objects of the same, we highly approve of the appointment of our much esteemed Brother, the Rev. E. C. Cady, as General Missionary and Agent of the Society, and recommend him and the great work in which he is engaged to the prayers and sympathies of the Denomination, trusting that the ensuing year will prove more successful than any previous one in our history.

Report adopted.

A. McL. SEELY, *Chairman*.

Report on the *Christian Visitor*:—

Your Committee on the CHRISTIAN VISITOR are of the opinion that our denominational paper should, in addition to the presentation of our common Christianity, give a clear and outspoken defence of the doctrines and ordinances as held by us. To be silent is to betray our Mission. To give a good reason for our faith and practice, is to commend them to the favorable regard of our fellow-men.

We are pleased to see a healthy denominational tone in our paper, and an improvement in its matter both editorial and selected. Its correspondence and reports of public meetings—the Minister's Institute in particular—we think highly creditable.

As the Editor has at considerable expense improved the type and paper, we would urge the necessity of an enlarged circulation and prompt payment in order to meet these improvements, that our Editor may be encouraged to still farther improve our paper. We want a first class religious journal, and are assured we can only have it by a united and energetic effort to increase the pecuniary returns of the paper.

J. R. STRANG, *Chairman*.

Report adopted, and spoken to by Revs. I. E. Bill, J. M. Curry, B. Hughes, T. W. Saunders, Alex. Estabrooks, Thos. Lockey, E. C. Cady, and J. E. Hopper.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report:

That on an examination of the Letters sent into this Association, we find the number of Schools reported to be 35. The number of scholars 2,475, and the number of volumes in the Library 8,422. The number of Schools reported last year was 34, and the number of scholars, 2,204. It will be seen by a comparison of the statistics for

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the two years, that only one more School is reported this year than last, but more scholars by 271 than last year, and an increase in the Library to the number of 847 volumes. We also find quite a large amount of money collected and expended in these Schools, but expended entirely, if not wholly, upon themselves. We regret that the children in our Sabbath Schools are taught and encouraged to make collections only for their own benefit. We believe they should be instructed and urged to make penny collections for Missionary purposes, and thus early initiate them in the work of sustaining the Gospel of Christ in destitute regions beyond. It is the opinion of your Committee that a Sabbath School Convention should be organized, either in connection with or separately from the Association, in order that more time and attention may be accorded to this vast and important sphere of Christian labor than is possible during the progress of the business of the Association. We therefore suggest that a special and standing Committee be appointed by the Association now in session to make arrangements for a Sabbath School Convention next year.

R. T. BABBITT, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

The following brethren were appointed a Committee to report at next Association with regard to the formation of a Sabbath School Convention, as suggested in the above report: Revs. Timothy Harley, W. S. McKenzie, J. E. Hopper, C. Goodspeed, and Bro. Jno. Masters.

On motion—

Resolved, That this Association appoint a delegation to meet with the Free Christian Baptist Conference of New Brunswick at its next Session, for the purpose of extending to them our Christian greetings, and of inviting their cooperation in the great work of education.

The following brethren were appointed delegates from this Association to the Free Christian Baptist Conference: Revs. Calvin Goodspeed, E. C. Cady, I. E. Bill, B. N. Hughes, and W. S. McKenzie.

The Moderator read the Circular Letter.

Resolved, That the Circular Letter be received, and published in the Minutes and in the *Christian Visitor*.

Resolved, That a special meeting of the delegates who constitute this Association be held in the Hall at 2 o'clock, p. m.; and that public worship be conducted in this chapel at the same hour.

Resolved, That the Moderator at his own request—finding it necessary to return home—be excused, and that Rev. I. E. Bill be Moderator for the remainder of the Session.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. Wm. M. Edwards,

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. James Trimble.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion—

Resolved, That Rev. I. E. Bill preach in the chapel at 2.30 o'clock, P. M., and that Rev. J. G. Harvey preside as Moderator of this meeting.

On motion—

Resolved, That the list of Ordained Ministers, Licentiate and Churches be revised.

The list was then revised and corrected, and the following resolution adopted—

Resolved, That ministers whose names appear on our list of Ordained Ministers, and who are not now members of this Association, be requested to unite with churches connected with this Body; otherwise their names will be dropped.

Resolved, That the name of Rev. P. O. Reece be transferred to our list, as he is now constitutionally a member of this Association.

The Committee of Arrangement report—

SABBATH PREACHING.

UPPER GAGETOWN.

Rev. Edward Hickson, at 10.30 A. M.
 " George Rigby, " 3 P. M.
 " I. E. Bill, " 7 P. M.

Free Baptist Chapel.

Rev. J. H. Tupper, at 10.30 A. M.
 " T. W. Saunders, " 3 P. M.
 " Jas. Tremble, " 7.30 P. M.

LOWER GAGETOWN.

Wesleyan Chapel.

Rev. T. M. Munro, at 3 P. M.

Free Baptist.

Rev. Edward Hickson, at 7 P. M.

SHEFFIELD

Rev. Geo. Howard, at 10.30 A. M.
 " J. G. Harvey, " 3 P. M.
 " E. C. Cady, " 7 P. M.

CANNING.

Rev. I. E. Bill, at 3 P. M.

SHEFFIELD.

Wesleyan Chapel.

Rev. E. C. Cady, at 10.30 A. M.

Report adopted.

Resolved, That Rev. E. C. Cady, J. E. Hopper, and W. C. Rideout, be requested to visit the church at St. James.

Resolved, That 10 o'clock, A. M., be substituted for 2 o'clock, P. M., as the hour of meeting of our next Association.

Resolved, That the names of contributors to the Union Society be not inserted in the Minutes.

The Committee on Temperance beg to report.

That notwithstanding the efforts hitherto made for the advancement of the Temperance enterprise in this community, and although great things have been done in the past, yet we have not been able to break down and abolish this scourge of humanity, this enemy of righteousness, the desolator of families, and in many places the bane and pest of communities, bringing in its train poverty, crime, degradation and misery.

Your Committee feel that since against temperance there is no law, and while its principles are truly benevolent, they cannot but recommend the most persistent yet legitimate effort for the spread and growth of principles rightly considered so good for man, remembering always the injunction of the inspired teacher, that men should be temperate in all things.

WM. M. EDWARDS, *Chairman*.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report—

That next to the subject of Religion and the consideration of the means of furthering its universal spread, your Committee regard the subject of Education and the duty in striving in every possible way to bring the means of mental culture within the reach of every youth in the land, and then to create a general desire to enjoy individually the blessings placed before them. The founders of our Seminary at Fredericton were imbued with enlarged views on this subject, and the efforts they made were noble; and though some advances have been made since their times, yet your Committee feel that much of denominational influence has been lost through a very prevalent apathy with regard to the educational enterprise generally, and also through a lack of feeling a proper interest in our own Institution. We believe, we perceive, indications of improvement with regard to this great subject.

The removal of the debt so long pressing on the Seminary calls for much gratitude, and your Committee feel desirous to record their heartfelt thankfulness to those who, during the past year, put forth such indomitable exertions in accomplishing this object, and also to those who liberally responded when this demand for their contributions was earnestly pressed upon them.

We are gratified to learn that the esteemed Principal of the Seminary has been encouraged in his work in the past, and that he is looking forward to a full attendance in both departments during the year lately entered upon. Judging from the well known ability of Brother Goodspeed as an educator, and from his success thus far, we confidently commend the Seminary as a place where our youth may receive a most thorough training. We are confident that the

Executive Committee will actively co-operate with the Principal in rendering the Seminary in every way efficient.

Acadia College is taking a very high stand among the Educational Establishments of this Dominion, and, as such, independently of the consideration that it is our own College, it is worthy of our warm sympathy and support. Your Committee are happy to find that the Principal of our Seminary is inclined to induce the young men under his instruction, after preparing at the Seminary, to pursue their Collegiate course at Acadia College.

Report adopted.

J. HARTT, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the following brethren be a Committee to review the Act of Assembly, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of certain Bodies in connection with the Eastern and Western Association," and report at next Association: R. T. Babbitt, Esq., Wm. Swim, Esq., Hon. A. McL. Seely, Revs. I. E. Bill, and W. S. McKenzie.

Adjourned to 7.30 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. E. C. Cady.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION, 7.30 o'clock.

Rev. E. C. Cady preached from the text—Psalm cxxxiv. 14: "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?"

Rev. I. E. Bill in the chair; and being Chairman of the Committee on Departed Brethren, he asked for more time to prepare his report. Request granted.

The Moderator then spoke in the most fraternal and pathetic manner of the departed and much lamented brother, Rev. A. D. Thompson, and he invoked the blessing of God on behalf of the widow and family.

Resolved, That the Clerk prepare an address of condolence on the part of this Association, bearing the Moderator's and Clerk's names, expressing our sympathy with sister Thompson and family in this season of sorrow,

The Chairman of Committee on Home Missions reported as follows:

Your Committee on Home Missions rejoice at the results of the labours of our Home Missionaries during the past year. Bro. Hickson has baptized 19; Bro. Edwards, 21; Bro. Hopper, 5; Bro. Alex. Estabrooks, 5; besides this, all our Missionaries have been doing much good in their fields of labour. We have reason to thank God, and take courage. But we feel convinced that we have much more to do. The fields are white to the harvest, but the labourers are

few. We want more men and more money, and more of the grace of God. We recommend the Churches to pray for, and look out more men; to give more liberally for the cause of Missions, and to pray to God more earnestly for His blessing upon the efforts put forth. We recommend that not less than \$2,000 be raised and expended for this object during the ensuing year.

E. C. CADY, *Chairman.*

Resolved unanimously, That the most hearty thanks of this Association be given to this church and people, who so kindly and generously entertained this Association.

On motion—

The Association adjourned to meet with the Brussels Street Church, Saint John, on the third Thursday of September, 1871, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

CALVIN GOODSPEED, *Moderator.*

EDWARD HICKSON, *Clerk.*
GEORGE SEELY, *Asst. Clerk.*

CIRCULAR LETTER.

TO THE CHURCHES COMPOSING THE WESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

DEAR BRETHREN:—It is the peculiar boast of Baptists that the Bible, and the Bible only, is their rule of faith and practice. They attach no value to Church formularies, and yield no obedience to man-made creeds. They claim that by taking this stand, they become the successors of the noble Christian heroes of the past, who struggled with indomitable energy, and endured even unto death, to preserve the truth in its unadulterated purity and undiluted power.

The acknowledged assumption of such a truth should make Baptists feel that their mission is a high and holy one, and that they are under the most solemn obligation to be true to their principles of strict adherence to the Bible faith and order, and bold and uncompromising in their avowal.

Baptists generally, and strict Communion Baptists especially, through being faithful to a conscientious exactness in practising what they believe the Scriptures teach, have ever been exposed to the charge of bigotry, and unchristian exclusiveness; but never, perhaps, have they been so tempted to yield, in some measure, their high position, as at present.

Much that is plausible is said about a unity which is as dearly bought as it is hollow, because it requires every one to keep silence, and ignore a part of what he believes to be truth, that others may be undisturbed in what he conceives to be error; each thus violating his conscience, on condition that others do the same. There are many advocates of a charity which is more false than it is specious, because, before it is exercised, it requires that the need of true charity be taken away by a compromise.

Thus there is danger that what persecution could not do, the often well meant, but misdirected zeal of brethren of other denominations may effect; and as Baptists be seduced from their strict observance of Scripture command and example.

In view of this danger, and that we may be encouraged to be firm and bold for the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible, it has been thought that it would not be untimely to call attention to a few considerations in support of the most strict and unwavering adherence to Scripture doctrine, ordinances and order.

I. Bible teaching.

1. What God reveals and commands, is so complete and adapted to the end for which it is designed, that there are frequent warnings against any alteration.

Deut. iv. 2. Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish aught from it.

Deut. xii. 32. What thing soever I command you, observe to do it; thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.

Joshua i. 7. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law which Moses my servant commanded thee; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left.

Prov. xxx. 6. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

2. Whoever destroys the divine symmetry of Revelation by addition or subtraction, incurs the most fearful personal consequences.

Gal. i. 8, 9. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

Rev. xxii. 18, 19. For I testify unto every man that beareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book; and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

Let us, therefore, be careful, brethren, lest by countenancing in others by our silence or otherwise, doctrines and rites which are not in the Bible, we assist in adding thereto.

Let us further beware, lest, through wilfully neglecting to insist upon a truth because it is controverted, we practically diminish from the word of God.

3. Scripture further shows that God demands this same strict regard for the ordinances which he has instituted.

When Moses was about to build the tabernacle, he was repeatedly admonished to conform to the pattern given him, even to the most minute particulars.

In the various rites and sacrifices of the ceremonial law, were any of the smallest points, of the very explicit directions, neglected or disobeyed, the offering, &c., was not accepted.

If God required this exactness under the Old Covenant, are the ordinances and order of the New less important and significant, that he should permit substitution and change in them?

II. Why this rigid adherence to Bible teaching and direction is necessary and required.

1. From the wisdom and dignity of the Supreme Being, it could not be supposed that He would condescend to give exact instruction and example for any other purpose than that He should be exactly obeyed.

2. Human nature is such that, when any permission to change a rule, or to deviate from it, is given or *taken*, the right to change and deviate still further is *assumed*, until the smallest liberty expands into the broadest license.

That this is the tendency when men tamper with Scripture command and example, can be seen in what infant baptism has had to do with the destruction of the distinction between the Church and the world, an established Church of cold, lifeless forms, and the ignoring of that faith and regeneration which alone are saving.

From this, the wisdom of God in exacting the closest conformity to the Scripture standard of truth and example, can be seen; from this also, another strong motive can be drawn, for our yielding and enforcing upon others, the strict obedience which the Lord claims for all his truth.

3. As God is all wise, it must be believed that he has adapted to the nature and circumstances of mankind, all things which relate to his moral government, as to render them most effective in the accomplishment of his gracious purposes.

Scripture *establishes* this conclusion. All that God has taught is summed up in the word *truth*. His gracious purpose is the salvation and sanctification of men. It is the truth, and the truth alone, which effects this:—

It saves, 2 Thess. ii. 13; James i. 18.

It makes free, John viii. 32.

It sanctifies, 1 Peter, i. 22; John xvii. 17, 19.

As it is the truth, and the truth alone, which sanctifies and saves; in proportion as it is mixed with error it loses its full power to effect these grand results, both in minister and people.

So the belief that, if men are sincere it does not matter so much what they believe is wrong, for sincerity cannot make amends for the want of the saving and sanctifying truth, in all its effects upon the heart. Hence, also, it is wrong, because of conscientiousness of the apparent smallness of the error, of the feelings of those we esteem, or of any other consideration, to refrain from declaring the whole counsel of God, and exposing what is, to any extent, false. When it is considered that the smallest departure from the truth affects injuriously the eternal state of the soul, what diligent students of the Bible should ministers especially be, and how boldly and faithfully should they proclaim its teachings.

Again, because God is all wise, He can do nothing without a purpose, and what He has ordained must be most exactly fitted to effect the end in view.

If this be admitted, it will follow that the ordinances, in the order in which they stand connected in the New Testament, have a significance which must be injured or destroyed by any alteration, however slight. The New Testament establishes this conclusion also.

No passage can be found to show that baptism represents *the Spirit in the manner of its bestowal*. The Scripture teaching is, that it represents its effects *in a dying and being buried to sin and a rising to newness of life*. How beautifully immersion shows forth this burial and resurrection! How do sprinkling and pouring utterly fail.

Notwithstanding the arguments of Robert Hall to the contrary, it is evident that baptism, and then communion, was the New Testament order. Mr. Hall strives to prove too much; for, conceiving that the Apostles were not baptized at the time of the Supper, there is no proof that they were ever baptized, and hence they cannot be an example to baptized believers.

Baptism was ever enjoined as an immediate duty when one had believed. If this direction was followed, baptism was first, and hence the Supper must have succeeded, and not preceded it.

This Scripture evidence, coupled with the fact that, according to Neander (vol. I. 327,) and Moshem (vol. I. 69, 189), unbaptized persons were excluded from the Lord's Supper during the first three centuries, may be taken as sufficient proof to establish that Baptism, and then Communion, was the Apostolic order. And is not this order necessary to their significance. Let the bread and wine represent spiritual nourishment, fellowship with God, or whatever any have made it represent, it is evident that these presuppose life, and hence cannot come before that ordinance which denotes the beginning of that life.

Reverse this order, and what relative significance can they bear?

III. Concluding remarks.

1. As God has given no especial permission for change, reversal or

substitution in one point of Scripture doctrine, order or example, more than another, if the right to change, reverse, or substitute is assumed in one respect, the liberty to thus do in all respects must be yielded, and hence the Bible would lose all its binding force.

2. This strict regard for all the points of Bible doctrine and example exhibits a deference for divine wisdom and direction which cannot fail to please God.

3. Strict conformity is safe; the smallest departure is dangerous.

In conclusion: As the Scriptures insist upon the nicest regard for the Bible pattern, and the smallest departure encourages unhallowed license; as Scripture direction in doctrine, rite and order is best fitted by divine wisdom to accomplish the purposes of grace, and the Church has ever prospered most when their conformity to the Bible order was most exact; as our practice as Close Communion Baptists is allowed by all candid men to be according to Scripture and primitive example, let us not yield our position for any cry of bigotry or unbrotherly exclusiveness, knowing that the cry is the result of an erroneous belief. Let us be encouraged by the thought that what is lost in popularity by strictness is gained in power. Let us hold to our peculiar principles boldly, firmly, in the Spirit of Christ. Thus shall we hold our true position as the preservers of the Bible in its integrity. Thus shall we gain for ourselves all the power of that truth which is the muscle and sinew of prevailing strength, and do the most to advance the benevolent purposes of divine grace.

DIGEST OF LETTERS.

LETTER FROM THE GERMAIN STREET CHURCH.

We have received many valuable additions to our numerical and spiritual strength during the year. Many who were under the influence of the Gracious Spirit have been brought to decision for Christ and His cause; and some that were careless and impenitent have been awakened by the blessing of God on the preaching of His word.

Previous to Elder Knapp's coming to St. John, four were baptized; during his labors in the city, fifty were added to us by baptism, and eight by letter; and after he went to Portland, our meetings being still kept up, we had forty-one additions—thirty-eight by baptism and three by letter, making in all one hundred and three.

We pray that our zeal, activity and usefulness in the Master's service may be commensurate with our numbers and advantages.

While we deeply regret that already signs of painful declension and backsliding begin to appear among the converts, showing that some were stony ground hearers, who received the word with joy, too readily professed faith in Christ, and ran well for a time, but knew nothing of the saving power of the Gospel; still we rejoice that in many the good seed is bringing forth fruit unto everlasting life, in some thirty, some sixty, and some a hundred fold; and that two young women, one about to join us, have gone triumphantly to Heaven.

LETTER FROM THE BRUSSELS STREET CHURCH.

Since we last addressed you, we have, through the Divine goodness, enjoyed an unusual amount of peace and prosperity. The members of the Church have been united in heart and effort, and the Lord has graciously heard our prayers and blessed our exertions in His cause. From time to time, all through the year, additions have been made to our number by letter and by baptism; but, during the winter months, the outpouring of the Spirit of God was enjoyed in a most abundant measure. Words cannot express the joy and thankfulness we experienced while the cloud of mercy descended upon us, and month after month, the right hand of fellowship was given by our pastor to numbers varying from twenty to nearly fifty at a time, who, by letter or recent baptism, sought admission to the Church. Every night, for weeks, our vestry was crowded, and every Lord's day the ordinance of baptism was administered. Our Sabbath School shared very largely in the blessed revival. Several of the teachers who had lived without an evidence of a personal interest in Christ were now enabled to rejoice together with their scholars in a newly found Saviour. The number of converts from the Sabbath School was fifty-eight. The Lord has hitherto signally blessed the labors of our beloved pastor, and we feel especially thankful that He has so wonderfully sustained him in the discharge of the unusual amount of labor he has this year been called upon to perform.

We rejoice in the success of the efforts to clear the Fredericton Seminary of the debt which has so long retarded its usefulness, and pray that it may henceforth be attended by the special smiles of our Heavenly Father, and may effect all the good anticipated by its founders, who, while living, so earnestly labored and prayed for its prosperity. It is very gratifying to us that God has raised up among us a young brother who has the ministry in view; and who, under our sanction, is now at the Seminary preparing for that great work.

The important agency in which the Rev. E. C. Cady is engaged is one which, we believe, will be attended with the most beneficial results in the furthering of all the great objects embraced in the Union Society. We think Bro. Cady to be the right man in the right place, and as such we give him our prayer and support.

LETTER FROM THE LINSTER STREET CHURCH.

In our last letter to this Association we reported a series of special meetings held by us the previous winter, in which services the Holy Spirit was manifestly present, reclaiming wanderers and converting souls. That gracious visitation of Divine power was most edifying and invigorating to many in our Church; and nearly all of our membership participated, to a greater or less extent, in those extra meetings, and received a quickening of their Christian life. In that annual letter occurs this sentence:—"We cannot but believe that the many earnest prayers sent up to heaven in those meetings are yet to be answered

in a more copious effusion of the Spirit's influences." This prophetic statement was the dictate of a faith that had been enlarged and vivified in those special and protracted meetings.

And now we deem it a duty, as well as a privilege, to inform you of a gracious fulfillment of the prediction to which that recruited faith ventured to give utterance. In accordance with the strong assurances and expectations expressed in our last communication to you, and which, we are persuaded, had their origin in a divine operation, the Saviour came among us, and by His saving power wrought mightily in many hearts. The way of the Lord was prepared, and the human agencies essential to a work of saving grace were provided, as we have reason to believe, in answer to special and importunate prayer. But the prayer that breathed forth its yearnings for the conversion of souls, and also for the means necessary for the accomplishment of that result, was quickened and sustained by the sovereign and eternal spirit. Therefore, in speaking of the interesting scenes witnessed among us during the past year, we must, and would, give all the glory to the Supreme Head of the Christian Church. We have no thought of merit in any pious longings of our hearts, or any practical labors of our hands. It is the Word and the Work, the Grace and the Power of the Lord we have seen, and these alone we would magnify in every utterance of our lips as we speak of the Revival with which we have been visited since we last met you with.

While we believe that the responsibility to labor for the salvation of souls is at all times binding upon the Church and its Ministry, and that these divinely authenticated agencies in the work of saving sinners should never relax their zeal and efforts, we also hold that there are times and circumstances which and encourage extraordinary exertions to win our fellow-men to Christ; that there are set times in the divine mind to favor Zion, and epochs in the history of communities peculiarly auspicious for reaping the harvest of past labors.

In harmony with this view, and under the settled conviction that the Lord was teaching and leading us in a most providential manner, we united with several of our sister Churches in Saint John in calling to our assistance the celebrated Evangelist, Elder Jacob Knapp, whose ministry, chiefly employed for nearly half a century in Revivals, has been signally crowned with the divine approval. He labored with us day and night for three weeks, and was six weeks in the city, preaching every night boldly, plainly and pungently to crowded, but orderly, congregations. Days of fasting, humiliation and prayer were observed, and much direct, faithful labor was performed by the members of the Church in private. In the language of Scripture, "The power of the Lord was present to heal." We give God thanks and all the glory.

Forty-nine of the converts baptized into our Church were from our Sabbath School. Not a few of the cases are most interesting and promising, and nearly all of those received by us furnished, in the relation of their Christian experience, intelligible and satisfactory evidences of a genuine conversion. Some of them, which God forbid, may, in the future, develop indications that the change wrought in them was only a spurious work. If so, that will be no novelty in the history of Revivals. In the Pentecostal awakening, and in all awakenings that have taken place from that day to this, more or less of tares have been harvested with the wheat.

LETTER FROM PORTLAND CHURCH.

Many have been the changes through which our Church has passed during the past year. At the time of your last Session we were repairing our house of worship, the work upon which we completed in December last, at an expense of about \$925, which was paid at the time. In November last, our Pastor, E. C. Cady, after having served us for ten years, handed in his resignation, to take effect in May. It was his intention to return to Iowa, the home of his youth. But being unwilling that he should leave the Province, and believing him to be adapted to the work, we resolved, at our regular meeting in February, to invite him to become the General Missionary and Financial Agent of the Union Society, agreeing that should he receive the appointment of the Board, we would pay half his salary, providing the Churches in St. John would pay the other half. We are happy to say the arrangement was carried out, and Bro. Cady is at his work.

About the middle of February, according to previous engagement, Elder Jacob Knapp, Evangelist, from Illinois, came to the assistance of our Pastor. He preached every night, and almost every day, for three weeks. The even-

ing meetings, on all occasions, were densely crowded, and the day meetings largely attended. Our Pastor, almost unaided, kept up these meetings for five or six weeks after Elder Knapp left.

We visited the baptismal waters on some ten or twelve Sabbaths. On one Sabbath 53, on another 41, and on two others 17 each, were baptized; in all 159. Seventeen more were added by letter, experience and restoration, making a total addition of 176. We fear that some of these will need to be disciplined, and perhaps require to be expelled; but we have great reason to rejoice in the steadfastness and faithfulness of most of these new members.

NEWCASTLE, GRAND LAKE.

Since our last annual letter, in which we announced the good work begun in our land, we are pleased to say it continued until twenty-seven were added to our number by baptism.

UNION STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, ST. STEPHEN.

As a Baptist Church, regularly constituted and recognized by a Council of Baptist brethren duly summoned for the purpose, we address you in your associated capacity, and seek to be admitted as one of your number.

The letter of this Church gives a full account of its organization and recognition services, and then adds:

Rev. J. E. Hopper, our Pastor, entered upon his ministry here in July, 1869. During the past year we held a series of extra meetings, resulting in the addition of five by baptism. Our Sabbath-school was organized in August, 1869, with forty-one teachers and scholars. At our anniversary last month, we reported one hundred and seven teachers and scholars, and \$189.40 expended on library, which now numbers 343 volumes.

The prospect for the future seems fair. The fact that it is largely conditioned by our zeal in God's service makes us feel the importance of prayer for yet greater consecration of heart and life to the work of saving souls.

THIRD RICHMOND.

As a Baptist Church, regularly constituted by a Council of Baptist brethren duly summoned for the purpose, we address you in your associated capacity, and seek to be admitted as one of your number. We have enjoyed some revival spirit here this last summer. Some souls, we believe, have been converted. Brother Blakeney has baptized four during the spring and summer, and others are anxiously inquiring the way to Zion.

RICHMOND AND HODGDON—Statistics only.

UPPER GAGETOWN.

Having invited the Association to hold its present session with this Church, we therefore bid you welcome to all the privileges of both Church and Society, praying the Lord of the harvest to grant us an abundant blessing, so that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

RUSHAGONISH.

God's people are rejoicing on account of His power being manifested in the conversion of sinners. Elder A. Estabrooks, the missionary appointed by the York County Quarterly Meeting, has been laboring amongst us, and God has blessed his labors in our midst. The Church is revived—three precious souls are rejoicing in a new born faith, and four have been added to our number by baptism. We are praying for still greater displays of divine power.

SOUTH RICHMOND—Statistics only.

LOWER HAINESVILLE.

The brethren that attended the Quarterly Meeting came to us in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of peace, through whom the Church was greatly revived. Brother Estabrooks labored with us a few weeks, and baptized one. His labors of love were a blessing to us. Brother J. H. Tupper visited us again August 20th, and engaged to become our Pastor one quarter of the time.

HOWARD SETTLEMENT—Statistics only.

FREDERICTON.

The past year has been one of some activity with us as a Church—God's spirit has been among us, souls have been converted, and saints have rejoiced. For thirteen weeks after the opening of the new year, special week night services were held, conducted at first by our esteemed brother and acting pastor, Rev. C.

Goodspeed, and then for a fortnight of that time by Elder Knapp. Thirty-four were baptized as the result of their joint labors, several of them students in our Seminary.

Though still without a Pastor, we are now, we trust, on the eve of securing one. Rev. C. Goodspeed and Rev. J. W. Manning have supplied our pulpit and performed pastoral labor during the year.

The Convention of these Maritime Provinces was held with us during the past month, which was largely attended, and we believe their delightful and harmonious sessions must advance the interests they met to promote. We regret, however, that so few of our own Province Churches were represented.

FLORENCEVILLE.

Our Pastor has labored faithfully among us, and preached the word of God to us, but without any visible effect. We hope and pray that the seed sown may spring up and bring forth fruit to the glory of God. We need an outpouring of God's Spirit that the Church may be revived, wanderers reclaimed, and sinners converted.

We are small, and we are poor, therefore find it hard to support our minister as he should be. We hope to be considered and prayed for. O, that the time may come when we shall experience and enjoy a "refreshing from the presence of the Lord."

DOUGLAS (AFRICAN.)

We have no Pastor, but have been visited by Elder Tupper. Elder Rigby was with us last Sabbath, and baptized two.

CHIPMAN.

The cause of God is in a low state, and we have cause to mourn over spiritual darkness.

CENTREVILLE.

Nothing very interesting to write. God's cause is apparently low with us at present. We enjoy the labors of our esteemed Pastor one half of the time, and our prayer is that the Truth proclaimed by him may be like bread cast upon the waters, which will be seen after many days.

CARDIGAN.

Our pulpit has been supplied occasionally by Bro. Alex. Estabrooks and others. During the months of July and August of the present year, Bro. G. S. Curry spent a few weeks among us, preaching the gospel with profit to the Church.

CANNING AND SHEFFIELD.

At a meeting of this Church, it was unanimously resolved that we, in future, be known by the Association as the Canning and Sheffield Church.

BLISSFIELD.

While the Lord has been reviving his good work in many parts of the world, He has not altogether forgotten to be gracious to us. Last March a glorious revival commenced, in which the power of the spirit was very manifest—sinners were converted, backsliders were reclaimed, and the hearts of the faithful greatly cheered. Our Conference meetings are regularly kept up—communion seasons once a month. There are in connection with this Church two Sabbath-schools, but owing to the loss of the library, ordered for the School, at Doaktown, that interest could not be maintained, so much to be desired, in order to its efficiency.

BLACKVILLE.

Through the ministrations of the Rev. Wm. M. Edwards, our Pastor, who is still laboring faithfully in this field, we hold, in connection with the New Brunswick Home Mission Society, two Mission Stations.

No. 1 Station—We have a Sabbath-school, consisting of three teachers and an average attendance of fifteen scholars. We feel deeply the need of a meeting house, but without assistance are not able to build one. All our meetings in this Station are well-sustained, and a growing interest in Baptist principles is manifested.

No. 2 is ten miles further down the river. We have a large school-house, in which we hold our meetings. Your Missionary, Rev. Wm. M. Edwards, is the first Baptist minister that ever preached in this district. The principles of the gospel are taking a deep hold on the minds of the people, and we are anxiously looking for a revival in this Station.

2ND ST. ANDREWS—Statistics only.

ST. DAVID'S.

We have had no regular preaching since the spring of 1867 till the Rev. J. E. Hopper began to occupy our pulpit in January, 1870. Our Church book having been lost, when Bro. Hopper began his labors, we had to call the members together and have them sign their names on a new book. Since that time we have had regular services on the Sabbath fortnightly, and Conference meetings and Communion quarterly. We intend making a vigorous effort to supply ourselves hereafter with the ministry of the word.

CARLETON.

We continue to enjoy the faithful administration of the word and ordinances of God, as administered by our esteemed Pastor, and you will see by our statistics that his labor is not in vain in the Lord.

SCOTCHTOWN.

Our Conference and Communion seasons have long been neglected, but our prayer meetings have been regularly kept up with large attendance and good amount of interest.

LITTLE SOUTH WEST.

We now sustain three meetings each week: these are well attended. The Church is united, and never during our history have we been in so prosperous a state.

NEW JERUSALEM—Statistics only.

NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI.

The attention of our Pastor was taken from this Church for eight or ten weeks last spring by protracted meetings, and a revival in the Little South West; yet he occupied our pulpit for forty Sabbaths during the year. Other ministering brethren supplied for us six Sabbaths more.

NORTH ESK, MIRAMICHI—Statistics only.

NASHWAAK.

In April last a glorious revival commenced among us, which lasted for nearly two months, during which time fifteen precious souls were added to our number by baptism, and one by letter; and in the first of last winter, one was added by baptism, and one by letter—making an addition of eighteen. We have had the faithful labours of Bro. W. D. Manzer, who is engaged with us one-half the time; and we rejoice to say his labours have not been in vain in the Lord.

MAUGERVILLE.

Have had no remarkable display of Divine power to the conversion of sinners; have had peace, and a degree of unity. The Sabbath services are well attended. The preaching of our pastor is highly appreciated.

MACNAQUACK.

Early last spring we were favoured with a refreshing from the presence of the Lord, which increased our numbers by baptism, 16; and by letter, 2.

2ND KESWICK.—Statistics only.

Much of the past year has been to us a season of joy. God has done great things for us as a Church, whereof we are glad. On the 13th April, Brother Strang commenced a series of meetings, which were continued to the end of the month with gracious results. Seven have been baptized.

1ST KESWICK.

Are happy to relate to you the dealings of God with the people of this Church since Rev. J. Tupper has been labouring with us. His labours have been blessed in winning souls to God.

JACKSONTOWN.

We are still enjoying the faithful labours of our esteemed pastor, Brother George Howard, and we have had some additions this year; and we hope that the seed sown will yet bring forth a plentiful harvest.

1ST KINGSLEAR.

During the spring God visited us in mercy, and ten were added to the Church; and not only were our members increased, but our power as a Church of

Christ, by the addition of those who are ready and willing to work in the Master's vineyard.

TEMPERANCE VALE.

We are, by the grace of God, still struggling to keep up our Sabbath, Prayer, and Conference meetings, which are generally pretty well attended; and we trust that we do oftentimes enjoy the presence of the Lord.

MIDDLE SIMONDS.—Statistics only.

PRINCE WILLIAM.

We are doing comparatively nothing for the support of the gospel at home or elsewhere. But like the Church of Sardis, "Thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead." The field is an important one, and ought not to be sacrificed.

PITT STREET.

The past year has been one of remarkable tokens of Divine power in the conversion of sinners in our midst, and in additions to our Church; and has brought to our Heavenly Father. Our worthy pastor has laboured with us, half his time, earnestly and faithfully; the Sabbath congregations are good, and our monthly Conference and weekly prayer meetings are well attended.

SALMON CREEK.

We keep up our prayer and Conference meetings, and we often enjoy the Divine presence.

LOWER WOODSTOCK.—Statistics only.

WOODSTOCK.—Statistics only.

SOUTH HAMPTON.—Statistics only.

BECKAGUMIC.—We are at present without a pastor.

ST. GEORGE.—Statistics only.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

BELONGING TO THIS ASSOCIATION.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	DATE OF ORDINATION	PLACE OF ORDINATION.
Bill, I. E. sen.	Carleton, Saint John.	March 1829	Nictaux, Nova Scotia.
Bleakney, J. E.	Richmond, C. C.	Feb., 1868	Hodgen and Richmond.
Beckwith, W. H.	Upper Gagetown.	Sept., 1832	Pembroke, Maine.
Cady, E. C., A. M.	Saint John.	Dec., 1859	Portland, St. John.
Carey, G. M. W.	Saint John.	July, 1856	St. Catherines, Ontario.
Campbell, G. R.	Eel River.	July, 1857	Howard Settlement.
Edwards, Wm. M.,	Blissfield.	March, 1855	Hampton.
Estabrooks, G.	Simonds.	July, 1847	Upper Gagetown.
Estabrooks, Alex.	Fredericton.	July, 1864	Andover.
Goodspeed, C., A. B.	Fredericton.	June, 1869	Andover.
Harvey, J. G.	Upper Woodstock.	Feb., 1858	Springfield, Queensbury.
Harley, Timothy	Saint John.	March, 1863	England.
Hickson, E., A. M.	St. George.	July, 1862	Northesk.
Hopkins, W. L.	Pennfield.	Nov., 1854	
Hopper, J. E., A. M.	St. Stephen.	Sept., 1867	Fredericton.
Howard, George	Jacksontown.	1869	Jacksontown.
Hughes, B. N.	Upper Gagetown.	Oct., 1858	Maugerville.
Jewett, Benjamin	Bloomfield.	Sept., 1860	Andover.
Manzer, W. D.	Nashwaak.	Sept., 1867	Shediac.
McKenzie, W. S. AM	St. John.	June, 1857	East Abington, Mass.
Moore, S. C.	Woodstock.		
Munro, T. M.	Florenceville.		Florenceville.
Reece, P. O.			
Rideout, W. C.	Saint Davids.	Sept., 1849	Nova Scotia.
Rigby, George	Kingsclear.	March, 1842	
Saunders, T. W.	Prince William.	July, 1832	Prince William.
Seely, George	Sheffield.	1854	Carleton.
Spencer, James	St. John.	1852	Nova Scotia.
Spurden, C., D. D.	Fredericton.	April, 1841	England.
Strang, J. R.	Macnaquack.	July, 1865	Studholm.
Tozer, James	Doaktown.	March, 1826	Northesk.
Titus, John W.	Saint John.	1869	Saint John.
Tupper, J. H.	Queensbury.	March, 1844	Jacksontown.
Trimble, James	Newcastle, G. L.	Feb., 1845	
Walker, James	Mascareen.	Jan., 1839	
Webb, E.	South Richmond.	Oct., 1850	

LICENTIATES.—T. P. Davies, George Jewett, D. C. Stillwell, James S. May, John Forrest, S. W. Parent, G. L. Price, John Simpson, F. G. Currie, Jacob A. Durkee, William Annis, and Peter R. Knight.

S. S. STATISTICS.

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LETTER.

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ABSTRACT STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Date of Formation.	PASTORS.	Date of Settlement.	DELEGATES.	CLERKS.	INCREASE.					DECREASE.					S. S. STATISTICS.				
						By Baptism.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Expelled.	Died.	Total.	Minute Money.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.				
*Andover,	1832				A. Hammond	5	1	1	1	1	13	...	1	5	75	400				
*Beckagamic,	1832				A. H. Hayward.	...	...	...	...	...	84	\$1 00	1	5	25	100
Blackville,	1829	W. M. Edwards, ½ time.	1860	Rev. W. M. Edwards	Nathl. Weyer.	21	13	1	1	1	106	1 00	1	8	40	100				
Blissfield,	1865	do.	1860	Rev. W. M. Edwards and Bro. Wm. Swin.	Wm. Swin.	...	...	...	...	...	1 00	90	1	8	40	100
*Bocabeo, . . . . .	...				B. Richards.	...	...	...	...	...	10	60	1	...	...	...	
Cardigan,	1820				Rev. Geo. Seely, T. Bridges, sr., C. Estabrooks, J. Estabrooks, S. B. Thompson, and Dea. A. Bailey.	...	...	...	...	...	70	1 50	...	...	...	...
Canning and Sheffield,	1800	George Seely.	1870	B. Richards.	B. Richards.	...	...	...	...	...	10	60	1	...	...	...	
*Cantebury,	1822				Rev. T. M. Munro, & W. D. Estey.	2	8	2	1	1	90	1 00	1	7	70	100				
Centerville,	1843	Thos. M. Munro.	1868	Rev. T. M. Munro, & Dea. E. T. Wheeler.	W. D. Estey.	...	...	...	...	...	90	1 00	1	7	70	100
Chipman,	1844	H. A. Charlton, ½ time.	1845	Rev. George Rigby, Geo. Wheary, J. H. Tupper.	W. H. Fleming.	...	...	...	...	...	43	1 00	1	6	40	200
Douglas (African),	1831				Geo. Wheary.	2	...	...	...	...	18	49	...	...	...	...
*Dunfries & Queensby	1855				H. W. Clark.	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...
Fredericton,	1814				R. H. Phillips	34	8	1	5	1	195	1 00	1	13	85	200				
Florenceville,	1866	T. M. Munro, ½ time.	1868	Rev. T. M. Munro, Dea. W. S. Esley.	Theo. Esley.	...	...	...	...	...	15	50	...	...	...	...
*Grand Falls,	1864				N. Price.	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...
Hainesville (Lower),	1866	J. H. Tupper, ½ time.	1870	Rev. J. H. Tupper.	Daniel Allen.	1	3	1	...	...	22	70	1	3	18	180		
Hodgden & Richmond,	1843	J. E. Bleakney.	1866	Rev. J. E. Bleakney, G. Chase.	L. Sypher.	4	7	42	70	1	4	54	150				

1804	W. D. Manzer, 1/2 time.	1869	Rev. W. D. Manzer, Henry J. Coy. 16 2	1	52	1	50	1	4	6	40	30
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New Jerusalem,.....	1848	J. Brown, H. A. J. S. Webb.	1	52	1	50	1	4	6	40	30	
Newcastle, Gd. Lake, 1846	Jas. Trimble, 1/2 time.	1868	Rev. W. D. Manzer, Henry J. Coy. 16 2	1	52	1	50	1	4	6	40	30
Newcastle, Miramichi, 1853	E. Hickson, 1/2 time.	1860	Dea. C. L. Goodspeed, H. J. Coy, and W. W. Manzer.	1	52	1	50	1	4	6	40	30
Northack, Miramichi, 1819	E. Hickson, 1/2 time.	1860	Dea. C. L. Goodspeed, H. J. Coy, and W. W. Manzer.	1	52	1	50	1	4	6	40	30
Portland,.....	1842	Rev. Jas. Trimble, D. J. Bailey.	27	1	3	2	159	1	5	5	478	3 00
*Ponfield,.....	1842	J. G. Harding, R. P. Whitney	2	1	67	1	00	1	5	55	1 00	1
Prince William,.....	1819	W. L. Hopkins.	159	16	1	5	478	3 00	1	20	200	400
Rushagornish,.....	1800	T. W. Saunders.	1	2	33	85					200	
Richmond (South),...	1860	L. Estabrooks.	1	2	33	85					200	
Richmond (Third),...	1870	A. Estabrooks and Adam Nobles.	4	3	28	1 00	1	3	30	100		
Simonds, Middle,...	1859	J. E. Bleakney, W. Wm. Betts.	25	9	50						75	
Scotchtown,.....	1856	Rev. J. G. Harvey, F. C. Shaw.	3	35	1 00	97						
*St. Andrews, Bayside 1806		G. W. Hoben, and Z. Olmstead.	20	20	97							
St. Andrews, ad,.....	1870	Wm. Olmstead.	90	40								
St. Davids,.....	1806	Miss Hawkins.	1	5	25	100						
St. George, Ist,.....	1806	J. R. Bradford	17	86	1	5	30	50				
*St. George, 2d,.....	1843	Rev. J. E. Hopper, A. N. Weston.	2	1	110	2 00	1	6	60			
*St. John, Brussels st., 1851		J. A. Moran.	90	56								
St. John, Brussels st., 1850		G. Allen.	2	582	6 00	35	366	850				
do. Germain st., 1819	G. M. W. Carey.	Z. G. Gabel, J. W. R. C. Skinner.	109	21	2	8						
do. Lemster st., 1868	W. S. McKenzie.	Hart, A. M., C. D. Everett, W. H. Estabrooks, S. Leonard	89	14	2	1	385	4 00	1	25	180	500
do. Pitt street, 1866	J. W. Titus, 1/2 time.	A. McL. Seely, C. G. Berry.	79	26	5	6	3	2	272	2 00	2	32
		[Dea. M. Harrison.]	29	2	2	4						
		Rev. J. W. Titus, & C. Currier.	29	2	2	4						
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Saint John, Carleton.	1841	I. E. Bill.	1868	Dea. W. Buchanan.	J. O. Beatty.	16	4	..	5	167	\$2 00	1	22	140	400	
*Saint James,	1842	18	
*Saint Patrick,	1837	56	
Southampton Harbor	1860	33	
*S. Musquash & Dip.	1867	19	
Salmon Creek,	1867	J. Trimble, 1 time.	2	
*Springfield, Y. C., ..	1857	49	2 00	1	8	36	75	
Temperance Vale,	1866	8	
Upper Gagetown,	1865	B. N. Hughes.	1870	Rev. B. N. Hughes, G. W. Coy, A. Cooper, J. Curry, W. Thwaite, Estabrooks, T. Tur- ney.	J. M. Dysart, T. A. Turney.	1	20	..	1	6	40	150	
*Upper Queensbury, ..	1868	110	1 00	1	8	80	300	
Union st., St. Stephen,	1870	J. E. Hopper.	13	
Woodstock,	1842	S. C. Moore.	1869	Rev. J. E. Hopper, and W. Vaughan.	S. W. Parent, W. Vaughan,	5	18	40	1 00	1	10	97	343	
Woodstock, Lower, ..	1854	G. E. Campbell, oc- casionaly.	1869	Rev. R. Jewett.	E. B. Jewett, S. Taylor.	10	1	2	..	2	58	60	1	7	59	100	
*Not reported.	3	50	1	8	75	595	
						678	156	15	94	8	41	5028	855	91	39	331	2676	8797	

An Account of the Benevolence of the Churches at Home and Abroad, as Reported in their Letters.

CHURCHES.	Teaching at Home.	Teaching & Sending of Missions.	Objects of Missions.	India.	China.	Colleges.	Other Objects.	Schools at Home.	Books at Home.	Home.	Foreign.	Age, sum by each member.

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CHURCHES.	Preaching at Home.	Building & Repairing Houses of Worship.	Union Society and its Objects.	Academy College.	Other Objects.	Sabbath Schools at Home.	TOTAL.	Average sum paid by each Ch. member
Andover,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beckagumic,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Blackville,	\$100 00	.....	\$5 20	.....	\$1 00	.....	\$1 00	.....
Blissfield,	200 00	\$20 00	22 78	.....	40 00	\$4 00	149 20	\$3 64
Bocabec,	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	18 00	261 68	2 47
Cardigan,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canning and Sheffield,	550 00	13 00	8 65	.....	60	.....	60	.....
Canterbury,	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 18	.....	579 83	8 38
Centerville,	260 00	.....	18 50	.....	1 00	20 00	239 50	2 66
Chipman,	100 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	101 00	2 35
Douglas (African),	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	.....	49	.....
Dunfries and Queensbury,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fredericton,	485 50	106 50	42 21	\$10 00	235 00	50 00	920 21	4 76
Moreneville,	80 00	.....	9 81	.....	50	.....	90 31	6 02
Grand Falls,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hainsville, Lower	26 50	.....	11 24	.....	70	.....	38 44	1 74
Hodgden and Richmond,	150 00	.....	5 00	.....	70	15 00	170 70	4 06
Howard Settlement,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	16 00	32
Jacksontown,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Jacksonville,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingsclear, 1st,	180 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kingsclear, 2d,	200 00	20 00	21 51	.....	1 00	.....	202 51	5 78
Keswick, 1st,	.....	.....	18 33	.....	.....	13 70	257 08	3 83
Keswick, 2d,	.....	.....	18 35	.....	60	.....	13 85	14
Ladlow,	50 00	12 00	22 10	.....	1 00	.....	85 10	2 18

Saint George, 1st,	400 00	514 75	77 05	60 00	1064 18	210 91	3441 89	13 08
Saint George, 2d,	100 00	34 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	361 00	861 00	6 94
Saint George, 2d Falls,	125 00	450 00	20 00	5 00	2 00	75 00	952 00	5 70
Saint John,	1400 00	800 00	100 00	100 00	400 00	200 00	3000 00	5 15
do. Germain street,	1200 00	1140 00	39 56	20 00	650 00	150 00	3200 00	9 55

Saint John, Leinster street,	1515 00	514 75	77 05	60 00	1064 18	210 91	3441 89	13 08
do. Pitt street,	360 00	34 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	361 00	861 00	6 94
do. Carleton,	400 00	450 00	20 00	5 00	2 00	75 00	952 00	5 70
Saint Patrick,	200 00	20 00	18 75	3 50	458 25	202 00	4 12	4 12
Southampton,	400 00	20 00	18 75	3 50	458 25	202 00	4 12	4 12
South Musquash & Dipper Harbor,	1000 00	300 00	15 00	60	1195 40	1195 40	29 88	29 88
Salmon Creek,	300 00	30 00	15 00	12 00	357 60	357 60	7 15	7 15
Springfield, Y. C.,	200 00	200 00	50	18 00	88 50	88 50	66	66
Temperance Vale,	400 00	20 00	18 75	3 50	458 25	202 00	4 12	4 12
Upper Gagetown,	1000 00	300 00	15 00	60	1195 40	1195 40	29 88	29 88
Upper Queensbury,	300 00	30 00	15 00	12 00	357 60	357 60	7 15	7 15
Union street, Saint Stephen,	200 00	200 00	50	18 00	88 50	88 50	66	66
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APPENDIX.

NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

OFFICERS FOR 1870-71.

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REV. INGRAM E. BILL.

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" L. McMANN,	" C. E. BURNHAM,
" JOHN SMITH,	" S. E. GEROW,
" Z. G. GABEL,	" ROBERT SEARS,
" JONATHAN TITUS,	" JOHN CHALONER,
" HENRY VAUGHAN,	" JAMES S. MAY,
" MARTIN WORTMAN,	" WILLIAM LEWIS,
" GILBERT WHITE,	" L. L. SHARPE,

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MISSIONARY AND UNION SOCIETY REPORT FOR 1869-70.

Your Board in presenting their Seventeenth Annual Report, have cause for gratitude to God, that they have been enabled to attend to the work assigned to them, with so much harmony and good feeling, and with encouraging degrees of success.

We are, however, called upon to record the loss of one of the youngest of our number—Bro. Charles Fisher—who was one of the passengers in the unfortunate Steamship "CITY OF BOSTON," whose fate is yet shrouded in the deepest mystery. We tender to his family and friends our most heartfelt sympathies at this time of their great affliction.

Your Board have been assisting the following churches and Missionary fields:—

NEWCASTLE, NORTHESK, LITTLE SOUTH WEST, AND NELSON.

Rev. E. Hickson is still the faithful Pastor and Missionary in these fields. In Little South West, a glorious revival has been enjoyed, and eighteen have been baptized. In Northesk, some fruit has been gathered. One has been baptized. The Nelson station is in an encouraging state. The Newcastle church is not as flourishing, but stands greatly in need of a revival. Now that the Railroad is being built through Newcastle, and business is being revived, those fields ought to soon become more nearly self-sustaining.

BLACKVILLE AND BLISSFIELD.

Rev. W. M. Edwards is doing a good work for his Master in these fields. In Blissfield, he has of late, baptized twenty-four. The church is in a good condition. They felt the beneficial results of the presence of the Association last fall. Blackville would have shared in a similar work of grace, could the same amount of labor have been expended there. At the principal station, a site has been selected and fenced in for the building of a new Meeting House as soon as funds can be raised.

ST. ANDREWS.

Rev. I. E. Bill, Jun., has been the pastor of this church for the past year. The church has been in a low and unsatisfactory state, and our brother has felt it his duty to resign. The church is now destitute of a Pastor.

SAINTE STEPHEN

has been long talked as a good field for a Missionary and a Baptist Church. But never until last August was it permanently taken possession of by your Board. For the past two years or more, the friends of the Baptist cause in that place have been engaged in erecting a meeting-house. This house was completed at a cost of about \$9,000, and dedicated on the 6th of January last. The sermon was preached on the occasion by the Rev. W. S. McKenzie, and the exercises were participated in by Rev. Jacob Knapp, of Ill., Rev. Mr. Eddy, of Me., and Revs. I. E. Bill, Senr, I. E. Bill, Jun., W. C. Rideout, E. C. Cady, and J. E. Hopper.

In June, 1869, at the request of what was then called the Baptist Society, of St. Stephen, your Board voted to assist them to the amount of \$200 for the first year, in the support of a Baptist minister. The 1st of August last, Rev. J. E. Hopper entered upon his work in that

New Brunswick Baptist Missionary Society in account with
G. M. Steeves, Treasurer.

1869.		Dr.		1869.		Dr.	
July 16.	J. E. Hayes, Norton S S F,	\$5	00	Sept 22.	Rev. George Jewett, H M F,	\$20	00
16.	Rev. Wm. Pulcifer, S M F,	10	00	Nov. 2.	" J. Walker, H M F,	10	00
16.	" T. C. Moore, Hammond,			4.	" J. Towser, S M F,	20	00
	S S F,	5	00	4.	" A. D. Thomson, S M F,	20	00
16.	" T. Blakeney, H M,	25	00	4.	" James Irving, H M F,	8	00
16.	Fairfield Sunday School, S S F,	6	00	18.	Rev. I. E. Bill, Jun., H M F,	25	00
16.	Rev. D. Blakeney, S S F,	6	00	19.	Barnes & Co., M F,	87	50
16.	Widow E. A. Starratt, S M F,	10	00	19.	Rev. J. E. Hopper, H M F,	50	00
16.	Rev. Wm. George, F M F,	24	00				
22.	" E. Hickson, H M,	25	00	1869.			
22.	" W. M. Edwards, H M,	12	50	Jan. 7.	Rev. A. H. Washburn, H M F,	15	00
22.	" J. A. Steadman, Back			13.	" W. M. Edwards, H M F,	12	50
	Bay S. S., S S F,	6	00	13.	" E. Hickson, H M F,	50	00
22.	" W. A. Crandall, Goshen,			13.	Widow McInnis, S M F,	5	00
	Elgin S. S., S S F,	5	00	8.	Rev. I. E. Bill, Jun., H M F,	87	50
26.	" W. M. Edwards, S S F,	6	00	8.	Fairfield Sunday School, S S F,	6	00
Aug. 4.	Widow Isaac Lawrence, S M F,	20	00	8.	Rev. Thos. Blakeney, H M F,	37	50
20.	A. H. Washburn, H M F,	15	00	28.	" J. E. Hopper, H M F,	50	00
23.	Barnes & Co., printing Min-			28.	J. C. Steadman, H M F,	20	00
	utes, M F,	44	00	Mar. 19.	John Forrest, M E F,	25	00
Sept. 2.	St. Stephen Ch. S. S., S S F,	10	00	Apr. 20.	Rev. E. Hickson, H M F,	40	00
2.	Rev. C. Goodspeed, H M F,	25	00	20.	" S. O. Moore, H M F,	12	00
14.	B. F. Ratray, H M F,	25	00	May 3.	" W. A. Crandall, H M F,	12	67
Oct. 5.	Barnes & Co., to settle Eastern			4.	" W. M. Edwards, H M F,	12	50
	Minutes, M F,	2	19	June 17.	" A. D. Thomson, S M F,	5	00
5.	Wood Point S. S., S S F,	5	00	July 5.	" J. Tozer, S S F,	6	00
5.	Z. G. Gabel, G E F,	41	44	5.	Mrs. McInnis, S M F,	100	00
5.	Z. G. Gabel, S S F,	20	00	5.	Dr. Tupper, F M F,	100	00
Sept 22.	Rev. E. M. Edwards, H M F,	12	50	14.	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	92	78
22.	" E. Hickson, H M F,	25	00				

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July 1.	By balance on hand,		
1.	" cash from C. D. Everitt, H M F,		\$259 04
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18.	" " per Rev. E. C. Cady, from Association at Jem-		43 44
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18.	" " per Rev. E. C. Cady, from Association at Jem-		94 53
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18.	" " per Rev. E. C. Cady, from Association at Jem-		88 77
	seg, W F,		
18.	" " per Rev. E. C. Cady, from Dorchester Church, W F,		240 86
18.	" " per Rev. E. C. Cady,		22 72
Sept 11.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, Jun., from a friend, H M F,		11 36
22.	" " per Z. G. Gabel, from Western Association, W F,		10 00
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22.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, H M F,		54 70
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14.	" " per Z. G. Gabel, M F,		5 00
Nov. 2.	" " per E. C. Cady, from Newcastle Church, W F,		9 15
8.	" " per A. McL. Seely, from Leinster Ch., W F,		98 50
11.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, from H. Todd, H M F,		8 55
11.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, Jr., from Rev. — Sterling, F M F,		1 50
11.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, from L. Estabrooks, H M F,		50
11.	" " per Rev. I. E. Bill, from Mrs. A. Jewett, W F,		1 00
16.	" " per Rev. T. Harley, from Andover, W F,		1 00
16.	" " per Rev. T. Harley, from Temperanceville, M F,		75
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Jan. 4.	" " per W. Lewis, from 3d Coverdale Church, H M F,		15 00
18.	" " per collection at Missionary Board, S M F,		5 00
Feb. 5.	" " per C. D. Everitt, from 3d Coverdale Ch., H M F,		5 00

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Feb. 23.	By cash	per H. Todd, Estate late Mrs. Corey, H M F,	70 00	
April 2.	"	from Mrs. Hamn, S M F,	2 00	
20.	"	per Rev. E. Hickson, from Rev. C. Spurden, H M F,	19 00	
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The Several Funds, Baptist Missionary and Union Society, in Account with G. M. Steeves, Treasurer.

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1870.		DR.			
July 14.	To paid	Credit Home Mission Fund,	\$172 94	
	"	Foreign Mission Fund,	54 04	
	"	Ministerial Education Fund,	....	64 85	
	"	General Education Fund,	54 04	
	"	Sabbath School Fund,	43 23	
	"	Superannuated Ministers Fund,	43 23	
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July	By receipts to this Fund during year,		\$432 33	
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HOME MISSION FUND.

1870.		DR.			
July	To paid orders on this Fund,		\$500 17	
	" balance on hand,		18 23	
					<u>\$606 40</u>

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1869.		CR.			
July.	By balance on hand,		\$188 75	
1870.	" receipts to this Fund during year,		244 71	
July.	" amount from Union Fund,		172 94	
					<u>\$606 40</u>

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FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1869.		DR.			
July 1.	To balance due Treasurer,		\$16 75	
1870.	" paid orders on this Fund,		124 00	
July 14.	" balance on hand,		6 08	
					<u>\$146 83</u>

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July.	By receipts to this Fund during year,		\$92 77	
	" amount from Union Fund,		54 04	
					<u>\$146 81</u>

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MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND.

1870.		DR.			
July 14.	To paid orders on this Fund,		\$50 00	
	" balance on hand,		28 83	
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July.	" amount from Union Fund,	<u>64 85</u>	<u>\$78 37</u>
GENERAL EDUCATION FUND.			
	Dr.		
1870.	To paid orders on this Fund,		\$41 44
July.	" balance on hand,		<u>12 60</u>
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July.	" amount from Union Fund,	<u>54 04</u>	<u>\$54 04</u>
SABBATH SCHOOL FUND.			
	Dr.		
1870.	To paid orders on this Fund,		\$85 00
July.	" balance on hand,		<u>23 83</u>
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July.	By balance on hand,	\$65 60	
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July.	" amount from Union Fund,	<u>43 23</u>	<u>\$108 83</u>
SUPERANNATED MINISTERS' FUND.			
	Dr.		
1870.	To paid orders on this Fund,		\$99 00
July.	" balance on hand,		<u>9 90</u>
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1869.	Cr.		
July.	By balance on hand,	\$3 67	
1870.			
July.	" receipts to this Fund during year,	57 00	
	" amount from Union Fund	<u>43 23</u>	<u>\$108 90</u>
MINUTE FUND.			
	Dr.		
1869.	To balance due Treasurer,		\$00 77
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1870.	" paid orders on this Fund,		<u>97 69</u>
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July.	By receipts to this Fund during year,	\$94 23	
	" balance due Treasurer,	<u>4 23</u>	<u>\$98 46</u>

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1870.				
July 14.	Home Mission Fund,	\$16 23
	Foreign Mission Fund	6 08
	Ministerial Education Fund,	28 37
	General Education Fund,	12 60
	Sabbath School Fund,	23 83
	Superannuated Ministers' Fund,	9 90
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I have examined the within accounts, and find the same correct, and vouchers for all sums charged with the exception of \$25 paid B. F. Rattray, 14th September, 1869.
St. John, August 18th, 1870. A. McL. SEELY, Auditor.

AN ACCOUNT OF FUNDS

Received by me in the Western N. B. Association before and at the Association at Upper Gagetown.

E. C. CADY, *Financial Agent.*

<i>Names of Churches given in the order in which they were visited.</i>				
Blissfield, Doaktown,	(U. S.)	8 35
Grand Bay,	(H.M.)	\$1 74
“ New Salem,	“	4 50
“ At Association,	“	9 88
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Newcastle, Miramichi,	(H.M.)	\$3 00
“ “ “	(U. S.)	9 74
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Little South West,	“	\$5 05
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“ “ At Association,	“	17 55
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North Esk,	“	\$6 24
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Nelson,	(H.M.)	\$1 35
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Milledgeville	“	3 85
New Jerusalem Church,	(U. S.)	\$4 96
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Upper Gagetown,	"	\$4 52	
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Canning and Sheffield,	"	\$6 63	
" " Col. at Association,	"	5 43	
" " At Association,	(U.S.)	13 05	25 70
Maugerville,	(H.M.)	\$3 25	
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" " At Association,	"	20 53	24 78
Nashwaak,	(F.M.)	\$0 50	
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Cardigan,	(H.M.)		4 00
Lower Keswick,	"	\$1 78	
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Brussels Street, St. John, (collection)	(H.M.)		9 10
Germain Street, "	"	\$5 86	
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" " At Association,	"	29 70	40 56
Portland,	(S.M.)	\$100 00	
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Lower Kingsclear,	(F.M.)	\$3 57	
" "	(U.S.)	7 46	
" " At Association,	"	10 48	21 51
Upper Kingsclear,	(F.M.)	\$3 72	
" "	(U.S.)	12 99	
" " At Association,	"	7 63	24 33
Prince William,	"	\$0 25	
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Jacksontown,	"		6 60
Jacksonville,	(H.M.)	\$1 68	
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Woodstock,	(F.M.)	\$2 00	
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South Richmond,	(U.S.)	\$5 78	7 71
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Hodgdon and Richmond,	"	\$1 37	6 78
" " At Association,	"	3 50	
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Blackville, At Association,	"		1 87
Douglas (African), At Association,	"		5 20
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Rev. Thos. Lockey, "	(S.M.)		2 00
St. Stephen, "	(G.E.)		1 00
Minute Money,			5 00
			53 91
			\$760 35

The above sums belong to the various objects as follows:

Home Mission Fund,	\$119 24
Foreign "	35 39
Superannuated Ministers' Fund,	101 00
General Education "	5 00
Union Society "	445 81
Minute "	53 91
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Note.—The amounts (\$15 and \$5), credited in the Treasurer's Account, as having been received from the 3d Coverdale Church, per W. Lewis and C. D. Everitt, were given by those persons as a donation to the H. M. F.

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ACT OF ASSEMBLY.

AN ACT FOR THE INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN BODIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE EASTERN AND WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS.

Passed 12th April, 1855.

WHEREAS certain persons are associated together in Churches constituting a religious community known as the Baptist Church, in connection with the Eastern and Western Baptist Association: And whereas sundry chapels and other buildings have been erected, and lands purchased or otherwise conveyed or held in trust for the use of such churches in the several Counties of this Province, or for educational or other benevolent objects in connection therewith, and inconveniencies have been experienced in managing the same by Trustees, without being incorporated for that purpose:—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:—

1. Every Board of Trustees of any Chapel or Seminary for education, and land and buildings held therewith, or held for the purpose of erecting any Chapel or Seminary thereon for the use and benefit of any Baptist church in connection with the Eastern and Western New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any Baptist Education, or other Society, to be hereafter chosen for any such purpose, and their successors, shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Trustees of the Baptist Chapel," or other property as the case may be, in the place in which the trust property may be situate, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, power to sue and be sued, a common seal renewable at pleasure, power to hold and receive real and personal estate, and improve, sell, let, or assign the same or any part thereof, or any interest in or arising out of the same, and make bye-laws, and exercise such other powers as are conferred by law for the purpose of managing the temporal affairs of the said chapel, or other property for the benefit of the Church to which the same may belong, or the educational or other objects to which it may be devoted.

2. All Chapels or other property as aforesaid, held in trust as aforesaid in any part of the Province, shall be subject to the provisions of this Act whenever a Board of Trustees to manage the same shall be elected as hereinafter mentioned, and a conveyance thereof shall be made to the Corporation by the existing Trustees; and the said Corporation shall then hold the same for the purposes aforesaid with as good a title, legal and equitable, as such Trustees had at the time of the conveyance.

3. Every such Church, together with the congregation regularly attending and contributing to its funds by pew rents or otherwise, may annually at such time and in such manner as each Church shall prescribe by the male members present at any meeting for the purpose, elect any number of Trustees, not less than three nor more than nine, from among the male members of the said Church or congregation, or both, who shall continue in office for one year, or until others are elected in their stead.

4. Every meeting of the Church, or Church and congregation, for any of the purposes aforesaid, shall act on notice to be given by the Pastor or Minister presiding over the same, or if there be none, by any

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Deacon thereof, at any usual meeting of the Church for worship or business.

5. Such Trustees may, on due notice, meet together and manage the temporal affairs of the Chapel for which they are elected, and the property in connection therewith, for the benefit of the church to which it shall belong.

6. Every Educational or other Society as aforesaid, may, at its Annual Meeting to be held at either of the said Associations or elsewhere, on notice by post or otherwise, elect from among its members such number of Trustees as may be deemed necessary for the management of the affairs of any Seminary in connection therewith, who, together with all the ministers of the denomination accredited at such Association, as additional or *ex-officio* Trustees, may transact its business on due notice to be given as aforesaid, or by a Committee to be appointed for that purpose at the same time by the said Trustees.

7. Whenever by this Act any Board of Trustees or number of persons may require to do any act, a majority of those present at the meeting shall be sufficient for the purpose.

8. The annual revenue derived from the rent of lands belonging to any such Chapel, Seminary, or Society as aforesaid, shall not exceed five hundred pounds.

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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. 12-19.

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 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 benefit 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 suitableness 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; Mat. xxii. 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 will be sent away into everlasting punishment, and the righteous received into life eternal: John v. 28, 29; Acts xvii. 31, xxiv. 15; Rom. ii. 15; Matt. xvi. 20, and 25-46.

PART THE SECOND.

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, 29; 1 Cor. xi. 23-26; Acts ii. 41, 42, and ix. 18-26; and viii. 12, 35-39; 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 neighboring Churches of Christ: Acts i. 21-29, vi. 3-6, xiv. 23, and xv. 6-31; 1 Cor. v. 13; 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14, 15; Titus, iii. 10.

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 actings 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 Thess. 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 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 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 put 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 yet 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 be glory for ever and ever.—*Amen.*

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APPENDIX—No. 2.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK
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FOUNDED 1836.

OFFICERS FOR 1870-71.

President—Z. G. Gabel, Esquire.
Vice-Presidents— { Rev. C. Spurden, D. D.
 { Rev. Timothy Harley.
 { A. D. Yerxa, Esq.
 { A. F. Randolph, Esq.
Treasurer—Dea. John Smith.
Secretaries— { Mr. R. H. Phillips, Fredericton.
 { Mr. James A. Estey, St. John.
Auditor—Deacon A. W. Masters.

Committee—The Revs. I. E. Bill, E. C. Cady, M. A., G. M. W. Carey, M. A., W. A. Corey, J. G. Harvey, C. Goodspeed, B. A., J. E. Hopper, M. A., E. Hickson, M. A., W. S. McKenzie, M. A., and John Titus; and Messrs. the Hon. A. McL. Seely, Judge Steadman, R. T. Babbit, Esq., M. P. P., F. Hibbard, Esq., M. P. P., Geo. C. Hunt, W. S. Estey, Henry Vaughan, J. W. Hartt, M. A., Gilbert White, Reuben G. Lunt, J. H. Harding, G. M. Steeves, L. McMann, C. G. Berryman, John F. Masters, D. V. Roberts, and William Lewis.

Trustees of the Seminary.—Rev. C. Spurden, D. D., and Asa Coy, Z. G. Gabel, A. F. Randolph, and Henry Vaughan, Esquires.

AFTERNOON SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

September 16th, 1870.

The New Brunswick Baptist Education Society held its Thirty-ninth Anniversary at Upper Gagetown.

It having been moved (in accordance with previous recommendation of the Committee of Arrangement) that the Association resolve itself into an Educational Meeting, and the President of the Education Society take the chair, and the resolution having passed.

The President, accordingly, called the meeting to order. Prayer by the Rev. Timothy Harley. Both the Secretaries being absent, Mr. H. Vaughan was appointed Secretary *pro tem*.

The President read a full statement of the accounts relative to the payment of the debts due on the Seminary, and gave a full explanation of the entire proceedings—their being paid in full, with the

exception of a small amount advanced by himself on some liabilities incurred other than the principal debts.

The following persons were then appointed a Committee to nominate Officers and Trustees for the ensuing year—Revs. Timothy Harley, E. C. Cady, and the Hon. A. McL. Seely; and, on motion, the Revs. W. S. McKenzie, J. E. Hopper, and C. Goodspeed were added to the Committee.

Rev. C. Spurden, A. Coy, Esq., A. F. Randolph, Esq., Z. G. Gabel, Esq., and H. Vaughan, Esq., as Trustees, which were approved, and the Officers as above were also approved.

The Moderator of the Association then resumed the Chair; and, on motion, it was *Resolved*—That the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Education Society, be inserted in the Minutes of the Association, together with the Report and the Constitution of the Society, and statement of the debt.

W. VAUGHAN, *Secretary pro tem.*

REPORT.

Eighty have enjoyed the advantages of the Institution the past Academic year, of whom fifty-seven were day scholars, and twenty in French and Fine arts.

At Christmas there was a public examination, at which His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, Dr. Spurden, Dr. Brooke, and other gentlemen interested in education, were present. The examination at the close of the year was conducted by Rev. Dr. Spurden and Rev. G. M. W. Carey, A. M. On both these occasions the gentlemen who were present expressed themselves highly gratified with the proficiency of the pupils, which reflected great credit upon the ability and faithfulness of the teachers.

Mr. Geo. G. Tufts, B. A., Tutor in Mathematics and Natural Science, has resigned the position he has held for the past three years, and the Committee cannot permit his retirement without recording their high opinion of his services as an instructor and the esteem in which he is held by them as a gentleman. His place will be filled by Mr. Geo. R. Foster, B. A., a graduate of the University of N. B., a gentleman who has had experience in teaching, and who comes highly recommended.

From the foundation of the Seminary to the present, it has had able men for its Principals, and the good it has been doing our Province and denomination, in fitting its youth for the different callings in life, and for higher scholarship, by a thorough preparation for a College course, has never, we think, been sufficiently acknowledged or appreciated. If it had been the debt, so long standing as a hindrance to greater usefulness, would not have been left to the past year for its liquidation, and repairs long needed, and urged from year to year, without meeting a ready response. While we rejoice that the debts have been paid, we cannot boast. Still the payment of the debts warrants us in believing that a new era has commenced to dawn upon

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the Seminary, but would remind Ministers and people that *they* have work to do. The Ministry should seek out and encourage the young men and women of our Province to partake of its advantages, and the laymen should give liberally to promote its efficiency. If Baptist parents expect their sons to take useful and commanding positions in society, they must see to it that they are fitted for those positions. The uneducated must remain as they ever have been—the “hewers of wood and drawers of water.”

It must not be disguised, however, that we want each and every year *money*. Educational institutions in other countries are liberally aided, and New Brunswick Baptists have tried the withholding system too long not to be satisfied that another course must be adopted if we are to advance. In the United States—that land of Colleges and Academies—our brethren are moving as they have never moved before, to place their Academies in the front rank, seeing that if their Colleges are well filled by properly prepared students, they must look well to the *feeders*.

The late Educational Convention in Brooklyn, N. Y., composed of the foremost men in our body, from all parts of the Union, gives weight to a subject that has been mooted several years—the raising of an endowment for the Seminary. The *Watchman and Reflector*, one of the leading Baptist papers in the United States, in commenting on that Convention, says:—“It is evident that in the view of our most distinguished educators all over the country, the Academy is the great educational question of the day. As we provide for and perfect this, we provide for and perfect the whole system. As Baptists, we are behind other denominations, and have already suffered vast loss, both in our higher institutions of learning on the one hand, and in our Ministry and Laity on the other. Let us hasten to repair our loss. Let our men of wealth and far-reaching wisdom come to our help. Let the Academy be well endowed, strongly manned, amply furnished, and have the very best curriculum.” * * * “Our neglect, as Baptists, of the Academies has worked disastrously on the Universities.”

Comment on the above extract is unnecessary, but we ask that it be pondered well by our whole people.

Although we have had no professedly Theological students the past year, still we have good reason to believe that four pupils have the Ministry in view—two of them, we may mention, were not professors when they commenced their studies. This fact speaks for itself.

We are desirous to draw tighter the bonds between our Seminary and Acadia College, and we do not know of a better way to bring this about than for the learned President of Acadia, or some of her Professors to visit Fredericton annually as part of an examining body.

Before closing, let us put a few questions to each brother and sister of our Churches:

- 1st.—Has the Institution had *your* prayers?
- 2d.—Have you done your duty in helping to forward its interests, either by taking the opportunities presented, or *seeking* opportunities to present its claims?
- 3d.—Have you given to the Seminary? If so, has it been systematically, year by year, or only a spasmodic effort—a giving to prevent disastrous and mortifying consequences?

4th.—Will you hereafter keep the fourth Thursday in February as a day of prayer for institutions of learning, and give to Acadia College and the Baptist Seminary a special place in your petitions?

Our acknowledgments are due to the Secretary of State at Ottawa for a bronze copy of the Medallion struck in commemoration of the Confederation of the Provinces.

A box of Minerals from Mr. Jarvis Hartt, jr., of St. John, was received last year, and should have been acknowledged then.

Donations of Books, &c., will always be gratefully received.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. PHILLIPS,
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STATEMENTS

Of the several Accounts for Monies received and paid in connection with the pay-
ment of the debts due on the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton, including balance
of Monies collected by the Rev. A. D. Thompson, and by him paid into the hands
of Solomon Hersey, Esq., and the Rev. Charles Spurden, D. D.

STATEMENT—No. 1.

N. B. Baptist Educational Society in account with Z. G. Gabel.

1867.		Dr.	1867.	Cr.
Oct. 26.	To	paid interest on Mortgage,	Oct. 19.	By Cash received from
		to 1st Jan., 1867,		Solomon Hersey, Esq.,
		postage,		being amount deposited
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		20 00		\$180 00
1868.				3 years interest on the
Jan. 11.	"	printing notices,		above \$180, received
July 8.	"	Allan & Hasey, bill for		from Solomon Hersey
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Aug. 12.	"	Chubb, printing. no-		32 40
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Sept. 29.	"	Babbitt's bill, per Mr.		
		Hopper's order,		
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Nov. 5.	"	Premium of Insurance,		
		on \$2000, at 1 per cent,		
		20 00		
5.	"	interest on Mortgage,		
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April 9.	"	printing 75c. and Tele-		
		gram 25c.		
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June 29.	"	Rev, G. M. W. Carey's		
		expenses, to St. Marlin's		
		and Mr. Hicks bill horse		
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		Gabel, \$6.25 less gift \$2.16,		
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STATEMENT—No. 2.

Rev. Charles Spurden, D. D., in account with the N. B. Baptist Educa-
tional Society.

1865-6.		Dr.	1869.	Cr.
	To	amount received at	Jan. 5.	By amount paid, due
		various times from		him, as per order of
		Rev. A. D. Thompson,		Committee.
		and others, and de-		\$66 00
		posited as "received	Feb. 5.	" amount paid over to
		in the Savings Bank,		A. F. Randolph,
		\$190 00		Esq., Treasurer of
	"	Interest on deposits.		the Board.
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Oct.	By W. J. W. Bridges—		
	Stephens P. Estabrooks, Esq.,	\$4 00	
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	Thomas Bridges, Esq.,	5 00	
	Mr. Jonathan Bridges,	5 00	
	Mr. George Tredwell,	2 00	
	Mr. N. P. Day,	2 00	
	Mr. Thomas Turney,	2 00	
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	Mr. Samuel B. Thompson,	2 00	
	Mr. George Harding,	1 00	
	Mr. Frederick Miles,	1 00	
	Mr. Wm. J. Colwell,	1 00	
	Mr. Douglas Chase,	1 00	
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	Mr. Asa T. Turney,	50	

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	COUNTY OF ALBERT.	
	Hopewell Church, per the Rev. W. A. Coleman,	\$40 00
	Hillsborough Church, per the Rev. W. T. Corey,	52 00

	KINGS AND QUEENS COUNTIES.	
	Per the Rev. E. C. Cady,	\$450 00
	George Roberts, Esq., now in England, per the Rev. E. C. Cady,	50 00

	COUNTY OF WESTMORLAND.	
	Contributions from Rev. Thomas Todd at different times,	55 00
	To amount from General Education Fund,	41 44
	" A. F. Randolph, Treasurer, amount in his hands paid me,	78 67

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	COUNTY OF YORK.	
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	W. H. Needham,	15 00
	John Pickard,	10 00—
	A. D. Yerxa,	56 87
	Rev. Calvin Goodspeed,	25 00
	Mr. Cooper,	3 00
	E. J. Yerxa,	20 00
	N. P. Estey,	10 00
	Money from Rev. Calvin Goodspeed,	1 00
	Monies credited in Rev. Mr. Hopper's account—	2 29
	Collection at Shediac,	
	Do. Sussex,	\$3 00
	C. Goodspeed, donation, \$2; G. Jewett, \$1.12,	3 40
	Amount from G. M. Steeves, Treasurer M. Board,	3 12
	Room rent, \$3; Fuel fees last year, \$5,	30 00
	R. H. Phillips, donation,	8 00
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Oct. 5. Paid note and interest due the Estate of the late Mrs. Sally Smith, note dated 17th March, 1836, for \$30 00
 Paid balance of interest due on the same, to date, 582 00
 Expenses paid the Rev. E. C. Cady, 9 34
 Amount paid Pagan's bill, 6 60
 By amount paid, being the amount due the Central Fire Insurance Company, mortgage, 1000 00
 Paid balance of interest from 1st January, '69, to 8th Oct., '69, 45 66
 Oct. 16. By paid Z. R. Everitt, his bill, 11 00
 Nov. 8. " insurance on the Seminary, 20 00
 Paid Mr. John L. Haines, his account for flooring rooms, &c., 84 42
 Paid the Rev. J. E. Hopper, account in full, including the following, or thus made up—

1867.
 June To balance of last year's account, \$186 27
 Paid Collis, work on grounds, 3 88
 Window blinds in School Room, 2 42
 R. H. Phillips' account, 6 60
 G. W. Currie's account, 18 01
 F. Mill Company's account, 4 17
 Paid Forrest, for glazing, 2 30
 Paid W. S. Hall, account room paper, 7 25
 Sundries, 1 00
 Paid James Ryan, for plastering, 1 75
 Wheeler account, 1 00
 Paid Pagan & Babbit's bill, painting, 8 00
 " W. S. Estey, account, 4 79
 " A. DeForest, stove pipe, 1 45
 " W. Cooper, account for three years, 18 65
 " J. L. Haines, for carpenter work and material, 80 95
 Now at the Seminary—new Window Blinds for large room, 18 50
 Two Stoves in dwelling rooms, 16 75
 One iron sink, 5 00

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 Paid the Rev. E. C. Cady, amount voted him by the Board 25th October for loss of his apparel when on the services of the Board, 10 00
 1870. Paid Messrs. Chubb & Co., their bill for printing, 8 03
 " Long, bill repairing fence, 11 96
 " Mr. C. Goodspeed, for sundry small bills, 7 04
 " Richard H. Phillips' bill, 81 23
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STATEMENT—No. 5.

New Brunswick Baptist Educational Society, to the Estate of the late Mrs. Sally Smith.

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To Promissory note of the Committee of the N. B. Baptist Educational Society, dated at Fredericton 17th March, 1836, for £200, or say,	\$800 00
To balances of interest 12 years, being from the 18th March, 1857, to 17th March, 1869,	576 00
To 6½ months interest, from 18th March, 1869, to the 4th Oct., 1869,	26 00
1861.	\$1,402 00
March 18. Less amount paid W. O. Smith's order favoring James Miles, for	40 00
	\$1,362 00
1868. By W. O. Smith, Esq., first subscription,	\$100 00
1869. " " " second "	100 00
Oct. 4. " " " and heirs, donation,	162 00
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Cash in full to date,	1,000 00
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(Signed)

W. O. SMITH.

Saint John, N. B., 5th Oct., 1869.

A Form of Balance Sheet (From Statement No. 4), showing at one view the amounts contributed from the several Counties, and other Sources, and how paid out.

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Dr.	Ck.	Dr.	Ck.
Oct. To amount from the City and County of Saint John—paid, \$1182 88	Oct. 5. By paid note and interest W. O. Smith, as per his account, \$1362 00		
" To amt. from the County of York—paid, 668 22	" Mortgage, \$1,000 and interest, \$45.66, 1045 66		
" " Charlotte—paid, 125 00	Rev. E. C. Cady, for loss and expenses, as voted, 19 34		
" " Sunbury paid, 100 00	Pagan's Bill, 6 60		
" " Counties of King's and Queen's, jointly, 465 60	Z. K. Everitt's bill, 11 00		
" from Albert County, 92 00	Insurance on Seminary, 20 00		
" from Westmorland County, 55 00	Mr. Haines's bill, 84 42		
" received from the Treasurer, A. F. Randolph, Esq., 73 67	Professor Hopper, amount in full, Chubb & Co., 328 14		
" credited in Professor Hopper's account, outside subscription, 62 72	Mr. Long, bill for fence, 8 08		
" donation from Mr. Roberts, in England, per Rev. E. C. Cady, 50 00	Mr. Goodspeed, small bills, in all, R. H. Phillips, his bill, 7 04		
" from Treasurer M. B. General Education Funds, 41 44	Curry & Chesnut's bills, 7 12		
" cash from F. W. Jones, 2 00	Mill Company bill, 2 01		
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Overpaid by Z. G. Gabel,

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No. 7.

Full Balance Sheet, showing the entire amounts paid from the time the plan was adopted at the Western Association, held at Maconville in September, 1867, for the payment of the debts due on the Seminary at Frederick, until its final completion, and the direction given to the President and Secretary (jointly) to draw the monies deposited bearing interest, and commence to pay the debts.

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Sept. To amount from Balance Sheet, —	Paper No. 6,	Sept. By amount Balance Sheet Paper No. 6, paid,	\$2944 60
" " amount from Statement	No. 1,	" " from Statement No. 1, paid,	212 40
" " amount from Statement	No. 2,	" " from Statement No. 2, being amount due the Rev. C. Spurden, D. D.,	66 00
	No. 3,	" " from Statement No. 3, amount paid Z. G. Gabel, not included,	189 69
			\$3412 69

* See Resolution Minutes Western Association, 1867.

† No monies collected at this Association, 1867, for the payment of repairs are included in these Accounts. I would further remark here that the several amounts paid for repairs, writing desks, and other furniture, &c., for the Seminary, from the Accounts rendered in 1866 up to the present time, and that outside of any amount in those accounts, is \$345.06, and a further sum of \$200 paid in August of this year, for new roofing the Seminary and other repairs.

Z. G. GABEL.

NEW BRUNSWICK

ARTICLE 1.—
 FIRST HOME MISSIONS SOCIETY.
 ART. 2.—The preaching of the Gospel shall be throughout the State.
 ART. 3.—Any individual contributing \$1 or more at any one time shall be entitled to one hundred dollars for Association of Friends shall be entitled to one hundred dollars so contributed.
 ART. 4.—The Agents, a Correspondent, and an Auditor, shall reside in the vicinity of the office.
 ART. 5.—The Executive (meeting regularly) shall have the right to call meetings of the Board and of the Society, for the collection of funds, and to demand the attendance of the members at the meetings to the Society.
 ART. 6.—Every member shall be bound to contribute his own labor, in such proportion to its contribution as may be determined.
 ART. 7.—The officers of this Society shall be elected annually.
 ART. 8.—The time and place as

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APPENDIX—No. 3.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1.—This Society shall be called the New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2.—The design of this Society shall be to promote the faithful preaching of the Gospel of Christ, and to spread Bible Christianity throughout the destitute sections of New Brunswick.

ART. 3.—Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing \$1 or upwards, annually to the funds. Thirty dollars paid at any one time shall constitute a life member; and any person paying a sum, which, in addition to previous contributions, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life; and any Baptist Church or Association or Auxiliary, which contributes annually to this Society, shall be entitled to be represented by one delegate for every twenty dollars so contributed.

ART. 4.—The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Auditor, who shall be annually appointed by the Society.

ART. 5.—The Society shall appoint an Executive Committee, exclusive of the officers above named, residing in the City of Saint John and its vicinity. The officers above named shall be members *ex officio* of the Executive Committee, seven of whom shall be a quorum at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to call its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Board and of the Society, shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to their sphere of labors, shall expend the funds for the objects of the Society, providing that all amounts contributed for any specific object, shall, as far as possible, be faithfully applied in accordance with the wish of the donors; shall employ such agency or agencies for the collection of funds, and for all such purposes as the interests of the Society may demand, and shall make an annual report of their proceedings to the Society.

ART. 6.—Every Auxiliary Society, who shall agree to commit all its funds to the direction of the Society, shall be entitled to receive missionary labor, in such field, as it may designate, to an amount at least equal to its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

ART. 7.—The officers of Auxiliary Societies shall be *ex officio* Directors of this Society, and their members shall be members of this Society.

ART. 8.—The annual meeting of this Society shall be held at such time and place as shall be determined upon at a previous annual meeting.

ART. 9.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made without an affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting.

FORM FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AUXILIARY.

ART. 1.—This Society shall be called the _____
MISSIONARY SOCIETY—Auxiliary to the "New Brunswick Baptist Home
Missionary Society."

ART. 2.—The object of this Society shall be to aid in supplying the
destitute with the blessings of the Gospel.

ART. 3.—All persons contributing \$1 per annum shall be members of
the Society, and every person paying \$10 at any one time, shall be a
member for life.

ART. 4.—The business of this Society shall be conducted by a Board,
consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and
Managing Committee, seven of whom shall form a quorum to do
business.

ART. 5.—The Society shall meet annually, at such time and place as
may be agreed upon at a previous meeting, when the officers for the
ensuing year shall be elected, and such other business transacted as the
requirements of the Society may demand.

ART. 6.—The Secretary shall keep up such correspondence with the
New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society, as the general in-
terests of the Missionary cause may require.

RULES TO BE OBSERVED BY MISSIONARIES.

RULE 1.—The Missionaries of the Board are expected to communicate
with the Corresponding Secretary monthly, and oftener, if necessary;
giving a condensed sketch of their labors, and such items of intelligence
relating to their Mission as may be useful to the Board, or of general
interest to the denomination.

2.—Each Missionary shall be instructed to form Auxiliaries to the
New Brunswick Home Missionary Society in the field of his labor, for
the purpose of raising funds for the Society, to take collections publicly
and privately, whenever he can do so with propriety, and in every way
that he can consistently replenish the funds of the Society.

3.—A faithful account of all contributions in money, or in other
things, shall be transmitted through the Corresponding Secretary to the
Board, and no money shall be paid him by the Treasurer without an
order signed by the Chairman and Corresponding Secretary, or in their
absence, by three of the members of the Board.

4.—Each Missionary shall keep a faithful record of the places visited,
the number of sermons preached, of converts baptized, of churches
formed, of visits made, of meetings held, of Sabbath Schools established,
of Temperance Societies formed, of Tracts distributed, &c., in the
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5.—When Missionaries are employed permanently, in case of their wishing to retire from the service of the Board, they must give three months notice to that effect, and no Missionary shall change his field of labor without consent of the Board.

6.—The Missionaries of this Board shall be amenable to the Board for a faithful performance of their duty as Christian Missionaries, and shall be liable to be dismissed at any time for dereliction of duty, or immorality of conduct, or for preaching sentiments in opposition to God's Word.

REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD.

RULE 1.—There shall be a meeting of this Board for the transaction of business on the first Monday in every month.

2.—The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of the transactions of the Board.

3.—The Corresponding Secretary shall prepare a faithful report annually, of the operations of the Society, which, if judged advisable, shall be printed under the direction of the Society.

4.—No man shall be employed by the Board who cannot furnish satisfactory evidence of good moral and religious character, of consecration under divine influence to the work of the Ministry, and of such mental attainments as shall enable him, with the divine blessing, faithfully and successfully to fulfil its responsible duties.

5.—In case of wishing to dismiss a Missionary permanently employed, on account of incompetency on his part to fulfil the duties of his calling, or on account of inability on the part of the Board to pay his salary, three months notice shall be given to such Missionary.

SALARIES FOR MISSIONARIES.

The salaries of Missionaries shall be governed by their circumstances, and by their field of labor. In every case strict economy shall be observed.