

MINUTES
 OF THE
THIRTY-FIFTH GENERAL CONFERENCE
 OF THE
FREE CHRISTIAN BAPTISTS
 OF
NEW BRUNSWICK,
 HELD AT
SOUTH BRANCH OROMOCTO, SUNBURY COUNTY,
July 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th, 1867,
 WITH THE
MINUTES AND ANNUAL REPORTS
 OF THE
HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETIES.

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THIRTY-SEVENTH GENERAL CONFERENCE

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS,

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NAMES.

ADDRESS.

✓ Rev. CHARLES McMULLIN,	Brighton, Carleton County.
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✓ " EDWARD WEYMAN,	Mouth Millstream, King's County.
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✓ " JOSEPH NOBLE,	Victoria Corner, Carleton County.
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✓ " JOHN PERRY,	Springfield, King's County.
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✓ " ROBERT DOBSON,	North River, Salisbury, Westmorland
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✓ " STEPHEN CURRY,	Queensbury, York County.
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✓ " F. BABCOCK,	Wilson's Beach, Campo Bello.
✓ " SAMUEL DOWNEY,	Kars, King's County.
✓ " WM. BROWN,	White Head Island, Charlotte County.
✓ " JARVIS SHAW,	Eaton Grant, Me.
✓ " A. B. MARSH,	Fredericton, York County.
✓ " GEORGE W. McDONALD,	Mouth Oromocto, Sunbury County.
✓ " JOHN E. REUD,	Hampstead, Queen's County.

MINUTES.

**SOUTH BRANCH OROMOCTO, Sunbury County, }
July 6th, 1867.**

THE F. C. Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick held its Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting with the Church on the South Branch Oromocto. The first meeting, which was a Social Conference, began at 10 o'clock, A. M. There was a large attendance, and a good season enjoyed. Many spoke of the dealings of God with themselves, and the afflictions through which the denomination had passed during the year. The death of our lamented brethren Hartt and McLeod were frequently and affectionately spoken of. A good spirit pervaded the entire assembly, and many spoke of consecrating themselves anew to the work of the Lord, with a determination to labour more faithfully than ever before for the upbuilding of the Zion of our God.

The afternoon meeting was opened at 2 o'clock, when the Conference was organized. The names of the members of Conference were recorded, and Elder John Perry elected Chairman, and Elder G. A. Hartley, Corresponding Secretary.

Members of General Conference:

REV. JOHN PERRY, CHAIRMAN.	
REV. EDWARD WEYMAN,	REV. C. DOUCETT,
" W. E. PENNINGTON,	" JOHN WALLIS,
" CHAS. McMULLIN,	" J. N. BARNES,
" JACOB GUNTER,	" J. T. PARSONS,
" JOSEPH NOBLE,	" THOS. VANWART,
" EZEKIEL SIPRELL,	" WM. BROWN,
" BENJAMIN MERRITT,	" JOHN E. REUD,
" ALEX. TAYLOR,	" WM. M. KNOLLIN,
" ROBERT FRENCH,	" YERXA WHITE,
" WM. KINGHORN,	" STEPHEN E. CURRY,
" G. A. HARTLEY,	" FREEMAN BABCOCK,
" THOS. CONNOR,	" SAMUEL DOWNEY,
" JOHN McKENZIE,	" A. B. MARSH,
" WM. DOWNEY,	" GEO. W. McDONALD.

Licentiates.

G. T. HARTLEY,
 SOLOMON SMITH,
 JOSEPH McLEOD,
 E. B. GRAY,
 AARON KENNEY,
 WM. H. MILLS,
 T. W. CARPENTER,

A. G. LOUNSBURY,
 A. CASE,
 THOMAS DeWITT,
 A. RIDEOUT,
 JOHN JONES,
 HEZEKIAH MILLS,
 EDWARD W. HARTLEY,
 A. COGSWELL.

Delegate from Free Baptists of Nova Scotia.

Rev. JACOB I. PORTER.

Visitor.

Rev. E. SULLIVAN, of Nova Scotia.

Delegates from Districts.

FIRST DISTRICT,	None.
SECOND DISTRICT,	{ ISRAEL MERRITT
THIRD DISTRICT,	{ ALLEN HOVEY.
	{ CHARLES BARTLETT,
	{ GEORGE F. ATHERTON.
FOURTH DISTRICT,	{ ROBERT SLIPP,
	{ SAMUEL K. NASON,
	{ THOMAS E. SMITH, CLERK.
FIFTH DISTRICT,	{ WM. H. REDSTONE,
	{ ASA SMITH.
SIXTH DISTRICT,	{ EDWARD McLEOD,
	{ ANDREW WILCOX,
	{ GEORGE McCREADY, CLERK.
SEVENTH DISTRICT,	{ D. W. CLARK,
	{ WILLIAM PETERS, CLERK.

Recording Secretary.

B. J. UNDERHILL, Esquire.

Treasurer.

WILLIAM PETERS.

After a few introductory remarks by the Chairman, the Corresponding Secretary was called upon for his Annual Report, which was read.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Corresponding Secretary of the F. C. Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick, for the year ending July 5th, 1867.

DEAR BRETHREN—

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ." Once more has our Heavenly Father permitted us who are "alive and remain," to greet each other in General Conference. Changes of vast importance have taken place since we separated one year ago. Changes abroad and at home—in the Church and in the State—political, commercial, national and social. The most important epoch in the history of our country has just been declared. The formation of our "New Dominion" has affected our entire national position. Upon it we earnestly invoke the Divine favour. But of however great importance we regard these things in the relationship we sustain thereto, we feel that, as a denomination, by nothing have we been so seriously and immediately affected as by the sad work of death. The last year has been a most trying one. Never did we before assemble in an Annual Meeting when our hearts were so full of heaviness and mourning. Never, in the history of the denomination, has your Annual Report contained so solemn and sad an announcement as must be made this day. Death—cruel death—has invaded our sanctuaries, and broken our ministerial ranks. Incomprehensibly mysterious have been the providential dealings of God with us. Our ecclesiastical year was ushered in with death. Just as we were closing our business session last July, one of our Licentiates, Bro. Hatfield, was closing his life. He died in St. John, and was buried before any of the brethren from that city returned home. His death was but the forerunner of the fearful ravages that have been made among our older and leading ministers. How shall we speak of those noble veteran brethren, who were with us, and who acted well their parts in the transaction of our business at our last General Conference? Will they meet with us no more? Is it so—must it be so—that our venerable and highly esteemed Father Hart, who for so many years toiled in raising up the denomination, and in care for all the Churches, will never, never enter our midst again? Our solemn answer is, Yes, it is true! Rich as he was in experience—deep as was his care, and valuable as was his counsel—yet the Lord has seen fit to take him to himself. No more shall those weeping eyes and that affectionate voice bespeak the deep anxiety of his heart for our welfare. He has gone to his rest. He died at Brighton, in Carleton County, on the 16th January, 1867. On the 17th of March, our sad hearts were made sadder, and our desolation was rendered more afflictive, by the sudden and unexpected death of our vigorous, hard-working, and beloved brother, the late editor of the *Religious Intelligencer*. Strong and zealous, and occupying as he did a sphere of wide-spread usefulness, it seems strange too that he should, just at this time, be taken from his loved employ. Yet so it is. Our beloved Brother McLeod, who, by his superior talents and distinguished consecration, laboured so successfully for the good of the denomination, has met with us for the last time. Last year he prepared and read our Annual Report. To-day, as this Report is being read, he is mingling with the spirits of just men made perfect, in heaven. In his death our entire denominational interests have lost a strong and devoted workman. He has exchanged the editorial chair and the pulpit for a crown and a seat with Christ. Yes, brethren, it is really true that Elders Hart and McLeod, to whose labours we are so much indebted for our present prosperous state, will meet with us no more. Neither the white locks of the one, nor the careworn countenance of the other, will ever grace our meetings

again. Their work is done. The last storm has been faced—the last trial endured—the last tear shed—the last line written. Absent from the body, they are present with the Lord. Like faithful soldiers of the Cross, they died at their posts. Until the very day each was confined to his bed, both publicly laboured in the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. "Blessed is that servant whom his Lord when he cometh shall find so doing."

"The voice at midnight came—
They started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced their frames,
They fell, but felt no fear.
Tranquil amid alarms,
It found them on the field—
Veterans slumbering on their arms,
Beneath the red-crossed shield."

Brethren, may it be our ambition, by the grace of God, to number our days in working for the promotion of the cause in which they spent their strength, that, like our departed brethren, it may be said of us, after we shall have passed away, that we did what we could. We feel that now the care and labours of the departed devolve upon the living, and our earnest prayer to God is that He would raise up burden-bearers, who will go forward in the great work that lies before us, so that the cause of Christ may not be stayed.

It is now our duty to proceed with the work of reporting the labours and successes of our brethren who are yet in the field, and as far as we can, to give some knowledge of the state of religion amongst our Churches. With our present number of Churches and ministers, it is not convenient to speak of the labours enjoyed by each Church, or expended by each brother. We will, however, refer to the different Districts in numerical order, and give, as nearly as we can, the amount and known results of the labours bestowed upon each District separately, and the whole collectively.

Our *First District* embraces the Churches in the upper section of the country, reaching from Salmon River, in Victoria County, to Peel, in Carleton County. There are in this District thirteen Churches. Two new ones were received at the last District Meeting. But one ordained minister has resided within the limits of these Churches during the whole year. Only two of these Churches have had pastoral care during the year. A large number of them have had repeated visits from the brethren sent to them as Home Missionaries. Some of these Churches have enjoyed seasons of refreshing. Additions have been made throughout this extent of country. One new Church was organized, and we think the efforts put forth by our brethren have produced good fruits. True, not so much has been done as we could desire, nevertheless we think this District has gained somewhat the last year. It is a whitened harvest-field, and needs more labourers. Quite a number have been added to this District during the year.

The *Second District* embraces the Churches on both sides of the St. John River, from Peel, in Carleton County, down to the town of Woodstock. There are twenty Churches in this District. Within its limits our General Conference was organized, and some of our older Churches are located. A number of our ministers have lived and laboured with these Churches. Six have had pastoral care—some all the time, others a portion of the time. Revivals have been enjoyed by several, and to some of them the accessions were considerable. Two Churches have been organized, and one meeting-house commenced. This is an important part of our denominational vineyard, and needs much faithful care and labour. We think this District is also improving, and feel especially anxious that it may prosper, and exert a powerful influence in favor of truth and holiness.

Our *Third District* extends on down the river as far as the city of Fredericton, and embraces all the Churches in the County of York, about seventeen in number. How many of these Churches have had pastoral oversight, we cannot

say. Some of them we knew have. Others have had visits from Home Missionaries, and other itinerant brethren. Good revivals have been experienced by some of these Churches, and numbers added that we hope will be of substantial value to our denominational interest. Much more labour is called for and needed in this District. In parts of it great destitution exists. Upon the whole, however, we think we can say there are evidences of progress and increasing hope. Two fine meeting-houses have been dedicated to the worship of God, and one hundred and twenty-six persons baptized during the year; one Church organized, and two more meeting-houses commenced.

In the *Fourth District* there are ten Churches, scattered over the country between Fredericton and Upper Hampstead, including those in the flourishing section of the country in which we are now assembled. Some of these Churches have been quite destitute of labour all the year, but others have been under the constant care of pastors some portion of the time. More regular labour has been bestowed here the last year than there was the former year. Additions have been made, and an increased interest has been manifest in some parts of the District. Faithful labour is much required here. Some of these Churches that have long been established, and that have good houses of worship, and where large congregations would assemble to hear the Gospel, have little or no preaching. They are suffering for some one to break to them the bread of the Gospel.

The *Fifth District* includes eighteen Churches. Excepting those on the Washademoak Lake, and one or two others, these Churches have had the oversight and ministry of pastors. Considerable revival has followed the labours of these pastors, and large additions have been made in some parts of this field. Several of these Churches are in a more efficient state than they have been for years. Some missionary labour has also been expended here to good advantage. One Church has been organized, and two good houses of worship commenced during the year. The Churches referred to as being without labour are experiencing serious loss. Some of them are large, and present an inviting field of labour. For those on the Lake we feel anxious. Will not some brother who has heard the Lord of the harvest saying "Woe" and "Go," now hear from this field the cry, "Come," until his heart will be moved to commit himself to this destitute part of this important District? We are anxious to see this field supplied.

The *Sixth District* stretches towards the East as far as Taylor Village, and has nineteen Churches. As in the other Districts, here also the labour has been partly pastoral and partly missionary. One Church has been organized, and one meeting-house dedicated to the worship of God. In some other Churches limited revivals have been enjoyed, but no very large accessions have been made. Some of these Churches are quite small, so that it is difficult for them to secure regular labour. A number of them have, however, had constant care a portion or all of the year. Had we the ministers to enter this section of country, large congregations could be gathered where we have no Churches, and large accessions, we believe, be made to the Churches we have. In some portions of this District, the cause is sadly declining, and some of these Churches must receive help, or they will lose their influence, if not their viability.

In the *Seventh District* there are ten Churches, including those on the Islands and in the City of St. John. These Churches have had a large share of pastoral labour, and yet some of them have been without the regular ministry of the Gospel a part of the year. This is our youngest district, and in some respects it is prospering quite satisfactorily: yet more labour is called for and is needed, and much more might be done. Perhaps in no District in the denomination could more be accomplished by entering new fields and planting Churches, than in this. The harvest is great even here. God has blessed the labours of the brethren who have ministered to these Churches; revivals have followed, and additions have been made to the most of them. Connected with these ten Churches there are eight Sabbath Schools.

We have but briefly spoken of each District, giving a general representation of the state of the cause. Each held its Annual Meeting at the appointed time. Several Churches have been organized, and one that had virtually lost its visibility has been re-organized. Five meeting houses have been completed, and a number of others commenced. Four young brethren have been ordained to the work of the ministry, and five hundred and eighty-five have been baptized and added to the Churches during the year. The labours of two of our Elders have been spent nearly the whole year with our brethren in Nova Scotia. They saw much good accomplished there. Although the number of additions is quite encouraging, doubtless had all our brethren continued with us, the number would have been considerably increased.

Many whitened fields lie before us. Never had we so much to do. One year ago we had with us brethren deep in experience, vigorous in labour, and strong in faith, who did work that others must do this year. The care of the Churches, and the labour of our different organizations and enterprises, now rest with us who are present. We have not enough ministers to supply all our Churches with the labour they actually require, even should they all spend their entire time in the ministry; but some of them do not give themselves exclusively to the work. In some instances we think the ministers are to blame, and in other cases it is the fault of the Churches themselves. To properly distribute the labour, and provide for the wants of all the Churches, is a matter of vast importance, and one that, at the proper time, will be introduced for the consideration and deliberation of this Conference. In this matter we need especial wisdom. If ever wisdom, care and counsel were necessary for our guidance and prosperity, it is at this very Annual Meeting. The Lord has planted us, and crowned the labours of our brethren with abundant success. Our doctrines are becoming better and more favourably known; but we need a deep and abiding consecration to God, and a gracious baptism of the Holy Ghost, that we may continue perseveringly in the duties before us, with an eye single to the glory of God. We need working men, who will feel that, beyond their immediate Churches or districts of labour, there are general denominational duties to be done, and who are willing to do all they can. Now that we have reached our present position of numerical strength and influence, we must see that our work still progresses. Our mission is aggressive. Many communities are crying to us for help—many souls are looking to us for care.

Our Home Mission Society is steadily prosecuting its noble work. Its Annual Report, which will be read before the Public Meeting of the Society on Monday evening, will give the details of its operations.

Our Foreign Mission Society is also increasing in vigour and in favour with the people. Our Churches are awaking to the importance of the work, and the justness of the claims of the heathen upon us. Tuesday evening we will hear from the Secretary, of the workings and efficiency of this Society.

Our Educational Society is still looking forward to the time when more will be done in this department of our work. Not very much has yet been accomplished, and yet we believe the heaven is working in the minds of our people, and the time will come when we will do something worthy of our denomination.

The many Sabbath Schools connected with our Churches are working away with their usual interest in the great toil of training and instructing the children of our families and the communities. This is by no means the least important part of our work. It will, however, be reported to you by the proper persons, at the proper time.

We have a number of brethren with us to-day who are looking towards the ministry, several of whom now hold licences to preach. We want more. We want intelligent, pious, educated young men, who will come to the work feeling that the hand of God is upon them, and who are willing to sacrifice and toil for the salvation of souls, and wait for their reward until they shall be called home to heaven. The responsibilities of the sacred office of the Gospel

ministry are momentous; nevertheless the Lord can, and will sustain those whom He calls to the work, if they give themselves unreservedly to His service.

With us to-day we have many pious, God-fearing men and women, and we desire that each may ask God's blessing to rest upon us who have come hither to transact business for the furtherance of His cause—that all our deliberations and doings may meet the Divine favour and sanction. Soon, one after another, we will all pass away. Now is our working time. In heaven we will not be able to win souls to Christ. Who of us will be missed a year hence? May not some who are now active and healthy, be numbered with the dead by that time? May the Lord help us, and guide us through the meanderings of life, and ultimately bring us to glory, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

G. A. HARTLEY,
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

S. B. OROMOCTO, July 6, 1867.

The adoption of the Report was moved by Elder Wm. Downey, and seconded by Elder A. Taylor. These brethren, with Elders Weyman, Pennington, Curry, and others, made excellent speeches, of a highly encouraging character. The rise and progress of the denomination was spoken of, and the wide-spread field of usefulness that lies before us presented in such a way that every heart appeared fired with zeal and determination to do more for the enlargement of the borders of the Zion of our God, for the ensuing year, than ever before.

Elder J. I. Porter, the Corresponding Delegate from the Free Baptists in Nova Scotia, reported the body represented by him. One gratifying and highly encouraging statement in this report, is that of the union effected during the past year between the F. C. Baptist and F. W. Baptist Churches in that Province. Nothing in connection with the history of our brethren in Nova Scotia was ever received by us with greater thankfulness to the Great Head of the Church, than the consolidation of this long desired union. Bro. Porter said many excellent things. God has blessed them abundantly. Large revivals were enjoyed by many of their Churches. The labours of brethren from our Conference were much blessed, and resulted in large additions. Their number of membership is 3,371. Number of Churches, 28. Ordained ministers, 10. Licentiates, 2. Meeting-houses, 39. Sabbath Schools, 30.

Elder E. Sullivan, a visitor from Nova Scotia, made some appropriate and stirring additional remarks, which were well received, and added much to the life and strength of the meeting.

Adjourned to meet on Monday morning at 8 o'clock.

THE SABBATH.

Crowded congregations assembled from all directions on the Sabbath, to hear the Gospel preached. At the North Branch, Patterson Settlement, Rushagorish, Geary, Mouth of Oromocto, as well as at the seat of the Conference, brethren preached the Word of Life. The services at the house in which the Conference

was held; and where the multitudes flocked, were prayer meeting at 8 o'clock; preaching at 10 o'clock, by Rev. J. I. Porter, and at 3 o'clock, P. M., by Rev. G. A. Hartley, after which the Lord's Supper was administered to a large number of communicants; and preaching at 7 o'clock, P. M., by Rev. J. T. Parsons. A deep religious feeling pervaded the entire audiences during the whole day, and we doubt not that good was accomplished.

MONDAY, July 8th—8 o'clock, A. M.

Meeting opened by singing and prayer, after which the Chairman made appropriate remarks upon the object of our meeting, and the necessity of each looking up to God for wisdom to guide in the deliberations and doings of the entire session.

Resolved, That Elders B. Merritt, T. Connor, Wm. M. Knollin, T. Vanwart, and J. Noble be a Committee to nominate the Committees to report on the several subjects requiring Reports by the Conference.

The following are the Committees nominated, which were all appointed. The first two are to report at the next General Conference, the others during the present session:—

ON THE SABBATH—J. T. Parsons, S. Downey, R. French, Wm. Brown, and G. T. Hartley.

ON TEMPERANCE—J. E. Reud, T. Connor, G. W. McDonald, J. Wallis, S. E. Curry, and J. McLeod.

ON LICENTIATES—G. A. Hartley, J. Gunter, A. Taylor, C. McMullin, B. Merritt, W. E. Pennington, J. Noble, E. Weyman, W. Kinghorn, and Robert Slipp.

ON LETTERS—Wm. Downey, T. Vanwart, Y. White, J. N. Barnes, Edward McLeod.

ON FINANCE—I. Merritt, Wm. M. Knollin, W. H. Redstone, D. W. Clark, and T. E. Smith.

ON DECEASED BRETHREN—G. A. Hartley, T. Vanwart, and G. W. McCready.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS—D. W. Clark, G. A. Hartley, Robt. McLeod, James Slipp, Robert Slipp, and T. W. Carpenter.

ON ABSENT BRETHREN—G. W. McCready, Asa Smith, and Allen Hovey.

At this stage of the proceedings, the Conference was agreeably surprised by Elder Siprell, who stepped forward, and without the least notice having been given, laid upon the Clerk's table *one thousand dollars* in gold, a donation from deacon G. R. Boyer, of Wakefield, Carleton County. This is the second one thousand dollars given by Bro. Boyer within the limits of about twelve months.

The following letter from Bro. Boyer accompanied the donation, and was read :

To the Free Christian Baptist General Conference, in session at South Branch Oromocto :

DEAR BRETHREN IN CHRIST—You may remember that at the last General Conference, held at Wakefield, I pledged myself to give to the General Conference, for general purposes, for the support of the cause of God, the sum of one thousand dollars. Now I consider myself under further obligations to do something more financially. Calling to mind how the Lord has blessed me, in basket and in store, with a sufficiency of this world's goods for our own support and that of our children, with their industry and proper economy, to make them comfortable through life, and still having something to spare, I make a further donation to General Conference of one thousand dollars, in gold, to be vested in real estate, say lands only, without perishable property, such as buildings, thereon ; and also the first donation, to make security doubly secure. The interest of the second one thousand dollars shall be paid, one-half to the Foreign Mission Society of Free Christian Baptists of New Brunswick, and the other half to the Free Christian Baptist Education Society of New Brunswick, yearly, or oftener if necessary, for all time to come. If at any time either or both of these Societies should cease to exist, the said interest shall be used for general purposes, for the support of the cause of God, by the Free Christian Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick. Now, dear brethren, I wish this to be read at the first business meeting, the Conference being in Committee of the Whole, that all present may hear, and examine themselves, and see if the Lord does not require many of such of those as he has blessed with means over and above their necessary wants, to come or go and do likewise. Hoping and praying that you may be guided by that wisdom that comes from God only, to deliberate and carry forward such means as thereby God may be glorified and souls saved, is the sincere desire and prayer of your brother in Christ,

G. R. BOYER.

WAKEFIELD, C. C., July 2, 1867.

Upon the acceptance of this liberal donation, Elders G. A. Hartley and J. Gunter were appointed a Committee to prepare an expression of the gratitude of the Conference to Brother Boyer, for his abounding liberality.

The following is the Report, a copy of which was adopted, and ordered to be forwarded to Bro. Boyer :

Whereas, Our esteemed brother, Deacon G. R. Boyer, of Wakefield, Carleton County, has sent to this Conference the magnificent gift of one thousand dollars, in gold, in addition to the donation of the one thousand dollars given to the Conference one year since ; Therefore Resolved, That this Conference feels deeply impressed with the goodness of God, the Master, and the liberality of his servant, our esteemed Bro. G. R. Boyer, in bestowing upon us this generous donation at this especial time in the history of our denomination, and that we receive it as an additional token of the Divine favour, and of the deep interest our brother has, for many years, taken in the prosperity of our denomination, and of his increasing anxiety for our future usefulness, and pray the God of all grace to especially support and comfort our worthy brother and his beloved companion, in their declining days, and at last grant them a glorious admittance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

G. A. HARTLEY,
JACOB GUNTER.

Adjourned to meet at 1½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1½ o'clock, P. M.

Opened by singing and prayer.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools submitted the following as their Report:—

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools report, that they have not been in a position to gather satisfactory information on the subject, but presume that our Sabbath School Agent will, from his general knowledge collected from the Schools, be prepared to report fully upon their condition.

We would recommend the members of Conference to encourage the establishment of Sabbath Schools, and to do what they can to increase the usefulness of those now in operation, and would suggest that Superintendents report to the Agent yearly.

WM. PETERS.

TEMPERANCE.

At the last Annual meeting of this Conference, a Committee was appointed to report on the subject of Temperance during this Session, which Report your Committee beg now to submit.

Your Committee believes that the use of strong drink is the most prolific source of evil in our country. We also believe that all men who wish well to society are morally obligated to do what they can towards the suppression of vice and the encouragement of virtue. Especially do we regard it the duty of all Christian men to discountenance and discourage the use of intoxicating beverages, and to support and promulgate the principles of total abstinence. If men who only profess philanthropy are zealous in this good reform, how much more active should we be who profess Christianity. We are declared to be the lights of the world, and are supposed to be ready to every good work. Professing the greater, we cannot with consistency be found indifferent to the less. In becoming Christians, our obligations to seek and promote the moral improvement of our fellow-men, are only changed by being made more binding and solemn. If we would exemplify the Christian spirit, and be consistent with our religious professions, we must show ourselves true to the principles of total abstinence. By giving our influence, and heartily co-operating with the judicious efforts that are being made to reclaim the drunkard and restrain the tippler, we may brighten the pathway of many wretched souls for time, and, by the blessings of the Gospel, may lead some to Christ. Let us then, as Christians, not fear of injuring our cause by working with all well conducted temperance organizations. There would be danger of violating our profession and doing ourselves harm, in withholding our influence and efforts.

While your Committee is obliged to acknowledge that, despite the energetic efforts made by the different temperance organizations and the Christian Churches, there is still a fearful amount of drinking and inebriety in our Province, yet we rejoice in being able to report that, in several communities, marked temperance reformatations have been witnessed. The Sons of Temperance, the Good Templars, the Band of Hope, and the Ministerial Temperance Alliance, have all been doing good work during the past year. New Societies have been formed, and large accessions have been made to old ones, so that, upon the whole, your Committee think they can report somewhat favourably. We believe this good cause is prospering.

Your Committee rejoices to know that all our Ministers are sound temperance men, while a number of them are zealous advocates of the reform; also that, as a denomination, we have ever been pledged to temperance principles. Amongst our laity, the different Orders have some of their most ardent supporters. Reluctantly we acknowledge our fears that all who belong to our Churches are not strictly total abstiners. We sincerely hope the time will

soon come when there will not be a single man calling himself a Free Baptist, who will allow himself to stain the reputation of the denomination by tipping.

Your Committee, in again commending this moral reform to the cordial cooperation of all our ministers and Churches, ask for it the earnest prayers of all who love their fellow men.

G. A. HARTLEY,

Secretary to Committee.

THE SABBATH.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of the proper observance of the Sabbath Day, beg leave to submit the following Report:—

It appears plain to us that right views on this important subject are of invaluable benefit to those holding them, tending as they must to lead them to apply the rest of the Sabbath to its true and legitimate purpose, directing us to give the sacred hours to the service of God, and to use the day for the purpose of our spiritual elevation and moral improvement.

Few questions have encountered more steady opposition than the question of the proper observance of the Sabbath; for persons generally regard it either in accordance with the state of their own hearts, or in accordance with their early religious education, and so it comes to pass that while some contend for a strict observance of its sacred hours, others cry out for a laxity that amounts almost to a profanation of this sacred day of the Lord. But let us bring this subject to the law and to the testimony, and to its high behests let us all humbly bow. Our blessed Saviour has taught us in his holy Gospel "that the Sabbath was made for man." That is, for the benefit of man. Divinely instituted it certainly was, and that for the good of the entire race; not, indeed, for the advantage of the few, but for the good of the many, and hence it follows that all men are under imperative obligations to observe the sacred hours that were set apart by the wisdom of our heavenly Father, in the way he has ordered in his holy Word. And here it becomes a question of no small importance for us to ascertain the purposes for which the day was appointed, and the best methods of carrying out the objects contemplated by it.

The ends sought to be obtained by the institution of the Sabbath were undoubtedly two—rest and devotion, and it may tend to our interest to note these ends, and to mark the principles they involve. Rest from all secular toil, and a participation in the services of devotion, are the great purposes of this holy day. The Divine example illustrates these objects by showing us that when He had put the last finishing touch to the work of creation, his crowning act was to sanctify the seventh day and make it holy. And so here we have an illustrious example as well as a beautiful type of both rest and devotion. Behold the Divine Architect ending his work, and resting on the Sabbath, for the simple purpose of distinguishing the day and marking it as a time whose hours should be observed for holy and spiritual ends. As God made the world especially for man's benefit, so for precisely the same object did he sanctify the seventh day, that his intelligent creatures might enjoy a portion of time exempt from secular cares and worldly anxiety. And again, the word Sabbath signifies rest, and is a fitting term by which to designate the day, as well as the purposes for which the day was intended, and also to be used as a lively type of that celestial rest whose repose will be sweet, and sorrow and toil be known no more, but joy and pleasure be our delight for ever and ever.

But we go still further, and remark that, constituted as we are, cessation from manual labour, for at least a portion of the time, is a vital necessity, and it becomes alike needful to both body and soul, that we should have one day in seven for rest and devotion. It has been often demonstrated that real physical and mental vigour can only be permanently sustained by seasons of repose and intervals of enjoyment. The history of our race teaches us that many constitutions have become prematurely feeble, and decidedly imbecile, by the continuous strain of unceasing labour, without the intervening repose of the Sabbath. Yea, even when man was holy and upright, he needed a day of rest.

How much more now, since he has become fallen and wretched, and lives in a world where sin and sorrow, disappointment and anguish meet him at every step. If God considered the Sabbath a necessity before man was contaminated with evil, how much more now, when he is surrounded by the perils of the world, the flesh, and the devil. In every way it appears plain that man needs the rest of the Sabbath, and the privileges of devotion that is to be obtained on that day. Moral and spiritual improvement we certainly need; and as secular toil engrosses the greater part of the week, it seems reasonable that the hours of the Sabbath should be devoted to moral and spiritual services.

The methods by which the Sabbath may be properly observed, are easily seen, and may be very clearly contemplated. Certainly it is not observing the day to spend its hours in carelessly lounging about the house and the fields, or indolently sleeping the sacred hours away. Neither is it by spending the time in rambling and sight-seeing, which is only another name for trifling and folly, sometimes falsely called pleasure. Visiting of friends, and the amusements of parties is, to say the least of it, a disgrace to the holy day of the Lord. Worldly pleasure is always enfeebling to the moral powers as well as being unfavourable to the great purposes of the rest of the Sabbath, and is sure to bring down the consequences of Sabbath desecration on the head of the offender. And, again, it cannot be that the day is observed by giving part to God and part to the devil. We mean, by giving God our religious worship the first part of the day, and the latter part of it to sin and folly. This scheme is certainly endeavouring to partake of the Lord's table and the table of devils, and is a union that is associated with harm, and the influence of which is destructive to good society. But, it will be asked, what are our duties on the holy day of the Lord? We answer, they have been already indicated; but that they may be distinctly seen, we observe—to use the day properly, and to spend its hours well; they should be spent in devout meditation and scriptural reading, to works of necessity and benevolence, to private and public worship, to sacred singing and to devout prayer; indeed, any exercise that shall lift the soul to God, or be beneficial to our fellow man, may be properly attended to on the Sabbath day. Let us then engage in those services that shall tend to a preparation for our eternal rest; and by a conscientious application of its hours to spiritual duties, the Sabbath will become a bright and verdant spot in this wilderness of sin and sorrow—an oasis in the desert of life, where satisfaction may be enjoyed, and real comfort found. In conclusion, we say to all, gird on the armour, and do battle manfully against Sabbath desecration, and in favour of a proper Sabbath observance; and then, when the battle of life shall be ended, we will insure a noble fitness for that heavenly and eternal Sabbath that shall be given to and enjoyed by the people of God.

A. TAYLOR,
Secretary to Committee.

REVISING CONSTITUTION.

It is with lonely and sad feelings, the only surviving member of the Committee which was appointed by our last General Conference, to revise our Constitution, reports that, in consequence of the death of both the brethren who were associated with him on the Committee, this important denominational work has not been done. As your Committee man did not feel himself at liberty to invite others to assist him, nor yet competent to undertake the work alone, he now begs to refer the matter again to this Conference, and recommends that another Committee be appointed to attend to the same duty entrusted to the Committee of 1886, who shall report next year.

G. A. HARTLEY.

Resolved, That G. A. Hartley, B. Merritt, J. Noble, E. Weyman, and J. Perry be a Committee to revise our Constitution, and report at the next Annual Conference.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY MORNING—8 o'clock.

Opened by singing and prayer.

ABSENT BRETHREN.

Report of Committee on absent brethren:—

While it affords us a degree of gratification to meet with so many of our ministering brethren at the present Conference, we would have been more highly pleased if there were no absentees to report.

Elder Malloch has not attended our annual gatherings for several years; but for his absence, which we regret, we hope there is a sufficient excuse in his advanced age, and the great distance which he must necessarily travel in order to meet with us.

We are happy to learn that Elder Dobson has so far recovered his health as to attend as formerly to his ministerial labours, although he did not consider himself sufficiently restored to undergo the fatigue of a journey to this Conference.

Elder Orser's case appears to us somewhat peculiar, as his very irregular and uncertain attendance at the meetings of the Conference indicates too plainly that he feels but little interest in our organization, and the many important objects of our deliberation.

Elder Sisson's continued neglect we believe requires some definite action of this Conference, in order that the cause in which he has been professedly engaged, in connection with his ministering brethren, may not be sacrificed to the interests of Mammon.

Bro. Shaw's absence on the present occasion we believe to be not only excusable, but himself deserving of our sympathy, as we are informed that he has been detained by sickness in his family.

G. W. MCCREADY,
Secretary to Committee.

DECEASED BRETHREN.

Your Committee on deceased brethren report with deep sorrow that the last year has been a most trying one. Death has entered our ministry, and great affliction has fallen upon the denomination in the death of two of our Elders and one Licentiate, and *Whereas*, the Rev. Samuel Hart, one of the founders and leading ministers of our denomination, and the Rev. E. McLeod, the late Editor of the *Religious Intelligencer*, and one of our prominent and hard-working ministers, and Bro. Hatfield, one of our Licentiates, have all, since our last Annual Meeting, been removed from us by death—

Therefore Resolved, That we cherish with grateful feelings the memory of these lamented brethren, for their true devotion to the cause of Christ, and especially of Elders Hart and McLeod, for the many years of faithful service they have spent in the upbuilding of our denomination, and that as the fathers close their labours and depart to be with Christ, we pray the Great Head of the Church that He would raise up others, upon whom the mantle of the zeal, self-denial, spirituality, and true devotion of our departed brethren may fall; and further

Resolved, That this Conference tender our sympathies to the respective families of these lamented ministers of the Gospel, and pray that they may be divinely supported, and have their affliction sanctified to their eternal good, and at last join those whose loss we and they so deeply deplore, in the mansions of bliss, when death and sorrow shall no more be known.

G. A. HARTLEY.

FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, after a careful examination of the Treasurer's books and papers, are pleased to report the financial condition of this Conference as very encouraging.

The amount of Conference Fund on hand, including balance on hand last

year, is \$460.90. In notes on interest, being a part of the donation from Bro. Boyer at the Conference of 1866, \$423.48, and cash on hand, also a part of the same donation, \$282.92, making a total of \$705.40. Your Committee feel that while we should be grateful to the friends who have so liberally contributed towards our present financial prosperity, yet they cannot but recognize the hand of a merciful God in our present and more recent success. In addition to the foregoing, your Committee have great pleasure in stating that a second donation from our worthy brother, Geo. R. Boyer, of Wakefield, Carleton County, has been received, amounting to \$1,000 in cash, which is to be, by his request, invested in good securities—one-half the proceeds from said investment to be paid to the Foreign Missionary Society, and one-half to the Education Society. Your Committee, in conclusion, would suggest that a portion of the Conference Funds, apart from the money donated, should be expended in some useful way, and that the part donated be handed to the Board of Managers for investment.

ISRAEL MERRITT,
Secretary to Committee.

LETTERS.

Your Committee on Letters beg leave to report as follows:—Two letters of some importance were laid before us: one properly belonging to the Committee on Licentiates, was accordingly handed over to them. The other was in relation to the Church at Calais, Me., which has passed a vote to unite with the F. W. Baptists of the United States, subject to the approval of this Conference. We recommend that they be permitted to do so.

WM. DOWNEY.

Resolved, That it be a standing rule of this Conference that no member be allowed to speak longer than ten minutes at one time, nor oftener than twice on the same subject, except by permission of Conference.

LICENTIATES.

Your Committee on Licentiates have attended to the duties entrusted to them, and submit the following:—

1st. *Resolved*, That Bro. Thomas DeWitt be ordained during this Conference, or as soon as it can be conveniently attended to.

2d. *Resolved*, That Bro. G. T. Hartley be ordained at any time and place when Elders Noble, Pennington, and Parsons can make arrangements and think desirable.

3d. *Resolved*, That brethren A. Cass, Aaron Kinney, Abraham Rideout, Solomon Smith, Joseph McLeod, E. B. Gray, and John Jones, have their licenses renewed.

4th. *Resolved*, That brethren Hezekiah Mills, T. W. Carpenter, Edward W. Hartley, A. Ogawell, A. G. Lounsbury, and Wm. H. Mills, be licensed.

5th. *Resolved*, That Bro. James Kinney labour on his Church license until our next General Conference.

6th. *Resolved*, That in the case of Bro. S. Parent, we think the Third District Meeting did not act constitutionally in dealing with his license, at its last session, and recommend that the recommendation of our last General Conference be carried out by Bro. Parent, and that he apply to the Church of which he is a member for a license, and then apply to the next meeting of the Third District for the confirmation of that license.

Your Committee wish to state that in recommending the adoption of these Resolutions, we do so providing the brethren comply with all Conference rules and prohibitions in reference to the use of tobacco, and their general habits.

We also recommend that if any of these brethren have not our Treatise of Faith, and Butler's Theology, they procure them as soon as they can.

G. A. HARTLEY,
Chairman of Committee.

Whereas, In the event of the death, or removal from any cause, of any officer of this General Conference, there are no persons upon whom the duty devolves, nor any provision made by which the vacancy can be filled until the next annual meeting—

Therefore Resolved, That in the event of the death or permanent removal of any officer of General Conference during the year, any two officers of the General Conference, with the concurrence of six Elders of the Conference, can appoint some brother to fill the vacancy and discharge the functions of the office until the next annual meeting, when the Conference shall confirm the appointment, or make another.

Whereas, We have not in our Constitution, or in any published rules of this Conference, defined the rights or authority of licensed preachers amongst our Churches, and as circumstances have arisen by which it is rendered necessary that an expression of the practice of the denomination should be given in this matter—

Therefore Resolved, That no licentiate has, by virtue of his license to preach, or can have until he shall be ordained, the right or authority to receive members into our Churches by giving the right hand of fellowship, or to administer any rite or ordinance whatever in connection with the Churches, beyond the exercise of his gift.

Further Resolved, That all ordained ministers shall hold themselves in readiness to assist licentiates in their labours, by administering the ordinances, and receiving members into Churches for them, when required so to do.

The following Report of the delegates to the Nova Scotia General Conference was read and received :—

Your delegates met in the Nova Scotia General Conference, which convened in September last, at Canning, Cornwallis. Only five Elders were present: others were prevented by ill health and uncontrollable circumstances. We also met two visiting ministers belonging to the F. W. Baptists of that Province. The most important business of that session was the forming and adopting of a basis of union between them and the F. W. Baptists of Nova Scotia. Your delegates took an active part in the work of union, which has been fully consummated, and for which the brethren were very grateful. The meetings for worship were greatly blessed with the Divine presence from the first, and were followed with a glorious work of revival, which resulted in the building up and enlargement of the Church in that place. Since then, one of your delegates—Rev. E. McLeod—has passed away, and gone to his reward, and the surviving delegate makes this Report, and recommends that the delegation be continued.

WM. DOWNEY.

Whereas, The F. C. Baptists and F. W. Baptists of Nova Scotia have mutually agreed, and formed one denomination, known as the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia—

Therefore Resolved, That we approve of said action, and recognize them as sustaining the same relation to us as the late Free C. Baptist General Conference of that Province did, and that a Committee of three be appointed to nominate Corresponding Delegates from this Conference thereto.

Adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1½ o'clock, P. M.

Opened by singing and prayer.

Whereas, The Constitution of our General Conference requires that the Chairman of Conference shall be elected, without declaring who is eligible to the office, or by what way the election shall be conducted—

Therefore Resolved, 1st. That all ordained Elders be eligible to the office of Chairman of General Conference.

2d. That each member of Conference has a right to vote.

3d. That the voting shall be by ballot, and the election take place in the meeting Saturday afternoon, immediately after the names of the members of Conference are recorded.

4th. That the Recording Secretary shall count the ballots, and declare the brother who has the most votes Chairman for the ensuing year.

5th. That the brother who shall have the next greatest number of votes shall be Assistant Chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside over the Conference at the request or in the absence of the Chairman.

6th. That these Resolutions shall go into effect at our next Annual Conference.

Whereas, The Rev. G. A. Hartley has written and published a pamphlet, entitled "Immortality versus Annihilation;" and *Whereas*, We believe it to be fully written, and a real Scriptural and logical defence of the truth—

Therefore Resolved, That we do heartily approve of said pamphlet, and recommend it to the favorable consideration of all who love the truth.

The following paper from the Administrators of the estate of the late Rev. E. McLeod was read, and a Committee appointed to report thereon:—

To the Chairman of the F. C. Baptist General Conference:

DEAR SIR—By the unexpected demise of our father, the late Editor and Proprietor of the *Religious Intelligencer*, that journal has passed into our hands, as Administrators of his Estate, for the management of which we are legally responsible to our father's heirs and creditors.

The columns of the *Intelligencer* have always been open for the use and benefit of Free Baptists; and we, as the legal successors of the late proprietor, tender, through you, to the Free Baptist denomination, the same or like privileges and advantages granted by our Father, and request in return the like sympathy, support, and friendly assistance heretofore bestowed.

We need scarcely remind the friends of our father that, after a life of toil and sacrifice, the *Religious Intelligencer* is all that remains for his family, if we except the memory and influence of his pious and godly life, advice and example, and that we, as Administrators of his Estate, can hope by no other means than the judicious management of said paper, to liquidate the demands against the Estate, and realize something towards the support of his widow and family.

From three months experience in the management of said journal, we have every reason to believe that, with the kindly co-operation of the friends of the *Intelligencer*, we will not only be able to meet all demands against the Estate,

but realize at least a partial support for the family of its late Editor. We therefore request that you will lay this document before the Conference at your earliest convenience, and ask for us the friendly support herein solicited.

M. McLEOD,
J. McLEOD, } Administrators.

S. B. OROMOTRO, July 8, 1867.

The Committee appointed to report on the paper brought before the General Conference by the Administrators of the Estate of the late Rev. E. McLeod, beg leave to make the following recommendations—

That all the honour and all the pecuniary advantages accrue to the family of the late Editor, whose demise we deeply feel, and with whose family we deeply sympathize. We further recommend that the General Conference give them their support and influence, as when the paper was under the control of the late Editor. In view of the fact of the *Religious Intelligencer* being the organ of the Free Baptists of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and in view of the youth of the present Editor, who has been so unexpectedly placed in the position, we recommend that an advisory Committee be appointed, to advise with the Editor when necessary.

The following brethren were appointed the advisory Committee referred to in the Report: Revs. B. Merritt, J. Perry, and T. Connor.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were introduced by Bro. Wm. Peters, and after some discussion and deliberation, were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, For several years it has been the desire of a number of the members of this General Conference that there should be a permanent fund established in this General Conference for the relief of sick and disabled ministers and their families; and *Whereas*, there has been a fund established by the Church at Fredericton, called the "McLeod Ministers' Relief Fund," the principal of which will, according to the rules of that Society, come into the hands of the General Conference after the term of four years; and as there is already \$1000 donated to the Conference by Bro. Boyer, to be used by the Conference as it may decide; and *Whereas*, We find by experience that to receive donations it is necessary to have definite objects properly set before the public—

Therefore Resolved, That this Conference do with pleasure note the evidence of the great love of the Fredericton Church for their late Pastor, Rev. E. McLeod, and do with them deplore our loss in the death of our lamented brother, and that we do deeply sympathize with his afflicted family; and further

Resolved, That this Conference proceed to form a Society for the purposes in the Preamble to these Resolutions intimated, under the name of the "F. C. Baptist Ministers' Relief Fund," not to conflict with the above named Society, but to more effectually provide relief for needy ministers and their families.

Brethren G. A. Hartley, J. T. Parsons, Wm. Kinghorn, G. T. Hartley, and Geo. W. McCready, were appointed a Committee to draft a Constitution for the government of the F. C. B. Ministers.

Relief Society. The Report and Constitution submitted by them were received, and a Society organized. The Constitution and Officers of the Society will be found elsewhere in these Minutes.

Whereas, Bro. G. R. Boyer, one year ago, made a donation to this Conference of one thousand dollars, the interest of which is to be used by this Conference for such purposes as they deem advisable—

Therefore Resolved, That we donate the interest or income of said one thousand dollars for the past year to the funds of the F. C. B. Ministerial Relief Society.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING—8 o'clock, A. M.

Opened by singing and prayer.

Resolved, That Bro. E. C. Freeze, our Sabbath School Agent, be empowered to procure Circulars, and forward them to each Church in the denomination, in order to get a proper report from the Schools connected with our Churches, and that this Conference defray the expenses of Circular and postage.

Notice is hereby given that a Resolution will be introduced in the next session of this Conference to change the name of this denomination from "Free Christian Baptist" to "Free Baptist."

July 10th, 1867.

J. PERRY,
WM. DOWNEY.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be directed to examine all titles of property held by this Conference, and to report the same at our next Annual Meeting.

Whereas, Certain men come forward amongst us as preachers, whose gifts and qualifications do not warrant their ordination, who may be very useful in labouring in a local manner—

Therefore Resolved, That the Committee appointed to revise the Constitution, be instructed to introduce a section providing for licensing local preachers, who shall not be ordained.

Resolved, That this Conference do observe the first Friday in December next as a day of fasting and prayer, to invoke God's blessing on our ministers and Churches, and upon his cause throughout the world.

Resolved, That this Conference donate the balance of funds in the hands of the Treasurer, after paying the incidental expenses of the Conference, to the Home Mission Society.

Resolved, That no person shall be licensed to preach, either by General Conference, District Meetings, or Churches, who use tobacco in any way, excepting in cases where the candidate has a written prescription for its use from a physician; and *Further Resolved*, That should District Meetings or Churches violate this Resolution, they shall be censurable by this Conference.

Resolved, That the Sabbath School Agent of the General Con-

ference be a standing member of this Conference. The office is now held by Bro. E. C. Freeze.

Resolved, That Elders G. A. Hartley and Wm. M. Knollin be appointed Corresponding Delegates to the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia; and that Elder J. Perry be appointed a substitute for either of them—the Conference to pay their expenses.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2 o'clock, P. M.

Opened by singing and prayer.

A vote having been taken that we devise and adopt some system of circuits amongst our churches, by which we may more systematically supply them with ministerial labour, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to frame a scheme upon the circuit system, embracing a scale of salaries for ministers, and other necessary points, to be submitted to this session of Conference as soon as practicable; and if approved, that it be printed and circulated among our Churches, requesting them to express themselves, through their delegates, at the next session of their respective Districts, and that the matter be taken up and disposed of in the next session of this Conference.

The Committee appointed were A. Taylor, Wm. Downey, J. T. Parsons, D. W. Clark, E. C. Freeze, and Solomon Smith.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Your Committee appointed to arrange some plan by which the care of the Churches may be more fully realized, by the introduction of the Circuit system (so called), beg leave to recommend, that our denominational field be divided into about twenty-five circuits, as the Conference may decide; and that Circulars be prepared for distribution among the Churches, to be so worded as to determine whether the Church to which it is addressed is willing to submit to such a system as therein described; if so, what amount it will guarantee to raise during each year for ministerial labour; said Church to make known its decision at the next annual meeting of the District of which it is a member, and that the Secretary of each District Meeting be required to make a full report to Conference of all the Churches within the District in favour of said system, and also of those not in favour.

With regard to the scale of salary, your Committee is unable to come to any decision, unless the Elders consent mutually to a classification.

A. TAYLOR, Chairman.

A Committee composed of one from each District was appointed to divide the Churches into Circuits. The Committee were, A. Taylor, T. Connor, S. E. Curry, G. W. McDonald, B. Merriitt, E. Weyman, and J. Gunter.

The following is their Report, and the division of the Churches adopted by the Conference:—

Your Committee appointed to set off the Churches into Circuits, beg to submit the following Report. We have divided the Churches into thirty-four Circuits, as follows:—

1st Circuit—California Settlement, Salmon River, Fort Fairfield, and Eaton Grant.

- 2d Circuit—Perth, and Tobique River.
 3d Circuit—Andover, Gee Neighborhood, Fitzherbit Settlement, Holmes' Settlement, and Demerechant Settlement.
 4th Circuit—Gallop Neighborhood, Greenfield, East Florenceville, Munquart Settlement, and Shittedahawk.
 5th Circuit—Presquille (Tracy's Mills), Knoxford, Letter B, and Williams-town.
 6th Circuit—Mouth of Presquille, 1st Wakefield, and Lower Wakefield.
 7th Circuit—3d Tier Jacksonville, Creek Settlement, and Palmer Settlement.
 8th Circuit—7th Tier, Monticello, and Bridgewater.
 9th Circuit—Upper Brighton, Mouth of Beekagumac, and Lower Brighton.
 10th Circuit—Woodstock, and Upper Woodstock.
 11th Circuit—Gordonsville, Coldstream, Beekagumac, Windsor, and Knowlesville.
 12th Circuit—Southampton, Canterbury Station, and 2d Canterbury Church.
 13th Circuit—Lower Southampton, Caverhill, and Campbell Settlement.
 14th Circuit—Bear Island, Staples' Settlement, Dumfries, Upper and Lower Queensbury.
 15th Circuit—Prince William, Kingslear, and Douglas.
 16th Circuit—Fredericton and Lincoln.
 17th Circuit—1st and 2d Nashwaak, and Stanley.
 18th Circuit—Mouth of Oromocto, Geary, and Rushagornish.
 19th Circuit—North and South Branches Oromocto, Patterson Settlement, and the Mill Church.
 20th Circuit—Upper Gagetown, Village of Gagetown, and Upper Hampstead.
 21st Circuit—1st, 2d, and 3d Churches in Johnston, and 3d and 5th in Wickham.
 22d Circuit—1st Church in Kars, and the 1st, 2d and 4th Churches in Wickham.
 23d Circuit—2d Church in Kars, 1st and 2d Churches in Greenwich, and 1st Church in Kingston.
 24th Circuit—1st Hampstead, New Jerusalem, New Ireland, and Lower Wickham.
 25th Circuit—Middleland, River Church, and McKenzie's Settlement.
 26th Circuit—Millstream, Millstream Mountains, and Upper Millstream.
 27th Circuit—Roach Meeting House, Upper Sussex, New Town, and Dutch Valley.
 28th Circuit—Portage, Corn Ridge, Steeves' Settlement, and North River.
 29th Circuit—Coverdale, Steeves' and Lutes' Mountains, Dover, and Taylor Village.
 30th Circuit—St. John and Indiantown.
 31st Circuit—Carleton and vicinity.
 32d Circuit—Wilson's Beach, Welshpool, Snug Cove, and Beaver Harbour.
 33d Circuit—North Head and Woodard's Cove, Grand Manan.
 34th Circuit—Seal Cove, Grand Harbour, and White Head Island.

A. TAYLOR,
 Chairman of Committee.

A. Taylor, J. Noble, F. Babcock, and E. C. Freeze, were appointed a Committee to prepare the Circular to be sent to the Churches.

CIRCULAR.

FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE—TO THE CHURCH IN ——— :

Dear Brethren—From the almost universal demand for ministerial help and pastoral oversight by the Churches, we, the denomination in General Conference, have decided to introduce the Circuit system among all the Churches accepting of the same, and co-operating with the General Conference in carrying it out.

The Conference proposes to furnish ministerial labour and care to all Churches complying with this proposition, to the amount of means pledged by the Church from year to year. The Church to decide at a public meeting, first, if it will adopt the system; and secondly, what amount it will pledge for the desired pastoral care and labour. The decision of the Church, whether favorable or unfavourable, to be reported by the Clerk at the next session of the District Meeting of which it is a member: in all cases the amount pledged to be stated; and the Clerk of each District Meeting to give a full report of these returns to the General Conference, at its next annual gathering. In the absence of a pastor, the Deacons should call the meeting of the Church for this purpose.

A. TAYLOR,
Chairman of Committee.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING—8 o'clock, A. M.

Opened by singing and prayer.

Resolved, That 2000 copies of the Minutes of this Conference be published and distributed amongst our Churches, and that G. A. Hartley, B. J. Underhill, and Wm. Peters be the Committee; also that the Committee receive \$12 for that service.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be cheerfully tendered to the kind friends in this community for their liberal hospitality towards the many guests they have so abundantly and comfortably entertained during our session.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

The following list contains the time and place of holding our District Meetings, and the brethren appointed to attend them:—

1ST DISTRICT—To be held in the Bishop neighborhood, Aros-took River, the first Saturday in October. To attend: Elders J. Noble, A. Taylor, S. E. Curry, A. B. Marsh, and Bro. Joseph McLeod.

2ND DISTRICT—To be held with the Church in Woodstock, the last Saturday in September. To attend: Elders Geo. W. McDonald, J. N. Barnes, and Bro. Joseph McLeod.

3RD DISTRICT—To be held with the Church at Douglas, the second Saturday in October. To attend: Elders A. Taylor, Wm. Downey, J. Gunter, G. W. McDonald, Y. White, and Bro. A. Kenney.

4TH DISTRICT—To be held with the Church at Upper Gagetown, the third Saturday in October. To attend: Elders G. A. Hartley, J. T. Parsons, J. Perry, W. E. Pennington, and Bro. Joseph McLeod.

5TH DISTRICT—To be held with the first Church Johnston (Perry meeting house), the first Saturday in October. To attend: W. E. Pennington, Wm. Downey, J. Gunter, J. Perry, and Bro. A. Kenney.

6TH DISTRICT—To be held at Roachville, Sussex, the second Saturday in October. To attend: Elders F. Babcock, G. A. Hartley, and Bro. Joseph McLeod.

7th District—To be held with the Church, Carleton, St. John, the second Saturday in June. To attend, Elders J. Noble and A. Taylor.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet with the Church at Springfield, K. C., the first Saturday in July, 1868.

B. J. UNDERHILL,

RECORDING SECRETARY.

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Free Christian Baptist General Conference in account with William Peters, Treasurer.

On

By balance on hand,					
July, 1866,	\$388.00	Sarah Parsons,	\$0.25	James Nickerson,	\$0.25
Proceeds of J. W.		John Fitzgerald,	28	Anna Nickerson,	25
Boyer's note received from G. R.		Sarah Kirkpatrick,	25	Lydia Harper,	25
Boyer, Esq., on acct. donation,	282.92	Samuel Patterson,	47	Eleanor Stockton,	25
Interest allowed on \$282.92, from August 24 to July 1st, 1867,	15.48	Church, Geary,	\$4.00	Thomas Kierstead,	25
Interest on \$200 of balance Conference Fund, from Aug. 1st to July 1st, 1867,	10.58	S. Brown and wife,	\$0.50	John Keith and wife,	50
John Brown and wife,	50	Gain Wood,	25	John E. Keith,	25
		George Smith,	25	C. M. Hunt and wife,	50
		Georgiana Smith,	24	Ella Jane Hunt,	25
		Eben D. Carr and wife,	50	Abraham Harper,	25
					\$6.57
				Church, Upper Feet,	
				Susan Bell,	\$0.25
		Church, Lower Brighton,	\$1.74	Robert Hatheway,	25
		N. Gray and wife,	\$0.43	Charles Boyer,	24
		A. Tidley,	24	Rebecca Hatheway,	25
		Widow McGee,	24	Mary Barney,	25
		Sarah Richardson,	24	James A. Farley,	25
		Martha Ackerson,	24	Jacob Rideout,	25
		G. Robinson and wife,	48	Julia M. Rideout,	25
		George Stickney,	25	William Banks,	25
		Asa Robinson,	20	Henry McKinley,	12
		George Noble,	20	Isaiah Lockhart,	25
		Robert Nixon,	25	James Melasac,	25
		James Gray,	25	Maria Hartley,	30
		John Brown,	24	Elizabeth Rodgers,	21
		R. Robinson,	20	Elizabeth Melasac,	25
		T. H. Noble,	40	Lotte Tompkins,	25
			25	Lydia Boyer,	24
				Lydia Lockhart,	7
				Mary Jane Tompkins,	24
				Huldey Tompkins,	24
					\$4.76
				Church, Jacksonville,	
				Jane Earle,	\$0.25
				Lavinia Earle,	25
				Caroline Green,	25
				Martha Green,	12
				Olevia Green,	12
				Fanny Alexander,	25
				Israel Smith,	30
				George Smith,	40
				J. Haines,	9
				Jonathan Harding,	29
				James Kenney,	24
				Jethro Smith,	25
				Henrietta Smith,	12
					\$2.94
				Church, Upper Woodstock,	
				James W. Brown,	\$1.00
				G. T. Hartley,	1.00
				Aaron Cox,	50
				James Clark,	24
				Charles Jackson,	25
				George Jackson,	50
				Tuscan Trombley,	50
				David Phillips,	50
				E. D. Brown,	50
					\$4.90

Church, Calais			Eliza A. Knollin,			Church, Lower Prince		
Wm. Pool and wife,	\$0 50		Mary Watson,	25		William,		
John Morrill and wife,	00		Elizabeth McKennelly,	25		Edward Burden,	\$0 25	
Harris Hill,	7		Catharine Coates,	25		Thomas McDonald,	25	
			E. Clara Gosline,	25		J. Nevers,	25	
	\$1 17					William Kirk,	25	
Church, Bear Island.			Church, Lower Queensbury.			B. Cliff,	25	
Samuel Hagerman and			Andrew Gunter,	\$0 25		J. G. Vanwart,	25	
wife,	\$0 37		Mr. Cliff,	50		Ellen Lary,	50	
John Hagerman,	25		Mary Keichum,	50		William Lounsbury,	50	
Shearman Hagerman,	13		John Cliff,	20		William Vanwart,	24	
Elizabeth Lint,	13		William Slipp,	50		Asa Smith,	25	
John Huestis,	24		G. H. Vanwart,	50				
Smith Moore,	24						\$2 99	
George D. Brown,	24					Church, Upper Sussex.		
Mrs. Lawrence Lint,	24					Bamford Colpitts,	\$0 30	
Jacob Hagerman,	24		Church, Coverdale.			Mrs. Sarah Wallace,	25	
Edward Parent and wife,	50		Abel Steeves and wife,	\$0 43		Abner D. Freeze,	25	
A. Slinot,	25		Benjamin Marshall,	20		Charles E. Freeze and		
Lawrence Hagerman,	25		A. Steeves,	24		wife,	50	
Mrs. Jesse Parent,	25					G. L. Slipp and wife,	50	
Mrs. William Simpson,	11					Mrs. McKensie,	50	
	\$3 42		Church, Erb Settlement.			John Fowler,	25	
Church, Temperance Vale.			William Erb,	\$0 50		Mrs. Ann Morton,	25	
James Parent,	\$0 25		Frederick Erb,	40		S. McCready and wife,	50	
Washington Noddin,	25		Henry Erb,	25		Robert McLeod and wife,	50	
Henry Baker,	25		Seth McLeod and wife,	50		G. W. McCready,	25	
Cox,	25		Andrew Sproule,	25		Susan McLeod,	25	
William Ganong,	25					Emma McLeod,	25	
Malinda Ganong,	25					Sarah E. Morton,	25	
Malcolm Corey,	25		1st Church, Nashwaak.			Isabel Morton,	25	
Solomon W. Parent,	25		B. Goodspeed and wife,	\$0 50		Andrew Philips,	25	
			B. M. Goodspeed and			J. E. B. McCready,	25	
			wife,	75		Winslow McLeod,	25	
	\$2 00		Mr. Weade,	25		Isabel McLeod,	25	
Church, Cole's Island.			Charles Weade,	25		Mary McLeod,	25	
John Cole and wife,	\$0 54		Thomas Goodspeed,	25		Gideon McLeod,	25	
Jas. Starkey and wife,	50		Joseph Allan,	25				
			Michael Weade,	25				
	\$1 04		George T. Allan,	25		Church, Mouth Oromocto.		
Church, Perry's Point.			Matilda Carman,	25		Mrs. W. Davis,	\$0 25	
Daniel Jenkins,	\$1 44					Stephen Kinney,	25	
Joel Jenkins,	1 00		2d Church, Wakefield.			James Kinney,	25	
Gilbert Perry,	75		John Mallory and wife,	\$0 60		Mrs. S. Kinney,	25	
George Perry,	50		Wm. Slipp,	50		Mrs. J. Kinney,	25	
Thomas O'Donald,	50		John DeWitt,	25		Ann Kinney,	25	
	\$4 19		Herman Shaw,	25		Alfred Hatch,	25	
Church, Coldstream.			James York and wife,	50		Mrs. A. Hatch,	25	
W. Crandlemire and			James Whitney,	25		Louisa Currey,	25	
wife,	\$0 50		Chas. Vanwart and wife,	50		M. Emerson and wife,	50	
J. N. Foster,	25					John Kimball,	50	
S. Foster,	25					George Grass,	50	
J. Foster,	25					John Grass,	50	
Samuel Crandlemire,	25		Church, Mouth Big Presquille.				\$4 25	
J. Melvin,	25		Nat. Stickney and wife,	\$0 50		Church, Upper Brighton.		
Maria Foster,	25		J. Birmingham and wife,	50		John Babar,	\$1 00	
M. A. Stockford,	25		Chas. Holmes and wife,	50		Charles Eldouat,	50	
G. McDonald,	25		L. H. Estabrooks and wife,	50		Abraham Harman,	50	
Wm. Foster,	25		Sarah Stickney,	25		John Day,	25	
S. A. Foster,	10		Isaiah Birmingham,	25		Samuel Clark,	25	
Sarah Clark,	25		Millissa Birmingham,	25		Charles Babar,	25	
T. Burdock,	08		George Nicholson,	24		Thomas J. C. Sewell,	50	
			Mrs. Joseph Birmingham,	25		George F. Nevers,	50	
			Matilda Eldouat,	25		Milton Sewell,	25	
Church, Newtown.			H. Tompkins and wife,	50		Samuel Campbell,	19	
John H. Wilcox,	\$0 25		Benjamin Stickney,	25		Henry A. Day,	25	
Joseph Hall,	25		Leticia Noble,	25		Charles Chase,	50	
Thomas Coates,	25		John Stickney,	25		Bathsheba Gallop,	25	
Richard J. Knollin,	25		Elizabeth Turner,	25		Mary J. Nevers,	25	
Thomas L. Coates,	25		Charles Turner,	25				
John A. Gosline,	25		George O. Turner,	25				
				\$5 50				\$5 87

John Shaw, sen.,	\$0 25	James E. Jones,	\$0 25	John Good, jun.,	\$0 25
Christopher Burwith,	25	James Urquhart,	25	Mrs. John Good,	25
G. R. Boyer and wife,	50	David Williger,	25	William Haney,	25
Mrs. Z. Birmingham,	25	David P. Williger,	25	Mrs. Wm. Haney,	25
Elijah M. Shaw and wife,	50	Mary A. Hatfield,	25	Caleb Fenwick,	25
Wm. Taylor and wife,	50	Stephen Jones,	25	Elizabeth Fenwick,	25
Edgar Somers,	25	Calvin S. Philp and wife,	25	Mrs. W. Keith,	25
Beth Siprell and wife,	50	Mrs. Jacob Downey,	25		
Wilford Siprell and wife,	50	Joseph Ricker, jun.,	25		\$7 65
Samuel H. Shaw and wife,	50	Gilbert Williger,	25	Church, Up. Hampstead.	
Richard Homes and wife,	50				
Richard Currie,	25	Church, Stanley.	\$3 75	Leonard Slipp and wife,	\$0 50
Martha Henderson,	25	J. S. Williams and wife,	\$0 50	Gilbert L. Slipp,	25
Moses Boyer,	25	Sarah J. Williams,	25	John Slipp,	25
Sheppard M. Boyer,	25	Stephen Merrill,	25	James McAlpine and wife,	50
Beth McLaughlan,	25	James F. White,	25	John McAlpine, jun.,	25
Calvin Boyce,	25	Lydie J. Waugh,	25	James McAlpine, jun.,	25
Samuel Siprell and wife,	50	A. Merrill,	25	Adelaide McAlpine,	25
G. W. Boyer and wife,	60	Wellington Yerxa and	50	Robert Slipp and wife,	50
Miss A. A. Boyer,	25	wife,	50	W. O. Slipp,	25
Isaac Bideout,	25	Wm. Merrill and wife,	50	Susan Corwell,	25
Israel Merritt,	25			David Ebbett and wife,	50
Ezekiel Siprell, jun.,	25	Church, Upper Gagetown.	\$2 75	Charles Ebbett and wife,	50
Joseph McGee and wife,	50	Charles Gunter,	\$1 00	Joseph Ebbett,	25
Nathaniel Shaw and wife,	50	T. Crothers and wife,	50	Jeremiah Gaunce and wife,	50
Mrs. Rufus Shaw,	25	David Carrier,	50	Sarah McAlpine,	25
Cyrus M. Shaw and wife,	44	W. Taylor and wife,	50	Margaret McAlpine,	25
Abram Rideout,	25	Annie McMulken,	25	Elizabeth McAlpine,	25
Miss Squires,	25	Kate McMulken,	25	Frisella Penery,	25
Mrs. Moses Orser, jun.,	25	Thomas Ebbett and wife,	50	Rachel Penery,	25
Stephen Shaw,	25	Fanny Coy,	25	John Slipp,	40
Mrs. Wm. Burt,	25	Henrietta Thompson,	25	Elisha Slipp and wife,	50
Elijah Gallop,	25			Susan Slipp,	25
Mrs. W. E. Somers,	25	Church, Beckagutmac.	\$3 75	Henry Beattie,	50
Thomas Ebbitt,	25	Hannah S. Hayward,	\$0 25	William Fox and wife,	50
Mrs. E. Siprell and	50	William Hayward,	25	Reuben Fox and wife,	50
daughter,	50	Elizabeth A. Hayward,	25	Lucinda Fox,	25
Widow P. Birmingham,	25	Fanny Dickinson,	25	Abraham Fox,	25
Mrs. C. Birmingham,	25	John Bulyea,	25	Mary A. Cameron,	25
Abner Siprell,	25	Hannah Bulyea,	25	Emily Cameron,	25
Hugh McGrath,	25	Jacob Craig,	25	A Friend,	25
Caleb Phillips,	25	Ann Craig,	25	Charles Leonard and wife,	50
Mrs. E. Harper,	25	George Craig,	25		
Widow Wm. Kimball,	15	Hannah Turner,	25		\$10 90
Mrs. A. McIntich,	25	John Noble,	25	Church, Portage, Sussex.	
John Kinney,	25	Charles Boone,	25	John McLeod and	
Mary E. Shaw,	25			wife,	\$0 50
George Lockhart,	25			Rodney McLeod,	25
James Vandine,	25			Mrs. D. McLeod,	25
				William Teakles,	25
				W. S. Teakles and wife,	50
				H. E. Teakles,	25
Church, Tenant's Cove.	\$17 94	Church, Millstream.	\$2 50	Mrs. Burnett,	25
John Erb and wife,	\$0 50	Rev. Edward Weyman	\$0 50	Nelson Jonah and wife,	50
Gabriel Vanwart and wife,	50	Abner Weyman,	25	Robert Jonah,	25
Valentine Vanwart and	50	Wesley Weyman,	25	Mary Jonah,	25
wife,	50	Jane Weyman,	25	Mrs. Mary F. Fenwick,	25
Mrs. M. J. Downey,	25	George L. Good,	25	James Dunfield and wife,	50
Mrs. W. Warden,	25	Mrs. G. L. Good,	25	Thomas L. Dunfield,	25
Miss F. C. Toole,	25	Mrs. Fanny Fenwick,	25		
Miss Matilda Jones,	25	Mrs. Susan Johnson,	25		\$4 25
Miss S. Toole,	25	Thomas W. Musgrove,	25	Church, Beaver Harbour.	
Amos French,	25	Edward McLeod and wife,	40	Jesse Wright and	
Levi Jones and wife,	25	Jonathan McLeod and	40	wife,	\$0 50
Caleb Jones,	25	wife,	40	James Eldridge and wife,	50
Mrs. M. Jones,	25	Samuel Fenwick,	25	Mrs. Ann Ash,	25
Benjamin French,	25	Ruth Fenwick,	25	Mrs. Mary Holmes,	25
Widow McKenzie,	25	William Fenwick,	25	Aaron Cross,	25
		William McLeod and wife,	40	Christopher Cross,	25
1st Church, Kara.	\$4 50	John Good, sen.,	25	Andrew T. Green,	25
Samuel Scribner and		John W. Good,	25	Amy Holmes,	25
wife,	\$0 50	George Good, sen.,	25	George Cross and wife,	50
Amelia Scribner,	25	Mrs. George Good,	25		
Hesekiah Scribner,	25				\$5 00

\$0 25	Church, Lower Southampton.	Maggie Flagg,	\$0 25	Ch., Wootstock,	\$1 25
25	J. F. Stairs and wife, \$0 50	Thomas Redmond and	50	Church, Knowlerville.	
25	Alfred Thornton and	wife,	50	Walter Doucett,	25
25	wife,	Daniel Gatecomb,	20	Leonard Doucett,	25
25	James Dunlop,		\$13 09	Maria Doucett,	25
25	Anna Stairs,			Mary Doucett,	25
25	Lydia A. Stairs,				
25	Israel Stairs, 2d, and	Church, N. B. Oromocto.			
25	wife,				\$1 00
\$7 65	Wm. McFarlane, jr.,	John Webb and		Church, Southampton.	
50	Morgan Thornton and	wife,	\$0 50	Anna Hartley,	\$0 25
50	wife,	John Mesereau and	50	D. B. Harris,	50
50	Wordy Bradley and	wife,	50	Chas. Bartlett and	50
50	wife,	Mrs. Currie and daugh-		wife,	
50	Frederic Stairs and	ter,	50		
50	wife,	C. Tracey and wife,	50		\$1 25
50	Nelson Thornton and	Richardson Tracey, jun.	25	Church, Big Presquille.	
50	wife,	Joseph Tracey,	25	A. Hovey,	\$0 24
50	Botsford Stairs,	Jotham Tracey and	50	Z. Miller,	24
50		wife,	50	Z. Mills and wife,	44
50		Joshua Tracey,	25	G. L. Cronkite and	
50	1st Church, North Head,	D. Duplisse and wife,	50	wife,	48
50	Grand Manan.	Linnis Tracey,	10	E. Estabrooks and	60
50	Magnus Green and	William E. Morgan,	12	family,	25
50	wife,	John McLeary,	50	Peter Harris,	24
50	Wm. Watt and wife,	James McLeary and	50	J. Miller,	20
50	W. D. Hart and wife,	wife,	25	Mrs. Peterson,	24
50	James Small and wife,	Richardson Webb,	1 00	G. Weade,	25
50	John Thomas and wife,	Mrs. R. Kelly and	1 00	E. Tracy,	24
50	Elizabeth Woodbury,	family,	1 00	Mrs. Meade,	39
50	Stephen Thomas,	Mrs. David Hartt and	50	Charles West,	39
50	Andrew Gilmour and	family,	50	George Johnston,	
50	wife,	T. W. Alexander and	25		
\$10 90	Wm. Cronk and wife,	wife,	25		\$10 74
50	Rodney Flagg and wife,	Mary Harris,	25	Jeremiah Tracy,	25
50	Edmund Dagget and	Michael McLauchlin,	25	Wm. Daggett,	50
50	wife,	Thomas O. Harris,	25	Church, Lower Studholm.	
50	John Sinclair,	Benjamin Tracey,	50	E. Secord,	\$0 25
50	Sidney Bancroft and	Mrs. George Webb,	50	A. Wilcox and wife,	50
50	wife,	Emery Webb and	20	Mrs. E. Sproule,	25
50	Maggie A. Benson,	wife,	35		
50	Elizabeth Burke,	William Creekmore,	30		\$1 00
50	William Kendrick and	John Harris,	20	Church, New Ireland.	
50	wife,	Jonathan Harris,	25	Isaac Davis and wife,	\$0 50
50	Cornelia Watt,	Rhoda Harris,	50	Priscilla Davis,	25
50	Mrs. Mills,	Charles Jewett,	75		
50	William Chaney,	George Burt,	50		\$0 75
50	Lorenzo Drake,	John E. Boone,	50		
50	Henrietta E. Drake,	Murray Boone,	50		
50	Mrs. Nelson Small,	Israel Tracey,	50		
50	James McFarlane and	George Tracey,	50		
50	wife,	John Atera,	50		
50	Mrs. Winchester,	Daniel Davis,	50		
50	Alonzo Bancroft and	Adeline Hartt,	50		
50	wife,	John Alexander and	50		
50	Mrs. Giles Ellingwood,	family,	1 00		
50	John Stanley,	Oliyer Turner,	30		
50	Wm. Thomas and wife,		50		
50	Mrs. Josiah Flagg,		50		
\$8 00			\$15 42	Mrs. Campbell,	25

Mrs. J. T. Peters,	\$0 50	Albert Peters and	Catharine Carpenter,	\$0 25
Robert Stewart,	25	wife,	Abraham Vanwart and	
Mrs. Ward,	25	Isaac Gaunce,	wife,	50
Sarah Thomas,	25	Wm. Henderson,	24	Thomas W. Carpenter
O. J. Smith and wife,	50	Rev. J. Gunter and	and wife,	50
Mrs. James Earle,	25	family,	1 00	Isaac W. Carpenter,
Matilda Sprague,	40	David Logan,	25	James McCordic,
Lydia McAuley,	25	Benjamin Hatfield,	25	
Jacob Bacon,	25	George Williams and		\$2 25
Wm. Howard and		wife,	50	
wife,	50	Mrs. Bleakney,	25	1st Church, Kara.
Margaret Parks,	25	Isaac Palmer,	25	
James Fowler and		Mrs. Joshua Worden,	25	Thomas Davis,
wife,	50	John Vanwart,	25	Seth Erb and wife,
A. Bradshaw and		Widow Rodgers,	25	Harriet Erb,
wife,	50	Widow House,	30	John Odell,
S. Chase and wife,	50	Thomas Scott,	30	George Bond,
Mrs. Howard,	25	George Flewelling,	30	Robert Scribner,
Malkiah Sprague,	30	Chas. Jones and wife,	50	Joseph Comowe,
G. W. Holder and		George Goram,	25	Mrs. Leonard,
wife,	50	Moses Kimble,	25	Wm. Urquhart,
Mrs. Ella,	25	Mrs. Mitchell,	60	George Record and
Mrs. Porter,	25	James Machum,	25	wife,
Grace Ellis,	25	John Kimble, jun.,	25	Mary J. Burns,
Saunders Clark and		John Palmer and	50	Abijah Odell,
wife,	25	wife,	50	Joseph Douglas and
Elizabeth Sprague,	25	D. J. Whelpley,	25	wife,
Matilda Thomas,	30	David Speight and	1 00	A friend,
Ceylon Purdy,	25	wife,	50	James Jones,
Emma Lamoreaux,	25	Valentine Flaglorand	50	Seth Erb,
John Golder and wife,	50	wife,		Gilbert Willager,
Maggie Viel,	25	Chas. H. Peters and	1 00	
D. W. Clark and		wife,		\$4 99
family,	2 00			Church, Lower Wickham.
Hugh Jones and wife,	50			
G. P. Jones and		4th Church, Wickham.		Jacob Vanwart,
wife,	50	James E. Smith,	\$0 25	Mrs. W. Shaw,
		John McCready,	25	G. J. Worden,
	\$13 99	Andrew McCready,	25	T. J. Worden,
		Stephen Smith,	20	Mercy E. Worden,
Mrs. James McFann,	25	George McCrea,	25	Leonard S. Vanwart,
Benjamin Brittain,	25	John Coleman,	25	Mrs. Mays Case,
		Diana Coleman,	25	Garrett Vanwart and
Church, St. John.		James McCrea,	25	wife,
William Peters and		Catharine McCrea,	25	Catharine Vanwart,
wife,	\$1 00	Andrew McCready,	25	Fanny Mary Vanwart,
B. J. Underhill and		Willet Green,	25	James Belyea and
wife,	50	Jesse Jones,	25	wife,
John Kimble and wife,	50	John A. Jones,	20	Susanna McAlpine,
L. Wilson and wife,	50	George Earle,	25	George Louge,
G. W. Belyea and				Eleanor Golding,
wife,	50			
John Cunningham,	50	2d Church, Wickham.		\$3 99
John Ricker and		Daniel Carpenter,	\$0 25	
wife,	1 00	Mrs. Daniel Carpenter,	25	\$937 24
By G. W. Boyer's Note (part of G. R. Boyer's donation of 1866),				450 11
" amount from G. R. Boyer (second donation),				1,000 00
Ca. By total amount received,				\$2,587 35

Ch. By amount received,

\$2,587 35

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To paid Elders McLeod and Downey, delegation expenses

" to Nova Scotia,		
" Barnes & Co., printing Minutes 1866,	\$40 00	
" Publishing Committee,	50 00	
" Wrapping paper,	12 00	
" G. W. Day's bill for printing Circular,	88	
" H. D. Curry, old loan to General Conference,	1 00	
" discount on American money,	20 00	
" Postage,	1 66	
" Ministers' Relief Society, interest on Boyer's	1 34	
donation of 1866,		
" Board of Managers, G. W. Boyer's Note,	14 43	
" Board of Managers,	450 11	
" Home Mission Society,	482 92	
" Board of Managers, by order of Conference, to be	372 75	
used in accordance with donor's wish,	1,000 00	
Balance in Treasurer's hands,	140 86	

\$2,587 35

NOTE.—The balance in the Treasurer's hands is to pay for printing Minutes, delegation to Nova Scotia, and other current expenses. The balance of Bro. Boyer's first donation he states will be handed in soon.

WILLIAM PETERS,
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MINUTES
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THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE H. MISSION SOCIETY.

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Vice-Presidents.

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Mr. WM. PETERS, Recording Secretary.

Mr. D. W. CLARK, Treasurer.

Rev. WILLIAM DOWNEY, Auditor.

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E. R. Parsons, Esq., Woodstock.
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Wm. D. Hartt, Grand Manan.
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Carleton F. C. B. Sabbath School.**

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" J. T. Parsons, Woodstock.
" G. A. Hartley, Carleton, St. John.
" T. Vanwart, Tenant's Cove.
" Wm. Kinghorn, Naswassis.
" A. B. Marsh, Fredericton.
" Chas. McMullin, Brighton.
" A. Taylor, Monticello, Me.
Michael White, Nashwaak, Y. C.
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" Yexia White, L. Woodstock.
Miss Ida Tilley Peters, St. John.**

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" G. A. Hartley, "
Miss C. A. Clark, "
Mrs. Wm. Downey, Fredericton.
" J. N. Barnes, Grand Manan.**

S. B. OROMOCTO, SUNBURY COUNTY, July 8th, 1867.

The Home Mission Society held its third Annual Meeting in the meeting house in this place on the 8th of July, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

B. J. Underhill, Esq., President, occupied the chair, and opened the meeting to order, and opened the services by giving out a hymn.

Prayer by Rev. E. Sullivan.

Corresponding Secretary's Report read.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Society of New Brunswick.

MY CHRISTIAN FRIENDS—The rapidity with which time passes is startling. Scarcely can we realize that a whole year has passed since we met in our Annual Meeting at Wakefield. But so it is. We are this evening assembled in our *third* yearly meeting, and it is now my duty to give you a report of our doings during the last twelve months. The Society has been prosecuting the work for which it was organized, and we are more than ever impressed with the importance of Home Mission labours. Many of our Churches are without regular care and preaching, and are entirely dependent for the ministry of the Word upon itinerant or missionary labour. Some of these Churches are small, and without much means for supporting the Gospel, and must be cared for, or lost to the denomination. We have very much to do, and need system, means, and men to do it. We cannot at present do all we wish to, nevertheless much good has already been accomplished, and we hope to increase in efficiency and success as we advance in age.

Believing that *Reports* should be reports on the state and progress made by the Society, rather than essays on the objects of the organization, I will at once give you an account of what has been done.

At our last Annual Meeting, our Executive Committee engaged the Rev. Wm. Downey for the year. Bro. Downey only spent half a month with us, when he requested to be relieved from his engagement, that he might follow the lead of his mind, and go to Nova Scotia. A part of this short time he spent at Stanley, where labour is much needed.

The Rev. F. Babcock has been engaged by the Society nearly nine months. He has visited a number of our Churches, and laboured faithfully for the up-building of the cause. At New Town, Smith's Creek, the Lord blessed him, and gave him to see a good season of revival. He baptized quite a number, and organized a Church.

This Church gives evidence of life, and we believe may, with care and labour, become large, and exert a healthy influence. He spent some time on the Millstream, at Sussex, Upper Sussex, and several other Churches in the eastern section of the country. At Prince William he also was blessed in promoting revival. The Spirit of God rendered his efforts powerful for good at this place. A good number were revived and reclaimed, and others were converted to God. He baptized several here. This Church was very much strengthened, and its influence greatly extended, by this timely visit of our brother. Kingsclear, and other places in that section of the country, were visited, and the cause somewhat helped.

The Rev. A. Taylor has spent some eight months under the direction of the Executive Committee. His labours have been divided amongst a large number of the Churches in the upper part of the country, principally in the First District. The urgent request made by this District last year for help, caused us to feel that we could do more good in our efforts to supply destitute Churches with care, by bestowing more than a proportion of our means on these scattered Churches, than in any other way; hence we have kept Bro. Taylor in that part

of the country all his time. Our brother has travelled almost constantly, and laboured faithfully in general oversight and care. He has accomplished much good in getting things in order. He has seen some revival interest, and organized one Church. He baptized in several places. Although his labours were not concentrated so as to produce revivals in all the Churches he visited, yet we believe much good has been done, and the way prepared for future gatherings.

The Rev. Samuel Downey was employed by this Society for four months and twenty-two days, and spent the time principally within the limits of the Sixth District. Dutch Valley, Portage, Snider Mountain, and other places were visited by him. In some of these Churches he saw revival interest and the cause helped. His labours in the families, as he went from house to house, were profitable. He baptized twenty-three.

Rev. T. Vanwart spent one month very profitably at Cole's Island. He saw quite a good revival, and baptized six persons. He made a short visit to Stanley, and saw that little Church considerably strengthened.

The Rev. A. B. Marsh made a short mission to the Staples' Settlement, where the Lord blessed his labours, and converted a number of souls. Eleven were baptized by him, and added to the little Church in that place.

The Rev. Robert French spent one month with the Church at New Ireland, Queen's County. Our brother visited faithfully and laboured industriously in this place, and we trust good—both for the present and future—was accomplished. This Church has a fine meeting house; but, like too many of our Churches, has very little regular preaching. It needs care and oversight.

Bro. Solomon Smith had a short mission; and Rev. C. McMullin spent one month in profitable labour with some of the up-river Churches.

The Rev. Yerxa White also laboured one month.

Two Churches have been organized and a large number of others have been cared for and supplied with about all the labour they received, by our Society.

At our annual meetings we not only wish to report and review the past, but to strengthen our zeal for the future as well. This is not the most successfully accomplished by statistics, or even by expressions of religious patriotism, but by unreserved consecration to the work. Those who give their money, and those who are kept in the field by it, together feel that the money is the Lord's, and the great end aimed at by its use is the conversion of sinners, and the upbuilding of the cause of our Redeemer. We do rejoice that the Master permits us to do something in so noble a part of his great work on the earth.

Time is rapidly passing, and ere another annual meeting of this Society shall be held, some who are now present may be numbered with the dead. What we do for the salvation of the ungodly around us, must be done at once. Soon the work will be left to others. In our fine and prosperous country, there is great need of the blessings of the Gospel becoming more universal. In all directions new settlements are being planted, and to these communities the Gospel must be carried. The calls now are numerous, the fields inviting, and the duty solemn and binding. Who has and who will continue to do his duty? The claims of our own kindred and of our own country are first and greatest. The commission from on high is imperative. Somebody must preach the Word of Life to our feeble Churches, and carry the glad tidings into places where now we have no organizations. Had we the men and means, we could find fields of labour for more than a score of Free Baptist Missionaries in this Province, outside of our Churches altogether.

The deep interest, almost amounting to enthusiasm, that has been taken in our work, in each of our past annual meetings, encourages us to hope that substantial aid will be rendered this evening. We want donations and pledges from all. The mite of the poor, as well as the large offerings of the rich, has always been acceptable in the treasury of the Lord. O for consecration! for the spirit of devotedness to the work of God, that will make us a power in accomplishing good! Our hope is that when we shall be done giving and preaching, praying and working, those who have supported, and those who have

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toiled, and those who have or who may be converted as the fruit of our efforts, may meet in heaven above, where we shall ascribe all the praise to the Lamb for ever and ever.

G. A. HARTLEY,

Cor. Secretary.

The Rev. John Perry, in a very zealous and appropriate speech of thirty minutes, moved the adoption of the Report, which was seconded by Rev. Wm. Downey, in his usual warm-hearted and inspiring style. The Rev. J. T. Parsons, D. W. Clark, and the Corresponding Secretary, all spoke, all throwing into the cause all the warmth and earnestness of their interested hearts. The Report was adopted.

The missionary spirit ran high. Subscriptions were received amounting to \$338.20. Of this \$149.29 was paid in cash.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee, in laying before you its present Annual Report, has to say that the duties devolving upon us during the year have been attended to, and the interests of the Society promoted as far as we have been able to do so. We held sixteen meetings for business during the year. Eight missionaries have laboured under our direction: the most of them, however, had but short missions. The whole time of labour expended by us is equal to about two years and four months by one man. The amount of money spent is about \$800. We have paid all demands against the Committee, and hope that funds may come in at this meeting by which the Society will be enabled to continue its important work.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

The F. C. B. Home Mission Society in account with D. W. Clark, Treasurer.

July, 1866.		Cr.	
Balance on hand,	\$302 20	George Perley,	\$0 50
Money without names,	8 60	Albert J. Smith,	1 00
Bamford Colpits,	2 00	Hanford Brown,	1 00
G. W. McCready,	1 00	Cash,	50
Mr. G. L. Slipp,	1 00	John H. Watson,	1 00
H. Wortman,	36	David Mitchell,	50
George Wallis,	60	D. D. Glazier, Esq.,	2 00
Winslow McLeod,	2 00	Samuel D. Nevins,	50
Sheriff Freeze,	1 00	Smith Mercereau,	25
Andrew Phelps,	70	Parker Glazier,	1 00
Sarah E. Morton,	50	Matilda Carman,	25
Caleb Secord,	1 00	Col. 4th D. M.,	2 25
Annie Slipp,	20	Luke DeWitt,	1 00
Rodney McLeod,	1 00	George F. Smith,	1 00
Col. 5th D. M.,	50	Col. Oromocto,	4 33
Mrs. Wm. Kinghorn,	10 00	R. Webb,	1 00
Mrs. (widow) Mitchell,	10 00	J. Tracy,	1 00
Robert Slipp,	1 00	Mrs. J. L. Nason,	50
Robert Reed,	1 00	Mrs. Orin Smith,	50
Mrs. R. Reed,	25	Hugh Brown,	1 00
James Kimble,	20	Alex. Brown,	1 00
Wm. Mills,	50	E. R. Parsons, Esq.,	5 00
Melville Patterson,	1 00	From Rev. E. McLeod,	Babcock,
Francis Patterson,	1 00	without names,	7 60
Samuel Jones,	50	S. McCready,	2 00
		David W. Smith,	\$1 00
		Eliza J. Gregg,	1 00
		Richard J. Knollin,	1 00
		George Coates,	1 00
		John W. Wilcox,	1 00
		Joseph Hall,	50
		Rev. B. Merritt,	2 00
		Samuel Munroe,	2 00
		Rev. J. Gunter,	5 00
		Joseph Tracey,	1 00
		E. C. Freeze,	1 00
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		Col. by Rev. A. B. Marsh,	3 18
		Col. by Rev. Wm. Downey,	6 15
		Mrs. Wm. Downey,	10 00
		Col. by Rev. A. Taylor,	141 70
		Col. by Rev. F. Babcock,	131 06
		Rev. C. McMullin,	20 00
		Emma McLeod,	50

Col. by Rev. R.		Almira Hartt,	\$1 00	Jane Raymond,	\$1 00
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Rev. R. French,	1 00	Mrs. S. B. Robbins,	5 00	J. E. Mitchell,	2 00
Diana Mattix,	1 00	D. E. Smith,	1 00	Elijah Gray,	2 00
Abner Secord,	1 00	Otis E. Hoyt,	1 00	Mrs. E. Gray,	1 00
Rev. F. Babcock,	5 00	Wm. L. Nutter,	50	Mrs. J. N. Barnes,	10 00
Col. by Rev. Thos.		Mary Merrithew,	40	Wm. Taylor,	1 00
Vanwart,	20 87	Israel Merritt,	2 00	Mrs. Wm. Taylor,	1 00
Mrs. Y. White,	10 00	S. L. Churchill,	1 68	Mrs. Wm. J. Boyer,	3 00
Rebecca Smith,	1 00	Chas. Churchill,	2 00	David Merritt,	5 00
David W. Hartt,	1 00	Edward McLeod,	50	Elisha Briggs,	3 00
John Gray,	50	Eleazer Merrithew,	60	Susan Palmer,	1 00
Rev. A. Taylor,	20 00	G. T. Hartley,	2 00	Cyrus M. Shaw,	5 00
Wm. H. Redstone,	1 00	G. F. Atherton,	1 00	Elijah Gallop,	5 00
Mrs. G. A. Hartley,	10 00	Allen Hovey,	1 00	Rev. T. Connor,	2 00
Rev. W. Kinghorn,	10 00	Gideon McLeod,	4 00	Mrs. T. Connor,	1 00
Friend,	1 00	Winslow McLeod,	3 00	Francis Connor,	2 00
A. Rideout,	60	J. Alexander,	1 00	Elizabeth Jones,	1 00
A. Cogswell,	2 00	Friend,	1 00	Rev. J. E. Reud,	4 00
Aaron Kenney,	1 00	George Slipp,	2 00	E. C. Freeze,	5 00
Daniel Mersereau,	2 00	N. H., Grand Manan,		Mary J. McLeod,	2 00
David L. Kelley,	1 00	S. School,	3 00	D. W. Clark,	50 00
Ida Tilley Peters,	10 00	Hannah M. Nason,	50	Col. at Annual Meet-	
Lizzie Perley,	1 00	Chas. Dodd,	1 00	ing, 1867,	10 50
Mrs. Chas. Good,	1 00	Thos. O. DeWitt,	5 00	Donation from Gen.	
Clarissa Hartt,	1 00	E. R. Parsons, Esq.,	5 00	Conference,	372 75

Cr. By amount received, - - - \$1,509 79

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July.	To paid Barnes & Co., printing Minutes 1866,	-	\$12 50
	Rev. F. Babcock, eight months and eighteen days missionary labor,	-	286 65
	Rev. T. Vanwart, 1½ months' missionary labour,	-	49 99
	Rev. A. Taylor, 8 months' missionary labor,	286 67	
	Rev. R. French, 1 month's missionary labor,	33 34	
	Rev. S. Downey, 4 months and 23 days missionary labor,	-	94 86
	Rev. A. B. Marsh, mission,	-	12 00
	Rev. Wm. Downey, ½ month's labor,	-	16 15
	Grant made to Rev. W. E. Pennington and G. T. Hartley, Lower Jacksonville,	40 00	
	Rev. C. McMullin,	-	20 00
	Rev. Y. White, 1 month's labor,	-	25 00
	Corresponding Secretary, postage,	-	2 00
			<u>\$859 16</u>
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,		<u>\$650 63</u>

D. W. CLARK, TREASURER.

Carleton, July 29th, 1867.

This certifies that I have audited the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Society, and find them correct. The balance on hand is \$650.63

WM. DOWNEY, AUDITOR.

July 29th, 1867.

The F. C. Baptist Home Mission Society in account with A. Taylor.

BY AMOUNTS COLLECTED AS FOLLOWS:

\$1 00	Wm. Everett,	\$7 00	Master John W. Henderson,	\$0 25	Seth Milberry,	\$1 50
75	Isaac Gauce,	3 00	derson,	25	Newman Estey,	1 50
2 00	Stephen McMullin,	1 00	Charles Topham,	1 00	Theodore Estey,	1 50
2 00	Thos. Holland,	1 00	Phelina Ella Taylor,	1 00	Mrs. Nathan Milberry,	60
1 00	Patrick McLauchlin,	1 00	Master Edw. H. Taylor,	50	J. S. Gallop,	2 00
1 00	John Fullerton,	1 00	Master Benj. Taylor,	50	Mrs. J. S. Gallop,	1 00
3 00	John Barker,	1 00	Three col. in Peel,	9 95	Joseph Maines,	2 00
5 00	Wm. Stewart,	1 00	Col. of a number of		Edward Montgomery,	1 90
3 00	Lucy Everett,	25	friends in Peel,	9 50	American Currency.	
1 00	Frances Everett,	25	Wm. Tompkins,	1 00	Josiah Ward,	\$3 00
5 00	Joshua D. Giberson,	5 00	Clapper Tompkins,	50	Hosea Webster,	3 00
2 00	Jas. Giberson, sen.,	2 30	Wm. Tompkins, jun.,	1 70	Owen Davis,	2 00
1 00	Mrs. J. D. Giberson,	1 00	Walter Tompkins,	3 00	Mrs. Owen Davis,	1 00
2 00	Church collection,	2 16	Isaiah Lockhart,	1 00	Alex. Kearney,	2 00
1 00	B. Armstrong,	8 00	Mrs. Is-iah Lockhart,	1 50	Mary A. Kearney,	1 00
4 00	Mrs. B. Armstrong,	2 50	Richard Hopkins,	50	Malery Kearney,	1 00
5 00	James V. Armstrong,	3 00	Mrs. Richard Hopkins,	50	John Kearney,	50
2 00	B. Armstrong, jun.,	1 00	Wm. Rodgers,	1 00	Charles F. Sloan,	1 00
50 00	Samuel Bishop,	6 00	Wm. Boyer,	1 00	Mrs. Chas. F. Sloan,	25
Meet-	Mrs. Samuel Bishop,	1 75	Wm. Banks,	50	Mrs. Emma E. Long,	1 00
10 50	James A. Bishop,	3 00	Lyman Shaw,	2 00	Milton Shorey,	50
den.	Master Geo. Bishop,	50	James Rideout,	50	Mrs. Mark Trafton,	25
372 75	Mrs. James Bishop,	65	James Durrar,	3 00	Master Milton E.	
	Elijah Larlee,	5 00	Daniel Bell,	1 50	Studson,	5
\$1,509 79	Mrs. Elijah Larlee,	5 00	Richard Barker,	1 50	Friend,	50
	Master John B. Larlee,	60	Mrs. Burt Rideout,	1 50		
	Master D. W. Larlee,	50	Samuel Giberson,	2 00		
	John Henderson,	1 00	Mrs. S. Giberson,	1 50		
	Mrs. John Henderson,	50	George Gallop,	2 00	Less discount on	\$146 91
	Master G. Henderson,	50	Mrs. George Gallop,	1 00	American money,	5 15
	Cr. By amount collected,					\$141 76

Dr.

To 8 months' missionary labour,	\$266 67
	141 76
To amount received from Treasurer,	\$124 91

The F. C. Baptist Home Mission Society in account with F. Babcock.

BY AMOUNTS COLLECTED AS FOLLOWS:

\$859 16	Three collections in	\$5 27	Matilda Knollin,	\$0 62	Coll. Miss. meeting,	
	Upper Sussex,	52	Hannah Goslin,	50	Newtown,	\$1 44
\$650 63	Wm. B. Wright,	52	Charlotte Goslin,	25	Collection Newtown,	3 46
	Joseph H. Slipp,	50	George Cossman,	20	Coll. Miss. meeting,	
	Friend,	20	Friend,	40	Tenant's Cove,	2 00
	Annie S. Slipp,	20	John Saw,	1 00	Charles B. Worden,	50
	Robert McLeod,	2 00	Sarah Nickerson,	42	Edward Henderson,	50
	Col. Miss. meeting,	52	Thomas Kierstead,	15	Caleb Jones,	2 00
	Hugh Brown,	1 00	Frances Knollin,	50	Sophia Kimble,	24
	James A. Kierstead,	1 00	Thomas Coates,	50	Abigail M. Jones,	25
	Daniel Goslin,	25	Mrs. Hugu Brown,	26	Gabriel Vanwart,	1 00
	Thos. Coates, sen.,	20	John A. Goslin,	1 00	John Roach,	3 00
	Mrs. Susan Coates,	1 00	Mrs. John Goslin,	50	Mrs. John Roach,	1 00
	Eliza A. Knollin,	50	John Keith,	1 00	Robt. E. McLeod,	4 00

Alex. Machum,	\$0 60	Mrs. S. N. Freeze,	\$1 00	James Dunfield,	\$1 00
W. L. Eagle,	50	Coll. Miss. meeting,	57	W. S. Teakles,	1 00
Comfort K. Eagle,	25	Robert E. McLeod,	4 00	James Wilson,	24
Bamford Taylor,	20	Mrs. R. E. McLeod,	1 00	Mrs. Nelson Jonah,	30
Mrs. Mary Killam,	60	Wm. Roach,	1 00	Mary Boyd,	20
W. B. Killam,	22	Richard Roach,	1 00	Nelson Jonah,	1 00
G. B. Killam,	20	Collection Beaver		W. B. Teakles,	60
R. B. C. Killam,	24	Harbour,	1 00	Samuel A. Goslin,	1 00
Coll. North River,	1 28	Caroline Fowler,	27	Collection Newtown,	1 47
John Good,	39	Collection Newtown,	1 51	Coll. Wilson's Beach,	
Collection Dover,	2 95	Amasa Kennedy,	1 00	Campo Bello,	4 38
F. P. Noble,	50	Wm. Haney,	1 00	Mrs. Elizabeth Hen-	
W. W. Gass,	50	Coll. Missionary meet-		derson,	50
G. W. Gass,	50	ing. Millstream,	65	Mrs. Lucy Wilson,	50
Seth McLeod,	2 00	Mary Kierstead,	20	Grant Fitzgerald,	1 00
A. G. Musgrove,	1 00	Elizabeth Knolin,	25	Charles Bassett,	1 00
Wm. Musgrove,	50	Agnes Keith,	25	Mrs. Mary Wilson,	1 00
Wm. McLeod,	2 00	Beverly Keith,	25	David Griffin,	1 00
Coll. Missionary meet-		Henrietta Musgrove,	50	Oran Smith,	1 00
ing, N. B. Oromocto,	4 27	John Good,	1 00	Rev. Wm. Kinghorn,	40
Oliver Turner,	50	John Driscoll,	50	Collection Mouth	
Samuel McLary,	50	Wesley Weyman,	25	Oromocto,	46
Jerry Tracy,	1 00	James E. Good,	10	Coll. Prince William,	2 37
James E. Boone,	50	Wm. Keith,	1 00	" "	2 50
Catharine Coates,	1 00	G. L. Good,	1 00	Mrs. Edward Burden,	1 00
Thomas Pierce,	84	Charlotte M. Good,	1 00	Daniel Smith,	12
Coll. Roachville,	1 82	Jane Weyman,	2 00	Robinson Wasson,	12
Thomas Coates, sen.,	1 00	Sarah Fenwick,	1 00	John Shepard,	12
G. L. Slipp,	2 00	Annie McLeod,	50	Coll. Miss. meeting,	28
Gideon McLeod,	2 00	Amanda McLeod,	20	Nathaniel Kitchen,	20
John H. Wilcox,	20	Mrs. John Good,	1 00	Mrs. Frances Kirk,	50
Wm. Cossman,	1 00	Collection Portage,	77	Thomas Slipp,	1 00
Thomas Roach,	2 00	Oliver Teakles,	50	Edward Burden,	1 00
Collection Mouth		Mrs. Oliver Teakles,	50	Collection Prince	
Oromocto,	1 57	George Jonah,	1 00	William,	1 36
John Proctor,	30	Rodney McLeod,	1 00	Coll. Kingsclear,	1 72
Ellen Ready,	20	Wm. Teakles,	20		
Cr. By amount collected,					\$181 06

Dr.

To 8 months and 18 days missionary labour, - - \$286 65
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To amount received from Treasurer, - - \$154 59

The F. C. Baptist Home Mission Society in account with S. Downey.

BY AMOUNTS COLLECTED AS FOLLOWS:

Wm. Webster,	\$1 00	Brice Crayton,	\$1 00	Samuel Myers,	\$0 05
Isaac Tranton,	1 00	Robert Crayton,	50	Sarah S. Boulton,	1 00
Susan McKnight,	50	Albert Crayton,	20	Joseph McKnight,	1 25
Mrs. G. McKnight,	50	Matthew Robertson,	1 00	Charles McKnight,	50
Henry Myers,	1 00	Mary Jane Robertson,	20	Mary McKnight,	50
Mary Hamilton,	30	Mary Myers,	20	Eleanor J. Myers,	20
Master Andrew Myers,	12	Ann Robertson,	20	Oran Teakles,	1 00
James Robertson,	20	Mrs. Jesse Myers,	1 00	John Deare,	1 00
William Myers,	15	Wm. McKnight, sen.	2 00	Asa Sprague,	1 00
Master George Myers,	5	Jesse Myers,	2 50	Mrs. Henry Myers,	50

Wm. Poley,	\$1 00	Fenwick Teakles,	\$0 50	John M. Akerley,	\$1 00
George Jonah,	1 00	Jane Poley,	1 00	John Akerley,	25
Alfred Taylor,	1 00	Master Robert Poley,	12	Charlotte Akerley,	25
Mrs. Poley,	50	John Long,	1 00	Amos Akerley,	50
Samuel Poley, sen.,	50	John Schofield,	1 00	Mrs. Chas. Akerley,	50
Jane Taylor,	25	Aaron Schofield,	50	Chas. Akerley, sen.,	1 00
James Vaughan,	20	Hiram Spragg,	50	Chas. Akerley, jun.,	1 00
Sarah A. Walton,	20	A Friend,	50	Eliza Ann Clark,	50
Zechariah Walton,	20	Moses C. Brown,	1 00	John Huggard,	48
Anna Walton,	22	Jacob Schofield,	1 00	George Huggard,	24
Samuel Walton,	20	Michael Keirstead,	1 50	Margaret Huggard,	45
Daniel Webster,	1 00	Robert Paterson,	1 00	John Ellison,	50
Mrs. George Jonah,	1 00	John Soaper,	1 00	Alex. Ellison,	45
Mary A. Teakles,	1 00	Stephen Huggard,	1 00	Joseph Wilson,	1 00
Elizabeth Ritchie,	50	James McKenzie, sen.	30	Wm. Hurder,	50
George Teakles,	1 00	James McKenzie, jun.	30		
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To 3 months and 22 days missionary labour, - - \$94 86
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To amount received from Treasurer, - - \$43 63

The next Annual Meeting of the Society will be held during the Session of General Conference in 1868.

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE F. MISSION SOCIETY.

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BLISSVILLE, Sunbury Co., July 9th, 1867.

The third Annual Meeting of the F. C. B. Foreign Mission Society was held in the meeting house N. B. Oromocto, Sunbury County, at 7½ o'clock, P. M. The President in the chair.

Meeting opened by singing and prayer.

A few excellent remarks were made by the Chairman. The Annual Report was then called for, and read by the Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT.

Three years have now passed since this Society came into existence, and was numbered among the organized agencies of this Christian land for the spread of the Gospel of Christ, and the dissemination of the principles of a full and free salvation to lost and perishing men. Yes, three eventful years have come and gone, stamping upon men and nations those changes such as time alone can produce. In that short space, thousands of immortal souls have closed their labours on earth: their bodies have been consigned to the grave, and their spirits have entered an eternal state. Among the number are some of those who were active in the formation of this Society. The first President, Rev. S. Hartt, and the late Corresponding Secretary, Rev. E. McLeod, have gone to their reward in the better land. The loss of these long-tried and faithful servants of God have not only caused a deep sorrowing in this Society, but throughout our entire denomination. We can only bow with reverence and submission to the Divine will, and express our feelings concerning each of these devoted men in the language of God's Word: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them." We have not received from our missionaries in India their Report for 1867, and therefore are not prepared to give all the information that might be desired respecting their labours and prosperity. However, through Bro. Phillips' letters, published in the *Intelligencer*, we have learned that, notwithstanding the dreadful famine, coupled with that awful scourge of nations, Asiatic cholera, which was raging in India at the time of our last Annual Meeting, and since then very much other sickness has prevailed at the different stations, chiefly small pox, yet our Missionaries have not been prevented walking in the path of duty, and labouring for the salvation of the poor benighted heathen. Even those fearful calamities open a door to show the heathen the benefits of Christianity, by the Missionaries administering to their temporal wants, when passed by uncared for and unnoticed by their fellow heathen. Education seems to be a very prominent feature in the great mission work, and our Missionaries report that a large number of children daily attend school, many of whom, by the famine and cholera, were left fatherless and motherless, or without a single friend to care for them. In behalf of these, and hundreds of others left in the same position, we ask the earnest and sincere prayers of all who love our Lord Jesus Christ, that they may be converted, and become useful members in the Christian Church, and a great blessing to their native land, now sunk in idolatry and wretchedness. We can but rejoice in the good work that is being done by our missionaries in India; and as the all-wise God has given the Free Baptists of North America a very important field of labour in the heathen world, let us faithfully occupy it. We are called upon by a million of precious and immortal souls, sunken in idolatry and misery, to do our part in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, to send them the lamp of life, and while others are casting in of their abundance, let us do what we can to bring them into the fold of Christ. Friends of the Mission cause, these fellow-beings are looking up to us for a knowledge of the way of life and salvation, and will you cease to pity and pray for them, and contribute of your means to send the Gospel of Christ to them, which is the only way of escape for dying men? With devout thanksgiving we desire to

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render praise to Almighty God, for the much good that has been accomplished through the labours of our Missionaries. We hope they may be long spared to preach the glorious Gospel of our Lord and Saviour to the poor benighted heathen, and that scores of others may be raised up to join them in the great and good work, until the Gospel of Christ shall universally triumph through the length and breadth of idolatrous India; yea, and the day speedily come when the heathen shall be given to the Son for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession, and righteousness cover the land as the waters cover the great deep.

We are happy to say that, so far, the friends of the Mission cause have contributed to the funds of the Society, so that our Treasurer has been prepared to pay our Missionary's salary as it became due, and we sincerely hope that their zeal and energy will not abate; and now, in conclusion, let me say, do what we can, and if it is but little, we shall in no wise lose our reward.

JOHN PERRY, *Cor. Secretary.*

July 9th, 1867.

The adoption of the Report was moved by the Rev. G. A. Hartley, and seconded by Rev. J. T. Parsons, in very able and effective speeches.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

The following Resolutions were moved and ably supported by the speakers, and unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That this meeting, with grateful hearts, tender their sincere thanks to our esteemed brother G. R. Boyer, Esq., for his munificent gift, and we hope his life may be spared to see some harvest gathered from fields cultivated by the labour employed through his means.

The above was moved by Rev. George McDonald, and seconded by Bro. Joseph McLeod—supported by Revs. Wm. M. Knollin and Thos. Vanwart, and Bro. Wm. Peters.

Resolved, That this meeting does devoutly acknowledge the great love and care of Almighty God, in the preservation of the lives of our Missionaries, Rev. J. L. Phillips and wife, in India, through the late scourge and famine in that country, and also that we rejoice to hear of their success, as made known to us through his monthly reports published in the *Intelligencer*.

This Resolution was moved by Rev. J. I. Porter, seconded by Rev. J. E. Rend, and supported by John Fitzgerald, and unanimously adopted.

After listening to the able speeches made by the mover, second, and supporter of the above Resolution, the Treasurer made a very satisfactory statement of the finances of the Society.

Subscription lists were then opened and circulated, and \$285.11 pledged, of which \$89.24 was paid, including collection taken up in the meeting, \$10.50.

B. J. UNDERHILL,
REC. SECRETARY.

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

F. C. Baptist Foreign Mission Society in account with Wm. Peters, Treasurer.

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Balance on hand,		C. Salmon,	\$5 00	W. S. Nevers, jun.,	\$0 50
July, 1866,	\$35 43	Mrs. Kimble,	1 00	Mrs. E. B. McIsaac,	50
Sabbath School, Bar-		Miss Holder,	1 00	Agnes Orser,	10
ington, N. S.,	8 60	Coll. at Miss. meeting		Moses Boyer,	10 00
Coll. at Port Medway,		N. B. Oromocto,	4 27	Widow Wm. McGee,	4 40
N. S., G. Conference,	3 70	Oliver Turner,	50	Frederick Jewett,	50
Benj. Woodworth,	2 00	David M. Hartt,	1 00	Mrs. J. McGee,	50
Robert Blovell,	50	Samuel McLeary,	50	Eljah M. Shaw,	2 00
Margaret Hopkins,	25	Jeremiah Tracy,	1 00	Abraham Rideout,	1 00
Eldred Cahoon,	5 00	James E. Boone,	60	Mrs. G. W. Boyer,	1 00
Wm. Causman,	1 00	Anonymous letter,		Mrs. R. Harper,	1 00
Otis J. Smith,	2 00	Frederickton,	50	Seth Siprell,	80
Henry Hartt,	5 00	Mrs. Wm. Fowler,	60	Israel Morritt,	5 00
Rebecca J. Smith,	2 00	Charles Tracy,	1 00	Wm. Taylor,	1 00
Lorenzo Wilson,	9 45	Charles Jennett,	50	Mrs. Wm. Taylor,	1 00
Mrs. J. N. Barnes,	10 00	Mrs. Jennett,	25	Geo. R. Boyer,	1 00
Levi Jones and wife,	1 50	Mrs. Kelley,	25	Mrs. Geo. R. Boyer,	1 00
Mrs. Mary J. Downey,	50	Almira,	24	Ezekiel Siprell,	50
A. C. Jenkins,	20	Mrs. S. Smith,	24	Samuel Siprell,	1 40
Isaac Erb,	25	Sophronia Tracy,	24	Coll. at Miss. meeting,	
Susan Toole,	50	Violetta Tracy,	20	Victoria Corner,	1 17
F. G. Scribner,	75	Minnie McLeod,	20	G. W. Boyer,	4 00
S. M. Starkey,	1 00	Phebe A. Smith,	1 00	R. Holmes,	1 00
Mrs. S. M. Starkey,	1 00	Phebe A. DeWitt,	1 00	Mrs. R. Holmes,	1 00
Rev. A. Taylor,	2 00	Maggie Dewitt,	1 00	Mrs. J. Boyer,	4 87
Jeremiah Wilson,	1 80	Luke DeWitt,	1 00	Mrs. Samuel H. Shaw,	1 00
N. Phinney,	1 30	Mrs. DeWitt,	1 00	Friend, by B. J. U.,	4 00
Charles Savage,	1 00	John E. Smith,	1 00	Proceeds G. E. Baxter's	
Thomas Lake,	2 00	George F. Smith,	1 00	Lectures at Sussex	
G. W. McCready,	1 00	Coll. at Miss. meeting,		and Millstream, less	
Sheriff Freeze,	1 00	Oromocto,	4 33	expenses,	3 40
Mrs. Freeze,	1 00	Darius Knight,	50	William Keith,	1 00
Bamford Colpits,	1 00	Miss Bubar,	1 00	Mrs. Wm. Keith,	1 00
Mrs. Asa Sprague,	1 00	Lydia J. Montgomery,	1 75	Mrs. George L. Good,	1 00
Caleb Secord,	1 00	Mrs. Elizabeth Burk,	5 00	Jane Weyman,	2 00
Joseph Slipp,	20	R. Webb,	1 00	Mrs. Sarah Fenwick,	1 60
Coll. at Sussex,	50	Jonathan Tracy,	1 00	Mary McLeod,	25
Rodney McLeod,	1 00	Margaret J. Mills,	1 00	Mrs. Wm. Haney,	50
Rev. Thos. Vanwart,	2 00	Mrs. L. Nason,	50	Amanda McLeod,	50
Robert Slipp,	1 00	Thomas Stewart,	25	Mrs. John Good,	1 00
George W. Garraty,	1 00	Sarah Christie,	20	Wesley Wayman,	30
Samuel Jones,	50	Coll. at Caverhill,		Wm. Haney,	1 00
George Parley,	50	per J. Jones,	3 60	George L. Good,	1 00
John H. Watson,	1 00	John Goslin,	1 00	Wm. McLeod,	1 00
D. D. Glazier,	2 00	Mrs. J. Goslin,	1 00	Seth McLeod,	2 00
David Mitchell,	50	Mary Jane McLeod,	1 00	Wm. Musgrove,	1 00
Samuel D. Nevers,	50	Abner Secord,	1 00	Samuel Fenwick,	2 00
Thomas Banks,	50	Matilda Knollin,	50	Rev. E. Weyman,	2 00
John S. Wisely,	48	Alex. Brown,	1 00	Edward McLeod,	50
James C. Wisely,	60	J. A. Jenkins,	1 00	M. J. Fenwick,	25
Coll. at Lincoln,	3 25	Albert Orser,	1 00	Alex. Kennedy,	1 00
Proceeds G. E. Baxter's		Moses Orser, jun.,	1 00	Caleb Fenwick,	50
lecture at Norton,	2 45	Amos L. Boyer,	1 00	John Gray,	50
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E. Jones and wife,	\$1 00	Hannah Hopkins,	\$0 25	Mrs. L. Weston,	\$0 25
Lizzie Turner,	1 00	Tillie A. Wilson,	25	Mrs. S. Kindrick,	50
C. McAlpine, 1865,	2 00	Emma Hopkins,	25	Rev. W. C. Weston,	1 00
John Ship,	1 00	Hannah Hopkins,	25	Mrs. Uniacke,	1 00
Elisha Ship,	1 00	Archibald Hopkins,	25	Albert Riley,	1 00
Leonard Ship,	1 00	Eliza A. Hopkins,	25	Garland Cox,	1 00
John Fox,	1 00	Jane Crowell,	12 1/2	Coll. at Miss. meet-	
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Oram Smith,	2 00	James Atwood, sen.	3 00	selborough, Me.,	
A Friend, Norton,	1 00	Harriet Atwood,	1 00	Am. currency,	\$10 00
K. W.,	5 00	Asenath Osborne,	1 00	James Weade,	\$1 00
Mrs. K. W.,	5 00	Joseph Trefry,	50	G. White,	2 00
Joseph McLeod,	2 00	Harvey Trefry,	50	Joseph Tracey,	3 00
Aaron Kinney,	1 00	Margery Trefry,	50	E. C. Freeze,	1 00
F. B. Miller,	1 00	Mary Knowles,	45	Wm. Connell,	4 00
Fred. Tracey,	1 00	Joshua Trefry,	50	Phebe Ann Robbins,	1 00
John Barnett,	1 00	Letitia Robertson,	25	Diana Matix,	1 00
Henry Weade,	1 00	J. S. Crowell, Esq.,	2 00	M. A. Secord,	50
Samuel Cronkite,	1 00	Sarah V. Doane,	25	Mrs. Caleb Secord,	50
Aaron Hovey,	50	Jane L. Cunningham,	25	B. J. Underhill,	2 00
Isaac Tracey,	50	Jesse Smith and wife	1 00	Mrs. Wm. Peters,	10 00
Edward Tracey,	50	Benjamin L. Banks,	2 00	Isaac Gaunce,	1 00
Charles Steeves,	50	Olivia Banks,	1 00	Mrs. Geo. Stickney,	1 00
Mrs. Miller,	50	Charles, George and		Henry Hart,	3 00
Charles Weade,	20	John Banks,	37 1/2	Rev. A. Taylor,	2 00
Wm. Weade,	24	Ann Knowles,	25	Robert Burnett,	1 00
Jarvis Miller,	50	Joseph Banks,	1 00	Coll. at Middleland,	2 71
J. H. Kidder,	1 00	Wm. Banks,	62 1/2	George Good,	2 00
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L. A. Estabrooks,		Edward H. Nickerson,	25	Wm. Musgrove,	1 00
N. S.,	1 00	Mercy Nickerson,	25	Amasa Kennedy,	2 00
Maria Knowles,	50	Stephen Banks,	50	Hugh Walker,	2 00
Louisa Forbes,	50	Mrs. Stephen Banks,	75	Mrs. S. Johnston,	1 00
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Benj. Knowles,	25	Mrs. Edith Crowell,	25	Rev. Y. White,	2 00
Maggie McMulkin,	50	Mrs. Nehemiah Banks,	12 1/2	Rev. G. A. Hartley,	4 00
E. S. Flaglor,	1 00	Nehemiah Banks,	25	Coll. at Rusagornish, by Mrs.	
James S. Flaglor,	1 00	Melinda Smith,	12 1/2	Oram Smith.	
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Abigail Flaglor,	1 00	wife,	1 00	Sarah Harmer,	1 00
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Charles F. Flaglor,	1 00	Israel Wilson,	2 00	John Phillips,	52
Barrington Church and con-		Eliza A. Wilson,	50	Holland Smith,	50
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their Pastor, Rev. J. I.		Miss Elizabeth Smith,	37 1/2	Mrs. C. Bunker,	25
Porter.		Leonard Knowles,	25	Mrs. Forbes,	25
James Kenny,	\$1 00	Drucilla Nickerson,	25	Uriah Nason,	25
Levi Smith,	12 1/2	Ann Crowell,	25	Mrs. U. Nason,	25
Dr. — McKay,	25	Obid Crowell,	12 1/2	Albry Grass,	25
Hannah Smith,	25	Barrington Island		Mrs. A. Grass,	25
Annie Hogg,	12 1/2	S. School,	9 25	Mr. McKnight,	25
Maggie Hopkins,	25	Received from other persons		Samuel Peabody,	25
Eliza A. Smith,	25	in Nova Scotia.		Mrs. S. Peabody,	40
Annie Sprage,	25	Rev. S. K. West,	\$0 50	Mrs. John Peabody,	25
Samuel Atwood,	50	A friend,	50	Mrs. David Morgan,	48
Joshua Smith,	50	Rev. E. G. Eaton,	25	Mrs. Abigail Smith,	25
Libbee Stanley,	12 1/2	Capt. J. Coffin,	1 00	John Wharton,	25
Josiah Watt,	5	H. W. Tupper,	1 00	David Mitchell,	25
J. B. Lawrence,	37 1/2	Mrs. W. Witt,	2 00	Mrs. Sinclair,	25
Einma Coffin,	12 1/2	George Cox,	1 00	Thomas Mersereau,	24
Louisa Crowell,	12 1/2	J. W. Taylor,	1 00	Mrs. A. Kerr,	24
Louisa Hopkins,	25	Miss Maria Smith,	2 58	Thomas Jones,	21
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\$0 25	Mrs. Nason,	\$0 20	A lady friend,	\$1 00	Rev. John Wallace,	\$4 00
50	Thomas Phillips,	20	Mrs. Isaac Shepherd,	1 00	Thos. W. Carpenter,	4 00
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7 60	Sherman Smith,	20	Collected by Letty Jane	E. R. Parsons,	5 00	
	Mrs. McFarlane,	20	Montgomery,	2 00	Master Chas. Parsons,	1 00
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	John Smith,	20	William Hovey,	50	John Slipp,	2 00
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3 00	A Friend,	20	John C. Boone,	1 00	B. R. Cliff,	2 00
1 00	Coll. at Staples' Settlement,	62	Mrs. Thomas Hartt,	1 00	Wm. Weade,	50
4 00	by John B. Jones,	25	Joseph Durkee,	1 00	S. School North Head,	3 00
1 00	Collected at Nashua,	25	G. Perry,	1 00	Susan McCready,	2 00
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1 00	Mrs. James Logan,	10	Daniel Jenkins,	4 00	Joanna McLeod,	50
1 00	Annie E. Logan,	10	Rev. A. B. McDonald,	1 00	Thatcher Smith,	20
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2 00	Mrs. Alexander Logan,	15	Henry Perry,	3 00	Widow George McGee,	5 00
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1 00	William E. Logan,	20	Wm. Perry, sen.,	1 40	Fred. Orser,	1 25
1 00	Mrs. Matthew Weade,	25	John C. Perry,	50	David Merritt,	1 00
3 00	Cyrus Peterson,	25	Henry Blizard,	1 00	George Stickney,	3 00
2 00	Mrs. C. Peterson,	25	W. H. Perry,	25	Rev. J. E. Reud,	2 00
1 00	James Robertson,	50	James O. Secord,	1 00	Thomas Nason,	50
	Mrs. J. Robertson,	25	T. J. Perry,	25	E. G. Freeze,	5 00
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2 00	Mrs. T. Goodspeed,	1 00	John Foster,	2 00	Walter Cossborne,	50
1 00	William Staples,	20	Thomas Mason,	2 00	Jacob Morrill,	50
1 00	Mrs. C. Robinson,	25	Priscilla Patterson,	1 00	D. N. Vanwart,	50
2 00	Two Friends,	24	Mrs. D. Jenkins,	1 00	Seth Erb, sen.,	1 00
2 00	Moses Peterson,	25	Thomas O'Donnell,	1 00	Esther Edgar,	50
1 00	William Cobern,	25	Mrs. T. O'Donnell,	2 50	Seth E. Douglas,	50
1 00	Mrs. W. Cobern,	1 00	W. P.,	2 50	Mrs. E. Douglas,	50
Society, 3 20	Benjamin Goodspeed,	1 00	tion in India,	2 50	Martin Ricker,	1 00
2 00	B. N. Goodspeed,	24	Seth Erb,	52	W. H. Ricker,	50
2 00	Mrs. F. Faulkner,	25	Mrs. S. Erb,	1 00	Mrs. N. Morrill,	50
4 00	A Friend,	20	George Ricker,	1 00	Stephen Morrill,	40
ish, by Mrs.	Charles Weade,	12	Joseph Ricker,	1 25	Rev. T. Vanwart,	2 00
ith.	Mrs. Michael Weade,	43	George Bond,	1 00	Rev. Jacob Gunter,	2 00
es, \$1 00	Margery Walker,	50	Alex. Morrill,	1 00	George T. Hartley,	2 00
1 00	George Allen,	60	J. V. Morrill,	1 00	Coll. at Oromocto, by	50
h, 50	Mrs. George Allen,	50	Wm. Urquhart,	50	Miss Jane Hoyt,	2 25
52	Mrs. Augustus Minnae,	20	George G. Erb,	50	Rev. G. W. McDonald,	2 00
50	Melissa Minnae,	9	Mrs. Wm. Erb,	20	Mary Ann Gunter,	1 00
25	Joseph Allen,	10	Master J. B. Erb,	5	Letty Jane Montgomery,	4 00
25	Mrs. Samuel Clayton,	25	A. W. Erb,	50	W. P. Mercereau,	1 00
25	Fanny Horton,	25	Eliza Ann Belker,	20	Col. at Upper Gagetown,	1 50
25	Mrs. Adolphus Allen,	24	John F. Downey,	50	Mrs. Joseph Mercereau,	1 00
25	Mrs. George Donalds,	40	James Henry Lake,	25	David W. Hartt,	2 00
25	John Dennison,	5	Thomas Brice,	25	Sidney Dibblee,	5 00
25	Cordelia Munzer,	25	Robert Scribner,	1 00	Aaron H. Kelley,	1 00
25	Frances A. Logan,	24	Sarah Odell,	50	A. Rideout,	60
25	Mrs. Thomas Love,	24	Collection,	67	Ella U. Peters,	10 00
25	A Friend,	50	Caleb Jones,	2 00	Daniel E. Smith,	1 00
25	Mrs. William Simpson,	50	Wilmut Price,	1 00	Edward W. Hartley,	2 00
25	Mrs. John Toland,	50	John Jones,	2 00	Phebe Mercereau,	2 00
25	A Friend,	50	George F. Atherton,	2 00	Charles Bartlett,	1 00
25	Maria Colter,	50	Rev. Wm. Kinghorn,	2 00	Hannah L. Vanwart,	25
25	Aaron Peterson,	50	E. C. Weman,	5 00	Mary A. Vanwart,	25
25	Matilda J. Carman,	50	Gideon McLeod,	2 00	Daniel W. Vanwart,	25
25	Mrs. McConaghy,	20	Winslow McLeod,	2 00	Isaac S. Vanwart, jun.,	25
25	Collected by Matilda J. Car-	20	Rev. A. B. Marsh,	2 00	Jermina E. Vanwart,	25
25	man, at Oromocto.	25	S. L. Churchill,	1 00	Geo. McCready,	1 50
25	Alfred Hatch,	15	Robert Slipp,	4 00	Amanda Kelly,	1 40
24	Mrs. Andrew McMinn,	20	Phebe A. DeWitt,	1 00	Thatcher Smith,	2 00
24	Mrs. Wm. Davis,	20	Rev. Robt. French,	2 00	Clarissa Hartt,	1 00
21	E. J. Kinney,	25	Rev. W. E. Pennington,	4 00	Mrs. Charles Good,	1 00
24	Louisa Currie,	25				
24	Joseph Howland,					
24	James Frost,					
50	Sophia Carr,					

J. W. White,
E. P. Waite,
A. Friend,

\$0 25 W. H. Redstone,
25 A. G. Lounsbury,
96 Sarah Lockhart,

\$1 00 W. P. Kelly,
1 00 Wellington Hoyt,
1 00 Solomon Smith,

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Cr. By amount collected,

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To paid Barnes & Co., for printing Reports, &c., \$12 50
" remittance to Treasurer of F. W. B. F. M. Society,
half year's salary of our Missionaries, Rev.
J. L. Phillips and wife, Jan. 3, 1867, - 350 00
" premium on gold draft, - 1 75
" loss on Nova Scotia money, 2½ per cent., - 4 50
" loss on American currency, - 3 51
" Postage, - 70
" remittance for Bro. Phillips' salary, July 13, 1867,
half year in advance up to Jan. 1st, 1868, 350 00
Balance in hands of Treasurer, 9 27½

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NOTE.—Our next payment will be due January 1st, 1868. It is hoped that the friends of the Foreign Mission cause will pray for the Divine blessing upon the labours of our Missionaries; and not allow the Treasurer to say he is unable to meet the half yearly payments.

July 29, 1867.

WILLIAM PETERS, TREASURER.

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CONSTITUTION AND RULES

OF THE

F. C. B. Ministers' Relief Fund Association.

(ORGANIZED JULY, 1867.)

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Society shall be known as the "F. C. BAPTIST MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND ASSOCIATION," under the auspices of the F. C. Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick.

ARTICLE II.—THE OBJECT OF THIS SOCIETY.

The object of this Society shall be to establish a Fund for the assistance of sick or disabled Ministers in regular standing with the F. C. B. denomination, and the families of deceased ministers.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

A male can become a member of this Society by paying annually the sum of \$1.00; and by paying \$10.00 at any one time, may become a life member. A female may become an honorary annual member by paying 50c.; and by paying \$5.00 at any one time, may become an honorary life member.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

The Officers of this Society shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Auditor, and a Disbursement Committee of five, who shall be elected annually by the Society. The Disbursement Committee and President shall be ordained ministers; the other Officers may be laymen—all to be members of F. C. Baptist Churches.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall be associated with the Disbursement Committee, in any business that may come before them.

The foregoing Officers shall hold office until others are chosen.

It shall be the duty of the President, and in his absence of one of the Vice-Presidents, to preside at each meeting of the Society, and conduct its business to a speedy and proper result.

In the absence of the President and all the Vice-Presidents, the oldest member present shall call the meeting to order, after which they shall proceed to choose a presiding Officer for the occasion.

The Disbursement Committee shall form its own Rules and Regulations; appoint its own meetings; fill any vacancies that may occur in its own members, or among the Officers of the Society during the year; and call all Annual Meetings of the Society, and also special meetings, when, in their opinion, the interests of the Society require it. They shall inquire into all cases of actual need that may come under their notice, and take such measures for relieving them as shall be deemed expedient by a majority of a legal meeting of the Board—three members of the Board constituting such legal meeting.

The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Society, and keep an account of the same, showing the source from which they have been derived, and the manner in which they have been appropriated. He shall invest the

funds of the Society safely, but no permanent investment shall be made or changed by him, without the concurrence of the Disbursement Committee. He shall report quarterly to the Recording Secretary on the state of the finances, and pay all orders of the Disbursement Committee, as far as he may have funds on hand.

The Auditor shall carefully examine the accounts of the Treasurer, and if found correct shall certify the same, which shall be entered upon the Treasurer's book.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a fair and impartial record of the transactions of each meeting, and enter them upon a book of records, and certify that the records of each meeting are true. He shall also attend to all the correspondence of the Society, and prepare an Annual Report of its proceedings, which shall be submitted for acceptance at the Annual Meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE V.—ANNUAL MEETING.

This Society shall meet annually, at the time and place of meeting of the F. C. Baptist General Conference, to elect Officers, to hear Reports from the Treasurer and Secretary, and to transact all other necessary business of the Society. A quorum of nine members shall be requisite to transact business at all meetings of the Society. A less number may adjourn.

ARTICLE VI.—CHOOSING OFFICERS.

A Committee shall be appointed at each Annual Meeting of the Society, in such manner, and consisting of such numbers, as may be thought best, whose duty it shall be to nominate Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE VII.—AMENDMENTS.

No alterations or amendments to this Constitution shall be made without a two-third vote of the members present at an annual meeting, and only then when the proposed alteration shall have been submitted to the Society in writing at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE VIII.—MONIES.

All monies placed in the hands of this Society shall be under the controul of the Disbursement Committee, and shall be by them invested in a safe and profitable manner, the interest of which alone shall be used for the objects of the Society.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

President.

REV. G. A. HARTLEY.

Vice-Presidents.

REV. BENJAMIN MERRITT,

" JOSEPH NOBLE.

WILLIAM PETERS, *Recording Secretary.*

DANIEL W. CLARK, *Treasurer.*

REV. JOHN E. REUD, *Auditor.*

Disbursement Committee.

REV. WILLIAM KINGHORN,

REV. JOHN PERRY,

" J. T. PARSONS,

" JACOB GUNTER,

REV. THOMAS VANWART.

NOTE.—Several pledges were given to the funds of the Society, and a small amount paid. The Society is now one of the permanent organizations in connection with the denomination, and is prepared to receive and invest bequests or donations.