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ST. JOHN, N. B., AUGUST 18TH, 1866.

The Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island, convened this day, at 2 o'clock, P. M., in the Brussels Street Baptist Church, St. John—Rev. S. Robinson, President of last year, in the chair. After an interesting conference, the Convention was called to order. Prayer by Rev. George Burns.

The following is a list of members present:—

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ON NOMINATION.—N. Vidito, S. W. DeBlois, W. G. Parker, W. V. Garner, J. Rowe, W. A. Coleman, S. Seldon.

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TO AUDIT F. M. TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.—J. H. Harding and J. F. Masters.

Voted—That a Committee be appointed to consider certain points connected with Foreign Missions.

The following brethren were appointed:—Bro. Dr. McNeil Parker, James W. Johnson, jun., John H. Harding, S. Alward, S. Seldon, Hon. W. B. Kinnear.

Voted—That Brethren I. E. Bill and E. C. Cady, be a Committee to superintend the printing of 2,000 copies of the Minutes of this Convention.

Committee on Arrangement report as follows:—

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Adjourned by Prayer.

MONDAY MORNING, Aug. 20.

The Annual Sermon was preached by the Rev. John Pryor, D. D.: Text, 1 Cor. xv. 25, “For He must reign,” &c. Subject, “The destined prevalence

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The exercises of the Convention were resumed by prayer by Rev. John Davis.

Minutes read and approved.

Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Governors of Acadia College were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Voted to adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. A. D. Thompson.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Cramp.

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

Addresses by Dr. Pryor, S. Robinson, Dr. Tupper, N. Vidito, E. M. Saunders, William Faulkner, Charles Corey, E. F. Foshay, J. Davis, D. M. Welton, A. D. Thompson, J. Wallace, W. H. Beckwith, Hon. W. B. Kinnear, W. V. Garner, and E. Hickson,

Voted—That this Convention hold a private Session to-morrow morning, in the vestry of this church, at 8½ o'clock.

Adjourned till 7½ o'clock this evening.

Prayer by Rev. W. V. Garner.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION, 7½ o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. E. M. Saunders.

Report of Foreign Mission Society read by Dr. Tupper, Corresponding Secretary. Treasurer's Report read. Moved that the Reports be received, and printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD.

Your Board notice with much pleasure an increase in the number of Churches, individuals, and parties combined that sustain native preachers, as also the consequent increase of the number of the faithful men thus enabled to devote themselves to the diffusion of the light of the Gospel in benighted Burmah. As there were known to be zealous and efficient Burman preachers in the fields occupied by brethren Douglas

and Rose, and Karens of similar character in the department of the labours of brother Thomas, who must otherwise be engaged in worldly occupations for their sustenance, it was evidently desirable that these men should be employed under the supervision of the Missionaries residing near them, who would furnish reports to brother Crawley, our general Superintendent. From his statements, and their Reports communicated through him, the following particulars are gathered, and laid before the Convention, for the satisfaction of all concerned.

In a letter received on the 3d inst., dated *Henthada, May 1st, 1866*, after acknowledging the receipt of your Secretary's letter of February 6th, enclosing first of Exchange of bill for £135 stg., Rev. A. R. R. Crawley gives the information which now follows, respecting the native preachers under his *immediate* supervision:—

“*Ko Aing*. This brother, though lacking but a few years of three score and ten, is active and laborious, as the pastor of the Church in this town. He is widely known among the most influential heathen, and much respected by ‘those who are without.’ He preaches much in town, but his labors are by no means confined there; and there are now several inquirers in the villages which he is accustomed to visit from time to time; and one place in particular, where he has been especially interested, gives most hopeful signs of the beginning of a new interest. *Ko Aing* is supported, as you are aware, by the Granville Street Church.

“*Ko Yan Gin*, sustained by the Truro Church, labours in the town of Zaloon and vicinity. He is a faithful and efficient preacher. There are some inquirers, and one applicant for baptism, in his field.

“*Moung Doke Gyee* and *Moung Kyou* are associated in labor at the village of Paing-young-nau. There being at this place nearly twenty Christians, it is in contemplation soon to organize a Church, and set apart *Moung Kyou* to the pastorate. Five baptisms were reported here at the Association in January last. *Moung Doke Gyee* is sustained by the Pine Grove, and *Moung Kyou* by the 1st Yarmouth Church.

“*Moung Shway-tike*. This young brother, supported by a sister in the Truro Church, bids fair to be a sterling preacher. His time, during the greater part of the year, has been given to Zayot preaching, which has given him the opportunity of making known Christ, and distributing tracts and portions of Scripture to many from various parts of Burmah. For the past two months he has been engaged with me in visiting from house to house in this town and through the suburban villages. He commands great, and considering his age (about 20), unusual attention from the people. I think he will yet be heard from as among the most successful of the native preachers in Burmah.

“*Moung Thaw Shoon*, at Thongzai, is supported by the Nictau Church. He is the acting pastor of the Church in Thongzai, and seems admirably adapted, in the absence of any resident Missionary, to the work of taking heed to the flock.

“*Moung Tha-doon-nys*, supported by Cape Canso Church, labours in Letpidan, where there is a Church of some thirty members. Besides attending diligently to the spiritual welfare of the Church, he is constantly seeking and *making* opportunities for exhorting the heathen to turn to Christ. One has been baptized there since the meeting of Association in January. I have recommended *Moung Tha-doon-nys*’ or-

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Brother Crawley adds:—"I note what you say respecting Nictaux and Pine Grove Churches uniting to support one preacher; and have accordingly altered the list so that Mounng Doke Gye appears supported by these two Churches; and Mounng Than Shoon, the brother hitherto given to the Nictaux Church, will hereafter appear in the list as supported by parties under the designation, "Thy Kingdom Come." To be supported by "A Friend in Colchester," I have in view a young man, Mounng Shwang-nyo. Please add his name to the list accordingly."

Mounng Thu Hare, sustained by a friend in Charlottetown, P. E. I., and one in Halifax, it appears is stationed in Rangoon, under the supervision of Rev. A. T. Rose, from whom a definite report is expected shortly.

Under date of February 27th, brother Crawley says: "I informed you in a previous letter that Mounng Myot-zou, of Bassein, had been appointed to be sustained by "A. T. and H. H. Morse and a friend;" and I have now the pleasure to inform you that Shway Oung, the preacher mentioned by Mr. Douglas, is appointed on the fund of the "North River Section of the Onslow Church, and Mrs. C. C. Scott." In the same letter he remarks: "As I said before, let me now repeat, none need withhold from giving for fear that preachers will not be found; for there is not a station in Burmah that would not be glad to receive assistance."

"*Myatson*, one of our Burman preachers under the care of brother Douglas, is thus spoken of by him: "When I returned to Bassein two years ago, he, his wife and son were the only Christians in the place, or within two miles of the place, where he resides; now there are twenty-four who have been baptized, and were, six months since, organized into a Church—most, if not all, of whom first heard the Gospel from him. He has travelled extensively in that part of the district, and hundreds from month to month hear from him the way of pardon and life."

Brother Crawley thus prefaces the statement where the following extracts are made: "I have the pleasure to send you herewith brother Thomas's report [dated Henthada, April 14, 1866] of five of the Karen preachers supported by Nova Scotia, &c. There are six on the list I sent you, but as brother T. has not yet drawn the pay for the sixth, I suppose he has on that account, deferred reporting his work."

"1st. *Too Wah* has been of very great service to the Mission. He has been here to receive and preach to strangers, both Christian and heathen; and there has scarcely been a day without much company. When I have been away, Too Wah has preached on the Sabbath. When I have been at home, Too Wah's work has been various. He has frequently taken his New Testament and gone out to the villages near this City, where he has found some hopeful inquirers. He has for months visited the members of the families whom we regard as 'almost persuaded to be Christians.'

"2d. *Tu Pah's* duties have been most laborious, and almost entirely evangelistic. He has had the charge of a small church in Kyang Gouge, but his principal labours have been divided between four other

small villages, where have been young converts to look after. *Four* have been baptized from under the care of Tu Pah.

"3d. Of *Shway Tu* I can truly say, as is written of one of old, 'He is a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost.' He was ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry in January last, but not simply as the pastor of a church. He has *nine* little churches under his care. He has visited all these at least once since his ordination. But the Christians in his parish are not the only persons who have heard the Gospel from *Shway Tu*. The heathen in three places, at some distance from his house, have heard, and some have believed. God, I trust, has blest *Shway Tu's* efforts in his own village. The members of two families seem to have given up all for Christ. So *Shway Tu* is now very busy. Indeed he has left his own house, and has gone to remain in the houses of the new worshippers, until they feel quite safe *in the hands of God*, with no heathen rites.

"4th. *Too-tu Kyne* is a faithful and capable man. He also has the care of a small church, but can well leave it in the care of his good father. This he is constantly doing, and thus he has time to bear the 'bread of life' to the heathen around him. There have been several conversions under his preaching during the past six months. The case of two of these converts is very interesting. They are young married people, but have been afflicted. They have lost all their *four* children. While in a village near this preacher, performing some heathen rites, he poured into their ears the words of God. They at once embraced the Gospel; and are now trusting in God through Christ.

"5th. *Shway Too* has been diligently laboring in connection with his church till within six weeks. He has now gone, at the *solicitation of the heathen*, to a new place. The heathen there promise, or say they desire, to believe. In the associational letter from his church, two conversions were reported. Oh that our brethren in Nova Scotia &c., could, this very day, know the circumstances of *Shway Too*! They would then, most surely, join us in prayer for him,"

To this interesting and encouraging report of the labors of these indefatigable Karen preachers during six months, Bro. Thomas subjoins the following important remarks:—

"Now, my dear brother Crawley, do ask the dear brethren in Nova Scotia, if they are not nearly ready to send *two* missionaries to Henthada? Tell them we *need two* about as much as we do one. The Burmese disciples need one more to take *your* place: but we need a man for the Karen Department quite as much, and quite as soon. Here is a Karen field of a hundred miles square! I refer to the region inhabited by Karens north of the Bassein and Rangoon districts. It is quite impossible for one man to go to every place of interest in this wide field, even once in a year. If I visit at all carefully, east of the Irrawaddy, the west remains unvisited, and *vice versa*: for there are now at least a few Christians in more than sixty separate places in this district. The number of these places is constantly increasing.

"Will not our brethren in Nova Scotia [New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island,] feel some responsibility in this matter! The American Baptist Missionary Union will not, cannot, I fear, send two men, or even one, to this Mission. My only hope now is, that brethren will

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come to us from Nova Scotia. I am sure the Missionary Society's officers in Boston would be glad to see them doing more for this field. Let the brethren then understand that I am not only willing, but that with my whole soul I say, 'Come over and help us.'"

Our beloved brother Hilbert Black, who "did well that it was in his heart to go," has been taken from us by death. Will not then some other of our young men who are entering the ministry, respond to these impressive calls, and offer themselves for this much needed service? Doubtless many would aid in sustaining them, as well as the native preachers, whom they would superintend and greatly assist.

Of the *Mission School*, in which Ma-O-Za (supported by the Baptist Sabbath School, Windsor) and another female have professed faith during the past year, Brother Crawley says, "The teacher is energetic and able. It is hoped that the number of pupils will soon be much increased, for the school is about to be removed into a building in the centre of the town." For this highly useful institution your Board solicit continued aid. It is likewise evidently desirable that a Karen School should be opened and sustained at Bassein, in accordance with the desire expressed by brother Thomas in a former communication.

The cheering fact that *seventeen* faithful native Missionaries, supported by funds raised in these Provinces, are now laboring successfully in Burmah, and that their numbers and usefulness are constantly increasing, may well encourage the friends of this Mission to perseverance in earnest prayer, and to liberality in contributing for its furtherance.

CHARLES TUPPER, Secretary.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD *in account with* ANSEL T. BAKER,
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Feb'y. 3.	Rem. " " Bill £135 stg. cost,	.	675 25
" 23.	Paid Mrs. Burpee's allowance to March, 21, '66,	.	40 00
May 2.	Rem. Rev. A. R. R. Crawley, Bill £50 stg. cost,	.	250 37
Aug. 6.	Rem. " " " "	.	505 00
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" 11.	Friend in Charlottetown, to support a native preacher,	.	100 00
" 13.	Mrs. Maria Spear, Newport,	.	1 00
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	Harris H. Morse, "		25 00
	A Friend to Missions, Chester,		50 00
Sept. 1.	Interest on Bequest,		38 96
	Mrs. John Parker, Cornwallis,		2 00
Oct. 2.	Rev. James Reid, Portaupique,		4 00
Nov. 18.	N. River Sec. Onslow, Bap. Ch.,	{ To support a na- tive preacher. }	50 00
	Mrs. C. C. Scott,		50 00
Dec. 7.	Charles F. Myers,		2 50
	Wolfville Baptist Church,		40 00
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	Benjamin Dodge, "		4 00
	John West, "		1 00
	Pine Grove Church,		6 00
	Truro Church, to support a native preacher, half year's payment,		50 00
	A Sister in Truro Church, to support a native preacher, half year's do. do.,		50 00
	Cape Canso Church,		40 00
	Friend in Colchester, to support a native preacher,		100 00
	Uigg Church, Prince Edward Island,		9 00
" 31.	Nictaux Church, to support a native preacher,		90 25
Feb. 23.	Friends in C. B.	{ These under the designation, "Thy Kingdom come," to support a native preacher. }	50 00
Mar. 2.	" P. E. I.,		25 00
	3rd Horton Ch.,		25 00
	Miss Jane Olding,		1 25
" 16.	Friend at Margaret's Bay,		1 25
May 2.	Friends, per Rev. J. Chase,		2 00
June 11.	Argyle Juvenile Missionary Society,		9 75
	1st Yarmouth Ch., to support a native preacher,		100 00
	Western Baptist Association,		281 17
	Friend, Queen's County,		40 00
" 13.	New Brunswick Home Missionary Board,		160 00
" 15.	Granville St. Ch. & congregation,	{ \$100 of these sums to sup- port Ko Aing, }	49 00
	Sunday-school collections,		26 00
	Cols. 1st Sunday of each month,		30 00
" 28.	Sydney (C. B), church and friends, to support a native preacher,		100 00
July 12.	Interest on Debentures,		60 00
" 17.	Windsor Sabbath School, to support a pupil in Mission School,		25 00
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Examined and found correct,

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Motion adopted.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. I. E. Bill.

TUESDAY MORNING, Private Session, }
8½ o'clock, Aug. 21. }

President in the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Coleman.

Moved—That Rev. S. Robinson have an opportunity to present the resolution which he had given notice he wished to present.

Bro. Robinson not being disposed to present his resolution, an informal discussion of the matters of difference was then entered upon, in which the following brethren took part:—Rev. Dr. Cramp, E. H. Duval, Revs. S. Robinson, E. M. Saunders, Dr. Crawley, W. V. Garner, T. Todd, J. C. Hurd, Dr. Tupper, and E. C. Cady.

Adjourned.

OPEN SESSION, 11 o'clock, A. M.

Committee of Nomination reported, recommending that the next Session of this Convention be held at Pine Grove, Wilmot, N. S., on Saturday, 24th day of August, 1867; that the Rev. E. C. Cady, A. M., preach the Convention Sermon, and that Rev. T. W. Crawley, A. M., be his Alternate.

Report adopted.

Committee on Obituaries was relieved, and Rev. J. Davis and Rev. I. E. Bill were appointed to prepare suitable obituaries, and forward them to the Secretaries, for publication in the Minutes.

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The Report of the Committee to consider certain questions connected with our Foreign Mission, was presented, and after brief discussion, adopted.

There are two matters referred to us as a special Committee relating to Foreign Missions: the *first*, whether the will of Oliver Randall has given the residue of certain monies bequeathed by him to the Board, in case his daughter Cynthia should die before coming of age and without heirs; and the *second*, whether the widow of the late Rev. Mr. Burpee, Burmese Missionary, should continue to receive further assistance, now that her sons, who have each been receiving £15 annually, have arrived at the age of 16 years, on which their allowance was to cease.

First, we would recommend that a case be prepared under the direction of both the Board and Executors, for the decision of the Court; in order that the latter, when they pay the amount, may be freed from responsibility, and the Board when they receive it may make use of it. This course may be taken with despatch, and comparatively small expense.

In the case of Mrs. Burpee, having found that the rule in such cases is to continue giving assistance to the widow so long as she remains such; and being now freed from paying £15 a year to the sons, we would recommend the continuance of an annual payment to her, making the amount more than it was while she received her son's money, that is the sum of £20.

W. B. KINNEAR, Chairman.

Voted that the Reports of Secretary and Treasurer of Acadia College be adopted, and printed in the Minutes.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The Anniversary was held in the Baptist Meeting House, Wolfville, on Tuesday, June 5th, in the following order:

Prayer by Rev. D. Freeman.

Music, "The Lord is King."

BY UNDER-GRADUATES.

Idiosyncrasy.....Mr. James F. Morton, Wilmot.

The Inner Life.....Mr. Thomas S. McLean, Bras d'Or, C. B.

Music, "When the Lord shall build."

The Unknown.....Mr. George E. Tufts, Albany.

The Unconditioned.....Mr. O. E. Cox, Canning.

Music, "Jerusalem, my glorious home."

The Patriot's Vision.....Mr. Albert J. Hill, Sydney, C. B.

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ORATIONS BY GRADUATES.

The Feudal System.....Mr. Edwin D. King, A. B., Onslow.
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Music, "Calm on the listening ear."

DEGREES CONFERRED.

Music, National Anthem.

Benediction by Rev. Dr. Pryor.

The following gentlemen having completed the prescribed course of study, and undergone satisfactory examination, were respectively admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, viz.: Leander S. Morse, James F. Morton, Albert J. Hill, George E. Tufts, Thomas S. McLean, and O. E. Cox.

At the same time, the Degree of Master of Arts was conferred on Israel A. Blair, A. B., and on Edwin D. King, A. B., Bachelors of three years' standing, and found to be suitably qualified.

Honor certificates were at the same time awarded as follows:

IN CLASSICS.

Senior Class—L. S. Morse, and J. F. Morton.

Junior Class—J. S. Manning.

Sophomore Class—William Elder, John McDonald, D. Eaton, E. C. Spinney, and A. Coldwell.

Freshman Class—N. McLeod, C. S. Daniell, and R. Sanford.

IN MATHEMATICS.

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IN HISTORY.

Freshman Class—N. McLeod, C. S. Daniels, and R. Sanford.

There was a Rhetorical Exhibition in the Baptist Meeting House, Wolfville, on the 20th December, 1865. Orations were delivered by the members of the Sophomore Class, in the following order:

Ideals.....John McDonald, Uigg, P. E. Island.
 Suggestive Discourse.....Isaac R. Wheelock, Aylesford.
 Prejudice.....Albert Coldwell, Gaspereaux.
 "Step by Step,".....Hector E. Munro, Onslow.
 The Directing Power.....J. W. Johnson, Wolfville.
 Original Thinking.....E. C. Spinney, Wilmot.
 Effort.....J. F. Tufts, New Albany.
 The Search after Truth.....Robert E. Douglas, Amherst.
 "There's a Good Time Coming,"...John Wallace.
 Mythology.....Lewis Hunt, Cornwallis.
 The Grecian Classics.....H. C. Messenger, Falmouth.
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Class 2d—George E. Tufts, T. S. McLean, O. E. Cox.

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Class 2d—W. D. Dimock, W. Graham.

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Class 1st—W. Elder, J. McDonald, J. R. Wheelock, J. F. Tufts, D. Eaton, A. Coldwell, E. C. Spinney.
Class 2d—H. Munro, R. C. Douglas, J. W. Johnson, H. C. Messenger, J. Wallace, L. Hunt.

FRESHMEN.

Class 1st—N. McLeod, C. S. Daniels, Rufus Sanford.
Class 2d—J. P. Chipman, H. C. Shaffner, J. Hunt, C. F. Myers.

Peter McLeod, James C. Steadman, and John W. Titus, all of New Brunswick, attended Lectures in the department of Arts, besides receiving instruction in Theology.

The studies of the past year have been conducted in general accordance with the curriculum. In addition to this, a large class has received instruction in French from Rev. Dr. Crawley during the last Term.

The Lectures on Theology and Ecclesiastical History were finished, and Lectures were delivered on the history of Baptism, and on Religious Denominations. Exegetical readings in the Greek Testament were conducted once a week. A course of Lectures on Biblical Interpretation was delivered to a class of candidates for the ministry studying in the Academy.

It is to be regretted that the number of Theological Students in the College has been smaller than in previous years ; and your Board would urge upon the Churches the desirableness of seeking out and encouraging young men called of God, and possessing suitable gifts, to enter upon a course of study in the Academy and College.

It will be remembered that just previous to the last meeting of this Convention, James DeMill, Esq., unexpectedly resigned his position as Classical Professor. In view of this event, the following Resolution was passed by your body :

Whereas, The chair of Professor of Classics in Acadia College is rendered vacant by the resignation of Professor DeMill, and whereas we are informed that Rev. E. A. Crawley, D. D., one of the original founders of the Institution, and whose high scholarly attainments eminently qualify him to fill the vacant position with distinguished ability, is at liberty to accept an invitation to the College ; and whereas our absent brother shares largely in the christian confidence and affection of the ministers and churches of this Convention ;

Therefore Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the Board of Governors of Acadia College to extend to Dr. Crawley a cordial invitation to a Professor's chair in that Institution.

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Acting in accordance with the above recommendation, an invitation was immediately forwarded to Dr. Crawley by your Board.

In the meanwhile, as some time must necessarily elapse before hearing from Dr. Crawley, and before any arrangements could be made by him in view of this call, it was thought desirable by your Board to secure the services of the Rev. R. Somerville, A. M., of Wolfville, as Tutor in the College, until the vacant Professorship should be permanently filled.

Mr. Somerville discharged his duties to the entire satisfaction of the Board, until the close of the autumn Term.

Your Board are gratified to be able to state that the response of the Rev. Dr. Crawley was favorable; that he arrived in the Province of Nova Scotia, and commenced his duties in the College, in January last.

While your Board are thus enabled to congratulate the denomination on the accession to the Faculty of a gentleman so long and so closely identified with our educational interests in these Provinces, it is with deep regret they are compelled to intimate that the venerable President of the College, Rev. Dr. Cramp, has announced his intention of resigning the position so ably filled by him, at no distant day.

At a meeting of the Governors in March last, the President made certain statements to the above effect, and in view thereof it was considered advisable to hold a special meeting, to consider the question thus unexpectedly brought before them.

Accordingly, a very large and influential meeting of the Board of Governors, Scholarship-holders, and other friends of Acadia College, was held in the College Library, pursuant to notice, on the second day of May last, at 10 o'clock, A. M., J. W. Barss, Esq., in the chair.

After some preliminary business, Dr. Cramp having been called upon by the Chairman, stated his reasons for the step he contemplated taking.

The most perfect harmony existed between himself and other members of the Faculty. His motives were solely of a personal and individual character. Institutions of learning required the supervision of men in the full vigor of life. While he had endeavored faithfully and efficiently to discharge the duties of his office, he would not say that he possessed the energy and elasticity of former years. He had now been nearly fifty years in public life, and would prefer the tranquility of a less prominent position. There were some projects of a literary character, to the carrying out and finishing of which he desired to devote the evening of his days. He had given timely notice, in order that measures might be deliberately taken to secure the services of a successor. If it were deemed advisable also to reconstruct or enlarge the curriculum of study, especially in the Theological department, to meet the advancing requirements of the age, time would be afforded for this purpose.

After some further conversation, Dr. Cramp withdrew.

The brethren present then freely expressed their views in reference to the important question before them. Dr. Cramp had found our institutions in a very depressed condition, and had been mainly instrumental in raising them to their present state of efficiency. He had labored most assiduously and energetically on their behalf. Deep regret was expressed that he should feel it to be his duty to retire. It was proposed that he should be earnestly pressed to withdraw his resignation; but as it was understood that any such effort would be fruitless,

the following Resolution was proposed by the Rev. C. Tupper, D. D., seconded by D. McN. Parker, Esq., M. D., and passed unanimously :

"*Resolved*, That this meeting has learned with deep regret the Rev. Dr. Cramp's determination to resign the Presidency of Acadia College. In his official position at the head of the College, as a Governor, and as connected with our Institutions and the denomination generally, no language can express too strongly the appreciation in which he is held. His retirement, viewed from any stand-point, can only be regarded as a calamity. The Board of Governors cannot admit that in any respect Dr. Cramp's age has impaired in the slightest degree his usefulness or efficiency.

"This Board would earnestly request that Dr. Cramp would remain in his present position at least another Collegiate year, in order that suitable arrangements may be matured.

"Also *Resolved*, That this Board will endeavor to make such arrangements in the Theological department as will be satisfactory to Dr. Cramp."

The above Resolutions having been communicated to Dr. Cramp, he signified his disposition to accede to the request of the Board.

Dr. Cramp will therefore remain in the responsible position he has occupied for another Collegiate year. A committee was appointed at the meeting, who will in the meantime employ themselves in devising measures to procure a successor, and provide for the best interests of the Institution; but it should be remembered by this Convention that in order to keep the College even in its present state of efficiency, a much larger outlay will be required than is now made. Dr. Cramp, for several years past, has, with unexampled liberality, contributed four hundred dollars per annum of his salary, to meet current expenses. After the present year, we can no longer look to this source of supply. Unless, therefore, we are prepared to retrograde as a denomination, a much greater manifestation of liberality, and determination to support our beloved institutions, must be made.

More than this, we require at least two more Professors: one in the department of Theology, and one in the department of Arts. These wants should be kept steadily in view, and the Endowment Fund speedily made up and secured.

In the matter of Agency, as will appear in the Treasurer's Report, comparatively little has been done during the past year. Your Board regret that they were unable to procure the services of the Rev. James E. Balcom, as sole agent, although he has been able to accomplish something by devoting a portion of his time to the object.

The following additions have been made to the College Library during the year :

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From the DeWolfe Legacy Fund—Grote's Plato, three vols.; McMillan's History of the Jews, three vols.; Lange's Life of Christ, six vols.; Howitt's Australia, two vols.; Hall's Life with the Esquimaux; Earl Russell on the English Constitution; The Voice of Jubilee; Barth's Bible Manual; Ingham on Baptism; Mills' Principles of Political Economy; Graham's Science of Human Life; Bunyan's Works, four vols.; The Jubilee Volume; Muller's Literature

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By *T. A. Aiken, Esq.*—A Brief Account of King's College, - 1
 By *Rev. A. S. Hunt, A. M.*—Fourcroy's Elements of Chemistry, five volumes ; German Hymns, &c., three volumes. - 8
 By *T. S. De Wolfe, Esq.*—A Welch Bible. - 1
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Contributions to the Museum :

By *A. J. Hill, student.*—Specimens of carboniferous limestone and flint pebbles.
 By *J. W. Barss, Esq.*—Specimens of the Currency of the Confederate States of North America.
 By *John De Wolfe.*—Fossils from Wales.
 By *W. A. Mackinlay, student.*—Fossils from P. E. Island.
 By *T. H. Rand, Esq., Superintendent of Education.*—A specimen of manganese from Tinny Cape.

In view of the matters thus brought forward, your Board would respectfully urge upon the Convention the necessity of greater union in our educational efforts, and more enlarged liberality in contributing to the support of our institutions of learning.

Your Board are fully satisfied that it is in the power of the denomination, by one honest effort, fully to endow our College, and make suitable provision for all the wants of our Academies. This, however, requires union, combination, and the absence of all local jealousies. It requires that we see eye to eye, and make our advances shoulder to shoulder. Let it be the main purpose of our gathering to devise how this may be most effectually accomplished.

All which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, SECRETARY.

Saint John, N. B., Aug. 18, 1866.

ACADIA COLLEGE—TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Board of Governors of Acadia College—

I beg leave to submit, for your examination and approval, the annual accounts connected with the financial department of Acadia College. The Endowment Fund shows but a small increase on last year : about £500 have been added. £350 of this sum was received from sale of dyke land as authorized by vote of Convention. Had an agent been in the field, no doubt but the result would be more favorable. The securities held by the Treasurer for your Board are of the most reliable

kind ; and the interest is paid with great regularity and punctuality. The Endowment Fund may be estimated as follows :—

Twenty-three mortgages on Real Estate,	£5,153 0 0	
Thirteen N. S. Provincial Bonds, \$500 each,	1,625 0 0	
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Notes considered good (including cash in hand, £16),		2,722 0 0
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The General Account will be found, as on previous years, *balanced* ; and salaries are paid up to about this date. I have been assisted in meeting current claims by the Government grant of \$400, and a like amount generously given by the President of the College. It would have been impossible to meet all engagements without these sums. The repairs of the buildings are larger than usual, as you are aware that your Board found it imperative to have the premises put in good repair, as they were becoming dilapidated from former neglect, the funds not being sufficient for that purpose : as the work is still in progress the bills could not be settled, but I presume some \$400 will be needed to pay the balance.

I need not repeat what I said last year respecting the contributions from the churches, only to add that indifference or neglect seems to *increase* from year to year ; and the amount received, as will be shown by present account, is less than on any previous year since the appeal began to be made, and the whole amount is not greater than could be contributed by some one church in our body. The estimated income and disbursements are similar to last year, leaving a deficiency of about \$1000, to be met from such source as your Board may direct. The impression may prevail that a less sum than is asked for, would do from the churches ; but this is incorrect, as the deficiency of income to meet salaries is taken from rents and other sources that are required for improvement and repairs of the premises, and in using these funds to supply the deficiency of income from the churches, there is a serious inconvenience felt in keeping the property in that state of repair that is absolutely necessary.

The question of agency is one that has been so frequently before your Board, that I need not dwell upon it ; but would say in a word, what must be evident to all our denomination, that there is an imperative necessity to raise the Endowment immediately to a more respectable amount. A permanent agent, of wisdom, devotedness, and financial ability, should be sought for in the denomination, and no church should withhold their consent to relinquishing their pastor for so important a work, as we have gone on from year to year amidst many discouragements. It becomes us to gratefully acknowledge the good providence of God in watching over this Institution, and the gradual improvement in the financial matters, with the strong desire felt by our young men for a higher education, are unquestionable indications that the duty of the denomination at this time, is, peculiarly, to go forward.

J. W. BARSS,
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Acadia College in General Account with J. W. BARSS, Treasurer.

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Aug. 1. To paid Principal Cramp's salary,	£250	0	0			
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" " Prof. Jones'	175	0	0			
" " Prof. Crawley's	137	10	0			
" " Prof. DeMill, balance,	25	0	0			
" " Rev. R. Somerville, 1 term,	50	0	0			
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	" 1 year's grant Prov. Treasury,	100	0	0
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			£1,089	19	3
	By balance on hand,	£6	13	6
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Wolfeville, August 1, 1866.

List of Donations to Current Expenses.

Rev. Dr. Cramp,	£100	0	0
H. E. P., Westport,	.....	.....	2	0	0
Female friend, Arichat,	.....	.....	0	10	0
J. Rounsefell, jr. (annual),	.....	.....	1	10	0
Francis Webber, Sackville,	.....	.....	1	5	0
Robert Allen,	.....	.....	0	9	0
			<u>£105</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>
			J. W. BARSS, <i>Treasurer.</i>		

Wolfeville, August 1, 1866.

List of Contributions to Endowment Fund—Notes and Money—1866.

W. Faulkner, Esq., Truro,	£70	0	0	H. R. Cunningham,	£25	0	0
Miss Matilda Faulkner, "	5	0	0	Guysboro',	91	0	0
David Nelson, "	4	0	0	A Friend, Guysboro',	1	0	0
Robert Nelson,	5	0	0	David Spencer, Cow Bay,			
Almon Berry,	5	0	0		<u>£276</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Jos. Gourley, Londonderry,	40	0	0				
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					J. W. BARSS, <i>Treasurer.</i>		

Wolfeville, August 1, 1866.

List of Churches contributing to Current Expenses.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.		Chester,	.....	\$10	00	
Annapolis and Up. Granville,	\$8	00	1st Cornwallis,	.....	13	00
Beaver River,	8	13	2d do.	.....	17	21
Lower Aylesford, and Upper Wilmot,	25	00	5th do.	.....	11	62
Milton,	10	80	1st Halifax,	.....	20	00
Port Medway,	8	00	1st Horton,	.....	31	87
Pine Grove,	20	00	2d do.	.....	10	00
Ragged Islands,	4	00	3d do.	.....	8	25
Westport,	12	00	New Germany,	4	30
St. Mary's Bay,	5	00	Margaret's Bay,	6	00
			Sackville,	1	00
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J. W. BARSS,
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August 1, 1866.

The following Resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, From the Annual Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Acadia College, this Convention learns that Dr. Cramp contemplates resigning his connection with the College, and also learns that the Board, viewing it from any stand-point, regards it a calamity; and this Convention, being in full sympathy with this as well as with other aspects of the case presented in the Report, and confidently believing that this is the undivided sentiment of the entire Baptist denomination of these Provinces; therefore,

Resolved, That a special Committee be appointed by this Convention, to communicate with Dr. Cramp, for the purpose of inducing him to withdraw his signified intention of withdrawing from the College, thereby leaving him in the place which he has hitherto so ably filled.

Voted, That brethren W. V. Garner, S. DeBlois, and Dr. Parker, be the Committee suggested in the above Resolution.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. T. Todd.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opening prayer by Rev. Dr. Cramp.

The Committee appointed to consult with Rev. Dr. Cramp in reference to his continuing his services in Acadia College, reported as follows:

The Committee appointed to confer with Dr. Cramp, with reference to his signified intention at no distant day to resign the position which he has so honorably filled for so many years, beg leave to report that they have held a consultation with Dr. Cramp, and he signified to the Committee his willingness to retain the position if the denomination heartily engage in effort to raise the contemplated Endowment Fund to

the sum of twenty thousand pounds. That he will accept this on farther condition that he be allowed to retire from office at any time, on giving six months notice.

Respectfully submitted.

W. V. GARNER, Chairman.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted, with sentiments of great gratification for the result therein indicated.

The following Resolution was moved by Rev. John Davis, and adopted :

Whereas, Christian brethren in the United States have been led to take a deep and practical interest in the elevation and christianization of the freedmen recently emancipated among them; and *Whereas*, our Baptist brethren in the States are largely engaged in efforts bearing upon the above-named objects; and *Whereas*, some of these efforts hold their relation, and that not remotely, to the Foreign Missionary enterprise;

Therefore Resolved, 1. That we are profoundly thankful to see the professed friends of the Gospel in the neighbouring States, and particularly those of our own denomination, waking up after a new manner to the rights and claims of the colored millions whom God in his providence has planted and raised up among them. 2. That we rejoice to notice the awakening in the Africa-American race to the benefits and blessings of education, now at length placed within their reach, and even urged upon their acceptance. 3. And lastly, that we regard with peculiar satisfaction the efforts put forth to constitute American freedmen the "freedmen of Christ"—first, for their own sake; and next with a view to the evangelization of the great African continent, oppressed and trodden under foot hitherto, but now at last beholding the advancing brightness of the day in which "Ethiopia shall stretch forth her hands unto God."

The President of the Convention then asked leave to vacate the Chair, which was filled by Vice-President, the Rev. Mr. Randall, in order to offer the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the introduction, at meetings of this Convention, of subjects foreign to the objects of the Convention, is inconsistent with its Constitution and designs, and tends injuriously to contract the limited portion of time allotted for its legitimate business, and may endanger the harmony of the meetings, by presenting questions of exciting interest on which differences of opinion may exist; and therefore it is the opinion of this Convention that the time of the Convention should not be occupied with, nor its members be called upon to take part in the discussion of matters foreign from the legitimate objects for which the institution was founded.

Brother A. W. Masters presented the following Resolution

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solution, which was sustained by addresses by himself and Rev. I. E. Bill :

Whereas, It is indispensable for the prosperity and usefulness of Acadia College, that the Endowment be raised to a sum of not less than twenty thousand pounds ;

Therefore Resolved, That the Convention recommend the immediate employment of such agency by the Board of Governors as may be necessary for the accomplishment of the desired object, and that we unanimously pledge ourselves to put forth individual effort in conjunction with such agency, to reach so desirable a result.

Resolved, That an Agency Committee be appointed, with power to select and appoint some suitable person as Agent, and superintend his labours, under the direction of the Board of Governors ; and that the Committee consist of brethren Bill, Cady, J. W. Barss, Esq., Dr. Spurden, Rev. S. M. DeBlois, Dr. Cramp, and Dr. McN. Parker.

Committee on the State of the Denomination presented the following Report :

STATE OF THE DENOMINATION.

The associational returns furnish the following statistics :

NOVA SCOTIA.				
Western Association,	55 churches,	493 baptized,	7,870 members.	
Central	" 41	" 128	" 4,971	"
Eastern	" 50	" 235	" 3,551	"
	—155	—856	—16,392	
NEW BRUNSWICK.				
Eastern Association,	62 churches,	172 baptized,	4,627 members.	
Western	" 59	" 289	" 4,343	"
	—121	—461	—8,970	
	<u>Total,</u>	<u>276 :</u>	<u>1,317</u>	<u>25,362</u>

These returns present a clear increase of 622, being a little more than 2½ per cent., while last year the increase was not quite one-half per cent. Of this increase, Nova Scotia claims 567, or 3½ per cent. ; New Brunswick is credited with 55, or ½ per cent.

The baptisms, it will be seen, are reported to amount to 1317, being 451 more than last year. This is nearly five to each church ; but as many of the churches reported no baptisms at the last anniversaries of the Associations, the average must be taken accordingly, and will probably amount to ten for each church reporting baptisms.

Four new churches have been formed, viz., in Nova Scotia : Shelburne ; in New Brunswick : Pitt Street, St. John, Hainesville, and Florenceville.

Seven brethren have been ordained, viz. :

Sept. 5, 1865. Thomas Blackadar, Parrsboro' Village, N. S.
 " 24, " Wm. B. Boggs, Sydney, C. B.
 Oct. 4, " George D. Godsoe, 2d St. George, N. B.
 " 5, " J. Melbourne Parker, Springfield, Annapolis Co., N. S.
 " 29, " Joseph Murray, Guysboro', N. S.
 Nov. 28, " William George, Little River, N. S.
 Jan. 7, 1866. Eliakim J. Archibald, North River, P. E. I.

Two new Meeting Houses have been opened, both in New Brunswick, viz., Pitt Street, St. John, and Richmond, Carleton County. Several others are in course of construction in various parts of the Provinces.

The Committee feel that there is much cause for gratitude to God, who has so blessed the labors of His servants that the success announced in the preceding statistics considerably exceeds that reported at the last Anniversary. Not that this amount of success should be regarded as satisfying the aspirations of Christian faith and hope ; for we are warranted and encouraged to look for greater things than these, and we ought to ask for the continual rain from heaven, rather than occasional showers of grace. Nevertheless, any progress, however small, should be contemplated with thanksgiving, and animate us to vigorous and sustained effort.

That there is a large amount of unemployed talent in the churches, cannot be doubted. It will be a happy day for the Baptist denomination, when all its members shall recognize the fact that they are " members one of another," each being bound to " please his neighbour for his good to edification;" and when they shall all become so deeply conscious of obligation to " the Lord that bought them," as to live, not " unto themselves, but unto him who died for them, and rose again."

The cry for help is heard from every quarter. Many churches are destitute of pastors, and in many districts the moral wastes lie uncultivated. There is a growing demand for earnest, well-instructed labourers. The churches are responsible to the Lord in this matter. It is their duty to seek out the gifts for edification that may be among them, and to encourage their improvement and use by all appropriate methods.

The destitution, so far as churches are concerned, may be partly attributable to indiscretion in the formation of churches where pastoral labour cannot be adequately supported, and partly to hasty and inconsiderate ordinations. The growth of knowledge and experience will remedy these evils ; and your Committee would rather rely on such growth, aided by the exertion of salutary influence, than recommend any attempt to effect reform by legislation, since legislation would involve interference with that scriptural freedom of action which is rightly claimed by our churches, and is especially dear to Baptists.

On a review of the whole, the Committee repeat the suggestion of former years, that the Churches be recommended to observe the first Thursday in December as a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

J. M. CRAMP, Chairman.

Dr. Cramp presented the Report of the Treasurer of the DeWolfe Fund, which was adopted.

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Wolfville, Aug. 1, 1866.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTED BRETHERN.

Committee on departed brethren reported, and Re-
 port adopted :—

Chief among those whom the Head of the Church has removed from
 among us during the past year, must be noticed the Rev. GEORGE DI-
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 brethren in these Provinces, now all of them—those engaged in the mi-
 nistry at least—gathered to their rest. We extract the particulars re-
 ferred for our present purpose from a memoir of our departed father in
 Christ, furnished by Dr. Cramp to the *Christian Messenger* for January
 10th and 17th, of this year.

Mr. Dimock was descended from pious ancestors, who, in 1760, emigrated to Nova Scotia from Connecticut, to escape the impositions to which they were there exposed, on account of their conscientious dissent from the "standing order" of that colony. He was born July 17th, 1777, and was ten years younger than his brother, the well known and justly honoured Joseph Dimock. In his thirteenth year he was "born again"—born into the heavenly kingdom. In 1799 he was baptized at Horton, by the late venerable T. S. Harding. He then became a consistent member of the Baptist Church formed at Newport in August, 1799, and consisting of nine persons. His father, Daniel Dimock, was another of these members, and was ordained pastor of the little church in October, 1799, while himself was appointed deacon.

It was not until 1818, when more than forty years of age, that Mr. Dimock began to preach. In 1820 he became pastor of the church at Newport, being ordained in August of that year. He continued to sustain the pastoral relation thus formed until 1860. He laboured on, quietly but perseveringly, during the forty years of his pastorate. The Lord blessed his labours. His immediate charge grew under his hand. He lived to see Baptist Churches spring up in various places in Hants County, which, in the year of his death counted up more than nine hundred members. The nine in Newport, formed into a church in 1799, had increased more than a hundred-fold. On Saturday, September 30, 1865, he entered into the "rest that remaineth for the people of God." If Mr. Dimock was not what is called a great man, he was an eminently good man—great in his goodness, and greatly honoured for his goodness, "in his own country"—the land of his nativity, of his whole life, natural and religious both, and of his prolonged and useful ministry. And there, too, he "sleeps in Jesus," his spirit joined to the fellowship of the "just men made perfect," and waiting in calm and joyful expectation for the coming resurrection.

In the *Messenger* for August 29, of the present year, the Rev. M. P. Freeman has supplied a sketch of the life of the late Rev. W. Dobson, of which we here avail ourselves. He was born at Little River, Cumberland County, N. S., February 19, 1818. When he was about thirty years of age, it pleased God to "call him by his grace." Soon after this he was baptized by Dr. W. Hobbs, and became a member of the Baptist Church in his native place. By and by he was elected a deacon of the same church. Then in 1858 he was sent out by his brethren to preach the Gospel, and in July, 1859, he received ordination as an evangelist. He laboured as an evangelist in various portions of his ministerial life, at Tryon, P. E. I., and in the western portion of that Island, and again at Pugwash, at Point de Bute, and at other places on the main land. In these efforts the Lord was with him, and gave efficiency to the ministry of his servant—particularly at Tryon, at Pugwash, and in the western portions of P. E. I. In September, 1860, he became pastor of the churches at Bedeque and Tryon, P. E. I., sustaining this relation until the summer of 1862. In the autumn of last year he returned to P. E. I., after a season of absence from it, to finish his work, and to die. Through the last autumn, and then through the succeeding winter, he performed pastoral labor at Tryon, continuing to do so until the month of March, on the eighth day of which month he closed his eyes on earth, and opened them in heaven. His ministerial course was brief, but useful.

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Rev. LEVI H. MARSHALL, son of the late Elisha Marshall, of Wilmot, N. S., entered the ministry as a licentiate in 1843, and was ordained in 1847. He served, during his pastoral life, the churches of Argyle, Onslow, and Londonderry, N. S., and the churches of Sackville, Harvey, and Hopewell, N. B. In each and all these places, he was made a blessing, in the conversion of sinners, and in the promotion of truth, and was highly esteemed as a sincere Christian and as a good minister of the Lord Jesus. His last illness was very protracted, and he was for years laid aside from active labour, but the Gospel which he so faithfully preached to others, sustained him in the hour of trial. He lingered until April 15, 1866, when, at his residence at Hopewell, he resigned his spirit into the hands of his covenant God and Father, in the joyful assurance of a blessed resurrection to everlasting life.

The Minutes of the Western Association contain the following notices, prepared by Rev. Dr. Spurden :

Since the report of last year, others of our number have been called away. ISAAC LAWRENCE, a brother dearly beloved and highly esteemed by the community where he laboured for a short time, was early removed from the scene of his useful though unostentatious labours. His affectionate disposition endeared him to all who knew him, and though the promise of future usefulness was cut short by death, yet we rejoice in the thought that while he lived, he lived not in vain.

Bro. E. McINNIS also has been removed from the Church on earth to the Church in Heaven. He was latterly engaged as a missionary in the vicinity of St. John, but for some time previously to his death he suffered much bodily indisposition, and was laid aside from active duties. He was a good man, and much esteemed in the sphere of his labours. May we all follow the faith of those who are gone, and at last enjoy with them the promised rest.

Voted unanimously, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the brethren of the City of St. John, for their kindness in entertaining the members of the Convention on the present occasion.

It was also *Resolved,* That the thanks of this Convention be conveyed to the proprietors of the steamboats, and the managers of the railways in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, for the favors shown to the delegates in conveying them at reduced fares.

Also *Resolved*, That the following brethren be requested to make arrangements with parties concerned for affording facilities of conveying delegates to the Convention next year:—I. E. Bill, E. C. Cady, A. Longley, S. Selden, and I. Wallace.

It was then *Resolved*, That this Convention do now adjourn, to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M., on Saturday, the — day of August, 1867, with the Pine Grove Baptist Church, Wilmot, N. S.

Adjourned to meet as above. Prayer by Rev. G. M. W. Carey.

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Advocate Harbour,	3	47	Merrigonish,	22		
Amherst,	5	246	Mira Bay, C. B.,	15	124		
Amherst Shore,	30	New Harbour,	28		
Antigonish, . . . .	..	20	North River, P. E. I.,	13	66		
Bedeque, P. E. I.,	32	125	North Sydney, C. B.,	1	129		
Brookfield, . . . .	..	50	Onslow, . . . .	...	150		
Cape Canso,	1	89	Parrsboro' Village,	11	62		
Cape Wolf, P. E. I., . . . .	..	29	Pictou, . . . .	...	14		
Charlottetown, P. E. I., . . . .	..	35	Portaupique,	8	110		
Coddle Harbour, . . . .	..	14	Pugwash, . . . .	...	115		
Crow Harbour, . . . .	..	33	River John, . . . .	...	15		
Diligent River, . . . .	..	22	Sand Point,	3	25		
Earlton,	2	24	St. Mary's, 1st, . . . .	...	30		
East Point, P. E. I.,	5	88	St. Mary's, 2nd, . . . .	...	31		
Five Islands, . . . .	..	36	St. Peter's Road, P. E. I., . . . .	...	14		
Glenville and River Philip,	17	46	Sydney, C. B.,	5	50		
Goose River, . . . .	..	29	Tatamagouche, . . . .	...	30		
Goshen, . . . .	..	29	Three Rivers, P. E. I., . . . .	...	32		
Grand Mira, C. B., . . . .	..	19	Tracadie,	28	110		
Grand River, P. E. I., . . . .	..	22	Truro,	1	96		
Great Village, . . . .	..	96	Tryon, P. E. I., . . . .	...	46		
Guysboro',	62	203	Uigg, P. E. I., . . . .	...	60		
Hawkesbury, C. B., . . . .	..	9	Upper Londonderry,	1	92		
Indian Harbour, . . . .	..	75	Upper Stewiacke, . . . .	...	36		
Isaac's Harbour,	1	63	Wallace River, . . . .	...	70		
Little River,	6	65	Wentworth,	1	44		
Lot 49, P. E. I.,	10	17	Westbrook, . . . .	...	45		
Lower Stewiacke,	10	76	West and Clyde Rivers, P. E. I.,	1	65		
Mabou, C. B.,	20					
Margaree, C. B.,	1	59					
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Annapolis and Up. Granville	12	228	Middlefield,	22		
Argyle,	1	41	Nictaux,	366		
Brookfield,	118	New Albany,	69		
Barrington,	2	48	New Tusket,	43	132		
Beaver River,	8	215	Ohio,	6	163		
Clements,	7	264	Port Medway & Mill Village	15	223		
Caledonia, . . . . .	..	25	Pine Grove,	44	280		
Dalhousie, . . . . .	..	28	Pubnico, . . . . .	..	29		
Digby, . . . . .	..	44	Parker's Cove,	1	56		
Digby Neck, 1st, . . . . .	..	121	Ragged Islands, 1st,	7	122		
Digby Neck, 2d, . . . . .	..	90	Ragged Islands, 2d,	2	17		
Greenfield, . . . . .	..	59	Shelburne, . . . . .	..	19		
Greywood, . . . . .	..	43	Sissaboo,	23	129		
Hampton,	1	106	Springfield, . . . . .	..	44		
Hill Grove, . . . . .	..	71	St. Mary's Bay,	16	143		
Hillsburg, 1st,	14	176	Sable River,	21	59		
Hillsburg, 2d, . . . . .	..	88	Sherbrooke, West, . . . . .	..	36		
Jordan Bay,	11	64	Tusket, . . . . .	..	112		
Jordan River, . . . . .	..	24	Tusket Lakes,	1	57		
Kempt,	1	100	Wilmot,	21	376		
Liverpool,	2	190	Wilmot Mountain,	7	210		
Lake George,	18	152	Westport, . . . . .	..	157		
Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmot,	77	550	Yarmouth, 1st,	42	453		
Lower Granville,	25	277	Yarmouth, 2d,	34	321		
Litchfield, . . . . .	..	40	Yarmouth, 3d,	19	195		
Long Island, . . . . .	..	279	Yarmouth, South,	7	212		
Lewis Head,	1	70	Yarmouth, West,	11	154		
Milton,	3	203		493	7870		

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION		Bap	M's	NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION		Bap	M's
Aylesford, Upper, . . . . .	..	230	Kempt,	1	68		
Bridgewater,	3	114	La Have, . . . . .	..	41		
Burton, . . . . .	..	31	Lunenburg,	7	101		
Chelsea, . . . . .	..	72	Maitland, . . . . .	..	17		
Chester,	4	236	New Cornwall,	1	35		
Cornwallis, 1st, . . . . .	..	395	New Germany,	12	138		
Cornwallis, 2d,	10	398	Newport, East,	8	87		
Cornwallis, 3d,	29	339	Newport, West,	5	140		
Cornwallis, 4th,	18	124	New Ross, . . . . .	..	51		
Cornwallis, 5th, . . . . .	..	121	Preston, 1st, . . . . .	..	23		
Dartmouth,	2	28	Preston, 2d, . . . . .	..	15		
Falmouth, . . . . .	..	57	Rawdon,	2	123		
Halifax, 1st,	1	170	Sackville, . . . . .	..	31		
Halifax, 2d, . . . . .	..	168	St. Margaret's Bay,	3	118		
Hammond Plains, 1st, . . . . .	..	39	Tancook,	7	103		
Hammond Plains, 2d, . . . . .	..	54	Walton,	1	14		
Hantsport, . . . . .	..	265	Waterville, . . . . .	..	12		
Horton, 1st, . . . . .	..	248	Windsor,	2	140		
Horton, 2d,	6	274	Windsor Plains,	34		
Horton, 3d,	6	135		123	4971		
Indian Harbour,	72					
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NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.	NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN ASSOCIATION.		Baptized.	Members.
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Butternut Ridge,	15	116	*Loch Lomond,	41
*Cocaigne, 1st,	13	Moncton, 1st,	212
Caledonia,	42	Moncton, 2d,	76
Cambridge, 1st,	.....	1	73	*Mill Cove,	.....	..	64
Cambridge, 2d,	.....	..	58	New Canaan,	.....	7	118
Cambridge, Lower,	.....	8	37	Norton,	.....	..	50
*Coverdale, 1st,	.....	..	63	North River,	.....	16	40
Coverdale, 2d,	.....	..	64	Point Migic,	.....	..	24
Coverdale, 3d,	.....	9	81	*Point de Bute,	.....	..	70
*Dorchester,	.....	..	60	Sackville, 1st,	.....	..	85
Elgin, 1st,	.....	24	173	Sackville, 2d,	.....	..	200
Elgin, 2d,	.....	3	86	Salisbury, 1st,	.....	..	165
Elgin, 3d,	.....	1	85	Salisbury, 2d,	.....	6	91
*Fairfield,	.....	..	32	Salisbury, 3d,	.....	..	38
*Flatlands,	.....	..	17	*St. Martins, 1st,	.....	..	232
Grand Lake, 1st,	.....	..	61	St. Martins, 2d,	.....	..	77
Grand Lake, 2d,	.....	..	140	Springfield, 1st,	.....	3	141
*German Town,	.....	..	..	Springfield, 2d,	.....	..	55
*Hampton,	.....	..	54	*Springfield, 3d,	.....	..	24
*Hampton Ferry,	.....	..	20	Studholm, 1st,	.....	..	56
Hammond Vale,	.....	..	58	*Studholm, 2d,	.....	..	13
Harvey, 1st,	.....	..	142	Shediac,	.....	..	30
Harvey, 2d,	.....	..	46	Sussex, Upper,	.....	1	88
Hillsboro, 1st,	.....	2	304	*Upham,	.....	..	65
Hillsboro, 2d,	.....	..	42	Wickham, Upper,	.....	..	55
*Hillsboro, 3d,	.....	..	25	Wickham, Lower,	.....	..	33
Hillsboro, 4th,	.....	2	30	Wellington,	.....	8	70
Hopewell,	.....	82	201				
Jemseg,	.....	81	110			172	4627
Johnson, 1st,	.....	..	56				

* Churches from which no Letters were received.

NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION		Baptized.	Members.	NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION		Baptized.	Members.
Andover, . . . . .		..	16	Newcastle, Mir.,		2	69
Blackville, . . . . .		..	44	*Northampton, . . . . .		..	25
Blissfield, . . . . .		..	65	North Eske,		10	58
Beckaguimic,		1	60	Portland,		5	265
Chipman, . . . . .		..	74	Prince William,		2	39
*Canning, . . . . .		..	87	Pennfield, . . . . .		..	53
Cardigan, . . . . .		..	24	*Rushagornish, . . . . .		..	81
Centerville, . . . . .		..	115	Richmond, South, . . . . .		..	15
Canterbury,		24	60	*Simonds, Middle, . . . . .		..	37
Douglas, . . . . .		..	14	Scotch Town, . . . . .		..	10
Dumfries, . . . . .		..	30	*St. Andrews (Bay Side), . . . . .		..	90
Fredericton,		19	150	*St. Andrews, 2d, . . . . .		..	49
Grand Falls,		1	10	St. Davids (Oak Bay), . . . . .		..	23
Hainesville, . . . . .		..	20	St. Francis,		1	18
Hodgdon and Richmond, . . . . .		..	35	*St. George, 1st, . . . . .		..	112
Jacksontown,		9	124	*St. George, 2d, . . . . .		..	90
Jacksonville,		8	44	*St. George, 2d Falls, . . . . .		..	68
Kingsclear, 1st, . . . . .		..	30	St. John, Brussels Street,		6	502
Kingsclear, 2d, . . . . .		..	54	" Carleton, . . . . .		..	212
*Keswick, 1st, . . . . .		..	96	" German Street,		8	204
*Keswick, 2d, . . . . .		..	44	" Leinster Street,		2	143
Ludlow, . . . . .		..	17	*St. James, . . . . .		..	18
*Little River, . . . . .		..	32	St. Patrick, . . . . .		..	56
Little South West,		2	36	Southampton, . . . . .		..	33
Macknaquack,		2	123	*Springfield, . . . . .		..	8
Maugerville,	93	Upper Gagetown,		4	114
Nashwaak,	82	*Woodstock,	52
New Zealand,	23	Woodstcck, Lower,	47
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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

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| Rev. H. Angell, Yarmouth. | Rev. J. McKenne, Sable River. |
| H. Achilles, Parker's Cove. | M. Normonday, Tusket. |
| G. Armstrong, Bridgetown. | Obed Parker, Aylesford. |
| A. W. Barss, Ragged Islands. | D. O. Parker, Brookfield. |
| A. Cogswell, Beaver River. | W. L. Parker, Arcadia. |
| G. D. Cox, Clements. | R. D. Porter, Hebron. |
| T. C. Delong, New Germany. | W. H. Porter, Wilmot. |
| W. G. Goucher, Hebron. | C. Randall, Weymouth. |
| J. E. Goucher, Port Medway. | S. Richardson, Westport. |
| L. B. Gates, St. Mary's Bay. | W. J. Richan, Barrington. |
| W. Hall, Long Island. | J. H. Saunders, Ohio, Yarm'th. |
| E. N. Harris, Liverpool. | J. A. Stubbart, Deerfield, " |
| J. C. Morse, Digby Neck. | A. Stronach, Aylesford. |
| A. Martell, Hillsburg. | C. Tupper, D. D., Aylesford. |
| J. A. Moore, Long Island. | J. F. Tooker, Digby. |
| P. F. Murray, Chute's Cove. | N. Vidito, Wilmot. |
| R. S. Morton, Nictaux. | Amos Weaver, Milton. [ville. |
| A. H. Munro, Yarmouth. | Isaiah Wallace, Lower Gran- |

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

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| Rev. J. Bancroft, Newport East. | Rev. A. Shields, Lunenburg, N. W. |
| J. M. Cramp, D. D., Wolfville. | B. Taylor, New Germany. |
| John Chase, Wolfville. | B. Vaughan, Kempt. |
| S. W. DeBlois, Wolfville. | D. M. Welton, Windsor. |
| D. Freeman, Canning. | John Pryor, D. D., Halifax, |
| T. A. Higgins, Wolfville. | R. B. Philp, Sackville. |
| A. S. Hunt, Canard, Cornwallis | D. G. Shaw, Falmouth. |
| J. Parker, Billtown. | D. Pineo, Long Point. |
| S. T. Rand, Hantsport. | W. Burton, Hantsport |
| E. O. Read, Gaspereaux. | S. B. Kempton, New Minas. |
| J. L. Read, Upper Aylesford. | S. March, Bridgewater. |
| E. M. Saunders, W. Cornwallis | A. F. Porter, Halifax. |
| I. J. Skinner, Chester. | Geo. Weathers, Newport. |
| J. Stevens, Rawdon. | W. E. Hall, New Germany. |

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

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| Rev. E. J. Archibald, North River,
P. E. Island. | Rev. Joseph Murray, Guysborough. |
| J. E. Balcom, Great Village. | D. McKeen, L. Forks, Maccan. |
| M. A. Bigelow, Antigonish. | R. McDonald, Margaree, C. B. |
| T. A. Blackadar, Pugwash. | Samuel McLeod, Uigg, P. E. I. |
| Wm. B. Boggs, Sydney, C. B. | W. McPhee, Baddeck, C. B. |
| Obed Chute, Upper Stewiacke. | D. P. McQuillan, Mira Bay, C. B. |
| A. Chipman, Stewiacke. | T. H. Porter, jr., N. Sydney, " |
| D. W. C. Dimock, Truro. | Malcom Ross, W. River, P. E. I. |
| J. Davis, Charlottetown, P. E. I. | Hugh Ross, N. Sydney, C. B. |
| H. Eagles, St. Mary's. | Geo. Richardson, Sydney, C. B. |
| M. P. Freeman, Bedeque, P. E. I. | James Reed, Bass River. |
| William George, Little River. | John Shaw, East Point, P. E. I. |
| J. H. Kempton, Margaree, C. B. | Benj. Scott, Onstow. |
| George F. Miles, Amherst. | D. A. Steele, Canso. |
| | S. Thompson, Economy. |

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NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. I. E. Bill, St. John.
 George Burns, Macnaquaack.
 J. C. Blakeney, Woodstock.
 W. A. J. Blakeney, G. Falls.
 W. H. Beckwith, Upper Gagetown.
 W. W. Corey, Keswick.
 E. C. Cady, A. M., St. John.
 T. W. Crawley, A. M., Saint Andrews.
 G. M. W. Carey, A. M., St. John.
 G. R. Campbell, Eel River.
 W. M. Edwards, Blissfield.
 G. Estabrooks, Simonds. [Mir.
 Alex. Estabrooks, Boiestown,
 W. V. Garner, St. John.
 G. D. Godsoe, Mascarine.
 Wm. Harris, Keswick.

Rev. W. L. Hopkins, Pennfield.
 J. G. Harvey, Up. Woodstock.
 B. N. Hughes, Jacksontown.
 E. Hickson, A. M., Newcastle, Miramichi.
 B. Jewett, Prince William.
 B. F. Rattray, St. John.
 W. C. Rideout, St. Davids.
 Jarvis Ring, St. John.
 C. Spurden, D. D., Fredericton.
 James Spencer, St. John.
 T. M. Saunders, Prince William.
 A. D. Thompson, St. Andrews.
 James Tozer, Keswick.
 J. H. Tupper, Kingsclear.
 James Walker, Mascarine.
 E. Webb, Nerepis.
 John Williams, Fredericton.
 W. S. McKenzie, Chatham.

NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. S. Bancroft, Butternut Ridge.
 D. Blakeney, Petitcodiac Station
 D. Crandal, Springfield, K. C.
 W. A. Crandal, Ossekeag.
 N. Cleaveland, Alma.
 W. A. Coleman, Petitcodiac.
 W. A. Corey, Springfield, K. C.
 W. T. Corey, Moncton.
 Henry Charlton, Range, G. L.
 John M. Curry, Kars.
 Patrick Duffy, Hillsborough.
 J. E. Fillamore, Turtle Creek, W. O.
 J. F. Goldroop, Stoney Creek, Coverdale.
 James Herritt, Havelock.
 J. H. Hughes, Hillsborough.
 J. C. Hurd, M. D., Hopewell.
 H. Harris, Millcove.
 James Irving, Baltimore, A. C.
 Elias Kierstead, Collina Corner.
 Thomas Lockey, Cambridge.
 Donald McPhail, Buetouche.

Rev. Alex. Mutch, Fairfield.
 A. B. McDonald, Cambridge (Narrows.)
 W. Pulcifer, Hillsborough.
 P. O. Reece, Salisbury.
 J. A. Smith, Hillsborough.
 Peter Spragg, Springfield, K. C.
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 Titus Stone, Penobsquis.
 J. R. Strang, Cambridge, MacDonald's W. O.
 G. W. Springer, Jemseg, Coverdale's W. O.
 J. C. Steadman, Elgin, Little River.
 Manning Starratt, Elgin.
 George Seely, Harvey, A. C.
 Thomas Todd, Sackville.
 James Trimble, Elgin.
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Constitution of the Baptist Convention

OF

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Convention shall also appoint, once in three years, six Governors of Acadia College, in place of six who will then go out in rotation, in accordance with the Resolution passed by this Convention at its annual meeting in September, 1859, and in accordance with the Act 14 Vic. of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, chap. 37.

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

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RULES OF ORDER.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TIME OF MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATIONS FOR 1867.

NOVA SCOTIA.

EASTERN.—First Saturday in July, ——— Church.

CENTRAL.—Second Saturday in June, Canning Church.

WESTERN.—Second Saturday in June, Hillsburg.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

EASTERN.—Second Thursday in July, 1st Hillsboro' Church.

WESTERN.—Third Thursday in September, Mougerville Church.

CONVENTION RECORD.

Annivers'y	Year.	No. of Members.	Place.	President.	Secretaries.	Preacher.
1	1846		Germain Street, St. John,	Rev. T. S. Harding,	Revs. I. E. Bill and Samuel Elder,	Rev. E. A. Crawley, D.D.
2	1847		Nictaux,			Rev. C. Spurden.
3	1848	14,152	Fredericton,	Do.	Rev. C. Spurden,	Rev. E. D. Very.
4	1849		Bridgetown,			Rev. Samuel Robinson.
5	1850		Portland, St. John,	Do.	Revs. I. E. Bill and E. D. Very,	Rev. I. E. Bill.
6	1851	16,000	Wolfville,	Do.	Rev. W. Hall,	Rev. E. D. Very.
7	1851	16,298	Sackville,	Rev. C. Tupper,	Revs. I. E. Bill and W. Hall,	Rev. Geo. Armstrong.
8	1853	16,580	Nictaux,	Rev. Samuel Robinson,	Revs. I. E. Bill and Geo. Armstrong	Rev. G. F. Miles.
9	1854	16,580	Brussels Street, St. John,	Rev. John Davis,	Revs. I. E. Bill and W. Hall,	Rev. John Davis.
10	1855		Liverpool,	Rev. Joseph Crandal,	Revs. J. Davis and D. Nutter,	Rev. David Nutter.
11	1856	17,759	Portland, St. John,	Do.	Revs. J. Davis and S. DeBlois,	Rev. C. Tupper.
12	1857	18,065	Yarmouth,	Do.	Revs. S. DeBlois and J. Munro,	Rev. A. D. Thompson,
13	1858	18,506	Germain Street, St. John,	Rev. C. Tupper, D. D.,	Revs. Stephen March and H. Angell	Rev. S. W. DeBlois.
14	1859	20,760	Canard, Cornwallis,	Do.	Rev. R. D. Porter and J. E. Masters	Rev. W. H. Humphrey.
15	1860	21,861	Sackville,	Rev. I. E. Bill,	I. Wallace and S. W. DeBlois,	Rev. D. M. Welton, A.M.
16	1861	22,908	Nictaux,	Hon. J. W. Johnston,	Revs. S. W. DeBlois and E. B. DeMill	Rev. John Pryor, D. D.
17	1862	23,677	Moncton,	Do.	Revs. I. Wallace and E. C. Cady,	Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D.
18	1863	24,595	Amherst,	Rev. I. E. Bill,	Revs. S. B. Kempton and T. Todd,	Rev. I. E. Bill.
19	1864	24,649	Leinster Street, St. John,	Rev. John Davis,	Revs. S. B. Kempton and E. C. Cady	Rev. Jonah Warren, D.D.
20	1865	24,740	Berwick, Cornwallis,	Rev. S. Robinson,	Revs. E. C. Cady and I. J. Skinner,	Rev. W. V. Garner.
21	1866	25,362	Brussels Street, St. John,	Hon. J. W. Johnston,	Revs. I. Wallace and E. C. Cady,	Rev. John Pryor, D. D.