

MINUTES
OF THE
SIXTH SESSION
OF THE
Western Baptist Association
OF
NOVA SCOTIA.

HELD AT CALEDONIA, QUEEN'S COUNTY,

Saturday, Monday & Tuesday, June 14, 16, & 17, 1856.

TOGETHER WITH THE

Circular Letter, &c.

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CALEDONIA, QUEEN'S COUNTY,

June 14th, 1856.

THE Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia convened this day in the Baptist Meeting House in Caledonia, Queen's Co., N. S., at 2 o'clock, P. M. In the absence of the Moderator of last year, the exercises were commenced by Rev. H. Angel. After singing, and prayer by Rev. C. Tupper, Rev. W. G. Parker was chosen Moderator, Rev. J. J. Skinner, Clerk, Brother Joseph Rogers, Treasurer, and Brother Wm. Churchill, Assistant Treasurer.

The Constitution and rules of order were read.

The following Committees were appointed:—

To examine the Letters from the Churches,—Rev'd's. C. Tupper, Jas. Parker and G. Armstrong.

To read the Letters,—Rev'd's. O. Chute, H. Angel and W. G. Goucher.

The Letters from the Churches were then read, from which a list of Delegates and also the Statistics of the Churches were obtained.

DELEGATES.

Annapolis and Upper Granville:—Rev. Geo. Armstrong, and Bro. David Troop.

Argyle:—

Brookfield:—Rev. A. W. Barss, T. DeLong; Deacons P. Freeman, J. Douglas, and Bro. L. Leadbetter.

Barrington:—Rev. A. Martell.

Beaver River:—Rev. T. DeLong.

Clements:—Rev. A. Cogswell and Bro. George Troop.

Chute's Cove:—

Digby:—

Digby Jogging:—

Dalhousie:—

First Yarmouth :—Rev. H. Angell ; Bro. Calvin Wyman and Wm. Churchill.

First Digby Neck :—

First Hillsburgh :—Rev. O. Parker and Bro. Abner Morse.

Greenfield :—Brethren Robert Harlow and Nathaniel Freeman.

Liverpool :—Rev. S. N. Bentley ; Brethren L. D. Geldert and Thos. Nickerson.

Lake George :—

Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmot :—Rev. C. Tupper.

Lower Granville :—Rev. J. Spencer and Bro. J. Shaffner.

Long Island :—Rev. H. Achilles.

Milton :—Brethren S. Kempton, Wm. Kempton, and F. Kempton

Nictaux :—Rev'd's. W. G. Parker and R. S. Morton ; Brethren S. L. Chipman and S. Wheelock.

New Albany :—Bro. J. Plumb, Licentiate, and D. Whitman.

New Tusket :—Rev. C. Randall.

Ohio :—Rev. J. Reid.

Port Medway :—Rev. J. J. Skinner and Deacon Matthew Park.

Port George :—Rev. J. Ring and Bro. E. Gates.

Parker's Cove :—Rev. J. Spencer.

Ragged Islands :—

Sasiboo :—Rev. C. Randall and Deacon R. Hankinson.

Springfield :—Bro. J. Plumb, Licentiate.

Second Yarmouth :—Rev. W. G. Goucher, Deacon Joseph Rogers, and Bro. H. Saunders.

South Yarmouth :—Rev. A. Martell.

Second Hillsburgh :—

St. Mary's Bay :—Rev. C. Randall.

Second Digby Neck :—

Sable River :—

Third Yarmouth :—

Tusket River :—Rev. A. Martell.

Wilmot :—Rev. N. Vidito, Deacon H. Chesley, and Bro. W. H. Balecom.

Wilmot Mountain :—Rev. P. F. Murray.

West Yarmouth :—Rev. W. G. Goucher, and Deacon N. Corning.

West port :—Rev. W. H. Caldwell.

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STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Baptized.	By Letter.	Restored.	Removed.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	TOTAL.	Organized.
Annapolis and Upper Granville,	5	1			1		4	224	
Argyle,								49	
Brookfield,						1	2	270	
Bawington,	8	2					2	28	1845
Beaver River,							2	998	
Clements,	12	4	2	2	3	2	1	281	
Chute's Cove,								75	
Digby,								25	
Digby Joggins,	5	1			1	1		37	
Dalhousie,								43	
First Yarmouth,	24	6	1		15		11	374	1814
First Digby Neck,	1			7	3	1	2	140	1809
First Hillsburgh,	21		1	1	2		2	121	1823
Greenfield,	9		7		5		1	66	1835
Liverpool,	72	11			1	2		225	
Lake George,	10	3						86	
Lower Aylesford & Upper Wilmot,	34	10	1		6	3	2	367	1829
Lower Granville,	25				2		2	236	
Long Island,				7	3	2	4	205	1834
Milton,	29	2			1	6	2	184	
Nictaux,	15	6			16		9	443	
New Albany,	4	2			2	1	1	72	1829
New Tusket,					1			47	1843
Ohio,	5	8						75	
Port Medway,	16	3	1	3	1		2	96	1822
Port George,							2	41	
Parker's Cove,							1	14	
Ragged Islands,	15	1		16				75	
Sissiboo,					1			100	1800
Springfield,							1	21	
Second Yarmouth,	15	1			2	2	4	240	
South Yarmouth,	11				1		1	112	1853
Second Hillsburgh,	5				1		1	103	1842
St. Mary's Bay,	32	2						94	1843
Second Digby Neck,								125	
Sable River,								97	
Third Yarmouth,	4				4		1	115	1843
Tusket,	1	1				3		98	1834
Wilmot,		3			1		1	360	1809
Wilmot Mountain,	5	3					1	166	
West Yarmouth,	4	3				1		80	1853
West port,							1	112	1807
Totals,	386	73	13	37	78	20	63	5910	

The following brethren were invited to sit with us:—
 Revd's. S. Richardson, J. Miller, O. Chute, H. Ross, J. E.
 Balcom, and Bro. More, Licentiate.

The following Committees were appointed:—

Sabbath Services:—Elders. A. W. Bars, T. Delong, and Deacon
 Murray,

To report on questions in Letters:—Elders. C. Tupper, S. N. Bent-
 ley, T. Delong, and H. Angell.

On Temperance:—Elders N. Vidito, S. Richardson, George
 Armstrong, Brethren L. Leadbetter, S. Wheelock, and J. Rogers.

Religious Publications and Colportage:—Elders. O. Chute, J.
 Reid, T. Delong, J. Ring, A. Martell, S. N. Bentley, J. Miller, and
 Bro. S. L. Chipman.

Sabbath Schools:—Elder W. G. Goucher, Brethren N. Corning
 D. Troop, A. Morse, W. Freeman, E. Gates, and J. H. Saunders.

Bible Cause:—Elders. G. Armstrong, N. Vidito, C. Tupper, W.
 H. Caldwell, R. S. Morton, H. Ross, S. N. Bentley, and Bro. Wm.
 Churchill.

*To report on the best means of raising funds for Benevolent and
 Religious purposes*:—Elders A. Martell, G. Armstrong, C. Randall,
 N. Vidito, A. Cogswell, J. Parker, O. Parker, Brethren J. Shaffner,
 L. D. Geldert, S. Kempton, and R. Harlow.

Sabbath Observance:—Elders J. Spencer, S. Richardson, P. F.
 Murray, Brethren J. Mose, Licentiate, Calvin Wyman, Matthew
 Park, and John Douglas.

To examine the Circular Letter:—Elders N. Vidito, W. H. Cald-
 well, C. Randall, and H. Ross.

On the use of Tobacco:—Elders N. Vidito, W. G. Goucher, A.
 Cogswell, O. Parker, J. Spencer, S. Richardson, Brethren J. Plumb,
 Licentiate, J. Douglass, N. Corning, and W. Starratt.

On the Claims of Seamen:—Brethren N. Corning, J. Rogers,
 Rev. A. W. Bars, Brethren J. Plumb, Licentiate, Wm. Churchill,
 and A. Snow.

The Committee on Sabbath Services reported as follows:

Prayer Meeting at six A. M., in the Caledonia Meeting-
 house.

MORNING SERVICES.

Caledonia,	-	-	-	Rev. C. Tupper.
Brookfield,	-	-	-	" G. Armstrong.
Kempt,	-	-	-	" A. Martell.

AFTERNOON.

Caledonia,	-	-	-	Rev. C. Randall.
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South Brookfield School-house, Rev. P. F. Murray.
 Pleasant River do., " W. G. Parker.
 Maitland do., " J. Spencer.

Report accepted.

Adjourned until Monday, June 16th, 10 o'clock, A. M.
 Prayer by Bro. Ross.

MONDAY, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. H. Angell, from Acts ix. 31. Prayer by Rev. J. Miller, after which a collection was taken up for the Domestic Mission.

Brethren S. Selden, H. Gardner, C. Mosher and W. Newcomb were invited to take seats with us.

Resolved,—That Brethren Calvin Wynian and Whitman Freeman be the Auditing Committee.

The Committee to examine the Circular Letter reported. Report adopted. (See Appendix A.)

The Circular Letter was read by the writer, Rev. S. N. Bentley.

Resolved,—That Rev. N. Vidito be requested to furnish a copy of the Circular Letter of last year for publication in the C. Messenger.

The Report of the French Mission Board was read by the Secretary, Rev. W. G. Goucher. Addresses by Rev. A. Martell and O. Chute.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Balcom.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Bro. Delong.

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to report in reference to a different arrangement of our Associations, and that Revs. S. N. Bentley, N. Vidito, and Brother S. Selden be that Committee.

The Committee on Questions in Letters reported. Report adopted. (See Appendix B).

The Treasurer of French Mission presented his report which was accepted.

Elders T. Delong C. Randall and O. Chute addressed the meeting on the subject of the Mission.

Secretary's report adopted. (See Appendix C).

The following resolution was brought before the meeting and passed unanimously.

Whereas, We have listened to the report of the French Mission Board, as well as interesting communications from the Missionary with peculiar interest,

Resolved,—That this Association hereby express its satisfaction with the past success, present circumstances and prospects of the French Mission, and most heartily commend the interests of the Mission to the prayerful consideration of our churches, and as an object peculiarly requiring their liberal contributions.

A collection was taken up in aid of the Mission.

Resolved,—That collections be taken up by the Churches composing this Association, on the first Sabbath in September in aid of the French Mission.

Resolved,—That the following Brethren constitute the French Mission Board for the ensuing year. Elders R. W. Cunningham, C. Randall, J. C. Morse, W. H. Caldwell, J. A. Stubbert, J. Reid, W. G. Goucher, A. Martell, P. F. Murray, H. Angell, Brethren S. Brown, S. T. Bacon, C. Sabean, H. E. Payson, A. M. Gidney, J. Shaw, L. Churchill, W. Raymond, J. Vickery, B. B. Moses, Jesse Shaw, W. Harris, J. Rogers, W. Churchill, A. Lent, A. Scott, R. Crosby, E. Heustes, C. Wyman, N. Corning, C. Pinkney, and Wm. Robins.

The Secretary of the Home Mission Board, (including Gaelic Mission) presented his report.

Addresses by Elders T. Delong, C. Tupper, H. Achilles, A. Martell, P. F. Murray, H. Ross, R. S. Morton, N. Vidito, S. N. Bentley and J. Spencer.

Report adopted. (See Appendix D. and E).

Resolved,—That the Domestic Mission Board of last year be continued, with the addition of the following Brethren, H. Saunders, W. Robins, A. Lent, Esqrs., J. Rose, Wm. Churchill, A. Scott, Wm. Raymond, B. Moses, R. Crosby, 3rd, and J. H. Saunders, and that the locality of the Board be in Yarmouth.

Resolved,—That this Association instruct the D. M. Board to appropriate the same amount to the Gaelic Mission as last year.

Adjourned till 10 A. M., Tuesday, 15th.

Prayer by Bro. Ring.

TUESDAY, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Bro. Richardson.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance reported.

Addresses by Elders C. Tupper, T. Delong, J. Parker, and J. Reid.

Report adopted. (See Appendix F).

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported.

Addresses by Rev. J. Miller and S. Richardson.

Report adopted. (See Appendix G).

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The following resolution passed unanimously.

Inasmuch as this Association is being held some time previous to the Summer vacation of Acadia College, by which circumstance we are not in possession of Educational reports of the Baptist Education Society, nor of the condition of the College and Academy, we are not in a position to make any statistical or full report on the subject of Education.

Resolved therefore,—That this Association do express their sympathy with the friends of Education in their laudable exertions in that important department, and recommend increased efforts in the cause of Education, particularly in connection with the rising Ministry and the Salaries of the Professors of Acadia College.

The Committee on a different arrangement of our Associations reported.

Addresses by Revd's N. Vidito and Jas. Parker.

Report adopted. (See Appendix H).

Committee on Religious Publications and Colportage reported.

Addresses by Elders N. Vidito, C. Tupper, J. Spencer, H. Angell, S. N. Bentley, and Bro. Geldert.

Report adopted. (See Appendix I).

Committee on the best means of raising funds for Benevolent and Religious purposes reported.

Report adopted. (See Appendix J).

Resolved,—That Elders S. N. Bentley, Geo. Armstrong, N. Vidito and A. Martell, be a Committee to prepare and submit to the next Association, some plan by means of which increased benevolence among our churches would be secured.

Committee on the Bible Cause reported.

Addresses by Elders C. Tupper, N. Vidito, S. N. Bentley, Geo. Armstrong and A. Martell.

Adjourned till 3 P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Randall.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Bro. Armstrong.

Report on the Bible Cause adopted. (See Appendix K).

Resolved,—That the next meeting of the Western Baptist Association be held with the second Yarmouth Church. Also that Rev. C. Tupper preach the introductory sermon and Rev. R. Cunningham be his alternate.

Resolved,—That Rev. A. Martell write the Circular Letter.

Resolved,—That Rev. G. Armstrong be our Delegate to the Central Association and receive £1.

Resolved,—That Rev. C. Tupper be our Delegate to the Eastern Association and receive £2.

Resolved,—That Rev. W. G. Parker, A. Martell, N. Vidito, A. W. Barss, and Brother S. Wheelock, be Delegates to the Convention.

The Committee on the Claims of Seaman reported.

Rev. A. W. Barss addressed the meeting.

Report adopted. (See Appendix L).

Rev. Geo. Armstrong read a report of a meeting held at Berwick, Cornwallis, on the subject of Female Education. Addresses were delivered by Rev. N. Vidito and Rev. Jas. Parker.

Resolved,—That Rev. O. Chute be added to the Domestic Mission Board.

Resolved,—That the following statement be published in the Minutes of this Association:—

In regard to the Document relating to the establishment of a Female Seminary at Berwick, this Association avails itself of the opportunity to express the desirableness of immediately establishing a Female Seminary under the control of the Baptist Denomination; and also our readiness to aid in this object whenever a practicable plan of operation is presented. This Association, however, does not pledge itself to Berwick or any other site just now.

Resolved,—That 900 copies of Minutes be printed at the C. M. Office, and that £10 10s. be paid for that purpose.

Resolved,—That Brother Selden be requested to send the Minutes to the Churches by Mail.

Committee on Tobacco reported.

Report adopted. (See Appendix M).

The following resolutions passed unanimously:—

Resolved,—That since the use of intoxicating liquors is ruinous in the extreme, it be strongly recommended to all the members of our churches, and the community at large, to endeavour by aiding Temperance organizations, by petitioning the Legislature for a Prohibitory Liquor Law, and by all other prudent and judicious means, to assist in the suppression of intemperance with all its numberless attendant evils.

Resolved also,—That a Committee be appointed to prepare a petition to be presented to the different branches of the Legislature on behalf of this Association, praying for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture, importation, and sale of inebriating liquors, except such quantities as may be required for medicinal and artistical purposes, and that Revd's. W. G. Parker, C. Tupper, N. Vidito, and G. Armstrong, be that Committee.

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Association be presented to the people of Caledonia, Kempt, Brookfield, and Harmony, for their kindness to them and others during the present Session.

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The Treasurer of the Infirm Ministers Fund presented his report, which was adopted.

Resolved,—That the same officers be continued,

Resolved,—That this Association adjourn to meet with the second Baptist Church in Yarmouth, on the second Saturday in June, 1857, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Session closed, with singing and prayer.

W. G. PARKER, Moderator.

J. J. SKINNER, Clerk.

Circular Letter.

READ BEFORE THE WESTERN NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, JUNE 16TH, 1856.

A *revival of religion* is the restoration of suspended religious activity, the living again of what previously existed. It is the rousing of the slumberer, the quickening of the slothful, the return of the backslider. It is the rekindling into a bright steady flame of the smouldering embers which once gave light and heat. It is the return of the "lukewarm" to the ardor and glow of "first love," the recall of the fugitive wanderer from the enohanting labyrinths of sin, the thawing and melting of the frozen heart, the waking of dormant power, the bubbling up again of the pure fountain of the "water of life" in the soul.

It is the re-opening of communications with Heaven, effected by the gracious return of the grieved and insulted Spirit of God to the dark chamber,—the deserted temple of the human soul. It is the visit of Jesus, the excluded friend, to be again a guest in the heart. It is the return to the disconsolate breast, of godly sorrow for sin, of faith, of love, of the joys, the hopes and the peace which had fled;—a new glimpse of Heaven, of the Mediator and the smiling face of God the Father.

It is the awakening of holy tastes and sympathies, the return of "brotherly love" and of ardent desire for the conversion of sinners. Under its influence the lamp of prayer is relighted, and neglected duties are performed.

Such indeed is a revival of religion in its first and stricter import; it has to do with *Christians*, and with them as *individuals*.

Then, *numbers* feel the glow of the sacred fire and the communion of saints is sweet. "The Spirit of grace and

of supplication" is richly granted. "Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion," "bring again her captivity," bring our kindred to Christ, save a lost world, are but the natural expressions of earnest prayer which leap from the hearts and lips of God's suppliant people; and "God builds again Zion."

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit arrests the *unconverted*. They hear the truth as for the first time, as for eternity. Guilty, trembling, contrite, they are led to Christ. There is joy on earth and joy in Heaven. "The time of the singing of birds is come," "lo! the winter is past." Such days are "as the days of Heaven upon earth." The church casts aside the mourning drapery of her widowhood, and "comes up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved," "looking forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." Satan and his emissaries stand appalled and retire. The "arm of the Lord" is at work. The community is wrapped in solemnity. The gay youth flees to Christ, the children find the Saviour, and the aged sinner is at the foot of the cross. It is spring-time, summer and harvest in one. More good is done in a little time than for years before. And so far from being evanescent, such a work has the direct and strong tendency to perpetuate itself.

When these blessings are bestowed simultaneously upon many churches and communities, the triumph for truth and righteousness is so much the greater. The ministers of religion take courage, the public morals improve, God is honoured, joy echoes from dwelling to dwelling, and from village to village. The prospects of the cause of Christ for generations to come are seen to brighten.

Let us now take a nearer view of some of the mere *specific and permanent results* of a *genuine, continuous, extensive* revival of religion.

1. The effect upon *Society* would be most happy. Renewed, consecrated hearts would yield willing homage to the great Creator and to his laws. The growth of dangerous errors would be checked. Scepticism, the harlot mother of Universalism, would hide ashamed. The claims of time and eternity would be fairly adjusted, and this world, as Edwards remarks, would be a "thing only by the by." Of the town in which he labored during the great awakening, he says, "It seemed to be full of the presence of God; it was never so full of love, nor of joy, and yet so full of dis-

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2. We notice the salutary effect upon *Christians*. Primitive Christianity would experience a resurrection. There would be more of practical, earnest study of the *Bible*, more faith in God and growth in grace. Christians would reflect more beautifully the image of their great Teacher and model; their "meat and drink" would be to do the Divine Will. There would be *Christian union*. The churches would bid farewell to strife, envies, hatred, and divisions. The people would venerate a deep religious experience, a godly life and thorough faithfulness in their ministers and be less charmed with the mere tinsel and drapery of language, with loud declamation, or appeals to their sympathies, feelings and prejudices. Pastors would less frequently be driven from their flocks by the perverseness and management of small mischief-making groups in their congregations. The closet, the family altar and the prayer-meeting would be resorted to the whole year round. Religious conversation, religious sentiment, religious activity would abound,—instead of rare specimens of Christians rich in experience and ripe for Heaven, there would be many

"adorning their profession," ready to "depart and be with Christ." Christianity would become more aggressive.

3. The *ministry* would be greatly benefited. Pastors would be nerved with fresh life and preach with more unction, while the people hung on their lips to hear God's weighty truth. Feeling the worth of souls, they would address chiefly the *unconverted*, and they would have their reward. Attention would be given to the *main and proper* business of the ministry, and fruitless controversies, political heat and worldly gain would be less obtrusive. Ministers would so love their Master and his cause as seldom to become party-makers, and ruinously divide churches. Pastors more content with their lot and more absorbed by the attractions of the cross than by the attractions of society, would in fewer cases plan removals every few years or months. Their happiness would be found *in their work*. Aiming rather to improve society than to live upon its spontaneous productions, they would dream less of sailing upon the soft wings of sympathy, and luxury, and refinement around them. The preacher would expect by Divine help rather to make a place for himself than to find a paradise ready made to his hand, or to have the place make him.

The *supply* of laborers would be greater. In the midst of a revival, young men just converted often commence speaking of the love of Christ; and the church, more alive to the duty of "seeking out" such, discovers their gifts, and they are induced to spend their lives in the work. Then also is kindled the *missionary* flame. English and American missions were the fruits of preceding revivals. Whitfield, Lady Huntingdon, Doddridge, Davies, Edwards and Brainard prepared the way for Carey, Martyn, Heber and Judson. Revivals in the U. S. churches and colleges gave birth to the F. Missionary enterprises of American Congregationalists, Baptists and Presbyterians. Many of our own pastors are the fruits of revivals. The full prosperity of Acadia College and its connected School of Theology is dependant upon revivals. In a good education the mind and the *heart* go together. Students for the ministry in *large numbers*—patient, laborious, earnest students, not quickly tiring of sacred study, but with self-denial, *plodding indefatigably on*, or marching boldly forward in their holy work—these must be the result of revivals.

4. Finally, *Societies, organizations*, plans for extending the Redeemer's Kingdom originate under revival influences.

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When this is enjoyed, Christians think of the perishing around them and all over the world. To "attempt great things for God" or for man is the upspringing outgrowth of converting grace in the heart. How fertile in inventions to effect its darling objects is the heart, renewed and beating with life derived from Christ! Christian benevolence reckons "the silver and the gold as the Lord's." Such a revival as we have attempted to sketch would fill the treasuries of the Lord, and leave no pastors pinched for means, with starving families and starveling libraries, they who "preach the gospel would *live of the gospel.*"

If the effects of a general and continued work of grace are of such a character, we perceive how melancholy must be the *absence* of such revival. As things are, it is easy to account for the lamentable deficiency of Students for the ministry, for the tardy pace of our H. Missionary movements, for the early interment of the F. Missionary feeling among us, for the lack of that deeply religious and richly devotional element which marked the earlier meetings of our Associations, for the prevalence of drunkenness and of Sabbath desecration in our country.

How great then, the *need* of revivals! How dwarfed our zeal, how meagre our charities! When Christians meet they resemble a congregation of northern icebergs, cooled down to the temperature of the world's chully atmosphere. Can such agents be expected to do much towards converting the world?

How earnestly should we use the *scriptural means* for promoting revivals! How important the inquiry, '*what those methods are?*'

APPENDIX.

(A.)

REPORT ON THE CIRCULAR LETTER.

The Committee to examine the Circular Letter beg leave to report.

That they have examined the Circular Letter and recommend that it be received and printed in the Minutes and in the Christian Messenger.

N. VIDITO *Chairman.*

(B.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.

1. In answer to the question in the letter from Wilmot Church, the Committee express the opinion that a church has no right to interfere with the legal settlement of an estate, or censure a brother who has proceeded legally in such matter.

2. In reference to the question proposed by the Clements church, the committee state their belief that a person who travels for the purpose of preaching, should be regularly licensed.

3. In the case of the church at Ragged Islands the committee recommend that the church regard the former surviving members as still in connection with them, that the list of members, be revised and that they give careful attention to the watch-care and Scriptural discipline of all connected with the church.

CHARLES TUPPER, *Chairman.*

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REPORT OF FRENCH MISSION BOARD.

To the Western Baptist Association, June 14, '56.

DEAR BRETHREN :

In presenting you this annual report of our Board we would desire to acknowledge the goodness of God which has thus far attended our Missionary's efforts. We have not, it is true, to report of numbers baptized and churches formed; but we do hope that conversions to God have taken place. Prejudices we know have been broken down, and interests awakened among our Acadian friends, which are deepening and widening on every hand. Distrust of the principles and practices that hitherto have bound them, and reasonable and serious inquiries into our views of righteousness and salvation attend the labours of the Missionary; and greatly encourage all who support it. One very interesting case occurred during the year of leaving the church of Rome for a more heavenly and holy religion: The Mission-house, which at our last Association we stated was in course of building, has since been completed, and last Autumn our Missionary took possession of it, which is working favourably for the cause. Not only is the house built and occupied, but about two-thirds of the expences have been paid, the other third still remains unpaid.

During the rough and cold winter, a school was carried on in connection with the Mission, the results of which are exceedingly favorable in several respects.

First: It has given the people, for whom we labour, an opportunity to see that we are in earnest with our efforts to do them good, and there are those of them who appreciate our attempts.

Secondly: It has created agitation in several with reference to the advantages of Education, by which it becomes a matter of discussion amongst themselves.

Thirdly: It also has an effect to increase the interest of the English population in the French who live contiguous to them by encouraging the study of the French language.

The whole number of pupils in attendance during the term was 35, of which a large portion pursued the study of the French language. Six of that number were French children. More, probably would have attended had not the winter been exceedingly cold, and sickness widely pre-

vailed amongst them, for some of the people seemed to patronize the school despite every other hindrance.

Our French paper "Le Semeur Canadien" continues to be received by some, and like bread cast upon the waters we rest in the assurance that we shall find it after many days. Though we have not realized all that we could have desired, yet have we not all that could be reasonably expected? A nation is not born in a day. And though we would adopt the motto, "Attempt great things for God, and expect great things of God," yet we would remember we are to ask Him and labour for Him, influenced by that great faith that the Saviour commands as illustrated in the case of the Canaanitish woman, Matt. xv. 21, and not say either in our hearts or life, "My Lord delayeth his coming," or that he will never come to bless and save this people.

Our Treasury, as no doubt the Treasurer's report will state, is empty, if not in debt.

May the Lord give the people and churches means to support, a heart to use them, and his blessing upon the appropriation, and all will be well.

In behalf of the Board,

W. G. GOUCHER, *Secretary.*

(D.)

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Board regret that they have nothing of a very cheering nature to communicate. The operations of the Board have been limited. We have had but two meetings during the year; nor did there seem any occasion to hold more, since all the appointments made by the Board had been fulfilled, and no applications for missions had been made. *Ninety-six* weeks of Missionary labour had been assigned last June to different Missionaries, out of which number *seventy-five* weeks only have been performed. Our missionaries have been kindly received by the people, and we doubt not with lasting benefit to precious souls; but the success has not been of that enlarged measure that we desire.

Among other reasons that might be named the lack of revival influence attending their labours among the people is perhaps one cause why the contributions to the mission-aries have been so small, compared to what they ought to have been, at least in many cases. It is to be feared that

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our brethren and friends to whom missionaries have been sent do not feel deeply enough the duty to aid in their support, and thus the funds at the disposal of the Board are soon exhausted, or reduced to a low figure; besides which the Missionaries are liable to be discouraged when anything seems to indicate that their labours are not duly appreciated by the people. Allowances of course ought to be made for localities where pecuniary means are scanty and the people few; but the Board are convinced that more might have been done in this respect during the past year.

For the sake of showing the sums contributed by the Board and the people respectively, among whom our missionaries laboured, the following table is subjoined:—

	Paid by the Board.	Paid by the people.
Elder H. Achilles 19 weeks in Shelburne Co.,	£18 15 2	19 4 10
" Obed Parker 6 weeks in New Albany, Spring- field, &c.,	9 0 0	3 0 0
" P. F. Murray 12 weeks in Barrington,	18 0 0	6 0 0
" T. DeLong 16 weeks in Guysborough,	16 19 5	17 0 0
Bro. J. C. Plumb 12 weeks in Parker's Cove, Sher- brooke and the Dalhousies,	19 16 8	4 1 4
Elder R. S. Morton 12 weeks at Beaver River,	11 10 0	6 10 0
" James Spencer 2 weeks in Digby,	1 5 0	2 15 0
	£95 6 3	58 11 2

The number baptized by the Missionaries is nine.

A few remarks must close this report. The importance of our Home Mission is, we fear, but very imperfectly felt by our churches and people generally. It is connected with the highest interests of men—it aims, by the grace of God, to labour for their eternal salvation. The Home Mission has claims upon us that no other mission can have: it is to our own people—the inhabitants of our own Province, whose spiritual good claims our first care.

Then it is important as being very intimately connected with our prosperity and extension as a denomination. Our fathers in the ministry understood its value; hence they laboured so extensively in preaching the Gospel in every place to which they could gain access. Hence the success which, by the grace of God, attended their self-denying labours. We are imperatively called upon to follow up their efforts and like prosperity shall be ours.

From what has been said it is manifest that we have as a people been deficient in *liberality* in respect to the Home Mission cause. Our churches and congregations have been

increasing in numbers and wealth but as a whole have not become, we think, in like proportion liberal in support of Domestic evangelization; nay, we fear that some have lessened their contributions, which had in all reason been "beautifully less" before.

Our people, the Board feel satisfied, might, without much difficulty, double their contributions to Home Missions without reaching the limit of liberality which the Gospel of Christ and the salvation of souls demand.

Let us, for this precious cause, devise liberal things and we shall prosper. But especially is prayer needed, not only that the labours of our Missionaries may result in the salvation of precious souls, but that the Lord would raise up men, able and willing to go forth and preach Christ among the destitute in all our borders. We need many such men. Prayer to the Head of the Church will secure them, if but the proper means are used in connection with it. There are large fields in Nova Scotia, Cape Breton and P. E. Island destitute of a preached Gospel from Sabbath to Sabbath and from month to month, and where the people would cheerfully hear it, if sent by us,—indeed many of them prefer Baptist preaching.

Let us awake to realize the importance of the work before us and our obligations to engage immediately, liberally, heartily, and with earnest believing prayer in the Home Missionary enterprise as being demanded by Christ and required for the salvation of precious souls in our land.

GEO. ARMSTRONG, *Gaelic Missionary.*

(E.)

REPORT OF THE GAELIC MISSION.

That we have reason to thank God and take courage in our efforts to instruct in the knowledge of salvation, the Gaelic population of Cape Breton. Our missionary during the past year had the pleasure of organizing a baptized church of 12 members at Schooner Pond. Six of whom were baptized by himself.

Praying that this board continue to aid the mission.

Received from the Board, £33 6s. 8d.

Respectfully submitted.

HUGH ROSS, *Secretary.*

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(F.)

REPORT ON THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Your Committee report:

That the injunction, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," divine in its origin, benevolent in its nature, and deep in its importance, should be kept more prominent before our people, in the assurance that those who honour God shall be honoured by Him.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES SPENCER, *Chairman.*

(G.)

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg to report:

That they regard Sabbath Schools as ranking high amongst modern Institutions for the suppression of vice and promotion of truth and virtue.

We know of no means employed by the christian church more capable of diffusing religious instruction and of so readily imparting to the young a knowledge of God's word, and in which the entire talent of the church can be so profitably and delightfully employed at so trifling expense as in the Sabbath School.

We are gratified to learn by the letters from the churches, read at the Association that this cause is commanding increasing attention amongst them.

Your committee would recommend the formation of County S. S. Conventions, that by concentration of effort and mutual encouragement we may carry forward this good work.

Respectfully submitted.

W. G. GOUCHER, *Chairman.*

(H.)

ARRANGEMENT OF ASSOCIATIONS.

The Committee appointed to report in reference to a different arrangement of our Associations, recommend that the Board of Governors of Acadia College be requested to consider the propriety of altering the time of the Anniversary of the College so as to precede the meeting of this

Association; and in the event of this change being thought impracticable that the Central Association be requested to postpone its Session by one week, so that this Association, by meeting on the week next preceding, may have the advantage of such Educational information as is desirable.

S. N. BENTLEY, *Chairman.*

(I.)

RELIGIOUS PUBLICATIONS, AND COLPORTAGE.

The Committee on Religious Publications and Colportage report as follows:

The great value of a healthy religious literature is indispensable. The power of the Press is acknowledged by all. Truth, whether relating to the fundamental doctrines of the Gospel or to the principles which should govern in the construction and movements of christian churches, requires constant exposition and vindication. A weekly journal is eminently adapted to these purposes. As a denomination we have great reason for thankfulness that the influence of the Christian Messenger has hitherto been so extensive and salutary. The paper, as at present conducted has undiminished claims to the patronage of the churches and the community. Its sphere of influence is widening. We invite writers to be liberal in their communications for enriching its pages; we ask the people to *take* the paper and *pay for it*.

Books which relate to the polity of our churches and to our denominational history, both ancient and modern, as also the Biography of missionaries and others distinguished for piety and usefulness are far too scarce in our family libraries.

In order to the circulation of such books your committee deem the system of Colportage is indispensable. Books are sold more readily when *carried* to the people. This work requires immediate and vigorous prosecution.

OBED CHUTE, *Chairman.*

(J.)

RAISING MONEY FOR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

The Committee on the best means of raising money to sustain our Religious Institutions, report as follows:

Your Committee are fully alive to the importance of increased liberality on the part of our churches. The Union

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Societies have done much in this respect, but we are sorry to inform this Association that their interests are to some extent flagging. We would however submit to this body the fact that the Union Societies have not been exactly adapted to the liberal principles of our churches, nor the growing necessities of our denominational enterprises. This is apparent if we consider that the sum of 6s. constitutes a member. Thus the rich man thinks when he gives that sum he has done all this organization contemplates; and his beneficent feelings are to some extent dried up. The poor man makes exertions and becomes a member of the same society, and thus the poor give as much as the rich and do not come up the instructions given by Paul, that we should give according to our ability or "according as God has prospered us."

We decidedly recommend that some systematic arrangement be made to effect increased benevolence among our churches and that a Committee be appointed to prepare for and submit to the next Association some plan whereby this object would be secured, and in the mean time that existing Union societies continue their efforts with unabated and increased interest.

A. MARTELL, *Chairman.*

(K.)

BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause Report :

That the Bible being the guide book of Jehovah and containing the Revelation of his love to our sinful world, and designed to instruct man in the knowledge of salvation, great and continuous efforts should be used to circulate it among all nations in the purest versions that now exist or that may yet be made.

Of the two Bible organizations which have more especially solicited and received our support—"the American and Foreign Bible Society" and "the American Bible Union" our brethren are left to make such choice as to them seemeth good, as the channel of appropriating their contributions to the Bible Cause.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

(L.)

CLAIMS OF SEAMEN.

Your Committee on the claims of Seamen report as follows :

We feel deeply impressed with the solemn responsibilities we are under to this long neglected class of men. What could we do in time without them? Their influence at home and abroad calls loudly for our efforts in their behalf. The Sailor converted to God may carry the impress of our holy religion unto hundreds of dark and superstitious abodes. We rejoice in the efforts which are being put forth in our neighbouring provinces in their behalf. Who has not got a friend, a sailor? Who, that is a christian, is there that will not feel and act in their behalf in order to bring about the fulfilment of that great promise, "the abundance of the sea shall be converted to God." We would earnestly recommend therefore, that all our churches awake to their indispensable claims, especially those in seaport towns, and appoint persons to visit the vessels in port on Sabbath mornings and whenever else convenient, for the purpose of distributing tracts and other religious books among them, and try to influence as many as possible of them to attend places of worship.

NELSON CORNING, *Chairman.*

(M.)

TOBACCO.

The Committee on the use of Tobacco report as follows :

That it is the opinion of this Committee, and which is sustained by the best physicians, that the use of Tobacco is generally and almost universally deleterious to the health of man.

Your Committee do most earnestly recommend that strenuous and untiring efforts be put forth as well by example as by precept for the discontinuance of the consumption and use of Tobacco.

We would especially urge upon all members of our church, to take this matter into serious consideration and by their ceasing to use it, give the full weight of their example to the discontinuance of its use. We would further recommend merchants to show their disapproval of the use of this article by refusing to sell it.

- Let *agitate*, AGITATE, AGITATE be our motto until this mammoth evil shall be no longer known among us.

N. VIDITO, *Chairman.*

List of Ministers in the Western Association, with the date of their Ordination.

Names.	Present Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Where Ordained.
Rev. Charles Tupper.	Aylesford,	July 17, 1817.	
Rev. R. W. Cunningham,	2nd Hillsburg,	1830.	
Rev. C. Randall,	Weymouth,	July 11, 1833.	
Rev. N. Vidito,	Wilmot,	1841.	
Rev. J. C. Morse,	Digby Neck,	March 30, 1843.	
Rev. J. A. Stubbart,	3rd Yarmouth,	1843.	
Rev. Obed Parker,	Hillsburg,	Feb. 21, 1844.	
Rev. A. Martell,	S. Yarmouth,	1849.	
Rev. W. H. Caldwell,	Westport,	1852.	
Rev. W. G. Goucher,	W. Yarmouth	1853.	
Rev. H. Angell,	1st Yarmouth,	Feb. 13, 1853.	Milton.
Rev. H. Achilles.	Long Island,	Nov. 1, 1854.	
Rev. A. W. Barss,	Caledonia.	June 6, 1855.	Lunenburg, N. W.
Rev. J. J. Skinner,	Port Medway,	Sept. 19, 1855.	Port Medway.

[The above list is as complete as could be made with the information at hand. It may be rectified and perfected in future years.—S. S.]

The Board of Infirm Ministers in acc't. with C. RANDALL.

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Aug. 10 th	To Cash forwarded to Rev. W. G. Parker for the benefit of the widow of the late Rev. Silas Viditoe,	£10	0 0
13.	Cash forwarded to William Churchill for the benefit of the widow of the late Father Harding, Postage and Registering,	5 0	0 1
		£15	
1855.	CR.		
June	Balance brought forward,	£76	0 ½
12.	Received of C. Marshall, Treasurer of the Western N. S. Baptist Association,	9	7
19.	Received of Rev. G. Armstrong, per Rev. Obed Chute,	2	0 0
		0	5 0
20.	Received from New Tusket church,	2	0 0
Sept. 25.	do. do. Rev. D. W. C. Dimock,		
		£98	3 7 ½
		15	1 9
		£83	1 10 ½

CHARLES RANDALL, Treasurer.

Account of Money paid in at the Western Baptist Association, CALEDONIA, JUNE 14, 1856.

CHURCHES.	Home Mission.		Foreign Mission.		Infirm Ministers.		Ministerial Education.		French Mission.		Gaelic Mission.		Mic-mac Mission.		Am. and For. Bible Society.		Bible Union.		Minutes.		Printing Articles.		TOTAL.		
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First Hillsburgh,	10	0	0																						
Laverpool,	10	5	0																						
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Milton,	18	3	7																						
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Tusket,	2 10 0	0 11 6	0 5 0	1 7 0															3 13 1½
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Willmot Mountain,	1 0 0	0 19 0	1 0 0	3 0 0															2 8 7½
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* Received from Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmet Union Society since the Association, for Ministerial Education, 3s. 5d.; Home Mission, 8s. 10½d.; Foreign Mission, 5s.; together, 17s. 3½d.; which added to £24 11s. 4½d. sent before, makes up £25 8s. 8d.

THE ACADIAN MISSION HOUSE

1855.		DR.	
June 21.	To paid	Committee by Rev. O. Chute,	£3 5 7
July 25.	"	Henry T. Goudey per order, paid by Rev. J. Davis,	10 10 0
26.	"	Postage, 8d., T. Killam & Co. for shingles, £20 16s. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.,	20 17 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
28.	"	Committee by Rev. O. Chute,	8 15 3
"	"	Israel Harding by Joseph Shaw,	5 0 0
"	"	William Robbins for Committee,	15 0 0
Aug. 15.	"	Jacob Potter, per Saml. Brown,	1 0 0
17.	"	W. H. Moody, per do. for paint,	2 7 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Sep. 3.	"	Israel Harding, per order,	34 0 0
4.	"	W. H. Townsend, bill lead,	2 6 8
12.	"	Jacob Potter, per Rev. J. Davis,	5 0 0
21.	"	Israel Harding, Esq.,	2 16 9
"	"	do., by Rev. O. Chute,	5 10 0
Nov. 1.	"	Rev. O. Chute for Committee,	2 16 3
Oct. 8.	"	W. S. Robbins by Rev. A. Martell,	1 15 0
11.	"	I. Harding, Esq., by do.,	3 10 0
Nov. 26.	"	S. Brown, for despatches, &c.,	0 10 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Dec. 10.	"	W. S. Robbins,	15 10 0
"	"	James B. Kenney,	47 0 0
11.	"	W. C. Williams,	13 11 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
13.	"	Henry Thinston, per S. Brown,	1 0 0
"	"	Thos. Killam & Co., $\frac{2}{3}$ of balance,	5 19 2
"	"	John Manning, do.,	12 14 2
"	"	J. Potter's bill to T. Killam & Co.,	5 17 6
15.	"	Israel Harding, Esq.,	95 0 0
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Jan'y. 5.	"	J. B. Kenney,	15 0 0
12.	"	J. Shaw, moulding, &c.,	1 10 0
16.	"	I. Harding, Esq.,	25 0 0
"	"	do., to S. Allen per do.	7 10 0
"	"	W. S. Robbins,	5 0 0
30.	"	Thos. Killam & Co.,	6 0 0
Feb. 9.	"	Jacob Potter, balance,	2 2 6
24.	"	Rev. O. Chute, for fencing premises,	3 0 0
26.	"	W. S. Robbins, balance,	2 7 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
9.	"	I. Harding, Esq., in part balance,	6 0 0
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in account with WILLIAM CHURCHILL.

1855.		CR.	
June 1.	By balance in hand,		£0 13 7
	Mrs. Witter sub.,		0 10 0
21.	Rev. O. Chute, coll.		3 5 7
July 25.	Rev. J. Davis, coll., (exclusive of French Mission, collection,)		26 19 3
26.	Rev. J. E. Balcom, remit.,		4 0 0
28.	Rev. O. Chute, coll.,		8 15 3
	J. Shaw, from Association,		15 0 0
Aug. 15.	Rev. O. Chute, remit.,		20 7 3
23.	Rev. Wm. Chipman, remit.,		5 0 0
28.	Rev. J. Stubbert, coll. in Deerfield,		2 0 0
29.	Rev. O. Chute, coll.,		15 11 3
	Rev. P. F. Murray, Barrington,		1 0 0
30.	Rev. J. Reid, Ohio Church,		1 13 9
Sept. 12.	Rev. J. Davis, coll. in 1st Yarmouth		6 2 6
21.	Rev. O. Chute,		3 0 0
	Capt. Charles Pinkney,		2 10 0
26.	Rev. J. Davis, coll. 1st Yarmouth,		2 8 9
Oct. 1.	Matilda Corning sub.,		0 5 0
8.	Rev. J. Davis, coll.,		0 2 6
11.	Rev. A. Martell, coll., Yarmouth,		5 5 0
Nov. 5.	Rev. C. Tupper, coll. in Lower Aylesford,		0 11 3
	Rev. J. E. Balcom, coll.		0 10 0
16.	Rev. J. Reid, coll. in Ohio,		0 8 0
22.	Rev. A. Martell,		0 5 0
Dec. 10.	J. C. Hatfield, on note,		200 0 0
1856.			
Jan'y. 1.	Silas Gates, per R. S. Morton,		0 5 0
	Maynard Wheelock, per do.,		0 5 0
	Rev. R. Morton, coll.,		55 2 6
	Editors Christian Messenger,		0 10 0
28.	Rev. W. Burton sub.,		1 0 0
Mar. 24.	Rev. R. S. Morton,		16 0 0
			£399 6 5
Balance in hand brought down,			£1 3 9½

E. & O. E.

WILLIAM CHURCHILL,
Treasurer *Acadian Miss. House.*

Yarmouth, June 3, 1856.

Audited and found correct,

J. E. BALCOM.
WHITMAN FREEMAN.
CALVIN WYMAN.

Canadian Mission in account with WILLIAM CHURCHILL.

		DR.	
1855.			
July 14.	To Postage to Clarence and back, 4d. & 3d.,	£0	0 7
Aug. 29.	Rev. O. Chute, balance of Salary to 25th August, 1855—End of year,		55 3 2
1856.			
Feb. 9.	Postage sundry times,	0	1 5
May 27.	Paid the Missionary on this year's salary,	43	12 6
			£98 17 8
		CR.	
1855.			
June 1.	By balance in hand per account rendered,	£3	4 10
21.	Rev. O. Chute collection,	5	6 7
July 28.	do. do.,	2	14 9
14.	Caleb Marshall, Esq., per Asso'n.,	44	18 6
Aug. 15.	Rev. O. Chute, collection,	0	12 9
29.	do., 10s. & 18s. 4d.,	1	8 4½
	Rev. J. Davis, collection,	8	5 6
	Rev. O. Chute,	2	18 9
Nov. 5.	Rev. C. Tupper, collection in Aylesford and Wilmot,	2	8 9
Dec. 20.	Rev. W. Chipman, per C. Rainsforth, 20s. Deacon Skinner, 5s.,	1	5 0
1856.			
Jan'y. 1.	Rev. R. S. Morton, collected by Rev. C. Randall,	2	10 0
4.	Rev. J. E. Balcom, collection, Long Island,	2	0 0
21.	J. R. Patillo, Esq., do., Liverpool ch.,	6	0 0
31.	Rev. J. Reid, do., Ohio ch.,	0	8 9
Feb. 6.	Rev. J. J. Skinner, Port Medway ch.,	1	0 0
9.	Rev. J. C. Hurd, Canso ch.,	2	0 0
	Rev. C. Tupper, coll'd. by Rev. A. Stronach,	1	0 0
15.	Rev. J. C. Morse, Little River ch.,	1	0 0
	Rev. H. Angel, donation,	0	10 0
19.	2nd Yarmouth ch. quarterly meeting coll.,	1	8 5½
Mar. 1.	Rev. J. C. Morse, 1st Digby Neck ch.,	1	0 0
	1st Yarmouth church collection,	0	16 3½
10.	Rev. H. Eagles, St. Mary's, Sherbrooke,	2	0 0
17.	J. L. Walker, Upper Stewiacke ch.,	3	5 0
April 19.	B. B. Moses, coll'n. 3rd Yarmouth ch.,	0	13 10-
			£98 16 1½
			£98 17 8
E. E.	Treasury minus,	£	1 6½

WILLIAM CHURCHILL, *Treasurer French Mission.*

Yarmouth, June 3, 1856.

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CALVIN WYMAN.

The W. B. Association in account with CALEB MARSHALL.

1855.		DR.	
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3	2	June 9. To Rev. G. Armstrong, per order,	£1 0 0
1	5	Rev. J. E. Balcom, stationary, &c.,	0 2 6
2	6	J. W. Nutting, printing minutes,	10 10 0
7	8	C. Randall, Indian Mission, £19 1 8	
10		less proportion of expence, 1 12 1	17 9 7
7		P. F. Murray balance due him,	19 0 0
9		H. Achilles do.,	11 0 0
6		J. Davis, A. & F. Bible Society,	1 5 0
9		J. Elliott, Gaelic Mission, per order,	7 17 9
4½		do., out of Miss. fund, voted at Ass'n.,	25 8 11
6		Asaph Marshall for D. Mission,	56 1 0
9		John W. Barss, F. M.,	56 9 10½
9		J. Chase, Am. and For. Bible Soc.,	9 8 7½
9		J. Chase, Bible Union,	2 14 8
9		W. Churchill, French Mission,	44 18 6
9		S. Selden, printing Articles,	3 6 10
9		Rev. S. N. Bentley, delegate to E. Ass'n.,	3 0 0
0		J. Chase, Ministerial Education,	32 4 3
0		1856.	
0		June 15. Joseph Rogers, succeeding Treasurer,	8 19 2
0			<u>£310 16 6</u>

1855.		CR.	
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0		June 9. Received at W. Association at Clarence,	
0		including collections and old balance,	£310 16 6
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