

MINUTES
OF THE
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
HELD AT
SACKVILLE, COUNTY OF WESTMORLAND,
IN THE
PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK,
ON
MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, the 8th, 9th, and 10th JULY,
1844.

TOGETHER WITH THE
Circular Letter, Missionary Accounts, &c. &c.

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SACKVILLE, Monday, 8th July, 1844.

Met at ten o'clock, A. M.

Introductory Sermon preached by the Rev. James Blakeney, from 5th chapter, 1st Thessalonians, 17th verse, "*Pray without ceasing.*"

The following Ministers and Delegates from the different Churches then took their seats as Members of the Association :—

- Frederickton*—Rev. William Hall, Rev. Charles Spurden, Asa Coy, Z. G. Gabel, and James P. A. Phillips.
1st. St. John—Rev. Samuel Robinson, Stephen Gerow, Jarvis Hartt, Charles Estabrooks, and G. H. Hay.
Canning—Rev. Benjamin Coy, and John Mills.
Norton—Rev. Joshua Bunting.
1st. Springfield—Rev. Messrs. James A. Smith, D. Crandall and P. Spragge.
2d St. John—Brother Francis.
Hampton—Rev. John Marsters.
2nd Wickham—Rev. James A. Smith.
Kingsclear—Rev. George Rigby.
2nd Sackville—Rev. J. Crandall, E. Reid, — Harper, William Reid and Michael Cole.
St. George—Rev. James Walker.
2nd Salisbury—Ralph Colepitts, Jun. and Louis Smith.
New Canaan—Daniel Perry.
Maugerville—Rev. John M'Gee and G. Miles.
St. Andrews—Rev. A. D. Thompson.
Gundalow Point—Rev. James Blakeney, James Kierstead and G. N. Robinson.
2d St. Patricks—Rev. A. D. Thompson.
Upham—Jesse Tabor.
1st Sackville—Rev. Frederick Sears, John Anderson, and Josiah Hicks.

- Hopewell*—Rev. William Sears and William Fillimore.
Cardigan—Rev. William Harris.
2d Springfield—Rev. Peter Spragge.
St. Davids—George Hopps.
Jacksontown—Rev. Edward Harris.
1st Wickham—Rev. J. C. Skinner.
Dumfries—Rev. Edward Harris.
Hillsborough—Rev. James Wallace, Patrick Duffy, Richard Steves
and Richard Gross.
Prince William—Rev. Thomas Saunders.
1st St. Martins—William Fitch.
Coverdale—Rev. James Wallace and David Fillimore.
1st Salisbury—Rev. Joseph Crandall and John Crandall.
Dorchester—Rev. William Sears, Mariner Lamb, Rufus Cole and
J. Cole.
Portland—Rev. Joshua Bunting.
Carlton—Rev. Samuel Robinson.
Woodstock—Rev. E. J. Harris.
Studholm—Rev. James M'Fee.
Blackville, Blissville, and Ludlow—Hezekiah Harris.
Sussex—Rev. David Crandall and David Stone.
Moncton—Rev. David Crandall, John Harris, Thomas Prince and
William Prince.
Nashwaak—Rev. William Harris.
Butte nut Ridge—James Herritt and Adam King.

The Rev. Samuel Robinson was then appointed Moderator.

The Rev. Charles Spurden, Clerk.

The Rev. William Hall, Assistant Clerk.

Stephen Gerow, Treasurer of Funds collected for Domestic purposes.

Rev. Richard Burpe, Treasurer of Funds collected for Foreign
Missionary purposes.

Z. G. Gabel, Treasurer for Funds of American Bible Society.

The Rev. Charles Tupper, Messenger from the Nova Scotia Association, Rev. Messrs. David Harris, M. Parker, W. Parker, and
— Cogswell, from Nova Scotia, also, Brethern Coles, J. T. Smith, Blakslee, and J. Steves, were then requested to take a part in the deliberations of the Association.

The following Committees were then appointed :—

The Rev. J. C. Skinner and Brother Jarvis Hartt, to examine the Letters.

The Rev. Messrs. Burpe and E. J. Harris, with Brother M'Adam, Committee for reading the Letters from the Churches.

The Rev. Messrs. J. Crandall, W. Harris, and B. Coy, to arrange the business of the Association.

The Rev. Messrs. Tupper, D. Crandall, Thompson and Bunting, to arrange the special business.

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The Rev. Messrs. J. Crandall and P. Spragge, to examine Circular Letter.

The Rev. Messrs. Beckwith, John M'Gee, and Brother Mills, Committee for Sabbath Schools.

The Rev. Chas. Tupper and Brethern Gabel and Francis, to report relative to the *Christian Messenger*.

The Rev. Messrs. Blakeney, Smith, Sears, and Saunders, to report on the state of Domestic Missions.

The Rev. Messrs. Robinson, Thompson and Burpe, to report on the state of Foreign Missions.

The Rev. Messrs. Smith, M'Fee and Brother Herritt, to examine into and report on the state of New Churches.

The Rev. Messrs. Robinson, Marsters and Brother C. Estabrooks, to examine into and report upon the Bible Question.

The Brethern H. Blakslee, S. Gerow, and Laban Lawrence, to form a constitution for a Society for the support of superannuated Ministers and Widows of Ministers.

The Brethern Asa Coy, Wallace and Phillips, Committee to audit all accounts.

Recommended by the Committee to arrange the ordinary business of the Association. That a Domestic Missionary Meeting be held at 3 o'clock, P. M. and that a Foreign Missionary Meeting be held on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, and that Rev. S. Robinson preach a Sermon suitable for the occasion.

Prayer by Moderator. Adjourned at 2 o'clock, until 4, P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

After Prayer by Rev. W. Hall, proceeded to read the Letters from the Churches, the statement of which will be found at the end of the Minutes.

The Committee for inspecting Letters from new Churches report: Having examined Letters from two new Churches, recommend that the Churches recently formed in Douglas be received into this body.

Ordered, That the new Church in Douglas, set off from Prince William Church, be received as a Member of this Association; also, that the Church in Buctouche be received into this Association.

The Committee on Domestic Missions report: That the destitute state of this Province calls aloud for renewed exertions to be made for the replenishing of the funds. That Missionaries be sent out to preach the Gospel to the destitute around us. We believe one County in this Province is altogether destitute, and the region in every direction round about calls for our sympathies, and labors to seek the welfare of our dying fellow-men.

Resolved, That we express our gratitude to Almighty God for His

special blessing upon the labors of our Missionaries by renewing our exertions to supply the destitute with the word of life.

The following persons—Asa Coy, George Miles, Mr. Francis, Laban Lawrence, John T. Smith, Samuel Keith, Charles Estabrooks, William Kinnear, William Fitch, Titus Hicks, agreed to give, each of them, the tenth part of what was necessary for the support of a Missionary to labor for one year in the County of Kent, and other places according to the discretion of the Missionary; the appointment of said Missionary to be left to the General Missionary Board.

The following Resolutions of the General Missionary Board were subsequently adopted by the Association:—

1st. That the Jewelry and dividend on Steamboat Stock, now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Fredericton Board, be divided among the several local Boards.

2d. That the Resolution of the Association in 1840, requiring “the several local Boards to render their accounts to the Treasurer of the General Board by the first day of June in each year, accompanied with a brief report of the success attending the operations of the Board for the year, in order that a general Account and Report may be prepared previously to the Meeting of the Association,” be in future attended to, and the monies collected at the Associations for the support of Domestic Missions, be divided exclusively among such Boards as shall have complied with this regulation.

3d. That the Rev. James Blakeney and the Rev. David Crandall be employed as Missionaries to labor, under the direction of this Board, in the Counties of Kent, Gloucester, Richibucto and Northumberland, to be sustained by the sums subscribed for the support of a permanent Missionary in those places, (viz.—one half the time each) that one of them be constantly on the ground.

4th. That Brethern M'Adam and Miles be employed to labor for one year, at 20s. per week, viz. one half the time each, in the destitute parts of the Province, under the direction of this Board, and that each of the local Boards be requested to pay £5 toward their support, in conjunction with the sums promised for that purpose, and that the Ministers performing those Missions do report their operations to the Secretary from time to time, and forward to the *Christian Messenger* an account of their proceedings and the contributions received, at least every three months.

After Prayer by Moderator, adjourned until $\frac{1}{4}$ past 7.

Met according to adjournment.

After singing, and Prayer by Brother Skinner,

Ordered, That the Association be held on the next year, with the Church in Canning, commencing on the 3d Monday after 20th June; that the Rev. J. C. Skinner preach the introductory Sermon, and in

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case of failure, the Rev. A. D. Thompson; and that the Circular Letter be written by the Rev. Charles Spurden.

That the Rev. Joseph Crandall and the Rev. William Hall be our Messengers to the Nova Scotia Association, and in case of failure of either of them, the Rev. William Sears, and that the sum of Six Pounds be allowed to defray the expenses thereof.

Ordered, That the Rev. Charles Spurden be appointed to superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that 1500 copies be printed and circulated.

The Committee appointed to attend to special business recommend, that, in compliance with the request of a large majority of the Churches that have expressed an opinion upon the subject, arrangements be made to effect a judicious division of this Association into two Associations. After discussion upon the question of a division, it was

Resolved, That the Association remain as at present, and that a request be made to the Churches so worded that each Church may consider itself bound to give an opinion on the subject, and that delegates be appointed to confer with the Association in Nova Scotia for the purpose of consulting upon the expediency of forming a convention of both Provinces.

The Committee appointed to examine into special business of the Association in reference to the application of Churches for Councils, recommend, in answer to the request of the Church at Keswick, that a council be appointed to visit and assist that Church, and to report at the next Association;

Ordered, That this Council be composed of the Rev. Messrs. Harris, Saunders, Rigby and M'Gee.

In compliance with the request from the Church at Fredericton, that a Council be appointed to advise with them,

Resolved, That Rev. Messrs. Tupper, Thompson, Blakeney, John M'Gee, and Skinner be said Council; and that Brother George Miles, Rev. Messrs. J. A. Smith, W. Harris, John M'Gee and B. Coy, be a Council to visit 1st Grand Lake Church.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

T U E S D A Y .

Education Society met at 9, A. M.

After the Education Society had made their Report, a sermon was preached by the Rev. Samuel Robinson, from Acts, 2d chapter, 23d verse, on the subject of Missions, and a collection was taken.

The Committee on Foreign Missions report, That it be recommended that this Association concur in the following Resolutions of the Nova Scotia Association :

"Whereas, immediately on sending abroad a Missionary the Board will be called upon to enter into strict business engagements, and they feel it, therefore, highly necessary, to form if possible, some system which may, with the Divine blessing ensure a regular income ;

"*Resolved*, That this Board do affectionately request the New Brunswick Association to concur with this Board in forming either union Societies or some other species of organized effort for accomplishing this object, and in employing Brother Burpe in first visiting the Church in both Provinces for this end. And if it be found that the time between this date and the sailing of the first ships to India be too short for the above purpose,

"*Resolved*, That they recommend that Brother Burpe's departure be delayed until the next period when ships leave the United States for the East.

"And whereas it is proposed that the necessary remittances be made through the United States Baptist Board of Foreign Missions, and this Board are now ready to advance half the expense of Brother Burpe's outfit, and half his first year's salary, and to place the same in the hands of Dr. Patteson, the Secretary of the American Board ;

"*Resolved*, That the same, say the sum of £275, be so placed ; and further,

"*Resolved*, That the New Brunswick Board be respectfully requested to concur herein, and to place the other half of the outfit and of the first year's salary in Dr. Patteson's hands, for the purpose of furthering Brother Burpe's Mission at as early a date as is consistent with his above appointment as Agent."

Ordered, That this Board adopt the said Resolutions as their own, with the exception of the sum which they agree to give, for £275 say £200.

Resolved, That the following persons compose the Foreign Missionary Board for the ensuing year, the Hon. W. B. Kinnear, Nathan Demill, (Treasurer,) Brother Lockey, S. Gerow, Solomon Hersey, J. Hartt, Charles Estabrooks, John T. Smith, the Rev. Samuel Robinson, with all Ministers of the denomination.

Several donations having been made and names of annual subscribers given in,

Resolved, That the names of the Subscribers, together with the amount of the contributions just received be inserted in the Minutes.

After Prayer by Moderator, adjourned for one hour.

Met according to appointment. After Prayer by Brother Saunders, proceeded with the ordinary business of the Association.

Resolved, That the Rev. Samuel Robinson and W. H. Beckwith be continued the Committee to collect information relative to the

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Baptists in these Provinces, and that they send such report to the Rev. David Benedict.

Resolved, That the Rev. Charles Spurden, Jarvis Ring, W. S. Estey, Z. G. Gabel, S. W. Babbit, James F. Gale, Wm. F. Barker, J. P. A. Phillips, and D. Richards be the Domestic Missionary Board for Fredericton for the ensuing year.

Resolved, That Brother Hezekiah Harris, Robert Beachem, John J. Donald, R. B. Wasson, Alexander Brown, and James Tozer, be the Domestic Missionary Board for Miramichi, for the ensuing year.

Westmorland—Rev. Joseph Crandall, Rev. William Sears, Rev. J. Wallace, Warren Perrigo, Cyrus Black, Laban Lawrence, John Crandall and Thomas Prince.

St. John—Deacons Drake, Smith, Mills, Brethern John Clarke, Garrison, Stephens, C. D. Everitt, and J. Harding.

Charlotte—Rev. A. D. Thompson, Philo Seelye, Reuben Brockway, George Hopps, John Bradford, Rev. Thomas McGee, William Smart, Thomas Justison, and James Russell.

Resolved, That the Office-Bearers of the General Missionary Board remain the same as last year.

Resolved, That this Association of the Baptist Churches of New Brunswick rejoices in the interest which the Churches of Britain take in the prosperity of the Denomination in this Province, and they sincerely desire that the brotherly correspondence which has been opened be continued from year to year, that the present Committee together with the Rev. Charles Spurden continue, for the purpose of conducting this correspondence, and the following extract be taken from the Report of the Baptist Union in England, "That the Union desire to record their high gratification that more copious information has been received than heretofore from Baptists in various parts of the world; that they take this opportunity of gratefully acknowledging the interesting and important communications from their Brethern, and of most cordially responding to the Christian sympathy therein so warmly expressed."

The Committee appointed to examine the Circular Letter having reported favorably,

Ordered, That it be received, and published in the Minutes.

The Committee on the *Christian Messenger* recommended the following Resolution, which was accordingly adopted:—

That this Association present their grateful thanks to the worthy Editors of the *Christian Messenger*, for the continuance of their able and useful labors; that they recommend this valuable paper to public patronage; and that they adopt the following Resolution passed by the Nova Scotia Baptist Association:—"That the Editors of the *Christian Messenger* do forthwith furnish the Pastors or other acting officers of the respective Churches throughout the Province with correct lists of such Members of their Churches as sub-

scribe to the *Christian Messenger*, and who are in arrears for the same previous to the year 1843, and that the several Churches be requested to pursue the most effective means which, in their judgment, shall be requisite to obtain the large amounts still remaining due for the publication, and which unless speedily paid threaten very shortly the discontinuance of the paper."

Resolved, That the Churches of New Brunswick take up a collection on the first Sabbath in every year for the American Foreign Bible Translation Society.

The Committee appointed in 1842 and continued last year to procure information relative to the general affairs of our denomination in this Province for the purpose of making a full Record of the Denomination, report, that they have given a considerable share of attention to that duty, and have the requisite information from many of the Ministers and Churches, and partial information from others, but from some they have not yet received any information. The Committee request that they may be continued for another year, and express a hope that such of the Ministers and Churches as have not afforded the necessary information will lose no time in giving it; that they may be able to complete the Record during the ensuing year.

Ordered, That the Committee be continued for another year.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be given to the Rev. C. Tupper, for his very valuable work in vindication of our views on Christian Baptism, and that the Ministers and Members of the Church be strongly recommended to purchase the volume themselves, and endeavour in every way to facilitate its circulation.

Resolved, That a report of the names of the Subscribers and the matters relative to Foreign Missions be yearly made, and a copy given to each person who contributes 5s. or upwards annually, and in order to give such report, that the Churches be requested to furnish an account of the Subscribers in their respective Churches and Societies, yearly to the Association.

Resolved, That the money which the Sackville Church paid by mistake to the Domestic Missionary Board be refunded to the Foreign Mission.

Recommended that the first day of January next be observed as a day of Fasting and Prayer by all the Churches in the Province.

That this Association recommend the Ministers connected with this Body, not to settle or receive support from any Church which refuses or neglects to pay the Minister who has labored among them the amount they contracted to pay him; and that to settle with such a Church or receive support from it, is, in the opinion of this Association, to partake of their sin.

Resolved, That the different Ministers and Licentiates belonging to the Baptist denomination transmit to the Committee for superin-

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After Prayer by Moderator, adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

Met according to adjournment.

The Rev. C. Tupper preached on behalf of Sabbath Schools; after which the Committee gave in their report.

Resolved, That the Report of the Sabbath School Union be received and printed in the Minutes of this Association, and that the Rev. Charles Spurden preach the Sabbath School Union Sermon. That this Association request of all the Churches, in their next annual letter an answer to the following questions:—

1—Have you a Sabbath School in operation, and if so, what is the number of Scholars and what the average attendance?

2—How many Teachers, male and female?

3—Have you a Library, and what is the number of volumes?

4—What number of Bibles and Testaments is there belonging to the School?

5—What are your present and future prospects?

Ordered, That the proceedings of the Education Society be printed with the Minutes.

After Prayer, adjourned till 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

W E D N E S D A Y .

Met pursuant to adjournment.

After Prayer by Brother Spurden,

The Committee appointed to inquire into the State of the Churches at Dorchester and Hopewell, having made an acknowledgement in relation to the disapproval of their conduct, expressed in the Minutes of the Association of the Session of 1842, satisfactory to the Association—

Resolved, That the acknowledgement be received, and that the censure of the Association be removed from the Church at Hopewell.

And Brother Walker having confessed with sorrow that he had done wrong in the dispute between him and the Hopewell Church, and the delegates having accepted it on behalf of the Hopewell Church,

Unanimously Resolved, That the matter be considered as amicably settled.

Resolved, That no Church has a right to call any Minister or Member to account after his dismissal from the said Church; and that every Minister becoming a Pastor be considered a Member of the Church of which he is Pastor.

Resolved, That this Association desire to express their sympathy for their persecuted Brethern in Denmark, and that the Rev. Samuel Robinson be appointed Treasurer to receive all sums of money con-

tributed for their relief, and transmit the same through some proper channel.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be given to the American Foreign Baptist Missionary Convention for the kind reception they gave to our Delegate, the Rev. Samuel Robinson, and for the interest they take in our Foreign Missionary undertaking, and their offer to assist us in this work.

(For the Report of the Committee appointed to form a Constitution for the relief of superannuated Ministers, see Appendix.)

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the Members of the 1st and 2d Church, and the inhabitants of Sackville, generally, for their kindness and hospitality to the Ministers and Messengers of the Churches, and also for their liberal contributions in aid of the various religious objects introduced to their consideration during the present Session.

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the New Brunswick Baptist Association convened at Sackville.

DEAR BRETHERN,

The setting apart of one day in seven for the worship of Almighty God is to be considered in three different points of view. In one view it is an act of moral duty; in another it is positive obedience; in a third it is political virtue. Moral obedience is that duty which every man as a creature is naturally and necessarily obliged to perform. Man is a creature, God is his creator; this creature hath received from his creator all he enjoys. He is in a state of entire dependence on God, who governs him by a wise and good providence. If he discharge his duty, God is able to gratify all his just wishes, and if he neglect it, God is able to punish him beyond what his fancy or fears can suggest. It is therefore fit and right in the nature of things that every such creature should sometimes by some public exercise of devotion express his belief of the being and perfections of his Creator and Benefactor. He should sometimes openly pay him that homage of reverence, worship, prayer and praise, which is due both to the eminence of his perfections and the excellence of his government. Now this is the duty of a Lord's Day, and they who neglect or refuse to attend to it, may truly be said to live without God in the world. It is then a moral action to set apart some time for public worship. Positive law is the express command of God, and obedience to such law is called positive obedience. It pleased God, in the infancy of the world, like a wise and tender parent, to point out moral duties to his creature by positive commands, and to order the Jews to keep holy the seventh day of the week. Thus he enforced moral obedience by positive law. When our Lord came into the world

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The resurrection of Jesus Christ—that great event upon which all Christianity depends—came to pass on the first day of the week. It is natural to suppose that this event would so affect the apostles as to engage them to suspend all secular business, and to address themselves wholly to religious exercises such as social prayer, praise, reading and examining prophecies. Scripture history assures us this natural effect was produced, and it further informs us that on that day week they met again for the same purposes, and that after Jesus had instructed them in the things pertaining to the kingdom of God, they held their religious assemblies on the first day of the week. It likewise informs us that the apostles abolished the ceremonies of Moses, and made no exception in favour of the seventh day;—from all which we fairly conclude that the setting apart of some time for public worship is a moral action, that a seventh part of time is a just proportion, and that the observation of the first day was introduced by inspired apostles, whose example in this case is equal to a positive law.

Political virtue is obedience to the just laws of our country. Our lawgivers have thought fit to incorporate the observation of the Lord's day into their civil statutes. In these statutes a wise attention has been discovered to the good of society—for the Lord's day relaxation considered merely as a civil institution is attended with innumerable advantages to the health, morals, and interests of the country.

There are two ways of profaning the Lord's day: the first is by neglecting to perform the duties of the day, the other is by practising those things which ought on that day to be avoided. Most Sabbath breakers do both. There are three sorts of duties which belong to this day, and none of them can be neglected without incurring blame. The first are exercises of piety due to God, such as prayer, praise, public worship and reading and hearing the Holy Scriptures, by which we acknowledge the dominion of God over us and our willing subjection to him. Neglect of these is contempt of God. It sets his power at defiance and discovers ingratitude for his goodness, distrust of his wisdom and disbelief of his being. The second sort of duties we owe to our fellow creatures. We owe our families a virtuous example—we owe our ministers some countenance—we owe our superiors submission. We should encourage and embolden the good by our exemplary conduct, and we should by the same means refine and correct the wicked—silent obedience is strong reproof.

The third sort of duties are those due to ourselves. What should we think of that man who, instead of cultivating his field would suffer it to be over-run with briars and thorns; but how much more foolish must he be who having both body and soul, never spends a day to relieve the one or improve the other. To neglect all these on a day set apart for performing them is a profanation of the Lord's day.

The other way of profaning the Lord's day, is by doing such actions as ought to be avoided: these are of three sorts.—The first are unlawful actions which ought not to be done on any day. To enumerate these would be to draw out a list of all the crimes that men commit. This, however, we affirm, that many crimes unlawful at all seasons become wicked in the extreme by circumstances of time and place. Drunkenness, for instance, is always an awful vice even in times of public festivity; but to be drunk on the Lord's day, when so many thousands are lamenting the sin and interceding for the sinner, is to offer a public affront to God and all good men. The second sort of actions are those lawful on other days and unlawful only on this. Of this sort are manual labors, public sales in shops and elsewhere, and in a word all exercise prohibited by either the appointments of God or the just laws of men. The third sort are those which are improper,—not forbidden indeed by any positive laws human or divine, but yet evidently wrong because inconsistent with the duties of the day:—to pay and to take wages, to cast up accounts, to post books, to write letters of business, to read books of amusement, to pay trifling visits, to spend one part of the day in going over the grounds to see cattle and crops, and the other in eating and drinking and reading the news. What are these but expressions of disregard to God and disinclination to duty.

It would be endless to recount the evils attendant on a profanation of the Lord's day; I will mention only a few—the health is impaired. Young people left to themselves on this day, have seldom discretion to proportion their eating and drinking to their exercise, or their expenses to their income. Hence excesses of various kinds hence diseases remorse, ill health, and sometimes death. Some of the principal things that hinder the proper sanctification of the Lord's day, are negligence in making due preparation in time for the day—a fondness for a display of finery in the assembly of God's people—too great concern for the feasting of the body—and keeping company with those who do not fear God; and all these evils may be traced to inconsideration, for it is most clear that the day is not our own, to be spent according to our own pleasure—it is the *Lord's Day*. Nor is that part only his that is to be devoted to public religious exercises; but the whole day is God's, from the time we open our eyes in the morning, until the season returns for us to go to rest at night, and if we spend any part of the day improperly, we have no reason to expect otherwise than that God will reject the services of the whole of it. This is not meant to discourage those who are in such circumstances of life that they cannot keep the day as they desire. God respects our dispositions and motives, and a man is accepted according to that he hath, and not according to that he hath not. But a christian in a right frame of mind would prefer bread and water for his constant fare, where he can sanctify God's holy day according to his divine will, to the choicest delicacies the world can produce, when they are only to be obtained at the expense of his dis-

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regard to the holiness of the Lord's day. Some persons plead that they are prevented by their children from sanctifying the day as they feel that they ought. Those who have not servants to look after such of their children as cannot be kept in the order that is desirable, are certainly to be sympathized with, though even these will not find it so difficult as might be imagined, if the heart be really under a right influence, and they are capable of managing their children in a proper manner; but where there are servants to look after the children, such an excuse can scarcely at any time be considered admissible, for if they are determined to keep the day holy to the Lord they will take care not to be prevented, and the children shall not be neglected; and if a steady, uniform course of piety is observed in the family, it is surprising at what an early age children may be brought into due subjection, and to love the exercises in which they are initiated, whereas if the worship of God is given up, or merely performed as a sort of task that is irksome, and the parents are out of temper while they are engaging in it, or glad when it is over, what is to be expected but that such children will presently imbibe a rooted aversion to the worship of God, and give it up altogether as soon as they obtain the opportunity. And why cannot plain, wholesome food suffice for the Lord's day, when God is to be worshipped, as well as on the days when the world is to be attended to? "Oh! but we have not time to sit and enjoy ourselves on the week days so well as we can on the Lord's day." Then it seems the Lord's day is our own day to seek our own pleasure, and though it be only the seventh portion of our time, God is not to be served in an equally diligent manner with the world on the week days. If to worship in the public assembly were all that is required of us, and there were no duties to be attended to in the closet or the family, there might be some reason in this, though it is no hard matter to judge whence it is that some persons sleep so much at an afternoon or evening service; but such an excuse savours very little of delight in God and his holy worship, and it will certainly be given up with abhorrence in proportion as grace prospers in the soul, and the heart is drawn upwards to God, and assimilated to the heavenly world. But some of our servants must stop at home, and they might as well be employed in dressing food or doing other things for our comfortable accommodation as to be left to spend the time in idleness. But how readest thou—"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy—in it thou shalt not do any work—thou nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle nor the stranger that is within thy gates." Surely their consciences must be seared who can listen to this Commandment with indifference, while their servants and cattle too are at work with their permission, if not by their directions. We should convince our servants by the consistency of our conduct, that there is a reality in our religion, and we should take care that their soul's ruin is not chargeable to their serving us on God's holy day. And in how many ways has Satan contrived to

prevent men from honouring God as he requires and deserves, and to cheat them of their soul's salvation. That such persons should expect to be happy in Heaven when they are indisposed to the worship of God upon earth, can only arise from their not properly considering the nature of the heavenly felicity. Heaven is Jehovah's Temple, and all its inhabitants are unceasingly worshipping in it. There are no lookers on there, but all are engaged with every power they possess, and though the characters of the "redeemed from among men," are only completed when the spirit quits the body, we must previously possess a similarity of disposition with the inhabitants of that world, that we may be "meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the Saints in light," and hence our Lord said to Nicodemus, "marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." If we have no taste for spiritual worship here, we should have no satisfaction in it there, and therefore it is a wise appointment that such will not be admitted to that society. But if our hearts are renewed by divine grace, we shall love the worship of God, and shall esteem the forms of religion which he has appointed, and the Lord's days, (especially if we live where we can hear the gospel, and can enjoy the fellowship of his people) will be the most happy days we spend upon earth, and we shall enter Heaven at last with the spirit of the Psalmist in reference to the earthly sanctuary. "How amiable are thy Tabernacles, O Lord of hosts, my soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord, my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God! One thing have I desired of the Lord, and that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord forever, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple."

Monies Received During the Session by Stephen Gerow, Treasurer, and paid over to the Treasurer of the General Missionary Board.

Minute Money from the Churches,	£17 18 2
Collection in the 1st and 2d Churches during the Association for	
Domestic Missionary purposes,	19 11 0
From A. B. M'Donald (Wickham)	0 10 0
The Norton Church,	1 0 0
The African Church,	0 3 6
	£39 2 8
From Z. G. Gabel, Treasurer of the Fredericton Board, being	
Dividend on Steam Boat Stock,	21 0 0
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APPROPRIATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER :—

Paid Rev. S. Robinson as Delegate to the Triennial Convention at Philadelphia,	£12 10 0
Paid Rev. J. Crandall as Messenger to the Nova Scotia Association next year,	3 0 0
Paid Rev. W. Hall, do. do.	3 0 0
Paid to each of the 5 local Boards, 80s.	20 0 0
Paid Rev. R. E. Burpe, being Foreign Missionary money, included by mistake in Domestic Fund,	3 19 1
In hand for Printing Minutes,	17 13 7
July 10, 1844.	£60 2 8

List of Ministers in connexion with the New Brunswick Baptist Association.

* Samuel Robinson, (<i>Moderator</i>)	Saint John.
* Joseph Crandall,	Salisbury and Sackville.
* William Hall,	Fredericton.
Charles Spurden,	<i>Principal of Seminary</i> , Fredericton.
* Lathrop Hammond,	Andover,
* James Blakeney,	Gondalow Point.
* William Sears,	Hopewell.
* Michael Doyle,	Grand Lake.
Titus Stone,	Sussex Vale.
* James Tozer,	Blackville.
* J. C. Skinner,	Wickham.
* A. D. Thompson,	St. Andrews.
William Pulcifer,	Harvey.
* John M'Gee,	Maugerville.
* James Tupper,	Wakefield.
Charles Thorne,	Johnston.
Peter Spragge,	Springfield.
* E. J. Harris,	Woodstock.
Nathan Cleveland,	Shepody.
* David Crandall,	Springfield.
* William Harris,	Cardigan.
* Thomas M'Gee,	St. James.
* James Walker,	St. George,
* George Rigby,	Douglas.
* James A. Smith,	Wickham.
* Joshua Bunting,	Portland.
James Wallace,	Hillsborough.
* W. H. Beckwith,	Moncton.
* Benjamin Coy,	Canning.
* James M'Phee,	Springfield.

L I C E N T I A T E S .

Abraham J. Hunt,
William P. M'Adam,
James Herritt,
George Miles,
Frederick Joyce,
William Coleman.

John Mills,
Hezekiah Harris,
Patrick Duffy,
Joseph Catharine,
Daniel Perry,

Those marked thus * are licenced to solemnize Marriage.

ABSTRACT of the STATE of the CHURCHES.

1844 STATIONS.	ADDITIONS.			REMOVED.	DISMISSED.	EXCLUDED.	DIED,.....	TOTAL.	Money for printing the Minutes.
	By Baptism	By Letter.	Restored.						
Frederickton,.....	—	2	—	1	2	—	—	132	£0 14s 6d
Canning,.....	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	75	0 10 0
1st. St. John,.....	15	7	—	—	24	9	7	388	2 5 0
2d Saint John,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	57	0 0 0
Norton,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	70	0 8 0
1st Salisbury,.....	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	119	0 7 6
2d Salisbury,.....	92	1	3	—	1	2	3	175	0 6 9
1st Sackville,.....	16	—	1	2	—	1	1	76	0 0 0
2d Sackville,.....	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	102	0 17 6
1st Springfield,.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	105	0 0 0
2d Springfield,.....	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	15	0 5 0
Saint George,.....	7	—	—	—	3	—	4	393	1 10 0
Hampton,.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	53	0 8 0
1st Wickham,.....	7	1	—	2	—	—	2	44	0 7 6
2d Wickham,.....	17	—	—	—	—	—	2	102	0 6 0
Kingsclear,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	58	0 10 0
Keswick,.....	1	—	—	—	2	2	1	119	0 10 0
Cardigan,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	0 5 0
Brighton,.....	1	5	—	—	—	2	—	34	0 0 0
Upham,.....	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	104	0 2 5
Butternut Ridge,.....	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	149	0 4 0
2d St. Patrick,.....	8	—	—	—	—	2	—	76	0 5 0
Maugerville,.....	8	1	—	—	—	—	1	78	0 10 0
St. Andrews,.....	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	78	0 5 0
Blackville, Blissville, & Ludlow,	—	—	—	3	5	4	—	104	0 7 4
Carleton,.....	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	71	0 10 0
Prince William,.....	2	—	—	—	40	2	1	97	0 10 0
Jackson Town,.....	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	64	0 6 0
Dumfries,.....	6	4	1	7	—	3	1	48	0 8 0
Nashwaak,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	46	0 6 6
1st Grand Lake,.....	40	4	1	—	1	1	2	104	0 3 8½
2d Grand Lake,.....	52	—	—	1	—	—	—	78	0 0 0
Hillsborough,.....	28	2	1	—	2	1	1	124	0 7 1½
Coverdale,.....	4	2	—	—	—	—	2	15	0 3 7½
Studholme,.....	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	18	0 0 0
Woodstock,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	51	0 7 4
Hopewell,.....	60	—	—	—	5	5	3	160	0 0 0
Dumfries,.....	6	4	1	7	—	3	1	48	0 0 0
1st Saint Martin's,.....	—	—	—	—	3	—	4	179	0 10 0
2d Saint Martin's,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	0 0 0
Pennfield,.....	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	69	0 0 0
Sussex Vale,.....	32	2	4	—	—	—	—	65	0 0 0
New Canaan,.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	115	0 5 0
Saint James,.....	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	9	0 0 0
Gondelow Point,.....	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	25	0 5 0
Saint David's,.....	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	100	0 7 9
Harvey,.....	36	3	2	—	—	—	—	106	0 15 0
Dorchester,.....	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	53	0 2 6
Oromocto,.....	1	4	—	—	—	2	—	9	0 0 0
Douglas, (African Church),.....	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	25	0 2 6
Moncton,.....	51	1	1	—	—	2	—	129	0 10 0
Portland,.....	8	6	—	—	3	1	1	62	0 10 0
NEW CHURCHES.									
Douglas,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	0 3 7½
Buctouche,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0 0 0
CHURCHES FROM WHICH NO LET- TERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.									
Johnston,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	78	0 0 0
Northesk,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	0 0 0
Victoria,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	0 0 0
Grand Manan,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	0 0 0
Greenwich,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	0 0 0
Andover,.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	0 0 0
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The Fredericton Domestic Missionary Board in account current with Z. G. Gabel.

1848.		DR.	
July 5.	To balance due the Treasurer,		£3 7 3½
Aug. 24.	" Paid the Rev. Charles Tupper, the Agent of the " <i>Christian Messenger</i> ," for 2 weeks, missionary labor,		3 0 0
	" His expenses on the same,		0 3 3
Sep. 18.	" Paid Rev. Thomas Saunders for 6½ week's Mission at Waterbury, Jemseg, and the Grand Lake, at 30s.		9 15 0
	" His expenses on the same,		0 7 1
Dec. 4.	" Paid the Rev. Thomas Saunders for 6 week's Mission at the Grand Lake, at 30s.		9 0 0
1844.	" Expenses,		0 1 7½
Jan. 16.	" Paid Rev. Thomas Magee for 3 week's missionary labor at the Oromocto, at 30s.		4 10 0
	" Paid Rev. Charles Tupper, for 1 week's missionary labor, 30s.—Expenses, 5s 7d.		1 15 7
May 1.	" Paid Rev. Thomas Magee for 4 week's missionary labor in the County of Queen's, at 30s.		6 0 0
June 11.	" Paid Rev. Thomas Saunders for 4 week's missionary labor in the Counties of Queen's and York, at 30s.		6 0 0
	" His expenses,		0 6 9
July 1.	" Amount granted to the Cardigan Church, to enable them to sustain their Pastor, the Rev. William Harris, a part of time,		5 0 0
	" Paid for Book,		0 7 6
			£49 14 1
1843.		CR.	
July 15.	" By amount received from the Association,		£2 8 9
Aug. 24.	" Collected by Rev. Charles Tupper, at Dumfries,		0 5 9
	" " by do. at Kingsclear, 5s. at Fredericton, 4s 9d,		0 9 9
Sep. 18.	" From a friend at Fredericton, " Collected by the Rev. Thomas Saunders while on his Mission, in cash,		1 0 0
	" Also, 1 pair Boots, 15s. 1 do. Socks, 1s, 1 Handkerchief, 1s.		9 7 8
Dec. 4.	" Collected by the Rev. Thomas Saunders at the Grand Lake (on his second mission),		0 17 0
	" Amount received from the Quarterly Meeting at Brighton, in the County of Carleton, 8th October last, by the hands of the Rev. George Rigby,		6 8 9
1844.	" Collection at Keswick Quarterly Meeting,		1 2 7
Jan. 16.	" Collected by Rev. Thomas M'Gee while on his mission,		1 18 4
	" Received from the General Missionary Board, from sale of trinkets,		1 11 5
May 1.	" Collected by the Rev. Thomas Magee, while on his 4 week's mission as follows:—at Mr. Farish's, 22s. 5d. at Salmon River 2s 11d; at Newcastle, 5s 6½d; at } Range, 23s 8½d; Cumb'rl'd Bay, 15s; Jemseg 8s 6d }		2 17 6
	" Collected by the Rev. Thomas Magee, while on his 4 week's mission as follows:—at Mr. Farish's, 22s. 5d. at Salmon River 2s 11d; at Newcastle, 5s 6½d; at } Range, 23s 8½d; Cumb'rl'd Bay, 15s; Jemseg 8s 6d }		1 2 5
June 11.	" Collected by the Rev. Thomas Saunders when on his Mission,		2 15 7
	" Quarterly Collection at Prince William, by the hands of the Rev. Thomas Saunders,		3 3 10
	" Received from the General Board, for Rings sold,		2 9 2
July 2.	" Balance due the Treasurer,		1 13 0
			10 2 7
			£49 14 1

ZEBEDEE G. GABEL, Treasurer.

The St. John Baptist Missionary Board in account with John Smith, Treasurer.

1843.		DR.	
July 5.	To balance due Treasurer last year, on account,		£0 0 5½
Aug. 18.	" Paid Elder Mann,		0 10 0
" 25.	" Paid do. do.		2 14 6½
Dec. 14.	" Paid do. do.		0 12 6
1844.			
Jan. 1.	" Paid Elder Charles Tupper,		1 11 3
" 5.	" Paid Elder Mann, 10s. (April 13,) Paid do. do. 108s 11d		5 18 11
June 1.	" Paid Elder James Blakeney, for 94 days,		23 10 0
" 26.	" Paid Elder William H. Beckwith,		0 4 11
			£35 2 7

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July 6.	By Mrs. O'Harron's Donation,		£0 5 0
"	" George A. Garrison, 10s 3½d (24th) from Miss. box, 1s 4½d		0 11 8
"	" Received from the Association, St. Andrews,		2 8 4
Dec. 14.	" District Prayer Meeting, by Mr. Lockey,		0 12 6
" 23.	" Received from Mrs. O'Harron by John Masters,		0 5 0
"	" " from Missionary Box,		0 2 4
" 29.	" Collection at Prayer Meeting,		0 12 6
" 30.	" From T. S. Harding, 3s 9d; from Mrs. W. Jordan 5s,		0 8 9
1844.	" From Solomon Hersey, 5s. Mrs. S. Hersey, 5s.		0 10 0
Feb. 24.	" District Prayer Meeting, 4s (25) from Missionary Box, 2s 3d		0 6 3
Mar. 30.	" District Prayer Meeting, 2s 3d; (April 6,) do. do. 1s.		0 4 3
"	" Collected at Teacher's Meeting,		0 10 0
April 13.	" District Prayer Meetings, 6s. at Teacher's Meeting, 9s.		0 15 0
"	" Amount which Mr. Mann agreed to collect on his mission,		4 1 0
June —	" Collected by Elder James Blakeney, while on his mission,		23 10 0
			£35 2 7

JOHN SMITH, Treasurer.

St. John, June 26, 1844.

The Westmorland Baptist Missionary Board in account with Warren Perrigo.

1843.		DR.	
July 8.	To Paid Elder Joseph Crandall for mission to Miramichi,		£5 8 2
1844. July 2.	Paid Elder D. Crandall for mission to Bucktouche,		1 10 0
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,		0 12 8
			£7 10 10
1843.		CR.	
July 3.	By Balance in hand,		£4 19 4
" 28.	" Received of Elder T. Crandall,		1 3 0
1844. July 3.	By Brother John Crandall's subscription,		1 0 0
	Received of Elder D. Crandall,		0 8 6
			£7 10 10

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The Charlotte Baptist Missionary Board in account with John Bradford,
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July 12.	To paid Elder M'Gee 28s 7d; paid Elder Chase, 15s.	£2 3 7
Sept. 5.	" Paid Elder Magee,	0 15 0
Oct. 1.	" Paid Elder Thomson.	2 2 6
1844. April 24.	Paid Elder Magee, 15s. (May 13.) Paid do. 8s.	1 3 0
May 15.	To paid Elder Walker,	2 0 0
June 12.	" Paid Elder A. D. Thomson,	1 10 0
	" Loss on bad copper,	0 5 8

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July 12.	By dividend at Association,	£2 8 7
Aug. 13.	" Collected at Pennfield,	1 10 10
Oct. 12.	" " at St. George,	3 11 0
1843. Feb. 11.	" at St. Andrews, 17s 6d (May 13) at Davids, 8s.	1 5 6
June 12.	By collected by Elder Thomson on mission at first St. Patrick's Church,	0 10 6
	" Deficiency through mistake of last year's account,	0 12 11
	" Balance due the Treasurer,	0 0 5

£9 19 9

JOHN BRADFORD, *Treasurer.*

No Account has been received from the Treasurer of the Northumberland Board. The attention of the Board is requested to the Resolution in the Minutes which was passed this Session.

The N. B. Baptist General Missionary Board in Account with John T. Smith, Sec'y and Treasurer.

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Oct. 1.	To paid J. P. A. Phillips, balance due him for Printing and stitching Minutes,	£1 17 6
Jan. 15.	" Paid Postages,	0 2 3
April 29.	" Paid postage on Letters to the Secretary of the English Missionary Society,	0 1 4
May 10.	" Paid postage on letter from Rev. Mr. Bosworth, Canada,	0 1 7
	" Ditto on letters and papers from Mr. Benedict,	0 1 2
	" Balance in Treasurer's hands,	1 18 8

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July 15.	By balance due on account last year,	£3 15 9½
" 20.	" Minute money received from Dumfries after the Association,	0 5 5½
Sep. 12.	" Minute money from W. Wilmot Esq.	0 1 3

£4 2 6

July 1, 1844.

JOHN T. SMITH, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

An Account of sundry Trinkets, in the hands of Z. G. Gabel from last Year.

(See Minutes, 1843.)

4 Silver Watches, valued at	£6 0 0
9 Finger Rings, 2 plain Rings, 2 Brooches, 1 Buckle, 1 Watchkey, and 1 Clasp, total value,	6 3 4
1 Brooch, valued at 30s; 1 Silver Watch-guard, considered valuable,	1 10 0
	<u>£13 13 4</u>
SOLD OF THE ABOVE AND PAID OVER TO THE FREDERICTON BOARD.	
1 Brooch, 10s. 3 Gold Rings, 30s. 2 pair of Ear Rings, 10s. } 1 Brooch, 7s. 6d. and 4 Rings 33s. }	£4 10 6
2 Watches sold to S. Haines for	1 0 0
	<u>£5 10 6</u>
On hand, and divided at the Association among the 5 local Boards :	
2 Watches—(supposed) value £5; and Trinkets, 32s 10d.	6 12 10
1 Brooch, valued at	1 10 0
	<u>£13 13 4</u>

Also, 1 Silver Watch-guard, considered valuable, and 2 pair Ear Rings, from Charlotte County last year.

Zebedee G. Gabel in account with the Foreign Missionary Society.

1843.	DR.	
To Foreign Missionary monies in hand bearing interest,		£17 17 6
" Interest, 21s. do. on Balance 6s 3d.		1 7 3
		<u>£19 4 9</u>
	CR.	
By amount paid Rev. E. Burpe, as per his Receipt,	£12 10 0	
" do. do. do. as per do.	6 14 9	£19 4 9
		<u>£19 4 9</u>

The N. S. and N. B. Baptist Foreign Missionary Society in account with N. S. Demill, Treasurer.

1843.	DR.	
Sept. 26. To cash paid for Blank Book,		£0 3 0
1844. July 2. To cash deposited in the Savings' Bank at sundry times to the credit of the Society,		122 13 2
		<u>£122 16 2</u>
1843.	CR.	
Sept. 6. By Cash from Rev. R. E. Burpe,	£35 7 7	
Dec. 26. " do. from W. H. Everitt, for Fredericton Juvenile M. S.	3 11 6	
1844. Jan. 27. By cash from S. Gerow, 10s. Friend, 2s 6d.	0 12 6	
By do. from Hopewell, 22s 6d	1 2 6	
" do. from Rev. Mr. Burpe,	30 10 1	
Feb. 2. " Collection, 200s 9d; cash from Rev. Mr. Burpe, 43s 9d	12 4 6	
" do. Mrs. S. 5s.; do. from Rev. Mr. Burpe, 199s 7½d,	10 4 7½	
" do. from do 40s.; (Feb 5.) Collection 9s 10d,	2 9 10	
" Cash from Rev. S. Robinson, collected at St. Patricks, St. Andrews, St. George, and St. Stephen,	6 9 5½	
April 1. " Collection, 6s 11d; Cash from 2d St. Andrews Ch. 43s 3d.	2 10 2	
May 23. " Cash from Mrs. P. B. Hartt, (St. John's Mite Society,)	8 7 8½	
June 13. " do. from Mrs. T. Harding, do. do.	9 5 9	
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DONATIONS to the FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD,

Made at the Association.

G. N. Robinson,	£1 0	C. Tupper,	£0 10 0
S. Gerow,	1 0	Josiah Tingley,	0 10 0
Mrs. D. Perrington,	1 0	Widow Fawcett,	0 5 0
S. Keith,	1 0	J. Snowdon,	0 5 0
Silas Black,	1 0	Jotham Estabrooks,	0 5 0
Friend to Missions	1 0	Widow Ayer,	0 5 0
Asa Coy,	1 0	William Ayer, senior,	0 5 0
Titus Stone,	1 0	William Ayer,	0 5 0
Samuel Hicks,	1 0	Joseph Ayer,	0 5 0
Mrs. P. Palmer,	0 10	Merinda Hicks,	0 5 0
W. Barnes,	0 10	Mrs. S. Hicks,	0 5 0
R. Chase,	0 10	Jesse Tabor,	0 5 0
Mary Johnson,	0 10	James Walker,	0 5 0
C. Spurden,	0 10	Mrs. John Snowdon,	0 5 0
Mrs. Spurden,	0 10	William Laurence,	0 5 0
N. Laurence,	0 10	John Steves,	0 5 0
Cyrus Black,	0 10	W. Read,	0 5 0
Mrs. Black,	0 10	Rebecca Sears,	0 5 0
Job Seaman,	0 10	J. C. Skinner,	0 5 0
David Crandall,	0 10	Mrs. John Crandall,	0 2 6
George Hopps,	0 10	Thomas Blakeney,	0 2 6
J. P. A. Phillips,	0 10	Mrs. A. Hicks,	0 2 6
Mrs. M. Chase,	0 10	Friends,	0 6 7

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS for FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Promised at the Association.

G. N. Robinson,	£1 0	David Stone,	£1 0
David Crandall,	1 0	T. W. Saunders,	1 0
Stephen Gerow,	1 0	E. Read,	0 10
— Grimley,	1 0	C. Harper,	0 10
J. Crandall,	1 0	C. Spurden,	0 10
George Miles,	1 0	Mrs. Spurden,	0 10
Thomas Prince,	1 0	— Cogswell,	0 10
E. J. Harris,	1 0	Mrs. Cogswell,	0 10
W. P. M'Adam,	1 0	J. Calhoon,	0 10
Jarvis Hartt,	1 0	J. M'Gee,	0 10
Joseph Crandall,	1 0	Mrs. M'Gee,	0 10
G. Rigby,	1 0	J. Mills,	0 10
J. Blakeney,	0 10	Mrs. Smith,	0 10
Mrs. Blakeney,	0 5	Laban Laurence,	0 10
Four Children,	0 5	Mrs. Laurence,	0 10
J. A. Smith,	0 10	C. Tupper,	0 10

John Steves,	£0 5	<i>Promised within the year.</i>	
A. Sharp,	0 5	John Thompson,	£0 5
Thomas Bleakney,	0 5	A. Cynthia Ayer,	0 5
Mrs. W. Barnes,	0 5	James Ayer,	0 5
Mrs. J. Richards,	0 5	O. A. Sharp,	0 5
James Walker,	0 10	John Sharp,	0 5
Joshua Bunting,	0 10	Rebecca Kinnear,	0 5
Mrs. Palmer,	0 10	Gideon Smith,	0 5
Eunice J. Wilson,	0 5	Judson Tingley,	0 5
		Joseph Harper,	0 5
		Mrs. M. J. Charters,	0 5

The following Donations were promised, but have not yet been received.

Mrs. R. Faulkner,	£1 0	G Laurence,	£0 5
Samuel Black, Esq.	1 0	Widow Laurence,	0 5
Phillip Palmer, Esq.	1 0	Mary Smith,	0 5
William Harris,	1 0	Widow Esterbrooks,	0 5
W. M. Connell,	0 10	M. Anderson,	0 5
Widow Evans,	0 5		

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APPENDIX.

At the Tenth Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society, held at Sackville, in the County of Westmorland, on the 9th July, 1844; the following Report from the Committee was presented by the Secretary, and Resolutions adopted by the Society.

REPORT.

In presenting you with their statement of the proceedings of the Society during the past year, the Committee would unfeignedly rejoice that they are able to appear before you in far more favorable circumstances than they have done for several years past. The Principal returned from England in October last, and is now permanently established in the Seminary. The division of the school alluded to in the last Report of the Committee, has been attended with much advantage, and the Committee have been much pleased with the care and attention bestowed by Mr. Hartt, who has had charge of the lower department during the past year. The progress of the pupils under his instruction has been very satisfactory, and forms a very gratifying proof of his competency. The number of young persons educated in the Seminary, though comparatively small, is steadily increasing. The Committee also feel a pleasure in expressing their satisfaction with the boarding department, as conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Estey, and their conviction that the comfort of the Students, is consulted in every practicable way. They entertain the most confident hope, that by an increase in the number of resident Students, the remuneration in this department will bear some proportion to the labor which a charge of this kind necessarily involves.

The annual grant of two hundred pounds made by the Legislature last Session, has been received from the Government, and the Committee indulge the hope that a disposition is generally entertained by the Denomination, to afford such aid as may be requisite, in order to accomplish the purposes for which the Institution was founded.

The whole number of pupils who have received instruction in the Seminary for a longer or shorter period during the past year, has been twenty six. The number present at the examination, was twenty two.

The Commissioners appointed by His Excellency to examine into the state of the School, were the Honorable J. S. Saunders, the Honorable L. A. Wilmot, and the Rev. Mr. Brooke. These Gentlemen kindly favored your Committee with written testimonies of their approbation, which they have much pleasure in laying before you.

Manse, Fredericton, 27th May, 1844.

DEAR SIR,—Permit me to take this earliest opportunity of expressing to you my unqualified approbation of the manner in which the young persons attending the Seminary under your charge, acquitted themselves at the examination on Saturday last.

The various exercises were performed in a way that was calculated to prove at once the ability and care of the Teachers, and the diligence of the Scholars. If I might be permitted to specify particulars, I would beg to express my admiration of the course of mental training which the pupils undergo, and the mode in which they are taught at once to think and to express their thoughts in appropriate language.

With every wish for your happiness and for your success in the important duties which you are called upon to discharge.

I remain, dear sir, your's very truly,

J. M. BROOKE.

To the Rev. Charles Spurden.

Evelyn Grove, Wednesday, 28th May, 1844.

MY DEAR SIR,—It is no less a source of pleasure to me than due to yourself, to express my extreme gratification with the satisfactory and very creditable performance of your pupils at the examination on Saturday last.

I am delighted to see that you teach your Scholars to think—that you really educate the mind, and that as a certain consequence, those under your tuition are being trained in the knowledge of the reason as well as the rule—in a knowledge of the nature as well as the names of things.

I assure you, it will afford me great pleasure to see your sphere of usefulness enlarged by an addition to your numbers.

Believe me, my dear sir, your's very truly,

L. A. WILMOT.

Rev. C. Spurden, Principal Baptist Seminary.

Fredericton, 30th May, 1844.

DEAR SIR,—I can assure you that the examination at the Seminary on Saturday, was highly satisfactory to me.

The excellent system of teaching evinced in the Latin parsing by the pupils of the first class, I cannot omit to notice, as at once indicative of the knowledge and ability of the instructor. In my opinion such a system furnishes the only key to the Latin language. The English composition appeared to me deserving of commendation for its correctness and good taste. The answers elicited by the very full and able examination of the Rev. Mr. Brooke in History, in the primitives and component parts of English words, and the other branches of instruction must have been gratifying to all who were present.

I am, dear sir, your's very faithfully,

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

Rev. Charles Spurden.

The Committee feel that these testimonies of approval cannot be too highly appreciated, considering the competency of the Gentlemen by whom they have been so kindly furnished, to form a correct judgment upon the subject. They deem it unnecessary to add any thing of their own to such satisfactory statements, further than to express their fullest confidence in the Rev. Mr. Spurden, and that they be-

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lieve him, as well on account of his general excellency of character as his literary attainments, eminently qualified for the position he occupies in the Institution.

The removal of the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. J. T. Smith, to Saint John, will render the appointment of a successor in that office necessary; and your Committee cannot allow the occasion of Mr. Smith's relinquishing his office, to pass without expressing their sense of the valuable services which he has rendered to the Society in that capacity.

In respect to financial matters, your Committee regret to state that there are debts still due from the Society, which ought to be immediately liquidated, and the yearly income is not sufficient to meet the expenditure. They fully anticipate that the Society will adopt some measures for permanently increasing the income, in order that the Committee may be freed from embarrassment.

Your Committee cannot close their report without strenuously urging upon their friends the necessity of sustaining the Seminary by encouraging young persons to resort thither for that mental training which the activity of the present age demands, which may fit the youth of this country for discharging well their relative and social duties, and place them in a position to yield the full assent of the understanding to the truths contained in God's word.

Resolved, That the Report, as read, be adopted, and published under the direction of the Committee.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society are due, and are hereby respectfully tendered to the several branches of the Legislature for the grant of two hundred pounds made last Session towards the yearly expenses of the Institution.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be given to the Gentlemen who examined the Schools, for kindly furnishing the letters contained in the Report.

Resolved, That each Minister of the body be earnestly and affectionately urged to use every exertion to send at least one pupil to the Seminary during the present year.

Resolved, That it be expedient for the Executive Committee to reside in, or near Fredericton.

Resolved, That the Officers and Board of Directors remain the same as last year; and that the Committee consist of J. Ring, A. Hartt, W. D. Hartt, Charles Spurden, Asa Coy, S. W. Babbit, and J. F. Gale.

That five Members of the Committee constitute a quorum, a majority of which shall decide in all cases.

In order to raise and support a fund for the purpose of accomplishing the object of the Society, that each Member belonging to the Association, pay into the hands of the Treasurer one and a half per cent. of the amount that he may receive as salary for pastoral labour: that each Church belonging to the Association, pay yearly also three per cent. of the amount they pay for pastoral labour, exclusively; and that no Minister or Church neglecting to comply with the above requisition, have any claim on the Society.

That all monies received by the Treasurer, be funded under the direction of the Committee.

That all orders for payment be signed by the Chairman, and countersigned by the Secretary.

New Brunswick Sabbath School Union in Account with George A. Garrison, Secretary and Treasurer.

For Expenditures and Receipts of the Society from its formation in 1840 to July, 1844:—

1810.		DR.	
July.	To amount paid Elder Beckwith to purchase Books in Boston,		£8 6 9
	“ Paid for a Book Book for the Society, (<i>Quise Bmt</i>)		0 4 3
Sept.	“ Paid Duties, Freight, &c. on first lot of Books,		2 14 6
Oct.	“ Paid do. do. on second do.		4 4 2
1841. May.	To remitted a draft of \$50, on account of Books purchased in Boston, including premium, postages, &c		12 17 3½
June.	To paid duties on a small lot of Books ordered by the Vice-President,		0 3 5
	“ Paid Elder Beckwith on account of his agency,		3 7 5
Aug.	“ Paid Duties, Freight, &c. on third lot of Books,		8 19 7½
1842.	“ Paid postages &c. to date,		0 3 9½
July,	“ Remitted a draft of \$60 on account of Books purchased in Boston, premium, postage, &c.		15 7 9
Oct.	“ Postage of Letter this date,		0 1 9
1843. July.	To amount remitted to Elder Beckwith, while at the Association on account of his agency,		3 8 7
Aug.	To Remitted a draft of \$50 on account of Books purchased in Boston, including premium, loss on British silver and postage,		12 19 2
Aug. 15.	To postage 1s. 8d. (Nov. 10) Postage 1s 8d.		0 3 4
	“ Balance in the hands of the Treasurer, (carried down,)		3 0 6
			<u>£76 2 11½</u>
1840.		CR.	
July.	By amount received in subscriptions in St. John,		£3 11 9
Oct.	“ amount received to make Elder S. Robinson a Life Director,		5 0 0
Dec.	“ amount received for Books sold,		4 15 6
1841.	“ amount received in subscriptions,		0 15 0
June.	“ amount received for Books sold,		11 13 0
	“ amount received in subscriptions,		0 15 0
	“ amount received of the Ladies of the 2d Church towards making Elder Beckwith a Life Director,		3 7 3
Dec.	“ amount received for Books sold,		22 4 1½
1842. June.	do. do.		5 6 5
Nov. 12.	Amount received of Elder Beckwith,		1 4 11
1843. August.	Amount received of Elder Beckwith,		12 10 0
			<u>£76 2 11½</u>

St. John, N. B. July, 1844.

GEO. A. GARRISON, Sec'y & Tr.

New Brunswick Branch Sabbath School Union in Account with William H. Beckwith, Agent.

		DR.	
1841.	To 7 weeks Labour for the Society, at 38s 5 ³ / ₄ d per week,		£13 9 4 ¹ / ₂
	“ expenses in travelling.		1 18 8
1842.	“ 7 week's Labour for the Society, at 38s 5 ³ / ₄ d per week,		13 9 4 ¹ / ₂
	“ expenses in travelling,		1 13 7
			£30 10 11 ¹ / ₂

		CR.	
1841.	By Cash received in St. John,		£1 14 0
	“ ditto received of the Ladies of the 2d Church, say balance due towards making Elder Beckwith a life director,		1 12 9
	“ cash received of George A. Garrison,		3 7 3
1842.	“ cash received in Fredericton, (collections.)		2 17 0
	“ ditto St. Martin's. 12s 7d; ditto. St. Patricks, 7s 6d		1 0 1
	“ Balance due W. H. Beckwith,*		19 19 10
			£30 10 11 ¹ / ₂

* The above balance of £19 19s 10d was acknowledged at a meeting of the Board held in St. John, on the 26th July, 1842, £19 19 10

		G. A. GARRISON, Sec'y & Tr.	
1842 &	To 1 week visiting and forming Schools in Carleton and Portland,		2 0 0
1843.	“ 1 do. do. do. do. in Hillsborough and vicinity,		2 0 0
	“ 1 do. do. do. Moncton, Dorchester and Sackville,		2 0 0
	“ 1 do. do. do. Salisbury and Upper Mountain,		2 0 0
	“ 1 do. do. do. Mougerville, Canning and Waterb'ro,		2 0 0
	“ Expenses in travelling and attending the above,		0 10 1
			£30 9 11

In the above services, preached 20 times, formed 12 new schools, and occupied time in visiting and travelling for the purpose of forwarding the agency.

Amount of Monies received by W. H. Beckwith during his services, as Agent, in the 5 weeks as above stated.

Collected in St. John and Portland, viz:		Brought up,	£4 7 5	Collected at the Association:
Collection in Portland, 10s 6d		Jacob Ring,	0 7 ¹ / ₂	Collection taken up, £1 7 0
“ St. John 2d Church, 14 5		Friends to the cause,	3 9	Friends to the cause, 0 11 3
Thomas Pettingill,	6 3			Rev. Dr. Babcock,
John Smith,	5 0			Rev. D. Crandall,
Asa Blakslee,	3 9			Rev. Mr. Thompson,
C. D. Everitt,	5 0			Rev. Mr. Smith,
Solomon Hersey,	5 0			Rev. Mr. Watson,
Charles Estabrooks,	2 6			Rev. J. M'Gee,
W. B. Kinnear,	5 0			Rev. Mr. M'Fee,
J. W. Hartt,	2 6			Rev. Wm. Hall,
John Hartt,	5 0			Wm. Hayward,
W. H. Needham,	5 0			Joseph Estabrooks,
Stephen Gerow,	5 0			F. A. Duston,
Alexander M'L. Seely,	5 0			F. A. Estabrooks,
T. S. Harding,	5 0			— Bailey,
Moses Lawrence,	1 3			Mrs. Morris,
James Gerow,	1 3			
				£5 8 3
Carried up,	£4 7 5			Total amount,
				£12 14 2 ¹ / ₂

To WILLIAM H. BECKWITH, Dr.

To amount of my account for services as Agent,	£30 9 11
To cash paid the Treasurer 23d Nov. 1842, 24s 11d; do. do. 3d Aug. 1843, 250s,	13 14 11
	£44 4 10

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By monies received in St. John and Portland,	£4 11 9 ¹ / ₂
“ ditto received at the Association, 108s 3d; ditto at Fredericton,	8 2 5
“ amount collected of Z. Estey, 19s; do. of Norton church, (old debt) 37s 6 ¹ / ₂ d	2 16 6 ¹ / ₂
“ amount of Books sold, 231s 8d. less amount not yet received 115s 5d—	5 16 3
“ cash received of the Treasurer, July, 16, 1843.	3 3 7
“ Balance due W. H. Beckwith,	£19 19 3
	£44 4 10

