

MINUTES

OF THE

ELEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK

Baptist Association,

HELD AT SPRINGFIELD,

Friday, Monday and Tuesday, July 10th, 12th and 13th,

WITH THE

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

E. N. B. Missionary Society.

Minutes of Corresponding Associations, and other Documents relating to the E. N. B. Baptist Association, and letters of General Correspondence, may be directed to the Editor of the "Christian Visitor," St. John, N. B.

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The following Committee were then appointed to examine and report on the petition of the New Brunswick Baptist Association, viz:—
Elders G. F. Miles, J. H. Fitch, and W. S. Howe.
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Elders G. F. Miles, J. H. Fitch, and W. S. Howe.
On the 10th of July, 1858, the Association was called to order by appointing:
Elder J. H. Hughes, Moderator.
" J. C. Skinner, Clerk.
Bro. A. B. MacDonald, Assistant Clerk.
" W. F. Wetmore, Treasurer.
" Young Crandall, Assistant Treasurer.

MINUTES OF THE E. N. B. B. ASSOCIATION.

Pursuant to appointment the Eastern New-Brunswick Baptist Association convened in the New Baptist Chapel, Springfield, on Saturday, July 10th, 1858, at 2 o'clock, P. M.
After an interesting Conference the Association was called to order by appointing:

Elder J. H. Hughes, Moderator.

" J. C. Skinner, Clerk.

Bro. A. B. MacDonald, Assistant Clerk.

" W. F. Wetmore, Treasurer.

" Young Crandall, Assistant Treasurer.

Resolved unanimously:—That the Delegates and Visiting Brethren from Nova Scotia and New-Brunswick be invited to meet with us. The following Brethren then took their seats as members of this Association, viz:—Brother Henry Vaughan, Central N. S. Association.

Elders W. M. Edwards, G. F. Miles, W. D. Fitch, and W. S. Howe. Also, Brethren Benjamin Hughes, Jonathan Stone, H. A. Fillmore and Benjamin James, Western Association.

The following Committees were then appointed to examine and read letters.—Elders G. F. Miles, Jas. L. Reed.

To examine Circular Letter.—Elders Fitch, Marshall and Howe

On Colportage and Home Missions.—Elders Springer and Reed, and Brethren W. A. Corey and Fillmore.

On Arrangements.—Elders D. Crandall, Peter Spragg and Deacon W. F. Wetmore.

On Special Business.—The whole Association.

On the investigation of any business which may be brought before the Association, as a Special Committee.—Elders Fitch, Jas. Blakeney, J. Harrit, J. A. Smith and W. A. Coleman.

On Bible Cause.—Brother Fillmore, Elders J. Wallace, C. Thorne, Pulifer, D. Crandall, Jas. Blakeney and Bro. A. Fowler.

On Periodicals.—Bro. H. S. Fillmore, Elders Edwards, Kierstead Fitch and Brethren Jewett, Todd and H. DeLong.

On Sabbath Schools.—Bro. C. Corey, Elder G. Burns and Brethren J. Titus, A. Fowler, Solomon Thorne, Smith and Baisley.

On Education.—Elders W. Coleman, C. Thorne, Keith, Smith, P. Sprague and Brother Proven.

On New Churches.—Elders D. Crandall, Mutch, Peter Sprague, Harrit, Trimble and Bro. Goldrup.

On Temperance.—Elders J. A. Smith, Coleman, Fitch and Brethren B. Hughes, Wetmore, Judson Blakeney, Richard Dykeman and Gilbert Dykeman.

The Committee on Arrangements submit the following report, viz:—

PREACHING STATIONS ON THE SABBATH.

Chapel,		at 8.1-3 o'clock, A.M.,	Prayer meeting.
do.	Preaching,	" 10 "	" Elder Marshall.
Hall,	"	" " "	" " Fitch.
Chapel,	"	" 2 "	P.M., " Coleman.
Hall,	"	" " "	" " Fitch.
Middleland,	"	" 4 "	" " W. A. Corey.
Chapel,	"	" " "	" " J. Harrit.

Resolved:—That the several Committees meet at the place at 10 o'clock, A. M. on Monday morning.

Adjourned, to meet on Monday, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Prepared by Elders Jas. Blakeney.

FORENOON SESSION, JULY 12th, 1888.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder George F. Miller, by request, in consequence of the demise of the much lamented S. H. Emerson and the absence of Elder J. Newcomb, from Isaiah 48th and part of the 17 verse, "I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit."

The Letters from the following Churches were then read, as the Delegates took their seats as members of the Association.

1st. Springfield.—Elders David Crandall, P. Spragg and Brethren Robert Noble, Abraham Gunter and Isaac Hatfield.

3rd Upham.—Brother A. B. McDonald, Elder George Burns, William Titus, Jonathan Titus and Josiah Bettis.

1st. St. Martins.—Elder J. A. Smith, Brethren T. H. Moran and Bushaw.

Elgin.—Elder D. V. Crandall.

Harvey.—Elder W. A. Coleman and Brother John Wilber.

2nd Upham.—Elder James Blakeney, Brethren Ammon Fowler, Jesse Tabor, Jonathan Titus, and Samuel Tabor.

Stuholm.—Elder G. W. Springer.

Upper Elgin and Mechanic Settlement.—Elder D. V. Crandall.

2nd. Coverdale.—Elder L. Marshall.

Hopewell.—Elder J. L. Reed.

1st Coverdale.—Elder Caleb Spragg, brethren Edward Vary and Peter Jonah.

Upper Sussex.—Elder L. H. Marshall, Deacons Edwin Freese, Samuel Morten, James Teakles and J. C. Goddard.

Jamez.—Elder Merrit Keith, Deacons Gilbert Dykeman and S. Titus, and brother Richard Dykeman.

1st. Hillsborough.—Elders J. H. Hughes and P. Duffy and brother Michael Gross.

2nd. Hillsborough.—Elder D. V. Crandall.

2nd. Sackville.—Elder David McKee.

1st. Johnston.—Elder Elias Kierstead.

1st. Grand Lake.—Elder James Trimble, Deacon P. McIntyre Kingston.—Brethren Searles and Kierstead.

2nd. Grand Lake.—Richard Burton.—Mill Cove.—Elder George Burns, brethren J. Elsworth and William Farris.

- 4th. Springfield.—Elder James Tremble brethren H. Delon, and Joseph Paris.
German Town.—Elder D. V. Crandall.
Norton.—Elder A. Mutch and Deacon C. Burnat.
New Canaan.—Deacons W. T. Cory, Solomon Thorn, and brother Gardner Cory.
1st. Moncton.—Deacon Gallagher and William L. Prince.
Hampton.—Elder J. Blakeny and Deacon Snow.
Caledonia.—Brother Manning Starratt.
2nd. Salisbury.—Elder J. Herritt, brethren Jacob C. Jones, Joseph Blakeney and Israel Steves.
1st. Cambridge.—Elder J. C. Skinner.
Butternut Ridge.—Elder J. Wallace and Deacon Ford Allward.
4th. Hillsborough.—Elder L. H. Marshall and Deacons D. Bailey Steves, J. Melton and brother James Ervin.
2nd. Johnston.—Elder Merritt Keith and Deacon R. Strong.
3rd. Springfield.—Elder G. W. Springer, brethren W. B. Spragg, D. Drew, George Ganong.
2nd. Cambridge.—Deacon H. Todd and brother F. E. Wilson.
2nd. Dorchester.—Elder Peter Knight.
2nd. Hillsborough.—Elder W. Pulcifer, Deacon Joshua Jonah.
2nd. Elgin.—Elder W. Pulcifer.
3rd. Coverdale.—Elder Caleb Spragg.
2nd. Springfield.—Brethren John Morrell and John McIntyr.
Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.
Prayer by Brother Edwards.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock.

Met pursuant to adjournment.
After preaching by Brother Day, the Association resumed business.
The Committee on Temperance beg leave to report:—
That in the opinion of your committee the present aspect of the Temperance cause is, upon the whole, encouraging, and that the principles of Prohibition alone can effect for the Temperance reform that success which its friends should most earnestly desire. Your committee believe it to be the duty of every minister of the gospel of Christ, and every friend of the Temperance cause, to aid the cause of Temperance in every possible way, and also that those who are unfavorable, or passively indifferent to its

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interests are not doing their duty to the world or to their God.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. S. SMITH, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools beg to report:—

Your committee deem efficient S. Schools of vast importance, and recommend their establishment in every locality possible. As a correct knowledge of the Holy Scriptures is of vast importance your committee would also earnestly recommend the formation of Bible Classes whenever practicable.

The increase of S. S. Libraries, and the circulation of periodicals of a suitable character are highly desirable, inasmuch as thereby a taste for reading is acquired by the young, and much valuable information obtained, and what is far better often through their instrumentality many of the young have obtained an experimental knowledge of God in Christ.

It is the opinion of your committee that churches should make the S. Schools under their charge special subjects of prayer to Almighty God, and that teachers be individually commended to a throne of grace that their efforts to lead those under their charge to the feet of Jesus may be crowned with success. The teacher in the S. S., may be as useful as the minister in the pulpit. Feeling that the smile of God is upon them in their work they should be encouraged.

In conclusion, your com. beg to recommend the introduction of the "Family Casket" into all our S. Schools.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CHAS. H. COREY, *Chairman*.

Adjourned till 6 o'clock.

Prayer by Brother Goldrup.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Lockie.

Resolved:—That a committee be appointed to make out a list of Ministers.—Elders Burns, J. A. Smith and Pulcifer.

The committee on special business Report:—That certain matters came before them which they will present at a special meeting of the Association and recommend that they be taken into consideration at such meeting.

W. D. FITCH,

Resolved: That the Association meet next year with the Church Hopewell.

Resolved: That Brother McKean preach the Introductory sermon, and that Brother James Blakeney be the alternate.

Resolved: That Elder J. Coleman write the Circular Letter, and that he write upon the permanency of the Pastorate.

Resolved: That the following committee be appointed to frame a resolution to submit to this Association, respecting the

Christian Visitor, viz:—Elders S. Robinson, J. Herriott, J. A. Smith, G. F. Miles, W. D. Fitch and Brother J. Harding.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Brother Lockie.

FORENOON SESSION, JULY 13th, 1866.

Resolved: That the following be a committee to superintend the Printing of the Minutes, and to see that they be sent to the respective Churches, viz:—Elder I. E. Bill, H. S. Fillmore, J. De Mill.

Resolved: That the Constitution of the Association be printed in the Minutes.

The committee to frame a resolution respecting the *Christian Visitor* report as follows:—

1st. Your Committee are pleased to learn that notwithstanding the pressure of the times, the circulation of the *Christian Visitor* is well sustained, amounting at the present time to about 3,700 copies weekly.

2nd. This circulation necessarily occasions a large weekly expenditure and in consequence of the extreme scarcity of money, the returns are found to be insufficient to meet the outlay.—The fact is involving the Proprietor of the paper in very heavy liabilities. Your Committee cannot but feel, therefore, that some very prompt and decided measures should be adopted by the denomination, to very much increase the income of the paper, thereby relieving the Editor and Proprietor from the undue pressure under which he is placed, and after careful examination offer the following suggestions:—

1st, **Resolved:** That all the Ministers of this Association recommend to Local Agents and Deacons of their churches to visit all those in their respective districts who are in arrears for the paper, and endeavour to collect the amount due immediately, and in case the money cannot be obtained, their accounts be settled by a *De Bill*.

2nd. That this Association being deeply impressed with the value of the *Christian Visitor* to denominational interests, as well as to the general good of the country, recommend that prompt and energetic efforts be made by all interested, to increase the circulation of this valuable Periodical to the greatest extent possible, and that prompt payment be in every case secured.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL ROBINSON, *Chairman*.

Resolved: That the Association be held next year in Hopedale to commence the second Saturday in July at 2 o'clock.

Resolved: That it be referred to the Churches composing the Association whether they would have the Association commence on Wednesday or on Saturday.

JULY 13, 10 O'CLOCK.

MEETING OF THE N. B. B. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Elder S. Robinson President in the Chair.

After a few remarks by the President the Report was read by Elder I. E. Bill, Secty.

Resolved: That the report be accepted and printed in the Minutes.

Resolved: That the following be a committee to frame a resolution respecting the business of the the N. B. B. Home Missionary Society. *Elders*—J. Blackeney, G. F. Miles, W. D. Fitch, J. Coleman, D. McKeen, I. E. Bill, J. A. Smith, E. B. DeMill, L. H. Marshall.

The Association resumed business.

The Committee on the Bible cause beg to report:—

That they learn with pleasure that the A. and F. B. Society during the past year has been widely diffusing the word of life, both at home and abroad, and they rejoice that so much good has been effected through this instrumentality. They also rejoice at the success which has attended the American Bible Union, and would recommend that the churches contribute to each of these societies so far as is consistent with more pressing claims.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. S. FILLIMORE. *Chairman.*

The Committee on Education report as follows:

Resolved: That this Association are rejoiced to learn that the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton, for the last year under the able management of the Rev. Isaiah Wallace, Principal, assisted by Bro. George E. Day, is in an efficient state.

That this Association deeply sympathise with Acadia College and recommend that vigilant efforts be put forth to sustain it.

W. A. COLEMAN.

The Committee on departed Brethren beg leave to report:—

That they deeply regret the loss of Bro. R. H. Emerson, who was suddenly called from earth in the midst of his labours, which give abundant evidence of being crowned with success. They rejoice, however, that God was pleased to use him as the instrument in accomplishing so much good, and they would bow in submission to the will of Him, who ruleth supreme in the armies of heaven and among the inhabitants of Earth, and they would deeply sympathise with the afflicted friends, and urge them to converse in God, who said to his dying servant,—“Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive, and let thy widows trust in me.”

Your Committee also deplore the loss of Father Joseph Cran-
all, whose deep and fervent piety, self-sacrificing zeal, love of
and successful labours are too well known to need comment.

They have also to refer to the death of Elder William Sears, who not long since was called to his rest above, after having laboured for many years in the work-field of the Lord.

Your Committee think these events call loudly upon the Ministers of the Gospel to be more devoted to their work, and to pray earnestly that the Lord would send more labourers into his field who shall be abundantly successful in winning souls to Christ.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

G. E. DAY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Colportage and Home Missions beg to report:—

Your Committee would earnestly recommend that the Colportage be sustained and encouraged by this Association.

They are happy to know that Divine success has attended the labours, during the year of the Missionaries who have been under the direction of the N. B. Baptist Home Missionary Society, who have labored so faithfully for their Master, and are sad to learn that the good work has been retarded for the want of funds.

They would recommend that special prayer be offered to God by the Churches for Divine success to crown the labors of the Mission, in the good work, and that more efficient means be adopted to raise funds to replenish the Treasury, and to meet more thoroughly the increasing wants of the Province, and to give the word of life to the many who are now perishing for the lack of knowledge.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. S. READ.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

Prayer by Elder J. Wallace.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Keirsted.

THE N. B. B. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY RESUMED BUSINESS.

The Committee to frame resolutions report as follows:—

1. *Resolved*: That devout thanksgiving be offered to Almighty God for his blessing upon the labors of our esteemed missionaries during the past year.

2. *Resolved*: That the wide fields which are opening for missionary labor call loudly for increased zeal and liberality in support of this benevolent Institution.

3. *Resolved*: That the Board be instructed to secure, as soon as possible the labors of an efficient general Missionary and Secretary, who shall devote himself permanently to the interests of the Home Mission cause.

4. *Resolved*: That in the opinion of this Society, an auxiliary should be formed as soon as possible, in every Baptist Church in the Province to co-operate with the Parent society in accordance with the constitution.

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Resolved: That every ordained Minister in regular standing in the denomination shall by virtue of his office, be entitled to a seat at all meetings of the executive Board.

& Resolved: That this cause be committed anew to the confidence, prayers and liberality of the Churches.

J. BLAKERNEY.

After warm hearted addresses from Elders, Blakeney, Bill, Marshall, Fitch and brother Harding, Elders Smith and David Crandall.—The report was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

Resolved: That Elder Samuel Robinson be President of the above named Society, and—

Vice Presidents: Elder A. D. Thomson, Elder Charles Spurden A. M., Elder G. F. Miles, Elder David Crandall, Elder J. A. Smith, Elder James Newcomb, Hon. W. B. Kinnear and G. Cohen, Esq.

Corresponding Secretary: Elder I. E. Bill.

Recording Secretary: Elder Goucher.

Treasurer: Hon. A. McL. Seely.

Auditor: Mr. Thos. McHenry.

Executive Board: N. S. Demill, J. F. Masters, John Smith, James Lawrence, George Garrison, John Fisher, John Harding, H. P. Davies, James Brailley, James Masters, M. Francis.

The Missionary Society gave place to the N. B. B. E. Society

Resolved: That Elder I. E. Bill, be President of the Education Society in the place of our Venerable Father Crandall, Deceased

Vice Presidents: Elder David Crandall and James A. Smith. W. B. Kinnear.

Secretary: Elder Charles Spurden, A. M.

Resolved: That Elder C. Spurden, H. P. Guilford and J. C. Cohen, J. T. Smith, C. L. Hart, and W. Estey, constitute the Education Committee of the N. B. Baptist Education Society for the current year.

Resolved Unanimously: That we congratulate Brother Spurden on his prospective arrival and await his return to his former position as Principal of the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton.—The report was unanimously adopted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

TO THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FOR NEW BRUNSWICK.

This is to certify that Brethren Judson Bleakney and Benjamin Hughes have studied in the Baptist Seminary, Fredericton, during the quarter part of the year ending June 1858, under the auspices of your Board. During the above period they have distinguished themselves for their good moral conduct, and commendable progress in their studies. Their Sabbaths were usually employed in preaching in destitute localities, and these exercises were highly appreciated by those who enjoyed them,

ISAIAH WALLACE, *Principal,*
of Baptist Seminary,
Fredericton.

Fredericton, June 4th, 1858.

MONIES CONTRIBUTED BY THE CHURCHES OF THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

	£	s.	d.
James McLarry, - - - - -	0	5	0
2d Hillsborough Church, - - - - -	0	11	0
1st Hillsborough do., - - - - -	5	6	9
1st Elgin do., - - - - -	2	0	0
Harvey do., - - - - -	4	18	4
4th Hillsborough do., - - - - -	0	13	9
2nd Coverdale do., - - - - -	2	12	0
Upper Sussex do., - - - - -	2	2	0
Collection taken during the Meeting of the Association, 6	2	0	0
W. T. WHETMORE, <i>Treasurer.</i>			

THE N. B. BAPTIST BOARD FOR MINISTERIAL EDUCATION IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER, J. WALLACE.

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	£	s.	d.
1856. } Paid to Bro. Judson Bleakney, - - -	2	9	0
Dec. } - - - - -	3	0	0
Jan. 1857, - - - - -	2	16	0
March 1857, - - - - -	5	10	0
- - - - - Benjamin Hughes, - - -	0	15	8
April 30th, - - - - - Bro. Richard Barton, - - -	3	0	0
June 30th, Mrs. Babbit for Bro. Barton, - - -			
Aug. 1st, To paid Mrs. Babbit 90s. - - -			
Aug. 13th, To paid Mrs. Babbit 95s., on account of Board for Brethren Hughes and Bleakney, - - -	9	5	0
Dec. 30th, To paid Mrs. Babbit 86 for - - -			
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Feb. 1857, Cash from Mrs. Churchill,	-	0	10	0
Dec. - Bro. J. Bleakney,	-	0	15	0
Jan. 1858, Cash from Bro. J. Bleakney,	-	1	5	0
March, - Bro. B. Hughes,	-	1	0	0
May 31st, - Bro. G. E. Day,	-	1	10	0
June 15 Donation from Bro. W. Barbour, 5s. do.,	-	3	10	0
from Bro. J. Chaloner 5s., -	-	0	10	0

INSTALMENTS ON STOCK.

June 8th, 57, From Bro. T. P. Davis,	-	0	12	0
June 9th - S. Hersey,	-	1	4	0
July 22nd - Rev. H. P. Guilford	-	0	12	0
Aug. 24th, - J. Francis	-	0	12	0
Aug. 1st., - Mr. Chas. Hoben,	-	0	12	0
July 23rd - S. P. Estabrooks,	-	0	12	0
June 1st., - Hon. W. B. Kinnear,	-	0	12	0
Aug. - Bro. John Flowers,	-	0	12	0
Oct - Bro. A. H. Munro,	-	0	12	0
Dec. 28th - Benjamin Hughes,	-	0	10	0
June 15th, 1858, - Hatfield Dykeman,	-	0	6	0
- J. P. Davis,	-	0	12	0
July 15th, - S. Hersey,	-	1	4	0
- Hon. W. B. Kinnear,	-	0	12	0

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Due the Treasury,	-	£22	11	0
Aug. 3rd, 1857, Cash from G. D. Bailly, Esq.,	-	0	12	0
per Bro. James L. Read,	-			

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The Council appointed to visit the Churches that have neglected to correspond with the Association report:—That on Thursday, 15th July they visited the 3rd Salisbury Church. The following brethren sitting as members of the Council vis:—Elders J. H. Hughes, J. A. Smith, G. F. Miles, P. Duffy, L. H. Marshall and G. W. Springer, with Brethren A. B. McDonald and Benjamin Jewitt.

That: They found a number of the members of the Church anxious to renew their correspondence with the Association, and

That: They recommend the Home Missionary Board to assist the Church in procuring a ministerial supply.

That: They recommend that this report be printed in the minutes of the late Association held in Springfield.

A. B. MACDONALD,
Secretary.

J. H. HUGHES,
Moderator of the Council.

After prayer by Elder Robinson.

The Association, as a Special Committee, proceeded to business. Preaching in the Hall at the same time by brother Charles Cory.

Resolved unanimously: That this Association deeply deplore the inconsistent and unscriptural course pursued by Elders J. Bunting and J. McFee as members of this body and that a Committee be appointed to wait upon these brethren and to invite their return in penitence to the fellowship of their brethren. The following to be such Committee, viz:—Elders Miles, Biakeney, McKeen and Duffy, and that the same Committee visit the churches under the influence of those two brethren.

Adjourned until 7 1-2 o'clock.

Prayer by Brother Keith.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Brother Smith.

The Circular Letter was then read.

Resolved: That the Ministers of this Association take up collections to support Brother W. Jackson and family, such money to be forwarded to Elder I. E. Bill, of St. John.

Resolved: That this Association adjourn to meet at Hopewell, on the second Saturday in July, 1859.

Resolved: That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the friends in Springfield, for their kindness and hospitality during the Session.

JOHN H. HUGHES, *Moderator.*

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE EASTERN NEW-BRUNSWICK BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION.

NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	DATE OF ORDINATION.
Blakney, James	Gondolo Point,	
Bunting, Joshua	St. John,	July, 1843
Bancroft, Samuel	Butternut Ridge,	
Burn, George	Upham,	January, 1851
Crandall, David	Springfield,	January, 1831
Crandall, D. V.	Elgin,	June, 1851
Cleveland, Nathaniel	Harvey,	
Coleman, W. A.	Harvey,	September, 1848
Duffy, Patrick	Hillsboro',	May, 1849
Herritt, James	Butternut Ridge,	
Hughes, J. H.	Hillsboro',	January, 1854
Keith, Merritt	Butternut Ridge,	August, 1848
Knight, Peter	Dorchester,	June, 1858
McKeen, David	Sackville,	
McPhail, D.	Buctouche,	August, 1846
Marshall, Levi H.	Harvey,	November, 1847
Mutch, Alexander	Hampton,	July, 1848
Newcombe, James	Moncton,	May, 1848
Pulcifer, William	Alma,	
Reed, J. L.	Hopewell,	June, 1858
Skinner, J. C.	Cambridge,	August, 1836
Smith, J. A.	St. Martins,	February, 1842
Sprague, Peter	Springfield,	
Sprague, Caleb	Smningfield,	June, 1858
Stone, Titus	Sussex,	
Thorn, Charles	Johnston,	March, 1848
Trimble James	Springfield,	February, 1845
Troop, W. A.	Springfield,	June, 1855
Wallace, James	Ccverdale,	August, 1826
Lawson, David	Point DeBute,	

LICENSED TO PREACH.

John Sears,	Hezekiah Harris,	David Blakney,
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REPORT

OF THE

N. B. B. H. M. BOARD.

Presented to the Society at its Fifth Anniversary, at Springfield, July 1858.

Your Board is again called upon to recount the labours and successes of another year. They cannot boast of ample funds placed at their disposal by the churches of the denomination, or of large expenditures in the cultivation of the great mission field; but they can thank God that the handful of corn scattered upon the tops of the mountains, has yielded its fruit to the praise and glory of God. We begin with:—

REV. J. BLAKENEY'S MISSION.

This esteemed Missionary reports ten months and one week spent under the direction of the Board since April 1st, 1857. His time was devoted principally to the Miramichi district, embracing Ladlow, Blissville, Blackville, and the adjoining settlements. In all these places our Brother preached the gospel of the blessed God, and the word preached was attended with a rich blessing. Backsliders were reclaimed, and many precious souls were saved. He reports to the Board:—234 meetings, 393 visits, 64 persons baptized, the administration of the Lord's supper 11 times, 6,422 pages of Tracts distributed, and £64 2s. 5d. collected in aid of the mission.

THE NEWCASTLE MISSION.

Rev. George Seeley spent 7 months upon this circuit. Your

Board cherished the hope that he would feel it his duty to devote himself permanently to this field; but he found it too extensive and laborious for his constitution, he was therefore induced after much prayerful deliberation to resign the mission and to return to Woodstock. In his report to the Board he says:—"The following places were occupied, viz:—Newcastle, North Esk, Little South West, Black River and occasionally Chatham. During the time he travelled 979 miles, made 196 ministerial visits, held 107 meetings, mostly for preaching, and collected in aid of the funds £27 8s. 4d. Our young Brother's labours were highly appreciated by the people, and much regret was felt by them that they could not induce him to continue his services. From all the information received your Board has reason to believe, that the impression made by his administrations was highly salutary and useful, and that the good seed of the Kingdom sown by him found a lodgement in many hearts.

From the time Bro. Seely left the Board was unable to obtain a successor until Rev. Isaiah Wallace was induced to make a Missionary visit to that section. He became so much interested in its spiritual necessities, and received such earnest solicitations from the people that he was disposed to accept an appointment from the Board; has removed his family to Newcastle, and has already entered upon his work. The people have given encouragement that at least two thirds of the expense of this mission will henceforth be borne by them, and there is reason to believe that if Bro. Wallace continue to occupy the ground permanently, it will very soon become entirely self-sustaining. The Miramichi County is fully open to the preaching of the gospel by Baptist Ministers, and the "Macedonia" appeal from that section is loud and urgent. The antecedents of Brother Wallace afford much encouragement to hope that his efficient labors will be crowned with abundant success. For this let all fervently pray.

BRO. TRIMBLES MISSION.

This valued Missionary in his report says:—

June 10th, 1858.

"During the past year I have spent 6 months in the service of the Board. In that time I have preached 122 sermons, attended 24 prayer and conference meetings, 146 in all, paid 164 visits, organized 3 Sabbath Schools, circulated 1,350 pages of tracts, and numbers of the Family Casket, travelled 400 miles, organized 1 total abstinence society, and 1 auxiliary to the parent Missionary Society in St. John, baptised 8 persons and collected £20 for the Board. Part of this labour was spent with the Fourth Baptist church, in the Parish of Sprigfield, visited a district in Waterboro', and made 4 Missionary tours in Albert County, breaches in

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REV. E. B. DEMILL'S MISSION.

While your Board was doing what they could to extend the privileges of the gospel to distant sections of the Province, their personal knowledge of the claims of the suburbs of St. John beyond what could be supplied by the city pastors induced them in the course of last summer to extend an invitation to Rev. E. B. DeMill to enter upon this field under their direction. After due consideration the invitation was accepted, and he entered upon his work in the month of September last. Previously, however, to his coming to the city, a mutual arrangement was made between your Board and the Board of the Juvenile Missionary Society of the Brussel Street Baptist Church, by which he was to be regarded as their missionary for such a portion of the year as they could sustain him, the parent Board holding themselves responsible at the same time to meet any deficiency of salary. It was understood, however, that any amount which might be required to meet the salary of the city missionary should be made up, if possible, by extra collections so as not to draw upon the general funds of the Society.

The following statement presented by the Secretary of the Board of the Juvenile Society of Brussels-street, shows the amount of labor expended under their direction, the attendant results, and the amount collected by them:—

"The Missionary in the employ of the Society has visited 522 families, preached 187 Sermons, held 55 meetings for prayer and exhortation, and baptized 22 persons. The society has distributed 1069 pages of Religious tracts, and 2,411 numbers of Sabbath school papers. The amount of money collected by the society during the year was £75 0s. 9d. The amount expended £88 5s. 3d."

F. W. WISDOM, Secretary.

The above Board having informed the Board of the parent society that their funds were exhausted, arrangements were made by the Pastors and Brethren of the city and Portland to raise the salary of Bro. DeMill for the year by special contributions to that object, so as not to be under the necessity of drawing from the general missionary funds.

The labours of the Missionary have been confined principally to the neighborhood by the Marsh Bridge and the Bethel. In the former place an interesting church has been formed numbering between 40 and 50 members, and constituting the nucleus of a flourishing and influential interest. If favored as hitherto with faithful preaching of God's word, there is every reason to hope that this infant church will soon be in a condition, not only to

sustain itself, but to aid in extending the rich blessings of the gospel to the regions beyond.

REV. W. A. TROOP'S MISSION.

This Bro. performed a mission last autumn of 2 months under the direction of the Board, and has sent in the following report

Springfield, June 15th 1858.

I hereby forward to you as is expected, a report of my labour during the two months mission appointed me at North Branch Oromocto by the Board, at the close of the Association at Nashwaak, '57: Travelled 300 miles, preached 38 Sermons, attended 10 prayer meetings, 4 conference meetings, Baptized 7, made 79 ministerial visits, collected £9 0s. 0d for the Board.

Respectfully submitted. Yours, in Christian love.

W. A. TROOP.

LAY AGENCY.

The usual missionary labor in the Loch Lomond and South Bay districts, have been continued by the gifted lay brethren of the city churches during a good portion of the year, and have exerted we doubt not, a most healthful influence. Circumstances have occurred to interrupt their labors for the time being. It is hoped, however, that they will soon be resumed.

THE FRENCH MISSION.

The following report has been received from Bro. Knight:—

In compliance with the Missionary Board's request, I beg to give you a statement of my Mission during the last eight months. I have visited Buctouche river and its environs, I trust with some degree of success; I have also spent several weeks at St. Francis: there I have met with much encouragement; I preached to large congregations of French people in French houses and in the French language; and was cordially received and listened to by the people; and the letters which I have received from Bro. Slocomb at different periods, show the work is still progressing.—Bro. S. states, the French are very desirous to see and hear me again, and mentions two individuals who have declared their determination to renounce popery. May the Lord be with them. I have been strongly urged to return to them by the English families; having preached in both languages alternately. In Dorchester I have preached in the Baptist meeting house in the French language to some 18 or 20 French people, and I intend, God willing, to preach to them again as soon as I can see an opening.

Enclosed I have sent you my account up to March 1st, having been taken sick on the 5th of March I could not then proceed to accomplish the desires of the Board, and finding as I have before stated, the funds of the Board limited I make no charge for salary

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I beg to remain,

Yours, respectfully and affectionately.

PETER KNIGHT.

Your Board deeply regret their inability to continue this Mission for the present. They found themselves becoming involved in liabilities to the Missionary which they had no prospect of being able to meet, and suspension therefore became a matter of absolute necessity. They learn however, that Bro. Knight designs to continue his missionary labors among the French on his own account, trusting to the independent action of those interested in this cause to yield him the needful support. May the Divine guidance open up his pathway and crown his work with success.

GENERAL AGENCY.

It is known that the Rev. James Newcomb was appointed at the last Anniversary of the Society to labor permanently as the General Missionary of the society. The hope was fondly cherished that our brother would be able to very much increase the funds of the society and in various ways extend its influence for good, but owing to the financial pressure upon the County, associated with the action of some of the Auxiliaries preventing the collection of funds in sections where they were established for general purposes; our brother became disheartened and gave up his Agency. In consequence of this disarrangement of the plans of the Board they have not been able to meet promptly their liabilities to their missionaries; in the field, or to supply other sections calling urgently for help. Your Board has felt from the beginning that without a constant agency in the field, to excite general interest, and to harmonize the churches in one combined Missionary movement it would be impossible to carry forward Home Missions to the extent which the interests of the cause demands. They would therefore again urge upon the society to duly consider this subject, and select some competent man for this important work.

AUXILIARIES.

Report of the York Auxiliary to the N. B. H. M. Society from its formation in Feb. 10th, 1857 to its Annual Meeting Feb. 10th, 1858.

The following is an account of money received by the Treasurer Z. R. Estey, and paid to the Missionaries appointed by the Auxiliary during the year :—

Amount received £48 Os. 0d.

PAID TO MISSIONARIES DURING THE YEAR.

Rev. J. G. Harvey for 16 weeks at Springfield,	£24 0 0
Rev. T. W. Saunders for 5 weeks at Bear Island,	7 10 0
Rev. J. Tozer for 5 weeks at New Zealand,	7 10 0
Rev. J. H. Tupper for 4 weeks at Rushigornish,	6 0 0
Rev. J. Magee for 1 week to Queen's and Surbury,	1 10 0

Total amount paid out during the year, £46 10 0

In the hands of the Treasurer, £1 10 0

Brother Springer's report was not handed in until the year closed. We shall therefore settle with him, and give account in the year '58.

It affords the Auxiliary much pleasure to report to the parent Society that Divine success has attended the labours of the Missionaries in the localities where they have been employed.

Some of the places were scarcely ever visited by Baptist Ministers—such as Springfield and New Zealand.—In each place a Baptist Church has been formed consisting of upwards of twenty members each.

At Springfield a meeting-house has since been erected, and Bro. Harvey called to ordination. He spends one quarter of his time in connection with the church.

Other places have been visited by Missionaries, such as Bear island and Rushigornish.

In each place, religious awakenings have been produced, baptisms reported, and members added to the churches in the field where they have laboured.

It would be the pleasure of the auxiliary to keep one Missionary employed during the year, but on account of the scarcity of money, their desire can not be realised. It is the policy of this auxiliary not to employ more laborers than their means will admit of, and we therefore govern ourselves accordingly at each meeting.

We feel it our duty to labour in this glorious enterprise of extending our Redeemers kingdom.

There are fields within the bounds of this auxiliary that have scarcely ever been visited by Baptist minister. We feel that such

places demand our sympathy and, should we prevail upon the churches to give more abundantly to the cause of Missions, we will not delay in endeavoring to supply them with the means of grace.

We feel it a pleasure to co-operate with the parent society in this great and good work and our prayer is that the mercy of God may attend the labours of his faithful children universally.

By order of the Auxiliary,

BENJAMIN HUGHES, *Secretary.*

Rev I. E. Bill, Secretary of N. B. B. H. M. Society.

CALLS UPON THE BOARD.

Several inviting fields are calling urgently for help. Amongst these, your Board would call attention especially to Hampton Ferry and Shediach. Both of these places are destined soon to become centres of influence. Both have commodious Baptist Chapels; but neither of them supplied with the preaching of the word of God. Shall these important posts be occupied by the denomination, or will they allow their chapels to fall into other hands? What is to be done in regard to these places should be done quickly. Other fields are also whitening for the harvest and calling for the reapers, but how can they go except they be sent? Your Board come before you this year not only with these claims for supply pressing upon them; but with debts due Missionaries, who have already labored with fidelity and success in their service, and with no funds on hand to pay them. **MEN OF ISRAEL HELP.**

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List of Subscriptions to the N. E. B. H. Mission
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J. Estey, J. Francis, John Chaloner, Mary A. Duval, Do. for Colportage, Germain St. Ch. per G. A. Garrison, Do. for Colportage, Wm. Blakney, Western Association, French Mission, Barton Church per Dr. Clay, Well wisher per I. E. Bill, Mary Harding, Mary Vaughan, E. Currie, Bradshaw, G. H. M. Society, Germain St. Ch. Pettengill, Ann Duval, R. Kinnear, E. T. Russel, H. Hay, Mary Vaughan, Do. Colportage, Eliza Frits, B. T. Maby, Western Association, viz. — L. Day, Min Hughes, Starrat, Corey, Thorne, Duffy, Goldrup, H. Marshall, Bill, McDonald, Harding, Flower, Day, Seely, '57-8, Blakney, do.	£0 15 0 6 0 0 1 15 0 0 15 0 0 5 0 3 16 3 0 2 6 0 5 0 31 4 0 2 11 7 0 7 6 0 12 6 0 10 0 2 0 0 0 5 0 4 10 0 10 0 0 1 10 0 0 2 6 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 6 2 0 0 0 10 0 0 7 6 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 3 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 2 6 0 1 3 0 5 0 1 0 0 0 5 0 1 0 0 0 10 0 0 5 0 27 8 4 64 2 5	Elder D. Crandall, J. H. Hughes, Solm. Smith, W. A. Corey, Wm. Pulcifer, Henry Vaughan, Sundries, Collected by Rev. P. Knight in 1857-8, viz. — Mill Cove, Salisbury, Mr. Sherwood, Rufus Cole, Senr. G. Ward, Dorchester Cape, Fairfield, Sackville, Point DeBute, North Jiggins, Rufus Cole, Jr. D. Purington, John Lamb, Isaac Mellean, At Jamaica, Titus Settlement, 1st. St. Martins, 2nd. Do., Washademoac, Mr. March, Mr. Grew, Queensbury, 1st. St. Martins, 1st. Upham, Geo. Steves, Titus Stone, Titus Settlement, Salisbury, Point Migic, Beach Hill, Mrs. Purington, At Buetoche, Rev. I. Trimble, Do. Do. 56-7, Rev. W. A. Troop, 1857,	0 5 0 0 8 8 0 3 0 0 2 0 0 7 1 0 10 1 36 13 2 0 14 1 1 16 7 1 0 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 12 0 0 5 3 0 7 6 0 13 5 0 10 0 0 5 0 1 5 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 11 0 0 15 6 6 15 0 1 0 0 0 19 5 0 1 3 0 5 0 0 8 3 1 7 2 0 12 0 0 5 0 0 5 0 0 4 2 0 3 11 0 13 6 0 8 6 0 5 0 0 12 6 20 0 0 20 0 0 9 0 0
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" "	do John Magee,	6 5 0
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" 28	do Jas. Blakeney,	6 0 0
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N. B. Education Society's REPORT.

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The Committee of the N. B. Baptist Education Society's in presenting their 22nd Annual Report beg to submit the following statements.

1. The operations of the Seminary have been conducted during the past year under the efficient supervision of the Rev. Isaiah Wallace assisted by Bro. George E. Day

2. The number of students attending the Seminary during the year has been 65 ; the average number has been somewhat less than in previous years, owing chiefly to the uncertainty and lateness of the date of the commencement of the Summer Term.

3. The Branches taught during the year are Reading, Writing, Written and Mental Arithmetic, Composition, English Grammar, Geography, Book-keeping, Algebra, Plain and Solid Geometry, Trigonometry, Natural Philosophy, Natural History, English and Human History and the Latin, Greek and French Languages. From the Report of the Teachers your Committee are gratified to learn that the classes generally have made highly satisfactory progress.

4. The first half year closed with a Public Exhibition consisting of Declamations, Dialogues, and an Original Essay.—The second half year closed on the 4th of June, with a Public Examination of the classes and the delivery of several Original Essays eliciting the highest commendation.

5. A course of these Lectures on Scientific and other subjects were delivered by Bro. Day in the month of April for the special benefit of the students. The public were also admitted.

6. The Theological Class studied Dr. Angus' Bible Hand Book during the greater part of the year under the direction of the Principal, besides writing sketches of sermons weekly for criticism and receiving a course of Lectures on Ministerial and practical duties.

7. Your Committee would express their high appreciation of the services of Brethren Wallace and Day, during the past year, and as Bro. Wallace is now called by other engagements to retire from the Institution, he bears with him the best wishes of the Committee of Management, and doubtless a consciousness of having faithfully discharged his duty.

8. Your Committee learn with pleasure that the Rev. C. Spurgeon is expected in a few days to resume his former post in the Seminary and in conclusion they commend him and the Institution over which he has so long and efficiently presided to the sympathies, prayers and benevolence of the Churches.

I. E. BILL, *Secretary.*

The Baptist Education Society in account with the Committee of Management.

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Painting and Papering, Mr. Weeks,	£4 12 0
Hall Lamp and Fluid,	1 6 3
Repairs, Mr. Haines,	2 12 1
Mr. Foster's Bill for Paper,	1 14 6
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1858. Sundries,	8 0 0
Stewards attending School Rooms,	175 0 0
Principals Salary,	191 6 9
Assistant Teachers Salary in part,	16 4 6
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1857. Tuition Fees,	77 14 5
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1858. Cash from Deacon S. Kelly, per Rev. S. Magee,	1 5 0
Legislative Grant,	250 0 0
Beds,	1 10 0
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Resolved: That Bro. Geo. E. Day open the Seminary at the customary time.

Association resumed business.

Resolved: That all Resolutions hereafter presented to the Association be in writing.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

N. B. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the "New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society."

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

Article 3.—Any person may become a member of this Society by contributing 5s. or upwards annually to its funds. Seven pounds ten shillings paid at any one time shall constitute a life member; and any person paying a sum, which in addition to previous contributions, shall amount to twenty-five pounds, shall be a director for life; and any Baptist Church or Association or Auxiliary, which contributes annually to this Society, shall be entitled to be represented by one delegate for every five pounds so contributed.

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

Article 5.—The Society shall appoint an Executive Committee, exclusive of the officers above named, residing in the City of Saint John and its vicinity. The officers above named shall be

members *ex officio* of the Executive Committee, seven of whom shall be a quorum at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to call its own meetings, from its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Board and of the Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to their sphere of labours; shall expend the funds for the objects of the Society, providing that all amounts contributed for any specific object shall, as far as possible, be faithfully applied in accordance with the wish of the donors; shall employ such agency or agencies for the collection of funds, and for all such purposes as the interests of the Society may demand, and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

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

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

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

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

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

EASTERN N. BRUNSWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article 1. This association composed only of Ministers and Delegates, who shall be members of the churches which they represent, shall be styled "the Eastern N. B. Baptist Association."

Art. 2. The Association shall meet Annually, at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the second Saturday of July, at such a place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes. The Meeting shall be opened with Social Conference, after which the Officers and Committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

Art. 3. Each church shall have the privilege of sending one Delegate or more; but no Church, however numerous, shall be entitled to a greater number than five, in addition to their Pastor.

Art. 4. At each meeting of the Association, the Delegates shall deliver to the Clerk of the preceding year immediately on their arrival, the letters from the Churches; a list of the Delegates having been prepared by the Clerk, their names shall be called, and they shall take their places. The Moderator of the preceding year shall call the vote for a Moderator, and the person who shall be chosen by a Majority of the members present, shall, upon his acceptance lead the meeting to the choice of a Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Moderator, to preside in all transactions of the meeting, nominate Committees, and maintain due order among the members. It shall be the duty of the Clerk, to keep a fair and impartial record of all the doings of the Association during the session, and furnish a correct copy of same for the Press.

Art. 5.—It shall be the duty of each Church to send by its Messenger a letter to the Association, giving an account of its state, particularly of the additions and diminution within the last year; and generally of whatever relates to its peace and prosperity, together with the whole number of members in communion. It shall also forward money for the printing of the Minutes.

Art. 6. When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter and satisfactory evidence furnished of their faith and order; this being done and a vote of acceptance taken, the Moderator shall, in behalf of the Association, give to one of their Messengers, if any be present, the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. When a church shall neglect to make any communication to the Association for three years successively, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and shall engage to inquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

Art. 8. Although, as an Association, we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any church or Minister in our connexion, which to us shall appear to be *unscriptural in principle or irregular in practice*. In order, however, that we may not withdraw our fellowship without sufficient reason from any Church or Minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a Committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the result of their inquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

Art. 9. Alterations or amendments may be made in this Constitution from time to time such as experience may dictate.

[See page 16.]

A letter from the 1st Sackville Church, received after the Association, Reports 49 added by Baptism, 6 by letter, 6 excluded, 2 dismissed—total, 164.

As no letters were received from the following Churches, we give the number of their members as reported last year:—

First Salisbury, 106; Second St. Martins, 37; Shadiao, 14; Buctouch, 21; Point de Bute, 51; 2nd Jemseg, 16; Gonda-lo Point, 32; Point Monash, 34; 1st Upham, 83; Upper Lochlomond, 29; Restigouche, 81; Dalhousie, 9; 3rd Salisbury, 41; 1st Dorchester; Cape De Marsell, 21; Bay De Verte, 18.

Total number of members of the above Churches, as thus areported, is 763. This, added to the table (page 16) gives total of 3517.

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