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OF THE  
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OF THE  
WESTERN  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.  
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HELD AT CLARENCE, ANNAPOLIS Co.

SATURDAY, MONDAY & TUESDAY, 9th, 11th & 12th JUNE, 1855.

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CLARENCE, SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1855.

THE Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, met with the Wilmet Church, in the Clarence Meeting-house, this day, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Association having been called to order, Elder J. Davis, at the request of Rev. N. Vidito, the Moderator of last year, addressed the Throne of Grace; after which Elder J. Davis was chosen Moderator; Elder J. E. Balcom, Secretary; Elder W. G. Gaucher, Assistant Secretary; and Brother Caleb Marshall, Treasurer.

The Constitution and Rules of Order were read.

The following Committees were appointed:—

*To examine the Letters from the Churches*:—Elders, J. Stubbart, T. DeLong, and W. G. Parker.

*To read the Letters*:—Elders, C. Tupper, H. Angell, and A. Martell.

The Letters from the Churches were read—from which a list of Delegates was obtained; and also the Statistics of the Churches.

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**DELEGATES.**

*Annapolis & Upper Granville*:—Elder G. ARMSTRONG, Deacons, W. Chipman, and B. Fellows, brethren, W. H. Everitt, David Troop, and W. H. Morse.

*Argyle*:—Elder P. F. MURRAY.

*Brookfield*:—Deacon Thos. Christopher, Brethren, J. Minard, P. Christopher, and L. Leadbetter.

*Barrington*:—Elder P. F. MURRAY.

*Beaver River*:—Elder T. DELONG.

*Clements* :—Elder A. COGSWELL, Brethren, J. E. Potter, J. Purdy, and A. Potter.

*Chute's Cove* :—

*Digby* :—

*Digby Joggins* :—Elder R. W. CUNNINGHAM, brethren, S. T. Bacon, and W. H. Marshall.

*Dalhousie* :—

*First Yarmouth* :—Elder J. DAVIS, Brethren, S. Brown, Jos. Shaw, and B. Harris.

*First Digby Neck* :—Elder J. C. MORSE, Deacons, Jacob Denton, and I. Cornwell.

*First Hillsburgh* :—Elder O. PARKER, Brethren I. Dunn, and W. Miller.

*Greenfield* :—

*Liverpool* :—Elder S. N. BENTLEY, Brethren, J. DeWolf, F. Skerry, and Thos. Nickerson.

*Long Island* :—Elder J. E. BALCOM.

*Lake George* :—Elder J. A. STUBBERT.

*Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmot* :—Elder C. TUPPER, Brethren T. Tupper and G. H. Parker.

*Lower Granville* :—Elder J. SPENCER.

*Milton* :—Elder H. ANGELL; Deacons S. Kempton and J. Freeman.

*Nictaux* :—Elder W. G. PARKEE; Deacons, S. Taylor, Caleb Shaffner and Thos. Bishop.

*New Albany* :—Brother A. Whitman.

*Ohio* :—Elder J. REID; Brother Jesse Shaw.

*New Tusket* :—Elder C. RANDALL.

*Port Medway* :—Elder S. N. BENTLEY.

*Port George* :—Elder J. RING; Deacons Edwin Gates, and Wallace Phinney.

*Parker's Cove* :—Elder H. ACHILLES; Deacon J. Edgett, and Brother E. Reid.

*Ragged Island* :—

*Sissiboo* :—Elder C. RANDALL.

*Springfield* :—Deacon W. Charlton.

*Second Yarmouth* :—Elder W. G. GOUCHER; Deacons J. Rogers, John Tedford, and Brother Jos. H. Sanders.

*South Yarmouth* :—Elder A. MARTELL; Brother L. Churchill.

*Second Hillsburgh* :—Elder R. W. CUNNINGHAM.

*St. Mary's Bay* :—Elder C. RANDALL.

*Second Digby Neck* :—Elder J. C. MORSE; Brother A. M. Gidney.

*Sable River* :—Elders S. N. BENTLEY and H. ANGELL.

*Third Yarmouth* :—Elder J. A. STUBBERT.

*Tusket River* :—Elder A. MARTELL.

*Wilmot* :—Elder N. Vidito; Deacons S. Jackson, Hicks Chesley, and James Cornwell.

*Wilmot Mountain* :—Elder H. ACHILLES, and Deacon J. Hall.

*West Yarmouth* :—Elder W. G. GOUCHER, and Deacon N. Corning.

*Westport* :—Elder W. H. CALDWELL.

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Messengers from Corresponding Associations, and visiting Ministers and brethren in regular standing in their respective Churches and Associations, were invited to sit with us in Council. Elders H. Ross, Gaelic Missionary; O. Chute, French Missionary; E. N. Harris, Seaman's Chaplain, St. John, and R. Morton. Brethren A. Chute, C. Wyman, C. Marshall, C. Rumsey, J. Rumsey, Abner Foster, J. Elliott, J. Balcom, S. Wheelock, S. L. Chipman and A. Banks, accordingly took their seats with us.

The following Committees were then appointed:—

*To report upon questions proposed in Letters:*—Elders C. Randall, J. Spencer, P. F. Murray, and Bro. J. Rogers.

*On Temperance:*—Elders E. N. Harris, T. Tupper, O. Parker, S. N. Bentley, and Bro. G. H. Parker.

*Religious Publications:*—Elders G. Armstrong, C. Tupper, W. G. Parker, J. A. Stubbert, N. Vidito, and Deacon N. Corning.

*Sabbath Schools:*—Brethren S. Brown, S. Bacon; Elders J. Reid, and O. Parker.

*Foreign Mission:*—Elders A. Martell, Dr. Cramp, P. F. Murray, G. Armstrong, R. W. Cunningham, S. N. Bentley, Brethren Joseph Shaw and A. Banks.

*Bible Cause:*—Elders J. C. Morse, W. G. Goucher, C. Tupper, H. Ross, O. Chute, W. G. Parker, N. Vidito, J. Davis, and Bro. A. M. Gidney.

*On Education:*—Elders Dr. Cramp, C. Tupper, C. Randall, H. Angell, T. Delong, A. Cogswell, A. Martell, G. Armstrong, S. N. Bentley, J. Davis, N. Vidito, S. Deblois; Brethren J. W. Nutting, N. Corning, S. Taylor, C. Shaffner, T. Bishop, J. Dewolfe, and W. Phinney,

*Home Mission:*—Brethren A. M. Gidney, S. Brown, F. Skerry, W. Miller, T. Christopher, P. Christopher, E. Gates, J. H. Sanders, Elders W. H. Caldwell, R. S. Morton, H. Achilles.

*Union Society:*—Elders J. A. Stubbert, J. Ring, P. F. Murray; Brethren C. Wyman, L. Leadbetter, J. Minard, Jesse Shaw, J. Freeman, W. Morton, J. Denton, J. Cornwell, J. Tedford, and Thomas Nickerson.

*Colportage:*—Elders H. Angell, R. W. Cunningham, J. Spencer; Brethren J. Denton, B. Harris, S. Taylor, J. Shaw, S. L. Chipman, C. Shaffner, J. E. Potter, S. Wheelock.

*French Mission:*—Elders O. Chute, J. E. Balcom, J. C. Morse, N. Vidito, C. Randall; Brethren A. M. Gidney, S. T. Bacon, L. Churchill, C. Shaffner, W. Charlton, James Shaw.

*Sabbath Observance:*—Elders H. Ross, E. N. Harris, T. Delong, O. Chute, A. Cogswell; Brethren W. H. Marshall, J. Shaffner, R. Delap.

*Circular Letter*:—Elders C. Tupper, W. G. Goucher, and Brother J. W. Nutting, at various sittings, have explained.

*On the use of Tobacco*:—Elders A. Martell, N. Vidito, J. C. Morse, G. Armstrong, J. Ring, H. Angell.

*To prepare a memorial of esteem for departed Brethren*:—Elders W. Chipman, R. W. Cunningham, and Brother A. M. Gidney.

*On the Claims of Seamen*:—Elders E. N. Harris, J. Spencer, J. E. Balcom, W. H. Caldwell, S. N. Bentley; Brethren J. W. Nutting, L. Churchill, J. Rogers, S. Brown, Jos. Shaw, A. Wilkins

Adjourned until Monday, 10 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Brother Tupper.

On Lord's-day morning, Elder John Davis preached,—Afternoon, 2½ o'clock, Elder C. Tupper,—at 4 o'clock, P. M., Elder E. N. Harris.

Preaching during the day in places adjacent, by Elders C. Randall, J. C. Morse, R. W. Cunningham, J. E. Balcom, T. DeLong and W. H. Caldwell.

MONDAY, June 11, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment. After the usual preliminary services, Elder S. N. Bentley preached a very interesting Introductory Sermon, from Psalm li. 18; after which a collection was taken up for the Domestic Mission.

After Prayer had been offered by Elder A. Martell, the Association proceeded to business.

Brethren J. Parker, D. Freeman, A. Parker, W. Freeman and A. H. Fillmore, were invited, and took seats with us. Brethren Samuel Brown and C. Rumsey were appointed the Auditing Committee.

The Committee on Temperance reported: Report adopted.

The Committee on Religious Publications reported: Report adopted.—This Report was spoken to by Bro. J. W. Nutting, Rev. C. Tupper, S. N. Bentley, J. E. Balcom and A. Martell.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. J. C. Morse.

3 o'clock, P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Bro. Angell. Revd's. Dr. Cramp, W. Chipman, S. Deblois, Brethren R. Porter and J. Harlow, having just arrived, were invited, and took their seats with us as members of the Association.

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*Resolved*, That Elders C. Tupper, G. Armstrong, and A. Martell be a Committee to correspond with the other Associations in reference to the *Christian Messenger*.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported: Report adopted.—Spoken to in an able manner by Rev. Dr. Cramp.

Report of Treasurer presented: adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported: adopted.—This Report was ably sustained by Elders A. Martell, S. N. Bentley, and Brethren A. M. Gidney, N. Corning and Dr. Cramp.

The Committee on Questions in Letters reported: Report adopted.—Spoken to by Elders C. Tupper, C. Randall, and Bro. Shaw, as regards the Question in Letter from Liverpool Church.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to memorialize the Assembly and Legislative Council on the subject of Temperance, and that Dr. Cramp, Rev. S. N. Bentley, and Bro. A. M. Gidney be that Committee.

Committee on Tobacco reported: Report adopted.

Brethren N. Vidito, S. N. Bentley, J. Ring, C. Tupper, and Gidney, were appointed a Committee to consider printing Minutes.

*Resolved*, That 900 copies of the Minutes be printed at the *Christian Messenger* office, and that Ten pounds Ten shillings be allowed for the purpose; also, that in future the expense of printing be paid out of the General Fund.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Prayer by Elder Cunningham.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12: 10 o'clock, A. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment. After the singing of an appropriate hymn, and prayer by Bro. David Freeman, proceeded to business.

The Committee on Union Societies reported: Report adopted.—Spoken to by Brethren J. A. Stubbart, J. Hall, J. E. Balcom, J. Parker, W. G. Parker, A. Wilkins and G. Armstrong.

Committee on Bible Cause reported: Adopted.

The Committee on Home Missions reported: Report adopted.

*Resolved*, That those Brethren who spent more time in the Home Mission field than was assigned them by the Board, be remunerated for said time, by the Board.

*Resolved*, That Brethren C. Randall, W. Randall, W. Freeman, S. N. Bentley, G. Armstrong, J. Parker, W. G. Parker, S. Brown, J. Stubbert, J. C. Morse, R. W. Cunningham, and N. Vidito—be a Committee to appoint a Home Mission Board for the ensuing year, and name its locality; also, that they take into consideration the propriety of uniting with the other Associations to form a general Home Mission Board.

The Committee appointed to memorialize the Assembly and Legislative Council reported:—Adopted.

Bro. Tupper reported in reference to republishing the Articles and Covenant of our Churches.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to examine the Articles in their amended form, that Elders O. Chute, W. H. Caldwell, A. Martell, be the Committee.

*Resolved*, That the next Session of the Western Association be held with the Brookfield Church, in the Caledonia Meeting House, to commence on the second Saturday in June, 1856, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Elder H. Angell was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder P. F. Murray his alternate.

Elder S. N. Bentley, was appointed to write the Circular Letter.

*Resolved*, That the Churches in their letters to this Association next year, be requested to add to their Statistics, the date of their organization; also, the dates of the Ordination of their respective Pastors.

The Committee on Education, reported: Report adopted. This Report was ably spoken to by brethren, Dr. Cramp, C. Tupper, N. Vidito, J. Parker, A. Marshall, and J. Shaw.

*Resolved*, That the Governors of Acadia College be requested to give through the *Ch. Messenger* and *Ch. Visitor* an explicit statement of the peculiar circumstances in which the College is now placed.

*Resolved*, That the Deacons and Clerks of the Churches be requested to act as agents, to raise a salary for a Professor at Acadia College, for the ensuing year.

The Committee appointed to nominate a Home Mission Board for the ensuing year, reported: adopted.

Adjourned for two hours.

Prayer by Elder W. G. Parker.

3 o'clock, P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder Morton. The Secretary of the French Mission Board presented his report. Bro. Chute, the Missionary, gave an interesting detail of his labours during the past year.

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*Resolved*, That Brethren C. Randall, J. Stubbert, J. Shaw, and A. M. Gidney, be a Committee to appoint a French Mission Board for the ensuing year.

*Resolved*, That the Members of this Association present a vote of thanks to the London Tract Society, and Toulouse Book Society, for the liberal donation of Books received from them.

The Committee on French Mission, reported: adopted.

*Resolved*, That this Association express gratitude to God for the past success of our French Mission, confidence in its present efficiency, and hope of final triumph;—and again appeal to the liberality of our Churches for aid to prosecute the Mission with increased zeal.

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Churches to take up collections in behalf of the French Mission, on the first Sabbath in September.

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

Bro. Joseph Elliott was appointed Treasurer of the Gaelic Mission.

Voted:—That one-third of the salary of Bro. H. Ross, Gaelic Missionary, be paid by this Association.

The Committee on Infirm Minister's fund, reported: adopted.

*Resolved*, That the present Board for Infirm Ministers' Fund be re-appointed.

The Circular Letter was read and approved.

Elders, G. Armstrong, and J. Davis, were appointed Delegates to the Central Association, and Bro. Armstrong to receive £1. for expenses.

*Resolved*, That Elders T. Delong, and S. N. Bentley be Delegates from this, to the Eastern Association; and that Bro. Bentley have Three pounds allowed for expenses.

*Resolved*, That Brothers S. Wheelock, H. Chesley, A. Chute, B. B. Moses, and W. Morton, be Delegates to the Convention.

*Resolved*, That Brethren S. Brown, and A. Marshall be appointed Auditing Committee.

*Resolved*, That an order be drawn on the Treasurer to pay over the monies in his hands to the Treasurers of the various Missionary Boards.

*Resolved*, That the Articles and Covenant be printed in their revised form, as now before this Association.

N. B. The Report on Colportage was not handed in.

*Resolved*, That the warmest thanks of this Association be tendered to the *friends* in Clarence, for the kindness and hospitality with which the Association has been entertained during the present session.

After the singing of the Union Hymn, and prayer, the benediction was pronounced by the Moderator, and the Association adjourned to meet with the Brookfield Church, in the Caledonia Meeting House, at two o'clock, P. M., on the second Saturday in June, 1856.

P. S. As there was no Vote passed by the Association, ordering the Circular Letter to be printed in the Minutes, the writer withheld it.

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## APPENDIX.

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[No. 1.]

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Committee on Temperance report as follows :

That in their opinion the word of mankind have suffered more from the effects of strong drink than from any other evil. We therefore hail with gratitude to God the time when the monster is being effectually checked and hence hope that moral suasion and Legislative measures for its annihilation will be crowned with entire success. They would respectfully urge on every minister and member of the Denomination to persevere in the work of reform, praying earnestly to the Most High that His blessing may attend every righteous effort to save the Church and the world from this curse.

We also urge the importance of the subject of Temperance holding a prominent place in public religious instruction.

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## REPORT ON CLAIMS OF SEAMEN.

Your committee are deeply impressed with the magnitude of the *Claims of Seamen* as worthy of the particular attention of all Christians and Philanthropists.

Their numbers, their importance to commerce, the value of their souls, their influence at home and abroad render them worthy of particular attention. We rejoice in the efforts put forth in St. John, N. B., for their Physical, Mental and Religious improvement and believe that in every seaport, there should be like efforts made for their Comfort and Redemption. We recommend all those who are able, to contribute to this noble object, especially as our Heavenly Father has promised that the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto Him.

E. N. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

[No. 3.]

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS.

Such religious publications as the American Messenger, Macedonian, Child's Paper, and the Penny Gazette, are calculated to be useful in their respective departments. There is, however, no paper published elsewhere that can by any means supply the place of our own Provincial and excellent Periodical the *Christian Messenger*.

The Denomination owes a debt of lasting gratitude to the worthy, able and indefatigable Editors who have toiled incessantly and very usefully for the good of the body, upwards of eighteen years, not only without remuneration, but also at a heavy loss of their own personal property. Earnest endeavours obviously ought to be employed, to diminish this loss, as much as possible.

At the present crisis in which one of the invaluable Brethren is removed from us by death, and his survivor requests to be released "ere long from all pecuniary responsibility," it is peculiarly necessary that united, strenuous and persevering efforts be put forth by all, to extend much more widely the circulation of the *Christian Messenger*, and to secure the remittance of the payments for it with punctuality; as also for such as can do so, to aid in enriching its pages with interesting and useful communications.

Measures must likewise be adopted for securing its continuance upon a permanent and satisfactory basis as respects both its editorship and proprietorship.

All which is respectfully submitted,

GEORGE ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

[No. 4.]

### REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Amongst the various objects that engage the attention of the Christian Church, Sabbath School instruction occupies a prominent position, and from the commencement of this institution, God has designed to bless it in a wonderful manner. Thousands who are now occupying important positions in the Church of Christ received their first religious impressions there. The success that has hitherto been vouchsafed in this department of christian effort ought to encourage all who love the Saviour to renewed zeal and perseverance in training the young to search the Scriptures as well as to acquire a habit of caring for those who are perishing for lack of Bible knowledge.

Your Committee would earnestly recommend to the Churches to look well to this matter, as it is mainly from this nursery that we are to look for accessions for filling up and increasing our ranks, and would again impress upon their attention the necessity of the formation of Bible classes wherever practicable, and the encouraging a spirit of benevolence by the formation of Juvenile Misssionary Societies. We rejoice in what has been done, we have bright hopes for the future. We feel that solemn responsibilities are resting upon pastors and people in carrying forward this good work, and sowing the good seed of the Kingdom in the hearts of the youth, in order that they may be prepared to resist the various forms of error they may be called to meet.

All which is respectfully submitted

SAMUEL BROWN, *Chairman.*

[No. 5.]

### REPORT ON THE USE OF TOBACCO.

Whereas the use of Tobacco is "evil and only evil continually," we recommend the discontinuance except by medical advice, of its use.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MARTELL, *Chairman.*

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## REPORT ON PRINTING MINUTES.

We recommend that nine hundred copies be printed; that the sum of ten pounds ten shillings be allowed for printing; that any deficiency in the sums sent for this purpose be paid out of the funds of the Association, and that in future the expense of printing the Minutes be paid from the said general funds of the Association.

N. VIDITO, *Chairman.*

[No. 7.]

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This Association cherishes a deep sense of the obligations resting upon all Christians to extend the knowledge of Christ. Your Committee feel, at the present time, that the vast and inviting fields opening in all parts of the world, especially in Burmah, British India and China call loudly for Missionary effort. Indeed from all parts of the world the Macedonian cry comes to us for help, and should be attended to. We are fully convinced that the liberality of our Churches is adequate to the sustaining of a Foreign Mission independent of any foreign aid, as well as an Australian Mission, if the Missionaries could be obtained, and the Churches generally deem it desirable, so that the demand for men is especially urgent. We therefore recommend earnest prayer on the part of our Churches for an increase of labourers in God's harvest.

Your Committee deeply deplore the scarcity of Ministers both at home and abroad, and suspect that the cause lies somewhere among ourselves for which reason we should be deeply humbled before God. May he correct our errors and make us arise efficiently as a Denomination in all our enterprises. We sympathize with our dear Bro. A. Crawley and recommend our Churches to remember him in their prayers; and we hope and expect that his labors will become productive of much good. We however do not consider it to be the wiser course to exhaust our funds to aid the Missionary Union in sustaining their Missionaries. We have been cheered by his communications, and recommend a more frequent correspondence. Are there not young men in our

Churches willing to devote their lives and talents to the Mission cause? The fields are white and inviting, large and ample the money in our hands, grace is in our hearts to give, but there is no one ready to say, "Here am I, send me." We desire to impress this weighty truth upon all our Churches through their delegates.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MARTELL, *Chairman.*

[No. 8.]

### REPORT ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Though your Committee are impressed with the belief that the command, to preach the Gospel to every creature, is world-wide in its scope, yet they consider its practical bearing to be more particularly applicable to those among the spiritually destitute, who dwell in our own land, and who, as God seems to indicate by his Providence, are special objects of our Missionary efforts. They believe too, that the Gospel commission is as much directed to the Church collectively as to the heralds of the Cross individually.

With these views your Committee are of opinion that the Churches and destitute Settlements along our southern shore, where the labors of our Missionaries by the Divine blessing have been so successful during the past year, have peculiar claims upon us; and furthermore, that Springfield, New Albany, and Dalhousie are inland localities which should be especially cared for. The letter from the Springfield Church read at the opening of the session, accompanied by "the widow's mite," could not fail to touch our sympathies. Though the amount sent was small when compared with the munificent sums forwarded by several of the larger and more favored churches, yet when pecuniary ability is considered, it may be that this feeble church has "cast more into the treasury of the Lord than they all!"

Your Committee are of opinion that the operations of our Domestic Missions, should not be exclusively confined to that part of our province which is comprised within the limits of our Western Association; and, that our Board should exercise its discretion as heretofore in sending the Gospel to other parts, of our beloved country—especially among the Gaelic population, where Brother Ross's labors during the past year have been signally blessed of God. A

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the experience of the past, furnishes a guide for the future, perhaps nothing more need be said than to impress upon our churches the duty, or we may rather say, the privilege of supplying our Domestic Missionary Board with the pecuniary means of rendering its operations as wide-spread and effectual as possible.

ANGUS M. GIDNEY, *Chairman.*

[No. 9.]

### REPORT ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.

1st. In reply to the question in the letter from the Church of Liverpool—"Would it not be well for our Association to memorialize the Provincial Legislature and Executive Government of N. S., in behalf of the Maine Liquor Law?" Your Committee are of opinion that such a measure is highly important at this crisis in the history of the Temperance reforms and would thereupon recommend that this Association at its present session prepare a petition to be signed by the Moderator and Secretary in behalf of the body, to be presented to the Legislature of this Province at its next Session and would beg leave to nominate Brethren Dr. Cramp, S. N. Bentley, and A. M. Gidney as a committee to prepare said petition. In reply to the question in the letter from the third Yarmouth church, "Would it not be well to have a number of copies of the Articles of the Baptist Church printed, and sent to the churches at once?" we would refer our brethren to a note found on the last page of the Minutes of last year, by which it will be seen that it is the intention of the Association to re-print said articles.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. RANDALL, *Chairman.*

[No. 10.]

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The information we have received respecting the state of Acadia College and the Horton Academy during the past year is encouraging and gratifying. Those institutions are rising in public estimation, and are destined, it is hoped and believed, to exert a powerful influence for good in these

Provinces. Upwards of twenty young men have studied in the College during the year. The number of pupils in the Academy has exceeded eighty. Theological Instruction has been given to nine students. The revival that has taken place at Horton, and in which many of the youths studying there have been graciously blessed, is one of those tokens for good which cannot but be regarded with gratitude to Almighty God, and with expectation of still continued mercy. Our Educational Institutions have received in former years such manifestations of divine goodness as tended to dispel many gloomy apprehensions, and abundantly to justify the efforts that were made to establish and sustain them. This fresh appearance on our behalf furnished additional proof that the Lord is with us. The persevering prayers of the churches are earnestly solicited, that the blessing may remain, and be greatly extended.

It has been stated to the committee, and they have received the information with great regret, that the affairs of Acadia College are seriously embarrassed at the present time, in consequence of the pecuniary difficulties of a company in the United States, in the stock of which company a portion of the Educational Fund is invested. The committee doubt the wisdom of that investment, although they feel assured that the arrangement was made in the expectation which then appeared reasonable that it would be peculiarly advantageous. That expectation is for the present disappointed. The committee beg to suggest the desirableness of endeavouring to meet and remove the difficulty, by raising a subscription for the salary of a Professor for the ensuing year; the appointment of an additional Professor being indispensable in the present state of the College; and the interest now accruing from the Educational fund being insufficient to meet that expenditure.

Some members of the Denomination are of opinion that a Female Education Establishment in connection with our Denomination, suitably located, would be a desirable acquisition to our Institutions. The subject was brought before the Convention at its last Annual Meeting, and a committee was appointed to prepare a plan. This committee commend that proposition to the favourable regards of the members of the Association.

Respectfully submitted.

J. M. CRAMP, *Chairman.*

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## [No. 11.]

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause report as follows:—

The American and Foreign Bible Society and Bible Union are working vigorously in their several and coincident spheres. We are glad to observe, that matters of controversy arising out of the relations of these two Societies during the past year, have been arranged in an amicable, and christian manner. May the disposition for warfare, soon, and forever pass away!

The fields opening before the Societies are widening continually. Burmah with its eight millions; Bengal with its twenty millions; China with its 350 millions, all with open doors. Then there is Germany, Austria and Prussia, with their sixty millions using the German tongue, whom our Brother Oncken and his fellow labourers find accessible. We have great reason for gratitude and encouragement in regard to the Bible Cause. Our brethren will support such Bible organization as they may prefer, without bitterness, and without clashing. And when the Bible fills and sanctifies the mind of a ransomed world, shall we not all rejoice together, forget all our little dissonances, and join in the anthem which celebrates the victories of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ?

J. C. MORSE, *Chairman.*

## [No. 12.]

## REPORT ON UNION SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Union Societies report:—

That in our opinion the Union Society is a very excellent plan for raising funds, when well worked. And whereas the Union Society is doing but little, comparatively on account of its being neglected in many of our churches until a late date—they would recommend that the Pastors and Deacons bring this subject before their respective churches at an early period, urging its claims, and exciting to a more enlarged benevolence; and that this subject occupy a prominent position in the deliberations of our Quarterly Meetings. Also, that our Missionaries be invited to similar action in the places they may visit.

All which is respectfully submitted,

JAS. STUBBERT, *Chairman.*

## [No. 13.]

## REPORT ON THE FRENCH MISSION.

The Committee on the French Mission report:—

We have reason to thank God, and take courage. We have some cheering earnest, and better prospects for the future. Some of those people for whom we care, have, within the past year, relaxed their grasp of Roman error, whilst others have fully relinquished their hold thereof.

The spirit of inquiry is awakening, and a thirst for knowledge increasing. A suppressed, but deep murmur, awakens our attention from various points,—“Come over and help us!” To this call we cheerfully respond. The physical, intellectual and moral wants of these, our French neighbours, awaken our sympathies, and with united hand and heart, we hasten to their help.

In order to the accomplishment of our great end and aim, a mission-house is necessary, and is now in course of erection, for the completion of which, the aid of all the friends of religion and truth, is most earnestly and respectfully solicited.

All which we respectfully submit.

O. CHUTE, *Chairman.*

## [No. 14.]

## REPORT OF THE FRENCH MISSION BOARD.

The French Mission Board beg to report as follows:—

Our Mission progresses encouragingly. Every branch of it is attended with marked success. The access to the people during the past year has been greater than previously. In localities where our Missionary met with strong repulsion, he has now the kind attention of the people, and we hope the truth is making them free. Our books are now not only willingly received by many families, but interesting cases of earnest application for them could be presented. Our French paper “*Le Semeur Canadien*,” is received by many families, paid for by some, and read by not a few with deep interest. The “*Pilgrim’s Progress*,” attracts attention amongst them, and is likely to do a good work.

We take pleasure in stating that we have received a valuable donation of excellent books from the “*Religious Book Society*” in Toulouse, France. It must be borne in mind,

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that very many willing to receive our books and tracts have been previously supplied, which must of course, diminish the amount of subsequent circulation until their disposition to read and acquire information be greatly enlarged. The number of pages, however, distributed during the year amounts to 13,500. Some during the year have let go their hold of Romanism, and others have dared to suspect the teachings of their Priesthood, and are beginning to discern the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world." May they by Him be justified and cleansed. Nought but the fear of man holds many in that anti-christian church. That fear we hope to see overcome, for we know it can be; and can be, only by the diffusion of light over the mind. Many of those people have already revealed to our Missionary the trials of their minds in this matter, which he hopes ere long to be able to publish.

Our Missionary's health has been somewhat impaired during the past year. We trust it is in a good degree restored, and earnestly desire that he may be long spared of God to labour for the souls of those too long neglected ones.

A Mission house is also in progress. A site has been purchased near Tusket Village, and on Monday, 28th of May, a house for the purposes of the Mission was raised upon it. It is very desirable that it be immediately completed, at least the Missionary should inhabit it before autumn. At present he is subject to many inconveniences, having no settled home and undergoing much fatigue of travelling. The mission in many ways suffers loss for want of this building.

About £150 has been expended on the land and buildings, about £200 more will probably cover all the expenses. For this we as heretofore make appeal to the christian public. Brethren, let not the progress of the Mission house cease for want of money, and thereby the poor French be denied much of that religious instruction which it is hoped they will receive at the house when completed. If we would efficiently promote the good of these our fellow men, we must concern ourselves for the instruction of their children, as well as preach to them the gospel of Christ.

As we pass through time, to reach eternity, so may we often reach the souls of those about us, by showing a becoming regard for their temporal wants. This is an important

consideration in reference to our French neighbors. We may very much prove to them our sincere interest in their soul's welfare by supplying as far as possible their temporal wants, teaching them that we seek not theirs but them. Hence, any supplies of clothing, &c., old or new, for the poor and destitute, as may by friends of the cause be furnished, the Missionary will cheerfully circulate. Our encouragement to perseverance seems very great. The success which has thus far attended our labors urges us onward.

The signs of the times are favorable—the Bible is on our side—God is for us—and what need we fear, or why be dismayed. Let us gird on the whole armour and go forward. Through God we shall do valiantly.

All which is respectfully submitted

W. G. GOUCHER, *Secretary.*

[No. 15.]

#### REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Domestic Missionary Board has made appointments during the year ending June, 1855, of 139 weeks of missionary labour, viz.:

Elder	W. G. Parker,	4	weeks in Shelburne Co.
"	J. C. Morse,	4	" " "
"	S. N. Bentley,	2	" " "
"	H. Angell,	2	" " "
"	J. Francis,	39	" " "
"	P. F. Murray,	12	" Argyle & Barrington,
Bro.	John Plumb,	4	" " [ker's Cove,
Elder	H. Achilles,	8	" Dalhousie, Lunenburg, and Par-
"	O. Parker,	6	" Lunenburg, Co.
"	J. Spencer,	8	" Lower Granville and Digby.
"	T. Delong,	12	" Beaver River.
Bro.	R. Walker,	3	" Annapolis Cape.
Elder	T. Delong,	2	" Dalhousie.
"	J. Spencer,	2	" Digby.
"	H. Achilles,	8	" Lunenburg.
Bro.	C. Mosher,	3	" Dalhousie East and Sherbrooke.
Elder	A. Stronach,	16	" Shelburne, Co.
"	J. Parker,	4	" " "

Of the above 139 weeks, sixty-five have been left unperformed by Brethren Francis, W. G. Parker, J. C. Morse, A. Stronach, and J. Spencer's second appointment.

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of brethren to fulfil appointments made with their consent, and announced to the Churches. It retards the Missionary work, and disappoints the people, who look with great anxiety and desire for the labour promised.

In some cases the Missionaries spent more time in their respective fields than their appointments included. The Board, however, thought it best not to pay in such cases beyond the time for which appointments were made. The following brethren exceeded their time:—Elders James Spencer, 3 weeks in Digby, P. F. Murray, 4; O. Parker, 3 days, and bro. J. Plumb, 1 week.

We recommend that these brethren be allowed pay for the additional time, as the Board have evidence that the labors of those brethren were particularly needed in the fields to which they were sent, and that their efforts were attended with success.

The remaining 74 weeks or about that number have been attended to and have not been in vain. It is pleasing to be able to communicate that great success has followed the labours of our missionaries. Large numbers have been converted to God, and added to our churches. This affords reason for increased gratitude, faith and exertion.

Viewing our past success in the home mission field, we feel encouraged to entertain large hopes, and to put forth greater exertions for the future. There are still large fields not supplied, whence the Macedonian cry for help has echoed again and again. In endeavouring to respond to those entreaties, the Board is met by a grave difficulty—the great want of Missionaries. We have confidence in the liberality of our Churches, we know missionaries would be sustained in many parts now destitute, if we could procure men to send. We are hereby called upon to pray that “the Lord of the harvest would send forth labourers.” In the hope, however, that more missionaries may be immediately found who will enter the field, we urge the necessity of increased liberality on the part of our churches and Congregations. We commend very highly the liberality of the Churches in Liverpool and Milton, who dispensed with the services of their pastors and sustained them as Missionaries in the County of Shelburne, the former seven weeks, and the latter two weeks, that is to say, made up all the deficiencies of the Missionaries' salary without charge to the Board. This field (Shelburne Co.,) has become peculiarly interesting; over sixty converts have been baptized, as the result of the noble enterprize. They nearly sustained the mission-

aries, and in every respect have nobly and honourably co-operated with those who have been sent by this Board. Lunenburg, and other places could be referred to with the same satisfaction; but let this suffice as a general illustration of the success of our Missions.

A communication has been received from the Secretary of the Eastern Association, suggesting the desirableness of the three Associations uniting to form a General Board, in order to carry on the Home Mission enterprize with more unity and regard to the general wants of the whole Province; but upon which the Board have taken no action.

Aid has been asked by one of our churches, towards the support of a settled Pastor, but the Board did not feel authorized to comply with the request.

GEORGE ARMSTRONG, *Secretary.*

[No. 16.]

### MEMORIAL OF DEPARTED BRETHERN.

The committee appointed to prepare this Memorial, report, as follows:—

During the past year our Denomination has been called to mourn the serious loss sustained by the death of brother Ferguson, whose ardent piety, evangelical sentiment, deep interest in all our Denominational matters, especially in connection with the conducting of our Periodical, the *Christian Messenger*, as one of the Editors. His amiable temper and consistent conduct had justly endeared him to the Denomination at large. But while we lament our loss, we rejoice that to him death was unspeakable gain.

Since the meeting of this Association has commenced, the committee have learned with profound sorrow, that the venerable Theodore S. Harding has been removed from us by death. He died on the 8th inst. Identified with the interests of our denomination for the last sixty years, during which he has faithfully preached the Gospel of the Redeemer in these Provinces, and engaged as he has been, with characteristic ardour, in all the efforts which have been made among us for the advancement of religion, he has won universal esteem, and his death will be regarded as a public calamity. The committee, in common with their brethren, have long admired the manly character of this departed servant of the Lord, and have rejoiced to witness in him a

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bright display of Divine Grace. His well balanced mind, clear discernment, exuberant kindness, prudence, and indefatigable activity were recognized by all. As an eloquent preacher, a sound expositor of holy writ, a fervent and successful advocate of all measures tending to the promotion of vital godliness, his praise has long been in all our churches, spared to a good old age, being in his eighty-third year, he has been permitted to take part in our denominational efforts, in all which he was deeply interested. Thus God has taken from us the last of those patriarchal men to whose labours this Province is so largely indebted. May we all have grace to follow them, who now, "through faith and patience inherit the promises."

W. CHIPMAN, *Chairman.*

[No. 17.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR NOMINATING THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Committee for nominating the Home Mission Board, report:—

We would recommend that all the Pastors of our Churches, be members, together with the following brethren,—William Randall, Thomas Tupper, Whitman Freeman, Asaph Marshall, Samuel Brown, Jacob Denton, William Chipman, Samuel Bacon, Able Chute, William H. Morse, Avar Longley, Nelson Corning, Luther Leadbetter, and Joseph Rogers constitute this Board, and that the Board be located at Bridgetown.

The Committee do not feel prepared to advise an amalgamation of the three Missionary Boards, but, in view of the destitution lying within the bounds of the Eastern Association, would recommend such an appropriation of funds, as this Board in their wisdom may deem advisable.

CHARLES RANDALL, *Chairman.*

[No. 18.]

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Domestic Mission Board, and find them correct.

SAMUEL BROWN.  
ASAPH MARSHALL.

*The Western Baptist Association in Account with J. E. Potter.*

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By Balance in hand,	£26 9 1½		
" Cash not drawn by Rev. R. W. Cunningham,	3 0 0		
" " " Rev. O. Chute,	2 0 0		
" " returned Rev. S. N. Bentley	2 0 0		
" " " J. C. Morse	2 0 0		
" " overrun	0 15 0		
	£36 4 1½		
To Cash paid Rev. J. M. Cramp, for Rev. J. Chase, for Ministerial Education,	£26 1 6		
" " paid Rev. J. M. Cramp, for Rev. S. T. Rand for Mic Mac Mission,	0 7 7½		
	26 9 1½		
To Balance, paid over to Mr. Caleb Marshall, present Treasurer,	9 15 0		
	£36 4 14		

Clarence, June 11th, 1855.  
 Audited and found correct,  
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Clarence, June 11th, 1855.

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GEORGE ARMSTRONG, TYNGHAGER, (priv. tem.) in account with the Domestic Mission Board, W. Association.

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June 14	To cash received from J. E. Potter, Treasurer, W. B. Association.	£101	9	4
" "	" " " for Gaelic Mission	23	17	3½
" 22	" " per W. H. Balcom, for Shelburne Mission,	10	14	2½
Aug. 31	" " from Mrs. G. H. Harris, per Elder J. E. Balcom, for Gaelic Mission,	0	5	0
" "	" " from S. L. Chipman, late Treasurer,	62	15	8
		£199	1	6

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June 14	By paid Elder Delongs order,	£12	7	6
" "	cash paid P. Murray	6	0	0
" "	" " R. S. Morton,	5	18	10
" 15	" " Charles Randall,	0	18	9
" "	" " Charles Tupper for old Christian Messenger debt,	42	8	0
" "	" " Hugh Ross for Gaelic Mission,	20	0	0
" "	" " Augustus Shiels,	5	5	0
July 5	" " Postage and registry of letters,	0	1	6
Aug. 26	" " Elder T. Delong, (Dalhousie east),	1	15	0
" "	" " R. Walker, Mission—Shelburne,	6	0	0
Sept. 14	" " Avarid Longley, Treasurer of Domestic Mission Board,	98	6	11
		£199	1	6

Audited and found correct,

Clarence, June 12th, 1855.

SAMUEL BROWN,  
ASAPH MARSHALL.

*Western Baptist Association in account with C. MARSHALL.*

1855.	To defray expenses to Associations, printing Minutes, &c.				
June	Paid Rev. G. Armstrong per order,			1	0
	“ Rev. J. E. Balcom, for postage, stationery, &c.			0	2
	“ J. W. Nutting, printing Minutes,			10	10
	“ C. Randall, Indian Mission Fund, per order	£19	1	8	
		Less proportion of expense	1	12	1
	“ P. F. Murray, balance due him for Missionary labour performed in Shelburne Co.			17	9
	“ H. Achilles, on account Missionary labour performed in Lumburg, Co., &c.			19	0
	“ J. Davis, A. M. F. Bible Society,			11	0
	“ Mr. J. Elliott, per order, Gaelic Mission,			1	5
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	“ Do. out of D. Miss. Fund, as per vote of Association			25	8
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	Balances in Treasurer's hands—for Domestic Mission				9
	“ for Foreign Mission	£60	4	7½	
	less proportion of expense	3	14	9	
	“ for Ministerial Education			56	9
	“ for French Mission			32	4
	“ for Mic-Mac do			44	19
	“ for Bible Union			2½	
	“ for American and Foreign Bible Society,			1	7
	“ for Printing Articles, &c.			2	14
	“ Balance from last year, as per former Treasurer's account.			6	
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C. MARSHALL, Treasurer.

*The Board of Inform Ministers in account with C. RANDALL, Treasurer.*

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C. MARSHALL, Treasurer.

*The Board of Inform Ministers in account with C. RANDALL, Treasurer.*

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1854.	
June 13	To amount brought forward,
" 14	Received of James E. Potter, Treasurer of the Western Nova Scotia Baptist Association.
1855.	
March 24	Received one year's interest on note,
	Total
	£86 9 0

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July 30 Forwarded by order of the Board to Captain William Churchill of Yarmouth for the benefit of the widow of the Venerable Father Harding,  
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CHARLES RANDALL,

Treasurer.





*Western Baptist Missionary Board in account with Avar Longley.*

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1854.		
Nov. 2.	To paid Elder Obed. Parker	£5 10 0
Dec. 13.	" Bro. Moser, per order	4 19 8
18	" Elder Obed Parker	2 0 0
1855.		
Jan. 2	" Bro. Plumb, per order	6 7 2
"	" Elder Achilles, per order	9 1 6
31	" Elder T. Delong, per bro. Armstrong	6 0 0
		£33 18 4
June 11.	Pai'd over to Elder G. Armstrong	66 8 7
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Sept. 14.	Received from Elder G. Armstrong	£98 6 11
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Jan. 31.	Recd from Elder Armstrong, don. of Elder R. S. Morton, on acct. of Shelburne Miss.	1 0 0
11	Received from Elder Armstrong, paid for R. S. Morton	1 0 0
		£100 6 11

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*Acadian Mission in account with WILLIAM CHURCHILL.*

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June 1	To balance per account rendered	£0	0 10
Aug. 1	paid the Missionary	27	11 10
2	postage 3d., Rev. J. Davis, for do. 5s.	0	5 3
Sept. 6	paid Missionary bal. salary to Aug. 25, 1855,	19	12 7½
	Rev. O. Chute for papers for Mission, &c.	0	10 0
Nov. 4	postage 4d., Rev. W. Goucher (book)	7s. 6d.	0 7 10
1855.			
May 17	paid Missionary on this year's salary, since 25th Aug. 1854.	69	16 10
	Rev. J. Davis, freight on tracts from Halifax	0	2 0
	" " on books from France	1	11 10
June 1	Balance in hand	3	4 10
		£123	3 11½

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1854.			
June 15	By cash from Association per S. Brown,	£58	8 0½
Aug. 1	" Rev. O. Chute	27	11 10
23	col. at Miss. meeting 1st Yarmouth church	1	14 0
	Testament sold	0	3 0
Sept. 1	collection in 2d. Yarmouth church	1	14 0
	" Ohio church	1	3 9
Oct. 6	" Lake George church	0	18 2½
19	" 3rd Yarmouth church	0	16 3½
Nov. 4	Rev. Charles Tupper	6	10 0
21	L. Butler 3s. 1½d., Mr. Palfrey 5s.	0	8 1½
25	Rev. O. Chute collected	1	11 2½
	Nelson Corning 20s., C. Rainsforth 20s.	2	0 0
	J. Ferguson,	1	2 6
1855.	collection in 2d. Hillsburg church	1	13 1½
Jan. 1	Mr. H—	0	10 0
Feb. 1	collection West Yarmouth church	0	19 1½
	from Rev. J. Chase, Central Association	1	16 7½
	" " 1st Cornwallis church	1	6 0
	" " 2nd Horton church	1	8 0
	per Rev. C. Randall, col. at Weymouth	0	17 9
	" " St. Mary's Bay	0	11 3
	" " New Tusket	3	1 0
March 3	Mrs. Witter, Yarmouth	1	0 0
	per Rev. O. Chute from Rev. J. Chase	0	12 6
	" " Rev. R. W. Cunningham	0	8 0
26	per Rev. Charles Tupper	0	10 0
May 7	Rev. O. Chute, for books sold, col., &c.	3	5 1½
15	collection in 1st Yarmouth church	1	4 6
		£123	3 11½

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Paradise, June 11, 1855.  
Audited and found correct  
Clarence, June 12, 1855.

By Balance in hand brought down	3 4 10
Yarmouth, N. S., 1st June, 1855.	
Audited and found correct	£123 3 11½
	SAMUEL BROWN, SAMUEL T. BACON.

Clarence, June 12, 1855.

*Acadian Mission House in acct. with Wm. CHURCHILL.*

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1854.			
Oct. 4.	To cash to Israel Harding, Esq., from building Committee	£15 0 0	
13	“ Joseph Shaw, Esq., for Land, &c.	28 10 0	
31	“ Israel Harding for materials, &c.	25 0 0	
Dec. 30	“ James B. Kenney, per order	16 3 6	
1855.			
Jan 26	“ Israel Harding, materials	10 0 0	
Mar. 19	“ Henry T. Goudy, per order	10 0 0	
May 14	“ William Robbins, committee	30 0 0	
	Balance in hand to be remitted to Treasurer succeeding	0 13 7	
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1854.			
June 15.	By Samuel Brown from Association	10 18 1½	
Aug. 23	Rev. J. E. Balcom	1 0 0	
	G. H. Harris, Bear River	0 5 2	
	William Raymond, Bear River	5 0 0	
	Joseph Shaw and wife	10 0 0	
	Rev. O. Chute	1 0 0	
	Rev. S. Richardson	0 5 0	
	Joseph Brown and wife	5 0 0	
	Joseph Brown, junr.	0 6 8	
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	Thomas Brown junr.	0 6 8	
	Mrs. Carty	0 5 0	
	Rev. J. E. Balcom advanced	5 0 0	
Sept. 2	Rev. J. E. Balcom, collected	15 0 0	
	Eliza Lewis	0 8 9	
	T. R. Patillo, Esq, Liverpool	5 0 0	
13	Rev. J. E. Balcom remitted	24 0 0	
29	Deacon Joseph Robbins	4 0 0	
30	Rev. O. Chute, collected	2 10 0	
Oct. 7	Rev. J. E. Balcom, rem. from Bridgtown	30 0 0	
13	Mrs. John Ryarson	5 0 0	
20	John Rose	1 0 0	
21	Rev. J. E. Balcom, from Long Island	3 10 0	

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Yarmouth, N. S., June 1, 1845.

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Audited and found correct,

SAMUEL BROWN.  
 SAMUEL T. BACON.

Clarence, June 12, 1855.

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NOTE.—The table of Statistics of the Churches as we received it from the Secretary was in hand and the first three columns finished, when the MS. was by some means lost, which has caused us great regret and much trouble. We did hope to get another copy, but were sorry to find that the original letters had not been preserved. We give the totals of the six last columns and the blanks so that the numbers may be inserted.

## STATISTICS OF CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Baptized.	By Letters.	Restored.	Removed.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Total.
Annapolis and Upper Granville, -	47	1						
Argyle, - - - - -	1							
Brookfield, - - - - -	8	1						
Barrington, - - - - -	1							
Beaver River, - - - - -	26	4						
Clements, - - - - -	1	1	1					
Chutes Cove, - - - - -								
Digby, - - - - -								
Digby Joggins, - - - - -		1						
Dalhousie, - - - - -								
First Yarmouth, - - - - -	8	2						
First Digby Neck, - - - - -	5							
First Hillsburgh, - - - - -		5						
Greenfield, - - - - -								
Liverpool, - - - - -	33	15						
Lake George, - - - - -	11							
Lower Aylesford and Upper Wilmot,	7	7						
Lower Granville, - - - - -	43		2					
Long Island, - - - - -	9	2	1					
Milton, - - - - -	11	4						
Nictaux, - - - - -	4	3						
New Albany, - - - - -								
New Tusket, - - - - -								
Ohio, - - - - -								
Port Medway, - - - - -	20	4						
Port George, - - - - -	1	5						
Parker's Cove, - - - - -	2	2						
Ragged Islands, - - - - -	19	1						
Sissaboo, - - - - -		1						
Springfield, - - - - -								
Second Yarmouth, - - - - -	43	3	10					
South Yarmouth, - - - - -	2							
Second Hillsburgh, - - - - -								
St. Mary's Bay, - - - - -								
Second Digby Neck, - - - - -	60	2	2					
Sable River, - - - - -	43		4					
Third Yarmouth, - - - - -	37	4	2					
Tusket River, - - - - -	3	2						
Wilmot, - - - - -	2	1						
Wilmot Mountain, - - - - -								
West Yarmouth, - - - - -	17	7						
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