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MINUTES

OF THE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT

SAINT MARTIN'S, COUNTY OF SAINT JOHN,

IN THE

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK,

ON

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 6th, 7th and 8th July,

1840.

TOGETHER WITH THE

Circular Letter, Missionary Accounts, &c. &c.

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SAINT MARTINS, MONDAY, 6th July, 1840.

THE Baptist Association met at 10 o'clock, A. M. The introductory Sermon was preached by the Reverend R. E. BURPE, from 13th chapter of Joshua and 1st verse—" *There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.*"

A collection was then taken, which, with that taken on the Sabbath previous, amounted to £27 12 0 in aid of Domestic Missions.

Elder JOSEPH CRANDALL was then appointed Moderator,
Elder J. C. SKINNER, Clerk,
W. S. Estey, Assistant Clerk,
JOHN SMITH, Treasurer, and,
ZEBULON ESTEY, Assistant Treasurer.

R. E. Burpe, and C. D. Everitt, were appointed to read the Letters from the Churches.

Elders Crawley, Vido, and Pickles, and Brethren Stubbart, Dodge and Shaftner, were invited to take part in the proceedings.

The following Committees were then appointed:—

E. A. Crawley, S. Robinson, D. Harris, W. H. Beckwith, and J. T. Smith, a Committee to arrange the business of the Association.

Elders Thompson and Saunders, and J. Buntin, a Committee to examine the Letters.

Elders Blakeney, Chase, and J. Magee, and Brethren J. Estabrooks and Jarvis Ring, a Committee to examine all matters introduced, except the ordinary business of the Association; and that no such matters be noticed by the Association unless the same shall have been previously referred to said Committee.

R. E. Burpe and Chipman, a Committee to report upon the Christian Messenger.

E. A. Crawley, Beckwith, Blakeney and Stubbard, a Com-

mittee to report upon the State of Sabbath Schools, as connected with the Churches.

Elders Chase, J. Magee, and David Crandall, a Committee to examine the Circular Letter.

Elders Crawley, Robinson, and Pickles, a Committee to examine the Bible question, in relation to the support of the Parent Society being withheld from the Baptist Missionaries in Burmah.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.		ADDED, Restored.....	By Baptism, By Letter.....	Removed,.....	Dismissed,.....	Excluded,.....	Died,.....	Total number of Communicants,	Monies received for printing Minutes.
CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.								
Frederickton,.....	*F. W. MILES, Jarvis Ring, J. T. Smith, W. S. Estey.	3	25	3	1	1		92	£1 12 6
†Canning,.....	BENJAMIN COY, Jarvis Estabrooks, S. ROBINSON, Jeremiah Drake.	7	2	4	1			73	0 15 0
1st Saint John,.....	Z. Estey, John Smith, William M'Adam, C. D. Everitt.	2	10	16	4	3		209	2 0 0
Prince William,.....	J. W. SAUNDERS.			5	9	3	2	97	0 10 0
Norton,.....	JAMES BLAKENEY, Ezra Frost, David Jones.	1	2					23	1 14 4
1st Salisbury,.....	JOSEPH CRANDALL, Robert Hopper, Joseph Blakeney.		1	2	2			104	0 10 0
†1st Sackville,.....			1	16	2	1	4	65	0 0 0
Saint George,.....	SAMUEL ROBINSON.	1	5			2		95	0 10 0
Hillsborough,.....	*WILLIAM SEARS.		1	2				50	0 15 0
New Canaan,.....	Daniel Ferry.								
1st Springfield,.....	DAVID CRANDALL, PETER SPRAGUE, W. J. Whetmore, Isaac Hatfield, James Taber.		5		1			83	0 5 0
Hampton,.....	DAVID CRANDALL, Henry Blakslee, John M'Creedy, W. C. Snow.						1	47	0 11 0
Wickhaif,.....	J. C. SKINNER; Henry Delong.		4	19	3			40	0 15 6
Kingsclear,.....			4		1			37	0 7 0
Saint David's,.....	A. D. THOMPSON.				3	2		99	0 10 0
Hopewell,.....	Samuel West.			44	2	2		116	0 10 0
Keswick,.....	T. W. SAUNDERS.			2				63	0 10 0
†Northesk, Miramichi	JAMES TOZER.								0 0 0
Saint Martin's,.....	JOHN MASTERS, William Bradshaw, George Brown, Stephen Mersur, James M'Lean, Thomas Bradshaw, Isaac Bradshaw.							83	0 0 0
†Moncton,.....				3	20		3	59	0 0 0
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†Cardigan,.....								35	0 0 0
†Sussex Vale,.....								27	0 0 0

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Andover,.....	{ *L. HAMMOND. DAVID CRANDALL, WM. PULCIFER, Jesse Tabor, Ammon Fowler.	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	0 0 0	
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Waterborough,.....	DAVID CHASE.	—	—	30	—	3	1	69	0 6 6	
†Nashwaak,.....	—————	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	0 0 0	
Butternut Ridge,....	{ J. HERRIT, A. Atwood, A. King,	—	—	2	—	2	—	55	0 6 0	
†Dorchester,.....	WM. SEARS.	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	0 0 0	
1st Saint Patrick,....	A. P. THOMPSON.	—	—	—	12	2	6	44	0 5 0	
2nd Saint Patrick,...	A. D. THOMPSON.	—	—	1	9	3	2	74	0 5 0	
Maugerville,.....	JOHN MAGEE.	—	7	5	—	—	1	20	0 10 0	
†2nd Salisbury,.....	JOSEPH CRANDALL.	—	—	—	—	—	—	82	0 0 0	
2nd Saint John,....	{ DAVID HARRIS, Joshua Bunting, Wm. Hayward.	—	15	23	—	2	1	100	0 10 0	
1st Saint Andrews,..	{ A. D. THOMPSON; George Rigby, James Russell.	—	—	4	—	—	2	98	0 10 0	
2nd Saint Andrews,..	—————	—	2	—	—	2	—	16	0 0 0	
2nd Sackville,.....	—————	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	0 6 10	
Blackville, Miramichi,	J. TOZER.	—	2	10	—	—	1	53	0 10 0	
2nd Wickham,.....	{ W. H. BECKWITH, John Gerow.	—	—	—	—	—	—	84	0 0 0	
Johnston,.....	CHARLES THORN.	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	0 9 1	
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The last two Churches, (Wickham and John ston,) were received the present Session.

In the foregoing statement, the names of Ordained Ministers are in SMALL CAPITALS; those of Licentiates in *Italics*; those marked thus (*) were not present; Churches having no Pastor are distinguished by —; from Churches thus marked (†) no information was received this Session.—The numbers in the column headed “Dismissed,” have been dismissed in order to join other Churches of the Baptist denomination in the Province, on account of local situation. Those in the column headed “Removed,” have left the Province. Churches from which no information was received are returned the same as last year.

*** The Churches are requested in future to be particularly careful in making up their lists of Members, in order that no discrepancies may appear in comparing the lists from year to year. The lists of some of the Churches for the present year do not strictly agree with those of last year.

All the Churches are earnestly invited to correspond annually with the Association. It is consoling to meet the Representatives of the Churches throughout the Province at an Association, still

when Churches cannot conveniently send Messengers, it is pleasing to hear from them by letter.

The Minutes will, as usual, be sent to all the Churches, accompanied with a request that in future a small sum be forwarded by each to meet the expense of printing; any overplus which may be received in this way will be appropriated for the support of Missionaries in the Province.

Monies received during the Session:—

Minute money received from the Churches,	£17 14 6½
Collections on Sabbath and Monday,	27 12 0
Donations from individuals in aid of Domestic Missions,	2 19 0
From individuals in aid of the Foreign Missionary Cause,	4 10 0
From the 1st Church at Springfield, in aid of Domestic Missions,	2 8 1
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	£55 3 7½

Disposed of as follows:—

Paid to the Treasurer of the Foreign Missionary Board,	£4 10 0
Paid to the Committee of the Education Society, being a donation from J. Smith, of Hampton, for the Seminary, paid into the funds of the Association last year by mistake,	1 0 0
Uncurrent Copper Coin still on hand,	1 7 6
Paid to the Treasurer of the General Missionary Board,	48 6 1½
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	£55 3 7½

A donation of Twenty Shillings not yet paid.

P. S. The foregoing is exclusive of monies received in aid of the Seminary.

The Committee of Arrangement presented the following Report:—

“ That the Association adjourn for one hour, then to meet and proceed with the ordinary business until 6 o'clock.

“ That a Missionary Meeting be held at 7 o'clock, when the Accounts will be presented, Addresses delivered, and the subject of Foreign and Domestic Missions discussed.

“ That the Board of Directors and Committee of Management of the Education Society assemble to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

“ That Elder Robinson be requested to preach a Sermon at 10 o'clock. That the Education Society immediately afterwards attend to its business. That the affairs of the Association be then resumed, and the Reports from the Committees required.

“ That the several Committees assemble at the old Chapel to-morrow, at 6 o'clock, A. M., to attend to the business referred to them.

RESOLVED, That the report be accepted.

RESOLVED, That Elder Pickles be received as a Messenger from the Eastern Association in Upper Canada.

RESOLVED, That a Committee of three persons be appointed to open a Correspondence with the Baptist Denomination in the Provinces of the Canadas, and that Elders Robinson, Harris, and Masters be the Committee for that purpose.

Elder Saunders, from the Committee appointed last year to visit the Church at the Oromocto, reported that that duty had been performed, and that the Church expressed a wish to retain its connection with the Association, and further was very desirous of being visited by the Missionaries employed during the present year.

RESOLVED, That the report be accepted, and the request of that Church complied with.

RESOLVED, That the first day of January, 1841, be observed as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, and that the first Monday evening in every month be set apart as a season for special prayer to Almighty God, that His blessing may accompany the labours of Gospel Missionaries in heathen lands; and that the Churches are requested to take up a collection at those meetings in aid of the Foreign Missionary Funds.

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the Ministers and Churches in the different sections of the Province, to make arrangements for holding Quarterly Meetings for preaching—the promotion of the Missionary cause, and for such other objects as may be connected with the Glory of God and the interest of the Denomination. That a collection be taken at all such Meetings in aid of the Domestic Missionary Funds.

RESOLVED, That the Association be held at Hillsborough next year, on the third Monday after the 20th June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

RESOLVED, That Elder A. D. Thompson preach the introductory Sermon, and in case of failure, Elder W. H. Beckwith.

RESOLVED, That the Circular Letter be written by Elder J. C. Skinner.

RESOLVED, That Elder Joseph Crandall be our Messenger to the Nova Scotia Association, and in case of failure, Elder A. D. Thompson, and that the sum of £6 be allowed to defray his expenses.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock, when a Missionary Meeting was held and several interesting Addresses delivered by Elders Crawley, Thompson, Beckwith and others, after which the Missionary Accounts were presented, and the following Resolutions adopted:—

RESOLVED, That the special blessings which have resulted from

the labours of our Missionaries in various parts of the Province during the past year, call for devout acknowledgments to Almighty God; and that this Association, from a consideration that thousands of the inhabitants of the Province are still destitute of religious instruction, and perishing for lack of spiritual knowledge, would recommend to all the Churches connected with the Association the formation of a Missionary Society in each Church where such a Society does not at present exist, in order to enable the Missionary Boards to send the Gospel to the destitute in our land, and earnestly request the united prayers and efforts of the Ministers and Members of our Denomination in behalf of so glorious an object.

RESOLVED, That the Accounts of the several Local Missionary Boards be made out in future and forwarded to the Treasurer of the General Board on the first day of June, in each year, accompanied by a brief report shewing the success attending the operations of the Board for the year, in order that a General Account and Report may be prepared previous to the Meeting of the Association.

RESOLVED, That any balance that may be in the hands of the Treasurers of the several Boards, when the accounts are made up, be paid over to the Treasurer of the General Board, at the succeeding Association, to be divided among the different Boards.

RESOLVED, That the Office Bearers of the General Board continue the same as last year.

RESOLVED, That the following Persons constitute the several Local Missionary Boards for the ensuing year:—

Fredericton—Jarvis Ring, W. S. Estey, John T. Smith, Aaron Hartt, Z. G. Gable, E. E. Packard, S. B. Smith, T. R. Estey and J. P. A. Phillips.

Saint John—J. Drake, J. Smith, Z. Estey, G. A. Garrison, C. D. Everitt, John Harding, Joseph Roberts, Asa Blakslee and Joshua Bunting.

Westmorland—Joseph Crandall, William Sears, Thomas Prince, Joseph Blakeney, Robert Smith, Robert Hopper, James Crandall, Eliphale Reed, and Warren Perrigo.

RESOLVED, That the Boards in Charlotte and Miramichi remain the same as before, viz.:—

Charlotte—A. D. Thompson, Samuel Robinson, Philo Seely, Rhueben Brockway, William Turner, Joseph Catharine, Frederick Joice, William Smart, and Thomas Justman.

Miramichi—James Tozer, Charles Tozer, J. T. Donald, R. B. Wasson, Nathaniel Moore, and Sanford Boies.

Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, July 7.

The Board and Committee of the Education Society met at 8 o'clock, A. M.

Preaching at 10 o'clock by Elder Robinson, from ii. Corinthians,

5th chapter and 11 verse—"For if that which is done away is glorious, much more that which remaineth is glorious."

After the Sermon the Education Society held a public meeting, when the Report of the Committee was presented, the subject of Education discussed, and several highly interesting Addresses delivered by Elders Crawley, Robinson, Thompson and others, in behalf of the Seminary established at Fredericton. (For report and proceedings of the Society see Appendix.)

Association met at 3 o'clock.—Prayer by the Moderator.

RESOLVED, That the Report, Account and other proceedings of the Education Society be printed, as an Appendix to the Minutes.

RESOLVED, That this Association think it highly important to the advancement of the interests of the Seminary in Fredericton, that the debt at present due on it should be paid as soon as possible, and in order to the speedy accomplishment of this object, recommend that the Committee of Management, under the direction of the Board of the Education Society, do employ an efficient Agent to travel throughout the Province to solicit aid for this purpose.

RESOLVED, That the Ministers and Members of the Churches in connexion with this Association, are particularly requested to assist the Agent in his efforts to accomplish this object, in the different parts of the Province where they severally reside.

The Committee appointed to examine all matters introduced out of the ordinary business of the Association, reported that a Letter from the Members of the Church and Congregation at Saint Martins had been laid before them, requesting the Association to adopt such measures as would enable them to secure a suitable Minister, to take the pastoral charge of the Church in that place, and recommending the Association to take the subject into consideration.

RESOLVED, That the report be accepted, and the request now attended to.

RESOLVED, That this Association recommend that the three Ministers at present residing in Saint Martins, do withdraw (entirely) from the Church in that place, and that the Church select some other Minister as their Pastor; and the Association further recommend those Ministers to consider whether their duty to God does not require them to remove their residence from Saint Martins at their earliest convenience. The Association further advise the Church to cultivate towards each other such feelings of kindness and forbearance as may tend to establish among them that charity which is the bond of perfectness.

RESOLVED, That Elders Beckwith, Coy, Chace, Saunders and Pickle be a Committee to meet the Church and Congregation at Saint Martins to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock, to communicate to them the foregoing Resolution, and to assist in making the necessary arrangements to carry the same into effect.

RESOLVED, That Elders Beckwith, Saunders, Coy and Skinner, be a Committee to enquire into the state of the Church at the Grand Lake, and report thereon at the next Meeting of the Association.

RESOLVED, That Elders Masters, and Beckwith be a Committee to visit the Church at Sussex Vale, to ascertain the reason that Church has not, for some years past, corresponded with the Association, and report thereon at the next meeting of the Association.

Whereas Elder Walker, from Nova Scotia, has expressed a wish to become a Member of this Association, and whereas some differences have arisen between the Church at Hopewell and Mr. Walker, touching doctrinal views;

RESOLVED, That Brethren Crawley, Harris, Ring and Bunting be a Committee to confer with Mr. Walker upon this subject, and report to the Association to-morrow.

RESOLVED, That this Association recommend the Churches not to licence or ordain any person as a Minister, without the advice of a Council of three ordained Ministers, being Pastors of Churches united with the Association.

The Committee appointed to report upon the publication of the CHRISTIAN MESSENGER, presented the following Report:—

That the Messenger be recommended by the Association to the Denomination and Public, as a paper well calculated to disseminate the principles of the glorious truths of the Gospel; that it be sustained as a publication in every respect worthy of our warmest support, and that immediate exertions in its behalf be made by its friends in this Province, as well by a prompt payment of amounts due, as by strenuous endeavours to increase its circulation.

The Editors of the Christian Messenger having engaged Elder R. E. Burpe as an Agent in this Province, on behalf of the paper, in connexion with which he will stately on the Sabbath perform Missionary labour in the several places he may visit.

RESOLVED, That the Missionary Boards divide with the Editors of the paper the expenses of such Agency, half of which amount to be paid out of the Missionary Funds, at the rate of 30s. per week, and that the Agent be requested to take collections for Missionary purposes.

The Committee appointed to consider the Bible question relative to the support of the Parent Society being withdrawn from the Baptist Missionaries in Burmah reported, that they consider further information necessary in order to form a definite conclusion on this important question, and recommend that a Committee be appointed to correspond in the necessary quarters for the purpose of obtaining such information.

RESOLVED, That the report be accepted, and that Elders Crawley and Robinson be a Committee for that purpose.

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The Committee appointed to investigate the subject of Foreign Missions, reported, that Elder R. E. Burpe had been chosen by the Committee appointed the last year by the Associations of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, as a suitable person for a Foreign Missionary; that he is now receiving an education at Queen's College, Nova Scotia, preparatory to the work, and recommend that one half the expenses attending his preparation be paid out of the Foreign Missionary Funds of this Province, the other half to be provided by the Association of Nova Scotia.

RESOLVED, That the report be accepted, and that Elders Crawley and Robinson be a Committee to make an estimate of the sum necessary for that purpose.

RESOLVED, That Elders Miles, Robinson, and Masters, the Honorable W. B. Kinnear, C. D. Everitt, and Z. Estey, be a Foreign Missionary Board for this Province, that Z. Estey be Secretary and Treasurer, and that all money raised for Foreign Missionary purposes be forwarded to the Treasurer.

Whereas the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Magazine was formerly undertaken by the Missionary Societies of both Provinces for their mutual benefit, which Societies are accountable for any debt which may have accrued in conducting the said periodical; and whereas the said Magazine was of great service in aiding the Missionary cause, by the diffusion of religious knowledge and intelligence; and whereas sums of money received for the Magazine were paid into the Missionary Funds of both Provinces during the publication of that periodical, and as a debt now remains due of about £86 in consequence of arrears unpaid, and the Nova Scotia Missionary Society have assumed that debt, and now look to the Society of this Province to unite with them in discharging the same:

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer of the New Brunswick Missionary Board be directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Nova Scotia Society an equal portion of the debt with the Society of Nova Scotia.

The following persons pledging themselves that the amount should be returned to the Board on or before the first day of January next:

S. Robinson.	J. Estabrooks.
Zebulon Estey.	J. Ring.
John Smith.	J. T. Smith.
J. Currey.	Henry Blakslee.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

A Sermon was preached at 7 o'clock in the evening by Elder Thompson, from Luke v. 12 & 13.

WEDNESDAY, July 8, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment, when a Sermon was preached by Mr. Chipman, one of the Professors of Queen's College, N. S., after which the business of the Association was resumed.

RESOLVED, That Elders David Harris and David Crandall be a Committee to meet the Church and Elder Walker at Hopewell, and enquire into the cause of the charges made by that Church against Mr. Walker, and report thereon at the next Association.

The Committee appointed to investigate the subject of Sabbath Schools, presented the following report:—

The Committee recommend to the Association the adoption of the suggestion of the Nova Scotia Association, for the formation of a Sabbath School Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick on the fundamental principles following, viz: That there be such union of both Provinces with two branches of the same, one for each Province, with their respective Officers, periods of meeting, and depository. That the same amounts shall constitute membership in both, and that the Members of one Branch shall be Members of the other, and entitled to vote at the annual Meetings; and it is recommended as important, that when competent persons can be found, a general Sabbath School Agent shall be employed by each Society to travel in the Provinces, obtain funds and impart general information, and to assist in the formation of Sabbath Schools; and that in accordance with these principles, the Association recommend the following constitution for the said union:

“1st. That a Society be formed for promoting Sabbath School instruction, to be called the Sabbath School Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to comprise a Branch Union for each Province.

“2nd. That any person subscribing 5s. annually shall be a member of the said union and of each of its branches, and that a donation of 50s. shall constitute the donor a life member, and a donation of £5 shall constitute the donor a life Director of the said union and branches, and that the funds particularly contributed to each branch shall be subject to the control of the officers of such branch.

“3rd. That the Meeting of the New Brunswick Branch shall take place annually, at the same place where the Association shall meet in each year on the Wednesday of the same week, when a Sermon on behalf of the said Branch shall be annually preached.

“4th. That the officers of the New Brunswick Branch shall consist of a President, two Vice Presidents, Board of Directors and Committee, together with a Secretary, who may also be Treasurer and Depositor, to be appointed from year to year at the annual meeting of the Branch, except such life Directors as may become such in manner aforesaid.

“5th. That the Depository shall be kept at Saint John, in a suitable place, to be obtained by the Committee.

6th. That the Committee shall not consist of less than five nor more than nine person, besides the Presidents, Vice President and Secretary, who shall be members of the Committee, *ex officio*, and it

shall be their business to conduct the general affairs of the Society, and especially to take care that the Depository be constantly supplied with suitable Books to the extent of the funds of the Society, which Committee shall meet twice in the year, or oftener if necessary, at the Society's Depository.

"7th. That all members contributing to the New Brunswick Branch shall be entitled to receive one half of their respective subscriptions in books, and to purchase any further amount of books at cost and charges.

"8th. That the surplus funds shall be employed under the direction of the Committee, in aid of such Sabbath Schools in New Brunswick as may require pecuniary assistance."

RESOLVED, That the report be adopted, and that the following persons be the office-bearers for the ensuing year:—

Elder Joseph Crandall, *President.*

Elder S. Robinson,

Hon. W. B. Kinnear, } *Vice Presidents.*

George Garrison, *Secretary, Treasurer and Depositor.*

Zebulon Estey,

John Smith,

C. D. Everitt,

J. Bunting,

J. T. Smith,

Z. G. Gable,

John Currey,

} *Committee.*

RESOLVED, That Elder W. H. Beckwith be appointed the Agent in New Brunswick.

RESOLVED, That the Association request the Committee of the Education Society to expend, during the ensuing year, the sum of £60, towards educating young men aiming at the Ministry of the Gospel, provided that amount be now secured by individuals present. The following persons then pledged themselves to collect the sums opposite their names for that purpose:—

<i>Saint John</i> —S. Robinson and J. Drake,	£10 0 0
<i>Charlotte</i> —A. D. Thompson and — Russell,	10 0 0
<i>Fredericton</i> —J. T. Smith,	10 0 0
<i>Saint Martins</i> —George Brown and A. Lockhart,	10 0 0
<i>Maugerville</i> —J. Magee,	5 0 0
<i>Canning</i> —Jarvis Estabrooks and J. Currey,	5 0 0
<i>Saint Martins</i> —D. Crandall,	5 0 0
William Sears was requested to collect in Westmorland	
the sum of	5 0 0
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RESOLVED, That no part of the sum mentioned in the foregoing Resolution be applied towards the maintenance of persons except

such as are duly licenced to preach agreeably to the Resolution of this Association.

RESOLVED, That John T. Smith and William S. Estey, be requested to superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that twelve hundred copies be printed and circulated among the Churches with as little delay as possible.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Association are due to the Church and Congregation at Saint Martins for their attention during the Session—for their hospitality and kindness—and for their liberal contributions for religious purposes.

The Session closed by prayer.

The following requests are made in order that a correct register of the ordination of Ministers, organization of Churches, &c. in connection with this Association, may be kept:

1st. All ordained Ministers are requested to state in a Letter to the Association next year the date of their ordination.

2nd. All Licentiates to present or forward a copy of their Licence.

3rd. The Churches to state in their Letters the date of their organization.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

The Elders and Brethren to the Churches, send Christian Salutation—Grace be to you and peace from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

In our last annual epistle we addressed you on the importance of sending the Gospel to every creature,—in our present we purpose to direct you to the proper means to insure success in so glorious a work.

And first it should be borne in mind that the Kingdom of Christ is not of this world, but is spiritual, the members of which must be supernaturally prepared in order to answer their high calling. It is important also that you should be fully aware of the impossibility of the failure of the great Head of the Church in the accomplishment of all His Divine purposes. Our infinitely Glorious Lord is not dependant on the feeble efforts of finite worms, but on His own Almighty power, having obtained eternal redemption for all the objects of His love. As our great High Priest He presents, in view of the Divine attributes, His finished work; and as the King eternal, immortal and invisible, the only wise God, He employs His wisdom and puts forth His Almighty power, by which he overrules all the deep laid schemes of Satan, and all the combined power of wicked men, cutting off his enemies with the sound that proceedeth out of his mouth, and breaking the nations with his rod of iron—thus preparing the way for the accomplishment of the Divine pur-

pose in saving and glorifying the vessels of mercy. Thus you may see dear Brethren, that in order to proceed successfully you must move correctly according to the original plan plainly written in the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make us wise unto Salvation through faith in Christ Jesus, revealed by the Holy Spirit.

We may indeed be very successful in propagating a spurious Christianity, as has been the case with others in times that are past, and we fear is too much the case at the present day,—but with such services God is not well pleased; the heart is required, yea the whole heart, not a carnal but a new heart, in which the Holy Spirit has written the Law of God. For the finished work of Christ being a complete satisfaction to all the demands of the Holy Law, the Holy Spirit marvellously forms the new man, so that if any man be in Christ he is a new creature—thus a foundation is laid which cannot fail of success. How cheering is that promise, “Lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world, yea until all that the Father has given are gathered into the fold.” The Holy Spirit will not fail to fulfil all the promises our Lord has made to His beloved Church in accomplishing all that mighty work of regenerating and sanctifying lost and perishing sinners, purifying their hearts by faith in Christ.

Under the influence of such spiritual grace we shall be able to contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the Saints. If the Baptist Churches are to be the honored means of advancing Christ’s spiritual kingdom, then the members must not be carnally but spiritually minded, and come out from the world as the Lord has commanded, “Come out from among them my people, having no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness,—the secret of the Lord is only with them that fear him.”

When our Lord came into the world to accomplish the great work of our redemption, a small number only were prepared to receive him; and now when the time must be near at hand for his second coming, can we not easily perceive that the slumbering world is saying, where is the promise of his coming. A faithful minister of Christ cannot introduce a subject more offensive to his audience generally than to treat on the second coming of Christ; true most people are in expectation of an increase of members to their Society, or Churches as they are called, and are making pompous aggrandizements preparing for a protracted millenium,—and so were the descendants of Abraham in great expectation of a Messiah who would extend the Kingdom of Israel over the whole earth,—but how great was their disappointment in Jesus of Nazareth. Be assured dear Brethren that a greater disappointment shall take place when our Lord shall come, for he is not slack concerning his promise.—Behold the Judge standeth at the door; there are many visible signs all foretold in the Holy Scriptures all as with a warning voice saying to a Gentile world, “prepare to

meet thy God." The Holy Scriptures have been circulated—the Gospel has been preached to many nations—and the voice of Christ in His Church in this day is as the sound of many waters.

The judgments of the Lord are also abroad in the earth; what awful destruction by the elements both by sea and land.—False systems of Religion, denying the convicting and converting power and sanctifying influence of the Holy Spirit, without which no soul can be saved,—denying the personal resurrection and ascension of the very body of Christ; many being ignorant of the righteousness of God, are going about to establish a righteousness of their own,—all these and many more are striking indications that the coming of the Lord is at hand.

And now beloved, you will enquire what is to be done. We answer, learn your duty from the commands of our Lord and the doctrine and example of the Apostles, and give up the tradition of uninspired men, and as you advance in the Christian duty you will find it all pleasant and practicable; your spiritual strength will be renewed, you will find that through Christ you can do all things; you will obtain repeated victories over the old man of sin that dwells in you, and all your duty will become pleasant; you will hold frequent communion with your dear Lord in secret, and your family altar will not be neglected; you will delight to walk in all the ordinances of the Lord blameless, and take a deep interest in the peace and prosperity of the Church of God; you will contribute freely of your worldly goods, distributing to the necessity of Saints; you will pity and weep over a lost and perishing world of sinners, and use all reasonable means to lead them to Christ; your anxious souls will be waiting at wisdom's door, watching and desiring the coming of your Lord, saying, Come Lord Jesus come quickly.

*List of Ministers in connection with the New Brunswick
Baptist Association.*

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- * Joseph Crandall, (Moderator.)
- * F. W. Miles, (Principal of the Seminary.)
- * C. Tupper.
- * Lothrop Hammond.
- * Samuel Robinson.
- * John Masters.
- * David Harris.
- * James Blakeney.
- * T. W. Saunders.
- * William Sears.
- * James Stevens, (removed to Nova Scotia.)
- Titus Stone.
- * Michael Doyle.
- * D. J. Chace.
- * Thomas Magee.
- * Samuel Bancroft.
- * James Tozer.
- * J. C. Skinner.
- * A. D. Thompson.
- Benjamin Coy.
- William Pulcifer.
- * W. H. Beckwith.
- John Magee.
- Charles Thorne.
- Peter Sprague.
- John Mann, (removed to Nova Scotia.)

LICENTIATES.

- E. Harris.
- W. A. Troop.
- John M'Connel.
- George Rigby.
- William Rideout.
- Joseph Catharine.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY.

- R. E. Burpe.

Those distinguished by (*) are licenced to solemnize Marriage, agreeably to an Act of the Assembly of the Province.

The Fredericton Missionary Board, in account current with W. S. Estey, Treasurer.

1839.		DR.	
July 30.	Paid Elder John Magee, 3 weeks Mission, @ 20s.		£3 0 0
	Expenses in County of Carleton,		0 11 9
Sept. 12.	“ Elder James Blakeney, 4 weeks Mission, @ 30s.		•6 0 0
	Expenses at Little River, Sunbury,		•0 5 0
Oct. 22.	“ Elder Thomas Magee, Missionary Labour and expenses, in the County of Carleton,		.6 2 8
	“ Elder James Blakeney, 6 weeks Mission, @ 30s.		9 0 0
	Expenses at Sunbury,		0 3 10
Nov. 19.	“ Elder John Mann, 4 weeks Mission, @ 20s.		4 0 0
	Expenses, County of York,		0 7 8
8.	“ John M'Connell, 4 weeks Mission, Oromocto, @ 20s.		4 0 0
	“ Elder Skinner, for Missionary Labour, Queen's County,		6 0 0
Dec. 17.	“ Elder John Mann, Missionary Labour, County of York,		4 5 11
	“ Elder Michael Doyle, Missionary Labour, Oromocto,		4 10 0
1840.			
January 2.	“ Elder D. J. Chace, Missionary Labour, County of Carleton,		13 4 3
	“ Elder James Blakeney, Sunbury,		9 0 0
	“ Elder Beckwith, for Missionary Labour,		1 0 0
Feb. 25.	“ Elder M. Doyle, 4 weeks Missionary Labour, Oromocto,		6 0 0
	“ Elder J. Blakeney, through the Canning Missionary Society,		7 11 0
	“ John M'Connell, Missionary Labour, Miramichi,		2 8 6
	“ Elder Thomas Saunders, Missionary Labour, Oromocto,		3 15 0
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,		24 2 7

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1839.			
July 12.	By balance in hand,	£34 7 8	
	By Cash received from the Treasurer of the General Board,	5 18 2½	
Aug. 12.	James P. A. Phillips' donation, Fredericton,	5 0 0	
	Collections in the Baptist Meeting House,	1 19 0	
30.	Collected by Elder John Magee,	1 3 4	
Sept. 12.	“ by Elder J. Blakeney,	2 10 8	
Oct. 22.	“ by “ John Mann,	0 6 2	
	“ by “ J. Blakeney,	3 8 0	
	“ by “ J. Mann, from Cardigan M. Society,	1 4 9½	
	“ by “ John Mann,	0 7 6	
Nov. 8.	“ by John M'Connell,	2 14 4	
Dec. 17.	“ by “ John Mann,	0 15 2	
	“ by “ Michael Doyle,	2 2 6	
1840:			
Jan. 2.	“ by Elder D. J. Chace,	6 5 7	
	“ by “ James Blakeney,	2 8 1½	
	Received from S. B. Smith, Kesway Creek, quarterly collection at the Meeting,	0 19 6	
	Received from S. B. Smith, Miss. Society, Keswick Creek,	3 4 9	
	Do. from Nathan Smith, Nashwaak,	0 5 0	
	Do. from Mrs. Flether, Nashwaak,	0 2 6	
	Do. from S. B. Smith, Miss. Society, Keswick Creek,	0 19 5	
	Collection at the Quarterly Meeting at Prince William, in September, 1839,	2 11 6	
	Collection at the Quarterly Meeting at Waterbury, 1839,	1 10 0	
Feb. 25.	Collected by M. Doyle,	3 15 7	
	M. Doyle's donation,	1 10 0	
July 3.	Female Mite Society, Jacksontown,	5 2 6	
6.	Ladies in Woodstock,	1 10 0	
4.	Received from the Missionary Society, Prince William,	7 18 7	
	Do. from Miss Jane Estey, Douglas,	1 1 6	
	Do. from Missionary Society, Kingsclear,	3 6 7	
	Do. from Female Mite Society, Fredericton,	2 5 0	
	Collected by Elder Thomas Saunders, on Mission,	0 15 10	
	by John M'Connell,	0 9 3½	
	Received from the Canning Society, paid Elder J. Blakeney,	7 11 0	
		£115 9 7	

Balance in Treasurer's hands, £24 2 7

Fredericton, July 1, 1840.

W. S. ESTEY, Treasurer.

P. S. The Missionary Accounts from Canning and Waterborough have not been received.

W. S. E.

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

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1840.	DR.		
May 7.	Paid Elder Samuel Bancroft for twelve weeks Missionary Labour, @ 30s.	£18 0 0	
June 13.	Paid Elder Samuel Bancroft for six weeks Missionary Labour, @ 30s. Expenses while on Mission, Balance in Treasurer's hands,	9 0 0 0 3 6 7 5 5½	
			£34 8 11½

1839.	CR.		
July 6.	By balance from last year's Account,	£7 5 5	
9.	Cash received from the Treasurer of the General Board, Collected in Saint John, by John Smith,	5 18 2½ 0 10 0	
Aug. 5.	From Mrs. Estey, Treasurer of the Mite Society,	2 7 4½	
Sep. 11.	Collected at Missionary Meeting, Saint John,	4 1 5½	
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May 7.	Collected by Elder Bancroft, while on Mission,	8 16 0	
June 13.	“ by Elder Bancroft, while on Mission, From Mrs. Estey, Treasury of the Mite Society,	3 0 6 2 10 0	
			£34 8 11½
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	£7 5 5½	

JOHN SMITH, Treasurer.

Saint John, 5th July 1840.

*The Missionary Board in the County of Charlotte, in account with
the Treasurer.*

	DR.		
	Paid Elder M'Gee for Missionary Labour,	£6 0 0	
	“ William Rideout,	3 0 0	
	“ George Rigby,	3 0 0	
	“ Elder M'Gee,	6 0 0	
	“ Ditto.	3 0 0	
	“ William Rideout,	0 17 3½	
	“ George Rigby,	0 17 3½	
			£22 14 7

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	Received from the Church at Saint George,	£5 1 10	
	“ 1st Church at Saint Patrick,	2 10 4	
	“ 2nd Church at ditto,	0 0 0	
	“ 1st Church at Saint Andrews,	4 4 3	
	“ 2nd Church at ditto,	1 17 9	
	“ the Church at Saint David,	4 5 0	
	Contributions at different times,	4 15 5	
			£22 14 7

WM. TURNER, Treasurer.

*The Baptist Missionary Board in Westmorland, in account with
the Treasurer.*

1839.	DR.		
July 9.	Paid Elder J. Blakeney, for Missionary Labour, Balance in Treasurer's hands carried forward,	£4 15 9 23 2 0½	
			£27 17 9½
1839.	CR.		
July 3.	By balance from last year's Account,	£21 5 0	
31.	Amount received from the Treasurer of the General Board, Collected by J. M'Connel,	5 18 2½ 0 14 7	
			£27 17 9½

By balance in the Treasurer's hands, £23 2 0

June 30, 1840.

WARREN PERRIGO, Treasurer.

P. S. The sum of £2 8s. received from the Treasurer of the General Board in July, 1838, was included in the sum of £10 11 3 entered in my account for 1839. W. P.

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*The N. B. Baptist General Missionary Board, in account with
J. T. Smith, Treasurer.*

1839.	DR.		
July 11.	To amount paid for postage on Missionary Correspondence,	£0	2 4
28.	“ “ “ “		0 4 2
Aug. 20.	“ amount paid J. Simpson for printing the Minutes,	12	0 0
	“ “ for binding the Minutes,		1 10 0
July 10.	Paid over to the five Local Boards, each £5 18 2,	29	10 10
	Paid the Rev. S. Robinson, Messenger to Nova Scotia Association,		8 0 0
			<hr/> £51 7 4

1839.	CR.		
July 10.	By balance from last year's Account,	£0	19 4½
	“ amount received from the Treasurer of the Association, being amount collected during the Session,	50	3 5
	Balance due the Treasurer,		0 4 6½
			<hr/> £51 7 4

JOHN T. SMITH, *Secretary & Treasurer.*

*. The sum of £5 18 2 paid over to the Charlotte County Board by the Treasurer of the General Board in July, 1839, and the balance, 10s. 9d., in hand by that Board last year, are not credited in the Account of this year; the Treasurer of that Board will please explain the cause of those omissions in the next year's Account.

J. T. S.

Digest of the several Missionary Accounts for the past year.

Collected at the Association in July, 1839, and paid over to the Treasurer of the General Board,	£50	3 5	
Collected by the Board in Fredericton,	75	3 8½	
“ “ Saint John,	21	5 3½	
“ “ Charlotte,	22	14 7	
“ “ Westmorland,	0	14 7	
Total amount collected during the year,			£170 1 7
Balances on hand last year,			
By the Treasurer of the General Board,	£0	19 4½	
“ “ Fredericton Board,	34	7 8	
“ “ Saint John Board,	7	5 5	
“ “ Westmorland Board,	21	5 0	
Advanced this year by the Treasurer of the General Board,	0	4 6½	
			<hr/> £64 2 0
			<hr/> £234 3 7
Amount expended,			
By the General Board,	£21	16 6	
“ Fredericton Board,	91	7 0	
“ Saint John Board,	27	3 6	
“ Charlotte Board,	22	14 7	
“ Westmorland Board,	4	15 9	
			<hr/> £167 16 4
Balances on hand this year,			
By the Fredericton Board,	£24	2 7	
“ Saint John Board,	7	5 5½	
“ Westmorland Board,	23	2 0	
			<hr/> £54 9 0½
Advances last year by the General Board, and not accounted for this year,			
To the Charlotte Board,	£5	18 2½	
“ Miramichi Board,	5	18 2½	
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J. T. SMITH,

Secretary & Treasurer of the General Board.

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APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

AT the sixth Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society, held at Saint Martins, County of Saint John, on the 7th July, 1840, the following Report was presented by the Committee, and Resolutions adopted by the Society:—

The Committee of Management beg to avail themselves of this, the sixth anniversary Meeting of the Society, to bring before it some of the principal circumstances which have transpired in relation to the interests of the Society during the past year; in doing which, while they can congratulate the Society on the improved aspect of its financial affairs, they are obliged to notice some circumstances in intimate connection with the prosperity of the Institution at Fredericton of a tendency to awaken much apprehension and anxiety as to their ultimate effect.

During the first Term after the last anniversary meeting of the Society, the male department of the School was continued to be conducted by the Reverend Mr. Tupper, and the female department by Mrs. Hartt (formerly Miss Brown), who had taught that School for some years before; but the return of the Reverend Mr. Miles from England in October last enabled him to resume the charge as principal, in which he continued about six months, when he was compelled by ill health to retire from his labors; the male School has consequently declined to some extent, but by the exertions of Mr. Hartt, the assistant Teacher, the School has been kept up and its usefulness less materially affected than could have been expected.

The Committee, being deeply sensible of the importance of having the Institution supplied with efficient and properly qualified Teachers, have spared no pains since its first commencement to procure persons of that description, and view the continued illness of the Rev. Mr. Miles with much uneasiness, and now most earnestly implore Almighty God that his invaluable life may be spared, and his usefulness long continued to the Institution; and desire to recommend to the Society and Churches generally, that their prayers may not be wanting for so desirable an object.

The female School has been conducted for the last three Terms by Miss Bennett, a lady employed by Mr. Miles when in England,

and is in a very prosperous state. The capabilities of Miss Bennett as a Teacher appear to be generally acknowledged and appreciated.

The number of pupils in both departments have been fully equal to that of any preceding year,—the Register for the last Term of the past year shewing the number of 69 in actual attendance. No pains or exertions have been spared by the Teachers to make themselves useful to their pupils, but in consequence of the illness of Mr. Miles the public examination was dispensed with at the close of the last Term, which the Committee much regret, as the interest attending such exhibitions and the stimulus afforded to the pupils by the approbation of parents and friends who may visit them have much good effect.

With respect to the Rev. Mr. Miles' agency in England the Committee remark, that although the pecuniary affairs of the Society may not have been relieved to the extent expected by some, they fully believe that his visit will prove highly beneficial to the Institution, inasmuch as the feelings of persons in England deeply interested in the grand cause of education have been enlisted in behalf of the Education Society in this Province, and such arrangements made as will enable the Society to obtain Books and Teachers when required for the Institution. The expenses of Mr. Miles' agency amounted to £250 13 4; the amount collected by him, exclusive of a special donation for a Library, amounted to £415 11s. leaving a nett balance at the disposal of your Committee of £164 17 8.

A grant of £500 was made by the Legislature at its last Session without a dissentient voice in either Branch, by which the financial state of the Society has been greatly improved, and individuals who had made large advances to the Institution much relieved. The harmonious and unanimous manner in which the appropriation was made by the several Branches of the Legislature was even more pleasing to the Committee than the amount of assistance received; and it must be peculiarly gratifying to the friends of the Institution to find, that notwithstanding much difference of opinion prevailed among the several Members of the Legislature during previous discussions of this subject, that by a steady effort on the part of the Society to sustain the Institution, and a strict adherence to the professed principles upon which it was established, all seem now convinced that the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society has aimed at nothing more than to assist in the diffusion of sound and useful instruction through the Province, and that the operations of their plan has proved highly and generally beneficial.

The Committee now annex a full statement of the Accounts of the Society, made up to the 1st instant, shewing a balance due of £772 17 10, out of which a balance of about £60 due on Tuition to be deducted, leaving the real amount of debt £712 17 10, this is sum somewhat exceeds the amount contemplated by the Committee

in their report of last year, owing to their not being able at that time to make up an exact statement of the Accounts, some lists of donations &c. not being received.

The request of last year that the several Churches in the Province would raise a small sum in aid of the Institution, has not been responded to except by the Churches at Northesk and Blissfield, in Miramichi, and those named in the last year's report.

The sum of £90 only has been collected in the Province during the past year, and principally by the Rev. Mr. Beckwith.

The Society will perceive by these statements that no general effort has been made since your last annual Meeting to liquidate the debt now due on the Institution, and that the Committee have been subjected to the payment of a large sum of interest for another year, which with the cost of insurance, deficiency in Teachers Salaries, and other contingent expenses has unavoidably increased the amount of debt.

The Committee in adhering to the opinion expressed in their former reports, that the general objects of the Society could not be fully accomplished and the debt liquidated without the assistance of an efficient agent to travel through the Province urging the claims of the Institution and soliciting aid in its behalf, induced in October last the Rev. Mr. Beckwith to commence such an undertaking, but after spending a short time in that capacity he was compelled by the pressure of other duties to abandon it for a time, and has not been since able to resume it. From Mr. Beckwith's efficiency as an agent, and the encouragement received by him during the short period in which he acted in that capacity, the Committee feel confident that could he have prosecuted the agency as was contemplated, the principal part of the debt might have been before this time collected; indeed they are of opinion that could the services of a suitable agent have been obtained some years ago for a period of twelve months, the whole of the balance due might have been collected, and the payment of large sums as interest avoided.

In connexion with the Providence by which the Institution has been deprived of the services of the Rev. Mr. Miles, the Committee have to deplore another very serious loss in the removal by death of one of their most valuable and influential members, Mr. George Miles, of Maugerville, but looking to the favorable indications of that power by whom all things consist, already evinced in the removal of many difficulties that have at times threatened the welfare of your Society and its Institution, they cannot but feel assured that so long as the members of the Society continue true to their principles and act in accordance with their duty, His special regard will not be withdrawn, and a way will be opened through which their present losses will be made up.

There are two objects in relation to the Institution upon the

accomplishment of which its future prospects very much depend, and these the Committee beg most particularly to urge upon the Board of Directors and the members of the Society. The first is to raise a sum sufficient for the payment of the balance due by the Society,—the other is to increase the number of pupils at the Seminary, and thereby ensure to the public the advantages contemplated and enable the Committee to meet the Salaries of a sufficient number of competent Teachers. Let those two objects have the attention their importance demand and the Institution must become a blessing to the Province, but so long as they are neglected the Institution will be embarrassed in all its operations and its usefulness greatly diminished. While a debt is allowed to hang upon it imaginary difficulties are added to those that are real, the Society is discouraged and its energies weakened; but let that debt be once fully paid off and the whole energies of the Society directed to the immediate operations of the Institution and it cannot but succeed. Although the Committee believe that these objects cannot be fully accomplished without the aid of a regular agent, still they suggest that much may be done by the Office Bearers, Board of Directors, and individual members of the Education Society in the several parts of the Province where they reside.

By the Constitution of the Society all the regularly ordained Ministers in connexion with the Baptist denomination are Members of the Society and of the Board of Directors, beyond this there are no tests of Membership save the payment of twenty shillings annually, or a donation of ten pounds at once,—any persons complying with either of these prerequisites becomes a Member of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society, no matter what his religious creed may be, and is entitled to a voice in all the business of the Society. The Seminary was however established principally under the direction and patronage of the Baptist denomination, although some assistance has been received from other sects of the Christian Church,—and notwithstanding its management has been entrusted to the care of a Committee, still efforts beyond those exerted by seven persons, members of that Committee, are required to sustain it. The Institution has claims upon the public generally for support, inasmuch as its advantages are open alike to all; but it has special claims upon the Baptist as a denomination, they being more immediately identified with its establishment, and these claims should be felt and responded to by them as a body.

Since the Seminary has been in operation about twenty young persons have been qualified within its walls as School Teachers and are now engaged in the useful employment of instructing the youth in the different parts of the Province, many more have been qualified for other useful avocations.

No large sacrifices or extraordinary efforts are required in order that the Institution may be sustained; by a moderate but united

effort it may be kept in operation, its interests duly attended to, and the objects for which it was established fully secured.

The liberal grant from the Legislature this year should not cause the friends of the Institution to relax in their exertions, but should rather excite such additional efforts as shall render it increasingly useful, that an abundant return may be made for the public funds received.

The Committee cannot close their report without again urging the claims of the Institution upon the attention of the Society, feeling confident that the Legislature will continue to grant such assistance from time to time as the exertions of the Society and the usefulness of the Institution may recommend.

JOHN T. SMITH,

Secretary of the Com. of Management.

RESOLVED, That the Report as read be adopted, and published in the usual way, under the directions of the Committee.

RESOLVED, That it is important to the interests of the Seminary that the balance of debt now due thereon be paid off, and that the grant recently made by the Legislature should be regarded as an additional incentive to vigorous effort for the accomplishment of this object, in order that the usefulness of the Institution may not be lessened by means of pecuniary embarrassment.

RESOLVED, That this Society are desirous of awakening a general interest in every part of a progressive system of education; that they have the highest concern for the increase and improvement of common Schools, as of essential importance to the mass of the community, and are no less assured that many should aim at Academical and Collegiate instruction; they are therefore anxious to press the fact, that each of these species of literary institutions exert a direct influence on every other;—the common Schools training for the Academies, and the Academies for Colleges, and the Colleges and Academies again furnishing suitable Teachers for the common Schools and preparing persons for professional and other avocations, and tending to arouse and regulate a proper feeling toward education in its important connection with religious and general interests.

RESOLVED, That this Society regard the exertions of the friends of education in Nova Scotia with deep interest, as tending in a high degree to religious and general improvement; and hail with joy the success which has attended the operations of the College and Academy established at Horton.

RESOLVED, That while this Society consider the Seminary at Fredericton as meriting the warmest support of the friends of education generally in this Province, they would recommend the College at Horton as a highly useful Institution of learning, and

would encourage such pious young men as desire to engage in the Christian Ministry and have adequate means, when they shall have completed the usual course of study at the Seminary in Fredericton, to endeavor, with a just regard to the Divine will, to seek the farther advantages of learning which are provided by that College.

RESOLVED, That this Society deeply lament the death of Mr. George Miles, one of the Members of the Committee of Management, by whose counsel, zeal and assiduity as a member of the Committee, and liberal donations, the interests of the Institution have been greatly promoted. The Society also regret the illness of the Reverend Mr. Miles, by which the Institution is deprived, for the present, of the labours of its principal, and the Committee of the assistance of an active and useful member; they however feel to acquiesce, with becoming submission, in the dispensations of God, and to trust in Him for direction.

RESOLVED, That Mr. S. W. Babbit be the assistant Secretary of the Society, in the place of Mr. E. Packard, resigned, and Elder S. Robinson a member of the Committee in the place of the late Mr. George Miles, deceased; the remainder of the Office bearers and Members of the Board of Directors and Committee of Management to remain the same as last year.

JOHN T. SMITH,
Secretary to the Society.

*The New Brunswick Baptist Education Society, in account with
the Managing Committee.*

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1838.			
July 1.	To balance due per Account published in July, 1837.	£1,008	0 0
	Paid Rev. R. E. Burpe's agency to collect money at Miramichi,	3	0 0
	“ for repairs and other contingent expenses for the past year,	10	1 4
	“ B. Gale's Account for plans of Building, specifications, &c. (omitted in former account),	10	0 0
	“ Rev. D. J. Chace's agency and expenses while collecting money to date,	26	18 8
	“ Rev. F. W. Miles' bal. of agency while collecting money,	2	4 0
	“ Insurance on Buildings for £1000, for one year from January last,	13	15 0
	“ Rev. F. W. Miles' salary for the past year,	200	0 0
	“ J. W. Hartt's salary for one year,	80	0 0
	“ Miss Brown's salary as principal of Female School for 1 year,	100	0 0
	Cost of fuel, &c. and attendance from open. of Seminary to date,	91	18 10½
	Over credit of amount of Tuition rendered in former Account,	1	7 9
	Amount of interest paid on balance due for one year to this date,	61	11 7
1839.			
Aug. 1.	Paid the expenses of Rev. F. W. Miles' agency to England,	250	13 4
	“ Insurance on £1000, for one year from January last,	14	0 0
	“ E. Ward's Account for printing,	6	0 0
	“ for repairs and other contingent expenses for the past year,	9	6 6½
	“ A. P. Miller's Account, for setting Glass, (omitted in former Account,)	7	19 3
	“ Rev. C. Tupper's salary for the past year,	200	0 0
	“ J. W. Hartt's salary for the past year,	100	0 0
	<i>Carried forward,</i>	2,196	16 4

Brought forward, £2,196 16 4

1839.		93 15 0
Aug. 1.	Paid Miss Brown's salary for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the year,	15 0 0
	“ for Books lost in importing,	70 14 2
	“ Interest on balance due for the past year,	27 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ for fuel and attendance for the past year,	
1840.		14 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
July 1.	Paid for repairs and other contingent expenses for the year,	20 5 0
	“ Insurance on £1000, for one year from the 6th April last,	50 0 0
	“ Rev. C. Tupper's salary for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the year,	100 0 0
	“ Rev. F. W. Miles' salary for $\frac{1}{2}$ the year,	112 10 0
	“ J. W. Hartt's salary for one year,	25 0 0
	“ Mrs. Hartt's salary for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the year,	83 6 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ Miss Bennett's salary for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the year,	7 10 0
	“ Miss Mackintosh's salary as Assistant Teacher for one Term,	30 0 0
	“ Miss Bennett's expenses from England,	
	“ Rev. W. H. Beckwith, on account of his agency in collect-	7 0 0
	ing money,	
	“ Expenses of Rev. D. J. Chace's agency from 1st August	19 17 9
	1837, to March, 1838,	15 11 6
	“ Cost of fuel and attendance for one year,	51 12 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ Interest on balance due from 1st August, 1839, to this date,	
		<u>£2,940 12 8</u>

To Balance due this date, £772 17 10

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By donations received from July, 1837, to 1st August, 1838,		£245 12 2
“ amount received for Tuition for the year ending 1st August, 1838,		126 7 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
“ amount received for charge on account of fuel and attendance from the opening of Institution to 1st Aug. 1838,		74 12 3
“ amount of donations received from 1st August, 1838, to 1st August, 1839,		184 11 0
“ amount received for Tuition for the year ending 1st August, 1839,		181 18 5
“ amount received for fuel and attendance, for the year ending 1st August, 1839,		24 9 8
“ amount received from the Baptist Church in Fredericton, towards the salary of the Rev. Chas. Tupper,		88 6 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
“ amount of donations received from 1st August, 1839, to 1st July, 1840,		84 11 10
“ amount received for Tuition for the past year,		177 5 4
“ amount received for fuel and attendance for the past year,		22 2 0
“ amount collected by Rev. Mr. Miles in England,		415 11 0
“ amount of grant from the Legislature,		500 0 0
“ amount collected by Rev. D. J. Chace in 1838, not entered before,		35 2 3
“ amount received from Kingsclear Church in June, 1839,		7 5 0

Balance carried forward,

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JOHN T. SMITH,
Secretary & Treasurer of the Committee.

July 1, 1840.

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