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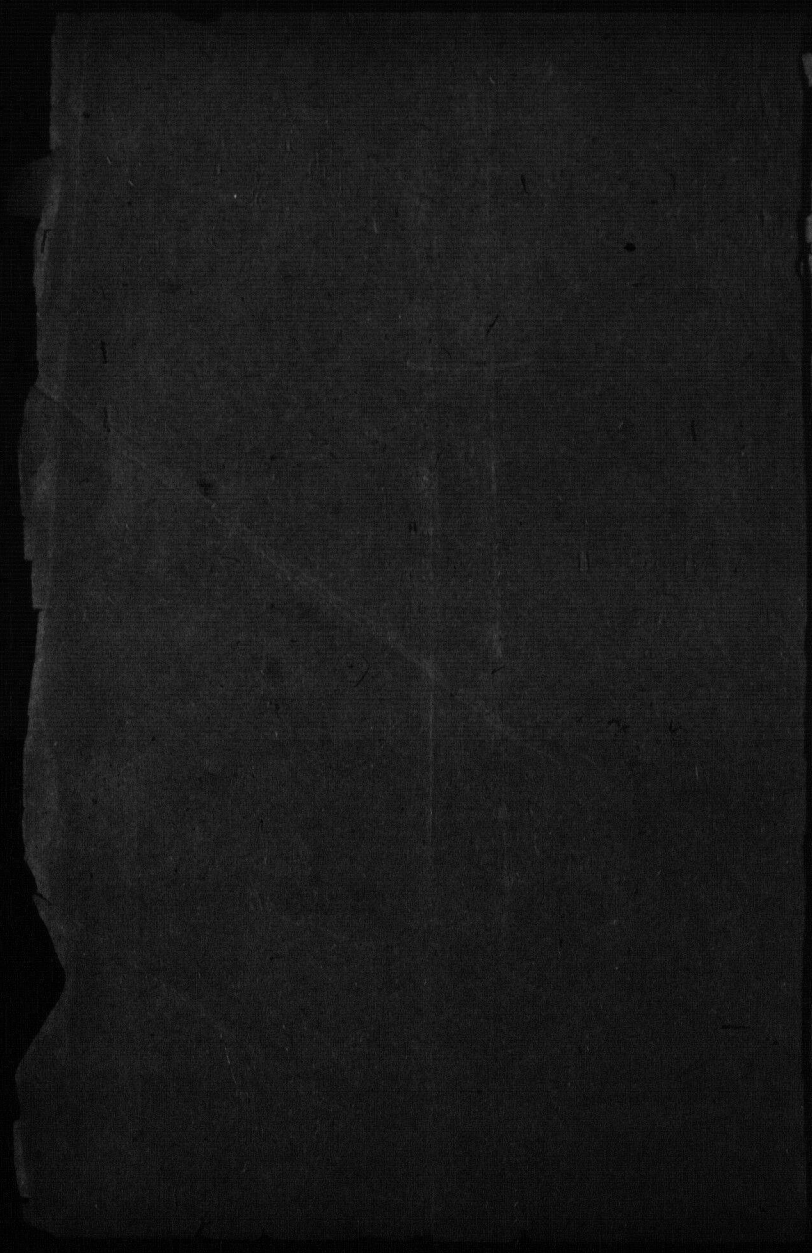
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## CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association shall consist of Delegates, representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those Churches, and shall be styled the "Western N. B. Baptist Association."

ARTICLE 2.—The objects of this Association shall be the collection of statistical and other information from the Churches, the cultivation of mutual acquaintance and fraternal union, the promotion of individual godliness, and the spiritual prosperity of the Churches; and, in the use of scriptural means, the enlargement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

ARTICLE 3.—The Association shall meet annually, at 2 o'clock, p. m., on the fourth Tuesday in June at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes, and in the denominational paper. The meeting shall be opened with Social Conference; after which the Officers and Committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

ARTICLE 4.—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one Delegate or more; but no church, however numerous, shall be entitled to a greater number than five; in addition to their Pastor.

ARTICLE 5.—At each meeting of the Association, the Delegates shall deliver to the Clerk of the preceding year, immediately on their arrival, the Letters from the Churches; a list of the Delegates having been prepared by the Clerk, their names shall be called, and they shall take their places. The Moderator of the preceding year shall call the vote for a Moderator by ballot, without nomination, and the person who shall be chosen by a majority of the members present, shall, upon his acceptance lead the meeting to the choice of a Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the transactions of the meeting, and maintain due order among the members. The Association shall appoint two Committees—one on Arrangements, and one to nominate all other Committees. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a fair and impartial record of all the doings of the Association during the session and furnish a correct copy for the press.

ARTICLE 6.—It shall be the duty of each church to send by its Messengers a letter to the Association, giving an account of its state, particularly of the addition and diminution within the last year; and generally, of whatever relates to its peace and prosperity, together with the whole number of members in communion. It shall also forward money for the printing of the Minutes.

ARTICLE 7.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of their faith and order; this being done, and a vote of acceptance taken, the Moderator shall, on behalf of the Association, give to one of their Messengers (if any be present) the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE 8.—When a church shall neglect to make any communication to the Association for three years successively, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members request its continuance, and shall engage to enquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE 9.—Although as an Association we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church or Minister in our connection, who to us shall appear to be unscriptural in principle, or irregular in practice. In order, however, that we may not withdraw our fellowship, without sufficient reason, from any Church or Minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the result of their enquiries to the Association, that they may decide a duty shall appear.

ARTICLE 10.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular session.

### Rules Of Order.

1. That each meeting be opened by prayer.
2. That motions be made and seconded according to parliamentary usage.
3. That no delegate speak more than twice to the same motion.
4. That every motion be written out and handed to the Clerk.
5. That motions which are lost be not recorded.
6. That invited members enjoy the privileges of delegates, except voting.
7. That these resolutions be read at each session.

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FREDERICTON,  
Friday, June 24th, 1892. }

The New Brunswick Western Baptist Association met in forty fifth annual session in the edifice of the 1st Baptist Church, Fredericton this day at 2.30 p. m.

The Moderator of 1891 called the meeting to order, and conducted a very refreshing christian conference; in which many fervent prayers were offered, and the voice of testimony frequently heard.

The following is the list of delegates in attendance:

- ANDOVER—H. G. Estabrooke B. A. (Lic.), H. C. Henderson B. A.  
BLISSFIELD—Wm. Swim.  
CAMBRIDGE 2ND—Geo. A. Wilson.  
CAMBRIDGE LOWER—Rev. A. B. McDonald, G. L. Coldwell, Dr. McDonald.  
CANNING AND SHEFFIELD—A. P. Thompson, T. Thompson.  
CENTREVILLE—Rev. T. Todd, Z. Sloat, F. G. Burt.  
CHIPMAN—Rev. W. E. McIntyre, B. A.  
FOREST GLEN—H. G. Estabrook.  
FREDERICTON—H. C. Creed M. A.; D. W. Estabrook, J. T. Clark, J. W. Tabor, Havelock Coy, Rev. F. D. Crawley, B. A.  
GAGETOWN UPPER—Rev. G. W. Springer, Capt. David Weston, Chas. Plummer, J. F. Hoben, Jas. Babbit.  
HAINSVILLE LOWER—Mrs. Alex. Allen.  
JACKSONTOWN—Mr. Wm. Tracey, Mrs. Tracey.  
JACKSONVILLE—F. E. Good, Jas. Good, Rev. B. H. Thomas.  
JEMSEG—Moses Dykeman, Mrs. C. B. Colwell.  
KINGSCLEAR 1ST—Deacon Judson Dunphy, Edgerton Everett, Mrs. Alf. Everett.  
KINGSCLEAR 2ND—H. Worden (Lic), G. Barker, A. Kelly, J. A. Mersereau.

- LUDLOW—Rev. J. A. Porter, A. R. Pond, S. Haney.  
 MACNAQUAC—Rev. S. D. Ervine, L. Patterson, G. W. Dykeman, J. F. Clark.  
 MAPLE GROVE—Rev. T. Todd.  
 MAUGERVILLE—G. C. Miles, Harry Harrison.  
 NASHWAAK—Rev. P. R. Knight.  
 NEWCASTLE, G. L.—John Robinson, R. Flower.  
 NEW JERUSALEM—Rev. J. W. Keirstead, Moses J. Moore.  
 NEW MARYLAND—Nehemiah Smith, Adam Noble.  
 NEW SALEM—Rev. J. A. Porter, Edw. Mersereau, Enoch Barnford.  
 PRINCE WM.—Deacon Phillip Hoyt.  
 QUEENSBURY UPPER—Hiram W. Clark, D. C. Parent.  
 ROCKLAND—Rev. J. C. Blakney, A. W. Estabrook, H. S. A. Belyea.  
 SALMON CREEK—W. C. King, Jas. King, Harry King.  
 SPRINGFIELD—Rev. S. D. Ervine, W. C. Gordon, Sherman Gordon.  
 SHEFFIELD 2nd—Mrs. G. T. Bailey.  
 ST. FRANCIS—Rev. C. Henderson.  
 WIGGINS COVE—H. Newton Wiggins.  
 WINDSOR—C. J. Connolly.  
 WOODSTOCK—W. Blackaller (Lic), Mrs. W. S. Saunders, Mrs. J. S. Archibald.  
 GIBSON—Thos. E. Babbit, A. D. Yerxa, W. Bradley, M. S. Hall, Rev. B. N. Nobles.

Eighty four delegates were enrolled. The following officers were elected for the year 1892-3.

- MODERATOR—Rev. A. B. McDonald.  
 CLERK—Rev. B. H. Thomas.  
 ASSIST. CLERK—Rev. S. D. Ervine.  
 TREASURER—M. S. Hall, Esq.

Committee on Arrangements was appointed:—Rev. F. D. Crawley, Rev. B. N. Nobles, J. T. Clark, Wm. Swim and H. C. Creed.

Also Committee to nominate all other committees:—Rev'd's W. E. McIntyre, P. R. Knight, J. C. Blakney; Bro's M. S. Hall and Moses Dykeman.

The following Brethren were invited to seats in our Association. Rev'd's Prof. E. M. Keirstead, M. A.; E. M. Saunders, D. D.; A. Cahoon, M. A.; Edw. Hickson, M. A.; A. K. DeBlois, Ph. D.; J. E. Day, D. D.; S. McCully Black, M. A.; C. H. Martell, B. A.; J. C. Archibald, B. A.; W. S. Stewart; F. C. Hartley, B. A.; Geo. Howard; J. Coombs; B. N. Hughes; J. H. Hughes.

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Vacancies in the Committees for 1892 were filled by vote of the Association.

Committee on Arrangements reported in part as follows:—

(a) We recommend that the hours of meeting be—morning, 9 to 12—afternoon, 2 to 5—evening, 8, and close at will.

(b) That the Associational sermon be preached on Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock.

(c) That there be a morning prayer-meeting from 6.30 to 7.30.

(d) That at the session this evening the Report on Education be presented and that addresses on Denominational Education be delivered by Rev. Prof. Keirstead of Acadia College and Rev. Prin. DeBlois of St. Martin's Seminary.

The report was adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. J. Coombs.

SECOND SESSION:

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Moderator took the chair at 8 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D.

The minutes of the afternoon meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Education reported through the chairman, Rev. W. E. McIntyre; addresses were then delivered by Prof. Keirstead and Dr. DeBlois before a large audience.

The choir furnished inspiring music.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. E. McIntyre.

THIRD SESSION.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Moderator took the chair and called on Rev. Edw. Hickson to offer the opening prayer.

The Treasurer of 1891 M. S. Hall submitted his report, which was on motion received and referred to finance and audit committee.

The Committee on Arrangements submitted their final report.

The section referring to appropriation of collections was changed so as to read, "that all collections be given to the Cary Centennial Memorial Fund." The portions of the report not disposed of were tabled pending further action. The report on Education was taken from the table and after remarks by Rev. J. Coombs, Bro. H. C. Creed and others it was adopted.

After other business of a routine character was transacted, Association adjourned after prayer.

## FOURTH SESSION.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Moderator took the chair, Rev. J. C. Bleakney offering the opening prayer.

The Association adjourned to give place to the meeting of the Annuity Association.

At the close of the Annuity meeting the Association resumed and adjourned in usual form after prayer by Rev. T. Todd.

## FIFTH SESSION.

## SATURDAY EVENING.

The Association resumed business after prayer was offered by Rev. S. McC. Black of St. John.

The chairman of Committee on Home Missions; Rev. M. P. King submitted the report which was tabled.

The platform meeting in the interest of Home Missions was held, addressed by:—Rev. A. Cahoon and Rev. J. W. S. Young.

After the public meeting further business was transacted.

The Report on Home Missions was taken from the table and passed.

The following preambles and resolution were submitted by Rev. W. E. McIntyre.

*Whereas*:—The Baptist Convention of the Maritime provinces has grown to large proportions, thereby diminishing the interest in the various departments of denominational work.

*And whereas*:—There are many local interests that properly concern each province, with which residents alone are best qualified to deal.

*Therefore Resolved*:—That it is expedient and desirable in the opinion of this Association that the Baptists of New Brunswick should organize in separate Convention in order to carry out more efficiently the wishes and policy of our churches in the further extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom in our land.

The foregoing was discussed by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, M. S. Hall, Dr. Saunders, Prof. Kierstead, T. Todd, M. P. King, J. Coombs, A. B. MacDonald, B. H. Thomas and others.

The Association by vote decided that the whole matter lie on the table for one year.

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The Moderator asked to be excused as circumstances made it necessary for him to leave Town

Rev. Thos. Todd presided as acting Moderator during the remainder of the Associational gathering.

Adjourned at 11.15 P. M.

Benediction by Rev. Prof. Kierstead.

LORD'S DAY; JUNE 26th.

The Lord's Day Services in the Baptist Church were decidedly in the interests of Foreign Missions.

At 11 A. M. Rev. B. N. Nobles of Gibson preached the Associational Sermon.

The text was the parable of the grain of mustard seed: Matt. xiii. 31-32; the Preacher said:—The thought of Christ as expressed in this parable was that His religion, notwithstanding the unfavorable circumstances under which it originated and the unlikelihood of its ever attaining large proportions, was to prosper until it should overshadow all others and become the religion for mankind.

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock the large audience room of the Baptist Church was again filled.

The service was in charge of the Sisters of the W. B. M. U. Mrs. Wm. Allwood of St. John presiding.

Most excellent papers were read by Mrs. R. H. Phillips, Mrs. F. D. Crawley, Mrs. C. H. Martell.

The programme was suitably interspersed with music.

The evening service was attended by a throng of people.

Rev. W. J. Stewart, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, was the preacher.

Bro. Stewart took as the basis of his remarks a passage in the third chapt. of Titus.

SIXTH SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING.

The Association resumed business after prayer by Rev. W. J. Stewart of St. John.

By unanimous vote the clerk was advised to make a separate minute of the very interesting Sabbath Services held in the Baptist Church.

Revs. T. Todd and B. H. Thomas were elected members of the Board of Directors of the Union Baptist Educational Society.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance was read by Rev. Dr. Day, and disposed of clause by clause, the following brethren taking part in the discussion—J. Coombs, M. S. Hall, B. N. Nobles, Dr. Day, B. N. Hughes, H. C. Creed.

The Association decided to publish 500 copies of the minutes.

Rev. S. D. Ervine moved the following:—"Resolved that the Western Baptist Association of N. B. expresses it as its opinion that the proposed system of giving Dominion Grants to various denominations on a per capita basis for Mission work among the Northwest Indians; is unwise and unsound as an economic principle and should not be carried into effect.

Holding as we do to the principle of entire separation of church and state we hereby urge upon the notice of the Dominion Government the danger of leading christian bodies into a jealous conflict over their respective rights and claims for their mission schools."

After discussion by W. E. McIntyre, S. McC. Black, J. C. Archibald, Dr. Saunders, and B. N. Hughes, carried unanimously.

B. H. Thomas introduced the following which was passed unanimously after brief discussion.

*Resolved*, that this Association express its protest against the outlay of public monies for the support of the special teaching of the Roman Catholic or other religious beliefs in this Province—and notably against the recent management and expenditure of school money in the town of Bathurst in this Province.

Committee to examine Circular Letter reported, advising that the Letter be read. Circular Letter read by the writer. Subject, "The Pastor's sphere of labor."

Benediction by Rev. C. Henderson.

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## SEVENTH SESSION.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Prayer at the opening by Rev. J. W. S. Young.

Committee for publication of minutes appointed.

The Committee to read church letters proceeded with their duties.

A unanimous invitation from the Jacksonville Baptist Church to hold next annual gathering with them was received and accepted.



A resolution expressing entire confidence in the work and management of the Baptist Seminary at St. Martins was introduced and passed heartily.

Report on Sabbath Schools submitted and passed without discussion.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. F. D. Crawley and adopted.

The Association decided that Rev. F. D. Crawley be the preacher of the next annual sermon.

Alternate, Rev. W. E. McIntyre. To write Circular Letter, Rev. B. N. Nobles.

The Association granted an extension of time to the Committee appointed to re-write constitution and rules of order.

Committee on Councils was continued.

Delegates to Convention were appointed as follows : G. G. King, L. P. Ferris.

Committee on Special Business reported as follows :—"The correspondence referred to the Committee consists of two letters from an excluded member of a church of this Association, complaining of alleged injustice in the discipline of said church, and asking this Association to review the matters named therein. "While the Committee disclaim any jurisdiction of the Association over the church, to judge the action of the church in this case, yet, through the courtesy of the clerk of the church, your Committee have had the opportunity of reading the records of the church in connection with the cases of discipline referred to in said letters ; and the Committee have to say that they unanimously believe that the church has acted wisely in the matter, and in a christian spirit, has discharged its duty in the circumstances :—and the Committee further state that the findings of the church in their opinion are in the interests of truth and righteousness."

This report was adopted by a unanimous vote of the entire Association

The minutes of the different sessions were read and approved at the succeeding meetings.

After the usual votes extending the thanks of the Association—adjourned to meet on the 4th Friday in June 1893 at Jacksonville.

A. B. MacDonald,—Moderator.

Thos. Todd,—Acting Moderator.

B. H. Thomas,—Clerk.

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## STATISTICS OF

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1	Aberdeen	1880	33	33	5	5		3			1	1
2	Andover	1832	58	60								
3	Avondale	1875	40	38	3							
4	Arthurette	1875	40	38								
5	Benton	1883	39	40								
6	Birch Ridge	1881	17	17								
7	Blissfield	1865	49	49								
8	Bloomfield	1875	61	56								
9	Cambridge 1st.	1825	66	66								
10	" 2nd.	1853	150	198								
11	" Lower.	1859	9	57	2							
12	Canning and Sheffield.	1800	34	31								
13	Cardigan	1820	35	37								
14	Carlisle	1880	42	36	6							
15	Centreville	1843	170	166	4			3		3		
16	Chipman	1844	60							2		
17	Canterbury 1st.	1791	27							2		
18	" 2nd.	1860	76	72	5						5	1
19	Dumfries	1885	16								1	2
20	Esk North	1866	58	59				2			1	3
21	Florenceville	1880	105	110							1	
22	" East	1876	30		6						1	
23	Forest Glen	1814	466	465	16	1		5			8	7
24	Frederickton	1855	120	126							1	3
25	Gagetown Upper	1864	14	15	1						2	
26	Grand Falls	1824	100	99								
27	Grand Lake 1st.	1842	211	204	6							
28	" 2nd.	1866	15		3	2		2				
29	Hainsville Lower	1822	39	42							2	1
30	Hogdon and Richmond	1844	142	130	20	2	5			2	3	
31	Jacksontown	1860	90	92							2	
32	Jacksonville	18	170	153	20			1			3	
33	Jemseg	1853	45	60	1	1					1	
34	Johnson 2nd.	1812	70	70	15	4						
35	Keswick 1st.	1889	51	54							2	1
36	Kingsclear 2nd.	1825	40	42							1	1
37	" 1st.	1861	60	56	2						2	1
38	Keswick 2nd.	1845	80		1	1					2	1
39	Little South West	1845	53	61	2						1	1
40	Ludlow	1865	144	141	4			1				
41	Macnaquac	1841	19	14	5							
42	Maple Grove	1878	25	26	2							
43	Maple Ridge	1835	55	58	4							
44	Maugerville	1845	62	74							1	1
45	Mill Cove	1804	76	73	2	1				1		
46	Nashwaak	1804	76	73							1	1
47	New Castle, G. L.	1846	173	175							2	

Excluded.





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											Joined churches elsewhere.	Joined churches elsewhere.		
48	New Castle Up. & Northfield	1871	56	57							1	2	2	7
49	New Jerusalem	1848	47	60		1								
50	New Maryland	1827	35											
51	New Salem	1873	44	30		12	5				1	1	1	
52	*Olivet (African)													
53	Prince William	1800	73	73										
54	Queensbury Upper	1873	18	18										
55	*Richmond South	1900		210		3					2	3	3	
56	Rockland	1883	205						4		2		1	
57	Salmon Creek	1867	108	107										
58	*Scotchtown													
59	*Simonds Middle										1	1		
60	Springfield	1864	40	34		6	1							
61	Sheffield 2nd	1888	47	47										
62	St. Francis	1888	15	15										
63	*Temperance Vale	1866												
64	*Wakefield	1872	58	58										
65	Wickham Upper	1863	112	112										
66	" Lower	1864	50								2			
67	Wiggins Cove	1845	22	26						4				
68	Windsor	1881	44	44										
69	Woodstock	1881	141	144						2				
70	" Lower	1855	101	53							2			
71	Gibson	1889	93	66		19	3		5				1	
Totals,.....				4980	4114	175	24	6	27	10	65	34	36	16

\*No report: The figures are taken from previous years.



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Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-Resident Members.	Total Additions.	Total No. removed from roll.	No. ho's worsh'd.	Value of Houses of Worship.	No. of Sittings.	Value of Parsonages.	Moneys raised for local purposes.	Money raised for denom. obj'cts.	Other moneys raised
7	1	1	18	10	1	1200	200					
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			4		4	600	150					
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			24		3	3000	250					
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New Brunswick Western Baptist Association.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR'S NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	YEAR OF SETTLEMENT.	CLERK'S NAME AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
1 Aberdeen .....	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville.	1891	Alfred Corey, Aberdeen.
2 Andover .....	H. G. Estabrook, B. A., (Lic.)	1891	H. C. Henderson, Andover.
3 Arthuret .....	Chas. Henderson, Andover, Vic. Co.	1890	C. W. Vincent, Maple View, Vic. Co.
4 Avondale .....	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville.	1892	C. A. Plummer, Waterville, Car. Co.
5 Bantam Ridge .....	H. S. Shaw, B. A. (Lic.) Canterbury, Vic. Co.	1890	John Hendry, Beaton.
6 Blissfield .....	Chas. Henderson, Andover, N. B.	1891	A. Cronkhite, Birch Ridge, Vic. Co.
7 .....	J. A. Porter, Doaktown, N. B.	1891	William Swin, Doaktown.
8 .....	M. P. King, Cambridge Narrows, N. B.	1886	Allen McDonald, McDonald's Corner.
9 .....	M. P. King, Cambridge Narrows, N. B.	1885	Alfred E. Wilson, Cambridge.
10 .....	A. B. McDonald, Lower Cambridge.	1888	F. E. McDonald, Central Cambridge.
11 .....	No Pastor.	1891	A. P. Thompson, Lakeville Corner.
12 .....	P. R. Knight, Gibson, N. B.	1891	John Sanson, Hantow, York Co.
13 .....	J. H. Shaw, Windsor, Car. Co.	1891	W. S. Shaw, Carlisle, Car. Co.
14 .....	Thos. Todd, Centreville, Car. Co.	1891	F. G. Burr, Centreville, Car. Co.
15 .....	W. E. McIntyre, B. A., Chipman.	1892	A. L. Flemming, Gasperaux, Queens Co.
16 .....	H. S. Shaw, B. A. (Lic.) Canterbury	1890	Alonzo C. Daw, Eel River, Canterbury.
17 .....	H. S. Shaw, B. A. (Lic.) Canterbury	1892	N. H. Clark, Nackawick, York Co.
18 .....	No pastor.	1892	Robert Curtis, Summer's Office, North. Co.
19 .....	F. U. Atkinson, (Lic.) Whitney, Ville	1890	C. T. Hendry, Florenceville, N. B.
20 .....	F. A. H. Hayward, Florenceville.	1890	C. T. Boyer, East Glen, Vic. Co.
21 .....	A. H. Hayward, Florenceville.	1891	J. O. Cherry, East Glen, Vic. Co.
22 .....	H. G. Badger, B. A. (Lic.) Andover.	1890	Herbert C. Creed, M. A., Fredericton, Box 49.
23 .....	F. W. Sawyer, B. A. Fredericton, N. B.	1891	James Babbitt, Swan Creek, Sun. Co.
24 .....	C. W. Sawyer, Jemseg, Queens Co.	1891	Ward Burpee, Grand Falls, Vic. Co.
25 .....	Chas. Henderson, Andover.	1891	J. L. Barton, The Range, Queens Co.
26 .....	No Pastor.	1892	Alexander Allen, Lower Hamsville, York Co.
27 .....	Calvin Currie.	1890	Wilnot L. Green, Green Road, Car. Co.
28 .....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	Wilnot Burr, Jacksontown.
29 .....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	H. M. Patterson, Upper Woodstock, N. B.
30 .....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	
31 .....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	
32 .....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	

33 Jemseg..... J. D. Wetmore, Jemseg, Queens Co. .... 1891  
 34 Johnston 2nd.....  
 35 Keswick 1st.....  
 36 Keswick, 2nd..... S. D. Ervin, Keswick Ridge, York Co. .... 1890

(C. D. Dykeman, Jemseg.

25 Grand Falls.....	Chas. Hentgen, 2nd	1890	J. I. Barton, The Range, Queens Co.
26 Grand Lake 1st.....	No Pastor	1892	Alexander Allen, Lower Hainsville, York Co.
27 Grand Lake 2nd.....	No Pastor	1890	Wilnot L. Green, Green Road, Car. Co.
28 Hainsville Lower.....	Calvin Currie.....	1890	Wilnot Burt, Jacksonville.
29 Richmond & Hogdon.....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	H. M. Patterson, Upper Woodstock, N. B.
30 Richmond & Hogdon.....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	
31 Jackson town.....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	
32 Jacksonville.....	B. H. Thomas, Jacksonville, Car. Co.	1890	
33 Jemseg.....	J. D. Wetmore, Jemseg, Queens Co.	1891	C. D. Dykeman, Jemseg.
34 Johnson 2nd.....	S. D. Ervin, Keswick Ridge, York Co.	1891	Leslie Hawkins, Mouth of Keswick.
35 Keswick 1st.....	S. D. Ervin, Keswick Ridge, York Co.	1891	W. E. Everett, Springhill, York Co.
36 Keswick 2nd.....	S. D. Ervin, Keswick Ridge, York Co.	1891	G. A. Hammond, Hammondville, York Co.
37 Kingsclear 1st.....	F. Atkinson, (Lic.) Whineyville.....	1891	W. H. Tozer, Sisseton, South Esk, North Co.
38 Kingsclear 2nd.....	Jas. A. Porter, Doaktown.....	1891	Alexander Long, Murphy's P. O., Ludlow.
39 Little South West.....	S. D. Ervine, Keswick Ridge.....	1890	Jas. A. Clark, Macnaquac York Co.
40 Ludlow.....	Thos. Todd, Centreville.....	1891	John W. Stewart, Knoxford, Car. Co.
41 Macnaquac.....	No Pastor.....	1891	John Day, Upper Sheffield, N. B.
42 Maple Grove.....	W. P. King, Narrows, Queens Co.	1886	John Wright, White's Cove, Queens Co.
43 Maple Ridge.....	B. F. Knight, Gibson, York Co.	1885	Luther Goodspeed, Pennac, York Co.
44 Mill Cove.....	No Pastor.....	1885	D. J. Bailey, New Castle, Grand Lake.
45 New Castle.....	No Pastor.....	1885	Mrs. James O. Miller, New Castle Bridge.
46 New Castle, G. Lake.....	No Pastor.....	1885	Isaiah S. Webb, New Jerusalem, Queens Co.
47 New Castle Up. & North.....	No Pastor.....	1885	Adam Noble, Rusingornish, Sum. Co.
48 New Jerusalem.....	No Pastor.....	1885	Edw. Merseveau, Blissfield, North Co.
49 New Jerusalem.....	Jas. A. Porter, Doaktown.....	1891	Levesti Estabrook, Lower Prince William
50 New Maryland.....	No Pastor.....	1891	David C. Parent, Upper Queensbury.
51 New Salem.....	No Pastor.....	1891	A. W. Estabrook, Coldstream, Car. Co.
52 Olivet (African).....	No Pastor.....	1891	E. E. Crandall, Chipman, Queens Co.
53 Prince William.....	No Pastor.....	1891	Barzillia Balmain, Scotschtown.
54 Queensbury Upper.....	Calvin Currie.....	1890	Sherman Gordon, Springsfield, York Co.
55 Richmond South.....	W. C. Bleakney, Rockland, Car. Co.	1891	Gideon T. Bailey, Little River, Sum. Co.
56 Rockland.....	W. P. McIntyre, E. A. Chipman, Q. C.	1891	S. A. Jones, Mouth of St. Francis, N. B.
57 Scotchbrook.....	No Pastor.....	1890	F. R. Shaw, Victoria Corner, Car. Co.
58 Scotchbrook.....	No Pastor.....	1890	Alfred McDonald, Belyea's Cove, Queens Co.
59 Simonds Middle.....	A. Hayward, Florenceville.....	1890	M. W. Higgins, Daniel P. O., Q. Co.
60 Springsfield.....	S. D. Ervine, Keswick Ridge.....	1891	C. J. Combs, Windsor, N. B.
61 Shawfield 2nd.....	No Pastor.....	1891	John McAdam, Woodstock, N. B.
62 St. Francis.....	Chas. Hentgen, Andover.....	1887	Vaurence Scott, Fed. River, N. B.
63 Temperance Vale.....	No Pastor.....	1887	Thomas E. Babbitt, Gibson, N. B.
64 Wakefield.....	No Pastor.....	1887	
65 Wickham Upper.....	No Pastor.....	1887	
66 Wickham Lower.....	J. W. Keirstead, McDonald's Point.....	1892	
67 Wiggins Cove.....	J. C. Bleakney, Rockland, Car. Co.	1891	
68 Windsor.....	No Pastor.....	1891	
69 Woodstock.....	H. S. Shaw, B. A. (Lic.) Canterbury.....	1892	
70 Woodstock Lower.....	B. N. Nobles, Gibson.....	1890	
71 Gibson.....	B. N. Nobles, Gibson.....	1890	



Statistics of the Sunday Schools in the Churches of the N. B. Western Baptist Association for the year ending May 31st, 1892.

WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Schools.	SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME.	No. of Scholars enrolled.	Average attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Adults in classes.	Volumes in Library.	Moneys ex. on schools.	Moneys raised.	Benev. Objs.	No. of Sundays in session.	No. of Scholars Baptized.
1 Andover	1	H. C. Henderson	82	21	5	5	45	\$9 31	4	92	42	1
2 Birch Ridge*	1	Wm. Bloomfield	30	90	4	12	150					
3 Blissfield*	1	Wm. Swain	30	25	4	16						
4 Cambridge, 1st.	1	James A. McDonald	40	25	4	10						
5 " 2nd	1	E. Gladstone McLean	64	41	6	33		9 30		10 50	43	
6 Canning and Sheffield*	1	William Cochran	25	17	4	10	60					
7 Cardigan	1	Amos Schwartz	30	28	4	12						
8 Carlisle	1	B. B. Shaw	37	21	4	8	50					
9 Centreville	1	Lemuel Sherwood	136	60	7	30	150	51 00		5 00	52	3
10 Esk North	1	William D. Curtis	20	15	2	12	30	2 00			18	
11 Florenceville	2	C. T. Hendry and C. B. Wheeler	105	61	7	20	152	44 00		2 50	52	5
12 " "	1	A. D. Hartley	45	35	3	10	150	20 00			52	5
13 Forest Glen	1	Amos Smith	40	25	7	3	50				52	14
14 Fredrickton	1	John W. Byrden	186	123	17	13	300				42	20
15 Gagetown, Upper	1	John F. Boen	29	18	3	10	100				20	11
16 " "	1	James R. Bowen	38	38	6	20	120	26 00			52	8
17 Jacksontown	1	Richard Alexander	55	40	5	15	50			2 00		
18 Jacksonville	1	Frank A. Good	60	40	7	15						
19 Jemseg	1	J. D. Colwell	30	20	4	15						
20 Johnson, 2nd*	1	Charles Seoord	35	24	4	20	3 0	10 00			52	2
21 Kingsclear, 1st.	1	W. E. Everett	36	28	5	10	103	6 40		4 00	37	2
22 Ludlow	1	Abel R. Pond	35	25	5	10	100				20	
23 Macnaquac	1	Ambrose Jewett	35	25	6	18	100	16 00			39	6
24 Maple Grove	1	John M. Stewart	60	50	6	10	50				25	
25 Mill	1	Harry E. Harrison	25	20	2	3	10	50		5 00		
26 " "	1	J. W. Ferris	20	2	3	10	50				25	
27 Neshvase*	1	Christopher Manzer	40	30	3	10	50				42	
28 " " "	1	James Kennedy	33	22	4	10	120					

29 New Maryland	1	Henry Morgan	20	15	4	10	100	7 00				
30 New Salem	1	Fred. Monique	30	20	8	10	100					
31 Prince William*	1	Levanet Pease	30	20	8	10	100					



MINUTES.

24 Maple Grove	1	John M. Stewart	60	50	6	18	100	16	00	39	6
25 Mangerville	1	Harry E. Harrison	25	20	4	10	50				
26 Mill Cove	1	J. W. Ferris	20	21	3	10	50	5	00	25	
27 Neshwaak	1	Christopher Manser	40	30	3	10	50				
28 New (aside, Upper)	1	James Kennedy	33	22	4	10	120				
29 New Maryland	1	Henry Morgan	20	15	4	10	100				
30 New Salem	1	Edward Crochouse	30	20	3	10	100	7	00	30	2
31 Prince William	1	Levey Estabrook	60	40	6	5	100				
32 Upper Queensbury	1	Hiram Clark	26	18	3	10	100				
33 South Richmond	1	D. Palmer	25	20	5	7	50				
34 Stockland	1	A. W. Estabrooks	71	45	5	25	150	20	00	52	2
35 Salmon Creek	1	W. C. King	45	35	4	15	50	15	00	52	
36 Wakefield, 2nd	1	Henry Bailey	45	30	5	15	50				
37 Wakeham, Upper	1	Alfred McDonald	45	30	5	15	50				
38 Wiggins	1	E. B. Wright	37	20	3	6				10	
39 Wiggins Cove	1	M. M. Wiggins	30	20	3	5	57			20	
40 Woodstock	1	W. S. Saunders	175	135	13	25	300	67	00	15	00
41 Avondale	1	C. H. Harrison	15	10	3	6	40				
42 Arthuretts	1	C. L. Steward	40	30	4	10	50				
43 Lower Cambridge	2	Wm. McVean and G. Pugsley	60	45	8	30	100				
44 Grand Lake	2	Wm. McVean	50	40	6	15	60				
45 New Castle, G. L.	1	D. J. Bailey	40	30	4	20				20	2
46 Windsor	1	C. J. Connolly	50	35	4	2	60	7	00		
47 Woodstock Lower	1	P. Girwood	40	3	2	12	50	9	30	52	
48 Gibson	1	W. A. Bradley-Clark	220	130	3	14	15	250	95	00	52
49 Ardfern	1	Wm. Graham	50	30	4	14	50				
50 Bloodsail	1	James Foster	50	30	4	5	60				
51 Chirmas	1	C. E. Langin	30	25	4	4	50	10	00	26	
52 Canterbury, 1st	1	J. A. McDonald	55	40	4	4	50	10	00		
53 " " 2nd	1	C. S. Amis	40	32	3	15	50	10	00		
54 Hainsville, Lower	1	Arthur Chute	30	20	3	15	50			20	
55 Keswick 1st	1	W. H. Boone	30	20	4	15	50				
56 " " 2nd	1	G. A. Hatcombe	60	45	7	20	50	30	00		
57 Kingsclear 2nd	1	Josiah White	25	12	3	4				26	2
58 Little South West	1	Henry Blanes	28	24	3	15	50	2	50		
59 Maple Ridge	1	Edwin Hughes	50	40	4	15				26	
60 Mill Brook	1	Moses J. Moore	30	25	3	15					
61 New Jerusalem	1	Arthur Zickle	40	30	4	5					
62 Old (New Jerusalem)	1	S. Borden	34	25	5	6					
63 Springfield	1		20	10	3						
64 Wakefield	1		20	10	3						
68											60
Total											3 983 21 083 301

NOTE.—\*No Report. These figures are estimated or taken from previous reports.

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**TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.**

Western Baptist Association of New Brunswick:

*In Account with* M. S. HALL, Treasurer.

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July 8. To Draft sent Rev. G. O. Gates,	\$56 00
Premium,	25
Amount for Minutes,	6 67
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June 27 By amount collected at association,	\$62 92
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## A DECLARATION

### Of the Faith, Practice, and Covenant of the Churches of Christ composing the Western New Brunswick Baptist Association.

#### PART I—ARTICLES OF FAITH.

*Article 1*—We believe that there is but one only living and true God, who is a Spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth: Deut. vi. 4; John iv. 24; Ps. xc. 2, cxlvii. 5; James i. 17; 1. Tim. i. 17; Mark x. 27; Isaiahi vi. 3; Deut xxxii 4; Ex. xv. 11, xxxiv, 6, 7.

2. That there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—who are but one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory: Matt. xxviii. 19; John xv. 26; 1 Cor. xii. 4-6; 2 Cor. xiii. 14; Eph. ii. 18.

3. That the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, in which he hath given us our only rule of faith and practice: Luke xv. 29-31; 2 Tim. iii. 15-17; 1 Thes. ii. 13; 2 Peter i. 21, iii. 2; Rom. iii. 2; Isa. viii. 16, 19, 20.

4. That God who is infinite in knowledge, and perfectly views all things from the beginning to the end, has forordained that whatsoever comes to pass, either by His order or permission, shall work for the eternal glory of his great name: Acts xv. 18, ii. 23; Ps. lxxv. 10, xxxiii. 11; Rom. ix. 17-23, xi. 36.

5. That in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that in them are; and He upholds and governs all things by the word of His power: Gen. i; Ex. xx. 11; Dan. iv. 35; Heb. i. 3.

6. That God made man in his own image, in knowledge, righteousness and true holiness; and made with him a covenant of life, the condition of which was perfect obedience: Gen. i. 26-27; ii. 16-17; Ecc. vii. 29; Gal. iii. 10.

7. That man being left to himself soon fell from that happy and glorious estate in which he was made, by eating the forbidden

fruit, by which he brought himself and all his posterity into a state of death : Gen. iii. 6 ; Rom. v. 12-19.

8. That man being thus dead, his help and recovery are wholly in and from God : John vi. 44 ; Eph. ii. 4-5, 7-10 ; 1 John iv. 10.

9. That God the Father has chosen a great multitude of the human family, whom no man can number, of all nations, and kinds, and people and tongues, and given them to His Son in the covenant of his grace, that he might redeem them from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works, which is the only foundation of salvation for lost and helpless sinners ; and thereby the Ministers of the Lord are encouraged to preach the Gospel to every rational creature, because the purposes of God and the infinite value of Christ's atonement, secure the increase and establishment of Christ's kingdom, so that the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ ; and He shall reign for ever and ever : Rom. viii. 29-30 ; Eph. i. 4, 5, 11 ; John vi. 37-39 ; Rev. vii. 9 ; Titus ii. 14 ; Mark xvi. 15 ; 2 Tim. ii. 19 : Isa. ix. 7 ; Rev. xi. 15.

10. That Jesus, the eternal Son of God hath come, and taken on him our nature, and in that nature hath yielded a perfect obedience to the law which we have transgressed, and suffered death for our sins and hath brought in a complete and everlasting righteousness, and hath risen and ascended to the right hand of God, and ever liveth to make intercession for us : John i. 1, 14 ; Heb. i. 1, 3, vii. 25, x. 5-10 ; Rom. i. 4 ; Dan. ix. 24 ;

11. That the Holy Ghost, and He only, can and doth make particular application of the benefits of the atonement made by Christ to every elect soul : John iii. 5-8, xvi. 7-15 ; 1 Cor. xii. 3.

12. That the Spirit of God applies the benefit of this atonement, by convincing us of our sinful, lost and miserable condition ; and then discovering the glorious Saviour, as He is exhibited in the gospel, in his suitableness and sufficiency, and enabling us to embrace Him with our whole souls, by which he is made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption ; John xvi. 8-11, 13-15 ; Gal. v. 22-23 ; 1 Cor. i. 30.

13. That the life of religion consists in the knowledge of God, and conformity with Him in the inward man which necessarily produceth an external conformity to His commands, and brings us to live in obedience to His holy will in all our ways, and in our several places and relations : John xvii. 3 ; 1 Cor. 31 ; Eph. ii. 10 ; Col. iii. 2, 3 ; Gal. ii. 20 ; Rom. xii. 1-2.

14. That true believers being united to Jesus Christ shall never perish, but live and reign with Him forever. They have com-



munion with God, and by his Spirit are united with each other, and have communion one with another, whereby they are made partakers of each other's gifts and graces: John vi. 39; x. 28; Rev. iii. 21; John xvii, 7, 11, 21, xiv. 3; Rom. viii. 38, 39; 1 John 1. 3.

15. That the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's Day, is the Christian Sabbath: John xx. 19; Acts xx. 7; 1 Cor. xvii. 2; Rev. i. 10.

16. That God hath appointed the ordinance of Civil Government for defending the poor as well as the rich, in their civil rights, without infringing upon the conscience of any, or attempting to dictate or govern in the worship of eternal God, which belongs only to Jesus Christ, the great lawgiver and head of His church; Mark xii. 17; Rom. xiii. 1.6; 1 Peter ii. 13-15; Matt. xxii. 10; Rom. xiv. 4.

17. That there will be a general resurrection, both of the just and the unjust; and that God hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, and will reward every man according to his works; when the wicked will be sent away into everlasting punishment, and the righteous received into life eternal: John v. 28-29; Acts xvii, 31, xxiv. 15; Rom. ii. 15; Matt. xvi 29, and xxv 46.

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## PART II.—ARTICLES OF PRACTICE.

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### CONCERNING A VISIBLE CHURCH OF CHRIST AND ITS DISCIPLINE.

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1. We believe that a particular visible Church of Christ is a number of baptized believers, by mutual acquaintance and communion voluntary and understandingly covenanting and uniting together, for upholding and promoting the worship and service of God, to show forth His glory, and for their own edification: 1 Peter ii. 5; Acts, ii, 42, ix. 13; Heb. x. 25; Eph. iv. 15, 16.

2. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ to be continued until His second coming, and that the former is requisite to the latter—that is to say, that those are to be admitted into the communion of the Church, and to partake of all its ordinances and priveleges, who upon profession of their faith have been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: Matt. xxvii. 19, 29; 1 Cor. xi. 23.; Acts ii. 41, 42, and ix. 18-26; and viii. 12, 35-39: Matt. iii. 6-16; Rom. vi. 4; Col. ii, 12; Gal. iii. 27; Matt. xxvi. 26-28; Acts xx. 11; 1 Cor. x. 16.

3. That since not but true believers can rightly partake of the ordinances, therefore the door of the church should be carefully guarded against all such who cannot give scriptural evidence of their union with Christ: 1 Cor. xi. 27-29; Matt. vii. 6, 15-20; 1 Peter ii. 5.

4. That a Church thus gathered hath power to choose, and by Elders to ordain those officers that Christ hath appointed in His Church, viz. : Bishops or Elders, and Deacons : and also to depose such officers who walk contrary to the rules of the Gospel ; and to discipline their members, though in some cases it may be convenient and profitable to request the advice of the neighboring Churches of Christ : Acts i. 21-26, vi. 3-6, xiv. 23, and xv. 6-31 ; 1 Cor. v. 13 ; 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14, 15 ; Titus iii. 10.

5. That a Bishop or Elder hath no more power to decide any case or controversy in the Church than any private brother, yet he, having superior gifts for teaching and ruling, ought to exercise and improve the same for the benefit of the church ; and the Church ought to be subjected to the gifts bestowed on the Minister from the Lord, while he is rightly administering in his place ; whose place it is to lead in the actings of the Church, and to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, and devote himself to the work of teaching, warning, rebuking, and exhorting the people publicly, and from house to house : Matt. xx. 25-29 ; 1 Peter v. 3 ; Acts xx. 20-28, 31 ; Heb. xiii. 17 ; 1 Thess. v. 12, 13.

6. That the Deacon's office or work is to take care of the poor, and to have the oversight of the temporal affairs of the Church, and to minister at the Lord's Table : Acts vi. 1-5 ; 1 Tim. iii. 8-14.

7. That every believer is commanded to be faithful, to improve every gift and talent which is bestowed on him ; in order to which, there ought to be such a Gospel freedom that the Church may know where every particular gift is, that it may be improved in its proper place, and to its right end, viz., the glory of God and the good of His people: 1 Peter iv. 10, 11 and v. 5 ; 1 Tim. iv. 14 ; 1 Cor. 12th and 14th chapters ; Rom. xii. 3-8.

8. That there is a mutual obligation between Minister and people—one to administer in things religious and spiritual, according to the gifts God has given. The church to communicate of their temporal or wordly substance for his comfort and support, and that by an equality, as nearly as can be ascertained, that one may not be burdened and another eased. But this is not to be effected by force or compulsion, or by the sword of civil power ; but it is to be a free-will offering, agreeably to the Scriptures of truth ; and every member deficient in this matter ought to be disciplined by Gospel rule, as for any breach of covenant, or neglect of performing Christian duty : Luke x. 7 ; Rom. xv. 27 ; 1 Cor. ix. ; Gal. vi. 6.

## PART III.—COVENANT.

We do now, in the presence of the great, all-seeing, and most glorious God and before angels and men, give up ourselves to the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and own him this day to be our God, our Father, our Saviour, and our Leader, and receive him as our Portion for ever. We give up ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ, and engage to adhere to Him as the head of His people in the covenant of grace, and rely on Him as our Prophet, Priest, and King, to bring us to eternal blessedness.

We acknowledge our everlasting and indispensable obligations to glorify God by living a holy, righteous, and godly life, in this present world, in all our several places and relations; and we engage by the assistance of the Divine Spirit, to improve our time, strength, talents, and advantages to his glory and the good of our fellow-men; promising, by Divine help, to walk in our houses as becomes those professing godliness, and to maintain the worship of God in our families, and to train up those under our care in the way of religion and virtue.

We also give up ourselves to one another in covenant, promising to act towards each other as brethren in Christ, watching over one another in the love of God—reproving, rebuking, and admonishing one another for good as occasion may require; and if we at any time know that any members of the church are guilty of immoral conduct that we will not expose it by telling it to others; and if we have any personal difficulty with our brethren, we will not cherish enmity or speak of our grievances to others, but will faithfully labour with them, according to the direction of our Lord—Matt. xviii. 15, 17—that sin may be put away from among us, and that iniquity may not be harboured in the church. We engage to watch not only against the most gross evils, but also against all foolish talking and jesting, which are not convenient—vain disputing about words and things which gender strife—disregarding promises, and not fulfilling engagements—tattling and backbiting, spending time idly at taverns, or elsewhere, and vain, unnecessary worldly conversation on the Sabbath, and whatsoever else is contrary to sound doctrine, according to the glorious gospel of Christ. We promise to hold com-



munion together in the worship of God, and in the ordinances and discipline of His church, according as we are or shall be guided by the Spirit of God in His word—expecting that He will yet further and more gloriously open His word and the mysteries of His kingdom; applying to the blood of the everlasting covenant for the pardon of our many errors, and praying that the Lord would prepare and strengthen us for every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.—*Amen.*

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ACT OF ASSEMBLY.

**An Act for the Incorporation of Certain Bodies in Connection with the Eastern and Western Baptist Associations.**

*Passed 12th April, 1855.*

WHEREAS certain persons are associated together in Churches constituting a religious community known as the Baptist Church, in connection with the Eastern and Western Baptist Associations: And whereas sundry chapels and other buildings have been erected, and land purchased or otherwise conveyed or held in trust for the use of such churches in the several Counties of this Province, or for educational or other benevolent objects in connection therewith, and inconveniencies have been experienced in managing the same by Trustees, without being incorporated for that purpose:—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:—

1. Every Board of Trustees of any Chapel or Seminary for education, and land and buildings held therewith, or held for the purpose of erecting any Chapel or Seminary thereon for the use and benefit of any Baptist Church in connection with the Eastern and Western New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any Baptist Education, or other Society, to be hereafter chosen for any such purpose, and their successors, shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Trustees of the Baptist Chapel," or other property as the case may be, in the place in which the trust property may be situate and by that name shall have perpetual succession, power to sue and be sued, a common seal renewable at pleasure, power to hold and receive real and personal estate, and improve, sell, let, or assign the same or any part thereof, or any interest in or arising out of the same, and make bye-laws, and exercise such other powers as are conferred by law for the purpose of managing the temporal affairs of the said Chapel, or other property for the benefit of the Church to which the same may belong, or the educational or other objects to which it may be devoted.

2. All Chapels or other property as aforesaid, held in trust as aforesaid in any part of the Province, shall be subject to the provisions of this Act whenever a Board of Trustees to manage the same shall be elected as hereinafter mentioned, and a conveyance thereof shall be made to the

Corporation by the existing trustees ; and the said Corporation shall then hold the same for the purposes aforesaid with as good a title, legal and equitable, as such Trustees had at the time of the conveyance.

3. Every such Church, together with the congregation regularly attending and contributing to its funds by pew rents or otherwise, may annually at such time and in such manner as each Church shall prescribe by the male members present at any meeting for the purpose elect any number of Trustees, not less than three nor more than nine, from among the male members of the said Church or congregation, or both, who shall continue in office for one year, or until others are elected in their stead.

4. Every meeting of the Church, or Church and congregation, for any of the purposes aforesaid, shall act on notice to be given by the Pastor or Minister presiding over the same, or if there be none, by any Deacon thereof, of any usual meeting of the Church for worship or business.

5. Such Trustees may, on due notice, meet together and manage the temporal affairs of the Chapel for which they are elected, and the property in connection therewith, for the benefit of the Church, to which it shall belong.

6. Every Educational or other Society as aforesaid, may, at its Annual Meeting to be held at either of the said Associations, or elsewhere, on notice by post or otherwise, elect from among its members such number of Trustees as may be deemed necessary for the management of the affairs of any Seminary in connection therewith, who, together with all the ministers of the denomination accredited at such Association as additional or *ex officio* Trustees, may transact its business on due notice to be given as aforesaid, or by a Committee to be appointed for that purpose at the same time by the said Trustees.

7. Whenever by this Act any Board of Trustees or number of persons may require to do any act, a majority of those present at the meeting shall be sufficient for the purpose.

8. The annual revenue derived from the rent of lands belonging to any such Chapel, Seminary, or Society as aforesaid, shall not exceed five hundred pounds.