

MINUTES
OF THE
TENTH CONFERENCE
OF THE
FREE BAPTISTS

OF
NOVA SCOTIA,
HELD AT CALEDONIA, QUEEN'S COUNTY,
September 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th, 1875.

AND THE
TREASURER'S ACCOUNT,
MINUTES OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION,
MINUTES OF THE FOREIGN MISSION AND EDUCATION SOCIETIES,
AND THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

THE
YARMOUTH AND SHELBURNE, AND HARMONY QUARTERLY MEETING
HOME MISSION SOCIETIES TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS,
AND HALIFAX MISSION TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

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MINUTES.

The Tenth Session of the Free Baptist General Conference of Nova Scotia, was held at Caledonia, Queens County, commencing on Thursday, September 9th, 1875.

Meeting called to order by the Standing Clerk, Rev. J. I. Porter. Rev. W. M. Knollin, Moderator of last year, conducted the opening exercises.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. C. Knowles, it was—

Resolved, That Rev. T. O. DeWitt be Moderator.

Resolved, That Rev. Wm. Downey be Assistant Moderator.

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE PRESENT:

Rev. T. O. DEWITT, Moderator.

Rev. WM. DOWNEY, Assistant Moderator.

Rev. J. I. PORTER, Clerk and Treasurer.

Revs. C. Knowles, W. C. Weston, F. Babcock, W. M. Knollin, T. H. Crowell, J. F. Smith, J. H. Cox, S. N. Royal and J. M. Loudon. Licentiate—H. Lockhart.

DEACONS.

C. Cushing, sen., J. Lockhart, B. B. Woodworth, E. Dolliver, J. E. Cushing, H. Cole and T. W. Wilson.

DELEGATES.

E. Morine, J. B. Ellis, T. H. Chute, C. Crowell, J. Saunders, and M. McGray.

Corresponding Delegate from the N. E. F. C. B. General Conference,
Rev. J. Noble.

Corresponding Delegates from the Maine Central Yearly Meeting.

Rev. W. H. Tarbox, also representing the General Conference of the Free Baptists of the United States, etc.

VISITORS.

Rev. J. L. Phillips, Miss Julia Phillips, returned Missionaries from India.

The Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Conference were read by the Clerk.

Resolved, That Rev. Wm. Downey, Rev. S. N. Royal, and Dea. B. Woodworth, be the Committee to nominate Committees.

Resolved, That the Corresponding Delegates from other bodies be invited to a seat with us.

Resolved, That Rev. J. F. Smith and J. Cox be considered as members of this Conference.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Nominations be adopted, as follows :

Prudential Committee—T. O. DeWitt, S. Cushing, and B. B. Woodworth.

On Temperance—S. N. Royal, H. Lockhart, and T. H. Chute.

On the Sabbath—J. F. Smith, E. Dolliver, and W. C. Weston.

On Sabbath Schools—J. Louden, J. Cox, and E. Morine.

On Missions—F. Babcock, J. Noble, and J. Lockhart.

On Education—W. M. Knollin, W. H. Tarbox, and T. H. Crowell.

Resolved, That we adjourn. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Singing. Prayer by Rev. J. Noble.
Reporting of Corresponding Delegates.

Rev. J. Noble, Corresponding Delegate from the F. C. B. General Conference of New Brunswick, was introduced, and said—

He was highly pleased to be present. Pleased to find that God had spared our ministry and added others to the ranks. Spoke of the progress of his denomination. Changes had taken place with them, but for the better. Addition to the membership of their churches, 580. Spoke of their Foreign Mission work, and their method of raising the desired funds. Also their Home Missionary work; are doing something in the Education work, some funds aiding some young men when in their studies. Referred to the late action of their Conference in the expulsion of an elderly minister; the causes and results. The spiritual tone of their late public gatherings very precious. Harmony exists. Also spoke many cheering, profitable words.

Rev. W. H. Tarbox, Corresponding Delegate from the Maine Yearly Meeting and General Conference, was introduced, and conveyed the greetings of those bodies—

The churches of the Yearly Meeting he represented had a membership of 7,000; 6000 Sabbath School scholars. Referring to the Home Mission work, spoke of the Maine State Mission which had done a noble work for weak churches; also spoke of the success of some of their city churches; some large revivals. Thought it of equal importance to care for country churches. As a denomination they feel the need of Evangelists to go and preach and save souls. He also represented the General Conference, a body numbering 75,000 to 80,000, but in its largest connection 300,000. Spoke with much feeling of the loss of some of their ablest ministers by death; also of the Freedmen's Mission, its success, and the influence of the Spirit of the Gospel of Christ upon Southern society. Said the reason why they in the States had learned to love us is because we are so much like them. He wanted to keep their anchor down here so that they won't drift too far. Made excellent remarks on the different orders of the ministry; temperance; the direct way of preaching Christ; education of the ministry, &c.

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Rev. W. M. Knollin, Delegate to the N. B. General Conference, said—

He enjoyed meeting that Conference, had a warm reception; would not make further remarks, as their Delegate had already gone quite over the ground.

Rev. J. I. Porter, Corresponding Delegate to the Triennial Conference of Free Baptists, said—

He had the honor and pleasure of attending that meeting; spoke of the great work done; their educational institutions, and how little we were doing to aid in that important work, in view of the great advantages derived by our young men in studying for the ministry. Visited our young men at Lewiston, believe they will come back to us. We should give larger expressions of sympathy, to encourage them.

Rev. F. Babcock, Delegate to the Maine Central Yearly Meeting—

Spoke of his great pleasure in attending that meeting, his reception; found our young brethren studying at Lewiston attaining real spiritual growth, upright of character, a credit to their families and our denomination. Gave some account of the way in which the business of the Yearly Meeting was transacted, and the part the ladies took in the work.

Rev. W. M. Knollin, the Clerk of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting, read his Annual Report, as follows:—

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting Clerk, for the year ending September 10th, 1876.

DEAR BRETHREN AND FRIENDS—In the providence of God we are permitted to meet again for the transaction of business in connection with our beloved Zion. And since we still retain the fragrance of those meetings connected with our last Annual Conference, meeting again feeling in our hearts the warm glow of Christian friendship, we are led to exclaim "How good a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

In submitting this report I must not forget that we live in an age of brevity. Men do not care for paraphernalia, but demand facts. Permit me, however, to say that, while we cannot report progress in every particular, I have pleasure in being able to state some facts in connection with the working of this Quarterly Meeting, which I am sure will interest this Conference as well as those friends into whose hands this report may come, and I hope will justify a particular notice of each church.

Our esteemed Bro. Knowles has been laboring with his accustomed zeal, and although far advanced in years has been performing an amount of labor which would do a much younger man great credit. From respect to one so long in the field of ministerial effort, we will commence our notice of the churches in general with those under his care; a part of which have enjoyed much success.

The church at Kempville has for a long time been under the pastoral care of Bro. Knowles, and has at intervals enjoyed seasons of refreshings. During the past year Bros. Knowles and West have each engaged one fourth of the time with this church. In that section of the church, which in their report to the Quar-

terly Meeting, they denominate North Kempville, there has been some revival in connection with especial efforts of Bro. West, who baptized and united six persons to the church. This church runs two Sunday Schools, superintended respectively by Bros. Ring and Randell. That under Bro. Ring's care has an average of eighty-eight pupils, and that under Bro. Randell's care numbers twenty-five. We infer from the report of this church, that they are in harmony, and, although there is no especial interest at present, they are in a prosperous condition.

The church at Deerfield is also under the care of Bro. Knowles. We regret that no report was received from this church, but we presume they are working on as usual, and have no cause for complaint.

The Church at Session Hill made no report, I believe. Bro. Knowles preaches there occasionally, as near as I can learn. This church is in a low state, has not had much preaching since Bro. Royal left this pastorate.

The church at Sanford also has the labors of Bro. Knowles three-eighths of the time, who held especial services for several weeks last winter with great success. The church was greatly quickened and made to rejoice in the addition of fifty-three members, forty-eight by baptism and five by letter. They have a Sunday School of forty pupils.

The church at Beaver River and Cedar Lake has been for some time without a pastor, although they put forth commendable efforts to secure one; yet those efforts proved abortive until last spring, when they secured the services of Bro. D. Oram for one quarter of the time. Early in the spring a good interest was awakened in the community. Bro. Oram baptized seven, who, with six received by letter, were added to the church. The branch at Cedar Lake is still without a minister, but they hold social meetings with good interest and have a Sunday School with an average attendance of fifty pupils. At Beaver River the Sunday School numbers seventy. This church reports a goodly number who, despite discouragements, maintain their positions as Christians, and love the house of God and rejoice in his ways.

The Church at Carleton is without a minister; is in a very low state; have a Sunday School, but much discouraged.

The church at Yarmouth Town still have the labors of Bro. Oram. Their Sabbath and weekly services are regularly attended, with good interest. A visit from Bros. Knowles and West afforded them encouragement and help. Bro. Oram baptized three who, with four by letter, were added to the church. Whole number at present thirty-one. The great want of this church is a place of worship instead of the hall now occupied—an object for which they are putting forth every effort; and any who may feel disposed to help the brethren at Yarmouth will find it an object worthy of their sympathy and support.

The churches of Little Plymouth, Tusket, Brooklin, and Glenwood are under the care of the writer. The church at Glenwood is in a low state at present. At periods during the year a good interest has existed, three have been baptized and added to the church. Religious services are regularly attended. A good Sunday School is in operation under the care of Bro. Geo. Frost, who is very efficient, and doing a good work. Average attendance of pupils sixty.

No especial interest has occurred with the church at Tusket except the resuscitation of our interest at two outposts of this church, namely, that at East River and Salmon River. The former place occupies the school houses for Sunday School and worship. Our brethren of this place participate in two union Sunday Schools, which are doing a good work. The interest at Salmon River is in quite a prosperous condition. Their new church was dedicated to public worship last spring. This people have done themselves much credit by the energy displayed and the sacrifice sustained. A good religious interest is

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being developed in Tusket village; the regular services have been maintained at times with good interest. A greater degree of harmony than usual exists. Three have been added during the year by baptism. They have a Sunday School of about thirty pupils.

The church at Plymouth has enjoyed a good religious interest during the year. They have a new church in course of erection, which they hope to finish during the ensuing winter. They have a nice Sunday School of about forty pupils.

The Church at Little River has been much encouraged. A series of meetings held last spring resulted in the reviving of the church, reclaiming wanderers from the right way, and in the addition of fourteen members, who were baptized by the writer. The two Baptist churches of this place unite in Sunday School work, with good interest. Number of pupils probably about fifty.

The church at Brooklin is small but spirited, and determined to struggle for existence. Their meetings are often quite interesting. They sustain a Sunday School, with probably twenty pupils.

The church at Rockingham still retain the labours of Bro. West. Received no report; am not informed of particulars. I believe they have joined with the temperance community in the building of a hall, to be used for the two-fold purpose of temperance and religious worship.

The First Argyle Church failed to get in a report. Bro. Downey preaches with this Church one half the Sabbaths. A very especial work of grace was enjoyed last winter, resulting in the quickening of the Church, reclaiming the erring ones, and the addition of forty-six members, who were baptized by the pastor.

Pubnico Church.—The revival at Argyle extends to this place, where the joint labors of Bro. Downey with the pastor, Bro. Weston, resulted in a good work of grace. Thirty-five were hopefully converted, who were baptized and added to the Church.

The Church at Woods Harbor have the labors of Bro. Porter a part of the time, under whose timely effort they enjoyed a good season last winter; the Church was encouraged, its weak members strengthened, and twelve were added by baptism. Their Sabbath School numbers about fifty pupils.

Church at Shag Harbor, no report. If correctly informed Bro. Weston preaches here a part of the time. Am not apprised of the state of this Church.

Second Barrington Church reports a good revival last winter; four have been added by baptism, and still are striving to promote the glory of God. They have the joint labors of Bros. Porter and Weston three-eighths of the time.

First Church at Barrington.—Elders Downey and Porter each labor a part of their time with this Church. Bro. Royal, of Halifax, exchanged with Brother Downey for a few weeks, which, we believe resulted in the mutual profit of these Churches. The Church at Barrington enjoyed a very prosperous winter; the joint labors of those brethren resulted in the addition of fifty members to the Church, and the sowing of much good seed which will ultimately mature for the glory of God.

The Church at Port Latour still retain the labors of Bro. Porter, who, assisted by Bro. Royal, in a brief series of meetings last spring, saw the fruit of their labors in the quickening of the Church, and in the hopeful conversion of six persons, who were baptized and added to the Church, as well as one by letter.

The Church of Cape Sable Island reports a good interest; Sunday School prosperous. There have been added during the year thirty-six, whom they trust have been truly converted and entered upon a new course of life. Attendance at Sunday School, 206. Brother Babcock still holds the pastorate of this Church, whom we trust is greatly encouraged by the success attending his labors in this new field.

This Quarterly meeting has held its usual number of sessions. All have been interesting and we hope not without good results. The May session especially was an excellent meeting. There is only one society working in connection with this Quarterly Meeting, that of the Home Mission.

The past year has been one of great success in the cause of religion. Revival has followed revival, and wave upon wave of blessing and grace have gently bathed the shores of many countries, leaving valuable accessions to the Church of Christ. And while in reference to our work in this Quarterly Meeting there remains much to be done in the way of systematizing that work and developing many points of interest hitherto neglected, yet we rejoice that while only a decimal fraction of our Heavenly Father's family, we have not been forgotten, but with pleasure we are permitted to record the accession of two hundred and eighty members—the strengthening of “those things that remain,” while for the future there lies before us an inviting field of effort. This Quarterly Meeting consists of over twenty churches, connected with which there are one thousand or twelve hundred Sunday School children who look to Free Baptists for religious culture and direction, who love our ministers, and who say of our people, these are my people. In those youthful fields of culture, my brethren, lies our hope for the future. Our Home and Foreign Mission and educational work languishes. We sincerely hope that the Great Head of the church may so direct the talent of this Conference that an efficient method of working may be adopted, by which those societies may be rendered strong and useful.

WM. M. KNOLLIN, *Q. M. Clerk.*

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted.

Rev. T. O. DeWitt, Clerk of the Harmony Quarterly Meeting, read his Report as follows:

The Harmony Quarterly Meeting to the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia, assembled at Caledonia, Queens County, sendeth Christian salutation.

DEAR BRETHREN—“To God be all the praise,” for the train of blessings, temporal, religious, spiritual and denominational, which we enjoy.

We have had two Quarterly Meeting Sessions since our last Annual Report.

The first was held with the Church at Port Medway, commencing January 15th, 1875. It was at this meeting we felt the need of more ministers, as well as working laymen, to assist in carrying on the work of this Quarterly Meeting, and to assist in building up new interests and to help sustain those already commenced. We are very sorry to state that Rev. T. H. Crowell was not able to meet with us on account of his severe illness, but thanks be to God all fullness is in His hands. The second session convened with the Church at Black Rock, King's County, commencing July 2d. This session was more interesting than the first, and promised good results.

We will now make a brief reference to each Church, beginning with—

Canning.—This Church remains about the same as it was last year. It has had the earnest labors of Rev. J. H. Cox three-quarters of the time during the year that is past. They have a Sabbath school of about thirty pupils.

Scott's Bay and Ells' Mountain.—This Church, so long neglected, still lives, and has been greatly encouraged by the earnest and efficient labors of Rev. J. H. Cox a part of his time. Present membership, fifteen.

Half's Harbor.—No report from this Church this year. We believe they have had but little ministerial help. Membership fifty-five.

Black Rock.—This Church is in good working order, though they have had

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but little help during the year. T. O. DeWitt paid them a visit in April and stopped two weeks. During this time God was pleased, in answer to prayer, to visit this little band of workers by an outpouring of his Holy Spirit upon the people, and twenty-five were added to their number by baptism. Present membership, 103. Average attendance at Sabbath school, 80; number of volumes in library, 100.

Acworth.—This Church has had the labors of Rev. J. H. Cox one-eighth of his time; they are doing well in sustaining the means of grace. They are a devoted band, who, though much discouraged at times, are still ready for every good word and work. The membership is 38. A union Sabbath School is sustained during the year, with an average attendance of 60 scholars, and a library of 100 volumes.

East Medway.—This Church has the labors of Rev. J. F. Smith a part of his time. Two were added by baptism. The present membership is 60. There is a union Sabbath School sustained, with an average attendance of 40 scholars, and a library of 100 volumes.

Port Medway.—This Church has the labors of Rev. J. F. Smith part of his time, during the year. There is a Female Foreign Mission Society in connection with the Church, doing something for the heathen; but it does not get that general support which its object demands. Three were added by letter. The present membership is 126; number of scholars in Sabbath School 60; number of volumes in library, 150.

Harmony.—This Church has enjoyed the benefit of the labors of T. O. DeWitt the past year. This Church stands well in reference to the benevolent enterprises of the day, which must insure it a reflex blessing. Added by letter one. The present membership is —. A union Sabbath School has an average number of 80 scholars; number of volumes in library —.

Port Moulton.—This Church has suffered much in the past by the loss of some of its most promising members; but during the year that is past God has been pleased to hear their cries, and sent them help. They have had the labors of T. O. DeWitt one quarter of his time. A good revival of religion was experienced in their midst, and 62 have been added by baptism, 1 by letter; 1 died. Present membership 107. Number of Sabbath School scholars 50; number of volumes in library, 80.

1st Halifax.—This Church was organized November, 1873. At that time its membership was 6. They have had the earnest labors of Rev. S. N. Royal during the year. Present membership 31—males 12, females 19. Added by baptism, 12; by letter, 4; number dismissed by letter, 6; expelled, 2. We have only to say that they are doing what they can for the support of the Gospel, and other means of grace.

We have appointed to sit with you in Conference the following named Brothers: Edward McPherson, Samuel Cushing, Edward Morine, Samuel Vaughan, E. M. Cox, J. B. Ellis, Monson Cox, David Lockhart, Timothy Sullivan, and Thomas H. Chute.

In conclusion we only have to add that we are contending for the "faith once delivered to the saints." And we trust that when our delegates and ministers and those of our sister Quarterly Meeting gather for mutual conference and the transaction of business pertaining to the interest of our "Beloved Zion," there will be given "wisdom from on high," which will shape all deliberations for the promotion of truth and righteousness in the earth.

September 1876. T. O. DEWITT
Harmony Q. M. Clerk.

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted.

Resolved, That we adjourn as per order.

Prayer by Rev. W. M. Knollin.

FRIDAY, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Assistant Moderator, Rev. Wm. Downey, in the Chair.

Reports called for.

Rev. S. N. Royal, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, read the Report as follows:

Your Committee in reviewing the field for Temperance feel that:—

1st. Public opinion needs elevation, so that the law may be enforced, that the labor of earnest workers may not be frustrated, and their efforts may be accepted.

2d. We would recommend that by precept and example the principles of total abstinence be presented and practiced.

3d. We are of the opinion that were the doctrines of temperance more frequently presented, and the principles of total abstinence more thoroughly practised by professed christians, men and women, much aid would be given to the cause.

4th. We would recommend attention to the action of last year, and advise this Conference to assert its sympathy with the principles and practice of total abstinence, and to express the desire that the time may be hastened when law may be effectually enforced.

S. N. ROYAL, Chairman.

Its reception was moved and seconded, when Rev. J. Noble said: He was a temperance man; was pleased with the Report, especially as it referred to the raising of public opinion. In New Brunswick they have a temperance Governor. The temperance work was prosperous in that Province.

Rev. W. H. Tarbox said: Such speaking as that of the last speaker made him feel as if he was in Maine. Was glad he was here. There may be discouragements attending the temperance reform, so it was with the anti-slavery party, but slavery is done. Explained concerning the Maine law.

Revs. S. N. Royal, Wm. Downey, W. M. Knollin, T. O. DeWitt, and J. F. Smith spoke.

The Report was then unanimously adopted.

Rev. F. Babcock, Chairman of Committee on Missions, read as follows:

As it was the Master's life to go about doing good, that principle in His followers is right. Your Committee are happy to know that the Free Baptists of this Province believe it to be their duty to act a part with other religious bodies in this direction, in contributing of their substance to send the gospel to those destitute of it. Your Committee would recommend that we continue to solicit aid in behalf of the societies already in operation, believing they have been a source of strength in the past, and indicating still larger results in the future.

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As no figures of the past year's doings in this Province are present before us, your Committee cannot say correctly what has been done. But this Conference will be able to learn more about it from other sources before the close of this session.

F. BABCOCK, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted, and referred to the Missionary meeting.

Rev. J. M. Lowden, Chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Schools, read the Report as follows:

The command of the Great Shepherd unto one of His disciples was, "Feed my lambs." A few there have been in all ages whose great object in life has been to promote the highest well-being of the children. At no period has there been such an awakening to this truth, that not only a nation's but the Church's prosperity depends upon the right training of the young, as at the present, for which we thank God. Next to home influence is the influence of the Sabbath School. This being true, the responsibility resting upon all who can in any way promote the interest of the Sabbath School is manifest. For an encouragement we have the following considerations: 1st. There is no reason in the nature of things why a child may not be so taught and trained as to grow up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. 2d. Among the truths which first agitate a child's mind are those of the Gospel. 3d. The Master has given us the express declaration, "Train up a child in the way," &c. In view of these things we most earnestly urge upon all a consideration of the importance of this work.

J. M. LOUDEN, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted, and referred to the Sabbath School Convention.

Rev. J. F. Smith, Chairman, read the Report on the Sabbath as follows:

Your Committee on the Sabbath would respectfully submit the following resolution:

Whereas, We have on our Provincial Statutes no adequate Sabbath law, & no law against trafficking in merchandize, horse-racing, cock-fighting, dog-fighting, &c., and we also regard with these unnecessary labor, pleasure-riding, visiting among neighbours, and unnecessary conversation upon business or other worldly matters on the Sabbath, a violation of the moral law of the Sabbath, and also a hindrance both to spiritual advancement and enjoyment, and to the spread of the Gospel:

Therefore Resolved, That this Conference exert its influence in favor of instituting a Sabbath law for this Province that will accord as nearly as possible with the idea of Sabbath-keeping, and that we encourage the Churches as far as possible in a more careful observance of the Lord's Day.

J. F. SMITH, *Chairman.*

Rev. S. N. Royal explained the present state of the law of our Province, and the necessity of an expression from this Conference bearing on this subject.

Revs. J. F. Smith and W. C. Weston spoke to the same effect.

Deacon E. Dolliver and Revs. T. O. DeWitt, J. Cox and J. Loudon made appropriate remarks.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted.

The Report on Education was called for, when W. M. Knollin, Chairman of the Committee, said: Because of much business he had not convened the Committee, and desired to be excused. When it was—

Resolved, That as there is to be an Education meeting, when the subject is to be considered, that the Committee be excused.

Rev. F. Babcock presented the following which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas God in His wise providence and grace, has given us the inestimable blessings of Free Schools and an open Bible; and

Whereas there exists in the Dominion of Canada principles unfavorable to this state of things, and also strong efforts are being made to limit us in the enjoyment of these blessings, or deprive us of them altogether;

Therefore Resolved, That in the opinion of this Conference, it is the duty of the Free Baptists of Nova Scotia to resist, in all proper ways, all such attempts upon these our most cherished privileges, looking to God for His blessing upon our efforts.

Whereas The RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER is the recognised denominational organ of the Free Baptists of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—

Therefore Resolved, That this Conference express its approval of the able manner in which it is conducted by its editor and proprietor, Rev. Joseph McLeod, especially in regard to its principles, viz.: Religion, Temperance, Missions, Free School Law, &c., and should be glad to know that its circulation was being increased among all our churches.

Resolved, That we transpose the order of business, and hold the Missionary meeting on Saturday evening instead of this evening, and the Education meeting this evening.

Resolved, That we adjourn. Prayer by Rev. J. M. Loudon.

FRIDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

This was our Sabbath School Convention.

Rev. Wm. Downey, Vice President, in the Chair.

After singing, Rev. W. C. Weston offered prayer.

Minutes of last year read and approved.

Rev. J. I. Porter moved the following officers for the current year, viz.:—

Rev. T. H. Crowell, *President*; Revs. W. C. Weston, Wm. Downey, D. Oram, T. O. DeWitt, and J. I. Porter, *Vice-Presidents*; Rev. S. N. Royal, *Secretary*; Revs. W. M. Knollin, F. Babcock and Bro. D. Weston, *Executive Committee*.

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Bro. Cleveland, of Caledonia, read an admirable essay on Sabbath School work. On motion of Bro. Royal, seconded by Bro. Porter, it was voted that the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby tendered, to Bro. Cleveland for his essay, upon which remarks were made by Rev. W. H. Tarbox, stating that seven-eighths of all whom he had baptized had been Sabbath school scholars, closing his remarks by preaching a short sermon, good as it was short, and singing, "Jesus loves me." The children sang, "I am so glad that our Father in heaven." Rev. S. N. Royal made some remarks. The children sang, "Around the throne of God in heaven." Rev. F. Babcock made some remarks on the advantages of Sabbath schools. Miss Mary Douglas gave a recitation, "What of an after life." Rev. J. Noble spoke of his love from early life to the Sabbath-school, and of the privileges of the minister to attend the Sabbath-school. Rev. J. M. Loudon expressed himself as interested in the children; that a child may and ought to be trained for God. The Chairman of the Sabbath School Convention read his Report (see Report on Sabbath Schools), which was adopted; upon which remarks were made by Rev. J. I. Porter. While there was only one school that formally reported (Port Medway), informal reports showed that during the past year there have been many Sabbath-school scholars converted.

After singing, Bro. J. F. Smith offered prayer, and the Convention adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, 8 o'clock.

Singing. Prayer by Rev. W. M. Knollin.

A letter from the Port Medway Church, certifying the membership and standing of Bro. J. M. Loudon, and requesting his ordination to the gospel ministry, was read and considered. Whereupon it was

Resolved, That the request be complied with, so far as to appoint a Committee of examination. The Committee of the Whole was then appointed.

Resolved, That the next Yearly Meeting be held at the Port Medway Church.

Resolved, That a copy of our Minutes, when copied, be sent to the Evangelical Alliance.

Resolved, That Revs. W. M. Knollin, Wm. Downey and J. H. Cox, be a Committee to nominate Corresponding Delegates to other bodies.

Report of above Committee adopted as follows: Rev. S. N. Royal to the Free Christian Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick, and that Rev. Wm. Downey be his substitute.

Resolved, That Rev. C. Knowles be delegate to the Maine Central Yearly Meeting, and Rev. T. H. Crowell be his substitute.

The hour of 9 o'clock being the time of devotional exercises, the order of exercises was changed.

Prayer by Rev. W. Downey.

10 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. J. M. Cox. Business resumed.

Whereas Scott's Bay Church having members who were in active sympathy with the so-called Adventists, appointed a Committee to visit them, and when visited they expressed their determination to adhere to their opinions. Upon the presentation of the Report of the Committee the Church ordered their names to be erased from the Church book: *Resolved*, That this Conference endorse the action of Scott's Bay Church, and advise other Churches to adopt the same course.

Resolved, That this Conference recommend the third Thursday of November next as a day of fasting and prayer, for our young men at school, for our feeble and destitute churches, and to the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest.

Resolved, That we adjourn to hear the Report of Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATION.—Rev. F. Babcock was elected Chairman, Rev. J. I. Porter, Secretary. *Resolved*, That this Committee sit with open doors. The Chairman then proceeded to ask the candidate certain questions, and read our Treatise on Faith, after which further questions were asked, all of which were replied to by the candidate in the most satisfactory manner. . . . Rev. J. L. Phillips and his sister, returned missionaries, coming into the Church, the Committee rose to receive them, and a few minutes were occupied in giving them a warm reception. After which it was *Resolved*, That whereas this Committee are satisfied with Bro. Lowden's examination, therefore recommend the Conference to ordain him. *Resolved*, That the Committee rise.

Conference business resumed. Prayer by Rev. W. Downey.

The Chairman of Committee of the Whole reported, when it was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to arrange for the ordination.

Resolved, That Revs. C. Knowles, W. Downey, J. H. Cox, Bros. Samuel Cushing, B. B. Woodworth be the Committee.

In consideration of the fact that there are several young men, formerly members of the Free Baptist denomination of Nova Scotia, who are now pursuing a course of study in the Free Baptist Schools in the United States preparatory to preaching the Gospel, and who have not the means of defraying the expenses of an education, *Resolved*, that this Conference believe that they are following the Divine plan, and that it extend to them an expression of its

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sympathies and best wishes, and that it advise the Churches to take, at least, one collection a year for the benefit of those young men, for the purpose of helping them through their course of study.

Resolved, That the contributions and collections of the Churches to aid young men studying for the ministry, be sent to Rev. W. M. Knollin, Treasurer of the Education Society, to be disbursed according to the decision of the Executive of said Society.

Resolved, That we proceed to consider the Halifax Mission interest, and that Bro. Royal give a report concerning it; when he gave quite an encouraging account of the spiritual state and prospects of the Church. Rev. J. L. Porter gave a report of his visit to Halifax, as agent of the Conference, showing that he had arranged the business in a most satisfactory manner.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet on Monday morning at 8 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

MONDAY MORNING, 8 o'clock.

Singing. Prayer by Rev. W. M. Knollin.

Resolved, That S. N. Royal, J. M. Loudon, and W. M. Knollin, be a Committee to consider and report on the Halifax Mission.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Conference get 1,000 copies of Minutes of Conference printed, and receive \$15 for his services.

Resolved, That the sum of \$20 be appropriated to aid the Parent Society in paying the travelling expenses of the Missionaries who have visited our Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference think it desirable to continue the interest at Halifax, and recommend that the sum of \$320 be raised by shares of \$4 each, to be paid previous to February 20th and July 20th, 1876, for the purpose of paying interest and insurance on the Free Baptist Church in that city.

Resolved, That this Conference feel grateful that our young men are returning from the States to labor among us, and as Bro. Loudon is about to assume the charge of Halifax Church, we pledge him our sympathy, prayers, and, as far as possible, our financial aid.

9 o'clock, the time for devotional exercises; one hour thus spent. 10 o'clock, prayer by Rev. W. C. Weston.

Resolved, That this Conference accord its thanks to the brethren and friends of this place for the very worthy manner in which they have entertained this Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference express sympathy with our weak and destitute Churches, as well as our brethren scattered in different places, and recommend Rev. S. N. Royal as an Evangelist.

A season of prayer, led by Rev. J. L. Philips, for destitute Churches, and that the Lord of the harvest would send them help, was enjoyed.

Resolved, That Rev. J. I. Porter be appointed to receive the money subscribed and paid for the Halifax Mission, and remit as the payment and interest require.

Resolved, That this Conference recommend the Quarterly Meetings to which they belong, to assist Revs. A. Swim, and S. H. Crowell, to the extent that their needs may require.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 2½ o'clock.
Prayer by Rev. J. M. Louden.

MONDAY, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. F. Babock.

Voted on motion of Bro. Louden, seconded by Bro. Weston, that Bro. Royal be entrusted with securing the remaining pledges needed.

Bro. Porter moved, and Bro. J. L. Philips seconded, That as Free Baptists "the Baptist Union" is worthy of our confidence and patronage, and we commend its policy and object.

Rev. J. I. Porter presented his bill for travelling expenses, to the General Conference, held at Providence, Rhode Island, last fall, and also to Halifax, as the agent of this Conference, which were approved. He also gave an account of his trouble and expenses in behalf of the Halifax Mission, when it was thought and decided that he charge at least \$15 therefor.

Resolved, That this Conference adjourn without date.
Prayer by Rev. J. Noble.

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STATISTICS OF THE DENOMINATION.

CHURCHES.	ADDED.					Total	Number of Schools.	Number of Scholars.	Foreign Mission.
	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Excluded.	Dismissed.	Died.				
First Barrington,.....	50				2	290	1	120	\$20 00
Cape Island,.....	36					473	3	206	25 00
Shag Harbor,.....						43	1	40	8 00
Second Barrington,.....	4					98	2	100	10 00
Port LaTour,.....	6	1				73	1	50	10 00
Wood's Harbour,.....	19					114	1	40	10 00
Pubnico,.....	35					162	1	100	10 00
First Argyle,.....	46					176	1	35	10 00
Second Argyle,.....	3					187	1	60	15 00
Tusket,.....	3					97	1	30	8 00
Kemptville,.....	6					181	2	113	20 00
Rockingham,.....						23	1	45	5 00
Carleton,.....						64			8 00
Deerfield,.....						34	1	40	3 00
Beaver River and Cedar Lake,.....	7	6				240	2	120	25 00
Sanford,.....	48	5				152	1	40	10 00
Session Hill,.....						64			10 00
Chebogoue,.....	14					225	2	90	10 00
Black Rock,.....						103	1	50	10 00
Hall's Harbour,.....						55	1	49	15 00
Scott's Bay and Ell's Mountain,.....						30	1		8 00
Canning,.....						130	1	80	15 00
Avonport,.....						88	1	50	3 00
Mount Denison,.....									
East Medway,.....	2					50	1	40	4 00
Port Medway,.....	3					126	1	60	15 00
Harmony and Brookfield,.....	3					100	1	80	20 00
Port Mouton,.....	62	1				107	1	50	5 00
Brooklin,.....				1		1	1	20	4 00
Halifax,.....	13	4	2	2		31	1	30	
Yarmouth,.....	3	4				31			
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The statistics of the above are as near as can be gathered from the Quarterly Meeting Reports.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Free Baptist Conference in Account with J. I. Porter, Treasurer.

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Amt. in fund, Sept. 20th, '74,	\$169.48	David Larkin,	\$0 25
DEAR POINT CHURCH FOR 1874.		Hallet Goodwin and wife,	35
By Rev. W. C. Weston.		Merick Hipson and wife,	33
Christiana Hopkins,	\$0 12	Hallet Goodwin and wife,	35
David Nickerson and wife,	37	Benjamin Hines,	26
Edmund Smith and wife,	37	William Hines,	20
Joseph Smith,	26	Moses Larkin and wife,	25
David Smith,	25	Calvin Goodwin and wife,	25
Jerusha Smith,	12	Jeremiah Goodwin and wife,	25
Edward Hopkins,	12	Benjamin Goodwin and wife,	25
Ensign Hopkins and wife,	37	Jethro Goodwin and wife,	25
Levi Hopkins,	25	Mrs. Mary Larkin,	10
Eliza Hopkins,	12	Thomas Blades and wife,	24
Gideon Smith and wife,	37	Stillman Goodwin,	15
Jesse Smith and wife,	35	Mrs. Joseph Goodwin,	14
Mrs. Reuben Stoddart,	12		<u>\$6 28</u>
James Smith and wife,	37		
Mrs. Joseph Stoddart,	12	WOOD'S HARBOR CHURCH, FOR 1874.	
Caleb Stoddart and wife,	37	By W. C. Weston.	
Jeremiah Stoddart and wife,	37	Zaccheus Chatwynd,	\$0 12
Colwell Kenney,	25	Letitia Chatwynd,	5
Mrs. Henry Atwood,	12	Reuben Brennon,	15
Judah Crowell and wife,	37	Martha Brennon,	9
Mrs. James Snow,	12	Mercy Sears,	5
Abijah Crowell,	24	Levi Crowell,	12
William Atwood,	10	Isaiah Nickerson,	12
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		G. F. Lines,	17
FERRICO CHURCH FOR 1874.		A. Lines,	24
John Larkin and wife,	35		<u>\$1 16</u>
Sherburn Lowell and wife,	35		
Joseph Larkin,	25	1ST BARRINGTON CHURCH, FOR 1874	
Matilda Larkin,	10	J. Kendrick, wife and daughter,	\$0 45
Nancy McLee,	10	Mrs. Thomas Robertson,	12
Susan Hipson,	10	Harvey Trefry and wife,	37
Maria Hines,	10	Miss Margery Trefry,	12
Deborah Goodwin,	10	Mrs. Israel Wilson,	12
Manasseh Larkin and wife,	48	S. W. Crowell, sen., and wife,	45
Stephen Larkin and wife,	35	Mrs. Michael Wilson,	10
Mrs. Freeman Goodwin,	10	Edwin Crowell,	25
Moses Goodwin,	24	Nathan Crowell and wife,	37
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Charlie Crowell,	25
Nathan Hopkins and family,	1 00
William H. Wilson,	37
Seth Wilson,	25
Isaac Hopkins and wife,	37
Obadiah Hopkins,	25
Mrs. John Hopkins,	13
Wilhelmina Smith,	12
Samuel Hopkins and family,	45
Mrs. James Hopkins,	12
Joseph Hopkins and wife,	35
T. W. Wilson,	25
Josiah Hopkins and wife,	49
Mrs. John Wilson,	20
Mrs. James Kenney,	10
Mrs. E. Crews,	10
Osborn Crowell,	15
Mrs. Smith Wilson,	5
Mrs. Peter Sutherland,	12
Mrs. Elizabeth Doane,	12
Mrs. Maria Doane,	12
Samuel Atwood and wife,	37
Mrs. Rhoda Watson,	12
Mrs. Jacob Kendrick,	10
J. K. Knowles,	25
Mrs. Charles Stanley,	25
Mrs. Whitehouse,	12
R. H. Crowell,	25
Mrs. Smith Kendrick,	12

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PORT LA TOUR CHURCH, FOR 1875.

William Smith and wife,	\$0 37
Mercy J. Swain,	12
Sarah Snow,	12
David Smith, sen.,	25
Thomas Smith,	20
Joseph Smith and wife,	39
Sarah J. Crowell,	12
Malinda Crowell,	12
William Snow and wife,	24
Alice Swain,	10
Mary J. Taylor,	12
Hannah Worthen,	12
Joel Worthen,	28
Emeline Swain,	10
Mercy Swain,	10
Matilda Swain,	10
Sarah Swain,	10
Mr. Huskins and wife,	35
Mr. Salisbury and wife,	35

Dea. William Snow,	\$0 24
William Powell and wife,	35
Nathan Snow and wife,	35
William Spinney,	25
Patience Snow,	10
James Crowell and wife,	35
Seth Snow and wife,	35
Mrs. Warren Swaine,	10
Jonathan Crowell and wife,	35
James Crowell, sen., and wife,	35
Joseph Crowell and wife,	35
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BARRINGTON CENTRE CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Benjamin Banks and wife,	\$0 35
Joseph Banks,	25
Drusilla Nickerson,	10
Isaac Nickerson and wife,	35
Mercy Nickerson,	12
Thomas Banks and wife,	35
Mary Nickerson,	10
Stephen Banks and wife,	35
Herman Kenny and wife,	35
James Banks,	25
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SHAG HARBOR CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Samuel Nickerson,	\$0 25
Elizabeth Nickerson,	10
Grizzell Watt,	10
Edward Kendrick,	25
Zernah Kendrick,	10
Seth Kendrick,	24
Ermina Kendrick,	10
Samuel Kendrick,	25
Nancy Crowell,	10
Philip Crowell,	25
Mercy Crowell,	10
Susan Nickerson,	10
Matilda Nickerson,	10
Judah Crowell,	25
Daniel Nickerson,	25
Jedediah Nickerson,	10
Abigail Nickerson,	10
Mary E. Banks,	10
Warren Crowell,	25
Edward Kendrick and wife,	35

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WOOD'S HARBOR CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Isaiah Hatch,	\$0 28
Mrs. Samuel Goodwin,	17
Mrs. Maria Knowles,	10
Mrs. Rebecca Malone,	10
Abram Malone and wife,	18
Benjamin Knowles and wife,	30
Andrew Malone and wife,	20
Mrs. A. Nickerson,	10
John Garon,	17
Dea. Washington Smith,	25
Reuben Brannen,	25
Hernan Chatwynd and wife,	17
Elizabeth Chatwynd,	5
Irène Knowles,	10
Josiah Nickerson,	20
Melvin Brantien and wife,	25
Zaccheus Chatwynd,	16
Abraham Malone and wife, for '74,	30
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FORT MOUTON CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Gamallel Gardiner and wife,	\$0 37
Moses Abbott and wife,	37
Edward McPherson and wife,	37
Desiah McPherson,	12
Ella McPherson,	12
William J. Lloyd,	25
Mrs. Sarah Gardner,	12
Mrs. Hugh McClearn,	12
Mrs. Susan Swim,	12
Addie Swim,	12
Solomon Stuart and wife,	37
Mrs. Lydia Stuart,	12
Mrs. McAdams,	12
Charles McAdams,	25
Mrs. Grace Smith,	13
Lizzie Smith,	12
Mrs. Hannah Smith,	12
Mrs. Daniel Smith,	12
Mrs. Mary H. Harrington,	35
Joseph Verge and wife,	37
Henry Wagner and wife,	25
Joseph Wagner,	25
Sabes Wagner,	25
Jacob Wagner,	25
Mrs. William Coupl,	12
Mrs. Sarah Stuart,	10
Mrs. Etta Breshen,	12
Ebenezer Pierce and wife,	40
Mrs. Henry Pierce,	12
Mary C. Carter,	12
David Danry and wife,	37
Lavinia Danry,	12

John Danry,	\$0 12
Angus Roy and wife,	37
Mrs. Jane Williams,	12
George and Lewis Williams,	37
Mrs. Bessie Fisher,	10
Uriah Shamble and wife,	37
Mrs. Robert Leslie,	12
Linda Leslie,	12
Mrs. C. H. Nickerson,	12
Mrs. Richard Huskins,	12
Eliza Huskins,	12
Mrs. John Huphman,	12
Mrs. Freeman Harlow,	12
Mrs. Susan Campbell,	12
Willard Leslie,	25
Joseph Blowers,	25
Mrs. Rachel Leslie,	12
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LITTLE RIVER CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Jonathan Smith and wife,	\$0 30
Thomas Smith and wife,	48
Joseph Smith,	25
William Smith,	25
Mrs. Minard Vanhorn,	12
Mrs. James Webb,	12
Richard Vanhorn and wife,	36
Eleazer Much and wife,	36
Mrs. Prince Newell,	12
Amos Larkin and wife,	34
Mrs. Zilpha Simons,	12
William Land and wife,	37
W. C. Larkin,	12
Mrs. Milford Hersey,	10
John Cook and wife,	35
Augusta Cook,	10
Wellington Larkin and wife,	35
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TUSKET CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Asa Robbins and wife,	\$0 35
Joseph Jeffery and wife,	35
Norman Jeffery and wife,	35
John Hatfield and wife,	35
Foster Crosby and wife,	37
Juliette Crosby,	12
Mrs. Servant,	10
William Jeffery,	25
Stephen Jeffery,	25
Hannah H. Robbins,	12
Wallace Blanvelt,	35
Charles Knowles,	25
Edward Knollin,	35

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 Mrs. Jacob Hatfield, 10
 Bessie H. Hatfield, 10
 William Hatfield, 25
 Mr. Amos Jeffery, 25
 Mrs. Knowles, 10
 Thomas Knowles, 25

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PLYMOUTH CHURCH, FOR 1876.

Joseph Johnson and wife, \$0 84
 Charles Johnson, 24
 Heman Johnson, 25
 Freeman Johnson and wife, 25
 Camilla Sims, 10
 Elizabeth Sims, 10
 Byron Sims, 25
 Wentworth Johnson, 25
 Lucy Johnson, 10
 Walter Scott, 24
 Eben Sims, 25
 George Sims, 25
 Lucy McKay, 10
 Jeremiah Sims and wife, 35
 Wilson Sims, 25
 Henry Johnson, 24
 William Baker and wife, 24
 Benjamin Gray, 24
 Eleanor White, 10
 Edward White, 25
 Robert Sims, 25
 Nathaniel Sims and wife, 35

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BEAVER RIVER CHURCH, FOR 1876.

Dea. D. P. Corning and wife, \$0 37
 Capt. John Saunders and wife, 38
 Mrs. Edwin Saunders, 25

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CANNING CHURCH, FOR 1874.

Mrs. Beekman Cox, \$0 10
 Mrs. Henry Coffin, 10
 Jacob Potter, 25
 Mrs. H. Potter, 10
 Charles Lorimer and wife, 35
 James Coffield and wife, 35
 Jacob Lockhart and wife, 35
 Daniel Cox and wife, 35
 Leander Cox, 25
 Henry Potter, 25
 D. W. Loudon and wife, 35

Welner Cox and wife, \$0 35
 Monson Cox, 25
 Mrs. Elias Cox, 10
 Jesse Tooker and wife, 35
 Francis Lecane and wife, 35
 E. B. Woodworth and wife, 35
 Sarah Woodworth, 10
 George Cox and wife, 35
 Charles Wilmot, 25
 Woodbury Wilmot, 25
 W. H. Newcomb and wife, 38

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KEMPT CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Jonathan Randall, \$0 25
 Abijah Ring and wife, 34
 John Ring and wife, 34
 E. E. Ring and wife, 35
 Jacob Crowell and wife, 35
 John Roberts and wife, 35
 Solomon Roberts, 20
 Handley Roberts and wife, 35
 James Prosser and wife, 30
 Robert Prosser, 25
 Nathaniel Roberts and wife, 35
 Nathaniel Travis, jr., and wife, 35
 Nora Marlin, 16
 Elkanah Travis and wife, 35
 Jonathan Goodwin and wife, 35
 Joseph Goodwin, 25
 Annie Goodwin, 10
 Wm. Randall and wife, 35
 Mary E. Randall, 10
 James Prout and wife, 35
 Edward Reaves and wife, 35
 Amial Spinney and wife, 38
 Charlotte Gray, 10
 Mrs. Sarah Wood, 10
 Mrs. Martha Hurlburt, 10
 Lemuel Linkham, 25
 Mrs. Jemima Hurlburt, 10
 Miss Kezia Marlin, 10
 Mrs. Maria Hurlburt, 10
 Jonathan Crowell, sen., and wife, 24
 N. Travis and family, 48
 Mrs. Sarah Gray, 10
 Denis Crowell and wife, 10
 Mrs. Deborah Crowell, 10
 Agnes Hurlburt, 10
 Jonathan Crowell, jr., and wife, 25
 Lemuel Hamilton and wife, 24
 Thomas Gray and wife, 20
 Mrs. Lydia Hurlburt, 10
 Mrs. Rosanna Roberts, 10

Omar P. Roberts, \$0 25
 Obed Hamilton and wife, 35
 Rev. C. Knowles, 25
 \$10 70

CARLETON CHURCH, FOR 1875.
 Susan Durkee, \$0 10

DEERFIELD CHURCH, FOR 1875.
 Stephen Hamilton and wife, \$0 35

CANNING CHURCH, FOR 1875.
 B. B. Woodworth and wife, \$0 40
 Sarah Woodworth, 10
 Jesse Tooker and wife, 35
 Laura Potter, 10
 Mrs. Thomas Cox, 8
 Mrs. Beekman Cox, 10
 Mrs. Henry Coffin, 10
 Daniel Cox and wife, 35
 James Coffield and wife, 35
 Monson Cox, 25
 Jacob Lockhart and wife, 35
 W. H. Newcomb and wife, 25
 G. H. Tooker, 10
 Mrs. W. Witt, 37
 D. W. Louden and wife, 35
 Welner Cox and wife, 35
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EAST MEDWAY CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Jacob Bower and wife, \$0 35
 Sarah Bower, 10
 Emma Armstrong, 12
 Cassie Cohoon, 8
 Isabella Cohoon, 8
 Francis Wambolt and wife, 36
 Abigail Smith, 10
 Annie Dolliver, 10
 Mary Wallace, 36
 Jacob Manthorn and wife, 35
 Solomon Dolliver and wife, 35
 Arthur Dolliver, 25
 Hannah Dagley, 25
 John Leneten, 25
 Sophia Leneten, 10
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 Benjamin Cohoon, 25
 John Dolliver, 10
 Henrietta Park, 10
 Sylvanus Vaughan, 25

Catherine Baker, \$0 10
 Elizabeth Cohoon, 10
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PORT MEDWAY CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Mrs. Joseph Atkins, \$0 10
 Amanda Atkins, 10
 Mary A. Atkins, 10
 Edward Morine and wife, 35
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 Samuel Foster and wife, 35
 Mrs. Benjamin Foster, 10
 Elisha Dolliver and wife, 35
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 Ella Cohoon, 10
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 Phoebe Cohoon, 10
 Freeman Cohoon and wife, 35
 Lorenzo Christopher, 35
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 Eliza Cohoon, 12
 Mrs. John Dolliver, 10
 Floretta Morine, 10
 Cedelia Cohoon, 10
 Ida May Cohoon, 10
 Stephen Cohoon and wife, 35
 Samuel Dolliver and wife, 35
 Mrs. Hannah Dolliver, 10
 Norah Dolliver, 10
 Clara Dolliver, 10
 Adolphus Letson, 25
 E. E. Letson, 25
 Spencer Cohoon and wife, 35
 Joseph Letson and wife, 35
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ARGYLE CHURCH, FOR 1875.

Freeman Jeffery and wife, \$0 35
 Chas. Jeffery and wife, 35
 James R. Frost and wife, 35
 James Frost and wife, 35
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 Ida Whitehouse, 10
 Mary Smith, 10
 Sarah E. Frost, 10
 Ebenezer Frost and wife, 35
 Andrew Frost and wife, 35
 Nathaniel Crowell and wife, 35

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10	Sophia Crowell	10
10	Paul Ricker and wife	36
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10	Elihu Whitehouse and wife	36
10	Ruth Ricker	10
10	Florence Ricker	10
10	Mary Kenney	10
10	James Goodwin and wife	34
85	Sylvanus Ricker and wife	35
35	Lucy J. Watson	10
35	Lizzie Crowell	10
10	Benjamin Roberts and wife	35
35	Daniel Sargeant and wife	35
12	Wilson Sargeant	25
10	Maxwell Sargeant	25
10	Hiram Roberts	25
10	Weymouth Roberts	25
10	Sarah A. Roberts	10
35	Warren Goodwin and wife	35
35	Wentworth Goodwin	25
18	Jane Goodwin	10
50	Mary A. Kenney	10
85	William Kenney	25
30	Israel Kenney and wife	31
12	James Kenney	24
12	Benjamin Whitehouse	25
10	Benjamin Whitehouse and wife	35
10	Edna Whitehouse	10
10	John Whitehouse	25
10	John Hay	25
85	Morris Forbes and wife	35
35	Crowell Forbes	25
10	Fostina Forbes	10
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25	Charles Jeffery and wife	\$0 35
85	James R. Frost and wife	35
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CAPE ISLAND CHURCH, FOR 1875.

	Benjamin Ross, sen., and wife	\$0 17
	Mrs. Watson Chase	5
	Mrs. Reuben D. Swim	5
	Mrs. Joseph Trott	5
	Benjamin Ross and wife	20
	Mrs. Aaron Ross	5
	Mrs. Mahala Atkinson	5
	James F. Ross and wife	17

	Abram C. Ross	\$0 24
	Mrs. Samuel Powell	5
	Samuel Cunningham and wife	17
	Crowell Cunningham	17
	Robert Brannen and wife	12
	Abram Hunt	12
	Mrs. Martin Stoddart	10
	Mrs. David Hunt	5
	Mrs. Rebecca Nickerson	4
	Mrs. Henry Brown	10
	Mrs. John Dixon	5
	Joseph Cunningham and wife	17
	J. C. Atkinson and wife	25
	Mrs. Amasa Ross	5
	Mrs. Caroline Atkinson	5
	Mrs. J. L. Ross	5
	Mrs. Jacob Nickerson	5
	Mrs. William Ross	5
	S. Ross and wife	20
	J. L. Ross	12
	Moses Ross and wife	20
	Smith Brannen and wife	17
	Lydia Cunningham	5
	Maria Brown	5
	Edmund Ross and wife	17
	Mrs. John R. Smith	15
	Jethro N. Smith	15
	Thomas Newell	25
	William Newell	30
	Mrs. E. Goodwin	10
	James Newell	25
	Job Atkinson	25
	Isaiah Newell	25
	Mrs. Lorin B. Smith	30
	Mrs. Aurilla Brown	12
	Joseph Huskins	12
	James Kenney	12
	Mrs. James Kenney	5
	Mrs. B. F. Kenney	10
	B. F. Kenney	12
	Mrs. James R. Kenney	12
	W. Wallace Kenney	12
	Mrs. Isaac Kenney	10
	Mrs. Smith Atkins	10
	Mrs. Edmund Smith	10
	Sarah H. Smith	5
	Mrs. Sophia McGray	5
	Mrs. Almira Kenney	10
	Mrs. Samuel Trott	10
	Alice Kenney	12
	Levi Kenney	20
	David G. Daley	12
	Mrs. Thomas Nickerson	10
	Mrs. Beverly Obed	16
	Mrs. Peter Kenney	20
	William D. Nickerson	10

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Thomas W. Kenney,	20	Prince Penney and wife,	17
William Nickerson,	20	Lenord Penney,	12
Mrs. Joshua Nickerson,	10	Issac Penney and wife,	17
Mrs. Joshua L. Nickerson,	10	Barry Atkins and wife,	17
Mrs. Freeman Nickerson,	12	Sarah H. Nickerson,	5
Mrs. John W. Kenney,	24	Abigail Nickerson,	5
Lydia E. Gould,	10	Peleg Nickerson and wife,	17
Zilpha A. Crowell,	10	Vincent Nickerson and wife,	17
Jedediah Smith,	10	Abijah Penney and wife,	17
Lydia J. Crowell,	10	Darius Nickerson and wife,	17
Mrs. Asa Crowell,	5	Joseph Penney and wife,	17
Ruth A. Crowell,	5	Alice Nickerson,	15
Salome Crowell,	5	Abby Nickerson,	5
Mrs. Michael Crowell,	10	Lucinda Nickerson,	5
Joanna Smith,	10	Rev. F. Babcock and wife,	25
Mary E. Nickerson,	10	Alice McGray,	4
Sarepta Crowell,	10	Ephraim Newell and wife,	20
Catherine Duncan,	40	Lewis Nickerson,	15
Daniel Nickerson and wife,	15	Isaiah Smith,	20
Mrs. Eliza A. Ross,	5	Aurilla Smith,	5
Asa McGray and wife,	25	Parker Smith,	20
Martin McGray and wife,	20	John Smith and wife,	20
Ruth Crowell,	10	Mrs. Sarah Newell	5
George S. Swim,	25	Mrs. Esther Crowell,	5
Eliezer Crowell,	24	John Cunningham,	15
George H. Swim,	12	Freeman Smith,	10
Israel Cunningham,	10	James C. Smith,	20
Samuel Atwood,	5	Bartlet G. Covell,	20
Mrs. Stewart Smith,	10	Bartlett F. Covell,	20
Joseph Nickerson,	12	Mrs. John McGray	5
Jeb Swim,	17	Seth Smith,	20
Marsden Penny and wife,	16		
Andrew Swim and wife,	16		
		Total amount received,	\$293 52

Paid to Rev. W. M. Knollin, delegate to N. B. Con., Sept. 30, '74,	\$15 00
Expenses of Rev. J. L. Porter, delegate to the General Conference at Providence, R. I., October, 1874,	35 70
Barnes & Co.'s bill for printing Minutes, for 1874,	50 00
Post Office order to Barnes & Co.,	40
Postage on Minutes sent to the churches,	1 27
Freight on Minutes from Saint John to Barrington,	60
Notice of special session of Conference in <i>Yarmouth Herald</i> ,	80
Expenses of agent of Conference to Halifax & Cornwallis,	19 60
Rev. S. N. Royal, for supplying for agent while at Halifax,	20 00
F. Babcock, delegate to M. C. Y. Meeting, Sept., 1875,	25 00
for postage, stationery and services for Halifax Mission,	15 00
Rev. J. L. Phillips, expenses to our Conference,	20 00
Stationery for making out Minutes, postage,	50
Notice of the Annual Conference in <i>Yarmouth Herald</i> ,	80
for making out Minutes for 1875,	15 00
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Amount in fund,	\$73 75

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REPORT
MINUTES

OF THE
NINTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE

NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

CALEDONIA, Saturday Evening, Sept. 11th, }
7 o'clock, P. M. }

The President, Rev. W. Downey, in the Chair. Rev. J. I. Porter, Recording Secretary. Rev. T. M. Saunders, Corresponding Secretary, *pro tem*. Singing by choir and congregation. Prayer by Rev. S. N. Royal. After singing again the Recording Secretary read the Minutes of last meeting and Constitution of the Society. On motion it was *Resolved*, That the present officers continue for the ensuing year. *Resolved*, That Rev. J. M. Loudon be Assistant Corresponding Secretary. To accept the duties of the Secretary, Rev. T. H. Crowell, at whatever time he may require it. Rev. T. H. Crowell not being able to be present, the Secretary, *pro tem*, read the excellent Report. (See Report.) Rev. F. Babcock moved, and Rev. W. H. Tarbox seconded the adoption of the Report with appropriate remarks, after which Rev. Dr. Phillips, returned Missionary, was introduced and spoke for about half an hour in a very interesting manner; after which his sister, Miss Phillips, the Missionary adopted by this Conference, spoke in a very pleasing way. To have these Missionaries present with us was indeed very gratifying, but to look into their earnest faces, and hear their voices, and feel the power of their stirring words, was calculated to inspire new interest in the Foreign Mission work. After a few remarks by Rev. J. F. Smith, subscriptions and collections were taken. (See Treasurer's Account.) The gathering at this meeting was large, and much interest was manifested. Meeting closed by singing doxology, and benediction.

J. I. PORTER, Recording Secretary.

REPORT.

The history of our Society since its organization in 1867 presents nothing wonderful or great, and but little to lead even the most interested and credulous to the conclusion that the enterprise will prove a success.

It came into existence bearing the marks of weakness, and subsequently circumstances seem to have been unfavorable to its growth and development.

It therefore cannot be expected, even though it has held an honorable position for eight years among the many agencies which are at work for the salvation of the world, that we can in this annual report show such work actually done and results accomplished as would please and elicit from all admiration, sympathy and co-operation.

But this reference to circumstances and results is made from a human standpoint, and perhaps is altogether out of place. Perhaps in the Divine mind the adaptation of things has been complete, and that in the Divine estimation a good work has been done, and glorious victories have been gained for Christ and humanity.

We believe, however that the work of this Society was undertaken and has been carried on, in some measure at least, with an eye to God's glory and the salvation of men; and that notwithstanding failure on our part to fulfil our obligations and discharge our duties, He has owned and blessed it, and that he will in future time cause those who have devoted themselves to its interests, yea, and those who have idly stood aloof from the work, to exclaim "What hath God wrought."

Our relation as an auxiliary to the Free Will Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the United States, will naturally lead us to make reference to it.

The annual report from the Mission press at Midnapore for the year ending March, 1875, is before us, and from it we learn that the various branches of the work in connection with the Mission are being carried on with the usual earnestness and success.

It is true there has been sickness and death among the Mission workers, and sometimes almost seeming insurmountable difficulties have presented themselves, but in answer to the prayer of faith God has from time to time raised up and sent reinforcements to the field, has provided a way for the sick to regain health and the tired ones to take some rest, and has removed obstacles from the path of those devoted ones—leading them on to victory. The Report says: "Rev. R. D. Frost arrived in India in May, 1874. In December our Mission was again reinforced by the arrival of Mr. Hogbin, Miss Libby, and Miss French."

We may remark that Miss Libby is the daughter beloved of Rev. G. O. Libby, Corresponding Secretary of the Parent Society.

It was the privilege of your Corresponding Secretary to meet her with Mr. Hogbin and Miss French in Providence, Rhode Island, and form some acquaintance with them, just before they set sail for the land of darkness and superstition.

There are at present connected with the Mission 16 missionaries—6 male and 10 female, and five native preachers. There have been received by baptism since the last Report 43. The present membership is 405.

Soon after the last arrival of Missionaries in India Dr. J. L. Phillips and family, and Mrs. J. E. Phillips, our missionary, left for America with the hope of regaining health and strength for future work among the heathen, and also for the purpose of trying to stimulate Christians in America with new zeal in the Mission Work. Through the loving kindness of God they arrived home safely, and we are glad of the privilege of welcoming the Doctor and Miss Phillips to Nova Scotia, and to meet them this evening in our Annual Missionary Meeting; and we trust that their presence and words will give a new, great, and

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Nova Scotia Free Baptist Foreign Mission Society, in Account with Theo.
H. Crowell, Treasurer.

1874.		Cr.		
By balance on hand,	\$8 87		Obadiah Crowell,	\$0 05
Charles W. Doane (deceased),	1 00		David Duncan,	10
1875.			Catherine,	10
Rev. F. Babcock (1873),	2 00		Thomas E. Crowell,	5
Rev. Joseph Cox,	2 00		Michael Crowell,	5
			John A. Crowell,	10
	\$13 87		Lydia J. Crowell,	10
			Elezer Crowell,	25
BY CAPE ISLAND CHURCH.			Collected, by Miss Eliza Kenney.	
Collected by Miss Alice Nickerson.			Levi Kenney, senr.	\$0 10
Daniel Nickerson,	\$0 25		Mrs. Eliza Kenney,	10
Freeman Nickerson,	10		Mrs. Seth H. Nickerson,	5
Albert Penney,	5		Mrs. Thos. L. Nickerson,	5
Andrew L. Swim,	10		Mrs. Alfred Kenney,	5
William Brannen,	5		Jeremiah N. Simmons,	10
Marsden Penney,	5		Levi Kenney, jr.,	5
Isaac Penney,	12		George Smith,	5
Moses Ross,	10		J. B. Gardner,	10
James N. Nickerson,	15		Henry A. Kenney,	12
Darius Nickerson,	15		Peter Kenney,	5
Barry Atkinson,	5		Judah Kenney,	13
George Nickerson,	25		Thomas W. Kenney,	13
Louis Crowell,	10		Beverly Obed,	10
Abijah Penney,	10		Mrs. David G. Daly,	12
Collected by Harvey Newell.			Solomon M. Kenney,	24
Solomon Newell,	\$0 24		Hiram C. Smith,	10
Job Atkinson,	26		James W. Smith,	10
John O. Smith,	15		Charles E. Kenney,	5
Mrs. Ruth Smith,	15		James Osborne,	10
Mrs. Field Newell,	12		John W. Kenney,	24
Mrs. Guard Newell,	10		McCallum Nickerson,	10
Smith Newell,	24		Daniel V. Kenney,	10
Nathaniel Atkinson,	25		J. B. Brannen,	50
Guard Newell,	19		William E. Nickerson,	10
Isaiah Newell,	24		William D. Nickerson,	13
Ephraim Smith,	10		Freeman Nickerson,	25
Wm. P. Newell,	25		David D. Nickerson,	10
Thos. Newell,	30		Alexander Nickerson,	24
Thos. Nickerson,	25		Mrs. Joshua Nickerson,	10
Samuel Smith,	20		Collected by Israel Cunningham.	
Jethro N. Smith,	25		Israel Cunningham,	\$0 15
Harry Newell,	25		Mrs. Stewart Smith,	5
Mrs. William Smith,	20		Hemon Nickerson,	10
Mrs. Robert Colquhoun,	25		Miss Lucinda Smith,	10
Mrs. Joshua Smith,	10		Joseph Nickerson and wife,	15
Collected by Miss Sarah A. Swim.			Collected by Charles E. Ross.	
John L. Crowell,	\$0 10		Charles E. Ross,	\$0 25
George S. Swim,	25		Joseph Cunningham,	25
Thos. Crowell,	4		Mrs. Edward Ross,	25
Peter Swim,	10		Mrs. Aaron Ross,	5
George H. Swim,	10		Mrs. Aaron Quinley,	5
Freeman Crowell,	10		James Ross,	24
Prince Hopkins,	10		Mrs. Joseph Pratt,	5
Lydia Gould,	10			

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William A. Sm
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Mrs. George Quinley, \$0 95
 Samuel Cunningham, 10
 Mrs. Samuel Cunningham, 5
 Mrs. Gardner Cunningham, 12
 Robert Brannen, 10
 Smith Brannen, 24
 Mrs. Reuben Fenney, 24
 Mrs. James Brown, 20
 Mrs. Wallace Cunningham, 20
 Mrs. Abram Ross, 12
 Mrs. Moses Ross, 5
 Mrs. James Ross, 15
 Mrs. Samuel Ross, 10
 Mrs. Benjamin Ross, 12
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 Mrs. William Ross, 10
 Mrs. Mahala Atkinson, 5
 Mrs. Robert T. Otto, 10
 Mrs. Freeman Ross, 5
 Mrs. Matthew Quinley, 5
 Mrs. Mary Purdy, 5
 Edmund Ross, 25

Collected by Mrs. Eliza Ross:

Rev. F. Babcock and wife, \$0 50
 Asa McGray, 50
 Jas. C. Smith, 25
 M. D. McGray, 25
 Mrs. Almira D. Kenney, 25
 Mrs. B. F. Covell, 25
 Mrs. David Ross, 35
 Mrs. Mary J. McGray, 25
 Arthur McGray, 50
 Herbert McGray, 15
 Rowena Smith, 10
 Mrs. Isaiah Smith, 5
 Mrs. Parker Smith, 18
 Mrs. William Smith, 25
 Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 24
 Miss Deborah Covell, 24
 E. Newell, 26
 Peter Smith, 25
 Colby McGray, 10
 Joseph Nickerson, 25
 Jethro McGray, 24
 Mrs. Asa McGray, 24

Collected by Miss Alice Kenney:

William A. Smith, \$0 25
 Margaret Smith, 10
 Maria L. Smith, 10
 Edmund D. Smith, 10
 Mrs. Edmund Smith, 25
 Harris Smith, 11
 Mrs. Henry Brown, 25
 Cyrus Brown, 25
 B. F. Covert, 25
 Judah C. Smith, 25
 B. F. Kenney, 30
 Jethro C. Kenney, 30
 Julia C. Kenney, 25
 James Kenney, 20
 Bartie Kenney, 20

James Kenney and wife, \$1 00
 Jas. R. Kenney and wife, 25
 Mrs. Joseph Smith, 25
 Miriam H. Smith, 10
 Mrs. Keziah Smith, 20
 Mrs. Matilda Smith, 25

\$26 99

By Kemptville Church, \$5 00
 Sub. of Mrs. Susan Durkee, 1 00
 Mrs. Stephen Hamilton, 50
 Andrew Ricker, 50
 Susan Ricker, 1 00
 William Ricker, 50
 S. School 1st Barrington Church, 14 86
 Collection at Scott's Bay, 3 14
 Collection at Canning, 2 50
 Mrs. Maria Doane, 1 00

\$20 00

By 2d Barrington Church, Central Section.

Joseph Banks, \$1 00
 Benjamin Banks and wife, 1 00
 Amanda and Sarah E. Banks, 25
 Isaac H. Banks, 10
 James H. Banks, 10
 Mrs. Mercy Nickerson, 50
 Betha Nickerson, 15
 Sophia E. Banks, 25
 Heman Kenny and wife, 1 00
 Jane Kenny, 30
 Mrs. Sarah Banks, 25
 Eliza J. Kenny, 20
 A Friend, 25

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By Port La Tour Church.

Emeline Swain, \$0 10
 Howes Snow, 25
 Mrs. Nancy Smith, 25
 David Smith, sen., 25
 Nathaniel Smith, sen., 25
 Sarah Smith, 10
 Thomas Smith, 25
 Joseph Smith, 25
 William Smith, 25
 Rebecca Smith, 25
 Nathaniel Crowell, 50
 Sarah J. Crowell, 50
 Mary S. Crowell, 12
 Archibald Crowell, 12
 Sarah Snow, 25
 Sophia Bethel, 25
 Mary J. Taylor, 50
 Joel Worthen, 20
 Mrs. Sallsbury, 10
 Matilda Swain, 25
 S. M. Snow, 25
 W. Powell, 25
 William Snow, 1 00

Mrs. John Nickerson, \$0 25
 Eliza A. Swain, \$0 25
 By Shag Harbour Church.

Samuel Nickerson, \$1 00
 Elizabeth Nickerson, 50
 Hannah Nickerson, 10
 Emma Nickerson, 24
 Ruth Nickerson, 7
 Zeruah Kendrick, 24
 Ruth Kendrick, 5
 Louisa Kendrick, 5
 Emma Kendrick, 24
 Reliance Adams, 15
 Samuel Kendrick, 25
 Jane Stoddart, 13
 Ruth H. Nickerson, 7
 Mercy Crowell, 12
 Matilda Nickerson, 14
 Hannah Crowell, 35
 Judah Crowell, 75
 Mary E. Banks, 24
 Theodore Nickerson, 24
 Lucy Wile's Mission Box, \$0 60
 Rev. W. Weston, 2 00
 E. E. Letson, for 1868, 50
 James Burke, 1870, 1 50
 E. E. Letson, 1870, 2 00
 Mrs. Samuel Dolliver, 1 00
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By subscriptions at Mission Meeting held at Caledonia.
 James Cushing, \$3 00
 John Sanders, 1 00
 Rev. S. N. Royal, 1 00
 Mrs. C. E. Stanley, 1 00
 B. B. Woodworth, 2 00
 Mrs. Crouse, 1 00
 Mrs. E. H. Crowell, 1 00
 Rev. W. M. Knollin, 1 00
 Miss Bessie Foster, 25
 T. C. Crowell, 2 00
 C. M. Cushing, 1 00
 T. W. Wilson, 2 00
 Mrs. J. W. Hopkins, 50
 L. Minard, 50
 Mr. Cole, 50
 Mrs. Della Cushing, 1 00
 Mrs. S. Cushing, 50
 Rev. J. Cox, 2 00
 Irene Burke, 25
 Mrs. Caleb Larkin, 25
 Isaac Ella, 50
 R. L. Minard, 50
 A. Friend, 50
 Well Wisher, 1 00
 Mrs. Sponagle, 25
 Mrs. J. J. Letson, 1 00
 Mrs. Azuba Atkins, 48
 Rev. J. I. Porter, 2 00
 Jacob Lockhart, 1 00
 Theo. H. Crowell, 1 00

Collection at Mission Meeting held at Caledonia, \$25 98
 A friend at Argyle, 13 74
 Total, \$142 62

1875. By total amount received, \$142 62
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MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

This Meeting was held in the Caledonia Meeting House, Sept. 10th, at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P. M. Meeting called to order by the President, Rev. F. Babcock. After singing, prayer by Rev. W. H. Tarbox. Minutes of last Meeting called for, and read, and approved. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Rev. F. Babcock, President; Rev. W. Downey, Vice-President; Rev. W. M. Knollin, Secretary and Treasurer. Committee—Revs. T. H. Crowell, T. O. De Witt, J. I. Porter, Bros. James Cushing and H. G. Gatton. The Secretary read his Annual Report, as follows:—

Report of the Secretary, Treasurer of the Educational Society.

Man is a noble being. A mysterious compound of material and spiritual properties. Endowed with wonderful faculties both of body and mind, which render him capable of development suited to the various spheres of life. The man therefore, who does not aim at the highest degree of excellence and perfection attainable in connection with the calling or allotment in the sphere of usefulness to which in the providence of God he may be called, is culpable in the highest degree, neglecting his duty to himself and to his fellow men.

The above is not only true in reference to the mechanic, the artist, or to all secular employment, but is equally true with regard to the Christian minister. Nay, but above all others they to whom the care and instruction of their fellow men in matters of faith and religion are committed, should seek the highest degree of adaptation and qualification attainable under existing circumstances. Furthermore, we believe that in the general providence of God, every man's course of life is indicated. But especially the Christian minister. He who said "Separate me Barnabas and Saul," Acts xiii. 2, separates every true minister, that is, takes him from the secular pursuits of life and thrusts him into the vineyard, putting a feeling into his heart "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." Now He who said "that a rich man shall hardly enter the Kingdom of Heaven," Mat. XIX. 23, calls those whom he honors with the most distinguished gift of his hand, from among the poor class of men. But education for a life work of so great importance as that of the Christian ministry, requires time and close attention to study, during which the opportunities of earning anything for board, wearing apparel, school expenses are excluded, except that the student lay aside his studies, and go out to work to meet the necessities of the case. A most trying position indeed, protracting his school course, and delaying his entrance upon that course of labor for the salvation

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of souls for which his heart longs. And now, since there are no lucrative situations but a life of toil and self-denial before the noble band of young men whom God hath given to this body of Christians, and whom we expect to toil for our beloved Zion, among which brethren are your own dear children and loved ones. None feel for these as your ministers, and did we know the yearnings of those young brethren for our sons, and daughters, and friends, of this their own native Province, I have no doubt your sympathy would be more easily aroused and aid imparted.

To aid those worthy young brethren is the object of this Educational Society. I am sure if the officers of this Society had the means, those dear brethren should no longer groan beneath those almost intolerable burdens. But the officers of this Society are nearly all ministers who are living on salaries that necessitate the closest economy. The Society must, therefore, look to the members of our churches and the friends of our cause. Free Baptists, will you aid these dear brethren? Say, brothers, sisters, and friends of the Free Baptist cause, will you place this Society, by the contributing of your means, in a position to relieve those young men, facilitate their studies, secure their labors and their pastoral care at the earliest possible period? When we think of various parts of our field of labor, destitute, bleeding and yet clinging to us, and, in the language of one of old, exclaiming, "Your people are my people, your God my God, and where you are buried there let us be buried," our hearts bleed, and we only find comfort in the prayer that God would send laborers into the vineyard.

The Society, we are sorry to state, has done but little during the past year. We hope the ensuing year may witness a much wider interest and much more work.

W. M. KNOLLIN, Secretary.

The reception of the Report was moved by Rev. J. I. Porter and seconded by Rev. Wm. Downey, with appropriate remarks. Speeches were then made by Revs. W. H. Tarbox, J. Loudon, F. Babcock, J. M. Cox, T. O. DeWitt, and S. N. Royal.

Subscriptions were then received to the amount of \$14.30, and pledges to the amount of \$15.50; collection amounting to \$6.75.

Notwithstanding the evening was stormy, the attendance was good, and more than usual interest manifested.

W. M. KNOLLIN, Secretary.

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Nova Scotia Free Baptist Education Society, in account with W. M. Knollin,
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By cash from former Treas.,	\$6 19½	Benjamin Burke,	\$1 00
Subscriptions paid at the Conference in 1874,	23 72	B. B. Woodworth,	1 00
Cash by Collections,	8 68	Mrs. Uniacke,	50
Rev. W. Downey,	1 00	Charles Cole,	1 00
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J. B. Ellis,	1 00	Rev. J. H. Cox,	50
Prudence Woodworth,	50	Rev. S. N. Royal,	1 00
Rev. J. I. Porter,	1 00	Charles Cushing, 3rd,	10
Capt. John Saunders,	2 50	E. Morine,	1 00
Dea. Charles Cushing,	1 00	Mrs. S. Saunders,	50
James E. Cushing,	1 00	Rev. F. Babcock,	1 00
S. F. Cushing,	50	Collection at the Meeting,	6 75
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W. M. KNOLLIN, *Treasurer.*

HALIFAX MISSION.

In account with J. I. Porter, Agent and Treasurer.

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Nathan Crowell,	\$1 00	H'y Q. M., by Rev. T. H. Crowell,	\$7 00
Lizzie Williams,	1 00	Mrs. Hogges,	1 00
Warren Goodwin,	50	James Frost,	1 00
Moses Erown,	5 00	Judah Kenney,	1 00
E. M. Margeson,	5 00	John W. Kenney,	2 00
Capt. Bowman Corning,	50 00	Beverly Obed,	25
Joseph Jeffery,	5 00	Yarmouth and Shelburne Q. M.	
Norman Jeffery,	5 00	Home Mission Society,	40 69
Asa Robbins,	5 00	Collected at Port Medway by	
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Foster Crosby,	2 00	Harmony Q. M. Home Mission	
Thomas Crosby,	1 00	Society, by Treasurer, Rev. T.	
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Dr. Harris,	50		
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Harmony Quarterly Meeting Home Mission Society, in Account with T. O. DeWitt, Treasurer.

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Miss Floretta Morine, 25
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at Black Rock, K. C., July 3,
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G. E. Cox, 1 00
E. M. Cox and lady, 1 00
J. B. Ells, 50
September, 1875.

David Lockhart, \$0 50
Henry Potter, 1 00
Capt. F. N. Lecane, 2 00
Jacob Lockhart, 1 00
Leonard Huntley, 1 00
\$24 66
Paid to J. I. Porter, in behalf of
Halifax Mission, \$20 00
Cash on hand, 4 66
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T. O. DeWITT, Clerk.

Amount paid to Rev. J. I. Porter, borrowed of him to make up
for H. J. Porter's share at Halifax
and in aid of Halifax Mission as per recommendation of
Conference.
Amount appropriated to Halifax Mission.

YARMOUTH AND SHELBURNE
Q. M. HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

*Yarmouth and Shelburne Q. M. Home Mission Society, in Account with
P. Babcock, Treasurer.*

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John W. Kenny, \$1 00	Solomon Newell, 2 00
Jonathan Smith, 1 00	Eleazer Crowell, 25
James Smith, 25	Mrs. G. Newell, 1 00
Morinda Smith, 25	Eleazer Crowell, 2d, 1 00
Mrs. Nathan Crowell, 1 00	Mrs. John Smith, 50
Mrs. Abram Rose, 50	Mrs. Obadiah Crowell, 25
Mrs. Smith Brannen, 10	Mrs. Thomas Nickerson, 25
Mrs. George Swim, 25	Mrs. Sophia Nickerson, 1 00
Mr. George Swim, 50	Mrs. David Duncan, 2 00
Mrs. Thomas Smith, 1 00	John Smith, 3 39
A. L. Swim, 34	Coll. at Q. M. at Little River, 50
Mrs. B. Smith, 24	James Robbins, 25
Sarah Smith, 12	Rev. A. Swim, 50
Andrew McGray, 25	Maria Cook, 50
Peter Kenny, 1 00	Andrew McGray, 50
McAllan Nickerson, 1 00	Mrs. W. Allan, 50
John L. Nickerson, 50	Benjamin Hersey, 1 00
Mrs. Levi Kenny, 1 00	Augusta Cook, 1 00
Libaniah Smith, 50	Rev. F. Babcock, 50
Athalia Smith, 25	Rev. J. I. Porter, 21 50
Sarah Snow, 50	Coll. taken at Quarterly M'tings, 51 54
Matilda Swain, 1 00	
Emeline Swain, 1 00	

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By cash paid to Rev. J. I. Porter, borrowed of him to make up		\$10 85
Rev. H. J. Durkee's salary at Halifax,		22 75
Cash in aid of Halifax Mission, as per recommendation of Conference,		17 94
Cash appropriated to Halifax Mission,		<u>51 54</u>