

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK**  
**BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,**

**HELD AT BUTTERNUT RIDGE, KING'S COUNTY,**

**ON**  
**TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY,**  
*13th, 14th, and 15th July, 1875.*

**WITH THE**  
**ANNUAL REPORTS**

**OF THE**  
**N. B. BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY**

**AND**  
**EDUCATION SOCIETIES.**

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The next Session will be held at Hillsboro', Albert County, commencing on the second Tuesday of July, 1876.

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Minutes of Corresponding Associations, and all Documents relating to the Western N. B. Baptist Association, and Letters of General Correspondence, may be addressed to Rev. I. E. BILL, Saint John, N. B.

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## Constitution and Rules of Order of the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.

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. Shall be styled "The Eastern 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 second Tuesday in July, at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes. The meeting shall be opened with Social Conference; after which the Officers and Committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

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 connexion, which to us shall appear to be unscriptural in principle, or irregular in practice. In order, however, that we may not withdraw our fellowship without sufficient reason, from any Church or Minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a Committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the result of their enquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

ARTICLE 10.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution, from time to time, such as experience may dictate.

### 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 resolution be written out and handed to the Clerk.
5. That motions which are lost be not recorded.
6. That invited members enjoy all the privileges of Delegates, except voting.
7. That these regulations be read at each session.

# MINUTES.

HAVELOCK, Butternut Ridge, }  
July 13th, 1875.

The Eastern N. B. Baptist Association met with the Baptist Church, Butternut Ridge, on its 28th Anniversary, on Tuesday, July 13th, 1875, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

After the usual devotional exercises, Rev. J. H. Hughes, Moderator, took the chair, and the following delegates took their seats as members of the Association:

*Butternut Ridge*—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Deacons James Thorne, R. Keith, Ford Alward, Richard Thorne, and Bro. S. H. Scribner.

*Caledonia*—Rev. James Irving.

*Cambridge, 2d*—Rev. A. B. Macdonald, Z. O. Wilson, G. A. Wilson, and T. Mason.

*Coverdale, 1st*—Rev. G. Beckwith, J. E. Filmore, J. R. Mitten, and E. Filmore.

*Dorchester*—Rev. D. S. Carpenter, Bros. A. N. Palmer, C. E. Knapp, A. Hicks, and N. M. Steeves.

*St. Mary's*—Rev. W. A. Crandall.

*Elgin, 1st*—Rev. E. C. Corey, Bros. J. Horsman, Wm. Leman, P. Constantine, Wm. Colpitts, and J. Hayward.

*Elgin, 3d*—Revs. J. C. Steadman and Solomon Smith, Bros. John Crandall and James Leman.

*Fairfield*—Rev. R. Mutch.

*Germantown*—Rev. T. A. Blackadar and Bro. J. E. Kinnie.

*Grand Lake, 2d*—S. Welton and Dea. A. Barton.

*Hampton*—Rev. O. Keith.

*Harvey, 1st*—Rev. T. A. Blackadar and Judson Bishop.

*Hillsboro, 1st*—Rev. W. W. Corey, P. Duffy, J. L. B. Steeves, and I. M. Gross.

*Hillsboro, 2d*—Rev. James Irving, Bros. Isaac Dawson, Enoch Dawson, Wm. Crossman, and Joshua Jonah.

*Hillsboro, 3d*—Rev. James Irving.

*Hillsboro, 4th*—Rev. James Irving, Dea. D. Balsley, and Bro. David McRea.

*Jemseg*—N. B. Cottle, G. C. Dykeman, A. G. Dykeman, and J. C. Dykeman.

*Kars*—Deacon John Jones.

*Moncton, 1st*—Rev. T. Todd, Dea. E. Hicks, and Geo. W. Bonnell.

*Moncton, 2d*—Dea. J. Trites, Bros. J. Gammon and Alfred Bonnell.

*New Canaan*—Dea. John Corey, Allan McDonald, Lewis Keith, S. Thorne, and Alfred Humphrey.

*North River*—Deas. D. Lounsbury, J. M. Killam, A. Wheaton, Bros. C. E. Goram and D. H. Sherman.

*Point DeBute*—Rev. G. F. Miles, Bros. H. Tingley, and Thos. Cleveland.

*Point Midgie*—Rev. G. F. Miles, Bros. John Hicks, and Isaac Anderson.

*Pollet River*—Rev. E. Hopper, Dea. J. Steeves, and James L. Geldert.

*Rockport*—Rev. D. S. Carpenter and Bro. M. Ward.

*Sackville, 1st*—Rev. G. F. Miles, John Cahill, and J. Sears.

*Sackville, 2d*—Rev. W. A. Coleman, Dea. Ried, and L. Wheaton.

*Salisbury, 1st*—Rev. W. W. Corey, W. H. Wortman, and M. D. Harris.

*Salisbury, 2d*—Dea. Israel Steeves and Wm. Robertson.

*Salisbury, 3d*—Daniel Keith and Hiram Wilson.

*Springfield, 1st*—Rev. W. A. Corey, and D. W. F. Wetmore.

*Sussex*—Frank Stubbs and W. W. Dunham.

*Sussex, Upper*—Rev. E. C. Corey, Wm. Stone, and Asa Sprague.

*Stidholm*—Dea. William Ganong and Bro. S. W. Keirstead.

*Titusville*—Rev. O. Keith.

*Wickham, Upper*—Bro. E. Webster.

*Willow Grove*—Bro. E. H. Duval.

The Association then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following result :

REV. G. F. MILES,.....	MODERATOR.
BRO S. W. KEIRSTEAD,.....	CLERK.
REV. E. C. COREY,.....	ASSISTANT CLERK.
BRO. N. B. COTTLE,.....	TREASURER.
DEA. A. McDONALD,.....	ASSISTANT TREASURER.

Prayer by Rev. A. B. Macdonald.

*Resolved*, That all members of sister Associations be invited to a seat with us.

Rev. G. W. Springer and Prof. D. M. Welton took seats as members of this Association.

*Resolved*, That the delegation from the Western Association be accepted ; said delegates being Revs. I. E. Bill, W. P. Everett, and Dea. E. H. Duval.

The following Committees were then appointed :

*Committee on Arrangements*—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Delegates from the Havelock Church, Bro. Herritt, Revs. T. Todd and A. B. Macdonald.

*On Nominations*—Revs. W. A. Coleman, W. A. Corey, T. A. Blackadar, and W. P. Everett, and Bro. Scribner.

*Resolved*, That Rev. Joseph Kempton preach this evening at 7 o'clock ; and after the sermon, the rest of the evening be spent in reading letters from the Churches.

Brethren W. P. Everett, T. Todd, and T. A. Blackadar were appointed to read the letters.

The Committee on Arrangements reported in part, as follows:

Prayer meeting on Wednesday, at 6 o'clock, A. M. Meeting of H. M. Board, at 8½ o'clock, A. M. Annual Sermon at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Session closed by Doxology and Benediction.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 6 o'clock.

Prayer meeting this morning interesting: the Spirit of the Lord being poured out amongst us, and many feeling their spiritual strength to be renewed, and enabled to rejoice in the "God and Rock of their Salvation."

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. I. E. Bill.

The reading of letters was then resumed.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

*To examine Circular Letter*—Revs. W. W. Corey, Jas. Irving, Dea. John Cahill, and the writer, Rev. A. W. Barss.

*On Sabbath Schools*—C. E. Knapp, Dea. A. Tingley, Rev. Geo. Beckwith, P. Constantine, Z. O. Wilson, S. L. Wiggins, and G. W. Bonnell.

*On Temperance*—Rev. T. Todd, Wm. Stone, David McRea, Dea. A. McDonald, J. Jones, John M. Hicks, E. Webster, Rev. J. C. Steadman, Ezra Hicks, Dea. Horsman, and C. E. Gammon.

*On Obituaries*—Rev. I. E. Bill, Jas. Herritt, John Crandall, J. C. Dykeman, John Gammon, Deacons J. Tritts and John G. Corey.

*On Religious Literature*—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Dea. E. H. Duval, Rev. R. Mutch, Dea. W. F. Wetmore, T. Mason, and Alonzo Dykeman.

*On Arrangements for next Association*—Rev. W. A. Coleman, A. W. Peck, Rev. W. T. Corey, J. L. B. Steeves, and Rev. W. A. Crandall.

*On Special Business*—Revs. A. B. Macdonald, James Irving, J. E. Fillmore, T. Todd, W. A. Coleman, J. C. Steadman, T. A. Blackadar, E. Hopper, I. E. Bill, and W. P. Everett.

*On Foreign Missions*—Revs. T. A. Blackadar, J. M. Curry, E. C. Corey, and Bros. N. B. Cottle, E. Ried, and William Ganong.

*On Home Missions*—Revs. I. E. Bill, G. W. Springer, Bros. Wm. Roberson, W. W. Dunham, C. F. Clinch, Revs. W. P. Everett, and Solomon Smith.

*On Education*—Rev. J. Kempton, Bros. E. W. Kelly, S. Welton, R. Keith, I. Steeves, F. Stubbs, and Prof. D. M. Welton.

*To Revise List of Ordained Ministers*—Rev. E. C. Corey and Bro. S. W. Keirstead.

The Report was adopted.

At 10 o'clock, the annual sermon was preached by Rev. T. A. Blackadar, from Eph. ii. 10.

Prayer by Rev. A. B. Macdonald.

*Resolved*, That Rev. E. Weyman, Free Baptist minister, be permitted to greet our aged father, S. Bancroft.

The Committee on Arrangements reported in part, as follows :

Home Mission meet at the school house at 2 o'clock, P. M., and that Bro. E. W. Kelly preach at the same hour in the meeting house, and that the Association resume business at 4 o'clock, P. M. A Home and Foreign Missionary meeting at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, in the meeting house. Sister DeWolfe will hold a W. M. A. Society meeting in the Wesleyan Chapel at 3 o'clock.

The rest of the session was spent in fervent devotional exercises.

A collection of \$15.99 for Home Missions, was taken at the close of the session.

Prayer by Rev. T. Todd.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 2 o'clock.

After the usual opening services, Bro. E. Kelly preached from 1st Cor. iv. 10. Sermon followed by fervent and touching exhortations from several brethren.

At 4 o'clock, P. M., the Association resumed business.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Coleman.

*Resolved*, That the following brethren be invited to seats in this Association, viz. : Bros. Moses Hall, T. H. Hall, J. E. Masters, and Rev. C. H. Corey, of Richmond, Virginia.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to revise the Constitution of our Association.

Committee—Revs. W. A. Coleman, E. C. Corey, and Bro. C. E. Knapp.

The reading of letters was resumed. After reading of letters, Association adjourned till 7 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. J. Kempton.

The Report was adopted.

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THURSDAY MORNING, 6 o'clock.

Prayer meeting opened by Rev. E. C. Corey. The presence of the Master was manifest among us.

Association resumed business at 9½ o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. D. M. Welton.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

The Committee on Education presented their Report, as follows:

That the past year has been one of more than ordinary success at our Educational Institutions. Six young men took their first degree on the first of June, of whom three have the gospel ministry in view. At the close of the last term twenty-six young men passed their matriculating examination, with a view to entering college on the 1st of September. The present prospects are that a class of at least forty will enter college a year hence.

The registered attendance at the Academy the last year was 145. This number would have been larger could the accommodation have been obtained. The new Academy building, now in process of erection, and to be completed by the 1st of September, will furnish study and sleeping rooms for 100, besides a dining-room, 40x40, capable of seating 160, in which room it is proposed to introduce the club-system of boarding, by which it is believed the cost of board will be reduced to \$1.50 or \$1.75 per week.

Present indications are that this large building will be filled with students the coming year, and more than filled.

The old boarding-house, which at the present time is undergoing repairs, will be given up the coming year entirely to young ladies. It will give accommodation to from 35 to 40, and applications to this number are already nearly in. As soon as the building, now in course of erection, is completed, efforts will be immediately made to carry out the long contemplated plan of a Female Seminary, towards which a few thousand dollars have already been subscribed.

Considerable work was done the last year in the Theological Department, and more will be attempted the year to come. It will be necessary, however, considerably to enlarge the staff of instructors in this department, in order to offer a sufficient inducement to our young men—to many of them—to pursue their theological studies in their own country. And the Baptists of these Provinces, if alive to their best interests, will reach this point at the earliest possible period. In this connection your Committee would suggest the propriety of the Baptists of this Province also nominating and undertaking the support of an *additional* Professor in the Theological Department.

The number of young men now connected with the College and Academy, and having the ministry in view, is something over 30.

Your Committee, in conclusion, would call the attention of the Baptist public to the importance of firmly maintaining the stand they have taken on the Common School Question; and would ask all the

friends of education to give to our institutions at Wolfville, on which God's converting grace has so frequently and signally descended, a large place in their sympathies, their prayers, and their generous support.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. KEMPTON, *Chairman*.  
D. M. WELTON,  
S. WELTON,  
E. M. KELLY,  
ROBERT KEITH.

The Report was spoken to by Prof. D. M. Welton, of Acadia, Rev. I. E. Bill, Rev. C. H. Corey, of Richmond, Va., Rev. J. Kempton, and Bro. E. H. Duval; after which it was adopted.

A collection of \$17.00 was taken in the completion of the new Academy building at Wolfville.

The Committee on Home Missions presented their Report :

On this subject your Committee beg to submit, that the Gospel of the Son of God, in its precepts, examples, spirit and promises, is emphatically missionary: that the Christianity that the God of love has given to the world is to be unfolded, extended and applied through the instrumentality of his *ransomed church*. Such being the teachings of the inspired law-book, it becomes the imperative duty of all the disciples of Jesus, male and female, to do all they can to give the gospel to the destitute and perishing. We owe our existence as Baptist ministers and churches to the missionary spirit and toil of the Fathers. They have gone to their reward, and have transmitted their important trust to us. Let us see to it that we are faithful to the trust.

Before us is an open door in almost every section of our growing country. Say not there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest. Look upon the fields as they stretch out before us, east, west, north, south, and see them all white, ready for the harvest. It only remains for us to thrust in the sickle and gather the ripened sheaves.

In the absence of a general superintending agency, the Board must rely mainly upon pastors and churches to see that the needful funds are forthcoming. Twenty missionaries at least should be in the field to-day, all full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. The call from all the Counties of the Province are loud and urgent. *Men of Israel, help!*

I. E. BILL, *Chairman*.

On motion—the Report was adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported :

It is with feelings of pleasure that your Committee express their thankfulness to God for keeping and preserving your missionaries. And your Committee would also express their tenderest gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his kindness manifested in opening a door of



hope, and directing the body and their missionaries to what appears to be a wide field of usefulness. It is exceedingly desirable that the Baptists of these Provinces be of one mind and of one accord in this grand and christian enterprise. For your Committee now feel that the body has a more definite and fixed field of operations for Foreign Mission work than ever before, and consequently may hope that ere long many souls may be gathered into the fold of Jesus.

Your Committee would therefore again recommend this grand scheme of saving souls to the sympathies of all our brethren and sisters, and would urge that each pray more earnestly than ever, "Let thy kingdom come, let thy will be done" in this matter, and would further urge that each endeavor to answer their own prayers, by consecrating their money, as God has prospered them, to the grand object of Foreign Mission work.

Very respectfully submitted,

T. A. BLACKADAR, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

The Committee on Temperance presented their Report :

That we clearly recognise in Total Abstinence the principles of light and of truth. We therefore recommend to all our churches and church members the adoption of nothing short of an entire abandonment of the use in any form of every intoxicating stimulant as the only safe and Christian course. We fear that in some instances, at least, the personal standard among our brethren is not as high as it ought to be.

We were very much pleased with the recommendation in the letter from the Moncton Church relative to total abstinence among the young, especially in our Sabbath School work. For in the hearts of our children the foundation principles of morality are to be laid and developed. Let the Sabbath School then be the nursery of all these moral and religious reforms. Let the Church of God put her hand firmly and unitedly to this work, and it must receive a fresh impetus. Let nothing short of entire prohibition be aimed at, and we hope the Christian world will not rest till that goal is reached, and the prohibitory banner wave over our land.

THOS. TODD, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools presented their Report :

That from the information contained in the letters to this Association they conclude that our Sabbath Schools are numerous and quite efficient. They rejoice at this, as the importance of Sabbath Schools to our denomination cannot be over estimated. In them our children are grounded, if they are rightly conducted, in our doctrines, and made acquainted with the great truths of Christianity, as far as they can be comprehended by the unregenerate.

We regret that at our annual reunions we cannot devote more time to Sabbath Schools, and that a subject of so vital importance receives at these times so little attention.

We fervently hope that as Baptists we may always feel the necessity of bringing up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, remembering that religious instruction to children is seldom if ever forgotten.

On behalf of the Committee.

C. E. KNAPP, *Chairman*.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Constitutional Changes read their Report on first Article of the Constitution :

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. Shall be styled the Eastern New Brunswick Baptist Association.

W. A. COLEMAN, *Chairman*.

On motion it was adopted.

The Committee on Arrangements reported as follows :

Meeting at 2½ o'clock, p. m., for business and devotional exercises. At 7 o'clock, p. m., when Rev. I. E. Bill will address us on subjects in connection with his travels in Europe.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. P. Everett.

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#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. R. Mutch.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

The Committee on Religious Literature presented their Report :

That as Baptists we have a distinctive organization and a peculiar mission ; and therefore our interests demand a distinctive literature, unfolding with the clearness of a sunbeam the fundamental doctrines and principles of the New Testament.

To have such a literature implies unity of sentiment and hearty co-operation. The colportage movement, about to be inaugurated, has a hopeful aspect in this direction.

The *Christian Visitor*, as our denominational organ, has been thoroughly loyal to our Baptist instincts and interests from the beginning, and, as such, should have a place in every Baptist family. Its enlargement at the opening of 1874 greatly increased the expense of publication.

To save our esteemed Editor from ultimate loss there should be a proportionate increase to the subscription list, and prompt payment in all cases the rule. As there is now no travelling agent in the field, we hope the pastors of the churches, all our missionaries and colporteurs, will do what they can to multiply subscribers, and in all respects to push forward the interests of the denominational organ.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. HUGHES, *Chairman.*

Report adopted, after a short discussion.

The Committee on Special Business report :

That they recommend that the statistics of the 3d Coverdale Baptist Church be read in the Association. Further

*Resolved*, That whereas the 3d Coverdale Church, through Rev. J. Irving, has desired that this Association give them advice in reference to the matter of the recognition of their Pastor, and full reinstatement in the ranks of the Baptist ministry, be it

*Resolved*, That we recommend to that Church to call an Ecclesiastical Council from sister churches, to confer with them and advise them on this point.

On motion—*Resolved*, That this Association concur in the following resolution, viz. :

*Whereas*, a meeting of the N. B. Education Society held in connection with the Western Association, June 23d, 1875, a resolution was passed, submitting the claims of Rev. C. Goodspeed to the audit of Messrs. A. W. Marsters, H. Vaughan, and T. P. Davies, and they were authorized to give an order for the amount on the Treasurer of the Education Society, if found correct.

*And whereas*, at a subsequent meeting of Western Association, it was resolved to endorse the claim of C. E. Goodspeed, provided the Eastern Association concur therein.

*Resolved*, That Rev. T. Todd be a Committee to make arrangements for travelling fare by rail and steamboat next year to and from Association.

*Resolved*, That Rev. I. E. Bill prepare a report on Obituaries, and hand it to the Publishers of Minutes.

On motion—*Resolved*, That the hearty thanks of this Association be tendered to the church and congregation of Butternut Ridge, for their warm hospitality and kindness in their homes, and for conveying us from and to the Railway Station.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Arrangements be appointed to give direction to the proceedings of the Association next year, and that the Committee consist of the following brethren, viz. : Revs. W. T. Corey, T. Todd, Bros. R. E. Steves, J. L. B. Steves, and P. Duffy.

*Resolved*, That Brethren O. E. Knapp, J. L. B. Steves, John Cahill, John McKenzie, and Wm. Stone, be delegates from the Eastern N. B. Association to the Convention.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay over all monies collected and paid in by the churches for educational purposes, into the hands of Prof. D. M. Welton.

*Resolved*, That the number of Minutes printed and circulated correspond with the monies received from the several churches; and that the number of Minutes for each church be in proportion to the amount contributed.

*Resolved*, That Revs. T. Todd and I. E. Bill superintend the printing and distribution of said Minutes.

*Resolved*, That the Association adjourn to give place to a meeting of the Home Mission Society. After which the Association resumed business.

The Treasurer read his report, which was adopted.

Committee to revise list of ordained ministers read their Report. Adopted.

*Resolved*, That all ministers attending any of the Associations of the Maritime Provinces be delegates.

*Resolved*, That all monies, except for Acadia College, be handed to Rev. W. P. Everett, for transmittance to the Treasurers of Home and Foreign Mission Boards.

On motion—*Resolved*, That this Association adjourn to meet at Hillsboro', on the second Tuesday in July, 1876, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Moderator.

G. F. MILES, *Moderator*.

S. W. KIERSTEAD, *Clerk*.

## LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

BELONGING TO THE E. N. B. B. ASSOCIATION.

NAMES.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	DATE OF ORDINATION.	PLACE OF ORDINATION.
Bancroft, Samuel	Havelock, K. C.		Westport, N. S.
Beckwith, George	Havelock, K. C.	1874	2d Elgin.
Bleakney, David		Nov. 27, 1868	Caledonia.
Beattie, Frank	Hopewell, A. C.	Dec. 1870	Shediac, W. C.
Blackadar, T. A.	Harvey, A. C.	Sept. 5, 1865	Mill Village, N. S.
Crandall, David	Springfield, K. C.	Jan. 1831	
Crandall, W. A.	Lutes' Mountain,	April 1858	Amherst Shore.
Corey, W. A.	Springfield,	Dec. 9, 1858	Kars.
Corey, W. W.	Salisbury, W. C.	Jan. 15, 1863	Keswick.
Corey, W. T.	Hillsborough, 2d,	Nov. 1860	Grand Lake.
Corey, E. C.	Penobscuis,	Oct. 1867	Canterbury, Y. C.
Currey, J. M.	Petiteodiac,	July 5, 1864	Norton.
Carpenter, D. L.	Point Midgic,	July 12, 1868	Bay Side,
Carpenter, J. W.	Bay Side, A. C.	1870	Bay Side.
Duffy, Patrick	Hillsborough,	May 1849	Hillsborough.
Fillmore, J. E.	Turtle Creek,	Feb. 1857	Coverdale.
Goldrop, James	Coverdale,	Oct. 25, 1860	Pollett River.
Herritt, James	Havelock, K. C.	Aug. 1849	Butternut Ridge.
Herritt, B. R.	Shediac,	1873	2d Moncton.
Harris, Hezekiah,		Aug. 18, 1864	Cumberland Bay.
Hughes, J. H.	Havelock,	Jan. 1854	Baltimore.
Hopper, Ezekiel	Coverdale,	Feb. 1875	Pollett River.
Irving, James	Baltimore,	Oct. 1860	Baltimore.
Kierstead, Elias	Collina Corner,	Oct. 1840	Studholm.
Keith, O.	Belyea's Cove,	Sept. 1872	do.
Kempton, J. F.	Sussex,	1864	Mira Bay, C. B.
Lewis Millege,	Corn Ridge,	1873	Albert.
Miles, G. F.	Amherst,	1846	Newcastle, G. L.
McPhail, Donald,	Buctouche,	May 1862	Buctouche.
Mutch, Robert	Roshea,		
Smith, J. A.	St. Martius,	Feb. 1842	Wickham.
Spragg, Peter		Jan. 1840	Springfield.
Springer, G. W.	Jemseg,	Aug. 1856	Wickham.
Steadman, J. C.			
Smith, Solomon,	Mapleton, Elgin,	1870	Alma.
Todd, Thomas	Moncton,	Oct. 1849	Woodstock.
Washburn, Abel	St. Martins,		Loch Lomond.

LICENTIATES.—James Buckley, Michael Gross, Jacob Steves, Edgar Hatfield, Asa Perry, Seth W. Kierstead, Edwin Howe, Robert Howe, and Alonzo E. Dykeman.

# STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Churches marked thus \* sent no letter.

CHURCHES.	Date of Organization.	PASTORS.	Date of Settlement.	CLERKS, AND P. O. ADDRESS.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			MEMBERSHIP.		Non-Resident Members.	Resident mbs. of other Chs.
					By Baptism.	By Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Now Reported.	Last Reported.		
2 Albert	1871	S. Bancroft,	1875	Nathan Rider, Harewood.	✓	..	..	..	..	..	22	22	..	..
* Alma, 1st	1859	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
* Alma, 2d	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
* Buctouche	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16 Butternut Ridge,	1836	J. H. Hughes,	1872	S. H. Scribner, Butternut Ridge.	✓	..	1	1	3	235	238	..	..	..
16 Caledonia.	1856	James Irving,	..	Judah Wells, Caledonia Settlement.	✓	6	..	..	..	87	62	12	..	..
16 Cambridge, 1st	1825	Hezekiah Harris,	..	James A. McDonald, McDonald's Corner.	✓	..	1	1	..	78	80	..	..	..
16 Cambridge, 2d	1855	A. B. Macdonald,	1866	Francis E. Wilson, Cambridge, Q. C.	✓	82	6	1	1	167	81	37	14	..
16 Cambridge, Lower	1859	..	..	A. B. Macdonald, Central Cambridge.	✓	..	..	..	..	68	68	8	8	..
16 Coverdale, 1st	..	George Beckwith,	..	Peter Jonah, Coverdale.	✓	30	3	2	..	96	..	..	..	..
16 Coverdale, 2d	..	E. Hopper,	..	Wm. T. Steeves,	✓	8	..	..	..	46	..	..	..	..
16 Coverdale, 3d	1858	..	..	..	..	7	1	7	..	99	..	..	..	..
16 Dorchester,	1848	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	79	..	..	..	..
16 Dundas,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16 Elgin, 1st	..	E. C. Corey,	1873	James E. Knapp, Dorchester, N. B.	✓	..	..	..	1	207	..	..	..	..
16 Elgin, 2d	1857	George Beckwith,	1874	James Horsman, Elgin, A. C.	✓	..	..	..	1	90	..	..	..	..
16 Elgin, 3d	1855	J. C. Steadman,	..	Lewis Smith, Elgin.	✓	..	..	..	..	187	187	11	6	..
16 Fairfield	..	..	..	R. A. Smith, Elgin, A. C.	✓	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16 Finland,	..	..	..	James S. Keirstead, Fairfield, K. C.	✓	17	7	1	1	69	..	..	..	..
16 German town,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16 Glenville,	1856	T. A. Blackadar,	1870	Roswell Wilbur, Harvey, A. C.	✓	..	..	3	5	94	61	15	7 or 8	..
16 Grand Lake, 1st	..	..	..	George E. McLean, Grand Lake.	✓	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16 Grand Lake, 2d	1842	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	..	..	..	..

6 Hammond Vale, .. 1855 | George Tabor, Hammond Vale. ✓











## MONIES RECEIVED AT ASSOCIATION, 1875.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missns.	Home Missns.	Union Society.	Minutes	Acadia College.	Infirm Missns	Sabbath School.	Missns. Educatn.	General Educatn.	TOTAL.
Albert, .....	.....	.....	.....	\$0 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$0 50
Butternut Ridge .....	.....	.....	\$4 40	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 32
Caledonia, .....	\$9 00	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 70
Cambridge, 1st... ..	.....	.....	8 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 50
Cambridge, 2d... ..	17 30	.....	10 44	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 54
Cambridge, L... ..	.....	.....	6 15	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 97
Coverdale, 1st... ..	1 00	.....	8 43	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 10
Coverdale, 2d... ..	.....	\$1 10	1 42	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 73
Dorchester, .....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	\$0 60	\$1 31	.....	.....	1 50
Dundas, .....	.....	.....	8 05	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 40
Elgin, 1st .....	14 87	.....	10 00	1 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 17
Elgin, 2d .....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Elgin, 3d .....	6 45	.....	.....	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 83
Grand Lake, 1st .....	.....	.....	8 00	1 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 10
Grand Lake, 2d .....	.....	.....	1 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20
Germantown, .....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Glenville, .....	.....	2 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80
Hammond Vale, .....	.....	.....	22 00	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 60
Hampton, .....	6 05	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 65
Harvey, 1st .....	25 00	.....	.....	1 00	\$6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00
Hillsboro, 1st... ..	.....	62 85	.....	3 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66 27
Hillsboro, 2d... ..	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62
Hillsboro, 3d... ..	.....	.....	10 25	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 75
Hillsboro, 4th... ..	.....	.....	3 97	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 57
Hopewell, .....	37 00	20 57	12 63	65	.....	12 00	1 55	\$0 50	0 50	85 40
Jemseg, .....	11 63	.....	15 94	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 37
Johnston, 1st... ..	.....	.....	13 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50
Johnston, 2d... ..	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80
Kars, .....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Moncton, 1st... ..	.....	.....	10 42	2 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 52
Moncton, 2d... ..	.....	.....	4 25	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 75
Mill Cove, .....	7 78	.....	7 00	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 52
New Canaan, .....	.....	.....	7 00	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 81
Norton, .....	.....	1 00	10 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 08
North River, .....	.....	.....	5 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 99
Point DeBute, .....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Point Midgie, .....	.....	3 10	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 35
Pollett River, .....	.....	.....	4 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 62
Rockport, .....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Sackville, 1st... ..	2 40	1 14	10 36	1 76	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	16 16
Sackville, 2d... ..	4 50	.....	17 36	2 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 99
Salisbury, 1st... ..	.....	.....	12 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Salisbury, 2d... ..	.....	3 01	5 20	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 91
Salisbury, 3d... ..	.....	.....	5 50	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 90
Springfield, 1st... ..	11 86	.....	13 30	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 16
Springfield, 2d... ..	.....	.....	6 19	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 59
Studholm, .....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
St. Martins, 1st... ..	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Sussex, Upper... ..	8 60	.....	8 30	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 80
Sussex, .....	.....	.....	13 69	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 49
Upham, .....	.....	.....	11 00	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 60
Wickham, .....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Willow Grove, .....	6 50	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 90
July 13th, Ev'ng Collection, .....	2 93	2 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 86
July 14th, Mor'g Collection, .....	.....	15 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 99
Hampton Ferry, Stephen Mullin, .....	1 00	.....	17 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 14
Petwoodiac, .....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
July 14th, Ev'ng Collection, .....	.....	11 72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 72
July 15th, Fore- noon Collection	.....	.....	.....	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 00
McDonald's Pt., .....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Totals, .....	173 87	\$126 21	\$26 18	\$41 87	\$28 00	\$13 10	\$2 86	\$0 50	0 50	\$708 09

After a proper division is made of the Union Society funds, we have the following summary:

For Home Missions, .....	....	... \$289 30
" Ministerial Education, .....	....	82 04
" General Education, .....	....	32 12
" Infirm Ministers, .....	....	45 72
" Sunday Schools, .....	....	19 17
" Minutes, .....	....	41 87
" Acadia College and Academy, .....	....	23 00
" Foreign Missions, .....	....	173 87
		<u>\$708 09</u>

N. B. COTTLE, TREASURER.

I have examined the above, and find the additions correct.]

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# APPENDIX.

## NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

### OFFICERS FOR 1875-76.

#### President.

REV. J. D. POPE.

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HON. JOHN FERRIS, M. P.,  
C. HARPER,  
D. V. ROBERTS,  
WM. VAUGHAN,

C. F. CLINCH,  
WM. SWIM, M. P. P.,  
A. F. RANDOLPH,  
J. H. MORAN,  
H. C. STUBBS.

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#### Assistant Secretary.

E. H. DUVAL.

#### Recording Secretary.

JAMES E. MASTERS.

#### Treasurer.

JOHN H. HARDING.

#### Auditor.

HON. A. McL. SEELY.

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GILBERT WHITE,  
S. F. MATTHEWS,  
WM. ALLWOOD,  
J. D. PURDY,  
E. ELLIOTT,  
JOHN MARCH,  
J. H. ALLEN,  
WILLIAM LEWIS.

Of this Board, all Ministers connected with the two Associations, are members, *ex officio*.

## REPORT OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR 1874-75.

The Board of Home Missions present the Annual Report of their labors, with mingled feelings of thankfulness and regret. Thankfulness, that they have been permitted to assist to some extent, in carrying on the work of the Lord, by supplying the ministry of the gospel to many sections of our Province, that would otherwise have been destitute; but regret, at their inability to do more than has been done, for want of requisite means.

The year, however, has been, by no means, an inactive one. As was stated in last year's Report, the Board have employed as General Missionary Agent, the Rev. Thomas Todd, for the greater part of the year; whose labours—though not so successful in respect to pecuniary matters, as he or the Board could have wished—have, we trust, been highly useful in stirring up the zeal of the churches—in awakening new life in some sections where religion was in a languishing state, and in rendering valuable assistance to several brethren who were engaged laboriously in extensive revival services. After spending ten months under the direction of this Board, Brother Todd entered upon pastoral labor with the Baptist Church in Moncton. Brother Todd's detailed Report, was, from time to time, given in the columns of the *Christian Visitor*.

As Brother Todd's services could be no longer retained, we trust that the Pastors and Churches will endeavour to carry on the work contemplated by the Union Societies, which will make the employment of a General Agent unnecessary, and vigorously co-operate with the Society in the work of evangelization, till the gospel of the Lord Jesus, and the ordinances of his house, are clearly understood and joyfully received in every part of our land.

During the Summer vacation of Acadia College, several of the students engaged in ministerial work, under the auspices of the Board; and we have been highly gratified by the expressions of satisfaction received from many quarters, with the earnest and acceptable labour of our young brethren. The details of their labours will be given in the Reports of the several Mission Stations.

Brother G. F. Currie went to labor at the Grand Falls and Tobique; Brother Black, at St. George, Brother Kelley, at Dorchester, and Bro. DeWolf, at Sussex; but as these brethren were entirely supported by the churches with which they were engaged, the records of their labours do not come within the limits of this Report.

### ST ANDREWS.

Brother Wm. J. Stewart, of Acadia College, labored with acceptance here for a short time. The church now enjoys the services of its old pastor, the Rev. Thos. W. Crawley, whose labors, we trust, will be a blessing to the people of his charge, and to the inhabitants of the town generally. The Baptist cause has always labored under serious difficulties in this place, and continues to do so to the present time. Whoever labors in this locality, will need the sympathies and prayers of the friends of the Redeemer's cause. There are a few faithful brethren and sisters who labor earnestly in the gospel, but the prevailing spiritual atmosphere is very unfavorable to christian progress. The Society continues to give such aid to this interest as its means allow.

### HAMMOND.

This church, and adjacent districts, were supplied by Brother Edwin H. Howe, during his vacation. It was peculiarly gratifying to find how well our brother was received, and his efforts supported, in this his place of nativity. He is reported as having laboured faithfully and diligently, and with as great an amount of success as could be expected during so brief a period. He reports having

travelled 144 miles, made 154 religious visits to families, attended 18 prayer and conference meetings, and preached 31 sermons.

Since the return of Brother Howe to Wolfville, the Church has been visited by several ministering brethren, but it has not enjoyed a settled pastorate.

#### SHEIDIAC.

Brother G. E. Good, of Acadia College, employed eleven weeks of his time during vacation at this station. He transmitted a very gratifying report of his visit; having been treated with great kindness by the church and congregation, and cheered very much by the constant and large attendance, as well as by the numerous attended and interesting Sabbath school.

Brother Good, before leaving, established a promising Woman's Aid Society for Foreign Missions.

Brother A. W. Barss laboured for seven months with this church, extending his visits to Port Elgin, Shemogue, Buctouche, and other Missionary fields. During the winter season, our brother's labours were greatly impeded by the almost impassable state of the roads. He preached 79 sermons, travelled 1,325 miles, held 20 conference and prayer meetings, made 417 religious visits, baptized 1, administered the Lord's Supper 4 times, and distributed 76 religious tracts.

#### LUTE'S MOUNTAIN.

The Rev. W. A. Crandall has laboured at this station, also at Irish Town, Dundas, and several adjacent places during the year. Our brother reports that there are at some of these stations very favorable indications. He has travelled 1,100 miles, preached 184 sermons, attended 73 conference and prayer meetings, paid 313 religious visits, administered the Lord's Supper 10 times, baptized 14 candidates, and conducted 12 funeral services.

#### TOBIQUE RIVER SETTLEMENTS.

The Rev. G. R. Campbell, after labouring for a short time at Florenceville and Centreville, vacated the ground, those Churches having secured the pastoral services of the Rev. J. G. Harvey. Brother Campbell then spent two Sabbaths with the Church at Beckaguimic, after which he received a mission to visit the settlements up the Tobique River. He visited several interesting communities on the east and west sides of the river, and found the people everywhere anxious for the preaching of the gospel. Brother Campbell's appointment was for three months, with a view to a permanent settlement; but ill health and family affliction compelled him to return home after labouring seven weeks; in which time he travelled 394 miles, preached 30 sermons, held 11 conference and prayer-meetings, and made 69 religious visits to families. Our brother intends to complete the term of his mission when his health allows him so to do.

#### CUMBERLAND BAY AND RANGE, GRAND LAKE.

Brother Sydney Welton, of Acadia College, spent 14 weeks of his vacation with these churches. A detailed account of his labors has appeared in the *Christian Visitor*. His labors were highly appreciated by the people, who would gladly have retained him among them, had circumstances permitted. It is gratifying that these churches were able to have temporary help when destitute, but important positions, such as the above region, should have stated pastoral labor.

#### OAK BAY, LEDGE, TOWER HILL, &c.

Brother Joshua Goodwin supplied these stations, during the Wolfville vacation, for the period of eight weeks. The Baptist interest in these localities is in a depressed state from different causes, chiefly, perhaps, for want of a judi-

scious pastor to go in and out among them; there are a few faithful laborers that amidst all discouragements continue to struggle on.

Brother Goodwin's labors were somewhat interrupted by unfavorable weather and from the want of suitable arrangements being made; but he appears to have labored faithfully and acceptably. He preached 17 sermons, made 73 religious visits to families, and collected, on behalf of his mission, \$47.30.

#### MUSQUASH AND DIPPER HARBOR.

Brother F. D. Crawley, of Acadia College, spent seventeen weeks, including his vacation, at these places. The following is his report:—34 sermons preached, 7 prayer meetings and 1 conference meeting held, 94 religious visits made, 488 miles travelled. The expense of the mission to the Board was \$144.75, of which Brother Crawley received \$91.75 on the field; which, considering the small membership of the Churches and the sparseness of the population, was a large return from the field. Some person or persons must have contributed generously.

#### LUDLOW.

Rev. W. M. Edwards, who has labored at this station for a considerable time—labored here three months during the past year—when he resigned his charge. The Rev. A. Estabrooks then spent six weeks with this church. He found the cause very low, and the progress of religion seriously impeded by the prevailing intemperance of the region. He accordingly devoted himself sedulously to attack this gigantic evil; “not only,” he reports, “was liquor sold without license in private houses, but peddled about the streets, and carried from house to house by unprincipled vendors.” Brother Estabrooks held several temperance meetings, and secured about seventy signatures to the total abstinence pledge. During the six weeks' residence at Ludlow your missionary preached 16 sermons, conducted six conference and prayer meetings, established a Bible-class and Sabbath-school library. Regular pastoral labor is much required in this section of the country.

#### NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI.

This field being destitute of ministerial labor, Brother Michael Gross, of Hillsborough, licentiate, went, under the auspices of the Board, and labored there about five weeks. Ill-health somewhat interfered with our brother's labor, but he preached 17 sermons, attended two social meetings, and visited and prayed with a good many aged and sick people.

The Rev. G. W. Springer was engaged by the Board as general missionary and evangelist, which work he has performed with great advantage to the pastors and churches that he visited, and destitute localities where he labored. Our brother gave verbal reports at the meetings of the Board, but in the absence of any written report, no details can here be given.

#### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND.

Perhaps the union of benevolence and wisdom was never more clearly exemplified than in the provision made by our churches to assist young men who, being the subjects of renewing grace, desire to consecrate themselves and the talents with which God has endowed them to the highest work that mortals can engage in. When our Lord surveyed the world lying in the arms of the wicked one, He charged his disciples to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the harvest: the offering of such a prayer supposes the co-ordinate duty of encouraging young men whose hearts may be stirred to engage in the sacred work; and where the means of such men are limited, no money will be better employed than in enabling them to acquire that knowledge that can qualify them to perform their work efficiently. Happily, it is well under-



stood in our churches that no natural endowments can be a substitute for divine grace; and no human learning can stand in the place of the teachings of the Holy Spirit; but when gracious young men can be favored with the fruits of the rich experience and valuable acquirements of those who possess an extensive knowledge of biblical literature and other branches, that will qualify them to be critical expositors and able preachers of the Word of God, it becomes the duty of the churches to supply such aid. During the year, \$237.50 have been granted to the students at Wolfville—this being \$50 more than the grants of last year—which has been a valuable assistance to them, and without which aid some of them must have discontinued their studies. This fund is commended to the liberality of our churches.

#### AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' AND WIDOWS' FUND.

\$108—thirty-two dollars in advance of last year's grant—have been supplied from this fund to our aged brethren and widows of deceased ministers during the past year. The assistance thus rendered has been in many cases deeply needed, and it has afforded your Board very great pleasure to be your almoners to those members of the household of faith who have such strong claims to our christian sympathies, and whose lives have been given to the service of the churches.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL FUND.

From this fund, carefully selected christian literature finds its way into many districts that are often deprived of the ordinary means of grace; the general intelligence of our youth is by this means greatly promoted. Aid from this fund is only given to those who make an effort to help themselves. The Board, as an invariable rule, requires that those seeking assistance shall raise, at least, an equal sum to that which is granted. \$74 have been granted during the year.

#### COLPORTAGE.

This very important branch of Christian labor has often occupied the attention of the Board, but the difficulty of finding a suitable man, and the probable heavy pecuniary responsibility connected with such a work, have proved impediments in the way. Lately, the Rev. Robert Mutch expressed his willingness to engage in this work, providing a sufficient guarantee for support could be supplied, though he felt pretty confident that the work could be carried on without a probability of much assistance being needed. Your Board had no funds at their disposal for this work, but a number of brethren came forward and assumed the necessary responsibility. With this assurance our brother entered upon the work, and so far with encouraging success.

Your Board have considered with deep interest the proposition to place the subject of Home Missions under the care of the Convention.

They fully recognize the importance of cherishing the deepest christian sympathy and good feeling, not only among the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces, but with the whole Baptist brotherhood, and indeed with genuine believers in the Lord Jesus wherever they may be located. They therefore do most cordially unite with their brethren in these weighty and important objects which are under the charge of the Convention, and if it should appear that the Home Missionary work also could be more efficiently carried on under its direction, they would most cheerfully acquiesce in placing it in the hands of that body; but in the first place your Board believe the Foreign Missions—now largely expanding, and furnishing matter for grave and anxious consideration—together with the increasing importance of our educational operations, furnish sufficient work for the Convention satisfactorily to perform; and, secondly, your Board feel convinced that, from the very nature of the work, Home Missions can be carried on more satisfactorily by each Province separately.

If the Convention should take charge of the Home Mission work, there must still be an Executive Board located somewhere. Should such Board be established in this Province, say in Moncton, or Woodstock, or St. John, or Fredericton, we believe that very few of its members could be in a position to understand the spiritual necessities of remote settlements, or the wants of the poorer churches of the different parts of Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia; and would feel it to be a serious responsibility to legislate for localities of which they knew so little; and if the Board were located at Halifax, or Charlottetown, or Windsor, or Yarmouth, the difficulties, as far as concerns New Brunswick, would be as great. Dissatisfaction would spring up in places that felt themselves to be neglected, and we should soon be glad to go back to the original plan of committing the work, in each Province, into the hands of brethren who would, necessarily, be more thoroughly acquainted with the peculiar necessities of the districts requiring special help in maintaining the worship of God.

The proposition for a grand union of the Provinces for carrying on this work has many attractive aspects, but the practical difficulties attending it induced your Board, on the 7th of June, to pass unanimously the following resolution:

"Whereas, The subject of a union of this Province with Nova Scotia in Home Missionary work was brought before the Convention in Portland in 1874, and left over for further consideration:

"Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Board that Home Missionary operations can be more effectively and satisfactorily carried on by each Province separately than by the proposed union, inasmuch as each Province must be in a better position to understand the spiritual necessities of their respective localities, than a General Board located in any one of the Provinces."

Which resolution was endorsed unanimously at a full meeting of the Western Association at Centreville, on the 24th of the same month.

In concluding their Report, the Board would urge the churches to an increasing christian liberality. The work before us is large and of the highest import. Many sections of our Province are calling upon us for assistance—weak churches that desire to maintain the ordinances and Word of God among them, are crying for help. May we feel our responsibility, and understand our privilege of being workers together with God in the salvation of the family of man, and while faithfully laboring may we humbly and earnestly seek his blessing who alone can crown our efforts with success.

## The N. B. Baptist Home Missionary Society in Account with G. M. Steeves, Treasurer.

1874.	Dr.	1875.	Dr.
	To paid as follows:—		To paid as follows:—
June 29.	Rev. W. A. Crandall, H.M., \$25 00	Jan. 21.	Rev. J. Walker, I. M., \$20 00
	Acadia College, G. E., 52 80		H. J. Foshay, M. E., 25 00
	Little South West, S.S., 5 00		Rev. A. W. Barss, H. M., 25 00
	Newcastle, S. S., 5 00		J. Goodwin, M. E., 37 50
July 20.	Zion Church, S. S., 5 00		W. J. Stewart, M. E., 37 50
	Gordonville, S. S., 5 00	Feb. 12.	Rev. W. A. Crandall, H.M., 25 00
	Rev. W. M. Edwards, H. M., 12 00		Rev. T. Crawley, H. M., 25 00
	Rev. S. Bancroft, I. M., 15 00	20.	Barnes & Co., M. F., 49 98
Aug. 8.	Mrs. McInnis, I. M., 5 00	4.	Rev. S. Bancroft, I. M., 5 00
	Tobique, S. S., 5 00	11.	Rev. A. W. Barss, H. M., 25 00
14.	3d Elgin Church, S. S., 10 00	April 20.	Zion Church, S. S., 4 00
20.	Rev. S. Burt, H. M., 20 00		Rev. A. W. Barss, H. M., 12 50
29.	Barnes & Co., M. F., 40 57		St. Andrews, S. S., 8 00
Sept. 7.	Rev. Thos. Todd, U. F., 107 45		Rev. G. W. Springer, H. M., 75 00
	Rev. A. Estabrooks, H. M., 40 00	May 4.	Rev. Thos. Todd, H. M., } 109 75
	Ludlow, S. S., 7 00		J. Goodwin, M. E., } 74 92
8.	Baltimore, S. S., 5 00	7.	E. Howe, M. E., 37 50
	James S. May, H. M., 20 00		H. J. Foshay, M. E., 25 00
18.	S. Welton, H. M., 51 50	14.	Rev. W. A. Crandall, H.M., 25 00
20.	G. R. Campbell, H. M., 50 00		Rev. R. Much, S. S., 10 00
	S. Welton, H. M., 14 65		Rev. A. W. Barss, H. M., 12 50
	J. Goodwin, H. M., 25 20	22.	Mrs. McInnis, I. M., 5 00
Nov. 4.	Rev. W. A. Crandall, H. M., 12 50	June 8.	Rev. J. R. Strang, I. M., 10 00
5.	Mrs. Robinson, I. M., 20 00		Rev. G. W. Springer, H.M., 36 50
21.	G. E. Good, H. M., 26 00	9.	Rev. A. W. Barss, H. M., 12 50
Dec. 8.	Mrs. McInnis, I. M., 10 00		M. Gross, H. M., 12 00
	Rev. Thos. Todd, U. F., 111 00	19.	F. D. Crawley, M. E., 10 00
26.	F. D. Crawley, H. M., 53 00	July 10.	Rev. T. Crawley, H. M., 25 00
	E. Howe, H. M., 41 00		Treas. Foreign Missions, 63 47
1875.			Balance on hand, 814 78
Jan. 12.	Mrs. Pulcifer, I. M., 10 00		
18.	Zion Church, S. S., 5 00		
21.	F. D. Crawley, M. E., 15 00		
	E. Howe, M. E., 25 00		
	G. E. Good, H. M., 32 00		
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June 22.	By balance, .....		\$505 50
26.	cash from Fredericton Church, .....		61 60
July 4.	do. Eastern Association, .....		208 52
18.	do. Western Association, .....		855 15
Aug. 9.	do. Leinster Street Church, .....		190 05
18.	do. Rev. Thos. Todd, .....		31 05
Sept. 7.	do. do. .....		30 95
	do. 2d Sackville Church, .....		4 60
11.	do. Quarterly Meeting, St. Martins, .....		13 62
	do. J. H. Moran, Esq., .....		20 00
Oct 15.	do. Rev. Thos. Todd, .....		79 48
17.	do. Brussels Street Church, .....		110 80
Nov. 6.	do. the late John Starratt, .....		1 00
Dec. 7.	do. per Rev. Thos. Todd, .....		60 08
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May 4.	do. do. ....		164 51
June 8.	do. Collection at Fairfield, .....		4 25
July 9.	do. Germain Street Church, .....		100 00
10.	do. Brussels Street Church, .....		91 01
5.	do. per Rev. G. M. W. Carey, from meeting of Association held at Centreville, .....		144 25
7.	do. Portland Church, .....		25 00
	do. Jerusalem Church, .....		7 00
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	By balance on hand, .....		<b>\$814 78</b>

Balance on hand belongs to various objects as follows.

Home Missions, .....	.....	\$168 69
Superannuated Ministers, .....	.....	167 82
Minutes, .....	.....	51 93
Sabbath Schools, .....	.....	118 49
General Education, ....	.....	2 45
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G. M. STEEVES, TREASURER.

I have examined the above Account, accompanied with vouchers for the debit side, and find the same correct and satisfactory.

A. McL. SEELY, AUDITOR.

Saint John, N. B., 10th July, 1875.

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# THE NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

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## OFFICERS FOR 1875-76.

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## Thirty-Ninth Anniversary of the New Brunswick Baptist Education Society.

### MINUTES

*Of the Meeting of the Baptist Education Society, held in connection with the Western New Brunswick Baptist Association, at Centreville, on Thursday, June 24th, 1875.*

At 4 o'clock, P. M., the Western Baptist Association adjourned to give place to a meeting of the N. B. Baptist Education Society. In the absence of the President, Rev. C. Spurden, D. D., was called to take the chair.

On motion—Rev. Edward Hickson was appointed Secretary, *pro tem*.

Brother Luther Goodspeed made a statement with regard to a balance due his brother, Rev. Calvin Goodspeed, asking payment of the same.

On motion—The following Resolution passed unanimously:

*Resolved*, That the accounts of Rev. C. Goodspeed be referred to Brethren A. W. Masters, Henry Vaughan, and T. P. Davies, as a Committee to examine and audit; and if they find these accounts correct and just, they are hereby authorized to pay the same, by an order on the Treasurer.

A communication was read from R. G. Lunt, Esquire, Treasurer of the Baptist Education Society, showing that he had deposited \$300 in the Bank of New Brunswick, at 5 per cent. interest, on 60 days' call, being one year's interest on \$5,000 debentures, on account of sale of the Baptist Seminary.

Adjourned.

EDWARD HICKSON,  
*Secretary, pro tem.*

## A DECLARATION

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

ARTICLE 1. We believe that there is but one only living and true God, who is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable 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; Isaiah vi. 8; 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 Thess. 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 foreordained 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. lxxvi. 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 kindreds, 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

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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 suitability 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. x. 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 for ever. They have communion with God, and by his Spirit they are united with each other, and have, in 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, i. 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. xvi. 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 consciences of any, or attempting to dictate or govern in the worship of the 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; Mat. 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 25-46.

## PART THE SECOND.

### Concerning a Visible Church of Christ, and its Discipline.

1. We believe that a particular visible Church of Christ is a number of baptized believers, by mutual acquaintance and communion voluntarily and understandingly covenanting and uniting together, for upholding and promoting the worship and service of God, to shew forth his glory, and for their own edification: 1 Peter, ii. 5; Acts, ii. 42, ix. 13; Hebrews, 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 privileges, 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. xxviii. 19, 29; 1 Cor. xi. 23–26; 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 none 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. 29–28, 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 worldly 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.



## 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 ways 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 communion 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.*

## IN MEMORIAM.

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REV. ALEXANDER MUTCH,

Your Committee on Obituaries, have to report REV. ALEXANDER MUTCH among the slain. He was ordained to the work of the ministry at Norton, in July, 1848, and continued faithful to his ordination vows, until he exchanged his ministry on earth for his reward above. A large part of his ministerial life was devoted to missionary work. At one time, he connected with the ministry of the word, the sale of religious books, and, in this capacity, was instrumental in supplying many parts of the country with a healthful, religious literature. The libraries of ministers were frequently replenished with valuable books, through the active efforts of our departed brother. He travelled extensively in nearly all parts of the Province, preaching the Gospel, and scattering broadcast the good seed of the kingdom. It would be interesting to know how many sermons he preached in his day, and how many good books he put in circulation; but he has left no record to which we can refer. All, however, is recorded in the books above, and he will not fail of his reward. His last years were spent quietly in the bosom of his family at Fairfield, K. C., where he departed this life on the 31st of May, 1875, aged 76, and in the 27th year of his ministry.

He was a kind husband, a loving father, a sincere christian, and a good minister of the New Testament. Death, to him, we doubt not, is eternal gain.

His funeral obsequies were numerously attended, and an appropriate sermon was preached on the occasion by Rev. David Crandal.

We would express our deep sympathy with his bereaved widow and his seven surviving children; and, pray God, to fill their hearts with the consolations of his grace!

I. E. BILL, *Chairman,*

## DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR.

The next Session of the BAPTIST CONVENTION of the Maritime Provinces will be held at Hillsburg, Annapolis County, N. S., on Saturday, 21st August, 1875.

### N. B. ASSOCIATIONS.

THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION will hold its next Session on Tuesday, 27th June, 1876, with the Germain street Church, of Saint John, N. B.

THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION will meet with the 1st Hillsboro' Church, Albert County, on Tuesday, 11th July, 1876. Associational sermon to be preached by Rev. E. C. Corey; Circular Letter by Rev. ———.

### N. S. ASSOCIATIONS.

THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION will hold its next Anniversary with the Temple Church, Yarmouth, the 3d Saturday in June, 1876. The Rev. J. Clark is appointed to preach the Associational sermon, and Rev. G. O. Gates to write the Circular Letter.

THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION will hold its next Annual Session with the Hantsport Church, on the Saturday following the 20th June, 1876.

THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION will be held at River Hebert, on the second Saturday in July, 1876.

THE P. E. ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION holds its next Session July 1876.

### HOME MISSION SOCIETIES.

THE N. B. BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY will hold its next Anniversary Meeting with the Western N. B. Association in Saint John, June 1876.

Monthly meetings of the Home Mission Board are held in Saint John on the 1st Monday evening of each month.

THE NOVA SCOTIA HOME MISSIONARY UNION will hold its next Annual Meeting in connection with the N. S. Western Association, June 1876.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION will hold its next Annual Meeting in Mopeton, Tuesday, 12th October, 1875.