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OF THE
TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION
OF THE
Eastern Baptist Association
OF
NOVA SCOTIA,

HELD WITH THE

Baptist Church at Great Village, Colchester Co., Saturday,
Monday, and Tuesday, July 10th, 12th, and 13th, 1875.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1st.—This body shall be called the Eastern Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and shall consist of Delegates representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those churches, together with Delegates from Corresponding Associations, not exceeding five from any one Association; and such others as may, by the Association, be invited to sit in Council; none but delegates being entitled to vote, and such only as represent churches being eligible to office, or to vote for officers.

ART 2nd.—Each church connected with the body may send five Delegates besides its Pastor.

ART 3rd.—The object of this Association being the cultivation of Christian Union, the promotion of individual godliness, and by mutual consultation, to seek, in the use of Scriptural measures, the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom—it disclaims all authority over churches, and shall in no case interfere with their internal concerns, or their entire scriptural independency. Yet it may dissolve its connection with any church that, upon sufficient examination, shall be judged by the Association to have departed essentially from Scripture principles or Baptist faith and practice.

ART. 4th.—This Association shall meet at such time and place as it may appoint, and the meetings shall be opened with devotional exercises.

ART. 5th.—The Officers of the Association shall be—a Moderator, who shall preside at all the meetings, nominate all the Committees not otherwise provided for, and perform all the duties naturally connected with such office; a Clerk who shall keep a record of all the business transacted, prepare the Minutes for the press, and attend to their distribution; and a Treasurer, who shall receive all the moneys contributed for the purposes of the Association, and dispose of them according to its direction. All the officers shall remain in office until their successors are chosen.

ART. 6th.—The religious sentiments of this body are those expressed in the "Articles of the Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia."

ART. 7th.—The Association may receive any Church which, by letters, shall apply for admission, and shall give satisfactory evidence of its faith and order, in agreement with the religious sentiments of this body; and each Church belonging to this body shall send annually a letter, containing an account of its history for the year preceding, particularly of its additions and diminutions, with its number then in fellowship,—also, money to assist in publishing the Minutes. Any Church that for three successive years omits sending any Letter, Delegates, or money, shall be considered withdrawn from the Association, and shall be discontinued from the Minutes, unless sufficient reason may appear to account for the omission, or provided it may appear desirable to make some inquiry, by committee or otherwise, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 8th.—This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members at any annual meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—At each annual meeting the Letters from the Churches shall be handed to the clerk, who shall retire and make out a list of the delegates—the Moderator meanwhile shall conduct devotional exercises.

2nd.—From the list so prepared the Moderator shall be chosen by ballot—no brother shall be chosen two years in succession.

3rd.—The first letter read shall be from the Church with which the Association is assembled.

4th.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded, and no person shall speak on any subject more than twice unless by consent of the Association.

5th.—When any Church is received, the Moderator shall give to one of its delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th.—At the commencement of each sitting the Minutes of the preceding one shall be read and approved, and of the last before the final adjournment.

7th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes except so ordered by the Association.

8th.—All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

9th.—Each meeting for business shall be commenced and concluded with prayer.

10th.—The Committee of Arrangement shall, in addition to the provision for the "order of business," provide also for the discussion of the more prominent topics, Education and Missions, by appointing one or more persons to speak upon them. Said Committee shall further recommend the place for the succeeding Association, the preacher of the Associational Sermon, and the writer of the Circular Letter.

11th.—No delegate shall leave the Association before the business is finished, without permission of the body.

12th.—These Rules shall be read by the Moderator at the commencement of each annual session of the Association.

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MINUTES.

GREAT VILLAGE, COLCHESTER CO., Saturday Morning, July 10th, 1875,

The N. S. Eastern Baptist Association assembled in its twenty-fifth annual session at 10 o'clock, a.m. In the absence of the Moderator of last year, Rev. J. E. Goucher, by request, took the chair. After the singing of a hymn, prayer was offered by Rev. D. W. Crandal.

The Secretary, having taken his place, called for the Letters from the Churches. While the list of delegates was being prepared, the meeting engaged in devotional exercises.

The Secretary then announced the list of Delegates as follows :—

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Great Village.—Revs. M. P. Freeman, O. Chute; Deacons James Gourley, A. Thompson, Brethren A. Morrison and David Urquhart.

Maccan.—Rev. H. Bool, Brother C. E. Atkinson.

Wentworth.—Rev. J. J. Armstrong, Brother William Smith and James Gough.

West Brook.—Rev. D. McKeen.

Upper Londonderry.—Rev. M. P. Freeman, Brothers R. McCully, W. McCully and Wm. Fletcher.

West Onslow.—Rev. Stephen March, Deacons R. T. Blair, S. McKinlay and Brother H. Wilson.

Westchester.—Brother H. B. Rushton.

Advocate Harbor.—Rev. T. B. Layton and Deacon Jacob Spicer.

Guyborough and Manchester.—Rev. A. W. Barss.

Parrsborough.—Rev. D. McKeen, Deacon S. Spencer, Brethren Thompson, Tipping and E. Spencer.

Glenville and River Philip.—Deacon J. W. Johnson and Brother James W. Higgins, (Lic).

Amherst Shore.—Rev. E. B. Corey.

Centreville and Mount Pleasant.—Rev. E. B. Corey and Brother John Biglow.

Pugwash.—Rev. D. W. Crandal, Deacon William Seaman, Brethren H. Hollis, A. Layton, E. Munroe, (Lic).

Upper Stewiacke.—Brethren E. N. Bentley, Charles Archibald, I. C. Archibald and G. E. Good, (Lics.)

Amherst.—Rev. D. A. Steele, H. W. Late, (Lic.); Brethren M. D. Pride, J. M. Dayton.

Diligent River.—Brother Thomas Bentley.

Portauquique.—Rev. D. McKeen, Deacons I. Carre, J. Robison, George Davison and Brother W. Davison.

Little River and Oxford.—Rev. J. J. Armstrong, Deacon Levi Johnson, Brethren R. Baird, F. H. Rushton and J. R. Reid.

Lower Economy.—Revs. D. McKeen, S. Thompson, Deacon Isaiah Soley, Brother D. P. Soley.

Truro.—Rev. J. E. Goucher, Deacons D. Page, William Faulkner, Brethren L. I. Walker and John King.

River Hebert.—Rev. H. Bool, Deacon Job Seaman.

Goose River.—Rev. D. W. Crandal.

Greenville.—Rev. J. J. Armstrong, Deacon George Rushton, Brethren J. Eagles and Simon Webb.

Onslow East.—Deacons J. W. Lynds, R. Blair and Brother C. Douglas.

Lower Stewiacke.—Rev. J. Meadows, Bro. James W. Stevens.

Brookfield.—Deacon Jacob Stephens.

Antigonish.—Deacon T. M. King.

From the N. S. Western Association.—Rev. G. N. Ballentine.

From the N. S. Central Association.—Revs. D. Freeman, D. M. Welton, and Brother S. Selden.

Invited.—P. W. McGregor, (Lic.); E. F. Carbonell, (Lic.); Brothers A. Fountain, R. Nelson, John Fletcher, James Linton, A. J. Walker, S. M. McKinlay, I. F. Crane, C. C. Cox, T. Ralston, H. Purdy, Isaac Cook, Deacons Ezra Layton and J. Robison, C. H. Martell, (Lic.)

The ballot having been taken for *Moderator*, Rev. J. E. Goucher was elected. Bro. I. C. Archibald (Lic.) and Rev. J. J. Armstrong, were chosen *Secretaries*; Brother A. Fountain, *Treasurer*; and Brother L. J. Walker, *Assistant Treasurer*.

The rules of order were then read, and prayer offered by Rev. A. W. Barss.

The following Committees were then appointed by the Moderator:

NOMINATION AND ARRANGEMENT.—Revs. M. P. Freeman, Stephen March, T. B. Layton, A. W. Barss, E. B. Corey, Brethren James Gourley, J. King and William Faulkner.

TO READ LETTERS.—Revs. S. March, D. A. Steele, G. N. Ballentine.

TO EXAMINE LETTERS.—Revs. H. Bool, D. W. Crandal, Brother L. J. Walker.

ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.—Rev. D. A. Steele, Brother Wm. McCully, Wm. Seaman and D. Page.

While the Committee of Nomination and Arrangement were consulting together, a number of the Letters from the Churches were read.

The following partial report of the committee was then adopted:—That the Association meet in the morning at 10 o'clock, and adjourn at half-past 12 o'clock. Meet in the afternoon at 2 o'clock, adjourn at 5 o'clock. Meet in the evening at 7 o'clock.

That a prayer-meeting be held each morning at 6 o'clock in the Baptist Meeting House.

COMMITTEES:

EDUCATION.—Revs. D. A. Steele, Stephen March, D. McKeen, Brethren John King, D. R. Eaton, D. Page and G. E. Good (Lic.)

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Rev. D. W. Crandal, Brethren T. M. King, L. J. Walker, Wm. McCully and Ezra Layton.

MISSIONS.—Revs. A. W. Barss, Obed Chute, E. B. Corey, Brethren Wm. Faulkner and D. Blair.

That the **REPORT ON EDUCATION** be presented first in order on Monday, after the Circular Letter is read.

That the COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS be next in order, and that a public Missionary Meeting be held on Monday evening.

That collections be taken for HOME MISSIONS on Sabbath at all the preaching stations, except in the Presbyterian Church at Great Village, at the morning and evening services.

Adjourned with prayer by G. E. Good, (Lic.)

SATURDAY—Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session commenced at 2 P.M., with singing, and prayer by Rev. D. A. Steele.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

The reading of Church Letters was then resumed. A further report of the Committee on Nomination and Arrangement was presented, and on motion adopted :

That the Lord's Day services be as follows:—

Presbyterian House, Great Village—11 A.M. Rev. A. W. Barss.

3 P.M. Rev. S. Thompson.

7 P.M. Rev. J. E. Goucher.

Baptist House " 11 A. M. Rev. J. Meadows.

3 P. M. Rev. G. N. Ballentine.

7 P. M. Rev. D. W. Crandal.

Acadia Mines—3 P. M. Rev. D. W. Crandal.

7 P. M. G. E. Good, (Lic.)

Spencer's Corner—3 P. M. Rev. J. J. Armstrong.

Debert River—11 A. M. Rev. H. Bool.

Masstown—8 P. M. Bev. J. Meadows.

Truro—11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Rev. A. Steele, 3 P. M. H. W. Tate, (Lic.)

Central Onslow—3 P. M. James Higgins, (Lic.)

Westchester—11 A. M., and 8 P. M. Rev. E. B. Corey.

Upper Economy—10½ A. M. Rev. D. Freeman.

Portaupique—3½ P. M. Rev. D. Freeman.

Your Committee would further recommend that Rev. J. E. Goucher preach the next Associational Sermon, and that Rev. S. March be his alternate.

That Rev. M. P. Freeman write the Circular Letter.

On motion, agreed, that this Association meet next year with the Church at River Hebert, in compliance with their request.

Resolved, That Brethren William Faulkner, George Davison, Thomas King, James W. Stevens and James Gourley, be delegates to the Convention to meet at Hillsburgh.

Resolved, That Revds. J. Meadows, Stephen March, J. E. Goucher and M. P. Freeman, be delegates to the N. S. Western Association.

Resolved, That Revds. D. McKeen, A. W. Barss, and Brethren James W. Stephens, John King and A. J. Walker, be delegates to the N. S. Central Association.

Resolved, That Revds. M. P. Freeman, H. Bool, G. F. Miles, and Brother William Faulkner, be delegates to the P. E. Island Association.

Resolved, That Revds. Stephen March, T. B. Layton and Brother George Davison, be appointed a Committee on Obituaries.

Resolved, That a Public Temperance Meeting be held this evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, and that Revds. A. W. Barss, and G. N. Ballentine, be appointed to give the opening addresses.

Resolved, That Revds. M. P. and D. Freeman, Stephen March, J. Meadows, and Brother H. W. Tate (Lic.), be appointed a committee on Denominational Literature.

Resolved, That Revds. S. March, T. B. Layton, G. E. Good (Lic.), Brother J. Cook, be a Committee to examine the Circular Letter.

On motion of Rev. H. Bool, it was resolved that this Association regard with devout gratitude the increase which God has given us during the past year, and desire to expect larger blessings.

Soul stirring addresses were delivered by several of the ministers and lay brethren, telling of what God had wrought for them in their fields of labor.

Adjourned with prayer by Brother Judson Walker.

SATURDAY—Evening Session.

The Public Temperance Meeting was held.

In the absence of the Moderator, Rev. M. P. Freeman was appointed to preside.

Prayer was offered by Rev. S. March.

Addressess were delivered by Revds. A. W. Barss, G. N. Ballentine, J. Meadows, D. W. Crandal, and G. E. Good, (Lic.)

On motion, it was resolved, that this meeting hail with joy the success which has in the past attended the efforts of Temperance Societies, and those who have had the cause at heart; and that we pledge for the future increased and continued support to the great Temperance Reform.

MONDAY MORNING, July 12th.

The Association Sermon was preached by Rev. James Meadows, from Psalm lxii. 5.

The Moderator, having taken the chair, a collection was taken for Home Missions, and prayer was offered by H. W. Tate, (Lic.)

The minutes of the session of Saturday afternoon were read and approved,—also, minutes of the Temperance meeting held in the evening.

While the Report on Education was being prepared, the following resolutions were passed:—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the Railway Authorities for reduced fares.

Resolved Also, that Brethren William Faulkner and L. J. Walker be a Committee to obtain a similar favor next year.

Resolved, That Rev. D. Freeman, Brothers G. E. Good and H. W. Tate, (Lic.), be appointed to lead in ten minute speeches at the Missionary Meeting this evening.

The report of the Committee on Obituaries was presented by the Chairman, Rev. S. March, and adopted. (See Appendix A.)

The Report of the Committee on Education was then presented by the Chairman, Rev. D. A. Steele. On motion it was received for discussion clause by clause.

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The first clause referring mainly to the prosperous state of Acadia College, was adopted after the delivery of addresses by the Revs. D. A. Steel, D. Freeman, and Brother T. M. King.
Adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. Bool.

MONDAY—Afternoon Session.

Opened with prayer by Brother S. Selden.

Minutes of previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Education was again read for the special benefit of delegates who had just arrived.

After addresses of thrilling interest had been delivered by Revs. D. M. Welton, D. Freeman, D. A. Steel, and Brethren William Faulkner and A. J. Walker, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Appendix B.)

The following resolution, having reference to clause second of this Report, was moved by Rev. S. March, and without discussion was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That this resolution regards the present distribution of Provincial Money to the different Colleges in Nova Scotia as unfair, inequitable and disproportionate.

And further Resolved, That they recommend the people composing the community in which these churches are located, to present at the next session of our Legislature, to the Legislative Council and House of Assembly respectively, petitions as largely signed as possible, for such a readjustment of the present distribution of Provincial Money to the Colleges of our Province as may be fair, just, and proportionate to all the several denominations concerned.

The reading of the letters from the churches was completed.

The Report of the Committee on Missions was then presented by the Chairman, Rev. D. Freeman, who spoke upon it at considerable length.

On motion it was resolved that this report be laid on the table for discussion and final action this evening.

The Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools was next presented by the Chairman, Rev. D. W. Crandal, and was spoken to by Revs. D. W. Crandal, D. Freeman, H. Bool, G. N. Ballentine, Brethren C. H. Martell (Lic.), James W. Stevens, L. J. Walker, George Davison, William Faulkner, and S. Selden. (See App. C.)

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. March.

MONDAY—Evening Session.

Opened with singing and prayer by Professor D. M. Welton.

Minutes of last session were read and approved.

The Report on Missions was again read.

Addresses on Missions, Home and Foreign, were delivered by Revs. D. Freeman, D. A. Steele, G. E. Good (Lic.), Rev. D. M. Welton, Brethren S. Selden, William Faulkner, and James W. Stevens.

The Report on Missions was, on motion, adopted. (See Ap. D.)
On motion of Rev. M. P. Freeman, it was unanimously resolved

that the hearty thanks of this Association be tendered to the Presbyterian Congregation of this community for the use of their House of Worship.

On motion of the Rev. S. March,

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the friends of Great Village for the kind reception to their hearts and homes, which they had extended to them.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. March.

TUESDAY MORNING, July 12th.

Opened with prayer by Brother James W. Stevens.

Resolved, That Brother S. Selden be requested to print 1,250 copies of the Minutes of this Association, this being the usual number, and that 50 copies be reserved for the use of the next annual session of the Association.

Resolved, That Revds. S. March, J. E. Goucher, and Brother Page be appointed to prepare extracts from letters for publication with the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Association be requested to pay over all monies received, to the several Treasurers of the funds for which they have been designated.

Resolved, That Professor D. M. Welton be requested to represent us in the N. B. Eastern Association.

Resolved, That the following Brethren be reappointed as members of the Board of Infirm Ministers: Revds. G. F. Miles, D. A. Steele, Brethren Moses Lowe, Amos Blenkhorne and Wm. Faulkner, and Benjamin Douglass, Treasurer.

The Report of the Committee on Denominational Literature was then presented by Rev. M. P. Freeman, chairman. It was spoken to by Revds. A. W. Barss, D. W. Crandal, D. Freeman, D. McKeen, and Brethren William Faulkner, Amos Fountain, J. Bigelow, Brother McGregor (Lic.), and adopted. (See App. E.)

The Committee on Questions in Letters reported, through their chairman, Rev. D. A. Steele, as follows:—

The only question raised is in the letter from Pictou, and your committee beg leave to report:

1. That, according to their calculation, there remains now of the fund for the sale of the Pictou meeting house, \$450, with interest for eighteen months.

2. That your Committee consider that in accordance with a resolution of last year's Association, that H. R. Narraway should be paid his per centage on his contribution of \$50, viz., \$32.

3. And your Committee further suggest that Thomas King, Esq., of Antigonish, be a trustee to take charge of and invest this fund with the interest as it becomes due, any demand for the use of said fund to be countersigned by the Moderator of the Eastern Association for the time being. After a brief discussion this Report was adopted.

A motion for adjournment to meet again next year, the second Saturday in July, at 2 o'clock, at River Hebert, having been carried, the Association closed with singing, and prayer by Rev. A. W. Barss.

J. E. GOUCHER, *Moderator*.

I. C. ARCHIBALD, *Secretary*.

Ministers in the Eastern Association.

Name.	Present Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. George Armstrong.....	Sydney, C. B.	Dec. 13, 1848	Port Medway
" M. A. Bigelow.....	Antigonishe	Sept. 14, 1859	Guysborough
" H. Bool.....	River Hebert.....	Feb. 1869	Coatbridge, Scotland
" John Brown.....	Cow Bay, C. B.	April 7, 1870	Sodbury, Gloucestershire,
" Obed Chute.....	Upper Stewiacke.....	Feb. 7, 1850	Wentworth. [G. B.]
" E. B. Corey.....	Little River.....	Jan. 24, 1868	Point DeBute.
" H. Eagles.....	St. Mary's.....	Aug. 1842	Kempt, Hants Co.
" John E. Goucher.....	Truro.....	Oct. 5, 1859	Gagetown, N. B.
" M. P. Freeman.....	Great Village.....	July 5, 1859	Bedeque, P. E. I.
" J. Meadows.....	Lower Stewiacke.....	Feb. 26, 1868	Jeddore.
" G. F. Miles.....	Amherst.....	Aug. 1846	Newcastle, N. B.
" R. McDonald.....	Margaree, C. B.	Aug. 23, 1853	Margaree, C. B.
" J. B. McDonald, M. D.	North Sydney, C. B.	May 7, 1870	Bedeque, P. E. I.
" Daniel McLeod.....	St. Ann's, C. B.	July 5, 1873	North Sydney.
" D. McKeen.....	Little Forks, Maccan.	Sept. 13, 1864	River Hebert.
" J. B. McQuillin.....	Antigonishe.....	Nov. 13, 1870	Hawkesbury, C. B.
" G. Richardson.....	Sydney, C. B.	March 25, 1822	Hammonds Plains,
" Hugh Ross.....	Sydney, C. B.	Sept. 1847	Mira Bay, C. B.
" D. A. Steele.....	Amherst.....	June 20, 1865	Wolfville.
" S. Thompson.....	Economy.....	Sept. 1852	Westbrooke.
" G. W. Thomas.....	Canso.....	May 13, 1874	Canso.
" D. W. Crandall.....	Pugwash.....	Aug. 20, 1864	Carridock, Ont.

LICENTIATES.

Chipman Archibald, Upper Stewiacke.
 Charles Martell, Mira Bay, C. B.
 James Morrison, Onslow West.
 William McKenzie, West Bay, C. B.
 D. Spencer, Mira Bay, C. B.
 Edward Munro, Pugwash.
 A. J. Davison, Portauipique.

Respectfully submitted,
 STEPHEN MARCH, Clerk.

It is recommended that more attention be given in future to this important part of Christian labour: Also that the Pastors and Superintendents

Appendix.

(A.)

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The Committee on Obituaries beg leave to report that during the past year, two valued young brethren have been removed by death from our midst, viz:—Bro. AARON ROSS, of Margaree, C. B., and Bro. JOSEPH H. PIPES, of Amherst.

Brother Aaron Ross was converted at Horton about three years ago. His mind became impressed by words which fell from the lips of Dr. Sawyer in a social meeting at Wolfville; these were used by the Holy Spirit as the means of leading Him to Jesus; where He found peace. He was baptized by Rev. S. W. DeBlois, and soon afterwards entered upon the work of the ministry. He labored earnestly and faithfully in this work during two vacations. Subsequently he was compelled by failing health to abandon his studies and return to his home in Cape Breton, where after a short but painful illness, he fell asleep in Jesus. He was a diligent and punctual student, and an earnest christian worker. His fellow-students and more intimate friends and relatives sincerely mourn his early removal. His absence leaves a blank in our ranks, but we trust he has entered upon the rest remaining for the people of God.

Brother Joseph H. Pipes was welcomed into the church of Christ by Revd. D. A. Steele, of Amherst, whose heart was gladdened by seeing him engage in preparation for the work of the ministry. He entered Acadia College intending to take a full course, but was compelled to relinquish that object by the failure of his health. He engaged in preaching the gospel as often as the state of his health permitted. His efforts were creditable to himself, and highly appreciated by those who heard him. He was suddenly removed on Saturday, May 15th while about to take a drive with his brother. He was twenty-three years of age. Many friends mourn his departure: but for him we doubt not death is eternal gain.

Thus God removes the laborers from the vineyard of earth to partake of the joys of the heavenly paradise. May we so labor that when our work is done, we may be permitted to share their joy.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MARCH, *Chairman.*

(B)

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education are glad to be able to report signs of progress. The College, under the Presidency of Dr. Sawyer and an able staff of coadjutors, is doing good work, and deserves well of the denomination. Six young men finished their Collegiate career in June, and go forth to enrich the world.

Your Committee would direct attention to the anomalous state of the Government grants to the Colleges. For some reason unknown to your Committee, one of the Colleges was voted a large extra sum at the last session of the Provincial Legislature. There is an evident need of a readjustment of these grants, and your Committee would suggest that means be set on foot whereby the sums voted may be equitably disposed. Acadia College is performing a work which will bear the strictest comparison with any of the higher institutions in the Province, and if Government grants to denominational Colleges are right in principle, we should insist that the Baptist College should participate fairly in the public appropriations.

Your Committee would draw the attention of the Association to the auspicious circumstance, that increased attention is being fixed upon the preparatory training of pupils. One large building, to accommodate one hundred male students, is being pushed to completion, and it is expected will be ready for occupation in September next, while another edifice is in contemplation, in which our young women may receive first-rate advantages.

Your Committee commend these as a whole to the sympathy and generous support the Baptist public.

D. A. STEELE, Chairman.

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REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report, that according to returns, the number of teachers, and scholars are not quite up to the report of last year. Number of Schools 38, Scholars 1468. Teachers 182. Volumes in Library 2216. Monies expended \$325.00.

Your Committee exceedingly regret that the Sabbath School statistics have been so imperfectly made out, and would earnestly recommend that more care be taken in future to give full information respecting all Sabbath School work. While many of them report no Sabbath School, others make but a very partial one. Your Committee also regret the seeming unwillingness of many of the members of our Churches to engage in Sunday School work, and recommend that more attention be given in future to this important part of Christian labour: Also that the Pastors and Superintendents

see that full information be furnished in future of all Sabbath Schools under their care.

We are glad to be able to report the successful establishment of a Provincial Sabbath School Convention, and would urge the importance of all Sunday Schools, sending delegates to attend its meetings with a view to awaken a deeper interest in Sabbath School work.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the Committee,

D. W. CRANDAL, *Chairman*.

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REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The operations of "The Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union" during the past year have been of an encouraging character. The income of the Society was about ten thousand dollars, and the work done largely exceeded that of any previous year. In order to carry on the operations of the Union its funds should be greatly increased. We would urge a more systematic raising of funds, and that according to resolutions adopted by both the Western and the Central Associations, monies be raised in all the Churches for the Union each year, during the second quarter ending Dec. 31st.

We would also suggest that in mission fields and in feeble Churches, and where practicable in larger Churches Auxiliary Home Mission Societies be formed on the plan of weekly contributions, according to God's word in 1 Cor. xvi. 2. We would earnestly suggest that Pastors, Missionaries, Deacons, and all concerned should give their timely aid in this important matter. So that the mission may be able to meet its obligations.

As our Foreign Mission, however painful the disappointment connected with the failure of our contemplated work amongst the people of Siam, if God is directing us to Coconada we would not be disobedient to His will. The decision of the late Special Convention in Amherst seems to be sustained by many of the indications of divine providence. In this important crisis let us seek humbly to know and to follow where the Master leads. Meanwhile it is necessary that the usual funds be forwarded to carry on this great enterprise.

D. FREEMAN, *Chairman*.

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REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

The Press is a powerful instrument for evil in the hands of the ungodly; it therefore behoves all who seek the welfare of their fellow men to engage themselves for the dissemination of a pure religious literature, and to aim to prevent the possibility of the circulation of what is injurious to the morals of the people.

Your Committee believe it to be a matter of regret that so much of the current literature of the day—light—frivolous—polluting, finds its way into many of our families to the exclusion of what would be instructive and elevating.

The *Christian Messenger* is the acknowledged organ of our denomination in the Province. It defends christian doctrine, it contains general intelligence, the news of the churches, and devotes itself to whatever pertains to the welfare of the denomination. Every Baptist family should give it a hearty welcome, and every church member should labor to extend its circulation.

Your Committee would impress upon the churches the necessity of guarding the Libraries of their Sabbath Schools from the introduction of works that are contrary to our views of Bible Truth. The youthful mind should not be allured by the gilded bait of error, but built up in the pure truth of the word.

Books and papers that are placed in the hands of the young for their religious instruction should be not only free from error, but positive in their teachings.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the works of the Baptist publishing houses, and that some books at least, distinctively Baptist be placed in every Sabbath School Library, and would further commend this department of the work of the Missionary Union to the favorable consideration of the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. FREEMAN, *Chairman.*

INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND IN ACCOUNT WITH B. L. DOUGLAS,
TREASURER.

1873.		DR.	
July 8.	To Postage.....	\$	0 08
Aug. 26.	" Cash to Bro. Nealy.....		25 00
Sept. 27.	" " Widow Dobson.....		12 00
1874.			
May 18.	" " Rev. S. Thompson.....		15 00
" 26.	" " Father Richardson.....		40 00
" "	" " Widow McQuillan.....		20 00
	" " Expences on do.		0 89
June 5.	" " Mrs. Blakney.....		12 00
Aug. 10.	" " Widow Dobson.....		18 00
1875.			
April 8.	" " Father Richardson.....		30 00
			<u>\$181 50</u>
1875.		CR.	
July 11.	By balance in Treasurer's hands.....	\$184 89	
" 11.	" Omission of credit, July 28, 1872.....	27 55	
Sept. 1.	" Cash.....	34 06	
1874.			
Jan. 17.	" do.....	40 00	
July 4.	" do.....	48 50	
Oct. 20.	" do.....	40 00	
Dec. 7.	" do.....	4 00	
1875.			
July 1.	" Balance of interest.....	10 92	
			<u>346 92</u>
		Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	<u>\$181 50</u>
July 1st, 1875.			

Treasurer's Account of Money for Benevolent Objects Received at the Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association, held at Great Village, Londonderry, July, 1873.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	French Mission.	Ministerial Education.	Acadia College.	Indian Missions.	Total.
Amherst.....	\$60 00			\$ 8 50	\$32 00	\$ 8 50	\$100 00
Amherst Shore.....	1 00	3 00					*4 00
Advocate Harbor.....	5 00	4 00	1 00		4 00	2 00	16 00
Antigonish.....	25 80	25 80			12 30		63 90
Barney's River.....	1 00						1 00
Brookfield.....	14 48	11 76	0 25		2 76	0 40	29 64
Cow Bay.....	8 30	4 04	0 25		0 75	1 50	14 84
Cape Canso.....	8 00				4 00	8 00	20 00
Centreville and Mount Pleasant.....	6 60	2 00			3 00	1 00	12 00
Diligent River.....	1 00	1 25					2 25
East Onslow.....	3 00	3 00	3 00		3 00		12 00
Greenville.....	7 00	5 35					12 35
Glenville and River Philip.....	2 50						2 50
Gaysford and Manchester.....						4 00	4 00
Goose River.....	9 45	13 43		6 04	6 00		34 92
Great Village.....	16 12	42 23	5 30	1 00		1 80	65 45
Lower Steviack.....	5 00	5 58			5 00		15 58
Lower Economy.....	4 09	3 00		1 30	3 00	1 00	12 39
Little River and Oxford.....	4 00	3 00					8 00
Macona.....	8 00	6 25	1 00		2 00		16 25
Mira Bay.....		1 00					1 00
North Sydney.....	15 00	15 00	5 00	2 50	15 00	5 00	57 50
Portauquois.....	13 75	24 10			0 65	1 46	40 05
Pugwash.....		14 00			9 00		23 00
Parrishoro.....		8 00	6 54				14 54
River Hebert.....	6 90	18 80	3 95		5 20	0 90	35 75
Sydney, C. B.....	10 00	7 00		2 00	2 80	3 10	25 00
Truro.....	80 00					2 00	82 00
Tracadie.....	4 00						4 00
Upper Londonderry.....	11 00	11 80	5 00				27 80
Wentworth.....		7 00					7 00
West Chester.....	1 00	1 00					2 00
West Onslow.....	10 00	10 00	2 25		1 50		23 75
Acadia Mines (no church).....	10 00						10 00
D. McKeen - from friends.....	\$6 31						6 31
West Onslow - Collection.....	2 11						
Portauquois.....	3 02						
Up. Londonderry.....	3 23						
Great Village, P. Church, do.....	28 65						
" B. Church, do.....	10 00						
Mrs. Matthew Dunkin.....		3 00					47 01
Other collections.....	7 99						3 00
Totals.....	412 24	254 27	33 54	21 34	110 16	42 88	874 21

*\$1.00 of this amount from a friend.

\$13.88 of this amount is from Mission Band.

Our Foreign Mission money will be sent to Convention.

\$ Towards Theological Chair.

*Statistics of the Churches in the Nova Scotia Eastern Baptist Association, held in Great Village, Lunenburg,
July, 1875.*

NAME OF CHURCH.	Date of Organiza- tion.	PASTOR'S NAME	Year of Settlement.	CLERK, AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Increase.		Decrease.		Present Member- ship.
					By Baptism.	By Letter, &c.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	
1 Amherst.....	1843	D. A. Steele.	1874	B. L. Douglas.....	2	4	2	1	278
2 Amherst Shore.....	1840	T. B. Layton.....	1874	Charles H. Rockwell.....	30	2	1	1	27
3 Annapolis Harbor.....	1823	J. B. McQuillin.....	1874	Archibald McLellan.....	27	1	1	1	79
4 Annapolis.....	1823	J. B. McQuillin.....	1874	J. A. Walker.....	2	1	1	1	22
5 Annapolis River.....	1823	J. B. McQuillin.....	1874	James Ross, New Glasgow.....	5	1	1	1	72
6 Brookfield.....	1823	Rev. J. Meadows.....	1874	Wm. Carr, Brookfield.....	10	1	1	1	144
7 Cape Canso.....	1846	Rev. G. W. Thomas.....	1874	Thomas C. Cook.....	16	1	1	1	94
8 Centerville and Mount Pleasant.....	1870	Rev. E. B. Corey.....	1874	John Bigelow.....	4	1	1	1	38
9 Coddie Harbor.....	1860	Rev. John Brown.....	1874	John Salsgiver.....	30	1	1	1	61
10 Cow Bay, C. B.....	1857	Rev. G. W. Thomas.....	1874	E. D. Rice.....	1	1	1	1	23
11 Cow Harbor.....	1857	Rev. G. W. Thomas.....	1874	Eliza Hendee.....	1	1	1	1	53
12 Dilligent River.....	1857	Rev. D. McKeen.....	1874	D. H. Jones.....	1	1	1	1	92
13 Fox Islands & Lower Economy.....	1857	Rev. D. McKeen.....	1874	D. F. Soley.....	1	1	1	1	84
14 Glenville and River Philip.....	1847	Rev. D. W. Crandal.....	1874	Joseph Dimock.....	3	1	1	1	50
15 Goose River.....	1838	Rev. J. B. McQuillin.....	1874	O. A. H. Nichols.....	3	1	1	1	63
16 Goshen.....	1856	Rev. John Brown.....	1874	Charles D. Nichols.....	38	1	1	1	149
17 Grand Mira, C. B.....	1856	Rev. M. P. Freeman.....	1874	M. Macal, Mira Gut.....	3	1	1	1	79
18 Great Village.....	1868	Rev. J. J. Armstrong.....	1874	Anos F. Martin.....	3	1	1	1	156
19 Greenville.....	1847	Rev. A. W. Bars.....	1874	Samuel Webb.....	1	1	1	1	34
20 Guysborough and Manchester.....	1847	Rev. A. W. Bars.....	1874	H. R. Cunningham.....	1	1	1	1	103
21 Hantsbury.....	1847	Rev. B. Esqies.....	1874	Peter Paul, Jr.....	1	1	1	1	137
22 Indian Harbor.....	1840	Rev. L. M. Weeks.....	1874	James Macdonald.....	54	2	2	2	137
23 Isaac Harbor.....	1840	Rev. L. M. Weeks.....	1874	Allen McMillan.....	54	2	2	2	137

24 Little Glace Bay*	1849 Rev. J. J. Armstrong	1875 J. E. Reid	1				1	14
25 Little River and Oxford	1832 Rev. James Meadows	1869 W. W. Peckings	2				1	140
26 Lower Stewiacke	1823 Rev. James Meadows						1	54
27 Mabou, C. B.***								54
28 Macaan	Rev. H. Bool							70
29 Margaree	1855	1874 Amos Atkinson					2	48
30 Merigonish**		Joseph Tingey					3	48
31 New Annan*	1849							30
32 New Harbor	1802	Daniel Fields						19
33 North Sydney	1825 Rev. J. B. McDonald	James Nickerson						49
34 Onslow East	1809 Rev. S. March	1873 G. H. Dobson						186
35 Onslow West	1809 Rev. S. March	1874 E. Douglas, Truro	41	4	3	6	3	87
36 Parrsboro Village	1859 Rev. D. McKeen	1874 Charles M. Dickson	16	7			1	100
37 Pictou		Elijah Spencer	3					65
38 Portauquoque	1842 Rev. D. McKeen	1870 Thomas D. Davison						43
39 Pugwash	1827 Rev. D. W. Crandall	1874 Wm. Dickery						53
40 River John***								16
41 River Hebert	1873 Rev. H. Bool							18
42 St. Anne*	1870	John Barnes	5	1				28
43 Sand Point***		John Campbell, South Gut, St. Anus						10
44 St. Mary's, 1st								22
45 St. Mary's, 2nd**		1848 Z. H. Hewitt, Sherbrooke	4	2				62
46 Sydney								63
47 South Bar, C. B.*	1846 Rev. G. Armstrong	1874 G. W. Boggs	11	5	3		1	59
48 Tatamagouche***	1870 Rev. G. Richardson	G. B. Sutherland						22
49 Tracadie								30
50 Truro*	1823	Fred Bowden						90
51 Upper Londonderry	1836 Rev. J. E. Goucher	1872 Wm. Falkner, Box 131, Truro	2	3			2	270
52 Upper Stewiacke	1831 Rev. M. P. Freeman	1873 Wm. McCully 1st, Debert Station, Colchester Co.	52	11	1	6	2	82
53 Wentworth			3	2	1		2	33
54 West Bar, C. B.**	1838 Rev. J. J. Armstrong	1874 Wm. Smith						39
55 West Brook	1869							24
56 Westchester		Stephen Ruscoe						32
57 Wallace*	1849	Gideon Rushton	13					13
		P. C. Woodland, Wallace Bridge						167
			419	73	18	41	53	40 4191

*No letter this year. **No letter for 2 years. ***No letter for 3 years. ****No letter for 4 years.

Abstract of Letters to the N. S. Eastern Baptist Association

ADVOCATE HARBOR.—Rev. T. B. Layton, Pastor. Special service held during the past three months. The Lord has been pleased to pour out his Spirit. The Church has been revived. Thirty believers have been added by baptism. One restored, three received by letter. Our Pastor gives himself wholly to the work.

AMHERST.—Rev. D. A. Steele, Pastor. Still holding on to the all-important doctrines of the cross; not without some manifestation of Divine favor; three have been added by baptism. Our Pastor labors in all faithfulness. Have secured the labors of an assistant from the States for a few months, Brother H. W. Taite.

AMHERST SHORE.—Rev. E. B. Corey, Missionary, has been laboring with us a part of the time, for the last six months. No additions to report. We have our prayer and conference meetings.

ANTIGONISH.—Rev. J. B. McQuillin, Pastor. God has again visited his people of this place, and it is our privilege to report to you this year, comparatively large accessions. Twenty-seven have been added by baptism. The work of grace commencing with us happily extended over the larger part of the counties of Antigonish and Pictou, and Guysborough, and it is estimated that not less than two thousand souls have been led to Christ. We give God all the glory.

BROOKFIELD.—Rev. J. Meadows, Pastor. During the winter and spring have had a precious revival. Those indulging secret hopes have been able to make profession of their faith, and sinners have been converted. Have visited the baptismal waters twice, and hope to do so again soon. Five have been immersed.

BARNEY'S RIVER.—Rev. J. B. McQuillin, Pastor. We enjoy the labors of Brother McQuillin one quarter of the time. Two have been baptized. Baptist principles are on the advance, even here. We are striving to have a church edifice erected, but on account of pecuniary weakness it is making slow progress towards completion.

CAPE CANO.—Rev. G. W. Thomas, Pastor. We have had some precious tokens of Divine approval. The Cape has not retrograded; God has been rearing the church's walls, and this and that one has been born within her gates. Nine have been added by baptism. While we have been engaged in prayerful endeavor for the perishing around us, we have remembered in our prayers and giving the sad needs of the Foreign fields. We feel specially gratified with the action of the Convention recently held at Amherst.

CENTREVILLE AND MOUNT PLEASANT.—Rev. E. B. Corey, Missionary Pastor. Under the faithful labors of Brother Corey, the church has

been aroused from her slumbers, and sinners converted to God. Sixteen have been added by baptism. Our church is united, and earnestly engaged in building a meeting house which we expect will be finished the present year.

COW BAY, C. B.—Rev. John Brown, Pastor. A year ago the Rev. John Brown was sent by the Home Missionary Union; since then he has labored with us, in connection with Mira Church, faithfully and earnestly: accepted and loved by the people, and we believe his work is accepted and will be owned by God. We have been stimulated and encouraged, and feel more determined to "hold fast." Four have been added by letter.

CROW HARBOR.—Rev. George W. Thomas, Pastor. Has labored for a part of his time with us, during the past two years, aided by the Home Missionary Union. His faithful labors have been attended with precious results. Since the beginning of the present year we have been allowed the happy privilege of welcoming to our fellowship thirty of our friends. Our meetings on Thursday evening and on Sabbath afternoon, are sustained with unabating interest. We learn with regret of our Pastor's intention to leave us soon to enter upon a course of Theological study at Newton; yet we trust another faithful minister may be directed by the Lord of the Vineyard to our community. We claim a place in your prayers.

DILIGENT RIVER.—(No Pastor.) We have been destitute of a Pastor since the Rev. Samuel Thompson was laid aside from preaching, about eighteen months ago, and but an occasional sermon, which has been attentively listened to and highly appreciated. We have an interesting prayer-meeting every Sabbath, and last summer a Wednesday evening prayer meeting was kept up in a back settlement. We have a Sabbath School and Conference meetings. We should like to have the Board send us a Missionary to labor here, and at Port Greville, a part of the time at least.

LOWER ECONOMY AND FIVE ISLANDS.—Rev. D. McKeen, Pastor. Have had no special manifestations of the power of God, yet we believe seed has been sown to the honor and glory of His name. Have had but little preaching for the past six months, on account of our Pastors' health failing him, but he is again with us, and we hope for better days.

GREENVILLE AND RIVER PHILIP.—(No Pastor.) Brother Armstrong has labored a small portion of his time in one section of our church. Brother James W. Higgins (Lic.), is now laboring with us under the direction of the H. M. Union, to good acceptance. The church is scattered. There are seven preaching stations, but if a Missionary could be located among us, we think a considerable portion of the expense would be met by the church.

GOOSE RIVER.—Rev. D. W. Crandal, Pastor. The past year has been one of prosperity; Brother J. W. Higgins (Lic.) came to the assistance of Pastor Crandal, in holding extra meetings, and the Lord greatly blessed their labors. Many of the young converts promise to be very useful. Our church is united, and not only willing but thankful to have the privilege of assisting by our contributions every religious interest connected with our denomination. Twenty-seven have been added by baptism.

GOSHEN.—Rev. J. B. McQuillin, Pastor. Our church is on the increase. We have the Rev. Mr. McQuillin with us a part of every fourth Sabbath, his labors are highly appreciated. Our church has received four members, but one of them have been called away by death. We are getting along with our meeting house.

GREAT VILLAGE, LONDONDERRY.—Rev. M. P. Freeman, Pastor. We welcome you to our village and our homes. Since we last addressed you, the soul-cheering truths spoken by our Pastor, and the assistance rendered by Rev. Obed Chute, who has recently connected himself with us, have been greatly blessed to the salvation of many. Thirty-five have been added by baptism and seven by letter, making in all forty-two. We believe there are others anxious to know what they must do to be saved. We trust the meeting of the Association with us may prove a blessing to the church and community.

GREENVILLE.—Rev. I. J. Armstrong, Pastor. Our church has been revived. Sinners have been brought to seek salvation. Twenty have been added to our church, almost all young converts. Our Pastor proclaims the Gospel in all fulness; his labors have been rewarded. Our prayer and conference meetings are generally well attended. We have also an interesting Sabbath school. Twenty were added to our number by baptism and three by letter.

GUYSBOROUGH AND MANCHESTER.—Rev. A. W. Barss, Pastor. Our numbers have been diminished by seventeen, but we look for revivifying influences. Through the kindness of the H. M. Union we were supplied during the year by the ministrations of Rev. J. P. Beel, who has returned again to England. We have now engaged the Rev. A. W. Barss, as our Pastor, with some assistance from the H. M. Union, and we hope our church may be built up and converts gathered in. Three have been baptized and three added by letter.

INDIAN HARBOR, GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Rev. Henry Eagles, Pastor. We have had one added by baptism and others are enquiring the way of salvation. Our Conference, Prayer and Communion seasons are comforting, and our Sabbath schools well attended.

ISAAC'S HARBOR.—Rev. L. M. Weeks, Pastor. Last September Brother L. M. Weeks was ordained. Since then we have enjoyed many refreshing seasons. God's people have been led to devote themselves anew to His cause; nearly sixty have joined the Church, a number more are hopefully converted; many are "almost persuaded now to believe." Under God we owe much to the Home Mission Union for kindly supplying us with a man to reap for Christ. We expect to lose the labor of our Pastor the first of September, but we look to the Head of the Church for another, who shall be blessed among us and made a blessing.

UPPER LONDONDERRY.—Rev. M. P. Freeman, Pastor. We rejoice in the prosperity of sister churches around us, but have to mourn our own condition. We do not, however, review the year with unmingled sorrow. The Ministerial Conference at Colchester and Cumberland met with us last autumn, and the efforts of God's servants were blessed in arousing the church in some measure from its apathy. Three were baptized the Sabbath following. Our Pastor labors with us one third of the time to good acceptance.

MARGAREE.—(No Pastor). We were favored with the unweaned labors of our beloved Brother Isaac R. Skinner (Lic.), during the past winter. We are getting feeble and scattered. There are scores of young men and women among us unconverted. May the Lord send, by whom he will; only send prosperity.

MIRA BAY, C. B.—Rev. John Brown, Pastor. We cannot report any visible progress during the year. We trust that the coming year will be more fruitful. The attendance on the Sabbath is good and the Gospel most attentively listened to. Our Sabbath School is in a good state; many young men and women attend. In this we rejoice, as to these we look mainly for new accessions to our numbers. Remember us in your prayers.

MACCAN.—Rev. H. Bool, Pastor. Labors here one-third of his time. The church is in a low state, not having been visited with the revival influences which have blessed many of the churches. We trust that the seed sown by the Pastor will not be in vain.

ONSLow, EAST.—Rev. S. March, Pastor. We, as a church, are endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace. We are enjoying the ministrations of the Word through the devoted labors of Rev. S. March, who serves us one half of his time. His preaching is listened to with marked attention. We are not without tokens for good. Two have been baptized and added to the church since last report. We have two Sabbath Schools in connection with the Church, which are pretty well attended.

ONSLow, WEST.—Rev. S. March, Pastor. In view of our past failures, we feel constrained, by Divine Grace, to labor more diligently in future. In all our struggles the Lord is with us. He has brought us hitherto, and he will not now forsake us. He has lately sent us a Pastor who has been blessed in winning souls to Christ; and who, by his sound teachings and exemplary deportment, exercises among us an influence for good. We are trying to cultivate a commendable interest in all denominational enterprises; but our resources are somewhat heavily taxed in our efforts to erect a Parsonage. We have added sixteen to our number by baptism and seven by letter.

PARSBOROUGH.—Rev. D. McKeen, Pastor. Our much esteemed Brother, Martin Hunter, Church Clerk, has been suddenly removed from us by death. We have been afflicted by the illness of our beloved Pastor, Brother McKeen, but we are again comforted by his presence and messages of truth. Our prayer is that God may fully restore him to health, and that he may long break to us the bread of life. We are still striving to sustain the means of grace, praying that the God of Grace may again revive us. Three have been added by baptism.

PICTOU.—(No Pastor). Though our history and condition as a church, is somewhat discouraging, yet the outlook for the future is not wholly destitute of hope. We are still holding faithfully to our principles. These we feel are too precious to be abandoned. They are to us as dear as our lives. There are a few resident Baptists who have not yet formally united with us. We need the labors of a Missionary among us; we need a place of worship, and we need your sympathy and prayers.

PORT AU PIQUE.—Rev. D. McKeen, Pastor. We have had the Gospel faithfully and very acceptably proclaimed among us by our much esteemed Pastor, Rev. D. McKeen; but for the last six or seven months his health has been such that he has not been able to be often with us. The Home Missionary Board very thoughtfully sent to his assistance Brother P. S. McGregor (Lic.), who has been holding special services with us. God's setting to favor us has come, and we have been made to rejoice. The church has been revived and sinners are seeking the Saviour. Fourteen have professed faith in Christ. We would praise the Lord for his goodness.

PUGWASH.—Rev. D. W. Crandal, Pastor. We are in a low state spiritually. Our meetings for Prayer and Conference have been quite interesting and congregations good. Many of our strongest members have left the place. We have been favored with the labors of Bro. Crandall for the past year part of the time; but his field is so large that it is impossible for him to give the attention to the church that is required. We hope, however, to have more of his time for the coming year. Our Sabbath School is in good condition, and is doing a good work. Nine have been baptized, and six received by letter.

RIVER HEBERT.—Rev. H. Bool, Pastor. We feel encouraged in addressing you, being able to report some tokens of the Lord's blessing. A few have been led to follow the Saviour in baptism, and have united with us in church fellowship. None of us are yet fully revived, and the many young people who meet with us in the house of God are not yet brought into the church. Our Sabbath School under the Superintendence of the Pastor is in a flourishing condition. We shall be glad if the Association will hold its next annual meeting with us at River Hebert, and we hereby tender our hearty invitation. Five have been added by baptism, and one by Letter.

ST. MARY'S.—Rev. H. Eagles, Pastor. We rejoice to report that God has favoured us with a few mercy drops. We still have his cheering presence. We have had an addition of four by baptism, and others are enquiring the way to Zion. We are happy to say that union and harmony prevail among us. Our young brethren and sisters that joined our church a year ago, we are most happy to say, are standing well.

LOWER STEWIAKKE.—Rev. J. Meadows, Pastor. It is proper to state that our church must now be considered in two sections, one at Lower Stewiakke, the other at St. Andrews. At the latter place a Sunday school and prayer-meeting are being sustained, and two have been lately added by baptism. We are building a new meeting house at Lower Stewiakke. We hope to have it ready to occupy the coming winter.

UPPER STEWIAKKE.—No Pastor. We have been without any one to break to us the bread of life since the faithful ministrations of Rev. O. Chute terminated last autumn, until Bro. G. E. Good came among us in the beginning of June. We are happy to say, the "darkest hour with us, was just before the dawning." As a church we shared in the blessed influences of the Revival that has cheered our valley. Hearts long divided have been drawn more closely to Christ their living Head, and are now moved with sympathy and love for fellow-heirs of gospel grace, and we believe a few have sworn allegiance to

the Captain of our salvation. Bro. Good's earnest labors are appreciated, and we hope will result in greatly strengthening our hearts and winning souls to Jesus. We hope to finish our meeting house this Autumn.

SYDNEY, C. B.—Rev. Geo Armstrong, Pastor. Under the faithful ministrations of our pastor, the word of the Lord has been faithfully proclaimed, the church revived, and some sinners brought to a saving knowledge of Christ the sinner's Friend. Our experiences have taught us that God is faithful to his people. Converts are added slowly, but the work is evidently the Lord's. Those who have been brought in give promise of becoming a strength to the church. Eleven have been added to our number by baptism, and five by letter.

NORTH SYDNEY.—Rev. J. B. McDonald, Pastor. By our Statistics you will see that our membership has been considerably increased. Some from whom we had withdrawn fellowship have been restored, and our hearts still go out in yearning desire for the restoration of others. The accessions promise to be an element of spiritual power. Individual efforts for the salvation of souls has been held forth as the root idea of gospel propagation, and the blessing of the Master has attended the warm hearted labors of those lately brought to the Lord. Brethren are doing frontier work for God. Forty have been added by baptism, four by letter, and three restored.

TRACADIE—(No Pastor). We have been sufficiently blessed to teach us that the Lord cares for the weakest of his flock. We were without a minister till our dear Brother Graves came among us in November last, who has labored with good acceptance. Special meetings were commenced in the week of prayer. The Lord blessed our efforts by reviving his people, reclaiming wanderers and saving some precious souls.

TRURO.—Rev. J. E. Gouher, Pastor. We are rejoiced to know that God has caused his Spirit to be poured out on so many of the churches of the denomination, and particularly in our Eastern Association. We are happy to report that our church has shared in the Divine blessing. Since the beginning of 1875 our esteemed Pastor has baptized fifty one, during the Associational year fifty-two, ten added by letter and one restored, making in all sixty-three.

WEST BROOK.—Rev. D. McKeen, Pastor. The past year has been dark and gloomy as our dear Pastor has not been able to preach much of his time for the last six months on account of ill health. Five more added to the church by baptism during the year.

WENTWORTH.—Rev. J. J. Armstrong, Pastor. We need more of the "faith that works by love." More of the zeal for the glory of God that exalts Jesus above every name. Brother Armstrong still labors with us a portion of his time to Divine acceptance. Pray for us that we may not be forgetful hearers of the word.

WESTCHESTER.—We have much to be thankful for, as God has once more visited us with showers of grace. Wanderers have been reclaimed and sinners converted. Several are now awaiting baptism.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

1. The Consolidation of our Home Missionary organizations, both English and French, would, in the estimation of this Convention, tend to the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom in this Province;—the French Mission to be considered a separate Department, and all gifts, bequests, &c., made to the French Mission to go to that Department.
2. This Convention shall be called the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.
3. The object of this Union shall be to promote the spread of the gospel throughout the Provinces of Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, and the Island of Newfoundland, the fostering of feeble Churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature.
4. This Union shall be composed of ordained Baptist ministers in good standing with their respective churches in the Province, and delegates appointed by the Churches, each Church in good standing with its respective Association sending not more than three delegates; together with the President of Acadia College, the Principal of the Theological Institute, and the Principal of Horton Academy, the same being members of Baptist Churches in good standing.
5. The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be elected annually by ballot; four Vice-Presidents, one from each Association, two Secretaries and an Auditor, all of whom shall be appointed by open vote.
6. The Union shall annually appoint and locate an Executive Board of thirteen suitable men, seven of whom shall form a quorum; and every Baptist Pastor in the Province shall have the privilege of meeting with the Board, and taking part in its deliberations, but not voting; the officers of the Society named above to be ex-officio members of the Board.
7. The duty of this Board shall be to conduct the Missionary work of the Union, and report yearly to the same, or oftener if required.
8. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Union held in each of the Nova Scotia Baptist Associations, in turn, to assemble the day previous to the meeting of the Association with which it is held, at 10 o'clock, a.m.
9. This Union shall appoint annually a Board of Directors to consist of eight from each Association composing the Union, whose duty it shall be to give advice to the Executive Board in cases of emergency, and by the written requisition of eight or more of whom, the President shall call a special meeting of the Union.
10. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made unless by a two-third affirmative vote of the members present at an annual meeting.

MINUTES

OF THE

NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

HALIFAX, Friday Morning, June 25th, 1875.

The Third Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, convened in the Granville Street Baptist Meeting house, Halifax June 25th at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The President, J. M. Cramp, D. D., in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner.

The Secretaries, Rev. M. P. Freeman and Rev. A. Cohoon, were instructed to prepare the List of Delegates, which appeared as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

2nd. Cornwallis—Rev. I. Wallace, Dea. John Lyon, Edward Parker and E. B. Bolsor.

Granville St.—Dea. L. S. Payzant, Hon. Dr. Parker and A. L. Wood.

Lower Stewiacke—Rev. J. Meadows, Dea. E. C. Banks.

Hantsport—Rev. J. C. Bleakney, Dea. Harris Reid, William Porter and Rev. R. R. Philp.

2nd. Horton—Rev. E. O. Read, Bro. A. Caldwell.

Hebron—Rev. R. D. Burgess.

Tancook—Rev. T. C. DeLong.

Chester—Rev. I. J. Skinner.

Beaver River—Rev. J. D. Skinner.

3rd. Cornwallis—Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, James Bligh and Isaac N. Foot.

Maccan—Hance Mills.

Margaret's Bay—Rev. W. E. Hall.

Summerside, P. E. I.—Rev. J. Murray.

Newport—Rev. A. E. Ingram, Dea. Noah Dimock and Bro. Joseph Waley.

Bridgetown—Rev. J. Clark.

Onslow West and East—Rev. S. March.

1st. Cornwallis—Wm. Eaton, Joshua Eaton, Lic., and Benj. Eaton.

Acadia College—Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D. D.

1st Horton—Rev. S. W. DeBlois, Prof. D. F. Higgings and Dea. J. W. Bars.

Kentville—Bro. A. J. Stevens, Lic., B. H. Illely, T. Griffin and J. Daniels.

Canning—Rev. S. J. Neiley.

Upper Aylesford—Rev. J. L. Read.

4th Cornwallis—Rev. J. L. Read.

Great Village—Rev. M. P. Freeman.

Argyle—Rev. W. B. Bradshaw.

North West—Rev. Jno. Williams and H. E. S. Mader.

Temple Church, Yarmouth—Rev. W. H. Warren and W. A. C. Randall, M. D.

Wilmot—Rev. A. Cohoon.

Truro—Rev. J. E. Goucher and Jno. King.

Liverpool—Brethren C. A. Foster and S. C. West.

Members in their own right—Rev. D. A. Steele, Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Rev. L. M. Weeks, Rev. J. F. Avery, Rev. Prof. D. M. Welton, Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev. D. Freeman and R. N. Beckwith.

The following brethren were invited to a seat with the Union: The Hon. Judge McCully, Caleb Spidle, Lic., J. F. L. Parsons, Deacons S. Selden, Alex. Robinson, J. W. Rhuland, A. W. Clark, H. N. Paint, J. B. Woodland, E. D. King, W. L. Prince, J. Burgoyne, B. H. Eaton, Francis Layton, and R. M. King; and James White of New Brunswick.

The President then called for the Third Annual Report of the Board of the Union, which, in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary, was read by the Recording Secretary, Bro. W. A. C. Randall, M. D.

Bro. Randall also presented the Report of the Treasurer of the Board, P. D. Kinney, Esq.

Resolved, That the Morning Session close at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 o'clock, that the Afternoon Session open at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock and close at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5, and that the Evening Session commence at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7.

On motion of Bro. J. F. L. Parsons seconded by Prof. Welton, the Report of the Board was then taken up to be discussed clause by clause.

The first sections passed unanimously after remarks by various brethren; and after the reading of the third clause the Session adjourned with prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.

FRIDAY—Afternoon Session.

The Afternoon Session opened with prayer by Rev. Jno. Miller.

The third clause of the Report was again read and after having been discussed by brethren J. W. Barss, I. Wallace, D. A. Steele, S. W. DeBlois, Dr. A. W. Sawyer, J. Neiley, D. Freeman, Dr. Parker, E. M. Saunders, R. R. Philp, J. W. Bancroft, Prof. Welton, W. H. Warren, with some modification, passed.

The time having arrived for adjournment the Session closed with prayer by Rev. D. W. C. Dimock.

FRIDAY—Evening Session.

The Union resumed business. Vice President, Rev. Prof. Welton in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. M. Saunders.

On motion by Bro. J. W. Barss, seconded by Hon. Dr. McN. Parker it was resolved to instruct the Board to assume, for the present, the salary of the Theological Professor at Acadia College.

Rev. I. Wallace moved and Rev. S. W. DeBlois seconded the following:

Resolved, That in view of the necessity of increasing the staff of Theological Department in Acadia College, this Union appoint a Committee to bring the necessity before the Baptist denomination in New Brunswick, with the hope that our brethren of that Province may feel disposed to establish an additional Professorship, in that department, and thus increasing the bonds of Union between the two sister Provinces, as well as affording greater facilities for Theological training in that Institution.

The fourth clause was next read and passed.

The fifth clause, after remarks by J. W. Barss, W. H. Warren, J. F. L. Parsons, W. E. Hall, H. N. Paint, Wm. Cummings, M. P. Freeman, J. Meadows, Dr. McN. Parker and Dr. Sawyer. Passed.

The sixth clause was next read and after remarks by Brother Jos. Murray was with a slight alteration, adopted.

The seventh clause was also passed with a slight verbal alteration.

The eight clause was also adopted.

The last clause was then read. Moved that further consideration of this clause be deferred to the next session.

Moved that Brethren J. W. Barss, W. Cummings and R. N. Beckwith, be a committee to examine and analyse the Treasurer's account to be presented at the adjourned meeting to be held to-morrow evening.

Resolved, That Brethren D. M. Welton and Isa. Wallace be the committee to confer with the brethren in New Brunswick, with reference to the Theological Department in Acadia College.

Resolved, That the Board of this Union be located for the coming year, at Yarmouth.

Resolved, That the Board of this Union be as follows: A. C. Robbins, J. C. Anderson, W. A. C. Randal, M. D., J. H. Haley, P. D. Kinney, W. R. Doty, G. E. Day, W. H. Warren, J. A. Stubbart, J. Rowe, P. Gallaher, R. D. Burgess, and P. F. Murray.

Resolved, That the Board have authority to fill any vacancy that may occur during the year.

Resolved, That Rev. J. M. Cramp be President of this Union during the year.

Moved that the Constitution be altered so as to read one Vice-President for each of the Associations composing this Union.

Resolved, That Brethren J. F. Murray, E. M. Saunders, D. A. Steele and W. G. Parker be Vice-Presidents during the coming year.

Resolved, That the present Secretaries—Revds. M. P. Freeman and A. Cohoon, of this Union be re-appointed.

Resolved, That Brethren J. W. Manning, J. C. Bleakeny, D. W. C. Dimock, J. W. Barss, S. B. Kemptou, E. O. Read and Judge McCutty be Directors for the Central Association, and for the Western Association, Brethren Edward Whitman, J. A. Durkee, G. D. Cox, G. N. Ballentine, J. M. Parker, Dr. Tupper, John Clark and B. H. Parker, and for the Eastern Association Brethren T. M. King, Nelson Dobson, Moses Lowe, W. Cummings, J. R. Rea, Amos Atkinson, A. W. McDonald, and Rev. D. McKeen.

Resolved, That the Constitution be so amended as to add eight Directors for P. E. Island—Geo. McNeil, J. C. Colbourn, Jas. DesBrisay, Geo. Davies, Alex. Scott, Artemas Hopper, Malcolm Ross and Ebenezer Lidstone.

Resolved, That Bro. J. W. Barss be the Auditor of this Union for the coming year.

Moved that this Union do adjourn to meet in this place to-morrow evening at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 o'clock.

SATURDAY—Evening Session.

The Union resumed business. President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D.D. Minutes of Friday evening session read and approved.

Brother J. W. Barss, on behalf of the Committee appointed on Friday evening, reported as follows:—

Your Committee to whom were referred the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Baptist Missionary Union report:—

That whilst presuming upon the correctness of the payments and receipts as stated in the account, yet they consider the items extended too much in detail and too much unclassified to be easily understood. They have therefore endeavoured to condense and arrange the payments and receipts under different heads, so far as they could do so without the aid and assistance of the treasurer, who, had he been present, would have aided in the placing of items under their proper heads, of which they were doubtful. But we recommend in future that the Board condense their account for publication, and arrange the payments and receipts for the various services of the board under suitable heads.

Especially would we recommend that the Book and Tract department be separated from the other account, so that a knowledge of its financial state may be readily apprehended. And to do this they suggest that an inventory of the stock on hand at the date of this account be taken, to make a starting point for future operations.

They regret that they had no method of arriving at the true state of the Board's financial standing, as no statement is made of indebtedness to Missionaries, Agents, or Publishers. This they hope will be avoided in future.

They recommend that the Financial year of the Board close on the last day of May in each year hereafter, and that no receipts or payments be entered on the accounts after that date. And in submitting their accounts they would suggest that so far as possible all the amounts due for missionary labor or otherwise be stated; and also that an approximate estimate be made of the probable amount that will be required to carry on the work of the board efficiently for the year to be entered upon.

All which is respectfully submitted,

J. W. BARSS, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Hon. D. McN. Parker, seconded by Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, the report was adopted, and the abridgment of Treasurer's Report, ordered to be printed in the Minutes instead of the full account.

Rev. I. Wallace, on behalf of the Committee appointed to confer with the New Brunswick brethren, reported that the brethren there did not feel disposed to Union.

On its being stated that a change had taken place in the feelings of these Brethren, it was resolved to re-appoint the committee of last year for the same work. Names of committee as follows: Rev. G. E. Day, Isa Wallace, J. M. Cramp, D.D., Rev. David Freeman.

On motion, of the Rev. A. Cohoon, seconded by J W. Barss, Esq.

Resolved, that the Board be directed to have the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer for next year, printed, so that copies of them may be placed in the hands of the members of the Union at its Annual Meeting.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Union are due and hereby presented to its Board for their efficient and gratuitous services during the past year.

Adjourned to meet at Yarmouth the day before the Annual Session of the N. S. Western Association.

Prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.

M. P. FREEMAN, } Secretaries
A. COHOON, }

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union.

The Executive Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union beg to present their third Annual Report. At their first session after the Anniversary of the Union, the Board elected the Officers of last year. They were soon, however, compelled to lose the valuable services of their Treasurer, Samuel Brown, Esq., whose feeble health rendered his resignation imperative. The Board were successful in soon finding a suitable successor in the person of P. D. Kinney, Esq., who had been one of their Auditors. The removal of Revds. J. H. Sanders and P. R. Foster to other fields of labor was felt to be a severe loss to the Board. These brethren had been connected with the Union in its incipient state, and had worked laboriously and efficiently as members of its executive. Their places, however, were soon taken by other men, good and true.

General Agency.—As your Board were pushing on their work as rapidly as possible, they were surprised and sorry to learn that their General Agent intended very soon to resign his position. As they had not expected such an event, they had not provided for the contingency. The work of a General Agent seemed to the Board to be so important at this early stage in the history of the Union that they with much regret were forced to accept Bro. Wallace's resignation. But they could not attach any blame to him, inasmuch as he felt that domestic duties rendered such a course on his part absolutely necessary. The Board immediately endeavored to secure the services of a General Agent but were unsuccessful in their efforts until the first of January last, when Rev. D. Freeman, A. M., consented to undertake the work. As the field supplied by their missionaries during the past Summer did not yield the returns which the Board anticipated, they felt the urgent necessity of making a direct appeal to the churches for financial aid. The General Agent was therefore instructed to make the collecting of funds a prime object with him in his work. During the Winter and Spring the Agent visited the counties of Annapolis, Kings, Hants, and Halifax. He presented the claims of the Union faithfully and met with considerable success. Your Board, however, regret to say in this connection, that very few seemed to feel the question coming home to them with power, "How much owest thou my Lord?" After Bro. Freeman had closed his labors in the counties named above he passed into Cumberland, thence to Colchester. There he did a very excellent work in exploring desolate fields, and assisting some of the pastors in holding extra religious services. As the churches were beginning to gather funds for the Association, he thought it

not wise to prosecute the work of collecting for the Board. The information concerning the Union and its work which he presented so intelligently to the churches, and their duty in the matter of benevolence which he so forcibly exhibited, must in due time produce beneficial results.

Theological Professorship.—At the last Annual Meeting of the Union, the Executive Board were instructed to surpervise the collecting of a thousand dollars per Annum to pay the salary of a Theological Professor in Acadia College. Your Board requested their General Agent to solicit subscriptions for that object. He entered upon this work so energetically and succeeded so well in getting pledges that your Board were confident that the amount needed could be quite easily raised. At the time of the Convention held in Portland, St. John, Rev. D. M. Welton, A. M., was unanimously elected to fill the new Theological Chair in Acadia College. Your Board heartily concurred in the appointment. Professor Welton has been doing good work for the Denomination in his new sphere of labor, as the following extract from his report will show. He says:—"The work which I have performed under your auspices during the past year has been divided between the College proper and the Theological Department. In the former, Rhetoric, Elocution and the Monthly Essays written by the Freshman and Sophomore Classes, were assigned to me." * * * "During the last term I have instructed a portion of the Senior Class in German. In the latter, i. e., in the Theological Department, I have given one lecture a week in Homiletics, dividing the time equally between instruction on the preparation and delivery of sermons and the criticism of plans of sermons prepared by the students.

About thirty young men, members of the College and Academy, have more or less regularly attended these lectures, and, if I may be allowed to say so, have manifestly profited from them.

As it is not deemed advisable to blend the study of Theology proper with the regular College course, only partial course students have been left to engage in this. Of these the number has been somewhat small—the class consisting of Messrs. Goudey, Parry, Carbonell, Spencer, and one young lady,—Miss Masters.

Three lectures a week have been given, and three of the principal divisions in a systematic course have been gone over, namely, Bibliology, Theology, and Anthropology." * * * "I should hope another term to be able also to give some instruction in Church History and Pastoral Duties to those requiring them." * * * "If our Baptist brethren in New Brunswick would endow a Theological Chair, and the present instructors in theology were relieved from assisting in the Arts course, something very respectable might be done, and we might hope to arrest the annual exodus of our young men to Newton."

Your Board deeply regret that the funds necessary to meet the claims upon them from this department of the Union have not

been received. The causes are evident. The failure of parties to pay their subscriptions, the erection of Academy buildings at Wolfville, and the unusual financial pressure, are among the number. But your Board are not discouraged with reference to this matter. They regard the work of Professor Welton as among the most important branches of enterprise in which the Union is engaged. If our ministerial students are to be retained in our own Provinces it will be done mainly by giving them a good Theological training at home. The influence of the Theological Professor for good will soon be felt by the churches through the labors of our ministerial students. Your Board therefore regard any disturbance of this department of the Union a very long step in the wrong direction.

French Department.—Your Board are pleased to report that a good deal of work has been done in this department, and some success has been apparent. The Missionary has been toiling on, sometimes almost discouraged, then again cheered with good tidings. His work has evidently been blessed. Copies of the Holy Scriptures given away years ago have been brought to him with the request that he would explain the doctrines they teach. The truth is spreading gradually, slowly, but certainly, and success is sure to come. The hand of persecution was raised against the Missionary and the converts to the truth, but this opposition turned out rather to the furtherance of the Gospel. Several of those that joined in this work have been brought to acknowledge the truth as it is in Jesus, and some of them have died in the faith, blessing God for the French Mission and its Missionary. Others of the number are quietly helping on the work of the Lord.

The little meeting house at St. Mary's Bay, commenced last year for the accommodation of the French and English families residing in that locality, has been carried towards completion. It has already been opened for divine service. When completed it will be a great convenience and blessing to the inhabitants of that place. The French Mission premises at Tusk-t and Saulnierville are kept in good repair. One house is rented; the other is occupied by our French Missionary.

Your Board believe that a mission should soon be established among the French population in the Eastern part of this Province. And just as soon as sufficient funds can be obtained for the purpose, they would recommend that the work be commenced there.

Book Department.—Your Board still feel the importance of having a pure Baptist literature circulated extensively in this Province. They regret that many of our churches do not seem to be alive to this matter. They are pained to learn that a large number of our Sabbath schools are still chiefly supplied with books published by Pædo-Baptist and so-called Union Societies. Many of these books teach unmistakably Pædo-Baptist doctrines. Possessing as we do so rich a literature, the foregoing fact is to be deeply deplored. If our children are to be taught the truth, as we believe

it, we should place that truth before them in the libraries of our Sabbath Schools.

Your Board are enabled to report that they have done a large amount of work in the book department during the year. More than five thousand volumes of sterling literature have been put in circulation. Cramp's Baptist History, Carson on Baptism, Spurgeon's Sermons, Bunyan's Pilgrim, The life of Judson, Theodocia Ernest, Mary Bunyan, Grace Trueman, Infidel's Daughter, and works like these have been placed in many hands. Essays on Baptism and Close-Communion, in pamphlet form, and tracts teaching our denominational views have been circulated, not only by the hundred but by the thousand. Other religious tracts in English, German, French, Swedish and Norwegian have been distributed in great numbers.

Your Board were called on to accept the resignation of J. Albert Walker, Esq., on the first of December last. He had been in commission nearly seven months. Although he did not meet with as much financial success as the Board anticipated, yet they believe he did a good work. The books sold and given away by him were of superior quality. Their teaching will be felt, its effects will undoubtedly be seen before many days. Bro. Walker visited more than five hundred families, with many of whom the Scriptures were read and prayer was offered. He likewise distributed more than two thousand pages of tracts. Although your Board believe this department to be of very great importance they did not think it advisable to use their funds to any large extent in carrying it on. They believe it will be nearly self-sustaining. They did not therefore appoint a successor to Mr. Walker. Gardner Tufts, Esq., still continues to traverse the counties of Digby, Annapolis and Kings. He labors energetically, and his efforts to circulate extensively a pure Baptist literature are being crowned with considerable success. Your Board cannot but express the belief that if the Baptists of Nova Scotia saw clearly their duty in regard to placing denominational teaching before their children in the Sabbath School and in the family circle, a great work would be done for the truth by the book department.

Enlarged sphere of operations.—The last anniversary of the Union added P. E. Island and Newfoundland to our Home Mission field. As P. E. Island seemed to be a very inviting sphere for missionary operations, your Board decided to occupy it at once. They accordingly appointed Rev. D. McDonald as General Missionary for the eastern part of the Island. He has been laboring at St. Peters, East Point, Souris, Dundas, Grand River, Georgetown, and Montagu Bridge. In several of these places he met with the most signal success. No less than one hundred and thirty-nine have been baptized by him, and added to the Church since the first of August last. Brother McDonald aids the Board very materially by giving information and advice. Rev. T. A. Kidson, a most successful missionary, was appointed to the western part of the Island.

Rev. J. I. DeWolf was stationed at Uigg, Alexandra, and Belfast. Brother C. C. Burgess was appointed to Cavendish and vicinity. Several other brethren have gone to the Island to spend there their summer vacation; hence that important field is for the present fairly supplied.

Your Board intended to establish, during the year, a mission in St. John's, Newfoundland. They failed, however, until very recently, to obtain a suitable person to explore the field. They merely express the belief in regard to this matter that their successors should undertake mission work in Newfoundland as early as practicable.

Important points held.—Your Board are pleased to report that much success has attended the efforts of their missionaries at very important points. Annapolis, the former capital of the Province, has had, until very recently, neither Baptist Church nor Baptist preaching. During the past year a beautiful house has been opened for divine worship. Large congregations have been gathered by the able pulpit ministrations and faithful pastoral efforts of Rev. T. A. Higgins. The Sabbath School is also large and flourishing. In view of what has been accomplished in this field on so short a time, your Board thankfully exclaim, "What has God wrought!" Mission work has likewise been very successful at Shelburne. This old town, where the ancestors of many of us found their first home in Nova Scotia, your Board considered too important to be neglected. They determined to hold it. Success has attended their efforts, and very soon the cause there will be self-sustaining. Cow Bay has been supplied during the year with superior ministerial labor. Guysboro and Manchester were occupied by one of our best workers. The absence of regular pastoral labor from those churches for several years left them sadly unproductive. They are now in fair working order. Port Hawkesbury has been supplied part of the time. The Board regret the failure of brethren appointed there to occupy the field. They regard the place as very important, and feel that it must be supplied with suitable ministerial labor.

Efforts to retain Ministers.—The Board felt the importance of using all the means in their power to retain in these Provinces our young ministers. They therefore wrote to Newton Theol. Institution to induce our young men there to return. Several complied with the Board's request and are now at work in their various fields of labor. The Ministerial Students in Acadia College and Horton Academy, with scarcely an exception, have been appointed to mission stations or introduced to pastorless churches. The Board wished in this way to assist the churches and encourage the brethren. The following is a list of the missionaries and their fields of labor.

53 D. McLeod.....	80 Anns, C. B.....	500 150	50	380 p1000	350 00	140
54 John Brown.....	Cow Bay and vicinity	500 150	50	380 p1000	350 00	140
55 J. A. Foster.....	Beverdale, Yarmouth	250	15	82		6
56 G. Armstrong.....	Sydney and vicinity	705	53	374	132	11 13
57 A. Chipman.....	Port Hawkesbury and West Bay	203	28	40	50	94 44
58 J. H. Pipes.....	Margaree, C. B.....	207	10	4	50	26 15
59 G. W. Thomas.....	Country Harbor, New Harbor, Seal & Coddle Harbors.	1560	81	40	108	25 04
60 Benjamin Miller.....	Kempt, Queens Cove.....	235	29	9	177	30 15
61 P. A. Shields.....	P. E. Island, East.....	221	26	2	106	22 57
62 D. McDonald.....	P. E. Island, West.....	3803	320	134	682	22 12
63 E. B. Corey.....	Amherst shore, Mount Pleasant, &c.	3325	167	63	895	22 87
64 John Williams.....	Bridgewater, &c.....	415	45	40	119	365 11
65 F. A. Kidson.....	P. E. Island, West.....	190	90	3	28	16 43
66 W. B. Bradshaw.....	South Rawdon and Ellershouse	1200	104	50	593	13
67 J. H. Robbins.....	General Agency.....	59	20	13	50	27 27
68 D. Freeman.....	Clyde River, Roseway, &c., Shelburne Co.	1066	88	33	494	150 05
69 A. H. Lavers.....	Mathland and Wood, Hants Co.	4218	209	290	1439	1
70 G. E. Good.....	Margaree, C. B.....	820	8	5	80	556 00
71 I. R. Skinner.....	Middle Muskeg, &c.....	100	21	26	51	60 30
72 W. E. Hall.....	New Ross and Pine Mountain.	276	15	4		4 26
73 Chas. Norwood.....	Lichfield and Parter's Cove.....	1542	100	12	632	13 77
74 E. J. Grant.....	Saulterville, &c., Digby Co.	101	81	83	143	78 12
75 M. Normonday.....	Digby, Annapolis and King's Co's	2384	95	81	803	12 84
76 G. Tufts.....	Pictou, Guysboro, &c.....	1089	87	2550	1855	41 03
77 J. A. Walker.....	Halls Harbor and Scops Bay	905	57	587	1022	19 38
78 Obed Parker.....	P. E. Island.....					3 00
79 Gordon.....						
80 H. Morrow.....						
81 — Schuman.....						
82 Maynard Brown.....	Ellerphouse and South Rawdon					
83 W. C. Bishop.....	Acadia Mines and Folly Lake.					
84 E. T. Carbonell.....	P. E. Island.....					
85 Douglas Simpson.....	Cavendish, P. E. I.					
86 C. C. Burgess.....	Isaac's Harbor.....					
87 J. F. Eaton.....						
88 W. H. Robinson.....	Pictou and New Glasgow					
89 W. C. Craigie.....	Port Hawkesbury or Cow Bay					
90 J. O. Redden.....	Fugwash.....					
91 R. D. Burgess.....	Quynboro and Manchester					
92 A. W. Bars.....	Hill Dale, Cumberland Co.					
93 James Higgins.....	Pleasantville, Oronotown &c., Lunenburg					
94 Fred. Crawley.....	Acadia College.....					
95 D. M. Welton.....	Middlefield, &c.....					
96 H. Achilles.....	South Alton, Kings Co.					
97 W. Spencer.....	P. E. Island.....					
98 J. I. DeWolf.....	Tracadie.....					
99 Chas. I. Graves.....	Freston, Halifax Co.	200	51	41	50	179 00
100 J. W. Roulund.....						19 47

SUMMARY.—It will appear from the foregoing list that 80 missionaries and agents have been in commission during the year, 20 of whom have been re-appointed. Together they have travelled 45,887 miles; preached 3180 sermons; attended 2506 other meetings; made 16,140 family visits; distributed 59,252 pages of tracts, 24,292 pages of books; received 14 subscriptions to the "Christian Messenger"; baptized 362; built or carried to completion 2 meeting houses; organized 1 church, and 5 Sabbath Schools; established 3 Woman's Mission Aid Societies, and performed 1264 weeks' service, equal to 2½ years. Collected on the field \$4750.83.

In addition to the appointments which the Board have made, they introduced Rev. A. E. Ingram, of Mahone Bay, to the Church at Newport, and Rev. Edward Roberts, of England, to the Bridge-water Church. They are glad to learn that Pastors and Churches are pleased with each other.

In conclusion, your Board wish to record their heartfelt thanks to Almighty God for His great goodness to them, their agents, and missionaries, during the past year. Their lives have been precious in His sight. Only two—and these young men were ailing when first employed by the Board—have passed away since our last annual meeting. These brethren—Aaron Ross and Joseph H. Pipes—were cut off in early years, but they did their work and have gone to their reward. Another cause for gratitude is found in the fact that although there has been an unusual stringency in monetary matters, more than Ten Thousand Dollars have been in the treasury of the Union since the anniversary of last year. As your Board remember that this sum is nearly Four Thousand Dollars more than was received the year previous, and more than three times the amount raised in any one year by the three Home Mission Societies when separate, they would devoutly say, "Hitherto the Lord has helped us."

In reference to the future, your Board regard the outlook as very hopeful. The commercial horizon is dark, it is true, but clouds will not always obscure the sky. With a prospect before the Union of doing so much for the Master, your Board cannot suggest the idea of retrenchment. Other religious societies are being equipped more completely for Home Mission work. We cannot afford to be behind them. Fires which our fathers kindled in desolate places can we suffer to be extinguished or to be fed by other hands? Gardens which they began to plant, can we allow to lie waste or to be tilled by others because they are more faithful than we? Let us rather with prayer and faith go up and possess the land. And soon the field will be clothed in beauty and the harvest will be bountiful.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive Board,
G. E. DAY, *Cor. Secretary.*

Yarmouth, N. S., June 23rd, 1875.

**Nova Scotia Home Missionary Union in Account with
Pearl D. Kinney, Treasurer for the year
ending June 25th, 1875.**

	Cr.	
By Balance in hand from last account.....	\$	732 62
" Amount collected by travelling Missionaries.....		1707 88
" " by Stationary Missionaries and Churches:		
" " Church at Annapolis.....	\$	98 00
" " Guysboro and vicinity.....		349 80
" " Shelburne ".....		594 44
" " Argyle ".....		158 05
" " Various Churches.....		896 51
" " Donations by individuals.....		2096 80
" " Eastern Association.....		137 18
" " Western ".....		477 71
" " Collected by travelling agents.....		500 00
" " " in P. E. Island.....		977 71
" Provincial Debenture.....		640 69
" Interest on Investments.....		687 66
" Legacy per D. Smith & Co., Mabou, C. B.....		486 47
" Contribution S. School, Wolfville.....		89 95
" Received for books sold.....		54 00
1875.....		630 42
		15 00
		1635 58
		<u>\$9261 54</u>
June 25. By balance in hand brought down.....		838 49
	Dr.	
To paid travelling Missionaries.....		\$3697 08
" Stationary Missionaries and Churches, viz:		
" Church at Kentville.....	\$100 00	
" " Guysboro and vicinity.....	675 00	
" " Shelburne ".....	664 50	
" " Barrington ".....	118 00	
" " Argyle ".....	815 05	
" " Annapolis ".....	258 81	
" " Sydney ".....	200 00	
" " Cow Bay ".....	50 00	
" " Canso ".....	86 25	
" Missionary work in P. E. Island.....		\$2462 11
" Rev. I. Wallace and Rev. D. Freeman, Agents.....		725 66
" Account salary Theological Professor.....		508 59
" Messrs. Walker & Tufts, Colporteurs.....		200 00
" for books for Depository.....		820 94
" Incidentals, viz: postage, telg. stationery, &c.....		458 50
Balance on hand.....		60 17
		838 49
		<u>\$9261 54</u>

**French Mission Department of the N. S. Baptist H. M.
Union in account with Pearl D. Kinney, Treasurer.**

		Dr.	
1874.			
Aug. 3.	Paid Rev. M. Normanday.....	\$	150 00
Nov. 2.	" ".....		150 00
1875.			
Feb. 18.	" " \$100 00, April 23, \$7 50		
	June 21, \$2 50.....		110 00
June 23.	Balance in hand.....		148 70
			<u>558 70</u>
		Cr.	
1874.			
July 4.	By balance in hand.....		226 58
" 13.	J. B. Wyman, Milton.....		1 00
" 14.	J. S. Witter, Esq., Treas. Central Association.		44 86
" 24.	Wm. Cummings, Esq., Treas. East'n " ..		33 92
Aug. 3.	Rev. M. Normanday, collected by him.....		25 99
" 7.	"A lover of souls," \$10.00 U. S. Cy.....		9 00
Oct. 14.	Rev. D. M. Welton, Windsor Church.....		3 37
Dec. 3.	Rent from Tusket premises.....		42 00
1875.			
Feb. 18.	Mrs. Jos. Shaw, donation.....		15 00
April 19.	J. W. Barts, Esq., Woltville.....		5 00
June 7.	Beaver River Ch.....		5 00
" 22.	A. H. Lavers.....		4 00
	Western Association pr. Rev W. H. Warren..		143 00
			<u>558 70</u>

1875.
June 23. By balance in hand, brought down..... 148 70
PEARL D. KINNEY, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

J. C. ANDERSON, } Auditors.
J. H. HALEY

Yarmouth, N. S., June 23rd, 1875.

**Theological Department of the N. S. B. H. M. Union, in
account with Pearl D. Kinney, Treasurer.**

		Dr.	
1875.			
Jan'y 28.	Paid Rev. D. M. Welton.....	\$	250 00
June 23.	Balance in hand.....		7 00
			<u>257 00</u>
		Cr.	
1874.			
Decr.	By cash from "A Friend".....	\$	20 00
"	" Rev. J. Meadows.....		5 00
	Truro Church.....		25 00
1875.			
April 19.	A. W. Longley, Esq.....	\$	1 00
"	F. Y. Payzant.....		2 00
June 7.	A. H. Lavers and wife.....		4 00
" 22.	Home Mission Fund.....		200 00
			<u>257 00</u>
1875.			
June 23.	By balance in hand.....		7 00
			<u>PEARL D. KINNEY, Treasurer.</u>

Examined the above and found correct.

J. C. ANDERSON, } Auditors.
J. H. HALEY

Yarmouth, N. S., June 23rd, 1875.

Summary.

Home Missions, receipts (including balance last year \$732.62)	\$ 9261 54	
Amount expended	8923 05	
Balance in hand		388 49
French Mission receipts (including balance last year \$226.53)	558 70	
Amount expended	410 00	
Balance in hand		148 70
Theological Department, receipts	257 00	
expended	250 00	
Balance in hand		7 00
Total receipts	10077 24	
expenditure	9583 05	
balance in hand		494 19

PEARL D. KINNEY, Treasurer.

Examined these accounts and found correct.

J. C. ANDERSON, } Auditors.
J. H. HALEY, }

Yarmouth, N. S., June 23rd, 1874.

(Although the Annual Meeting of the Union decided to publish the account which was prepared from the Treasurer's account by the Committee appointed for that purpose, (see pages 33 and 43,) yet the Board considered it necessary to have the detailed account as prepared by the Treasurer also printed, for the information of Donors, and of the public.)

Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union in account with Pearl D. Kinney, Treasurer.

1874.	Dr.	
July 13.	To paid E. B. Corey per Rev. I. Wallace, for N. S. B. H. M. Society	\$ 80 00
"	Rev. Isalah Wallace balance salary to July	75 00
"	Duty on Books	14 70
23.	Rev. G. E. Day for books, freight &c. \$14.30. Rev. James Parker, \$50	64 30
"	Rev. M. A. Biglow 6 wks. mission, \$54. G. Swainhart on acct. mission, \$10.	64 00
Aug. 2.	Rev. Dr. Day, postages, telegrams, &c. &c.	11 58
10.	Z. C. Vickery, Lic., Miss. Forest Glen, Yarmouth Co.	19 20
"	T. B. Layton, \$43. Aid to Guysboro Church, \$75.	118 00
"	E. B. Corey for N. S. B. H. M. Society, \$81.75. J. H. Robbins for do. \$25.	106 75
"	Rev. W. H. Richan	27 10
15.	O. C. S. Wallace, Lic., 12 weeks Mission and expenses.	103 00
"	Dr. Day for books, P. O. Orders, postages &c.	7 15
"	Benj. Miller, Lic., Miss. Lichfield and Parkers Cove.	73 00
"	H. P. Cogswell, Lic. bal. Miss. Beaver River.	90 00
"	Geo. Swainhart, " " Digby and vicinity.	86 23
"	Truman Bishop, " " Harborville.	80 00
"	Dr. Day, P. O. Orders, postages &c.	1 35
Sept. 2.	Rev. J. B. McQuillan, Miss. \$75. A. H. Lavers, Lic. Miss. Shelburne Co. \$80.	155 00
"	W. A. Newcomb, Lic. " New Germany	100 00
"	Rev. E. N. Archibald, Miss. Shelburne.	50 00
"	Rev. W. H. Richan, Miss. Barrington.	20 00
"	Dr. Day, books, \$2.40. Postages, &c.	2 85
"	N. C. Saunders, Lic. bal. Miss. Kemps.	106 00
"	Rev. L. B. Gates, do. do. Argyle.	100 00
"	Geo. Swainhart, Lic., bal. do. Digby and vicinity.	37 45
"	Dr. Day, duty, freight &c. books.	5 87
Oct. 6.	Dr. Day, do. do.	6 06
"	Z. C. Vickery, Lic., Miss. Little Glace Bay.	151 05
"	Rev. P. R. Foster, do. Forest Glen.	41 15
"	Dr. W. A. C. Randall for Record Books.	25 00
"	Rev. E. N. Archibald, Miss. Shelburne.	2 00
12.	George W. Goudey, Lic., Miss. Westport.	14 50
16.	Rev. Isa. Wallace, 3 months services and expenses.	68 00
"	Rev. James Parker, 6 months services and expenses.	287 33
"	Duties, freight, cartage &c., on books and maps.	50 00
20.	A. J. Davison, Lic., Miss. Cumberland Co.	10 85
"	J. D. Skinner, do. Halifax Co.	48 00
		108 01

Nov. 4.	C. H. Martell, do. Maitland.....	\$128 51
"	Aaron Ross, do. Melrose and vicinity, \$119.11. Herbert Foshay, P. E. I. \$58	172 11
"	Rev. L. M. Weeks, do. Jeddore and vicinity.....	91 99
"	E. M. Kierstead in Sept.....	100 00
Dec.	P. S. McGregor, Lic. Miss. West Brook, Cumberland Co.....	111 38
1875.	Rev. P. R. Foster, do. Salmon River, Yarmouth Co.....	25 00
Jan.	" P. A. Shields, do. Maitland, &c. Queens Co.....	40 00
"	" J. B. McQuillan, do. Barney's River, Pictou.....	75 00
"	" W. H. Richan, do. Barrington, &c.....	60 00
"	" A. Chipman, do. Port Hawkesbury.....	77 00
14	" J. P. Beal, do. Guysboro.....	150 00
15	" Rev. Dr. Day, Telegrams, Freight, Duties, &c.....	18 56
"	" R. H. Bishop, Lic., Mission Maitland, &c.....	96 00
20.	" B. P. Shafner, do. Lunenburg.....	104 00
"	" J. M. Longley do. do.....	85 90
"	" Rev. T. A. Higgins, do. Annapolis.....	100 00
"	" Benj. Miller, Lic., do. Lichfield, \$18. Rev. G. E. Day, Postage, &c., \$3.06	21 06
"	" Geo. H. Springer, Boston for Books.....	68 25
Feb. 1.	Z. C. Vickery, Lic., Mission Forest Glen.....	33 42
11.	Rev. J. H. Robbins, " Ellershouse, Hants Co.....	25 00
"	" J. H. Pipes, Lic. " Margaree, C. B.....	77 27
"	" Rev. A. Chipman, " West Bay, C. B.....	45 15
"	" " G. Armstrong, " Sydney, C. B.....	200 00
"	" " J. P. Beal, " Guysboro and Manchester.....	150 00
"	" " G. E. Day, P. O. Orders, postages etc.....	3 74
"	" " E. N. Archibald, Mission Shelburne.....	50 00
"	" " W. H. Richan, " Barrington.....	48 00
March 20.	" " W. B. Bradshaw, " Argyle.....	35 00
April 3.	" " H. Achilles, " Middlefield, etc.....	50 00
5.	" " John Brown " Cow Bay, C. B.....	50 00
8.	" D. Freeman, Agent, on account of salary.....	112 50
"	" A. H. Lavers, Lic., \$77.69. G. E. Good, Lic., \$24.....	101 69
"	" Rev. G. E. Day, P. O. Orders, postages, etc.....	2 81
23.	" " Telegrams, etc., \$1.30. Rev. E. B. Corey \$225.....	226 30
May 1.	" J. P. Beal, Mission Guysboro, \$72. Rev. G. E. Day, postage &c. \$1.16.	73 16
25.	" D. Freeman, \$58.76. June 7. Rev. G. Day, postage, etc., \$3.99.....	62 75
June	G. H. Springer, Boston, for books.....	100 00
"	Rev. J. B. McQuillan, Mission to Barney's River, etc.....	37 50
"	" " W. E. Hall, " Musquodobbitt.....	32 06
"	" " T. A. Higgins, " Annapolis.....	50 00
10.	A. H. Lavers, Lic., \$60.45. June 12. Carriage, books and postage, \$1.46.....	61 91
14.	Z. Vickery, Lic., Mission Forest Glen, \$11.00. Carriage, books, \$3.00.....	14 00
"	" Rev. G. W. Thomas, " Canso.....	86 25
"	" " G. E. Day, P. O. Order, postage, etc.....	0 69
"	" Charles Norwood, Lic., Mission New Ross, etc.....	50 00
23.	Theological Chair from unappropriated funds.....	200 00
"	" Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, Mission Argyle.....	180 06
"	" A. H. Lavers, Lic., " Clyde River, etc.....	5 40
"	" Rev. E. N. Archibald " Shelburne.....	550 00
"	" J. A. Walker, salary, expenses, etc.....	244 50
"	" Rev. D. McDonald, P. E. Island, \$365.11. F. A. Kidson, P. E. I., \$128.55.....	493 06
"	" Rev. D. McLeod, St. Ann's, C. B.....	5 25
"	" L. M. Weeks, Isaac's Harbor, \$265.27. Rev. T. A. Higgins, \$108.31.....	368 53
"	" J. I. DeWolfe, P. E. Island.....	179 00
"	" J. P. Beal, bal. Mission Guysboro and Manchester.....	228 00
"	" C. I. Graves, Tracadie, \$19.47. G. Tufts, salary, expenses, etc. \$576.44.....	595 91
"	" G. H. Springer for books, \$200. Dr. Day, stationery, postage, etc. \$3.78.....	203 78
"	" Printing blank forms.....	4 00
"	" Charles Norwood, Lic., New Ross and B. Mountain.....	78 12
"	" Paid expenses of Recording Secretary to Annual meeting.....	20 00
23.	Balance in hand.....	338 49
		\$9261 54

1874.		CR.	
July 4	By balance in hand.....		\$732 62
"	Advanced Maitland Church for Rev. I. Wallace.....		50 00
"	" N. C. Sanders ".....		4 00
"	Milton Baptist Church, per Rev. P. Gallagher.....		57 00
14	Canning " J. S. Witter, Esq., ".....		16 87
16	Rev. Isa Wallace, \$25 40; Rev. J. A. Walker, for books sold, \$48 00..		73 49
"	Rev. G. E. Day, for books sold, \$15 08; Chas Pinkney, donation, \$4.		19 08
24	W. Cummings, Esq., Treasurer Eastern Association.....		477 71
"	Rev. M. A. Bigelow, Missionary, New Harbor.....		26 40
30	S. Selden, Esq., Int. on Prov. Debentures.....		29 20
"	Mrs. Sarah Gabriel, per S. Selden.....		2 00
"	Z. A. Hubley, Worcester, Mass., per S. Selden.....		3 00
Aug. 3	Rev. G. E. Day, for books sold, \$19 40; G. E. Tufts, do. \$72 56.....		91 96
"	Rev. G. E. Day, for books sold.....		35 20
10	Z. C. Vickery, Missionary, Forest Glen, Yarmouth County.....		4 80
"	Collected at Advocate Harbor.....		2 11
"	Rev. G. E. Day, for books sold.....		53 85
"	O. S. C. Wallace, Lic., collected.....		32 54
"	Rev. G. E. Day, for books sold.....		37 60
"	Benj. Miller, Lic., Missionary, Liverpool.....		41 28
"	H. P. Cogswell, " Beaver River.....		73 52
"	" " Donation.....		5 00
Sept 2	Trueman Bishop, Missionary, Harborville.....		17 53
"	Rev. G. E. Day, books sold, \$11 32; Garden Tufts, do. \$37 96.....		49 29
"	Rev. J. B. McQuillan, Missionary, Barney's River.....		24 22
"	W. A. Newcomb, Lic., " New Germany.....		38 78
"	N. C. Sanders, " Kempt.....		80 88
Oct. 7	Gardner Tufts, books sold, \$31 12; Rev. G. E. Day, do. \$1 77.....		32 89
"	H. N. Parry, Lic., Missionary, Little Glace Bay.....		61 00
"	Z. C. Vickery, " Forest Glen.....		12 31
"	" " Donation.....		5 12
"	" " " W. H. Uhlman.....		0 50
8	Rev. P. R. Foster, Missionary, Salmon River.....		11 55
9	Rev. E. N. Archibald, Lockport Church.....		14 50
12	Geo W. Goudey, Lic. Missionary, Westport Church.....		46 16
14	Rev. D. M. Walton, Windsor Church.....		20 25
16	Rev. Isa Wallace, Agent.....		59 20
"	Interest on deposit on Wolfville Bank.....		2 38
"	" A. B." Guysborough.....		25 00
"	J. A. Walker, Colptr. Books sold.....		36 00
24	Deacon Chandler Robbins, donation.....		4 00
26	Rev. G. E. Day, books and maps sold.....		7 85
"	A. J. Davison, Lic., Missionary, Cumberland.....		20 56
Nov. 4	C. H. Martell, " Halifax County.....		33 91
"	Aaron Ross, " Maitland.....		96 20
"	Herbert Foshey, " Melrose and vicinity.....		64 10
"	Rev. L. M. Weeks, " P. E. Island.....		15 00
38	Wm. Cummings, Guysborough Church.....		32 75
19	Rev. Geo. B. Titus, Missionary, Osborne.....		9 08
Dec.	P. S. McGregor, Lic., Cumberland County.....		67 00
1875.	Rev. P. R. Foster, " Salmon River.....		17 03
Jan'y.	" P. A. Shields, " Maitland, Queens County.....		22 17
"	" J. B. McQuillan " Pictou County.....		43 70
15	" J. P. Beal, " Guysborough.....		95 72
"	" G. E. Day, books and tracts, sold, \$68 90; G. Tufts, Esq., do. \$41 04		110 84
"	Interest on Provincial Debentures, \$58 40; " Friend in Horton," \$6.		63 40
"	Dea. W. R. Doty, \$5; Mrs. D. Freeman, \$2; S. Rawdon Church, \$10		17 00
18	" A Friend" in Manchester, \$20; Jan. 20, Hebron Church, \$24 51.....		44 51
"	Wolfville Sabbath School, \$15; Jan. 23, Rev. P. R. Foster, donation, \$2		17 00
28	Mrs. P. R. Foster, \$1; Jan 28, Debenture Bond, \$486 47.....		487 47
"	R. H. Bishop, Lic., Mission Maitland, &c.....		49 58
"	B. P. Shafner, " Lunenburg, \$28; J. M. Longley, do. \$22 70		50 70
Feb. 5	J. Skinner, Chester, donation.....		5 00
"	1st Yarmouth Baptist S. School for books.....		78 71
"	1st Digby Neck Church, \$4 50; Tracts sold, \$0 86.....		5 36
15	Arcadia Church, Ymth Co. \$18 04; Feb. 11, Rev. D. Freeman, agt, \$60		78 04
19	Books sold, \$6 43; Feb. 18, Louisa Smith \$2, John Smith \$1.....		9 43
27	Capt. H. E. Payson, \$3; Feb. 20, Rev. D. Freeman, agent, \$100.....		103 00
Mar. 17	Rev. D. Freeman, agent.....		75 00
"	Z. C. Vickery, Lic., Cor. Forest Glen Church.....		3 50
"	J. H. Pipes " Mission Margaree, C. B.....		25 06
"	Rev. A. Chipman, " West Bay, C. B.....		22 15
"	" G. Armstrong, " Sydney out station.....		94 44
"	" J. P. Beal " Guysborough and Manchester.....		82 08
26	Mahone Bay Church, \$7 35; Chebogue Church, Yarmouth Co. \$3.....		10 35
27	Granville Street Church, Halifax.....		77 00

Apl. 8.	Rev. D. Freeman, agent, \$214 07; A. H. Lavers, Lic. books sold, \$11 87	\$225 94
"	A. H. Lavers, Lic., Mission, Cape Negro, &c.	36 52
"	G. E. Good " Maitland, Hants County	4 26
10.	John Smith, St. Mary's, \$1; Capt. A. W. Robbins, Baltimore, \$5.	6 00
"	Rev. D. Freeman, agent	48 17
"	Estate of David Smith, sr., Mabou, C.B., \$50 interest \$4.	64 00
"	Books sold by Rev. Dr. Day, \$11 40; Apl. 20, Beaver River Ch, \$11 83	23 23
30.	Wilnot Church, per A. Cohoon	25 00
May 7.	Books sold, Argyle Church \$20.00 06 cts.	20 00
25.	" Temple Church, \$16 00; May 27, do Arcadia Ch. \$17 78.	35 87
June 5.	Lockport Church, donation, \$100; Beaver River Church, do. \$13.	116 00
"	Rev. J. B. McQuillan, Mission, Barney's River	1 21
"	" Wm. E. Hall, " Musquodobbitt.	13 17
"	Onslow Church, East	50 00
"	" West	60 00
"	Kempt Church, Queens County, for books	13 82
"	A. H. Lavers, " \$7.50.	44 48
"	" Cash," \$12; M. Normandy, for books,	19 50
"	Rev. D. Freeman, agent	56 76
"	Mission Stations, Cumberland and Colechester	225 00
"	B. Beckwith, Canning, \$2; June 12, Deerfield S. School, for books \$4	6 00
14.	Forest Glen Church, for books, \$1 60; do do for Contribution, \$10	11 00
"	Gardner Tufts, for books sold	32 00
"	Crow Harbor and half Island Cove, per Rev. G. W. Thomas.	36 25
22.	Books sold by Dr. Day	2 50
"	Argyle Church per Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, \$150 00; Arcadia do do \$6.	158 06
"	Maitland S. School for books, \$6 75; A. H. Lavers, \$1 40.	8 15
"	Milton S. School for books, \$16; Books sold by J. A. Walker, \$244 50	260 80
"	St. Peters, Dundas, &c., F. E. Island per D. McDonald.	365 11
"	F. E. Island treasury, \$100; Rev. F. A. Kidson, collections, \$28 55.	128 55
"	New Truket Ch., \$3 60; St. Anne Ch., C. B., per D. McLeod, \$5 25.	8 85
"	Isaacs Harbor, New Harbor, Country Hr., Seal and Coddle Harbors	255 27
"	Rev. L. M. Weeks, Donation	10 00
"	Annapolis Church, \$98; Milford and Greywood Church, \$5 31.	103 31
"	Uigg, Alexandra and Belfast, per J. I. De Wolf.	179 00
"	Tracadie Church per C. I. Graves.	19 47
"	Shelburne, Jordan Bay and Jordan River, per E. N. Archibald.	560 00
"	Books sold by G. Tufts.	576 44
"	"Young Friend," per Miss Almira Crosby.	2 56
"	New Ross and Blue Mountains Church, per C. Norwood.	78 12
"	J. P. Beel, bal. collected, Guysboro and Manchester.	172 00
"	1st Yarmouth Church, \$150 00; Temple Church, \$146.	305 00
"	Milton Church, \$28 50; Western Association, \$600.	528 50
		\$9261 54
1875.		838 46
June 23.	By balance in hand brought forward.	

PEARL D. KINNEY, Treasurer.