

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTEENTH CONFERENCE
OF THE
FREE BAPTISTS OF NOVA SCOTIA,
HELD AT
CALEDONIA, QUEENS COUNTY,
SEPT., 9th to 14th, 1880,
AND THE
TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

MINUTES OF THE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETIES.
MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION SOCIETIES.
MINUTES OF THE ELDERS' CONFERENCE
MINUTES OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.
MINUTES OF THE FREE BAPTIST TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.
MINUTES OF THE WOMANS' FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY,
AND TREASURER'S STATEMENT.
HALIFAX MISSION TREASURER'S STATEMENT.
MINISTERS' RELIEF SOCIETY TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

OFFICERS OF GENERAL CONFERENCE.

REV. S. N. ROYAL, . . . Moderator. | REV. J. I. PORTER, Clerk.
REV. F. BARCOCK, Ass'tant " | REV. T. H. SIDDALL, Ass'tant "

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- “ T. O. DEWITT, Cape Island, “
- “ W. C. WESTON, Barrington, “
- “ J. I. PORTER, “ “
- “ WM. DOWNEY, “ “
- “ DAVID ORAM, Brooklyn, Yarmouth County.
- “ W. M. KNOLLIN, Yarmouth, Yarmouth County.
- “ T. H. SIDDALL, Tusket, “
- “ F. BABCOCK, Chesoggin, “
- “ J. F. SMITH, Beaver River, “
- “ S. K. WEST, Rookingham, “
- “ WILLIAM MILLAR, Argyle, “
- “ CALVIN CANN, Chesoggin, “
- “ S. N. ROYAL, Caledonia, Queens County.
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- “ BUSTIN MINARD, Halifax, Halifax County.
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- “ T. E. COX, Canning, Kings County.
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- “ J. L. SMITH, Lewiston, Me., United States.
- “ GEO. LOWDEN, “ “

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 Rev. T. H. Siddall, Assistant

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THE Fifteenth Annual Session of the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia was held at Caledonia, Queens County, commencing on Thursday, Sept., 9th, 1880, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Meeting called to order by the Standing Clerk, Rev. J. I. Porter.

The retiring Moderator, Rev. J. F. Smith, conducted the opening exercises.

Members of Conference present:

MEMBERS.—W. C. Weston, F. Babcock, S. N. Royal, J. F. Smith, T. O. DeWitt, P. M. Brown, W. Downey, J. I. Porter, W. Miller, B. Minard, T. H. Siddall and A. G. Downey.

DEACONS.—G. E. Cox, C. M. Cushing, sr., Samuel Delliver, E. Dolliver and George Middlemas.

QUARTERLY MEETING-DELEGATES.—N. D. McGray, B. F. Kenney, W. Kenney, A. D. Christopher, E. G. Corwell, Nathan Crossley, J. A. Smith, T. C. Crowell, Spencer Cohoon, Louis Minard and J. C. Cushing.

CORRESPONDING DELEGATES FROM OTHER STATES.—From the F. C. B. General Conference of New Brunswick—Rev. Joseph McLeod. From the Woman's Free Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the United States—Miss French, returned missionary from India.

Rev. S. N. Royal was chosen Moderator.

The retiring Moderator made appropriate remarks in leaving the Chair, as did the newly elected in taking it.

Resolved, That Rev. F. Babcock be Assistant Moderator.

Resolved, That Rev. T. H. Siddall be Assistant Clerk.

Resolved, That the Corresponding Delegates from other bodies have a seat in this Conference and enjoy its privileges, subject to its rules.

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

W. Downey, W. C. Weston and N. D. McGray were appointed a Committee of Arrangement.

After a season of devotion, the Committee reported as follows:

Prudential Committee.—F. Babcock, N. D. McGray, C. M. Cushing, sr., W. Kenney, A. D. Christopher, E. G. Corwell, Nathan Crossley, J. A. Smith, T. C. Crowell, Spencer Cohoon, Louis Minard and J. C. Cushing.

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Education Committee.—W. Downey, W. Millar, G. E. Cox.
Missions —F. Babcock, P. M. Brown, B. G. Corvell

The Report was adopted.

Voted that we adjourn. Prayer by Rev. W. Downey.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. A. G. Downey,

Reporting meeting. Roll of members called.

Rev. Joseph McLeod, Corresponding Delegate from the F. C. B. General Conference of New Brunswick, said:

I am glad to meet you again. We have 152 churches, 7 districts, 10,000 communicants, 40,000 adherents, 40 ministers and 14 licentiates. Two ministers have died—one aged, the other young. I think a change from our annual district meeting to semi-annual would be better. 491 added by baptism, 181 otherwise—total, 672. We need more ministers. If you have any to spare, let them come to us. The spirit of the fathers is the need of the present. The mission of our denomination is finished. The Lord wills that many shall be saved by her instrumentality. Our people are improving in regard to the support of the ministry; are sound on temperance. I think the Lord will give us ministers as fast as we are prepared to educate and provide for them. Our ladies are doing their Foreign Mission work nobly. I am pleased to hear of your prosperity. I hope this profitable correspondence will continue. So I request and we expect your delegate.

It was much regretted that the delegate from the General Centennial Conference could not attend; also that the delegate from the Maine Central Yearly Meeting was not with us as usual. We hope the former will be able to attend next year.

Rev. S. N. Royal, who was appointed delegate to the Maine Central Yearly Meeting, stated his reasons for not going. Rev. W. C. Weston, his substitute, also gave his. Rev. J. I. Porter stated that when he learned of the failure of the delegates to go, he wrote to Rev. C. F. Penney of Augusta, in reference to the matter, requesting the appointment of a delegate. Rev. C. F. Penney had written, explaining that he didn't get the letter in time to appoint the delegate. He had sent the letter to Rev. Dr. Bowen of Lewiston, who sent an official paper, which was received before the Conference finally adjourned.

It was resolved that the delegates appointed be exonerated.

Rev. J. I. Porter, delegate to the F. W. B. Centennial Conference, said:

That he received a most hearty reception. He felt it was with should be represented. The brethren there feel a deep interest in us. He expressed the high pleasure he experienced during his visit, and in a general way recited the pleasing features of the occasion. He in

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The delegate to the F. C. B. Conference of New Brunswick, Rev. J. I. Porter—

Spoke of the cordial reception accorded him; the efficient work of the Conference; his pleasure to enjoy the visit. Would not further detain the Conference, as our esteemed brother, Rev. J. McLeod, the delegate from that body, would say all that was needful on the subject.

The Report of Committee on Free Communion Bodies was given by Rev. J. I. Porter, its Chairman, who said:

That the several Committees met at the time and place of the Centennial Conference for deliberation, and came to the following conclusion: Not to hold a Convention this year, but arrange for one as soon as practicable, and request the respective bodies to reappoint the Committees for this purpose, &c.

Resolved, That the Committee—Rev. J. I. Porter and Rev. W. C. Weston—be continued, and the report of progress accepted.

The Report of the Harmony Quarterly Meeting, was read by the Clerk, Rev. S. N. Royal, as follows:

To the General Conference of Free Baptists, convened at Caledonia, September 26th, 1890.

CANNING CHURCH.—This church has been without a pastor nearly 3 years, and without regular preaching for 2 years. Though somewhat disheartened, they are not wholly discouraged. It is more than possible they will soon have the services of Bro. F. Babcock. Last October, aided by a visit from Bro. W. and A. G. Downey, they formed a Pastorate, to include all Free Baptist ground in Kings County, east of Centreville, but find themselves unable to maintain a pastor, unless they include the other Pastorate, viz.: Hall's Harbor and Black Rock Churches. They maintain a good Sunday-school. Since the organization of this church as many as three-fifths of those who have joined it have moved beyond its limits. It now numbers 97 members.

HALL'S HARBOR CHURCH has been without regular preaching since Bro. Millar left. No conference, no Sunday School, no prayer meeting, no report. Number of members; brothers, 85; sisters, 40. It is to be hoped they will have the labors of Bro. Babcock. There are those at Hall's Harbor who are loyal to Christ and the denomination.

BLACK ROCK.—This church, like Hall's Harbor, has been without regular preaching since Bro. Millar went to Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting. They maintain regular conferences; have a prayer meeting on the Lord's Day. Whole number of members at last report (1872), 85. If Bro. Babcock includes them in his labors, we may expect to hear favorable reports of them. It is but just to them, and to Bro. Millar, to state that when he left them they reported themselves in the best condition they had been in for four years.

In addition to these there are a faithful few of the Avonport Church willing to join with Canning or Brookville, that they may have Free Baptist preaching.

BROOKVILLE, HANTS Co.—A little one—laboring under the embarrassments that others suffer—financial depression and removal of members. Whole number of members, 13. Maintain prayer and conference meetings. Bro. Sturgis preaches to them on two Lord's Days of each month.

PORT MATOUN, QUEENS Co.—This church has had the labors of Bro. A. G. Downey, for six months, and are much encouraged. For the years 1878 and 1879, or a part of these years, they were without regular preaching. They report themselves as profited and encouraged by the labors of Bro. A. G. Downey; their meetings as interesting and well attended; and the prospect hopeful; union good. Membership—43 brothers and 58 sisters.

PORT MEDWAY.—This church has the labors of Bro. A. G. Downey, and are encouraged; have a membership of 102; have an evergreen Sunday-school; are hopeful, and have cause of encouragement. Since last Conference, Deacon Robert Dolliver, a "standard-bearer," and a sweet singer in Israel, has joined the choir above.

EAST PORT MEDWAY.—This church has the labors of Bro. A. G. Downey, in whom they are much interested. They have a good Sunday-school. Interest in social meetings good; in public meetings very good. Regular conference sustained. Number of members—brothers, 25; sisters, 24. They are struggling to rebuild their house of worship.

HARMONY CHURCH has the labors of Elder S. Nason Royal; maintains regular conference and prayer meetings; are associated in the Caledonia Sunday-school. We were much encouraged by the revival in the village last spring. 7 young people were added to our number. Connected with the church is a Woman's Mission Society, and a Juvenile Band, of whom you will hear, Friday, P. M. No. of members, —.

The churches in Kings, Hants and Queens Counties are to a great extent favorable to some kind of a pastorate system. The communities in which they are located are under the blight of hard times. Despite this, two more ministers might be maintained by systematic effort and were the Lord's stewards to pay him his due.

HALFAX CHURCH have had the labors of Bro. B. Minard for the past six months. He has baptized 23. Whole number of resident members, 94. Non-resident, 23. Have raised for missionary purposes, \$23.00. Have a good Sunday-school. Have interesting social and conference meetings. The only hinderance to their prosperity and success is the debt on the house.

You have already seen by the report that as a Quarterly Meeting we are poor and scattered; but were we more systematic in our efforts and more denominational in our feelings more might be done.

Of one thing I am positive that the churches in Kings County cannot endure another drought and not suffer beyond redemption. Unless they receive pastoral labor they must dwindle, suffer, it may be, or God must aid them by opening some window in heaven. He has told us how and when he would do this. The prayer of many hearts is, "Oh Lord, undertake for us." May the Great Head of the church aid us to cry, "Oh Lord God, behold thou hast made the heavens and the earth by thy great power and out-stretched arm. Is there any thing too hard for thee to do?"

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Yours for Christ,

S. NASON ROYAL,

Q. M. Clerk

Harmony, Sept. 10th, 1880.

Resolved, That the Report be received and placed in the hands of W. Downey, W. Millar and Samuel Dolliver, as a Committee, that they may report in due time.

The Committee reported as follows:

Your Committee have considered the Report of the Harmony Quarterly Meeting, and recommend—

- 1st. That the churches, now having pastors, retain their services, or secure an equivalent.
- 2nd. That we are of opinion that the Kings County Churches now formed into pastorates had better unite in securing a pastor for the present; that the Executive Committee of the Home Mission Society consider the surrounding destitute places as far as they may have funds available for that purpose.

W. DOWNEY, *Chairman.*

According to request, the Committee on Arrangements appointed Revs. B. Minard, T. H. Siddall and J. F. Smith as a Committee on Deceased Brethren, who reported as follows:

Whereas, Since the last session of General Conference the angel of death has cut down several useful and influential members of our Zion; *Therefore Resolved*, That we express our esteem and appreciation of the sterling integrity and devotion to the cause of Christ, of Deacons ROBERT DOLLIVER, JOSEPH JEFFREY, JEREMIAH HARDING and SAMUEL HOPKINS, also Bro. AMOS SCOTT, Clerk of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting, who have been called from the battle field of life to the Paradise above.

Further Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathies to the relatives of these departed brethren in their dark, sad hours, and commend them to Him who knoweth how to heal the broken-hearted, and doeth all things well.

B. MINARD,

T. H. SIDDALL, } COMMITTEES.

J. F. SMITH,

The Report of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting was read by the Clerk, Rev. Wm. Downey, as follows:

The Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting to Trinity Conference Meeting of Free Baptists.

BELIEVED BRETHREN.—The rapid flight of time has brought us to the close of another denominational year. Scarcely can we realize that twelve months have passed since we last assembled in Annual Conference. But so it is. Time flies rapidly. The opportunities left us for doing, and the time remaining for laboring for the advancement of

Christ's cause, are fast becoming less and less. To some of us very little may remain. These considerations should prompt us "What our hands find to do to it with our might." "Heartily as unto the Lord, and not unto men."

In reporting the state of the cause we shall, for convenience, follow the example set by the late Clerk, and report each Pastorate in numerical order.

Pastorate No. 1, embracing First Barrington and its branches, Port la Tour and Cape Negro Island Churches, and preaching stations at Clyde Port, Sable River, Brighton and Lockport, was designed for two ministers.

The Rev. Wm. Downey has been the only minister on this pastorate, during the year, and his time has been spent with First Barrington and Port la Tour, together with their respective branches, Oak Port and Village Dale; he has also preached once a month at Clyde Port, the rest of his circuit has been entirely neglected.

It means could be had to support another minister on this pastorate, no doubt much good could be done, as all those out-lying preaching stations are inviting fields for us as a denomination. The First Barrington Church was greatly blessed with revival last winter and spring, and fifty-four were added to the Church by Rev. Wm. Downey.

Pastorate No. 2, embracing Cape Sable Island Church, was under the pastorate care of Rev. T. O. DeWitt, up to January last, past, when he withdrew from the Eastern Section, which has had the labors of Rev. J. L. Porter since that time. Bro. DeWitt in the mean time has given his whole attention to the Western Section; some division has arisen in this Church which has perhaps militated against its greater prosperity this year.

Pastorate No. 3, embracing Second Barrington, Shag Harbour, and Woods Harbour Churches, has the faithful labours of Rev. P. M. Brown, who has been blessed to see some considerable revival. Fifteen were added by him to the Woods Harbour Church, and eight to the Shag Harbour Church, and one to Second Barrington Church.

Pastorate No. 4, embracing East and West Pubnico, Argyle and Glenwood Churches, has since January been under the faithful watch-care of Rev. Wm. Millar. At the time of his coming, this pastorate was being largely blessed with revival spirit, especially Glenwood and Argyle Churches, under the labours of Rev. Wm. Downey, who, up to January, had baptized and added one hundred and eight to Glenwood and Argyle Churches. He was assisted, part of the time, by Rev. T. H. Siddall. After Bro. Millar arrived he entered into the work in a most hearty manner, as Rev. Wm. Downey had to leave for his own field of labour. The work spread to West and East Pubnico, and seventy were baptized and added to Argyle and Pubnico Churches by Rev. Wm. Millar.

Pastorate No. 5, embracing Tusket, Pleasant Lake, Plymouth and Little River Churches, has had the faithful labours of Rev. T. H. Siddall, except Pleasant Lake. Elder D. Gram has spent a portion of his time, for a part of the year, with that church. At Plymouth and Little River Bro. Siddall was permitted to see a good work of grace. He baptized and added seventeen to Plymouth Church, and three to Little River Church, and three to Tusket Church.

Pastorate No. 6, embracing Yarmouth Town and Chebogue Point, has been somewhat broken up this year. Yarmouth Church has waded through deep waters of difficulty, and financial embarrassment, and has

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not yet reached the shore. If the church is to retain its visibility, some steps must be taken by this Conference to aid it, or it will probably lose its place of worship. A committee was appointed by Quarterly Meeting to ascertain the exact amount of indebtedness on the meeting house, and report to this Conference at its present session. The church at Chebogue Point has enjoyed the labours of Rev. Wm. M. Knollin.

Pastorate No. 7, embraces Brooklin, Session Hill and Sanford Churches. This pastorate has enjoyed the pastoral labours of Rev. F. Babcock up to this time, except Brooklin Church; which received a portion of Rev. D. Oram's labours as its minister.

Pastorate No. 8, embracing Beaver River Church, and its outlying districts, has been presided over by the Rev. J. F. Smith, who has been blessed with a year of prosperity, and a goodly season of revival. He has baptized twenty-five, and added thirty to the church.

Pastorate No. 9, embraces Carleton, Kemptville and East River Churches and their surrounding preaching stations. This pastorate has been without a minister this year. Kemptville Church has torn down its old meeting house and is about to erect a new one on the old site. We hope this circuit may soon be supplied with an efficient pastor.

This is our second year's experience of the pastorate system, and while it is an improvement upon the old system, yet it is far from being perfect. The matter of making an improvement will come before this Conference during this session.

The Sabbath-school interest throughout this Quarterly Meeting is very good, and many of the schools are doing large and efficient work for the Master.

Very little has been done in Home Mission work, as we have had but little means owing to the stringency of the times and the scarcity of money.

The Womans' Aid Society has been working on steadily in the Foreign Mission work and is doing efficient service.

The cause of Temperance still holds a strong grasp upon the minds and consciences of our people.

The following items of business were referred by Quarterly Meeting to this Conference:

1st. *Resolved*, That we recommend the following suggestions to Yearly Meeting of Conference for their consideration, and adoption by the denomination after due consideration and acceptance by the churches, viz.:

(1.) That our entire denominational field be considered as one in all arrangements belonging to the Pastoral System; that is, that the two Quarterly Meetings be considered one in the arranging of Pastorates.

(2.) That it is the duty of General Conference to appoint to all Pastorates, pastors in keeping with the wishes of the churches composing each Pastorate, as far as it is possible and practicable.

That the Conference shall, through a Pastorate Committee of one from each church on the Pastorate, learn the financial position of the Pastorate, the amount that can be raised for support of the Gospel during the year, and the wishes of the people as to the engagement of a pastor, a change, or a continuance. That the Conference shall have power to allot help to poor Pastorates from funds to be raised by the Home Mission Society. That the Conference shall, during its sitting, complete their work, and each Conference shall ratify the appointments made and the allotments of help. That any changes of pastors on a Pastorate shall be

on the part of the Pastorate, a majority vote of the Pastorate Committee after said Committee have, at regularly called church meetings, learned the wishes of the members in each church of the Pastorate.

That a Code of By-Laws be formed for the government of both Conference and Pastorate Committees, embodying any suggestion for the better carrying out of the Pastorate System. That the arrangements of the General Conference shall be binding upon both Pastorates and ministers. That all such arrangements shall hold good from year to year.

(8.) That this Quarterly Meeting take action at this session to bring before General Conference at the forthcoming session our wishes with regard to the pastorate system, and that by resolution we express our wishes as to what, if any, changes we desire to be made.

2d. *Resolved*, That we request the Yearly Meeting to take into consideration the advisability of preparing and publishing a brief history of our denomination.

3d. *Resolved*, That the matter of receiving persons into our churches who have received baptism at the hands of an expelled minister be referred to Yearly Conference Meeting for their consideration and decision.

Thus, brethren, I have given you as best I can an account of the work done in our Quarterly Meeting during the year. We find that about three hundred have been added to our churches during the year, which assures us that the Lord is yet among us. When we return from this Conference, brethren, for our homes and fields of labor let us first of all resolve to be loyal to Christ, and, secondly, loyal to our denomination. We need not blush for our doctrines; they are as old as the Bible and have the sanction of the highest. Let us not complain and find fault with our church because it is imperfect, but strive to make it perfect. Most of us would not feel at home in a perfect church, if such could be found. Where is a piece of machinery to be found so perfect that there is no friction in its running, a home so perfect and harmonious that there is no difference of opinion, a song so sweet that it might not be sweeter.

Our fathers have bequeathed us a goodly heritage. They felled the trees. Shall we complain of the few weeds that may grow? They bridged our difficulties. Shall we not keep the bridges in repair? They gave to us a goodly house, though rough and rude in some respects. Shall we not fashion it into a beautiful temple. To this end let every brother work and pray. All of which is lovingly subscribed.

WM. DOWNEY, Y. & S. Q. M. Clerk.

Resolved, That the Report be laid on the table, and the recommendations contained therein considered in due time.

Resolved, We adjourn. Benediction by the Moderator.

FRIDAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. T. O. DeWitt. Roll called.

The Report on Sabbath-schools was read by Rev. J. F. Smith, as follows:

Whereas, We regard the Sabbath-school to be preeminently the nursery of the church, from which are transplanted into the church many of its richest fruit-bearers;

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And whereas, We believe that the Christian home and the Sabbath-school stand intimately related to the State, as the places whence we are to look for our coming Christian statesmen, and true temperance and moral reformers;

Therefore Resolved, That this Conference urge upon the churches the importance of regarding the Sabbath-school as a very important sphere of Christian work, and that it is its duty to elect the most efficient Superintendent, and the most faithful Christian Teachers—that they continue their School the entire year—that they hold occasional or regular concerts, and weekly teachers' meetings—that they procure for their scholars the best reading matter, and in every other laudable way promote the interest and perpetuate the success of the school; assured that those who thus faithfully labor will by and by shine as the stars forever and ever. Further, all schools should be provided with a suitable Constitution, keep a Register, and the Secretary keep a correct record of the meetings and doings of the school.

J. F. SMITH,
W. C. WESTON,
A. G. DOWNEY.

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

The Report of Committee on Temperance was read by Rev. T. H. Siddall, as follows:

It affords your Committee great satisfaction to report that during the past year Temperance and Temperance work have received special attention both at home and abroad; and marked inroads have been made upon the deep-seated evil of intemperance. The moral reformers of the world seem to comprehend the dire influences of rum and the rum traffic. Especially is this the case in our own Province and Dominion.

Your Committee rejoice in the exalted and advanced position which we occupy as a nation, in regard to Temperance and Temperance legislation. But we believe we are not to "rest and be thankful." There is yet much to be done ere our highly favored land is wholly swept of all that can debase and intoxicate.

Just now there is a need of our ministry and membership, and of all Christians, giving special attention to Temperance and Temperance work. Some societies, formed especially to carry on the Temperance reform, are breaking up and passing away. The hope and demand is now in the Church of God to hold up the principles of true Temperance, and to be really the refuge for the weak and fallen. As a denomination we have no steps to retrace, and no apologies to offer to Temperance reformers. From our inception our position has been plain, logical and we believe, in accord with the truth revealed in the Word of God.

Your Committee are glad to report that in some of the Counties of this Province steps are being taken to adopt the "Canada Temperance Act." This Act we believe to be superior to our local law. And we hope that all our members and friends will not fail to use all the influence they possess to secure the adoption of the Act.

Further, while your Committee rejoice in the gain secured to wise Temperance legislation in the "Canada Temperance Act," they believe it is but "a means to an end." That end is prohibition of the sale, importation and manufacture of all intoxicating liquors. Total abstinence for the individual, and prohibition for the State.

Your Committee earnestly press for consideration the following suggestions:

1. That all pastors, at least once in six months, give a discourse on Temperance in their different churches.

2. That our covenant vows in regard to Temperance should be read in accordance with Section 14 of our church usage.

3. That in all our churches we would urge strict fidelity to our covenant vows, and any breach thereof should receive prompt and wise discipline.

4. We would urge for consideration the wisdom of forming a Free Baptist Temperance League in this Province, in connection with all our churches; to be under the care of General Conference.

5. We think it would be advisable for this Conference to endorse by a resolution the "Canada Temperance Act." Also to affirm our position with regard to the question of Prohibition.

Your Committee hope that the above suggestions will receive due attention from this Conference, and that some practical action may be taken thereon.

T. H. SIDDALL,
T. O. DEWITT,
B. F. KENNEY.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted by this Conference, and the several clauses left in the hands of the following Committee—T. H. Siddall, B. Minard and J. F. Smith—to carry out the recommendations of the several subjects referred to them; prepare for the organization of Societies; also draft a resolution for this Conference.

The Report on Education was read by Rev. W. Downey, as follows:

Your Committee on Education respectfully submit the following report:

We believe it is the duty, especially of Christian parents, to do all they can in securing for their children all the secular education possible, as well as religious instruction, and we devoutly recognize the system of Common Schools in this Province as a blessing from God.

And further, we believe it the duty of all to encourage the work of higher education, especially the education of candidates for the Christian Ministry; and urge upon our Ministers and Churches to take a greater interest in raising funds for our Education Society.

WM. MILLER,
WM. DOWNEY,
GEORGE COX.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted and referred to the Executive of the Education Society.

The Report on Missions was read by Rev. F. Babcock, as follows:

Your Committee believe the command of the Lord Jesus Christ to His Church to labor for the salvation of sinners is in as full force now as ever it was. The carrying out of that command involves mission work—both Home and Foreign.

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Your Committee would express gratitude to God for the blessings he has granted to us in our efforts in mission work in the past. Further, we would strongly urge all our churches to seek to do more for our mission interests. Also, we would recommend that the report presented and adopted on Missions last year be readopted and carried out this year, viz.:

"Your Committee submit the following report, viz.: We regret that there was not as much money raised last year for Home Missions as was desirable. We recommend to the Conference that each church comprising the Quarterly Meetings have a collector to collect Home Mission funds. We also recommend that each circuit, comprising the Quarterly Meetings, shall each hold a meeting annually in behalf of Home Missions. We further recommend to the brethren of this Conference, to hold up the hands of the Woman's Mission Aid Society in behalf of the Foreign Mission work, by lending them pecuniary aid in their enterprise."

Your Committee regret that so little has been done in Home Mission work during the past year, and attribute it to the hard times and the scarcity of money. But we are more hopeful for the future.

We would especially call the attention of this Conference to the pressing needs of our Home Mission interest at the present time, and urge attention to the matter at once, that the weak and exposed points of our denominational field may not be lost to us.

F. BABCOCK, *Chairman*

P. M. BROWN,

B. G. CORVELL.

The Report was adopted and referred.

Adjourned. Benediction by Moderator.

4 1/2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. F. Babcock.

The Report on the Sabbath was read by Rev. B. Minard, as follows:

Whereas, God in his wisdom has commanded that one-seventh of our time be socially observed as a period of rest from secular business and employment, not only as a physical and mental benefit, but also that we may have opportunity to worship him specifically and publicly;

Therefore Resolved, That we appreciate this requirement of our Heavenly Father, and consider that it exists not only as a positive institution in his word, but as a moral necessity in the very nature of things.

Also Resolved, That the prosperity of the nation at large depends largely upon the strict observance of the Lord's Day, as righteousness exalteth a nation.

And further Resolved, That greater prominence be given to the restrictions and privileges of the Sabbath by the heads of our families in the training of children, teachers in the Sabbath-school, and ministers in their pulpits.

B. MINARD,
ELISHA DOLLIVER,
T. C. CBOWELL.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted and engrossed in the Minutes.

The following resolutions were adopted:

While we deplore our want of a Denominational Institution of Learning for the Maritime Provinces, and hope the time may come when we may have such an Institution for the training of young men for preachers of the gospel in our churches;

Be it Resolved, That this Conference endorse the Educational Institutions of the Freewill Baptist Denomination, and recommend that our young men, seeking a preparation for the gospel ministry, pursue their studies in those Institutions until such time that we may have Educational Institutions in the Dominion.

Resolved, That we recommend the Executive Committee of our Educational Society to pay directly into the treasury of the Freewill Baptist Educational Society such sums of the funds in hands as it may deem advisable for the assistance of our young men while pursuing their studies in view of the ministry in Freewill Baptist Institutions, to be disbursed according to the rules and regulations of the Society receiving such funds.

Resolved, That this Conference recommend the churches to observe the first Saturday of November next a day of fasting and prayer for our young men at school, for our feeble churches, and for the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into his harvest.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby accorded to Rev. F. Babcock for his timely and excellent Conference sermon.

Resolved, That the letters from the churches regarding Bro. A. G. Downey's ordination be referred to the Elders Conference for consideration.

Resolved, That the statistics of the F. W. Baptists of the United States, and the F. C. Baptists of New Brunswick be obtained and printed in our Minutes.

Resolved, That the next Annual Conference of this Body be held with the First Barrington Church.

Resolved, That we adjourn. Prayer by Rev. F. Babcock.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Singing. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

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The matter, referred to the Elders' Conference, touching Bro. A. G. Downey's ordination, was taken up.

Resolved, That this Conference retire into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the above matter at 11½ o'clock.

Resolved, That we recommend the Executives of all our Benevolent Societies to appoint speakers for our annual meeting at least three months prior to the same.

The Conference went into Committee of the Whole at 11½ o'clock. The above matter referred to was considered; after which the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Whereas, Bro. A. G. Downey has agreed to complete his course of studies, and especially his theological course;

And Whereas, While we believe that it is not wise to ordain young men until they have completed their course of studies, yet, regarding the circumstances of the present case, we recommend the General Conference to ordain him;

Further Resolved, We strongly urge upon him the need of completing his course of studies as soon as convenient.

Resolved, That the Committee of the Whole rise.

Then the General Conference adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. T. O. DeWitt.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Conference resumed business.

The order of business: Examination of Bro. A. G. Downey. He gave a relation of his call to the ministry.

Prayer by Rev. W. Downey.

The questions given were well answered, after which the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, This General Conference having heard, with satisfaction the examination of Bro. A. G. Downey;

Therefore Resolved, That we grant the requests of the churches in his behalf, and that arrangements be made accordingly.

Resolved, That a Committee to nominate Corresponding Delegates to other bodies be—P. M. Brown, S. Dolliver and G. E. Cox.

The Committee on Nominations gave their Report as follows:

That Rev. W. Downey be delegated to the F. C. S. General Conference of New Brunswick, and Rev. T. O. DeWitt be substituted Royal to the Maine Central Yearly Meeting of the F. W. Baptists of the

United States, and Rev. J. F. Smith his substitute; and that Rev. B. Minard preach the Conference Sermon, and Rev. T. O. DeWitt his substitute.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at the call of the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. F. Babcock.

MONDAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. Millar.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference is hereby accorded to the brethren and friends of this place for the excellent manner in which they have entertained this Conference: and that this resolution be read at the meeting this evening.

Resolved, That the Clerk is hereby instructed to get 1,500 copies of the Minutes printed, and receive as usual \$20 for his services.

Resolved, That in future all bills of our delegates to other bodies be presented to this Conference for inspection before being paid.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference is hereby accorded to Rev. J. McLeod for his help during this Conference.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference is hereby accorded to Miss French, delegate from the Womans' Foreign Mission Society, U. S., for her help during this Conference.

Resolved, That the bill of our delegate to the F. W. Baptist General Conference of the U. S., be paid, as found correct and reasonable.

The referred business, touching the reception of persons baptized by a disqualified minister, was taken up.

Resolved, That this paper lay on the table to be taken up at our next session.

The matter referred to by the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting, in reference to Yarmouth Church, was taken up. Report of brethren, appointed to get information concerning its financial condition, heard.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet at 3½ o'clock, P. M.

Benediction by Rev. T. H. Siddall.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. P. M. Brown.

Resolved, That the Report of Committee on the formation of a Temperance League be adopted, as follows:

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Executive.—A. Gayton, Esq., M. P. P., Byron Simms, Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. W. Miliar and Rev. A. G. Downey.

Further Resolved, That the Executive of the Temperance League have power to arrange rules and a ritual for the use of all Societies to be affiliated with the League.

Resolved, That the Report of endorsement of the *Religious Intelligencer* and *Morning Star* be as follows:

Resolved, That this Conference continue its endorsement of the *Religious Intelligencer* and *Morning Star* as our denominational organs, and strongly recommend their circulation to a larger extent among our churches and congregations.

Further, we urge all Elders of this Conference to do all possible in the interest of said organs.

The following paper was taken from the table and adopted:

Whereas, The matter of receiving certain persons into our churches as members who have been baptized by a disqualified person has been referred to us by Quarterly Meeting;

And Whereas, We believe, according to the practice of all Baptist Churches, and according to our rules and usage, that no person is authorized to administer the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper except a regularly ordained minister in good standing;

And Whereas, According to our rule and usage, a candidate for membership in any of our churches must be baptized by a regularly ordained minister in good standing;

And Whereas, According to the rules of our polity, each church has control of its own internal affairs;

Therefore Resolved, That we leave the matter in the hands of the different churches to act as wisdom may dictate, and as circumstances may demand.

The *Missionary Helper* was endorsed as follows:

Whereas, The *Missionary Helper*, the organ of the F. B. W. M. S., has proved a valuable assistant in our work;

Therefore Resolved, That we commend it for the able manner in which it is conducted, the reliable and interesting matter it contains, and the cheap price of publication;

Further Resolved, That we request the General Conference of Nova Scotia to pass a resolution in commendation of this magazine, and recommending its further circulation in all the churches.

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of W. Downey, F. Babcock, T. H. Siddall, B. Minard and N. D. McGray, to report on certain resolutions touching the examination of candidates for the ministry, and raising funds for our Benevolent Societies more systematically.

Resolved, That the preacher of the annual sermon shall be chosen according to seniority of service in connection with said Conference.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to define the 8th Article of the Constitution of this Conference, and report at the evening session.

Resolved, That W. Downey, J. F. Smith, W. Millar, J. A. Smith and N. Crossley be the above Committee.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Conference the Lord's Supper should be administered once in two months in all the churches.

Resolved, That we adjourn. Prayer by Rev. J. McLeod.

9 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. Downey.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Conference it is the duty of all temperance men at once to seek the adoption of the Canada Temperance Act. Further, we pledge ourselves, if submitted to the people, to give it our *vote and support*.

Resolved, That fifty dollars (\$50) be appropriated to aid in paying the present liability of the Conference in the payment of interest on Halifax Church.

Resolved, That B. Minard, N. D. McGray and G. E. Cox be a Committee to take in hand the Halifax Mission, and at once arrange to collect all outstanding pledges and interest made in behalf of the same; and devise any plans they may deem wise to aid the said church. Further, that the \$140 borrowed, be the first liability discharged.

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to aid and encourage the Committee appointed to look after the Halifax Mission.

Resolved, That the Report of Committee on Article VIII. of the Constitution be adopted.

Your Committee, appointed to interpret the meaning of Article VIII. of the Constitution of Yearly Meeting Conference, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, Sec. III of our Church Usage states, "All the affairs of this church shall be under the decision of Church Meetings publicly convened;"

And Whereas, Sec. VI. of Church Usage states, "All business of this church shall be done by majority vote, except the reception of members;"

Therefore, a difficulty or trial between a minister and church in the sense of this Article of the Constitution, in our opinion, cannot be considered as such until the matter has been laid before the church and action taken thereon.

Nevertheless, we deem it highly imprudent and unadvisable for any minister to continue his services in a church where any considerable number of the members thereof are unconciled to his so doing.

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The following Report was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Yarmouth Church is now looking to this General Conference for help;

And Whereas, The Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting has referred the matter for consideration by this General Conference;

Therefore Resolved, That we appoint a committee of five to take over the Yarmouth Church building, in the name of this General Conference, and make such arrangements as may be needed to secure the same to this General Conference. Also, devise plans whereby means may be raised to relieve the liability (or to arrange for the same) of said church. And in conjunction with the church, arrange for services in said church, as circumstances may permit.

Resolved, The following be the Committee: T. H. Siddall, W. Downey, Byron Sims, A. M. Durkee and Nelson Corning.

Resolved, We adjourn until 8.30, Tuesday morning.
Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

Prayer by Rev. F. Babcock.

TUESDAY, 8.30, A. M.

Resolved, That the Report of the Womans' F. M. Society be engrossed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That all the business before acted on by this Conference shall pass the hands of appropriate committees, and that no new business shall be introduced after Friday noon, unless by special permission of Conference.

Resolved, That *Whereas*, Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting has referred to this General Conference the question of Pastorates; and believing that it is a system of carrying on our work in the churches in accord with gospel principles; and that it tends to conserve the best interests of our denomination, as such it has our hearty endorsement;

And Whereas, We believe each Quarterly Meeting can arrange any improvement of the plan now in operation better than General Conference;

Therefore Resolved, That we recommend the Quarterly Meetings at their November Sessions to take into consideration the suggestions presented to us, and adopt any method or improvement in their wisdom they may deem best.

Resolved, That the thanks of Conference be tendered to the Moderator.

Resolved, That the Clerk get a sufficient number of Collecting Cards from Rev. E. N. Fernald, to be sent by him to all the ministers.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered to the Assistant Clerk for his efficient services, and that the sum of \$5 be paid to him from the Conference Fund.

Resolved, That in future the Moderator of Conference shall be the brother who shall give the right hand of fellowship at ordination.

Resolved, We adjourn, as per constitution.

Prayer by the Moderator.

J. I. PORTER, Clerk.

The following resolution was unanimously passed just before the session closed. Moved by Rev. F. Babcock, seconded by Rev. B. Minard, supported by Revs. T. H. Siddall and Wm. Downey:

Whereas, Our beloved brother, J. I. PORTER, Clerk of this Conference, has expressed his intention of going West for a visit, hoping thereby to regain his health, which, owing to care and overwork, is much impaired;

Therefore Resolved, That this Conference express its high appreciation of his character as a devoted christian brother and most worthy gospel minister; and also our appreciation of his valuable services as Clerk of Conference for twenty years. And we pray God will abundantly bless him in his efforts to recruit his health. We further commend him most heartily to all God's people, and all he may come in contact with.

Further Resolved, That the Elders of this Conference form themselves into a Committee to secure some tangible manifestation of our esteem and regard for our brother.

At the close of General Conference the Elders present resolved themselves into a committee to obtain a testimonial. It was cordially agreed each Elder should bring the matter before their different churches and receive donations, to be forwarded to our brother.

Any church, having no pastor, desiring to contribute to the fund, can readily do so through the clerk of the church. It is hoped all who can will not fail to do so.

T. H. SIDDALL, Assistant Clerk.

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

YARMOUTH AND SHELburne QUARTERLY MEETING.

Churches.	Added by baptism.	By letter.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Restored.	Expelled.	Died.	Total Membership.	No. Sabbath Schools.	No. Scholars	Remarks.
Port la Tour.....								71	1	53	Preaching.
First Barrington.....	53	2						388	1	230	do.
Cape Negro Island.....								10	1	29	Without pastor.
Cape Sable Island.....		1						666	3	260	Preaching.
Second Barrington.....	1					12		96	4	197	do.
Shag Harbor.....	8	1						42	1	41	do.
Woods Harbor.....	15							123	1	47	do.
Pubnico.....	62	1				4		210	2	153	do.
Argyle.....	33					2		181	2	50	do.
Glenwood.....	63	6				2		174	1	83	do.
Tusket.....	3							64			do. union school
Pleasant Lake.....								18			do.
Plymouth.....	17							63	1	59	do.
Little River.....	3							60			do.
Yarmouth.....	6					1		26	1		do.
Chebogue Point.....								29			Without pastor.
Brooklyn.....						1		19	1		Preaching.
Session Hill.....	6							78	1		do.
Sandford.....			2					130	1	50	do.
Beaver River.....	26	5	3			2		312	3	155	do.
Carleton.....								23	2	45	Without pastor.
Kempt.....	2	2				2		155	4	90	do.
East River.....								14	1	68	do.
Totals.....	297	15	6			2		2,840	30	1,600	

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Black Rock.....								85			do.
Avonport.....								20			do.
Brookville.....								13			Preaching.
Port Mouton.....								96	1		do.
Port Medway.....								102	1		do.
East Medway.....								60	1		do.
Harmony.....								110	1		do.
Halifax.....	23							119	1		do.
Total.....	30							776	6		Scholars may be placed at
Sum totals.....	327	15	6			2		3,616	36	1,600	2,000

RECAPITULATION.

LOSSES.—Dismissed.....	6	GAINS.—By Baptism.....	327
Expelled.....	12	By Letter.....	15
Died.....	30	Total.....	342
Total.....	48	Loss.....	44
		Net gain.....	298

Present Membership, 3,616, representing 14,464 adherents.

T. H. SIDDALL, *Assistant Clerk.*

FREE BAPTISTS IN AMERICA, CANADA AND ENGLAND.

In the United States F. W. B. members,	90,000
" " " " in its largest connection,	350,000
In New Brunswick, F. C. B. Churches,	152
" " " " Ministers,	54
" " " " Members,	10,000
General Baptists in England, Members,	27,000
" " " " in the largest connection,	275,000
Actual Members of Free Baptist Churches in England, United States and Canada,	131,000
Church Members in Churches holding same faith essentially,	<u>508,000</u>

We hope to give next year a fuller account of the Free Baptist Family.

T. H. SIDDALL, *Assistant Clerk.*

DEVOTIONAL.

On Wednesday evening Rev. B. Minard preached and gave a good practical discourse. Quite a number took part in the meeting. Each morning during the Conference a season of prayer was enjoyed, and was greatly prized. The Master of assemblies was present, and his children made glad.

THURSDAY, 7.30, P. M.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. F. Babcock. Text, 87th Psalm, 4th verse. A large congregation was present. The sermon was worthy of the occasion—sound and instructive. Several took part at the close, and the truth of the sermon was attested.

SUNDAY was a day of good things. Rev. Joseph McLeod preached at 10.30 to an overflowing congregation. Text, Luke 8th chapter, 39th verse. The sermon was one of marked ability and power. The Lord helped the speaker and blessed the hearers. At 2.30, P. M., Rev. T. H. Siddall spoke to a large congregation. Text, Mark 16th chapter, 16th verse. At the close the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was administered to a large company, and a blessed season enjoyed.

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Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock, P. M., the ordination of Bro. A. G. Downey took place. The meeting-house was too small to accommodate all who came. The following took part in it: Reading Lesson, Rev. S. N. Royal; Opening Prayer, Rev. T. H. Siddall; Sermon, Rev. J. F. Smith; Reading of Scriptures, Rev. Joseph McLeod; Asking Questions, Rev. J. I. Porter; Ordination Prayer, Rev. F. Babcock; Charge, Rev. William Downey; Right Hand of Fellowship, Rev. B. Minard. The service was one of deep interest. Rev. A. G. Downey closed with the benediction.

Services were also held in the Methodist Church at 10.30, by Rev. Wm. Millar; Baptist Church at 2.30, Rev. Wm. Downey; Brookville at 2.30, Rev. B. Minard; Kempt at 2.30, Rev. T. O. DeWitt.

Saturday afternoon social conference was a season rich in blessing. The pastor of the church presided, and a large number took part in the exercises. A hallowed influence rested upon the meeting, and thirsty souls were refreshed. All felt it good to be there. It always is good when the Holy Spirit is present. God grant the good influence may be carried to many churches and result in a rich harvest for the Master's kingdom.

T. H. SIDDALL,

Recording Secretary.

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APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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

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Amount in fund, Oct., 14, 1879, \$128 75		Annie Protheroe, \$0 10
<i>First Barrington Church.</i>		Emma M. Crowell, 10
Mrs. Charles E. Stanley, 80 10		Winnie G. Crowell, 10
Mrs. Thomas H. Smith, 10		Nathan Hopkins, 25
Mrs. John K. Knowles, 10		Mr. Nathan Crowell and wife, 35
Mrs. Martha Thompson, 10		Samuel Nickerson, 20
Mrs. Wm. P. Crowell, 10		Mrs. Stillman Nickerson, 25
Mr. Nathaniel Crowell, 25		Mrs. Wm. Nickerson, 10
Mr. R. H. Crowell, 25		Mr. S. W. Crowell, 45
Mr. Wm. B. Crowell, 25		Mr. Solomon Hendrick, 25
Mrs. Andrew Wilson, 10		Mr. T. Corning Crowell, 25
Mrs. James F. McMullin, 10		Mr. Henry Trefry and wife, 25
Mr. Edward Crews, 10		Mr. Andrew Trefry, 25
Capt. John Crowell and wife, 35		Mrs. Thomas Robertson, 15
Mr. John Wilson and wife, 30		Mr. Richard Hichens, 10
Mr. Josiah Hopkins and wife, 35		Mrs. Eliza Smith, 10
Emma A. Hopkins, 10		Mr. Joseph Ross, 10
Robert B. Hopkins, 25		Lilla J. Smith, 12
Deacon T. W. Wilson, 35		Effie Porter, 10
Capt. Wm. Hopkins and family, 50		Douglas T. Porter, 25
Mrs. John O. Crowell, 10		Fannie Knowles, 10
Lillie H. Crowell, 10		Hennie C. Wilson, 10
Mr. Isaac Hopkins and wife, 25		Ida M. Wilson, 35
Rhoda A. Hopkins, 10		Mr. Israel Wilson and wife, 10
Mrs. Benjamin Hopkins, 10		Charles O. Wilson, 25
Mrs. Thos. S. Hopkins, 10		
Mrs. Michael O'Brien, 10		
Susie E. Hopkins, 10		
Mr. Samuel Hopkins and family, 50		
Lucretia Hopkins, 10		
Mr. Nathan C. Hopkins and wife, 35		
William S. Hopkins, 10		
Emeline Hopkins, 10		
Maggie Hopkins, 25		
Mr. Joseph Hopkins, 40		
Mr. Archibald Hopkins and family, 10		
Agnes Knowles, 10		
Wilhelmina C. Smith, 25		
Mr. Seth Wilson, 10		
Mrs. John Hopkins, 10		
Mrs. J. P. D. Crowell, 25		
Orlando Crowell, 25		
Charles D. Crowell, 25		
Mr. W. H. Wilson and wife, 35		
Mrs. Colin Hopkins, 05		
Mrs. Michael Wilson, 10		
		\$13 27
		<i>Second Barrington Church, Central Section.</i>
		Drusilla Nickerson, \$0 10
		Olivia Banks, 10
		Eliza Nickerson, 10
		Mary Nickerson, 10
		Stephen Banks and wife, 35
		Joseph Atwood and wife, 35
		H. Kenny and wife, 35
		Thomas Banks and wife, 35
		J. K. Kenny, 25
		Sophia Smith, 10
		Isaac Nickerson and wife, 35
		\$2 50
		<i>Bear Point Section.</i>
		Ensign Hopkins and wife, \$0 35
		Levi Hopkins, 25
		David Smith, 25

Jacob Smith,
Wm. Kenny and
Mrs. Moses Smith
Edmund Smith
Albert Swin,
Charles Swin,
Henrietta Swin
Elizabeth Atwood
Ella Atwood,
David Nickerson
Jessie Smith,
Isaac Stoddart,
Reuben Stoddart
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Mr. Thomas Banks
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Emma Nickerson,
James Banks and
David Nickerson
Mr. Edward Ken
Mr. Philip Crowe
Warren Crowell,
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Matilda Nickerson
Andrew Larkin,
Matilda Sholes,
Mrs. Isaac Kendrick
Judah Crowell,
Georgie A. Nickerson
Mrs. Daniel Nickerson
Mrs. David Nickerson
Mrs. Sarah Goodwin
Mrs. Daniel Nickerson
Mr. Daniel Nickerson
Dea. Samuel Kendrick

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Mrs. Caroline Pitman
Mrs. Olivia Pitman,
Mrs. Joseph Durkee,
James Durkee,
Asa Pitman and wife,

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Mrs. Caleb Hines,
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Martha Hines,
Mr. Melvin Goodwin,
Mrs. Nehemiah Goodwin
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Jacob Smith,	\$0 25	Ardella Vanenburg,	\$0 10
Wm. Kenny and wife,	35	A. Friend,	10
Mrs. Moses Smith,	10	Mary E. Daley,	15
Edmund Smith and wife,	35	Jessie Montague,	20
Albert Swin,	25	Heman Goodwin,	10
Charles Swin,	25	Carrie A. Daly,	10
Henrietta Swin,	10	A. Friend,	10
Elizabeth Atwood,	10	Mrs. Thomas Murphy,	10
Ella Atwood,	10	Daniel Larkin and wife,	35
David Nickerson and wife,	37	A. Jones Larkin and wife,	35
Jessie Smith,	25	Mrs. Nathaniel Larkin,	10
Isaac Stoddart,	25	Mrs. Minard Goodwin,	10
Reuben Stoddart and wife,	37	Moses Goodwin,	30
Gideon Smith and wife,	25	Thomas Blades,	25

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<i>Shag Harbor Church.</i>	
Mr. Samuel Nickerson and wife,	\$0 35
Mr. Thomas Banks and wife,	35
Mrs. Samuel Kendrick,	10
Emma Nickerson,	10
James Banks and wife,	10
David Nickerson and wife,	35
Mr. Edward Kendrick and wife,	35
Mr. Philip Crowell and wife,	35
Warren Crowell,	35
Eaton Crowell,	25
Matilda Nickerson,	10
Andrew Larkin,	12
Matilda Sholes,	10
Mrs. Isaac Kendrick,	10
Judah Crowell,	10
George A. Nickerson,	25
Mrs. Daniel Nickerson,	10
Mrs. David Nickerson,	10
Mrs. Sarah Goodwin,	10
Mr. Daniel Nickerson,	25
Mr. David Nickerson,	25
Dea. Samuel Kendrick and wife,	35

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<i>Carleton Church.</i>	
Mrs. Caroline Pitman,	\$0 20
Mrs. Olivia Pitman,	10
Mrs. Joseph Durkee,	10
James Durkee,	25
Asa Pitman and wife,	35
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<i>Public Church.</i>	
Mrs. Caleb Hines,	\$0 10
Alethia Hines,	10
Martha Hines,	10
Mr. Melvin Goodwin,	25
Mr. Nehemiah Goodwin,	10
Alfretta Abbott,	10
Owen Daley and wife,	25

Mrs. Joel Worthen,	20
Mrs. Jethro Goodwin,	16
Jeremiah Goodwin and wife,	10
Benjamin Goodwin,	34
Freeman J. Larkin,	35
Merinda Goodwin,	10
Nancy J. Goodwin,	25
Hallet Goodwin and wife,	10
Sarah E. Goodwin,	25
Mrs. T. Banks,	05
Mrs. Maria Hines,	10
Mrs. Fanny Hipson,	10
Mary Larkin,	25
Mrs. Lowell,	10
Mrs. Larkin,	25
Mrs. Letitia Larkin,	10
Edward Goodwin and wife,	35
William Goodwin and wife,	35
Dorcas A. Goodwin,	10
Mr. Stephen Larkin,	35
Mrs. George Baker,	25
Manasseh Larkin and wife,	35
Mrs. Charles Rudolph,	24
Mrs. Moses Larkin,	25
Mrs. Maria Goodwin,	10
Freeman Goodwin and wife,	35
Rev. W. Millar,	25
James Larkin,	25
Mrs. Michael Lennox,	10
Mrs. Mary J. Smith,	10
Andrew Goodwin,	10
Mrs. Susan Frost,	25
Joseph R. Goodwin,	40
Mrs. Mary Goodwin,	30
Mrs. Margaret Goodwin,	10
Reuben Goodwin,	25
Mrs. Elsie Hines,	10
George B. Goodwin and wife,	35
Mrs. Laurena Goodwin,	10
Mrs. Helen Lennox,	10
Mrs. Priscilla Hamilton,	20
Ida Hamilton,	20
Amanda Murphy,	10
Mrs. Sarah J. Murphy,	10
Mrs. Barbara Murphy,	10

Bertha Murphy,	\$0 10	Jotham K. Johnson and wife,	\$0 25
Mrs. Matilda Goodwin,	10	Lucy Johnson,	05
Henry Goodwin,	25	Charles Johnson,	25
Comer Brand,	25	Mrs. Jeremiah Sims,	10
Caroline Montague,	10	Bertha M. Sims,	10
Mrs. Patience Montague,	10		
Nathan Montague,	10		\$5 01
Mrs. Barbara Hamilton,	05		
John Huskins,	25		
Mrs. Louisa Hines,	10		
Mr. Jeremiah Goodwin,	25		

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Tusket Church.

William Hatfield and wife,	\$0 35
Asa Robins and wife,	35
Foster Crosby,	25
Mrs. Hurlburt,	25
Mrs. John Blauvelt,	10
Mrs. Robert Blauvelt,	10
Mrs. N. Blauvelt,	10
Mrs. Joseph Jeffery,	10
Mrs. Jacob Hatfield,	10
Mrs. Stayley Hatfield,	10
Bessie Hatfield,	10
Addie Blauvelt,	10
Stephen Jeffery,	25

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Plymouth Church, Collected by Miss Hattie Sims.

W. J. Sims,	\$0 25
Zilpha Sims,	12
Ella Sims,	06
Eva Sims,	06
George W. Sims,	25
Leona Sims,	10
Fred. Sims,	20
Annie Sims,	10
Hattie G. Sims,	10
Nathaniel Sims,	37
Nettie Purdy,	10
George Purdy,	05
Mary W. Purdy,	10
Azuba Purdy,	10
Widow Baker,	10
Robert Baker and wife,	25
Lucy McKay,	10
Wm. Smith,	20

Collected by Bertha Sims.

Edward White and wife,	25
Wentworth Johnson and wife,	25
Emma Johnson,	10
Carrie Johnson,	10
Howard Johnson,	10
Byron C. Sims,	25
Maggie J. Johnson,	10
Joseph Johnson and wife,	30

Port Medway Church.

Mrs. Joseph Atkins,	\$0 10
Mary A. Atkins,	10
Mrs. Thomas Brown,	10
Spencer Cohoon and wife,	35
Freeman Cohoon and wife,	35
Rosie B. Cohoon,	10
Mrs. Edward Cohoon,	10
Ella Cohoon,	10
Dorcas Cohoon,	15
Eliza Cohoon,	15
D. L. Christopher,	25
Mrs. B. J. Dolliver,	10
Mrs. James Dolliver,	10
Samuel Dolliver and wife,	35
Mrs. Benjamin Foster,	10
Lois W. Foster,	10
Mrs. Joseph Letson,	10
Azuba Letson,	10
Mrs. Alex. Manthorne,	35
Edwin Morine and wife,	10
Eliza Morine,	10
Mrs. Neil McDonald,	10
Mrs. George Smith,	25
James E. Smith,	10
Lucy J. Smith,	25
Asa Morine,	35
Elisha Dolliver and wife,	35
Matilda Dolliver,	10

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Port Latour Church.

Deacon William Swim,	\$0 25
James Crowell and wife,	25
Seth Snow and wife,	32
Mrs. Jemima Swain,	10
Henekiah Huskins and wife,	35
James Crowell and wife,	45
William Powell and wife,	35
William D. Spinney,	25
Mrs. Joseph Snow,	10
N. Salisbury and wife,	35
Mrs. Nathan Snow,	10
Matilda Swain,	10
Mrs. Mercy Swain,	30
Mrs. Sarah Swain,	10
Joseph A. Smith and wife,	25
David Smith,	29
Prince Stoddart and wife,	29
Wm. Snow and wife,	30
Thomas D. Smith,	20

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Nathaniel H
Mrs. Maria S
Mrs. Grace S
Mrs. Lendal
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Mrs. John H
Addie Swim,
Mrs. Joseph
Mrs. Jane M
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Mrs. Susan C
Mrs. Henry V
Edward MCP
Mrs. Deziah H
Ellie G. MCP
Mrs. Rachel L
Mrs. John H
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Sophia Rogers,
Samuel Cushing
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Hallet Cole and
Stanley Cole,
Edward Smith a
Charles Dexter,
Lewis Minard,
S. N. Royal and
Estella Royal,
Mary Cushing,
S. Cushing,
Clara Stanley,

Sarah J. Crowell, \$0 10
 Mary J. Taylor, 10

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Port Mouton Church.

Nathaniel Hupman and wife, \$0 30
 Mrs. Maria Shankle, 12
 Mrs. Grace Smith, 10
 Mrs. Lendal Stewart, 10
 Solomon Stewart, senr., and wife, 35
 Mrs. John H. Smith, 12
 Addie Swim, 12
 Mrs. Joseph Verge, 10
 Mrs. Jane Moody, 12
 Mrs. Hannah Smith, 12
 Mrs. Susan Campbell, 12
 Mrs. Henry Wagner, 12
 Edward McPherson and wife, 12
 Mrs. Deziiah McPherson, 37
 Ellie G. McPherson, 12
 Mrs. Rachel Leslie, 12
 Mrs. John Hupman, 12
 Franklin Melhman, 35
 Moses Abbott and wife, 35
 Mrs. Wm. Colp, 38
 A Friend, 12
 Thomas Wagner and wife, 12
 Ebenezer Pierce and wife, 37
 Gamaliel Gardner and wife, 37
 Mrs. Pardon Gardner, 37
 Mrs. Hugh McLean, 12
 Solomon Stewart, jr., 12
 Lizzie De La Hays, 25

Harmony Church.

George Middlemas, \$0 25
 Charles M. Cushing and wife, 37
 James Cushing and wife, 37
 George Ross, 25
 Abbie Ross, 25
 Sophia Rogers, 25
 Samuel Cushing and wife, 37
 Charles Hempton, 12
 George Seldon, 12
 Robert Smith, 12
 Susie Smith, 12
 Hallet Cole and wife, 12
 Stanley Cole, 37
 Edward Smith and wife, 25
 Charles Dexter, 37
 Lewis Minard, 25
 S. N. Royal and wife, 25
 Estella Royal, 37
 Mary Cushing, 12
 S. Cushing, 12
 Clara Stanley, 12

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Sanford Church.

Silas Crosby and wife, \$0 35
 Elias Smith and wife, 25
 George Bower and wife, 25
 Matilda Churchill, 20
 Frances Wyman, 25
 George Wyman, 25
 Annie Thurston, 12
 Edith Harris, 12
 Arthur Ships, 10
 John Williams, 11
 Bertha Foote, 12
 Mrs. Elizabeth Rodney, 10
 Lorenda Thurston, 10
 John Scovil, 13
 Henry Coulson and wife, 10
 Mrs. Alvin Scovil, 25
 Miriam Churchill, 12
 Eliza Churchill, 12
 Jessie Churchill and wife, 35
 Nelson Churchill, 38
 Mrs. Ruth Churchill, 12
 Mrs. Eleazer Churchill, 10
 William Churchill and wife, 25
 Richard Churchill and wife, 35
 Samuel Trefry, 15
 Mrs. Charles Churchill, 10
 Eunice Bent, 12
 Mrs. William McCrae, 20
 Hannah Beveridge, 12

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Second Argyte Church.

Lizzie Reynard, \$0 10
 Mrs. Uriah Crowell, 10
 Phoebe Crowell, 10
 Mrs. Asa Crowell, 10
 Mrs. Benjamin Crowell, 10
 Benjamin Roberts, 25
 Ethel Roberts, 10
 Ephraim Roberts, 25
 Emerald Roberts, 10
 James R. Pitman and wife, 25
 Sarah Pitman, 10
 Alfretta Pitman, 10
 Oliver Pitman, 25
 Daniel Sargent and wife, 38
 Levinia Sargent, 12
 Wilson Sargent, 25
 Mrs. John Burrill, 10
 Charles Jeffery and wife, 35
 Mrs. George M. Frost, 10
 James R. Frost and wife, 25
 James Frost and wife, 35
 Agnes Sims, 10
 David B. Frost, 10
 George Frost and wife, 25
 A. W. Frost, 10
 Mrs. Emery Frost, 10
 Elkanah Travis and wife, 25

William Forbes and wife.	\$0	35
Mrs. Eliza Morrill,	20	25
William E. Abbott,	25	10
Mrs. Wm. E. Abbott,	15	10
Mrs. John Hobbs,	10	10
Mrs. Martha Roberts,	10	10
Mrs. Joseph H. Crowell,	10	10
Mrs. Stephen Nickerson,	10	10
Ella Abbott,	10	10
Bessie Roberts,	10	10
Mary Roberts,	10	10
Delaney Roberts and wife,	50	10
Clarissa M. Roberts,	25	10
Weymouth Roberts,	25	10
Joseph E. Abbott and wife,	25	10
James F. Roberts,	25	10
Hiram Roberts,	25	10
Althea Roberts,	25	10
Ezra C. Roberts,	25	10
Ella M. Roberts,	25	10
Warren Goodwin and wife,	35	10
Wentworth Goodwin,	25	10
Reuben Goodwin and wife,	35	10
Clara E. Goodwin,	10	10
Mrs. Isaac Kenney,	08	10
Orpha D. Kenney,	06	10
James Kenney,	25	10
Elmina Crowell,	10	10
Ford Crowell,	25	10
Darius Kenney,	25	10
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Lower Argyle.

Benjamin Hines,	80	25
Sophia Hines,	10	10
Grace Hines,	10	10
Ella Hines,	10	10
David Spinney,	25	10
Joanna Spinney,	40	10
Sarah Spinney,	10	10
Clara Woodlard,	10	10
Ezra Spinney,	25	10
Alva Spinney,	10	10
Estella Spinney,	30	10
Dennis H. Spinney,	25	10
Caroline Spinney,	10	10
Hannah Spinney,	10	10
Delina Hines,	10	10
Elvira Nelson,	10	10
Carrie Rankin,	10	10
Mrs. Albert Spinney,	10	10
Augusta Spinney,	10	10
Freeman Spinney,	25	10
Alfred Spinney,	40	10
Mrs. Anthony Seeley,	25	10
Isaac Ryder,	25	10
Mrs. Isaac Ryder,	10	10
Mrs. Lydia Seeley,	10	10
Edward Ryder,	25	10
Mrs. Edward Ryder,	10	10

Lyman Spinney,	\$0	25
Mrs. Lyman Spinney,	10	10
Henry Ryder,	25	10
Mrs. Henry Ryder,	10	10
Henry Ryder,	25	10
Luzetta Ryder,	10	10
Lorenzo Ryder,	25	10
William Ryder,	25	10
Mrs. Wm. Ryder,	10	10
Daniel Ryder,	25	10
Deborah Ryder,	10	10
John Ryder,	25	10
Howard Forbes,	25	10
Benjamin McLaren and wife,	35	10
Miner Spinney and wife,	35	10
Mrs. Lydia Owen,	10	10
Freeman Owen,	25	10
Emily Owen,	25	10
Harvey Ryder and wife,	35	10
Ethel Ryder,	10	10
James A. McLaren and wife,	35	10
Mrs. James H. Spinney,	12	10
Stephen Spinney,	35	10
Eugenie Spinney,	10	10
Mr. and Mrs. James Spinney, jr.,	30	10
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frost,	35	10
Mrs. Isaac Abbott,	20	10
James Frost,	25	10
Mr. and Mrs. James Gayton,	37	10
Eunice Gayton,	12	10
Annie Gayton,	12	10
Alva Pennington,	12	10
Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Spinney,	37	10
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gayton,	35	10
Nettie Gayton,	10	10
Adelbert Gayton,	25	10
Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spinney, sen.,	35	10
Jonathan Goodwin, sen., and wife,	35	10
A. Gayton and wife,	35	10
Ebenezer Spinney and wife,	37	10
Deborah Kinney,	10	10
Whitman Spinney, sen., and wife,	35	10
Benjamin Spinney and wife,	35	10
Amy Hamilton,	10	10
Ann Goodwin,	10	10
Mrs. Eliza Harding,	10	10
Belle Harding,	10	10
Whitman Spinney, jr., and wife,	45	10
Mrs. Maria Goodwin,	10	10
Mrs. Jonathan Goodwin, jr.,	08	10
Isaac Hamilton and wife,	10	10
Asenith Hamilton,	10	10
Jeremiah Harding and wife,	35	10
Mrs. Rebecca Goodwin,	10	10
William Goodwin,	25	10
Rebecca Hipson,	10	10
David M. Spinney and wife,	35	10
Elizabeth Goodwin,	10	10
James F. Harding,	25	10

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First Free B.

B. Minard,	
John Walker,	
Mrs. Susanna,	
Miss Katie M.,	
Mrs. Weldon,	
John B. Butch,	
Mrs. Margaret,	
George Hessel,	
Misses Midnight,	
Mrs. Tanner,	
Miss Agnes M.,	
William Smith,	
W. J. Robertson,	
Joseph Paytons,	
David Pace and	
Charles H. Merri-	
A. J. Cox and w.	
Alex. Frizzle and	
Miss Ella Inglis,	
Miss Hannah Gr-	
William Wilson,	
Miss Emma Wil-	
Miss Annie Dock-	
Mrs. H. T. Thor-	
Mrs. J. Saunders	
Mrs. J. B. Ipson,	
Mrs. T. Knight,	
Mrs. Frank Bak-	
Miss E. A. Camp	
Mrs. Mary Conne	
Miss Ellen Burns,	
Daniel Hiesler an	
Miss Ella Isner,	
E. H. Cooper and	
John H. Philips,	
C. E. Brockett,	
Mrs. E. Richards,	
John Andrews and	
Mrs. E. O'Connell,	
Miss Cecelia O'Con-	
Miss Mary Francis	
Mrs. E. Holland,	
Miss Lilia Holland	
Miss Bessie Hollan	
Miss Olivia Byers,	
Josiah Smith and	
Simeon Pace,	
Miss Ida Face,	
George Newcomb,	
Mrs. Annie Frankl-	
E. Smith,	
Mrs. Smith,	
Miss Emma Smith,	
J. McIntosh and w	
John Little and fam	

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First Free Baptist Church, Halifax.

B. Minard	\$0 35	David G. Daley	\$0 25-
John Walker and wife	25	Stillman Smith	25
Mrs. Susanna Robinson	25	Thirza Murphy	14
Miss Katie Myers	20	Seth Nickerson	25
Mrs. Weldon	25	Alfred Kenny	25
John B. Butcher	10	Judah Kenny	25
Mrs. Margaret Ryan	05	Ida May Shay	15-
George Hessler	10	Doane Nickerson	10
Misses Midnight	50	Mrs. Vincent Nickerson	05
Mrs. Tanner	05	Daniel Nickerson and wife	20
Miss Agnes M. Wilson	05	Colman Nickerson	10
William Smith	25	Mrs. Ephraim Stoddart	05-
W. J. Robertson and wife	25	Joseph Penny and wife	20-
Joseph Paytonson	10	Mrs. Jacob Penney	06
David Pace and wife	15	Sophia Penney	08
Charles H. Merlin	10	Mrs. George Nickerson	05-
A. J. Cox and wife	15	Mrs. Thomas Nickerson	05
Alex. Frizzle and wife	15	Mrs. Ephraim Nickerson	05
Miss Ella Inglis	10	Darius Nickerson	08
Miss Hannah Gray	05	Abijah Penney	10
William Wilson and wife	15	Mrs. Freeman Nickerson	07
Miss Emma Wilson	05	Lovett Swim and wife	15
Miss Annie Dockrill	05	Erince W. Penney and wife	15
Mrs. H. T. Thorborn	05	Albert Penney	10
Mrs. J. Saunders	05	Isaac Penney	10-
Mrs. J. B. Ipson	07	Mrs. David Atwood	05
Mrs. T. Knight	10	Mrs. Joseph Nickerson	05
Mrs. Frank Baker	05	Loemma Smith	05
Miss E. A. Campbell	15	Sarah Nickerson	05
Mrs. Mary Conners	10	Eliza Smith	05
Miss Ellen Burns	05	Mrs. Stewart Smith	05
Daniel Hiesler and wife	15	Israel Cunningham and wife	20
Miss Ella Imer	25	Mrs. Mark Atwood	10
E. H. Cooper and wife	15	May Smith	05
John H. Philips	25	Eunice Smith	10
C. E. Brockett	10	Grace Cunningham	05
Mrs. E. Richardson	05	Ruth A. Crowell	10
John Andrews and wife	15	Mrs. Alexander Phillips	05
Mrs. E. O'Connell	25	Thomas Kenny and wife	30
Miss Cecilia O'Connell	10	Charles Kenny	20
Miss Mary Francis	05	Henry Kenny and wife	35
Mrs. E. Holland	10	Mrs. Peter Kenny	25
Miss Lilia Holland	10	Mrs. Thomas Kenny	10
Miss Bessie Holland	10	Mrs. John W. Kenny	08
Miss Olivia Byers	05	Mrs. Reuben Smith	10
Josiah Smith and wife	15	Mrs. Philip Jones	10-
Simcon Pace	10	Mrs. C. Nickerson	10
Miss Ida Pace	05	Mrs. McCollum Nickerson	25
George Newcomb	25	Mrs. Lewis Nickerson	25
Mrs. Annie Frankln	05	Daniel Kenny and wife	35
E. Smith	15	Eliza Nickerson	05
Mrs. Smith	05	Maria Nickerson	05
Miss Emma Smith	05	Joshua Nickerson and wife	35
J. McIntosh and wife	35	Judah Nickerson and wife	25
John Little and family	35	J. L. Nickerson and wife	35
	\$7 02	Joseph Crowell	10
	\$0 25	Mrs. Peter Swim	10-
		Mrs. Samson Swim	10
		Mrs. George H. Swim	25
		Mrs. George Swim	20-
		Mrs. Job Swim	25-

Cape Island Church.

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Mrs. John L. Crowell,	\$0 25	Parker Smith,	\$0 25	
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	Voted to the Clerk for making out Minutes.....	20 00	
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and other claims will have to be met before the next Annual
Meeting.

J. I. PORTER, Treasurer.

WORLD'S MISSION SOCIETY

HOME MISSION SOCIETY

HELD AT CALIFORNIA SEPT. 1888

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NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST
FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY,
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SECOND ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
HOME MISSION SOCIETY,
HELD AT CALEDONIA, SEPT. 13th, 7.30, P. M.

President, Rev. F. Babcock, in the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. T. H. Siddall.

The Secretary read the Constitution of both Societies, after which the Election of Officers took place. (See list on outside page.)

The following Reports were then read by the Secretary-Treasurer, and adopted; also the Reports of Committees on Missions:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

It would be pleasing to your Executive to report abundant success; but such is not our favored position. We have to report that during the year our operations have been extremely small, and this not from lack of interest, but because of circumstances which have forced our efforts to be limited. As you are aware, the Womans' Aid Society has actively taken up the "Foreign Mission" interest among us. They have by their agencies worked our denominational field, and nobly they have done it.

At the opening of the year, your Executive, seeing the position of the Womans' Aid Society, also knowing the severity of the times, and the limited means at command in many of our churches, thought it advisable to allow our sisters to take care of our Foreign Mission interest. Perhaps in no year of our denominational history, in normal times, has there been a year when money was so hard to obtain for gospel purposes, and so little at the command of the people. In the judgment of many, the year closed has been, financially, the hardest of the long period of depression that has hung over the length and breadth of our Dominion.

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Happily, we believe, that signs are abundant that we are entering upon a period of commercial prosperity, and that soon our people will again enjoy means to enable them to sustain an interest they are anxious to uphold and advance. The little done is not a gauge of our interest in Foreign Mission work; but simply an indication of our depressed commercial relations. This year each pastor has found it hard to obtain means to sustain his position. Many of them have been obliged to labor for a sum not equal to the demands of reasonable wants. All our interests have been curtailed for lack of means. We regret we are thus obliged to present such a gloomy report, but we owe it to ourselves and the interest we represent.

We do not claim that all has been done that might have been done; perhaps more might have been accomplished if greater effort had been put forth, but with our Home Mission in a depressed condition we felt we could not do more than has been done.

From reports from the Mission Stations where the missionaries, representing the Free Baptists of this continent, are laboring, we learn of good work being done, and satisfactory progress. The small, but noble band, have, by their untiring zeal, made, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, an impression upon the dark regions committed to their care. Their operations and methods of work are direct and practical, opportunities are carefully husbanded, and wisely used for one end, namely: the salvation of those they seek in any way to influence. In all missionary efforts there is much preparation of the soil ere the good seed sown can take root, but amid all and through all the promise is, "my word shall not return unto me void." In missionary efforts, as in all other departments of human action, experience is at work reproving and enlightening. The years of toil in India have been fruitful in experience. To-day the experience gleaned by our missionaries is bearing rich fruit. Old methods of action are yielding to new and better modes of carrying on the work. To native teachers and helps, our missionaries are looking for the hope of their hearts. These teachers need instruction and careful tending. They will not and cannot destroy deep-seated habits, bred in the death and darkness of heathendom. In a few years, perhaps a new generation will have to come out of the loins of those who are struggling with the inbred habits of early life and association, ere strong native teachers will be at the service of our Master. But to such teachers Christendom hopes, if India is ever to be converted to the Lord. If our missionaries but succeed in raising up a class of teachers to carry on the work, their labors and efforts will have been amply rewarded; and all the money expended on missions will have been well spent. In a special manner our missionaries are to-day directing attention to the hope of India, and are with great wisdom carrying on the work of educating men and women, drawn from the country, to be the future teachers of their own people.

As a part of the British Empire, we have an interest in India. "The Queen of Canada is the Empress of India; as such she is not 'The lone mother of dead empires.'" If the star of India is to shine in the jewelled crown of England, it will not be by the rude power of the sword and the bayonet, but through the instrumentality of the sword of the Spirit. The gospel of peace is the gospel that will preserve and build up India's vast empire. For over 100 years the government of India has been placed in British hands, and "conquest's crimson wing" has fluttered largely with its unholy glory across that period. Happily, the combined influence of Christian thought at home and in India, has wrought a

more benign rule. To-day the arts of peace are seconding the efforts of our missionaries, the unhallowed influence of war with its hideous glory, the savage glitter of a colossal military establishment, is passing away, and sovereign rule is springing out of, and centering in, the holy truths that flow from the lips of those who are ambassadors from the court of Heaven. On commercial grounds we appeal for India; for as a vast empire we have a mutual interest, and there exists mutual dependence; we are all parts of one great whole; we are linked to India by ties of commerce. The missionary has ever been the forerunner of commercial intercourse, and the harbinger of true civilization. On the highest ground of Christian obligation we ask support to our mission interest. As a part of the great and growing Christian church, to whom is committed the evangelization of the world, we appeal to you to do what is possible to send forth means that those "who sit in darkness" may see and possess the glorious light of the Gospel. That Gospel has been to us the pearl of great price, "a savour of life unto life." Will you not in the name of the Lord strive to let those who are crying for light and knowledge share the joy we possess? List to the still small voice, obey, and many in the great day of the Lord will rejoice in the single efforts made to fulfill the command of our Lord and Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Knowest thou the value of a soul immortal?
Behold the midnight glory, world on worlds!

Amazing pomp! Redouble the amaze.

Ten thousand add, and twice ten thousand more;

Then weigh the soul. One soul outweighs them all."

T. H. SIDDALL,

Cor. Sec.-Treas. F. B. For. Missions of Nova Scotia.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

Your Executive cannot pitch a very high note, or strike a very high key! yet, during the year, "something has been attempted and something done." This year we have aimed to wipe out the debt that was contracted last year, and though not large, yet it has been all we could manage. We expect in this Annual Meeting to say we are free once more from the chain of debt.

No special effort has been made to obtain means except at our Annual and Quarterly Meeting gatherings. Something was planned, but circumstances prevented general action. Hard times have precluded resolute effort being made to obtain funds. Also, owing to our Pastorate system, our churches have had all they could do to support their own pastors. The Pastorate system has largely put an end to special mission work; what is now needed is to supplement the salaries of those pastorates that are not able to adequately support a pastor. We would strongly urge, during the month of January, 1881, that collections be taken in all our strong churches for the benefit of the Home Mission funds. For during the coming year efforts must be made to raise sufficient funds that all our pastorates may be supplied. We would also suggest to our members, who are able, to give an annual sum towards our Home Mission interest. In order that this may be done, we think that collectors might be appointed in every church, and cards printed for the purpose. We think that it would be wise for all our ministers, who have the charge of pastorates, to specially call attention to the need of systematic giving on the part of our membership. We hope the coming year will be marked by liberality and regularity of giving toward our various interests; but

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especially towards our Home Mission funds. To be strong we must help our weak churches, and as far as possible cover our entire denominational field. Our Home Mission interest has a peculiar and special claim upon us, and we cannot ignore it, if we are to do the work wisely, that God has committed to us as a people. Further, it is a demand upon us that we should lengthen our cords, and occupy fields open unto us. Fields we can occupy if we only had means to do so. Owing to lack of practical effort in the past, much has been lost to us we cannot now regain. And if we do not at once seek to possess fields of labor inviting sympathy we hold them, and they are waiting and watching for definite action on our part. Your Executive feel the full weight of the responsibility that rests upon them and earnestly desire to enlarge our borders and strengthen our weak churches; but we cannot "make bricks without straw." To the generous hearts of our denomination we look for help. We want money; it is a great and needed want just now. We want it in the name of the Lord for His cause, to do His work.

There are districts where no regular services have been held during the year, owing to the people being unable to sustain a regular pastor. It is not lack of interest, but positively lack of means that have forbidden them enjoying the services of pastoral help. Shall we care for Brahmins and Hindoos, and not care for our own "kith and kin,"—our own people? Every principle we profess forbids such a course of action. Let us then be true to ourselves and the Gospel we love, and the strong seem to help the weak. Let us give a little in order that much may flow back in return. The voluntary principal in church government we esteem, because it is of the Lord, but let us guard against its weakness in the strong forgetting the weak.

Our congregational polity we prize, because it is centred in New Testament truth, and is the only polity recorded therein; but true independency means the strength of all the body, linked together by a common faith, purpose and hope. Churches united in one denomination are weak or strong, according to the sympathetic chord that binds them together to one common head. Isolation means stagnation, if not death. Unity means strength. To conserve true independency within the folds of a denomination, there must be mutual love and mutual help for a common good.

While it is true that our distinctive principles as a body of people, are permeating churches not of our "faith and order," in which fact we rejoice, yet our work is not ended. Each generation has its own duty and mission to fulfil, and we have inherited a work to our own people, those who have succeeded the fathers who did a noble work, and have gone to their reward. The sons and daughters of this generation need to be impressed with our principles, and educated in the truth that sustained and quickened those who have gone to the home of the blessed. Shall we not show the same fidelity to our beloved principles as did our fathers? Shall we with all the lights, helps and advantages of our day do less and be less than those who planted our revered denomination? Shall we in sacrifice and labors move on a lower plane than they? The historic part with its fruitful memories, and the living present with its freighted obligations conjointly appeal to us to do and to suffer, if need be, for our Master's cause. Deeds, not words, is duty's call, for "True charity makes others want their own."

T. H. SIDDALL,

Cor. Sec.-Treas., N. S. F. B. Home Mission Society.

Rev. T. H. Siddall specially urged the need of more being done for Home Missions; and spoke of the work being done in India by the British Government, and the efforts being made to stop the evil traffic in opium.

Miss French then gave a stirring and practical address, reciting incidents in her experience while missionary in India. Her address was heartily received and appreciated.

Moved by Rev. T. H. Siddall, seconded by Rev. S. N. Royal, and unanimously carried,

"Whereas, We believe that the services of Miss French, among us in the interest of our Foreign Mission work, have been conducive to the strength and help of our interest;

Therefore Resolved, That we tender to her our sincere and heartfelt thanks."

Rev. Jos. McLeod, in an able speech, spoke of the importance of Foreign Mission work. His allusions to Miss Hooper were of the deepest interest. He strongly pleaded for systematic work and giving.

G. E. Cox, Esq., of Canning, made a neat and happy speech. Speaking of Home Missions, he said, although the times are hard we cannot do without the Gospel.

N. D. McGray, Esq., M. P. P., gave a pleasing address. He said systematic giving was a positive need if our interests are to be properly sustained. He thought the putting of an agent into the field to work up our various interests, would be a great advantage to us.

Bro. N. Crossley of Hants County, made a few interesting remarks.

Rev. S. N. Royal spoke of the conversion of our "men of the sea;" how important it was, that they might be Gospel messengers in their visits abroad.

Rev. B. Minard, in a timely speech, called attention to the value and importance of the "Card System" in gathering funds, and explained the method to the meeting.

The congregation was large and the interest of the meeting well sustained throughout. The speeches had the right ring about them.

Collection for both Societies, \$2.45. Donations for both Societies, \$13.55.

After singing, the President pronounced the benediction.

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At a meeting of the Executive of the Foreign Mission, held on Monday, it was—

Resolved, to send all moneys collected to F. W. B. F. M. S., to be for the benefit of Miss Julia Phillips.

T. H. SIDDALL,

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FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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1879-80.		Cr.	
Balance in hand.....			\$1 75
Sept. 15.	First Barrington Sabbath School.....		22 70
	Womans' Aid Society.....		322 07
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" 13.	Rev. W. C. Weston.....		2 00
	Mrs. Joseph Durkee, Carleton.....		1 00
	Collection at the Annual Meeting at Bear River.....		8 27
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HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

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	B. B. Woodworth, Esq.....		2 00
	Amos Scott, Esq., Yarmouth.....		1 00
	Rufus Crowell, Esq.....		1 00
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Sept. 13.	Licentiate A. Downey.....	50
	Miss Clattenberg, Port Medway.....	1 00
	Mrs. Joseph Durkee, Carleton.....	1 00
	Wilson Sims, Plymouth.....	1 00
	Mrs. N. S. Royal, Caledonia.....	1 00
	Collection at Annual Meeting held at Beaver River... ..	8 32
	Mrs. Hezekiah Huskins, Port la Tour.....	1 00
Nov. 22.	Collection at East Pubnico.....	3 87
Feb. 3.	“ “ Plymouth.....	7 13
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May 3.	Rev. Phillip Brown.....	25
Aug. 21.	Collection at Port la Tour.....	9 00

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Sept. 17.	Paid Rev. J. I. Porter on account of Mission to Lockport.....	\$12 00	
	“ Rev. Wm. M. Knollin, for Yarmouth.....	20 00	
	“ New letter book.....	70	
	“ Rev. J. I. Porter, received from Mrs. Hezekiah Huskins.....	1 00	
Feb. 6.	“ Rev. J. I. Porter.....	7 00	
June 6.	“ Rev. Wm. M. Knollin.....	2 90	
Aug. 8.	“ Rev. Wm. M. Knollin.....	1 00	
Sept. 2.	“ Rev. J. I. Porter.....	7 00	
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ANNUAL MEETING
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Owing to the Secretary-Treasurer being unable to attend, and failing to forward a Report, again we have no Report for the Minutes. We trust this is the last time we shall have to make a like confession.

SATURDAY EVENING, 7.30.

The Annual Meeting was held, the President, Rev. F. Babcock, in the Chair. Rev. T. H. Siddall acted as Secretary.

Prayer by Rev. Wm. Millar.

The Secretary read the Constitution, after which the election of officers took place.

President: Rev. B. Minard. Vice-Presidents: Revs. William Downey and F. Babcock.

Secretary-Treasurer: Wilson Sims, Esq.

Executive: T. H. Siddall, T. O. DeWitt, J. I. Porter, J. E. Cushing and A. Gayton, M. P. P.

The President in his opening address spoke of the demands of the age, and urged more interest in Educational work.

Rev. T. H. Siddall said the Lord demanded the best in His service, and ignorance was not the best. An educated minister was a power, an uneducated one a weakness.

Rev. B. Minard made a telling speech full of good thought and facts, in which he set forth the advantages of a sound education.

N. D. McGray, Esq., M. P. P., said education had his thorough sympathy. It is our duty to aid our young men to obtain a good education. In our Quarterly Meetings we ought to bring forward the question and press it upon the attention of the people.

Rev. J. I. Porter in a happy speech said he could not understand how any person could doubt the demand for an educated ministry.

Rev. Wm. Downey, as usual, made a good speech, seasoned with the brother's felicitious wit and humour.

MINUTES
OF
ELDERS' CONFERENCE.

Met on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Opened with singing. Prayer by Rev. W. C. Weston.

Present: Revs. W. C. Weston, J. L. Porter, Wm. Downey, F. Babcock, T. O. DeWitt, B. Minard, T. H. Siddall, P. M. Brown and Wm. Millar.

Rev. S. N. Royal was chosen Moderator; Rev. P. M. Brown was chosen Vice-Moderator; Rev. T. H. Siddall, Secretary.

The Secretary then read the Constitution.

The Secretary explained the action taken by the church at Kemptville with regard to Bro. P. M. Brown, and read the resolution passed by the church and congregation.

After a general conversation, the following resolution was cordially and unanimously passed:

"That this Conference endorse the action taken by the church at Kemptville, with regard to Bro. P. M. Brown, and further express our complete confidence in him, and cheerfully recommend him to all God's people as an upright Christian minister."

The attention of the Conference was then called to certain remarks made by Bro. DeWitt at the Fourth Quarterly Meeting of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting, held at Port la Tour.

After mutual explanations were made, Bro. DeWitt made an apology for the unadvised remarks made on that occasion.

After the benediction the Conference adjourned at 6.30, to meet on Thursday morning at 8.30.

Prayer by Rev. Wm. Millar.

Present, in addition to those named: Rev. J. F. Smith, Licentiate A. G. Downey, and Rev. Jos. McLeod, Corresponding Delegate of the F. C. B. of N. B.

Resolved, That the consideration of the question of receiving persons baptized by an unordained person be taken up in General Conference.

Resolved, That Revs. J. F. Smith, W. C. Weston, and Wm. Downey be a Committee to draft a resolution bearing on the question for consideration.

Adjourned at 9.45, to meet on Friday morning at 8.30.

Prayer by Bro. DeWitt.

FRIDAY MORNING, 8.30.

Prayer by Rev. Jos. McLeod.

The consideration of the question named and considered in the last session was taken up, and occupied the time of the entire session.

The following resolution was adopted, and passed as a recommendation to General Conference:

Whereas, The matter of receiving certain persons into our churches as members, who have been baptized by a disqualified person, has been referred to us by the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting;

And Whereas, We believe, according to the practice of all Baptist Churches, and according to our rules and usage, that no person is authorized to administer the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper except a regularly ordained minister in good standing;

And Whereas, According to our rule and usage, a candidate for membership of any of our churches must be baptized by a regularly ordained minister in good standing;

And Whereas, According to the rules of our polity, each Church has control of its own internal affairs;

Therefore Resolved, That we leave the matter in the hands of the different churches, to act as wisdom may dictate and circumstances may demand.

Adjourned at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, 8.30.

Prayer by Bro. Millar.

The matter of the ordination of Bro. A. G. Downey having been referred to Elders' Conference, it was taken up and carefully considered. After a general conversation, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, Bro. A. G. Downey has agreed to complete his course of studies, and especially his Theological course;

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And Whereas, While we believe that it is not wise to ordain young men until they have completed their course of studies, yet, regarding the circumstances of the present case, we recommend the General Conference to ordain him;

Further Resolved, We strongly urge upon him the need of completing his course of studies as soon as convenient.

Adjourned at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY EVENING, 9.30.

A session of two hours was had to confer with each other.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Bro. F. Babcock.

Resolved, We recommend General Conference that in future the preacher of the Annual Sermon, shall be chosen according to seniority of service in connection with said Conference.

Resolved, That the Annual Sermon shall in future be a subject of discussion and friendly criticism in Elders' Conference, for mutual benefit and help.

Resolved, We adjourn at the call of the Moderator.

MONDAY EVENING, 11, P. M.

A session of two hours and a half was held in discussing matters purely of a private character, affecting the general interests of the denomination.

The sessions of Elders' Conference this year were numerous, owing to the many important questions that had to be considered. The work done was good and of a good tendency. Much prayer and earnest thought was given to the various subjects that came before the Conference.

T. H. SIDDALL, *Secretary*.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

— MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2.30.

The meeting was opened by singing. Prayer by Rev. Wm. Millar.

President, Rev. J. F. Smith, presiding.

A good company was present.

Rev. S. N. Royal, Secretary-Treasurer, read the Constitution; also the Minutes of last meeting, which were passed.

The election of officers for the ensuing year, resulted as follows:

President, Rev. S. N. Royal. Vice-Presidents, Revs. G. E. Sturgis, M. D., P. M. Brown, T. O. DeWitt, A. G. Downey and M. D. McGray, Esq.

Executive Committee: Revs. J. F. Smith, S. N. Royal, F. Babcock, Josiah Hopkins and Robert Sims.

The Report of Committee of Sabbath Schools was read and adopted, and an interesting discussion thereon took place. The following, among others, spoke: Revs. B. Minard, A. G. Downey (who specially spoke of the merits of the First Barrington School, as one of the best schools in the country), Wm. Downey, F. Babcock and N. D. McGray, M. P. P., T. C. Crowell, Esq., and G. E. Cox, Esq.

The letter from the First Barrington Church was very interesting; would that all our schools would take the same pains to sustain the Convention.

T. H. SIDDALL, Recording Secretary.

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NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST
TEMPERANCE LEAGUE

First meeting was held on Monday Evening, 7.30 P.M., Rev. S. N. Royal, Moderator, presiding.

A large congregation was present.

The Secretary read the Report of Committee on Temperance.

After a few introductory remarks from the Chairman, Rev. T. H. Siddall explained the "Canada Temperance Act," and showed that it was superior to the Local Licensing Law. That it aimed at Prohibition—whereas the Local Law was a License Law.

Rev. Jos. McLeod in an exhaustive and able speech enforced the blessings that accrue from sound temperance work. He especially dwelt upon the good accomplished in Fredericton, N. B., by the adoption of the "Canada Temperance Act," and earnestly pleaded for its adoption in Queens County, N. S.

The following resolution was triumphantly passed:

"That in the opinion of this meeting it is the duty of all temperance men at once to seek the adoption of the "Canada Temperance Act," and further, we pledge ourselves, if submitted to the people, to give our vote and support."

The meeting was one of the best of the session and was heartily enjoyed.

Officers of the League appointed by General Conference:

President: N. D. McGray, Esq., M. P. P. Vice-Presidents: Revs. D. Oram, Wm. Downey and B. Minard.

Secretary-Treasurer: Rev. T. H. Siddall.

Executive Committee: A. Gayton, Esq., M. P. P., Byron Sims, Revs. J. F. Smith, Wm. Millar and A. G. Downey.

OBJECT: To establish Temperance Societies in connection with all our churches, and to propagate the principles of total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors; and the entire prohibition of the sale, manufacture and importation of the same.

The League is to be under the control of General Conference, and its doings to form part of the Conference work.

Resolution passed in General Conference:

Resolved, "That the Executive of the Temperance League have power to arrange rules, and a ritual for the use of all Societies, to be affiliated with the League."

The Executive will at once carry out the above resolution, so that the League may get to work.

T. H. SIDDALL, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

The Executive of the League has been instructed to carry out the above resolution, and to arrange rules and a ritual for the use of all Societies to be affiliated with the League. The Executive has the honor to announce that it has now completed its work in this regard, and has arranged a ritual for the use of all Societies to be affiliated with the League. This ritual is now ready for use, and will be sent to all Societies to be affiliated with the League. It is hoped that this will be of great service to all Societies to be affiliated with the League, and that it will help to bring about a more uniform and effective work in all Societies to be affiliated with the League.

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE

Free Baptist Women's Foreign Mission Society of Nova Scotia,

HELD AT GALESDONIA, QUEEN'S COUNTY, SEPT. 9th and 10th, 1890.

Officers and members convened in the Temperance Hall on Thursday, P. M., 2 o'clock. President, Mrs. J. F. Smith, in the Chair. Opened by singing and prayer. In absence of the Recording-Secretary, Susie Smith was chosen Secretary, *pro tem.*

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Constitution read. Then proceeded to election of officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

PRESIDENT—Mrs. J. F. Smith.

1st VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. S. N. Royal.

2ND " " " " Mrs. T. O. DeWitt.

3RD " " " " Mrs. M. Tooker.

COR. SECRETARY-TREASURER—Mrs. James Cushing.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Rhoda A. Hopkins.

DISTRICT SECRETARY, No. 1.—Miss Susie Smith.

" " " " No. 2.—Miss Azuba Letson.

" " " " No. 3.—Mrs. Henry Coffin.

" " " " No. 4.—Mrs. R. H. Crowell.

" " " " No. 5.—Miss May Hilton.

" " " " No. 6.—Mrs. N. McGray.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE—Mrs. R. H. Crowell, Mrs. F. Babcock and Mrs. John Marshall.

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE—Mrs. James Burke, Mrs. Geo. Nickerson, Miss Ada Corning, Mrs. Henry Coffin and Miss Hannah Gray.

A Committee to make arrangements for the Public Meeting was then appointed, as follows: Mrs. F. Babcock, Mrs. R. H. Crowell and Susie Smith.

Miss French, returned missionary and delegate from United States, after being introduced by Mrs. Crowell, made some very interesting remarks about the work their Societies are doing.

Resolved, That Susie Smith be Auditor during the session.

On motion, adjourned to meet in the church, Friday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

J. H. KIBBELL

FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

President in the Chair. Officers and members present. Opened by singing a hymn, reading parts of the 126 Psalm and 16th Chapter of Matthew by Mrs. Babcock, and prayer by Rev. B. Minard. Singing, "The World for Christ."

The Corresponding Secretary, after some appropriate remarks, gave a full report of the work done in the Societies during the year, showing the amount of money raised to be \$375.21.

Mrs. R. H. Crowell, delegate to the Freewill Baptist Womans' Foreign Mission Society, held in New Hampshire, then gave a very interesting report of her visit to that Society. She spoke of the cordial welcome extended to her by the band of noble workers whom she there met, and the encouragement she received by mingling with them, and the interchange of sympathies and ideas respecting our good work. She referred, as a partial result of this delegation, to the fact of Miss French's presence with us as a delegate to us from that Society, and the good that her visit among us had doubtless accomplished.

Then followed Miss French's able and instructive lecture on "Hindustan," which was listened to with deep interest by an attentive audience.

Rev. J. F. Smith made a few appropriate and interesting remarks. Collection was taken, amounting to \$5.60.

Closed by singing "From Greenland's icy mountains."

At a special meeting of the W. F. M. Society, held Sept. 13th, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, The *Missionary Helper*, the organ of the F. B. W. F. M. Society, has proved a valuable assistant in our work;

Therefore Resolved, That we commend it for the able manner in which it is conducted, the reliable and interesting matter it contains, and the cheap price of publication; and

Further Resolved, That we request the General Conference of Nova Scotia to pass a resolution in commendation of this Magazine, and recommending its further circulation in all the churches.

Resolved, That Mrs. Wm. Downey be a delegate from this Society to the Womans' F. M. Society of New Brunswick.

SUSIE SMITH, *Rec. Sec., pro tem.*

For resolutions regarding Miss French and *Missionary Helper*, see *General Minutes*.

T. H. SIDDALL, *Assistant Clerk.*

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REPORT OF COR. SEC. AND TREASURER OF FREE BAPTIST
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DEAR FRIENDS—Another year has flown rapidly by, and to-day we are expected to make some report of what has been accomplished during its flight. We hope we may not be deemed despondent if we say, in view of what has been done, that although many have toiled nobly, yet we bring our scanty offering with shame into the presence of the Master, who has a right to expect much more of us. When we remember that Jesus, the Son of the Most High, came from heaven to earth, and thus became the founder of Christian missions, and think how he traversed the cities and villages of Judea, bearing on his lips the tidings of salvation, we see how assiduous were his missionary toils. How little thought his enemies, when his persecuted followers were driven out from their homes and went everywhere preaching the word, that the seeds of truth were being more rapidly disseminated perhaps than they would have been by any other means.

The history of missions is simply wonderful. How noble and illustrious are the hallowed men who have labored in this work of charity and faith. Among the rude Indian tribes of America behold the simple-hearted Elliott and the fervent Brainerd. Among the enslaved and tortured sons of Africa in the West Indian Isles we see the indefatigable Coke followed by Smith and Knibb, and a numerous train of faithful men. On India's wide, extended and densely populated continent how many faithful men have lifted up the saving ensign of the cross—Ward, Carey, Heber, Bampton, as well as our own loved Bachelor and Phillips.

In Africa's dreary desert, Moffat, Shaw and Philip have sown the seed of gospel truth. We may not stop to mention others who have been moved to holy action, but we would say we believe the spirit of the Christian should be eminently missionary; for the love of Jesus constrains the heart to feel for all our helpless race.

Our missionaries tell us that one of the first things that impress them on landing in India is the immense amount of work to be done and the few there are to do it. Crowds of women are literally waiting to be taught, and it becomes their continual study how time can be so husbanded as to press the greatest amount of work into each day. Such a strain on nerve and brain, together with the heat of the climate, must, as it does, tell on the strongest constitution.

Doctor Phillips, whom many of you remember with pleasure, has been suffering from illness, no doubt the result of the same cause.

Eager eyes looking longingly to Christian lands for light; voices calling earnestly for Christian teachers; eager hands stretched out for the bread of life, should not be lightly regarded. Then, dear sisters, while we as Christian women perceive in the gospel the only hope of our sex for raising them from ignorance, degradation and misery, let us put heart into our work; and to you, mothers, especially, we would say, train up your children in the spirit of earnest sympathy with those who preach the word of life in distant climes, and train them in the art of giving of their substance, however small, and let us pray God will raise our world from pagan woes and the rites of dark idolatry.

MRS. JAS. E. CUSHING, *Corresponding Secretary.*

THE WOMANS' F. M. SOCIETY IN ACCOUNT WITH

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DISTRICTS.	Number of Members.	Amount Raised.	TOTAL.
District No. 1.—Miss Susie Smith, District Secretary.			
Halifax, received from Quarterly Meeting,		\$4 39	
" " " " " Miss. Prayer Meeting,		2 18	
" " " " " Sabbath School,		2 25	
" " " " " Womans' F. M. Society		13 68	
Harmony,	15	12 73	
" Juvenile Band (for support of a native teacher),		25 00	\$90 23
District No. 2.—Miss A. Letson, District Secretary.			
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District No. 3.—Mrs. B. B. Woodworth, District Secretary.			
Canning,		6 50	\$6 50
District No. 4.—Mrs. R. H. Crowell, District Secretary.			
Barrington,	83	45 52	
Dr.'s Cove,	11	6 25	
Bear Point,	16	5 45	
" Juvenile Band,		42	
Shag Harbor,	19	13 50	
East Pubnico,		13 63	
West Pubnico, Collection,		1 00	
Glenwood,		3 10	
Lower Angle,		5 00	
Centerville, C. S. I.,		21 65	
Clark's Harbor,		8 28	
Port la Tour,		7 00	
Cape Negro Island,		50	\$135 68
District No. 5.—Mrs. F. Babcock, District Secretary.			
Yarmouth,		15 27	
Little River,		5 90	
Carleton, Juvenile Society,		9 58	
" Mrs. S. Durkes,		1 00	
Kempt,		4 80	
Beaver River, Juvenile Society,		21 06	
" Auxiliary Society,		10 00	
Sanford,		4 00	
Plymouth,		5 15	
" Miss Emma Cook,		1 00	\$76 36
" Mrs. E. A. McGray, Cape Island, to constitute herself a life member,		20 00	\$90 00
Collected by Miss French,			50 65
Collection at Annual Meeting, Caledonia,			5 60
Credited to 1879, but collected this year,			10 00
Collected at Lunenburg,			10 19
Carried forward,	144		\$376 21

Paid to Miss French
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1879. RECEIVED
Oct. 22. Amount in
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Jan. 6. T. C. Crowell
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Jan. 9. To sent by postal order,
" Postal order,
Mar. 5. To cash by receipt,
July 24. To cash by receipt,
" Rev. B. M. Wilson
" To cash by postal order

Balance due

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Brought forward,

	Dr.		\$375 21
Paid to Miss French, as per vote,			
Remitted to E. N. Fernald for F. W. B. M. S., for Mrs. Burkholder's salary, &c., native teacher,		\$25 00	
Cost of remittance and postage,		346 00	
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Balance in hand, exclusive of balance named last year; \$10 of which was collected and paid in to Treasurer this year,			\$374 25
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MRS. J. E. CUSHING, Cor. Sec. and Treas.

HALIFAX MISSION.

Halifax Mission in Account with Rev. J. I. Porter, Treasurer.

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"	Israel Wilson,	"	Seth Smith,	2 68	
"	J. P. D. Crowell,	"	M. D. McGray,	5 35	
"	Isaac Hopkins,	Feb. 28.	T. O. DeWitt,	70	
"	Rhoda A. Hopkins,	Apr. 12.	B. F. Corvell,	15 00	
"	Frank Hopkins,	Sept. 10.	Charles D. Crowell,	1 05	
"	Nathan Hopkins,		Lewis Minard,	4 00	
"	Joseph Hopkins,		From the Conference Fund, as		
"	Josiah Hopkins,		per vote of Conference,	50 00	
"	T. W. Wilson,		Total amount credit,	\$132 44	
1880.					
Jan. 9.	To sent by postal order to Rev. B. Minard,	Dr.			
"	Postal order, &c.,			\$75 00	
Mar. 5.	To cash by registered letter,			50	
July 24.	To cash by postal order, care of N. D. McGray, to Rev. B. Minard,			10 05	
"	To cash by postal order,			140 00	
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MINISTERS' RELIEF SOCIETY.

The Free Baptist Minister's Relief Society in Account with J. I. Porter,
Treasurer.

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Balance in hand, \$25 00

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To paid Rev. A. Swim, as per vote of Executive, Sep-
tember, 1880, \$25 00

Our funds being exhausted, it is hoped our friends will not
forget the claims of the Society.

J. I. PORTER, Treasurer.

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