

soon have congregations that would in a short time be self-supporting, and become helpers in sending the gospel to others.

Rev. P. R. Foster expressed strong interest in the Baptist church at Shelburne, and was willing to be one of ten to sustain a minister in that place. He said Bro. Jones of Liverpool had also intimated his readiness to join to the same extent in behalf of that mission.

Rev. James Parker said he felt that efforts should be made by the Missionary Board to place efficient men at several places where there were a few Baptists surrounded by a large population such as Shelburne and Annapolis. Believing in the power of truth to act on the people, and that men are ready to hear the gospel he regarded as highly encouraging for such labor.

Mr. B. Miller who had labored as a licentiate described the destitution which he had found in places where he had labored, and the readiness of the people to hear when the gospel is taken to them.

Mr. Syme gave a warm-hearted, earnest address on the need of labor along the southern shores of the province.

Rev. D. W. Crandall gave some account of missionary work in Charlotte County, N. B., and the evidences of good resulting therefrom. Not only had there been conversions following, but after laboring two or three months, the character of places became entirely changed.

Rev. W. G. Parker thought that the pastors of churches should more frequently go out and preach in neglected places.

The Reports were adopted. A fraternal letter was read from Rev. Dr. Cramp, at Montreal, who had been prevented by sickness from meeting with the Association. It contained some excellent suggestions respecting students and candidates for the Christian ministry.

The Circular Letter on The Support of Ministers was read by the writer, Rev. John Rowe, and adopted.

ACADIAN FRENCH MISSION.

On Monday evening the French Mission Report was made the subject of discussion.

Speeches were made of varied excellence by Revs. M. Normondy, C. Randall, A. Cogswell, J. U. Morse, and others. The substance of these addresses will be found in the following extracts from the highly interesting Report of the Board:

Soon after our last Report your Board obtained a Title to the Mission Premises at Saulnierville. After paying all available funds a debt of \$1000, remained for which a Mortgage on these premises was given. To the raising of this debt your Board have devoted their chief endeavours during the past year. It was again found necessary to take your Missionary from his mission field, in which all his labor is so much needed, to perform an agency to the churches, in which he has spent 22 weeks with very encouraging results. Never before in all our mission history have our Churches responded to our call for aid more liberally. Our agent for want of time and on account of temporary ill health was unable to visit all our churches yet from those visited he collected the sum of \$1000.70 leaving uncollected pledges to the amount of \$270.60.

Your Board have great pleasure in reporting that Bro. Joseph Shaw and wife have again come to our aid most nobly by making a donation of \$1000 the interest of which is to be used for the support of a Mission School. With this sum your Board have taken up the Mortgage on the premises at Saulnierville thus at once funding it for its legitimate use, and freeing the Mission of a debt which for a long time has embarrassed us. Just here in view of our financial success we will set up the "stone of help," and say, "hitherto the Lord hath helped us."

On the 2nd of March a Mission Church was organized consisting of 33 members, 29 of whom are converts of the Mission 10 are converts from Romanism. This was an occasion of great interest to the friends of the Mission. This Church by unanimous concurrence chose the Rev. M. Normondy our Missionary, as their Pastor, and their affection for him is a very gratifying omen. In their choice your Board fully concurs. \* \* \*

To all who have aided us we are very grateful. The noble generosity of our Churches encourages us to enlarge our operations, hoping thus by the blessing of God to save many from the fearful darkness of Romanism; and, to greatly increase the piety and privileges of our Churches.

These are most encouraging facts. The Committee have now two mission houses, and hope soon to have two missionaries employed.

A suggestion was offered that a house of worship would be soon required in connection with the Mission premises at Saulnierville. It was proposed that a collection be taken up forthwith, for commencing a fund for that purpose, the sum of \$28.13 was contributed.

THE "CHRISTIAN MESSENGER."

Some interest was felt as to what would be the best way of expressing the views of the Association on the Messenger. Although there have been warm expressions of approval given by nearly the whole body each

successive year, yet two or three of the brethren, for reasons which are generally well understood, have, for the last two or three years, manifested a hostile position, and threatened to destroy the harmony of the Association if their views were not acceded to in this matter.

On Saturday the Committee of Arrangements reported, nominating committees on the several subjects as usual. But, instead of naming a Committee on the Messenger, gave in their report with two motions that had been made—one against and the other for such Committee.

This report the Association refused to accept, as it gave the minutes rather than a recommendation, and it was consequently referred back to the Committee. On Tuesday morning the Committee reported again, nominating a Committee on the Messenger, to report on Wednesday morning. This was, however, unsatisfactory to the Association, as a large number of the brethren would be unable to remain till Wednesday.

Under these circumstances Rev. Isaiah Wallace read the following resolution and offered it as a solution of the difficulty. Whereupon Rev. N. Vidito charged him (Mr. W.) with inconsistency his being the mover of the resolution in the Committee's report. Mr. Wallace shewed that the course he had pursued was perfectly consistent.

Hereupon Rev. Chas. Randall adopted the resolution read by Mr. Wallace, and moved it as follows:

Whereas, This Association has been informed that in the Committee of Arrangement and Nomination, the Rev. N. Vidito moved and the Rev. George Armstrong seconded, a resolution, That there be no Committee on the Christian Messenger; and further that the Rev. Isaiah Wallace moved and the Rev. John Rowe seconded in amendment, That a Committee on the Christian Messenger be appointed. Which amendment was carried by a vote of seven to three.

And whereas, A good paying and increasing list of Subscribers—such as that of Clements, nearly the whole of whom invariably pay in advance, under the agency of James E. Potter, Esq.—is the best criterion of approval.

And whereas, Bro. Selden, has intimated his desire for the unity and unanimity of this body and of the denomination generally; and in pursuance of this desire respectfully requests the adoption of the resolution moved by Bro Vidito in committee,

Therefore Resolved, That Bro. Selden's request—in harmony with the motion of Brethren Vidito and Armstrong—be granted; and that the Committee on the Christian Messenger be dispensed with for the present session.

This was seconded by Rev. W. H. Richan and unanimously carried.

The vote was given with much heartiness and satisfaction, and although quite a number of brethren said they would have preferred taking the usual course, yet after knowing our request they were willing to adopt this motion.

After putting the resolution and hearing the universal "Aye," and then the perfect silence when the "Nays" were called for, the Moderator exclaimed "Thank God for unanimity!"

We may just remark that whilst we dearly love Peace, yet we are not prepared to recommend at all times submission to the opinion of others, or to adopt a "Peace at any price" policy, as by so doing excellent brethren might be subjected to a state of bondage to two or three persistent, overbearing men. Still we would sometimes prefer by way of forbearance, making concession, if by so doing we could do good to others, subserve the interests of the denomination, and promote the cause of Christ.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported, and good speeches were given on the subject by Revs. M. P. Freeman, E. O. Read and James Parker.

The Education Report was presented by Rev. Dr. Sawyer. On doing so he shewed that this was a subject on which more of the business men of the denomination should give their energies. It must be taken up as a sanctified business matter, and it would afford large returns and abundant compensation. He shewed in a few words that no general university would supply the wants of the Baptist body. Such an institution must either recognize some religion or no religion, and in either case would make demands which Baptists could not concede. He shewed that our great need at the present time was an enlarged Collegiate Academy suited to the times. The county Academies do not supply the necessities of students for a Collegiate course. He argued strongly in favor of these two institutions may be combined so as to give greater efficiency to both.

Rev. J. C. Morse made an excellent speech shewing the crippling effects of defective education in ministers.

Rev. George Armstrong said he fully

agreed with Dr. Sawyer that the County Academies are not able to do what we want for students in preparation for College. Neither were they interwoven with our people, so as to enlist their feelings, and we therefore need a thoroughly efficient Academy as much as ever.

Rev. Isaiah Wallace moved a resolution approving of the erection of new Academy Buildings at Wolfville and pledging assistance; which was carried.

The Report of the Board of Infirm Ministers and Widows Fund was presented and approved. Several appropriations were also made.

The Report on Temperance was read and addresses on the subject by Revs. Dr. Tupper and Vidito.

Other reports were presented: on Obituaries, Sabbath Observance and Foreign Missions, and suitable addresses made.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Convention: Brethren S. Freeman, Israel Harding, W. H. Balcom, A. T. Baker, and Jacob Kempton.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the people of Clements for their kindness in entertaining the delegates, and the Association adjourned to meet at Nietaux, on the last Saturday in September, 1871.

THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF N. S. & N. B., held its Annual Meeting in the Union Street Church, St. John, N. B. The series of meetings commenced on Thursday evening, Sep. 15th, when the annual sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Elliott, of Halifax.

On the 16th, after transacting the routine business, Rev. J. Elliot was elected Chairman for the ensuing year. Rev. Charles Duff, the retiring Chairman, read an address on the position of the Congregationalist body, and the stirring events of the past year. In the afternoon, Rev. Wm. Carruthers, from Maine, gave an address on the present year as the 250th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers from the Mayflower, at Plymouth Rock.

On the 17th, the committee of the Union was elected:

Revs. J. Elliott, R. K. Black, S. G. Dodd, J. G. Baylis, Hon. F. Tupper, Capt. N. K. Clements, and Messrs. J. Woodrow, H. P. Bridges, and Robert H. Skimmings.

It was also agreed that the Union accept the invitation to hold its next Annual Meeting in Salem Chapel, Halifax, in September, 1871.

AFRICAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—We have received the following report of the recent gathering of this body, held, we believe at Preston:—

The third session of the African Baptist Association commenced on Saturday, Sept. 24th, 1870, at 7 o'clock. Rev. H. Francis read Revelation xiv. chapter.

Sunday, 25.—Met pursuant to adjournment at 1/2 past 10 o'clock. Preaching by the Rev. Henry Francis from Revelation xxii. 2, followed by the Rev. George R. Neale, F. Randolph, and E. Dickson. Adjourned to 3 o'clock. Met pursuant to adjournment. Preaching by the Rev. D. Shaw, from Isaiah xxvi. 1, followed by P. Randolph. Adjourned to 7 o'clock. In the evening Brother F. Randolph preached from Romans viii. 35, followed by the Rev. Henry Francis, H. Bailey, G. Carvery, P. Hawkins, Rev. Benson Smithers, and Rev. George R. Neale, and a great many more of the brethren. Truly we spent a happy day.

P. J. HAWKINS, Clerk.

A letter from Rev. Dr. Cramp, at Montreal, came to hand just as we were going to press but too late for this week. His health is somewhat restored, but not fully established.

Notices, &c.

CENTRAL BOARD OF WOMEN'S AID MISSION SOCIETIES.

Received from Mr. George Trask, West Yarmouth	\$4 00
" " Mrs. T. A. Higgins Wolfville	6 50
" " Miss Faulkner, Truro	42 00
" " Mrs. Mary McNeill Clementevale	\$9 86
Loss on U. S. silver	22
" " Mrs. Abram Grant Weymouth	9 64
" " M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.	10 00

Oct. 4th, 1870.

COLCHESTER COUNTY BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The annual meeting of this Convention, will be held at Lower Stewiacke, on the second Friday in October, commencing at 2 o'clock, P.

M. The Superintendent at Lower Stewiacke, will announce the hour for the evening session. We hope the committee appointed at the last meeting at Brookfield, will be able to report favourably.

A. J. WALKER, Sec'y.

Truro Oct. 1st, 1870.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

The Rev. J. E. Balcom has entered upon an agency in behalf of the above Institution. He intends visiting the Churches for this object during the ensuing financial year. The services of Bro. Balcom are given gratuitously, and it is hoped that the spirit of whole-hearted generosity with which he has thus consecrated himself to the work, will be met by a similar disposition on the part of those to whom his appeals are made.

By order,

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y.  
Wolfville, Aug. 29th, 1870.

Letters Received.

J. M. Parker, Esq., \$26.14. Rev. S. B. Kempton. Dr. Webster. J. Baker. D. Robinson, J. J. Parker. J. J. Hale. M. L. T. Witter. J. E. White. J. H. Hall, 1 sub., \$4. G. Morrow, 1 sub. M. E. Benton. W. J. Gates, \$14. G. W. Erceeman, Esq., \$6.50. Rev. Dr. Tupper. G. V. Rand. H. Mills. G. B. McNutt, Esq., \$5. A. G. Walker.

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FANCY SALE AND TEA MEETING!

There will be a Fancy Sale and Tea Meeting at the Ladies' Seminary, Middleton, Wilnot, on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26th, commencing at 2 o'clock, P. M. Contributions in Refreshments or Fancy articles will be thankfully received by the Committee, Misses M. R. Eaton, C. F. Sibbold, A. M. Harris, E. J. Hills, E. Smyth. ADMISSION 12 1/2 CENTS. Middleton, Oct. 1st.



INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

THE Commissioners appointed for the construction of the Intercolonial Railway give PUBLIC NOTICE that they are prepared to receive TENDERS for the three remaining Sections of the Line, all in the Province of N. W. Brunswick.

Section No. 21 will begin at the Easterly end of Section No. 20, one and three quarter miles East of the River Miramichi and will extend to Station No. 1040, three thousand feet Westery from the River Kouchibouguac, a distance of about 25 miles. Section No. 22 will extend from the Easterly end of Section No. 21 to Station No. 1180 at the crossing of the River Buctouche, a distance o. about 25 miles. Section No. 23 will extend from the Easterly end of Section No. 22 to the European and North American Railway, at Moncton Station, a distance of about 2 1/2 mile.

The Commissioners also give PUBLIC NOTICE that they are prepared to receive TENDERS for letting Section No. 10, the Contract for which has been annulled.

Section No. 10 is in the Province of New Brunswick and extends from the centre of the Chaplin Island Road, near the Court House at Neweastle, towards Bathurst, a distance of 20 miles in length.

TENDERS for Section No. 10 will be made upon the basis of the quantities specified in the original Bill of Works for this Section; and in drawing the New Contract, there will be deducted from the amount of the accepted Tender, a percentage sum equivalent to the percentage of the whole work which the Chief Engineer shall report to have been executed by the first Contractors.

These Contracts to be completely finished by the first day of July, 1872.

Plans and Profiles with Specifications and Terms of Contract will be exhibited at the Offices of the Commissioners in Ottawa, Toronto, Quebec, Rimouski, Dalhousie, Newcastle, Halifax and St. John, on and after the 15th September next and SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, and marked "TENDERS" will be received at their OFFICE in OTTAWA, up to six o'clock, P. M. on Wednesday the 5th day of October next.

Sureties for the completion of the Contract will be required to sign the Tender. The names in full, occupation and address of each surety should also be given.

A. WALSH,  
ED. B. CHANDLER,  
C. J. BRYDGES,  
A. W. McLELLAN,  
Commissioners.

Intercolonial Railway Commissioners' Office,  
Ottawa, 15th August, 1870.  
Aug. 31. 4m.