thus diminish the positions of intellectual activity and usefulness that may hold our aspiring young men in their native land. On the question whether one shall subject himself to a slight tax according to his property and contribute to make Acadia a permanent source of power and elevating influence in the country, or shall save the tax and allow the men now laboring there to be forced off, and also the men now growing up, who might labor there in years to come, to float away, with others whom they will attract, to be educated and settled in life elsewhere, and give themselves to augment the resources of a powerful neighbor, -on such a question of profit and loss no patriotic Baptist can for a moment hesitate in regard to his duty.

If the statements made in the organ of the Council of Public Instruction concerning the proportion of students that He has appointed. There should be and professors, proceeded from a practical teacher, he must have a theory of education different from ours. A man may preach to five hundred as well as to fifty, probably better; but he cannot teach, instruct, educate the large number as effectively as the smaller. This principle is recognized in all great institutions that are well managed, the large classes are broken up into small sections and the more important part of education is chiefly carried on with them. The system of lecturing will allow a professor to exhibit his subject, or himself, before an admiring audience, but the work of education will not be satisfactorily attempted unless the teacher bring himself into contact with the individual minds of his class, and makes each to feel his presence and power in some exercise akin to the method of the great Athenian teacher. But we need not plead for a very small number. Acadia should draw to itself one hundred in the Arts Course; and this will be sufficient to furnish the conditions | might afterwards show that they had no of vigorous intellectual activity and right to be admitted, than by mistake to growth. We might have eighty in attendance there at the present time if our people were not so slow in getting their eyes open to see what might be gained by putting the preparatory schools on a different basis. But if for a time, leniently, so that, if possible, the average attendance were not more than fifty or sixty, we are satisfied any who are without the Christian society that any intelligent observer who will acquaint himself with the work actually done in the College, will not hesitate to decide that no business in the country is yielding returns half so valuable, for the capital invested. Only place Acadia on a secure financial basis and we will confidently leave the objection in regard to number to be answered by facts that will be speedily developed.

"CHURCH MEMBERSHIP."

Under the above title we find an article in our Presbyterian contempory to which our readers' attention may very properly be invited. It does not appear as original, and yet there is no acknowledgment of the source from which it was copied. The first part of the article is scriptural, and clear as the day, which we here copy :-

The narrative of the conversation [conversion and baptism of the Ethiopian Chamberlain is a typical one. Especially we take it to be the Divinely selected example, from apostolic times, for our guidance in the admission of persons into the number of Christ's professed followers. Philip's argumentative discourse had, under the Divine influence, produced a strong conviction in the mind of his hearer. His immediate prompting was to obey; and as soon as God, in his providence, gave him the opportunity, he said, " What doth finder me to be baptized?" Philip's reply was, "If thou believest with all thine hears, thou mayest.' The responsive contession of faith was, "I helieve that Jesus Christ is the Son of God," And on that he was sealed into the visible organization of the people of Christ. Faith, and the profession of that faith,

are the two essential conditions of reception into the Church. The faith required is a belief with all the heart in Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

This includes, (1) The conviction that the Redeemer Jesus was the anointed Saviour, God manifest in the flesh. No one should be introduced into his Church who does not believe that Jesus is the Divine Person who came into the world to reveal the truth of Salvation, to die for sinners, and to rule over them as their sovereign Lord. (2.) Personal trust in Jesus for a complete salvation unto eternal life. It is belief "on" the Son of God. (3.) The cordial and affectionate assent of the soul, with its sense of the need of everlasting salvation, to the truth of salvation, and the grateful love of the heart to the Saviour. (4.) The determination to obey him as the redeeming Lord. This at once involves repentance, the beginning of which which, with ingenuous sorrow for past sins, seeks immediately to turn from them, and \$160.

to reduce all its Colleges to one, and to give the growing obedience of the life to the will of God.

> The profession of this faith must be publiely made, and be accompanied by the reception of baptism, if that sacrament has not already been administered.

We italicise the last sentence. I the writer had stopped at "baptism," it would be harmonious, and consistent with the narrative; but there the darkness begins. In the attempt to reconcile the New Testament record with Pædobaptism, there is always a rapid descent from plain exposition to painful, and unsuccessful effort. In the same article we find a striking illustration of this :-

When there is the heart belief in Jesus, the willingness to confess him, and the sincere determination to endeavour, in reliance upon God's grace, to obey him, there should be no delay in yielding to the express command to profess faith in Him, in con-nection with the Church, and in the mode no postponement either for the unquestionable exhibition of the proof of having been born again, or for the ecstatic happy feeling which some erroneously think always accompanies conversion, or for full knowledge of perfect holiness; though the officers of the Church must exercise their judgment on the evidence presented.

Especially should we not act on the idea that the children of the Church should be permitted, first to go astray in active sin, and then be able to point to a remarkable, instantaneous conversion, before they are admitted to the Lord's table. We should rather proceed on the principle that they are already in the Church of Christ, and that they should be kept there without being permitted to wander into the commission of transgressions that will necessitate cutting compunction of heart. Of course, no one, whatever be the age, or profession, or desire, should be admitted, in whom there is any flagrant inconsistency of conduct, or who has not sincerely and earnestly resolved to live the Christian life, delegates by addressing Mr. A. C. Bell, and has not commenced it by abandoning all known sinful ways. A mere doubt, however, in the mind of church officers, must not prevail to the exclusion of any one. It would be better to admit nine who exclude one who should be entitled to ad-

Nor should the Church be blamed because it may have disobedient members on its roll. Even those who are discovered to be scandalous must be dealt with carefully, and, they may be reclaimed. Neither should take comfort to themselves from the manifest failures of some who belong to it.

How strangely inconsistent to say that "the Ethiopian Chamberlain's" case is "the divinely selected example for our guidance in the admission of Christ's professed followers" and almost in the same breath, that "We should proceed on the principle that they (the children of the church membeis) are already in the church of Christ" even when they make no profession and give no evidence of conversion. It would appear almost a matter of doubt whether such baptized children really needed conversion.

If the writer had been free from the dogma of infant baptism he would have been saved from the difficulty he evidently labored under in this matter of Church Membership.

Our Brethr n in Ontario are proposing to get out a Canadian Baptist Hymn Book. A committee was lately appointed to take the matter inte consideration. They have resolved to take immediate steps for this purpose. The second resolution of their report, we perceive, is " That Rev. Dr. Hurd open a correspondence with the leading Baptist ministers in the Maritime Provinces, to ascertain whether the Baptists of these Provinces would \$6. Rev. Chas. Randall, \$2. I. Thurber, unite with us in the publishing and circulating such a Hymn Book."

In a postscript appended to the report of the Committee we find that the resolutions were submitted to the brethren present at the Board Meeting Rev. J. Williams. Thos. J. S. Bennet, for Yarmouth, Portland, and Boston in London, after the adjournment; \$10. E. G. Miller, 25c. J. H. Robbins. Steamers "New England," or "New Bruns when on motion of Rev. A. Martell, of Parkhill, seconded by Rev. Jas. Mackie, it was carried unanimously:

That we approve of the report of the Committee and request them to go on with

We shall probably hear from Dr. Hurd on this matter.

Our Canadian Brethren are continuing their efforts to secure a Manitoba N. W. Territory Baptist Mission Fund. They wish to get one hundred subscribers of \$10 a year for three years. The names of about fifty are already

YARMOUTH .- The Tea Meetings in the Vestry of the First Baptist Church, on is the commencement of conversion, and Thursday and Friday evenings last, were a perfect success, and realized the sum of

secured.

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FRENCH MISSION BOARD.

There will be a meeting of the above Board on Friday, May 21st, at 3 o'clock, P. M., at the West Yarmouth Church. J. H. SAUNDERS, Sec. Beaver River, May 2, 1872.

ACADIA ATHENÆUM.

The next lecture of the Series before the Acadia Athenseum, will be delivered by the Rev. A R. Garvie, on Friday evening 10th inst., in the Vestry of the Church. Subject,-" The science of the beautiful." S. McC. BLACK,

Cor. Sec'y, pro. tem. Wolfville, May 4th, 1872.

The next Baptist Ministerial Conference of Yarmouth, Co., will meet, D.V., at Chegogin, on Tuesday, May 21st, at 91 A. M. Should storm prevent, the Conference will meet the following Tuesday. It is important that all the ministering brethren of the County should, if possible, attend. W. H. PORTER, Sec. of Conf.

SECOND UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

To Sunday School Workers.

The Executive Committee have made arrangements to hold the next Union S. S. Convention in New Glasgow, N. S., commencing July 19th, at 2.30 P. M.

It is desirable that the Convention should consist, 1st of one delegate from each S. School; 2d, one from each S. S. Teachers' Association; 3d, one from each Provincial or County Convention; 4th, one from each Sunday School Union or other S. S. organ-

Secretaries of the various Sunday School organizations, and superintendents of Sunday Schools are requested to send, in condensed form, statistics of their work, and to signify their intention of sending New Glasgow, N. S. as early as possible, in order that accommodation may be pro-

Usual arrangements will be made with railways and steamers to provide delegates with free return tickets.

L. W. WILLIAMS, Sec. Ex. Committee. St. John, April 29th, 1872.

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OUR FOREIGN MISSION.

To the Editor of the "-Christian Messen-DEAR SIR,-

I will thank you to insert in the columns of your much estoemed Messenger the acknowledgment of the following sums of money for our Foreign Mission :-

From the Womans' Missionary Aid

Societies of New Brunswick, from the Treas. of the Central Board, Mrs. S. L. Alwood. - - - \$261.69 From Mr. Edward Seely, per the Rev. I. E. Bill. - - - -

From Mr. Joseph C. Smith, per the Rev. I. E. Bill. - - -From Mrs. Maria R. Selden, Sec-

tary of the Central Board of the Womans' Missionary Aid Societies, Lalifax, N. S., from Miss. Board in connection with the Pine Grove Church, N. S., for Miss Adams. - - - -This last amount shall be, as requested,

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