

diplomas from the latter, and would seek for instruction to enable them to take them if Acadia stood aside from the University. He saw on the Senate the names of gentlemen of the highest standing and believed they would not do anything which would compromise any denomination. If the future was to be dreaded, as Dr. Crawley had indicated, he thought our best plan would be to take care of the present. He had heard the fear expressed that if Acadia went in with the University her Anniversaries would cease. He had spoken to the Chancellor on that subject, and he assured him that such would not be the case, but that the examinations might be held at the College and the diplomas given at their Anniversaries. He read a letter from the Hon. Prov. Secretary denying that he was in favor of a Central Teaching University. Dr. P. believed that the Examining University would prevent the possibility of a Provincial Teaching University being established for fifty years to come. Whether the College stood aloof from the University or not the additional endowment was needed. He did not see the relation between the occurrences related by Mr. Bill and the present question. He denied that Halifax city was in favor of a Central Teaching University. The public meeting last winter shewed clearly that all the other denominations, and some Presbyterians, were opposed to it and in favor of the existing denominational Colleges. But he believed that it was a duty of the government to have some supervision over Colleges receiving public money, and thought the University of Halifax supplied this in an unobjectionable form. The hour being late near eleven o'clock the meeting was adjourned by a vote of 83, to 48.

TUESDAY MORNING.

On Tuesday morning the discussion was resumed by W. Faulkner, Esq., expressing his surprise that the Senate was appointed before this Convention had met to offer an opinion or nominate men for Fellows.

Rev. J. E. Goucher thought the University a political trick to bring about a Central Teaching University, and that it was very adroitly done without putting a man from the New Brunswick Baptists on the Senate.

Rev. Geo. F. Miles thought every man should, on this question, give forth his views. He felt that it would be perfectly safe to entrust this matter to the Governors of the College. They have proved their deep interest in all matters relating to its welfare. He was willing to co-operate with others wherever it could be done without compromising Baptists. He asked if the New Brunswick brethren were prepared to resume the responsibility of the vote on this resolution.

Rev. J. D. Pope expressed a desire that nothing done might raise a barrier against the union now existing between the Baptists of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. He thought that a little fire existed in New Brunswick in favor of Acadia College, which a very few buckets of cold water would extinguish it, but, if cherished, it would burn brighter and expand into a generous support.

Rev. Geo. Armstrong said he thought the University of Halifax dangerous to the Baptists. He believed that it would be the object of the University to control the education given in all the Colleges. He believed that many would have their affection for Acadia College estranged if it should co-operate with the University.

J. W. Johnston, Esq., here offered a resolution to the effect that the question be left for decision to the Governors of Acadia College. This was seconded by E. D. King, Esq., and laid on the table.

Dr. Rand said he had given the University Act his best attention; and the resolution now before the Convention had been prepared with great labor. He had determined to support the resolution loyally although it was not all that he desired. He knew that Baptists are jealous of their independence and were unwilling to surrender any of their rights. He believed that the University of Halifax would take from us some of these. The professors of Acadia could now take up all the departments of human knowledge and history. In studying history we have two great factors,—man and God—and to omit the latter and shut out religion we were unable to receive knowledge free from error and prejudice. The University would prevent Acadia from giving her students free training in moral science. It would also be trammelled in mental science.

The basis of Acadia is broader than the University of Halifax and its curriculum must also be less hampered by restrictions.

Rev. E. M. Saunders asked who it was that would limit the University of Halifax in the course of studies included in its examinations (a voice said "Archbishop Connolly, but he is dead") Mr. S. said he was satisfied with that answer to his question. He believed that in accepting the University of Halifax, we yield the point of objection to a Provincial Teaching University.

E. D. King, Esq., replied to the arguments of Dr. Rand. Being one of Acadia's graduates he had always felt the deepest interest in, and veneration for, his alma mater; and was concerned for the education of his native province, and for his own denomination. He argued that the Governors and Faculty of the College had regulated the course of instruction satisfactorily for 35 years, which was a guarantee that they might now be entrusted with this matter. Dr. Rand had seen in the last part of Section 14 a terrible bugbear. He could not surely be serious. The word "sceptical" might be easily defined. We might understand it as we pleased. He held that the clause was a safe-guard rather than an objection, for any College might extend its curriculum as far as it pleased without let or hindrance. He had been sorry to hear appeals to blind prejudice for the purpose of preventing fair discussion. He read some excerpts from the St. John Baptist paper which he regarded of the same character. He compared the charter of the University of Halifax with that of the London University, shewing that although denied by some of the speakers, yet in all essential particulars they were precisely alike.

Rev. Dr. Sawyer by special request came forward and spoke. He said that the labors of the Committee appointed by the Convention last year had accomplished something. When last winter they went to Halifax they found the Government determined to establish a Provincial Teaching University, but when the Legislature found that it would be so distasteful to the people they relinquished their design and adopted the plan of the University and the equalization of the grants. He explained that his appointment to the Senate had been without his knowledge or consent. He was away from home when the letter came to his house in relation thereto, and before his return he found his name published in the list of Fellows.

The resolution was put and carried without a dissentient voice, shewing that however some differed they were unwilling to divide the Convention on the subject. The profound silence when the "nays" were called for, produced no little surprise and evident satisfaction all around.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

On Tuesday afternoon the Report on Departed Brethren was read having brief obituary notices of Rev. Dr. Spurden, Rev. Samuel Bancroft and Rev. Jas. Parker, to which were to be added those of Rev. W. A. Bleakney and Rev. M. A. Bigelow.

Rev. Dr. Cramp and Rev. W. P. Everett, the Secretaries of the Foreign Missionary Board, read the Reports of their several departments, and Brother Thos. P. Davies read the Treasurer's Report. These we shall shortly be able to give more fully than we can possibly do this week.

On the re-election of the Foreign Missionary Board the following resolution was moved by Rev. J. D. Pope and unanimously adopted.

Whereas, The following communication from Rev. Chas. Tupper, D. D., has been received by brother S. Selden and referred to us, "Should the Lord spare my life till the meeting of the Convention you will greatly oblige me by tendering my resignation of office on the Foreign Mission Board;"

Therefore resolved, That we accept the resignation of our venerable brother, and in doing so we do hereby express our warmest sympathy with him in the infirmities of age; and we desire to place on record our grateful appreciation of his distinguished services in the cause of this mission from its beginning, and trust that as the fathers may retire from active labor; in their stead shall be raised up the children to prosecute the glorious work to a triumphant issue.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. I. E. Bill and seconded by Bro. E. D. King and adopted, with but two dissentients.

"Resolved, That we would hereby express our fullest confidence in the fidelity of the President of Acadia College, as also in the highly esteemed brethren who with him have been appointed by the Government of Nova Scotia to the

Senate of the University of Halifax, and while we would not for a moment infringe upon their individual rights, yet we wish them and all others concerned to distinctly understand that their acceptance of office must not be interpreted to indicate affiliation direct or indirect of Acadia College with the University of Halifax."

A vote of thanks was also given to the Committee appointed by the Governors last winter to seek for a just and equitable distribution of the grants to Colleges. The meeting then adjourned.

TUESDAY EVENING

was to have been wholly appropriated to a public missionary meeting but as some of the brethren expected to leave by the night train, some few items of business were first attended to.

Rev. I. E. Bill moved that the Governors of the College be instructed to immediately engage the services of an efficient Agent to visit the Churches, for the purpose of placing before them the matter of raising \$100,000 additional to the Endowment Fund.

Hon. Dr. Parker seconded the motion and mentioned that there was great need of an addition to the present income of the College.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Treasurer and Secretary of the Foreign Missionary Board, and the Secretary of the College Governors.

Highly interesting and appropriate missionary speeches were made by brethren Rev. W. B. Boggs, Rev. W. H. Porter, and Rev. E. W. Kelly. After which the meeting was closed by singing and prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

On Wednesday morning some matters of interest and importance were submitted to the Convention.

The report on the State of the Denomination was read by Rev. Dr. Cramp, but it was incomplete—because the statistics of one of the New Brunswick Associations could not be procured by him when in St. John. A highly interesting discussion following on the granting of licenses to preach, the ordination of ministers, the obtaining of correct statistics of the churches, giving letters of dismission to other churches, &c., &c.

We have been obliged to pass over a large portion of our notes but shall make use of them on some early occasion.

A hearty and well deserved vote of thanks was passed to the brethren at Sackville, especially the Methodist friends, for their kindness in entertaining so hospitably the delegates to the Convention.

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ROWLAND HILL'S CHAPEL, in the Surrey Road, London, has passed into the hands of the Primitive Methodists. The new church built for the Rev. Newman Hall, (a successor of Rowland Hill), and his congregation in the Westminster Road was recently opened. The Freeman gives the following description of the building:

"It is of the octagonal form, the central octagon being groined in wood with moulded ribs, in the centre of which is an arched gallery forming a ventilator. There are two painted windows in the chancel, one of which was presented by some Canadian friends and the other by Dr. Ball, and two painted windows in the north transept, which were presented by Mr. Newman Hall in memory of his father and mother. The building will seat 2,000 persons, and accommodation might be found in the open spaces for 500 more. In the centre of the building, at the juncture of the two roads, is a tower 200 feet high, called the Lincoln Tower, being named after Abraham Lincoln. It has two rooms in it, one called Washington and the other Wilberforce, which will be used as class-rooms, and as an adjunct there is a structure called Hawkstone Hall, which will hold 800 persons,

and is to be used for lectures on literary social and scientific subjects, and other purposes of like character. The site which is freehold, cost £8,200, and the entire cost is about £59,000, of which £53,470 had been contributed before the opening services, leaving about £6,000 to be raised.

SAD CATASTROPHE.—Our city received a severe shock on Saturday afternoon last, by learning that the Yacht Race, which commenced about the middle of the day, had resulted in the death by drowning of three of our respected citizens. The yacht "Cygnets" having five persons on board was upset in a squall near the narrows, about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when she filled with water and immediately sank. A boat was shortly put off from the Dartmouth side and succeeded in saving three of them, but before they could reach the others, Mr. Samuel Tupper, of the Inland Revenue Department, and Mr. Wm. B. Fay, a young merchant of Halifax, they had become exhausted and sank. Mr. Fay went down almost immediately, but Mr. Tupper being able to swim continued longer above water, yet as the harbor was very rough and it was raining very hard, and having all their clothes on they had but little chance of being rescued.

One of those saved, Mr. J. R. Sadler, had gone down twice and came up again just in time to catch a life-buoy thrown to him which held him up till rescued. Dr. Sinclair who was on board one of the yachts, went ashore immediately with the body of Sadler, and after applying the proper remedies, pronounced him out of danger.

Another boat, the "Kate," with her crew, ignorant of the previous accident, ran in the lee of the ropewalk wharf and cast anchor. Finding that she was dragging her anchor, a young man on board, Mr. Robert Noble, (son of Mr. Robt. G. Noble) who was a good swimmer, threw off his clothes and jumped into the water to carry a line to the wharf; finding the line too short he tried to return, but it is supposed he took cramps, and, sinking among the weeds, was unable to rise. Mr. H. W. Brookfield seeing this immediately jumped overboard to assist him, but the cold was so intense that he became chilled and floated ashore.

Thus three lives of men, much esteemed in the community were as in a moment taken away from their families.

The body of Mr. Noble was soon found but life was extinct. Boats have been out each day since searching for the bodies of Mr. Tupper and Mr. Fay, but without success. The latter leaves a widow and two children; the former a widow. These three bereaved families have received the deepest sympathy of the citizens in their terrible affliction which has so suddenly fallen upon them.

We have just learned that the Governors of Acadia College contemplate applying to Rev. I. E. Bill, for New Brunswick, and Rev. Isaiah Wallace for Nova Scotia, to enter upon the Agency of collecting the \$100,000 as directed by the Convention. We wish for them a hearty and generous response.

Our columns have been so largely occupied by University matters for the past few weeks that we have been obliged to defer the consideration of several subjects we had purposed to place before our readers. We hope now to be able to give more attention to other matters.

We are precluded by want of space in our present issue from saying several things we proposed to say on matters in relation to the Convention. We shall take an early opportunity of treating upon them.

NOTICES.

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The Baptist Church at Upper Stewiacke intend holding dedicatory services in connection with the opening of our new place of worship on Sunday 10th September. Ministering Brethren, as also other friends who may have shown an interest in our undertaking, are cordially invited to be present. Any ministering friends who may inform us of their coming will be provided with a conveyance from Brookfield station on Saturday morning after the arrival of the morning trains.

We also expect a church conference on Saturday afternoon when, we hope, some who have been going about Zion will enter her gates. May the Mascome with his servants.

For the Church, E. M. BENTLEY. Upper Stewiacke, Aug. 28th, 1876.

NOTICE.

The ladies of the Lower Aylesford Baptist Church and congregation purpose holding a tea-meeting at the new Baptist meeting-house, one mile north of Kingston Station, on Wednesday, Sept. 13th, 1876. Doors open at 2 o'clock, P. M. Tickets 37 cents. Children under 12 years 25 cents. The proceeds to aid in finishing the above place of worship. Should the day prove unfavourable it will take place the first fine day following. The public are respectfully invited to attend.

By order of Committee, ROBERT NEILY, Chairman. Kingston Station, Aug. 28th, 1876.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

The next Term of Acadia College will open on Thursday, Sept. 7. Candidates for matriculation, who have not completed their examinations, will be expected to be present in class-room, No. 1, at 9 a. m., on Wednesday, the 6th. And any candidates who have not commenced their examinations should report themselves on Tuesday, the 5th.

The full course of study extends over four years, and students are promoted from term to term by regular examinations. But the classes are open to any who may desire to pursue special studies and who may be qualified for such studies. Geometry, Trigonometry, Surveying, and History will come in the first half-year. Chemistry, Geology and Mineralogy in the second half-year. Latin, Greek and English Literature through the year.

Public exercises connected with the opening of the College, on Thursday evening, Sept. 7.

A. W. SAWYER, President. Wolfeville, N. S., Aug. 11, 1876.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.—The Sixth Annual Convention of the Sabbath School workers of the Maritime Provinces, will be held at Summerside, P. E. I., on Thursday the seventh day of September next, and following days. Extensive preparations are in progress and a large attendance is expected. No doubt the occasion will be one of great interest and profit, and all our Sunday Schools should embrace the opportunity of being represented at this Convention. Arrangements have been made for the return of delegates at reduced fares.

Return Tickets will be given at Kingston for one third the usual fare to parties who may attend that Convention. E. D. KING, President.

TEA MEETING AT CHEVERIE, HANT'S CO.

The ladies in connection with the Sewing Circle at Brookville, and Cheverie, purpose holding a Tea Meeting and Fancy Sale at Cheverie, on the 13th of September next, to raise funds to aid in the further completion of the House of Worship, now in course of erection at Brookville, Kempt, Hants Co. A Lunch will be prepared for those who may desire refreshments before Tea. Admittance 5cts., Tea 30 cents. Should the day be stormy the next fine day will be chosen instead. We trust our friends will not forget us but come one and all to lend their timely assistance.

BOUND VOLUME OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Dear Messenger.—An inquiry was made at the recent Session of the Association for the volume above named. If any person should have a knowledge of the whereabouts of said book he will greatly oblige the subscriber by giving him the necessary information, and more especially by forwarding it to him, if possible, and at the earliest convenience. M. P. FREEMAN, Sec'y. Great Village, Londonderry.

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