

tion and we think he will find that there is somewhere a missing link.

We may be pardoned for giving the data on which some of our statements respecting the N. B. University were made. We understand that by last year's returns the whole number of students it had was thirty-two; whereas Acadia—one of the Nova Scotia colleges had sixty-two students; and Horton Collegiate Academy had also sixty-two male students, a number of whom were men.

Very praiseworthy efforts have been made we believe in our sister province to induce young men to take a University course at Fredericton, and we should be glad to know that they had been even more successful in gathering students into the well equipped halls at Fredericton. Of course in a provincial institution "the doors of the College are open to Baptist students equally with others," and it would be strange if "some of them" had not "entered those doors," perhaps the reason that more have not done so is that there is a want of confidence in a Provincial Teaching University, which prevents many more of them taking their collegiate course there and so getting their *quid pro quo*.

At this time the Baptists should think carefully and calmly on this University Question. The less of passion and prejudice the better. This caution is necessary, because the very nature of the subject is calculated to awaken groundless fears, the effect of which will be both to blind and mislead.

The special object of Baptists in College work is secured when they have the appointment of their Professors, and the privilege of holding and using their college property as they may choose. It must be borne in mind that the University of Halifax leaves the rights and privileges of Acadia College untouched. Its Governors will continue to be the trustees of the denomination, and will, in the future, as in the past, appoint, pay, dismiss, and control their own professors.

One other matter is dear to the Baptists in their relation to Acadia College—the Anniversary occasions as now conducted and enjoyed. Some are alarmed lest by co-operating with the new University these may be destroyed. The grounds of fear are with some of its best friends the very reverse of this. If the Convention should choose to act with the University the examination of the students we are informed will doubtless take place in the Acadia College building, under the supervision of deputy Examiners; and the degrees both of Acadia College and of the new University may be conferred at our Anniversaries on the same students and perhaps on others besides, as circumstances may require, by the President of the College alone, or by the President of the College and the Chancellor of the University respectively. But on the other hand should the College refuse to co-operate, no provision could then be made for the examination of students who may apply to the new University; and the said Baptist young men, men of metal and spirit, will not sit by and see the students of the other Colleges moving over the course without having their hot blood stirred to have a part in the higher intellectual race; and no arrangement can be honourably made with the new University to have the examinations take place and the degrees conferred at Acadia. And then, in that case, what will be the state of things on Anniversary days? These enterprising students would probably receive their degrees at some other place where the University is permitted to come in and perform its functions; perhaps at Windsor, perhaps at Dalhousie. This should surely be prevented.

When the Baptists have secured to themselves and to their posterity the full enjoyment of their rights, the appointment of their own Professors, why should they fear to have their students examined by a body outside of their Faculty? Why need they fear to go out on the broad College arena to fight their intellectual battles? The Convention may arrange to have them follow another course, but we have greatly mistaken their abilities, their opportunities and their spirit, if they submit to be held year after year in the toils of mere prejudice! If in Kings, Dalhousie and Mount Allison the young men enter the lists of the University for their diplomas and prizes, it will take something more than a vote of the Convention to hold back the sons of Acadia. The honour of their Alma Mater, and their own honour, not to say their own rights would be at stake. Let the Baptist

Convention of these provinces at its next session place in its sure data the fact that the young men of the present and the future connected with Acadia College will not stand by and be branded as cowards. We have but to remember the challenge of Acadia's Freshmen to Dalhousie's Seniors to be pretty sure of this. Are there to be no laurels in the future?

If the Convention decides to hold aloof from the University and desires to keep the students at Acadia and attract the large congregations on Anniversary days in the future as in the past, then there is one other thing that they must do—annihilate the new University! That must be done, beyond a doubt. It will not do to run any risk.

An article in the *Visitor* of last week "presumes" that in case the Baptist Convention decides to have nothing to do with the University of Halifax, four of the Baptists on the Senate "will be prepared to resign." Why four? Why not five? Which one is the fifth. Who may be left to the tender mercies of the other denominations. Here are the names of the five: Rev. Dr. Crawley, Rev. President Sawyer, Professor D. F. Higgins, Rev. A. S. Hunt and Rev. E. M. Saunders. If they were inside men, and had been appointed on nomination of the body, such might be the case, but seeing that they are all outside men, and not appointed specially to look after the Baptists, but to use their endeavours to advance the interests of Higher Education generally, we do not see any reason why they should not all hold their positions and help to administer the affairs of the University fairly and in justice to all parties, so long as they can do so without, in any way compromising themselves. Surely our contemporary forgets what are his legitimate functions, and fancies that he is raised to a seat of power where he may use the whip and dictate to men as capable of appreciating their position as he is. A little more modesty would not be amiss for our worthy brother.

It may not be known to all our readers that our Ontario correspondent is one of the Professors in the Canadian Literary Institute at Woodstock—the College of the Canadian Baptists. His views on University matters in Nova Scotia are entitled to some consideration and respect, as embodying the results of the experience of our Canadian brethren for some years in relation to their degree-conferring University, far less favorable to our denomination than the University of Halifax is likely to be. What he thinks upon the subject may be seen in his letter in another column.

At the late Annual Session of the Canadian Medical Association at Toronto a motion was carried declaring that the sanitary laws at present in existence in the Dominion were insufficient, and praying the Dominion Parliament to enact, if within its scope, such laws as would promote the obtaining of correct vital statistics, and enable members of the profession to obtain an extended knowledge of prevalent diseases.

We see no occasion for the use of the qualifying clause "if within its scope." Surely such an enactment is within the scope of the functions of the parliament and government of every civilized country.

We have received another communication from "One Present" in reply to Mr. Parsons, but we do not think it desirable to have the discussion continued in our pages. In coming to this concluding it is perhaps right that we should say that in our opinion the report first given of the decision at the Association did injustice to that body. The Central Association in its late decision was as true as ever to temperance principles, and they have always been staunch and consistent friends of temperance, and any representation to the contrary is unfair.

NOTICES.

Baptist Convention of 1876.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island will be held with the Second Baptist Church at Sackville, N. B., beginning on August 26th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

A large attendance of delegates and other members is solicited, as business of unusual importance will be presented for the consideration of the body. THEODORE H. RAND, President. Fredericton, July 4th, 1876.

Ministers and Delegates purposing to attend the Annual Session of the Baptist Convention to be convened with the 2nd Baptist Church at Sackville, N. B., will confer a favor by forwarding their names to the pastor before the 1st of August next.

The list of names will be published as soon as received, together with the place where each will lodge during the Convention.

Conveyance will be at Sackville Station on the arrival of the Express trains on Friday the 25th inst., for the accommodation of friends attending the Convention.

W. A. COLEMAN, Pastor. Sackville, July 1st, 1876.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED ALUMNI OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a Special General Meeting of the Associated Alumni of Acadia College in the Second Baptist Church, at Sackville, N. B., on Saturday evening, August 26th, at 7 1/2 o'clock, to consider (1) the propriety of asking representation of the Alumni in the Convention, (2) whether the Alumni ought to enter their names on the Register of the Convocation of the University of Halifax, and (3) such other matters of business as shall properly come before the meeting.

The above hour is named as not likely to interfere with any of the meetings of the Convention.

By order of the Executive Committee of the Associated Alumni, B. H. EATON, Secretary. Halifax, July 17th, 1876.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors in the Meeting House of the Second Baptist Church, Sackville, N. B., on Friday, Aug. 25th, 1876, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec. Wolfville, July 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. Wolfville, 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. E. D. KING, President.

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CONVENTION AT SACKVILLE.—The usual reduction in railway fares on the Inter colonial will be extended to all persons attending the Baptist Convention at Sackville on the 26th inst. Full fare will be charged on going. One third on returning. Certificate of attendance must be presented to conductor on the train. THOS. TODD. Moncton, N. B., Aug. 5th, 1876.

TEA MEETING.

The ladies of the Albany Baptist Church and congregation purpose holding a tea-meeting at the new Baptist Meeting-house, in Albany, on Wednesday, Sept. 6th. Doors open at 2 o'clock, P. M. Tickets 37 cents. The proceeds to aid in finishing the above mentioned place of worship. Should the day prove unfavorable it will take place the first fine day after. The public are respectfully invited to attend. A good time may be expected. By order of the Committee, ALBERT OAKES. Albany, Aug. 10th, 1876.

HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS.

- 1. Rev. J. A. Gordon to Cape Wolf and vicinity, P. E. I., for one year.
2. Rev. T. A. Kidson, to Dundas, Grand River and St. Peters Bay, P. E. I., for one year.
3. Rev. D. A. Simpson to Montague and vicinity, P. E. I., for one year.
Probably other appointments will appear next week. G. E. DAVY. Yarmouth, Aug. 21, 1876.

Rev. Dr. Cramp's Notes on the University Act of 1876 will appear next week. Dear Sir,—I send you for publication in the Messenger a List of the Delegates, and where located during the Convention, to be convened at Sackville, N. B., on the 26th inst.

- Rev. Dr. Cramp, at J. L. Black's, Esq., Middle Sackville.
Rev. Dr. Crooks, at Mr. J. H. Black's, Esq., "
Rev. W. P. Everett, A. M., at Mr. M. Graves, "
Rev. Isa Wallace, A. M., "
S. Selden, Esq., Editor C. M., "
A. W. Masters, Esq., "
Rev. Stephen March, at Mr. Jno Clark's, "
H. B. Shaffner, at Miss Lucretia Hick's, "
Rev. W. T. Corey & wife, at Alex Smith's, Esq., "
Rev. J. R. Wheelock, at Mrs. C. Harpers, "
Rev. J. W. Manning and wife, "
W. H. Gridley, Esq., "
J. H. Harding, Esq., at Abner Smith's, Esq., "
A. Longley, Esq., "
Rev. N. C. Saunders, & wife, at Thos Bairds, Esq., "
Rev. D. W. Dincock, A. M., at Mr. Jno Torres, "
Rev. A. W. Bars, "
Rev. A. McDonald and son, at Mr. G. Bowser's, "
Rev. J. C. Hinkney, "
Rev. John Coubles, "
Rev. J. E. Fillmore, at Miss Amy Palmer's, "
Rev. W. W. Corey, "
Rev. W. B. Boggs, A. M., & wife, "
at Mrs. Jaban Lawrences, "
Mr. W. F. Boggs and wife, "
Rev. Thos. Todd & wife, at Robt Bell's, Esq., "
R. N. Beckwith, Esq., at Thos Babcock, Esq., "
W. C. Dolancy, Esq., "
Rev. T. H. Zorner, at John Morris's, Esq., Up. Sackville.
Rev. E. M. Saunders, A. M., at Wm Morris's, Esq., "
Theodore H. Rand, D. C. I., "
Rev. J. F. Kempton, at Mr. John Ferguson's, "
Rev. W. L. Parker & wife, at Mr. G. Snowdon's, "
Rev. J. D. Pope, A. M., at Mr. Timothy Hick's, "
Rev. Geo. Armstrong, A. M., & wife, "
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Rev. T. A. Higgins, at James Mains, "
Rev. G. A. Weathers, "
J. E. Masters, Esq., & wife, at Mr. Jno P. Sharp's, "
Rev. A. Durand, & wife, at Mr. Ed Read's, "
J. G. May, Esq., & wife, at Mr. Willard Hick's, "
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Rev. J. M. Curry & wife, at J. J. Anderson, Esq., "
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Rev. U. P. Freeman, "
Rev. Ed Whitman, at Mr. Benj Boyce's, "
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at Mr. Ed Thompson, "
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Rev. J. Herrett, at Mr. Thos Wheatons, "
C. Harrington, Esq., at Wm Kinnear's, Esq., "
B. H. Eaton, Esq., at Wm George's, Esq., "
T. H. Hall, Esq., "
Rev. Sydney Welton, at Mr. James George's, "
W. C. Hill, Esq., & wife, at Mr. Chas George's, "
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at Mr. Chapple Fawcett's, "
Rev. L. B. Gates, at Mr. Willard Thompson, "
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Rev. E. O. Read & wife, at dea Hiram Read's, "
Rev. J. Clark, "
Dea J. P. Davies, "
Rev. W. A. Troop and wife, "
at Mr. Theodore Ayer's, West side of Pond.
Rev. A. Johnson, at Mr. Jno Tingley's, "
Rev. J. Meadows, "
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