

her into the whole household. She will bring home some new idea and will work with the enthusiasm that comes from a fresh start.

One word for the older sister; who makes the salad for lunch and the dessert for dinner, who takes the position of wheel-horse quite cheerfully while her younger sisters make themselves beautiful and entertaining, and, one after another, find "one true heart" apiece to love them, and leave the maiden to grow into an old maid.

For the Christian Messenger. From Prince Edward Island.

Dear Bro. Selden,—

You have a correct idea of the action of the P. E. I. Association, regarding brethren Hinson and Swaffield. These good brethren never asked to be received into our Association as ordained ministers according to the Canadian use of the term; but wicked rumors being afloat questioning their Christian character they were asked to show credentials, which they did to the entire satisfaction of the Association.

I remain yours in the Truth, D. G. MACDONALD, Charlottetown, Aug. 8, 1880.

For the Christian Messenger. Home Missions.

The regular monthly meeting of the H. M. Board was held in the vestry of the 1st Baptist Church, Yarmouth August 9th, 1880.

Reports were received from Missionaries Hughes, Jordan, Mutch, Normandy, King, Barss, O. C. S. Wallace, Spurr, Coldwell, Goudy, Saunders, Haverstock, Woodland, Henderson, Howe, Kempton, Whitman, Foster, Corey, Manzer, Parker, and Hants Co. Aux. Board.

GRANTS.

- 1. To the field at Grand Bay, South Bay and Spurr's Cove, \$50.00 for three months.
2. To the field at Lapereaux, New River, Pocologan &c., \$50.00 for three months.
3. To Blissfield, Ludlow etc., the field of Rev. W. M. Edwards, \$100.00 from June 1st, 1880, to July 31st, 1881.

REPORTS WANTED.

Reports to July 31, are wanted from Revs. James Spencer, Wm. Spencer, H. A. Spencer, W. D. Manzer, and Jos. Fletcher.

A. COHOON, Cor. Secretary. Hebron, Aug. 12, 1880.

For the Christian Messenger Incorporation of the Convention.

Mr. Editor,—

Permit me to express my concurrence with the sentiments of an editorial in a recent issue of the Messenger, that we need to be cautious at the present time lest we "forget that we are Baptists, and not Presbyterians. Our Convention is not a Synod, or in any sense a church court."

So deeply am I impressed with them, that I hesitate to adopt the advice in another editorial column of the same issue, to the effect that the Convention should be incorporated. Is there not danger that this would complicate affairs? The Convention has done its work for thirty years and found no inconvenience because it was not incor-

porated; we may assume that it will find no greater difficulty in the future. It will be evident that the incorporation of the Convention is not equivalent to incorporation of the Baptist Denomination. The constitution of the Convention may be changed at any time, and it may come to represent one or two interests only, or only a part of the Denomination.

If there are places where there are no Baptist Churches, and yet our funds should build Baptist houses of worship, the Home Mission Board would seem to be the proper party to hold the deeds. It is not in harmony with our polity, that our houses of worship should be held by the whole denomination.

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Halifax, N. S., August 18, 1880.

THE CONVENTION FINANCIAL SCHEME.

A new departure was made at the last annual session of the Baptist Convention, by the adoption of a new mode of raising, or rather of appropriating the funds raised for supporting the several Benevolent Institutions of the body.

The Scheme, so-called, was inaugurated with but little preparation, and perhaps less of consideration, than should have been given to it, seeing that such weighty interests are involved.

Great faith was placed in the churches, that they would acquiesce in the thing agreed upon, and the proportions suggested by the Convention for appropriating the same to each of the Funds; and it was hoped that they would do their best endeavours to raise the amount of contributions, and bring them up as near as possible to the sum suggested by the Scheme.

It was not expected that the churches would change the modes adopted by them in the past, for raising money for these objects, as each church and each person has thought proper, to give up their former plans, and, all at once take to the new Scheme, with the proportions named for its appropriation to the several institutions.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Home Missions, Book Room and Colportage (40 per cent), Foreign Missions (25), Educational Institutions (25), Ministerial Education (24), Ministerial Relief and Aid Fund (24), Cost of collecting (4), Surplus for emergencies (1).

It would be highly gratifying to find when we meet in Convention this week, that there is a near approach to the amount named. If it is found that there has been any considerable increase, above the sums raised for all these objects in past years, it may be regarded as a success.

objects, there can be no difficulty or objection in strictly carrying out their wishes.

It will be of much importance to ascertain also if the proportion named will give what is required for each of the departments of Christian work. Perhaps the portions named for Acadia College is the one most likely to be insufficient, and that, concerning which, there may be the greater anxiety; as the Governors have engagements and responsibilities which must be met and provided for, and it will be difficult for them to make any further appeal to brethren and churches in case the amount is not sufficient to meet said demands.

We have referred to these matters of finance and business for the purpose of preparing our readers for the developments that may come before them through the Convention. We must also remember in connexion with these matters that they all relate to the building up and extension of the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, on earth, and therefore demand of Christian people their first consideration, their earnest prayer and their most diligent effort.

ARRIVAL OF RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

Rev. W. F. Armstrong, Mrs. Armstrong and children arrived in Halifax on Saturday afternoon in the Hibernian from England. They were met on board by Rev. J. W. Manning, Rev. E. M. Saunders, with a number of brethren and friends, and the Secretary of the W. M. A. Societies.

Ten years ago in October next Mrs. Armstrong—then Miss H. M. Morris—left Halifax for Burmah via New York, having been previously engaged under the auspices of the Foreign Missionary Board of these Provinces in visiting the churches, and helping to form the Women's Missionary Aid Societies—the first of which was formed at Canso, June 23, 1870, the next one was at Amherst, July 5th, afterwards in the same year two at Halifax and so on until thirty-three were established in different places in the year 1870.

During the time Miss Norris was laboring in teaching at Tavoy, an expedition was made by her in company with Native Preachers and Teachers into Siam, seeking to discover the more destitute Karens.

In the same year 1870 it was that the Board accepted the Brethren W. F. Armstrong and Rufus Sanford—then Students at Acadia College to go out as soon as they had completed their course of study. Three years after this the Board engaged Mr. Geo. Churchill who had been accepted by the A. B. M. Union, but he preferred to go out under the auspices of his brethren in these Provinces, he therefore, obtained a release from that engagement and was heartily accepted by our Board.

These were then the missionaries who were under direction of the Board: Miss M. B. DeWolfe, returned after a dangerous illness and suffering from fever; Miss H. M. Norris, in Burmah; Rev. W. F. Armstrong, Rev. Rufus Sanford and wife, Rev. Geo. Churchill and wife, Miss Flora Eaton and Miss Maria Armstrong, all possessing and deserving the fullest confidence and sympathy of the churches, and going out with the benediction and earnest prayer, that they might be blessed and made a blessing to those to whom they were sent.

It will be for that body to direct as to their future movements. We doubt not our brother and sister will be able to visit the churches and to make known to them the condition of the people amongst whom they have labored.

Mr. Armstrong gave a most interesting address on Sunday evening on his work in India. Arrangements were made for holding a WELCOME MEETING last evening in the Granville Street Baptist Church.

REV. W. G. BLAIKIE of Edinburgh, Scotland, is on a visit to this city on behalf of a Sustentation Fund, for aiding the pastors of the Waldensian Churches in the valley of Piedmont. These are Churches of much historical interest. Efforts were made in the 14th and following centuries to bring them into submission to Rome but without effect.

REMITTANCES in payment of amounts due for CHRISTIAN MESSENGER will be thankfully acknowledged.

Dr. Blaikie preached in Granville Street Church, but without any reference to his special mission, on Sunday morning. He gave an excellent Sermon from the words: "Them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." 1 Samuel ii. 30.

Dr. Blaikie gave a most interesting lecture on the Waldenses in St. Matthews Church on Monday evening. His appeals on their behalf will doubtless bear abundant fruit.

THE CONVENTION AT HILLSBOROUGH.—It is arranged, we believe, that Saturday shall be devoted to Home Missions, Literature &c., Dr. C. R. Blackall of New York is to be one of the speakers.

We have much pleasure in calling attention to the Advertisement of Mr. R. B. Mackintosh in another column. He assures us that the treatment is effectual in relieving Public Speakers who are suffering from throat troubles, and often effects a great improvement in the tones of their voice as well as enables them to speak in future without danger of relaxation and again breaking down.

Rev. E. M. Kierstead, the Secretary of the Baptist Convention, is desirous of obtaining a complete file of the Convention Minutes and Year Book. Will any one who has a copy of 1846 have the goodness to send it to the Messenger Office, and they will greatly oblige.

WANTED.

A public temperance meeting was held in Dayspring Hall, Upper Economy on Thursday evening, August 12th. Addresses were delivered by Revs. A. Cameron, of Portauquique, and G. F. Moss, of Amherst, and Messrs. Wm. Ross, Edward Fulton, R. Thompson and S. H. Murray. Mr. Woodbury Fulton, of Bass River, presided at the organ.

Mr. Munro has added \$400 annually to the bursary fund he has given to Dalhousie College. The additional sum is to provide one bursary for a New Brunswick student and one for a P. E. Island student.—Witness.

Notices.

Baptist Convention. LOCATION OF DELEGATES. HILLSBOROUGH, N. B., Aug. 13, 1880.

I send you a list of delegates to Convention, and homes assigned, for publication, as follows:—

- A. D. W. Barss, M. D., Prof. R. V. Jones, Revs. J. H. Hughes and wife, and William George and wife, at Christian Steeves'.
Revs. A. W. Sawyer, D. D., S. W. De Blois and J. W. Manning, at Elisha Davis'.
Dr. Blackall and wife, Wm. Alwood and wife, Rev. S. McC. Black, and W. A. Corey, at Dea. J. B. Steeves'.
Professor D. M. Welton, wife & daughter, Rev. W. P. Everett and father, and Rev. Sydney Welton, at Mrs. Albert Steeves'.
Revs. P. R. Foster and wife, at Mariner Smiths'.
Revs. H. Eagles, B. N. Hughes, Dea. Geo. E. Miller, and James Horseman, at Jacob Steeves'.
Revs. G. A. Weathers, S. W. Kierstead, and A. H. Hayward and wife, at J. J. O'Neil's.
Revs. J. A. McLean, J. F. Eaton, Geo. B. White, and G. W. Gunter, at Joel Steeves'.
Revs. J. L. Read and wife, Dea. A. Clement and Wm. M. Edwards, at Mrs. Patrick Duffy's.
Wm. A. Young, F. A. Young, Mrs. John and R. R. Patterson, at Mrs. Gallagher's.
Rev. W. N. Parry and wife, at Ephraim Steeves'.
Revs. E. M. Saunders, J. H. Saunders, E. C. Corey and wife, and A. E. Patten and wife, at Capt. C. T. Wood's.
Rev. G. E. Day and J. B. Woodland, at Capt. Wm. Edgett's.
Revs. J. E. Hopper, H. Forshaw, and James S. May, at J. E. Peck's.
Revs. J. E. Goucher, L. M. Weeks and wife and Wm. Faulkner, at Capt. Alfred Wood's.
Jos. D. Marsters & wife, at J. M. Steeves'.
Rev. P. S. McGregor and Zeph C. Wilson, at Benjamin Bezanon.
A. P. Shand and wife, Rev. I. J. Skinner, and wife, and W. S. Hall and brother, at Minor Steeves'.
Hon. Dr. Parker, Rev. T. A. Higgins, Jas. Spencer and wife, J. March and wife, and J. Parsons and wife, at Mrs. Curry's.
Revs. F. Beattie, G. E. Good, wives, and Miss Good, at R. J. Duffy's.
Rev. I. E. Bill, Isa. Wallace, Deacons S. Seldin, J. W. Bars, and James E. Marsters and wife, at W. Wallace's.
Revs. E. Hickson and wife, Geo. O. Gates and wife, and Thos. Todd & wife, at Joel D. Steeves'.
Revs. A. Cohoon, E. W. Kelly, Geo. B. Titus, Dea. Doty and G. D. Steves and wife, at R. E. Steeves'.
Rev. A. Chipman and wife, Judge Johnston, Dea. John Ford, and Rev. J. E. Fillmore, at Hon. John Lewis'.
Rev. D. W. Crandall and John P. Wells, at Thos. Bray's.
Rev. J. C. Bleakney and brother, Rev. J. R. Skinner, T. M. Munro, C. H. Martell and wife, and J. J. Wallace, at John Wallace's, Esq.
J. G. A. Belyea and wife, at Chipman Bishop's.
J. F. Marsters and wife, Revs. W. H. Warren and J. C. Clark, at Samuel Calkin's.
C. F. Church and wife, and Rev. W. E. Hall and wife, at Isaac Gross'.
Revs. E. Bleakney, W. J. Bleakney, Arthur Simpson, and B. F. Simpson at Milledge Cameron's.
W. F. Marshall and wife, at William Cameron's.
Revs. T. A. Blackadar, J. W. Bancroft, Assel Wells, Esq., and J. W. Stephens, at John Cameron's.
Revs. J. J. Armstrong, J. B. Brown and wife, and A. W. Barss, at Mrs. Thos. Taylor's.
Revs. C. C. Burgess and Geo. Fielding, at R. T. Gross'.
Revs. J. F. Kempton & wife, G. A. Cleaveland and wife, Mark Curry and wife, Rev. John Coombs and Dea. R. Upham, at Rev. M. Gross'.
Rev. E. J. Grant and wife, and Deacon Henry Lovitt, Esq., at Dudgean Duffy's.
Revs. E. M. Kierstead, F. D. Crawley A. J. Wilcox, and Prof. J. F. Tufts, at Mrs. Capt. Walters.
Rev. Willard Parker Anderson, and Le Baron Goddard, at Duncan Steeves'.
Rev. Geo. Armstrong and lady, R. Wilbur and Mrs. Simpson, at Mrs. R. Gross'.
J. Morrison and wife, and J. Walker and wife, at Anthony Steeves'.
H. N. Paint, and John Rhuland, at Robt. Taylor's.
B. H. Eaton, and J. W. Spurden, at Mr. Nichol's.
Rev. M. Normondy and E. M. Beckwith, at Silas Gross'.
Rev. M. W. Brown and C. R. B. Dodge, at Widow Wm. Gross'.
Ezra Hicks and H. V. Crandall, at M. Q. Steeves'.
E. B. Corey and delegate at Widow Carlyle's.
Rev. D. A. Steele and Dea. W. Read and wife at Wm Carlyle's.
A. J. Denton and wife at Mr. Duffy's.
Dea. Geo. Davidson and John Robertson at Abraham Steeves'.
Rev. John Gammond and wife, Rev. W. Richan, & E. B. Phelan, at Dea. Marshall's.
Isa. Dodge and wife at Alex. Simpson's.
Jos. Sutherland and wife, and J. C. Anderson and wife, at Wm. Shaughnessy's.
J. J. Evans and daughter at Dea. Levi Steeves'.
J. W. Sullis and wife, at W. E. Stevens'.
C. B. Whidden and wife, Jas. Armstrong, and R. D. G. Harris, at John Reed's.
Rev. Jos. Murray & wife, at John Elliott's.
Deacon H. H. Chute and wife, at Dimock Steeves'.
Rev. H. B. Shaffner and W. N. Dewitt, at Nehemiah Steeves'.
Yours, C. B. WELTON.