

probable expenditure. The undertaking, like others of a similar kind, vindicated the courage which it involved. For expending about £16,000 the association has seen as a result chapel property in London valued at £80,000. The centre of London is being vacated, and the suburbs are becoming crowded.

The Chairman dwelt at some length upon the vast increase of suburban population. The enterprise is largely one of faith. He alluded to the sacrifices of their forefathers, of which in the present day comparatively nothing was known. The Baptist denomination had, he thought, in London made good progress. That day they were sowing seed which would not only bear fruit in this life, but in the life which was to come.

Following a tea meeting, Rev. Hugh Stowell Brown preached again in the evening to a large congregation.

Including the collections, the sum of £750 was raised.

N. S. WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The N. S. Western Baptist Association assembled with the Wilmot Church at Paradise, in its thirty-first annual session on Saturday last, at 10 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Saunders, the Moderator of the past year, commenced by devotional exercises. The 787 hymn was sung—

"Behold the sure foundation stone, Which God in Zion lays,"

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Morse. Social religious exercises were continued during the time the clerks were occupied in preparing a list of the delegates.

The following were elected officers of the Association for the current year: Moderator, Rev. G. E. Day; M. D. Clerks, Rev. G. B. Titus, and Rev. J. H. Robbins.

Treasurer, Bro. J. M. Longley. Asst. Treasurer, Bro. W. H. Morse.

The Committees as usual were appointed:

To Examine Letters, Revs. T. A. Higgins, J. C. Morse, and P. F. Murray. To read Letters, Revs. J. Clark, R. D. Porter, and J. I. DeWolf.

Several ministers and other brethren not Delegates were invited to seats with the Association.

The Letter from the Wilmot Church was read, giving the Association a warm welcome and greeting.

The preachers appointed for Lord's Day at Paradise, were, Rev. G. E. Day, Rev. John Clark, Rev. A. J. Gordon. At other places in the neighbourhood, Rev. J. C. Morse, Rev. W. L. Parker, Rev. A. Coohon, Rev. T. A. Higgins, Rev. G. Cleaveland, Bro. J. R. Hutchinson, Rev. G. B. Titus, Rev. H. B. Shaffer, Rev. P. F. Murray, Rev. J. I. DeWolf, Rev. J. Melbourne Parker, Rev. G. H. Goudey, and Rev. H. N. Parry.

The letters from the churches were full of interest, further details of which we must reserve for our next.

We regret that Tuesday being a public holiday in Halifax, we were obliged to go to press on Monday afternoon instead of Tuesday, which prevents us from giving account of the later proceedings of the Association, which we must defer till our next.

The METHODIST CONFERENCE is now in session at Granville, Annapolis County. The Conference opened on Thursday. After the opening, the President gave an address.

The ballot for President resulted in thirty-seven votes for Rev. J. Lathern and twenty for Rev. G. O. Huestis. Rev. Jabez Rogers was chosen Secretary, and Rev. C. Jost, Journal Secretary.

Appointments made for Halifax are understood to be: Grafton Street, Rev. J. J. Teasdale; Coburg, to be supplied; Brunswick Street, Rev. R. Bracken; Charles Street, Rev. W. H. Evans; Kay Street, Rev. W. G. Lane.

HOLMAN'S HANDSOME FAMILY BIBLE.—The Holy Bible with nearly two thousand illustrative engravings on steel, wood, and in colors. Containing also Cruden's complete Concordance, with a comprehensive Bible Dictionary, with beautifully illustrated pages for Family Record and Photographs. It also contains a vast amount of information respecting Scripture persons, cities, places and times, with maps and illuminated pages. This is one of the most handsome books published in the United States. A. J. Holman & Co., Philadelphia. Mr. Joseph Root, the authorized agent, is now in Halifax and will supply it at lowest rates.

THE BLIND.—The public meeting in Academy of Music, on Thursday evening last, was a great success. There was a large and highly intelligent audience. Mr. Fraser's Lecture was full of facts and arguments leading to the conclusion that the Blind are entitled to far more consideration than they have yet received. His appeals were powerful, and at the close His Worship the Mayor presented the following resolutions which were seconded by J. Y. Payzant, Esq., and were adopted without a dissentient.

Whereas, In the Province of Nova Scotia, Free Schools are provided for the educating of all persons:

And Whereas, Said schools are intended for the education of those blessed with sight, and are not available for those dependent upon the senses of touch and hearing,

Therefore Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting the members of the Local Legislature for this county should secure the passage of such a bill, as would insure free education to the blind youth of Nova Scotia;

And further, Resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the representative of the County of Halifax in the Parliament.

During the evening, the choir, formed of pupils of the Institution rendered several excellent selections of music.

Our Methodist brethren seem disposed to make the loss of the grant to their college a gain. The Wesleyan says:—

The new departure is marked by an auspicious beginning. Last week we noted the fact that one gentleman had given twelve hundred and fifty dollars, and two others, two hundred and fifty each, and another one hundred, towards meeting the present loss through the withdrawal of the Provincial grant. This week we have to announce with pleasure that the Associated Alumni of Mount Allison have voted \$1,000 towards the contemplated endowment of \$50,000.

The editor of the St. John, N. B. Visitor thinks it was an evil hour when the trustees of the Fredericton Seminary decided to close that school and sell the building. The proceeds are still in the Bank of New Brunswick, in the name of the N. B. Baptist Education Society. Our brother thinks an Academy should be again established in some central location affiliated to Acadia College.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.—The statistics of the Presbyterians as shown at the Assembly at Kingston a few days ago were, that the number of congregations is 767; ministers, 685; members, 113,000; added last year, 11,000; baptisms, 10,000; elders, 4,340; attending Sabbath Schools, 8,600; teachers, 10,000; mansees, 417; amount of salaries reported, \$531,000; total for all congregational purposes, \$994,000; contributions for all purposes, \$1,245,495; contributions in six years, \$6,500,000; for missions, members gave an average of \$151 for all purposes \$1102.

The Moderator introduced Dr. McKay, returned missionary from Formosa, China. He was received with enthusiastic cheers. He is thin, sunburnt, wasted in appearance, and an intensely interesting speaker. His wife, a native lady, was present. A large number of Chinese gods, on the shelf in front of the platform, heightened the interest of the occasion. The accent still lingers on the missionary's tongue. His oratory has Celtic fervor. In eight years he built twenty churches in Formosa. He showed an umbrella of state presented to him by one thousand converts when leaving for Canada. He saved three thousand dollars for the mission himself. In 1872 the committee refused him money for a house. Now, there are two very comfortable houses. Dr. McKay gave deeply interesting details of the mission in Formosa. Dr. McKay will spend, three weeks in the Maritime Provinces.

Among the admission of ministers from other bodies, was a Mr. Rees, Baptist.

It was agreed unanimously to give the Seminary property, Truro, to a Ladies' Seminary, should such be established.

THE TESTIMONY OF THE AGES: or, Confirmations of the Scriptures from Modern Science and Recent Discoveries, Ancient Records and Monuments; the Ruins of Cities and Relics of Tombs; the Greek and Latin Classics; Assyrian Inscriptions and Egyptian Hieroglyphics; Antique Sculptures, Coins, Gems, and Medals; the Ordnance Survey of Sinai; the late Exploration of Palestine; the Literal fulfilment of Prophecies, &c.,

&c. Evidences which the plain reader can understand, which the Scholar will appreciate, and which the Sceptic cannot refute; by Herbert W. Morris, D. D., with numerous illustrations published by J. C. McCurdy & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., pp. 1002.

As the title indicates, this very handsome volume is a library of Biblical information ancient and modern, such as we believe could not be found anywhere else.

The writers from whom the Testimony is obtained are those of the highest reputation. Going through the Sacred Volume it takes up all the matters of difficulty as they occur in the several Books, and shews what has been written by learned men to remove the same and to make them plain. The common reader may by possessing this large work, be as near as possible on a par with the man who has the books of the best writers in all ages, and languages to refer to and consult. It is certainly a marvel of industrious research, a gathering together of knowledge respecting the contents of Bible that cannot fail to secure for it a place in every house where the head of the family is able to obtain it. It would be invaluable in a family of enquiring young people, and would be eagerly perused as well as form a handsome book for the drawing room table.

The Baptist Publication Society's "Helps for the study of the International Series of Lessons" are about as near perfection as it is possible to get them. THE BIBLE LESSON QUARTERLY is invaluable, single copies 5 cents, five or more 3 cents each, 100 copies three dollars. With a proper use of these the "Advanced Scholars" in a Sabbath School cannot help becoming intelligent Bible students. THE INTERMEDIATE LESSON QUARTERLY is equally good, but for persons somewhat younger. Single copies 5 cents, 5 copies or more, 2 1/2 cents per copy.

THE BAPTIST TEACHER, edited by the brilliant and noble Dr. Henson, is welcomed by nearly 40,000 teachers every month. The little folks demand the PICTURE CARDS, at the rate of 50,000 sets a quarter.

A FOREIGN MISSIONARY MANUAL; geographical Synoptical Statistical and Bibliographical, by Frank S. Dobbins, Philadelphia American Baptist Publication Society, pp. 203.

This book is the result of an effort to get together all possible information respecting the missionary stations of all denominations in all parts of the world. Perhaps we could hardly do better than place before our readers the "Contents" of the book:

- PART I.—Mission Stations in Asia and Africa, alphabetically arranged, with the Latitude and Longitude, and, as far as ascertainable, the Population, of each.
PART II.—Tables of the Distribution of Missionaries, and of the Present Forces and Results of Missionary Work in each Country.
PART III.—Directory and Statistics of Missionary Societies, List of Medical Missionaries, and Biographical Index of some Noted Missionaries.
PART IV.—A Guide to Missionary Reading; Classified Lists of Books of Travels, Missions, and Non-Christian Religions; together with a List of Missionary Periodicals.
Statistics of Missions in China.
Statistics of Missions in India.

Notices.

After the first day of September, A.D. 1881, no privilege shall be granted on account of scholarships in Acadia College, unless the principal and whatever interest may be due on the same, shall have been paid, and a proper certificate of the same, shall have been furnished by the Treasurer in accordance with the Act of 1853.

By order of the Board of Governors of Acadia College.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Secy. Wolfville, June 18, 1881.

P. S.—The above was passed in November last, and ordered to be published in the Messenger and Visitor. S. W. DeB.

Baptist Anniversaries 1881.

CENTRAL, meets at 10 a. m. on Saturday, June 25th, at Billtown, Cornwallis. Sermon by Rev. E. Whitman or Rev. George Armstrong; Circular Letter by Rev. S. March.

EASTERN, meets at 10 a. m., on Saturday, July 9th, at North Sydney, C. B. Sermon by Rev. D. A. Steele, or Rev. J. E. Goucher; Circular Letter by J. J. Armstrong.

NEW BRUNSWICK ASSOCIATIONS.

WESTERN, meets at 2 p. m., on Tuesday June 28th, at Upper Gagetown. Sermon by Rev. J. H. Harvey, or Rev. W. P. Anderson; Circular Letter by Rev. J. Cahill.

EASTERN, meets at 2 p. m., on Tuesday, July 12th, at Harvey. Sermon by Rev. J. H. Hughes, or Rev. H. Foshay; Circular Letter by Rev. G. O. Gates.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION, meets at 10 a. m., on Saturday, July 2nd, at Bedeque. Sermon by Rev. J. A. Gordon, or Rev. D. G. McDonald; Circular Letter by Rev. J. B. Woodland.

BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES meets at 10 a. m., on Saturday, August 20, at Yarmouth, N. S. Sermon by Rev. J. E. Hopper or Rev. W. A. Corey.

N. S. EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

All persons who purpose attending the Eastern Association, to convene, at North Sydney, C. B., July 9th, are requested to forward their names to the undersigned immediately; in order that suitable arrangements may be made for their accommodation while here.

PRINCE EDW. ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

We respectfully request all who plan to attend as delegates our Association at Bedeque, to send on their names, at least one week in advance. As teams will be in waiting on Saturday morning, at Upper Freetown and Summerside, to convey delegates who come by rail or boat. Please state in your Card how you intend coming.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED.

Table with 2 columns: Church Name, Amount. Includes First Horton Church, Wallace, E. G., Tasset Church, McGregor, instalment, North Church, Halifax, Mrs. Young, Lake Paul, Kings Co., Charles Mosher, Esq. and family, Blue Mountain, Kings Co., Howe Pineo, Esq., Kings Port, Do., for Home & Foreign Miss., Rubnic Church, per Rev. E. P. Coldwell, Argyle Church, per do., for H. M.

Yarmouth, June 16, 1881.

P. S.—The amount credited to First Horton Church in May should have been \$25.25 for the Infirm Ministers' Board of the Central Association. G. E. D.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes Guysboro—Mrs. J. McG. Cunningsham, Osborne—Mr. A. Freeman, M. R. Seiden, Treasurer.

Central Baptist Association.

LOCATION OF DELEGATES.

BILLTOWN, June 17th 1881.

Mr. Editor,—

Please publish the names of visitors to Association and homes assigned: Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev. J. M. Parker & wife—W. C. Bill, Esq., M. P. P. Rev. S. March, Bro. J. F. Heropath, Dea. Joseph Masters—H. E. Bill. Rev. E. Keirstead, A. Shaw and H. Blackader—W. S. Sweet. Rev. A. W. Bars and wife, Albert Coldwell and wife—H. Halsey. Rev. W. L. Parker and wife—E. Parish. W. Gibson, S. Hubby and Hans Mills—T. H. Rockwell. Rev. I. Wallace & wife, Rev. W. Spencer & wife—H. F. Sweet. Rev. E. H. Read & wife, and Stephen Langille—T. Graves. S. Seiden & B. Hubby—Dea. C. E. Parker. James Greno & James Layton—J. M. Lamont David Hume—E. Mosher. Rev. G. A. Weathers, Rev. J. F. Beattie & wife—James Bligh. Stephen Corkum and J. Bezanson—Everet Bligh. Rev. J. W. Weeks & wife—Truman Porter. Rev. M. W. Brown—Dea. J. Lantz. George Bars & Lewis Messenger—Deacon E. Kiltcup. Enoch Durland—Isaac Tupper. Leander DeLong—Jeremiah Bligh. Rev. A. J. Dykeman & wife—John Lamont. Rev. D. Freeman & wife—John Turner. Charles Bacon—J. E. Durham. J. R. Hutchinson & J. E. Irish—C. B. Lamont Rev. J. F. Avery & wife—Rev. J. W. Swaffield E. J. Grant—C. Cogswell. R. Ford, Josie Ford, Miss Tupper—L. North. Dr. Armstrong & wife—Theo. Reid. Rev. T. A. Higgins—Geo. D. Skinner. Accommodation will be provided for those whose names came in too late for publication. H. P. Sweet, Sec.

Delegates attending the P. E. Island Association will get "Excursion return" tickets for one first class fare; this ticket, accompanied by a certificate of attendance, which they will receive at the place of meeting will entitle them to a free ride home. These tickets will be issued on Friday and Saturday and good till the end of Wednesday. Parties going from the East will take tickets to Freetown Station—and from West to Summerside. There is a daily boat from Shediac to Summerside, but no boat from Pictou to Charlottetown on Friday. Parties coming by Pictou must come to Charlottetown on Thursday. Brethren from across the Straits—we are weak, come over and help us. D. G. MACDONALD, Fin. Com. of P. E. I. Charlottetown, June 17, 1881.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. E. M. Saunders. Sabbath School in the New Vestry Spring Garden Road at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meetings in the same place on Wednesday and Bible studies on Friday evenings at 7.30.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

TABERNACLE, NORTH BRUNSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

DAKEMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30. Pastor Rev. J. E. Grant.

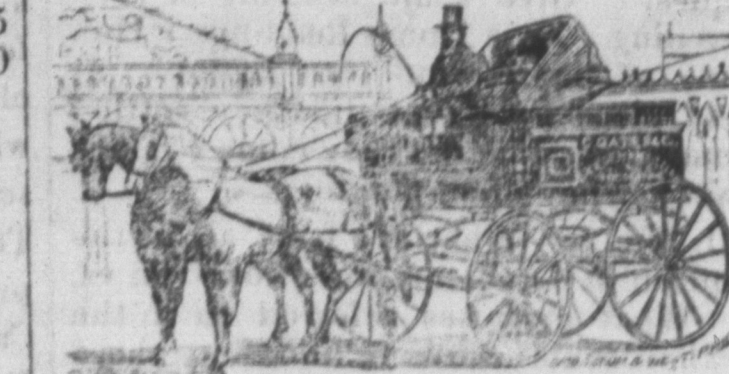
AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNWALLIS STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Sabbath School in the vestry at 3 P. M. Prayer meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

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