

Ordination at Newport, N. S.

An Ecclesiastical Council convened at Newport, Hants Co., N. S., on the 14th day of April, 1881, pursuant to an invitation from the Baptist church in Newport, to take into consideration the propriety of ordaining to the work of the gospel ministry Bro. Alonzo, T. Dykeman.

The Council was organized by the choice of Rev. D. M. Welton, Ph. D., as Moderator, and Rev. J. W. Manning, Clerk.

Prayer was offered by Revs. E. M. Kierstead, A. M., and George Weathers.

The Moderator then called for the reading of the resolution of the church authorizing the call of the Council.

The credentials of delegates were then called for, when it appeared that the following churches were represented by the following brethren:

Newport.—Deacons Noah Dimock and Shubael Dimock, Brethren J. Walley, E. Sweet, L. Walley, and Wm. Knowles.

Kempt.—Rev. George Weathers, Bro. Samuel Caldwell, Dea. Joseph Marsters.

Falmouth.—Brethren J. H. Fletcher, (Lic.), and N. E. Davison.

Windsor.—Rev. E. M. Kierstead, dea. Henry Redden, and Bro. Isaiah Dimock.

Rawdon.—Dea. Wm. Phalen.

Walton.—Rev. Isaiah Wallace.

Wolfville.—Rev. D. M. Welton, Ph. D.

Halifax, North.—Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B. Letters of regret at being unable to be present were received from Revs. E. M. Saunders, A. M., and J. F. Avery, of Halifax, and George Armstrong, A. M. of Kentville.

The church of Hantsport and Ellershouse were invited to send delegates, but were not represented at the Council.

The following brethren on motion were invited to seats in Council, Daniel Illsley, J. W. Sangster, John Dimock, and Dea. Edward Dimock.

The standing of Bro. A. T. Dykeman in the community in his relations to the church—his acceptance as a preacher of the Word; and the provision made for his support, having been inquired into and found to be of a most satisfactory character, on motion it was resolved that Bro. A. T. Dykeman be requested to relate his christian experience—call to the gospel ministry and his views of christian doctrine and church polity.

The account given by the candidate of his christian experience and call to the ministry brought out the following facts, viz., that he was baptized into the fellowship of the Jemseg Baptist Church, New Brunswick—then under the pastoral care of the Rev. A. B. MacDonald—that subsequently he received a license to preach from this church, and that he has been preaching to the church in Newport for the last eighteen months.

The statement of his views of christian doctrine and church polity was clear and discriminating. On each of these topics he was subjected to a searching examination by the Council. His replies to the questions asked were wise and judicious.

The candidate having been requested to retire and after an interchange of views by the members of the Council, on motion of Rev. J. W. Manning and seconded by Rev. George Weathers,

It was unanimously resolved that Bro. Alonzo, T. Dykeman be ordained to the work of the gospel ministry.

It was further resolved that the public exercises in connection with the service of ordination be as follows:

Sermon.—Rev. D. M. Welton, Ph. D.

Prayer of Ordination.—Rev. George Weathers with the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery.

Hand of Fellowship.—Rev. E. M. Kierstead, A. M.

Charge to the Candidate.—Rev. Isaiah Wallace, A. M.

Charge to the Church.—Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to furnish the Christian Messenger and Christian Visitor for publication a copy of the minutes of council.

Voted to adjourn until 3 P. M.

At 3 o'clock a large congregation assembled at the meeting house at Scotch Village. The sermon was from Rom. i. 16. And the order of exercises was according to the vote of Council as recorded above.

The whole service seemed to be highly appreciated by the audience.

Adjourned with the benediction of the Moderator.

D. M. WELTON, Moderator. J. W. MANNING, Clerk.

Newport, Hants Co., N. S., April 14th, 1881.

Ordination, St. John, N. B.

In response to the call of the Germain Street Baptist Church, a Council convened on the 7th inst., to consider the propriety of ordaining the pastor elect, Brother W. M. Weeks.

Rev. I. E. Bill was elected Moderator, Rev. E. W. Kelly, Sec'y. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. P. Everett. The following composed the Council:—

Germain Street.—Deacons John Fisher and J. H. Harding.

St. Martin's.—Rev. I. E. Bill, and Brother White, (Licentiate.)

Brussels Street.—Rev. J. E. Hopper, Brother W. W. DeWitt.

Leinster Street.—Rev. E. W. Kelly, Brother C. G. Turnbull.

Temple Church.—Rev. W. P. Everett, Brother T. H. Hall.

Portland.—Rev. W. A. Corey, Deacon M. E. Cowan.

Carleton.—Rev. E. Hickson, Deacon William Buchanan.

Marsh Bridge.—Rev. James Spencer.

The Moderator having called upon the Candidate, he related his religious experience and call to the ministry, followed by a statement of his doctrinal belief. Questions were asked the candidate by several brethren. The Council then retired and unanimously

Resolved, 1. That our brother's relation of Christian experience, his call to the ministry, and his statement of doctrinal views are clear and satisfactory to this Council. 2. That the Church be recommended to proceed with the ordination.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Council, a public service of Ordination was held in the evening.

The following is the programme:

Opening Prayer.—Rev. W. A. Corey.

Sermon.—Rev. I. E. Bill.

Ordaining Prayer.—Rev. E. Hickson.

Charge to Candidate.—Rev. W. P. Everett.

Right Hand of Fellowship.—Rev. E. W. Kelly.

Charge to the Church.—Rev. J. E. Hopper.

Closing Prayer.—Rev. Jas. Spencer.

Benediction.—Rev. W. M. Weeks.

The service was solemn and impressive. The audience large. Bro. Weeks enters on his pastoral labors with bright promises of harmony and successful work.

SECRETARY.

WOODSTOCK, N.B.—Mr. Editor, Since last writing you, the Quarterly Meeting of the Carleton and Victoria Baptist churches met at Centreville, N. B., and considering the bad road there was a good representation of delegates and others present. Rev. J. W. S. Young preached the quarterly sermon which was a well arranged and powerful effort. Bro. A. H. Hayard's labors in Knowlesville, Glassville, &c., have been blessed. A church has recently been formed. We understand that Rev. Herman Shaw, assisted by Wm. Delong have been holding special meetings on the Cold Stream, and quite a number have been baptized. Rev. F. S. Todd has recently resigned the pastorate of Middle Simonds Church, and moved to Gagetown, Queens Co. Rev. Geo. Howard has taken charge of McKenzie Corner and Richmond Churches. Rev. Tho's. Todd, moves here 1st May, from St. Stephen. Since my last, four more have been added to the church. The church here intend building a meeting house, the old house being out of date, and have started a fund for that purpose. They had a tea-meeting last September which proved a grand success, and then made arrangements to have a bazaar and tea meeting on the 1st July, the result of which I will make known to you hereafter. W.

GUYSBOROUGH.—Rev. W. C. RIDEOUT writes April 15th:—Since I wrote to you, eleven have put on Christ. Many have found peace in believing, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Not a few are saying, Pray for me. The good work is increasing in power. Last Sunday was a great day at Boylston, eight were baptized. Our house was filled with people, and with the Glory of God. The work reminds me of the work in this place 33 years ago, which lasted 18 months. It is all of grace.

NEW GERMANY.—A respected correspondent writes:—"You will be glad to know that the Lord is reviving His work in New Germany. Our pastor, Bro. M. W. Brown has been holding special services for four weeks. Eleven have followed Christ by baptism, and others are waiting. To God be all the glory,

HILLSBURG, 1st.—The good work of the Lord is progressing graciously. All is well, for this is a time of restoring and saving. God is doing His work in His own way. J. A. McL.

BRIDWICK.—Rev. J. C. Bleakney writes April 15th. "Baptized three since my last letter."

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Springfield.—Since my last communication I baptized 4 more at Kinnear Settlement, and others were received for baptism, making in all 31. The work seemed to be widening on all sides and we would have been glad to have continued the meetings, but I had to return to Springfield, where I baptized 8 last Sabbath, and others are expected.

W. T. COREY.

Leinster Street, St. John.—The pastor, Rev. E. W. Kelly, administered baptism to three persons last Sunday Evening.

Germain St.—Already an increasing religious interest is seen in the devotional meetings of the church.

Carleton.—The revival in this church still continues with unabated interest. A number more have been received for baptism, and several have united lately by letter. Bro. Hickson as well as the church, after a long season of work without much manifest results, greatly rejoice in the present signal product of these labors.

Upper Gagetown.—The friends of Rev. F. S. Todd, comprising the Church and congregation of Upper Gagetown and Burton, met at the parsonage on the evening of the 11th of March and presented their pastor with a purse containing \$60, and other articles to the value of \$30—making in all \$90.

The cause of God in this community is enjoying a refreshing from the presence of the Lord under the ministry of our esteemed Brother, Rev. F. S. Todd. Four persons have recently professed conversion and been baptized and received into the Church.

We are looking forward with no small degree of pleasure to the next annual meeting of the Western N. B. Baptist Association with our Church in June, next.

Alma.—Last Lord's Day, the 2d inst., I had the privilege of administering the ordinance of Baptism for the first time in New Brunswick, and I expect to have a like enjoyment again before long, if the Lord will.

—Visitor. I. J. SKINNER.

In Memoriam.

MRS. JACOB DOCKENDORFF died at North River, Prince Edward Island, April 3rd, aged 70 years. She professed religion forty years ago, and united with the Baptist Church in this place, and so remained till death. She will be missed by her aged husband by her family, by the church, by the W. M. A. Society, and by a large circle of relatives and friends. By request of the sorrowing father, the body was borne to the grave by the six eldest sons. The services, conducted by her pastor, was participated in by Rev. M. Ross, and Rev. D. G. McDonald. A few weeks previous to her sickness she selected the heavenly hymn of Dr. Watts:

"When I can read my title clear,
To mansions in the skies,
I bid farewell to every fear,
And wipe my weeping eyes,"

and in moments of quiet thought requested it to be sung at her funeral, with the music, "St. Martins." Her last words were, "To me He is always precious." C. C. B.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

MONDAY 11th.—Hon. Prov. Secretary introduced a bill to repeal the Act of 1877, relating to the University of Halifax—depriving it of the grant of \$2000 a year, which was read a first and second time in a few minutes.

The estimates were then laid on the table.

The principal items of Revenue are Subsidy, 80 cents a head, including amount for Legislative Expenses \$370,887.00. Mines, for Royalties, &c., \$90,000.00.

The principal items of Expenditure, are Agriculture \$12,548.00. Education \$200,000.00. Legislative Expenses \$38,000.00. Normal School Bonds \$5,000.00. Roads and Bridges \$99,300.00.

Hon Mr. Townshend gave notice that he would move on a future day the following resolutions:—

"Resolved, That the Government be authorized during recess to enter into correspondence with the Government of the other Maritime Provinces with a view to taking concerted action for the abolition of the Legislative Councils of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island."

In the course of the evening sitting, the House in Committee of Supply, passed a number of items, and coming to the item of \$200,000 for Education,

the Provincial Secretary moved that as the College grants had been refused by the Council, that amount should include the sum of \$600 as an Academy grant, for each of the counties of Halifax, Hants, Kings and Antigonish, which allowances should be at the disposal of the Council of Public Instruction.

Mr. McGillivray said he thought the amount should be the same as that given to the Academies of Yarmouth and Pictou Counties, \$1400. The colleges had done more good for higher education than the academies. The Normal school at Truro had been a much greater expense than a proportionate benefit, and he thought the grants given to the counties possessing colleges should bear a more equitable relation to the value of these institutions. The Normal school was an exceedingly expensive institution, and in his opinion it did not tend to elevate the standard of education as much as did the colleges. The amounts given should be \$1,400 instead of \$600.

Hon. Prov. Secretary said that the amount allotted to each was not intended to be permanent, but merely as a provision for the present year.

Mr. T. B. Smith asked if the academy in connection with King's College would receive the ordinary academy grants.

Hon. Prov. Secretary said that was in the hands of the Council of Public Instruction, and of course if King's college was doing academy work it would be entitled to an academy grant.

Mr. T. B. Smith asked if the grant would also be given to Sackville Academy.

Hon. Atty. General said that he did not regard this as in any wise a permanent settlement of the question. The colleges had as strong a claim upon his voice and vote now as when he voted for the bill allowing them grants of public money. To accomplish equalization it was not necessary that the academy grants should be raised to \$1,400, or because it could not be assumed that the large grants were to be continued to the counties of Pictou and Yarmouth. The grant to Yarmouth he considered was wiped out and extinct, by the defeat of the college measure.

On WEDNESDAY the Hon. Prov. Secretary moved the Railway Resolution, which was seconded by Mr. McKenzie. The lengthy preamble mentions the several railways of the Province in existence or contemplated, and the Intercolonial between Halifax and Truro; and proceeds:

And Whereas, it is desirable to utilize the powers above referred to with a view to the consolidation of the several railways under one management, in order to secure their more efficient and economical working, and in order to restore to the Province as large a proportion as can be obtained of the moneys advanced for the construction of the said railways by the sale of the interests referred to.

Be it therefore resolved, that the Government be authorized and empowered to enter into negotiations with any person or persons or corporations, for the purpose of effecting a sale of the interests possessed by the Province in said railways or any of them, and to contract for such sale upon the best terms that can be obtained therefor, having regard to the ability of the contractors to carry out their negotiations, and to furnish satisfactory security therefor, and to contract for the completion of such roads and any of them, and for the construction and working of arailway in the Island of Cape Breton, to connect with the Eastern Extension Railway and ferry to the Strait of Canso. Any contract to be made under this resolution to be subject to the approval of the House.

On THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock Lieutenant Governor Archibald came down to the Council Chamber and prorogued the Legislature by the following

CLOSING SPEECH.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentleman of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

1. The labors of the present Legislative Session being ended, I am happy to relieve you from further attendance, and thank you for the attention and care bestowed on the public business committed to you.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

2. While thanking you for the satisfactory provision made for the public service, I have much pleasure in assuring you that the expenditure in the several departments will be diligently guarded.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

3. The various Acts passed by you in relation to important interests of the Province will, it may be hoped, result in promoting the general good.

4. The increasing demand on the Legislature for Acts of Incorporation is a most gratifying proof of the gradual extension of manufacturing industry in the Province, which it may be confidently expected will confer material benefit on our people.

5. The amalgamation of the office of

Queen's Printer with that of Commissioner of Public Works and Mines is a further step in the direction of the system of prudence and economy which is being gradually introduced, without impairing the efficiency of the public departments.

6. The correspondence and negotiations carried on for some time past with the Dominion Government for financial assistance have been of some benefit to the treasury of the Province, and I may hope that with the growing prosperity of the country further aid will yet be granted.

7. There are grounds for belief that the Provincial Railway, although on a more satisfactory basis than for some time past, may still be improved, and made to contribute more efficiently to the development of the trade of the country, and the financial interests of the Province.

8. I trust that you will return to your homes to aid in disseminating among the people which you represent those principles of loyalty, christianity and industry which bring contentment and peace, and contribute at once to the safety of the state and the happiness and welfare of the people.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—It is understood that his Excellency the Governor General and suite will leave for Quebec the first week in May, remaining there about a month. On the arrival of her Royal Highness the Princess Louise and party, a couple of weeks salmon fishing will be enjoyed on the St. Lawrence, after which the Vice Regal party will proceed to Halifax to be present at the general military review to be held there on Dominion Day. About the middle of July they will start on their North-West trip, which is expected to last a couple of months.

The new cattle order from England prohibiting vessels which have carried cattle from any port in the United States to load cattle in Canada for a period of thirty days thereafter, has upset the arrangements of some cattle shippers. A train of cattle belonging to Mr N. Kennedy, which was about starting from Montreal for Halifax, was countermanded, and the cattle will now be shipped via Portland.

STRANGE FATALITY.—Advices from British Columbia state that the Chinese employed on the Canadian Pacific Railway works are dying rapidly from a mysterious disease, which seizes them in the feet, whence swelling proceeds rapidly upwards towards the vitals, killing them in fifteen minutes. Over a hundred have died and the disease continues.

On Sunday last at Pointe Claire, the old and new Catholic Churches and Pilon's Hotel were completely destroyed and a man fatally injured by the falling of a ladder. He died about six hours afterwards. Loss is estimated at \$50,000.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Sailors have been in great demand at St. John of late.

J. H. Parks of the N. B. Cotton Mill contemplates the erection of a cotton Mill near the I. C. Railway. Sussex has offered a site free of charge. Moncton would exempt it from taxation and also take stock.

SAD.—Abner Smith and Jno. Hillson were gunning on Sackville marshes on Friday. They were a short distance from each other, and as Hillson discharged his fowling-piece, Smith rose from his position and received the contents in his head, fracturing the skull. He died at once.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—A woman left an infant in a public house at Charlottetown and went off by train. She was pursued, captured and compelled to take the child.

On the Malpeque Road, P. E. Island a man named Thomas Halligan tried to stop a runaway team. The shafts struck his breast, inflicting injuries which are likely to prove fatal.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—The steam sealing fleet, with but a few exceptions, have arrived in St. John's, and sailed again on their second trip. On the whole the fishery is expected to be quite up to the average—the quality of the seals has never been equal to the present catch.

The total catch heard from 111,000 seals, with twenty two steamers to hear from, the full strength of the regular sealing fleet being 27 steamers. An average season's catch is about 400,000 so that already more than a fourth of that number has been secured by five of the regular steamers and two small sailing vessels, and more than an average haul may now be reasonably expected.

UNITED STATES.—A novel amendment is proposed to the penal code of California. Life sentences are to be commuted upon life insurance tables, permitting the discharge of a prisoner at the arrival of the time when he ought to die according to the average tables.

A telegram from Cincinnati on Wednesday last says:

Glover's Gap, W. V., is panic-stricken on account of small-pox. Trains pass through without stopping. The doctors are all sick, and there is nobody to bury the dead. Those who can are leaving town. The disease is spreading to Burton village, ten miles distant. The Governor was telegraphed to send somebody to bury the dead. He replied that the county authorities should attend to it.

The overflowed water of the Missouri

APRIL 20, 1881. is gradually piled up ten bank bottom. Yanktown the lowlands their best of have been they possess. All railroads in. The cannot be. Miss Hatt on Monday pleted full starvation. on the 23rd after death was made found in pounds. ENGLAND. Electric h the case of that Dr. Qu defend his Physicians who is an e. The remain ers to jail making s created c Dublin. Lord Bea morning. TURKEY. siderable v. Chio. It is houses ren Island. F tally destr localities b. RUSSIA. vanced for been taken Turcoman was killed. Nicholas Nihilist, w by the Rou implicated. Ichigrin, Governme dradition. All the Hesy He for connec tion, nam Kilbalschi Riokolasky on Friday broke twi there wa spectators. The con ed from t ecutio n drums an regiments Petersburg. Many t night at t to obtain GERMA at Berlin Bismark. SPAIN. caused at Gov. Gen sentence officials a departm Among t rank at c tions in t ITALY. the form refrains f ally to r reasonab able to obtained. MEXICO huahua troops at between when the interior INDIA. ernor of Saturday the Brit Ameers and Cas from th APPO a Justice Clement King Peace, Village. Queen Peace. Medway Cole Peace. Botsford Shell Peace. Inver Peace. Cumt the Pe Parabor Halli Peace. Prospe The shingle owned on Su boys pl insuran