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DELEGATES and members who have paid one full first-class fare on coming to Convention will be entitled to return free upon presenting to the Railway Station Agent or Steamboat Clerk a proper certificate of attendance signed by the Secretary of Convention, on the following lines:

Intercolonial Railway. All lines of Railway in New Brunswick. The Union line of Bay and River Steamers, N. B.

The N. S. Steamship Company. The P. E. I. Steam Navigation Co. Fishwick's shore line of steamers—"Edgar Stuart" and "M. A. Starr."

Certificates to state name of boat by which delegate came in every case. Certificates on all these lines will be good until Sept. 1st.

The Prince Edward Island Railway will issue return tickets for one first-class fare to DELEGATES coming to Convention on 22nd and 24th inst., such return tickets will be honored up to the 30th inst., but only on presentation to conductor of Certificate of attendance.

The Western Counties Railway will issue return tickets to DELEGATES coming to Convention over their line for one and one-third first-class fares, and will require no certificates.

The Windsor & Annapolis Railway and the Halifax and Cape Breton Railway will give tickets to return for one-third first-class fare upon presentation of certificate of attendance to DELEGATES who have paid first class fare in coming to Convention. This privilege to extend to 31st inst.

DELEGATES who pass over two or more independent lines of travel must obtain from Secretary of Convention a separate certificate for each.

R. M. KING, Chairman of Committee on Travelling Arrangements.

TO LADY DELEGATES ATTENDING THE CONVENTION:

There will be a special meeting of delegates and members of the W. M. A. Societies on Saturday, the 25th of Aug., at half past 2 o'clock, P. M., in the Spring Garden Baptist Vestry, for the transaction of important business. A punctual and full attendance is requested.

M. R. SELDEN, Secretary N. S. Central Board.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

As the accounts of the Financial Committee of Convention must close before the meeting of Convention, those churches which have not yet contributed, as well as those which have not closed their account with the Financial Agent, are kindly requested to forward their contributions immediately.

Personal contributions for denominational enterprises will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged.

A. H. LAYERS, Fin. Com. for P. E. I. Charlottetown, P. E. I., July 23, 1883.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

A meeting of the Board of Governors of Acadia College will be held on Friday, Aug. 24th, at 9 o'clock, a. m., in the Baptist Vestry, Spring Garden Road.

T. A. HIGGINS, Acting Secretary. Wolfville, Aug. 8th, 1883.

RECEIVED FOR ACADIA COLLEGE.

Indebtedness Fund.

W. R. Whidden, Antigonish, \$500 00

C. T. Whidden, " 50 00

E. C. Crocup, Fredericton, per 25 00

H. C. C. Denar, St. John, N. B., 100 00

Per A. J. Denton, Agent.

T. P. Churchill, Lockeport, 100 00

Rev. W. H. Richan, Barrington, 10 00

L. A. Porter, " 1 00

A Friend, Jordan River, 100 00

Jas. H. M. Tarren, Argyle, 2 00

E. F. Parker, Yarmouth, 12 50

Capt. T. J. Perry, Acadia, Yarmouth, 5 00

Mrs. Mary Rose, Ohio, Yarmouth, 5 00

I. H. Uhlman, Carleton, " 25 00

Mrs. I. H. Uhlman, " 5 00

Mrs. Alice Cook, " 5 00

Mrs. R. R. Crosby, " 5 00

James A. Hatfield & Co., Tusket, Yarmouth, 180 00

Henry E. Haley, Yarmouth, 15 00

S. A. Kinney, " 1 00

Mrs. J. W. Lovitt, " 500 00

Capt. J. T. Raymond, Digby, 5 00

Sam'l. F. Troop, Middleton, 10 00

Rev. D. A. Steele, Amherst, 25 00

Whitman Dimock, Round Hill, 5 00

A Friend, Kentville, 5 00

A Friend, Argyle, 5 00

Mrs. G. E. Good, Annapolis, 5 00

John B. Mills, " 20 00

James S. Morse, Wolfville, 25 00

Mrs. Jas. E. Morse, " 5 00

Note—\$800 per J. A. Denton, CHRISTIAN MESSENGER, 21st July, now given in detail. Last four subscriptions to Building Fund acknowledged 16th June belong to "Indebtedness" and are included above—\$75.

Convention Fund.

Per J. March, New Brunswick, \$202 17

Special contributions to Current Expenses.

Birdsall Bishop, Wolfville, per 10 00

Rev. Dr. Sawyer, " 10 00

Endowment Fund.

J. A. Hatfield, Yarmouth, per 100 00

Rev. A. Cohoon, " 100 00

W. M. Read, Amherst, 20 00

Estate Hix Chesley, Annapolis, per A. J. Denton, 2 60

Per Rev. J. A. Gordon, P. E. I., J. F. Mallick, No. 50, 10 00

W. B. Calbeck, Tryon, No. 1879, 5 00

Arthur Simpson, Cavendish, 5 00

Walter Simpson, " 5 00

Amos Robertson, Montague Bridge, 2 50

D. B. Forbes, " 15 00

T. B. Crosby, Yarmouth, H. H. Professorship, per Rev. A. C., 20 00

Interest.

Estate, Kinney & Haley, Yarmouth, per Rev. A. Cohoon, 97 58

W. M. Read, Amherst, 20 00

Estate, Hix Chesley, per J. A. Denton, 1 85

S. P. Raymond, Yarmouth, per Rev. A. Cohoon, 9 60

Building Fund.

Bequest, late James Wheelock, Lawrenceston, per Rev. W. H. Warren, 133 33

Per Rev. A. Cohoon.

Rev. E. R. Curry, 10 00

H. H. Crosby, 30 00

Rev. E. J. Grant, 5 00

X. Z. CHIPMAN, Treasurer. Wolfville, Aug. 13th, 1883.

KINGS COUNTY MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE.

It has been thought best to postpone the next meeting of this body from the first Monday and Tuesday of September to the first Monday and Tuesday of October. Ministers and delegates will therefore please take notice that the next meeting will be held on the evening of the first Monday in October in the North Kingston Meeting House.

D. M. WELTON, Sec'y. pro. tem.

REMEMBER! The Great Tea Meeting and Bay party at Margareville, Wednesday, September 5th. Tea from 1 to 5, p. m., only 35 cents. Children 25 cts. Excursion on the Bay. Concert in the evening. Another pleasant drive for the Valley friends. Don't miss it!

TEA MEETING AT ST. MARGARET'S BAY.

The ladies and friends of the 1st St. Margaret's Bay Baptist Church, purpose holding a tea meeting at Allan McDonald's, French Village, on Wednesday, the 12th of September, to which the public are cordially invited. Doors open at 1 o'clock, P. M. Admission for adults 35 cents. Children under 12, 25 cents. The proceeds to be appropriated to the building of a new meeting house.

Should the day prove rainy it will be on the next day.

The church at Lunenburg failed to acknowledge before the receipt of two dollars from L. C. Lynton, of London-derry, N. S., towards the erection of their new meeting house. They need a great deal yet to complete the building, and the smallest contributions will be thankfully received by Isaac Gates, the Treasurer. It is a good work, brethren help if you can.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

will be held at Woodville, West Cornwallis, on Thursday, the 20th day of September next, to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

I have sent circulars to the Superintendents of schools so far as I know and if they are not received they will please let me know and I will furnish others. The Superintendents will please forward the circulars to the Secretary.

A. A. PINKO, Sec'y. Baptist S. S. Convention. Chipman Corner, Cornwallis, August 14th, 1883.

TEA MEETING.—The North Kingston Baptist Church and Congregation purpose having a Tea Meeting on Wednesday, the 29th inst. Proceeds to be appropriated to repairs of the building and the church organ. Tickets 35 cts.; under ten years 25 cts.

The first General Meeting of the Subscribers to the Baptist Book & Tract Society will be held in the Vestry of the Granville St. Baptist Church Halifax, on Monday 27th inst. at which it is proposed to make some changes in the Constitution and Bye Laws.

On behalf of Committee, Geo. A. McDONALD, Sec'y.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. Alex. McArthur. Sabbath School in the Spring Garden Vestry at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meeting in the same place on Wednesday evening at 7.45.

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.

DARTMOUTH 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. E. J. Grant.

ARCADE 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. Rev. H. H. Johnson, Pastor.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Canard—Mrs. S. B. Kempton, \$ 7 00

Digby—Miss E. Bent, 11 00

Sydney, C. B.—Mrs. C. H. Harrington, 1 20

M. R. SELDEN, Treasurer. Halifax, August 21st, 1883.

Moneys Received.

Wm Turner, \$2; Walter Wilson, \$2;

M B Marshall, \$2; A A Pineo, \$3.25;

X A Chipman, \$2; Rev W H Richan, \$2.

A certain little Pharisee, who was praying for his big brother, had a good deal of human nature in him, even if he was only six years old. He prayed, "O Lord, bless brother Bill, and make him as good a boy as I am."

Natural flowers are placed on bonnets. To be greatly tanned is the fashion among young ladies. Bracelets are never seen now outside the glove. Young ladies at Springs carry silver mugs. Vases of cut flowers of every description are placed about the rooms in every available spot.

THE BAPTIST BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY.

104 Granville Street, HALIFAX, N. S.

LIST OF BOOKS.

Daily Thoughts, by Talmage, per vol. \$0.75

Series of Sermons in 6 vol. " 60

Abominations of Modern Society " 35

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Sports that Kill, " 30

MACAULAY'S HISTORY OF ENGLAND, 5 vols. set, 8.00

SPURGEON'S WORKS.

The Baptist Messenger, per vol. 55

Treaty of David, " 2.00

The Metropolitan Tabernacle and Pulpit, " 2.00

Twelve Sermons on various subjects, " 30

Types and Emblems, " 90

Trumpet Calls &c., " 1.00

Feathers for Arrows, " 75

Flashes of Thought, " 1.50

Illustrations, &c., " 75

Gleanings among Sheaves, " 45

SHILLING SERIES, 7 vol., viz.:

Christ's Glorious Achievements, " 30

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The Spare Half-Hour, " 30

The Mourner's Comforter, " 30

The Bible and Newspaper, " 30

Eccentric Preacher, " 30

God's Choice, " 30

400 Sermons, assorted, including Future Punishment and Baptismal Regeneration, each, 03

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