

# The King's Highway.

And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness: . . . The wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. Isaiah 35 : 8.

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## MINUTES

OF THE

### Reformed Baptist Alliance

FOR THE

#### Year Ending June, 1897

(CONDENSED.)

The Ninth Annual Alliance of the Reformed Baptist Church of Canada, convened in the beautiful new Tabernacle at Beulah Camp Grounds, Brown's Flat, Greenwich, Kings Co., June 30th, 1897, at 2.30 p. m.

Rev. G. W. Macdonald, Vice-President, in the chair.

This first service, being a social service, began with song. The Scriptures were then read, and a number of prayers offered, followed by a number of bright, strong testimonies to the power of God to save and keep from sin, and a blessed season was enjoyed. Though the rain fell freely yet there were quite a number present.

In the evening G. B. Trafton preached a very acceptable sermon from Eph. V. 25, 26. A good social service followed.

#### SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, July 1st, 1897.

This was the first business session. G. B. Trafton, the President, was in the chair, and after reading a portion of Scripture, prayer was offered by H. H. Cosman.

The Alliance was called to order, and the roll being called, the following members were found to be present:

#### OFFICERS.

President—W. B. Trafton.  
Vice-President—G. W. Macdonald.  
Recording Sec'y—W. B. Wiggins,  
Assistant Sec.—Alice N. Goodspeed.  
Cor. Sec.—A. L. Bubar.  
Treasurer—E. Cosman.  
Auditor—A. J. Marsten.

#### MINISTERS.

G. W. Macdonald.  
W. B. Wiggins.  
G. B. Trafton.  
S. A. Baker.  
H. H. Cosman.  
A. H. Trafton.  
Z. B. Grass.  
H. C. Sanders.  
W. H. Sherwood.  
J. Gravinor.  
S. Greenlaw.  
J. H. Coy.  
B. Colpitts.  
T. Moses.

#### DELEGATES FROM CHURCHES.

Hartland—A. Thornton, Mrs. S. H. Shaw.  
Woodstock—Mrs. Aaron Clark, Mrs. A. H. Trafton.  
Lower Brighton—Mrs. D. H. Nixon, Mrs. Wm. Tedlie.  
Penniac—B. N. Goodspeed.  
Marysville—A. L. Bubar, Mrs. A. L. Bubar.  
St. John—John Kimble, C. K. Short.  
Moncton—John Good, Mrs. John Good.  
Port Maitland—Mrs. H. C. Sanders, Mrs. David Trefry.  
North Head—L. C. Watt, Geo. B. Thomas.  
Seal Cove—E. P. Green, W. Benson.  
Lubec Ridge—Jas. Tyler, Mrs. Z. B. Grass.  
Upper Hainsville—Simeon Clark, Mrs. Simeon Clark.  
Victoria Corner—S. W. Shaw.  
Lutz Mountain—Oliver Trites, Bruce Maddison.  
Meductic—Beatrice Marsten, Rita Marsten.  
Middle Southampton—Mrs. J. Gravinor.  
Hartford—Mrs. Abram Schriver.  
Pembroke—Amos Taylor.  
Calais—

#### OFFICERS OF MISSION SOCIETY.

President—Mrs. Z. B. Grass.

2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. G. T. Harrop.  
3rd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. A. L. Bubar.  
Rec.-Sec.—Mame L. Goodspeed.  
Cor.-Sec.—Mrs. F. H. Hale.  
Treasurer—Mrs. E. Cosman.

Additional members of Committee of Management—H. H. Cosman, W. B. Wiggins, G. W. Macdonald and G. B. Trafton.

#### DELEGATES FROM MISSION SOCIETIES.

Woodstock—Miss Grace Jewett.  
Penniac—Mrs. B. N. Goodspeed.  
Sandford—Mrs. David Trefry.  
Moncton—Mrs. G. T. Harrop.  
Lubec Ridge—Mrs. S. H. Rumery.  
South Pembroke—Amos Taylor.  
Mercer Settlement—Mrs. Dibblee.  
St. John—Mrs. Parsill.  
Seal Cove—Allan Wilson.

The Alliance now proceeded to the election of officers, when the following were duly elected:

#### OFFICERS FOR 1897-98.

President—A. H. Trafton.  
Vice-President—G. W. Macdonald.  
Rec.-Sec.—W. B. Wiggins.  
Assistant Sec.—Alice N. Goodspeed.  
Cor. Sec.—A. L. Bubar.  
Treasurer—E. Cosman.  
Auditor—A. J. Marsten.

The president appointed the following committees:

Nominating committee—B. N. Goodspeed, G. W. Macdonald and G. B. Trafton.

Religious Service committee—B. N. Goodspeed, C. K. Short and L. C. Watt.  
On motion it was

Resolved, That the report of the Calais church be received and read.

The report was read and speeches were made in reference to the interest and pleasure the speakers felt in the cause at Calais, and the gladness they felt in the great work in Maine.

#### On motion

Resolved, That the church at Calais be received into our Alliance.

G. W. Macdonald, of committee on conventions, reported as follows:

Bro. President,—Your committee on conventions beg leave to report that the arrangement of quarterly meetings throughout our denominational field seemed to us to supply the place of the usual conventions. One Convention was held with Port Maitland church which was attended by Bros. S. A. Baker, W. S. Foster and Geo. B. Macdonald. It was a season of interest and the church was much helped. The Quarterly Meetings, as far as we know, have been seasons of great interest and profit to the churches with which they have been holden, and we believe that if these meetings are continued as they should be, they will be a great benefit to our denominational interest. Your committee would respectfully suggest that a committee be appointed to take into consideration the best division of the field into such meetings as will make them of greater interest for the next year.

#### Respectfully Submitted,

G. W. Macdonald,  
W. B. Wiggins.

Alliance adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

W. B. Wiggins, Sec'y.

#### THIRD SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 p. m., July 1st, 1897.

Alliance opened by singing and prayer by the President.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Some time was spent in discussing the Evangelistic work in which S. A. Baker, Z. B. Grass, A. L. Bubar, C. K. Short and E. Cosman took part.

On motion the Alliance adjourned till 9 a. m. on the morrow.

W. B. Wiggins, Sec'y.

#### FOURTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 a. m., July 2nd, 1897.

Alliance opened by singing and prayer, followed by a number of testimonies to the power of God's saving grace.

President in the chair. Minutes read and approved. Roll call of ministers and delegates.

G. W. Macdonald of Nominating Committee reported.

On motion report was received and taken up section by section.

#### On Motion

Resolved, That the report be adopted as a whole.

#### On Motion

Resolved, That the Alliance provide the necessary expenses for the delegates to the different religious bodies.

S. A. Baker of the Evangelistic Committee reported as follows:

On account of the disturbance and division of the churches in Nova Scotia, the cause of which is well known, and on recommendation from the brethren there, your committee thought it wise that the Evangelist should spend most of his time in that Province. To this he agreed, though reluctantly with the understanding that he was to receive some financial aid to meet the extra expense to which he would be put, in providing a team, &c. We are glad to say that his work was successful, not only in building up and strengthening the members that remained loyal to the denomination, but in opening up some new work. A strong proof of his acceptance with the people is the fact that they wish him to remain with them. His wants were partially provided for, except the balance of \$23.50 which we recommend should be raised during these meetings by voluntary subscriptions.

This report, after some discussion was unanimously adopted, and the necessary amount raised.

On motion Bro. Miles Trafton, G. Bent, H. C. Archer and W. Foster were invited to a seat in the Alliance.

Alliance adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

W. B. Wiggins, Sec'y.

#### FIFTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 p. m., July 2nd, 1897.

Alliance opened by singing and prayer. President in the chair.

W. H. Sherwood of committee on the Sabbath reported. (For report see HIGHWAY of July).

#### On motion report was adopted.

The report of the S. S. agent was read by Miss Bessie Burt. The following is a summary:

Number of schools reporting,	18
Number of scholars,	992
Number of teachers,	89
Amount raised for Sunday School purposes,	\$345.08

Earnest speeches were made in connection with the importance of S. S. work, after which the report was adopted.

G. W. Macdonald introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That we as a denomination object to the title of Rev. as attached to the names of our ministers, as unscriptural, and request that such prefix be dropped.

This occasioned considerable discussion, but at last was unanimously adopted.

#### On motion

Resolved, That after this year, Friday at 2 p. m. be the time for the reading of all corresponding reports, viz., Cor. Sec., S.S. Agent and delegations to religious bodies.

Some time was spent in discussing the importance of education on the part of those engaged in preaching the Gospel.

Alliance adjourned to meet on the morrow at 8.30 a. m.

W. B. Wiggins, Sec'y.

#### SIXTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 8.30 p. m., July 3, 1897.

Alliance opened in the usual form. President in the chair.

Bro. B. N. Goodspeed of committee on Evangelistic work reported, recommending S. A. Baker as Evangelist for the ensuing year.

H. H. Cosman, of committee on quarterly meetings, reported:

Resolved, That the St. John, Kings and Westmorland, and the Nova Scotia quarterly meeting be united, constituting quarterly meeting No. 2.

Resolved, That the quarterly meetings remain as formerly, except the above change.

Resolved, That we recommend that the Waterville and Victoria Corner churches be united with the Hartland circuit.

The thanks of the Alliance were tendered to the "Star Line," Hampstead, Springfield, Star, Yarmouth S. S. Co., International S.S. Co. and Str. Flushing, for their kindness in giving delegates reduced fare in travelling.

The subject of missions was brought up, and it was

Resolved, That all monies sent from the societies, unless appropriated by the society forwarding the same, shall be equally divided between Home and Foreign Missions.

The Alliance adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

W. B. Wiggins, Sec'y.

#### SEVENTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 p. m., July 3, 1897.

Alliance opened by singing and prayer. President in the chair.

The corresponding secretary submitted his annual report.

Its adoption was moved by S. A. Baker and seconded by G. W. Macdonald, and unanimously carried.

#### On motion,

Resolved, That a standing committee on official correspondence be composed of the President, Corresponding Sec'y and Recording Sec'y.

S. A. Baker of committee on HIGHWAY, reported as follows:

Number of copies published at each issue during the year, 1000.

Present number of subscribers, about 800, the remaining copies have been distributed.

Amount of indebtedness last year, \$126.00. (To St. John Church \$40.00, publishing \$86.) For which we received from the Treasurer of Alliance \$74.00. The balance, \$52.00, we paid from building funds belonging to the Alliance, which were in our hands, making a total of \$126.00.

Printing and stamps for city,	\$518.50
Discount on notes,	7.92
Stationery and stamps,	20.01
Dr. Carradine's cut,	1.58
Writing wrappers, 18 issues,	\$2.50
	45.00
Total,	\$593.01
Total receipts,	\$466.40
Total deficit,	126.61

As follows:

Notes now out,	\$104.61
Am't taken from other funds by getting them mixed,	22.00
	\$126.61

On motion report was adopted, and a resolution passed that \$100.00 from the Alliance Fund be devoted to the HIGHWAY.

W. B. Wiggins, of Camp Ground committee, submitted an incomplete report of the work accomplished by them during the year.

Alliance of R. B. Church of Canada, To W. W. McKiel, Dr.

Opening up Kinghorn Ave., \$ 4.70

To H. H. Cosman for dishes 52.00

#### To Tabernacle—

G. Flewelling Co.,	\$ 155.32
Randolph & Baker,	122.89
S. R. Short & Son,	117.35
A. A. Mabee & Co.,	168.58
S. A. Baker, travelling exp's	7.15
S. A. Baker, overseeing bldgs,	25.00
Geo. Sanders, bldg Tabernacle	300.00
B. Worden,	15.00
Geo. Worden,	5.00
McKiel & Son,	22.00
Geo. Robinson,	15.00
Freight,	21.35
Sundries,	16.31
S. Hayward & Co.,	18.32
Horncastle & Co.,	27.84
Allan Brown,	21.50
W. W. McKiel,	8.00
Geo. Lacey,	2.40
DeVeber Crabb,	6.12
Sawdust,	12.50
Painting of Tabernacle,	100.00
Chas. Gorham, freight,	6.00
500 chairs,	125.00
Lamps, pulleys, cord,	21.00
Cleats, staples, hasps, etc.,	5.26

Total, \$1344.89

On motion the report was adopted. Resolved, That the minutes be printed as last year.

#### On motion,

Resolved, That the sec'y prepare the minutes and receive \$10.00 for his work, and an order be drawn on the treasurer for the required am't.

#### On motion,

Resolved, That the name of A. Stoerger be dropped from our list of ministers.

#### On motion,

Resolved, That the minutes of the Mission society be printed with the minutes of the Alliance.

The following is the Treasurer's report:

Alliance fund in account with E. Cosman, Treasurer.

#### RECEIPTS.

1896. Balance on hand,	\$117.00
1897. Rec'd from St. John church,	9.50
" " Royalton church,	2.60
" " Lower Brighton church,	6.75
" " Hartland church,	6.00
" " Victoria Corner church,	2.75
" " Mercer Settlement church	3.35
" " Moncton	5.00
" " Seal Cove	5.00
" " Upper Haynesville	1.25
" " Penniac	5.00
" " Marysville	2.00
" " Lower Haynesville	1.00
" " Lubec	.50
" " North Head	3.75
" " Sandford	9.14
" " Waterville	1.50
" " Lutz Mountain	5.00
" " South Pembroke,	3.15
" " Lower Southampton	2.00
" " Woodstock	6.50
" " Meductic	3.00
" " Upper Woodstock	2.25
" " Port Maitland	4.50
" " Brazil Lake	2.00
" " Millville	3.25
" " Green Bush	2.25
" " Mrs. Wm. Everett	.25
Total,	\$216.30

#### PAID OUT.

July 6th, A. L. Bubar,	\$ 3.00
" 8th, S. A. Baker,	9.05
" 8th, W. B. Wiggins,	8.00
" 13th, G. W. Macdonald,	11.00
" 16th, R. B. Church, St. John,	40.00
" 23rd, G. B. Trafton,	5.55
" 23rd, S. A. Baker,	34.00

Total, \$110.90

Balance on hand, \$105.40

#### Evangelistic Fund in account with

E. Cosman, Treasurer.

1896. Am't previously reported,	\$49.50
1897. July 2nd, S. C. Shaw,	2.00

Total, \$51.50

Cash paid out per order G. W. Macdonald, \$51.50

#### COMMITTEES FOR 1898.

Temperance—B. Colpitts, Mrs. David Trefry, P. Green, Mrs. Z. B. Grass.  
Quarterly Meetings—Z. B. Grass, H. H. Cosman, S. A. Baker, J. H. Coy, G. B. Trafton, G. W. Macdonald and S. Hilyard.

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