

Within six years, unprecedented energy and liberality in the cause of general education have characterized the people of Nova Scotia.

Nearly 100,000 pupils have been enrolled in the public schools during this present year. This fact, in no way lessens, but rather increases the responsibilities which the Baptist denomination accepted when it resolved to support Horton Academy. The denomination should address itself with spirit, and renewed devotion to the cause of Academic education, if it would do its part towards inducing and fostering a desire for liberal study among the thousands of boys and girls now receiving the elements of education in the public schools. Our academic institutions should be rendered so comprehensive in plan and complete in equipment, as to include adequate and permanent provision for the education of girls and young women, as well as of boys and young men. The sympathy of all classes of our people cannot in full measure be actively enlisted in the important work of advanced education unless this matter is definitely determined and fully understood. At the late meeting of the governors of the College, a resolution was adopted instructing the faculty to arrange for a year of theological study subsequent to the college course. Arrangements have been made in accordance with that resolution, so that theological students of the senior class will take Hebrew, and New Testament Greek, instead of ancient classics; and the subsequent year will be devoted principally to theology and pastoral duties. Young men wishing to study efficiently for the ministry for a short time may take such exercises as they choose. The governors should be supported by the churches in this advance. The denomination may justly be congratulated in the happy choice of Dr. Sawyer as the successor of Dr. Cramp in the Presidency of the College. Under his judicious and skillful management, progress may be anticipated, if his efforts are efficiently seconded by the denomination.

Mr. Rand also spoke of the great need of a more broad and comprehensive basis for our educational operations. The present school system rendered it necessary that enlarged provision for academic education should be made for both males and females.

J. W. Barss, Esq., referred to the forty years and upwards, during which the friends of education had been laboring on through the wilderness, and he had hoped we might have arrived at the promised land of a more abundant provision before this. But God had been with us, all the way, and had often appeared in his Providence on behalf of this his "child," and he (Mr. B.) trusted that we should still have direction and blessing in the work.

Rev. Dr. Crawley showed by various illustrations that in this work there had been growth, and that in the present age there must be further growth, and mentioned some of the conditions necessary to secure its continuance.

Rev. D. Freeman thought there had been in the past few years a flagging of interest. The endowment had not been increased as it was in 1853, and some subsequent years; but the vital principle existed, and it still sought to press itself forward to further development. It only required cultivation by its friends, and it must enlarge and spread, until it became a spreading tree of fair proportions and rich fruitfulness.

W. Faulkner, Esq., said he believed there would still be difficulty in sustaining the educational institutions of the Body till efforts were made to bring in the whole people to assist by their sympathies, their prayers, and their donations.

A vote of thanks to the Halifax brethren was passed.

Rev. Dr. Cramp was requested to offer prayer, and the session closed to meet next year with the Baptist Church at Pereaux, Cornwallis.

ERRATA.—After the Report on the Christian Messenger was in type last week, and before the proof had been read on Tuesday morning, the original copy was required at the Association. We subsequently found that a slight mistake had been made by our compositor in a word or two. We have thought it better therefore to reprint the paragraph with the said words corrected which we now put in italics:—

"It is doubtless difficult, perhaps impossible, so to conduct any newspaper, as in all respects, to command the entire approbation of a reading people; yet the 'Messenger' in the main is, we think, not only a faithful repository of Baptist sentiments, but a necessary and sound exposition of Baptist principles."

N. S. EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

HALIFAX TO AMHERST.

In these days of railways and steam navigation it is often found that "the longest way round is indeed the shortest way home," and that with the ordinary railway excursion privileges it is also cheaper to go by the longer way than by the shorter one. With this object in view we sought to reach Am-

herst by way of St. John, N. B., instead of by Truro. Leaving Halifax at 6 P. M. on Thursday morning, we proceeded by that route and arrived in St. John at 8 P. M. At 7 A. M. next morning we found a large portion of the city astir, preparing to enjoy the public holiday—the 1st of July. Several steam-boat excursions up the river were provided for, but the railroad was the great attraction; and a company of six or seven hundred people, of all ages and conditions of life, left the city for the several beautiful villages which lie along the road, where they might spend the day in rural enjoyments. The day was all that could be desired—bright, clear sunshine, and yet sufficiently cool to make it pleasant to enjoy walking without fatigue. Although seeing only two or three persons whom we knew among the hundreds, it was a positive pleasure to witness so much happiness depicted in every countenance. Every few miles some were dropped until we arrived at Moncton. The extension of about thirty miles from Painsec to Sackville, which is to form part of the Intercolonial line, brought us in about 6 hours to within ten miles of our destination. After dinner, a stage-coach was on hand to complete the distance, and before 4 o'clock on Friday we arrived at Amherst, having passed over 343 miles in about 23 hours of actual travelling, to reach Amherst, about 120 miles off. Here we found that we were in advance of any who had started by the other routes.

The friends were all in readiness to receive the delegates, and gave us a right hearty welcome. Soon, other brethren, and some sisters, began to arrive, and continued to do so by various conveyances till the arrival of the stage-coach from Truro, after 11 o'clock at night. Some had been a day and a half, not in the deep, but on the Basin from Windsor to Parrsboro, whilst others who started on the same voyage the following day were only 4 or 5 hours. So uncertain is the length of time employed in making this passage, dependant on wind, and tide, and fog, as it is. We hope that steam will soon be employed as the propelling power between the different ports on this beautiful sheet of water, so full of historic interest and commercial importance. The places all around the Basin would doubtless soon feel the benefit of such an arrangement.

ON SATURDAY MORNING

At 10 o'clock the delegates assembled in the spacious Baptist church at Amherst. The Moderator, Rev. T. H. Porter, opened the session in the usual order, whilst the Clerks were making out the list of delegates from the letters. On the names being read, the vote for Moderator was called for, which resulted in the election of Rev. W. B. Boggs. Rev. E. C. Spinney was re-elected Clerk, and Bro. T. B. Layton Assistant Clerk.—Brethren W. Faulkner and H. C. Upham were chosen Treasurers.

The following were appointed the Committee of Arrangements and Nomination: Revs. D. A. Steele, G. F. Miles, T. A. Blackader, Brethren J. M. Layton, T. Black, J. Gourley, W. H. Seaman, and A. Atkinson.

After about an hour being occupied in exhortation, prayer, and praise, the following brethren were appointed to read the Letters from the churches:

Revs. Dr. Cramp, T. H. Porter, and Bro. S. Selden.

Various matters of routine business were attended to till the hour of adjournment.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

On re-assembling, the appointments recommended were read and agreed to as follows:

On Saturday evening, a French Missionary meeting; addresses by Rev. M. Normonday, and others. On Lord's Day, preaching

At Amherst, at 11 by Rev. Dr. Sawyer; at 3 by Rev. Dr. Tupper; and at 7 by Rev. W. B. Boggs.

At the Wesleyan Chapel, Amherst, at 11 by Rev. D. McKen; and at 7 by Rev. W. Barss.

At Amherst Head, at 3 by Rev. J. Meadows.

At Salem, at 3 by Rev. E. C. Spinney.

At Amherst Point, at 3 by Rev. M. Normonday.

At Maccan, at 11 by Bro. J. Stubbart, Lic.; and at 3 by Rev. E. C. Corey.

At Nappan Hall, 7 at by Rev. J. Murray.

At Leicester Road, at 7 by Rev. W. McPhee.

At Point DeBute, at 11 by Rev. T. H. Porter; and at 3 by Rev. T. A. Blackadar.

At Trenholm's Corner Hall, at 7 by Rev. T. H. Porter.

The brethren appointed to preach the Associational Sermon being both absent, the Rev. Dr. Cramp was requested to preach the Introductory Sermon at 10 o'clock on Monday morning.

The various Committees were appointed. The reading of the Letters occupied the remainder of the afternoon. Some of these indicated a most unusual progress, whilst in others there was the expression of regret that no special manifestation of Divine favor had

been enjoyed, and in others, by deaths and otherwise, there had been decrease. Four or five letters were received from new churches, asking for admission to the Association.

A large number of delegates were present, all those appointed, and several others from the Central Association; two from the Western, and one from the N. B. Eastern; also one brother from Broad Street Church, Elizabeth City, New Jersey; and the prospect presented itself of a very pleasant session, of which we must defer our further report till next week.

FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

We hope that our sisters in all the churches throughout the Provinces, will immediately take some action with regard to the resolution of the Central Association recommending the formation of Women's Aid Missionary Societies, and which no doubt will be endorsed by the Association meeting now being held in Amherst. We shall be glad to give notice in our columns of the formation of Women's Aid Societies, and hope to begin next week. The time is short, as the Convention meets next month, but the energy and determination of the sisters is surely equal to the emergency. We have the Missionary, we want the money.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—Rev. E. N. Archibald writes:—

It has been my happy privilege during the past few weeks to administer the ordinance of baptism on five different occasions. They were precious seasons to pastor and people, the last I may ever enjoy on Prince Edward Island. Wm. Jones, brother of our professor at Acadia College, was one of the candidates. He has been long in declining health. May the God whom he loves, spare him to bless the little church with whom he has now united. I felt sad to part with all my dear brother ministers and christian friends in these provinces. But our labor is still one for our one Lord, and may God grant that his grace may not fail us till we reach our Father's House.

We much regret to learn that our brother Archibald is about to change his location; our acquaintance has always been of the happiest nature. We first knew him as an efficient and devoted christian teacher; and since his entering on the work of the christian ministry, we have rejoiced with him in his successes, and in the high esteem he has been held by all his brethren. We hope he may be largely blessed in the far-west where he proposes now to labor.

Notices, &c.

The N. B. Eastern Baptist Association will meet with the First Springfield Church, on Thursday, the 14th of July at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TO PASTORS AND CHURCH CLERKS.

Pastors and Clerks of churches sending monies for Acadia College will bear in mind the accounts for the year are closed on 31st July, therefore any sums of money to be appended in the "Minutes of the Convention" for current year will have to be remitted before the above date. It would save the Treasurer much confusion in making entries and receipts of donations, if all sums of money were sent by registered letters through the mail, instead of by means of private individuals.

A. D. W. BARSS,
Treasurer of Acadia College.
Wolfville, June 25th, 1870.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Notice of Postponement.

A General Election is ordered on the Island, for Monday, the 18th inst. The next meeting of the Island Baptist Association is therefore postponed from Saturday the 16th, to Saturday the 23rd inst. The Association will meet at East Point on the last mentioned of these days, the 23rd inst., at 10 o'clock, a. m.

M. P. FREEMAN, Moderator.
Prince Edward Island, July 1, 1870.

THE BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD,

Will meet (D.V.) in Tremont, Aylesford, on the third Tuesday in July, the 19th day, at one o'clock, P. M. A full attendance is particularly desirable.

CHARLES TUPPER, Secretary.
Halifax, June 28th, 1870.

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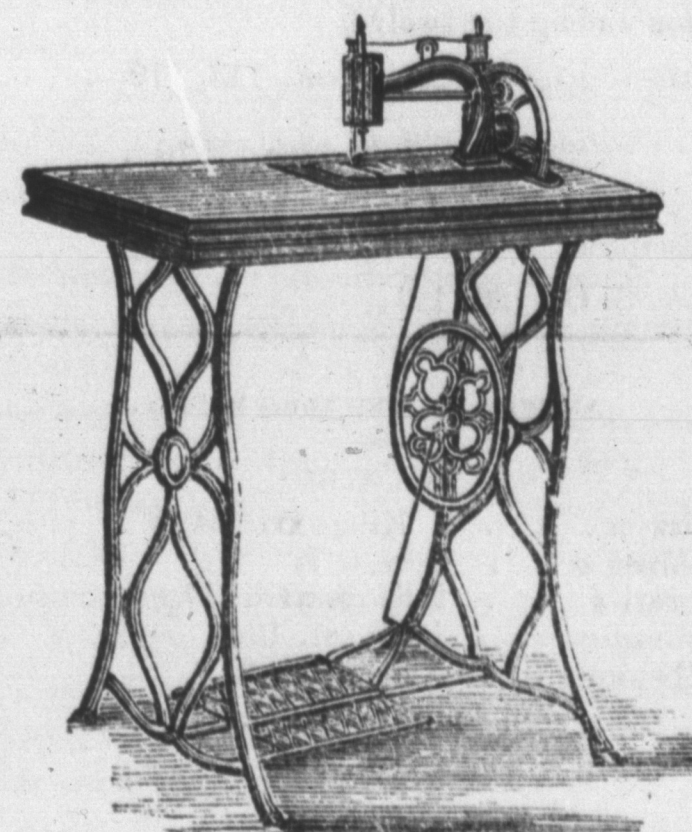
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A. McBEAN, Secretary.

Dec. 15.