

for, Rev. J. H. Saunders, who succeeded him, he referred to the work of death among the ministers of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. It touched the chords of christian sympathy.

In the afternoon Dr. Tupper took spoke in reference to the loss in our ranks. Rev. Thos. Blaney of Woodstock was his dear son-in-law, the Rev. B. Scott, of Onslow, was his co-labourer and dear friend, Rev. M. Titus of St. John, was highly spoken of, and Rev. J. E. Balcom was known and beloved by us all. Rev. I. J. Wallace came to his feet, and after giving a merited tribute of respect to the departed brethren he sketched the commencement and progress of the work of grace in Yarmouth County. His own church had more than doubled its membership. Hebron enlisted about four score additional to her army. Deerfield had been blessed, in fact all the little hill in that region had been watered.

Saturday session passed pleasantly away; but just before they moved a motion to adjourn, in filed the Committee of Arrangement, and told the ministers where they were to preach on the morrow. Some who were directed to go to the extremes, made wry faces and objections; but it was all settled by an aged brother good humouredly telling them that through life he had never rebelled, once under similar circumstances. So they departed and went every where, from the centre to the circumference, to the wilderness and the solitary places beyond Brookfield on every side. May the God of peace bless his servants and make them a blessing.

If it will be any comfort to you, you may be informed that many kind enquiries were made whether you were to be present. So the first chapter concludes.

ANNUAL SERMON—CIRCULAR LETTER.

MONDAY MORNING brought the people and delegates to the centre of operations. The house was filled, and the Rev. Wm. Porter, who was appointed to preach the Association Sermon, had the sustaining influence of a small sea of upturned sympathetic faces.

He invited us apologetically to hear him as a servant of God deliver a message from 2 Cor. xvi. 1, 2. The churches in Galatia, and this one in Corinth were commanded to "lay by them in store as God had prospered them."

We were first lifted into a docile state, by being reminded that the human mind is liable to prejudice. The lofty and the low are so exposed. Dr. Dollinger struggles with the prejudices of Education. When reminded that this profound and pious scholar was to some extent a victim to his life training; we were all ready to give the preacher an impartial ear, into which he poured a stream of truth and impassioned appeal on *The importance and sacredness of christian benevolence*. We were asked to accompany our teacher to the source of knowledge on this great subject. Noah, Abraham, Melchizedec were made to pass before us, and the demands of God upon their possessions and about the responses which they made to the divine requirements were held up for our consideration. From these characters and events we followed the preacher through the books of the bible, who plied our judgements and hearts at every step with examples and precepts bearing on the theme of christian benevolence. When we had received the arguments and illustrations in detail, they were all gathered up by a rapid run over the ground already passed over, and then they were discharged against us in one volley which carried general conviction that the preacher had given us, a "Thus saith the Lord" for his message. After the lesson had been burned into our hearts and minds, the preacher regarded us conditioned and qualified for the application. One third of the seventy churches in the Association are without pastors. The calls from heathen lands were sounded in our ears; and the solemn application of the teachings of the text was felt by all present. The religiousness of giving was very clearly presented. After this, no one who heard the sermon will be likely to have their piety disturbed by the jingle of money on the sabbath day, but it will be to them the sweetest music of adoration to God who claims the gold and silver.

Here we drop this sermon as you are to get it for the *Messenger* in due form and dress from the pen of the preacher. Next followed the Circular letter, written and read by Dr. Day. Subject: "Increased liberality of the Churches a necessity of the age." The writer

assured us that there had been no collusion between him and the preacher; but they had fallen upon the same subject. Of this letter it is sufficient to say that like the writer, it was neat and sound, and you will agree with me when you see it in print. By vote, the *Messenger* was requested to publish both the Sermon and Circular Letter.

MISSIONS—HOME AND FOREIGN.

On assembling in the afternoon on Monday, it was found that the time had come for considering the subject of Home Missions. The Association moved up to the point of considering the subject of union and consolidation by hearing the reports of the Home and French Mission Boards. The letter from the French Mission Church came in at this point. This little company mourns over the removal of members to other places, but reports 43 members and five dollars for benevolent purposes. The missionary had preached 80 sermons visited 223 families, and travelled many miles. Only one conversion had come to his knowledge, and this is more than can be said of many of the churches.

* Miss Helen Porter had been engaged in teaching school. Priests had interfered and taken away children, but they went about the streets singing hymns to Jesus learned in the school, and the missionary rejoiced that the priests could not take them from the little ones.

Another missionary needed premises. A mission school is regarded as important. From it, colporteurs might be expected, and it would give a home to those cast out for leaving the Catholic communion. The finances are in a better state than last year. The Board mourned the loss of one of its members, Deacon B. B. Moses, a good man and true. It also presented a prayer for a place in the contemplated union of Home Missions.

About \$900 had been expended during the year, and a small debt had been left on the shoulders of the Board. Then came the report of Committee ON MISSIONS.

from Dr. Day, chairman. The matter was introduced by reference to the work of all the Missions, to Miss Norris and Miss DeWolfe. Greater efforts were recommended for the foreign work, and much pleasure expressed at the success which had attended the labours of the missionaries in all departments.

Dr. Day presented his views of a plan for union and consolidation of missions. From the history of the movement it was evident that the purpose for union was not the outgrowth of an impulse. It had been upon his mind ever since he came to the Province. He would have a missionary Convention that would meet every year. This body would appoint a Board which would have power to appoint Agents as Home Missionaries. Under this Board he would have the French Mission and Board of Inform Minister's Funds. He would have the minutes of this Convention and all Associations bound up together. This matter of union had been in his (Dr. Day's) heart for five years, and he could not rest till something was accomplished. There was abundance of means in the Province to give missionaries to every destitute place, and to endow Acadia College.

Rev. J. F. Kempton regarded the Agency contemplated for this Union as very important. By it the churches would be both instructed and aroused. An Agent would learn the amount of destitution, and the places where it prevailed and could present the results to the churches in an effective way. The principle upon which it was proposed to have the Union, was the same as that acted upon in New Brunswick and the United States. There it succeeded.

Rev. I. Wallace referred touchingly to the Sermon and Circular Letter and said, the contemplated Union could carry out the sentiment presented in these discourses. He had propounded the same views three years ago in a Circular Letter at Hebron. A visit through six of the United States from which he had just returned, had resulted in confirming his opinions. In connection with the Home Mission of the Union 5850 had been baptized during the last year. He wanted to see more done in this Province. It would be a part of the work of an Agent to introduce into the churches by the aid of the pastors, a system, for raising funds for missions; and to group little churches and get permanent pastors for them. If then, they were not adapted to their places, transfer them to other places. He hoped the resolution for union would pass.

Rev. W. G. Parker was glad the resolution had been introduced. He was once opposed to the proposed union, but now he was in favour of it. He was a convert! Milton church went unanimously for the enterprise. We are in our infancy in working for the Lord. The wants of the Province had not been seen by many of our people, and the destitution was not known. When the West became responsible for sending missionaries to the East, then there would be more prayer, more giving and more godliness. The churches

do not appreciate their preaching as people on mission ground. This Association had not much ground. In the East there was a great field. He believed the Baptist people were noble hearted, but they have not been instructed enough. Ministers have been negligent in this respect.

Rev. John Williams had knowledge of New Brunswick and thought it would not be necessary to keep an Agent in the field all the time. Pastors ought to do their duty. If any of them thought that their small salaries would be made smaller by working in their churches for benevolent objects, they were mistaken. The more they worked for other objects the more they would get themselves.

Rev. Dr. Sawyer did not wish to shape the policy of the Association. He was pleased with evidences of growth. It kept their spirits up.

Rev. Z. Morton was glad to see the tendencies of this matter. The machinery in the State of Maine had been reduced, and all the Home Missionary operations had been carried on of late by our Board. The first year this Board employed one Agent, second year two Agents, and now three are employed in the one State. Let churches combine under direction of Agents, and support missionaries.

Mr. Miller, (Lic.) The union in the light of his experience would result in progress.

Rev. W. H. Porter thought the Denomination needed a better system. The remarks had been pleasing, and the prospects of growth were cheering. It was important for the people to know what to do, and how it was proposed to do it. This was illustrated by the Women's Missionary Aid Societies. As soon as the women had put before them what they were to do, and how they were to do it, they rose to the work and were succeeding.

With delight he had seen the willingness of God's people to roll upon themselves responsibilities. It was conducive to growth, courage and usefulness. The scheme presented, opened up bright prospects. Young men will have places and the destitute will be supplied.

Rev. J. Rowe endorsed sentiments already expressed. The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light. They lay large plans and systematic system was everywhere in the natural world around us. The plan submitted was just what we needed, and if we would take a lesson from the book-makers an agent would be kept in the field. The spirit that prevailed was good, and the whole work should be viewed in the light of eternity. If we imitated God we would prosper.

Rev. P. R. Foster said the small Boards had been afraid to assume responsibilities. They could not say to ministers, remain on the mission ground and we will sustain you. The Union would do away with this evil, and missionaries would be permanent—and in such places where constant labour was performed, self-sustenance would soon result.

Rev. G. Armstrong had been attending a meeting of the Home Missionary Board, and was sorry he had not heard discussion. Had been for years in theory favourable to this Union. Had been coming gradually to the conclusion that something must be done shortly. It was important to have more work done, and he would like to see the Union. His was not a sudden conversion. It was no conversion at all. He had only been opposed to mode. He hoped the undertaking would succeed. The fields East and West need cultivating. A unanimous note was then taken for the Union of all the Home Missionary Boards.

Dr. Day expressed his pleasure and said if he were of an excitable temperament, he would shout, but as he was not, he would thank God and take courage.

Dr. Sawyer had been anxious, but now he would not give himself any more trouble for the work was well started.

(To be continued in our next.)

CORRECTION.—In our account of the College Anniversary last week, we should have said prayer was offered by Rev. John Davis, not by Rev. James Parker. We find that we entirely omitted to mention the presentation of the Gold Medal (the Edward Young Prize) which was presented by Rev. Dr. Cramp to Mr. W. G. Parsons. Dr. C. in the few appropriate remarks he made in investing Mr. Parsons with the medal, stated that the Hon. Mr. Young, the donor, hoped to have been present and make the presentation personally, but that he had been called to St. Petersburg on important public business.

We may mention that the oration of the "Beauties of the Fields," was excused and omitted in consequence of the sickness of Mr. Gourley.

Notices, &c.

N. S. BAPTIST ANNIVERSARIES.

THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION will hold its 22nd Annual Session at Truro, Colchester County, commencing on Saturday the 6th of July, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

List of Delegates to the Eastern Baptist Association held at Truro will be accommodated as follows:

Cramp, Rev. Dr. at Mr. Faulkner's. Chute, Rev. O. at L. J. Walker's. Chipman, Rev. A. at Mr. Dickson's by invitation.

Corey, Rev. E. C. Jno. P. Moore's. Cox, Bro. C. A. at L. J. Walker's. Davidson, Bro. Thos. at Mr. Archibald's. Eagles, Rev. Henry, at Jno. A. Blair's. Meadows, Rev. J. at Mr. Archibald's. Nealey, Rev. J. S. and wife, at Wm. Faulkner's.

McQuillan, Rev. J. B. at Jno. King's. Ross, Rev. Hugh, at B. Wilson's. Rushton, Bro. H. at Jno. P. Moore's. Selden, Bro. S. at Mrs. Layton's. Soley, Bro. Josiah, at Cyrus Eaton's. Seman, Bro. Job, at J. P. Moore's.

Return Tickets will be issued on the 5th July returnable on the 10th, on the N. S. Railway, P. E. Island Navigation Co's Steamers, and the boat between Sydney and West Bay for one first class fare to Delegates attending the Association at Truro on the 6th July.

By order of Committee.

WM. FAULKNER.

Other names will be forwarded as soon as received.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION.

Please notice in the *Christian Messenger* the Prince Edward Island Association will hold its 5th Annual Session at Bedeque, commencing on Saturday 13th of July, prox. at 10 o'clock, and not on the 10th as incorrectly stated in the Minutes of last year.

Yours truly,

J. B. McDONALD.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Milton, Queen's County—Annie Parsons. \$14 00
Half's Harbour.—Elcher A. Rose. 2 00
M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.

News of the Week.

THUNDER STORMS.—The past week has brought more terrific thunder storms than have been known in Halifax for many years past. On Tuesday afternoon a storm suddenly burst over the city, and continued peal after peal for two or three hours accompanied with hail and rain of a most remarkable character. The hail proved to be drops of solid hard ice, each piece being cone shaped with the base clear solid ice. It came in such quantities that in all the hollow places in the roofs and the streets it lay thick like snow. Shortly afterwards a clap of thunder followed, and immediately after a most vivid flash of forked lightning. The fire bells began to ring, and it was soon learned that the lightning had struck the steeple of Chalmers church, causing considerable damage to it and the tower. A piece of the frame work of the steeple was thrown with such force that it was driven through the roof of the Sunday School building immediately adjoining the church. The gilt ball on the vane was driven through the roof of the church, and large splinters of wood were thrown about in the vicinity, some of them breaking the windows of a shop across the street. With the exception of some glass in the windows being broken, the interior of the church is not materially damaged. The electric fluid also penetrated the old Province Building, passing to the cellar, destroying the gas pipes there, and setting fire to some of the wood work, but the damage is not extensive. The greatest damage by the storm in the city was that caused to the New Provincial Building, the cupola of which was struck by the lightning, and all the windows therein smashed to pieces. In passing down through the building the electric fluid set some wood work in a room on the second floor on fire, but it was quenched before much damage was occasioned. The tower of the Presbyterian Church in Dartmouth was struck, but only slightly damaged.

The storm appears to have been pretty much confined to the city. On Wednesday again in the evening a very severe storm fell upon the city. The lightning was perhaps more vivid than on the previous day. We have not learned that any injury was done by it, but some of the hail was found in Preston and in some parts of Dartmouth the next morning not dissolved.

HALIFAX ANNIVERSARY day was observed as a holiday. In the morning there was a review of the Volunteer and Militia forces on the common by Colonel Laurie. The Circus was well patronized in the afternoon, and in the evening there was a concert in the Horticultural Gardens which was well attended and very pleasing.

Rev. W. M. PUNSHON.—This eloquent minister will lecture in Brunswick St. Wesleyan church on Friday evening on "Men of the Mayflower," and will also preach in the same place on Sunday morning.

GRAHAM'S PAIN EXTERMINATOR.—Mr. James Alfred Archibald, Woburn Centre, Mass., says it is not only the most effectual remedy for Cuts, Bruises and Coughs, but an excellent remedy for Cholera.

Tooth Ache proceeds from acute in the face, operating upon the exposed nerve of a decayed tooth. Rub the gum thoroughly with the finger, wet with Johnson's Anodyne Liniment, heat the face well, and lay a flannel wet with the liniment on the face, also put a little of the Liniment into the cavity of the tooth on cotton.

The system frequently gets out of order and should be at once regulated, else other troubles will ensue; when physic is needed take "Parson's Purgative Pills," they are a safe, wholesome, and natural Medicine.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



NOTICE.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

Ottawa, June 6th, 1872.

NOTICE is hereby given, that His Excellency the Governor-General, by an order in Council bearing date the 3rd instant, and under the authority vested in him, by the 3rd Section of the 34th Vic. Chap. 10, has been pleased to order and direct that the following articles be transferred to the list of goods which may be imported into Canada free of duty, viz. "Precipitate of Copper."

"Aniline Salts used for Dyeing purposes."

By command,

R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,

Commissioner of Customs.

Ottawa, June 10 1872.

June 26

PUBLIC NOTICE.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

Ottawa, 10th June, 1872.

Re-bonding and Re-warehousing of Tea and Coffee.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that all the Custom duties whether specific or ad valorem now payable on Tea or Coffee imported into Canada shall be repeated upon, from and after the 1st of July. And NOTICE is further given that TEA and COFFEE in the Original Packages on which such duties have been paid may be re-bonded and re-warehoused at any time before the TWENTY-NINTH day of JUNE, in the present year, and that on their being so re-bonded and re-warehoused the amount of the specific duties paid on such Tea and Coffee, shall be repaid to the owner thereof and a drawback by the Collector of Customs at the Port where they are so re-bonded and re-warehoused, or by the Receiver General.

By command,

R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,

Commissioner of Customs.

June 26

PUBLIC NOTICE.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

Ottawa, June 11, 1872.

Re-warehousing of Tea and Coffee.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given that parties entitled to re-bond and re-warehouse Tea and Coffee under the recent resolution of the House of Commons, notice of which appears in the Extra of the *Canada Gazette* of this date, may so re-bond and re-warehouse such Tea and Coffee at the nearest Port at which the same may be; or such Tea and Coffee may be deposited and re-warehoused in any Inland Revenue Warehouse, should such Inland Revenue Warehouse, be at or nearest to the place where such Tea or Coffee may be, the Collector or Officer of Inland Revenue having charge of such Warehouse, in a place where no Customs Warehouse exists, being instructed to receive such Tea and Coffee in the manner and under the conditions in the said notice mentioned.

R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,

Commissioner of Customs.

June 26

EDUCATION ASSOCIATION.

CONVENTION.

TO BE HELD IN HALIFAX ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JULY 23rd, 24th and 25th, 1872.

PROGRAMME.

First Session—TUESDAY 23rd.
8 P. M.—Inaugural Address by the President, A. McN. Patterson, Esq.—Local Reports of Educational Progress by Inspectors and others.
Second Session—WEDNESDAY, Forenoon.
Reading of Minutes of last Convention.—Report from the Dr. Forrester Memorial Committee.—Best method of Teaching Grammar and Analysis.—(Discussion.)
Third Session—WEDNESDAY Afternoon.
Oral Lessons, by J. B. Calkin, Esq., M. A., Principal of Normal and Model Schools. (Discussion.)—Arithmetic, Methods of instruction in.—(Discussion.)
Fourth Session—WEDNESDAY Evening.
Address, by—
Fifth Session—THURSDAY Morning.
Writing by B. F. Staples, Esq.—(Discussion.)—Reading, methods of Teaching.—(Discussion.)
Sixth Session—THURSDAY Afternoon.
Appointment of Officers for ensuing year.—General Business.—General Subjects, &c.—Report of the Managing Committee.
Seventh Session—THURSDAY Evening.
Address by Rev. A. S. Hunt, Superintendent of Education.—Remarks by Clergymen and others present.
Further particulars will be given as soon as possible regarding programme, and arrangements for reduced fares for Teachers attending the Convention. The Fee for Membership is 50 cents per annum.
By order of the Managing Committee,
GEORGE ROSS, Sec'y.
195 Argyle St. Halifax.

June 21.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 25th day of May, 1872.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

On the recommendation of the Honorable the Minister of Customs and in pursuance of the provisions of the 8th section of the Act 31 Victoria, chapter 6, intitled "An Act respecting the Customs," His Excellency has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that Salmon River in the County of Albert and the Province of New Brunswick, be and the same is hereby constituted and erected into an out Port of Customs and placed under the survey of the Port of Hillsborough.

WM. H. LEE.

June 19.