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SATURDAY, Sept. 18.

The Ministers and delegates composing the Western New Brunswick Baptist Association met in the Baptist Chapel, Upper Gagetown, at 2 P. M. After the usual religious conference the Association was organized by the appointment of the following officers:

Rev. Thomas Todd, Moderator.
Rev. W. S. Howe, Clerk.
Rev. J. G. Harvey, Assistant Clerk.
Brother Geo. W. Curry, Treasurer.
Brother W. Estabrooks, Assistant Treasurer.
Opening prayer by Bro. Thompson.

Resolved unanimously: That the visiting Brethren present take part in our deliberations.

Elders J. A. Smith, Trimble, Burns and Keith took their seats with us. Bro. John E. Goucher from Western N. S. Baptist Association.

The following Committees were appointed to examine and read Letters, Elders Miles, Guilford and Thompson.

Committee on Arrangements.—Elders Edwards, Coy and Brethren Reese and Curry.

To examine Circular Letter.—Elders Magee, Todd and Saunders.

On Special Business.—Elders Robinson, Bill, Tupper, Guilford, Spurgeon, Miles, Harris and J. R. Goucher.

On Domestic Missions.—Elders Guilford, Wallace, Campbell, Walker, March, J. A. Smith, and Brethren J. Estabrooks, Kinman and Titus.

Foreign Missions.—Elders Wallace, Spurgeon, Thompson, J. W. Goucher, DeMill, Seely and Brethren W. S. Estey, Godsoe, C. Coy and Hunt.

On the Bible Cause.—Elders Clay, Demill, Brethren G. Coy, T. Bell, W. Buchanan and Deacon Cowperthwaite.

On Sabbath Schools.—Bro. Geo. Day, Wheeler, S. F. Smith, Hunt, J. Brown, Godsoe, D. C. Stillwell, Gillis, Chaloner, and Elder Locky.

On Christian Visitor.—Bro. Fillmore, Elders Demill, Guilford, Miles, Thompson, March, Locky, J. A. Smith, Todd, Spurgeon, Robinson, Clay, Wallace, Brethren S. Smith, S. P. Estabrooks, G. W. Curry, G. W. Hoban, C. B. Bill.

On New Churches.—Elders Walker, Troop, Harris, Saunders, Brethren Jewett and Wells.

On Education.—Elders Spurgeon, Wallace, Miles, Thompson, DeMill, Magee, Guilford, Seely, Brethren Day, C. R. Bill, Hughes, Hunt, Wills and Chaloner.

On Candidates for the Ministry.—Elders Wallace, Bill, Magee, Saunders, Harris, Robinson, Spurgeon, Miles and Bro. A. Bailey.

On Claims of Seamen.—Bro. Hunt, Elders Demill, Wallace and Bro. Hughes, Wills, Curry, Jewett and S. P. Estabrooks.

To correct the List of Ministers.—Elders Howe and Harvey.

On Temperance.—Elders Clay, Guilford, Miles, Saunders and Robinson, Brethren Hughes, C. Curry, Boney, Estey.

On Desecration of the Sabbath.—Elders Spurgeon, Edwards, Troop, Locky, Seely and Spurgeon.

On Colportage.—Bro. John Curry, Fillmore, P. O. Reese and Treadwell.

The Committee of Arrangement made their report which was accepted.

After prayer by Bro. Miles, The Association adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Monday.

Preaching stations on Sabbath, viz:—

Upper Gagetown Chapel at 8 o'clock, A. M., prayer meeting at same place 11 o'clock, Thos. Todd, 3 o'clock, Elder Bill, do. do. do. 7 o'clock, P. M., Elder Wallace, Fredericton preaching 10 o'clock, A. M., by Elder A. J. Smith, Free Baptist Chapel, 10 o'clock, A. M., Elder Miles, do. do. do. 3 o'clock, P. M., Elder Tupper, do. do. do. 7 o'clock, P. M., Elder Thompson, Canning Chapel, 10 o'clock, A. M., Elder Clay, M. D., do. do. do. 3 o'clock, P. M., Elder Robinson, do. do. do. 7 o'clock, P. M., Elder Saunders, Maquisit Lake, 10 o'clock, A. M., Elder Harris.

MONDAY MORNING, Sept. 20.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Introductory sermon by Elder Clay, M. D., text Matt. 11 chap. 1. Verse. After prayer by Bro. Miles.

The letters from the following churches were read by the Committee appointed to examine and read letters.

Gagetown.—Elders W. M. Edwards, B. Coy, Brethren W. Estabrooks, G. W. Curry and John Curry.

Douglas.—Elder James H. Tupper, G. W. Curry, S. B. Smith, and Thomas Jewett.

Buchanan.—Brethren Adam, Noble, and Thomas Philip.

North Esk.—Elder J. Wallace.

North River and Queensbury.—Bro. Geo. Jewett, and Deacon W. Clark.

Carleton, St. John.—Elder E. Clay and Deacons J. S. Clark, J. Christopher, and W. Buchanan.

Manchester.—Elder G. E. Miles, Brethren R. Cowperthwaite, G. E. Day, B. Hughes, J. L. Day, and George Treadwell.

New Zealand.

St. George.—Elder S. March and Brother H. A. Smith.

Washbrook.—Bro. John Carter.

Chipman.—Elder J. S. Howe.

Springfield.—Elder J. G. Harvey, Deacon T. Bartlett and Bro. G. Howland.

Northampton.—Elder T. Todd.

Germans Street, St. John.—Elder I. E. Bill, Bros. C. R. Bill, R. Wills, J. Chaloner, A. Boney and J. A. Curry.

Jerusalem.—Elders T. Locky, E. Webb, Bros. J. Brown and D. More.

Woodstock.—Elder George Seely.

Lower Woodstock.—Elder George Campbell.

Kingsclear.—Bro. Geo. Kimber and B. Jewett.

Newcastle, Miramichi.—Elder J. Wallace.

South Richmond.—Rev. J. G. Harvey.

Canning.—Brethren P. O. Reese, J. Estabrooks, A. Cowperthwaite, J. M. Curry and S. P. Estabrooks.

Marsh Bridge, St. John.—Elder E. B. Demill, Deacons Godsoe, Beland Drew.

Fredericton.—Elders Henry P. Guilford, C. Spurgeon, G. C. Hunt, R. S. Bailey, G. C. Shaw and W. S. Estey.

Fortville.—Elder J. W. Goucher, Dea. J. Ritchie, Bro. G. C. Danham and J. S. May.

Assanitois.—Elder Thomas Todd.

Douglas Affairs.—Bro. Wherry.

Cherrybury.—Elder Geo. Campbell.

Second St. Patrick.—Elder A. D. Thomson.

Beckwithfield.—Elder D. Louthouse.

Blackwell, Blisfield & Lathrop.

Oymocote.—Br. D. Smith.

Bowen Street.—Elder S. Robinson, Dea. Kinman and Titus, Treadwell, Ackley and Lugin.

Prince William.—Elder T. Saunders, Bro. Wherry, Curry, and Ludlow.

Cardigan.—Elder Wm. Harris.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Bro. Hughes.

The Committee on New Churches report favourably in reference to Marsh Bridge church. The right hand of fellowship was given to the representatives of the above church.

Resolved: That the Church of Asiland, according to request be dismissed from this Association.

Resolved: That our next session be with the church in Fredericton, 3rd Saturday in Sept. 2 o'clock, P. M.

Resolved: That Rev. E. B. Demill preach the Introductory Sermon, and Bro. J. W. Goucher be his alternate.

Resolved: That Bro. J. Tupper write the circular Letter.

Resolved: That Bro. Bill take charge of the printing of the Minutes. That 1000 copies be printed.

Resolved: That Brethren Edwards, Bill, Miles, Robinson and Thomson, be delegates to the Convention.

Resolved: That Bro. Robinson be Delegate to all the Associations in N. S., and pay his own expenses.

Resolved: That Bro. Todd be the delegate to the Eastern Association.

Resolved: That each Church be recommended to bear the expenses of their delegates to the Associations.

Resolved: That Bro. Guilford read the circular letter.

Resolved: That the Circular Letter be received and printed in the Visitor, and Minutes.

Moved and second, that we adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening. Prayer by Bro. Magee.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Bro. Earl.

Missionary Meeting of the N. B. Baptist Association. Bro. Robinson in the Chair.

The Committee presented the following report which was ably sustained by addresses by Brethren Robinson, Thompson, Bill, Clay, Earl, Harris, Spurgeon, Miles, J. A. Smith, Wallace, Tupper and P. O. Reese. Report was unanimously adopted.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of Domestic Missions, have attended to the duty assigned them, and beg leave to report:—

That while we have great occasion for gratitude of heart to the Giver of all Good, for the measure of success which has already attended our labors in the Home Missionary field, it becomes our special duty to make renewed efforts in aid of this important enterprise; and as tending to this end, your Committee beg leave to suggest to the various churches belonging to this Association, the propriety of organizing an auxiliary Missionary Society, in connection with each church, which Society shall hold membership with the N. B. H. M. Society, and make quarterly contributions into its treasury of all funds that may be collected for this object.

Your Committee beg leave also, to remind the Churches of the solemn obligations under which we all rest, to "pray the Lord of the harvest," to send more labourers into his harvest. In view of which, we submit the following Resolutions:—

1st. Resolved, That we recommend to each Church, the immediate organization of a Missionary Society, as an auxiliary to the N. B. H. M. Society; electing its own proper officers, and taking such local measures for raising subscriptions and donations, as in their judgment may be deemed the most expedient; each auxiliary representing itself by delegation, at each annual meeting of the Parent Society.

2nd. That we recommend that the first Monday evening in each month be observed as a season of special prayer in behalf of the missionary cause, both at home and abroad, believing that the God of missions will vouchsafe his blessing in answer to earnest prayer.

H. P. GUILFORD, Chairman.

The Moderator resumed his seat. After prayer by Moderator, Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, Sept. 21.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Bro. Spurgeon.

THE SABBATH.

The committee on the Desecration of the Sabbath beg leave to submit the following Report:—

The Sabbath is desecrated among us, we fear, not only by those who are not Professors of Religion, but by members of our Churches, many of whom seem to forget that they are under obligations to lay aside all worldly conversation light reading, visiting, and indulgence in sloth and business transactions; that the day should be observed a day unto the Lord, in which they should render their bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto the Lord which is their reasonable service.

We recommend, therefore, that special attention shall be called by Pastors of the Churches to this subject, urging the claims of the Gospel on the necessity of the right observance of the Christian Sabbath.

J. MAGEE, Chairman.

After addresses by Brethren Edw. rd., Coy, Walker, Harris, Robinson and Wells. It was adopted.

Addresses from Brethren Bill, Thomson, Wills, and Walker. The report was received.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools would submit the following report:—

That they learn with pleasure, from Sabbath School statistics, that success has attended the efforts of the superintendents and Teachers in this department of christian labour. But while they feel grateful for what has been done, they recommend that increased efforts be put forth by Pastors and members of Churches to make Sabbath Schools more interesting by introducing cheap religious Periodicals, especially the "Family Casket." They also recommend that Pastors of Churches organize Bible classes so as to qualify Teachers to labour more efficiently in the Sabbath School, and that this matter be attended to as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted, G. E. Day, Chairman.

Addresses from Brethren Edwards, Geo. Smith, Thompson, Saunders, Geo. Day, Miles, and Wallace.

COLPORTAGE.

Your Committee beg leave to Report: That they deem the work of the Colportage of vast importance, and would recommend to this Association the propriety of employing an efficient Colporteur to travel over this Province to disseminate the Word of Life and Salvation.

JOHN M. CURREY, Chairman.

THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

The Committee appointed to report on the Christian Visitor have attended to the duty assigned them, and beg leave to say:—

1st. That the present Proprietor and Editor, the Rev. I. E. Bill, is anxious to transfer the paper into other hands, in order to relieve himself from the embarrassments and cares which it imposes upon him, and in order also, to be able to devote himself entirely to the work of the pastoral office.

2d. He proposes first, to make said transfer to any persons or persons belonging to the Baptist denomination in this Province, having the confidence of the body, on condition that the party or parties purchasing, pay to him the sum of one thousand pounds, or fifty per cent on the whole amount of the paper, which amount in round numbers, is about two thousand pounds. About two hundred and fifty pounds to be paid immediately, and the balance to be provided for by acceptable security, to be paid, in instalments of sufficient accommodation to enable the purchaser or purchasers to collect in the debts due the concern.

3d. Unless such transfer can be made to responsible parties in this Province, he will then feel himself at liberty to dispose of said paper to any other party or parties with whom he may be able to agree.

4th. The Committee beg leave, however, to express the hope, that in either case, the individual and denominational interest in the Visitor will remain undiminished, and that all of its friends may exert their utmost endeavours to extend its influence and circulation, and thus lend it their ample support.

S. H. FILMORE, Chairman.

After addresses by Bre. Spurgeon, Guilford, and Bill, Report received.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg to Report, That they contemplate with heartfelt gratitude, the Providence of God in the opening of wide and effectual doors, for the reception of the Gospel in Foreign lands.

China with its 300 millions of immortal beings is now accessible to our Missionaries and calls loudly for the Word of Life.

Sweden presents an inviting field.

Marvellous displays of God's mercy have been experienced there during the past year, but the destitution is still most melancholy. The operations of Colporteur Agents there, afford a most hopeful object for the benevolence of our Churches.

In India our esteemed Brother Crawley labours successfully in his Master's work, and your committee beg to commend him and the idolatrous idolaters for whom he labours to the prayers and liberality of the Churches.

The native preachers are labouring efficiently under his direction who are sustained from the Funds of the Convention, to which funds the "Friends of Missions in this Province" contributed. Your Committee express their decided approval of the appropriation of said convention.

In view of the widening fields abroad and their imperative demand for Missionary aid, your committee beg to suggest the desirableness of each church connected with this body, spending whenever practicable, the first Monday evening in every month, in prayer in behalf of Foreign Missions, and that the Pastors of the Churches be requested to gather and present before their people what information they can with regard to the cause of Missions, and that collections be taken up monthly in behalf of the perishing heathen.

Respectfully submitted, ISAIAH WALLACE.

After Addresses from Bros. Clay and Wallace. It was adopted.

ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

Your Committee beg to report that they learn with pleasure that two young brethren have studied successfully under the auspices of the N. B. Baptist Board for Ministerial Education, during the greater part of the past year; and in view of the whitened fields at home and abroad, and the fewness of the labourers, your Committee would humbly recommend the churches connected with this body faithfully to aid and encourage those of their number who give evidence of being called of God to preach the gospel, in order that the Churches and fields now destitute may be supplied with the Ministry of the Word.

Respectfully submitted, ISAIAH WALLACE.

After an Address from Bro. Wallace, Report was adopted.

Adjourned to meet at 2 1/2 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Bro. March.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Bro. Harris.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause beg to Report: That it is with pleasure they look upon the movements of the different Bible Societies in their work of love in diffusing the word of Life to a perishing world; and they cannot but rejoice in the success of the American Bible Union, and particularly in their late movement in sending Lr. Hackett to Greece; they would also recommend that the Churches do all they can to sustain these noble movements, particularly the latter in sending Dr. Hackett to the East. All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWIN CLAY, Chairman.

Sustained by an address by Bro. Clay. It was unanimously adopted.

EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report:—

That they have received with satisfaction the report of the Committee of management during the past year, when the Seminary was under the direction of their esteemed Brethren Wallace and Day; the successful manner in which they conducted the affairs of the Institution reflects much credit on themselves, and the number in attendance especially during the winter months was most encouraging. The Committee confidently anticipate that now the Principal has returned to resume his duties, a fresh impetus will be given to the cause of education in connection with their Institution in this Province.

Soon after the opening of the present Session it was thought advisable to admit females, twelve years old and upwards, to the instruction imparted in the seminary. They are glad to learn that the experiment has proved successful as far as it has hitherto been tried, and they hope that it will prove highly beneficial in the future when it has come more fully into operation.

The report of Acadia College made to the convention, gives an encouraging statement of the members in attendance; the literary and theological departments evinced the able superintendence of the present Professors, and although the financial difficulties surrounding the College are of a serious character, yet they trust that the measures adopted by the Governors, and the labours of the agents now in the field will eventually relieve the College from its embarrassments.

All which is respectfully submitted, C. SPURDEN, Chairman.

After Addresses from Brethren Spurgeon, Bill, Clay, Thompson, Guilford, J. A. Smith and E. B. Demill, Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

The Committee on Temperance beg leave to report:—

That in the opinion of your committee, the present movements of the friends of Temperance are in the right direction, and that on the whole the state of the cause is encouraging. Still we believe that as Baptists it is our duty to stand firm by the principles of Prohibition, until the laws of our Land protect our sons and daughters from the invasion of the monster.

Resolved: That a petition be sent from this Association to the House of Assembly requesting them to take the matter into their consideration; signed by all the Ministers of this body, and that each Pastor be requested to get up a petition in each of their respective Churches; signed by the Church and congregation.

Your Committee would also desire to call the attention of the churches to the necessity of enforcing upon all Baptists their duty in this matter, believing as they do that continued opposition to this cause, should be a matter of discipline.

All of which is respectfully submitted. EDWIN CLAY, Chairman.

Addresses from Bros. Clay, J. A. Smith and Hughes.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved: That the members of this Association most heartily and unanimously tender their thanks to the church, Pastor and friends generally, who have so kindly and amply entertained the ministers, delegates and others, who have attended our present session. And we desire to express our most earnest and affectionate wishes in their behalf, that God may sanctify the pleasant interviews enjoyed together during the few days, past to the spiritual and eternal good of all concerned.

(To be continued.)

"TELL ME AGAIN."

A poor Caffre had heard a missionary speak of "the wrath to come," though he did not understand the meaning of it. He came into the Colony, was brought to the missionary, explained his anguish, and asked what he must do.

Mr. Hood preached to him the Saviour. He listened with eagerness, and stood trembling, and said, "Sir, I am old and stupid; tell me again." And being told again, the tears rolled down the noble cheek of this man of noble and athletic frame, and he confessed his wonder at the love of God, and the compassion of the Saviour.

He resolved to come and live near the missionary, that he might hear again and again the glad tidings.

He told his difficulty to the missionary, and added, "I am a Caffre, and I love my castle; but I'll part with the last one I have, if that stands in the way of coming to hear the Word!" He had found the pearl of great price, and he would part with all he had to procure it. The missionary arranged matters for him, and he now resides on the spot, a consistent, devoted Christian.

THE DESTRUCTION OF DEATH.

One of the most remarkable sermons in the New York Pulpit, is by the Rev. Wm. R. Williams, D. D., from the text, "And there is no discharge in that war." Having shown that death is the doom of all, and no age, sex, condition, or circumstance is exempt, he concludes in these words:

"Is this carnage, then, to reign pitilessly and hopelessly, and universally evermore?—Has the great destroyer received a commission to ride on his pale horse, with hell following hard after him, and leading our race in his train as his captivity and his prey, down through age upon age, without pause, and without bound? Are men to go on rolling from one rocky shelf to another and a lower, in the cavernous pit of Tophet and the second death, dropping and plunging to a deeper perdition forevermore?"

The smoke of the torment of the willfully impenitent will go up, we answer, day and night, by the purpose of a just and justly incensed Jehovah. But in this day of opportunity and of repentance, there is proclaimed to us who yet survive, One mightier than is either death or hell. It is the Prince of Life and the Lord of Glory. He came to destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil. But Jesus, the captain of our salvation, in bringing rescue, must himself taste of death—must not only meet the common lot, but must bear upon himself the common and concentrated guilt of our race.—Doing it, he tore from death its sting; and to them that believe, he is become the author of life everlasting. In heaven, upon the throne, he is seen yet, as the Lamb that had been slain; the fresh and gory marks of conflict upon Him, enhancing and irradiating his divine and proper glory. His people are forgiven all their sin, and receive the Holy Spirit to renew and sanctify them, and to fit them for a land which death cannot invade, and where sorrow is unknown.

To them that receive this Christ, the war, though fierce, has lost its main terror, and is now strip of its real though not of all its apparent perils. Its dungeon is but a tunnelled entrance to the palace home; its cavern leads up, by a passage brief though dark, to galleries of more than imperial splendor, and terraces where summer never fades, and winter never brightens.—Some of Christ's servants have met death in forms of appalling cruelty and startling suddenness. Some have perished by inches under the corroding cancer; and others died on the torturing rack, or amid the stifling flames and smoke of the Auto-da-fe. On the ears of some, as they took leave of earth, came the taunt and the curse of the persecutor and the scoffer. The yells of hate, from a throng mad for his blood, have drowned the prayers of the meek sufferer, as in love and forgiveness he interceded for his murderers. But over all this 'bitterness of death,' faith in Jesus has triumphed. Death has been transmuted into gain. The soldier of Christ, asking no discharge, and 'not accepting deliverance' by apostasy, went into the struggle, and committed himself to the death-grapple, not only firm but calm; not only calm but cheerful; not only cheerful, but exulting, jubilant and radiant; for he knew in whom he had believed; like Paul, he had fought a good fight, and looked for a crown of righteousness; like Job, he knew well that his Redeemer liveth; and like Stephen saw that the Master awaiting his follower's ascent. This blessed Lord has brought life and immortality to light—has become the resurrection and the life, and the first fruits of them that slept. And to all his true people, death, in this their Master's right, has become the gate of life. The war, now and to them put down the last enemy.—Its struggle to them are the last contortions of the crushed tempter. Out of the corruption and carnage the believer emerges, to sin no more, to sigh no more. He joins the worship of a holier church, and enters on the felicities of a better country, where the inhabitants shall say no more 'I am sick.' Out of the very grave he gets again a new and glorified body in the resurrection morn. And though it does not yet appear what this shall be; yet he shall be like Jesus, for he shall see him as he is; and so be forever with the Lord as the dagger-toe stamps on itself what it sees, so is the believer transformed, in the flashing and potent vision of his Lord, into the permanent likeness of what he beholds. To see Christ as he is, makes like unto Christ.

To him, then, mortality loses its ghastliness, and puts on already hopefulness and promise.—The grave is like the cold and wet March day now brooding over our heads, and miring our streets. Of darker hue, and moister, chillier air, indeed, than he might have chosen; but behind all this gloom, and behind all this damp, lie the treasures of bursting spring, and the glories of refulgent summer. The light afflictions, that are but for a moment, work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. To the saint, death changes many of his offices. Does Pain walk at his side? But is he not also the queller of Strife and the calmer of our Care? The aching head throbs no more; the swollen heart fetches no more sighs. The weary are at rest. He is in one sense the Destroyer, but he is also the Restorer. He brings back through Christ's victorious grace, the lost innocency and peace of Eden. Is he the Divider, sundering the nearest tie, and riving asunder the household bands? But he is also the Uniter; gathering me to my dead who sleep in Jesus, and to the general assembly of the first

born.' Is he the curse of the law? Is he not also through our blessed Master, who magnified and satisfied that law, become to us who believe, the end of sin, the gate of paradise—and the guardian of a new, better, and an unending life?

Such is the hope that the christian earns from his Saviour's care and bounty, and clothed in which, he takes his place in the ranks to meet the onset and shock of this war, which is before us all. And such is the hope that the trifer, and the cavalier, and the worldling, and the loiterer neglect to secure, or even affect to despise. But to those who, amongst you, thus refuse Christ, the first death is the sharp, sudden prelude to the second death, that terrible and remediless ruin which is to cast both body and soul into the fire that is never quenched. As men of feeling and of sense, as those who shrink from slighter pains, and dread much more trivial woes 'can you dwell with everlasting burnings? For 'OUR GOD,' as prophets and apostles testified, 'IS A CONSUMING FIRE.' Is it safe neglecting for one moment more, the only preparation, until the call of death startles us, and we are with the wicked, driven away in our wickedness? Or will you not here and now enlist, a grateful penitent, under that Redeemer who died once, but now liveth to die no more; and who is to his people the Render of the tomb, and the way to the Father?—The

Death of death, and hell's destruction."

BAPTISTS IN NEW ZEALAND.

It is most gratifying to know that, in a land where, within the memory of many living men, cannibalism prevailed, and it was consequently dangerous to approach the shores, there are several Christian churches, and among them one at least belonging to the Baptist family. This church is at Auckland, a town with a population, in 1847, of 5,217 persons, but which is constantly on the increase. In February of the present year, the Baptists opened their new chapel, which we are informed is a neat and convenient structure, capable of