

willing to do as Katie had done, and take turns in teaching others. Pinkney went back to live with Hetty, whose affections are now divided between her old pet and a pretty doll which Katie left for her; and Katie is in her city home, whither she returned with her scholars' kindly partings sounding in her ears, satisfied that she had done some of them a little good. She hears often of their progress, and she is trying to be very diligent and obedient, so that another year, if she is spared to go back to them, she may be better able to teach them all that is useful and good which she may have learned herself.

MINUTES.

The Eastern N. B. Baptist Association, according to appointment, met with the Baptist Church in Butternut Ridge, on the 13th day of July, 1865, at 2 o'clock, P. M. After an interesting Conference of two hours, the Association was called to order, and the following brethren appointed Officers:—

Rev. J. A. Smith, Moderator;
J. E. Hopper, Secretary;
W. L. Prince, Asst. Secretary;
B. R. Keith, Treasurer;
AMOR FOWLER, Asst. Treasurer.

On motion, Resolved, that the following brethren be invited to take seats with us:

Revs. S. Robinson, I. E. Bill, Jas. Spencer, E. C. Cady, A. M., Dr. Hurd, C. Spurgeon, D. D., E. N. Archibald, A. B., M. P. Freeman, A. B., Judson Blakey, Benj. N. Hughes, G. F. Miles, Ira Chase, and Brethren Z. G. Gabel, J. S. May, T. H. Hall, J. E. Marsters, and Joseph Murray, A. B.

The following Committees were then appointed:

On Arrangements—Revs. G. W. Springer, James Herrett, D. Crandal, and Thomas Todd.
To Read Letters—Revs. Dr. Hurd, Thos. Todd, and E. C. Cady, A. M.
On Circular Letter—Revs. Dr. Spurgeon, J. Rowe, and Dr. Hurd.

On Home Missions—Revs. I. E. Bill, D. Crandal, W. Pulifer, S. Robinson, P. Duffy, T. Todd, E. C. Cady, and Brethren J. J. Evans, P. Mills, A. Fowler, J. S. May, and E. Reid.

On Special Business and New Churches—Revs. S. Robinson, M. Starratt, J. Herrett, W. T. Corey, C. Spragg, E. Kierstead, and Brethren J. B. Steeves, Jacob Trites, Israel Steeves, and Nathan Stiles.

On Religious Periodicals—Revs. Thomas Todd, I. Lawrence, J. Rowe, and Brethren J. W. Hart, Z. G. Gabel, W. Jones, and Israel Steeves.

On Sabbath Schools—Rev. M. P. Freeman, A. B., C. Knapp, Anderson Ayer, Nathaniel Peck, and J. E. Hopper.

On Education—The entire Association.
On Temperance—Rev. Dr. Hurd, Jas. Spencer, —Strang, John Chase, Abel Washburn, and Bro. J. M. Jonah, M. D.

On Union Society—The entire Association. Rev. John Rowe, Convener.

Questions on Letters—Revs. E. C. Cady, Dr. Hurd, S. Robinson, and J. A. Smith.

Adjourned to meet at half-past 7 P. M.
Prayer by Bro. D. Crandal.

EVENING SESSION, 7½ O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. J. E. Hopper.
Preaching by Bro. M. P. Freeman, from Acts xvi. 37 and 38.

Adjourned to meet on Friday morning, 10 o'clock.
Prayer by Bro. J. M. Currie.

FRIDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. Robinson.
Introductory Sermon by Dr. Hurd, from John iii. 23.

Collection for Home Missions.
The Moderator having been unavoidably called away, Dr. Hurd was appointed Moderator during the remainder of the Association.

Reading of Letters commenced.
Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Miles.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. Blakey.
The Association in Committee of the whole on the subject of Education. Bro. Bill in the Chair. The Secretary, Dr. Hurd, read Report of Education Society (No. 1), and Dr. Spurgeon read Letter from A. D. Thomson, and presented account (No. 2). Addresses by various brethren, and the following resolution passed, viz.:

Resolved, That the funds of our Union Society, appropriated to Ministerial Education, shall be expended, so far as Academical Education is concerned, upon young men studying at our Institutions at Fredericton.

Moderator resumed the Chair.
Adjourned to meet at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Miles.

EVENING SESSION, 7½ O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. Todd.
Reading of Letters resumed.

Resolved, That Brethren W. A. Corey, T. Todd, W. T. Corey, D. Crandal, and W. A. Coleman, be a Committee to take into consideration where the Association shall be held next year, and nominate the brother to preach the Introductory Sermon, and also his alternate; and also the Brother to write the Circular Letter.

Resolved, That the number of Minutes printed this year be according to the monies paid by the churches for that purpose, and that each church receive in accordance with the amount paid by each, and that Brethren Bill and Cady superintend the printing of the same.

Resolved, That Brethren Bill, Todd, Crandal, Robinson, and Cady be a Committee to take into consideration the matter of ordaining men to the work of the Christian Ministry, and report to this Association at the present Session.

Adjourned to meet on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock.
Prayer by Brother Bill.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Brother Rowe.
The Home Mission and Union Societies held their Annual meeting. Bro. Robinson in the Chair. Rev. I. E. Bill, Cor. Sec., read the Missionary Report of last year, and the Treasurer's Report, which, on motion, were adopted.

On motion, Resolved, That Brethren Spurgeon, Hughes, Lawrence, and Herrett, of the Eastern Association, with Brethren Cady and Powers, be a Committee to nominate Officers for the Home Mission Board for the ensuing year.

On motion, Resolved, That this Society recommend to Baptist Sabbath Schools, and our Ministers and Churches in this Province, to patronize the Colonial Book Store, kept by T. H. Hall, if books can be had as cheaply there as elsewhere.

Society adjourned, and the Moderator resumed the Chair.
Prayer by Brother Herrett.

On motion, adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. Spurgeon.
The Committee on Temperance Report:

Your Committee on Temperance report—That, in the absence of statistical information, they are of opinion that the cause of Temperance, in common with all other principles inculcated in Divine Inspiration, must necessarily be progressive in our churches, in our province, and in any clime where a liberal education is tolerated, and the sciences taught, and the story of Calvary uncompromisingly unfolded. Yet we do feel that much is to be accomplished by us as a denomination—much by every evangelical creed—much by the strong arm of legal prohibition ere the banner of total abstinence waves in triumph over the subjugation of our common and distinct foe, Intemperance.

Your Committee is of opinion that, whereas, there is a disposition on the part of some (and we fear many) of our brethren who are recognized as being in good standing in their respective churches, who claim as their right "and as a liberty of conscience," the privilege of using alcoholic drinks as a beverage (so long as they do not become intoxicated—rendering the word intoxicant) in moderation, according to their individual opinion of that term; therefore recommend that the following resolution be submitted and adopted by this Association:

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this Association, it is a violation of the articles of our faith, based upon Divine Inspiration—for any member of our respective churches to make, buy, sell, or use as a beverage any intoxicating drinks; and therefore recommend that any person being a member of our body and indulging in aforesaid beverages, be recognized by his or her individual church as guilty of misconduct, and be considered as a subject of discipline.

J. M. JONAH, Chairman.
Addresses by Brethren Robinson, Crandal, Knapp, Jonah, Cady, Chase, Coleman, Marsters, and Rowe.

Adopted.
Committee on Sabbath Schools Report:

That they believe that one of the most efficient instrumentalities at the present time in operation in connection with our churches are our Sabbath Schools. In the United States it is admitted that most of the accessions to the churches come from them, and we have reason to suppose that the same is the case in this Province.

In the Sabbath School all Christians can be labourers and work for the advancement of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. And all

true Christians must desire to see the attention of children trained to these truths of holy writ which by the influence of the Holy Spirit are able to make them wise unto salvation.

We are happy to say that from statistics received, these institutions are increasing in efficiency and numbers.

Your Committee prayerfully recommend to all our churches more activity in this means of Christian instruction.

C. E. KNAPP, Chairman.

Address by Brother Cady.
Adopted.

Committee on Periodicals Report:

That your Committee on the *Christian Visitor* beg to report that we rejoice in the prosperity of the *Christian Visitor*. We regard it as an indispensable appendage to the denomination, through which sound literary and theological information is disseminated. No Baptist family in the Province should be without it. We, therefore, recommend our ministers and all our church members to give the *Visitor* as wide a circulation as they possibly can, and invariably to urge the pre-payment system as the only sound and healthy basis on which the paper can be conducted. We also would express to the Rev. I. E. Bill, our entire satisfaction in the manner of his conducting the organ of the Baptist body in this Province; and would not only assure him of our confidence in and satisfaction with the *Visitor*, but pledge our continued and unabating support.

THOS. TODD, Chairman.

Addresses by Brethren Robinson, Knapp, W. T. Corey, Spurgeon, Charlton, Crandal, and Gabel.

Unanimously adopted.

Committee on Union Societies Report:

That we feel the greatest importance should be attached to the Union Society, by the members and ministers of all the Churches, as on it depends all our effectual operations in spreading the knowledge of Jesus among the destitute. We also feel, if possible, means should be immediately adopted to give a more lasting impression on the minds of our Churches, of the great utility of supporting the funds of this Society, so much owned by God and blessed to the souls of men. We recommend to all our Churches, and Ministers their earnest prayers, and warm co-operation in a cause so noble in its aim and so blessed in its result.

Your Committee greatly rejoice in the success which has attended the Board in collecting funds during the past year; still in view of the fact, that a great many only contributed one dollar for the six objects embraced in the Society, who are abundantly able to give a much greater sum, and whereas many object to giving to some of the objects, and are thereby apt to neglect all—we feel that it is important that this matter should be laid before the people in a more effectual way, or else we should seriously consider the propriety of altering our method of collecting by presenting each of the objects embraced in the Union Society separately; still we do not ask that such a change be made now, but would propose the following instead:

Resolved,—That the sum of \$4000, called for by our Corresponding Secretary, ought in justice to be collected.

Resolved,—That the 31st of December of each year be the close of the financial year in both Associations, and

Further resolved,—That we hereby pledge ourselves to do our utmost to assist our Board in collecting the \$4000 before 31st of December next.

J. ROWE, Chairman.

Addresses by Brethren Rowe, Cady, Todd, Robinson, Spurgeon, and Gabel.

Adopted.

Resolved, That Brethren Todd, Smith, Rowe, Coleman, and Wm. T. Corey, be the Delegates from this Association to the Convention, to meet at Berwick, Cornwallis.

Resolved, That the Report of the Education Society be printed in the Minutes.

Committee of Arrangements Report:

Preaching this (Thursday) evening, by Rev. M. P. Freeman, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY.

Prayer Meeting 6 A. M.
Committees meet at 9 A. M.

Association Sermon at 10 A. M., by Rev. J. C. Hurd. Reading of Letters. Each Session shall close at 12½ A. M., 5½ P. M., and 9 P. M. Resume business at 10 A. M., 2 P. M., and 7½ o'clock P. M. Afternoon Session for the members of Association only. The subject of Education and Union Societies. 7½ P. M., Miscellaneous business.

Preaching by Bro. Archibald, in the Methodist Chapel, at same hour.

SATURDAY.

Prayer Meeting 6 A. M.
Meeting of Missionary Board at 8, and at 10 Association resume business. Home Missions, &c.

Afternoon Session—General business. 7½ P. M., preaching by Rev. T. Powers.

SABBATH.

Havelock Corner—Preaching by Rev. S. Robinson, 10 A. M., Rev. Dr. Spurgeon, 3 P. M., and Rev. J. Spencer, 6 P. M.

Petticoe Meeting House—Rev. J. Rowe, 10 A. M., Rev. I. E. Bill, 3 P. M., and Rev. T. Powers, 6 P. M.

New Canaan—Rev. B. Hughes, 4 P. M., Rev. E. C. Cady 7½ P. M.

Methodist House—Rev. W. A. Coleman, 10 A. M., Rev. J. Chase, 3 P. M., and Bro. J. E. Hopper, 6½ P. M.

Adopted.

Resolved, That the future well-being of our Institutions of learning at Fredericton rest, first, upon the payment of the debts now due upon it, and, secondly, the placing of it in an efficient state in reference to its staff of Teachers.

Resolved, That the President of the Education Society be requested to call a meeting of the Officers and Committee of the same, to meet at an early day in the City of Saint John.

Committee to whom was referred the matters in connection with where the Association be held next year, &c., report—

Your Committee have utterly failed to determine where this Association shall hold its next Anniversary, but suggest that the pastors be recommended to communicate with their Churches, and make known at their earliest convenience through the *Visitor* or otherwise, what Church wants to accommodate this body during their next Session.

Your Committee recommend that Bro. J. Rowe write the Circular Letter, and that David Crandal preach the Introductory Sermon, Bro. J. Herrett alternate.

W. A. COREY, Chairman.

Resolved, That Brethren Hurd, Smith, and Hughes, be a Committee to ascertain what Church will entertain the Association next year, and report in the *Christian Visitor*.

Resolved, That Brethren Hurd and Todd have leave of absence, and that Bro. Coleman be Moderator *pro tem*.

Adjourned to meet at 7½ o'clock, P. M.
Prayer by Brother Coleman.

EVENING SESSION, 7 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Bro. Bill.
Sermon by Bro. Powers, from Romans iii. 2.

Circular Letter read, and, on motion, ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be given to the kind people of Butternut Ridge, for their whole-hearted hospitality during this deeply interesting Association.

Adopted.
Prayer by the Moderator.

J. C. HURD, Moderator.

At the meeting of the N. B. B. Home Missionary Society, Rev. I. E. Bill, Corresponding Secretary, presented the following

REPORT.

The Board of management of the funds for the support of the several objects embraced in the Union Society beg leave to submit the following brief statement of their proceedings for the year closing July 13, 1865.

THE NEWCASTLE MISSION

has been greatly blessed during the past year. The seed of Gospel truth has been faithfully sown in that field by our devoted missionaries for the last twelve years, who have not labored in vain, or spent their strength for naught. During the last autumn and winter, revival influences were experienced in mighty power. Our devoted missionary was effectively aided in his work by Brethren Edwards, Powers and Irving, and other valued brethren. Christians were greatly quickened, and new born souls brought into the kingdom. Upwards of sixty converts were added by baptism, as the result of this refreshing from the divine presence. Some of these are young men of much promise. The revival power extended to other sections of the country, and general enquiry was excited among all classes of the community, in reference to the doctrines and ordinances of the Baptist faith; and your Board rejoice to say that truth in all that region is rapidly gaining ground.

BLISSFIELD AND DOAKTOWN, &c.,

under the ministry of Rev. W. M. Edwards, are also sharing in the tokens of revival mercy. Some 30 candidates have been immersed upon a profession of their new born faith, and are now numbered with the Lord's redeemed. May they be faithful unto death. By the advice of an ecclesiastical council duly convened, a new church was organized at Blissfield, and indications for future progress are hopeful.

REYNOLDSVILLE

still enjoys the ministry of Rev. W. A. Crandal, and his quarterly reports to the Board are sufficiently encouraging to justify his continuance in that important field at an increased missionary salary.

ST. FRANCIS

enjoyed the faithful labors of Rev. A. Estabrooks for some three-fourths of the last associational year. He was ordained pastor of this small church by the advice of a council duly called, and it was expected that he would continue to labor permanently in that place, but the Providence of God unexpectedly summoned him to Sisseton, Minn., so that St. Francis, at present, is without missionary labor.

is supplied by Rev. W. A. Blakey. He commenced his mission there in August last, and continued to devote the principal portion of his time in that place until recently he has made a temporary engagement, in accordance with the views of the infant church, with the people of Tobique to assist them in the absence of a pastor. Your Board are decidedly in favor of uniting the two places permanently under the same ministry, and hope the time is not far distant when such an arrangement can be made. A small church of eleven members was organized last autumn at the Falls, in accordance with the usages of our denomination, and calls for the fostering care of the Board. It is a child of our Missionary Society, and, as such, has a just claim upon missionary sympathy and support.

WOODSTOCK AND RICHMOND

appeal to your Board through their pastor, Rev. J. C. Blakey, for assistance from our missionary funds, and being deeply impressed with the importance of a permanent ministry in both these places, your Board are disposed to extend the helping hand.

NEW ZEALAND

and adjacent districts in the County of York have enjoyed for a portion of the past year the missionary labors of Rev. James Tozer. Your Board felt from the representations made, that they ought to contribute a small amount to the support of the gospel in that growing section of the country, and from the reports of the missionary there is reason to believe that good was done. At present, however, Elder Tozer is not in the employ of the Board.

THE DISTRICT

between New Canaan and Springfield has been partially supplied for some small portion of the past year with the ministrations of Rev. S. Bancroft, for which he has received a small amount from the Mission Treasury. Your Board feels that these out lying districts must not be wholly neglected.

HARDING AND PATTERSON SETTLEMENTS AND LONG BEACH

also have shared somewhat in the contributions of your Board. Rev. A. Washburn spends a small portion of his time in these destitute places under the direction of the Board, and he is encouraged in his work. At the latter place the most absolute spiritual death prevailed, until our brother's footsteps were directed that way. The prospect is now brightening.

SEBIDAC

is again favored with the labors of Bro. J. E. Hopper. His ministry is highly acceptable to the people, and good is being done. Recently an arrangement was made by him with the people of Saxess to secure his services there for one half his time. This is a new and interesting field; indications are hopeful, and like Sebidiac presents a strong claim upon the fostering care of the Board.

ST. ANDREWS

has been more than ordinarily blessed with the regenerating influences of the Holy Spirit. The opening of a commodious chapel in the town of St. Andrews, in September last, the subsequent organization of a church in accordance with the faith and practice of our denomination, and above all the conversion of sinners to God, encourage us to hope that the Master has rich blessings in store for the people of that town. The reports of our Brother breathe the spirit of soul devotion to the cause of his Lord, and of a determination to spend and be spent in his service. A Church of 20 organized some months ago, designated the 2d Baptist Church of St. Andrews, and numbers some 20 members, since which eleven have been added by baptism, and others by letter, so that the number had increased to some 50 members. The social meetings of the church are well attended, and the ministry of the word is exerting a healthful influence in the extension of the cause of truth. The ladies are preparing for a bazaar to wipe off a debt of \$300 still standing against the chapel. The liberality of the people in the support of their pastor is worthy of the highest commendation. If all the churches of the denomination did as well in proportion to their means for their support, their pastors would have less cause of complaint on that score.

DIPPER HARBOR, MUSQUASH, GRAND BAY, SOUTH BAY, REDHEAD, and other destitute sections near the city have been partially supplied since January last, by Rev. James Walker. His missionary labors in these districts formerly were much blessed, and your Board were encouraged therefore to send him to these people again. So far he has been very cordially received, and the prospects for usefulness all that could be expected.

AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED

from the funds in the shape of salary to aid in the support of these missionary pastors, is as follows:

A. Estabrooks, per annum.....\$40 00
E. Hickson, do.....50 00
W. A. Crandal, do.....60 00
T. W. Crawley, do.....100 00
S. Bancroft, for 6 months.....20 00
W. J. A. Blakey, per an.....50 00
James Walker, 6 months.....40 00
W. M. Edwards, per an.....56 00
J. E. Hopper, do.....100 00
J. H. Washburn, do.....40 00
J. C. Blakey, do.....60 00
J. Towser, per quarter.....10 00

THE POLICY OF THE BOARD

is to establish missionaries duly qualified as far as possible in central positions permanent, and instead of assuming the entire responsibility of their support as formerly, to contribute a definite sum simply to aid the stations, and to stimulate the people to help themselves. By this arrangement much more is contributed by the Missionary Stations, and your Board can always measure the extent of liabilities incurred. In the judgment of your Board the missionaries receiving aid from its funds ought to report the amount of salary received from the people. We should then understand precisely the financial strength of each station.

A SAD CALAMITY.

Your Board has felt a deep interest in the praiseworthy efforts put forth by Rev. E. Hickson to establish the cause in the growing town of Bathurst, by the erection of a neat chapel. This new house was dedicated to the worship of God in September last, and the way was rapidly opening for the establishment of a Central Mission in that place; but on the night of the 21st ult., the chapel and commodious chapel was destroyed by fire. Unfortunately there was no insurance, and your Board is informed by Bro. Hickson that the personal loss to him by this catastrophe is \$600. This amount was generously contributed by him from private funds, and therefore cannot be otherwise than deeply afflictive. Your Board would suggest that an appeal be made at once to the Churches of the Province generally for such a practical expression of sympathy as shall secure funds to a sufficient extent to rebuild the house. Such an expression is due to the self-sacrificing spirit of our valued Bro. Hickson, and to the interests of the cause in Bathurst and the surrounding country.

ADDITIONAL LABORERS WANTED.

A missionary is required at once for Bathurst, including in his new field of labor New Bedford, and New Durham. Another for the region of country extending from Antigonish to New Brunswick, making Richibucto the centre of operation. Another for Bay de Verte, Port, Elgin, and other destitute localities in that direction. Missionary labors are especially needed in the Douglas Valley, and in the region of country extending from Carleton to Oromocto. A strong man is required also for the growing town of St. Stephen, and New Settlements are being formed in nearly all the counties of the Province, which plead in the spirit of Macedonia, for missionary assistance. These claims all told present urgent demands for a large increase to our missionary staff, and for a greatly augmented Treasury. How appropriate that we should pray to the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest. Let us provide the means of support, and the laborers will be forthcoming in due time.

FINANCIAL PROSPECTS

for the next Associational year are encouraging. The Corresponding Secretary suggested that \$4,000 ought to be raised as a working capital for the support of the several objects embraced in the Union Society for the year upon which we are about to enter. To accomplish this desirable object your Board instituted a series of missionary meetings commencing with the Churches in St. John, and extending subsequently to a number of the Churches in the counties of Queens, Kings, Albert, and Westmorland. Rev. E. C. Cady, spent a few days in Queen's County, and reports as follows:—

Jenness.....\$12.64
Mill Cove.....13.02
Cumberland Bay.....2.00
Range.....20.64
A friend from Newcastle.....4.00

Subscribed in all.....\$37.15
Rev. Mr. Garner devoted a few days to King's County, and reports thus:—

TABOR SETTLEMENT—Subscription.....\$11 25
Collection.....87

FOWLER SETTLEMENT—Subscription.....9 50
Collection.....47

Norton—Subscription.....\$10 35
Collection.....50

Hampton Ferry—Subscription.....\$0 00
Collection.....2 48

Total.....\$34 89

Rev. I. E. Bill visited the churches in the Counties of Albert and Westmorland, and shows the following results:—

We were absent from the City from June the 21st, to July the 10th, and during that time we attended in all fifteen meetings, made many calls, obtained in subscriptions and donations to the objects of the Society as below:—

Hillsboro'.....\$262 40
Hopewell.....85 51
Harvey.....46 50
Caledonia.....8 88
Baltimore.....14 75
Dawson Settlement.....8

Turtie Creek.....8

Total in Albert County.....\$35 25

Sackville.....25
Dorchester.....25
Moncton.....86
Salisbury.....58 61

Total in West. County.....\$38 61

Whole amount pledged in Albert and Westmorland Counties during the mission, \$701. Collectors were appointed in all the above churches to increase the list and to collect the unpaid subscriptions. A large portion will be handed in at the Association. The balance will be forthcoming in good time. The collectors, it is expected, with the assistance of the pastors, will largely increase these lists. Brother Smith informed us, on our return from Harvey, that the Hillsboro' list had reached \$280, and he expected to get it up to \$300. The Sackville list will probably come up to \$290, and the Hopewell list to \$100. As want of time would not allow us to visit all the places, Brethren Smith and Irving consented to visit the churches in Elgin and Covedale, and Brother Steadman the church at Alma, Salmon River.

In all the above churches our mission received the most cordial support and active co-operation of the pastors and leading brethren of the churches, and everything possible was done by them to help on the good work, and to administer to our personal comfort. Many, many thanks for all these expressions of good will and of soul interest in the cause for which we plead. May the Lord reward an hundred fold!

P. S.—The list of receipts will be made up and published in full after the Association.

Your Board are encouraged by these facts to believe that, with suitable exertions, the contributions of the churches this year to our benevolent objects, if not reaching the full amount named by the Corresponding Secretary, will be far in advance of the past year. While your Board have no wish to lavish money unnecessarily upon the collection of funds, they are nevertheless fully convinced by the experience of the past, that a visiting agency, to some extent, to assist the pastors, is indispensable to success. A general supervision over all the missionary fields in the Province, by a competent brother duly authorized to visit the stations, seems also highly desirable. But all this your Board must leave to the free action of the Society.

The church at Hillsboro' proposes to support two Missionaries the next year to the extent of \$100 each, \$100 of which has been generously contributed by Hon. W. H. Steeves, for this purpose. The