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was presented by Rev. E. C. Cady, followed by addresses from Brethren Tozer, Charlton, Archibald, Carey and May. Adjourned. Prayer by E. C. Cady.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Ten o'clock session opened with prayer by Rev. B. F.

port, which was unanimously adopted:-That they are happy to see a growing determination on the part of our Churches to raise the standard of Education in this Province. Advanced Education especially for our rising Ministry has become in-

It is highly gratifying to know that our Institution at Fredericton is growing in the affections of our people, and prospering under the able management and fostering care of Dr. Spurden and his associate, the

principal, Rev. J. E. Hopper.

Your Committee would recommend that special attention be given to the Female department, so that our daughters may enjoy equal advantages with the young men, and that we may rise as a denomination on equal pinions to the heights of literary culture so desirable to gain. Were we to refer to our Seminary at Fredericton alone, our work would not be done. Acadia College demands a passing thought—demands a mighty effort on our part. Shall our own College wane in our affection and he obliterated from our thoughts. Who knows her history and her and be obliterated from our thoughts. Who knows her history and her sons, and does not thank God for such means, for such a power, to pro-

Whereupon the following resolutions, after a very har-

monious and profitable discussion, were adopted: 1. Resolved—That this Association heartily concur in the recent arrangements made for increasing the efficiency

2. The institution in charge of Rev. C. Spurden, D. D., and Prof. J. E. Hopper, A. M., we are pleased to learn, is receiving yet more and more the confidence and patronage of our own denomination and the public generally. We view the accession of Mr. C. Goodspeed, B. A., Mr. Wilbur and Mr. Bill, to the staff of instructors, as an important and valuable addition.

time has arrived when we should have a separate Female Institution in Fredericton, in connection with our Semi-

4. Resolved.—That Rev. C. Spurden, D. D., Prof. J. E. Hopper, A. F. Randolph, John Pickard, Rev. G. M. W. Carey, Rev. E. C. Cady, J. H. Harding, Dea. John Smith, C. G. Berryman, and John Chaloner, be a Committee to see what arrangements can be made for the establishment of such a school, and report to a meeting of the Education Society, to be held in St. John, Dec. 29th, 1866.

5. Resolved—That the sum of \$20,000 be raised to endow our Seminary at Fredericton, and that the pastors of the Churches be earnestly requested to bring this matter prominently before their people, and report to our next

to the prayers and support of our churches, and pledge ourselves to assist in raising the remaining £20,000, endowment, as proposed by the late Convention. We hope our people will relax no effort till that sum is made up, and

Prayer by Rev. W. H. Beckwith.

SATURDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Moderator in the Chair. Prayer by Rev. H. Charlton.

which was unanimously adopted:-That in view of the Providential openings in Southern Europe, Bur-

things for God, and to expect great things from God. G. M. W. CAREY, Chairman,

Addresses by Rev. G. M. W. Carey and W. A. Coleman. Committee on Home Missions reported :-

While they thank God for the success which has attended our Missions in the past, they feel sad to think so little has been contributed, and that so few laborers have been found to enter upon the work. They commend the cause anew to the prayers and sympathies of all who love our Lord Jesus Christ.

E. C. CADY, Chairman. Addresses by Rev. E. C. Cady, J. E. Hopper, Rev. W.

Committee on Union Society submitted their Report :-That this Society if thoroughly worked is one of the most effective That this Society if thoroughly worked is one of the most elective ways in which all the objects of denominational interest requiring pecuniary aid may receive a measure of support; and it is to be feared that if this means of raising supplies be set aside or suffered to decline, there are benevolent enterprises which will be entirely overlooked. In order, however, to render this method of raising supplies at all commensurate with the claims of each object, a much larger sum ought to be contributed than has ever yet been realized. Only seventeen hundred dollars were raised last year, whereas more than twice that amount was dollars were raised last year, whereas more than twice that amount was called for at the last Association. If a suitable agent could be found to spread information, remove objections and misconceptions, and act as a general overseer and adviser in the Mission field, your Committee think

Address by Rev. C. Spurden, D. D.

Report adopted.

Addresses by Rev. W. A. Coleman.

Report adopted.

Resolved—That Revs. B. F. Rattray, W. H. Beckwith,
Prof. J. E. Hopper, and J. M. Jonah, M. D., be a Committee to carry into effect the above recommendation.

tion Society have engaged the Rev. B. Franklin Rattray as their Missionary Agent, that we recommend our people and the Sabbath Schools in connection with this Association to give him their whole-hearted sympathy and support, believing, as we do, that the wide circulation of the works of the Publication Society would tend to advance the interest of the Baptists of this Province.

interest of the Baptists of this Province.

Resolved—That the ministry of both Associations be requested to present the claim of the Committee of Repairs of Fredericton Seminary as soon as they return home, and remit the proceeds of the effort to the Treasurer of the Education Society.

Committee on Circular Letter report:—

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Cady, and published in the columns of the Christian Visitor and the

Resolved-That we recommend our Churches to respond more fully to the annual appeal from Acadia College for funds, with which to meet its current expenses.

Report on Departed Brethren submitted and adopted:-That this Association has heard with profound grief of the recent death of their valued Brother, Samuel Robinson, late Pastor of the Brussels Street Church, in St. John. They feel that not only has his bereaved family and Church sustained a great loss, but that the entire Denomination shares in the bereavement, and while they bow in submission to the will of the Great Head of the Church who has permitted disease to make this breach in their ranks, they cannot suppress their sorrow at the thought that they will no more on earth be permitted to enjoy the society and profit by the experience of their beloved brother. To the sorrowing family and bereaved Church they tender the expression of their warmest Christian sympathy, and their prayer is that the God of all consolation may comfort them abundantly in their affliction, and that he will raise up in his Church men both mentally and spirit-

ually qualified to take the place of those who are gone to their reward. Since the report of last year others of our number have been called away. Isaac Laurence, a brother dearly beloved and highly esteemed by the community where he laboured for a short time, was early removed from the scene of his useful though unostentatious labours. His affectionate disposition endeared him to all who knew him, and though the promise of future usefulness was cut short by death, yet we rejoice in the thought that while he lived, he lived not in vain.

Bro. E. McInnis also has been removed from the Church on earth to the Church in Heaven. He was latterly engaged as a Missionary in the vicinity of St. John, but for some time previously to his death he suffered much bodily indisposition, and was laid aside from active duties. He was a good man and much esteemed in the sphere of his labours. May we all follow the faith of those who are gone; and at last enjoy with them the promised rest. C. SPURDEN.

Resolved-That the thanks of this Association be given the Chairman of the European and North American Railroad, and also to the Captain of the Princess Royal, in behalf of the proprietors, for their generosity in transmitting the Ministers and Delegates of the Western Association to Newcastle, Miramichi, and back for one fare. Adjourned, to meet at 7 o'clock.

Prayer by Prof. J. E. Hopper, A. M.

SATURDAY EVENING MEETING. A Religious Conference of deep interest was held, in

which many took part; at the close of which the following Resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved-That the very sincere thanks of this Associa-

tion is hereby given to the kind friends of Newcastle, Miramichi, for their unbounded hospitality and Christian courtesy in entertaining the Ministers and delegates of the Association.

Adjourned, to meet at Maugerville, September 19, 1867 W. M. EDWARDS, Moderator. E. C. CADY, Clerk. B. F. RATTRAY, Asst. Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER. OUR MISSION AS BAPTISTS.

I do not propose to speak of that mission which we hold in common with that of other denominations, but of our distinctive mission which mands our separate existence, and makes it our duty to maintain a distinct denominational organization and character. If we have a work to do, different from that which others are likely to do from the nature of their organizations and principles, let us know it, and know what it is; but if we have no such noble and important work, which others are not likely to do just as well or better than ourselves, we should know that also, that we may abandon our separate organization, and unite with others, that there may be no unnecessary divisions in the ranks of Christ's

But we believe that there is a definite and important mission committed to us, and that we should prove untrue to him who has blessed and honored our denomination in the past, if we were now to abandon our ecclesiatical connections and distinguishing tenets, and unite with any of the other religious societies in existence.

Our history is very different from that of any other of the so-called Protestant denominations. We are Protestants only in that we protest against the corruptions of the Church of Rome. They are Protestants because they came out of the Church of Rome protesting. But we never came out of Rome, because we were never of Rome; we existed before the Protestants as a distinct class of religionists existed. The Baptists testified against the corruptions and innovations of Rome before Luther and Huss and Wickliffe were born; yea, they held and preached the doctrines we now hold before Roman Catholicism had an existence.

I do not mean to claim that from the time of the Apostles to the present, we are able to trace a class of Christians bearing the name Baptist;" but that during all this period, even through the darkest ime in the Middle Ages, classes of Christians have been found outside of the Church of Rome who have held, fundamentally, the doctrines and practices of the Church as we now hold them, and that we are legitinately and truly their spiritual descendants; thus enabling us to trace our existence as a denomination directly back to the Apostles, without going through the Church of Rome. Have we not reason, therefore, to regard our denominational existence as highly important, and our sion one which we cannot neglect or abandon without proving untrue to the Lord who has bought us; a mission which, when we take into consideration its magnitude and immese power for good, should humble us before God, and make us bold before men, that we may be true to our calling, as those who have been commissioned from the court of heaven to engage in one of the noblest works ever committed to man.

1. It is our peculiar mission to maintain the sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as a perfect guide in all matters of religious belief and prac-Whatever we find there, we esteem binding on the conscience; Whatever is not there commanded, is not binding. We do not admit for a moment that we are to be governed in our views of the Holy Scriptures, or Church practices, by tradition, the writings of the Fathers, or the decrees of councils. The Scriptures, and the Scriptures only, are our guide. By holding firmly and consistently to these views, we honor the word of God, expel error and infuse truth into every branch of the Christian Church which comes within the range of our

It may here be asked, " Why is this our peculiar mission? Do not others claim to hold the same views?" Yes; many brethren in other denominations do conscientiously hold this doctrine. Almost all sects of Protestants have been approaching nearer and nearer to this position during the last century, and in the growth of this principle we see the beneficial effects of the firm position taken by our fathers in the perilous times gone by. There has been steady progress in this Baptist Bible principle. We honor our brethren of other denominations who have adopted it in whole or in part. It is not, therefore our peculiar mission to maintain this principle because we alone hold it; but because it was ours in the beginning, and has become the principle of others only so far as they have come towards us in their faith and practice. It is still peculiarly our mission to propagate this principle, because many in other de-nominations who honestly hold it do not hold it consistently, and allow it to have its legitimate effects in removing their errors; for they still sold to one or more of the dogmas which cannot be maintained by the Holy Scriptures, and which owe their origin and continuance to the decrees of councils and to the traditions and false teachings handed

decrees or councils and to the traditions and take teachings handed down to us in the writings of the Fathers.

This, then, is still our mission, and an important one it is. Let us not, therefore, abandon the denomination which has held and fought for this principle in the time of its trial and unpopularity, now that the day dawneth and victory percheth upon our banners. Let us welcome all who will join us in this contest; but let us never make such compromises with any of the professed friends of this principle as will lead us back into the corruptions of Rome, from whence they came out, and which we all desire to escape, This one principle, the sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as a rule of

faith and practice, really involves all other principles which mark the peculiarity of our mission; but, as it may not be so regarded, it will be necessary for me to specify still further.

2. It is our peculiar mission to maintain the doctrine of believers' baptism, and through this—

8. The more important doctrine of a converted church membership.
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It will not be disputed by any that the doctrine of believers' baptism is peculiarly ours, although some of the minor and more recent sects hold it also. More will be inclined to dispute with us the truthfulness and importance of the doctrine. And in this they show how they do not hold consistently the sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as a rule of faith and practice. For very few truly honest and learned students of the Bible will pretend to deny but that the doctrine is strictly biblical.

But there are those who will not be willing to admit that the doctrine of a converted church membership is peculiarly our principle. They will claim to hold it also. To show that they do not consistently hold it, we need only to refer them to their practice of infant baptism.

We are glad if any of our Pedobaptist friends do hold the doctrine even though it be inconsistent with their practice, for it shows the growth of Baptist principles.

But the advocates of infant baptism cannot hold consistently the doctrine of a converted church membership, because infant baptism legitimately leads to infant church membership.

Infant baptism had its crigin about 200 years after Christ in the false doctrine of baptismal regeneration, and with it came also infant church membership, and the right of conformation at a suitable age.

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The latter part of this statement will be acknowledged when spoken of the Church of Rome, but will it be admitted when spoken of modern Pedobaptists. Let us see what their authorities say. In the larger Catechism adopted by the Westmin-

ster Divines, which is received as authority by most of the Presbyterian Churches, in the answer to the question, "What is baptism?" it is said: "It is a sacrament of the New Testament, * * whereby the parties baptized are solemnly admitted into the visible Church. This view of baptism we regard as strictly correct;

for the believer, the only proper subject of baptism is thereby admitted into the visible Church according to the scripture. But this definition was given by those ho baptize infants; hence they regarded such infants as members of the Church.

The second question in the Catechism of the Church of England is," Who gave you this name?" Answer: "My godfathers and my godmothers in my baptism, wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven." In the public baptism of children, when the Priest has dipped the child." discreetly and warily in water, or when his friends certify that the child is weakly and cannot well endure it, has sprinkled water upon him, the Priest says: "We receive this child into the congregation of Christ's flock;" again he

says: "Seeing now this child is regenerate, and

grafted into the body of Christ's Church"-I cannot

escape the conviction that both baptismal regenera-

tion and infant church membership are found in these

quotations. It is not necessary that I should quote further, as the doctrine of infant baptism, as held by all these who practice it, when carried to its legitimate results, will carry the baptized child into the Church, which surely is contrary to the doctrine of a converted church membership.

But I have spoken of this doctrine as of more importance than that of believers' baptism. In its intrinsic value it is so; but, when we remember that it cannot be held consistently and truly practised without believers' baptism, we must place that first in time and importance, as it, when practised, will surely lead to the other.

4. It is our mission ever to protest against sprinkling for baptism, and infant baptism whether by sprinkling or immersion. They are both slike unscriptural, and both, especially the latter, if allowed to work out their legitimate results would lead their votaries back into the corruptions of the Church of Rome, that Church which they originally founded; for infant baptism has ever been the "pillar and ground of Popery." But we rejoice to know that through the divine

blessing, our protestations against these errors, has largely nullified their effects, and led to their neglect or total abandonment. But our mission is not yet ended, the victory is not yet wholly gained. The Lord has been crowning our efforts with success, but still there is a great work to be done. It is our mission to maintain Scriptural Church

Government and discipline, together with the doc-trines of religious liberty. All these principles we have held for many centuries; for we have received them from the Word of God. All these principles to which I have referred

especially belong to us. Many there are which we hold in common with others, which demand also our earnest and prayerful attention; but these have a special demand upon us, for if we were to abandon them or prove untrue they would suffer loss, and the wheel of religious progress revolve backwards.

We are to accomplish our work by being strictly true to our principles; by showing that in everything the Word of God is our guide; by being careful to admit none to baptism and membership in the Church who do not give good evidence of being truly converted; by protesting in every reasonable way against infant baptism, and against false modes of administering the holy ordinance; by adhering closely to the doctrine of restricted communion, by which we make no compromise with error, and make our enemies respect our consistency; and by maintaining strict discipline in our churches." Thus we may accomplish our mission by living near to a throne of divine grace, by having our hearts thoroughly im-bued in the love of God, and our lives, property and all fully consecrated to his glory, in the salvation of our souls.

> Confess your Faults. MATT. 5: 23, 24.

Rev. Dr. Patterson, for eight years the pastor of Dr. Wayland, in a discourse on his life and character narrates the following illustration of that great man's readiness to confess your faults :-

I never knew a man with whom a personal difficulty could so easily be settled. This fact arose not only from his quick perception of the reason of the thing and freedom from prejudice, but shiefly from his religious feeling. They were those of a sinner depending on Christ for personal forgiveness. In this there was no cant. It was a living principle, showing itself most where least likely to be manifes ted; eyen where the contrary feeling is most natural. In the early part of my ministry, my congregation being, as I thought, peculiarly insensible to the claims of religion. I resolved on producing a sensation; that I would preach for several weeks in succession exclusively on the claims of the Divine law. and the certainty and solemnity of its retributions. This series was to be followed by another exclusively on the way of life. Before the completion of the first division I perceived a sensation, but whether favorable or unfavorable I was not assured. With much hesitation, however, I persevered. The doctor, ignorant, with the rest of the congregation, of my motive, on our way to our homes at the close of a Sabbath morning service, betrayed disaffection with my continued selection of such a subject. I commend a re-ply with the expression that it was an experiment. He interrupted me, saying, with a severity of which he was capable, "I don't wish to be experimented on." Exactly what reply I made I cannot say, but it was one prompted by self-distrust and by feelings wounded by his severity. He added nothing further. But in a few moments after reaching my house a messenger handed me the following note:

"DEAR PASTOR, -I regret sincerely my manner and spirit in our recent conversation . I hope as a sinner to be cleansed in the blood of Christ, Forgive me. Love me, pastor, though I am unlovely. hope Christ does.

"Your affectionate brother, This was the beginning of a new relation, a freedom of mutual advice and frequently of strictures, the value of which, to one party at least, cannot be over-

THE IMPORTANCE OF MANNER.—The importance of pleasing manners and a good delivery in the pulpit is very forcibly illustrated by the following true inci-dent which we find in an exchange: Rev. Samuel Treat, grandfather of Rubert Treat Paine, was settled in Eastham, Mass, a hundred and

fifty years ago. His pastorate continued for nearly half a century. But, in spite of great learning and uncommon vigor of thought, his manner in the pulpit was so repulsive that out of his own parish he was heard reluctantly, even by intelligent congregations. He married a daughter of Rev. Samuel Willard, of

Boston.

After his marriage with the daughter of Mr. Willard, he was sometimes invited by that gentleman to preach in his pulpit. Mr. Willard possessed a graceful delivery; a masculine and harmonious voice; and in his sermons were strength of thought and energy of language. The natural consequence was that he was generally admired.

Mr. Treat, having preached one of his best discourses to the congregation of his father-in-law, in his usual unhappy manner, excited universal disgust;

bis usual unhappy manner, excited universal disgust; and several nice judges waited on Mr. Willard and begged that Mr. Treat, who was a worthy, pious, man, it was true, but a wretched preacher, might never be invited into his pulpit again. To this request Mr. Willard made no reply; but he desired his son-in-law to lend him his discourse; which being left with him, he delivered without alteration, to his people a few weeks after.

The hearers were charmed. They flow to Mr.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION. Prayer by Dr. Spurden

MINUTES.

NEWCASTLE, MIRAMICHI, Sept. 20th, 1866. Association met pursuant to adjournment, at 2 o'clock, P. M. After a deeply interesting religious Conference, the Association was called to order by Rev. E. Hickson, Moderator of last year, and organized by the appointment of the following Officers, viz.:

REV. W. M. EDWARDS, Moderator;

" E. C. CADY, Clerk;

" B. F. RATTRAY, Asst. Clerk; JOHN H. HARDING, Treasurer; DEACON M. FRANCIS, Asst. Treasurer.

Prayer was offered by Rev. G. M. W. Carey. The following visiting Brethren were invited to take seats with the Association, viz.: Rev. G. F. Miles, of Nova Scotia; Rev. W. A. Coleman; Rev. E. N. Archi-bald, of P. E. Island.

Committees as follows were appointed:

On Arrangements—Rev. E. Hickson, John H. Harding, Jesse Harding, Wm. Grimley, Deacou A. Vaughan.

To examine and read Letters—J. E. Hopper, Rev. G. F. Miles, and Rev. G. M. On Circular Letter-Dr. Spurden, Brethren Robert Wasson and Burke rchibald.

Archibald.

To Superintend Printing Minutes—Revs. E. C. Cady, and B. F. Rattray.

On Home Missions—Revs. E. C. Cady, George Burns, E. Hickson, J. E. Hopper, and Bro. John H. Harding.

On Special Business—Revs. W. A. Coleman, J. Tozer, and Bro. Joseph Sloot.

On Foreign Missions—Revs. G. M. W. Carey, C. Spurden, D. D., and B. F.

On Sabbath Schools-Bev. B. F. Rattray, Rev. E. C. Cady, R. Whitney, On Saboata Schools—Rev. B. F., Rattray, nev. E. C. Caty, J. Joseph Dumphey, George Vye.

On Christian Visitor—Revs. G. M. W. Carey, Dr. Spurden, and G. F. Miles.

On Education—Bro. J. H. Harding, and Revs. J. E. Hopper, Dr. Spurden, E. N. Archibald, G. F. Miles, B. F. Rattray, and E. Hickson.

On New Churches—Rev. E. Hickson, Deacon M. Francis, Brethren Joseph

Sloot, and G. C. Berryman.

On Temperance—Revs. G. F. Miles, George Burns, W. H. Beckwith, B. F. Rattray, and Brother John Urquhart.

On Union Societies—Revs. C. Spurden, D. D., George Burns, E. N. Archibald, J. Tozer, Brethren Grimley, Sloot, Summer and Travis.

On Departed Brethren—Revs. C. Spurden, W. A. Coleman, B. F. Rattray and E. Hickson.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION. Sermon by Rev. J. E. Hopper. Text: "Worship the

Adjourned by prayer. FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, 10 o'clock, Sept. 21. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. C. Spurlen, D. D. Text, Jude, 3d verse: "Contend earnestly for

the faith once delivered to the saints." Moderator took the Chair. Prayer by Rev. J. Tozer. Minutes read and approved.

To Prepare Digest of Letters-J. E. Hopper.

Reading of the letters commenced.

ord in the beauty of holiness."

Resolved-That Dr. Spurden be requested to give the substance of his introductory sermon for publication in the Christian Visitor, and in pamphlet form; and that Revs. I. procure funds for printing. Reading of letters concluded

Committee on Temperance reported :-

That in their opinion the call for aid to the Temperance cause was never more urgent than at the present. The disposition of enemies to oppose Prohibition; the lukewarmness and indifference of some of its professed friends; the multitudes addicted to this vice, together with the legalizing of the traffic, are considerations sufficient to arouse every lover of the cause to more determined effort to suppress the evil, and, if possible, wipe so foul a blot from the statute book of our land. Your Committee have much pleasure in being able to state that the success that has attended the formation of Lodges by the Good Templars and the organization of Divisions by the Sons of Temperance, tend to increase our confidence in the means thus employed to raise the standard and unfurl the banner of Temperance, until it shall wave triumphantly over the entire Province. Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that we, as a denomination, pledge ourselves anew to principles so pure, sentiments so sound, doctrines so scriptural as are taught in the

expression recorded by Paul to Titus, chapter first, and verses 7 and 8:
"Not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre; but a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate.

Submitted, GEO. F. MILES, Chairman. Adopted. The discussion on the report was deferred to

public meeting of the members of the Association with the Sons of Temperance, to be held on Monday evening, Sept. 24.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock, P.M.

Moderator in the Chair. Prayer by Rev. H. Charleton. Committee on New Churches reported :-While we are ever happy to extend the hand of fellowship to sister hurches, however small their number; yet we fear there is a tendency in this Province, to form new churches where it would be much more to the advantage of all concerned to remain united with these already organized, or, if not united to join them where it can be done. There are, however, places such as Mission fields and growing cities, where it would be of great advantage to the cause of Christ to organize churches which may act upon the masses who are not within the reach of churches

dready attending to their work. We further recommend the reception of the Hanesville Church into this Association, in compliance with their request as set forth in their letter

submitted to us, which we recommend now to be read, hoping that their future history may show the necessity of their organization. On behalf of the Committee, EDW. HICKSON, Chairman. Adopted.

The letter from the Hanesville Church was then read and the hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator to Rev. James Tozer, their delegate. Resolved-That the next Association be held with the Church in Maugerville, on Thursday, Sept. 19, 1867; and that Rev. G. M. W. Carey preach the introductory sermon,

and Rev. J E. Hopper be his alternate; and that Rev. E. Hickson write the Circular Letter.. Resolved—That the Association suspend business to give place to the Annual Meeting of the N. B. Baptist Education Society.

In the absence of the President (Rev. I. E. Bill), Rev. E. Hickson was called to the Chair. A Committee was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year, viz. :—J. E. Hopper, J. H. Harding, E. C. Cady, and C. Spurden, D. D. Moved to request the Association to publish in the

Minutes the Reports of the Committee and Treasurer, as reported in the Minutes of the late session of the Eastern Committee to Nominate Officers reported. (See Ap-

Committee on Christian Visitor submitted the following Report :-That whereas there are some 9,000 professed Baptists in the Province of New Brunswick, and less than 2,000 paying subscribers to our Denominational organ, therefore resolved, that we deeply deplore this state of things, and affectionately urge the ministers and messengers of the Churches to increase, so far as they may, the circulation of our excellent paper, and not to rest until every Baptist family in our Province take our paper, read our paper, and pay for our paper.

G. M. W. CAREY, Chairman.

Spoken to by Revs. G. M. W. Carey, E. N. Archibald, G. F. Miles, Charleton, Coleman and Cady. Resolved-That the Clerks be allowed to call for

ports and Minute-Money from Churches which has Policies issued at the lowest rates, payable in New Brunswick Currency, with an without participation in profits, and every information afforded on application to W. J. STARR, Agent, Princess St., Oct 12—vy Opposite Commercial Bank.

A report of our Missionary operations in the Province

Prayer meeting at 6 o'clock. Rattray. Moderator in the Chair. Committee on Education submitted the following Re-

pagate His eternal truth? J. H. HARDING, Chairman.

of our Seminary at Fredericton.

3. Resolved—That in the opinion of this Association, the

6. Resolved—That we recommend Acadia College anew

we have our College upon a firm basis. Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Association opened in due form. Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their Report,

mah, China, and many parts of our continent, we affectionately urge upon the Churches composing this Association to increase in zeal and liberality, for the fields are white already to harvest; to attempt great

We ought to raise and distribute at least \$4,000 for this object each year. That more may be accomplished in future, we recommend the Board that they employ Rev. J. E. Harvey, to act as general missionary to labor within the borders of this Association.

H. Beckwith, and W. A. Coleman. Report adopted.

it would be the wisest course that could be adopted to make such an appointment for the resuscitation of the Society.

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

Your Committee are fully of the opinion that the Sunday School is one of the most highly distinguished and honored instrumentalities by which the youth of our country are becoming acquainted with the plan of salvation and prepared for greater usefulness in the Christian Church, and as a system of efficient religious instruction it should receive a more prominent notice in our Annual Associations than it has in the past. Its holy and benign influence and wonderful reformatory power has been forcibly illustrated in the reply of an extensive manufacturer who employed a large number of the children of the neighborhood. A Sunday School Missionary asked him whether he perceived any alteration in the poor children he employed since the establishment of the Sunday School in the village. Sir, said be, the change could not have been more extraordinary in my opinion had they been transformed from the shape of wolves and tigers to that of men.

Your Committee exceedingly regret that no action has yet been taken by our denomination for the organization of a Sunday School Convention, and would again urge this important matter upon your consideration, and the appointment of a Committee of at least five men, well acquainted with the working of Sabbath Schools, pledged to perform the duties assigned them by this Association relative to a Convention, and report at our next annual gathering.

B. FRANKLIN RATTRAY, Chairman.

Addresses by Rev. W. A. Coleman. Committee on Sabbath Schools reported :--

Resolved-That whereas the American Baptist Publica

That the letter be read before the Body by its author, Rev. E. C.