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WHEN HE COMES,
I was told that I must die to-morrow,
That the next sun
Which sinks should bear me past all fear
and sorrow
For any one
The fight fought, all the short journey
through,
What should I do?
Do not think that I should shrink or
falter,
But just go on,
Doing my work, nor change, nor seek to
alter
Aught that is gone,
Advance and move, and love and smile and
pray
For one more day.
Lying down at night for a last sleep-
ing,
Say in that ear
Which hearkens ever: "Lord, within
thy keeping,
How should I fear?
When to-morrow brings thee nearer
still,
Do thou thy will."
Do not sleep for awe: but peaceful
tender,
My soul would lie
The night long; but when the morn-
ing splendor
Flashed o'er the sky,
I could smile—could calmly say—
"It is his day."
If a wondrous hand from the blue
Heaven
Held out a scroll,
Which my life was, writ and I with
wonder
Beheld unroll
The century's end its mystic clew,
What should I do?
Other than this—
To go on as now, not slower, faster,
Nor fear to miss
The road, although so very long it be
While led by thee?
After step, feeling thee close beside
me,
Although unseen;
Through thorns, through flowers, whether
the tempest hide thee,
Or heavens serene—
And thy faithfulness cannot betray
Nor love decay.
I do not know, my God; no hand reveal-
eth
Thy counsels wise;
The path a deepening shadow steal-
eth.
No voice replies
To my questioning thought, the time
is so full,
And it is well.
I keep on, abiding and unfearing
Thy will always,
A long century's ripe fruition,
Or a short day's;
I cannot not come too soon; and I can
wait.
If thou come late
—Susan Coolidge.

MINUTES OF THE EASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK Baptist Association,

Held at Harvey, Albert Co. July 12, 13, 14.

HARVEY A. Co., N. B. July 12th, 1881.

The Eastern Baptist Association, according to appoint-
ment, convened with the Harvey Church, this day at 2 p.m.,
in its 34th Anniversary.

In the absence of the Moderator of last year, the pastor
of the church Rev. T. A. Blackadar, called the Association
to order.

Quite an interesting season was spent in devotional exer-
cises.

A list of Delegates for 1881 having been prepared.

On motion, the Association proceeded to the election of
officers for the current year, which election resulted in the
appointment of

REV. G. E. GOOD, Moderator.
" A. CHIPMAN, Clerk.
" C. B. WELTON Assistant Clerk.
BRO. J. M. STEVENS, Treasurer.
" J. J. WALLACE, Assistant Treasurer.

These brethren having taken their places, the Moderator
read the Rules of Order, and Rev. G. O. Gates offered pray-
er.

The committee on Arrangements, namely, Revs. T. A.
Blackadar, Geo. Q. Gates, J. H. Hughes, M. Gross, I. J.
Skinner, E. C. Corey, Bro. G. R. White, was, on motion,
appointed.

The committee on Nomination, namely, Bro. Isaiah Ting-
ley, Revs. S. C. Moore, T. M. Munro, I. J. Skinner, I. W.
Carpenter, M. Gross, E. H. Howe, John Gammon were ap-
pointed.

On motion, Rev. Atwood Cohoon, corresponding Sec. of
the Home Mission Board, Revs. J. E. Hopper and W. P.
Everett, Delegates from the Southern Association, and Rev.
A. Estabrook, were cordially invited to sit with us.

Com. on Home Mission was completed by the following
names: Revs. Geo. O. Gates, A. Chipman, A. Cohoon, Bro.
J. J. Wallace, Nathaniel Peck.

Education.—Revs. G. E. Good, W. T. Corey, J. E. Hop-
per, John Gammon, Bro. Geo. Dickson, Titus Hicks.

Denominational Literature.—Revs. H. Foshay, E. H.
Howe, J. H. Hughes, Bro. J. J. Wallace, C. E. Knapp, C. W.
Richardson, J. E. Trites.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. J. H. Hughes, I. W. Carpen-
ter, J. E. Fillmore, W. P. Everett, J. E. Hopper, Dea. Losa
Wheaton.

Sunday Schools.—Rev. C. B. Welton, Bro. J. Gammon,
Rev. I. J. Skinner, Dea. Peter Duffy, W. Beckwith, Bro.
G. R. White, Rev. G. O. Gates, Bro. Theo. Constantine,
Michael Kelly, Dea. J. E. Marshall.

Temperance.—Rev. T. A. Blackadar, Bro. Ashael Wells,
C. E. Knapp, W. H. Wortman, Revs. E. H. Howe, Ezekiel
Hopper, M. Gross, Dea. G. M. Peck, Bro. Michael Kelly,
Bro. James Stewart, D. J. McMackin, Obed Tingley, Rufus
Tingley, Isaac N. Dawson.

Com. on Arrangements reported in part;
We recommend that this session adjourn at 5 p.m. Meet
at 7.30; Rev. A. Cohoon preach this evening; that there be
a prayer meeting each morning at 6 a.m.; that the morning
sessions commence at 9 a.m.; that the Associational sermon
be preached to-morrow morning, (Wednesday) at 10 o'clock
and that the morning session between 9 and 10 o'clock be
given to the reading of letters.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. C. Corey.

SECOND SESSION

TUESDAY EVENING, July 12th.

Opened with singing, reading of the Scriptures, by Rev.
I. J. Skinner, and prayer by Rev. W. P. Everett. Rev. A.
Cohoon preached a highly interesting and profitable sermon
from 1st Jno. 4: 9.

Collection taken, \$7.15.
Business resumed.
Bro. T. M. Munro offered prayer. Rules of order read.
Minutes of previous session read and approved.

Com. on Nomination reported:
Com. to examine and read letters.—Revs. G. O. Gates, I.
J. Skinner, M. Gross, I. W. Carpenter.

Com. on Circular Letter.—Revs. T. M. Munro, E. C.
Corey, E. H. Howe.
Com. to revise List of Ordained Ministers.—Revs. S. C.
Moore, J. E. Hopper, J. Gammon.

Com. on New Churches.—Rev. J. E. Fillmore, Bro. H.
Fillmore, J. J. Wallace.
Report adopted.

Com. on Arrangements further reported: That each morn-
ing session adjourn at 12 o'clock; that each afternoon ses-
sion begin at 2.30, close at 5; and that each evening session
begin at 7.30, and close at the pleasure of the Association;
that Wednesday afternoon be devoted to the S. S. Conven-
tion according to the following programme:

1st, Election of officers, 2nd, Reports of S. Schools, 3rd

Discussion: 1st, S. S. Helps, Rev. J. E. Hopper. 2nd
Should S. Schools be discontinued during the winter, Rev.
G. E. Good. 3rd, Mission S. Schools and Home Mission So-
ciety, Rev. A. Cohoon.

1st, The Sunday school—its mission, Rev. A. Chipman.
2nd, The Relationship of the church and Sunday School,
Rev. W. P. Everett. 3rd, The Teacher and his Qualifica-
tions, Rev. I. J. Skinner. 4th, Who shall attend the Sun-
day School, G. R. White.

THIRD SESSION.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, July 13th.

Opened by prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner, Rules of Order
read, minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That Bro. J. J. Wallace be appointed to prepare the
blank certificates for Delegates.

Reading of the Letters proceeded with.
Com. on Circular Letter reported, recommending that the
Letter of the Association be adopted.

The hour for the Association Sermon having arrived,
Rev. J. H. Hughes, the appointed preacher, discoursed very
interestingly on John 3: 3 or 5. Bro. Everett followed
with remarks. Collection \$16.32.

The Circular Letter read.
Resolved, That it be printed in the minutes.
Adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. Foshay.

FOURTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, July 13th.

Opened with prayer by Rev. W. P. Everett.
Rules of order read, minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That one hour be now devoted to Home Missions.
Com. on Home Missions report, (See Appendix B.) report
received. Discussed by Bro. M. Kelley, Revs. A. Cohoon,
W. P. Everett, Bro. C. E. Knapp, Revs. J. E. Hopper, G. O.
Gates, A. Chipman, C. B. Welton.

Resolved, That this report for the present be on the Table.
Adjourned to give place to the S. S. Convention.
Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. H. Howe.

FIFTH SESSION.

THURSDAY MORNING, July 14th.

Opened with prayer by Rev. T. M. Munro, rules of order
read, minutes read and approved.

Com. of Arrangements further reported; that Thursday
morning be occupied by reading the remaining letters, and
presenting reports; that the afternoon be occupied by re-
ports and general business.

A communication from the chairman of Com. of Conven-
tion respecting the printing of Minutes in the Year Book,
having been read.

Resolved, That it be laid on the table and be taken up in the
routine business.

Rev. J. H. Hughes was on motion, added to committee to
examine and read letters.

Reading of the letters resumed.
Com. on Denominational Literature reported, after an in-
teresting discussion by Bro. Knapp, Gates, Hopper, Gam-
mon and others, report adopted.

Bill of Indebtedness to Rev. J. E. Hopper (\$4.49) read,
ordered to be paid out of the collections.

Com. on Education reported. Report somewhat inhar-
moniously, but vigorously discussed by Bro. Gates, Hopper,
Everett, Knapp, and afterward adopted.

Com. on Nomination report; for 1882.
Com. on Home Missions.—Revs. G. E. Good, J. H.
Hughes, E. H. Howe, Bro. A. Palmer.

Education.—Revs. I. J. Skinner, A. Chipman, Ezekiel
Hopper, J. J. Wallace.

Denominational Literature.—Revs. C. B. Welton, J.
Gammon, I. W. Carpenter, Bro. Wm. Wortman.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. T. M. Munro, T. A. Blackadar,
J. E. Fillmore, Bro. A. P. Wilson.

Temperance.—Bro. C. E. Knapp, Revs. E. H. Howe, M.
Gross, Bro. John Marshall.

Obituaries.—Revs. I. J. Skinner, J. H. Hughes, W. W. Corey,
Bro. J. S. Trites.

Preacher of the Association Sermon, Rev. I. J. Skinner,
Alternate Rev. E. C. Corey, Circular Letter to be written by
Rev. T. M. Munro. Report amended and adopted.

In view of the fact of the annual meeting of the S. S.
Convention with us.
Resolved, That the report of the S. S. Committee for this year be
dispensed with, and its future appointment be committed, Rev. W. P.
Everett was appointed Auditor of the Treasurer's account.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Gammon.

SIXTH SESSION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, July 14th.

Prayer by Rev. G. O. Gates. Rules of order read. Minutes
approved.

Resolved, That the request of the New Canaan church to remain
in the Association be cheerfully granted.

Com. on Temperance reported. Spoken to by Bro.
Knapp, H. R. Emmerson, Esq., Rev. I. J. Skinner.
Report adopted.

Report of Com. on Foreign Missions read and laid on
table for discussion.
Treasurer's report audited and certified.
Resolved, That 300 copies of the minutes be printed, that the
minutes of the S. S. Convention be incorporated in those of the
Association, and that Bro. J. E. Hopper receive \$40 for publishing
the same.
The following resolution was passed.

Whereas, In view of the delays that have attended the enforce-
ment of the C. T. Act of 1878, there is in certain counties, likely
to be a strong opposition to the Act at the next Session of the
Dominion Parliament; and whereas such delays have been in part
due to the administration of justice in this Province;

It is therefore Resolved, That it be the opinion of this Assoc-
iation in council that the said Act should not be repealed, and
that every effort should be put forth to induce all members of the
Dominion Parliament to vote for the retention of the Canada
Temperance Act of 1878.

Resolved, That in future each church receive Minutes in propor-
tion to the amount contributed by it for that purpose, and no funds
be taken for Minutes except those contributed for that purpose.

Resolved, That Bro. Hopper be a committee to distribute the
Minutes.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association, the holding
and propagating by members of this Body of such errors as the un-
conscious state of the soul after death, and the annihilation of the
wicked after the Resurrection, and kindred false notions, are en-
tirely at variance with the plain teachings of the Word of God, and
the Articles of this Association, and should be discontinued by
every well-wisher of the cause of God and Truth.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be hereby authorized to pay to the
Sec. of the Convention Scheme for this Province, John March, St.
John, the balance on hand after paying for Minutes and incidental
expenses.

Resolved, That Bro. John Gammon and C. E. Knapp, be a com-
mittee to arrange for the place of Association for next year, and re-
port shortly. Committee reported, recommending that the next As-
sociation be held with the church in Havelock. Report adopted.

Resolved, That any of our members attending the Sister Associa-
tions be our delegates to the same.

Resolved, That Bro. J. J. Wallace, J. Ford, C. E. Knapp, J. C.
Robinson, and Isaiah Tingley, be our delegates to the Convention
to meet at Yarmouth.

On motion, letters from Bro. Woodland, Sec. of Conven-
tion Com., was taken from Table, and the Association re-
solved, That, In view of the want of information in regard
to the comparative cost of printing the Minutes of the As-
sociations conjointly with the Year Book, we are compelled
to decline any change at present in publishing Association
Minutes.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner.

SEVENTH SESSION.

THURSDAY EVENING, July 14th.

Session opening with singing—Prayer by Rev. E.
H. Howe.—Resolved, that Rev. G. O. Gates be committee
to arrange with the Railway Authorities for travel next
year.

The committee appointed to revise the list of ordained
ministers reported.

On motion, the reports on Home and Foreign Missions
were taken from the table, read and spoken to by the fol-
lowing Brethren—Rev. A. Estabrook, returned missionary
from Burmah,—I. J. Skinner, W. P. Everett, E. H. Howe,
John Gammon, Geo. Gates, and the Moderator. The ad-
dresses were interspersed with appropriate music from the
choir.

Reports of Home and Foreign Mission adopted.
Collection amounted to \$13.

Vote of thanks—
Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the
members of the Baptist Church and congregation in Harvey for
their kindness and hospitality in caring for and entertaining the
delegates and visitors in attendance. Also to the choir for their
excellent music.

Adjourned after prayer and the benediction by the
Moderator, to meet with the Church at Butternut Ridge,
on the 2nd Tuesday in July, 1882.

G. E. Good, Moderator.

Mission Reports adopted by the West- ern N. B. Association.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

The missionary enterprise of the church is the chief reason for its
existence, the legitimate sphere for its activities. Your committee
feel that there is ample cause for thankful and humble joy, in the
fact that God has honored the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces,
with a share in this work. The good health of our missionaries
now on the field; the degree of success attending their labors;
the proficiency attained in the practical phases of the work; the
perfection of arrangements affecting the prosperity of the several
stations; the erection and completion of mission buildings; these
facts call for grateful recognition. We record regretfully the return
of Bro. W. F. Armstrong and wife, made necessary by the ill
health of these missionaries. Their continued stay in this country,
has devolved the entire responsibilities of the station upon Miss
Hammond, an emergency which she has met with surprising
energy. The appeal of our missionaries, the urgent needs of the
field, have met a response in the appointment of a new missionary,
Bro. Hutchinson will leave for the East directly after the Con-
vention in August to form a new link binding the hearts of pro-
vincial Baptists to the work of redeeming the Telegroos. At home
the cheerful and efficient work of the numerous Woman's Aid
Societies, should meet with the warmest endorsement. Your
committee express the fervent hope, that every church in this
Association, may share in the blessing of a genuine missionary
revival, and our work abroad receive the impetus and the practical
support ensured in an intelligent and vigorous awakening of the
missionary spirit.

F. D. CRAWLEY, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to submit the fol-
lowing report. We would not let the opportunity pass without
paying a tribute to the memory of the late New Brunswick Home
Missionary Society, whose labors of love, will be long remembered
by many of our churches, that were once Mission Stations, and
are now flourishing churches.

Ministers that were long associated with it, remember with
gratitude its self sacrificing labors, and though it has passed away
the work done will live in our memory while life shall last.

As a denomination, old things are passed away, and all things
are become new. We are glad of the union effected, and rejoice in
the new board of Home Missions, included in the Convention
Scheme. We feel bound by our covenant engagement to do all
that we can to make the Convention Scheme a success. We would
recommend that each church take up quarterly collections, that
the ministers preach missionary sermons and interest the Sabbath-
school children in this work.

Your committee learn that grants have been made to about 50
fields—including in all about 60 churches for the whole or part of
the year. About 20 of these fields are in New Brunswick. Several
of the fields have had revival blessings, a goodly number baptized
and in some cases churches organized. The probable expendi-
ture for the year is about \$3000, about \$1500 for New Brunswick.
Receipts to present time about \$2000 about \$450 for N. Brunswick.
We recommend that the Baptist Home Missionary Board hold a
meeting at the Convention to be held in Yarmouth to hear sugges-
tions from delegates from our associations at its next session.

W. P. ANDERSON, Secretary.
W. M. EDWARDS, Chairman.