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CANADA BAPTIST UNION.

We are indebted to Rev. T. Trotter, A. B., for an interesting report of the proceedings of the Western Baptist Convention, Ontario, and printed on our second page this week. It will be seen that a strong committee has been appointed to meet the committee of our Maritime Convention to discuss and arrange a basis of union for the Baptists of Canada. It would be well if this joint committee could meet at an early day. At least it ought to meet before next August when our Convention meets. If a meeting can not be arranged for till next summer we are sure our Convention would give a royal welcome to the Upper Province brethren. Some difficulties lie in the way of union, but they are small compared with the advantages that will flow from it. Our country has been enlarging, its needs becoming greater and more imperative in a religious point of view, and Baptists, ever among the first to lead in christian work, should consummate such a Union as will more effectively develop the power we have to go in and possess the land. In our divided state we are doing very little to evangelize the great North-West, almost nothing for our French neighbors, scarcely anything in the way of the production and dissemination of a Canadian Baptist Literature, and only a respectable beginning in giving the gospel to the Telugus. A suitable organization ought to throw life and new zeal into all these departments of christian work. No mere local preferences for local methods of attempting or doing this work should prevail with our people against the larger and stronger organization contemplated. The work referred to above is all of such a character that mere local knowledge, planning and methods of execution such as are necessary for our Home Mission, are not demanded. The work contemplated

is such as pertains to all Canadian Baptists, and such as by a union of forces can be more effectively, intelligently and worthily performed. We further believe no time should be lost in perfecting plans. At best it will take a year or two before anything in reference to final organization can be accomplished if there shall occur no hitch. In the meantime the work will either lay unattempted, or it will not be pushed with that zeal that the larger organization of our forces would supply. We trust our brethren are thinking, praying and planning over this subject, and that the Holy Spirit who has led us in the past will direct in this matter, and the result be such as shall glorify God in the multiplication of his truth and the salvation of our fellow men.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

At the recent meeting of Ontario Baptists in Convention it was decided to raise the endowment of Woodstock College to \$100,000. Of this amount Senator McMaster gives \$32,000 and the denomination \$56,000. With this accomplished Senator McMaster purposes to give half a million dollars to build and endow an arts college in Toronto to be federated with the University. With this accomplished, the Baptists of the Dominion will occupy an advanced educational position in the Dominion. The Lord has been good to us in turning the hearts of his servants who have the means to use it for the furtherance of christian education. We congratulate our Upper Province brethren on the great progress about to be achieved.

In this Province we have secured an Academic property that is unsurpassed in the Dominion. What now we need is that the hearts of the rich and the poor be turned toward it to supply the means necessary to pay for the grounds, and buildings as well as a suitable endowment. We trust brethren coming to this city will visit the premises and conclude what is the most they can give to help permanently secure to our sons and daughters these beautiful premises, now to be dedicated to the cause of christian education.

THE UNIVERSITY DIFFICULTY.

The item in our news column will awaken surprise, and the conduct of the students, as it appears in that report, will, to say the least, receive no commendation. If the institution were under private control, the management would certainly be sustained by the sentiment of the community in demanding gentlemanly conduct in class, and in removing any member or members who grossly violated its most ordinary requirements, and held out in such action. The fact that this is a Provincial institution—the highest in our educational system—does not certainly give any greater license to those who are in attendance. On the contrary, the Province sustaining the University, and, at the common cost, providing for the few who avail themselves thereof the means for a liberal education at small individual expense, has even a greater right to demand that the gentleman in whom it has confidence, and to whom it delegates the internal management, should receive courteous and respectful treatment from those who are enjoying the advantages thus afforded.

That the venerable President should receive such treatment from any member of his class is surely surprising, that the class, by refusing to bring the individual to light, voluntarily share the responsibility of the act, is passing strange; and that the other two classes should endorse the action of the juniors is almost incredible.

We are at a loss to account for the action of all the students, save on the ground that they have some real or fancied grievance, and, if such be the case, we regret that there are not wiser heads among them, than to take their stand upon ground that is so utterly untenable. If the students of our University have no better conception of what is gentlemanly, they may at least feel assured that the community will not sustain them in the commission and upholding of such an insult against the

President or any member of the faculty.

The Senate is called to consider the matter, and we feel assured they will decide absolutely and upon its merits the simple question of conduct and discipline, without admitting any side issues. If other questions are to come up, let this first be settled. If the young men continue insubordinate, we believe it would be better to remove all who will not express reprobation of the act. Should this even involve the temporary closing of the College doors, better this than to hand over the control to young men, who, if they continue to morally vindicate the act, will prove themselves unworthy of the advantages which the Province is affording them.

REV. DAVID CRANDALL.

This aged veteran still lives, in physical feebleness, but with clear mental and spiritual insight into God's Word. In a private note he speaks of his deprivation of public worship, and association with God's children generally. He rejoices in the selection made for the Seminary, and speaks of the time when the old foundations were laid, and of the time he gave to collecting funds for it. He says: "I am done collecting now, but my sympathies and prayers are not done. I have felt the loss of educational advantages so much that it makes me more anxious that our young people should have them."

He also sounds a note of alarm in reference to the spread of Pre-millennial doctrines. He says: "The prayerful bible reader must see that the ministrations of the Holy Spirit will go on in the reign of Christ on this earth, until the gospel of the kingdom has been preached to all nations for a witness, and then will Christ come to judge the world, as John the revelator saw him in holy vision, before whose face the heavens and earth fled away."

BURMAH.

The following personal letter from Rev. William George, missionary to Zegone, Burmah, will be read by his many friends in the Provinces with interest, though it was not intended for publication. Bro. George is one of the most intelligently devoted missionaries of the American Baptist Union. The foundations he lays will be according to the regulations of God's word.

I have time but for a line. The people seem to be in great fear about the cholera. Please say to your subscribers that one of the best preventatives against cholera is to boil and filter all drinking water. There can be no doubt that Asiatic cholera is principally communicated by the water. I have known an instance of nearly every house in a village losing some of its occupants, while those who lived in a house situated in every respect like the other, except that they did not drink water from the same well, were not attacked. We have boiled and filtered all our drinking water for years, and would strongly recommend it to all who are exposed to this dreadful disease.

We are all well, at present, able to work every day. We have not baptized any since the rains began, but are trying to teach those already baptized a few of the "all things" commanded.

I am glad you are giving your returned missionaries such a good reception. They will be very happy, no doubt, to know that not only their work, but that they themselves are appreciated. Some of the kind words said to me while at home, still cheer my heart. The man who has the power to say a cheering word is one of God's good gifts to the church.

You have heard of Bro. Kelly's bereavement, and will mourn with him, as we all do. His wife was a rare woman, good, true, bright, and strong. She had already begun to do a good work in editing a Sunday school paper. She will be sadly missed in the church and community at Maulmain.

I am very glad of this union in educational work with our Free Baptist brethren. It will bring us nearer together, even if it does not result in their making Free Baptists of you all.

May God bless you, and your family, and the VISITOR.

Sincerely your Brother,
WM. GEORGE.

Rev. J. H. COY wishes his letters and papers addressed "Mouth of Macnaquack" York Co.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

REV. S. McC. BLACK, of Westport delivered a thoughtful, and well written lecture on "John Milton," in Academy Hall, Wolfville, on Friday evening last.

The Century Co. are bringing out a cheap edition of the Calvary Selection, words only, which will be ready in a few weeks. This will meet a want, and place within reach of our churches, the best hymn book of the day, at a price that all can afford.

REV. W. H. PORTER sent us a reply to "Fair Play" on the Masonry controversy, which we had overlooked and now withhold, as it will only call forth other replies; and the VISITOR is scarcely the medium for the discussion. In justice to Bro. Porter we must say that he denies ever having been "black-beaned," and asserts that his only desire was to set forth what he believed to be truth.

"GRIP" has a good temperance cartoon in its last number. It represents a bloated whiskey dealer standing between his casks and reading; "The Scott Act is sweeping the country." In his hand he holds a handkerchief, and as he sheds large tears, he exclaims: "I'll have to work for my living like other people if this goes on." May the day soon come.

An effort is on foot to endow Regent's Park College, London. As is well known this school is presided over by Rev. Dr. Angus, whose head and heart have made the Institution an honor to Baptists. Some £15,000 have already been subscribed towards an endowment of £30,000, or \$150,000. This movement is strongly advocated by Dr. Underhill, the treasurer and former secretary of the Baptist Missionary Society. No non-conformist College in Britain has a brighter record than Regent's Park. Its influence has been strongly felt in the Maritime Provinces through Dr. Cramp and other honored students. We wish some of our richer men might find it in their hearts to send a contribution to this object, in recognition of what it has done for us.

We are pleased to note that Hon. Dr. Parker had a warm reception at St. Thomas, at the Western Baptist Convention of Ontario. He distinctly avowed his hope that the Baptists of the Dominion should be united in Foreign Missions and extra provincial Home Mission work. In this the Doctor voiced the opinion of a very large portion of our people.

We are also glad to note that Ontario Baptists have done what we have urged as a wise policy for us, viz.: appointed a Superintendent of Home Missions. This gentleman will seek to help pastors all over the field, as far as possible, in holding religious meetings, gathering funds, becoming acquainted with sections where missionaries should be located, and helping those on the field with wise counsel and encouragement. Our own Board last year had a general missionary part of the time, who did good service. We should like to see a first class man employed this year whose eye and work should be given to the needs of our home territory. In fact, in this province, and we judge also in the other, there is work of the most profitable kind for the best man that can be obtained.

For the Visitor

THE CONGO MISSION.

The Livingstone Inland Mission, on the Congo river, West Africa, which has now been adopted by the American Baptist Missionary Union, was begun in 1877, a few months only after the news of Mr. Henry M. Stanley's long and perilous journey "through the dark continent" reached England. The first two missionaries sailed from Liverpool for the Congo in January 1878, and up to the present time fifty missionary agents have been sent out, of whom ten have died, and others left the service. There are now seven stations established, reaching about five hundred miles into the interior, and twenty-six missionaries on the staff, of whom three are in England. The Congo language has been reduced to writing,

a grammar and dictionary published, and several hopeful converts gained. The whole expense of the mission to the present time has been about \$150,000, and the whole work, with a steamer for the navigation of the Upper Congo, is transferred to the Missionary Union, upon the simple condition that it is to be supported and carried on with all practicable vigor.

The Congo Valley is by far the largest and most accessible of the regions of Central Africa. It is estimated to contain about 2,500,000 square miles, or considerably more than the whole United States, excluding Alaska. The Congo river is navigable for steamers of five thousand tons to Vivi, one hundred and ten miles from the mouth. The Livingstone Falls must then be passed, before coming to Stanley Pool. From this point the river and its branches affords a navigable waterway of between four and five thousand miles into the richest and most fertile portions of the heart of Africa. The trade of the Congo Valley with England already amounts to \$6,000,000 a year, and with better facilities for transportation will vastly increase. The climate of the interior is called delightful, and the people are vigorous and intelligent. All the different tribes belong to the same great Bantu race, and their languages are in many respects similar. The population of the Congo Valley is estimated at forty-nine millions, or nearly as large as that of the United States. In religion the people are pure pagans, simple fetich worshippers, and offer a large and hopeful field for the introduction of christianity. The aim of the Congo Mission is to carry the gospel to these swarming millions of the interior of Africa, and the prospects of success are most encouraging.

TORONTO BAPTIST COLLEGE.

At the meeting of the Trustees of Toronto Baptist College, the following was unanimously adopted:—

The Committee appointed at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, held in McMaster Hall, Tuesday, 29th April, 1884, to prepare the business in relation to a scheme for the establishment of a Senate, to be considered at an adjourned meeting to be held on Tuesday, 14th October, 1884, have given the subject their careful attention and recommend the adoption of the following Preamble and Resolution, viz:—

That whereas it is in the opinion of this Board expedient that the Act of Incorporation of the College should be so amended as to provide for the appointment of a Senate in the way hereinafter indicated, and for delegating to such Senate the work and responsibility hereinafter referred to:

And whereas it is desired that under the Act of Incorporation so amended the Board of Trustees of said College should be continued as provided in the Trust Deed, with power and authority in reference to the following matters: (1) The care and management of the College property, including all endowments, gifts, bequests, etc.; (2) the management and control of all matters pertaining to the finances of the said College; (3) the appointment and dismissal of all professors, tutors, and teachers upon the recommendation of the College Senate, and subject to the rights and powers of such Senate with reference to such appointments and dismissals hereinafter referred to:

And whereas it is desired that such Senate should be composed of representatives in such number and selected in such a way as shall be provided by such Amending Act of the following bodies: (1) Of the said Board of Trustees; (2) of the Faculty of said College; (3) of the Faculty of Acadia College; (4) of the Faculty of Woodstock College; (5) of the Alumni of this College; (6) of each of the four Missionary Conventions of the regular Baptists in Canada, being "The Baptist Missionary Convention of Ontario," "The Canada Baptist Missionary Convention East," "The Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces," and "The Baptist Convention of Manitoba

and the North-West," subject to the right of the Board to appoint representatives of the said Colleges, Alumni Association or any Convention, in case of a failure to make appointment by such Colleges, Alumni Association, or any Convention.

That the representatives of the Board of Trustees should be its Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary *ex officio*:

That the representatives of the Faculty of the College on the said Senate should be the President of the said College and two of the professors thereof selected by the said Faculty annually:

That the representatives of the Faculties of Acadia College and of Woodstock College respectively should be the Principal or President and one of the professors of each of the said Colleges selected by their respective Faculties annually:

That the representatives of the Alumni of said College should be five in number, and should be selected by the Alumni Association of the said College, from graduates of not less than five years' standing, this restriction to take effect six years after the graduation of the first class:

That the representatives of each of the Missionary Conventions should be in the ratio of their respective constituencies, being one representative for every five thousand or fraction thereof; and provided further that if new Conventions be organized for the same purposes, and recognized by the regular Baptist Denomination, they shall each be entitled to representation in said Senate on the same basis as the existing Conventions:

That the representatives appointed by the said Alumni Association and the said Conventions should continue in office not less than four years:

And whereas it is desired that all persons accepting a position in the Senate should be members in good standing in regular Baptist Churches in Canada, and should be understood by such acceptance as giving an unqualified assent to the same abstract of doctrines as that to which the professors of the College are required to assent:

And whereas it is desired that in case any Senator ceases any time during his term of office to be a member in good standing in a regular Baptist Church in Canada, or removes from the Dominion of Canada or the bounds of the Convention which appointed him, or severs his connection with the College from which he is a representative, he shall cease to be a Senator:

And whereas it is further desired that the said Senate so constituted should have the control and management of the system and course of education pursued in said College, and of the examinations, internal government, etc., of the said College, and should make recommendations from time to time to the Board for the appointment and dismissal of professors, tutors, and teachers, and should have the right by a majority of three-fourths of the members present at a regular meeting to appoint and dismiss in case the said Board of Trustees shall reject two successive and different recommendations for the same position, or refuse twice to dismiss on separate recommendations of the Senate; and further that the said Senate should report all its proceedings to the Board of Trustees at its annual meeting for approval; and that no part of its recommendations vetoed by the said Board of Trustees shall be carried into effect unless the same shall after such veto be approved of, by a majority of three-fourths of said Senate at a regular meeting; and that a quorum of the Senate shall never be less than ten:

It be and is hereby resolved that the Honorable William McMaster, Chairman of the Board, Honorable Chancellor Boyd, Chairman of Committee on Instruction, the Reverend Doctor Castle, President of the said College, D. E. Thomson, Treasurer, and John Dryden, Esq., M. P. P., shall be and are hereby appointed a Committee to procure the necessary amendments to the Charter, with the assistance and cooperation of the Reverend Professor MacVicar, representing the Faculty of the said