College; and further that the officers of the said Board be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the Board to execute under the seal of the College or otherwise all necessary petitions and documents, having relation to the above objects.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. McMASTER,
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JOHN H. CASTLE.

Toronto, 25th Sept., 1884.

Convention of the Canadian Inter-Collegiate Missionary Alliance.

The first annual Convention of the Canadian Inter-Collegiate Missionary Alliance will be held at Toronto on the 30th and 31st instant and 1st and 2nd of November. This alliance of theological colleges was formed for the purpose of cultivating a missionary spirit among students before they enter upon the actual work of the ministry. All the Colleges in Ontario, and four in Quebec, have already joined the Alliance, and an earnest effort will be made to bring in every theological college in Canada, with every prospect of success. Eminent members of the different denominations will address the convention, among whom we note the names of Dr. Castle, Principal Grant, Rev. J. W. A. Stewart, Rev. Dr. Potts, Rev. Canon Dumoulin.

The following Committee have charge of the work:—Rev. W, J. Armitage, Wycliffe College, Chairman; W. H. Cline, McMaster Hall, Secretary; J. C. Robinson, Wycliffe College; Chas. Scudding, Trinity College; R. N. Hudspeth, Trinity College; J. C. Smith, Knox College; J. A. Jaffray, Knox College; W. M. Walker, McMaster Hall; J. N. McTavish, Queen's University.

Baptist Autumnal Conference.

The Third Baptist Autumnal Conference will be held in the First Church, Philadelphia. Dr. George D. Boardman, pastor, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 11th, 12th and 13th, 1884, at 2 P. M. and 7.30 P. M. on Tuesday and Wednesday; at 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. on Thursday. Rev. Henry G. Weston, D. D., of Crozer Theological Seminary will preside.

On Thursday evening, November 13th, the Conference is to be entertained by the Philadelphia Baptist Social Union.

The order of the discussion will be as follows:

Tuesday Afternoon—The Value in Education, Secular and Religious (a) Of the Greek Philosophy, Prof. E. B. Andrews, R. I.; (b) Of the Roman Law, Rev. P. A. Nordell, Conn.; (c) Of the English Bible, Dr. J. A. Broadus, Ky.

Tuesday evening—Missionary Endeavor in (a) Its Contribution to Human Knowledge;———— (b) Its bearings upon the Social and Political Development of Peoples, Prof. H. H. Harris, Va.; (c) Its Relation to "Self Support," Dr. Franklin Johnson, Mass.

Wednesday Afternoon—Prohibitory Legislation as a Question (a) of Ethics and Expediency, Prof. A. A. Hopkins, N. Y.; (b) Of Method, Judge J. M. Beck, Iowa.

Wednesday Evening—The Conduct of Public Worship with respect (a) to Music, Dr. Robert Lowry, N. J.; (b) To Prayer, Rev. S. H. Greene, Washington, D. C.; (c) To the Use of Scripture, Dr. T. T. Eaton, Ky.

Thursday morning—Phases of Theological Thought as influenced (a) by Social Conditions, Dr. W. N. Clarke, Canada; (b) By Scientific Research, Dr. Lemuel Moss, Ind.; (c) By Philosophic Methods, Dr. Heman Lincoln, Mass.

Thursday Afternoon—The Edification of the Church; (a) the Scriptural idea, Dr. D. W. Faunce, Washington, D. C.; (b) Its Practical Achievement, Rev. O. P. Gifford, Mass., and Dr. J. L. Burrows, Va.

Appointed speakers will be limited to thirty minutes; volunteer speakers in the general discussion of each topic, to five minutes.

The meetings in Brooklyn in 1882, and in Boston in 1883, were unusually interesting and profitable. It is hoped that the Philadelphia meeting will exceed both, in attendance and interest.

On behalf of the Executive Committee.

J. B. THOMAS, *Chairman.*
ALBERT G. LAWSON, *Secretary.*

Correspondence.

The Educational Home.

I am greatly delighted with the choice of location made by the directors of our Union Baptist Seminary. Some seemed anxious to have the Institution established in the very heart of the City, others equally desirous to have it in the country. The present location combines all the advantages of the country with the privileges of the city. The spot is most central for all. So far as day scholars are concerned it is commodious for Carleton, Fairville, Indiantown, Portland and the city. For students coming from all parts of the Province or Provinces no place is more central or easier of access. Then how commanding are these Carleton heights, affording charming views of the noble River St. John, of the ever surging, dashing, resistless falls; the city and its suburban heights; the harbor and its shipping, and the blue waters of the Bay of Fundy beyond. I have passed the Jewett property many a time, but never without admiring it as a choice site for residences or for a public building. The erection of the palatial dwelling house by the late Mr. Jewett, the neat cottages and out buildings, the planting of the trees and shrubberry, and the cultivation so manifest on all hands, as a matter of course, have greatly increased the beauty of the place.

Most heartily do I congratulate the two sections of the Baptist family in the prospect of having such a magnificent educational home for the present and for coming generations. I trust needed funds will be cheerfully contributed to carry forward to successful issues this grand enterprise. I. E. BILL.

Oct. 24th, 1884.

[*Intelligencer* please copy.]

Congratulations.

The darkest part of the day is said to be the hour, or portion of the hour, just before the dawn. As regards the educational matters of the Baptists of New Brunswick, the condition of things and the outlook, near and remote, seemed, two or three years ago, sufficiently gloomy; but as we have since seen, a day of light and gladness was just about to rise. First, friends became dissatisfied with the *status quo*, and resolved that a change must be effected; next, the matter was discussed, and the press, notably the VISITOR, was enlisted in the service; next, difficulties of long standing and formidable were removed; next, the old society was resuscitated or a new one was formed; next, premises were secured and teachers engaged, and a school was opened, with high aims and creditable appliances; next, the success of the undertaking was, as a result of wise and strenuous effort, assured; next, overtures, made to another branch of the Baptist body to unite in the good work, were happily welcomed; next, a cordial and compact union was effected; to the mutual satisfaction of both of its constituent parts; and lastly, a beautiful and in every respect, a most desirable site has been purchased for the youthful and vigorous institution, and on terms so advantageous that Providence manifestly seems to have given the stamp of its approval to all that has been devised, and attempted, and performed.

All who have sympathized with the aims and endeavours and acts thus briefly adverted to and partially sketched; all true friends of education, based on enlightened and religious principle, will rejoice in the prosperity which has crowned this new effort to benefit and bless the young. The use of the word "all" in the last sentence was of purpose. It was meant to signify that the satisfaction occasioned by the good fortune traced in so many steps, and so conspicuous in every stage of the movement, but more especially in the happy result of the late negotiations with regard to a site for the institution, was not confined to the Baptists as such. We need go no further than the VISITOR for proof of this position. On that most reliable authority we learn that enlightened christian gentlemen of other denominations wish well to the enterprise and rejoice in its assured success. This must be a great satisfaction and source of encouragement, additional to the many before experienced. The suggestion made by "an esteemed Episcopalian friend" was very properly chronicled; for its tendency will necessarily be to aid in the contemplated application to the Baptist people for continued countenance and co-operation. May prosperity still attend the effort, counsel from on high be imparted, and the favour of heaven be even more manifest in the future than in the past; so that the institution established under such encouraging auspices may become a power for good, not merely to the Province in which it is located, but far beyond such contracted limits. And it does not seem unreasonable to hope and believe that such will be its happy future.

The institution should unquestionably have the "memorial windows," as suggested by the VISITOR's good Episcopalian friend, to preserve forever green the memory of Governor Wilmot's venerated father, and of the worthy grandfather of Chief Justice Allan. And it need not be suggested that one should be reserved in honour of the liberal-minded and soundhearted gentleman, the author of the most excellent proposal adverted to.

L. N. S.

Nova Scotia, Oct. 23, '84.

Notes from St. Martin.

The Baptist Sunday school under the Superintendance of William Vaughan Esq., is highly prosperous. The religious interests is especially encouraging. Three of the pupils gave evidence of conversion, and were baptized by the pastor, Dr. Bill, on the 12th inst., in the presence of a large and deeply interested congregation. There are other hopeful cases and minister and people are praying for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Captain Robert Cochran departed this life on the morning of the 10th inst. His illness was protracted but without pain. His death, therefore, was a surprise. He was nearly 71 years of age. The deceased was highly respected in his family and by the community at large for his kindly disposition and for uprightness and integrity of character. His life, though spent largely upon the rolling deep, was as calm as a summer morning, and his death as peaceful as the going down of the August sun. He was a worthy member of the Presbyterian church, and had many friends; but no enemies.

He has left a widow, one son, and three daughters, to deplore the death of a kind husband and loving father. His death was improved by a sermon preached in the Baptist church on Sunday evening, the 19th inst., by Rev. Dr. Bill, from Mark 13: 35. "Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning." Congregation very large and deeply solemn.

Oct. 20th, 1884.

[*Christian Messenger* please copy].

For the Visitor.

Upper Queensbury Notes.

I am now at Upper Queensbury helping Bro. Coy. His time is so much occupied in other places that he is not able to spend as much here as is necessary for the building up of the cause. I find, however, that his labours are much prized and attended with good results. He expects to baptize soon. I find here a number of earnest, faithful workers whose influence for good is being felt throughout the neighbourhood. I am pleased with Bro. Coy's way of working. He believes in constant, steady work, rather than having a revival for a few weeks and then resting for a year or two.

The new house of worship lately dedicated is very neat and commodious. Every thing about it is just as it ought to be. It is a credit and honor to the place. The building committee have laboured very hard to complete this building so long needed, and now as there is several hundred dollars of a debt on it, I hope the community generally will esteem it a privilege to contribute towards its removal. I understand some are holding back on account of some dissatisfaction; but every one cannot be satisfied in any public work. The house is now finished and will be paid for. Now if every one in the neighbourhood would come forward without solicitation, the debt could be cleared off at once, and the committee who have borne such a heavy burden, both financially and in time spent on the work, be relieved. Then will the instruction of the Apostle Paul be carried out, I mean not that other men be eased and ye burdened.

The committee in the name of the community wish to return hearty thanks to Mrs. A. F. Randolph for her handsome present of a large and costly Bible for the church, and pray that God may reward her for this and all other labours of love.

Bro. Coy intends to hold special services this week and I shall probably remain with him. Brethren, pray for us that God may wonderfully bless the people and save sinners by his grace. A. ESTABROOKS.

Upper Queensbury, Oct. 6, '84.

Rev. J. L. Shaw.

To the Editors of the Visitor:—

I thought I would address a few lines to your many readers concerning one of our beloved ministers, who has been confined to his house for sixteen weeks, and has not been able to preach much for the past two years. I refer to the Rev. J. L. Shaw, and at the present time Mrs. Shaw is laying very low under the doctor's hands. Brother Shaw, when he entered the ministry, had some property but he has laboured a great deal in places where they were not able to pay him much for his labour, and so has spent his property in working for God and souls of his fellow men. I feel that the Baptists of New Brunswick owe Brother Shaw a living, and should see to it that he does not want any of the necessaries of life.

If each church would take up a collection and, with other donations, would forward them to Brother Shaw, at Portland, they would be blessed in doing so, and it would be a blessing to Brother Shaw. I have written this without Brother Shaw knowing anything about it. But if any one would call there today and see them both sick I know there would be a generous respond. Come, Brethren, who will be the first?

AMOS P. WILSON.

Portland, Oct. 25th. 1884.

Dr. Ashmore on the Franco-Chinese War.

The Franco-Chinese war will now go on to the bitter end. What that bitter end will be, no one can say. The first bombardments at Keelung and Foochow are over. Both sides are getting ready for the next one. The Chinese may make tough work for the French, but in the end, if France can keep clear of a European complication, she will manage to beat China, and grind out of her reluctant francs, or seize a piece of territory instead.

Meanwhile the strain on the great cumbrous Empire will be excessive. If it should continue too long, it may go ill with the Mongol dynasty. Among the pure blooded Chinese the dynasty has ambitious foes who wateh for its halting. The old Tai-ping rebellion was stamped out long ago, but the old Tai-ping spirit still smolders. If troublous times should last long enough, it would again show itself.

But, aside from this danger of rebellion, China suffers from other things. At present she is confronting the French without a fighting army, a fighting navy, or a fighting exchequer. In the North, Li Hung Chang has a disciplined army; but in the South of China the troops are of the rawest kind. They are gathered out of the fields, hurried off to the camps, surmounted with a tasseled cap, and are then called soldiers. They have no discipline, no training; know nothing of the art of war, and constitute a force more dreaded by their own people than by the Frenchmen. When the fight comes on they run away in crowds. That took place in Foochow. The body of troops melted away by desertion as rapidly as the walls of the forts crumbled away under the cannonading. Behind entrenchments these men ought to fight well, and in the future they may do so, but they have not done so yet. Similar defects exist in the navy. The Chinese have some well-built gunboats. Some of them are armed with 35-ton guns, but not even Krupp guns will fire themselves. They need men of nerve and drill to manage them. Had such men been on the Chinese gunboats at Foochow, they might still have gone to the bottom in the fight, but they would have carried two or three French men-of-war along with them. The moral effect of this destruction of the Foochow fleet will be disastrous on their other fleets.

Neither have the Chinese at present a fighting purse. They have no great revenue to draw from. Just now they are assessing the people, especially the merchants and shop-keepers, in a way that can not be kept up long. At the Hu City, for example, house owners are required to pay six per cent. of the rental they receive, to carry on the war. The renter of the house is obliged to pay four per cent. more, making ten per cent. This is an enormous tax. All sorts of imposts and exactions are liable to follow; and if so, trouble will ensue. Hitherto China has been able to borrow money of foreign banks. In case of a continued war, she may possibly be able to do so again; but it will be at a ruinous percentage.

Here at Swatow, we are quiet enough just now, but are not without rumors of trouble. We are not apprehensive for ourselves, but we do constantly fear for our converts in the country.

Yours,
Swatow. WM. ASHMORE.

Church News.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Middle Simonds.

Rev. A. H. Hayward has been assisting Rev. George Howard in holding special meetings since the Quarterly Meeting. Already the blessing has come, and four have followed their Lord in baptism.

Rothesay.

Bro. Elias Ganong, (licentiate of the First Springfield Church), has been preaching for the Rothesay Church for some months, accompanied with evidences of the divine blessing. Five have professed conversion and been baptized, and more are enquiring the way of the Lord.

Notice.

The members of the Executive Board of the W. B. M. U. will please remember that a regular meeting will be held in the mission room, 85 Germain street, Wednesday November 12th.

M. E. MARCH, Cor. Sec.

Oct. 27th 1884.

Acknowledgments.

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Marriages.

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PATTERSON-EASTWOOD.—By Rev. R. Mutch, Oct. 18th. Mr. Andrew H. Patterson, of St. Martins, N. B., and Miss Maggie A. Eastwood, of Blissville, Sun. Co.

FLOYD-ELLS.—At the residence of the officiating clergyman, on the 21st inst., by Rev. Dr. Bill, Mr. James H. Floyd and Miss Maggie E. Ells, all of St. Martins.

VIRGIE-MARTIN.—At Riverside, Oct. 12th by C. C. Burgess, Mr. Bertram Virgie, of River Herbert, N. S., and Miss Maggie J. Martin, of Hopewell.

STEEVES MARKS.—At Lower Cape, Oct. 16th, by Rev. C. C. Burgess, Mr. Council Steeves and Miss Rebecca Marks, all of Hopewell.

ROBINSON-PECK.—In the Baptist church, Harvey, by Rev. W. J. Swaffield, Oct. 15th, 1884, Elisha H. Robinson, Esq., of Harvey and Alida C. Peck, of same place.

GRINDELL-CASEY.—On the 22nd inst., at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. C. Henderson, Lewis B. Grindell, of Chapman Plantation and Ellen M. Casey, of Mapletown, Aroostook Co., Maine.

SAUNDERS-LEWIS.—At the residence of Captain A. D. Hartly, East Florenceville, on the 16th inst., by Rev A. H. Hayward, assisted by Rev. B. Jewett, Edmund Saunders, of East Florenceville, and Alice Lewis, formerly of St. John, N. B.

Deaths.

[Simple death notices, without obituary poetry, less than 10 lines in length, are inserted free. More than this are charged at 5 cents a line.]

BROOKS.—In Hartford, N. S., Oct. 18th, of Cholera Infantum, Maud Mary, youngest child of David W., and Mary Brooks, aged 17 months and 10 days. A lovely blossom to bloom in heaven.

MCLEAN.—At Arthurette, Oct. 20th, James McLean, aged 34 years. The deceased came to his death by an accidental discharge of his own gun while hunting.

HETHERINGTON.—In Portland, on the 25th inst., of diphtheria, Rudolph Brooks, aged 3 years and 2 months, son of Dr. G. E. and Carrie M. Hetherington.

MCCUMBER.—At St. Martins, on the 13th inst., Mrs. McCumber, relict of the late William McCumber, in the 80th year of her age. The departed was trained religiously by godly parents in the Presbyterian faith, in her own country, the north of Ireland, and in her girlhood became a member of the Presbyterian church. When she came to this country she was led to examine prayerfully the New Testament in reference to the scriptural mode and subjects of baptism, and her examination resulted in her adoption of the Baptist view. Accordingly she was baptized and joined the 1st St. Martin's Baptist church. Her life has been one uniform expression of love to Christ, and to His Word, and to His people, and in her death she was filled with the power and glory of a genuine christian hope. As we saw her passing the death valley in the triumphs of a joyful faith we could but exclaim: thanks be unto God for victory over death and the grave, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.—COM. BY DR. BILL.

ARMSTRONG.—At Forest Glen, Sept. 25th, Mr. William Sutton Armstrong, aged 78 years and 3 months. The deceased was born in Annapolis Co., N. S., July 3rd, 1806, and came to this province in 1828. Soon after (while assisting the Crown Land surveyors) he secured the making of a farm in Vic Co. A few years later, during a revival of religion, he professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, was baptized by Elder Lothrop Hammond and was one of the 15 who formed the Andover Baptist church, Sep. 12th, 1832. In August 1835 he was married to Elizabeth A. Currie, and settled in Perth, where the Lord blessed their labors until they were surrounded with the comforts of life. In '56 they moved with a family of eleven children to Fredericton, where they gave them a liberal education. After a lapse of five years they returned to Vic. Co., and settled five miles up the Tobique River, and again began the work of preparing a home, amidst all the difficulties of a new country. In the fall of '76 the Lord visited our brother's home with a special blessing, revived the work of grace in his heart, and led his wife to put on Christ in baptism, who with her husband and two daughters joined the Forest Glen Baptist church at its organization. Our brother was a strong advocate of Baptist doctrine, and his family paper (THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR), was a welcome visitant for over 30 years. He labored hard for the benefit of his family until about 12 years ago, when his health failed. Since that time he passed through many scenes of trial which enabled him to prove the ground of the christian's hope. He spent much of the time in reading God's word, and when his last sickness came he would often quote from its sacred pages. He loved to speak of the finished work of Christ for him, and when death drew near he selected for his funeral service the words, "If therefore the Son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."—Jo. 8: 26, which was spoken upon by the writer, assisted by Rev. A. E. Ingram; to a large and interesting congregation, who assembled in our new house of worship around the first corpse that was set within its walls. Our brother leaves a wife and five daughters to mourn their loss. Thus we have parted with one of our oldest and much respected inhabitants. C. H.

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