

We have had a great deal of rain this fall, and as a result the roads have been very bad, giving no opportunity for protracted meetings, but we "bide our time."

Now I must tell you about a trip I have had since I last wrote. I left home on Tuesday, Nov 8th, arriving in Charlottetown the same evening. I stopped all night with Bro. Watson. Early the next morning I took the steamer for Pictou where I arrived about one o'clock. I ran up to see Bro. Fullerton a few minutes, and found him very ill indeed. He had been sick about two weeks. I think they told me it was pneumonia. Sister Fullerton and family are well.

I took the train at Pictou for River John where I arrived about five o'clock, and was soon at home by the comfortable fireside of Sister I. Carruthers. The next day I saw Bro. William McNab. On Sunday I preached to small congregations. The church here needs help badly. Bros. McNab and Wilson are doing the best they can to carry the work along. They are assisted by some of those same kind of women that the apostles speak of. Pictou County ought to have an evangelist.

On Monday I left for Halifax where I arrived about seven o'clock in the evening. It was something over two years since I had been here before. In that time there have been some changes, but it felt very much like home. I found Bro. Carson very much as I remembered him fifteen years ago, only I think he is a little broader. I also found that quite a number of brethren had moved from the country into the city, and that there were quite a number of others who were thinking of coming in.

And what about the new church building? I think I hear you ask this question, for I know you are all interested in the Halifax church. Well, so am I. When I first heard that the church had bought a lot and had started to build I said to myself, "Another failure." Thinking this, of course I did not make any effort to help them. Now I think there are others just like I was. If you are just go to Halifax, and when you see that pretty little building so nicely located, and then when you find all the members of the church so earnest and enthusiastic as these are; and further, when you consider the importance of having a church in this city; and further still, when you find so many Wallace's and Steven's taking hold, then I am sure you will be converted just like I was. Now brethren they need help. I once read of a fireman who went up a ladder to rescue a child from a burning building. When about half way up he faltered on account of the smoke and flames. A man standing below noticed him stopping. Thinking he needed encouragement he shouted, "Boys, give him a cheer." No sooner said than done, and a hearty cheer rose above the din of the crackling flames. Encouraged by this the man went on and effected the rescue. Now, let us give a cheer for Halifax. Now! hats off, one, two, three—DOLLARS. That's it, brethren.

Of course I could not pass Shubenacadie. I preached two evenings there on my way home, stepping both nights at Bro. John W. Wallace's. It seemed like old times to be among these brethren, for many happy hours have I spent in this place. In all these places I visited I found that death had claimed some, and no doubt ere I can again visit some of these places he will have claimed others. I arrived in Charlottetown on Friday evening, 19th. I stopped all night at the hospitable abode of Bro. W. Harris. Next morning I took the train for Summerside and arrived home.

Summerside, P. E. I.

BOSTON, MASS.

Since our last report a church has been organized at Everett, of eleven members, also Sunday school, and a Y. P. S. O. E. of thirteen members, eleven active and two associate. Bro. Robinson of Harvard College has charge of the work there. They meet in the Y. M. C. A. hall. Bro. Darst preaches Sunday at 4 o'clock at the Dorchester Mission. Mrs. Darst is yet confined to her bed. All our work is very promising. There has been one confession at Everett and two at Boston church.

J. M. TILL.

News of the Churches.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

At the last monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Aid Society the collection for Home and Foreign Missions amounted to over \$7 00

At the last meeting of the Young People's Mission Band Sister Miles read an interesting historical sketch of the Society. Miss Robinson of Portland, Maine, who is visiting here, read a letter from a lady friend who is a missionary in China which was listened to with great attention. There were several other good readings and addresses given which made an enjoyable meeting.

The first of a series of meetings conducted by the missionary committee of the Endeavor Society was held at the close of the Sunday school, on the last Sunday in October. It was a success, and they will be held monthly. The collection amounted to \$3.60, and it will go towards sustaining Sister Riach, our Canadian missionary in Japan.

Bro and Sister G. Masten have removed to Boston, and will attend the South End Tabernacle.

The Willing Workers, assisted by the Ladies' Sewing Circle, held a sale of useful and ornamental articles, on November 11th, at Bro. W. A. Barnes' home. No fancy prices were charged. Everybody got more than their money's worth. The supper, ice cream, etc, were of the best. A more sociable company would be hard to find. The receipts were about \$75.00, and when all the goods are sold they will amount to \$90.00, which will be spent in making the church more comfortable and attractive.

Bro. Bowers has been with us again this month. We are always glad to see such a helpful visitor. Bro. K. Outhouse of Tiverton has also been with us. He is always welcome.

Three additions by confession and baptism since our last report. Our audiences are large, especially Sunday evenings. Our prayer meetings are well attended, and are full of interest. Bro. Stewart is growing in favor, and is leading the church on to greater efforts in the Master's cause.

MILTON, N. S.

We had a Union Thanksgiving Service on Thanksgiving day. Quite a number from all the churches were present. The service opened with a Thanks-giving chant, followed by prayer and Bible reading. Then Bro. Murray gave a fine discourse, and all seemed to appreciate the blessings that God so freely gives us.

Sister M. G. Freeman is home again, and will again collect for home missions which has been so well attended to by Sister A. A. Collie during Sister Freeman's absence. Bro. Murray is paying a visit to Kempt. We have organized an Endeavor Society, and hope it will be the means of doing much good.

WESTPORT, N. S.

We are still contending for the faith. Though the contention is severe yet the reward is certain. We are planning to have a mission concert, but if we fail to come to time it will be from no lack of will or effort on the part of the church, but because of the prevalence of sickness. Bro. E. A. Payson, one of our elders, has been very sick and unable to attend to church duties for some time. But we are glad to report him convalescent. Death has again visited us, and taken one of our eldest and most respected citizens, Mr. William Bailey, brother of Bro. Ezra Bailey of this place. H. E. COOKE.

SOUTHVILLE, DIGBY Co., N. S.

We visited the church at the above mentioned place of late, remaining over two Lord's days, preaching most every evening for two weeks. This faithful band of disciples are zealous for the up-building of Christ's kingdom. Rich in faith and good works I love to meet the brethren at Southville and enjoy their Christian fellowship. We plan to visit them again soon. Elder Steele is still at his post. Bros. Steele and Benjamin Wagner are the elders, and two faithful men in the Lord's vineyard; with Bros. George Wagner, George Cosman and Charles Cosman as deacons. It is a pleasure and a blessing to meet with these brethren in the church and in their homes. H. E. COOKE.

HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear brethren, no doubt many of you are looking forward with interest to the opening of the Christian church in Halifax City. I can say that the work is progressing finely. We had some delay,

the first contractor having failed to carry out his agreement. The building committee were under the necessity of giving the contract to others to complete, but we expect that the building will be ready to open by the first Lord's day in January, 1893.

Brethren the contributions are not coming in very fast to the Halifax Church Building Fund. Remember that brethren are responsible for this great undertaking whether you help them or not; therefore do not let those who have borne the heat and burden of the day be burdened beyond measure; and do not let those younger brethren who have come up so nobly to the work become discouraged by your lack of help and sympathy. Is not this the Lord's work in Halifax? Have we not held fast His name; and again have we not held fast to the faith once delivered unto the saints, and because some brother or sister does not do or give as we think they ought, will that excuse any of us? Let us remember that God is the righteous Judge who will render to every one according to his work.

We were greatly cheered by a visit from our Bro. E. C. Ford and wife, who spent one Lord's day with us and delivered two very excellent discourses. Only regret that our brother and sister's stay should have been so short, but hope that he will be able so to arrange as to be with us at the opening of our house of worship. Our young people's prayer meetings are increasing in interest. Last Lord's day evening, although the weather was unfavorable, we had a good meeting, twenty taking part by reading portions of scripture and speaking. Brethren pray for us in Halifax. Your brother in Christ,

HENRY CARSON.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 21st, 1892.

HANTS Co., N. S.

My last notes were written from West Gore, and after writing them I went to Newport. Here I have four preaching points, at each of which I spoke once to attentive audiences. I also drove to St. Croix, and found two Disciples living some nine or ten miles from the church. On Wednesday I returned here. Sunday morning I spoke to a fair congregation, and sat at the table of the Master and attended to the fellowship. In the afternoon I spoke in Rawdon. Here we had from fifty to seventy-five hearers. Wednesday evening at the close of our social meeting one made the good confession and was immersed the next morning. My next appointment was for Nine Mile River, and thence to Shubenacadie which is about twenty miles—and O, the mud! I arrived in due time and spoke for them three times, I was much pleased to meet them again after an absence of nearly four weeks. There is nothing special to report from that section. I had heard that there were some members at Elmdale, about twelve miles from Shubenacadie, and I wanted to know who they were and what they were doing. In accordance with my desire I started and at noon found myself at the home of Bro. Sandford McDonald, about three miles from the station. I soon found that I was at home in his genial family. The first thing was to arrange for a meeting that evening. The trustees of the school were seen, and permission obtained to use the school-room, and twenty-seven came to hear what I had to say. Tuesday was a stormy day. The night was dark and the roads were muddy, but thirty-six came out to hear, and they listened with a will. I found ten Disciples in this neighborhood, and they have kept up a Sunday school all summer. I hope to reap some of the seed they have been sowing. I returned home Wednesday. I preached here Sunday morning, at Nine Mile River in the evening, at Rawdon on Monday night, and here last evening. This is my round for four weeks, and tomorrow I start for Newport to go over the same ground. With God's blessing I expect to report more success in the next four weeks. J. A. GATES.

West Gore, Nov. 14th.

CORNWALLIS, N. S.

The last Lord's day in October was a day of unusual interest to the congregation worshipping at Lower Church Street. After attending to the ordinance of baptism, a good congregation assembled to listen to our young Bro. S. M. Leonard preach his first sermon. We were delighted, and greatly encouraged to see such a promising young man consecrating his life to the work of the Lord. After the sermon the writer spoke briefly, and