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The church is even now an important one, and the field every way desirable; but the location of the seminary and the new approach of better railway facilities will make them increasingly so.

CONTRIBUTIONS for the payment of the debt continue to come in. The receipts from the Sunday school concert, so far reported, exceeding most sanguine expectations.

WHAT THE REMITTERS SAY.

A. Freeman, Osborne, writes: "Last Sabbath evening we had our concert, the programme you sent us. All were much pleased."

G. H. Wallace, Wolfville: "The concert was a great success and highly appreciated."

G. H. Wallace, Wolfville: "Last Sunday evening our Sabbath school gave a concert according to the plan sent by you."

Dr. H. L. Morrow, on behalf of the brethren calling the council, explained the reasons that lead them to desire a separate organization, and the steps taken to secure their object.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, and seconded by Dea. F. S. Cunningham, and carried:

Resolved, that in view of the satisfactory statement and procedure of the brethren calling the council, this council do cordially advise them to proceed to the work of organization.

On motion the council adjourned until the brethren should effect an organization.

At the request of the brethren calling the council Rev. L. B. Gates presided.

By request, Bro. H. L. Morrow read a list of some 80 persons who had, at their own request, been dismissed from the Guysboro and Manchester church for the purpose of organizing a separate body.

Moved by Bro. H. L. Morrow, and seconded by Bro. Chas. C. Cunningham, and resolved that the persons represented by the list just read be instituted into a church of God, to be known as the Manchester Baptist church.

The articles of faith and practice, and the covenant, being read, were unanimously adopted by the church.

On motion it was resolved that Deacons S. Pyle and George Whitman, who held that office while members of the parent church, be received as deacons of the Manchester church.

On motion the church proceeded to ballot for three new deacons. The following brethren were declared to be the choice of the church: Bro. H. L. Morrow, Bro. C. C. Cunningham, and Bro. J. S. Hull.

Deacon H. L. Morrow was chosen clerk, and Bro. Jacob T. Anderson treasurer of the church.

The council then resumed.

Moved by Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, seconded by Deacon F. S. Cunningham, and resolved that, having witnessed the harmonious organization of the Manchester Baptist church, and its hearty adoption of the articles of faith and covenant of the Baptist churches of the Maritime provinces, this council do cordially recognize it as a sister church of like faith and order.

The following arrangements were then made for a recognition and ordination service, and carried out in the afternoon at a service convened at 3.30.

Recognition sermon by Rev. W. B. Bradshaw; text Col. 1: 18. Band of fellowship and charge to church, by Rev. L. B. Gates; Ordaining Prayer, W. A. C. Rowe, Lic.; Charge to Deacons, Rev. W. B. Bradshaw.

On motion the secretary was requested to transmit a copy of the minutes of council to the MESSENGER AND VISITOR for publication, and another copy to the newly organized church for insertion in their church book.

P. S.—At the request of the church Rev. W. Bradshaw baptized six candidates, who were welcomed into the fellowship of the church after the recognition services. There are others who will doubtless follow their Saviour soon. This church in connection with the parent church at Guysboro are anxiously looking for a pastor.

Collocation at Malross, Guysboro Co., N. S.

An ordaining council met at Malross, Guysboro county, at 10 a. m., on April 6th, 1887, at the call of 2nd St. Mary's church. Rev. H. Eagles offered prayer; Rev. L. B. Gates was chosen moderator, and Rev. W. B. Bradshaw clerk.

Neighboring churches were represented as follows:—St. Mary's 1st, Rev. H. Eagles; St. Mary's 2nd, Deas. Adam McGrath and James McKean and Bro. W. L. McKean; Port Hawkesbury, Rev. L. B. Gates; Antigonish, Rev. W. B. Bradshaw; Goshens, Dea. Chas. Nichols and Bro. John McDonald.

P. S. McGregor was present by special invitation of 2nd St. Mary's church.

A number of other brethren in attendance were invited to sit in council. The explanation of the church calling the council in regard to the matter in hand being deemed satisfactory, the council enquired of the candidate, Bro. W. A. C. Rowe (Lic.), concerning his conversion, view of Christian doctrine and church polity, and call to the ministry.

After an earnest and exhaustive examination it was unanimously resolved to advise his ordination. Accordingly arrangements were made as follows and carried out at a service convened at 4 p. m.

Sermon, (Text II. Cor. 4: 5) Rev. W. B. Bradshaw; prayer, Rev. H. Eagles; band of fellowship and charge to candidate, Rev. L. B. Gates; and charge to church, Rev. P. S. McGregor; benediction, Rev. W. A. C. Rowe.

W. B. BRADSHAW, clerk.

"As it is with us."

In your last issue appears a paragraph with the above heading, referring to pastoral changes and removals to United States and the question is asked, is not inadequate salary one of the chief reasons?

It may be a factor in some cases, but I believe in very few. Many of the pastors accept a salary no larger in the new than in the old, and it is a fact that, taking into consideration the difference in cost of living, the average salary in the United States is less than with us.

If frequent changes in the pastorate are an evil, the cases should be carefully searched out. I believe that in a large majority of cases a few members are responsible. Sometimes a desire on their part for something new. Frequently a feeling that they are slighted, or at least not petted, by the pastor, sometimes a dislike for which they themselves cannot account, leads to an underground agitation that thwarts the efforts of the pastor, neutralizes his influence, and renders it so unpleasant that he feels the ill "he knows for those he knows not."

Our churches can and should apply the remedy. If such members were quietly yet firmly disciplined, our churches would not so frequently present the strange spectacle of being ruled by minorities, and pastoral changes would cease to be so frequent.

ONE WHO KNOWS.

Germany is witnessing most remarkable changes, both with reference to its educational and its religious life. Just notice these facts: There are 2,563 men studying theology in the Prussian universities alone.

Of these 726 are at Berlin, 583 at Halle, 300 at Greifswalden, 246 at Konigsberg, 225 at Göttingen, 169 at Breslau, 159 at Marburg, 98 at Bonn, and 84 at Kiel. Last year at these universities the entire number was 2,322; in 1883-84, 1,226; in 1882-83, 1,190; and in 1881-82, only 1,194. Thus four years have witnessed an increase of 1,159, or 83.9 per cent; and this increase is almost wholly along the line of evangelical instruction.

Wellhausen's pupils have indeed jumped up from 7 to 16; but Dr. Franz Delitzsch now lectures to over 600 students. What is the cause of all this? The university professors, we are told, make the statement boldly before their audience, that the day of wild radicalism in religious discussion is departing.—Christian at Work.

It will be found from the census, taken in India, in 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881, that the numbers of native communicants were 14,000 25,000, 55,000, 52,000, and 113,000—doubling every 10 years—and that the numbers of the Christian community were 91,000, 138,000, 224,000 and 417,000, the increase being, in three decades, 53 per cent, 61 per cent, and 96 per cent.—a steady increase.

WARREN.—Six Colporteurs for the summer, three for Nova Scotia and three for New Brunswick. Must be men of approved character and experience in christian work. All information given on application to Rev. A. Simpson, at the rooms of the British American Book and Tract Society, 117 Granville Street, Halifax, N. S.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

DARTMOUTH, April 2.—Two were baptized here on the 3rd inst., and others are expected soon to follow the Saviour in like manner.

OSWEGO, Guysboro Co., April 4.—On the 1st inst., I baptized three more, and on Sabbath evening received the three young men into church fellowship.

JAMES HOOK.

ST. MARY'S BAY, Guysboro Co.—Eight were received into the St. Mary's Bay Church, at Plympton, on March 27, six by baptism, one, by experience, one by letter.

ST. JOHN'S, Antigonish, N. S.—We are making an effort to systematize our church work. But it is no light task to change from a long followed plan, no matter how imperfect, to one of system; and many are more forward to sanction the good than to follow it.

CLAREMONT, N. S.—The Lord is revivifying his work among us also. Two weeks of special services in the region of Victory, were blessed to God's people, and to some who will come into the fold.

QUARTERLY MEETING.—The York and Sunbury counties' Quarterly Meeting was held with the Second Keswick Baptist church, commencing the second Friday in March. The churches were well represented, and the services were interesting, except at our business meeting, where we always have more or less friction and discord on account of the erroneous doctrine of instantaneous and entire sanctification.

AMPTON.—The ordinance of baptism was administered on Sabbath in presence of a large and respectful audience. Congregations larger, prayer meetings very interesting.

WOLFVILLE.—The second of a series of temperance meetings was held in the Methodist Church on last inst. Prof. Jones, Ph. D., was the principal speaker, and delivered a masterly address. Remarks by Prof. Colwell, and music rendered by Miss Hitebush, of Acadia Seminary, added much to the interest of the meeting.

Dr. Sawyer addressed the Albenham Upper College Conference in Ontario. The history of the discussion was clearly traced, and the points at issue carefully stated. Some inferences were given that added to the value of the paper, which it is unnecessary to say was highly appreciated. It will probably be published in the Acadia Advocate and will be of much interest to all who watch the educational movement in Ontario. Work on the new Academy building has been commenced. Messrs. Rhodes & Curry, of Amherst, have the contract for building.

SACKVILLE, April 11.—I baptized eight at Midgie yesterday, and received twelve into the church. The work still goes on. Fifty-four have now been added by baptism, and that little church greatly strengthened.

W. E. HALL.

SALisbury.—I spent part of Sabbath, the 10th inst., with the 3rd Coveville church, and baptized four sisters, one a mate, who came to the water with her experience written on her forehead.

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Claremont. E. N. McNEIL.

PERSONAL.

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BIRTH.

WIFE.—At Sussex, on April 11th, the wife of G. J. Conler White, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

SMITH-HAYTER.—At Plympton, on the 2nd inst., by Rev. P. R. Foster, Mr. Geo. W. Smith of Brighton, and Mary M., eldest daughter of the late J. D. Hayter.

KIRKMAN-JERLEY.—At Cold Brook, on the 6th inst., by Rev. S. McC. Black, Mr. Gilbert H. Kirkman, of Wolford, and Armina, eldest daughter of Dea. B. H. Jerley, of Cold Brook.

FOULKE-McDONALD.—In this city, on the 24th ult., by Rev. James Spencer, Weldon M. Fowler, to Sophia E. McDonald, all of St. John.

DEATHS.

CRATT.—At Winkham, Queens Co., on the 2nd inst., Miss Ellen Cratt, aged 1 year and four months. "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

McLELLAN.—At Great Village Col. Co., N. S., on the 7th inst., George A. McLellan, in his 76th year. The deceased dropped dead while dining in his own home. Heart disease was the cause.

Convention Funds Received.

Daily church collection..... \$3.90

Warrant..... 10.00

St. John's, Antigonish, N. S..... 10.00

St. Mary's Bay, Guysboro Co..... 2.00

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