

telling against the growth and prosperity of Zion. Turning about with Pastor Estabrook, a drive of 25 miles found us in the afternoon at 2944 Florenceville in the home of Bro. Hartley, who, with his good wife, made us feel at home. Here we met the indefatigable secretary of the H. M. Board, who was on hand to look after and inquire into the condition of the work and pastoral churches, and learn, if possible, how best to provide for them.

The quarterly sermon was preached by Rev. Calvin Currie, and a good sermon it was too. At the business meeting next morning—Saturday—there were present a number of ministers—Currie, of Hodgdon and Richmond; Cahill, of Centreville; Henderson, of Grand Falls, etc.; Estabrook, of Andover; Father Jewett, of Hartland; Hayward, the pastor, besides Cohoon and Manning as visitors. The secretary-treasurer not being present, Bro. Cahill was chosen to act for him, and Bro. Henderson presided. The meeting in the afternoon was devoted to his character, and the desire of all seemed to be for a rich spiritual blessing to rest upon this quarterly gathering. It was good to be there. In the evening Bro. Cohoon preached a characteristic sermon from the great commission, in which he emphasized the work of the denomination in its varied interests. He was followed by others in brief addresses.

On Sabbath morning the Secretary-Treasurer of the F. M. Board preached, emphasizing the great work of the church to-day, and showing some things which God has wrought during these last one hundred years. In the afternoon there was a mass meeting in the interest of the Sunday-school, at which a number of ten-minute addresses were given, and a question box, answers to which were given variously by Brethren Cahill, Cohoon and Hayward. In the evening a sermon was preached to a crowded house by Pastor Cahill, of Centreville. Bro. Cahill knows what he has to say, and he says it. He is a vigorous and forcible speaker, and commands the attention of his hearers. He has his own way of putting things, and puts them. Bro. Cohoon preached in Centreville. The writer has that privilege yet in store, he hopes. A special evangelistic service was held on Monday afternoon and evening, at which Bro. Estabrook preached. There was some interest, and Pastor Henderson decided to remain over for a day or two to note indications and assist Pastor Hayward, whose heart seemed burdened for East Florenceville. The church is scattered, and it is hard to get many of the members together to sustain the social services and Sunday-school. But there are a faithful few, and Pastor Hayward and the few will surely reap if they faint not. All the meetings were well attended, and the visiting brethren were made welcome. Bro. Hayward knows just how to do that thing. May God richly bless him and the people for whom he labors, and may the dear brethren in the ministry connected with this quarterly be greatly cheered in their work of faith and labor of love, in the prayer of one who was not much more than

OLYMPIAN.

#### The Tobique Region.

I do not know what authority "H. G. E." has for saying that the Tobique region has at last been entirely abandoned by the Baptists. True it is that the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board at the recent quarterly meeting, at Florenceville, asked for a free expression of opinion from the brethren present as to the merits of that field, and some strong opinions were expressed unfavorable to the further expenditure of money in that region at present, but no vote of the meeting was taken and no decision has been reached by the board.

As to that harvest of which "H. G. E." speaks, we have heard of its being ready before, but somehow our general missionaries, when sent there to gather it, have not been able to find it. This was the case even as late as last autumn, when Bro. Young was sent there with instructions to give special attention to the interest up the Tobique. But after a little he turned away discouraged, confining his labors to the Andover field, where a good work was done.

A. COHOON.

Cor. Sec. H. M. Board.  
Wolfville, N. S., Mar. 29.

EXPLANATORY.—Will the MESSENGER AND VISITOR please give notice that a letter of mine containing certain marriage notices and an obituary notice which appear in this issue, and an acknowledgment of a social held at the home of Sister Anthony Berryman, in Germantown, at which Bro. George Berryman, on behalf of our friends at Germantown presented us with a purse containing nearly \$25; and also a notice of a social reception at Billtown, on our arrival here, at which useful articles to the value of about \$50 were presented to us, has been lost in the mail, or they would have appeared earlier?

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#### DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

(All money except interest, contributed for denominational work.)  
H. M. BOARD.—The quarterly meeting for the H. M. Board, held at Florenceville, N. S., on March 29th, was a most successful one. It was held in the home of Bro. Hartley, who, with his good wife, made us feel at home. Here we met the indefatigable secretary of the H. M. Board, who was on hand to look after and inquire into the condition of the work and pastoral churches, and learn, if possible, how best to provide for them.

HEBREW.—Three candidates were baptized at Hartford recently.

F. H. BEALS.

SOUTH YARMOUTH, N. S.—Mrs. George Wyman and Master Harry Butler were baptized and received into the church on Sunday, March 26.

JOSEPH WELLS.

BEAR RIVER AND PORT MAITLAND.—God continues to smile upon our effort. On March 26, three more—two of whom are heads of families—were added to our number by baptism. Their names are: Randolph Tedford, Jesse Pierce, Albert Rose. We hope to report more in the near future.

R. E. GULLIBORN.

CLYDE RIVER.—The meetings at Clyde River have closed. Eight have been baptized. Their names are as follows: Duncan Murray, Calvin Fraser, Daniel McNeill, Charles McLean, David Scott, Kate McNeill, David McNeill, Peter McNeill, McAdam. Thirteen others have been received for baptism; their names will be given later on. Many others have been moved in our meeting, and we trust some at least, savingly converted. The work has been far reaching, and we have not only received a blessing as a church, but churches of other denominations have been blessed as well. To God be all the praise and glory.

F. D. DAVISON.

TRURO, N. S.—The Immanuel church of Truro expect to dedicate their new edifice to the work and worship of God on April 9th. The following brethren have consented to take part in the services arranged for the day: Dedication service at 11 a. m.—prayer by Elder D. W. C. Dimock, M. A., of Truro; sermon by Pastor D. A. Steele, M. A., of Amherst. Service for young men and women especially, at 4 p. m.—address by Prof. E. M. Kellogg, M. A., of Acadia University, Wolfville, special sermon at 7 p. m. by Pastor G. O. Gates, M. A., of St. John. A special dedicatory offering will be made at the services on the above date, in which all who honor us with their presence are cordially invited to participate. All who come will be welcome.

ONLAW.—Yesterday, March 26, it was my privilege to baptize four happy converts and welcome them into the East Onslow Baptist church. Their names are: George Lynde, Zilpha McKennie, Jessie McKennie, Mrs. Nelson. Another was received but on account of illness was not baptized. On March 18 one was restored to church fellowship. We hope that others in this place who believe are converted will see the congregation and will soon follow their Lord in His commands. At our last conference in the Onslow West church one was received by letter. My labors on this field closed yesterday. The day was fine and the congregation large. At North River we had the largest congregation seen in that house for long, long years. My stay of four and a half years with this people has been very pleasant indeed. May the Lord bless them. Here is a good field for some man. I hope the Lord will soon direct him here. I have accepted a call to the St. Margaret's Bay field, and (D. V.) will enter upon my work for the Master there in a few days.

M. W. BROWN.

ST. GEORGE, CHARLOTTETOWN, N. B.—During the week of prayer we noticed indications of blessing, and having learned to value the services of Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D., in special work, we invited him to come and help us. He came Feb. 25th, and closed his labors here last evening (30th). During part of the time our Presbyterian friends, under their pastor, Rev. Mr. Vane, worked with us. To-day we are thankful for the visit of Dr. Saunders, and for the rich blessing that has been given us. Many of God's children have been quickened, and nearly thirty persons have professed faith in Jesus. A number of these are young men who, in the strength of their manhood, have said, "I will serve the Lord." The three Protestant congregations of the town—Episcopalian, Presbyterian and Baptist—are represented among them. In regard to the earnestness and faithfulness of Dr. Saunders in presenting the truth, it is hardly necessary for us to speak, as he is widely and well known. But we can confidently say, that any church needing special help will enjoy his labors if his services can be secured. Several persons have expressed the desire to be baptized, and we expect to receive others at our conference this evening.

H. E. S. M.

GREEN BUSH, York Co., N. B.—You, with my many brethren, will be pleased to hear of the great work of grace and power of God being displayed at Green Bush in connection with Lower Woodstock Baptist church. I am so happy to say yesterday, March 26th, was one of the best of my life to see and be engaged in such a work at home, with the people I grew up with from my youth and where several of my family with myself are members; where I was ordained seventeen years ago last month; where I baptized my first. Yesterday we held prayer meeting at 10, and Bro. S. Tingley preached at 10:30. He has been on the field a short time, and has been getting over the field visiting the group with good acceptance. At 11:30 we met at the water, where there was one of the most beautiful baptisms ever saw cut right in the ice a nice depth, with an auger hole bored through so as to let the water up through the ice below, and there I was very happy baptizing nine happy converts, some of them the prime and best of our land—five young men and four young women. Then I drove to Benton, seven miles, met a large gathering at the water—a beautiful clear running stream making its way through the midst of the little hills of Benton. There I baptized two likely young men; then I preached at 2:30 in the crowded hall; several took part. I gave the hand of fellowship to the two baptized and two others—one by letter and one by experience. Then I drove five miles to Springfield (not Springfield, as before), where I preached at four o'clock; gave the hand of fellowship to one baptized. Then drove five

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miles to Lower Woodstock; preached at seven; gave the hand of fellowship to nine. Praise the Lord for his day.

ST. MARTIN'S.—Our Sunday-school was particularly successful Sunday evening, March 26, in the presentation of its quarterly missionary programme. The principal feature was an instructive exercise of "Catechism" which was prepared for the occasion, and given by the older members of the school. There were leading questions briefly and comprehensively answered; the answers illustrated by incidents chosen from missionary literature, and further emphasized by appropriate recitations. The infant class and younger members of the school gave exercises that were very highly appreciated.

C. W. W.

LUNenburg and MAHONe BAY, N. S.—I had the pleasure of spending a week beginning March 9, with Rev. E. N. Archibald, in the town of Lunenburg. Our meetings were hindered by unfavorable weather; still we were encouraged by seeing the church revived and quite a number praying in the kingdom. I was glad to find Bro. Archibald enjoying the confidence and esteem of his people, and doing earnest, faithful work. He will likely baptize several at an early date. I next came to Mahone Bay to assist Rev. W. J. Ritchie. On the evening of my arrival I gave up my service to Mr. Grieson, travelling agent of the Provincial S. S. Association of Nova Scotia. I enjoyed his lecture and believe brother Grieson is doing a good work in the interests of Sabbath-school. My visit to Mahone Bay was more protracted than that to Lunenburg. The services increased in power from the beginning. On Friday evening six were received for baptism; and six rejoiced in the belief that three times that number are seeking the Lord and looking toward union with the church. Our meeting last evening was a remarkably gracious one. Many requested prayer. I enjoyed my co-operation with Bro. Ritchie. He is a young man of more than ordinary ability, especially gifted in singing and possessing much aptitude for Christian work. The services are to be continued this week, Bro. Archibald assisting. The church did generously toward meeting the expenses of my visit. Among the offerings for home missions worthy of mention is that of Deacon Lantz—the contents of a mission box owned by his little son Alvin. The dear little fellow was in the Sunday-school on Sunday, March 12, and on the following Friday he was laid in the grave. He was a remarkably promising child, and his sudden death occasions much sorrow. His parents lovingly contribute the contents of their son's mission box, amounting to \$2.30, to home missions. They have our heartfelt sympathies in their great sorrow. I came out this morning to New Germany, and am to co-operate for a few days with Rev. G. P. Raymond in special services to be held in the hall near the railway station.

March 27.

MONTON.—The Rev. W. B. Hinson closed his labors with First Moncton Baptist church on Sunday, March 26, preaching morning and evening to large happy congregations. The evening service was estimated at 1,600. Never in the history of the church were so many persons in the building before. The seating capacity is 1,200, and there were about 400 extra seats provided, but the numbers standing, many being turned away. Bro. Hinson closes a very successful pastorate of seven years and four months, having welcomed into the church in that time altogether 640 members, four of whom were baptized during his last month with us. In the morning he preached from the following words: "Finally, brethren, farewell." It was a kind and touching discourse to the church over which he had presided for so many years, and many of the members were moved to tears. In the evening he preached from John 3: 16, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The speaker dwelt upon getting the idea of God into our heads and hearts, and His almightiness, and we would have been cured with scepticism; also of His great love as revealed to the world in Christ, and, with touching illustrations, told in Mr. Hinson's inimitable manner, calculated to make a deep and lasting impression upon his many hearers, he closed a most powerful address of fifty-five minutes, and one which will not soon be forgotten by the large number who heard him. On Tuesday evening, at the Young People's Society meeting, the pastor made a parting address to the society from these words: "Be ye faithful unto death, and I will give you a crown of life," which was of a very high order. At the close the clerk read a farewell address to the pastor from the church; also Bro. J. J. Wallace, the superintendent, on behalf of the four Sunday-schools in connection with the church. On Thursday evening Bro. Hinson left on the C. P. R. for Montreal, for his new field of labor. There was a large number to see him

off and to bid him a final good-bye. Our late pastor, Bro. Hinson, goes from us with our best wishes and prayers for a large measure of success to attend him in his new field of labor. What the future has in store for us we know not, but we are not discouraged, but are gliding ourselves afresh for the work before us, and our confidence in Him who has so manifestly led us in the past inspires faith in His promises that He will never leave nor forsake those who put their trust in Him.

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DIGBY CO. QUARTERLY MEETING.—Under this new designation we met at Plympton, on St. Mary's Bay, on Monday evening, the 27th of March. Rev. A. T. Dykeman preached from Matt. 11: 28-30; then a social service followed, in which many participated. Tuesday's services commenced with a deeply interesting and well attended prayer meeting. Digby, 2nd Hillboro, Hill Grove, St. Mary's Bay, Weymouth and New Tuscot churches were represented by their pastors and some of their deacons. Pastor Dykeman reported eight baptized in the Rosaway section of the Digby church. Pastor Richan reported seven baptized at Smith's Cove, 2nd Hillboro church, St. Mary's Bay. Hill Grove churches have recently secured the services of Rev. Wm. McGregor, who is much encouraged by the attention given to the Word and the kindness of the people, who seem to appreciate him highly. Weymouth and New Tuscot still retain Rev. John Williams; contribute liberally to his support, and greet him in large congregations. The 1st Hillboro church has engaged as pastor Rev. B. N. Nobles, who expects to commence service with them about the 1st of May. Enquiries having been made with regard to the French Mission church, brethren McGregor and Williams were requested to visit these brethren and report upon their condition and prospects. At the afternoon session Bro. McGregor gave an exposition of John 3: 5, which elicited quite a lively discussion. Bro. Williams delivered an address upon "The Fervent Christian." Bro. Dykeman called attention to the Convention scheme and the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and it was unanimously resolved "that this quarterly meeting recommend to the churches the raising of the amounts named by the Convention committee, and as far as practicable in the way suggested by the Convention." The evening session was occupied with addresses on "God's Blessings" by Wm. McGregor; "Jesus as a Pattern," A. T. Dykeman, and "Mind your own Business," W. H. Richan. A social service followed, during which backsliders manifested a desire to return, and several unconverted people came forward for prayer. The Saviour's presence was manifested in all the meetings, and showers of refreshing seem to be just ready to fall upon the inhabitants of Plympton. The next service will be held at Weymouth Point in the last part of June. Collection for Convention Fund, \$4.24.

W. H. RICHAN, Sec.  
PERSONAL.

We are pleased to learn that the health of Mrs. Cahill, wife of Rev. J. A. Cahill, of Centreville, is now improving, after having been for weeks so low that little hope was entertained of recovery.

Rev. M. W. Brown is about removing from Onslow to St. Margaret's Bay. Bro. Brown's record justifies the expectation that he will do good work on this large and important field. May large blessings continue to attend his labors in the good cause.

Rev. H. A. Giffin has resigned his charge at Acadia Mines, and will close his labors there in June. We have heard very favorable reports of Bro. Giffin and his work at the Mines, and no doubt he will be prepared to do good work elsewhere.

The Main street Baptist church of this city was supplied last Lord's day by Rev. Dr. E. M. Saunders, of Halifax. Dr. Saunders has been holding special services with Rev. H. S. Milder and his people at St. George's, for five weeks, with very gratifying results. The Main St. church have invited him to supply their pulpit for a time. It is to be hoped that he may be able to comply with this request.

A note from Dr. Williams, of Chicago, who some of our readers met during his visit to this country last summer in the interests of the B. Y. P. Union, informs us that his heart and home have been made sad by the loss of a dear little daughter, whose death occurred March 25th. The friends of Dr. Williams in these provinces will unite with us in sympathy for him and his in this sad bereavement.

As will be seen by reference to our Denominational News column Rev. W. B. Hinson has concluded his pastoral labors with the Moncton church. For more than seven years his connection with the church had continued. His commanding talents as a preacher have been highly appreciated in Moncton and elsewhere. His fervor, and his pastoral work has been remarkably successful. We trust that his pastoral connection with the Olivet church, of Montreal, may be the means of great blessing to the church and to the city.

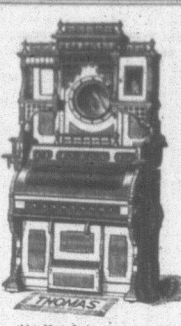
We were favored last week with a call from an old friend of the Messenger and Visitor, and his readers, Rev. Dr. Goodspeed, of McMaster University, Toronto. He is making a short visit to friends in this province. Mrs. Goodspeed, who has been visiting here and in Nova Scotia for some recent past, will return with him. Dr. Goodspeed is in good health, and reports the McMaster institutions to be in a flourishing condition. He preached on Sunday morning last in Carleton, to the delight and edification of the many friends who gratefully remember the services rendered by Dr. Goodspeed to the church during his connection with it.

NOTICES.

The Baptist Sunday-school Convention for Annapolis Co. will hold its semi-annual meeting in connection with the Memorial Conference at Lawrenceville on Tuesday, April 11th, at 3 o'clock, p. m. (D. V.) Blackboard exercises, essays, music, reports, etc., will be presented during the afternoon and evening sessions. Sabbath-school workers and scholars are requested to be present and add to the interest of the occasion.

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