

ference of His life. He, though born in a manger, was the Son of the most high God, though clothed with all authority both in heaven and earth and anointed with the spirit of God, He fulfilled what was foretold of Him by Isaiah, "a bruised reed shall He not break and a smoking flax shall He not quench." Humility was fully displayed in His entire life, from the Bethlehem manger to the Roman cross. Humility, then, is so important in the eyes of God that the Christ has said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

A new life is unfolded in the gospel, the steps to which are love, humility and regeneration. Love on the part of God leads to humility on the part of man, which in turn leads to regeneration. The man becomes, as a child, passive beneath the rays of divine love, which, when abundantly shed abroad in the heart, moulds him after the pattern of divine grace. 'Tis love that wins the beast, the child, the man, the woman. 'Tis the love of God that wins the heart of man. 'Tis the love of God that is destined to win and regenerate the hosts of earth. Humility is the first step to a new life on the part of man. Christ in His humility was obedient to the will of His Father, and "in His humility His judgment was taken away." He was made perfect through suffering. He says of Himself that He was meek and lowly in heart. He bowed even to the despised death of the cross that He might become the fit author of the regeneration of man. Paul tells us "that which thou thyself sowest is not quickened except it die." The old seed must die that a new life may come forth. The old life is humbled even to death. Death of the old self must precede the Christian life. How evident, then, is Christ's meaning when He says: "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up His cross and follow Me; for whosoever would save his life shall lose it, and whosoever shall lose his life for My sake shall find it." How true it is, then, that if we humble ourselves we shall be exalted. Looking at death as an act of complete humility we can understand the death of Christ, the baptismal grave, the physical death of every man and woman; for without humility there can be no new life. Love is the soil in which the soul of man is planted, the food from which it derives nourishment, the source from whence it experiences growth. The old man dies and is lost in this bed of love, and from its bosom a regenerated being comes forth pauperted with the armor of God. "JACK."

### News of the Churches.

#### St. JOHN, N. B.

Bro. Rupert Stevens who was on his way to Lord's Cove lead the prayer meeting on June 1st, at the close of which Bro. Stewart baptized a young lady. On June 20th he baptized another and on the 22nd two more. At the mission band this month Bro. Stewart read a paper on "The Missionary work of the Disciples in India," which he had read at a missionary meeting in the Leinster St. Baptist Church. It was full of interesting facts concerning our "Plea," the opposition it had met and conquered, and what great success it now had in the home and foreign work.

Bro. S. W. Leonard who has been attending Acadia College preached for us on June 4th, in the morning, subject "The Ten Virgins." He gave many profitable lessons, made a strong appeal to parents to be living examples to their children so that they might walk in righteousness, and warned all to be ready when the Bridegroom came. Bro. Leonard has promised to preach for us again and we will all be glad to hear him.

The following passed through St. John and attended our meetings during the month, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowers, Jas. Leonard, Wm. Gates, Herbert Leonard, Miss Lena Leonard and Mrs. Dinea.

The scholars in the mission school are pleased with the new library which was opened on June 11th. On June 18 we had the largest attendance on record at both Sunday-Schools, there were 70 at Portland and 136 at Coburg St.

On June 21st Sister Manie Wilson was united in marriage to Mr. Green, and Sister Ella Clark to Mr. Williamson by Bro. Stewart, an enjoyable evening was spent at both homes. Sister Williamson continues to reside in St. John. Sister Green has gone to her new home in Worcester, Mass.

St. John has done well for missions this month.

Young Peoples Mission Band, . . . . .	\$ 4 17
Sunday-School, . . . . .	10 10
Church, . . . . .	30 00
Women's Aid, . . . . .	4 55

Total for Home Mission. \$48 88

For Foreign,

Wide Awake M. B., . . . . .	62
Sunday-School, . . . . .	4 00
Women's Aid, . . . . .	2 00

Total, . . . . . \$6 62

Death has visited us again and taken one from us who was just starting in a life of usefulness in the cause of the Master.

Sister Lena Leary was baptized during Bro. Romig's meeting. Although quite young yet she regularly attended the meetings and was willing to do what she could. When the mission school was started in Portland and a class was offered her she said, "No, I am going to gather a class of my own." She went to the homes near and succeeded in getting a number of bright boys to come to the school. But sad to say she was only able to teach them two Sundays. How strange that she should be called away just when she was entering upon such a good work. Let us be comforted by the Scriptures. "All things work together for good, etc.—Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

The Coburg Street and Mission Sunday-schools held their picnic at Lepreaux on the 28th. About 300 were present. A finer day could not be had, and a most enjoyable time was spent by all.

#### LORD'S COVE, N. B.

We arrived here Friday, June 2nd, and have spent three pleasant, and, we trust, profitable weeks with the brethren of Lord's Cove and vicinity. We have visited more than forty homes since coming here and find everywhere a warm-hearted welcome. The attendance at all our meetings is good.

We had Bros. William Murray and S. W. Leonard with us at our last Wednesday evening meeting. Bro. Murray informs us that he intends leaving the Island in a few weeks. He plans to visit his brother in Milton, N. S., and his son in Lyon, Mass; after which he will be ready for an engagement.

Now, brethren, who are longing for a good, earnest worker in your midst, one who is true and tried and who has always studied to show himself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth, look out.

Bro. Murray's services can be obtained at a very reasonable rate and our provinces cannot afford to lose him.

Bro. Leonard has gone over to LeTete and will labor with the brethren there and at Back Bay. Bro. Murray has just returned from a two or three weeks visit at those places and reports a good interest and five baptisms.

Sad news has just reached us from Back Bay. Lillian, eldest daughter of Bro. Andrew Magee, passed over "the dark river" yesterday. She was a remarkably bright, promising girl of about fifteen years, and her death will no doubt be a severe blow to her fond parents. May the God of all grace

sustain them in this dark hour. We found in Bro. and Sister Magee true friends during our stay in that section last year. R. E. STEVENS.

June 21st, 1893.

#### LEONARDVILLE, DEER ISLAND, N. B.

I took a trip to Back Bay and found the brethren somewhat discouraged in not having Bro Stevens with them this season as they had hoped, but they were ready to help when we arrived, so we had meetings every evening and two Lord's days and visited from house to house, resulting in one confession and baptism and the brethren encouraged, visited LeTete; was there six days; had meetings evenings and one Lord's day. Three confessions and baptisms. While in LeTete I was sent for to visit LeTang to baptize a woman. I went and spoke twice, baptized the woman, and left her rejoicing in Christ.

LeTete and Back Bay is a good field to labor in, and the brethren and friends are willing to do what they can to employ a preacher. I would have been glad to remain longer if my engagement here had had been finished. Since coming back to the Island I was glad to learn Bro. Sylvester Leonard is to go to LeTete and Back Bay. I know he will be well received and do them good. May the dear Lord bless the labors of our young brethren in those fields of labor is my earnest prayer. I am expecting to visit my old home in Milton in July, the Lord helping me.

Bro. Sylvester Leonard did us all good by his visit home. His Bro. Herbert is also home and encouraged us in the several meetings by his exhortation.

The church here was encouraged by having our young Bro. Calder, who is teaching the day school, unite with them last Lord's day. He is a promising young man, and I understand intends to prepare himself to preach the gospel. May the Lord help him. The field is large, but the laborers are few.

Let us pray, and pray the Lord to send more laborers into His vineyard. W. MURRAY.

#### MILTON, N. S.

We have not much to say concerning our work here. We are still suffering from the exodus. "Going to the States" is the continual unwelcome sound. Our Endeavor Society is giving us good meetings on Wednesday evenings. We hope to get the committees into good active service in due time. Our people here, with a few exceptions, are enjoying excellent health. Bro. Burnaby, who is now in New Hampshire, has been at the point of death, but is now recovering.

We are having the most delightful June on record. We have enough genial and invigorating atmosphere and natural beauty in one week now to make a whole ordinary summer. All nature is smiling and brings to the heart that loves her a joy and happiness as deep and true as life. It is well, however, that our earth life is not all June. God has wisely filled our cup with mingled joy and grief to teach us that our earthly joys, though bright, are only brief. Right in the midst of these bright and beautiful days comes the dark cloud of grief and sorrow in the death of our dear Bro. Gates. His death is a great loss, not only to his partner in life and devoted family, but to the cause in our provinces. We have lost a true friend to the cause of Christ and a warm-hearted, zealous worker. His earnestness won the admiration of all who knew him. My last visit with him was at Elmsdale, Hants Co. I preached for him twice while there. After the preaching he gave a warm-hearted, tender, earnest appeal to the sinner to accept of Christ. This probably was his last appeal on behalf of those he was anxious to bring to Christ. He worked hard during the winter, preaching in several localities in Hants County, perhaps too hard for one in his condition of health. He was justly