

## From the Churches.

### Denominational Funds.

Fifteen thousand dollars wanted from the churches. Nova Scotia during the present Convention year. All contributions, whether for division according to the scale, or for any one of the seven objects, should be sent to A. Coburn, Treasurer, Wolfville, N. S. Envelopes for gathering these funds can be obtained free on application.

The Treasurer for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, to whom all contributions from the churches should be sent, is REV. J. W. MANNING, ST. JOHN, N. B.

**NORTH RIVER, P. E. I.**—Sunday evening, May—1 baptized a young man who is likely to prove a great addition to the strength of our church.

ADDISON F. BROWNE.

**YARMOUTH, N. S.**—The "First Yarmouth Church" pulpit, will be supplied this summer by Dr. D. H. Welton, of Toronto. CHURCH CLERK.

Yarmouth, N. S.

**DOAKTOWN, N. B.**—The good work still continues here and at Ludlow. Baptized two happy souls at Ludlow Sunday morning, May 18. Expect to baptize a number at Doaktown, Lord's Day, June 1st. To God be all the praise. M. P. KING.

**BERWICK.**—I close my work at Berwick with this month and begin my pastorate at Billtown, June 1st. Correspondents will kindly note the change. Very pleasant have been my seven years and upwards here. I have recently had the pleasure of baptizing two. I trust that soon a successor may be called.

D. H. SIMPSON.

**NEW CANADA, LUN. CO., N. S.**—We baptized seven young men last Sunday. We have baptized and received into the church nineteen converts since we have been holding special meetings. Fourteen of them were young men. To the Lord be all the glory.

JOSIAH WEBB.

**FIRST HARVEY, HARVEY, ALBERT CO., N. B.**—The work in this field is moving along about as usual. We just send a few lines to say that on Sunday, May 18, we baptized three rejoicing converts into the Lord Jesus. This makes eighteen baptisms since we came on this field. There are others to follow soon.

M. H. FLETCHER.

**EAST JEDDORE, N. S.**—On Lord's Day, May 18, we were again permitted to administer the ordinance of baptism, when three more obedient believers were buried with Jesus. There are others also who have been converted during the winter months whom we hope will soon confess Christ before men. PASTOR GEO. TAYLOR.

**WESTPORT, N. S.**—The Rev. Richard Kemp has accepted the unanimous call extended to him by Westport church to become their pastor. He enters upon the work at once. The prospects here in this field are very encouraging. The church is in full sympathy with the new pastor and great results are expected.

**LAWRENCESTOWN, N. S.**—On Sunday, May 4th, Pastor W. L. Archibald baptized four believers and gave the hand of fellowship to five persons at the close of the morning service. Many encouraging features indicate progress in the Master's work. The church has granted the pastor a four weeks' leave of absence during which he will attend the Anniversary exercises of the Newton Theological Institution.

**DEEP BROOK, CLEMENTSPORT, N. S.**—Sunday, May 18th, we received three into the fellowship of the church at Deep Brook, two by baptism and one by letter. The church here has just purchased the strip of land and barn in rear of the grounds for the accommodation of teams. The wide-awake B. Y. P. U. has recently had the honor of paying the last \$25 of the debt on the parsonage property, so that now the property on all sections of the field is free from any incumbrance.

WARD FISHER.

**PENOBSCUIS, N. B.**—I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the people of Penobscuis for a generous donation given me on the 20th inst. The donation party met at the handsome new residence of Mr. Marshall Stewart. The evening was spent in singing and social conversation. After a bountiful tea provided by the ladies, Deacon Joseph Moore on behalf of the friends present and others who had sent their gifts, presented the pastor with

the sum of \$32. This and other tokens of kindness received from this people tend to strengthen the ties of friendship between the congregation and pastor. May God greatly bless these friends who so nobly gave expression to their appreciation and friendship to their pastor. W. CAMP.

**BRIDGEWATER, N. S.**—Last Sunday morning, at Lapland, one more was baptized and received into the fellowship of the Bridgewater Baptist church. The work on our house of worship is rapidly advancing and we hope not only to have it ready for the Association on June 27th, but for a re-opening service on June 22nd. We are now worshipping in "Cashon's Hall," the only large hall in the town. Here, each Sunday, large audiences greet the pastor.

C. R. FREEMAN.

**MELVERN SQUARE, N. S.**—God has given us much encouragement of late. Seventeen have been added to the church by baptism—two at Margareville and fifteen at Melvern. We are not without hope that others will follow soon. The work was somewhat hindered by the fact that Evangelist C. W. Walden, who was helping us, took very sick early in the last week he was to be with us. We are glad to report however that our good brother is rapidly regaining his usual health, and hopes after a season of rest to resume his loved work. He did excellent work here, and it gives me pleasure to commend him to any brother wishing help as a wise earnest workman. He depends for success wholly upon a plain statement of God's Word, followed by pleading prayer for the Holy Spirit power.

MAY 21.

H. N. PARRY.

**MILTON, QUEENS COUNTY, N. S.**—On the evening of Monday, May 12th, the church held a roll-call. A goodly number was present and responded to their names by a passage of Scripture or by relating a leaf from their experience or simply saying present. Special music, consisting of choruses and solos, was well rendered by the choir and greatly appreciated by the audience. The former pastor, Rev. W. L. Archibald was present with us and addressed the church in words appropriate to the occasion. After a few remarks by the pastor a thank-offering was made to the amount of \$80.

N. B.—The church very kindly granted the pastor a vacation of four weeks, which we will spend in New Brunswick, our native province.

H. B. SLOAT.

May 17th.

**OAK BAY, CHARLOTTE COUNTY.**—The Lord's work on this field is improving all the time, our congregations are larger this, the beginning of the fourth year of my pastorate than they were the first years of my labor. They listen well and the interest is growing deeper all the time. Last night in our regular prayer meeting two souls came out as volunteers for Jesus. Two others came out a few weeks before this and God is saving precious souls here through the preaching of his own pure word. Our prayer meetings are excellent, our people are anxious, and their willingness to assist is appreciated by the pastor. Sabbath School is growing larger and more interesting than ever. I have gotten nine maps on the Tabernacle, which I intend to use after vacation in a regular line of sermons to increase the power and love of the church for the Lord Jesus, using the maps or pictures of the different aspects of the Tabernacle to illustrate the gospel which was thus foreshadowed. I am sure the Lord is with us in this and much good is coming out of this sure. Congregations at Rolling Dam are very large, house packed on fine Sundays, come from eight to 12 miles. Souls are being saved there.

H. D. WORDEN.

**FIRST CHURCH, HILLSBORO.**—It might be appropriate to furnish the readers of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR with a few lines concerning the work of the Lord in this part of his vineyard. During a year or more, previous to our coming, the church had been working under serious disadvantages. The fire in the main auditorium, which compelled us to worship in

the town hall, and the many months without a pastor, tended somewhat to scatter and weaken the religious interest. The church, however, has been extensively repaired, a new vestry built adjoining the church, which has given us one of the most commodious and beautiful houses of worship in the provinces. With this improved equipment there has come a perceptible quickening of interest in all the work of the church. Since coming here early in February the people have shown a most cordial and helpful spirit and have done much to make us feel at home and we trust also will cause us to be a means of great blessing to the church and community. The interest is growing in spiritual life and power and quite a number have professed faith in Christ. The congregations are large, the prayer meetings increasing in attendance and interest, while on Friday evenings we have a Bible study under the auspices of the young people, which is perhaps one of the largest of its kind in the provinces. There is an encouraging outlook all along the line and we may have the prayers of the readers of these lines, that we may have a general spiritual awakening. PASTOR.

**LEINSTER ST. CHURCH, ST. JOHN.**—A recognition service was held in the Leinster Street church on Tuesday evening of last week for the Rev. Christopher Burnett, late of New York city, who has recently assumed pastoral oversight of the church. The chair was occupied by Rev. Dr. Manning. After the reading of the Scriptures by Rev. R. R. Morson and prayer by Rev. H. H. Roach, A. A. Wilson, Esq., clerk of the church, made a brief statement as to the beginning and progress of the church's acquaintanceship with Mr. Burnett, which had led up to the call extended to him and the present relations between them. Rev. H. F. Waring, of the Brussels St. church, as the senior Baptist pastor of St. John, extended a hearty welcome to Mr. Burnett on behalf of the Baptists of the city and offered the church some excellent advice. Rev. C. T. Phillips of the Waterloo St. P. B. church, Rev. G. M. Campbell of the Centenary Methodist church, Rev. Dr. Fotheringham of the St. John's Presbyterian church, and Rev. R. R. Morson of the

Congregationalist church, offered their congratulations in graceful speeches and welcomed the new pastor on behalf of their denominations. Mr. Burnett replied in suitable terms to the addresses of welcome which had been tendered him and indicated his desire and purpose to serve the best interests of the church of which he had become pastor and to proclaim the gospel of the Cross of Christ. Mr. Burnett is quite a young man, an Englishman by birth and education. He is prepossessing in appearance, an easy, graceful and effective speaker and evidently a man of a good deal of force of character. He will have, we are sure, a very cordial welcome from his brother ministers and the Baptists of St. John generally, and we trust that his ministry here may be a very happy and fruitful one.

**COLDSTREAM, CARLETON CO.**—The people of the community are anticipating the gathering of God's people at the Association. Will the delegates from the different churches please forward names at earliest convenience, either to A. W. Estabrooks, Church Clerk, or the pastor, J. D. Wetmore, that accommodation may be provided. Teams will be at the depot in Harland to meet the delegates who come by train and convey to Coldstream.

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