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Dresden.

Dresden is one of the pleasantest cities in Germany; at least, that is the verdict of most travellers. Certainly there is much to attract and little to repel in this old city of Saxony. The trees, the curious narrow streets, the garden nooks, the quaint markets, give the place a charm which a more modern city like Berlin lacks. Berlin is commercial, business like, a great railway centre, and its streets are lined with immense stores and tenement houses five and six stories high, usually of the same color and style. In Dresden we look in vain for the tall tenement house. Instead, we find more modest structures, old fashioned, cosy homesteads, and in the suburbs, especially on the road to Blasewitz, some of the most delightful villas imaginable. The noble river Elbe flows through the city, dividing it into the Altstadt and Neustadt.

The chief attraction of Dresden, outside of its natural beauty, is its world-renowned picture gallery. Here in a beautiful building, a part of the Zwinger, is gathered a large collection of famous paintings, chiefly from the old masters. At the present time this gallery is ranked with the Louvre in Paris. In looking over the paintings it is interesting to note the difference in choice of subjects between the old and modern artists. The former almost invariably chose idealistic themes, scriptural or classical, such as the "Last Judgment," "The Crucifixion," "The Madonna," "The Christ" or "Hercules," "Venus," and other mythical subjects, while the latter devote themselves almost exclusively to the reproduction of natural scenes, landscapes, objects, etc. Ancient art may be said to be idealistic; modern, realistic. I wanted to remark this difference more carefully by hearing a celebrated man say in the course of a lecture, that the ideal in art was practically dead, that artists now were mere copyists and that the greatest things already ready been accomplished in religious art. At the time I hesitated to accept such a startling statement, but after I had visited several of the best picture galleries in Germany, after I had seen the works of Correggio, Tintoretto, Paolo Veronese, Verocchio, Titian, Rembrandt, and others, but more especially when I stood in the Dresden gallery before that marvelous beauty, the "Madonna di San Sisto" of Raphael, I hesitated no longer to believe that religious art had long ago attained its highest perfection. The "Sistine Madonna" is said to possess the most beautiful face in existence. In it is co-mingled exquisite tenderness and purity. It seems to me that no one could look upon it without becoming better and nobler. The room in which this wonderful painting is shown is usually thronged with sober and awe-stricken beholders. They gaze as though they saw something divine. Here even the sight-weary tourist does not hurry. The first time I saw this picture it was beautiful, but the second time I came it was more beautiful still. There is a fascination about it which grows upon one. In a small room, however, in one of the corridors of the gallery, is another painting which attracted me quite as much, if not more than the Madonna. It is a work of Titian and is called "The Tribute Money." The wily pharisee had come to Christ with the question, "Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar or not?" seeking to entrap Him. In the face turned toward the pharisee is seen intellectual penetration, moral power and a look of rebuke which makes the questioner cower. Still this is not all. Behind that something glances a sorrow for the sin of the poor being who stands convicted of hypocrisy by his very manner. Here is a striking contrast between moral purity and subtle baseness. I never saw any other picture which so fully realized my ideal of Christ. It was a vision of love and sorrow.

There were hundreds of other ancient works, as "The Adoration of the Magi," "Christ disputing with the Doctors," etc., which are masterpieces, works that cannot be equalled by modern talent, at least they have not. The paintings in the modern department are of a different character. Here we find such subjects as "Spring Landscape," "Italian Market Woman," "Mountain Lake in Norway," "Bad News," "Lions," etc. There are also in this department some attempts at ideal themes, but after all these are copies, the subjects being the same as those chosen by the older painters. The fact is that the intensely practical spirit of the age has made its influence felt both in painting and poetry. In neither realm are there such sublime productions as formerly. In these days science dominates everything. The tendency is to reject that which cannot be analyzed and synthesized. The imagination, the creating power is restrained. It lacks freedom. Art has become realistic, even materialistic. It is chained to natural objects. Of course the aim of art should be to express or reveal nature, not alone its form and relations however, but also and especially its soul. It is in this respect that modern art fails, and this failure is more clearly evident when we compare the paintings of the old masters with those of the present time. Many of the latter are beautiful, but they have not the power to affect us. The spiritual, the ideal is wanting.

C. H. DAY.

St. Martins Notes.

On Thursday evening, (October 8), the teachers of the Seminary, assisted most creditably by a few of the pupils, presented a most excellent musical and literary programme. The audience which had gathered in spite of the unfavorable weather was delighted. Mrs. deBlasi, Miss Butterfield and Miss Williams, all receiving especially enthusiastic encores. Mrs. deBlasi has a voice of remarkable sweetness. This was her first appearance before a St. Martins audience, and the St. John daily that speaks of her singing upon this occasion as "a revelation," says none too much.

Rev. I. C. Archibald addressed the students last Sunday afternoon, and stood in the pastor's place in the evening. He had deeply interested hearers on both occasions, and we trust that his earnest words produced lasting impressions.

The Christian Endeavor Society entertain the Seminary at a social in the vestry on Friday evening. An enjoyable time is expected.

The baptismal scene Sunday, October 4, will not soon be forgotten. Two of the candidates were young ladies from the seminary. Next Sunday (18th), a number more will thus follow their Saviour, among them two young men from the institution. The religious influences upon "the Hill" are telling, the feeling among the students being very gratifying. Let Christian parents pray that not one of these young lives may remain Christianless.

Ordination.

Pursuant to an invitation from the Acadia Mines Baptist church, a council met with them on the 15th inst., at 1.30 p.m., to take into consideration the advisability of setting apart by ordination Bro. H. A. Giffin to the work of the Gospel ministry. The council was organized in the choice of Rev. W. F. Parker as moderator, and Rev. H. B. Smith, secretary.

The following churches were represented: Acadia Mines—J. C. McDonald, A. Durning, Des. J. W. Irving, and G. W. Cox; Amherst—Rev. D. A. Steele; Truro 1st—Rev. J. E. Goucher and A. J. Walker; Truro 2nd—Rev. W. F. Parker; Springhill—Rev. H. B. Smith; Onslow—Rev. M. W. Brown, Des. Samuel McKinley and Alex. Crowe; Brookfield—Des. Ezra Stevens; Great Village—Rev. T. A. Blackadar, Abram Layton and A. L. Wood; Bass River—Rev. J. H. McDonald, J. Carr and T. D. Davidson; De Berst—Des. Wm. and James McCully; Greenville—Des. Henry Purdy.

The following brethren were invited to a seat in the council: Rev. W. A. Newcomb, of Maine; Rev. T. B. Layton and Wm. Davidson.

Rev. J. E. Goucher led in prayer. The clerk of the Acadia Mines church was called upon to read the records of the church calling a council for the ordination of Bro. Giffin. It was ascertained that he was a member of the church, and that provision had been made for his support.

Bro. Giffin was then called upon to give an account of his conversion, call to the ministry, and views of Christian doctrine, which he did in a very clear and satisfactory manner.

After being questioned by the council the candidate was asked to retire, when it was, on motion by Rev. J. E. Goucher and seconded by Rev. M. W. Brown.

Resolved, That the council, being entirely satisfied with the relation of Christian experience, call to the ministry and views of Christian doctrine of Bro. H. A. Giffin, recommend the church to proceed to the service of ordination.

The following appointments were then made: Sermon, by Rev. J. E. Goucher; ordaining prayer, by Rev. D. A. Steele; right hand of fellowship, by Rev. T. A. Blackadar; charge to candidate, by Rev. H. B. Smith; charge to church, by Rev. W. A. Newcomb.

On motion it was resolved that the secretary have the minutes of the council published in the MESSINGER and VISITOR.

In the evening a large congregation assembled, and the above arrangements were carried out. The exercises closed with the benediction by Rev. H. A. Giffin.

W. F. PARKER, Moderator,
H. B. SMITH, Secretary.

Oct. 15.

P. S.—While at the ordination we heard very favorable reports about Bro. Giffin. He has a large place in the affections of the people. The brethren at Acadia Mines are a faithful little band, and willingly co-operate with their pastor in church work. We hope that great blessings will attend the labors of our brother, so that the little one may become a thousand.

H. B. S.

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look leave of her friends. There were no dry eyes. A large number rose to say that they would continue to pray for our sister in India. We were very much cheered by the good music rendered by the choir. This memorable meeting came to a close by singing "God be with you till we meet again," and benediction by Rev. M. W. Brown. Sister McNeill left the island by Friday's boat.

F. D. DAYTON, Secy.

U. B. Seminary Notes.

The Principal spent a recent Sunday on Rev. G. W. Schurman's field and was pleased to find so many indications of prosperity. Harmony prevails, and some seventy persons have been added to the churches under his care. In the morning, service was held at Kinnear Settlement, and a subscription of \$43.31 was taken for seminary debt. In the afternoon, North River was visited, and at the close of the sermon \$32.07 was subscribed for the seminary. As we determine never, if possible, to become weary in well-doing, we had a third service at Petticoat, and added \$20.00 more to seminary funds. The congregations at each place were good and the outlook on this field is especially encouraging. Bro. Schurman is a hard working man and his efforts tell.

The first Sunday in the month it was my privilege, through the courtesy of Pastor Williams, to baptize two of our students. Two more are received in the same manner. The school is doing well. We trust a number, in answer to many prayers, may decide to take a stand for Jesus. The moral and religious tone of the school is most excellent. We have 61 students enrolled and core coming. This is somewhat less than we had last year, owing to the difficulty created by the financial difficulties of the institution; but the Lord seems to have more than made up the loss in giving us His blessing in convert gain.

Sunday, 11th, we spent with the F. C. Baptist Conference. Our brethren decided to raise \$1,500 on the seminary debt. This leaves us only \$1,400 yet remaining to be secured in order to complete the \$15,000 conditional subscription. This we want secured inside two months if possible. Any pledges, large or small, to finish the matter, are now solicited, with added emphasis, as we draw near the end and the day of triumph. Our school has had its baptism of trial, and soon, if we do our duty, we shall see it going on its way rejoicing.

J. E. HOPPER.

St. Martins, N. B., Oct. 16.

Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

MONCTON.—On Sunday, the 4th, Pastor Hinson baptised three, and five were received into fellowship, making in all fourteen received since the beginning of the denominational year.

LIVERPOOL.—We are encouraged in our work. Our social meetings are seasons of great interest. Several new voices are heard in our meetings at Brooklyn. We baptised one young sister on Sunday last.

MILTON, QUEBEC CO., N.S.—On Sunday, Oct. 11, it was my privilege to baptise six happy converts. One of these sisters was a member of a pseudo-baptist church for 25 years. She is happy in performing her duty. Five are heads of households. One brother, after many a doubt and fear, has come in the prime of life, with his wife by his side, to confess Christ Jesus to the world. There are more coming soon.

OXFORD.—As a church we are now much alive to the work of soul-saving as the opportunities would justify, yet we have enjoyed some tokens of the Divine favor, and a few have accepted Christ. We have had baptisms for three Sabbaths, which were witnessed by hundreds, and as it is the only ordinance which symbolizes the death and resurrection of our Lord, which is the foundation of all our hopes of heaven and eternal life, many see its significance and yield to Christ's command.

E. C. COREY.

BONHAW, P. E. I.—Since my arrival on P. E. I. on the 24th of September, I have been co-operating with Rev. F. D. Davidson at Bonshaw. Bro. D. has been holding monthly services here for some time past, and believing the time had come when special effort might prove a blessing, asked me to help him. We have held gospel meetings nearly every night since, and a remarkable work of grace is the result. It is estimated that already about 30 persons have been hopefully converted. Large numbers attend the services, and the entire community seems moved by the power of God as never before. Last night we had a remarkably gracious meeting, in which many others requested the prayers of

God's people. Bonshaw is an important centre, where several roads converge, and is surrounded by a thriving population of farmers. The scenery is romantic and the people are kind. I have enjoyed much my visit and labors here, and especially as we have been permitted to witness such rich displays of divine grace. Will the readers of the MESSINGER and VISITOR pray earnestly that this good work may deepen and extend.

ISA. WALLACE.

St. George's, N. B.—At the regular conference meeting of the church, held Oct. 4, in view of the departure of Rev. C. E. Pines, who, for the past three years had been pastor of the church, a resolution was adopted making mention of Mr. Pines's faithful and untiring efforts on behalf of the church and congregation during his pastorate, the pleasant and cordial relations which had always existed between him and the church, expressing high appreciation of his Christian character, regretting his departure and heartily commending him to the favor and respect of God's people wherever his lot may be cast.

NEW CANADA, LUN. CO., N. S.—This is a section of the New Germany field, of which Rev. G. F. Raymond is pastor. During the summer it has been my privilege to assist him in his work. By this arrangement the services have been increased, and we have found that the people are glad to have the privileges, and to pay the increase of salary. The people give support according to the service rendered. I believe many broad fields could easily support an assistant for the hard working pastors, were they to begin. The task looked too large for this people; but they exceeded their expectations by twenty five dollars. The field really needs another settled pastor. The time was when a Baptist pastor would have secured the whole section to us, and even now the tide is flowing favorably. Two hundred dollars a year and a good man would do grand work for the cause of God here. It seems almost impossible for the H. M. B. to undertake the work, although the people need the pure Gospel so much. A small part of my time has been spent upon a corner of Rev. S. March's lot, which, by the way, embraces many scattered sections up and down the LaPine River. Baker Settlement has been blessed by his ministrations, and this summer I found three Baptists holding a weekly prayer-meeting in the house of one "Lyster." Good news will be heard, from time to time, from this little band, and three others who joined before we left. We have many noble men and women on this field, and something more should be done for them. During these four months I have helped them, and many are the kindnesses shown me. In returning to my studies I feel glad that they have a pastor, although he cannot render them the necessary service. Bro. Raymond is loved and trusted by his people, and with God's blessing they expect to work together for years to come.

H. H. SAUNDERS.

AMHERST.—Mr. Bliss and his associate, Mr. Clark, are holding special services on the union plan. In connection with the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches here. The congregations are large and some good is being done. On stopping off on the evening of the 9th inst., we had the privilege of attending a service in the Baptist church. The singing was spirited. The sermon by Mr. Bliss was evangelical and earnest in pleas for an immediate acceptance of the salvation provided for lost sinners. At the conclusion of the sermon the services were continued—the net was drawn in and the successes counted. Quite a large number were evidently moved in the right direction and here and now resolved to accept the service of Christ. Then followed the service of testimony in the true modern style—quick, brief, interspersed with stirring songs, and keenly put appeals from the leaders for all to participate, and especially for new recruits to fall into line. Among the new methods employed was the circulation through the assembly of the following pledge card:

I do hereby accept the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour; and trusting in Him for strength I promise Him that for as long as I live, and as far as I can learn, I will endeavor to live a Christian life; that I will daily read God's Word and pray for the Holy Spirit to enable me to understand and obey it.

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Please sign and return to Mr. E. W. Bliss.

Where it was necessary pencil was provided that the names might be signed and the cards collected. To one who has witnessed religious revivals in these provinces in former times there is much in a meeting of this type that is strange and bewildering. The upward side of salvation is emphasized. The absence of a sense of guilt as indicated by the testimonies given was very noticeable. The motive of advantage in the service of Christ, as superior to that of sin's service, was pleaded with great force and re-echoed in the testimonies of the converts. This is well, if it be the highest motive this people can appreciate, but if higher ideas of religion can be reached, we think it would be far better for the people and the pastors.

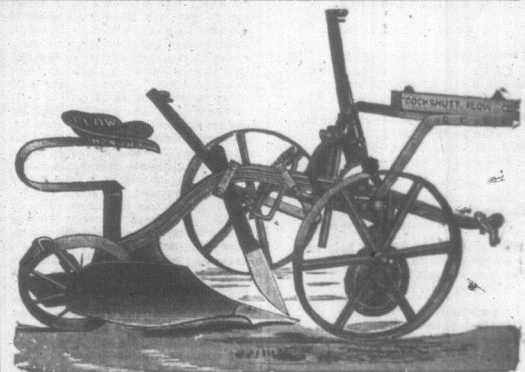
J. H. S.

C. H. Day, M. A., son of the Rev. Dr. Day, arrived home a short time since with his wife, after a year's stay in Berlin. Mr. Day has been studying at the university in that city philosophy, history, theology, the classics, literature, and the German language. He has been eminently successful in this course, receiving, both in classics and philosophy, the highest honors. Mrs. Day has been pursuing a thorough course of instruction in oil and china painting under the prominent artists in that city. Mrs. Day received much praise from the teachers for her proficiency. We are glad to congratulate and welcome Mr. and Mrs. Day back to their home. We extend our well wishes for their continued success and prosperity.

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