

RAT PORTAGE, ONT.

We closed a three weeks' series of evangelistic services here on August 6th. Three made the good confession and two were baptized. The attendance was not large. J. K. Hester preached and Thos. E. Jones, of Chicago, had charge of the singing services. Bro. Hester left us August 14th for Rochester, Minn., whither he goes to hold a protracted meeting.

Bro. J. Carey Smith, one of the Rainy River colony brethren, preached an instructive sermon on the Five Kingdoms on the evening of August 6th. Bro. Smith, who will reside here for a while will (D. V.) preach August 20th.

The church is expecting a brother from the colony to settle here during the winter.

O. B. STOCKFORD.

Home Missions.

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He who is not a missionary Christian will be a missing Christian when the great day comes for bestowing the rewards of service. A. J. Gordon, D. D.

We have sent a "gentle reminder" to those who have not sent their pledges which were promised at the annual at Tiverton. Quite a number have "given heed" and sent them. We hope that all the pledges will be sent before this month is out. And also those churches who have not paid their apportionment, will they remit to the secretary at once, so that he may be able to say that every church responded?

The Jubilee Year of the American Christian Missionary Society will be celebrated in October next in the very city—Cincinnati—where it was organized fifty years ago. It is believed that at least ten thousand people will attend the Jubilee. Delegates are expected from all parts of the United States, and from Canada, from the West Indies, and from Great Britain. India, Japan and China will be represented.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$595 51
Halifax, per E. C. Ford,	8 00
Jessie Devoe, South Range,	1 00
May Cossaboom, Tiverton, pledge at annual,	1 00
Effie M. Cossaboom, Tiverton, pledge at annual,	1 00
Mrs. John A. Cossaboom, Tiverton, pledge at annual, per H. A. Devoe,	2 00
Coburg Street Mission Band,	2 85
Tobin Lockwood, Port Williams, pledge at annual,	2 50
J. Barry Allen, Fredericton, N. B., pledge at annual,	3 00
Frank Richardson, Lord's Cove,	2 00
D. F. Lambert, "	5 00
L. S. Ford and wife, Milton, pledge at annual,	10 00
Jas. B. Prince, Bridgewater, N. S., pledge at annual,	2 00
Norman Robbins, Tiverton, pledge at annual,	2 00
Mrs. Norman Robbins, Tiverton,	1 00
Coburg Street Sunday-school,	4 00
Mrs. Harris Cosman, Brighton, pledge at annual, per H. A. Devoe,	1 00
Miss L. N. Jackson, Cornwallis, pledge at annual,	3 00
F. C. Ford, pledge at annual,	1 00
Miss Laura Lewis, Woodville, pledge at annual, per H. E. Cooke,	1 00

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W. A. BARNES, Secretary.

Foreign Missions.

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Expect great things from God.
Attempt great things for God.

STIMULATING THOUGHTS.

The dear Christ dwells not afar,
The king of some remoter star,
Listening, at times, with flattered ear
To homage wrung from selfish fear.
But here, amidst the poor and blind,
The bound and suffering of our kind,
In works we do, in prayers we pray,
Life of our life, He lives to-day.

—Whittier.

A young Sunday-school teacher, a poor seamstress, gave a rough street arab a shilling to induce him to go to Sunday-school. That boy, Amos Sutton, was converted, went to work as a missionary among the Telugus, and after twenty-five years ten thousand converts were won in a single year.—T. M. Meyer, D. D.

There was a year in the little church in Blantyre when but one convert was welcomed to the Lord's table, but that lad was David Livingstone, and as he was sown in the soil of his much loved Africa, he has become the seed germ of that mighty ingathering into the heavenly storehouse.—Missionary Tidings.

In a recent sermon on Foreign Missions, this old legend was told: When God first made the birds, they could only walk; but their wings were fashioned and laid beside them. The birds took up those wings, and binding them to their breasts, carried them as a burden. But presently, the wings having grown to their sides, they soared up into heaven. "Brethren?" said the speaker, "the church now bears foreign missions on her heart as a burden. When will she learn that the Lord intends missions to be as wings to her, carrying her joyously forward to the blessed day of His appearing?"—Missionary Tidings.

What a consummate blunder to live selfishly in this generation! Christ says, "Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." Did Christ mean those words only for those who lived hundreds of years ago, or does he mean them for us to-day? In the presence of 1,000,000,000 heathen and Mohammedans needing the Gospel, with multitudes in heathen lands losing faith in their old beliefs and asking for a new one, does he not mean those words for us to-day? Christ gave his best for us. Are we giving our best to him? Our time, our money, our influence, our friendships, our entire possessions, are they laid at his feet, placed absolutely at his disposal?

Opportunities such as we have to-day may not come again. It is said that when the decisive hour in the battle of Waterloo came, the English troops were lying in the trenches waiting for the onslaught of the enemy. They had been ordered not to fire until the French were close upon them, and while they lay there in silence, Wellington rode up and down the lines saying over and over again, "What will England say to you if you falter now?" It was burned into those waiting troops, and when the order was given, "Now up and at them!" every man felt that the honor of England was in his hand, and he was invincible.

Do we not hear the voice of a greater Leader saying, "Be thou faithful unto death,

and I will give thee a crown of life?" What will the result be if we falter now, if Christians are worldly now, if they are Christians only in name, if they say "Lord, Lord," but do not the things which he commands. What will Christ think of us if we are not brave and true now?—Margaret Leitch.

RECEIPTS.

Previously reported,	\$292 51
St. John—	
Coburg Street Sunday-school,	2 28
" " Ladies' Auxillary,	3 25
Tiverton—	
Ladies' Auxillary,	2 00
Cornwallis—	
Ladies' Auxillary,	03
Mrs Henry Corbett,	1 60

\$302 27

We still need about \$90 to end the year honorably. A word to the wise is sufficient.

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer.

Port Williams, King's Co., N. S.

CHILDREN'S WORK.

RECEIPTS.

Previously reported	\$61 74
St. John—	
Wide Awake Band,	88
West Gore—	
Golden Rule Band,	6 00

\$68 62

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer.

Port Williams, Kings Co., N. B.

Married.

WHISTON-WALL.—At the home of the bride's mother, Pictou, Nova Scotia, August 29, 1899, Mr. Robt. F. Whiston and Miss Ruby Ella Wall. W. H. Allen officiating.

Died.

ARMSTRONG.—On August 1st, at St. John, N. B., Brother Arthur E. Armstrong. One of the charter members of the Main Street congregation, and until his last sickness one of the most active and reliable workers, Sunday-school librarian and Christian Endeavorer. He suffered greatly the last few weeks, but his faith in Christ never faltered. When told that there was no hope of recovery, but that he might live a month or only twenty-four hours, he wished that it might be the latter so that he might be released from the intense suffering and be at home with his Saviour. Nevertheless as the days passed he did not murmur, but sought to glorify God in his sufferings. The funeral was largely attended and the body was accompanied to the cemetery by the members of Alexandra Temple of Honor and by the Temple band, to both of which the deceased belonged. J. C. B. A.

A Church Building

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MAIN STREET.



Money is needed to pay for work and material—this is URGENT! Bro. Appel expects to visit Deer Island the end of September. Probably he will also be able to be in Charlotte County before October. He goes to test the interest and sympathy of the brethren in the effort to plant the church in North End, St. John.