

think it is a good job. He is a much better preacher than politician. Probably you will think this communication long enough for your little paper. In my next I shall try to tell you something of the Maori and the missionaries.

Your Brother in Christ,

L. J. BAGNALL.

Thames, N. Z., 14th August, 1884.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

On Thursday, Oct. 16th, I left my home and kind friends in LeTete and Back Bay, to spend a few weeks in the Mission field. I took advantage of a kind offer made by Bro. S. Dick, and rode with him to St. George. I had not been very long at the depot of the Grand Southern Railroad, when the welcome sound of the whistle was heard; I say welcome sound, for though it is not a sound calculated to charm, it is welcome to those anxious to get to their destination; and soon followed the "All aboard," from the good-natured conductor. After a pleasant ride of about two hours, in which we passed by beautiful lakes, green fields, and running streams, we became satisfied that nothing more would be done for us in that direction, so we hastened out and over on the boat to the city. Here we met our friends, and Bro. Capp in particular; he has new music in his family since I last visited his home. While in St. John, I attended the funeral services at the home of Bro. Andrew Barnes; it was a sad scene; the mother of Sister Barnes was removed to her last resting-place on earth, nearly at the time when the spirit of her sister returned to God who gave it. May our dear sister find comfort in Christ, that she may bear up under this double bereavement. I attended the social meeting in Coburg St. Church in the evening, and found a few gathered for worship. The time was well occupied, and I came away feeling much encouraged. I spent the night at the residence of Bro. J. E. Barnes, from which, in the morning, I hastened to the wharf where the "Empress" was awaiting those who would cross the rough waters of Fundy's Bay. I soon became satisfied that her captain was a prudent man, and he would at least give us a chance to avoid that awful feeling, sea-sickness. The Bay was much moved by the southern breeze, which had increased to a gale. At ten minutes past three, however, the lines were cast off, and we moved southward with a fair wind and fair tide; four hours and a-half brought us to the pier in Digby. Saturday, at noon, I found Bro. Murray, at South Range, fourteen miles from Digby, by the way I went there. My walk gave me an appetite for my dinner. We at once set about making arrangements for work. Meeting for the evening was announced from house to house, and at seven we were met by a fair congregation, who listened attentively to the Word of Life. Two discourses were preached on Lord's day; one at South Range, the other at North Range. On Monday, we made arrangements to hold meetings in the Hall in Brighton. We were met on Monday evening by an audience of about forty. Tuesday evening this number was nearly doubled. To-night, Bro. Murray speaks at Gulliver's Cove, and I am taking in the situation about Weymouth. To-morrow night (D. V.) we will address the friends at Brighton again.

We hope, in our next Notes by the Way, to have some items that will cheer the hearts of those who love to see the cause of the Master advance.

J. A. GATES.

Southville, Oct. 22nd, 1884.

the last week it rained nearly every night. The preaching was much above the average. Christ was preached as few can do it. Many hearts rejoiced to know they had such a Saviour. For myself, I must say, I have much clearer conceptions of Jesus than I ever had before. He is worthy to be received by all. He is truly "the fairest among ten thousands, and the altogether lovely," because He is equal with God in the *Divine nature*, and is therefore God.

I suppose I am to remain here for another year; my present engagement will end the first Lord's day in next month, after which we will begin another year. I hope and pray that I may be enabled to act wiser, and preach Christ better during the next year, so that souls may be saved, the brethren here encouraged, and Jesus see of the travail of His soul by having many more to serve Him. God knows we need encouragement here, as we have much up-hill work. There seems to be an indifference among the people as regards the Truth; maybe I misjudge them. But the reason I offer, as the cause of this indifference, is, the counterfeit is so much like the true coin; and men are most easily deceived when this is the case. They think they are near enough to the truth. The only remedy for this is to make the distinctions between truth and falsehood as clear as possible. May God help us in the work. I am pleased to read the encouraging reports from the Maritime Provinces.

The new meeting-house, at East Point, P. E. I., was to have been opened last Lord's day, Bros. Knox and Ghent to do the preaching. I did wish I could have been there; if I was not there in the flesh, I was in the spirit. May the choicest blessings of Heaven rest upon them all, so that they be fervent in spirit serving the Lord.

Yours,

R. W. STEVENSON.

St. Thomas, Ont., Oct. 23, 1884.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

ST. JOHN ITEMS.

COBURG ST. CHURCH.—Lord's day services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday School at 2.15 P. M. Young People's Meeting, Tuesday evening at 8. General Prayer Meeting, Thursday evening at 8. Brethren visiting the city cordially welcomed. The Ladies' Sewing Society meets every Wednesday evening at 6.

During the past month we have had the pleasure of hearing Bro. M. B. Ryan, of Williamsport, Pa. Bro. R. preached for us during Bro. Capp's absence in the interest of the Mission Board. The brethren here were delighted with Bro. Ryan's manner of presenting the truth.

Bro. Gates stayed over one night with us and presided at our prayer-meeting. We are always glad to hear and see him.

Bro. Capp preached one evening last week in the Baptist meeting-house at Smithtown, Kings County. We understand quite a large audience listened to him. As a result of the meeting one young man came to the City last Lord's day, and at the close of the evening services made the "good confession" and was baptized the same hour. We have a few good brethren in this section of the province and indications look favorable to an organization in the near future. This week Bro. Capp preached one evening at Nauwigewauk, Kings County.

Our Sunday School is increasing in interest. The Bible Class especially is gaining in numbers.

G. F. B.

LE TANG.

Since my report in the last month's issue, our hearts have been made to rejoice in seeing sinners coming to Christ. Two aged ladies have boldly confessed their faith in a crucified and risen Saviour

and in obedience to his commands have been immersed in our "Jordan." From what we know of the people among whom we are laboring, we feel assured others will soon follow in our Saviour's appointed way. But in the midst of life we are in death. While rejoicing over sinners returning "home," we are led to commingle our sorrows and to deeply sympathize with our dear Bro. Jackson and wife, in the death of a darling boy about two years old. But we mourn not as those that have no hope, for we know that though he "cannot return to them, they shall go to him" and rest, "where the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest."

P. D. NOWLAN.

NOVA SCOTIA.

NOTES FROM WESTPORT.

Since my last notes, I have spent six weeks in New Brunswick, the greater part of this time on Deer Island. This visit was quite enjoyable, and we trust not altogether without profit.

The day before leaving home we buried Sister Maggie Haycock, wife of Bro. William Haycock. This good sister was 38 years of age, and had been a member of the Church of Christ at this place for twenty years, having been baptized by Bro. J. B. Knowles, during his ministry here. Though she was leaving a kind husband, and dear children, she could say she was ready and willing to go. She died in the sure hope of a glorious resurrection from the dead.

We have enjoyed a short visit from Bro. Capp. He made us this call in the interest of our Mission work. Bro. Capp preached for the brethren twice on Lord's day, and on Monday evening. Such visits are very enjoyable and profitable, and we only express the oft repeated wish of the brethren, when we say we wish they could be more frequent.

Bro. H. Murray and Bro. J. A. Gates are now in Digby County, preaching at different points. We hope to hear of good results.

The churches at Westport and Tiverton are getting along much as usual. Nothing of interest to report as to their work.

E. C. F.

Westport, Oct. 27th, 1884.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

TIGNISH.

Since last report, I held a meeting at New Glasgow, which extended through three Lord's days. The meetings were fairly attended, especially on Sundays. On the last Lord's day evening, we had the largest number present, at any time, except when Bro. Chase held a meeting. The preaching resulted in persuading six (6) to obey the Lord. I also labored at Tignish for five weeks, preaching, publicly, only on Lord's days. Five (5) obeyed the Gospel. The small band have felt much encouraged and hopeful. Will organize next time I return here.

Yours,

M. GUNN.

Tignish, Oct. 27th, 1884.

THE N. B. AND N. S. MISSION FUND.

The receipts since our Annual at Leonardville, are as follows:

Collection, Yearly Meeting, Leonardville, N. B.,	\$29 50
Collection, Westport, N. S., Oct. 5th,	5 14
Sister H. Eldridge, Sandy Cove, N. S.,	2 00
Sister L. Leary, " " "	1 00
Bro. H. Eldridge, " " "	3 00
Sister A. K. Peters, Westport, N. S.,	50
Sister S. C. Peters, " " "	50
Bro. Charles Bailey, " " "	2 00
Sister Cyrus Webster, Cornwallis, N. S.,	2 00
Bro. Levi Clarke, " " "	5 00
Bro. A. LeCain, " " "	5 00
Sister R. Reid, " " "	5 00
Church at River John, N. S.,	9 00
Sister Helen Sillers, River John, N. S.,	5 00
Bro. D. Fullerton, Pictou, N. S.,	11 00
Church, LeTang, (Oct. 3-22), N. B.,	10 00
Church, Black's Harbor, (Oct. 3-22), N. B.,	10 00
James Lawson, Grand Manan, N. B.,	1 00
Total,	\$106 64

T. H. CAPP.

DEAR BROTHER,—Having promised to let you know how our meetings progressed, I must do so. We had no more additions than was reported in the last CHRISTIAN. Our meetings were fairly well attended the first week, and especially on Lord's days, when the house was full, but during