

## From the Churches.

### Denominational Funds.

Fifteen thousand dollars wanted from the churches of 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. Cohoon, Treasurer, Wolfville, N. S. Envelopes for gathering these funds can be obtained free on application to A. Cohoon, Wolfville, N. S.

OXFORD, N. S.—One believer in Christ was baptized Aug. 12th. Others are expected to follow in the near future.

A. F. BAKER.

CANSO.—The church sent one hundred and twelve dollars for Denominational Work on July 30th. We celebrate next Sunday the fifty-fourth anniversary of the organization of the church.

Aug. 8th. F. H. BEALS.

BRIDGENTOWN, N. S.—It being the wish of our pastor, Rev. F. M. Young, his resignation was accepted on 17th, a full house was in attendance and many regrets were expressed over the matter. Our best wishes goes with him to North Sydney, his future field of labour.

Aug. 18. ABRAM YOUNG, Clerk.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, TRURO.—On Sabbath the 12th, the right hand of fellowship was given to Mr. and Mrs. Crossman, who came to us by letter from the church at Dorchester, N. B. They came to us with a fervent, Christian spirit, which gives promise of great usefulness. Such additions cannot fail to increase the efficiency of any church.

M. A. MACLEAN.

Truro, N. S., August 13th.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B.—Mention has been made in St. John Sun that the board is sending another minister on the field here in place of Rev. J. W. S. Young. The church here has heard nothing of any change. Brother Young is engaged for six months on this field, and a change has not even been hinted by any member of these churches.

August 18th. C. W. MANZER.

DIGBY, N. S.—We gladly send you a cheering message from the "Newport" of the Maritime Provinces. The town is overcrowded with an unprecedented run of summer visitors. Last Sabbath in the presence of many hundreds we baptized in the waters of our beautiful harbor, Miss Jennie Holdsworth, the gifted organist of our church. Her conversion has given joy to many hearts. The hand of welcome was extended at the close of the evening service. The closing days of my pastorate are marked by an increased spirituality in the meetings and very large audiences.

B. H. THOMAS.

BILLTOWN, N. S.—I have asked the brethren to release me from the charge of the church this autumn. These last five years, and more, have been pleasantly occupied, my chief regret being that I could do so little for the spiritual uplifting of the church. The people have been very kind, and the parting will be attended with sincere regrets. A stronger man is needed here. I am anxious to see a new pastor installed before we leave. Bro. Clarence Minard, pastor of a church in Denver, Col., was with us last Sunday, and spoke, to the great satisfaction of the people, at the morning service. He was "brought up" in this neighborhood, and his visits are highly prized.

M. P. FREEMAN.

AMHERST, N. S.—My work in connection with this church closed July 31. The two years of service here have brought many kindnesses from those among whom our work has lain. They were particularly thoughtful and generous as we said "farewell." At Salem the dear friends presented Mrs. N. with a purse of \$26. This gift was prompted by the love of the sisters of the W. M. A. S., laboring among whom in forming, and in the joyous service of carrying forward most successfully, a Missionary Society, and also in starting a promising Mission Band, has been to the recipient of this splendid thoughtfulness a source of great delight. At East Amherst, also, the noble band of workers brought cheer to us by presenting to my companion in the work, a gold piece in appreciation of her services rendered as organist. May the loving Master whom we serve bless them abundantly, ever causing his face to shine upon them. I expect (D. V.) to enter upon a course of theological study at Newton, the 1st of September.

Aug. 2nd. A. F. NEWCOMB.

BLISSFIELD AND DOAKTOWN.—Lord's Day, Aug. 5th, at New Salem, baptized an aged sister, preached, gave hand of fellow-

ship and administered Lord's Supper. In the afternoon drove to Blackville, service at 3 p. m. and again at 7.30. Commenced special meetings at Doaktown Wednesday 8. Interest good from beginning. Saturday Conference, received 6 thoughtful and willing candidates for baptism. Lord's day morning administered the beautiful ordinance of baptism in the sparkling waters of the Miramichi, preached, gave the hand of fellowship and administered Lord's Supper. In the afternoon drove to Ludlow for service in the evening. Brother C. J. Mersereau preached at Doaktown in the evening to a full house. Jacke is a young man of whom not only pater and mater, but also his alma mater, may well feel proud. His thoughts are not on the surface. He is not satisfied short of the reason why.

M. P. KING.

THIRD CANTERBURY CHURCH.—On the 1st Sunday in July Sister Letitia Patterson was baptized and united with the 3rd Canterbury church. During the last week in July and up to the present time we have been holding special services with the people of Scott's Siding, C. P. R., a section of the 2nd Canterbury Baptist church. On the 29th of July, sisters, Mrs. Ambrose Dow and Mrs. Luke Dow were baptized. Services were continued and on the 12th of August Bro. Ambrose Dow was buried with Christ in baptism. There are others enquiring the way and are anxious. We are very much encouraged. We see signs of a harvest in other sections of the church. Hope to report more additions in the name of the Lord. At the time of writing it is raining hard. Will drive 7 miles rain or shine, to service to-night. "The Lord attends meetings on rainy nights." Our gleaners are to work gathering for Home Missions. To God be all praise.

C. N. BARTON, Pastor.

AMHERST.—Rev. A. F. Newcomb closed a two years' service as assistant pastor here with the month of July preaching on the evening of the 29th a very strong sermon, well thought and well wrought, to a large congregation. Tuesday evening the 31st, a farewell social was held for Mr. and Mrs. Newcombe in the church with good-byes after kind words of deep appreciation from Rev. J. H. MacDonald, Pastor Bates and officers of the church to which Brother

and Sister Newcomb fittingly responded. Friends at Warren and Salem (stations served by Mr. and Mrs. Newcombe) remembered them in a generous and golden way. Faithful, earnest, zealous, laborious to the utmost Brother N. has been on every position of the field. He goes to Newton Theological Institution at the beginning of the next term. Brother J. Austin Huntly of last class at "Acadia," began his public service as successor of Mr. Newcomb on the first Sunday in August, and his pastoral visitation the following week not a service being omitted because of the change. Already we hear kind words as to his pulpit work and no less of his visits in the homes. Though many are away from town our services are of interest and our congregations large. A very tender tone more and more characterizes our Tuesday evening social services.

W. E. B.

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### A Family Reunion.

The Welton family held a reunion at the residence of the Hon. A. P. Welton (the old homestead) on the 11th inst. Ten years ago, when the last reunion took place, there was a circle of ten living brothers and sisters. At this reunion there are nine; one, Mr. Amarish Welton, having passed away about three years ago. The names of the members of the family who were present with many of their children and grandchildren are as follows: Mr. Allen Welton, Port Williams; Rev. Daniel M. Welton, D. D., McMaster University, Toronto; Hon. A. P. Welton, M. L. C., Kingston; R. Bradley Welton, M. D., New York; Rev. C. Burpee Welton, M. A., New York; Rev. Sydney Welton, A. M., New York; Lucy Jane (Mrs. Brown), Torbrook; Villa (Mrs. Dunnells), Boston; Annie Bell (Mrs. Brown), New Hampshire.

About forty-five members of the family were entertained by the Hon. A. P. and Mrs. Welton. The usual afternoon speeches were enjoyed by the members of the family and the residents of the place. Dr. Daniel Welton, in a very pathetic yet pleasing address, traced the family pedigree 233 years back to the time when John Welton and his wife left England and settled in Waterbury, Conn.

This very pleasant social gathering will be long remembered by the residents as well as the many members of the Welton family. It was a real spiritual feast as well as a good social time. Many of us looked

away from these earthly reunions, with their tears and their smiles, to the great reunion which will take place in our Heavenly Father's house, where we shall meet never to part again, and where we shall never have to say that heart-rending word "good-bye."

J. WRAB.

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The Yarmouth County Baptist Quarterly Meeting which was to have been held on Tuesday was postponed on account of heavy rain till Wednesday, August 15th. The meeting was held in the West Yarmouth (Chegoggen) Baptist church. Much important business was transacted and then Rev. E. G. Grant of Acadia read a very interesting paper on the "Mission of the Church." Rev. E. T. Miller presented a paper on "The True Function of the Prayermeeting." Rev. W. F. Parker gave a very interesting account of the Winnipeg Convention. In the evening, after a devotional service led by Mrs. E. T. Miller, Rev. T. Graham Tarn of Harrowgate, Yorkshire, England preached a most instructive and able sermon on Matt. 5:13, "Ye are the salt of the earth." The preacher showed (1) the tendency of human nature to degenerate. (2) The preservative power of the followers of Jesus. (3) The necessity of preserving the vital elements of godliness so as not to become "salt savorless." This gentleman is in Yarmouth County just now on a sad errand. The only body rescued from the wreck of the "Planet Mercury" last winter was that of his son. The body was buried at Sanford and Dr. Tarn is now engaged in erecting a monument over the grave. He returns to his home in England in a few days. The Quarterly Meeting was a most enjoyable and helpful one in many ways.

E. T. M.

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### A Correction.

In my article, "Our Present Doctrinal Position," I see I have introduced two new terms into the theological world. I wish to recall them. The old terms are better. Speaking of the "Second Coming of Christ," the terms "post-millennarian," and "pre-millennarian," occur. They should be, "post-millennial," and "pre-millennial." What evil genius got into my pen as I wrote, I do not know.

R. OSGOOD MORAR.

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