

News of The Churches.

Salmon Bay.

A series of meetings held in this place has resulted in much good. Bro. W. Melbourne McVicar, a licentiate of Second Grand Lake Church, with Rev. F. W. Patterson, held several meetings in the homes of the people, visiting also between services, and as a result twelve candidates were baptized on profession of their faith. A number of others have expressed a desire for salvation, and we are yet looking for a larger blessing.

The Narrows.

Bro. L. H. Crandall, a son of the late W. Alfred Crandall, has been supplying here of late. The people are considering the question of erecting a new parsonage. It has been much needed and we trust will soon be completed.

St. Francis.

Our church has been without a pastor for over a year. There is plenty of work to be done in this part, and I trust that God will send us a minister to preach Christ crucified to the people. Will not the Board do all it can to help us support a minister?

MRS. CHAS. MORRISON.

Buctouche

We have now Conference Meetings at McLaughlin's Road and Little River, both of which have proved a great help. At a recent business meeting it was decided to call a council of churches for May 25th, to consider the advisability of ordaining the undersigned. One member of the Buctouche church has been called home since my last report. In his case perfect love had cast out all fear, and he died rejoicing in the salvation provided for him by God's dear Son.

R. BARRY SMITH.

Temperance Vale.

Rev. A. A. Rutledge is being blessed in his work in this field. He has had baptisms, and the prospect for onwardness is hopeful.

Hampton Station.

Bro. Wetmore is toiling on in this little church, and other places up the Hammond River. His labors have been blessed during the past year. One was baptized recently, making thirty-three in all baptized since he took up work in this field, and the outlook is encouraging.

Esailie.

The church in this place is still without a pastor. They would like to secure the services of an ordained minister, and are asking the Home Mission Board to help them in securing and supporting a pastor. We trust and hope that our churches and brethren will forward contributions to help forward this good work at once. The Board has many urgent calls for help from many weak interests, but the Board is not a mine nor a mint; they cannot make money. Unless those who have it are willing to contribute to this cause many places will suffer for want of help.

Doaktown.

Pastor King has been holding special meetings for some time with gratifying success. Several have found a new life of love and peace in accepting Christ as their Lord and Saviour. The people of his charge are about building a much needed home for the pastor. May success attend the undertaking until not a dollar of debt is left upon it. We are pleased to learn that Mrs. King's health is much improved.

Hatfield Point.

Because of the scarcity of items of inspiring interest it is some time since anything has appeared from this field. Sickness has prevailed among us for some months, and a goodly number of the old people appear no more with us. They have gone to their eternal reward. Amid the changes we have striven to be loyal to Christ and His cause, and have oft been cheered to know that the spirit of unity and the bonds of love have held us together, to the praise of God.

On the 30th ult., it being the pastor's birth-

day, the people of this field literally filled our new home and took control of it, spending a very pleasant evening, and leaving a birthday present of \$54.50. A few days later and I was prostrated by the grippe, and the churches have given us a vacation of three months to be spent in absolute rest. These are among the many tokens of esteem extended us by these dear people. May God reward them for their kindness to His servants.

S. D. ERVIN.

1st. Canterbury Church.

The Lord is still smiling on us as church and pastor. Since writing to you six have put on Christ in the ordinance of baptism. In spite of the bad roads we have a good attendance. Bro. J. W. S. Young dropped in while home from Carleton County. He has returned to help Bro. Hayward. The work is still going on. Sinners are enquiring the way. Pray for us brethren.

Butternut Ridge.

We regret to learn that our pastor, Rev. Frederick T. Snell's services close with us on May 27th. We feel very sorry to loose such an able and faithful minister. We look over the past two years of his faithful labors and we feel that it has not been in vain, for a large number have been added to the church roll, and I may say more, that his every day life speaks volumes for good. The church has decided to secure the services of a successor as soon as possible. Pray for us that we may be guided aright.

Bristol.

We closed our special meetings at Bristol yesterday. We have baptized 17 candidates since writing; 2 on the 2nd inst., 8 on the ninth and one on the 10th making, 33 in all since January 22nd. The names of those baptized in April are: Gilbert Brooks, Frank Gallupe, Ira Rogers, Lee Gallupe, George Colwell, Hiram Burk, Lorenzo Lockart, William Elkins, Bartholomew Davenport, Mary Staeu and Eartholomew Nesbit. We had a pleasant visit from Bro. O. K. Merritt, who was home for Easter holidays.

Rev. E. A. Allaby has resigned at Mahone Bay, N. S., and accepted a call to Bayview and Lake George churches, N. S.

Died.

DOW—At East Florenceville, on April 12th, John Dow, aged 19 years, son of the late Jas. Dow, of Stephen.

MCCANN—At St. Stephen, on April 15th, Wm. J. McCann, aged 30 years.

DUFFY—On April 18th, at Hillsboro, Mrs. George W. Duffy, aged 39. The death of our dear sister came as a great shock to her wide circle of friends, for until a few hours of the end she had been apparently in her usual health. Her early removal is felt to be a loss in many ways both to the church and community. She was associated with almost every good work in the neighbourhood; being a member of the Young Peoples' Society, the W. M. A. Society, and also a teacher in the Sunday School. She likewise belonged to the Temperance Lodge. Her bright looks, cheery words, and kind deeds will be sadly missed. But we believe the Lord has called her to higher service. She leaves behind a husband, an aged mother, and several brothers to mourn her departure.

CHAPMAN—At Newcastle, Queens Co., April 20th, after tedious suffering, William S. Chapman, aged 94 years. Five sons and five daughters besides a large circle of his relations and friends are left to cherish his memory. The decessent was a native of Pl. mouth, England, where he was born in May 1805. When a lad of ten years he saw Napoleon Bonaparte brought a prisoner to his native shores, and often with boyish curiosity watch him as he paced the deck of the ship on which he was detained prior to his being sent to St. Helena. Bro. Chapman came to St. John when seventeen years of age and here in 1838 he and his wife were baptized by Elder Samuel Robinson, uniting with Brussels St. Church. Removing to Newcastle, Grand Lake, he remained for many years a faithful member of the Baptist church in that place. He was anxious to depart and prayed very much to be delivered from this body of sin and death. In happy triumph he has gone to the rest that remains for the people of God.

DAVIDSON—At Chipman, Queens Co., on the 28th inst., Mrs. Catharine Davidson, aged 83 years. Two sons and a daughter with many grand children and relatives are left to mourn her decease. She trusted Christ fully for her salvation and in death his presence was with her.

BRANDOR—Mr. Wm. Brandor, Deputy Sheriff of Queens Co., died very suddenly on Friday the 5th, inst. He went to St. John on the Wednesday before, and returned on Thursday. His death was very unexpected, although he had been ailing for some time. He was a man highly respected by the whole community. His remains were brought to the cemetery at

McDonald's Corner, Central Cambridge, on Sunday morning attended by a large cortege, and a sermon appropriate to the occasion was preached by Rev. J. H. Hughes, and the burial ceremony of the Foresters was read by Mr. Thomas Gilbert, Mr. Brandor leaves a wife, and many friends to mourn the loss of a kind husband, and a good citizen.

Married.

SMITH-THOMPSON.—On March 25th, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. E. C. Corey, Harry Smith and Isabella Thompson, all of Shediac, West Co.

HOWLAND-LAWRENCE.—At Burt's Corner, Keswick Valley, at the home of the bride's son, by Rev. George Howard, March 21st, George Howland of Springfield, and Mrs. Rachel Lawrence.

SMITH-MORE.—April 12th, at the home of the bride's father, by Rev. George Howard, Herbert J. Smith, of Upper Kingsclear, and Blanch More of the same place.

BEVERLY-PURDY.—At the residence of the bride's parents, 12th of April, by Rev. J. A. Gordon, George Francis Beverly and Mable Louisa Purdy, second daughter of J. D. Purdy, M. P. P. all of St. John N. B.

BELL-ANDERSON.—April 26th, at the home of the bride, by Rev. J. A. Cahill, Robert Bell, and Maud B. Anderson, of Farmerston, Carleton Co.,

CROWE-MCLEAN.—At Moncton, April 26th, by Rev. W. B. Hinson, Mr. F. M. Crowe, and Lillian, only daughter of A. F. McLean Esq., all of Moncton.

The Christians in Korea have of their own accord adopted a custom of displaying on Sunday white banners from their houses. Thus the homes of Christians are plainly indicated, and the banners serve to give the people an impressive exhibition of the reverence which Christians have for God's holy day. In the widespread disregard of the claims of the Sabbath in our own land, it might be well for all who are disposed to observe the claims of the Sabbath to adopt some effective method of indicating their dissent from the indifference with which the Lord's Day is usually regarded, and their conviction that this one day of the seven has claims upon their regard and observance peculiarly above all the other days of the week.

We learn from *The Christian Evangelist* that F. M. Calvin of Waco, Texas, thinks of going into the field to hold revival services in the churches. His special aim would be to revive the members, rather than to baptize sinners. He believes that if professing Christians were living soberly and righteously and Godly, many would accept Christ and come into the church, who find the inconsistent lives of not a few church members a stumbling block. We would like to direct Bro. Calvin's attention to some churches in this country that need to be purified rather than enlarged.

Let Each Chisel His Own Store.

A gentleman who was walking near an unoccupied building, one day, saw a stone-cutter chiseling patiently at a block of stone in front of him. "The gentleman went up to him. "Still chiseling?" he remarked, pleasantly. "Yes, still chiseling," replied the workman, going on with his work.

"In what part of the building does this stone belong?" asked the gentleman.

"I don't know," replied the stone-cutter. "I haven't seen the plans." And then he went on chiseling, chiseling, chiseling.

And that is what we should do. We have not seen the great plans of the Master Architect above, but each of us has his work to do, and we should chisel away until it is done.—Rev. S. H. Haines.

The *Lutheran World*, in speaking of the architecture of some fine churches, says, the old question, "How shall they hear without a preacher?" needs to be supplemented with "How shall they hear the preacher?"

Christian people should be slow about adding to their list of Beatitudes the modern one which reads: "Blessed are those who row with the stream, for they shall get what they want."