

NOVA SCOTIA.

HANTS COUNTY.

I have been so extremely busy, that I scarcely have found time to send a report for some time, of my labors in the gospel in this county, and even now it must be brief. I have labored in Highfield, Scotch Village, Ashdale, Mosherville, West Gore and Rawdon. The work has been steadily going on, and I may say that I have had the hearty co-operation of the brethren and sisters in the different fields where I have labored. Every act of sympathy and courtesy have been extended to me that Christian kindness and brotherly love could suggest. I have found in Bro. John B. Wallace a true fellow laborer, free from anything that tends to mar the peace and joy of the children of God. He has done and is still doing a good work, respected and dearly loved by all that know him. The church at Rawdon has been greatly awakened of late, and we trust a new era has been opened up in their history. I have been putting forth an effort to repair and improve the church-building in this place, and also the one at Scotch Village. We have been having some additions to the church almost every week, and last Lord's day evening, four interesting ladies were buried with the Lord in baptism in the Herbert River at Woodville. I have not been at all satisfied with my success here. I have worked hard enough to have had at least one hundred additions. Still, I hope this will be accomplished by the time I have been here one year.

Bro. H. Carson, of Halifax, spent a few days very pleasantly with us some weeks ago. He is truly an earnest worker, and my prayer is that God will richly bless him forever. Since his return to Halifax the brethren have been writing to me to undertake the work there, and open fire by lecturing in the Orpheus Hall. I cannot lecture, on account of the want of time, to all the places where requests and invitations have been sent, but I do intend, at no distant day, to go to the help of the dear brethren in the chief city of this province.

Last evening I accompanied Brother Rupert E. Stevens, of Cornwallis, to the Newport station on his way home. He has been with us for about four weeks, and left to attend Acadia College. He has now decided to devote his life to the ministry, and is now preparing for the work. The brethren were very much delighted with his visit here and he won for himself friends wherever he went. He is one of the most noble of young men, and will no doubt be an honor to the church and the word, and help to lead the embattled hosts on to victory. God grant that he may ever prove faithful and his efforts be crowned with abundant success.

Numbers of our brethren are leaving every year for California. Sister Sadie Wallace, and Bro Geo. Stevens, a young man who lately united with the church in Scotch Village, left yesterday. They had been for some time in failing health, and went, thinking that their health might be restored. May God's richest blessing ever rest upon them and grant that they may return to the land of their nativity, with their most ardent expectations realized.

I am on the eve of leaving here, in a few days, for Milton, to engage in work there. Bro. H. Murray intends leaving for a short time to go to Massachusetts, and has been corresponding with me for a some time to enter the field there. We need more workers here in Nova Scotia. There should be two in this county to assist Bro. J. B. Wallace. I have been anxious to go to Shubenacadie, but have not yet been able. However, I have now decided to go to Milton before I undertake the work in Halifax. This one thing I am certain, that all that is required is efficient workers everywhere, and God will give us the victory.

In faith, hope and love.

W. K. BURR

Newport, N. S., Oct. 19th, 1887.

CORNWALLIS.

Our work is moving along here encouragingly. Since my last report two more have been added by baptism, making four since my return from the Annual. Our meetings keep up well in interest, and we confidently look for others to confess the Christ before many days. I am still keeping up my appointments, but fear, when the winter sets in, and the roads gets bad that I will hardly be able to continue them all. I shall regret to give any of them up, even for a few months, as I very much enjoy going out in the country and preaching to such intelligent and attentive congregations as it is my privilege to speak to. By the blessing of God we are looking for good results from our sowing.

E. C. FORD.

Port Williams, Oct. 27, 1887.

QUEENS COUNTY.

We enjoyed a short visit from Bro. Messervey of Halifax. He is very much encouraged in his work of collecting funds for the church house in Halifax. He is the right man for that work. He is good at asking us to give, but better in showing us how to give, as may be seen in THE CHRISTIAN of October. We can heartily commend Brother Messervey to the confidence of the brotherhood, and his mission to their benevolence. The brethren in Halifax are worthy our confidence, and the cause in that city ought to receive our best endeavors.

The church house in Summerville, Queens Co. will be finished on the outside this fall. It is a feast to the soul to worship with these brethren. They are neither dead nor sleeping, but active and earnest in the work and worship of God.

The tower on the meeting-house in Kempt is completed and presents a much improved appearance. The work on this house is largely due to the sisters, i. e., the work of raising the funds. Always employ the aid of the sisters in the work of the gospel, and then you will surely succeed. "For whom she will, she will; and you may depend on't." Our last meeting at Kempt gave us the largest number at the Lord's table. "All things work together for good to those who love God."

One baptism at Milton since the Annual—a young man from Springfield, Mass., who visited our house and took in the Annual at St. John on his way to Milton. He has returned home rejoicing in the Lord.

H. M.

P. E. ISLAND.

Three persons were baptized at Summerside on the 24th of October, and meetings held on other parts of the Island are very encouraging of late.

D. O.

Married.

DENNISON-HUTCHERSON. — At Lower Canard, Cornwallis, October 5th, at the home of the bride's parents, by E. C. Ford, John H. Dennison, Esq., of Kentville, to Miss Susan M. Hutcherson, eldest daughter of William Hutcherson.

Died.

CLARK. — At Canard, Cornwallis, N. S., October 11th, of typhoid fever, Eaton Rockwell, eldest son of Bro. Levi Clark, aged 14 years. This is indeed a sad bereavement. Eaton was a fine many boy, and a favorite among his associates. But death came and claimed him for its victim. Why the young and promising should be taken and those who are aged and "only waiting" left, is a question that we cannot now understand. But these things will be made clear "when the mists have cleared away." May the God of all grace sustain our afflicted Brother and Sister Clark in this their sore trial, and help them to look to Him from whom cometh our help.

E. C. FORD.

VAUGHAN. — Died in Lynn, Massachusetts, Oct. 11, 1887, Wm. P. Vaughan, aged 21 years and six months. His remains were brought to Woodville, the home of his childhood. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, October 16. A large concourse of people convened together to pay the last tribute of respect and sympathy with a heart-broken family. The scene was very affecting. When the following poem was read, which concluded the funeral address, the whole audience wept. Bro. Benjamin Vaughan, father of the deceased, feels very grateful for the kindness and sympathy shown him by friends in St. John, N. B., and also in Lynn, Mass. Funeral services were also conducted in Lynn by W. H. Rogers, of Swampscott, Mass. His remains were interred in the churchyard at Scotch Village, to remain till the glorious dawn of the resurrection morning. He was an only son, and his message to his heart-broken mother, and last words on earth, are interwoven in the following poem:

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
He who has all power here to save;
In the bright early morning of manhood
I step in the cold dreary grave.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
How my heart still clings to her now;
And I feel that the swellings of Jordan
Are passing just over my brow.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
For He promised to save one like me;
And I lean on the arm of the Saviour,
And soon from all pain I'll be free.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
Still I cling to the loved ones at home;
And I long for the home of my childhood
And wonder that why did I roam?

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
And I'll go to that sweet land of rest,
Where I know I shall meet my dear mother
In that glorious home of the blest.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
He has washed my sins all away;
And now I am ready, dear mother,
To go to the realms of day.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
And I warned all around me I know,
To prepare to meet me in heaven,
Where partings will be never more.

"Toll mother I died trusting in Jesus;"
My race here below is now run;
My short life is ended, no more will I suffer,
All my work here on earth is now done.

W. K. BURR.

Newport, Hants Co., N. S.

HALIFAX CHURCH FUND.

As was stated in the October issue, we are trying to raise funds to build a meeting-house, and all monies raised by me for this purpose I wish to credit through THE CHRISTIAN. Last report showed seventy dollars and seventy cents (\$70.70) to have been collected. Since then the following have been received.

Mrs Wisdom,	\$1 00	G M B Sprague,	1 00
Mrs M G Freeman,	10	Mrs J T Jackson,	50
A Friend,	50	Patrick Breen,	10
Wm R Winot,	10	Mr & Mrs Vere Beck,	80
Charles E Morton,	10	John Keef,	10
John G Morton,	25	Mr & Mrs E R Bailey,	20
Ira Freeman,	25	Miss May H Bailey,	10
David Harlow,	50	Mr H Bailey,	10
Mr and Mrs A Harlow,	1 00	James Highland,	10
G A Heameon,	25	S L Lawson,	20
I H Harlow,	2 00	Presbyterian Friend,	50
A Friend,	1 00	John D Bell,	50
Mrs Jane Kempton,	50	Mr Sandford,	25
Clara Harlow,	25	J B Moore,	1 00
Mrs Nancy Murray,	10	E C Bowers,	1 00
Capt J C Bartling,	50	E A Payson,	25
Mrs John Ford,	10	George Bowers,	50
Mrs A Wood,	25	H Ruggles,	50
Mrs Thomas Titus,	25	Miss Victoria Stevens,	25
Mrs Frank S Lent,	50	John W Powell,	70
Mrs I. C. C Bailey,	10	Summerside Church,	5 00
Mrs Major Greeno,	30	Mrs E A Harvie,	25
Mr J D Fullerton,	1 00	Lizzie Goodwin,	10
Mr Joseph H Wallace,	25	Mrs J Goodwin,	10
Elder D Crawford,	1 00	Mr & Mrs B Bezansen,	20
G W Archibald,	1 30	Clara Bezansen,	10
Colby Elder I F Dwyer,	1 50	Phoebe Wood,	10
Mr C Burbridge,	25	Mrs Joseph Wood,	10
Mrs Stephen North,	10	Mrs Edgar Ellis,	10
Mrs Goodwin,	10	A Etherington,	25

Amount before reported..... \$30 35

Total..... \$101 05

W. J. MESSERVEY.