

PORT ELGIN.

I am sorry to say the work here is not going on as I should like to see it, but the storms have hindered me from getting over the field and visiting the people as I have wished to do. On fine Sundays I have a good attendance all over the field, but on stormy days it is small. One young lady baptized at Great Shemogue joined the Port Elgin church; another will be baptized (D. V.) later on. I trust by the mercy of God we shall have better things to report next time. **FRANK P. DRESSER.**

From private sources we hear of a gracious work among the Telugas at Chicaco, Rev. J. C. Archibald's Station. A great revival is in progress among the natives, many are being converted. Several have been baptized. Mr. and Mrs. Archibald are very much encouraged in their labours among these people.

Personal.

There is said to be some expectation that Rev. W. B. Hinson may return to the First Baptist church of Vancouver, B. C. the pastorate of which he resigned some three years ago on account of ill health. Mr. Hinson has since been pastor of the Baptist church in San Diego California.

Notice.

Any one, not now a subscriber to this paper, who will send us 30 cents any time between now and first of May next, will get it to the close of this year. We will give them the paper from first of March, can send back numbers from that date at any time. Now send and get the story "Crusing for the Cross," from the first of it.

Home Missions in New Brunswick.

The quarterly meeting of the Board was held in St. John on the 1st instant. The usual reports were presented and grants ordered accordingly. A communication from Dr. Kierstead, secretary of the Ministerial Committee of Acadia University, referred to an arrangement entered into in January last between the secretaries of the H. M. Boards and the Ministerial Committee concerning student labor. The proposal was heartily approved and gratitude expressed over the prospect of being able to fill many of our now vacant fields. Churches requiring student supply for four months beginning June 1st, and pastors also desiring such assistance, are requested to send in applications early, in order that each may be provided for and the student notified in good season for his work. In view of the fact that the present enlargement of operations calls for increased support, the Board has decided to make a special appeal to churches and Sunday Schools for immediate aid. It is proposed to ask each church and school in the province and so secure the full and united support of all our constituency. We rely upon our brethren for help. Never were the demands greater nor the prospects better. Several important communities lie open for our work while a considerable number also are eagerly inviting us to come in. May we not have a general response? Remember, brethren, the widening of the work in the home fields means a corresponding enlargement multiplied several times for every denominational interest. Let us not be forced to adopt a contractive policy and so suffer great loss.

W. E. McINTYRE, Sec'y.

Too Much Haste.

The preacher should not be tedious or prolix, neither should the people be unduly disturbed at a reasonable time allowed for tarrying at the mercy-seat, or reading God's Word, or for its proper exposition. The clamor that wants the whole service compressed into an hour shows bad taste and bad judgment, as well as little religious feeling. Railroad speed is good in its place, but it has no business in the Lord's house and in the study of his Word. No minister has

any right to weary the worshippers, neither have they a right to cheat God of his dues, or decline to duly honor his mercy-seat or at his Word or his servant or his house or his holy day.—The Presbyterian.

Married.

GALLANT OLIVER.—At the Baptist Church, St. George, N. B., Feb. 24th, by Rev. M. E. Fletcher, Nathas of Gallant, of St. George, to Maud Oliver, of Bark Bay, N. B.

DESMOND WRIGHT.—On the 19th of Feb., by Rev. R. W. Demings, Mr. James F. Desmond and Miss Gertrude Wright, eldest daughter of E. Wright, Esq., all of Victoria Co.

HICKS FRAZER.—At the home of Mr. Howard Hicks, Havelock, Feb. 4th, Ira S. Hicks, of Hicks Settlement and Edith Frazer, of Havelock, Kings County, N. B.

Died.

SPEARS.—James Spears after 81 years of a wasted life, according to his own confession, was suddenly called away at Newcastle, Queens Co., Lord's day, Jan. 24, 1904. It was pathetic to hear the old man lament with bitter tears the follies of the past.

GATES.—Harry Gates supposed to be 55 years of age, another victim of the rum fiend, died at the home of Scott McLeod, Newcastle Bridge, Queens Co., Poor Harry! We had him to rest in the Baptist Cemetery, Newcastle. It is said by Mr. McLeod that he earnestly sought for mercy during his last hours. If he had relatives we do not know where they live, he spoke something of having a sister at Grand Bay. If any of his friends should see this, it might be a comfort to them to know he was kindly ministered to, though he had many strangers. M & V.

BAILEY.—At Newcastle, Jan. 30, 1904, Mrs. Rachel Bailey, widow of the late Gordon Bailey, at one time M. P. P. for Queens Co. Sister Bailey had reached her 85th year, but retained all her faculties in a marked degree. A most patient sufferer, she passed peacefully away to join the loved ones in the great beyond. Children and grandchildren with a large circle of relatives and friends will long hold her in affectionate remembrance.

WILSON.—At her home in Truro on the morning of Jan. 20th, in the 59th year of her age, Mrs. John Wilson passed to her heavenly home after a lingering illness. During her last illness of more than a year our sister had been a great sufferer. Death to her was a welcome messenger since it relieved her of all her earthly sufferings and opened the gates to endless joy. Her only regret was to leave her husband behind. Her intense sufferings were borne with Christian fortitude and in a wavering faith in Christ. At the age of fourteen our sister, whose maiden name was Ellen Sturtis Saunders, was baptized into the fellowship of the Baptist church at Dalhousie, East. Afterwards she joined the Lower A. B. church by letter, of which church she remained a worthy and valued member. She was twice married. Her first husband was Mr. Jefferson by whom she had two sons, Elmer and Eben Jefferson of New York. Of her own family two sisters survive, Mrs. B. M. Freeman, together of our missionary, S. C. Freeman, and Mrs. Crane of a kind, Me. Pastor Hurdly conducted appropriate services, speaking from Isa. 61:3. The remains were interred at Greenwood, the former home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. May God's grace be sufficient for the mourners in this hour of affliction.

LUNN.—At Upper Wicklow, Car. Co., on Jan. 23rd, 1904, Sarah J. Lunn, aged 61 years, leaving a husband, 5 daughters, and 8 sons to mourn their loss. Funeral services took place at Methodist Church, Summerfield, which was conducted by Rev. C. Stirling. Interment at Knoxford Baptist Burying ground.

CURRIE.—At Menaguck of heart failure, in the 87th year of his age, Nehemiah Currie, Bro. Currie leave to mourn their loss four children and an aged widow. Our brother was graciously sustained in his last illness by the conscious presence of the Master.

TRAYNOR.—Benjamin Traynor, son of Charles Traynor of Penfield departed this life on the 5th day of Feb. at the age of 20 years, after a lingering illness of nearly a year. All was done possible to save his life, but death was victorious. He never made a public profession of the religion of Christ, but he had a hope of heaven, and of meeting his sainted mother who had preceded him some years to the glory land. May grace divine be the portion of all who mourn.

CONORE.—At Upper Blackville, Feb. 10, '04, Charles Conore, aged 69 years. Brother Conore suffered for several years extremely; and long had to be at rest. He thus patiently passed away from care, leaving seven sons and one daughter, with the mother to mourn.

DONNELLY.—At Doaktown, Feb. 16, James Donnelly, aged 79. He arose and kindled the morning fire as usual. Then went upstairs, spoke to his wife—threw up his hands and died. "There is but a step between me and death." A large family mourns a kind father.

TURNER.—On Wednesday, Jan. 27th, our beloved Brother and Deacon of the first Harvey church, Captain J. B. Turner, was called home after a short illness in his 60th year. Our brother was baptized some

years ago by Bro. Baker. During his life-time he was one of the most energetic workers in the church, his walk was close with God. He will be greatly missed not only as a deacon but as a upright citizen. He leaves a sorrowing wife and three children.

SPETHERLAND.—At Blissfield, Feb. 18, '04, Mrs. Walter Spetherland, aged 24 years. After a sudden illness she passed away beyond pain and sufferings, with a radiant bright and clear to the last. She desired to rest on the merits of a loving Saviour. She regretted that she lived many years without knowing his infinite love. It was the first break in the family of Deacon Cornelius Weaver. Parents, two sisters and one brother, with her husband, all mourned without hope as they have good reason to believe she is with Jesus.

REES.—At Mount St. Joseph's Academy, Tykon, Wash. of diptheria, Marguerite M., aged 12 years eldest daughter of C. D. Rees of Spokane, Wash., formerly of N. B., and grand daughter of the late Rev. P. O. Rees. The news came as a great shock to her father and aunt with whom she had been living since the death of her mother. The little girl had left home a few days before we did and they had received no word of her kisses. I at first was not without hope as they have good reason to believe she is with Jesus.

CLAYTON.—Died at Neshawk Village Feb. 12th, Sister Lizzie Clayton, aged 20 years, after an illness of about 4 weeks. It was the writer's privilege on the 6th Sept. to administer to the sister the ordinance of baptism and welcome her into the fellowship of the Neshawk church and since that time she has been a faithful member. During her sickness she looked with her friends about their souls, bade her loved ones good by and died rejoicing. A large congregation gathered at the church on Sunday the 14th to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased. The sermon was preached by the Pastor C. W. Sablos, from the text Rev. 14:13.

HETHERINGTON.—At his home, Johnston, Q. Co., on 23rd inst., after a long suffering, Richard Hetherington, in his 72nd year. Besides his wife, there remain three or there, two sisters, and a large circle of friends. Deceased professed religion many years ago and united with the First Johnston church. A few years since he resided at Salmon Creek, Chipman, where he was widely known. Of late his home has been at the Washademook not far from his native place. Since last March he has been confined to his home, and at times his sufferings have been very great, but he bore all with Christian resignation, patiently awaiting the end. May the Lord comfort the mourners.

SALBY.—Dea. Charles Salby of Salt-springs departed this life on the 10th of January, aged 42 years. He was converted when quite young, and was baptized by Rev. O. N. Keith in his 16th year. He was one of the charter members of the Salt-springs Baptist church, and subsequently a clerk of the church a deacon, and was a living illustration of the injunction, "Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." He leaves in sorrow, but not without hope, a wife and five children, five brothers and three sisters with a large circle of friends, and other relatives. His funeral services were conducted by Pastor S. S. Erb. A large gathering of people on the occasion showed the esteem in which our brother was held. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." The Lord bless the widow and fatherless.

MCCLELAN.—Miss Annie McClelan of Riverside, Alb. Co., sister of the late Thomas McClelan, fell peacefully asleep in Jesus after a few days illness, on the 27th of Feb. in the 88th year of her age. She was a devoted, kind-hearted, Christian lady. She leaves behind her three sons and one daughter, besides other relatives. May divine consolation be shared by all the sorrowing.

MUNICE.—On the evening of Feb. 15th, Lulu Frey, only and beloved daughter of Bartlett and Mrs. Munice passed away to the reward of the blessed in the sixteenth year of her age from her parents' home in Carleton. Lulu was a girl of singular retiring disposition and greatly beloved by all. Her sickness has extended over a year or two, but so persistent and quiet had been her battle with disease that it was a great surprise when she suddenly fell before its power. May sustaining grace be afforded the parents and brothers in their bereavement.

ROOP.—At Springfield, Feb. 26, after four days of great suffering, Lydia, beloved wife of Deacon Chas. Roop, aged 62. Deceased was a woman of many excellent qualities of mind and heart, a devoted wife, a loving an elsh mother. While the claims of her home made large demands upon her time and strength the sick and the needy strongly appealed to her Christian sympathies and were not forgotten. Her friends all had pleasure to display a kindly hospitality in her home and there the servants of Christ were made especially welcome. From that home our sister will be sorely missed. She had walked beside her worthy husband, a true helpmeet, forty and two years. The funeral service was largely attended the pastor improving the occasion from Acts 9 and 36. This woman was full of good works and aims deeds which she did. The sense of loss to our church by the passing away of so worthy a member is very great, but is made tolerable by the assurance that for the departed death is gain.

KEIRSTEAD.—At his home in Collins Feb. 19th, 1904, Deac. W. William Keirstead, brother of Rev. E. K. Keirstead of precious memory and father of the late S. W. Keirstead passed into his rest after a long life of nearly 95 years. In October, 1831, Mr. Keirstead married Elizabeth Ganong. Last Oct. the couple celebrated the seventy second anniversary of their marriage.