# From the Churches.

WEYMOUTH.—On Sunday last eight persons united with the Weymouth church, all by baptism. H. GRIPPIN.

FIRST CHURCH, HALIFAX .- The pastor, Rev. A. C. Chute, baptized three young ladies on Sunday evening, May 16th.

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NEW TUSKET.—Special meetings closed at Weymouth May 8th. On same date Bro. J. A. Marple came to assist in the work at New Tusket. The blessing of God has been with us from the first. Bro. Marple is a zealous worker. Three persons united with the church by baptism yesterday.

H. GIPFIN.

FIRST HILLSBORO', N. B .- Baptized last Sunday, May 16th, two young ladies, Miss Nina R. McLatchy and Miss Ethel E. Nina R. McLatchy and Miss letter and Steeves, in the presence of a large congregation. Our church work is encouraging. We hope soon to report the baptism of others who are bearing testimony for the Master in our meetings, but not fully decided to follow Christ in His appointed ways.

W. CAMP.

LUNENBURG, N. S .- Yesterday, May 16th, at the invitation of Pastor Archibald, who was unable to meet his own appointments, I visited this church and baptized two very promising candidates, Bro. S. Herman and Sister Lalia Burgoyne. After the service at the water side we repaired to the church, where I preached, gave the hand of fellowship to the candidates and dispensed the communion. I greatly enjoyed my visit to this historic town, but regret to find the pastor suffering again with "the ills that flesh is heir to." At Bridgewater our work is progressing. We had baptism on the 4th April, and have a number more received and awaiting the ordinance.

A. H. C. MORSE. at the invitation of Pastor Archibald, who

Dundas, P. E. I.—Having decided to take this summer for rest before resuming my studies in the fall, it was my painful duty to bid farewell to the kind friends on this field last Sabbath, May 9th, after one year's very pleasant service amongst them. We are not able to report any large additions to our numbers, and yet, looking tions to our numbers, and yet, looking back over the year, we feel that steady progress has been made. Our congregations have been well sustained and we have felt a deepening of interest on all parts of the field. Several have been received by letter and experience to the Dundas section, the field. Several have been received by letter and experience to the Dundas section, and a church, consisting of twenty-five members, has been organized at St. Peter's Bay. We have also been enabled to raise qu'te a respectable sum for denominational objects. At the close of our service at Dundas on Sunday evening a very affectionate address was presented to the pastor by the church, B. V. P. U. and Sabbath school, expressing their appreciation of his services during the year, and wishing him success in his life's work. 1-shall long remember the kindness and help I have received from these dear people and my prayer is that the blessing of the Lord may ever rest upon them. They have, I believe, secured the services of Rev. A. C. Shaw of Newton Centre, for the summer vacation, and then it is their desire to engage a man to settle on the field. This is a worthy field, and I trust the right man may be found to carry on the work after Bro. Shaw leaves them in the fall.

N. A. Whitman, Lic. Waterville, N. S., May 15.

ELGIN, N. B.—The annual roll-call of

ELGIN, N. B .- The annual roll-call of the first Elgin Baptist church was held yesterday in the meeting house at Elgin corner. Three meetings, besides the regu-lar S. S. service, were held during the day,

lar S. S. service, were held during the day, and were occasions of deep interest to all present. The attendance was very large, embracing representatives from all sections of the country round about, and interesting letters were read from many absent members, who were unable to be present. The collections throughout the day amounting to upwards of thirty-four dollars, are to be devoted, one half to paying the debt on the seminary at St. Martins, the balance to be divided equally between home and foreign missions. Special interest was given to the exercises of the day on account of its being the last day of our pastor's service with this church, which is now without a pastor, and is anxiously awaiting an application from some one willing and able to take up this important work. Our retiring pastor, Rev. H. H. Saunders, carries with him the highest esteem of all members of this church and congregation. At the close of the evening service an address was presented to Mr. Saunders, in which there was expressed deep regret at the severance

of the relations which had so happil's united pastor and people, and the warmes appreciation of his work as a Christian minister, whose words had been thessed to the conversion of many as a faithful pastor, as a man of blameless character and a citizen interested in the temperance cause and and lithat pertained to the good of the community. The address also expressed affectionate regard and appreciation of Mrs. Saunders, with the prayer for the continued happiness and usefulness of both. To this address an appropriate and feeling reply was made. Other expressions of kindly feeling towards Mr. Saunders and his estimable wife will be made before their departure for their new field, which will take place on Wednesday, 19th inst. On behalf of church.

May 17.

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### Acadia Anniversaries, 1897. Order of Exercises

Sabbath, May 30, 11 a. m., Baccalaureate ermon by Rev. W. B. Hinson, of Moncton. 7 p. m., address in College Hall before the Acadia Y. M. C. A.; by Rev. W. B. Hinson.

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Monday, May 31, 2.30 p. m., business
meeting of the Alumnae of Acadia seminary. 4 p. m., concert by the Seminary
Glee Club. 7.30 p. m., public address before the Senate of the University, by Hon. W. Longley, attorney general of Nova Scotia. 7.30 p. m., reunion of the Alumnae of the Seminary in Alumnæ Hall.

Tuesday, June 1, 9.30 a. m., meeting of the senate. 10 a. m., field sports of Acadia Athletic Club. 2.30 p. m., graduating exercises of Horton Collegiate Academy, 4.30 p. m., inspection of work in Manual Training School. 7.45 p. m., graduating exercises of Acadia Seminary.

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Wednesday, June 2, 9 a. m., business meeting of the Alumni of the University. 10.45 a. m., graduating exercises of the University. 3 p. m., adjourned meeting of the Alumni. 3-5 p. m., exhibition of art work in the Seminary studio. 3-5 p. m., reception by the principal and teachers of the Seminary. 7.45 p. m., conversazione under the direction of the executive of the Alumni of the University.

### \* \* \* \* Ordination.

In answer to a call from the church in Suifu, China, a council, consisting of members of the churches in Zachow, Kiating and Suifu, met Feb. 24th, 1897 to consider the advisability of setting apart brethren R. Wellwood, W. F. Beaman (a native of New Brunswick ) for the gospel ministry The council organized by electing Rev. W. M. Upcraft, chairman and Rev. C. A. Salquist, secretary.

After the crganization of the council the brethren were called upon to give an account of their conversion, call to the ministry and views of Christian doctrine and church practice. This they did to the satisfaction of all and it was unanimously decided to proceed to ordination.

Shortly after the following programm was carried out: Sermon, Rev. F. J. Bradshaw; ordination prayer, Rev. W. M. Upcraft; hand of fellowship, Rev. C. H. Finch, M. D.; charge to the candidates, Rev. C. A. Salquist. In closing, the bene diction was pronounced in English by Rev. W. F. Beamen, and in China by Rev. R. Wellwood. C. A. SALQUIST.

Secretary.

### \* \* \* \* Ordination Exercises

At the call of the Sackville and Midgic Baptist churches council met at Baptist meeting house Middle Sackville, May 19th, 2.30 p. m., to consider the advisability of setting apart to the work of the gospel

ministry J. G. A. Belyea.

Deacon James Doyle of Moncton chosen moderator; H. G. Estabrook, Petitcodiac,

The following delegates were present:— Rev. D. A. Steele, Rev. J. H. McDonald, and Rev. J. S. Miner of Amherst; Deacons Isaac Anderson and J. M. Hicks of Midgic;

C. E. Knapp, Deacon Palmer, Dorchester; Deacon James Doyle and A. E. Wall, Moncton; H. G. Estabrook, Petitcodiac Pastor Vincent, deacons I. C. Harper and Willard Thomson, Sackville

Members of Baptist churches were in-ited to seats in the council.

Pastor Vincent gave a satisfactory report to the council respecting the support of Mr. Belyea.

Mr. Belyea then gave a clear statem of his Christian experience and call to the ministry, also his views of Christian doc-trines and church government after which it was very heartily resolved to proceed with the ordination exercises.

In the evening the following service was carried out :- Reading of scripture, Acts 20, H. G. Estabrook; Prayer and sermon Dr. Steele; Ordination Prayer and laying on of hands, Rey. J. H. McDonald; charge to the candidate, Rev. J. L. Miner; charge to the church, C. E. Knapp, Esq.; Hand of fellow-ship, Rev. W. C. Vincent; benediction, Rev. J. G. A. Belyea.

H. G. ESTABROOK, Clerk. \* \* \*

# Dedication of the New House of Worship at West Dalhousie.

The beautiful day enabled hundreds to be present at the dedicatory services at West Dalhousie on Sunday last, who other-

wise could not have enjoyed the privilege.

Long before the 'time of opening the house was filled, and by the time appointed to begin the services there was not even standing room, so that many were obliged to remain outside. At 3 o'clock Rev. M. Young commenced the service by announcing an appropriate hymn, and after reading of the scriptures and prayer by Evangelist Dimock, Rev. A. Cohoon, Sec.-Treas. of the Home Mission Board, was introduced to preach the dedicatory sermon. He took for his text I Cor. 3:9, "Ye are God's building," his subject being "The Church, God's Building," The rev gentleman preached an excellent and appropriate sermon, and one enjoyed by all, elaborating the following points: 1st, Jesus Christ as the corner-stone of the building; 2nd, the building composed of prepared material; 3rd, the building built after a plan prepared by God. Regeneration and loyalty to Christ was stongly emphasized by the preacher. After the sermon the dedicatory prayer was offered by Pastor Young as he stood surrounded the church,

In the evening a congregation almost In the evening a congregation almost a large as in the afternoon gathered in and around the church to enjoy the evangelistis service conducted by Mr. Dimock, who spoke forcibly and effectively from the words "Sir, we would see Jesus." Pastor White, of Annapolis, assisted in the service. In the after meeting many took part, and a most helpful service and day was brought to a close about 0.20 o'clock.

part, and a most helpful service and day was brought to a close about 9.30 o'clock. The little house of worship is very neat and affective, and reflects much credit upon all concerned. Curry Bros. & Bent were the builders.

A collection was taken in the afternoon for the building fund amounting to about \$60.00, and one in the evening for Home Missions amounting to about \$6.00.

### \* \* \* \* Personal.

Rev. Arthur C. Kempton, son of the late Rev. Joseph F. Kempton, well known in these provinces, is, with a party of American friends, making a tour of Palestine and other parts of the East. He has contributed several letters to the Baptist Union, describing in a pleasing and instructive manner the things of interest which he has met with in his travels. Mr. Kempton, who is the highly esteemed pastor of a church in Eau Claire, is a young man of fine ability and promise.

Rev. H. H. Saunders, who for the past

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Rev. H. H. Saunders, who for the past four years has ministered very acceptably and successfully to the church in Elgin, Albert Co., N. B., is about taking up work with the Upper Wilmot church, N. S. «a call to the pastorate of which he has accepted. There is every reason to believe that he will be happy and successful in his new field of labor.

Rev. Alexander McArthur, who was

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Halifax, has recently come to St. John to reside. We regret to say that his health is very much impaired, but his physicians encourage him to hope for improvement, and we trust the hope may be fully realized.

A royal, special train, conveying Prince and Princess Ferdinand of Bulgaria to attend the funerals of the Duchesse D'Alencon and the Duc D'Aumale, collided on Wednesday afternoon with a Servian mail train at the station of Jagodina, a town of Servia, near the Morava river, and sixty-three miles southeast of Somondria. The crews of the two trains applied the brakes and thus lessened the force of the concussion, with the result that the Prince and Princess of Bulgaria and the members of their suites escaped without injury. All the crockery in the dining room car was shattered and the engine of the mail train was damaged.

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In the Toront March 6, Mr. Erne in a paper on the made some strikin higher education a he said is only to t complaint in one

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