

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.

WEST JEDDORE.—I baptized three persons into the fellowship of the above named church, on Sabbath, July 29th, July 30. ALLAN SPIDELL.

IMMANUEL CHURCH.—Mr. and Mrs. Rogers of the East Onslow church were received by letter into our membership on Sabbath, 22nd. M. A. MACLEAN. Truro, N. S., July 20.

DORCHESTER.—The Rev. C. C. Burgess last evening tendered his resignation of the pastorate of the Dorchester church to take effect the first of November. Bro. Burgess has been pastor of the church for nearly four years and has done much good work in all the sections of the church. He and his wife and daughter will leave many friends in the community. Bro. Burgess will leave an hiatus which it is to be hoped will be speedily filled by an equally deserving minister. C. E. K. August 4th.

2ND HILLSBORO.—As it is some time since any report has been sent from this and the other churches composing the field I will send a few lines. Since my health failed but little pastoral work has been done, and the result is the churches became somewhat scattered. Bro. A. Berry, however, ministered to the Baltimore and Caledonia churches for a time with much acceptance. About the middle of June Bro. Wylie H. Smith took charge of the field and is now laboring with us. We are hoping and praying for good results from our brother's labors. His sermons are appreciated by the people here. Pray for these churches that we may be quickened into more spiritual life. S. W. KIRSTEAD.

LOWER STEWACKE AND MUSQUODOBOIT FIELD.—The Lord's work here is moving hopefully and therefore encouragingly. The writer came to this field in April last "determined to know nothing among men—whether in the church or out of it—but Jesus Christ and him crucified." The congregations at first were quite small but there has been a great improvement in this and other directions. The first quarter's salary was promptly paid and the friends of all denominations all over the field have been and are very kind to me and my family. The young people attend our services in goodly numbers and I am most cordially welcomed to the homes of the people irrespective of church affiliations. Have now six preaching stations, and am invited to take up others. The people all over the field are greatly interested in our singing the gospel of Jesus Christ, publicly and from house to house. My one great need is a telescope organ that the pastor could carry with him in his carriage to many places where there are none in either churches or private houses. An excellent article of the kind can be obtained for \$30, and the duty and freight would add about \$12.50 to the cost. Some friends have already contributed towards it, and \$9 is already in sight for this purpose. If, Mr. Editor, any of your readers will aid in this matter, I shall be glad if you will take charge of the contributions and forward to me when the amount needed is subscribed. We have much to be thankful to our heavenly Father, for not the least is the pleasing fact that Mrs. Ingram's health is being restored. We are looking forward prayerfully and hopefully to the autumn's work on this interesting field. A. E. INGRAM.

WITTENBERG, Colchester Co., August 1st. BUCTOUCHE, N. B.—We are able to report blessing from this field, which of course makes us glad. The Protestant population in this part of Kent County is very small and the Baptists are few and far between. It has been my privilege to spend part of the time for about two months at this place, and have found a loving and faithful people striving under many disadvantages to serve their Master. An effort was put forth by prayer and special meetings which resulted in some confessing the Saviour for the first time, some asking an interest in the prayers of God's people and others thinking more seriously about the things of God, also some who had wandered away and become careless, returned and are now praising and serving God again. Last Sunday was a grand day with us, as the Kent County Sunday School Convention, which was so

pleasant and inspiring and largely attended was held in this place. In the afternoon three were baptized by Rev. R. M. Bynon. The beautiful scene was witnessed by a number of people of different beliefs. Others are expected to follow in the near future. Pray for us that God may revive his cause in this place. We have a good Sunday School. Although one of our faithful workers was taken to her reward last spring and another is away for the summer, the work is being faithfully and successfully carried on. GRO. H. BEAMAN.

BOYLSTON.—I, as well as other pastors, am in receipt of stamped cards from the office of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR. It would be a serious breach of etiquette to ignore these cards, or to neglect them too long while waiting for news of general interest to report. One has been added to our membership since Deacon Morrow's report to your news column. Financially we think we are doing well. The church has again fully raised the amount asked from them for denominational objects. In addition to \$26 35 realized through a concert for "Famine Fund," two substantial payments have been made on the church debt during the convention year. The W. Aid and Mite Society has held its meetings regularly and done good work. On the 18th inst., a very successful Tea Meeting and Fancy Sale was held by the ladies, from which was realized more than \$90 above expenses, for the church debt and other interests. We are glad to be able to report good congregations, and almost perfect order and attention. Our little prayer meetings are generally characterized by a truly devotional spirit. Harmony prevails among us and we toil on together in the assurance that labor in the Lord cannot be in vain. Our people have been much enjoying, for weeks past, the visits of friends from the United States, especially that of Mrs. James Pyle of New York, whose interest in the "Home Church" continues unabated. Her quarterly and generous bank cheques, never-failing for many years past, have placed the church under deep obligation; while her kindly deeds and words among us recently will not soon be forgotten. We shall much miss her and others now about to leave us, from the prayer meetings, the congregations and our homes. R. H. BISHOP. July 31st.

GOSHEN — COUNTRY HARBOR. — The writer was privileged to spend the last Sunday in July with the churches in Goshen and Country Harbor, he having exchanged pulpits with Pastor Simpson. Lic. At Goshen baptism was administered to two happy candidates, one of whom had driven thirty-five miles to receive the ordinance. The Word was preached to an intelligent and reverent congregation, and the Lord's Supper was dispensed to the little church. The membership of this church is not large, but for devotion to Christ loyalty to Baptist principles and unity in purpose and endeavor it would be difficult to find its superior. At Country Harbor Cross Roads, a good congregation representing all the local shades of religious faith greeted the preacher in the attractive hall used by the church. This hall is owned by our most obliging brother, Saunders Sweet, and to all practical purposes is the Baptist church. In this community too, there is a band of staunch, tenacious Baptists with a field of opportunity for promising effort. Seven miles down the harbor we had a service in the evening to which about fifty people came. This is an out-station of the Country Harbor church centralized at Cross Roads. These three sections constitute one half of the number composing the Goshen, Country Harbor group. The other communities are Aspen, Sherbrooke and Golden-ville. In Aspen a new commodious house of worship is nearing completion, thanks to the tact and zeal of Pastor Simpson. In the other two villages comfortable halls have been used, in which Bro. Simpson has preached to inspiring congregations. There is no Baptist organization in either of the two last named places, but there are in each of them a few intelligent and worthy members of churches elsewhere, nor are they afraid to fly their colors, to attend on Baptist preaching or to support the preacher. The encouraging aspect given to the work in these places is attributable largely to the good sense and wise methods of Bro. Simpson who instituted regular Baptist services in them. Attention is thus called to these particulars of this field because, by the immediate departure of Bro. Simpson to study Theology the field is pastorless, and some man may be pleased to get even such a meagre amount of information concerning it. As may be inferred from the hints given, the field is an extensive one necessitating

much driving. But a man of robust constitution will not begrudge the effort required to get from place to place as he observes the appreciation and the kindnesses which will be bestowed upon him in every community. Bro. Edwin Simpson who now leaves the field, came to it on his graduation from Acadia a year ago. It was here he did his first work in the ministry of the gospel, and that work has had the approval of Heaven and of the churches whom he served. His service was of great helpfulness to those under his care, stimulating to noble ambitions, elevated thought and worthy living. In every part of the field in which he labored may be discovered evidences of his strong, intelligent leadership—here a new church, there a circulating library, yonder a wide door for Baptist endeavor, and everywhere more respect for Baptist preaching and preachers. His fellow pastors also esteemed him highly. By his manly character, his keen intellectuality, his genial disposition and his readiness to co-operate in every bit of district work, he endeared himself to us all. We will miss him much at our district gatherings where he served us as Secretary during his stay among us. Our prayers go with him, and our hope is that in due time he will return to us in these provinces to resume the work in which he has made such a promising beginning. In closing let me ask, who will come to the field thus vacated? May the Spirit of the Master soon impel the right man hitherward. W. J. RUTLEDGE. Goldboro, Aug. 3rd.

3RD YARMOUTH CHURCH.—We entered upon this our new field of labor, 3rd Yarmouth, Carlton and Forest Glen churches, the 1st of July. We are now getting fairly well settled and ready for work. The people on the Tusket and Argyle field were very kind and appreciative. The various social and religious gatherings held at parting assured us that the most cordial feeling and good fellowship existed between pastor and people. The Sabbath school at Tusket presented Mrs. Brown with a beautiful mantle clock. A purse of money of no mean size was presented us from Tusket and also from the Canaan section of the church. I just take this opportunity to thank the friends from Canaan for the purse presented us last April, also the other presents. Our pastorate of three and a half years was pleasant and we trust faithful. May the

Lord bless the Tusket and Argyle churches and send two good men to carry on His work there. The coming to this field was made very pleasant by the people. We cannot help but feel at home among them they are so kind. Carlton church gave us a magnificent reception. On Monday evening, July 9th, a large gathering of all denominations met in the church which was very tastefully decorated with bunting, plants and flowers, to receive us. Dea. Thomas Whlman occupied the chair and gave an address of welcome. The pastor replied, after which a programme of music and recitations was rendered. Mr. Fred Ryerson presided at the organ and gave us, as he always does, excellent music. Kindly addresses were made by Bro. Samuel Richardson, (Presbyterian,) and James Durkee, (Free Baptist.) Ice cream and social intercourse was then the order of the evening, after which the meeting closed with prayer by the pastor, all feeling that a good time had been theirs. On the evening of July 14th, a similar gathering was held by the 3rd Yarmouth church in the Temperance hall at Pleasant Valley, which a committee of young ladies had beautifully decorated for the occasion. An address of welcome was made by Dea. Edwin Crosby, replied to by pastor and wife. This was followed by music and addresses by Dea. Thomas Whlman of Carlton, and Dea. N. P. Crosby, after which strawberries and cream were generously served and heartily enjoyed. Closed with prayer by pastor. May the Lord bless us as we enter upon this our new field of labor, and crown our labor with great success in winning souls and edifying the churches. M. W. BROWN.

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J. M. Glennie, \$5; Simon DeLong, \$1; Miss Ida E. Lock, \$25; Wm Phalen, \$1; H. A. Cook, \$1; W. H. Cunningham, \$5; Geo. W. Eaton, \$5; Rev. E. C. Baker, \$5. This list is smaller than our hopes. Will others kindly aid this good work.

WM. E. HALL.
93 North St., Halifax, August 1st.

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MCALONEY.—N. S., July 18, Chas. D. McAl both of Parrab.

ANTHONY.—W. of the bride's 24th, by Rev. E. Anthony to Milton.

SANFORD.—V. church, Black July 29th, W. Sanford daughter of the Esq., of Harbo.

LAWSON.—Mr. Peters La D. Wetmore, Brighton, Car Jones of Kara.

STEVES.—St. bert county, N. D. Davidson, and Lucy E. S. Albert county.

SANGSTER.—the bride's par J. Rutledge, Martha Gillie, borough county.

CAMERON.—F. inst., at White by Rev. I. W. on of Goshen White Head county, N. S.

PUBLICCOVER.—S., May 30th, man Publicover Bertha Pearl of

HARROUN.—G. 30th, by Rev. J. roun and Minni

RECTOR.—SPE. W. Bancroft, Ellen Spence.

BOSS.—BROWN. Bancroft, Azel Brown, both of

BISHOP.—DYKE. B., on 30th inst. Amos Bishop of man of North

JOHNSON.—A. Sunday, July 29 peacefully away was in Christ.

BARTON.—At on 28th inst., of Barton, aged 23, trusting to the fi

McLAUGHLIN. I., July 22, Don years. Leaving daughters and children.

HOPKINS.—A. drowned in Jedd with other child and Mrs. Samue

MACLEAN.—A. N. B., on July 2 of Alexander M. lingering illness

RUSHTON.—M. at the home of Frederick H. Ru his age. During was an active telligent interest nomination. In to walk four mill ings and was fr Eastern, N. S., tended for the l

CLARKE.—At 10th, Manetta. Charles B. Clar county, N. S., a member of the the Paradise as was a very consi a deep interest

