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SOME THINGS ABOUT OURSELVES.

The Kentville Bulldozer's man Friday seems to be gifted with second or third sight. For some time he has been going the rounds telling people all about our business, how much circulation we have, the quality of our job work, the amount of brains possessed by our editor, and so on. With his usual tact and ability he has overdrawn his statements so that, instead of helping himself he is steadily driving business into our office in spite of his extra inducements. The amount of our circulation we are always ready to prove to any one who has a right to know and all his lying will not detract from it a single name; and we can assure all our patrons that they will get more value for their money by fifty per cent. than they can get from the Bulldozer. In our job department it is not necessary for us to say anything. Our work, placed alongside theirs will speak for itself. Any professional printer would be ashamed to turn out, with half the plant, the class of work they do, and people who know nothing of the business are saying so every day. Our editor don't pretend to have any more brains than the ordinary run of mortals but he does not have to stoop and use outside people and personal slurs to back him up in a newspaper argument. In fact there is ample room for criticism in every copy of the Bulldozer, were he disposed to make use of it, without any outside tools. The days when people could be scared or bulldozed into patronage are passed and Baron Munchausen is not now relied on as of old. When the Bulldozer drops these tactics and gets an honest man to do it's writing and canvassing, and drops into fair competition it may hope to be of some use to itself and the country, but not till then.

ORDINATION SERVICE.

Mr. Walter Barss pastor elect of the Calvary Baptist Church of Victoria, British Columbia, was ordained at the Wolfville Baptist Church on Wednesday evening. The services passed very nicely. The following is the programme of the service:—

- 1.—Anthem,....."The Lord is King."
- 2.—Reading of Scripture,.....by Rev. J. F. Kempton.
- 3.—Prayer of Invocation,.....by Rev. Alex. MacArthur.
- 4.—Hymn,....."Go preach my Gospel saith the Lord."
- 5.—Ordination Sermon,.....by Rev. S. B. Kempton.
- 6.—Ordaining Prayer,.....by Rev. Dr. Welton.
- 7.—Original Hymn.
- 8.—Presentation of the hand of fellowship,.....by Rev. H. Foshay.
- 9.—Charge to the Candidate,.....by Rev. Dr. Sawyer.
- 10.—Anthem,....."How beautiful upon the mountains."
- 11.—Doxology.....by Rev. Walter Barss.

The Council met in the afternoon.

We congratulate the Reverend gentleman upon his advancement, and wish him a successful and prosperous career in the work of the Master.

W. M. A. S.

The Women's Mission Aid Society held a very interesting meeting in the afternoon for the purpose of meeting Mrs. Curry and Mrs. Churchill, the Baptist lady missionaries to Telegu. Miss Cramp read a very cordial address of welcome to these ladies, which was responded to first, by Mrs. Churchill, then by Mrs. Curry, and last, by Miss Wright. Some nice music was furnished by a female choir, no gentlemen being allowed in at all.

After the speeches were concluded Mrs. Churchill dressed three young ladies in the native Telegu costume, and her little daughter sang some Telegu songs. Altogether the meeting was a success and highly satisfactory to the ladies.

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CAMP-MEETING TIME.

July is the joy-month in the Methodist calendar. It is the blossom-time of the Methodist year. During all the months that precede it the germs of its success are ripening; and all the months that follow reap harvest of it. In all other months is anxious care lest the planting of Paul wither, and the watering of Apollon fail. In it is only the rejoicing of the people, that it is God that giveth the increase. At all other times narrow walls and bleak conventicles may serve the worshippers. But once a year all houses made with hands grow too mean for these believers. At best, the woods, the mountains, the sea with their consecrated majesty and beauty, are less glorious than the unimaginable state of Him whose presence they invite. So once a year, scores of devout and tender spirits, rich and poor, high and low, wise and simple, pitch

their tents together under the equal sky, and there abide for days, to ask and to tell of the manifold mercies of God.

To us of other denominations there should be something quaint and touching about such an annual jubilee as this. Our raptures and despairs maintain a well bred silence. Shoutings, groans, deep "glorys" and "amens," we avoid as useless, if not profane, babblings. Yet most of us are given to proselyting, and think we serve God when we enlarge our special sect.

The Baptists believe their Church to have endured from apostolic days. Bitter persecutions have scourged it. Its martyrs have been many and glorious. With the arrival of religious liberty it towered gigantic almost in a moment. Its clergy have been men of great gift and scholarship. Its laity represents wealth, eminence and generosity. Yet the Methodist membership outnumbered it and gains upon it. The Presbyterians have held the field for centuries. Their history is a record of faith, works, and great learning and talents consecrated to God. Comparatively they creep where the Methodists run. Other sects have a shining line of saints and martyrs. They have zealously preached Christ and him crucified; and yet they are but feeble folk beside the strong limbed Methodists.

But Methodism is the youngest of the sects. It has been but a few years it seems, since it held its first Centenary. No newness of doctrine awed and compelled belief. For Wesley declared himself, living and dying, a loyal member of the Church of England. No Splendour of service attracted them at its foundation, for all costly robes, hired music, ornaments and delicate living were held to be sinful. But from the beginning the Methodists showed that wisdom, which only the Romish Church besides ever possessed. They made use of every hindrance to serve them. It was because Whitfield was shut out of the pulpit, that he sped to the hills, and declared the Gospel to two hundred drunken, astonished colliers. But to the next meeting there came two thousand, and soon ten thousand awaited him. Wesley was shocked at this violation of church propriety. But he saw the enormous power of good which lay in these field preachings, and consecrated it, and behold, the Camp-meeting already existed. Again, the preachers were few, the territory enormous, a large assistance become necessary. It was so organized that it grew into a vast social influence, binding the converts together in a hearty personal alliance.

During the last few years, affairs have been carried on, in the Berwick camp-meeting, as to merit considerable doubt as to whether they were of any benefit. Many advocated that the evil counterbalanced the good. But this year improvements have been made, and we hope all doubt shall be thrown aside, and that the Methodists this year may reap the benefits of a rich and bountiful harvest. CANARD.

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