

mentioned; Mrs. Frank Richardson told of Africa and its large area yet untrod by Christian feet. M. B. Ryan gave some startling facts and figures, showing the magnitude of the work before us; Mrs. Morrison spoke about India, her vast population and great needs; D. A. Morrison told of one of our own people who had gone from Nova Scotia and had died on the field, and of the impression his life and death had made; Mrs. J. S. Flaglor gave an extract, showing the infanticide and terrible cruelty to children practised in some heathen lands, asking that more be done to save these parents and children; E. C. Ford spoke of his deep interest in this foreign missionary work; Miss Lylie Hoyt told of the work in Japan, of the great need of more laborers. James A. Lord then made an appeal for funds to carry on this work, and a collection amounting to thirty dollars was taken.

HOME MISSIONARY RALLY.

Monday 7 p. m. This the last meeting of the Annual was in some respects the best. The church was crowded to the doors with a deeply interested congregation.

"Main St., St. John, as a Mission Field" was the subject of Bro. Appel. He touched on the many reasons for encouragement and thought that if the tent and the evangelist could be sent to the assistance of this point, there would be a great ingathering of souls. The church building will be erected but the question arises how many of our churches and members will have some part in its erection.

"Pictou, as a Mission Field" was the subject that brought earnest words from Bro. Stevens. The field is somewhat difficult on account of the strong conservative feeling prevalent, but there are signs of encouragement.

"Halifax, as a Mission Field" brought Bro. Blenus forward. While there might not be much in the way of additions yet the work was in a much stronger condition than last year, and the people were learning the blessedness of helping others. Contributions had been sent to the Home Board, the A. C. M. S., the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, Armenian Relief Fund and the Building Fund of Main St. Church, St. John. The debt on the church has also been reduced by more than \$100.

Bro. Flaglor gave some very interesting facts with reference to the past seven years' work of the Home Mission Board. 56 places have been helped, 46 preachers employed for a total of 3505 days, 1744 sermons, 377 additions, cost \$5,315.00. Total expenses \$44.32 or $\frac{1}{4}$ of one per cent! 99 $\frac{1}{2}$ of every dollar contributed went directly into the field. Four new churches and one hall have been opened for worship; 5 churches and 4 Sunday-schools organized; 4 churches and 2 Sunday-schools re-organized.

Bro. Lord gave one of his ringing addresses calling for enlarged interest in the needs of world-wide missions.

Bro. Stevenson made a short speech, but he will live long in the memory of those who were present by his successful plea for funds for the work. In response to his bright, winning appeals more than \$300 was received in cash and pledges. Another two or three such efforts and he will be looked upon as the F. M. Rains of the Maritime Provinces.

After a few parting words from some of the delegates and the reply of Bro. Ryan on behalf of the home churches, the Annual Meeting of '97 came to a close.

Here and There at the Annual Meeting.

J. Barry Allan sang solos at several meetings.

Towards the close of the convention quite a large number of lilies were seen in the hands of certain delegates.

The S. S. Cumberland was the scene of an animated discussion on the return trip—Christian preachers versus an Adventist minister.

Some of the delegates reached the conclusion that rowing boats are not the best places for practical jokes—and the cold sea water helped to impress the fact.

The "sardine" fishing was a sight not to be forgotten. A few of the early arrivals witnessed the wonderful hauls. Ask Barry Allan about the "scales!"

Two cottage prayer meetings were held by the Endeavorers, Sunday night after the services of the day. Would it not be a good thing to have an Endeavor session at next Annual Meeting?

The moonlight sails to Richardsonville were very enjoyable. The delegates who boarded there and at Lord's Cove had much to say about the pleasure lost by the Leonardville "boarders."

The Misses Snyder of Worcester, Mass., added much to the interest of some of the meetings by their singing. Mrs. Snyder also showed her willingness to assist the work by responding to Bro. Stevenson's appeals.

There is no need to absent oneself from the meetings in order "to see the sights." At least that was the opinion of some young lady delegates—they wished to see more of Deer Island and went before breakfast.

A large party of delegates visited Lubec while waiting for the S. S. Cumberland. The Christian Church has a pretty and very convenient building. It is to be hoped that the Macedonia cry from Eastport will soon reach these disciples and bring a Paul or a Timothy with the primitive gospel to the "port."

The College of the Bible, Kentucky University, was represented at the Annual by eight of her alumni and undergraduates. Among the preachers were J. A. Lord, H. Minnick, H. W. Stewart, R. E. Stevens, J. Chas. B. Appel, and Frank Ford. The undergraduates were represented by W. H. Allen and J. W. Gates. An announcement was made of a K. U. Rally and it brought many pleasant remembrances. Plans for some very definite work were talked over.

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HUNTER AND CROSSLEY'S WORK AT MILTON, N. S.

The work done by Hunter and Crossley at Milton can never be estimated. The work was of that character which cannot be reached by the pastor of a church. Revival seasons have visited Milton but they have always confessedly fallen short of the completion of work desired by all. At their close there have always been those left out on the wrong side for whom every effort seemed to be made in order that they might be induced to take their proper place in the Christian ranks. Now this has been reversed and the latter class referred to have become Christians to the joy and rejoicing of Milton. Eighteen heads of families have stepped over the line into the Kingdom. Will some one accurately estimate what that means? While these eighteen were not for they were against. These men were all good citizens, but this fact only made their indecision in the matters of Christianity a stronger opposing force to Christian work in Milton. Take this opposing force up, now turn it over into the Kingdom for Christ, who again can estimate this force converted to Christ?

Upon the Sabbath following the close of Hunter and Crossley's work, the Baptist church at Milton received forty-four by baptism. The Disciples' church baptized twelve while over thirty were restored to both churches. The Congregational church had several additions to its numbers. Outside of the eighteen already mentioned the others were mostly young. To witness this large ingathering was admitted by general consent to be the spectacle of a life time. It is the universal opinion of Milton that its people have never received a greater blessing. Some of the general points of this blessing received are first: The spirit of unity pervading this community. Never before has Milton had such an object lesson of union of effort producing such wonderful results. Pastors and people worked hand in hand and heart to heart. When friends came to Christ all mingled tears of rejoicing. For the time being all were as one church, and he who said "Be ye one as my Father and I are one," blessed his own prescribed conditions to the saving of souls who had been despaired of as hopeless. Whenever in after years any thing shall arise to disturb this unity of the spirit so long desired and so earnestly prayed for, reference may be had to this work to re-establish harmony. It will never be forgotten in the life time of the present generation.

The second point of interest is a spirit of universal working. Every Christian has been at work doing something for the Master, and it has been his and her delight to do the work. Those have been moved to do kinds of Christian work which hitherto they thought impossible for them to do. Work in the enquiry meetings, speaking to neighbors,