

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

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The afternoon sermon was preached by Hiram Wallace, his text being the question of Saul of Tarsus "What Shall I do, Lord?" Acts 22:10. The writer regrets that circumstances prevented his hearing this discourse, but he was told that it was a logical, scriptural and instructive presentation of the plan of salvation. At its close a young lady confessed her Saviour.

The Christian church being insufficient to accommodate the gathered, and still gathering throng, an overflow meeting was held in the Baptist church, near by, which was kindly opened for the occasion. Here H. W. Stewart preached on the "Conditions of Christian Growth."

At the same hour, in the Temperance Hall, a Children's Service was being held. The appointed leader of the meeting was not present, and so the expected chalk-talk was not heard, but an interesting meeting was held. After introductory exercises there were recitations by two girls. Mrs. J. M. Ford told about Miss Rioch and her work in Japan. There was also a short address by Mrs. E. C. Ford who organized the children's band in Tiverton two years ago. Miss Payson spoke about the building in India which the members of the Junior Societies and Mission Bands of the Christian Church are erecting, and towards which the children in the Maritime Provinces have given \$75.00. At this meeting the names of ten new subscribers to *The Junior Builders* were received.

At the close of these three meetings, which were being held at the same hour, the brethren and sisters in Christ gather in the meeting-house of the Disciples to remember their Elder Brother's death. Wm. Murray and E. A. Payson presided. The attendance was large and the service solemnly impressive.

6.30 P. M.—On Sunday evening one hour was given to the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting. The appointed subject for the day, "Exalt Christ," was the theme of the meeting. Appropriate hymns were sung, passages of scripture read, prayers offered and testimonies and exhortations given. Mrs. Roome was the leader.

The preacher for the evening was R. B. Ray. His sermon had for its text, I Cor. xvi, 13, and was a loud call for loyalty to the old gospel and earnestness in sounding it out. The message was a timely one, impressively delivered. The Programme Committee displayed excellent judgment in selecting the preacher for the occasion, and he showed equally good judgment in choosing his theme.

At the same hour an overflow meeting was held in the Baptist Church, which in turn overflowed—into the street. The preacher here was W. H. Harding, and his subject was "The Sin Against the Holy Spirit."

MONDAY.

At eight o'clock on Monday morning a large assembly had gathered at the beach.

A solemn stillness, broken only by the voice of prayer and song, hung all around. The two young ladies who on the Lord's day had confessed the Christ were to be baptized into his death. Like one of old and many since, they went down into the water and were baptized; they came up out of the water and went on their way rejoicing.

9 00 A. M.—The Monday morning devotional meeting was conducted by J. B. Prince. It was well attended and very helpful. At 9.30 business became the order of the day. The minutes of the last session were approved.

The committee appointed to nominate the Home Mission Board presented their report as follows:

Your Nominating Committee would beg leave to recommend for a Mission Board the following: H. W. Stewart, Chairman; W. A. Barnes, Secretary; Geo. F. Barnes, Treasurer; L. S. Ford, Milton, Queens Co.; R. W. Stevenson, P. E. Island.

E. C. FORD,	} Committee.
W. H. HARDING,	
J. M. FORD,	
E. A. PAYSON,	
K. OUTHOUSE.	

The Board, as named, was unanimously elected.

The Committee on Ways and Means made the following report:

1. Your Committee on Ways and Means recommend: I. That \$150 be appropriated to Halifax; \$150 to Pictou; and \$150 to Main Street, St. John, as suggested by the Home Mission Board.

2. That each church be asked to contribute a definite amount to the Home Mission Fund.

3. That all our preachers and elders be requested to pledge themselves to use their best endeavors to raise these definite amounts from their respective churches.

4. That we unite with the P. E. Island churches in securing an evangelist as soon as possible, who shall hold protracted meetings and instruct the churches in systematic and proportionate giving.

HENRY W. STEWART,	} Committee.
HOWARD MURRAY,	
E. C. FORD.	

This was adopted by sections and as a whole.

The Committee on Time and Place gave this report:

Your Committee on Time and Place of next annual meeting beg leave to make the following recommendations:

First. That the time of the opening of the annual meeting be changed from the Thursday before the second Lord's day in August to the Thursday before the first Lord's day in September.

Second. That next year's meeting be held with the church at Cornwallis, if convenient for that church.

O. B. STOCKFORD,	} Committee.
JOSIAH WALLACE,	
TOBIN LOCKWOOD.	

After a free expression of opinion, in which no one favored an earlier date, the first section was unanimously adopted. The second section was also adopted after some conversation about alternative places. Should Cornwallis be unable to entertain the convention, the officers of the convention are to arrange for the place of meeting.

The Committee on Obituaries presented a lengthy report, in which the names of the late J. E. Barnes, of St. John, Allan Minard, of Milton, B. H. Ruggles, of Westport, Joseph Wood, of Cornwallis, and C. H. Leonard, of St. John, were mentioned, and other faithful ones remembered. The report was adopted by the congregation standing, while Howard Murray led in prayer.

The following is the report of the Committee on Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this convention put itself on record as favoring a Prohibitory Liquor Law for our Dominion, and that we interest ourselves in the coming Plebiscite.

2. *Resolved*, That we tender our hearty thanks to the railroads, steamboats, and coach lines, and also to the proprietor of the Goodwin House for courtesies to the delegates of this convention.

3. *Resolved*, That we express our satisfaction and gratification to the brethren and friends in Tiverton for their kindness and unstinted hospitality.

4. *Resolved*, That we also extend our appreciation to the Baptist brethren for the use of their church house, and to the Sons of Temperance for the use of their Hall.

A resolution was passed expressing deep appreciation of the faithful services of J. S. Flaglor, the former secretary of the Home Mission Board, and regret because of his retirement from that office.

W. H. Harding, H. Carson, Geo. Manifold and O. B. Stockford were re-elected the committee on Literature, with power to add to their numbers.

On motion it was decided that the balance in the tent fund be paid into the Home Mission Fund.

J. S. Flaglor, E. C. Bowers and O. B. Stockford were appointed to arrange the programme for next meeting. The business having been completed the meeting then adjourned.

[The report of the C. W. B. M. business meeting has not come to hand, but will appear next month.]

2 P. M.—On Monday afternoon a large assembly gathered to hear a chart sermon by W. H. Harding. His subject was the Three States of Man—the present, the intermediate and the future. On a large blackboard he had put a simple but suggestive diagram that could be plainly seen by the audience. This calling in the eye to help the ear made it very easy to follow and to remember the speaker's train of thought.

7 P. M.—The devotional services on Monday evening were conducted by O. B. Stockford. The central thought was, appropriately, love. Then came the Home Mission Rally. The president made a short but pointed opening address. After singing, E. C. Ford spoke on Our Plea. A quartet, consisting of J. B. Allan, J. C. B. Appel, Geo. Manifold and F. C. Ford, then rendered a beautiful song. H. W. Stewart told of Our Field. Then came a short solo by Mrs. Dora Outhouse. Geo. Manifold next pointed out Our Duty. This was followed by a solo by J. B. Allan. After an address by H. Murray on Money and Missions the collection was taken.