

helped." Later he "held special meetings at Douglas which were helpful; five were baptized." At Kingsley, also, special meetings were held, and though the time of year was not the best, good was done. "Good congregations in all the churches." "Spiritually, the condition is not all we could desire, but the outlook seems more promising." "More godliness will make the work more successful." A clearer sense that to be a Christian is to follow Jesus, to walk in his steps, is what is needed everywhere."

Rev. B. H. Nobles reports the work at Sussex encouraging. "This is the church's first year as an independent pastorate, and it has, in every particular, been very satisfactory. The Sabbath congregations have increased a good deal, and the prayer meetings have grown both in attendance and spiritual interest. The parsonage, which was built and finished a year ago, is now free of debt. The people are hopeful as to the future of the church's work, and are devoted to the cause of goodness."

Rev. W. H. Perry has spent his first year as pastor of the Hampstead group of churches. The churches in the pastorate are Upper Hampstead, Central Hampstead, Hibernia and Jerusalem; with Woodville Hall and Otnabog as preaching stations. He reports "the spiritual condition not what we would desire, but in all the churches are faithful Christians, who are hoping and praying for better times. No special services were held, one was baptized at Upper Hampstead. The church buildings are all in good repair and free of debt. A parsonage is needed, and could be secured without seriously burdening any of the churches." Bro. Perry says "all the ground possible is occupied in that section. To make Christian work more effective there is need of more self-denial and a deeper consecration."

Rev. G. Swim has had pastoral care of the Millstream, Apohaqui pastorate, consisting of five churches. He has preached three times every Sunday when possible to reach his appointments; it has been difficult to reach the mountain churches regularly in the winter. The drives are long—twenty-five miles one Sunday and twenty-one the next. "The spiritual condition of the churches is not what is desirable," but he thinks "there is an improvement of late." He has "endeavored to preach the word faithfully, the good seed has been sown, and some one will reap in due season." He is now retiring from the pastorate after two years of service; and he hopes "the right man will succeed him."

Rev. C. B. Lewis has just completed his first year with the Lincoln-Rusiagnonis pastorate. It embraces five churches. To

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