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to see it done before the annual, in time for any of profitable one, and the general feeling in parting our visiting preachers who will come to Tiverton to preach in it for us.

Bro. Cooke, of Westport, preached to us last Lord's day, 10th inst., to a largo and attentive congregation. His sermons were sound in theory and doctrine, earnestly delivered, and by the many expressions of approval heard by the writer, but not intended for our brother's ear, lest he should become exalted, we know were favorably received.

Our regular services have been interfered with to some extent by the repairs, but we are soon to have the old order running, we trust, with God's approval. H. A. D.

SOUTHVILLE, N. S.

This grand little church is always alive, and so we have found it on each visit made since our last report. Bro. Cooke lately visited these brothren, in company with the writer, for a few days, remaining over one Lord's day. We had good congregations, and think the prospect for a further ingathering of noble souls very good at this point in the near future.

I planued to visit Sindy Cove, Gulliver's Cove, and South range in time to have something to write from each point for the September paper, but have been prevented up to date by the presence of work at home. H. A. D

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

ANNUAL MEETING.-The Annual Meeting of the Churches of Christ on Prince Edward Island was held with the church at East Point, July 12th. It was very large, considering the long distance to be travelled. The representation from the churches showed that the interest in our Annual is not decreasing. The meeting was indeed a season of spiritual refreshment. The preachers present were Elders D. Crawford, O. B. Emery, Dr. Belding, of New York, and Bro. W. H. Barding.

Dr. Belding is a votoran of fifty-three years experience and added much to the interest and profit of the meeting. Such men are rare and should be highly valued as a precious heritage from the Lord. He is still comparatively vigorous in budy and mind and evidently has no thought of feeling old, He preached the annual sermon, which was delivered in eloquent language and agreeable style. and abounded in good practical points.

He also preached for the Baptists in the evening, at the request of the Baptist preacher. Elder D. Crawford preached in the afternoon to a large and attentive audience. Bro. Harding preached in the evening at North Lake where there is a comfortable meeting-house. There is one feature in connection with this yearly meeting which suggests that our annuals might be made more interesting and profitable by being made a revival season. The church at East Point invited Elder Crawford to labor with them for a week or more before the annual and remain till after the meeting. The result was that his labors with those of others have been the means of thirteen additions. Many who are " almost persuaded " msy be led to decide at such times. The reports from the churches show a steady if not a rapid increase, but the losses by removals are heavy. One fact is evident from those reports, that is, success is always in proportion to labor. It was resolved that a fuller list of statistics be sent from the churches in future, also that they act on a standing resolution to co-operate in support of general missionary work on the Island. A vote of thanks, which was well deserved, was given to the brethren and especially the sisters at East Point for their generous hospitality to visitors.

It is hoped that Bro. Belding will be able to visit the churches on the Island and give them the benefit of his ripe experience and valuable instruction. The meeting was a good, harmonious and

was, "it was good for us to be there,"

Adjourned to meet with the church at New Glasgow on the second Lord's day in July, 1892.

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

1 have not written anything for the readers of THE CHRISTIAN to read for a long time; and, no doubt, some of my readers concluded that I had growr weary in woll-doing. But such has not been the case. I have been at work for the Master on this beautiful Island, and have great reason to be thankful that my labor has not been in vain in the Lord. This is the most beautiful country I have seen in the summer season. At no one place are you very far from salt water. In one direction you feel the refreshing breezes from the Northumberland straits, and in another the cool winds of the gulf of St. Lawrence.

Here and there scattered over the face of the Island are beautiful groves of pines, spruces, maples, and birches. These all have a purifying effect upon the atmosphere, and then the intervening fields of ripening grain, and blooming potatoes, all bearing a beautiful aroma, which the gentle breezes gladly convey to our senses. It is a truly healthy place to live The very air we breathe is laden with health-giving matter. And then the people. V7hy, they are as kind and hospitable as people can be. ¹ have travelled the Island from end to end and know something about it and the people who live in it. So much for the Island in general; what about Summerside? Well, it is a town on the south side of the Island, and its population is from three to four thousand. It has soven church buildings, owned soverally as folfows: Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist, Presbyterian, Kirk, Baptist, Christian. There is also a body of Free-thinkers here. It is quite a business centre, and a considerable amount of exporting is done. The educational facilities are good, and are being made batter every year. About a year ago I began my labors with the church here, and also with the churches at Tryon and Tignish. As a result there were three added to Tryon, six to Tignish, thirteen to Summerside, and twenty-four in other places, making forty-six added during the year. Our meeting house here is undergoing some repairs, and is being nicely painted. I am at present doing some preaching at New Lundon, about fifteen miles from Summerside, and hope some good results from it.

I would like to attend the annual at Westport if I could, but I am afraid I shall not be able. But my prayer is, that it may be grand success for the churches in the provinces. W. H. HARDING.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

The Quarterly collection taken at our school on Lord'e day (Aug. 23) for Home Missions, amounted to \$13.51.

Bro. H. W. Stewart preached at the Old Ladies' Home in this city on Lord's day afternoon, Aug. 23.

Sister R. Phillips, and her son William. of Boston, are on a visit to this city, and attended our services on Lord's day, August 23.

Bro. Neil McLeod, of Evansville, who was on a visit to his home on P. E. Island, on his return to that place spent a day in our city and attended our prayor-meeting on Thursday ovening last and took part in the worship.

It is expected that a large large delegation from this church will attend the annual to be held at Westport, N. S., commoncing on Sept. 4th, 1891. They will leave by the steamship "Monticello" Thursday morning, Sept. 3rd, to Digby, from there to Weymonth by rail and thence to Westport by the steamship " Weymouth."

Ellis B. Barnes, of Bowmanville, Ont., arrived in this City on Tuesday last, and will hold a short series of evangelistic meetings.

HOME MISSION NOTES.

The Endeavor societies of Ontario are uniting to help to support their Home Mission work. Bro. Ellis Barnes is the worthy leader in this movement and we feel sure it will be a success.

We would like to see all the good that has been done by the talkers against missionary workers compared with the good done by the workers. We are confident it would show very much in favor of the workers. Mission Board of Kansas reports about \$3,300 received, 1,400 added to the churches and several churches organized during the year. Illinois Mission Board reports \$7,000 received, 1,462 additions during the year. Myers and Cook's meeting at Winfield, Kansas, resulted 105 additions. At B. J. Dillon's meeting, in Pittsburg, Kansas, there were 108 additions. Forth Worth, Texas, has had over 100 added so far this year, and in the same time Woodland, Cal., has had 142 additions. Updike and Hawes' meeting, at Witchits, Kan., weekly addition as follows: 14, 56, 72, 52, 79, 114; total, 387. These reports gives us courage by the way. We wonder if we will over hear of such moetfngs in these provinces. We think there are churches that would more than double their number if they had the help of some of these gifted evangelists for a short time.

Coburg Street Sunday-school as usual shows up well. Bro. Archibald remembers the fund again with a good sum. River John, Pictou, and Bro. Fullerton also help to swell the fund. Milton and Southville have kept their largest sum until the last. Westport ends the year with a good showing. "There are no divisions among the hosts of darkness. 'No Sects in Heavon' is the title of a familiar poem; it is quite as true that there are no sects in hell. The evil one marshals all his forces in his assaults against man's soul. He attacks eyegate aud ear-gate, the citadel and the outworks, simultaneously and hotly. His forces are not weakened by factious disputes. Let not the child-ren of the pit be wiser than the children of the light. Never before did the clans of evil seem so persistently to marshal their united forces for a desperate assault. The watchword of the day is combination. Rumseller is combining with rumseller, distiller with vender, speculator with speculator, libertine with gambler, to resist good laws, to obstruct righteous legislation, to bring about a reign of terror and confusion among the hosts of God. Shall wo, Christ's warriors, play into the enemies' hands by weakening our ranks and dividing our hosts?"

Every Disciple of Christ shoul say, "We shall not divide our efforts, but will unite head, heart and money for every good word and work." Come, brethren, let us do more for missions than ever.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$440 33
Per E. C. Ford-	
River John Church,	9 00
Picton Collection,	4.50
Picton, D. Fullerton,	500
Westport-	
"Willing Workers,"	2 10
Westport-	
Per Miss Payson,	100
Woousocket, R. I	
G. W. Archibald,	5 00
Cornwallis-	
Per R. Stevens,	10 00
Milton-	
Per Miss A. Collie,	6 19
St. John-	
Coburg Street Sunday-school,	13 51
Southville-	
Per H. A. Devoe,	4 00
Total,	\$500 63

THE Canadian Evangelist of the 15th ult., gives us the following kindly notice:-

We are pleased to see in the last number of the CHRISTIAN a portrait of our venerable and highly respected brother, Donald Crawford, of P. E. I. Accompanying the portrait there is the first instal-ment of a sketch of Bro. Crawford's life and labors, written by himsolf.