

hopes are ended, and, though silently, she warns us: "Be ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh."

O. B. EMERY.

THE N. B. AND N. S. MISSION.

RECEIPTS.

Amos H. Outhouse, Tiverton, N. S. ....	\$1 00
Gulliver's Cove, Digby, .....	87
Ross Way, .....	47
Brighton, .....	1 00
Henry Hill, French Village, N. B., .....	2 50
J. Flaglor, St. John, .....	1 00
Total, .....	\$6 84

T. H. CAPT, Treasurer.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

ST. JOHN ITEMS.

**COBURG ST. CHURCH.**—Lord's day services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday School at 2:15 P. M. Young People's Meeting, Tuesday evening at 8. General Prayer Meeting, Thursday evening at 8. Brethren visiting the city cordially welcomed. The Ladies' Sewing Society meets every Wednesday evening at 6.

Two additions, by confession and obedience, during the month.

The Women's Missionary Aid Society report a successful meeting this month.

Brethren Hughes and Nowlan, in passing through our city, visited our prayer meetings and gave us words of cheer.

DEER ISLAND ITEMS.

A report of the special services held at Leonardville was mailed to THE CHRISTIAN, but as the information comes from the office that no report was received, it may not be out of place, although a little out of season, to forward a few items.

The meeting was continued from Lord's day, March 8th, over two weeks, with the immediate result of six confessing the Christ, and being buried with Him in baptism, rising, we trust, to walk in newness of life.

Seven others, who had been baptized, were received into the fellowship of the congregation, and two, who had wandered, and so had lost time and many privileges, in sorrow for the past and hope for the future renewed their engagement to live the Christian life. Thus fifteen were gathered in.

There was another grand result of the meeting, which caused the saints at L. to rejoice, and I believe also caused joy among the angels of God. It well repaid for all the effort put forth, but on this I will not now be more explicit.

The Church is greatly strengthened, and I hope that all who have now taken their stand for Christ, with those who have been "bearing the burden and heat of the day" will be faithful; that they may not "fall out by the way," but, keeping "the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace," may themselves make a success of life, reach the city of light—the city of God, and there, among souls redeemed, won to Christ through their influence, enjoy the reward of the faithful and the presence of the Lord in the cloudless day of eternity. I sometimes think that if we could, with Paul, allow our minds and affections to rest more on "that day" and the things which are eternal, and less on the things which are perishing, there would not be so many disagreements, so much coldness and indifference in reference to the success of the cause for which Jesus died and martyrs bled. But among the people of God there would be more light, love, joy, union and striving for the welfare of all in the "one body." "There is a rest which remains

for the people of God." "There shall be no night there."

During the meetings, and since, the Church has worked nobly, and I hope it will continue so to work, and increase yet more and more in zeal and ability. If its members will examine the Scriptures of Divine truth daily, meditate in "the law of the spirit of life" day and night, there will be little danger of their being disturbed by any who would have them trust in a *human* "plan of salvation," or of their being "carried about by every wind of doctrine and cunning craftiness whereby they lie in wait to deceive."

We live in an age of the world when religious teachers are not ashamed to "creep into houses" and try to persuade persons to substitute something else for that which is clearly taught in God's Holy Word; therefore it is necessary that we all "stand fast," making ourselves very familiar with the weapon which God has given us—"the sword of the spirit," which is His word, so that we may be able, as Jesus did, to resist every temptation: We, by readily placing our finger on the text and saying, in the strength of a soldier of the cross, "It is written."

Neglect of God's word has never been profitable. From the earliest trial, when sin entered, and death by sin, down through the ages, to disobey was disastrous—to obey was blessed.

Since writing the above, one confession at Lord's Cove.

O. B. EMERY.

May 21, 1885.

Since my last writing, two (a husband and his wife) baptized at Lord's Cove. Excellent meetings yesterday (Lord's day) at Lord's Cove and Leonardville.

O. B. E.

May 25, 1885.

NOVA SCOTIA.

KEMPT.

The June Quarterly will be held with the church in Kempt the second Lord's day, rain or shine. We expect a good meeting. A number of the preaching brethren will be with us, and we hope to see a number of the practising brethren. All who come will receive a warm welcome from the Kempt brethren. They have organized a sewing circle, which is meeting with good success. They are making a move now towards repairing the meeting house. The outlook for future prosperity is very encouraging.

MILTON.

Our series of meetings closed with 20 additions and three who had been away from the church for many years came and took their place again with us, and now we are rejoicing and making merry over the lost ones who are found. The spiritual condition of the Church was never better, and we most sincerely hope it may never be worse, but that there may be a constant growth in the grace and knowledge of God.

BARTON, DIGBY COUNTY.

My labor in this field is about drawing to its close for the present. And although we have found much discouragement by the way, still we trust our labor has not been in vain in the Lord. A good interest is manifested among many in the different sections, but the want of suitable places for worship must greatly retard the work. The little church at Gulliver's Cove is in a healthy condition, and the outlook for the cause in that place is favorable. Last Saturday we buried from sight a darling child of Sister Thomas Adams, of Brighton. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved parents, and trust that the stroke of affliction will tend to draw them nearer the Master, who does not afflict willingly but for our good. Since last report I have averaged about five meetings per week.

May 20th, '85.

PETER D. NOWLAN.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

I wrote my last in St. John on my way to my home, and home friends, who appeared doubly dear to me from my having been so long absent from them. I do not know as I can say with Bro. Murray in the last CHRISTIAN, that "I am the happiest man on earth"; but I can see many reasons why I should be very happy and very thankful to God. I did not come home for the purpose of making any special effort to bring sinners to Christ, but to see my friends and do a little work on my farm. I found the Church moving along smoothly, but surely as any Church must that has such Elders as Bros. Steele and Wagoner always ready for every good word and work, and follow Paul's instructions to the Corinthians about as near as we find men to do anywhere, to be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. My first Lord's day home was very much enjoyed by me, meeting with the many brethren and hearing their words of exhortation and their expressions of gladness and thankfulness for my return. I preached twice on Lord's day, and attended two social meetings through the week. The next Lord's day I spent with the Church in South Range, and again we had a happy time, for in addition to the greeting of our dear brethren a noble young man, the son of our good Bro. Shortliffe, confessed Christ as his Saviour, and pledged himself to walk in His ways by obeying him, being immersed in His name.

On Monday I returned home with a happy heart. Wednesday evening we met at the home of Bro. S. Lewis, who very nearly lost his life last fall by falling down stairs, and he has not since been able to get out to meeting but can enjoy one at home and help to make it too. We had a good meeting, and in response to the song of invitation, two boys made the good confession; one of these was my second son, Allen. So again I found cause for thankfulness and rejoicing. Last Sunday there was a large gathering under the circumstances, and a good number both of the brothers and sisters took part in the social meeting in connection with the Lord's table. At this meeting we gave the hand of fellowship to a brother who had for some years been away from us, but finding no food on the barren mountains of sin, like the prodigal, he returned to his father's house. Two others, who through an unfortunate difficulty had been for some time estranged from the church, but from whom the church had not withdrawn fellowship, were reconciled, and will now take their places to carry forward the glorious work. In addition to the regular appointments here I have only preached one sermon. That was by the invitation of a Baptist brother at his house at Weymouth Point, where I have a standing invitation. This brother and his wife met with us last Lord's day, to break bread, and expressed themselves as having spent a very happy day. To-morrow (D. V.) I return to my work in LeTete and Back Bay. I hope to send good news from there soon.

J. A. GATES.

SOUTHVILLE, May 26th, 1885.

P. E. ISLAND NOTES.

We are in a meeting here at Montague. Our attendance is not large as the country people are very busy. I am trying to preach, mainly from the blessed lessons of Jesus, that he taught to the children of men while on earth. I am not splitting hairs on denominational points, or preaching on doctrinal subjects. I love to preach on these great lessons of the Blessed Lord, such as the "Dangers of a sinful life," "Choosing the good part," "Pearl of great price," etc. There has been five confessions so far. I baptized a brother in the country last week. He has improved both in body and mind since his baptism.

Our love to you and yours,

CARRIOLL GIBERT.