

also spoke one afternoon in Hertz's hall, and his discourse there will be long remembered. His earnest, burning words are certainly stimulating.

On March 20th we made our offering for foreign missions, which amounted to \$30.00.

We are glad to report that Bro. Geo. A. Stewart is much improved. His illness has been long and severe.

Bro. Jas. Beales, who was away in New York for his health and came back much improved, is now very low.

Elder John Kennedy is still unable to go out doors. Bro. Chas. H. Chandler was threatened with a severe illness, but skilful treatment and good nursing pulled him through.

GEO. MANIFOLD.

CROSS ROADS, LOT 48, P. E. I.

On the 8th of March R. W. Stevenson, George Manifold and Donald Crawford began a quarterly meeting with the church at Lot 48, P. E. I., which closed on the following Lord's day night. Bro. Stevenson preached at nights and Bro. Manifold in the afternoons, both of whom left on Saturday. Bro. Crawford preached over Lord's day.

The meetings, considering the state of the roads, were well attended. The brethren seem very anxious to sustain preaching in this important field, speaking in the kindest manner of those who have labored with them in the past.

The preachers felt loath to leave friends so kind and a field so promising, and pray that in the near future faithful labor may be expended in Lot 48

Correspondence.

NEWS FROM THE ISLAND.

During the month the writer exchanged pulpits for two Lord's days with Bro. Manifold, of Charlottetown. The attendance at all services was very good. The brethren of the Central Christian Church are about to make an effort to secure a good site for a church. They are "willing workers," and I have no doubt but the Central Christian Church will ultimately become one of the leading churches in the Maritime Provinces. They have among them men and women of some means, and if they can be made to see the absolute necessity of making a big effort now, at eligible site can be secured at once.

We held our quarterly meeting with the Cross Roads Christian Church, Lot 48. We had an excellent meeting, the brethren were greatly encouraged and are now anxious to secure the services of a good preacher, providing East Point Christian Church shall see fit to co-operate with them. They have a very good parsonage and a very nice piece of ground for a garden. They are anxious to have the preacher live among them. The church is only about three miles from Charlottetown, very convenient and delightful for situation. There are some loyal Disciples of Christ in Lot 48 who are anxious to see the old historic church regain her pristine glory.

Bro. Manifold rendered most acceptable service for the church at Montague. He has many warm friends here and the circle is ever widening.

We are arranging a suitable programme for the annual meeting to be held with the church in Montague in July. We hope to have one of the best meetings in the history of the churches on the Island. Each preacher will give us his best. May the blessing of the Lord be upon us, and may we have a time of refreshing from the Divine presence, which shall enable all to say it was good to wait upon the Lord and to call upon his name. The programme will be published in good time. I trust everything will be done

to help on the cause of Christ in the province. We should bestir ourselves and push the work to a glorious success. Every church that lags in the work is a hindrance to the cause in other places. It is a source of reproach. But the church that flourishes and prospers is as a light set upon a hill that cannot be hid. So we are very anxious for the growth and prosperity of all our churches everywhere—especially on P. E. Island at this present time.

R. W. STEVENSON.

Montague, P. E. I., March 23, '98.

ON THE WING.

The writer left Halifax on the morning of March 7th, for the first month's vacation in nearly four years. We had our trip to Jacksonville, Florida, made possible through the kindness of an old friend and brother of that city, A. Randolph. After a few hours in Boston and New York, we arrived at Savannah, Ga., on the following week. One of the most agreeably pleasant things in our experience has always been the meeting and greeting of friends from whom we have been separated by time and distance. To write that we were warmly welcomed by the brethren in Savannah, where had been spent seven years of pleasant and profitable labor, but tamely expresses the reception tendered us. Old and young in the church there vied one with the other to do us honor and in extending that hospitality for which the sunny South is so famed. As we had a waiting appointment in Jacksonville, the visit to Savannah had to be limited in our down trip to two days—but they were busy days. We found the church in Savannah progressing under the ministerial leadership of Bro. Bosworth. A new parsonage has been built and many improvements made in the last few years.

We arrived in Jacksonville at noon on Wednesday, 16th, and soon found ourselves under the hospitable roof of Bro. O. B. Smith. Here we found Bro. W. A. Foster and wife, of the West End Tabernacle, London, engaged in a tent meeting, and anxiously awaiting our arrival to join them. Bro. Foster has with him, as singing evangelist, Bro. Cappa, of Louisville, Ky. This meeting has been under way now two weeks, and it is the intention, during its progress, to establish another Christian church in this city. A meeting in the First Church has just closed, with a number of additions. Bro. J. J. Irvine is its pastor. There were five accessions in the tent auditorium last night, and a deep interest manifested. The auditorium, as it is here called, is pitched in the very heart of the city, and is the best arranged tent we have ever seen. It will seat about 1,000, has a fine baptistry and organ, and is lighted by electricity. The writer preached Lord's Day and nightly aids the evangelist in exhortation. The meeting, I believe, is to continue indefinitely. We shall remain here over next Lord's Day, and shall then start north again, remaining a short time in Savannah, where we have promised to preach—once at least.

We can see on all hands much development in the south. The modern improvements and conveniences of the age are being utilized in beautifying and rendering more attractive and comfortable both homes in city and country. Our brethren in the south are progressive, and hopeful as to the future outlook of the church, and are alive to the necessity of the church seizing the main chances as the country develops. As we write the weather is perfect; the balmy air, redolent with the perfume of blossom and

flower, comes pouring in through our windows. Several invitations have reached us from parts of this state and Georgia to visit churches, but the month is half gone even now, and we will be compelled to forego what would be a great pleasure.

T. H. BLENUS.

Jacksonville, Fla., March 23rd, 1898.

OUT, THAT SHOULD BE IN.

Poor trembling lamb! ah, who outside the fold Has bid thee stand, all weary as thou art? Dangers around thee, and the bitter cold Creeping and growing to thine inmost heart, Who bids thee wait till some mysterious feeling, Thou knowest not what—perchance may never know—

Shall find thee, where in darkness thou art kneeling,

And fill thee with a rich and wondrous glow Of love and faith, and change to warmth and light

The chill of darkness of thy spirit's night?

For miracle like this, who bids thee wait? Behold "the Spirit and the Bride say Come."

The tender Shepherd opens wide the gate, And in his love would gently lead thee home.

Why should'st thou wait? Long centuries ago, Thou timid lamb, the Shepherd paid for thee.

Thou art his own. Would'st thou his beauty know,

Nor trust the love which yet thou can'st not see? Thou hast not learned this lesson to receive,

More blessed are they who see not, yet believe.

Still doth thou wait for feeling! dost thou say, Fain would I love and trust, but hope is dead.

I have no faith, and without faith who may rest in the blessing

Which is only shed upon the faithful? I must stand and wait—

Not so, the Shepherd does not ask of thee Faith in thy faith, but only faith in him.

And this he meant in saying "Come to me."

In light or darkness seek to do his will, And leave the work of faith to Jesus still.

—*Mariah H. Bulfinch, in The Church Journal.*

TENT FUND.

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J. S. FLAGLOH, Treasurer.

Mrs. Elmer Richardson, Leonardville, should have been credited with \$5.00 and Bro. Bolton of Westport, with \$1.00 in last month's account.

There is still \$21.50 due in pledges for this fund.

Died.

BAILEY.—At Newport, N. S., February 23rd, 1898, Bro. William Bailey, aged 85 years. The deceased was born and lived all his life on the farm on which he died. Early in life he became a member of the Baptist church, but about forty years ago, at the time the Disciples were re-organized in Newport, he and Sister Bailey took membership with them; and during those years, until the infirmities of age bore heavily upon him, though living about six miles from the place of meeting, he was one of the most faithful in attendance. He was decided in his religious convictions, diligent in business, honest in dealings and hospitable almost to a fault—everyone being welcome to his home and his table. But he most enjoyed the visits of his brethren, with whom he loved to converse on the Bible and the interests of the church. Our preaching brethren who have visited Newport will remember many pleasant hours spent in the comfortable home of the Baileys. Of the six children, Mrs. E. E. Orvis, who lived in Pennsylvania, and two sons, are dead, while Mrs. F. Barnes, of Topeka, Kansas, Charles and Marietta, remain. Sister Bailey, ever strong in faith and hope, is "waiting till the shadows are a little longer grown." She well knows whence comes true comfort to those who are cast down.

H. WALLACE.

OUTHOUSE.—Sister Sarah Ann Outhouse, wife of Simon L. Outhouse, died in Liverpool, March 9th, of consumption. She leaves a husband and a family of boys, besides other near relatives and friends. The funeral services were conducted at the church by the pastor, assisted by Bro. H. A. Devoe. She was laid away in Pleasant Hill cemetery, there to await the coming of the righteous Judge.

J. W. B.