

that they may avoid arranging for any other meeting on that evening.

Our next issue will be of enlarged size and of special interest to our New Westminster readers.



A mistake occurred last month in the item on Port Simpson, where it was stated that Rev. S. S. Osterhout succeeded Rev. T. Crosby in that charge in 1897. The statement overlooked the fact that Rev. Ebenezer Robson was at Port Simpson for one year and that Bro. Osterhout succeeded him in 1898.



We would call attention of our correspondents to the fact that all business communications to the Recorder and money orders should be sent to Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B. A., 68 David street, Victoria; while all news items and general reading matter should be addressed to Rev. J. P. Hicks, Victoria West. This would facilitate the work of our staff, and insure more accurate attention to matters communicated to us.—Ed.

PERSONALS.

Rev. G. H. Osborne, of Dunceans, recently delivered an interesting lantern lecture to a very appreciative audience on Salt Spring Island.

Rev. T. Crosby has been conducting a very vigorous and successful missionary campaign in the up country districts. An interesting letter from him will be found elsewhere.

Rev. J. C. Speer, on the 7th inst., repeated by earnest request, in the A. O. U. W. hall, Victoria, his popular lecture on "Singers and Their Songs." The lecture was under the auspices of the I. O. G. T.

Rev. T. Neville, superintendent of the Nicola circuit, has offered his services as Methodist chaplain to our Canadian troops proceeding to South Africa. We compliment our old colleague on such practical patriotism.

Rev. Wm. Hicks, of Cumberland, spent a few days in Victoria, returning to his home on Tuesday, the 13th. He was the guest during his visit of his brother, Rev. J. P. Hicks, and wife, Esquimalt road.

Rev. R. Hughes has received the unanimous invitation of the Q. O. B. to remain at James Bay (Victoria) a second year. Rev. Hughes has accepted, conditional upon the approval of the Stationing Committee.

Rev. David Reid, son of Rev. Dr. Reid, has been assisting Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B. A., in special services. A very gracious influence has rested upon the meetings, and great good has resulted to the Centennial congregation.

Rev. Dr. Cool, of Spokane, Wash., preached special sermons recently in our Church at Rossland, when a handsome sum was raised, covering the entire cost of important improvements in the Church building. We congratulate Bro. Morden and his workers on their successful enterprise.

At the regular meeting of the Quarterly Official Board of Victoria West Circuit, held recently, the finances were found to be in a very satisfactory condition, and a unanimous invitation was extended to Rev. J. D. P. Knox to remain a third year.

We are glad to know that Rev. R. B. Laidley, of Ashcroft, who came down to the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, in a most critical state of health, has received very successful surgical treatment from Dr. Earnest Hall, and has returned to his work quite recovered.

On Friday, 16th inst., Mr. and Mrs. Armson, members of the Metropolitan Church, Victoria, and parents of Miss Lillian L. Armson, elocutionist, celebrated their silver wedding at their home on Caledonia avenue. A large circle of friends gathered in the evening, whose hearty congratulations were expressed over the well-laden supper table by Revs. J. C. Speer and J. P. Hicks.

Mr. Charles Champness, son of Rev. Thomas Champness, editor of "Joyful News," Rochdale, England, is passing through British Columbia on his return to missionary work in China. He has spent a little time with A. C. Wells, Esq., of Edenbank, Chilliwack, and will be the guest in Victoria, for a few days, of Mr. S. M. Okell. Mr. Champness is a welcome visitor.

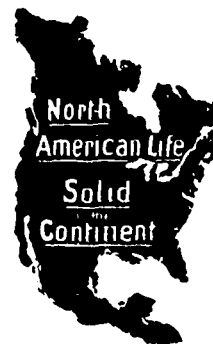
Our sympathies are extended toward our friends, Messrs. Wm. and Edward Harte, Miss Harte and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews, members of the Metropolitan church, in the heavy trial they have been called to suffer through the death of their mother, Mrs. R. Harte, which occurred in January at Bandon, Ireland. Deceased was a most valued member of the Wesleyan Methodist church of the sixth generation. She died repeating the well-known lines: "O love thou bottomless abyss," etc. Mr. Edward Harte has returned to Ireland for a short time to the comfort of an aged father.

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