

## A BOY'S POCKET.

Buckles, and buttons, and top,  
And marbles and pieces of string,  
A screw from a rusty old mop,  
And scraps of a favorite sling.

Slate pencils, and a part of a lock,  
Some matches and kernels of corn,  
The wheels of a discarded clock,  
And remains of a mitten all torn.

A jack-knife or two, never sharp,  
Some pieces of bright-colored glass,  
The rim of an ancient jew's-harp,  
Pens, fish-hooks, and pieces of brass.

Old nails, "sweeties," chippings of tin,  
With bits of a battered-up locket—  
All these, and much more, are within  
The depths of a little boy's pocket.

—The Continent.

## WORLDLY CHRISTIANS.

Many Christians seem to have the desire to live as near the world as they possibly can, to have as much of the world as they can, and have Christ at the same time. My experience has been that such Christians are the most wretched people on the face of the earth. They neither enjoy the world nor Christ. They are what we call border Christians, running over the line, mingling with the world to-day, and coming back among Christ's people to-morrow. The best way is to keep as far from the world as you can, to have as little to do with it as you can. Some one asked Billy Dawson how the world was getting on. He said he didn't know; he hadn't been there for a number of years.

We are told that if we lift the standard too high, many people will leave the churches and chapels. There is no doubt about that, but you will get a good many more. The power of God will be with you, and then many souls will be added to the church. What do we see to-day? A low standard of Christian life, and therefore little power in the churches and chapels, and few sinners converted. People go on with their grand choirs, and their organs, and their preaching, but there are no conversions. What is the trouble? The world has come into the church.—D. L. Moody.

## WASTE AND WANT.

If the working people of this country want to know why they have hard times every few years, we can tell them. It is not over-production nor under-consumption, as those phrases are commonly employed. If they had kept the \$900,000,000 they spent every year for strong drink in their pockets for the past five years of good times, the present temporary lull in manufacturing and business activity would find many of them better able to bear it without being pinched for the necessaries of life. It is the over-consumption of whiskey that makes under-consumption of food and clothing in this land of liberty and liquor. The annual bill for bread, meat, cotton and woolen goods of this great American people foots up a total of about \$1,250,000,000. But its annual bill for whiskey, beer and taxes thereon is \$1,100,000,000. In other words, it unnecessarily drinks \$150,000,000 worth more than it necessarily eats and wears.—The Boston Traveller.

FAITH AND WORKS.—Faith and works were well illustrated by a venturesome six-year-old boy who ran into the forest after a team and rode home on the load of wood.

When asked by his mother if he was not frightened when the team came down a very steep hill, he said:

"Yes, a little; but I asked the Lord to help me, and hung on like a beaver."

## MARRIAGES.

FIELD-WELCH.—At the residence of the bride's father, John Welch, Esq., June 21, 1885, by O. B. Emery, Mr. Samuel E. Field and Miss Hattie C. Welch; all of Deer Island, Charlotte Co., N. B.

BOYD-TEWKESBURY.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. James B. Tewkesbury, June 25, 1885, by O. B. Emery, Mr. Robert H. Boyd, Eastport, Washington County, Maine, U. S., and Miss Caroline E. Tewkesbury, Deer Island, Charlotte Co., N. B.

## DEATHS.

FOUNTAIN.—At her residence, Fair Haven, Deer Island, N. B., May 29, 1885, Mrs. Elsie Jane, beloved wife of Mr. Wm. Fountaine, aged about 42 years. The bereaved husband and one son and one daughter are left to mourn the loss of the faithful wife and loving mother.

GREEN.—At the residence of her son Bro. Gilbert Green, Northern Harbor, Deer Island, N. B., Monday, June 22, 1885, sister Susan, relict of the late Edwin Green, passed to her rest, after an earthly pilgrimage of 76 years. About 42 years ago Sister G. became a member of the Baptist Church, where she remained 17 years, but hearing the Disciples of Christ present his claims without any human additions, she was won by the plain, simple story of the cross, took her stand on the Bible alone as her rule of faith and practice, and so continued 25 years until she fell "asleep in Jesus."

H. MURRAY.

brother, who had absented himself from the Lord's table for a long time, who took his place again with us. The meetings during the week were well attended.

In Northfield, on Tuesday morning, the people could not all get into the house, many remaining outside. The brethren here in Kempt are delighted and encouraged with the successful condition of the cause in Northern Queens. It is more than they dared to expect or even hope for. The Milton church feels encouraged to continue their assistance in building up the cause in this country. The brethren here in Kempt are determined to do more for their Master. They have shown by their increased pledges that they are in good earnest in the work. As soon as we secure an evangelist in the field we will have another good meeting here. The brethren are more than thankful to the Mission Board for the aid they have already received. The success of the past bids us hope now for still greater success. How true it is that in this life of wisdom and folly, hap and mishap, God is ever keeping watch over his own, and will crown them here with success, and give them a crown of glory by-and-by.

EDITOR CHRISTIAN,—Dear Brother: I see by the June number of THE CHRISTIAN that Bro. Dwyer was preparing to go to the States. Well, let me tell you that a visit to the church at West Gore, and a twelve days stay with the kind, appreciative and hospitable brethren that comprise the churches of Newport, the Gore, and East Rawden, is not just the thing for a person to do who is about to tear himself away from home and friends to seek a field of labour far perhaps from both. Now, loath as I was to leave before I was doubly so after. My visit to those brethren, concerning whom I have much to write, but must defer it to a future number. On my return I was persuaded to stay a little longer here; since which time we have had another addition to the household of faith, by confession and immersion. This young man was surrounded by sectarian influence, yet from his knowledge of the teachings of the Bible, and the purity of his motives, he felt constrained to unite himself with the people whose creed is the Bible, and whose faith is founded on the Prophets and Apostles, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.

T. F. DWYER.

## P. E. ISLAND.

We have been much encouraged of late in the desire manifest in different places to hear the Gospel, and regret that we cannot attend to all the invitations sent us to preach to the people. One young man was immersed in Tryon, and another in Summerside, in May last. Two weeks ago we preached once at French River, New London, and again this week. At each visit one was immersed. Both heads of families. The audiences at both meetings were large and attentive, and not a few asked when we would visit them again. A few disciples moved to this locality, but there is no church, and there was never an immersion near the place before. We long for more laborers for such fields. At present we are en route for Tignish. Our Annual Meeting, to be held with the church at Lot 48, is drawing near. On the second Saturday of July we hope to meet many friends, some from the Island, others from abroad, and that through God's grace we will have a profitable meeting. Those attending the meeting can at any station on the Island, by telling their intention, paying for one first-class ticket, and getting it on Friday or Saturday, keeping that ticket, and on returning till Wednesday night, presenting said ticket with a certificate of attendance to the conductor have a free return.

D. C.

Summerside, June 25th.

## 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.

GOOD NEWS.—Eleven additions since last report. Nine by confession and obedience and two who had previously obeyed the Saviour. Others are expected soon. Six of the converts are young men from the Sunday-school—they understood their position and will make useful members.

Our prayer-meetings are unusually interesting and encouraging to us all. This week, especially, the attendance has been excellent.

BRO. P. D. NOWLAN preached for us during Bro. Capp's visit to the "Kempt" meeting.

BRO. O. B. EMERY and wife are with us. Bro. E. preached for us last Lord's day evening.

## NOVA SCOTIA.

## KEMPT.

Our Quarterly Meeting is over. It was an excellent meeting. Brethren Capp and Ford did the preaching, and now I hear from all hands how well pleased they were with it. I mean, of course, how well pleased the people were. There were ten discourses delivered. Bro. Ford gave us five and Bro. Capp five. Bro. Jabez Freeman and wife, Bro. A. J. Ford and wife, were with us from Milton, which lent interest to the meeting. On Lord's day the meetings were held in the church house at Kempt, and the congregations were very large. About fifty were in their place at the Lord's table. A score of other brethren would have gladly been with us but were hindered, either on account of sickness or for the want of conveyance. We had two baptisms, and two others who took the hand of fellowship besides. One good