

Myrtle Freeman, Carrie Payson, Hattie Morrison, Susie Ford and Sister Flaglor and others were active in this meeting. It was soul reviving to see the spirit of devotion and consecration to the cause of Christ.

At ten o'clock the business meeting commenced with nearly a hundred persons present. Bro. Ford was selected chairman, with some remonstrance on his part, but with the unanimous consent of the meeting. Bro. Barnes, the secretary, then read the minutes of our last Annual Meeting, after which the reports of the churches were read. Eighteen churches reported, showing an increase of 120 additions during the year—quite an improvement on last year. Bro. Flaglor read the report of the Mission Board. As this report will be published in THE CHRISTIAN, we withhold our favorable and encouraging impressions. The report of THE CHRISTIAN was then read and the report of the Educational Fund. These will also appear in THE CHRISTIAN and will speak for themselves, and will make us all glad to know what a splendid work THE CHRISTIAN is doing among us. Our same Mission Board was re-appointed for another year. We were all so well satisfied with their work that none seemed willing to part with them. We were confident that none could be found who would do a better work or make fewer mistakes. The Educational Board was retained and advised to collect the money already donated for educational purposes.

The quarterlies were appointed as follows: In December at Summerville; in March at St. John, of course; in June at Port Williams. H. A. Devoe and H. Murray were appointed as a committee to locate the next Annual Meeting. A committee on resolutions was then appointed, which closed our ten o'clock meeting.

At 1.30 the committee met to formulate the resolutions. At two o'clock the meeting opened with prayer. A resolution was then read: "That all our churches in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick should take a collection at some appointed time in the year for the American Home Mission Board." This unites us to our American brethren and secures help more or less from them. The help already received from Bro. Northcutt, whose labors among us have been so very successful and satisfactory, have more than met our expectations. This union with our American brethren has been long hoped for and now we heartily rejoice in its consummation. After remarks from Bro. Northcutt and others respecting this union, the resolution passed by a unanimous standing vote. A resolution of respect was then passed for our Mission Board and for our chairman and secretary of the Annual Meeting. Then followed a resolution on obituaries. This resolution will also be published. We therefore reserve further remarks, more than to say that the absence of some who always attended our annuals and who were deeply interested in the cause of Christ was a very sad feature of our meeting.

The consideration of our Halifax mission was the next in order. Bro. Northcutt, Bro. Rowlison, Bro. Ford and Bro. H. Murray offered some remarks relative to the importance of this Mission and the need of a special effort to sustain the cause in that city. To neglect that field now would be not only a loss to what has already been accomplished there, but the loss of all hope of doing anything again in the future. A resolution was then passed to sustain the cause there, and provisions were made for sustaining a preacher there all the time.

After this meeting Sister Darat met the sisters in the old meeting-house. What she said remains for the sisters to tell; it is safe, however, to guess that she said many good things, and by what followed we guess she induced the sisters or organized for mission work.

At seven o'clock we had another grand prayer-

meeting, led by Bro. Cooke. Every moment was improved. At eight o'clock Bro. H. Murray made a few remarks on "Our Field," after which Bro. Northcutt gave us a discourse on "Our Plea" to a crowded house and deeply interested listeners. It was a splendid, dignified, brilliant presentation of the grand plea of the Disciples of Christ. It bears the palm of anything we have ever heard on that subject. It touched and moved the hearts of all lovers of God, and fastened on our very souls a determination that we would be more faithful in making known the gospel of our salvation. He spoke of the various movements that are now running in line with the great plea for Christian union that we have been agitating for three-quarters of a century, and that those who are not in sympathy with those forward movements of the present time are out of sympathy with the plea we are presenting to the world.

SATURDAY.

Prayer-meeting at ten o'clock. Every moment improved. "Something for Christ" was the prominent thought before the meeting. That to live for Christ was to live for others, and that those who were not seeking to save others could not be saved themselves. "To build a house for a dog was better than to dream of building a palace." etc., etc.

At eleven o'clock Bro. Devoe gave us an earnest talk on the parable of the "Great Feast," after which we repaired to the feast of the body.

At two o'clock the Woman's Foreign Mission Society met. Sister Carrie Payson was chosen president and Sister Flaglor, secretary. The rain prevented many from attending this meeting, nevertheless there were eighty-five present. Reports were read from seven auxiliaries. Sister Hattie Morrison, nee Clark, read a very interesting paper on the work of the children. This is the coming work and it is coming fast—the education of the young heads and hearts in the work of missions. Minnie Titus, Myrtle Freeman, Carrie Payson, Sister Carson and Sister Gates and others took an lively active interest in the meeting. Sister Susie Ford read a paper on the "Imperative Necessity of Foreign Missions." Sister Flaglor read a letter from Sister Rioch, of Japan. Sister Payson was elected president for the ensuing year; Sister Bertie Wallace, Sister Myrtle Freeman, of Milton, Sister Emma Christie, of St. John, and Sister Lena Leonard, of Leonardville, vice-presidents; Sister S. B. Ford, Port Williams, treasurer, and Sister Flaglor, of St. John, secretary. This meeting was a decided improvement on all former meetings. To see these young women of our churches taking such a deep interest and such an intelligent, comprehensive grasp of mission work is one of the most encouraging features of the cause of Christ and warrants the brightest hope of future success. What may we not expect, now that the young people of our churches are consecrating their lives to the service of God and are entering into the work with such commendable vigor and delight?

Bro. Northcutt gave a short address to the society, then a collection for foreign missions, and to our joy \$25.00 were taken.

At seven o'clock Bro. Devoe led another good prayer service. At eight o'clock we had a missionary meeting. Bro. Ford led this meeting. Bro. Flaglor gave us a statement of the mission work during the last three years—over eighteen hundred dollars raised and over one hundred additions. Bro. Cooke was the next speaker, then Bro. Emery, then a song, after which Bro. Rowlison made mention of the good work we were doing in furnishing so many Disciples for the United States. Bro. Stevens offered some remarks on systematic giving. Bro. William Murray sacrificed his speech to give others an opportunity to speak. Bro. Sylvester Leonard was not called out, the chairman not

knowing he was in the house. Bros. Devoe and H. Murray offered a few remarks. Bro. Northcutt followed with a soul inspiring talk and an appeal for a collection for home missions, and to our surprise \$60.00 was raised. This is the highest mark ever reached.

SUNDAY.

A beautiful morning. The sun never shone brighter, the air was never more bracing. All the elements seemed to conspire to make the day one of peace and joy. At 7.30 a large number met for prayer. Bro. William Murray opened the meeting. One good brother remarked "that this meeting took the lead." It was a soul-reviving feast and a foretaste of the heavenly feast.

At 10.30 Bro. Rowlison preached a most excellent sermon from the text "The world by wisdom know not God." We wish this sermon could be published. It is impossible to give within the limits of this report any just idea of the merits of this sermon. Suffice it to say, that all were highly pleased with the discourse and the man. The house was filled again at two o'clock, and not near all the people seated. Sister Hattie Morrison gave a "chalk talk" to the children. It was not only instructive to the children, but very instructive to us all. Bro. Northcutt then gave the children a talk and closed his talk with the following:

"Do all the good you can
To all the people you can,
In all the ways you can,
As long as ever you can."

At three o'clock the crowd became immense. The steamer from Lubec brought about 250, among whom were Bro. and Sister Minnick, and many other brothers and sisters from Lubec and Eastport; this gave a new impetus to the meeting. At three o'clock Bro. Northcutt addressed the people on the subject of the "Work of the Holy Spirit." He showed that the two theories—the word alone and the Spirit alone—were not only false but dangerous. He then very plainly and forcibly presented the truth, i. e., the word and the Spirit—the one made effectual by the other. After this discourse Bros. Barnes and Emery officiated at the Lord's table. Here we ate the bread of God and drank the royal wine of heaven. Here our souls and minds were carried back to the cross and forward to that glorious day when we shall see Him whom we love. After this meeting there was a dash and then a vanish. A few moments only and the friends who had come from Lubec and from all parts of the Island were provided with homes.

At eight o'clock Bro. Northcutt delivered another able and delightful discourse on the "Seed of the Kingdom." The sexton informed us that after all the seating and standing room were occupied in the house that hundreds were yet outside.

MONDAY.

Another perfect day. The morning, until dinner-time, was spent in walking and talking and viewing the hills and valleys of the Island. Sister Bertie Wallace met the children at nine o'clock and delighted them with a talk on how they could make themselves useful in the Sunday-school and in the mission work.

At three o'clock Bro. Northcutt preached again. At seven o'clock we had another praise and prayer-meeting. Here we received a new inspiration in the person of Bro. Stewart, who came in at the eleventh hour and got his penny. He gave us a good talk, and then Bro. Northcutt gave us a discourse on the "Fall of the Mighty and the Exalting of the Humble." It was a powerful and yet tender and heart-searching discourse. When the appeal was made to the unconverted our hearts were made glad in seeing eight precious souls respond to the invitation of the Gospel, five of whom