

more and more evident, that it is impossible for a church to live and prosper without faithful teaching and a constant watch-care. The elders of the church, who have not the ability nor the time to attend to this work, should see that some one is secured to do this. The church that will not help support a man to do what they cannot do themselves, have no claim whatever to the "ancient order of things."

The brethren in LeTete are anxious to secure some one who will labor part of the time for them. They can have no future as a church, unless help is secured. The two churches, LeTete and Back Bay, can and will support a man part of the time, if the man can be found. And the man who will work faithfully will be successful.

We were surprised and made sad to find Bro. Chambers bereft of his wife. May he find, in his loneliness, a balm and solace in the presence of Him who is a very present friend in the time of trouble and whose tender love and sympathy is a "pillow to the troubled soul."

H. M.

NOVA SCOTIA.

KEMPT.

We are still progressing slowly. Our meetings are well attended, and our hopes are sanguine. At our regular preaching appointment July 13th, there was one made the good confession, and was baptized into the one body. We are looking for more to follow.

H. E. COOKE.

TIVERTON.

We have nothing of interest to report from this church at the present writing. The fact that a large number of our brethren have to spend the greater portion of their time away from home during the fishing season, and which throws an additional burden on a number of our sisters, makes it impossible to keep up as good an interest and attendance at prayer-meetings as at other seasons of the year; but on Sundays our congregations are good. We hope with the return of Fall, and our absent brethren, to see more of the grand meetings such as we have enjoyed in the past, and to see other souls gathered into the Kingdom of God.

H. A. DeVox.

GULLIVER'S COVE.

We paid our regular monthly visit to this place during July, and found the brethren still hopeful or success, and anxious to get their house finished. The fact that their numbers are few, and means limited, makes it very difficult to finish the work. If any of our brethren who read this feel as if they had a dollar to spare for some good work, they can not do better than to send it to Bro. J. H. Hines, Roseway, Digby Co., N. S., and credit will be given through THE CHRISTIAN.

A Sunday-school is much needed here, which we hope to organize as soon as the house is completed.

H. A. DeVox.

SOUTHVILLE.

During the present month we paid a visit to the brethren at the above named place; we found the church alive, hopeful, and at work. We remained over one Lord's day, being greeted in the morning and evening with fine congregations.

In the afternoon the brethren met to break bread and commemorate the death of the Saviour. This meeting was presided over by Elder Stephen Steele and Benjamin Wagner, in a most acceptable manner.

They have a good Sunday-school numbering about forty scholars, superintended by Bro. Peter Wagner. They use the international lessons, and

take three different weekly Sunday-school papers. Since our last visit to these brethren, they have placed a very pretty tapestry carpet on the chancel and platform, and a walnut framed sofa upholstered in hair-cloth behind the pulpit, which adds much to the appearance of the audience-room. These brethren seemed anxious to have me take this church as a regular preaching station, which I have promised to do monthly for the present, trusting that our mutual labors will be to the up-building of the cause of our dear Lord and Head.

H. A. DeVox.

P. E. ISLAND.

Our Annual Meeting was held with the church at Lot 48, as per announcement, the second Lord's day in July, and was largely attended by members of all the churches on the Island and others.

The visitors were royally entertained at the houses of the resident friends in "48", and I think the meeting was most enjoyable.

Dr. Knox, of Charlottetown, who is so universally and favorably known on P. E. Island and beyond and who so long ministered to the Lot 48 church, and several other churches on the Island, preached the Annual sermon to a crowded house, and many outside around the open door and windows. His text was: Heb. ii. 10. Although the Doctor labors at a disadvantage on account of failing sight, it was apparent to a very attentive audience, that he is in possession of wonderful physical and mental vigor.

In the evening Bro. Harding, of Halifax, preached very acceptably from Rom. x. 1, to a full house, and continued to preach during the week. Two were baptized by him on Tuesday morning; Miss Fullerton from Pictou, N. S., and Miss Forbes from Murray River, P. E. I.

Of course, it will be understood that Bro. Crawford was at the meeting, and working for the good of all; untiring in his efforts for the forwarding of the cause, having a care that every move shall be sure and true, and yet arranging that others shall take the prominent positions. He is in the enjoyment of such physical and mental vigor as gives the assurance of a continuation of his abundant labors for many years to come.

Our honored Secretary Bro. Robert Stewart, will doubtless give a detailed account of the meeting, and if so, this may be laid aside. O. B. E. Montague, July 22nd, 1890.

(From the Weekly Patriot, Charlottetown, P. E. I.)

The annual meeting of the Churches of Christ in P. E. Island, was held with the church at Cross Roads, Lot 48, beginning on Saturday, July 12. A large number assembled from various parts of the Island, and Nova Scotia, representing all the churches on the Island. The preachers present were Elder D. Knox, of Charlottetown; Elder D. Crawford of New Glasgow; Elder O. B. Emery, of Montague; and W. H. Harding of Halifax, N. S., the latter, a young and energetic Evangelist. The usual meeting on Saturday evening was led by Elder D. Crawford. The time was pleasantly and profitably spent in singing, reading the Scriptures, and addresses by Elders D. Crawford, O. B. Emery, W. H. Harding, and others.

On Lord's day morning, the house was filled to its utmost capacity to hear the Annual Sermon, which was preached by the venerable Dr. Knox. The fact, that he spent nearly forty years of the prime of his life in preaching from the same desk in connection with his other labors on the Island, naturally pointed him out as the proper person. His text from the Epistle to the Hebrews, was: "It became Him for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the Captain of their salvation perfect through suffering." As usual, the arrangement

of his subject showed not only a well cultured mind, but a deep and thorough knowledge of the character and work of Christ, as the great Captain of Salvation. He showed that self-denial and labor are necessary to attain distinction in any line of life, and that Christ was no exception to the rule. He came to raise the sinful and suffering, and was perfected for his work by a life of suffering and humility. Leading many sons to glory was too important a work to be trusted to an untried Captain. He referred to the refining effects of suffering, in the cases of Joseph, Job, David and others. He said the inability of mental and material progress to raise men from sin was proved by the low moral state of ancient nations, especially Greece; that physical power could not destroy sin, which is moral evil; and that it is not for us to enquire what God could, or could not do, in saving sinners, without the sufferings of Christ. He concluded by saying that although the time was up, his subject was so full that he had only just opened it out. The ordinance of the Lord's supper was then administered, Elder O. B. Emery of Montague presiding. The number of communicants was unusually large, filling the lower floor of the house.

In the evening W. H. Harding preached to a large and attentive audience, when a young lady publicly professed her faith in Christ and resolved to follow Him. Encouraging meetings were held on Monday and Tuesday evenings by Bro. Harding. On Tuesday, the ordinance of baptism was administered when two promising and intelligent young ladies were buried with Christ in baptism and raised we trust, to walk in newness of life. Through the kindness and forethought of the ladies belonging to the church, and others who were friendly to the cause, ample provision was made for the entertainment of the visitors. The evident desire on the part of the church members and outside friends to invite strangers to their houses, reminded us of years ago, when that large-hearted Christian man and deacon John Dewar, used to stand at his gate, and insist on strangers to come to his house. He had his reward, in the conversion of his family and the prosperity of the church in his day. The success of the meeting both with regard to entertaining visitors and repairs to the meeting house was due in a great measure to the ladies belonging to the church. Under the able direction of Mrs. Hannah McGregor, who might properly be called a deaconess of the church, money was collected, carpeting, matting, and a beautiful hanging lamp were bought, painting and other repairs were made inside, and a new desk Bible provided for. The men too, deserve credit for repairs to fencing, church grounds, and road, under the energetic supervision of Bro. John McGregor, Esq. Experience has shown that the descendants of the old families belonging to the Church only require to be aroused in order to be as active in spiritual matters, as they evidently are in worldly business. Our thanks are due to Mr. Duncan Stuart, who kindly allowed us to make a raid on his house, when seats became scarce, and to carry off a large number of chairs.

The reports from the churches showed a steady increase, and the Association adjourned to meet with the church at New Glasgow, or if so desired, with the church at East Point, on the second Lord's day in July, 1891.

Died.

STOCKFORD.—At Gagetown, after a lingering illness, Valentine, son of David W. and Jane Stockford, aged 16 years. His end was peace.

LEDBETTER.—At the residence of Elder White, Lake May, Q. C., July 21st, of heart disease, Herbert Ledbetter, only son of Sister John Ledbetter, in the 22nd year of his age. Christian Standard please copy. H. E. O.