

## News of the Churches.

ST. JOHN, N. B.  
COBURG STREET

On the evening of March 1st a number of the members from this church and the Main Street church visited the brethren at Silver Falls. Bro Appel, pastor of the Main Street church, preached to a large audience.

Capt Dick, one of our earnest brethren of Mascarene, was at our meeting on Friday evening (26th). He spoke hopefully of the work there.

Our March evangelistic meetings are now in progress. They began on Lord's day, March 7th, and continue every evening with the exception of Saturday. Bro Appel and Bro Barry Allan sing. Bro Appel leads the devotional meeting, after which Bro. Stewart preaches. The meetings are well attended and the interest is increasing. Fourteen persons have confessed the name of Christ.

Much credit is due to Bro. O. B. Stockford who reports the meetings for the daily papers.

On Lord's day morning (21st) Bro. Stewart exchanged with Bro. Appel. The hope is expressed that the change may be more frequent.

Our esteemed Bro Stockford, who has been laid up with a severe attack of rheumatism the past few weeks, we are glad to say is rapidly recovering.

## MAIN STREET.

On Lord's day March 7th, we took our collection for foreign missions—\$27 00.

Bro. Currie has been confined to his home with an attack of la grippe.

Mr. Wm. Armstrong, husband of our beloved Sister Armstrong who has always been a regular attendant and supporter of this church, has been seriously ill with pneumonia, but we are glad to say that he is now much improved.

On Lord's day morning March 21st, a young lad who confessed Christ at the evangelistic meetings in the Coburg Street church, received the right hand of fellowship.

## LETETE, N. B.

The church here took up the collection for foreign missions the first Lord's day in March. The collection amounted to \$5 65.

We had Bro. Ryan with us for two weeks. He did us all good by his able discourses. It is too bad that we could not keep him two weeks longer, as the house was full most of the time, and the last night was so crowded that some could not get inside. We had four confessions and baptisms and many almost persuaded. With the ten who united with the church before Bro. Ryan came and two others who had already been baptized, we have had 16 additions to the church this winter, and we will be disappointed if others do not come before long. We are praying and laboring and hoping that they may come. Pray for us.

WM. MURRAY.

## MILTON, N. S.

Bro. Murray has been giving us some grand sermons since his return. He is now holding special meetings which we hope will prove a success. The harvest truly is great.

Our Christian Endeavor Society is still showing a good interest in the work and the meetings are well attended.

We have taken up a collection for the India famine sufferers, receiving \$17 40. We have also taken the March offering for foreign missions, amounting to \$11.00. This shows what we can do when our hearts are in the work. C. B. A.

Later—March 26—Grand meeting four days old. Church wide awake. Eleven confessions.—H. M.

## HALIFAX, N. S.

Our Junior Society of Christian Endeavor had a splendid programme and a fine audience at the foreign mission meeting on the night of March 7th. Thirty-four dollars were raised. After meeting some slight incidental expenses, we sent thirty dollars to Bro. Rains, who, in acknowledging the receipt of the amount at Cincinnati, wrote, "Well done, Halifax." The Foreign Society apportioned us \$20.00 and we sent them \$30.00. We think we have the banner junior society, of this province at least. They number about forty and are workers.

Our Senior Society of Christian Endeavor at their last business and election meeting decided to retain the full corps of old officers for the coming six months. This society has been running so smoothly and agreeably the nominating committee thought it best to let "well enough" alone. This society did much toward raising our home mission apportionment, and of late have been aiding in the orphan rescue Armenian work, and home missions as well.

The writer has been invited to deliver an address in the Tabernacle Baptist Church of this city on Friday night, the 19th, and also in the Charles street Methodist Church on Monday night, 22nd. The subjects will be of a very practical character, bearing on the relation of Christianity and civic reforms.

We are still preaching a continued series of sermons on doctrinal and reformatory subjects, Sunday nights, to good and seemingly deeply interested audiences. We are sowing, and the harvest is bound to come in good time. Our meetings are all good, and there is a growing spiritual concern and a deepening and broadening of soul growth. We hope to have accessions ere long, as several are deeply interested and have freely conversed with us on several occasions of late on the strength and scripturateness of the plea we present.

We have been requested to address one of the benevolent societies of Halifax, at our place of worship, on the occasion of an anniversary in April; but as the order is a large one, and our accommodations are limited, we are somewhat at a stand, but may be able to make some arrangements.

Our Ladies' Aid Society gave a social tea, followed by a pleasing programme of song, recitation, etc., on the evening of the 18th at the residence of Bro F. W. Stevens, North street. The Aid Society added materially to its funds, and all present were delighted, pronouncing it one of the very best conducted and most enjoyable meetings of its kind. The social feature of such a pleasant gathering is often a well defined proof of its usefulness. We are promised more of them.

T. H. BLENUS.

## PICTOU, N. S.

Bro. D. Fullerton has been lingering just on the borderland now for several days owing to a severe attack of la grippe, but we are praying the Lord to spare him for a while longer to carry on the work he has so faithfully begun here, and we are greatly encouraged over indications leading us to believe that our prayers are being answered.

Bro J. F. Baker worshipped with us on March 21st and encouraged us by saying that our meetings far exceeded his expectations.

Two or three weeks ago I visited a family living about three miles from Pictou who told me that I was the first minister who darkened their door in nine years; and on leaving, as a token of their appreciation of my visit to them and interest in them, they presented me with five dollars, which I have forwarded for missions.

Our band of fourteen in Pictou (with the aid of some who are not members but who availed themselves of the opportunity to assist) have since January 1st contributed to home and foreign missions the sum of thirty-eight dollars, notwithstanding our local expense is greater *per capita* than that of any of our churches.

We are expecting to have a very valuable addition to our band of workers here after a few weeks; but will reserve particulars for a later report.

R. E. STEVENS.

## WESTPORT AND TIVERTON, N. S.

We are now in the midst of a revival meeting in Tiverton. The weather has hindered a regular attendance of the people, however, the audiences are very good. Thus far in the meeting there have been four additions, three by baptism and one by statement. The church is being revived and a number of backsliders are renewing their obligations to God. The meeting still continues.

Before coming to Tiverton the members and friends in Westport thought they would gladden the hearts of their pastor and wife, which they did in a substantial way. Over one hundred thronged the parsonage and spent the evening in a pleasant, sociable time. Music, singing and games were the order of the evening. The pastor thanked his friends in a few words and offered prayer in their behalf. When the people retired the pastor and

wife found themselves richer by about \$48. The pastor says he slept good that night.

At Westport a Young People's Missionary Society has been organized with the following officers; President, Mrs. Arthur Payson, Vice-president, Stella Reid, Secretary, Fannie Pugh; and Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Bolton. It will meet once a month with a public programme, the money to be used for missionary purposes as the members determine. Each member is to pay at least five cents a month. This society is to fill the gap between the Mission Band and the Woman's Auxiliary.

Geo. Cossaboom, elder, Tiverton, hurt his ankle badly so he is was not permitted to help much in the meetings.

William Greenlaw, Tiverton, is still quite poorly and confined to the house. J. W. BOLTON.

## CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

According to announcement, Bro Crawford and Bro. Manifold exchanged pulpits on February 28th, Bro. Manifold going to New Glasgow and Bro. Crawford coming to Charlottetown and preaching for us morning and evening, and also drove to Heartz's Hall to preach at three p. m.

Bro Crawford spent a few busy days visiting the brethren here, and on Tuesday evening held a special service for the ordination of Geo. Manifold, in which he gave pastor and congregation some very seasonable scriptural advice; and, after special prayer by Bro. Emery, Bros. Crawford, Kennedy and Emery, in the order named, laid hands on Bro. Manifold, setting him apart to the work of the Christian ministry in Charlottetown.

Bro. R. W. Stevenson will exchange pulpits with Bro. Manifold on March 28th, and as Bro. Stevenson is well known in Charlottetown he will be very welcome, as no doubt Bro. Manifold will be welcome to the brethren of Montague and vicinity.

The interest in the Sunday-school and pastor's Bible class continues and we look for good results in the near future, as Bro. Manifold is a very good teacher and an earnest worker in the cause of the Master. G. A. S.

## NEW GLASGOW, P. E. I.

Among the many favors of the past winter was a donation visit made us by our friends who came through the severest weather to enjoy a few hours together. Near sixty dollars was left with us, most part in money, the remainder in articles as good as gold. D. C.

## SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

On my last visit to Tignish I enjoyed the company of our esteemed Bro. Thos. Beattie. To say we enjoyed the visit among the good brethren of Tignish is to express it mildly. We received a hearty Christian welcome and I tell you we did enjoy the time. The weather was stormy, nevertheless we met on Lord's day with a goodly number to enjoy the blessings of our Heavenly Father. Bro. Beattie enjoys very much the association of his friends and especially those of the household of faith. He speaks in the highest terms of the brethren of Tignish. We arrived home on Thursday in time for the prohibition convention held in the Market Hall, Summerside. The meeting was a success and some very able speeches were made by Rev. J. Goldsmith, Rev. E. M. Dill, Rev. R. W. Weddall and others.

Our work in Summerside is encouraging. Last evening at our regular service another made confession and decided for Christ. This time it is the esteemed wife of a young brother who has lately reconsecrated his life to Christ. We rejoice and thank God for all blessings.

Our Sunday-school is working well. Our superintendent, Sister C. S. Beattie, has been very sick for a while but will soon be out again. Mission Band is also doing well. Another of its number has filled a star card. This time it is our young Bro. Melvin Murray. Our congregations yesterday were good. We have of late enjoyed the visit of quite a number of friends from Fredrickton and New Glasgow. Our esteemed Bro. D. Crawford of New Glasgow will exchange with me next Lord's day. Bro. Crawford is a man held in highest esteem by the brotherhood on the Island. He has proved himself a man of God and a brother to humanity. His influence and character not only tells in this province; but in Nova Scotia his work stands as a monument of his Christian integrity and ability in the gospel. H. E. COOKE.