

Order of Exercises in Anniversary Week in Wolfville.

Tuesday, June 1, 8 o'clock p. m., Meeting of the Senate. Wednesday, 3 p. m., Graduation Exercises of the Collegiate Academy. Wednesday evening, Graduating Exercises of Acadia Seminary. Thursday, June 3, 11 o'clock, Anniversary Exercises of Acadia College. Thursday evening, Conversations in the College Building, under the direction of a committee of the Alumni. Friday, June 4, morning and afternoon, meetings of the Governors of the College.

After Many Days.

The words of truth are never lost. Like long-buried seed, they will bloom forth at last. A youth of fifteen once heard the celebrated Flavel preach a plain, powerful sermon, from which he received no immediate impressions. Soon after he came to America, where he lived to be a hundred years of age—a thoughtful, careless old man. One day, while sitting alone under a tree, his past life came vividly before him, and over the hills of memory, clear as the blue above him, rose the days of his youth, and with them the Sabbath morning when he heard the great, solemn Flavel. The sermon's thrilling words came back to him like an alarm-bell over the silent sea of years, awakening every sleeping sin. Startled and stung by conscience, he was led at last from a deep sense of guilt to a forgiving Judge and a loving Saviour. He joined a neighboring church, and for sixteen years lived to be a consistent follower of Christ, and then Luke Short died at the age of a hundred and sixteen years in the glorious hope of a blessed immortality.

Little thought Flavel that his living words should echo over the sea of time, across the ocean between the Old and the New World, awaking a sleeping soul to everlasting glory. The seed of truth has a wondrous resurrection power. Sown in one heart, plighted and transplanted, it lives and grows from year to year, from century to century. Binney sat alone and wrote his book of Christian experience—full of thoughts born in prayer and baptized in tears. One of the printed copies some careless hand had torn and thrown aside, and Richard Baxter chanced to pick up the old torn leaves, and read enough of truth to lead him at last to feel the evil of sin, and to find peace and hope, and he wrote his "Call to the Unconverted," which Doddridge read, and was awakened and saved, and many other sleepers his solemn call aroused from their death-slumber, and many aroused by him were helped to reach their everlasting rest; and Doddridge, each through God's help by Baxter, wrote his "Rise and Progress" which led William Wilberforce to Christ, and Wilberforce wrote his "Practical View," which led Thomas Chalmers to be truly converted, while himself preaching an unknown Christ.

Let no preacher think his true, earnest words hermetically sealed and dead in the vase of some hardened soul. They live even in the dust of memory's tomb. As the Danish poet tells us, the flower upon the earth grows at night time; so, in times dark, the flower of truth may grow unseen. —Christian Intelligence.

Denominational Meetings.

ASSOCIATIONS. Southern N. B., Pennfield, Tuesday June 8, 2 p. m. Prescher, Rev. S. Welton; alternate, Rev. J. A. Cahill. Western N. B., Nictaux, Saturday, June 19. Prescher, Rev. J. A. Gordon; alternate, Rev. C. C. Burgess; circular letter, Rev. J. B. Woodland. Western N. B., Newcastle, Grand Lakes, Tuesday, June 22. Prescher, Rev. E. N. Nobles. Alternate, Rev. C. Henderson. Letter, Rev. W. Parker. Central N. B., Hantsport, Saturday, June 26, at 10 a. m. Prescher, Rev. A. W. Burns. Alternate, Rev. W. H. Robinson. Letter, Dr. D. F. Higgins. Prince Edward Island, West River, July 3. Prescher, Rev. E. Whitman. Alternate, Rev. G. N. Archibald. Letter, Den. Arthur Simpson. Eastern N. B., Hillsboro, July 17, 2 p. m. Prescher, Rev. W. J. Swaffield. Alternate, Rev. I. J. Skinner. Letter, Rev. Geo. Selsley. Eastern N. B., Parrsboro, September 10, 10 a. m. Prescher, Rev. F. M. Young. Alternate, Rev. J. Miles. Letter, Rev. E. F. Calwell.

CONVENTIONS.

Brussell St., St. John, Saturday, August 21, at 10 a. m. Prescher, Dr. T. A. Higgins. Alternate, Rev. S. B. Kempton.

—Walking in the street together were an elder in the Presbyterian Church and a friend of his. The former said, "Who is your lady?" "She is Mrs. L., a wonderful woman, a very useful woman, I tell you one such woman will be the salvation of any church; but two would be its destruction!" The same remark could be made of some good men; and it shows that "we all need grace and patience." The principle in the elder's remark is that Mrs. L. would not brook opponents; she must lead or fall back.

—Rev. Edward Jackson, in writing about the posthumous influence of his father, says: "You cannot bury a saint so deep that he will not sway the lives of those who walk over his grave."

—A Sunday-school teacher asked his several in a class why for next year they were not going to school. "Because there was no one else that could do it."

Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

NORTH SYDNEY.—We are still enjoying tokens of the Lord's favor. Sinners are coming into the kingdom and enlisting in the cause of Christ. Last Sabbath I baptized four and welcomed five persons into the church. The Lord be praised for his great mercy manifested towards us. May 18th. J. W. BANCROFT.

CASBRO.—On Sunday, 16th, we even called to visit the baptismal waters, when three happy believers were buried with Christ in baptism. In the afternoon a very large and reverential crowd of attendants. Our meetings are well attended, and our people are inclined to work. As a proof of this, we are now getting the frame of our new church raised and boarded in. They intend to finish the whole of the outside this summer. It is 60 feet long and 30 feet wide, with tower and spire on the angle about feet 50 high. JAMES SCOTT.

PARADISE, ANN., Co. N. S.—Dr. Day, in giving an account of his visit to Paradise, in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR a few weeks ago, said that the Sabbath school was faithfully held and that soon his labors would be blessed. It seems that he is a very accurate prophet; for soon after he was here there was a stir amongst the dry bones. At one of our regular week night services there were quite a number present, and we heard the notes of an organ in the top of the mulberry trees; for nine stood for prayers, and thought it was full time for us to better ourselves, and we held special services for nearly three weeks. We did not hold the special services in order to get a revival, but because the revival had been forced upon us. This proves that the Lord does work through ordinary means, when the people are ready for it. As a result, I have had the pleasure of baptizing sixteen converts during these last three or four weeks. There are several other cases of conversion, but they have not yet offered themselves to the church. I may say, that three or four date their first impressions from the time of dear Bro. T. Eaton, and one from the time Dr. Armstrong was at Bridgetown many years ago. This will cheer the hearts of the above brethren. "One sower and another reaper." April 25th, eight; May 2nd, four; May 16th, seven. D. D.

NOTICE.—The N. S. Western Baptist Association will meet in annual session at Nictaux, on Saturday, the 19th of June, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Delegates and friends intending to be present will please send in their names to the undersigned as early as possible. Let all the names be forwarded by the 10th of June. To expedite mail, address all communications to the undersigned at Middleton, N. S. J. CLARK.

ANDOVER, N. B.—Special services are being held at Andover and vicinity by Rev. A. E. Ingram, assisted by our General Missionary Wallace with some tokens of the divine favor. On Sabbath, the 23rd May, an interesting young brother, who is a station agent on the N. B. Railway, was baptized into the fellowship of the Andover Baptist Church, and more are expected to follow. FAIRVILLE.—It was my privilege to baptize a sister and to welcome her into the church. W. J. SWAFFIELD.

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for Moncton, next week to supply for Bro. Hinson during his absence. Reader, please follow me with your prayers. Boulardzie, May 2, 1888. D. G. M. BRIDGWATER, L. Co. N. B.—On closing my efforts at Bridgewater, several weeks ago, I sent to the MESSENGER AND VISITOR items for your "news from the churches" but from some unaccountable cause they did not reach their destination. As some things then written would have been interesting to many of your readers, it may not be too late, even now, to give you some of the items then forwarded. On the last Sabbath in April 9 more were added to the Bridgewater Bap. church, 5 by baptism and 4 by letter and experience, among the latter was my life-long friend, T. B. Pastillo, Esq., Inspector of Schools for Lunenburg and Queens. These, with 4 received on the previous Sabbath, make a reinforcement of 13 during my recent visit. The church is much encouraged. They have requested our M. Board to co-operate with them, in securing the services in adjacent settlements and is appreciated and encouraged in his extensive and laborious field. I preached several times in the Town of Lunenburg to large and attentive congregations and was delighted with the indications of intelligence and activity. I witnessed. For so young a church our brethren and sisters deserve great credit for the advanced position they take in christian work. Their prospects are brightening. Our H. M. Board are to be congratulated for the success that has crowned their efforts in this old Town. I was glad to notice the indications of material prosperity in both the towns of Bridgewater and Lunenburg. In the former place the lumbering business is booming, in the latter fishing is the principal enterprise. ISA WALLACE.

May 24. ALMA, N. B.—I left Toronto Bap. College May 4th, for Alma, arrived May 6th. Alma is a nice little village by the sea. I was quite fortunate to get an appointment down by the sea, it was my privilege to spend the summer among the islands of the province in Lunenburg County, N. S. Brethren pray for us at Alma, that the seed sown this summer may bring forth fruit to the glory of God. C. E. PIXRO.

PERSONALS. The Rev. S. March of Bridgewater, N. S., was obliged to give up work for a few weeks on account of his health. We are glad to hear he has now so far recovered as to be able to resume his duties. Rev. G. N. Ballentine, recently of Woodstock, N. B., has accepted the entirely unanimous call extended to him by the Baptist church in Groton, Conn., and enters on his pastorate with many tokens to encourage and stimulate him. The Rev. A. E. Ingram, assisted by our General Missionary Wallace with some tokens of the divine favor. On Sabbath, the 23rd May, an interesting young brother, who is a station agent on the N. B. Railway, was baptized into the fellowship of the Andover Baptist Church, and more are expected to follow.

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