

News of the Churches.

ST. JOHN, N. B.
COBURG STREET.

Our evangelistic meetings, which commenced on the 20th of February, closed on Friday, March 25th. During four weeks of the five the weather was all that could be desired. The attendance was large. The preaching by Bro. Stewart was earnest and impressive. Bro. Appel added to the interest of the meetings by his singing of gospel hymns. The social exercises were interesting and profitable—a large number taking part in the meetings.

Bro. O. B. Stockford furnished the daily papers with reports of the meetings.

There were seven additions by baptism, one from the Baptists and one reclaimed.

We were agreeably surprised to see Bro. Barry Allen at our meetings on Lord's day, March 20th. He returned to Springhill on the following Monday.

Bro. Joseph Ossinger, Kendrick Outhouse and Fred. Greenlaw, of Tiverton, N. S., were at our services on Lord's day, 27th. Bro. G. E. Wallace, of Halifax, N. S., on Lord's day, 20th and 27th; and Bro. E. C. Bowers, of Westport, N. S., on the 20th.

Sister Nellie Flaglor, who has been in Moncton during the winter for the benefit of her health, returned home on the 19th very much improved.

Some of the "little folks" are being interested in foreign missions. Magic lantern views and a concert was given at the home of Herbert Edwards on Friday evening last. The amount realized was \$8.50.

The foreign mission collection which was taken up on Lord's day (13th) amounted to \$45 00.

MAIN STREET.

We have had two additions by baptism during the past month, and one confession last Lord's day evening.

W. A. BARNES.

MASCARENE, N. B.

Thinking you are interested in our small numbers, lately organized as a church, I feel it my duty to inform you how we are progressing in our services. I am pleased to say that since our church was opened and organized as a body of Christians we have held regular social meetings every Lord's day morning with the breaking of bread. These meetings have been well attended by all the members, each one taking an active part in making them interesting and helpful.

A Union Christian Endeavor meeting is also held in the church every Thursday evening and Sunday-school every Sunday afternoon.

S. W. DICK.

LORD'S COVE, N. B.

The church here, assisted by Bro. W. H. Harding, is having a wonderful meeting. The meeting-house is crowded every night, and extra seats have to be put in the aisles. On Sunday night (March 27th) it was overflowing, not even standing room. Last week thirty-four were baptized. Twelve others have made the good confession; one has been received by statement and two have been reclaimed. The indications are that some others will confess the Christ and unite with his Church. The meetings are to continue this week. The church will surely take on new life. On last Sunday there were over 150 communicants. It seemed like an annual meeting.

The church made the offering for foreign missions the first Sunday Bro. Harding was present. The amount was about \$20.00

H. W. S.

LATER. March 29.—Seventy-two additions to date, and meeting not two weeks old.

LETETE, N. B.

The church in this place took the foreign mission collection on the first Lord's day in March. Seven dollars were raised. The Sunday school was to make its offering on the third Lord's day

H. W. S.

PICTOU, N. S.

Having so frequently had "our pure minds stirred up by way of remembrance" by the editor and home secretary, in regard to this duty, we feel constrained to give a brief account of ourselves, though we have little to report that will be of general interest.

Our work moves slowly—but it moves. In comparing the past week with the corresponding week of last year, I find that the attendance at our Lord's day meetings shows an increase of about fifty per cent for both morning and evening services, and our mid-week prayer-meetings about two hundred per cent increase in attendants, and nearly as much in participants.

In our last Wednesday evening meeting we had sixteen scripture readings and exhortations, and seven prayers. These, being interspersed with frequent songs, made a very interesting and helpful meeting.

Of the five recently added to our number, two are non-residents. The other three are faithful in attendance at all services, and have been active in prayer-meetings from the beginning of their Christian life.

Our ladies' auxiliary to C. W. B. M. has a monthly meeting, with about fifteen members, and contributes more than one dollar per month to foreign missions.

Our March offering to foreign missions was \$17.28.

Bro. Bagnall, of St. John, met with us last Lord's day.

R. E. STEVENS.

MILTON, N. S.

Our Bible class last Sunday, on the parable of the "wheat and tares," decided that a tare was a kind of a "no-harm Christian," which was equivalent to "no good." The things that are no harm are generally not much good. The "tare" was no manner of good and no special harm. In any questionable action always inquire, Is there any good in it, rather than, Is it any harm? The only way to keep out of harm is to keep in the way of doing good. Never give as a reason for an action, "there is no harm in it." We never read of any reward for doing no harm.

Bro. and Sister E. C. Ford left for home last Friday, 12th inst. Our county paper says: "Mr. and Mrs. Ford were warmly greeted on their arrival in this place, and their departure is deeply regretted."

We kept him quite busy. He, with the writer, visited eighty-five families, some of them more than once, making over a hundred visits. He preached a number of times in our own church, once for the Baptist, and twice for the Y. M. C. A., and the people were delighted with his preaching. He visited Summerville church and preached there several times, all of which show that he did more than rest. We all have been greatly benefited by their visit, especially the preacher.

Our offerings in Milton for missions last month, including county, provincial and foreign, amounted to \$35 00. The county is doing, in the work of missions, much better than it has ever done. We sincerely hope the time may not be far distant when every Disciple of Christ may be a worker for missions. To neglect this supreme, all-important work is to trifle with their souls' salvation.

H. M.

WESTPORT AND TIVERTON, N. S.

A splendid offering for foreign missions was taken by the church in Westport, February 27th.

Bro. H. A. Devos is assisting us in a special meeting at Tiverton. At this writing there has been one baptism and several reclaimed. The sister baptized came from the Methodists. There is a deep interest among the members of the church, and we trust there will also be a concern among the outsiders.

J. W. B.

SUMMERSVILLE, N. S.

The outlook here is quite encouraging. The church for the first time took the regular March offering for foreign missions,—amount raised was \$6.00. While this is the first time, we hope and trust that it will not be the last, and that this little church by the sea will continue to send its mite across the waters to those who live in heathen darkness.

Our audiences are good, and especially on Lord's day mornings. The Endeavor meetings are very interesting, there being generally between twenty and thirty to take an active part.

F. C. FORD.

KEMPT, N. S.

Our work here is moving along nicely, and we think there is cause for encouragement. Although the church had no regular preacher for more than a year, before the writer was engaged, the faithful ones continued to meet every Lord's day around the Lord's table. Our meetings are growing in interest, and we are confidently expecting to see good results before long.

On the first Lord's day in March we took the offering for foreign missions, which amounted to \$8 25. We believe that in helping others you are helped yourself.

F. C. FORD.

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

The weather is delightful and the signs of an early spring are very apparent. This is one of earth's most beautiful regions on the approach of spring.

The first Lord's day in March we were greeted with a full house, and we raised our apportionment for foreign missions. I am glad to say that the Summerside church has the true missionary spirit.

On the second Lord's day the Mission Band held their annual concert and raised \$4.20. This is considered extra good for the little ones, being a larger amount than previously given.

Our Sunday-school is working splendidly. We have some true and faithful workers, and this means success. We have had eleven additions from the Sunday-school since we begun to work with the church here. One of our brightest scholars was received into fellowship last Sunday morning.

Bro. Richard Murray is very sick. He has been an elder of the church for upwards of thirty years. He is a student of the Word of God in the proper acceptance of the term, having been a close reader of its pages for over sixty years. He is a man of clear understanding, deep convictions and unflinching faith in God; a man hard to handle when he wields the sword of the spirit. Yet we hope to see him in his station again in the house of God. But if not, we know his place awaits him amongst the redeemed.

H. E. C.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

CENTRAL CHURCH.

Bro. R. W. Stevenson, together with his daughter Gerty, paid Charlottetown a visit. He preached here two Lord's days in succession, and quite a number of strangers came to the services. He