

Missionary Meetings.

Following is a programme of meetings arranged for by Bro. Archibald to be held in Queens and Kings Counties:

Salmon Creek—Sunday, Feb. 7, 11 a. m. (Gasperaux)—Sunday, Feb. 7, 2:30 p. m. Lower Newcastle—Monday, 8th, 2 p. m. Upper Cumberland Bay—Tuesday, 9th, 7 p. m.

Lower Cumberland Bay—Wednesday, 10th, 7 p. m.

Mill Cove—Thursday, 11th, 7 p. m. Jemseg—Friday, 12th, 7 p. m. Lower Cambridge—Sunday, 14th, 11 a. m. Upper Wickham—Sunday, 14th, 7 p. m. Narrows—Monday, 15th, 7 p. m. 1st Johnston—Tuesday, 16th, 7 p. m.

Should they be able to spend a few days longer, they could in returning from 1st Johnston (Thorndown) visit the following additional fields in Kings Co., without much inconvenience. The connections between all these meetings will be quite easy to make, either by Central railway or teams.

Stopping off at Bellisle station, 5 miles to Collina Corner, (St. John's) Wednesday, 17th, 7 p. m.

1st Springhill—Thursday, 18th, 7 p. m. 2nd Springhill—Friday, 19th, 7 p. m. Kars (2 meeting houses) Sunday, 21st, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Returning either to Hampton or Norton. I have left Upper Gagetown, as Mrs. Archibald attended the association there in June, 1889, but if they wish to go there again, they could do so from Jemseg, Saturday, 13th, at 2 p. m. This would give them time to reach Lower Cambridge for Sunday.

The brethren are requested to take them from place to place, and also that a collection will be taken at each meeting for Foreign Missions.

W. E. McINTYRE.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

TABERNACLE CHURCH, ST. JOHN'S.—The Lord is still looking favorably upon us. Our house of worship was crowded to overflowing before the time of regular service last evening. At the close of the service we had the pleasure of baptizing a young sister, who was converted some three years ago in the Salvation Army, and since that time has been a most earnest and devoted member of that organization. Some six weeks ago a number of the family with which the above mentioned sister resides, was converted in our meetings, and was baptized into our fellowship. The fact made a deep impression on the mind of our sister, and led her to prayerfully search the Word of God with reference to its teaching concerning baptism. The usual result followed—she was convinced that her duty as a Christian was to obey her Lord, at any cost or sacrifice, and she took this first opportunity to do so. She promises to work earnestly with and for the church of Jesus Christ, and has already intimated the kind of work to which she desires to devote her talents, and in which we believe she will, with God's blessing, be most successful. Thus the Lord is adding to our staff of workers in different departments of His service. At the close of the social meeting last evening, which was very largely attended, some 80 persons pledged themselves to pray most earnestly for a larger outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon this church and community. We go forward again this week in the Lord's Name. Will God's children remember us earnestly in their prayers?

January 11. A. E. ISORAN.

ROCKLAND, CARLETON CO.—A few items from this field may be of interest to some of our many readers. After having been laid for over a year by ill health I accepted an invitation to become "missionary pastor" of the Rockland group of churches, and took charge the 1st of January, 1891, moving my family on the 9th of March. The field is composed of the following churches and preaching stations: Rockland, Windsor and Carlisle churches, and Hartland and Coldstream stations. There was no parsonage on the field when I commenced my labors, and hence the necessity of living elsewhere for a time; but the Rockland church, to their credit, purchased a piece of land, with a house and barn on it, near the village, and fitted up the house so that we could live in it until the autumn, when they built it over, putting on a second story of four rooms, which made it one of the best parsonages in the county of Carleton, N. B. This church is not a large numerically one, but we have succeeded in getting many of its members being non-resident. They deserve great credit for the Christian zeal and activity that they are manifesting in providing a residence for their minister and paying their quota of his support. Our congregations keep up a good average on the whole field. We are encouraged from time to time to believe that good is being accomplished. While we have not baptized any, yet some have given evidence of spiritual awakening, and we believe that a number have been converted to God. I am now, and have been for a week, confined to my house by sickness, but hope to be able to be out again soon.

BARRINGTON.—Though we cannot report many conversions or baptisms, the Gospel is preached at stated times throughout the field. Our congregations are fair considering the Baptist interest in this section. Our conference meetings are quite regularly sustained in all the churches. The Sabbath-schools are also kept up, and we trust good work is being done in them all. One great drawback we have to encounter is that most of our male members go away in early spring and are gone till late in the fall, so we are left without help, and the churches suffer largely on account of it. We are expecting to finish the Wood's Harbor church edifice next summer. It has been standing now in an unfinished condition about nine years. We have only the basement to worship in. The Port Clyde church edifice is up, and is being pushed forward as fast as circumstances will permit. This little church is poor and small. We have been working

shipping out-door and in small rooms in their dwelling houses, since last spring; but we are hoping for better accommodations in the near future by the kind and favorable consideration of our brethren abroad. Any brother or church who will help us a little, their aid will be thankfully received and fully acknowledged. They can address me or William McKerson, Port Clyde. We are indebted greatly to the Temple church and Pastor White, Yarmouth, for a stove and hot water pipe for the church. This is not the first time that they came to our aid. God bless pastor and church in bestowing upon them His heavenly benefits. The other Baptist churches of Yarmouth have also helped us when called upon. We have to be remembered by them still. We need their aid. The truth is, we must be assisted by these churches or our church edifice at Port Clyde must remain where it is, just boarded in and roof shingled. The field that I am trying to cultivate for the Lord is large and tiresome, too much so for one man; yet by the blessing of God I hope to succeed.

T. M. MURDO.

OAK BAY, N. B.—Bro. F. S. Todd has just entered upon his fifth year as pastor of the Rolling Dam, Lehigh, and Oak Bay churches, all of which have been blessed, under his labors, both spiritually and financially, during his stay here. The Rolling Dam church numbered 34 members four years ago; now there are 69. At Lehigh there were meeting there for forty members present. It was truly a season of rejoicing, as all testified to the blessings bestowed on them and this part of the field. Some twelve have been baptized during the past year. At the Lehigh there were three baptized last November, and quite a number during the last four years; the meetings are generally well attended, and much interest is felt. The Bartlett's Mills church was organized since Bro. Todd came here, with a membership of thirty-nine, many of whom were baptized by him; also, a new house of worship has been built during that time, valued at about \$1,000. The Oak Bay church has had nineteen added to its membership since Bro. Todd came here. This field, and although the membership at present is only five more than it was, that is accounted for by the fact that many members have joined churches elsewhere. The meetings are well attended, and much interest is taken by all. The Sunday school in connection with the church is kept open during the twelve months of the year. Bro. Todd has baptized seventy-five persons since he took charge of these churches, and in addition to the work on this field, our brother has taken charge of the Bay Side church, which was without preaching, prayer meetings or Sabbath school, all of which have been established, with a good interest, the congregations being double what they were at first. This church, which forms part of the Saint Andrews field, is very much in need of some good, earnest brother who will take charge of the whole field, as we fear that the Baptists in this section are being ground. Bro. Todd is kept very busy all his time, in order to attend all the meetings of these churches, including the conference, business, and weekly prayer meetings, all of which he never fails to be present when possible, beside the numerous calls required on so large a field, he also having attended eighty funerals during that time. In regard to financial affairs, these churches, during the past four years, raised quite a large sum of money, for all purposes, and the houses of worship having been thoroughly repaired and remodelled inside, beside the new one built at Bartlett's Mills. The Rolling Dam church raised and expended \$1,000; Lehigh, \$800; Bartlett's Mills, \$1,200; and Oak Bay, (including one year previous to Bro. Todd's time, under Bro. Kidson's labors), \$1,800, making a total of \$4,800 in all.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—We doubt not but some of your many readers would like to hear how our hands in this part of the Master's vineyard. The year 1891 has been the brightest and most encouraging one in the history of our church. On the last Wednesday of the year we had our annual "roll call," and the number of our members was 274. The large proportion of our resident members were present, and with expressions of faith in Jesus Christ and loyalty to His church, responded to their names; some were unable to be present, owing to sickness, but almost all reported themselves through friends or by letter. Our good and faithful brother, through death, joined the church triumphant, and Bro. John Darrach is enrolled in Heaven. According to our revised roll our numerical strength is 274 members. These 274 are away from the city at present, many of whom may not return; but we are doing what we can to induce such to take their letters and unite with the churches in their locality. The number of our members is 112. Since the present pastorate began, less than three years ago, 81 have been added to our number, mostly by baptism. Our congregations are solid, and a healthy growth is perceptible in our meetings, and we are very much encouraged. We have also secured rooms and established a mission and branch Sunday school in a destitute part of the city. Owing to the number attending these prayer meetings we were recently obliged to enlarge our room and double the seating capacity. We think it a pity that our Convention does not see the way clear to credit churches for expenditure in such necessary missionary work as this.

The number attending our schools is 277—246 in the main school, 36 in the branch. The total current expenses of our church and city mission for year ending 31st Dec., 1891, has been a little over \$2,000, which is expended almost entirely towards new buildings, and has been promptly met without resorting to any questionable methods, by the voluntary offerings. At the close of our annual meeting the church and congregation, by a unanimous rising vote expressed their desire that our beloved and respected pastor, Rev. J. A. Gordon, A. M., should decline, if he saw his way clear, a call extended to him to labor in a wider and perhaps a more important sphere. Our pastor is universally loved and we fully recognize that under God we owe to him our present happy condition as a church and people. Our young people are organized and under the direct control of the church, and working earnestly and intelligently

shipping out-door and in small rooms in their dwelling houses, since last spring; but we are hoping for better accommodations in the near future by the kind and favorable consideration of our brethren abroad. Any brother or church who will help us a little, their aid will be thankfully received and fully acknowledged. They can address me or William McKerson, Port Clyde. We are indebted greatly to the Temple church and Pastor White, Yarmouth, for a stove and hot water pipe for the church. This is not the first time that they came to our aid. God bless pastor and church in bestowing upon them His heavenly benefits. The other Baptist churches of Yarmouth have also helped us when called upon. We have to be remembered by them still. We need their aid. The truth is, we must be assisted by these churches or our church edifice at Port Clyde must remain where it is, just boarded in and roof shingled. The field that I am trying to cultivate for the Lord is large and tiresome, too much so for one man; yet by the blessing of God I hope to succeed.

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For the advancement of our cause. They largely defray the expenses in connection with our city mission. One illustration of their willingness to do so—it was proposed that a new organ for our church be purchased, and at one of our Young People's prayer meetings R. B. Norton, Esq., generously offered to donate any amount then and there subscribed for that purpose, and in less than fifteen minutes \$102 was promised, every cent of which has been paid, and \$10 thrown in for good measure. Now we have what is understood to be the finest organ of the kind ever imported to this province—Karn imitation pipe, base pedal. So, that passing through many fiery trials during the past few years, we enter upon the new year a united people, with courage and grateful hearts, and in reliance on the unfailing promise of our covenant-keeping God, we give ourselves afresh to the work to which the Master has called us.

MONCTON, N. B.—In December last this church closed its sixteenth year, under the leadership of our present pastor, Rev. W. B. Hinson; and looking back over that time we feel, as a church, we have much to be thankful for, as manifested in the fact of nearly six hundred having joined us during those six years; thankful also for the harmony and disposition to work for God which prevails in the church. We found that during the past year over one hundred connected themselves with the church by baptism. We were saddened, however, by remembering some who have gone from us. True, we have suffered by bereavement during 1891, and then we lose many by removal; and were we not continually receiving the when the Lord saves it would be hard to fill the places of those who thus leave. Thus far our new year has given us cause for joy, for since the anniversary in December we have received eight into fellowship. On the first Sunday in 1892 there were twenty men put on Christ by baptism. We are holding special services nightly, and our prayer to God is that many may be made savingly acquainted with Christ during the opening weeks of the New Year. Our church is most forward peacefully and well. We have a young people's society called the "Moncton Young People's Society," which is working grandly, laboring hard to evangelize the home field, also sustaining the Church's Bible school in India. We raised \$100 for the Grand Ligne Mission, a part of which sum was given by those who have been brought from the darkness of popery into Christ's light. Our Sabbath school is working well, with a staff of about thirty teachers, and our attendance is averaging from 415 to 430; and the interest steadily increasing in all departments of church work. God is favoring us with the manifestations of His approval and presence; and our pastor, Bro. Hinson, is one whose hand is on the lever of every department of our work, beloved by us for his faithfulness and zeal in all that pertains to the welfare of the church and God's cause in general.

PORT ELGIN, N. B.—A quiet but deep and powerful outpouring of grace is in progress at Port Elgin. The labors of Bro. J. A. Marple, late of Moody's Bible Institute, Chicago, have been signally blessed of God here as they have been recently at Tidnish, N. S. In compliance with the request of our H. M. Board, I came to the aid of Bro. M. on Sabbath evening, January 3. Our evening services are held in "Copp's" Hall, and are largely attended. Between two and three hundred are often present, and the Lord's Supper is administered in the hall owned by Hiram Allan and used by a division of the S. of T. Last Wednesday it was my privilege to baptize four persons, and in the evening to welcome seven into the fellowship of the church. Last Lord's day morning five others, including an aged lady of 67 years, were baptized, and at the close of a deeply solemn service they and another previously baptized, were welcomed. In the evening the hall was completely packed, and at the close of the preaching service, followed by a half hour spent in social worship, in which many requested prayer, the Lord's Supper was administered under circumstances peculiarly impressive. In special concert with the church on Saturday, p. m., brethren Stephen Trenholm and Charles Read were unanimously elected deacons, and they and Bro. Clifford Copp previously elected, were, at the close of the Sabbath service, solemnly ordained to the sacred office. The church, realizing the fact that a Baptist meeting house for Port Elgin is becoming more and more an absolute necessity, have resolved to arise and build. In the above mentioned special conference the following brethren were unanimously chosen as a building committee, viz: Stephen Trenholm, David Polly, William Read, Thomas Casey and Joseph Read. Already about \$200 are subscribed, and the brethren are sanguine as to the result. They have a handsome site paid for and propose to erect a chaste and comfortable place of worship, with free seats, that will be a credit to the community. I bespeak for the movement the financial sympathy of

churches and friends all over this county and province. Brothers Charles Read, David Polly and Thomas Casey were chosen trustees of the church property. Rev. A. H. Lavers has been with us in several of our services and has rendered valuable aid. Many will be glad to learn that the health of Bro. L. is returning, and that he hopes soon to be able to re-enter upon the active duties of the Christian ministry with increased consecration and power. We are to go here until next Sabbath, when we hope to baptize other rejoicing converts. On Monday evening next we begin work (D. V.) at Cape Tormentine. In behalf of efforts there and here we ask the prayers of the faithful.

Jan. 14. ISA WALLACE.

HERBOS.—We are enjoying a good degree of God's blessing here, and were baptized last Sabbath, 10th inst., and the indications are good.

BURLINGTON.—Twenty-one members were received into 4th Cornwallis church last Sabbath morning; thirteen by baptism and eight by letter. More received for baptism.

Jan. 14. L. L. READ.

HAMPTON, ANnapolis Co., N. S.—Since I last wrote two more have been baptized into the fellowship of the Hampton Baptist church. The rite was administered by Rev. Josiah Webb, S. T. B. (former pastor), who made us glad by a very timely and profitable visit. Rev. L. Achilles is now with us, and we are holding special services at Arlington with encouraging prospects.

HARRY S. ERIE.

ST. GEORGE.—We were sorry to lose our late pastor, Rev. C. E. Pines, but are glad we have another, Rev. H. E. S. Maider, who is taking up the work with much energy and general acceptance. Our congregations are increasing rapidly. All the lines of our church work are already feeling the effects of his earnest efforts, and we look for good results. There is much to be done all around, and much right here in St. George.

S. W. D.

NEWCASTLE.—The MESSENGER AND VISITOR has not had any "religious intelligence" from this section for some time. As we have no pastor, nor have had any stationed for some time, our religious intelligence is small. But there is an opening for a minister here, and the church is desirous of securing the services of a pastor. Any brother wishing to communicate with us, address to Newcastle church, Newcastle Creek, Queens Co., N. B. On behalf of the Newcastle church.

JAMES E. BAILEY, JOHN KENNEDY.

ST. MARTIN'S.—In our work here there is still the encouragement of an occasional new voice. On the evening of Dec. 27 the Sunday-school gave a very entertaining Christmas exercise, a pleasing feature of which was the hanging of the missionary offerings of a writing desk. The recitations were most creditable; the music by the children alone was remarkably pretty—especially the duet by two little girls. Our annual business meeting was held last Monday evening. It was a gratification to have Dr. Hopper with us. There are many hopeful indications as we enter upon the new year.

C. W. W.

TABERNACLE, HALIFAX.—We are working away at the Tabernacle looking for God for wisdom and praying for help. We also ask an interest in the prayers of all our brethren that God will come among us by His Spirit's power. We need that above all else, and our daily cry is, "O Lord, revive Thy work." Financially we have not yet reached the \$1,000 asked for, neither have we yet lost hope. We are thankful for what we have received, and believe others will not forget us. So far, we have been remembered as follows:

Previously acknowledged.....	\$24 03
Jan. 9, Lockhartville church.....	1 00
" 13, Canard.....	5 00
" 14, East Tracadie.....	1 00
" 15, Milton, Q. Co.....	4 60
Parnboro.....	6 30
Total.....	\$41 33

Each letter has a word of cheer that gives us strength. Wm. E. HALL.

PERSONALS.

The Halifax Herald states that Prof. F. H. Eaton, of the Boston Latin School, has been offered an appointment in the mathematical department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

We are sorry to learn that Rev. G. F. Mainwaring, of Kentville, is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe. At last accounts he was somewhat better, and we hope soon to hear of his recovery.

Rev. I. W. Porter has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church, Tiverton, R. I., in connection with his studies at Newton Centre, Mass. On Christmas evening his church presented him with an Egin gold watch, accompanied by a valuable present for Mrs. Porter.

NOTICES.

The quarterly meeting of the Halifax District Committee will be held in the 1st Baptist church, Halifax, on Thursday, February 4, at 3 p. m. Public service at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited.

W. M. SMALLMAN, Secy.

I am requested to intimate that a council will (D. V.) convene on Monday, Jan. 25, at 2 p. m., in the Union meeting house, Tidnish, to consider the propriety of organizing the brothers and sisters centrally baptized and others into a Baptist church. The same council will be asked to consider the propriety of ordaining to the Christian ministry Bro. J. A. Marple. The council will be duly invited by the clerk of the Amherst Baptist church, and a full attendance is especially desirable.

ISA WALLACE.

The Girl Who Thinks She Can Write is growing more multitudinous each year. The Youth's Companion is in a position to know a great deal about her. Next year it will publish a series of articles of advice to this girl, by Kate Field, Amelia Barr, and Jeanette Gilder ("Brunswick").

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MILLER BROS.' EXHIBIT.

At the recent exhibition MILLER BROS. (Granville St., Halifax) occupied a large space (nearly the whole of the north end gallery), and their show presented a fine appearance. It was all enclosed by a nice steel railing (of turned balusters), and the place rated about eight inches, which was all covered by a nice carpet, the walls and ceiling being nicely papered, and suspended from the ceiling were three electric lights, and their whole place tastefully and richly decorated and some nine pictures hung. They showed fifteen fine Organs and Pianos. The Karn Organ in chapelward parlor style, some of which were very fine in both appearance and tone, ranged in price from \$75 to \$150. Also some fine Karn Pianos in mahogany, mahogany, walnut and rosewood finish. The Evans Rose Piano is mahogany, walnut and rosewood finish; both of those makes of pianos are becoming very popular. Prices of Pianos shown ranged from \$200 to \$500. Occasionally some very new music could be heard from their department. They also showed in a separate booth ten of the celebrated Raymond Sewing Machines in different styles of oak and walnut. Among them was a very fine cabinet machine, which attracted much attention, it being so simple in design and close to the appearance of a writing desk. This machine has become of late years a general favorite with the public. This firm deserves credit for going to the trouble and expense they did in making so fine an exhibit. They received three diplomas on their organs and pianos—the highest award given; no prizes were offered. They have now been in business over twenty years, and during that term have worked up a very large business in the lower provinces, which territory they control.

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