

Home Missions.

BOARD MEETING. The regular meeting of the Home Mission Board was held on the 14th inst.

REPORTS. of work done were received from general missionaries Wallace, Young and Marple, and from missionary pastors S. March, T. Bishop, A. Whitman, A. Freeman, P. D. Nowlan, E. N. Archibald, Jos. Webb, Wm. McGregor, L. A. Cooney, S. C. Moore, P. R. Knight, H. B. Smith, John Lewis, I. R. Skinner, E. A. Allaby, H. S. Shaw, Geo. C. Crabbe, T. M. Munro, Joshua Goodwin, H. E. S. Maider, J. E. Bleakney, A. H. Hayward, and student missionaries H. A. Smart and I. W. Keirstead.

GRANTS.

- 1. To the Florenceville-Aberdeen field \$75 for three-fourths of the year. Rev. A. H. Hayward, pastor.
2. To Lunenburg church, N. S., \$150 for year beginning Nov. 1, 1892. Rev. E. N. Archibald, pastor.
3. To West End, Halifax, \$150 for one year from Nov. 1, 1892. Rev. S. March, pastor.
4. To Newcastle church, North. Co., N. B., \$200 for year beginning Oct. 15, 1892. Rev. W. J. Bleakney, pastor.
5. To the East and West Dalhousie churches, \$60 for the current year. Rev. S. Langille, pastor.
6. To the Rawdon church, N. S., \$100 for year from Sept. 1, 1892. Rev. L. A. Cooney, pastor.
7. To Lake George church, Yarmouth Co., N. S., \$75 for year from Nov. 1, 1892. Rev. T. Bishop, pastor.
8. To Fairview and St. Peter's Road, P. E. I., \$150 for current year. Rev. J. C. Spurr, pastor.
9. To the Port Medway field, \$125 for year. Rev. F. N. Atkinson, pastor.
10. To Windsor Plains (African), Hants Co., \$40 for current year.
11. Bro. W. S. Redden was appointed a mission of six weeks to New Harbor and Seal Harbor, with the expectation of continuance if satisfactory.
A. COHOON, Cor. Secy.
Wolfville, N. S., Nov. 18.

Another Word.

In the MESSENGER AND VISITOR of the 16th inst., Bro. King says that I intimate "that the policy of the board is to group the churches into weak sections." Do not, nearly, or perhaps quite, all the groups which the board forms, and with which it deals, require aid from the funds? Are they not then, weak—not self-sustaining? He quotes from the board's report for 1890: "Our policy has been to group the weak churches into convenient fields, sufficiently large to give the hope of becoming self-sustaining in the near future." I said of the Queens County churches, east of the St. John river, as I still say, that it is as easy for them to group themselves into sections that will be self-sustaining, from the date of their formation, as it is for the board to group them into sections that may become self-sustaining in some indefinite future. Bro. King's own self-sustaining group proves the truth of what I say. He is pastor of three weak churches. Who formed them into a group for him? The churches did it themselves. All of the before mentioned churches are equally competent to do the same thing for themselves and for their chosen pastors. I would remind Bro. King that I am dealing, not with "what the board could reasonably desire" to do, but with what it actually does.

Musical and Literary Evening at St. Martins.

A recital was given in the Seminary Hall, St. Martins, Thursday evening, November 24, according to the following programme:

- PART I.
Piano Solo—Valse Aerienne.....Spindler
Miss Jessie J. O'Brien.
Reading—The Inquiry.....Charles Mackay
Miss E. Maud Davis.
Vocal Solo—Wake Not for Me, Love.....Osgood
Miss Bertha Boyer.
Piano Solo—Etude Galop.....Quilant
Miss Winnie Dick.
Reading—The Painter of Seville.....Susan Wilson
Miss Jessie O'Brien.
Vocal Duet—Whispering Hope.....Hawthorne
Mrs. A. K. deBlouis and Prof. G. M. Robinson.
Reading—Charity Grinders and the Postmaster General.....Dallas
Prof. Robinson.
PART II.
Piano Duet—Overture.....Baldwin
Misses Vaughan and Hogbes.
Reading—Rivermouth Rocks.....Whittier
Miss Davis.
Vocal Solo—Just a Little Sonnet.....Solomon
Miss Mabel Murray.
Piano Solo—Sonata.....Beethoven
Miss Tucker.
Reading—The Happy Land.....Longfellow
Miss O'Brien.
Violin Solo.....Selected
Mr. McDonald.
Scene—Ben Hur.....Low Wallace
Tris.....Miss Maud Sprague.
Ben Hur.....Prof. Robinson.
Quartet—God Save Canada.....Perceval
Misses Baldwin and Dawson, Messrs. Robinson and Campbell.

The evening was a marked success, reflecting great credit upon the teachers whose work was represented, and especially upon Prof. Robinson, whose departments furnished the greater part of the programme. Many from the audience lingered in the hall for some time, extending congratulations. The scene

from Ben Hur was admirably presented. It should be repeated. Mr. McDonald, of Moncton, who was visiting the institution, evidenced remarkable talent, giving some truly clever performances upon his violin. Mrs. deBlouis being absent in St. John on account of the illness of Dr. deBlouis, No. 6 had to be omitted. All are glad to know that the principal is so much better that we may expect him back the first of the week. C. W. W.

Acadia Seminary.

A recital was given on Friday evening last in College Hall, for the benefit of the above institution, by a former pupil, Miss Kathleen Magee, now so widely known in the Provinces as an accomplished elocutionist. Miss Magee has a fine presence and a well trained voice, and her selections were of so diversified a character as to exhibit to the utmost her varied talents.

Another old graduate, Mrs. Whidden, of Fresno, Cal. (nee Lois Bigelow), has remembered the Seminary through a gift of \$20, accompanied by her best wishes. The Governors of Acadia College were entertained at dinner at the Seminary on Thursday. Addresses followed, and an inspection of the building, and the occasion was altogether a very pleasant one.

DOMINATIONAL NEWS.

ALL money (except legacies) contributed for denominational work in the Home Missions Department, Acadia University, Ministerial Education, Ministerial Aid Fund, Grand Ligne Mission, Northwest Mission, from churches or individuals, in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, should be sent to the Rev. J. W. Manning, J. P., and all money for the same work from Nova Scotia should be sent to Rev. A. Cohoon, Wolfville, N. S. Receipts for collections for the above, or to the Baptist Book Room, Halifax.

TUSKET.—Six were baptized at Canaan on the morning of the 20th inst.—four brethren in the flesh of easy manhood and two young sisters.

ADDITION F. BROWN.

SALUBRITY.—Since last report six have been baptized and added to the church. We contemplate holding a few special services in our new house of worship at Allison in the near future. Pray for us.

MILTON ANDERSON.

ELGIN, Albert Co.—A gracious revival of religion is going on in the Third Elgin Baptist church on the Gowland Mountains. Our young brother, E. C. Jenkins, has been laboring here for some weeks past with marked success, and a great blessing has come upon the people. He is much in earnest and faithful in the work. Bro. Joseph Crandall has lent considerable assistance in helping it forward. On Lord's day, the 20th inst., I had the privilege of baptizing sixteen converts in the presence of a large assembly, having been requested to administer the holy ordinance, and received the candidates into the church by giving the right hand of fellowship. To God be all the glory, for His name's sake. S. S.

SUMMERBIDE, FREETOWN AND BEDFORD.

—After a pastorate of five years I have removed from this field to my present location, Centreville, N. B. At Summer-side, just before I left, five were received by letter, and at Bedford one by letter and three by baptism. During the summer twenty-three were baptized and added to the Bedeque church, eighteen of whom were heads of families. The night before my leaving, at Lower Freetown, a goose supper and sale was held in aid of the parsonage fund, at the close of which I was presented with a touching address and a well filled purse. These were from my friends, not only in the church but from those outside as well. I found it very hard at the last to leave this kind and worthy people. They are still very near me. May they be kept by the Divine power. During my sojourn on this field about seventy have been baptized and added to the churches. The church at Summer-side has been remodelled at a cost of \$700, which is paid, and the parsonage premises at Bedeque repaired at a cost of \$300. As I recall the past I wonder that God owns such weak and unfaithful service. May this large field soon be supplied with a gospel preacher.

JOS. A. CABELL.

CENTREVILLE, N. B.—I have just settled on this field. The outlook is rather encouraging. Congregations good and attentive. I don't care just now to express it, as I often read in the Church News: "Congregations have wonderfully increased"; "congregations have about doubled in three months." This implies that the previous man preached the house about empty, which is rather an unkind reflection. We should, I think, take it for granted, and ever convey the idea that we succeed, that the men of God who preached the Gospel. In many cases the congregation that doubles in three months diminishes to below its beginning in less than two months. It is better to wait, then, till things become normal. If our good brethren who are so ready to publish the great additions to congregations would be as anxious to tell us of the subtractions from them, we would then have things as they sometimes are. We seldom read: "I have lost my congregation; it has decreased two-thirds." Rev. J. A. Marple, general missionary, has been at work in Bloomfield, and I think, under God, has been a great blessing to the people. I preach there and at God's Settlement. As a fruit of Bro. Marple's efforts, I baptized four on Sunday week. JOS. A. CABELL.

ARCADIA, Yarmouth Co., N. S.—

We baptiz'd a promising young brother at Little River on Sunday, Nov. 20. As it is now about six months since we started I work on this field, I thought that a condensed report would not be out of place. I found the brethren rather discouraged on account of the loss of several of the most liberal supporters of the Gospel, but I rejoice to say that the Lord is cheering our hearts by blessing our feeble but united efforts to build Zion. A society of Willing Workers has been organized at Acadia with Mrs. Webb as president. The ladies of this society have raised the sum of \$80 to clear off a debt on the church. They are also holding monthly religious ser-

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VICES in the Poor House with the inmates, which have been much blessed. Mrs. G. R. White and a few good sisters from the Temple church very kindly assisted us in organizing a Woman's Missionary Aid Society, which, though young, is very promising. A society of Christian Workers has been organized at Little River. The members are doing good work along denominational lines. Rev. G. R. White and Rev. H. J. Forbay, of Yarmouth, assisted us in organizing a Young People's Baptist Union at the Central Chgochee church, which, we hope, will prove a strength to that place. The Lord has graciously added to our numbers at Acadia nineteen members, six by letter and thirteen by baptism. We intend to hold special services at Central Chgochee as soon as possible. Will the brethren who are interested in the building up of Christ's kingdom kindly remember us in their prayers? J. H. WEBB.

PORT LOYNE, Annapolis Co., N. S.—

Through many discouragements we are still toiling on. We have held a few special meetings at St. Croix Cove of late. Some good work has been done, but for some reasons we were not permitted to enjoy that for which we had hoped. We leave the result with God. Death has made great havoc among us this autumn. From Sept. 16 to Oct. 10 we buried five of our oldest citizens, whereas ages, added together, amount to 467 years, thus making an average longevity of 93 years, 4 months, 24 days. HARRY S. EBB.

LOCKPORT.—

After a pleasant and successful pastorate of three years, I have closed my labors with this church. During my ministry here there has been a considerable financial pressure in the community, and quite a number of persons have moved away, yet the debt on the church has been mostly wiped out and the pastor's salary promptly paid. There has not been a large increase in membership, still the additions have been gradual and frequent. Recently we have organized a B. Y. P. U. At a meeting of this society a few evenings ago, when twenty-four members were present, I observed that fifteen of that number had been instrumental in leading to Christ, and have had the privilege of welcoming to the church by baptism. As we leave this field of labor it is very pleasing to know that here we have very many warm friends, both among our own people and the other denominations. Under the present circumstances it seems desirable, and I think for the glory of God, that this and the Osborne church, which is only two miles away, should unite in the support of one pastor. This would enlarge the congregations and give more general satisfaction. A strong man could, successfully, by hard labor, work both fields, and would receive a good salary. I have not taken charge of any church, but purpose resting for a short time and then be ready to resume my loved work, either by way of supply or regular pastoral labor, just as the Master may be pleased to direct. Until further notice my address will be Berwick, N. S. E. O. READ.

GLACE BAY, C. B.—

I have been here a little more than a week in co-operation with Rev. W. Wetmore, and the work of God is being much revived. Last May, when at North Sydney, James D. Adamson came to see me and pressed me to go to Glace Bay, and was sanguine in his belief that much good might be done. It did not seem to be in the line of providence for me then to respond. When a couple of weeks ago I concluded to make a short visit to this place, I wrote to Bro. Adamson to meet me at the station on my arrival. Imagine my surprise when I learned that this dear brother had recently been called from earth. I had written to one whose body was in the grave and whose spirit was with God. Though dead, he speaks—his words by his sudden death and by his consecrated life. His memory is fragrant. We have the joy of seeing the church much revived. Backsliders are returning; many are seeking the Lord and some are already rejoicing in a new born faith. A goodly number will probably be baptized next Sunday. Bro. Wetmore is held in high esteem by the people and is much encouraged. Glace Bay has made much material progress since my visit here nineteen years ago, and is developing into quite a town. The Canadian and Steaming coal mines afford the chief industries. The coal business, however, is not just now quite as active as usual. ISA WALLACE, Nov. 24.

NOTICES.

The Baptist church at Campbelltown, N. B., has called a council for Thursday, Dec. 8, to consider the matter of ordaining to the gospel ministry Bro. C. W. Sables, who has just presented his labors with the church. An invitation is hereby extended to all pastors and other brethren who can do so to attend. H. H. BRAY, Clerk.

PERSONAL.

Rev. A. E. Ingram, of the Tabernacle church, St. John, and Rev. C. W. Williams, of St. Martins, exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

The New Star, of Kentville, states that that paper has been purchased by F. H. F. H. Easton, who will assume control at the beginning of the year. This will be an important addition to the journalistic forces of the province.

Pastor Gates, of Germain Street, has returned from his trip to Boston, refreshed in spirit. On Sunday evening he addressed a large congregation in his own church, speaking of certain things in connection with the Convention of Christian workers which he attended in Boston.

By an item in our Denominational News column it will be seen that Rev. E. O. Read is about closing his pastorate with the Lockeport church. Bro. Read is one of our most faithful and successful pastors, and no doubt some one of our vacant churches will shortly be seeking his services.

Rev. D. A. Steele has returned from his visit to the Pacific coast, and as we are pleased to learn, much the better in health for the trip. The twenty-fifth anniversary of his settlement with the Amherst church will shortly be celebrated, and will no doubt be to both pastor and people an occasion of great interest.

We regret to learn that Rev. Dr. deBlouis, principal of St. Martins Seminary, was taken seriously ill at the residence of Mr. J. J. Bostwick in this city about a week ago. He is now, we are pleased to learn, improving, and it is hoped that after a few days he will be able to go out. Mr. Bostwick, who, as noticed last week, is suffering from a fracture of the knee cap, is also doing well.

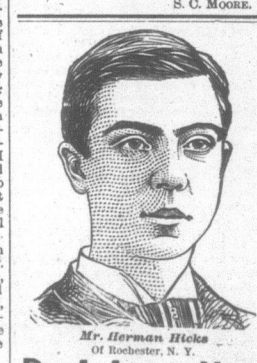
Pastor Gordon, of Charlottetown, was in St. John last week seeking the services of an oculist. Bro. Gordon works all his faculties so industriously that it is little wonder if some of them occasionally are inclined to go on a strike; but if he is a little merciful to them we have no doubt that these faithful servants will render him good service for many years to come.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—On the evening of Nov. 7th the friends of Bayfield gathered at our residence, and after spending a pleasant evening, presented the pastor with the sum of eighteen dollars, in money and produce. May God bless the donors. C. O. CLARK.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—Permit me to acknowledge the kindness of the sisters of Little Glace Bay Baptist church, who, a few days ago, presented me with an envelope containing \$25 as a donation from them. May the Giver of all our blessings bless them. Wm. WETMORE, Cove Bay, C. B.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—I wish, through the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, to acknowledge the present of a fur coat, costing \$50, from the Alma and 2nd Harvey churches, with whom I have been laboring the past ten years. I have received many expressions of their kindness during the past, and now as I am growing older I will enjoy this last as I drive over the hills in the cold winter. The money was raised through the efforts of four young ladies, all of whom I welcomed into the fellowship a few years ago. May God bless them and all the donors in my humble prayer. S. C. MOORE.



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