

Christianity as it was when Christ and his apostles were on the earth.

Next month's sermon will be on the subject, "The Name by which the Christian Church is Known."—*Star*, October 8.

SILVER FALLS, N. B.

The congregation at Silver Falls keep up their regular services, meeting on each first day of the week to remember their Lord by the breaking of bread and prayers, no matter whether they have a preacher or not. They also have a social meeting every Wednesday evening.

The writer preaches for them every other Sunday afternoon. There were two additions during this month to the Silver Falls congregation.

R. B. R.

NAUWIGEWAWK, N. B.

We have a few earnest brethren here who keep up their services from house to house. They meet each Lord's day as did the disciples of old. They also have a Sunday-school. There is yet no church building at Nauwigewauk. Our brethren there have one in process of construction and we hope it may be finished before a long time. They have not asked for help, as far as we know, outside of themselves.

There is a town hall there and in this there is an Episcopal service every Sunday evening. The writer in this hall preaches to a very good audience every two weeks, on Tuesday evening. The prospect is very good as we shall have the only church building in the community.

R. B. R.

KEMPT, N. S.

We are now quietly and pleasantly situated in the district of North Queens. Our prospects are pleasing and our friends are many and true. Our work opens encouragingly. Our Sunday school, one of the most promising features, bids fair to give good satisfaction. Our preaching services are well attended, and in all the outlook is good. I have spent more time in this part of the country than in any other. I preached last evening where I preached my first sermon twelve years ago; and the same warm welcome and encouraging grasp of the hand greeted us as in days gone by. The first evening after moving into our new home the reception given us was of a most substantial and Christian-like character. The entertainment was grand. The music and recitals were of a high order and proved extraordinary talent and ability. My family is delighted with their new location, and to-day enter upon their first school term in this section. Elder Manley White is still living, almost 94 years of age, strong in mind and faith in the Redeemer, going up as a full ripe sheaf to be garnered in that bright home "where the sun never sets and the leaves never fade," where eternal youth shall characterize the soul. His beloved wife, that has watched his bedside for years, is in very delicate health; most likely their voyage across the narrow isthmus to their home beyond will be cheered by each other's presence.

H. E. COOKE.

HALIFAX, N. S.

Just a few days before leaving to attend our annual convention, it was my privilege to baptize a lady and gentleman, both of whom were well advanced in years. The gentleman had come over a hundred miles for this purpose. He had tried to satisfy his conscience with a substitute for Christian baptism, but the more he tried the less he succeeded. Nothing but the clear command and example of Christ will satisfy an honest heart. Between thirty-five and fifty years ago I went to school to this same man and always felt a kindly feeling toward him. He left for his home rejoicing with the "answer of a good conscience toward God."

We have enjoyed a short visit from our son, F. C. Ford, who preached for us one Sunday evening, and many were the expressions of appreciation of his interesting sermon.

Since returning from the annual I spent two days with the friends at Elmisdale preaching two evenings. This little company of brethren seem to enjoy these services and we trust they may be helpful to them, and that others who are listening will come to see their duty and do it in the fear of God.

Our Sunday evening congregations lately are encouraging. Quite a number of strangers are present with us and some are coming to be regular attendants. We shall work and pray that this year may be our best year, and that the cause we love will make such growth in this city as to gladden all the lovers of the simple gospel of Christ.

E. C. FORD.

NEW GLASGOW, P. E. I.

The work here is progressing favorably. In a meeting held by the writer a short time ago nine made the good confession and were baptized into the body of Christ. Others are almost persuaded to become Christians only.

Bro. Crawford, well known and loved by all, our pioneer preacher, not only on the Island, but in the other provinces, although now in his 80th year, is still active in the service of the Master. He has been preaching successfully in Bradalbane, and the prospects there look brighter than ever before. Many divisions and religious sects are in that community, and the one fact that all must learn is there is unity only in Christ. Bro. Crawford is greatly encouraged, and we all feel that in the near future a Christian church will be organized in that community.

Bro. Everett Stevenson, who is home on his vacation, and who was graduated from Kentucky University in the class of '99, has preached for me very acceptably several times. Since I have been called for all of my time to the work here, Bro. Stevenson has preached for the church at Cross Roads, and his services are highly appreciated. He returns in a few weeks to Lexington, Ky., to complete his course in the College of the Bible. We predict for Bro. Stevenson a bright future.

Bro. Reindl, from Brockton, Mass., the successful Brockton preacher, spent a few weeks with the churches on the Island. We had him with us in New Glasgow, and on Sunday we had him preach for us. His sermons were highly appreciated. Bro. Reindl is a hearty advocate of primitive Christianity, and an enthusiastic worker for the *New England Messenger*.

Bro. H. T. Morrison, well known to the brotherhood, is spending a few weeks on the Island. Bro. Morrison has been preaching successfully in different parts of the United States, and is now touring the provinces. He preached for me on Lord's day morning a few weeks ago. His sermon was appreciated. He is now laboring with the brethren at East Point.

Last Lord's day our new house of worship in Charlottetown was dedicated. Bro. J. H. Mohorter, Boston, Mass., was the preacher. It was my privilege to be present. Bro. Mohorter's sermons throughout the entire series were far above the average. His diction was pure, his logic was unique, his illustrations were apt, his theology was sound, his aim was progression, his plea was Christ. His stay was too short. Three weeks longer of such preaching by such a man as J. H. Mohorter in such a place as Charlottetown is needed.

But more for the next issue.

MONTAGUE, P. E. I.

I commenced work with the church at Montague on the third Lord's day in July. The church had been without regular preaching for some months, and as a result the attendance had greatly fallen off. This, together with the indifference usually consequent upon such a condition, formed the chief difficulty to be met. By the untiring devotion and zeal of the "always faithful" we are gradually regaining our audiences and generating a normal Christian zeal in the whole body. This, to me, is

one of the most pleasing features of my work here; for I take it that when the members of any church are so influenced by the spirit of their common Master, that there is but one mind, but one heart throbbing, the problem of church progress has been solved. We expect to grow here because we are a unit, having learned that successful work can be accomplished in any congregation only when there is among the members that Christian zeal that, outranking all personal and private interests, prompts to united efforts. This advance to a condition of solidarity is not the only indication of growth. Our hearts were made glad on the first Lord's day in August, when two persons, a young man and a young woman, confessed their faith in Christ, requesting baptism in His name so that they might appropriate to themselves the promise of forgiveness. We believe that this is but an earnest of what is to follow for we know that God will lead many more in this place to the way of life.

The church here has taken under its wing the infant congregation at Murray Harbor South, and on the first Lord's day in each month it is my privilege to meet with the few but faithful brethren at that place. I have already visited them twice and as a visible result I have to report two confessions and baptisms, and the indications are that at my next visit others will obey their Saviour and unite with what we believe to be the nucleus of a future strong Church of Christ. This little congregation has much to contend with in its struggle for life. The circumstances of its birth, coming as it did, from the heart of sectarianism; its living presence a continual reminder that partyism has an enemy to be feared, thus inviting to itself the hatred of a religious bigotry; its financial weakness, for though strong in the faith this little church is poor in this world's goods, being in debt for almost the whole amount of the cost of its meeting house; and the limitations and hindrances always present with every infant organization, constitute difficulties that will require time, care and faith to successfully overcome. But with a bright hope for its future we intend to sow and water, believing that God will give the increase.

G. NELSON STEVENSON.

Died.

RUGGLES.—Miss Sirreff Irene Ruggles ended her trials and affliction September 13, at the age of 25 years. She was a great sufferer during the last year of her sickness. Death was a happy relief to her. She was a faithful member of the Christian Church. She leaves a father, three brothers and two sisters on earth; but heaven's portals opens to her an eternal union with a sister and a very dear mother; and an everlasting crown of glory.
H. M.

McDORMAND.—Bro. Alfred McDormand of twenty-four summers, departed this life the 13th inst. He was a healthy young man and knew no sickness until three weeks before his death. He was among the happy number who obeyed the gospel last winter. He was faithful to his profession. He died strong in the faith and bright in the hope of heaven. His last words to the writer were, "It is all right." Not a fear nor a dread of death. How blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Seven weeks previous to his departure, his sister, Mrs. Delia Welch, changed worlds. She too was a member of the church and a faithful, earnest worker in the cause of Christ. She left two little children and a sad husband to mourn their loss. The loss of the two from the family of Bro. McDormand, is a dark cloud of sorrow that only heaven can heal. The father and mother and remaining children have the heart felt sympathy of the church and whole community in their affliction.
H. MURRAY.

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