

sinking their theological differences, they were talking more about Christ and his church than about their denominations, they were co-operating in Christian work, the prospects were that the next generation would be able to see the fragments of sectarianism. But the prospect did not please the denominational leaders. They became alarmed. They raised the cry that their denominations were in danger, and they have sought to stoy the working of this union leaven. They thought, no doubt, that it would be too bad if Christ's prayer, that his follower might be one, should be answered; apparently they have determined that it shall not be while they live; and by seeking to strengthen the spirit of denominational pride in the hearts of their young followers, they may be able to prevent its realization for years after they die. We cannot but think that this is the meaning of the attempt to draw off the young people from the undenominational Christian Endeavor Society. The name "Christian" is not exclusive enough. It does not hint at sect or party. So denominational societies are formed that the denominational spirit may be perpetuated. And while this spirit continues the work of winning the world for Christ must be seriously retarded.

### News of the Churches.

#### ST. JOHN, N. B.

Two baptized in October.

Bro. Blenus came over and removed with his family to Halifax, where they are doing good work for the church. Sister Miles was here but a few days, when called back to Milton on account of the death of her beloved mother. Bro. Morton also went over on the same sad errand; yet, not without a blessed assurance that she and they would meet in that home where no death or sorrow or tears can come. Sister Capp and family passed through St. John October 11th on her way to Plattsburg, Mo., where Bro. Capp is now located. We had a number of visitors this month; most of them came to the exhibition. Among them were D. F. Lambert, Dr. and Mrs. Murray, and E. Conley, of Deer Island; Wood and Stevens, of Cornwallis; Steele, of Southville; Baker, of Charlottetown; Bowers, of Westport; H. Wallace and S. Cormicks, of Halifax; Hills, of French Village; Lawson, of Amherst; R. Outhouse, of Tiverton; Sister Carr, of Worcester, Mass.; Brittain, of Somerville, Mass.; Sister Hatfield, of South Princeton, Me., and Sister Ella Fullerton, of Pictou, who led our meeting on October 1st, reading an excellent paper on the subject of "Progress in the Christian Life."

Bro. Stewart being at Lubec on the 8th, Dr. Detchon gave two good sermons on "Judgment" and "Unity." The doctor is a great traveller and a most interesting man to meet. Sister Detchon accompanied him.

St. John's delegation to Lubec was as follows: H. W. Stewart, J. Prince and wife, Sisters Owen, Christie, Emery, Edmonds, Purvis and Whelpley. They speak in the highest terms of the meeting.

The following were elected officers of the Christian Endeavor Society on October 1st: D. A. Morrison, President; Mrs. Dickson, Vice-president; E. Stockford, Secretary; and B. Lingley, Treasurer.

Bro. R. W. Stevenson visited us for a few days, preaching on the 10th. He looked over the field

in Portland, and decided, after much persuasion, to come to our help. We now expect to succeed in building up a church in Portland. Bro. Stevenson begins to preach on the first Sunday in November.

#### LETETE, N. B.

One confession and baptism in Mascareen.  
W. M.

#### HALIFAX, N. S.

The North Street Christian Church of Halifax is making arrangements to make a payment in November on the debt of the church, and to this end we earnestly request all who pledged toward this object at the annual meeting in our city, to forward the amounts of their unpaid pledges to our treasurer, Bro. Henry Carson, 203 Lockman street, Halifax. No matter how small the amount of your pledge may be, we will need all, and feel assured that we have only to make the above statement to insure its immediate payment. We are making strong efforts to cut our indebtedness down, and we know we have the sympathy and co-operation of an interested brotherhood in the effort.

On behalf of the Official Board Halifax Christian Church,  
T. H. BLENUS.  
October 22nd, 1895.

#### SUMMERVILLE, QUEENS CO., N. S.

The church here is still keeping up the worship. They have been without much preaching since Bro. William Murray left them. They are constantly losing their numbers by removals. We can count fifteen young people who have left them, the most of them going to the United States. But what is their loss is gain to the city churches. Right here a strong point can be made in favor of keeping up the interest in the country churches. If the country supply should cease, what would become of the city churches?  
H. M.

#### KEMPT, N. S.

No, indeed, the church in Kempt is not dead, and is not going to die. They are still worshipping the Lord on the Lord's day. Of course without a preacher they cannot have the success they would like, but they are hoping to find some one who will come and help them. How great the demand for preachers all over our provinces! What a pity that preachers are not made to live on faith, without the necessity of food for themselves and families! May the time hasten when all these needy fields shall be supplied with faithful laborers.  
H. M.

#### MILTON, N. S.

The church in Milton is still moving on, hoping and trusting for better times. It is generally quiet here, when the mills are quiet. We can't expect much improvement in Milton until we get our railroad. Our guide book tells us that "we live by hope." He, therefore, who is hopeless, must be lifeless. All history corroborates this. Persons who are not hoping for improvements and developments in home, heart and town, are hopelessly dead.

We noticed a mistake in our October number of THE CHRISTIAN. It says that Bro. Murray thinks that \$60.00 is too large a proportion for Milton for missions. Bro. Murray does not think so. He is not built that way. One hundred dollars would not be too much. What Bro. Murray did think was that if \$25.00 and \$30.00 were enough for some of the churches that were much better able to give than Milton church, then, of course, our proportion was too much, which, to our mind,

was the emphatic way of saying that other churches were not apportioned enough.

Milton is losing some of her best citizens. Some are moving to other countries, and some are going to that country where its inhabitants never grow old. Mrs. Charles Morton was buried Tuesday, October 15th. She was a faithful, devoted wife, a loving and affectionate mother, and a worthy, active member of the Congregational church. She leaves a family of nine children, five sons and four daughters, who are an honor to their parents, and who are highly esteemed by all who know them. This is a double affliction to the husband, having lost his mother one week before the death of his wife. May the Lord bless them, and help them to so live that they may meet the departed again in that home beyond the sorrows and partings of this life.  
H. M.

#### SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

On the 1st of October we left our old home at Westport, N. S. (where we have enjoyed so many happy seasons among true and tried friends), for our new home at Summerside, P. E. I. We had to encounter the difficulties incident to travelling, yet it was a pleasant passage. We were met at the boat by Bros. Major and Archie Linkletter, and were driven to their houses. My wife and two of my children are stopping at the home of Bro. and Sister Isaac Linkletter; and it is a pleasant home indeed, a home where the Saviour is made the most welcome guest. Christ is loved in this home, and Christ loves this home. It is like the home in Bethany.

The blessings of Christian fellowship and love are manifest in the church here, and the friends are very kind. Bros. Beattie, Murray and Jeffery are true and earnest men, and deeply interested in the cause of Christ. The Sunday-school has a proficient leader in Sister Catherine Beattie. She is also an active worker in the Christian Endeavor. The Christian Endeavor Society is presided over by our good brother Adoniram Murray. Aided by a number of enthusiastic workers we hope for success in all we attempt for Christ. My prayer is that I, with Sister Cooke, may be able to greatly help these faithful laborers. Pray for us.  
H. E. COOKE.

### Home Mission Notes.

Bros. Wm. Murray, H. A. Devoe and D. A. Morrison are promptly paying their pledges. Bros. Stockford and Hines, seeing we are in debt, have sent us aid. If all our brethren would follow the example of those mentioned, we could support four preachers instead of helping to support one, as at present.

We hear good reports from the work in Halifax. The Halifax Herald published a synopsis of an excellent sermon on "The Old Paths," by Bro. Blenus.

Bro. Stockford writes that they are at work on the new house at Keswick, and that everything is going well.

It would be a good move to hold a meeting at Gulliver's Cove this fall. We will help if the funds are available.

Will we make our home mission work a success this year? It is easy to ask this question. It is hard to get the brethren to seriously consider and answer it personally. This is where the trouble comes: one puts it off on another, and so whole churches have done nothing as yet for home missions this year, because some one has not taken the lead in collecting and forwarding to the secretary.