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A PLEASANT TRIP.

The dust and monotony of the city are at this season of the year very pleasantly escaped by a trip across the Northumberland Strait to the garden province of the Dominion.

We were favored with a cool and pleasant morning as we set out upon our little journey with the purpose of attending the association of our Island brethren at Charlottetown.

Everybody admires the Northumberland for her excellent sea-going qualities and comfortable appointments, and every one is pleased with her courteous and efficient officers and attendants.

It is little wonder that the sons and daughters of Prince Edward Island, who have made homes for themselves in other lands, like to revisit their island home.

The course of the railway between Summerside and Charlottetown is an illustration of the magnificent possibilities of the curved line in railway engineering.

The recent rains have come none too soon to save the agricultural interests of the garden province from disaster.

A ride of a little over two hours brings us to Charlottetown, where we are to meet our Baptist brethren assembled in association.

The meetings are given elsewhere. The delegation from the churches was, perhaps, not quite so large as usual.

There appears to be in Charlottetown a feeling of universal regret at the removal of Mr. Gordon, upon whose labors so large a blessing has rested, and the church is scarcely to be blamed for feeling that its loss is irreparable.

The Foreign Mission Board is deeply grateful to their friends for these special offerings. They are very timely. They must do good. The missionaries will be greatly cheered by these tokens of interest taken in this great work.

Monies received from June 25th to July 10th: St. John (Germain St.) Mission Band, "Cheerful Gleaners," toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$47; Alma, F. M., \$34.32; St. Peter's Road, F. M., \$10; H. M., \$3.40; Germantown, F. M., \$3.68; Brookville, Mrs. C. Berryman's Sunday school class, F. M., \$1; St. Stephen, Union St., "mite box," H. M., \$20.20; Mrs. John Bent, Amherst, F. M., \$2; G. L. M., \$2; H. M., \$1; Halifax, 1st church Mission Band, F. M., \$20.25; St. John (Germain St.), Mission Band "Willing Workers," G. L. M., \$20, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$25; toward support of Miss Gray's school \$25; Fredericton Mission Circle, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$5; Lewisville Sunday school, for the support of Mrs. Churchill's Biblewoman, \$25; Parrsboro Sunday school, proceeds of missionary concert, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$16.70; Brookville, F. M., \$12; Sydney Mission Band, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$15; Forest Glen Sunday school, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$2.32; Wolfville, F. M., \$39.75; H. M., \$1.25; Baillie, F. M., \$4; the Range Sabbath school, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$6; Lunenburg and Valley West, F. M., \$12.75; H. M., \$7.70; collections, F. M., \$2.61; St. John, Germain St., F. M., \$47; H. M., \$15.50; Yarmouth, 1st church, F. M., \$50.36; Yarmouth, 1st church Mission Band, toward Mr. Morse's salary, \$12.35; Pagwash, F. M., \$6.10; H. M., \$2.80; Salerno Branch, 1st Hillsboro, F. M., \$14; Hillsboro, to constitute Mrs. Alice Carlisle a life member, F. M., \$25; Hillsboro, F. M., \$2; Halifax, 1st church, F. M., \$24.30; H. M., \$6.45; Indian Harbor, West, F. M., \$3; Cow Bay, F. M., \$2.

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CARD OF THANKS.—On the morning of July 2, at the close of the services at the Baptist church in Gloucester, there occurred one of those pleasing events that tends to brighten the pathway of life, when the pastor, Rev. B. Kinley, in a few appropriate remarks, in behalf of the members and other kind friends of the congregation, presented the organist, Miss Annie M. Marshall, with a dressing case and glove and handkerchief receiver, of nice design and finish, appreciation of her untiring services. Also to myself and wife a handsome set of napkin rings, for which the donors will please accept our heartfelt thanks. R. C. STARRATT, Chorister, Gloucester, N. S.

The N. B. Southern Association.

This association convened in its fourteenth annual session with the Baptist church at St. George, on Saturday, July 6, at 10 a. m. Rev. E. J. Grant, of Sussex, presided. Social services were continued for a time, when the choice of officers for the current year was made as follows: Rev. H. E. S. Malder, moderator; Rev. A. E. Ingram, clerk; Bro. A. E. Ingram, jr., assistant clerk; Bro. John Dewar, treasurer.

The subject of Temperance was introduced by a strong report condemning the traffic, deploring its results and favoring legal prohibition. How best to meet the combined forces of the liquor syndicate, party politics as now run, with the demoralized franchise, brought out quite a stirring discussion and different views as to plans.

Rev. G. O. Gates presented the report of the committee on Foreign Missions. This paper dealt with the needs, work and prospects of our mission to the Telugus.

Rev. W. C. Goucher discussed with clearness "The origin and obligations of our churches' mission work." He showed that it inheres in the regenerate life of believers, and found a good illustration in the life and work of the apostles, and that in the history of modern missionary enterprises God's original plan is followed with success.

The Grande Ligne mission had an able advocate in Rev. E. J. Grant, who, at the special request of the Grande Ligne Mission Board, presented its claims to this association. In brief, he called the attention of the audience to the spiritual darkness of a sister province now under the shadows of Roman Catholic superstitions and traditions, and to the influence of this foreign element upon the political and religious destinies of our Dominion.

Rev. W. E. McIntyre earnestly endorsed the appeals of the former speakers. His interest in the work was voiced in the motto, "The world for Christ." Our debts ought to be lifted in a year. British and American Baptists had given us an example in raising money which we ought to follow.

Rev. J. W. S. Young spoke in behalf of our home missions. He gave interesting incidents of his personal experience in his evangelistic labors. It had been his privilege in seventeen years to baptize more than 2,300 converts, while the pastors with whom he had labored had baptized some hundreds more.

The services of this day were of more than ordinary interest. The choir, under the able leadership of Pastor Malder, their soul-stirring music added very much to the enjoyment and enthusiasm of this missionary meeting. The hope may well be entertained that the influence of these meetings will develop more united effort, in all our churches, in every good word and work.

THE SABBATH SERVICES commenced with a prayer meeting at nine a. m. The annual sermon was preached at eleven o'clock by Rev. A. K. deBiols, Ph. D. The text chosen was Eph. 4: 21, "As the truth is in Jesus." The one phase alone of this was illustrated by the preacher, viz.: "Its simplicity." This was considered as manifested, (1) in the life and

character of Christ; (2) in His teaching; (3) in us.

At two p. m. the Sunday-school assembled, and addresses by visiting brethren were given.

At three o'clock the mass meeting of the W. B. M. U. was held. The speakers were Mrs. Manning, Rev. G. O. Gates and W. C. Goucher.

At half-past seven Rev. A. J. Kempton was the preacher. In the text (John 5: 16) he found "An argument of the Father's love." A short season of prayer followed the sermon.

All the exercises of the day were very enjoyable. The preachers were at their best; the congregations large, appreciative, quiet, devotional. "The truth distilled like the dew," and like the dew, was doubtless fruitful for good.

MONDAY MORNING.

The common discussion as to the right disposal and use of church letters was had, which brought out the usual explanations and plans for the future quite to the satisfaction of the brotherhood for the present, leaving a fair prospect for an airing of this matter in the future. This subject is one which somewhat refuses to stay put.

The sad fact was reported by a brother that our worthy brother, Rev. W. G. Corey, of Oak Bay, was passing through a serious illness, which threatens to entirely forbid him the privilege of his chosen work.

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The report of the committee on Denominational Literature awakened more than usual interest. After very hearty recommending our Book Room at Halifax to the patronage of all our people because of its ability to meet the wants of our churches in its line, and because of the denominational work it is doing, the committee was pleased to speak of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR as of incalculable value as an educative influence along denominational lines, we strongly emphasize the desirability of its finding a place in each of our homes.

Systematic Benevolence was introduced by Rev. E. J. Grant, who read the committee's report on this subject. This paper recommended a careful reconsideration of the Convention plan. It gave statistics to show that the increase in the sums raised for denominational purposes under this plan were far from satisfactory.

The Rev. G. O. Gates reported for the committee on Sunday-schools. This report was full, instructive and timely. A place in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR was asked for it by the association.

The somewhat vexed and vexing question of a separate Convention for the Baptists of New Brunswick was introduced for the consideration of association by the following resolution, moved by Rev. A. E. Ingram and seconded by Rev. A. J. Kempton:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this association, while granting that to meet the views of brethren who are dissatisfied with the management of some departments of our denominational work, it may be desirable that the Convention make some changes in its constitution as well as in the personnel of its board, yet at the same time we regard the one Convention as all that is needed to the successfully attaining the fullest and best development of all our churches in the work appropriately ours.

A lengthy discussion followed, and resulted in passing the resolution by a vote of sixteen to two. The discussion upon the whole was calm, courteous—the utterances of strong convictions. In the question of a separate Convention in the abstract there is nothing to mar the fellowship of the saints. It is only

in the arguments used for and against this movement that the offences abound. Too frequently it happens, as in this case, that the imagination—abnormal in a religious sense—is the chief arsenal from which the materials of argument are supplied. When the time shall come that, from the facts of the case under consideration, and from the principles of a heaven-born fellowship, the materials for discussion are drawn, our churches will see eye to eye and rejoice in the same thing. Until this most desirable time is ours to enjoy no very large measure of prosperity in our churches can be reasonably expected.

In the report of the committee on Obituaries the names of David Crandall and James Spencer find place. For their works' sake, as well as for their wealth of character, they fill a large place in the memories of the brotherhood and the annals of our denomination. It was suggested that the life and labors of Father Crandall should be preserved in book form because of his long and successful ministry in the churches of New Brunswick. Towering above all else of human history is the record of the servants of God who, like Enoch, have walked with Him. Their deaths are never a calamity.

MONDAY EVENING.

The speakers were Revs. A. K. deBiols, Ph. D., C. W. Williams, G. O. Gates, A. J. Kempton, A. E. Ingram; Bros. E. W. Elliott and Seelye. All were happy and hopeful. The record of the past year at St. Martins and Wolfville had made slight advances on former periods. Just 60 years ago academic education by the Baptists for New Brunswick was entered upon by our fathers in an association in this town. The history of this enterprise, though cloudy, has its inspirations and profitable lessons for the present generation.

Pastor Malder and his choir gave inspiring music. Mrs. deBiols favored the audience with a sweet solo. The whole influence of the hour was uplifting and cheering to our overworked brethren, who are burdened with the care of this enterprise. This work of higher education by the Baptists has rested from the start on the promises of God and the loyalty of our churches; and there it must rest to the finish. In this department of our denominational work lies the solution of most all the perplexing problems of our church life and missionary work. Give us a ministry and membership for our churches trained, cultured, sanctified, and as Baptists we are equal to all emergencies. Money here expended is wisely appropriated. The young men and women of our fair provinces who seek culture here are entering on the upward way of life; and that here they are to find an easy way; not a way famous for gloved white hands and frivolous idleness—the ignorant and dissipated can more than supply the world's needs of this sort—but that head and heart and hand may be trained and strengthened to do the work of uplifting the lost world to the place of God's ordaining.

The universal verdict of the visitors and the good friends of St. George, by whom the association was most royally entertained, was that a pleasant season had been spent. The scenery in all directions is varied and romantic. The village at the head of an estuary of a few miles from the bay can boast of a delightful summer climate. The famous falls of the Magaguadavic river here tumbles its waters through a deep gorge into the tide in fine style, giving a water power which has ever been ministering to the wealth of the place—formerly in the manufacture of large quantities of lumber; now in the cutting and polishing of a native granite of superior quality. Hospitality here abounds. The Hon. Mr. Gilmer, M. P., leads in royal fashion this his native town in this and other commendable lines. On Sabbath we had the privilege of preaching in the Presbyterian church to a thoughtful, appreciative congregation. May we not hope that the influence of this meeting of our association, by its helpfulness in the upward way, will in some measure repay this kind people and their hard worked pastors for the extra tolls of hospitality entailed upon them on this occasion.

FOR DENOMINATIONAL WORK.

From June 1 to July 1: Murray River, P. E. I., \$8; Montague Bridge, P. E. I., \$6; Salisbury, \$9; Quarterly Meeting, Chance Harbor, \$7.44; Hodgdon and Richmond, \$4; St. Richmond, \$1; New Maryland, 50 cts.; Cambridge \$7.50; Collections, Western Association, N. B., \$24.44; East Florenceville, \$5; 2nd Johnston, \$12; St. Martins 1st, \$12.05; East Point, P. E. I., \$10; Havelock, \$4.86; Abram Steeves, \$2 F. M.; Mrs. James G. Corey, 50 cts. F. M.; W. S. Abbott, 10 cts.—\$6.96. Cape Town, \$2.05; Cavendish, P. E. I., Young People's Society, \$3.50; St. Peter's Road P. E. I., \$10.30; Fairview, P. E. I., \$6; Bocabec, \$3; Sussex, \$23.27—total, \$122.04. Previously reported, \$2,500.27. Total received to July 1st, \$2,622.31.

J. W. MANNING, Treas. for N. B. and P. E. I.

Foreign Mission Notes.

Extracts from a letter written by Rev. I. C. Archibald:

"My last was from Palcoada. On that tour on Bro. Bares' field I spent nine days. Reconnitered in regard to the speedy finishing up of the house; accompanied the helpers, when it was possible, in their work in that wicked town. As some contracts had about matured, I had considerable measuring and accounting to do. When I heard Mr. Tomlinson's testimony (Mr. Tomlinson is the agent of a wealthy indigo firm of Madras), that when a man becomes angry with his neighbor it was no uncommon thing for him to fire up his house, especially when I learned that several of such fires had taken place about the time I was there, I felt so thankful that I had not wasted time in building a thatched roofed house.

"On that tour I visited Vuzgotham, a large village twelve miles farther on in the direction of Bobbili. The helpers worked well. One evening we had a congregation of about 300 attentive hearers. It was a blessed privilege to make known to them a full and free salvation through Christ. The village magistrate rendered us valuable help in looking up a suitable piece of land for a house for a native preacher. Brethren Bares and Churchhill have been much interested in this matter, as the Palcoada field has three male helpers and it does not seem good policy to keep them all in one village. The land we fixed upon was found to be the gift of the English magistrate (collector), whose headquarters is Vislanagram. Have made application for it in due form and hope to receive it free of cost. Was fortunate to meet the said official and conferred with him in regard to it.

"Bro. Churchhill has been away from his field so much on building work and now for his wife's health, that it seemed the proper thing to do him a good turn. So Sabradia and Lingiah spent the greater part of the following week in Bobbili and Rajam, and in the latter town Balla Gurannah and C. L. Naraina (recently from the seminary) spent the next three days, and reported an excellent hearing from some hundreds of the weavers there."

Halifax Co.

The Rev. M. W. I. seven at French Village ninth inst. His son, number. The Halifax mittie will hold its in French Village. Monday suggested for the approval and people. The intent the evening meeting last recognition for the past E. Hall, a former pastor Brown an address of the church; Rev. B. Mac the District Council the pastor to be done A. C. Chute will give an come to the association.

There were five ba mond's Plains on Sunday united with the African The Rev. Edward D. the rite. Rev. H. H. J. walls street church, H. ent. At a meeting in Johnson and others m unite the two colored place. One of these chi the Central Baptist Ass other to the African Ba They occupy the same both weak. So far the two houses of worship needed. Although a u fected, yet it received that it is hoped it will in a short time. An unite the three weak into one strong ch no doubt, be accomplish patient work has been

A good state of thin all the Halifax church nacle quite a large n prayer at the meeting ing. In the First chu received for baptism. pected. The Rev. W. preparing to remove to and the church is look Congregations are ch services. Rev. D. G. sidering the matter of ing on Sunday, in add mons and a Bible clas a good deal of work to of the North church. The First church of its memb notice has been given. Corey, a young brothe a wasting consumption with marked resist wife and child. Luis the older members, h reward. She leaves a to give for her. Mi Intelligent and devo First church. She kno the church and all its bers. She loved the devotion. Mrs. Ebene many years of patie also entered into r sorrowing husband an of children to mourn "She was an Israelit was no gulle." She memories in her home among her many frien Mr. and Mrs. George the sympathy of a H Halifax in the loss of Mrs. Salter and Miss They are left childre daughters were not lo Forsyth soon followe Salter.

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THE PONDUR TRIP.

"Pondur is a town of perhaps 2,000 inhabitants, about ten miles from Chicacole, and on the opposite side of the river. About two-thirds of its inhabitants are weavers. Here the four helpers above referred to joined me and we had a grand time. Balla Gurannah was once the head of all the weavers in this region of country. Many of them were his relatives. Often as a heathen man he had been here to settle disputes among them. Now he had come to tell them of Jesus who had saved him. We took courage as we heard one after another say 'This is the straight way' (in opposition to the crooked ways and teachings of their gurus or priests).

"One forenoon, C. L. Naraina and I visited three villages and had a good hearing in them all; but in the last the climax was reached. Several grown men appeared to drink in all we said about Christ as the true and only Saviour, and appeared to appreciate the statement of Christ for their sins. After a long talk, singing, prayer and the usual distribution of tracts, four of the most interested among them followed us out of the village and away across the field waiting to hear more. As it was dangerous for me to stand long in the sun I went into the bungalow, but C. L. Naraina talked on, making plainer and plainer the duty to believe and to be baptized. They said with one accord, 'We are believing and want baptism.' Must go back and visit them as soon as possible.

"Must stop right here and go into a meeting of all the Christians for the discussion of self-support and church independence. Won't you pray often to the God of missions to roll among the saved among the Telugus the burden of the souls of their fellow countrymen. If there were this deep heart interest in the work, self-support would soon be a reality—the church would be multiplied and the name of our King glorified."

"Now, dear brethren, in this letter we get a glimpse of the missionary's life and work. Truly, his is a varied life and his duties are manifold. While we pray for the missionary, the native helpers, and the Christians generally, is there no need to pray that the churches at home may be roused to a deeper interest in the salvation of the perishing Telugus? Shall we rejoice in a finished salvation through Christ and keep our joy to ourselves and do absolutely nothing to give the knowledge of this great salvation to others? What say you, brethren? Have you done anything this year—offered a single prayer or put one dollar into the treasury for this object?"

J. W. MANNING, Sec. Treas. F. M. Board.

—Mr. John Nickerson, an officer of the International S. S. Co., says: For years I have suffered with catarrh, and spent hundreds of dollars on doctors and patent medicines until my case was pronounced incurable. I was finally cured by Hawker's Catarrh Cure, which I consider to be worth its weight in gold. I would not be without it at any price.

Mildred's Liniment cures diphtheria.