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THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

The conference meeting is a permanent institution among us. Once a month our churches, for the most part, assemble for a special service.

All this is very useful. It is good for each member to tell, in the light of his brethren's presence, what the Lord has done for him in secret.

We call special attention to it because we have noticed in some cases a tendency to avoid the conference.

Some of our mature Christians think that the custom of reporting religious experience is passing away, and that the talk is mostly about work and business of the church.

This testimony, however, can be secured only by the power of the Spirit in the hearts of the believers.

BY MUTUAL HELP.

Another year is drawing to a close. During the year we have been trying our best to make the MESSENGER AND VISITOR a little more valuable and attractive to its readers than it has ever been before.

Denominational Work.

From Nov. 1st to Dec. 1st: 1st Springfield, \$10.15; Miss Amy Moxon, Benton, Carleton Co., 1.00; Westmorland Point, 4.00; Germain street S. S., 20.00; 2nd Harvey, 6.37; Forest Glen, via Petitcodiac, 6.50; Cap. Tormentine, 5.45; Germain street, 66.30, of which 12.08 is for support of native preacher; 1st Harvey, 2.90; Leinster street, 9.20; Fredericton, 173.98; Charlottetown, 37.70; \$343.55; reported previously, 214.82; total receipts to Dec. 1, \$558.37.

Appeal to the Members of our Churches

Dear Brothers and Sisters.—The Centennial Fund has now reached about \$5,000. By vote of Convention we were to attempt to raise \$6,000.

One thousand dollars less than this amount has been received, and the time is very near when the Centennial Committee must make their final report and be discharged.

Could you, dear Christian friends, but know as some of us are compelled to know, our pressing needs at this date, I know a cheerful and quick response for this last \$1,000 would be made.

Politicians and Prohibition.

No sane man ever expected to destroy the liquor traffic by attacking the retail sale. The Scott Act is not the law we, the prohibitionists, have been asking for. It is the politician's crumb, thrown to the temperance voter to pacify him for the present.

Denominational Funds.

By vote of the Convention the sum of \$21,000 was named as a reasonable sum to expect the denomination to raise for benevolent work during the year ending July 31st, 1893, exclusive of what is raised for the W. B. Mission Union and for the Centennial Fund.

According to the proposition of last year about \$14,000 of this amount is expected from Nova Scotia. In order to assist in the raising of this we have sent circulars to all the churches through their pastors or clerics, indicating the sum that we hope to receive from each.

We hope that the churches will acknowledge this claim and see to it that all the members give to these funds as far as they can be induced to do. We believe that the work of raising money for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom is one of the functions of the church, and should not be passed over to any other organization.

it down all over the province under a local option law passed by Sir Wm. Young. Yet, inside of two years, Dr. (now Sir Charles) Tupper, who was leader of the government, made it a compulsory law, and he did right.

Other matters than the personal labors of the ministers can be introduced and discussed. At the last meeting it was stated that the British and Foreign Bible Society had made appeals this year to the individual churches for contributions to its funds.

Whereas, the British and Foreign Bible Society withheld its support from Baptists in the work of Bible distribution in India, and has been making great exertions for some time to gain permission of the American Baptist Missionary Union to utilize Judson's Burmese Bible, as touching the subject of baptism, and proposes to circulate a mutilated edition among the heathen; and Whereas, the American Baptist Publication Society circulates among heathen nations the Word of God in its integrity and entirety;

Therefore resolved, that we, the Baptist ministers of Halifax, recommend our churches to turn contributions for Bible work from the British and Foreign Bible Society, so far as support has their been given heretofore, to our own mission, for the purpose of distributing among heathen the translation of the Scriptures as furnished by the American Baptist Publication Society.

Special Services in Halifax.

The North church and the Tabernacle have for the last two weeks been holding united special services. The meetings are held in the evenings, and alternate between the two houses of worship.

THE HALIFAX DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

This body is holding its meetings and attending to its work. The delegates of the six churches of Halifax and Dartmouth meet regularly. The outlying churches are so far away that it is not possible for them to attend all the meetings.

Special Notice to the Churches.

We are requested to give insertion to the following: At the last session at Bridgetown, Convention, on motion of Rev. I. E. Bill, Resolved, That the Provincial treasurers be authorized to furnish, free of charge, collecting envelopes to all the churches requiring them, and that the churches be notified to that effect.

—THE historical sketch of the Sackville church by Rev. W. H. Warren, M. A., will be sent by the author to any address on receipt of ten cents. —Send to Baptist Book Room for No. 5 and 6 Sankey Songs combined, 6c., mailed. Renew your Lesson Helps for 1893.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.



From Halifax. BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE, HALIFAX. The Baptist Book Room, on Granville street, puts a fine, well-lighted room in the second story of its building at the disposal of the Baptist ministers of the city and county.

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Acadia Semina

RECEIPTS FOR BUILDING

Principal Account: Day, canon, Gaspereau, \$40; O. Esq., Antigonish, \$1,000; Masters, Cornwalls, \$25; Estate H. H. Chute of subscription, \$150; J. Halifax, \$100.

Interest Account: W. Annapolis, \$5; E. C. Shaw \$5; Rev. F. S. McGregor \$5; Chas. L. P. Yarnall, J. Cameron, \$1; L. W. Ellis \$2; Burpee Walker, W. M. Woodworth, Halifax (rent); W. P. Shaffner, Rev. A. W. Sawyer, J. Wolfville, \$5.70; and J. Halifax, \$100.

REMARKS:

Five hundred of the \$1,000, Whidden, Esq., acknowledged paid to the treasurer some but not reported till now. \$2,000 that brother has new Seminary building, others who will help on sending us a few thousand hundreds? We now have accommodation for ourselves a heavy debt that we want quickly as possible. A. C. Wolfville, N. S., Dec. 6.

DENOMINATIONAL

All money (except legacies) denominational work: Home Missions, Acadia University, Ministerial Relief Fund, Grande Ligne West Mission, from churches or in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island be sent to the Rev. J. W. Woodstock, and all money for the same work be sent to the Rev. J. W. Woodstock. Envelopes for collecting funds for work can be had on application to the Baptist Book Room, Halifax.

ST. MARTIN'S.—Two were the following-up of this church, Dec. 4.

FREEPORT.—Two new husband and wife—were baptized into the fellow Freeport church, Dec. 4. Freeson of the favor of Father, we desire to contribute. E. H. Woodstock.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.—The continues here. It is of well as extensive character. Young baptized on Sabbath the presence of an over-gation. Continue to pray Woodstock.

SOUTH RAWDON.—God At Upper Rawdon, Dec. privilege of burying one's need of Christ's death and At Centre Rawdon God covering power felt. So relieving and comforting the Saviour. Brethren.

HAMPTON.—As news from is always interesting, a this place may not be out of church at the village is condition, steady and bright. At our last monthly church decided to release occasionally on the Sabbath some destitute places Gospel. If possible, let us have a little self-denial in many of our weak church helped.

JACKSONVILLE, N. B.—pleted arrangements for a in connection with our The first lecture was delivered on Nov. 15, by Kempton, B. A., of the C. church. The subject of lecturer spoke was "Christ bus." Bro. Kempton spoke and paid a high tribute to of the great discoverer. St. "The year 1892 is notable celebrate the 400th anniversary discovery of a new world—and the 100th anniversary of the new spiritual Casey." The next lecture was on Dec. 29, by Rev. Ph. D., of the St. Martins.

WEST BAY, C. B.—On the 6th and 7th Dec. hopeful meetings in the hall of the station, and the house not being in a company in the winter. O. has, for various reasons, ravages of death and United States, greatly damaged at the station on St. R. MacIntyre, a son Norman MacIntyre, and satie and devoted Baptist visited my esteemed bro. Kenzie, and was sorry to see his earthly pilgrim, wonderfully sustained by God. Bro. McK. has been as a licensed preacher a much familiarity with much consecration to the Rev. E. Mutch, of Hav occasional visits here, and can look after our work Dec. 8.

BRIDGETOWN.—We have the third year of our past church. Had our annual yesterday. We do not want in attempting to number years have been full of net increase has been about three years. Our service evening last (the 6th) was a praise service, and thanks unto the Lord for the church, on the close old year, honored me as member of the Ministry number, raising about \$500. The state of the year. One a life member of S. L. Saunders spent a week and a half in great joy. We wish his spending E. Bro. J. find in him good and As a church, we have open three mission stations, revival are now on, a number of your people who regularly visit the

As a preventive of the grip Hood's Sarsaparilla has grown into great favor. It fortifies the system and purifies the blood. Hackmore cures colds and coughs.