

Quarterly Meeting.

The York and Sunbury Baptist Quarterly Meeting met with the church at Prince William, June 13th and 14th. The opening service Friday evening was not as well attended as might have been. No doubt the rainy weather was the cause partly. But "where there's a will, there's a way." Those present could not but feel that a little more effort on the part of the ministers to be punctual would have been productive of greater good—only one minister being there. Rev. F. D. Crawley preached a good and instructive sermon on the influence of the Holy Spirit to about a dozen people, which was greatly enjoyed. Saturday morning met with a half-dozen others for prayer and conference, waited till 9.30 for more persons; but as none came Bro. G. W. Currie was appointed to lead the meeting. After continuing for half an hour the tardy ones began to arrive, and before the close of the meeting many testified for Jesus. At the close, the business of the quarterly meeting was begun. The chairman, Rev. B. H. Thomas, being absent, the Rev. F. R. Knight was appointed chairman pro tem. Doings of the last meeting were read by the secretary-treasurer and approved.

The committee of arrangements, Brethren Beckwith, Estabrooks and Lawrence, reported that there would be a conference meeting Saturday p. m., at 2.30, led by Rev. Mr. Tupper; at evening, 8 o'clock, public missionary meeting, led by Rev. W. H. Beckwith, speakers, Bros. Irving, Knight and McGregor. The Sabbath services were largely attended and deeply interesting.

The invitation of the Upper Queensbury church to meet with them next quarter, the second Friday in September, was accepted. Opening sermon on the Friday evening to be by the pastor from the new Baptist church at Gibson, Bro. Hanson (Ile). His alternate to be Rev. W. McGregor. The quarterly sermon, on Sabbath morning, by Rev. S. D. Ervine. His alternate, Rev. P. O. Reese. M. S. Hall, Sec'y-Treas.

Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

SACKVILLE, N. B.—We had the privilege, on Sunday, the 15th, of visiting the baptismal waters, and three happy converts followed the Master in His own ordinances. Two others are received for baptism, and our prospects cheer us. W. E. Hall.

UPPER BLACKVILLE, Northumberland Co.—The Lord is blessing His people in Blackville, although there is no ingathering of sheaves. Rev. O. N. Keith leaves to-day. He feels he needs rest. He intends to visit his family and many friends. This church and congregation gave Bro. Keith a unanimous vote to continue his labors with them, which he has accepted. He has been pastor of this church six years and six months. During this time he has baptized 47. Bro. Keith expects to be absent three months. May the Lord our Father protect him.

MAY 15.—JAS. B. MOOREHOUSE, The Union Baptist Ministers' Meeting at St. John's. The reports were encouraging. Pastor Mellick baptized one on Sabbath week, and there are several inquirers. At Germain street and Fairville there is no special interest, but congregations and attendance at Sabbath school and social services are good. At Brussels street they are about to make some repairs on their church. The Carlton Baptist and Free Baptist churches are encouraged in their work, there being inquirers in each. The other churches are having a good standing interest. Bro. Spencer gave an interesting account of his work among the sailors. Rev. G. A. Hartley read a paper on the question, "Has the State a right to enforce the observance of the Sabbath?" taking the affirmative side.

HARVEY.—I have felt it to be my duty to pause in my pastoral work, and to take advantage of a course of training in a Theological Seminary. With this in view, the Harvey church has accepted my resignation, to take effect Sept. 1st. The field is now open, and they are desirous of securing an efficient pastor. We feel that during the past year some advance has been made. The house of worship has been much improved in appearance and comfort. Some old difficulties that have long troubled the church have been settled, and a deep concern is being manifested on the part of some of the members. Germain street and New Horton churches have united with Harvey in forming a group. The coming man may expect a large field, and plenty of work; but the entire field is very compact, no part being over five miles from the centre. May the Great Head of the church, who watches over this interest, send a shepherd who will lead the flock. J. W. Brown.

CHRISTIE, ETC.—I had the privilege of spending Sunday, June 15th, with the Chester church; preaching in the morning in Chester and in the afternoon at Chester Basin. At the latter place I had the pleasure of baptizing and receiving into the fellowship of the church ten very promising young people. Bro. J. D. Spidle, lion of the Lunenburg Town church, who has been laboring for a few weeks with the Chester friends, and who has made for himself a large place in their affection, is very much encouraged by the prospect of future ingathering. It is to be hoped that he is long the services of a regular pastor may be secured, that the work may be carried on without interruption when Bro. Spidle returns to his studies. In Lunenburg we are looking forward in hope and trust and prayer to our second year of united work as pastor and people. Our congregations are good and we have been recently cheered by the removal to town of several families whose strength and influence will be thrown with us. J. S. Brown, Lunenburg, N. B., June 17.

BRIDPORT.—Yesterday was another glad day with us. In early morning the clouds lifted in the south, and we received the baptismal waters they cleared away, and the sun shone brightly upon a scene that made so many Christian hearts happy. We had the privilege of burying nine more with Christ in baptism. The work still goes on quietly, one or more coming out for Christ almost nightly. Others have accepted Christ, and are waiting to obey Him. I find myself "breaking up" a little under the burden, but hope to be able to take breath at Association and come back stronger to carry on the work. I need the prayers of those interested in the work. June 16. F. M. Y.

FALL RIVER, Halifax Co.—We are now about settled down to steady work with this little church. Few in number, but strong in faith, they have independently maintained the cause of truth in these parts for years. For liberality they put to blush many of our churches that far outnumber them. We have revived our weekly prayer-meeting, and organized a Sabbath-school, the first in the history of this church. On the 12th, Rev. C. W. Williams, of Dartmouth, Bro. Wood, Dea. Dunsmuir, and Bro. G. E. McDonald of the Book Room, district committee of Halifax, with Rev. W. Jordan, B. D., paid the two churches a visit. The meeting in the afternoon was held in the church (colored) on the West side of the lake, and was deeply interesting. In the evening Bro. Williams preached on the East side a stirring sermon, Bro. Jordan and pastor taking part. Mrs. R. and myself desire to return thanks to the friends that gathered at our beautifully situated home just after our arrival and gave us a glad "surprise." We wish to improve our meeting-house and much stand in need of aid. "A great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." Pray for us. W. W. Rens.

WOLFVILLE.—We had an interesting and profitable missionary meeting on Sunday evening, June 1st. The congregation filled the house. Prayer was offered by Howard Barnes and Principal Oakes. Rev. M. B. Shaw gave an earnest address on the duty to engage in missionary work and the encouragements to undertake it. Mr. Shaw made a good impression. Mrs. L. C. Archibald, returned missionary, spoke of the vastness of the work and how little we are doing in it. She did not represent our mission as a great and prosperous one, but told us we were as yet only playing at missions. She called for six men to go at once to India. Mrs. Archibald leaves no doubt of the urgency of the need and of her own earnestness in the cause. On the 8th inst. Bro. H. D. Bently, B. A., who has just graduated at Newton, preached a thoughtful sermon. We shall hope to hear Bro. Bently here again in these provinces. On 15th inst. Rev. George E. Tufts preached twice with much satisfaction to the congregation. Prof. Tufts left for the United States on the 19th inst., where he will consult eminent physicians. All hope he may obtain help and be restored to his former work. Prof. Caldwell has gone to London for a few weeks for study and recreation. Rev. Mr. Denovan is able to attend the services of the church.

St. George's.—I left St. George, Monday, 9th inst., to do mission work. Got to Pleasant Ridge, 26 miles up the river, about noon. They did not expect me, but word was circulated that they had. Minister had come and would preach at 8 o'clock. The school house was filled. At the close of the meeting ten persons rose and expressed a desire to prepare to meet their God. They had heard but three sermons since last December. When visiting I found four persons desiring baptism. There are only two Baptist communicants in the place. Saturday morning I started for York Co. Got to Brookaway Settlement at noon. Preached in the evening to a good congregation. I learned that they had a good Sunday school, and I was asked to announce that there would be prayer-meeting Sunday. The brethren are much encouraged. Wednesday I returned to Pleasant Ridge; had meeting at 8 o'clock in the school house. I did not get to Pleasant Ridge, which I intended to when I left home. I had been expecting a student to take up this work, but had about given it up, but when I got home I found that the student was on his way to this country. Although it requires a great deal of physical strength to do this work, roads exceedingly bad at this time of the year, yet, from Monday morning until Thursday evening I travelled ninety miles with horse and buggy and ten miles on foot. I visited twenty-two families and thank God for the privilege. C. E. Pinso.

PERSONAL.—Bro. A. J. Denton is on a visit to old friends in Annapolis Valley. His health has been much improved by his stay in Colorado. We could only hope that he might be so fully restored as to be able to remain with us and help on the work which lay upon his heart, in the past.

HEALTH.—We hope that the Baptist churches in Albert Co. will see that returns of the amounts collected for missionary purposes, be sent to the undersigned at least one week before the meeting of the Association. As the chairman of the committee on missions for the county, I am requested to make a full report to the Association. This I cannot do except the churches send in their reports as requested by the Association. Will all the churches attend to this at once. S. W. Kaurman, Sec'y. Edgemoor Landing, A. C., June 15.

THE next session of the Albert Co. Baptist Quarterly Meeting will be held with the Baptist church at Little Roebur on Tuesday, July 5, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Rev. W. Camp is appointed to preach the quarterly sermon. Rev. M. Gross is alternate. Revs. J. W. Brown, S. C. Moore and Deacon R. Wilbur are down for exhorters. S. W. Kaurman, Sec'y.

Will the brethren please bear in mind that there are two Baptist churches in Fall River, Halifax Co., one on the west side of the lake (Col'd), Aaron Williams, Clerk, and the other on the east side. We request that all communications be sent to each church direct. By order of the churches. J. D. Spidle, Deacon. William H. Miles, Clerk. Harrison F. Patten, Clerk. Post office address Waverly, H. Co.

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The quarterly meeting of the N. B. Southern Baptist Association, will meet with the St. George Baptist church, July 8th. Will the churches please authorize their delegates to sit in council with the Macarene church at the quarterly meeting to consider the proposed union of their pastor elect, Bro. Nowlan. Laymen will get half fare on the Shore Line Railway. Train leaves Carleton, 2.30 p. m.

I wish to say that since we removed into the parsonage in April, we have been placed on the "sunny side." We wish to thank the members of the church and congregation. For these words and deeds of appreciation and good will toward myself and wife, I wish most heartily to thank them all. W. H. HOSKINS.

Collections for Annuity Fund.

North church, Halifax	\$19 73
Barton, St. Mary's	2 40
First Hillsboro, N. B.	2 90
Lake George, Yarmouth	2 00
Port John, N. B.	4 00
River John, N. B.	3 00
Portauquie, Upper Economy	3 00
Portland	13 00
Upper Dorchester	1 00
Forest Glen, N. B.	1 71
Halifax	4 16
Lower Economy and Five Islands	4 87
Halifax First church	20 01
Montague, P. E. I.	1 00
Rawdon	2 00
First St. Margaret's Bay	2 20
Antigonish	19 25
Maccan	4 00

Subscriptions to the Capital of the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

G. H. Dobson, \$5, paid; a friend, \$1, paid; W. J. Wilson, \$2; James Frizzle, \$4, paid; Donald McDonald, \$1; Norman McPherson, \$1; Lochlin McDonald, \$0.50, paid; James Barton, 50 cts; Mrs. Frederic Fraser, 50 cts; Mrs. J. W. Ingram, 50 cts; Mrs. Jas. Lingley, 50 cts; Mrs. Jas. Ingram, \$1, paid; J. W. Ingram, 50 cts; Robt. Phillips, \$1; J. F. Barton, \$2, paid; Cable Ross, \$1, paid; Mrs. George Lingley, 50 cts; Mrs. Jos. Lingley, 50 cts; Geo. Lingley, \$1, paid; Alexander Fraser, \$1; Mrs. James Frizzle, 50 cts; Malcolm Fraser, 50 cts; Mrs. William Etteridge, 50 cts; Mrs. Ab. Ingram, 50 cts; Alice Burton, 50 cts; Mrs. Cable Ross, 50 cts; Amelia Burt, 50 cts; J. G. McDonald, \$1, paid; Mrs. Malcolm Fraser, 50 cts; Mrs. Esther Stewart, \$1; Mrs. James Frizzle, \$1, paid; Mrs. W. F. Burton, 50 cts; Robt. J. Frizzle, 25c, paid; Donald Frizzle, 25c, paid; Wm. Frizzle, 25c, paid; Jos. Hunt, \$50, (\$10 paid); Wm. Frizzle, \$20, paid; Robert Frizzle, \$100, (\$20 paid); Aaa Coloban, \$100, paid; C. W. Whitman, \$5, paid; Peter Pant, \$20, paid; Mrs. Frank Cunningham, \$2, paid; E. C. Whitman, \$25, paid; A. F. Randolph, \$1,000; A. D. Yerxa, \$50; Henry G. Eady, \$20; J. W. Spurgeon, \$25; C. P. Baker, \$10, paid; John B. Calhoun, \$250; D. V. Roberts, \$15, paid; A friend, \$1,000, interest reserved for a time, paid; Mrs. Aaron Cogswell, \$1, paid; Mrs. S. K. Bennett, \$5, paid.

Association Notices.

P. E. ISLAND.—The Prince Edward Island Baptist Association will meet with the church at North River, on Friday, the 4th day of July, at 2 p. m. Rev. J. A. Gordon will preach the Association sermon and Deacon Alexander Scott, lic., will write the Circular. Under arrangement with the railway authorities, delegates attending the Association will, by paying one first-class fare, on presentation of certificate of attendance, signed by the Clerk, be returned free of charge. J. B. LEARD, Clerk.

Will all the delegates coming to the P. E. Island Association be kind enough to forward their names to the undersigned, so they can be provided with homes. Also be kind enough to state whether they are coming by private conveyance or by steam, so if by the latter we may send teams to meet them. Buy all tickets for Charlottetown and tell us when you will be there. Let us hear from you by the 20th June. F. D. DAVISON, North River, P. E. I.

At the last meeting of the P. E. Island Association, it was resolved: that some person be appointed to compile a continuous history of the year's work from the time made with the railway authorities, delegates attending the Association will, by paying one first-class fare, on presentation of certificate of attendance, signed by the Clerk, be returned free of charge. J. B. LEARD, Clerk.

Return tickets at one first-class fare will be issued from all stations to Charlottetown July 3rd, 4th, and 5th, good to return up to and on July 9th. Usual certificate of attendance required.

Meetings of Associations.

Prince Edward Island.—J. B. Leard, clerk; on Friday, the 4th day of July, at 2 p. m., at North River. New Brunswick Eastern.—Rev. J. W. Brown, clerk; on the third Saturday of July, at 2 p. m., at New Brunswick. Nova Scotia African.—E. McKerron, clerk; on the first Saturday of September, at Digby. Nova Scotia Eastern.—Rev. T. B. Layton, clerk; on the second Friday of September, at 10 a. m., at Sydney, C. B. New Brunswick Southern.—G. C. Goss, clerk; on the third Saturday of September, at 10 a. m., at Oak Bay, Charlotte Co.

Convention Funds Received.

Carleton church, St. John's	\$32 18
East Jeddore church	2 55
Knos Baker, East Jeddore	1 00
Lafare church	1 25
Pleasantville, Lunenburg	5 00
Digby	23 00
Nictaux	23 13
Lockport	9 25
Point de Bute	8 00
Geo. H. Dobson, North Sydney	25 00
for support of native teacher	
North Sydney, N. S., for native teacher	12 50
Hillgrove church, N. S.	12 10
Cavendish, P. E. I.	15 00
Maccan	5 65
	\$167 63

G. E. DAY, Upper Sheffield, N. B., June 20.

Two Golden Words.

There are two words which should be written in golden letters of lambent flame, like holy altar fires, upon every heart and brain—opportunity, fidelity. When looked at in their deepest meaning they comprehend all that truly means to live. They cover the richest and highest possibilities of this bright world where we now are, and of that other just as real world where our real self will be by and by. Let the words stay with us for daily incentive, as they are given by our heavenly Teacher. Let us mark in our Bibles as a reminder when we turn its pages these verses: Gal. 6:10—"As we have, therefore, opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." 1 Peter 4:10—"As every man hath received the gift, even so minister one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." Luke 16:10—"He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least, is unjust also in much." Opportunity, like a picture, bears to be studied; as in a landscape, the distant and the near make up the perfect whole.

No blade of grass, or little bush, or tiny floating cloud but has its essential part in filling up the sum of beauty. It is not only the distant opportunity, but the near—the little commonplaces of every day—which make up the "well done." The habit of being faithful in little things makes a faithful character which can be relied on in great emergencies. Along a certain road-side on Long Island all the trees are bent over sideways. Kidding by one day, we remarked: "There must have been a strong wind here to turn over all these trees." "Oh, no," was the reply; "those trees were turned that way when they were little saplings to make a fence along the road."

One look at their big trunks showed that they could never stand straight again. It has a daily growth ending in a fixed life. As we have therefore opportunity, let us be faithful in that which is least.—N. Y. Christian Advocate.

The Highest Good.

Does your soul regard earthly things as the highest, and the business which relates to them as your weightiest, employment? Then is your soul like the waves of the sea, which are driven and blown by the wind; it is given up to eternal disquiet and transient change? For manifold and varied are earthly things, and whoever gives himself up to their dominion his soul is dragged hither and thither, in all directions, by hope and fear, by joy and sorrow, by desire for gain and by pain at loss. And how should the grace of the Lord and his peace make their dwelling in such a disturbed soul? O my friends, whatever earthly calling may be allotted to us—however spiritual in its functions, however blessed in its effects—if its employments drive us forward in breathless haste upon life's path; if we think we can never find time to stand still and to think where we are and whether we will go, and to reflect on the heavenly and eternal concerns of our immortal souls; if prayer has lost its power and the divine Word itself charm for us—then we have cast away our life upon a fearful error, upon a fleeting dream; then are we, with all our apparent richness in bodily and spiritual goods, really poor—very poor. We have, like Martha, much care and trouble, but the highest good, which alone gives to our life its worth and significance, is wanting.—Julius Muller.

The Interior has this sensible thing to say about stopping church quarrels: The only way to stop a church quarrel is for everybody to absolutely stop talking. That is a sure cure. Change is in constant progress. Nothing remains to-day what it was yesterday, and nothing will be to-morrow what it is to-day—and the swift fingers of time are not long in substituting every fibre of the old with the new. All one has to do if dissatisfied in church relations is to wait. They will come right of themselves.

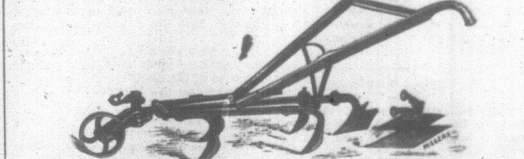
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