

## DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

(All money except legacies) contributed for denominational work in Nova Scotia, Acadia, and the Maritime Provinces, for the year ending March 31, 1893, is as follows:—

**GASPERSBURG, N.S.**—Rev. M. P. Freeman has resigned the pastoral charge of the 3rd Horton church, the resignation to take effect July 1.

**CONTRIVILLE, N.B.**—On Sunday, 21st inst., it was my privilege to baptize nine, who received the hand of fellowship at the close of the morning service. I expect to baptize again next Lord's Day.

**TYNE VALLEY, P.E.I.**—Two promising young men were baptized in Tyne Valley, May 10, and received into the church. Names: William J. Warren and George H. Warren. I expect to baptize again shortly. Brethren, we need your prayers.

**BELMONT, N.S.**—We began special meetings at this place about a week ago. The Lord is blessing the Word. On the 21st it was my privilege to administer the ordinance of baptism to seven persons on profession of their faith. The good seed has been sown in the Sunday school, as most of them are Sunday-school scholars. (Teachers, do you expect to see your Sunday-school scholars converted this year?) Others have been hopelessly converted, and are enjoying the way of salvation. Rev. C. P. Wilson, of Bass River, Rev. W. F. Parker and Bro. Wm. Cummings, both of Truro, have been assisting me in the grandest of all works, baptizing. Bro. J. A. Gordon, of Scotland, is here, with others who will continue the meetings this week.

**MAIN STREET, ST. JOHN.**—Dr. Saunders baptised one in the Main street church on the 21st and two last Sunday. The Rev. J. A. Gordon will preach at the church next Sabbath. It is believed that he will accept the call to the pastorate. Mr. Arthur Kempton preached very acceptably for Dr. Saunders last Sabbath morning. In the evening Dr. Saunders preached to a large congregation a sermon on missions, concluding his present engagement with the church. Those who had been baptized received the hand of fellowship. The outlook for the church appears very encouraging.

On Tuesday evening, the 28th May, a Baptist Young People's Union was organized. Dr. Saunders and Mr. Arthur Kempton, a senior student of Rochester Theological Seminary, were present and assisted in forming the society. The field for work and the prospect for usefulness are most encouraging.

**NORTH RIVER, P.E.I.**—I have resigned the pastoral charge of this field to accept a call extended to me by the Gibson church, N.B. Four years have been spent on this field, and they have been years of peace and prosperity. Eighty-two have been baptized; six are received now for baptism, and about thirty have been received on letters and experience. We have repaired the parsonage, the houses of worship at Long Creek and at Kingston, spending in all over three hundred dollars. We paid debts of organs, \$125. We built a house of worship at Clyde River, costing \$850, and now they have another house in course of construction at Bonshaw, costing about the same amount, and will be dedicated this fall (D.V.). At Bonshaw a church has been organized with a membership of thirty-six—not seventeen as mentioned in the Year Book. The present membership is forty-two. The field is perfectly united and every department of work is running along smoothly. Now, who will come and take up the work here? There is no better country field in the bounds of the Convention. Lots of room for work and an exceedingly intelligent class of people to work among. I have received a unanimous call to remain on this field with an increase in salary of \$125, and in declining have been largely influenced by the educational advantage to be secured by my family at Gibson. I hope and pray the great Head of the church will direct a faithful servant to this field to break the bread of life to this people. The field is free from debt and can give a good support to the right man.

**F. D. DAVIDSON.**

To those who pray "Thy Kingdom Come."—In the discharge of your trust as good stewards of the manifold grace of God, when you have read the following, please ask reverently, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" In the western end of my pastoral territory there is a block of country occupying the angle formed by the Shubenacadie River and Colequid Bay, Colchester Co., embracing five school sections intersected by a number of roads and containing over 600 inhabitants, about twenty of whom are Baptists. Twelve of these have been baptized recently, four of them heads of families. I have "broken ground" on all parts of this territory, preaching at five different points. This is a "virgin soil" with us, and I believe these twelve are but the first fruits of a rich harvest now ripening. Patient, prayerful persistency in the name of the Lord has been rewarded by admission to school houses refused or locked against us. Convinced of the rightness of our cause, friends have arisen in unexpected places, and little bands of twenty or thirty gather at different points to listen with growing interest to "the word." Requests for prayer have lately been heard in our meetings; and the "leaven" of the gospel is at work. With 40 miles in length of territory to traverse, and eleven preaching stations, centralization on this section is very desirable to the pastor. In the interest of "the kingdom" it seems to us all a necessity that these little bands be united in the worship of God and study of His Word. They are perfectly united in their purpose to build Him a house, on a beautiful half acre lot, which came in answer to a year of prayer. Over \$400 are pledged toward building by a handful of true hearts; nearly all the poor of this world; some of them frame in faith. The frame, and most of the lumber is in preparation, and in a few days we hope to lay the foundation. Engagement pledged is altogether inadequate to the completion of such a house as the out-cry demands. In most cases these people have reached the limit of their

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means, for the present at least in their judgment, I believe the movement is the Lord. I know He has abundance to complete such a house as His cause demands in this place. The silver and the gold are His. I believe His plan now, as of old, is free-will offerings. By His direction we make known our wants. Should any of the King's servants who read this desire to make a good investment, we offer them a rare opportunity, confident of quick returns and large dividends. A well chosen committee of five have the work in hand; and all who will be led of God to aid us, will please send inclosures to Ezra Stevens, Forest Glen; Daniel Stewart, Clifton; or the undersigned, Brookfield, all of Colchester Co., N.S. Remittances will be duly acknowledged either privately or through the MESSENGER AND VISITOR.

**M. L. FIELDS.**

**BROOKFIELD, QUEEN'S CO.**—As we look over the church news from week to week in your valuable paper, we find some things very encouraging and comforting. We have had some seasons of refreshing and have been enabled to rejoice many times during the last two years in hearing a number of persons confessing Christ, and seeing them follow Him in the ordinance of baptism. But we have some cloudy days; perhaps it is necessary for the better development of our Christian graces. Financial depression seems to be over the church with us just now. Many church members, when they cannot do as much for benevolent objects in such times as in more prosperous days, neglect to do any thing, and consequently lose all the blessings they might enjoy. Our pastor, Rev. D. H. McQuarrie, has tendered his resignation, to take effect in June. It has not been received by the church, and we do sincerely hope that an overruling providence may open the way that his services may be secured at least another year. He has labored faithfully with us the last two years. His sermons have been and are highly appreciated, and our best Bible students say they are much above the ordinary. Sister McQuarrie, who has been a faithful helper, is well prepared for the responsible position of a minister's wife. We have never heard anything but that expression from every person in the two years she has been here. She organized a Mission Band soon after coming here, which has been a success in raising money and in training the children for usefulness in missionary work. If they leave us our earnest desire for the future is that they may be a blessing to some other church. A. J. LEADBETTER, Clerk.

**PERSONAL.**

Our esteemed brother, Rev. M. P. Freeman, mourns the death of a beloved daughter, taken away in early womanhood. We desire to extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

—Rev. R. R. Philip, of Halifax, has been quite seriously ill of late, but is now, we are pleased to learn, much better. Bro. Philip, as many readers of the MESSENGER AND VISITOR know, has been afflicted for quite a number of years with blindness, necessitating his retirement from the active duties of the ministry.

A note from Rev. B. H. Thomas informs us that he has received and accepted a unanimous call from the First Baptist church, Athol, Mass., to become their pastor. His pastoral labors at Athol will begin June 18. We regret to hear that Bro. Thomas also has determined to step across the line. There should certainly be a heavy export duty placed on good Baptist ministers.

Rev. F. D. Davidson, after a successful pastorate of four years with the North River and associated churches, P.E.I., has resigned to accept the call of the church at Gibson, N.B. Correspondents are requested to note change in address. Bro. Davidson has proved himself to be a workman who needs not to be ashamed. May large blessings rest upon him and his people in the field into which he is about to enter.

**NOTICES.**

The Lunenburg Co. district meeting convenes (D.V.) with the Tanook church on Tuesday, June 6th. A full attendance is desired.

Delegates to the Central Association, to meet this year with the 1st Baptist church, Halifax, on Friday, the 23rd day of June, are requested to see that their names are forwarded to the undersigned by the 7th June.

**R. N. BUCKWORTH, Chairman.**

The next session of York and Stony quarterly meeting will be held with the church at Upper Queensbury, on the ninth of June. The introductory sermon will be preached on Friday evening, the quarterly sermon on Sunday morning, the missionary sermon on Sunday afternoon. F. D. CRAWLEY, Sec.-Treas.

The Nova Scotia Western Baptist Association will meet (D.V.) with the Wilmot church at Paradise, on Saturday, June the 17th, at 10 o'clock. Will the clerks of the churches within the letters be filled out and forwarded to me at least two weeks before the meeting of the association. Let every church be

represented, and let every blank be filled as far as possible.

**I. E. BILL, Clerk of Association.**

The next session of the Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska Co's quarterly meeting will be held with Baptist friends at Hartland Village. First meeting on June 3, at 7:30 p.m., in the Free Christian Baptist meeting house.

**B. H. THOMAS, Sec.-Treas.**

The next session of the Queens Co. quarterly meeting will be held at Scotchtown, beginning Friday, June 9, at 7 p.m. The Women's Missionary Aid Societies hold their meeting in connection with the above on Sabbath afternoon, at 2:30. All the churches and Aid Societies of the county are earnestly requested to send delegates.

**W. E. MCINTYRE, Secy.**

The New Brunswick Western Baptist Association will meet (D.V.) with the Jacksonville Baptist church at Jacksonville, Carleton Co., on Friday, June 23, at 2 p.m. We hope the clerks of the various churches will make special effort to make our statistical returns as full as possible. Let the associational letters be forwarded at once after May 31.

**B. H. THOMAS, Clerk.**

## Deaths.

**LANGILLE.**—At Summerside, May 5, Ingram B. Langille, aged 59 years and 17 days.

**MCLEOD.**—At Centerville, Cumberland Co., Dec. 11, 1892, of heart failure, Donald McLeod, in his 69th year, leaving a wife and eight children to mourn the loss of a kind and loving husband and father. Bro. McLeod made a profession of religion under the ministry of the late Rev. Elisha Corey. He remained steadfast in the faith and often spoke of his hope in Christ with much assurance. He was called home to heaven so unexpectedly has made a vacancy in his family, but as mourners they are comforted to know that their light has been gained. "How blessed the righteous when he dies."

**BENJAMIN.**—At Pugwash, May 13th, Jane, relict of the late Daniel G. Benjamin, in the 90th year of her age. Sister Benjamin professed faith in Christ about a half century ago, and was baptized by the late Rev. H. Hobbie and received into the Pugwash church. Our sister possessed a most lively and amiable disposition, accompanied by the grace of God. Christ and heaven were as real to her as her own existence, and in speaking of them her countenance beamed with joy. Our sister leaves three sons and three daughters, all professors of faith in Christ. "Her children arise up and call her blessed." "The memory of the just is blessed."

**MARTELL.**—At Little Glace Bay, Cape Breton, May 2nd, after a few days' illness, Lizzie, second daughter of Deacon Theodore H. and Martha Martell, in the nineteenth year of her age. This amiable young sister was baptized and united with the Baptist church at Little Glace Bay, on the 27th day of November last. Her firm hope in Christ gave her great consolation during her illness, and

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## IMPORTANT NEWS.

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The late Hon. W. F. DeLoraine was for more than 30 years, a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, and the highest estimation by the people of the Maritime Provinces. Samuel W., son of Hon. W. F. DeLoraine, is Justice of the Admiralty District of Nova Scotia, having held the office for 23 years. In conversation with his representative, a short time since, he made the following statement: "I have used SKODA'S LITTLE TABLETS, for a few weeks, with the most gratifying results, and am of the opinion that they are a high medicinal quality. For Diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, I believe them to be most excellent Medicine. I am so thoroughly convinced of their curative properties, that I shall take the full course of these Remedies, as recommended by the SKODA'S LITTLE TABLETS."

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she rejoiced that she had taken upon herself the service of her Master. She was beloved by all her young associates and will be greatly missed, not only by them and in the home circle, but also in the church and society of Christian endeavor of which she was an active member.

**DIMOCK.**—At Scotch Village, Newport, April 17, Sarah Ann Dimock, in the 65th year of her age. She was early in life converted and baptized into the fellowship of the 2nd Cornville (now Berwick) Baptist church by the late Wm. Chipman. She united in marriage with George Dimock, son of the lamented pastor of the Newport church, Rev. George Dimock. Sister Dimock was a plain, God-fearing woman, adorning the doctrine of Christ in all things. To know her was to love her. The day previous to her remains being taken to rest beside her husband, in Berwick, friends gathered at the home of her son, Judson, where appropriate services were held, the pastor speaking from the words, Ps. 127: 2: "If giveth His beloved sleep."

**CHOCK.**—Suddenly, at Middleton, Annapolis County, May 15, Annie, beloved wife of Dr. T. A. Crocker, in the 33rd year of her life. During the pastorate of Rev. J. H. Robbins, Sister Chock united with the Pine Grove church and abundantly proved to all her friends how well she understood the significance of walking in newness of life. So implicitly had we learned to trust in the ready hand, warm heart and clear, practical mind of our dear sister that death came to us, in this case, like a bolt from a clear sky. Yet we would not question the infinite wisdom by whom this great sorrow is appointed unto us, nor say unto Him, "What dost Thou?" Rather would we unitedly pray that He will visit our sad hearts and enable us to say, "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

**HOWATT.**—At Augustine Cove, 9th inst., Annie Warren, beloved wife of Dea. W. B. Howatt, aged 56 years. Sister Howatt was a consistent member of the church for over 20 years. Though saying little she lived much for her Saviour. She was a great sufferer for some months before she died, but her faith in God was strong and she had no fear of death. Her Saviour was near her in the trying hour and she rested on His love. Parting with her loved one was robbed of its pain by knowing that all her family were trusting in Jesus and that they would be reunited "in the sweet by and bye." This also gives great comfort to the bereaved. The love and respect in which she was held was evinced by the very large number that attended her obsequies. She leaves her beloved husband, six children, her parents, four brothers, one sister and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. May God sustain the bereaved.

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