

SUMMERVILLE, N. S.

Our Quarterly meeting here in Summerville commenced Nov. 12th, at 3 o'clock, with Bro. Ford in the pulpit. This was one month earlier than usual, in order to accommodate the people. December would be too late to hold meetings in this locality. The first week we had one stormy evening. Our congregations were not as large through the week as we expected. A number of the church members were busy, and some were sick. At the close of the week the interest began to increase. Some difficulties that were troubling the church were buried and a stone placed over the grave, and we bid adieu to the man who removes that stone.

On Sunday of the second week the house was filled with interesting hearers. Two evenings of the second week we were stormed out. However the interest still increased, the brethren all got into line and in a good working condition. No less than sixty persons took an active part in the meeting—a number of whom were Baptists and some Methodists; thus giving a fine feeling and spirit to the meetings. There were three confessions during the second week. On Lord's day of the third week, Bro. Ford had another full house, every available seat was occupied. Bro. Ford did some splendid preaching. His clear, earnest and kind way of presenting the gospel won the hearts of all, and brought them to church from east and west. Every prospect was encouraging for a successful meeting in this third week. But just here the curtain fell. The writer was taken sick and was obliged to lay off for repairs, and was not able to be on duty for two weeks. On Monday evening, the severe storm prevented a meeting. However, the meeting continued Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings with only Bro. Ford at the helm. On Thursday evening there were two more confessions. On Friday, Bro. Ford was called to Milton, his wife was taken suddenly and seriously ill. We are happy to say at this writing, that she is very much better. Bro. Ford returned to Summerville the following Sunday and also the second Sunday in December, and then he was taken sick, but is now convalescent. This third week of our meeting that we had hoped to be our best was thus unexpectedly broken off by these unfortunate and uncontrollable circumstances. It was a disappointment to us all. Our regrets can be better imagined than expressed. Two of the five who made the "good confession" are not yet baptized. Other good has been done that cannot be reported. The better condition of the church, the removing of prejudice, the reaching the minds of new hearers, and many other good things, must be left to our imaginations. We expect, as the work goes on, to see the development of much more that is good, the seed of which were sown at this meeting. We expect the church will work earnestly and unitedly, and thus make the prospects favorable for a good meeting another year. The truth will prevail when made to shine in the lives of those who accept it.

H. MURRAY.

CORNWALLIS, N. S.

After an absence of eight Lord's days, we are again at home, and settled down to our regular work. The brethren report interesting meetings during our absence, with a very good attendance. On account of the sickness of Mrs. Ford and myself, our stay in Queen's County was much longer than we had planned. Still we have reason to be thankful that we were in Milton among as kind friends as ever ministered to the wants of the afflicted. We owe much to the faithful and loving attention of our Sister Hattie Barnaby, nor should we soon forget the skilful and patient care of our good sister H. Murray, who remained by Mrs. Ford from Friday morning till Tuesday afternoons, only going home for one night's rest. How much we are indebted to her faithful and intelligent care

for the life so dear to us all God only can know. But while we are gratified to God for his great mercy, we feel that under God we owe much to the skilful attention of Dr. Smith, and the faithful and loving watch-care of Sister Murray and Sister Barnaby. May God bless these faithful women in our prayer.

As Bro. Murray has reported our meeting at Summerville, it will not be necessary for me to speak of it here. I would only say that Bro. Murray has done a work in that locality which will prove a great blessing to the cause in the near future. We have as good brethren there as we have any place known to me. While the church is yet small, the material is so good that they must grow; and in a few years, if they are as true as in the past, they will control the religious interests of that section of country.

Bro. Murray has done, and is doing a grand work there, and only now are the brethren coming to realize that he that "preaches the gospel must live by the gospel." But the church there is young, and have got to learn their duty financially, as well as in other departments of church work. But they are coming up to this, and we hope they will soon be heard from in support of our Home Missions, and also in support of the work generally.

But for the sickness of Mrs. Ford and myself, our visit to Queen's County would have been very pleasant. As it was, it was very enjoyable to meet our old friends and renew old acquaintances.

The church in Milton is now very prosperous. The congregations were never so large, and the social meetings are largely attended and very interesting. The Endeavor Society has done much to increase the spiritual interest of the church there.

Bro. R. E. Stevens is at home with us for a few days, and preached for us acceptably on Lord's day the 24th. Bro. S. is looking well, and speaks highly of the prospects of the work in Lord's Cove. He returns to St. John where he will spend a few days before returning to his work on Deer Island.

Not having fully recovered from my sickness, I have not been able to visit the friends nor fill my appointments at my Mission points. But we hope by the blessing of God to be able to take up the work in January and fill our appointments regularly. We are now enjoying the holiday season, having our children with us again, and also our nephew, A. T. Ford, of Amherst, and our nieces, Carrie Ford and Evelyn Barnaby of Milton, Queen's Co. With all these pleasant young people, we expect a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

To the editors and managers of the CHRISTIAN, and to all its readers, we wish a very Happy New Year, with many pleasant returns.

E. C. FORD.

SCHOOL OF THE EVANGELISTS—OPENING DAY—HOW TO REACH IT.—Come to Knoxville, Tenn., by rail, and taken the early Saturday morning steamer February 3, 1894. Rooms all furnished with new stoves, bedsteads, mattresses, tables and chairs. Board, tuition, room with furniture and light for six months, \$36. Incidental expenses correspondingly low. Students must furnish bed-clothes. We have ordered a library of books of reference, but greatly need our own publications. Let me suggest to our authors, publishers and brethren who have idle books, that here is a chance to do good. I have undertaken to answer the greatest "Macedonian cry" since Paul—the education of our poor young men to preach the gospel. I shall keep twenty young men at school myself. Would to God you could hear the cry that sounds in my ears without ceasing. Address: Prof. Ashley S. Johnson, Komberlin Heights, Tenn.

"That land is henceforth my country which most needs the gospel of my Lord Jesus Christ."—Zinzendorf.

GULLIVER'S COVE BUILDING FUND.

Previously reported,	\$184 06
Miss Douglass, South Range,	1 00
Mrs. A. Marshall,	50
Isaac Shortliff, Tiverton,	50
Collection at Tiverton, etc., per J. Reid,	6 00
Ladies' Sewing Circle, Gulliver's Cove,	6 20
Proceeds of Sociable,	7 06

\$205 32

We are now working up the last \$100, which begins to look like success in getting the building paid for. We are more than thankful to the kind friends who have assisted us thus far, and are anxious to extend our gratitude to others from whom we yet hope to receive aid. \$94 68 is the amount still due. We are in receipt of the following pledges towards its payment, which amounts will be duly acknowledged when received, viz.:

John W. Hines, Gulliver's Cove,	\$5 00
John Wentzel,	5 00
John Reid,	5 00
J. S. Hines,	5 00

\$20 00

The Sewing Circle, composed of only four members who can work at present, hope to raise \$5 00 more very soon, as a result of their efforts. They are doing their very best, and deserve all encouragement.

We wish to acknowledge with much thankfulness the gift of a nice pulpit Bible, and twelve hymn-books from Mrs. Belle Morse of the Digby Bookstore, and her sisters, the Misses McKay of Rossway.

We hope to see a monthly meeting held in this house soon, and other precious souls added to the saved who have already taken Christ as their Prophet, Priest and King beneath its roof.

H. A. DEVOR,
Treasurer.

HALIFAX BUILDING FUND.

Oct. 27th, Previously acknowledged,	\$1,491 86
Nov 28th, Elder D. Crawford, New Glasgow, P. E. I.,	3 00
" John Houston, North Rustico, P. E. I.,	2 00

\$1,496 86

HENRY CARSON,
Halifax N. S., December 22, 1893. Treasurer.

Married.

HANSEPACKER-WELCH—On the evening of December 6th, at the residence of the bride's parents, in Leonardville, Deer Island, Captain Leverett A. Hanselacker, of Fredericton, to Miss Ina, eldest daughter of John Welch, Esq., R. E. Stevens officiating.

McLAREN-FARQUHARSON—At Charlottetown, November 30th, 1893, by O. B. Emery, Mr. Stewart McLaren, of New Perth, Lot 51, Kings County, and Miss Jane Ann Farquharson, of Mount Herbert, Lot 48, Queens County, P. E. I.

JELLEY-FRENIS—At the residence of Mr. A. McLean, Fredericton, P. E. I., on the 31st of October, Mr. Herbert Jelley of O'Leary Station, P. E. I., to Miss Lovenia Frenis of Fredericton, by D. Crawford.

CALIBECK-LINKLETTER—At the home of the bride, by D. Crawford, Mr. James J. Calibek of Tryon, to Miss Mattie Linkletter, of Linkletter Road, P. E. I.

DEWOLF-WISDOM—At the residence of George Wallace, Esq., East Rawdon, November 12th, by W. H. Harding, George DeWolf to Mrs. Elizabeth Wisdom, both of East Rawdon, N. S.

WYAND-JELLY.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Linkletter Road, P. E. I., December 23th, by Rev. B. H. Bentley, Chester Wyand, Cavendish Road, to Catherine B. Jelly.

Died.

BERNARD.—At Lock Shore, P. E. I., Dec. 6th, of inflammation, Mary Caroline, beloved wife of Jesse Bernard, aged 21 years. She lived a faithful Christian and died trusting in Jesus, leaving a husband and two children, and a large circle of friends to mourn her loss.