

## From the Churches.

**BERWICK.**—The Hunter and Crossley meetings held here in October resulted in a great blessing to the church. Special services have been continued since they left. Twenty-six have been baptized and one received by experience, and still the good work goes on. Many are still anxious to be saved. Baptism will probably be administered again on the first Sunday in December. Brethren pray for us.

**BILLTOWN, N. S.**—At our request the H. M. B. sent us Bro. A. F. Baker to hold special services with us at Woodville, a section of this church. The Lord has blessed the effort and souls have been born into the kingdom. Eleven were baptized on Nov. 21st and three on Nov. 28th. The good work is still going on. Three of those who have been received into the church are heads of families. Bro. Baker is an earnest and faithful worker for God, and is highly esteemed among the people. "Some evangelists."—We thank the Lord for such. M. P. FREEMAN.

**CHERGOGGIN, N. S.**—We are grateful as a church to know that our bills are paid, and that we have a slight margin. We were behind for running expenses during the past twelve months and we wondered how it was to be raised. We suggested a free-will offering. Some of the members of the Union went around and gathered \$50 and we were all pleased and thankful at the result. We are studying the epistle to the Romans, and, we trust, with profit as it contains all the doctrine we need to know for the present. The pastor is made the recipient of many little gifts of kindness whereof he is thankful to the givers. C. P. WILSON.

**KENTVILLE, N. S.**—Rev. B. N. Nobles, who recently succeeded Rev. H. Alford Porter, has been here about four weeks, and that has been long enough to enable him to secure a warm place in the affections of his people and in the community, and the prospects are excellent that much good will be the result of the labors of this loved pastor. It was not at all an easy task to successfully fill the place occupied by the last two preachers of this church, Revs. Weeks and Porter, who were exceptionally able speakers, but it is felt by all that in Dr. Nobles one has been selected who can do so. He came without ever having preached here, his previous record was all that was required. He preaches the old gospel in a very fluent manner and has crowded congregations who listen intently. His pulpit qualities, combined with an easy manner and a very social disposition gives one the key to his success in other fields of labor, and it is safe to predict that this town will be the better that he has come to reside, the people hope, for a long period.

**NEW DENMARK, N. B.**—Our mission at New Denmark is still going forward as far as the hearing of the Word is concerned. Many come to our meetings, and many times after and before preaching we have a little friendly controversy about baptism and New Testament doctrine in general, and many are becoming more and more convinced. We are hoping and praying for a large return of fruit in the near future. Many of these Danes are very poor and much good may be done if some of our larger churches and Christian friends in better position, having more of this world's goods, would send some of their cast off clothing such as bedding, men's clothing, women's clothing, clothing for boys and girls. Many can help this way who can not help with money. Some of our larger Sewing Circles may gather up a lot of second-hand clothing and send to my address and I will faithfully distribute the same, and let the families themselves thank you through this paper. Will you do this for the sake of Christ and His mission now before Christmas? REV. N. P. GROSS. Grand Falls, Vic. Co., N. B.

**LEINSTER ST., ST. JOHN.**—Rev. E. E. Daley, who for three years has successfully filled the pastorate of Leinster St. church, has resigned and accepted a call to the Sackville Baptist church. Mr. Daley preached his farewell sermon on Sunday evening, Nov. 21st, and on the evening of Nov. 23rd the church and congregation assembled in a social way to bid good-bye to their pastor and his wife, to whom they all had become greatly attached. During the evening A. A. Wilson, Esq., called the meeting to order, and Dea. J. W. Sullivan, on behalf of the church presented an address to Mr. Daley in which, among many good things,

was set forth the progress made by the church during the pastorate, and the good feeling and admiration of the church and congregation for Mr. and Mrs. Daley, and the harmony with which all the work of the church had been carried on under the pastoral supervision of Mr. Daley. Mr. Daley replied in a feeling and interesting manner. He would never forget the three years of united work among them and though he might be absent from them his thoughts would be with them and he would ever remember them in his prayers, and to hear of their success would always give him joy and comfort. Rev. J. A. Gordon, who was present, gave an interesting address full of life and hope for the future. Leinster St. church will ever remember Mr. and Mrs. Daley for their good words and work among them. CLERK.

**HAMMONDS PLAINS, N. S.**—I resigned the pastorate of the Hammonds Plains church in October, but up to date of writing the church has declined to accept it. We feel a sensation of sadness as we contemplate separation from these dear people from whom we have received the kindest treatment. This church is now in the best condition it has been for years. Since entering upon the work of this field I have served six churches and the utmost harmony has prevailed with all but one, and with this one the greatest harmony appeared to prevail for two years. At the close of two years' work with this church I resigned, and although I was requested to reconsider my resignation, I never thought it wise to do so. Hammonds Plains—second—much union and fellowship between the two churches has been effected by the preaching of the gospel. Large congregations have always attended the preaching services there. Friday evening, Oct. 29th, we were agreeably surprised by a visitation of friends from the church and congregation at the Plains. They brought with them no small quantity of good things, and a grand time was enjoyed by all present. This enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the singing of "God be with us till we meet again." The following week we were again surprised by the incoming of about twenty-five dear friends from the church and congregation at Sackville to give us a good time and bestow upon us some tokens of their friendship and esteem. Both evenings were pleasantly spent with these kind friends and we were the richer in temporal blessings after they had departed. We have received much kindness from all parts of

this field and have been made the recipients of many helpful and useful things throughout our ministry among them. We hope and pray that God will abundantly bless these people and direct to them a minister of His own selection. Our address after Nov. 1st will be Chester, N. S. Sister Tremaine Thompson, the worthy and much appreciated organist of the First Hammonds Plains church has been the means of raising funds and causing to be erected a suitable building for the worship of God and the teaching of Sunday School in a settlement near the Plains. Our sister has about thirty scholars or more to whom she lovingly breaks the bread of life on Lord's day by teaching them the truth of Jesus Christ. Since the setting apart of this building for religious purposes, much interest in sacred matters has been manifested. A Wednesday evening service has been well sustained. A. WHITMAN. Sackville, Nov. 28th.


### Halifax District Meeting.

The Halifax District committee held its monthly meetings at the North church on December second. The session for business was held at three o'clock. There were delegates from the outlying districts, all the way from Jeddore to St. Margarets Bay. Mr. P. W. Maskill and Mr. Harpell were present, representing the Jeddore church. Rev. A. E. Ingram and Mr. Colishan were delegates from St. Margaret's Bay first. The failure of the fisheries makes it necessary that the Jeddore and St. Margaret's Bay fields should receive help from the Home Mission fund. Rev. Mr. Slaughterwhite has removed from Jeddore, and is now at work in Kempt, Queens Co. The Jeddore fields are without a pastor. One is needed immediately. A move is made to unite the east and west St. Margaret's Bay fields in one pastorate. Even if this is brought about, the Home Mission board will be requested to render some help to sustain the Rev. A. E. Ingram as the pastor.

The Rev. Asaph Whitman is about leaving the Hammonds Plains field. This will leave Hammonds Plains, Lucas Settlement, Sackville and Fall River without a pastor. A good man is needed for this place and one for Jeddore.

Reports from the churches in the district were given by the delegates present. The view of the churches given in this way made it apparent that a number of the churches needed financial help, and that a county missionary permanently employed was an urgent necessity if progress is to be made. The meeting therefore passed a resolution requesting the Home Missionary Board to appoint such a missionary and give \$350 for his support, the balance of

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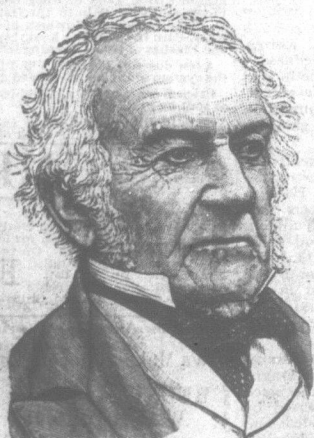
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his salary, estimated at \$300, to be made up by the churches of the district, and by the missionary on the field. The Rev. A. Cohoon, Secretary of the H. M. B., was present and took part in the discussion.

All who attended the afternoon service were invited to take tea in the building and remain to the evening meeting. A large number accepted the invitation.

After some preliminary business at the evening meeting Rev. E. M. Saunders was called upon for a paper on the history of the Baptists in the city and county of Halifax. The sketch given, of about three quarters of an hour in length, was listened to with close attention. It will be offered to the MESSENGER AND VISITOR for publication. After the reading of this paper the Rev. A. Cohoon gave an address on Home Missions. One point emphasized by him was that the small churches planted in cities would not amount to much unless they were made strong at the outset by families of influence uniting with them. They must be made strong at the beginning. The Rev. G. A. Lawson is chairman, and Mr. B. H. Eaton, secretary of the District committee. The meeting was a most encouraging one. The spirit of bearing each others' burdens is more and more prevailing the group of churches in the district.

The services for inducting the Rev. Mr. Robinson, of the Cornwallis Street church, took place last Sunday afternoon. The Rev. Dr. Kempton, Rev. G. A. Lawson, Rev. Z. J. Fash were present and took part in the exercises.



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