

I need not add the cents, will be more acceptable to God than many prayers without the dollars.

All being well Mrs. Ford and I leave next Monday, the 17th, for Cornwallis to spend a few days with our friends there. This will be a pleasant outing for us, after which we return to the city and go to housekeeping. Our new home will be close by the meeting house, on the corner of North and Maynard streets. We will always be at home to our friends who may visit the city.

We have nothing especially new to report this month. Our work goes quietly along and we are working as best we can, and trusting God for results.

I made my regular visit to Elmsdale the first Monday in this month and preached to a fair congregation, considering the scattered condition of the brethren and the very bad roads.

Our good sister, Mrs. Neil, has been very low indeed, but it is now hoped that she is some better. Many prayers have been offered for the restoration to health of this dear sister. She is so useful and loves the cause so much that the friends cannot bear the thought of her being taken from them. May the God and Saviour whom she serves be pleased to restore her to her family and the church, is our earnest prayer.

E. C. FORD.

Halifax, April 14, 1899.

WESTPORT AND TIVERTON, N. S.

The writer of these items has decided to close his labors with these churches the first of May, at the close of his third year's work. He has enjoyed the work with them very much, and has formed many pleasant associations. During his ministry here he has had the privilege of baptizing twenty-four believers into Christ. He performed ten marriage ceremonies and had charge of twenty funeral services. He preached 402 sermons, and made 2,640 pastoral calls. He served the two churches jointly, preaching at each place every alternate Sunday. Elder Devoe assisted two weeks in a meeting in Tiverton a year ago. Last winter Elder Stevenson held meetings five weeks for us, and his labors were very much appreciated by every one. Both church houses were repaired and money raised toward paying the indebtedness. The church in Tiverton had the happy privilege of entertaining the annual meeting last summer, which was very pleasant and profitable to the church.

The writer expects to assume charge of a field in eastern Pennsylvania the third Sunday in May. His companion and himself are very thankful for courtesies extended to them during three years' stay in Nova Scotia, and are glad for this opportunity of becoming acquainted with the brethren in the Maritime Provinces.

J. W. BOLTON.

The church in Tiverton is still moving along in its usual way. We have started a young people's meeting on Thursday evening, which is a new feature here. We formerly had a Society of Christian Endeavor. Bro. Bolton preached his farewell sermon last night (23rd) from Acts, xx. 42. He is going to Pennsylvania to labor with the brethren at two different points, viz., Sweet Valley and Hantsville, situated some ten miles apart. We were very sorry to part with him as he was very much liked by all the people of Tiverton. We feel that his place will not be easily filled, he has been a very faithful pastor. We trust that blessings may follow him wherever he may go.

KENTRICK OUTHOUSE.

MILTON, N. S.

The work here is, in every sense of the word, gratifying. We rejoice in being able to announce that the condition of our church, in her several departments, is promising. Generally speaking, a commendable amount of interest and activity are being exhibited among our people in this community. Everything evidences that the members of Milton congregation are not behind in discharging the obligations devolving upon them as a Christian brotherhood, both as to home and foreign relations.

The contribution we were able to give toward the foreign missionary fund is to us a special source of delight and encouragement. Our assessment was twenty dollars, or three dollars more than any sum donated by us for the same purpose during previous years. But we exceeded both our apportionment and expectation by collecting an offering of fifty-six dollars.

During the recent past our church building has undergone extensive remodeling. The old plastered ceiling was replaced by one of nicely finished hardwood, the beautifully polished appearance of which fully justifies the innovation. The antiquated, straight-backed pews also suffered a change for the better. Relined with first class hardwood sheathing, so made that a reasonable degree of curvature accommodates a comfortable sitting posture, they are a decided improvement over their predecessors. As a result our chapel looks more modern. "Old things are passed away; behold! all things are become new."

The Bethany reading course has found some earnest students among us. Appreciating the usefulness of a knowledge of its several subjects, our young people have set apart Friday evening of each week for class study. Thus far, many have taken the regular examinations.

Our meetings are admirably attended—Lord's day morning and evening, Sunday-school, Y. P. S. C. E. on Wednesday evening, and regular Saturday evening prayer service.

W. ALEX. McCAFFREY.

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

As no news from this church has appeared in THE CHRISTIAN for a long time, perhaps a few items just now would not be out of place.

While the winter was passing away the brethren and sisters have not been idle, ways and means were being devised to repair our church. Not only did it need repairs but it was out of date in style of architecture. So we decided to make some very important additions, which when completed, will be a church building of which we all will be proud.

The contract has been let and considerable of work done, and we hope to have it all completed before the annual meeting, which will be held here the second Lord's day in July. We shall endeavor to give a description of repairs and additions in the June number of THE CHRISTIAN.

The financial burden is a heavy one but we have undertaken it with a good will, and we trust that success will attend our efforts: Although the contractors' bill is a large one and must be met promptly, yet we did not forget to make a good contribution to foreign missions the first Lord's day in March.

G. A. JEFFREY.

April 17th, 1899.

EAST POINT, P. E. I.

The work at this place is progressing very favorably. The weather was exceedingly fine, and the meetings on both Sundays were well attended. Our hearts were all made glad on the last Sunday morning of our meeting to see three come out on the Lord's side. Two middle-aged men came

back to renew their vows, and one young man came out to make the good confession. The Lord bless them and keep them. A. N. S.

CROSS ROADS, LOT 48, P. E. I.

The interest seems to be increasing at this point. There are still some vacant seats waiting patiently for occupancy. Come, brethren, and fill up your pews. The Lord gives you six days to work for yourself, and he wants you to give him at least two hours every first day of the week. Where shall we stand in judgment? A. N. S.

RAT PORTAGE, ONTARIO.

Bro. George W. Fullerton, whose labor for the cause of Christ in Pictou and the Maritime Provinces generally is well known to the brethren in these provinces is continuing, his good work in Rat Portage, Ontario, whither he went last summer to reside.

He has at present the help of Evangelist Hester and Singer Givens. The services are being held in the church just vacated by the Presbyterians. Bro. Hester is discussing such subjects as "The Beginning of the Church," "Christian Union," "The Bible, What it is and How to read it," "Religious Prejudices," "Opening the Will," and other subjects which would appear to be very appropriate in new fields.

Rat Portage is a town of between six and seven thousand inhabitants, and is growing quite rapidly. It would appear to be a good field for our people. The present is undoubtedly an opportune time for starting the work, as the town is apparently yet in its infancy.

Rat Portage is between 180 and 200 miles from the Christian colony being formed near Rainy River, and is the largest town of Rainy River district. It is important, therefore, that we should have a church established there. We would ask our brethren to pray for this good work. Brother Fullerton, whose lot seems to be cast in difficult places, began this work single handed. We hope soon, however, to see him surrounded with a band of faithful fellow disciples.

We have received no Church News this month from—

Nauwigewauk, N. B.
Burt's Corner, N. B.
Summersville, N. S.
Woodville, N. S.
Pictou, N. S.
Shubenacadie, N. S.
Cornwallis, N. S.
South Range, N. S.
Kempt, N. S.
Southville, N. S.
Gulliver's Cove, N. S.
Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Montague, P. E. I.
New Glasgow, P. E. I.
Fredericton, P. E. I.

A few items from each of the above, in addition to the monthly contributions, would make the June issue of THE CHRISTIAN an interesting one.

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MAJOR LINKLETTER, Summerside, P. E. I.
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More names will be added as they are appointed