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Not among the smallest factors of progress do we note our Baptist churches. For many years the county has been quite well supplied with them, and more recently work has been taken up in the town of Lunenburg. Here we now find an intelligent and devoted band of workers. They are united under the tuition and leadership of pastor Rev. J. S. Brown, and though they were the last of the Christian churches to take up work here, and the least still in numbers, they are making an excellent record. Mahone Bay, seven miles distant from the old town, and like it beautiful for situation, is a growing village, well supplied with churches. The Baptists with a fine house of worship, and neat parsonage hard by, and under the leadership of Rev. J. Williams, who is now enjoying a second pastorate, and diligently holding the fort against all evil. At Bridgewater we find our young brother, Rev. C. W. Corey, just fresh from the school, with a grand opportunity before him for testing the theories of the schoolmen, and of doing excellent work in the church. He is doing good service and is being highly appreciated by the people. The Rev. S. March, so highly esteemed for his long and useful service in this county, has a comfortable home in this thriving town, and is still able to shepherd several churches adjacent. By this brief visit we increased the circulation of the MESSINGER AND VISITOR by adding a few names to quite a large list. J. H. S.

Theology at Acadia.

Student labor among our churches in these Maritime Provinces is an established fact. At the close of the June term at Acadia and its tributaries—our Academy and Seminary—the Home Mission Board sent out a number of young men to preach the gospel to our churches for the period of their vacation. Last summer we had quite a number of ministerial students thus engaged, and as our institutions are now so largely attended and as the influence of Christianity is so marked in them, may we not expect for the years to come an increase in the number of those who will be employed in the same work?

The recent arrangement of the Board of Governors of Acadia College to provide for a professor in English Literature, thus giving the president of the college and Prof. Keirstead the time to give instruction in theology to the ministerial students, commends itself for our earnest prayers and our financial aid.

When the late Dr. Cramp was president of Acadia College he taught a theological class composed of his students, and the benefits derived from it are held in grateful remembrance. "To Dr. Cramp while I was attending the college," said one of our most esteemed and most successful ministers, at the Southern Association held this autumn, "am I indebted for the theological instruction which I received." May we not hope that like experiences from ministers of the same standing in coming years will be the desirable results of the theological teaching now going on at Acadia College? J. COOMBS.

Our Book Room.

Eight years ago, on November 23rd, our Book Room began business at No. 104 Granville street, Halifax, with small capital, small stock of books, and in a very small store; but with strong faith, a large field, and loyal, loving hearts, the Baptist Book and Tract Society launched out on a grand mission.

Brethren who believed this Book Room to be useful, worked hard to secure the required capital, advocated its claims, and spent many weary hours in nursing and caring for it in its infancy. These brethren have been rewarded as they have seen its growth, and are delighted as they note the progress made.

So firmly has this institution taken hold upon the hearts of the people, that business poured in from all parts of the provinces. Pastors and people subscribed of their means toward the

establishing of this enterprise, and all are deeply interested in its welfare. A year or so passes, and orders are more numerous, capital increases, stock enlarges, our store becomes too small, and we remove to No. 94 Granville street, where we have more room and make a better display, and friends wish us success.

The needs of the denomination are kept constantly before us, and very soon "The Canadian Baptist Hymnal" is published by the society and the greatest hymnologists of England, Scotland and America pronounce it the finest collection published. The book has had a sale from Cow Bay, Cape Breton, to British Columbia, and in one year and a half we have sold ten thousand copies of the various bindings.

As this part of the business grows, we again are reminded that our quarters are too small; after a time the way opens up and the store No. 120 Granville street is offered to the society. Our directors were a little afraid to assume greater expenditure, but after considering the growth of the society and its future needs, they accept the offer; alterations of the premises are completed, we remove to these beautiful Baptist headquarters. Some of our friends may be anxious to see it, yet cannot come to Halifax. In your mind's eye follow me for a moment.

Coming along Granville street south to George street, you observe on the western side two large British plate glass windows, measuring in all 17 feet high, affording ample light into the back of the store, which measures 60 feet deep and 18 wide. In order to get all this light into the back, the first story of the building has been removed, giving us a ceiling of 19 feet clear. Handsome paper, with border to match, line the ceiling and walls.

On the second story is a large and convenient committee room and two stock rooms, and under the store is a cellar the full depth of the building. Glass windows are placed before the shelves, preventing dust from soiling tops of the books. Two large walnut top tables are in the centre of the store, above which hangs a handsome four-arm chandelier, imported especially from New York. The whole, when complete, is said to be "the finest book store in Halifax." However this may be, it suits our purpose and work, and we hope to possess it for a number of years.

I know this is a long story, but one or two items and I am done.

1st. Seeing that the society has supplied a room, specially set apart for the various Committees, Board and Aid Societies, to hold their meetings in, and that it may also be used as a reception room for city and county friends—it is desirable that it be furnished with carpet or oil cloth for the floor, and made comfortable for such purposes, and that the ladies of our denomination may have this honor, it is suggested that they hold a special meeting in the room to consider the subject. Ladies outside of the city can mail their contributions to the secretary of the society, who will acknowledge the same. Ladies, act promptly, please. It is also suggested that the portraits of our Baptist fathers in the ministry be hung on the walls of this room. Will those who have such, kindly contribute the same, addressing them to the Secretary?

2nd. Our Book Room started with several objects in view—one of which was "Colportage." A very long article on this subject might be written. In many sections of our provinces Colportage work is needed. Men have been working at various times since the beginning, but only as the benevolent funds of the society would permit. More might be done had we the right men and their salaries supplemented by each association; work could be carried on at least nine months out of each year within the bounds of each association, with grand results. This is a subject which should rest upon our hearts, and be promptly acted upon. Brethren and sisters, in conclusion, pray for our Book Room, contribute to its work, patronize it all you can. G. A. McDONALD, Secy.-Treas.

Nathan Plummer, M. D., of Auburn, N. H., says that he has used Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry in his practice for more than ten years, and finds it the most effective remedy within his knowledge. He recommends it with great confidence to those subject to coughs and pulmonary complaints.

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Death.

SEBASTIAN—At her home in this city, Oct. 28, Mrs. John W. Sullivan fell asleep in Jesus, in the 81st year of her age. She gave herself to Christ in early life. She was baptised by Rev. John Francis, at Amherst, N.S. On removing to Saint John, she united with the Brussels street church, shortly after its organization. In 1880 she took her letter and united with Leinster street church, from which she was called to join the church above. She was a truly consecrated Christian, and the sweet fragrance of her life will have an abiding influence for good. She loved the church, and only under the most exceptional circumstances was she absent from the services of the sanctuary. Lord's day morning, before her death, she attended service, and Tuesday morning entered the service on high. The care of a large family is frequently made an excuse for being absent from the Lord's house, but this to her made it not more imperative that she should be there, and she loved to see all her children active members of the church. She leaves to mourn, a husband, whose devotion to her was marked with admiration by all who knew them, and a most affectionate family of six daughters and two sons; one daughter is the amiable wife of our esteemed brother Rev. L. A. Palmer, of Woodstock. Many friends join us in deep sympathy with this sorrowing household. May the Lord comfort them.

I desire to acknowledge the receipt of ten dollars from "My Left Hand" to supply Bibles for the needy, from Digby, N. S. Jos. RICHARDS, Treasurer, Grande Ligne Mission.

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Religious Intelligence.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

SERVICES.—One was baptised here on the 26th ult. Still there are others earnestly seeking the Saviour. E. J. G.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.—Two were received by letter into the Albert Street church at our last conference. Sabbath congregations are steady and general work interesting. L. A. PALMER.

AMHERST SHORE, Cumberland Co., N.S.—As news of the prosperity of God's cause is always timely, we rejoice to inform our readers that God is graciously continuing to bless and save souls here. Last Sabbath, Oct. 30th, it was my happy privilege to bury in baptism six happy converts—three young men and three young women—and the work still goes on. Also three were sprinkled by the Methodists, and it appears that at present D. D. Currie's catechism, and others of similar character, are being widely circulated, but we pray that truth may prevail, that the plain teachings of God's Word may settle many disturbed minds. Pray for us. J. W. S. YOUNG.

ELGIN, Albert Co.—We have got moved and partially settled in our new home in Elgin, and hope soon to be at work on the field. Before leaving our old field in Hillsboro, we received a friendly call from a large number of our friends in connection with Valley church. After spending a pleasant evening, and presenting us with a purse and other tokens of regard, they left us with best wishes for our success. We will not fail to keep the parting hand; but felt that we were doing right. May the God of all grace bless and prosper those churches. And may the "Lord of the harvest" send them a faithful servant who will preach to them the Word of Life. I can recommend the field of our God's faithful servants, and hope some one will soon be settled there. S. W. KEIRSTEAD.

OAK BAY.—On Thursday evening, Oct. 30th, as we were engaged in conversation with one of our deacons and wife, who had come in to take a social cup of tea with us, we were very greatly surprised when the members of Oak Bay church and congregation came to the door of the Baptist parsonage and took possession, where the ladies spread the table and literally loaded it with good things, and after the repast, which all seemed to enjoy, the evening was spent in friendly intercourse, interspersed by music and singing. The meeting was organized by appointing a chairman, and a presentation of a beautiful garnet and old gold plush chair, as a token of esteem, was made to us. This is but one of the many tokens of kindness received from this field during my stay for three years. F. S. T.

PENNSFIELD AND BEAVER HARBOR, Charlotte Co., N. B.—It may be interesting to know that the cause of Christ in these localities lives. During the latter part of the summer our prayer meetings have been very interesting, and all our gatherings well attended. We have had two very successful Sunday-school concerts—one in each of these places. Six months ago the Baptists had no Sunday-school at Beaver Harbor; now they have as well as a Sunday-school as can be found in any locality of this size, managed by eight energetic teachers. Our average attendance is very good, and thus we are now in a position to make things more interesting for the children, as we have just purchased a very nice new organ, with which all are delighted. There is need—and an urgent need—of a good first class library at once. For this we are putting in fund all we can spare. I have not yet seen children as eager for books as they are among us. Besides, they are very intelligent. If anyone who reads this has money or books to spare for such a purpose, they will be thank fully received. But remember books of any and every description will not do. They must contain wholesome literature—good doctrines. C. S. STEARNS.

SALISBURY, N. B.—The Baptist interest in this place is not what it was twenty years ago. A number of the old standard bearers have gone to the reward, and others have moved away, but we are hoping and praying that God will raise up others to sustain and carry on the work. The field is large and important, and if it could be fully cultivated, no doubt great spiritual results would follow to the honor of God and the joy of many. I am doing what I can to build up and strengthen the cause, but my efforts are so scattered that they do not appear to have the desired effect. The people are kind and many seem disposed to contribute quite liberally towards the pastor's support, but there are few to cooperate heartily with him in the Lord's work. Our meeting-house at the village has recently been repaired, greatly improving its appearance. The attendance at most of our services is good, and excellent attention is given to the word preached. We ask to be remembered in the prayers of all interested in the Lord's work. J. J. ARMISTEAD.

Oct. 31.

F. J.—A serious accident happened to Bro. J. R. Raymond, of Weymouth, N.S., last week. While attempting to board the train at Pollet River, he was knocked down and very severely injured. His friends will be glad to learn that he is doing as well as could be expected and it is hoped will soon be about again. J. J. A.

PERSONAL.

We are sorry to learn from the Watchman that Rev. Ralph M. Hunt, pastor of the church at Jamaica Plain, Boston, has not yet so far recovered his health as to admit of his resuming work. His people have kindly lengthened his journey to permit of his taking a trip to Europe in hope that it may result in complete restoration. We trust the hope may be fully realized.

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