

the preaching of the gospel of the grace of God for the conversion of sinners and to the education of Christians in the knowledge of spiritual truth and in all the activities of Christian life.

May no discordant note of strife ever be heard within these walls, but may the faith out of which all goodness springs, the hope which purifies and comforts the sorrowing heart and the love which honors God, blesses man and binds Christians in blessed fellowship, ever inspire and sway the hearts and lives of those who worship here. May God graciously accept this offering of a house in His name, an offering made by grateful hearts and willing hands, and bless every heart that shares in this gift. May many here be born to God, so that when we who are here to-day shall have gone to our eternal home, others may take up the service and repeat from generation to generation the old, old story of the cross until Jesus comes and all His redeemed are gathered home. We invoke His blessing on the labor of our hands, and we commit to His holy care and keeping all the interests connected with this religious enterprise.

May the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish Thou the work of our hands. And to thy blessed name, O God, Whose we are and Whose name we serve, be honor and glory everlasting through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

This house, although the property of the Church of Christ, is free for all denominations when not in use by said body. The sittings are free, and all are welcome to employ this building as a place wherein Almighty God may be worshipped.

At this service J. Barry Allan sang "The Crystal Sea."

After the morning service the Lords Supper was partaken of by a large number of brethren and sisters. It was a solemn and impressive occasion.

In the afternoon, at 2.30, S. W. Leonard, Leonardville, Deer Island, preached an able discourse on "Humanity"—Phil. ii. 8.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Eldridge (Baptist), of Back Bay, and William Murray, of Swampscott, Mass.

J. Barry Allan sang "Some Sweet Day." At the collection Mrs Hazen Dick sang "Saved by Grace."

In the evening, at 7.30, W. H. Harding, of West Gore, preached again to a crowded house on "The Golden Stairs I (Peter i. 7), in which he showed what men must do to be saved—faith, repentance, confession, baptism were the first steps. A great many persons stop here and fall down stairs. In order to reach heaven they must add to faith virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, Godliness, brotherly kindness, charity; for, if they do these things they shall never fall; for so an entrance shall be administered abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

A duet, "That Beautiful Land," was sung by Mrs. Hazen Dick and Mr. S. W. Leonard.

At all the services the house was crowded, persons coming from Letete, Back Bay and St. George. A large number of the brethren and sisters came over from Deer Island on

Lord's Day morning, and a number came from St. John on Saturday. Bro. Henry W. Stewart, pastor of the Coburg Street Christian Church, and Bro. J. Chas. B. Appel, pastor of the Main Street Christian Church, unable to be present at the dedication, went down on the following Monday to assist Bro. Harding in the meeting, which was to continue through the week.

Much credit is due to the sisters and friends who made ample provision for the entertainment of the visitors.

Through the indefatigable efforts of Capt. S. W. Dick and the financial assistance of friends in New York, New Jersey, Boston, St. John, St. George, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Letete and Mascarene, one of the neatest and most commodious meeting houses has been erected in that place.

It is 35x25 feet, and will seat about 200 persons. The ceiling and walls are sheathed with pine, stained and varnished, with an ash wainscoting.

It is seated with settees with book-racks and a rack underneath for hats. Some of them are reversible, so that they can be arranged for Sunday school classes. There is a stained glass window in the rear of the pulpit, the gift of Mr. Hazen Dick, of St. John. The aisles and pulpit are laid with tapestry carpets, donated by friends in St. John, and the blinds also. A large chandelier with six lamps in front of the pulpit and two Rochester lamps are used to light the house. There is also a large cabinet organ. The Disciples of Christ have also churches at Letete and Back Bay, of which the late J. A. Gates was pastor for a number of years. The increase of membership of this religious body in the last five years is most remarkable. They now number over a million.

W. A. B.

I DARE NOT IDLE STAND.

I dare not idle stand,
While upon every hand
The whitening fields declare the harvest near;
A gleaner I would be,
Gathering, dear Lord, for thee,
Lest I with empty hands at last appear.

I dare not idle stand,
While on the shifting sand
The ocean casts bright treasures at my feet;
Beneath some shell's rough side
The tinted pearls may hide,
And I with precious gifts my Lord may meet.

I dare not idle stand,
While over all the land
Poor wandering souls need humble help like mine;
Brighter than the brightest gem
In monarch's diadem,
Each soul a star in Jesus' crown may shine.

I dare not idle stand,
But at my Lord's command,
Labor for Him throughout my life's short day;
Evening will come at last,
Day's labor all be past,
And rest eternal my brief toil repay.

—Presbyterian.

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