

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

CENTRAL CHURCH.

On July 1st Bro. Manifold was re-engaged, and entered upon his third years' ministry in this city. The Central church, for which he ministers, has now a membership of fifty-six, six members having been added during the year ending June 30th. In the past year this congregation has raised for preaching purposes, rent and current expenses, about \$575, and for Home Missions \$11.35, and for Foreign Missions \$41, of which \$11 is from the Bible school. A good Bible school of about thirty scholars is kept up, and mid-week prayer meetings are held throughout the year. At present Bro. Manifold is enjoying a few weeks' visit in St. John, where he supplies the pulpit for Bro. H. W. Stewart, who is taking a much needed vacation and rest. Bro. Herbert Martin, of Lexington, Ky., is preaching in the absence of Bro. Manifold, and his many friends in Charlottetown are rejoiced to have the privilege of hearing him.

The church and Sunday-school picnic was held on Thursday, July 7th, at the home of Bro. D. K. Scott, North River. We were favored with excellent weather, and the drive of five miles into the country was greatly enjoyed by both old and young.

Some of the races caused great merriment. The woods, which abounded in ferns, made a very pleasant retreat. Quite a number of visitors were present. Thanks are due to our kind entertainers, who spared no trouble to make everyone happy.

NEW GLASGOW, P. E. I.

Bro. A. N. Simpson, late from Kentucky University, has been preaching at New Glasgow for the two last Sundays, and two nights during the week, with much acceptance. Three persons were baptized, and many attended the meetings. We are glad that our young brother is engaged for the coming year to preach at Lot 48 and East Point, and pray that his labors will be greatly blest.

We expect Bro. Howard Murray to-day to spend some time with us, and hope that the Lord will bless his efforts in the future as he has done in the past. D C.

Home Mission Notes.

What we greatly feared has come upon us, we close the year about \$100.00 in debt. Who is responsible for this? Some one will have to give an account. Perhaps at an annual meeting the brethren are too much elated and vote more than the churches are able to pay. But we do not think so, twenty five cents each from our membership would meet all our grants. There are hundreds who have not given a cent. This is why we are in debt. Then there was \$37.00 pledged at the last annual which has not been paid.

As this is the last time the undersigned will write these notes, he takes this opportunity of thanking all those who so kindly helped him in the past. He asks that his mistakes may be overlooked, and that he "may only be remembered" by what little good he has been able to do in the eight years as secretary to the Home Mission Board. So with best wishes for the prosperity of our home mission work and the cause in the provinces, I will say good bye.

J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary.

RECEIPTS.

Acknowledged, .....	\$482 00
Lexington, Ky., J W. Gates, .....	5 00
St. John, Coburg St., Miss Christie, .....	6 00
"    "    O B. Stockford, .....	1 00
"    "    Mission Band, .....	5 35
River John, "Helper," .....	2 00
Westport, per E. A Payson, .....	2 00
Y. P. M. S., per Mrs. Bolton, .....	2 00
Milton, for Queens Co., per F. C. Ford, .....	10 00

\$515 35

J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary.

Foreign Missions.

Maritime C. W. B. M.

Expect great things from God.  
Attempt great things for God.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged, .....	\$193 56
Pictou—	
Ladies' Aux., .....	2 95
Milton—	
Ladies' Aux., .....	9 00
Lord's Cove—	
Ladies' Aux., .....	5 70
C. W. B. M. day col., .....	7 91
Selma—	
Mrs. Ida MacDougal, .....	1 00
St. John—	
Coburg St. Ladies' Aux., .....	3 00
"    "    S. S., .....	5 05
New Glasgow—	
Church, .....	33 00
Leonardville—	
Ladies' Aux., .....	14 05
Westport—	
C. W. B. M. day col., .....	2 70
Southville—	
C. W. B. M. day col., .....	1 00
Montague—	
Col. P. E. I. Convention, .....	6 23
Interest, .....	54

Total, .....

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CHILDREN'S WORK.

Previously acknowledged, .....	\$124 31
Westport—	
Willing Workers, .....	1 00
Children's Day offering, S. S., .....	4 50
Charlottetown—	
Golden Link Band, .....	3 00
Lord's Cove—	
Mission Band, .....	5 80
Milton—	
Daily Workers' Band, .....	1 65

Total, .....

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A DREAM.

The following may be of interest: The writer dreamed that he received the Canadian governmental record of an extensive immigration scheme. Advertisements for agents were inserted in the papers, and were answered by a large number of men, the majority of whom were engaged to go to the different parts of Europe. The instructions were to obtain immigrants by any and every means, no restrictions of any kind being imposed. The men, thus given *carte blanche*, employed various and strange methods whereby to secure the ear and attention of prospective immigrants. It would be difficult to find anywhere an equal number of men more enthusiastic, loyal and patriotic in their desires to see the Dominion covered with prosperous farms and dotted with beautiful cities. But, like most men, they had their pet theories in regard to government, education, etc., and it soon became apparent that these ideas were to enter very largely into their work as immigrant agents.

Among these plans might be mentioned that of "eight hours' work, eight hours' play, eight hours' sleep, surface irrigation, deep irrigation, public ownership of railroads, steamboats, telegraphs," etc. These were the most popular, but there were numbers of others. The agents became so enthusiastic in their various schemes for the development of the Dominion and the finding of immigrants who would join their party, that after a while little was heard of the natural resources of the country. This was soon

remarked by the names given the agents. No longer were they spoken of as Canadians, but one heard of "eight-hourites," "surfaceites," etc. The earnestness and faith manifested by these men from across the water yielded abundant fruit. Large companies of men and women immigrated under the excitement aroused by this active propaganda. A few agents felt that the best information to give the prospective immigrants was that of the great fertility of the soil, the abundance of game, the vast mineral wealth, etc. They did not work for party recruits, but simply to obtain settlers for the broad acres of fair Canada. These were also very successful, and at one time it looked as though the people of Europe would cease to listen to the party agents, for, said they, "the Canadianites tell us about that which will undoubtedly be of benefit to us, whereas the others seem to have some private interest to serve."

Further on in the records I was greatly surprised to find that the first great success of the "Canadianites" did not continue, and at a meeting of the cabinet the subject of withdrawing governmental aid from them was very seriously discussed. It was argued that the same amount of money brought a much larger number of immigrants when handled by the "party agents," and, although these new arrivals were not as loyal settlers as those secured by the "Canadianites," yet the government felt that this could be remedied by subsequent education. I was surprised in my dream to find that the agents who had the most attractive list of benefits should be so unsuccessful in comparison to the other workers, and searched the records to find if any explanation was given. I found this: "The party agents are well organized and in dead earnest, while the 'Canadianites' depend upon the superior advantages they offer and fail to make the necessary efforts." As is the manner of dreams, my surroundings suddenly changed, and I found myself watching the working out of the scheme in the Dominion itself. Many strange events took place which may, perhaps, be noticed next month. J. CHAS. B. APPEL.

Married.

LONG-SEAMAN.—At the residence of the bride's father, on June 29th, by D. Crawford, Theophilus D. Long, of Wheatly River, to Harriet M., sixth daughter of Thomas Seaman, of Hunter River, P. E. I.

Died.

WIER.—I have just returned from the funeral of Annie Wier, daughter of Bros. Elias Wier of Shubenacadie, who died of consumption July 12th, after a tedious sickness of about three years which was borne with patient submission to the divine will. Annie was baptized by Bro. W. H. Harding before disease had marked her for its prey, and as long as she was able she was faithful in attending the meetings of the church. It is a source of great comfort to the bereaved family to remember her strong faith in Christ, and her earnest desire to depart from her sufferings to be with him. How precious to "know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." H. W.

WALLACE.—At West Gore, N. S., July 12, after a lingering illness of three years, at the age of 45 years, Ermina, wife of Josiah Wallace and daughter of James Stevens, of Halifax. The deceased has left, now grown, one son and three daughters. Her parents, husband, children, brother and sister mourn her death, while in the church and by many relatives and friends she will be greatly missed. When young she obeyed the gospel, and in all the relations of life she has endeavored to be faithful to her profession. She was a faithful wife, an affectionate mother, and a kind and helpful friend. The church here has lost a useful member and the cause of missions a true helper. She suffered much and longed to be at rest. Her desire was granted, and the blessedness of those who die in the Lord is hers. Her funeral sermon was preached by Bro. Shaw, from Illinois, to a very large and attentive audience. H. W.