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remaining over one night. The brethren here are still holding the fort. They have not yet commenced work on the new meeting-house. We were not with them long enough to ascertain when they intended to commence the work of building.

We reached

ST. JOHN

Thursday evening in time for the prayer-meeting. We remained here over one Lord's day. The church here is united and active in every good work. I have known this church ten years or more, but I never knew it in a more united or better working condition than at the present time. It enjoys every prospect of future success. Bro. Capp has the unshaken confidence of the entire church, and of all that know him. The ladies, young and old, are doing a splendid work for home mission. Were the rest of our churches as active in the mission we could support two Evangelists in these two Provinces, and then we would be able to supply all the churches with a proportionable amount of preaching. This is the hardest lesson to impress upon the churches and yet the most important. Bro. Rowe gave us some sound words in the *Review* on this subject of mission. He says:

1. "We believe that no man can be a Christian who does not breathe the missionary spirit of Christ, and who does not to the extent of his ability and opportunities assist in spreading the gospel."

2. "We believe that no church is the church of Christ which does not to the utmost stretch of its capabilities assist in sounding out the Word of Life."

I am now in Leonardville, Deer Island. Have preached twice. Good congregations. We expect to remain here a few days, and hope to be able to settle a preacher here all the time. This church has had a wonderful growth the past five years. When we first came here, five years ago, there were about eleven who attended to the breaking of bread. Now, I should think, they numbered a hundred. Bro. Emery's work here was very successful.

M.

[The above was intended for the March number, but by reason of stormy weather, came too late for that issue.—C.]

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

ST. JOHN ITEMS.

CONRUG ST. CHURCH.—Lord's day services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Sunday-school at 2.15 P. M. Young People's Meeting, Tuesday evening at 8. General Prayer Meeting, Thursday evening at 8. Brethren visiting the city cordially welcomed. The Ladies' Sewing Society meets every Wednesday evening at 6.

At a church business meeting held recently, a unanimous request was made to Bro. Capp to remain with us another year. We are gratified to learn he has consented to stay.

One young man confessed the Saviour since last report.

Our Quarterly Meeting convened on the third Lord's day in March as announced.

Our meetings have been very interesting so far. The attendance during the first week was very good. This week it has rained every evening.

Bro. Murray is now with us, and we hope to be able to report some success when the meeting closes.

Bro. Capp visited Deer Island and preached for the Leonardville brethren last Lord's day.

Bro. Fullerton and wife were with us one evening last week; they were on their way home from the U. S., but remained over one night to meet with us.

BACK BAY.

The church here has been having some interesting meetings, and our hearts have been gladdened by seeing five persons turn to the Lord. Four of these were heads of families—three men and one woman; the fifth was a little girl in her fourteenth year, a daughter of one of our elders. J. A. GATES.

LE TETE.

We have had our hearts cheered in LeTete by the addition of four to our number by confession and baptism. Two of these were young men, heads of families, the others were young ladies.

We were also delighted, both in Back Bay and LeTete, by having Bro. Capp to meet with us and present the claims of the Master. There is only one thing in connection with his visit which I hear people regret, and that is it was far too short. We have had nine additions since last report, these with two reported last month makes eleven in all. Bro. Willard Rideout is with me at present. I expect soon to leave this field and return to the work in Digby Co., N. S. May God richly bless the people here is my prayer. J. A. GATES.

Back Bay, March 28, 1886.

LEONARDVILLE.

The meeting here in Leonardville commenced February 23.1 and continued twenty-two days. The first week was not favorable for meetings. The weather was so very severe the meetings were small. On the second Lord's day there were eight women and one man baptized; on the third Lord's day there were eight men and one woman baptized, and on the following Tuesday two others were baptized; these, with six others who took fellowship, made twenty-six in all during the meeting. The house was well filled, and part of the time extra seats were brought in. Many from other parts of the island were present much of the time.

Much might be said in praise of the brothers and sisters, who entered heartily into the work, doing their part well in making the meeting a success. The last evening of the meeting 61 took an active part in the worship. The meetings each evening commenced at 7 o'clock and continued till 9. One hour for preaching and one hour for prayers and exhortations. During this meeting we preached twenty-three times and made 102 visits.

The church is alive and ready for a good work. They need a preacher and we hope they will be able to secure one very soon.

The sisters are showing their faith by their works both in the "Mission Aid Society" and in the "Sewing Circle." The success of this church has been very encouraging the past four years, and we venture to guess that its future will be still more successful.

We had an appointment for preaching at Lord's Cove on Tuesday evening; but unfortunately the weather prevented us from getting there. Bro. Hughes is preaching for them now, and appears to be strong both in body and mind. The church house there is not yet finished, but we hope will be in the near future. They will then be in a better condition to make greater progress in the good work. H. MURRAY.

NOVA SCOTIA.

WESTPORT.

DEAR CHRISTIAN,—We closed our meeting in Westport a week ago last Lord's day. The immediate results were eight additions by baptism, and several who had grown cold in the service were restored to their places in the church. The whole church was greatly strengthened and encouraged. This was one of the best meetings we have held with this church. We have had meetings when a larger number were added; but never when the brethren cooperated in the work more heartily.

The regular meetings of the church are very interesting, quite a number of the brethren taking part in them. May God help these brethren to be faithful to the charge committed to their trust. E. C. FORD.

TIVERTON.

I came up here last week to try and finish our meeting we began last winter, and which was so abruptly closed on account of the rough weather. Our prospects for favorable weather are not at all

flattering, as we have had stormy weather the greater part of the time since coming up. There is quite an interest here on the part of the brethren, and the social meetings are good. We shall pray, work and hope for the salvation of precious souls. There are many in this community who should be brought to Christ. May God give us grace and wisdom that we may do our duty faithfully. E. C. FORD.

March 22, 1886.

MAINE.

EAST MACHIAS.

After our meeting in Leonardville, Deer Island, we went over the line to visit our brother, William Murray. We found him very busy in the good work in the beautiful little town of East Machias. He has been there only six months, but has succeeded in reviving the church again. A number have come back to the church and have entered heartily into the service of Christ; besides a number who have obeyed the gospel. There are now about fifty good and true-hearted, earnest Disciples of Christ, who are anxious to see the cause of Christ well established in that section of the country. The brethren and friends there seem very anxious to retain Bro. William's services among them. There are fine prospects of continued success if he can be sustained. The brothers and sisters are doing their part well in meeting the necessities that the cause demands. It is to be regretted that the New England churches are not united in the support of the cause in such promising fields. Here is found the discouraging feature in the work among the Disciples of New England, *i. e.*, that fields should be neglected where, with a few hundred dollars, many precious souls could be saved and the cause established permanently; and in the place of this turn their attention to fields where it will require thousands of dollars to do a much less work. We are always glad to see the cause established in the cities and there is one successful way to do this, *i. e.*, by building up the churches in the towns and country.

We remained with our brother one week. We had a very pleasant meeting. There were eight confessions and one other who received the hand of fellowship. The congregations taxed the dimensions of the house, especially the last evening. We were compelled to leave, reluctantly however, and fill our appointment in St. John. In the success of this meeting is seen the success of Bro. William Murray's labors, and the need of a continued effort in this important field. The kindness, hospitality and substantial tokens of respect received from these brethren have won my esteem for them and my interest in their success. We expect to visit them again soon and remain longer. H. MURRAY.

N. B. AND N. S. MISSION BOARDS.

Helen B. Lambert, Lord's Cove, D. I., N. B.	\$0 50
Lillian A. Lambert, " " " "	50
M. M. Lambert, " " " "	50
F. H. Lambert, " " " "	50
Nettie A. Lambert, " " " "	2 00
G. W. Archibald, R. I., U. S.	50
Maudie Munroe, Andover, Mass.	1 50
Mrs. H. Eldridge, Sandy Cove, N. S.	2 00
Mrs. George Thomas, Gulliver's Cove, N. S.	1 00
Miss Emily Murphy, " " " "	50
Missionary Circle of Milton, N. S.	6 50
Ladies' Aid Society, " " " "	20 00
Church, West Gore, N. S.	4 00
A Brother, " " " "	5 00
Sewing Circle, Leonardville, D. I., N. B.	5 00
Church, " " " "	22 54
Total	\$72 54

ERRATA.—Under "Substitutes," page five, we notice, too late however for correction, that the last sentence of the first paragraph commences, "whom disregards," when it should read "whoever disregards." And instead of "conclusive" in the fourth line from the close of the fourth paragraph should appear the word "conductive." c.